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Late adult-onset epilepsy in a patient with hemimegalencephaly

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Key Messages

- Hemimegalencephaly is a malformation of cortical development that normally manifests in childhood with seizures and cognitive impairment.
- We present a 55-year-old developmentally-normal patient who developed seizures and was found to have left hemimegalencephaly.
- We describe her interesting semiology (ictal speech reversion to a native tongue then bilateral tonic-clonic spread).
- This case may represent the oldest age for a first seizure in a patient with hemimegalencephaly.

