

New-onset refractory status epilepticus treatment

see [Status epilepticus treatment](#).

The treatment [protocol](#) is intensive and includes [benzodiazepines](#), [anticonvulsants](#), and eventually [anesthetics](#) for induced coma when polypharmacy is exhausted ¹⁾.

Seizures in [NORSE](#) do not respond to the standard status epilepticus medications; hence the majority of patients are treated with an anesthesia-induced coma and monitored in [ICUs](#) ²⁾.

If seizures continue or recur after 24 hours following treatment with anesthetics, it is termed [super refractory status epilepticus](#) (SRSE). Because of high [mortality](#) with polypharmacy and continuous [anesthetic](#) use, there has been a great interest to use nonmedicinal devices like VNS.

Vagus nerve stimulation

[Vagus nerve stimulation for New-onset refractory status epilepticus](#).

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