

EMIL KRAEPELIN'S CLASSIFICATION OF MELANCHOLIA IN 1896

1. ANXIOUS MOOD/
DEPRESSED MOOD
2. AGITATION/
HYPOCHONDRIASIS/
LACK OF DRIVE/
MOOD-CONGRUENT PSYCHOTIC SYMPTOMS/
MOTOR RETARDATION/
MOTOR RESTLESSNESS/
SELF-INCRIMINATION/
STUPOR/
SUICIDAL TENDENCIES

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 Involutional Melancholia

7. MANIA/
HYPOMANIA

Present, stop
Absent, stop

PSYCHIATRIC DISORDER
PERIODIC MELANCHOLIA

8. LATE ONSET

Present, proceed to 9

Probable Involutional Melancholia

Absent, stop

PSYCHIATRIC DISORDER

9. MANIA/
HYPOMANIA

Present, stop

PSYCHIATRIC DISORDER

Absent, stop

INVOLUTIONAL MELANCHOLIA

It consists of a total of 20 digits, based on 18 codes included in 9 variables organised into 7 decision clusters, yielding 2 diagnoses.

It is based on the 5th edition of Emil Kraepelin's *Lehrbuch der Psychiatrie für Studierende und Ärzte* in which melancholia is divided into periodic melancholia and involuntional melancholia.

In revised CODE-DD periodic melancholia is characterised by anxious mood (depressed mood) and agitation (hypochondriasis, lack of drive, mood congruent psychotic symptoms, motor retardation, motor restlessness, self-incrimination, stupor, suicidal tendencies) in the absence of first episode; and involuntional melancholia by anxious mood (depressed mood) and agitation (hypochondriasis, lack of drive, mood congruent psychotic symptoms, motor retardation, motor restlessness, self-incrimination, stupor, suicidal tendencies) with late onset.

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PERIODIC MELANCHOLIA

INVOLUTIONAL MELANCHOLIA