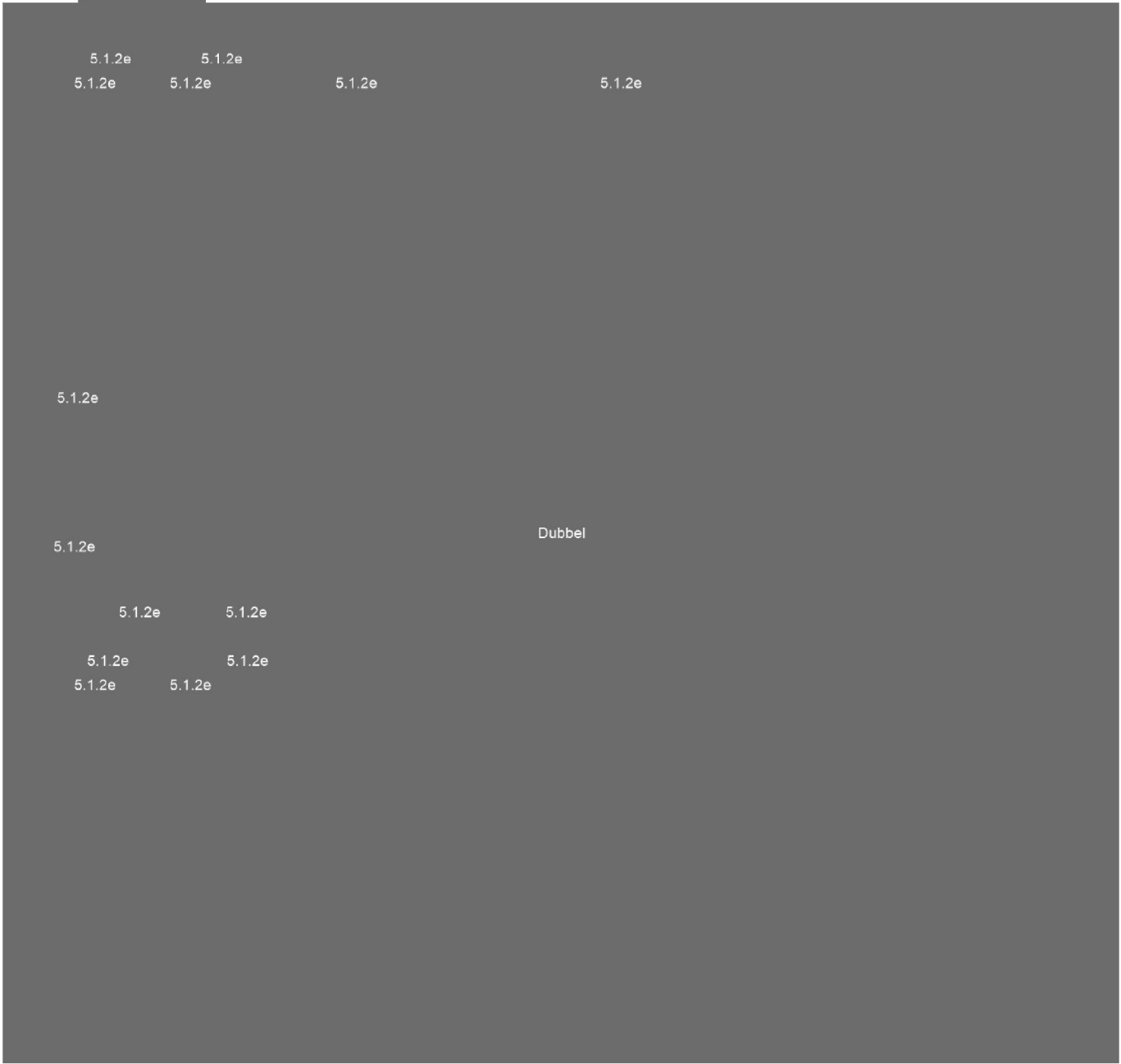


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And one question from our side on the notification of COVID-19 in Germany, specifically: what criteria are used in Germany to classify a person as deceased from COVID-19? E.g. are all COVID-19 confirmed cases that die (during the disease episode) registered as death due to COVID-19, irrespective of co-morbid conditions? Or is the cause of death in these cases reported as the underlying condition or the actual death e.g. cardiac arrest, septicemia? Reason is that several people (also in the media) have noted that case fatality rate of COVID-19 is much lower in Germany, which probably is partly explained by more frequent testing (we face shortages and have to prioritise testing in the Netherlands), but also different definitions of mortality causes have been suggested.

Best wishes,

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