

**Supplementary Table S1.** Number and percentage of answers obtained for questionnaire questions 10-49, total and median score values for each question.

	Not at all (score: 1)	A little (score: 2)	Enough (score: 3)	A lot (score: 4)	Completely (score: 5)	Total score	Median score
Pet-owner relationship							
10. Do you consider your dog like a child?	6 (7.5%)	12 (15%)	32 (40%)	21 (26.25%)	9 (11.25%)	255	3
11. Do you think your dog understands your mood and your problems?	5 (6.25%)	12 (15%)	24 (30%)	23 (28.75%)	16 (20%)	273	3
12. Do you feel closer to your dog than to your friends or family members?	6 (7.5%)	16 (20%)	30 (37.5%)	22 (27.5%)	6 (7.5%)	246	3
Expectations on antiepileptic treatment							
When you started treatment							
13. Were you optimist about the possibility of improving the dog's QoL?	4 (5%)	14 (17.5%)	28 (35%)	26 (32.5%)	8 (10%)	260	3
14. Did you think it would involve more effort?	17 (21.25%)	16 (20%)	19 (23.75%)	20 (25%)	8 (10%)	226	3
Assessment of seizures control and emotional impact on the owner							
15. Has the frequency of seizures been acceptable in the last 3 months?	10 (12.5%)	11 (13.75%)	28 (35%)	13 (16.25%)	18 (22.5%)	210	3
16. How worried are you about the frequency of seizures?	0 (0%)	2 (2.5%)	11 (13.75%)	44 (55%)	23 (28.75%)	328	4
17. Has the severity of seizures been acceptable in the last 3 months?	6 (7.5%)	14 (17.5%)	26 (32.5%)	17 (21.25%)	17 (21.25%)	265	3
18. How worried are you about the severity of seizures?	1 (1.25%)	4 (5%)	13 (16.25%)	39 (48.75%)	23 (28.75%)	319	4
19. Overall, has the seizure management been successful in last three months?	4 (5%)	12 (15%)	27 (33.75%)	13 (16.25%)	24 (30%)	281	3
AED side effects							
How severe have the following side effects been in the last 3 months?							
20. Eating increase	17 (21.25%)	20 (25%)	22 (27.5%)	18 (22.5%)	3 (3.75%)	210	3
21. Gaining weight	26 (32.5%)	34 (42.5%)	13 (16.25%)	5 (6.25%)	2 (2.5%)	163	2
22. Drinking increase	17 (21.25%)	24 (30%)	25 (31.25%)	10 (12.5%)	4 (5%)	200	2
23. Urinating increase	14 (17.5%)	27 (33.75%)	18 (22.5%)	17 (21.25%)	4 (5%)	210	2
24. Sleeping increase	17 (21.25%)	35 (43.75%)	19 (23.75%)	8 (10%)	1 (1.25%)	181	2
25. Depression	31 (38.75%)	32 (40%)	14 (17.5%)	3 (3.75%)	0 (0%)	149	2
26. Restlessness	23 (28.75%)	33 (41.25%)	14 (17.5%)	6 (7.5%)	4 (5%)	175	2
27. Not coordination when walking	36 (45%)	29 (36.25%)	9 (11.25%)	6 (7.5%)	0 (0%)	145	2
28. Itchiness or skin rash	49 (61.25%)	21 (26.25%)	5 (6.25%)	5 (6.25%)	0 (0%)	126	1
29. Vomiting	68 (85%)	10 (12.5%)	2 (2.5%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	94	1
30. Diarrhea	61 (76.25%)	17 (21.25%)	2 (2.5%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	101	1

Assessment of AED side effects and emotional impact on the owner							
31. Overall, have the side effects of the therapy been acceptable in the last 3 months?	0 (0%)	7 (8.75%)	32 (40%)	22 (27.5%)	19 (23.75%)	293	4
32. How bothersome are the physical effects of the therapy (eating increase, gaining weight, drinking increase, urinating increase, not coordination when walking, itchiness, skin rash, vomiting, diarrhea)?	24 (30%)	29 (36.25%)	17 (21.25%)	8 (10%)	2 (2.5%)	175	2
33. How bothersome was the mental effects of the therapy (sleeping increase, depression, restlessness)?	27 (33.75%)	28 (35%)	17 (21.25%)	5 (6.25%)	3 (3.75%)	169	2
34. How worrying are the physical effects of therapy?	18 (22.5%)	27 (33.75%)	21 (26.25%)	12 (15%)	2 (2.5%)	193	2
35. How worrying are the mental effects of therapy?	26 (32.5%)	29 (36.25%)	14 (17.5%)	9 (11.25%)	2 (2.5%)	172	2
Restrictions on the owner's life							
36. In the past 3 months has your dog's epilepsy caused conflict with your work, education or day-to-day activities?	24 (30%)	22 (27.5%)	18 (22.5%)	10 (12.5%)	6 (7.5%)	192	2
37. In the past 3 months has your dog's epilepsy limited your social life?	32 (40%)	21 (26.25%)	8 (10%)	14 (17.5%)	5 (6.25%)	179	2
38. In the past 3 months has your dog's epilepsy limited your free time?	32 (40%)	17 (21.25%)	9 (11.25%)	15 (18.75%)	7 (8.75%)	188	2
39. In the past 3 months has your dog's epilepsy limited your independence?	26 (32.5%)	25 (31.25%)	6 (7.5%)	17 (21.25%)	6 (7.5%)	192	2
Emotional impact of rectal diazepam use for emergency management of seizures at home							
40. Are you worried when you need to give rectal dizepam?	27 (33.75%)	18 (22.5%)	19 (23.75%)	9 (11.25%)	7 (8.75%)	191	2
<b>Ideals in outcome assessment of seizure management</b>							
How important are the following factors to you when assessing the outcome of seizure management?							
41. Seizure frequency	2 (2.5%)	3 (3.75%)	11 (13.75%)	39 (48.75%)	25 (31.25%)	322	4
42. Seizure severity	2 (2.5%)	3 (3.75%)	14 (17.5%)	35 (43.75%)	26 (32.5%)	320	4
43. AED side effects	6 (7.5%)	13 (16.25%)	24 (30%)	32 (40%)	5 (6.25%)	257	3
44. Dog's QoL	1 (1.25%)	3 (3.75%)	7 (8.75%)	32 (40%)	37 (46.25%)	341	4
45. Influence on your lifestyle	7 (8.75%)	21 (26.25%)	23 (28.75%)	23 (28.75%)	6 (7.5%)	240	3
46. Cost of the seizure management (drugs, diagnostic procedures, monitoring)	11 (13.75%)	25 (31.25%)	20 (25%)	18 (22.5%)	6 (7.5%)	223	3
Impact of caring for the epileptic dog on the owner's lifestyle							
47. Is the administration of the medication a nuisance?	40 (50%)	24 (30%)	12 (15%)	3 (3.75%)	1 (1.25%)	141	1,5
48. Are veterinary checks a nuisance?	33 (41.25%)	31 (38.75%)	13 (16.25%)	2 (2.5%)	1 (1.25%)	147	2

49. Is seizure event is a nuisance?	9 (11.25%)	9 (11.25%)	10 (12.5%)	27 (33.75%)	25 (31.25%)	290	4
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