

for improving general sense and special sense in the trigeminal nerves but has only chance effect on neuropathic pain. Until actual neuromechanics or target-/site-specific causing neuropathic pain are identified, peripheral microneurosurgical intervention of the trigeminal nerves is questionable treatment.

A recent Cochrane Systematic review of the interventions for post-traumatic trigeminal neuropathy due to dental surgery concluded that there is clearly a need for randomized controlled clinical trials to determine the effectiveness of surgical, medical, and psychological interventions for iatrogenic IAN and LN injuries. Primary outcomes should include: patient-focused morbidity measures including altered sensation and pain, quantitative sensory testing, the functional and psychological effects and effects of delayed treatment³⁵.

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