

**Table 2**

Demographic and clinical characteristics of the study sample

|                                  | Total (n=145)           |                         | P value          |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|------------------|
|                                  | Non-GAD (n=96)          | GAD (n=49)              |                  |
|                                  | Number (%) or Mean (SD) | Number (%) or Mean (SD) |                  |
| <b>Gender</b>                    |                         |                         |                  |
| Male                             | 40 (41.7)               | 13 (26.5)               |                  |
| Female                           | 56 (58.3)               | 36 (73.5)               | .07 <sup>a</sup> |
| Age (years)                      | 38.83 (14.08)           | 40.50 (13.93)           | .49 <sup>b</sup> |
| <b>Employment status</b>         |                         |                         |                  |
| Employed                         | 56 (58.3)               | 27 (55.1)               |                  |
| Unemployed                       | 31 (32.3)               | 17 (34.7)               |                  |
| Retired                          | 9 (9.4)                 | 5 (10.2)                | .37 <sup>a</sup> |
| <b>Marital status</b>            |                         |                         |                  |
| Single                           | 36 (37.5)               | 15 (30.6)               |                  |
| Married                          | 50 (52.1)               | 23 (46.9)               |                  |
| Divorced                         | 8 (8.3)                 | 9 (18.4)                |                  |
| Widowed                          | 2 (2.1)                 | 2 (4.1)                 | .27 <sup>a</sup> |
| <b>Seizure type</b>              |                         |                         |                  |
| Generalized                      | 25 (26)                 | 10 (20.4)               |                  |
| Partial                          | 71 (74)                 | 39 (79.6)               | .45 <sup>a</sup> |
| <b>Partial epilepsy syndrome</b> |                         |                         |                  |

|                                     |               |               |                  |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|------------------|
| Temporal                            | 46 (64.8)     | 24 (61.5)     |                  |
| Extratemporal                       | 25 (35.3)     | 15 (38.5)     | .94 <sup>a</sup> |
| Onset of seizures<br>(years)        | 19.96 (15.17) | 21.30 (14.63) | .62 <sup>b</sup> |
| Frequency of seizure<br>(per month) | 6.86 (18.68)  | 5.69 (8.32)   | .70 <sup>b</sup> |
| Antiepileptic drugs                 |               |               |                  |
| No drugs                            | 3 (3.1%)      | 1 (2%)        |                  |
| Monotherapy                         | 41 (42.7%)    | 24 (49.0%)    |                  |
| Polytherapy                         | 52 (54.2%)    | 24 (49%)      | .72 <sup>a</sup> |
| Currently taking<br>antidepressants | 8 (8.3%)      | 9 (18.4%)     | .20 <sup>b</sup> |
| GAD-7                               | 5.17 (4.66)   | 13.22 (3.99)  | P<0.001          |
| PSWQ                                | 37.43 (10.48) | 49.53 (11.46) | P<0.001          |
| NDDI-E                              | 10.25 (4.10)  | 15.26 (4.41)  | P<0.001          |

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<sup>a</sup> Chi-square test

<sup>b</sup> Student's t-test

GAD-7: Generalized Anxiety Disorder – 7, PSWQ: Penn State Worry Questionnaire,

NDDI\_E: Neurological Disorders Depression Inventory for Epilepsy