

**Table 1. Characteristics and diagnostic evaluations of children being considered for surgery**

<b>EPILEPSY CHARACTERISTICS</b>	<b>Initial Surgery N=399</b>	<b>Repeat Surgery N=74</b>	<b>p value*</b>	
<b>Age at onset (years) Mean (SD)</b>	5.193 (4.652)	4.220 (4.032)	0.066	
<b>Age at referral (years) Mean (SD)</b>	9.838(5.267)	10.370(4.811)	0.419	
<b>Age at intractability (years) Mean (SD)</b>	7.548 (5.005)	7.147 (5.161)	0.643	
<b># of failed ASMs° Mean (SD)</b>	3.14(2.097)	4.63(3.341)	<0.001	
<b># of current ASMs° Mean (SD)</b>	2.30(0.964)	2.48 (1.082)	0.164	
<b>Duration of vEEG (hours) Mean (SD)</b>	86.9 (69.587)	72.77 (52.162)	0.104	
<b>DIAGNOSTIC TESTS</b>	<b>EVALUATION TYPE AND NUMBER OF PATIENTS</b>			
	<b>Initial Surgery</b>	<b>Repeat Surgery</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>p value#</b>
<b>MRI RESULTS</b>				
-Abnormal	303	67	370	0.020
-Normal	95	7	102	
<b>PET</b>				
-Performed	226	34	260	0.0982
-Not performed	172	40	212	
<b>MEG</b>				
-Performed	74	22	96	0.0401
-Not performed	316	51	367	
<b>SPECT</b>				
-Performed	85	18	103	0.6455
-Not Performed	305	55	360	
<b>fMRI</b>				
-Performed	114	24	138	0.5788
-Not performed	273	49	322	
<b>Neuropsychologic Testing</b>				
-Performed	221	47	379	0.0887
-Not Performed	158	27	74	

°ASMs= anti-seizure medications, \*Independent t test, #Fisher's exact test