

EEG/SEDLine Monitoring Tips

- 1) Swab the forehead twice with alcohol swabs to clean the skin prior to electrode placement.
- 2) Place the EEG and obtain a waveform prior to induction.

3) **Monitor Setup:**

a. The default monitor set up should display all of the parameters described below



- b. **EEG alarms:** SEDLine alarm range is set to low/high limits of 25/50 for PSi (Patient State Index by default.
- c. **Ensure that relevant parameters are being displayed:** The PSi (Patient State Index), ARTF (Artifact), SR (Suppression Ratio), EMG (Electromyographic Strength), SEF (Spectral Edge Frequency 95%) and DSA (Density Spectral Array).
- * EEG waveform reflects changes in patients' hypnotic state much more rapidly that processed EEG parameters*

4) EEG waveform nomenclature and frequency ranges:

■ **Delta:** 1 - 4 or 0 - 4 Hz; **Slow delta**: <1 Hz

■ **Theta**: 4 - 8 Hz

■ **Alpha**: 8 - 12 Hz (Mu)

■ **Beta**: 12 - 30 Hz (or 14 - 30 Hz); **Low beta**:

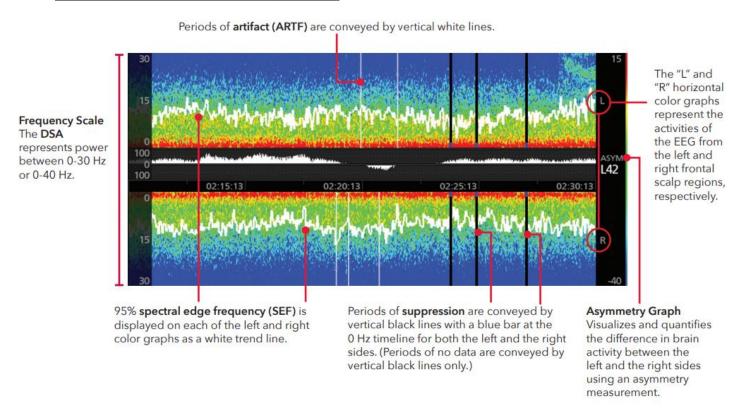
<20 Hz; **High beta**: 20 - 30 Hz

■ **Gamma**: >30 Hz (to 100s Hz)

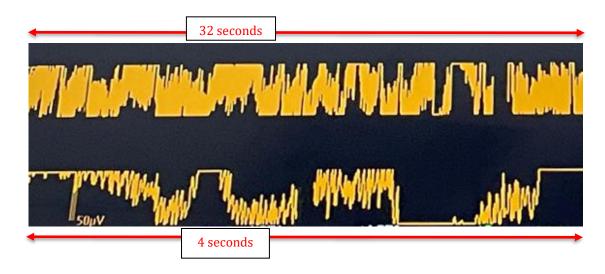
 Sigma: 12 - 14 Hz; frequency band for sleep spindles during physiological sleep

- 5) Spectral Edge Frequency (SEF) interpretation:
 - SEF = frequency below which 95% of the total power of the patient's EEG is located
 - SEF ≤12Hz is consistent with general anesthesia and low likelihood of awareness

6) Density Spectral Array (DSA) interpretation:



7) **EEG of the awake patient:** Dominated by high frequency (i.e., high beta and gamma) activity, usually of low amplitude, producing a fuzzy-appearing wave on the faster 25-50 mm/s tracing. High-frequency, high-amplitude activity (EMG) and periodic high-amplitude deviations (from blinking) may be observed.

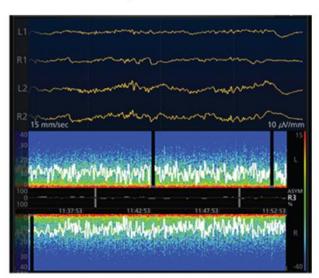


- 8) **EEG during general anesthesia:** A pattern of slow delta waves (<1 Hz) coupled with alpha spindles (8-12 Hz) is often desired. There should be an <u>absence of high beta (20-30 Hz) waves</u> and <u>absence of any periods of burst suppression</u>.
 - Waves in the alpha (8-12 Hz), theta (4-8 Hz) or low beta (12-20 Hz) frequency ranges, often termed spindles, <u>may not be prominent</u> in older patients with cognitive impairment

22-year-old Patient

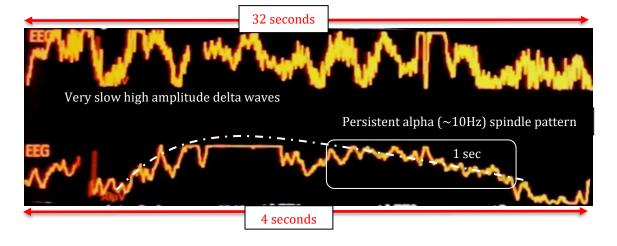
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59-year-old Patient

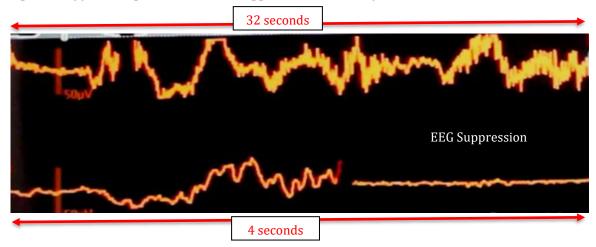


The subjects above were administered Propofol and were in a comparable anaesthetic state.5

■ Zoomed in EEG waveform demonstrating slow waves in the delta range (~1 Hz) and spindle pattern consistent with general anesthesia, the dotted white trace demonstrates waves in the slow delta range:



9) **EEG suppression**: Any flattened interval on the EEG tracing (EEG suppression) indicates excessive anesthetic depth or suggests the presence of other suppressive stimuli (e.g., cerebral ischemia).



10) **Do not throw away the cables**, only the patient sticker is disposable. If this is a THRIVE study patient, please page the study coordinator at: 30227 to pick up the SEDLine monitor.