

## JOHANNES LANGE'S CRITERIA OF PSYCHOGENIC DEPRESSION

### 1. DEPRESSED MOOD

Present, proceed to 2  
Absent, stop

Possible Psychogenic Depression  
PSYCHIATRIC DISORDER

### 2. PRECIPITATING FACTOR

### 3. DEPRESSIVE SYNDROME IN TEMPORAL CONNECTION WITH PRECIPITATING FACTOR

Both present, proceed to 4  
Less than 2 present, stop

Possible Psychogenic Depression  
PSYCHIATRIC DISORDER

### 4. ASTHENIA

### 5. IRRITABILITY

### 6. ABULIA

All 3 present, proceed to 7  
Less than 3 present, stop

Probable Psychogenic Depression  
PSYCHIATRIC DISORDER

### 7. MANIA/ HYPOMANIA

Present, stop  
Absent, stop

PSYCHIATRIC DISORDER  
PSYCHOGENIC DEPRESSION

It consists of a total of 8 digits, based on 8 codes included in 7 variables organized into 4 decision clusters, yielding 1 diagnosis.

It is based on Johannes Lange's paper published under the title "Ueber melancholie" in the *Zeitschrift fur die gesamte Neurologie und Psychiatrie* in 1926 in which psychogenic depression was described as a depression with fatigue, irritability and inability to get going at work. In revised CODE-DD depressed mood, asthenia, irritability and abulia, in temporal connection with a precipitating factor characterize it.

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