

EMIL KRAEPELIN'S CLASSIFICATION OF MELANCHOLIA IN 1883

1. ANXIOUS MOOD/
DEPRESSED MOOD
2. AGITATION/
RESTRICTED THINKING/
DISTURBANCE OF CONCENTRATION/
LACK OF DRIVE/
MOTOR RESTLESSNESS/
MOTOR RETARDATION/
RETARDED THINKING/
STUPOR

Both present, proceed to 3
Less than 2 present, stop

Possible Periodic Melancholia
PSYCHIATRIC DISORDER

3. PRECIPITATING FACTOR
4. DEPRESSIVE SYNDROME IN TEMPORAL
CONNECTION WITH PRECIPITATING
FACTOR

Less than 2 present, proceed to 5
Both present, stop

Possible Periodic Melancholia
PSYCHIATRIC DISORDER

5. LIFE-LONG DURATION

Absent, proceed to 6
Present, stop

Possible Periodic Melancholia
PSYCHIATRIC DISORDER

6. FIRST EPISODE

Absent, proceed to 7
Present, proceed to 8

Probable Periodic Melancholia
Possible Delusional Melancholia

7. MANIA/
HYPOMANIA

Present, stop
Absent, stop

PSYCHIATRIC DISORDER
PERIODIC MELANCHOLIA

8. DELUSIONS/
HALLUCINATIONS

Present, proceed to 9
Absent, proceed to 11

Possible Delusional Melancholia
Possible Melancholia Activa

9. MOOD-CONGRUENT PSYCHOTIC SYMPTOMS

Present, proceed to 10
Absent, stop

Probable Delusional Melancholia
PSYCHIATRIC DISORDER

10. MANIA/
HYPOMANIA

Present, stop
Absent, stop

PSYCHIATRIC DISORDER
DELUSIONAL MELANCHOLIA

11. AGITATION/
MOTOR RESTLESSNESS

Present, proceed to 12
Absent, proceed to 13

Probable Melancholia Activa
Possible Stuporous Melancholia

12. MANIA/
HYPOMANIA

Present, stop
Absent, stop

PSYCHIATRIC DISORDER
MELANCHOLIA ACTIVA

13. STUPOR

Present, proceed to 14
Absent, proceed to 15

Probable Stuporous Melancholia
Probable Simple Melancholia

14. MANIA/
HYPOMANIA

Present, stop
Absent, stop

PSYCHIATRIC DISORDER
STUPOROUS MELANCHOLIA

15. MANIA/
HYPOMANIA

Present, stop
Absent, stop

PSYCHIATRIC DISORDER
SIMPLE MELANCHOLIA

It consists of a total number of 30 digits, based on 19 codes included in 15 variables organised into 13 decision clusters, yielding 5 diagnoses.

It is based on the first edition of Emil Kraepelin's *Compendium der Psychiatrie*, published in 1883, in which melancholia was divided into periodic melancholia, delusional melancholia, melancholia

activa, stuporous melancholia and simple melancholia. In revised CODE-DD, periodic melancholia is characterized by anxious mood (depressed mood) and agitation (restricted thinking, disturbance of concentration, lack of drive, motor restlessness, motor retardation, retarded thinking or stupor) in the absence of first episode; delusional melancholia by anxious mood (depressed mood) and agitation (restricted thinking, disturbance of concentration, lack of drive, motor restlessness, motor retardation, retarded thinking, or stupor), with delusions (hallucinations), and mood congruent psychotic symptoms; melancholia activa by anxious mood (depressed mood) with agitation (motor restlessness); stuporous melancholia by anxious mood (depressed mood) with stupor; and simple melancholia by anxious mood (depressed mood) with restricted thinking (disturbance of concentration, lack of drive, motor retardation or retarded thinking).

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PERIODIC MELANCHOLIA
DELUSIONAL MELANCHOLIA
MELANCHOLIA ACTIVA
STUPOROUS MELANCHOLIA
SIMPLE MELANCHOLIA