

[reply to dufault@lftfld.enet.dec.com (MD)]

>After many metabolic tests, body structure tests, and infection/virus
>tests the doctors still do not know quite what type of seizures he is
>having (although they do have a lot of evidence that it is now pointing
>to infantile spasms). This is where we stand right now....As I know
>now, these particular types of disorders are still not really well
>understood by the medical community.

Infantile spasms have been well understood for quite some time now. You
are seeing a pediatric neurologist, aren't you? If not, I strongly
recommend it. There is a new anticonvulsant about to be released called
felbamate which may be particularly helpful for infantile spasms. As
for learning more about seizures, ask your doctor or his nurse about a
local support group.

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This is patently absurd; but whoever wishes to become a philosopher
must learn not to be frightened by absurdities. -- Bertrand Russell