

Assessment of a patient with trigeminal neuropathic pain

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A patient presents with 'nerve injury'

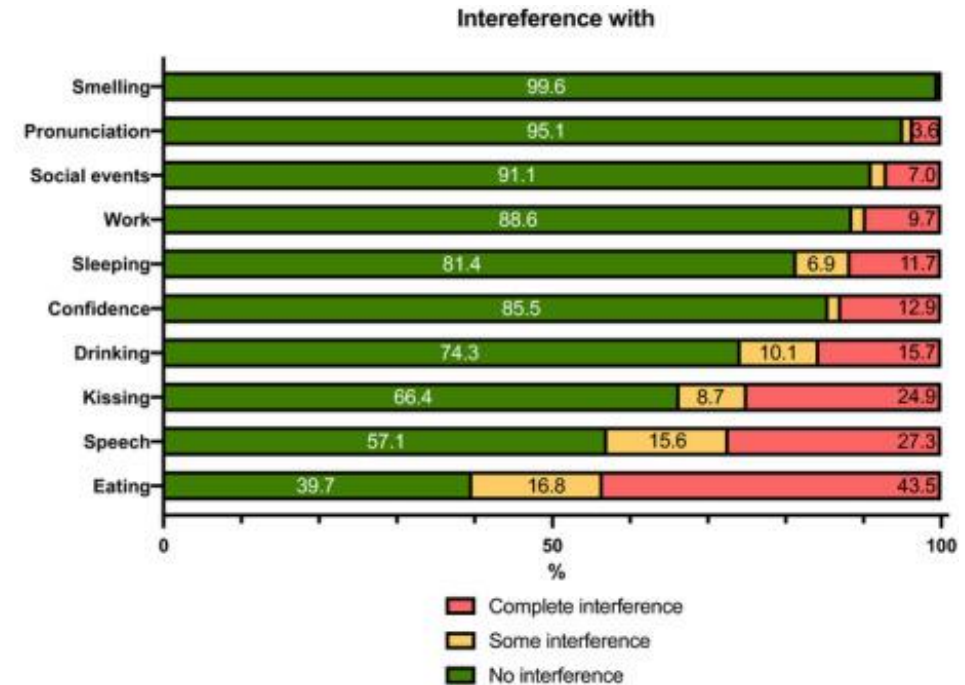
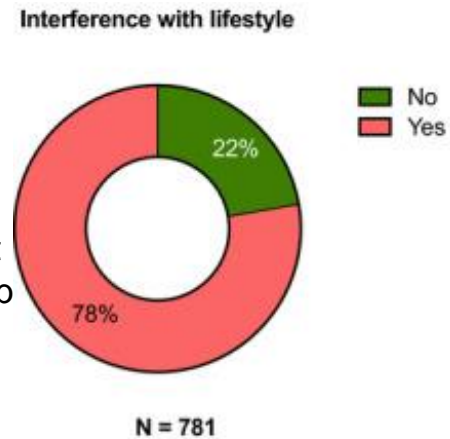
- Holistic assessment
 - Assess functional limitations
 - Assess AXIS 2 psychosocial impact
- Confirm diagnosis
 - Diagnostic criteria
- Then you can treat the patient with post traumatic neuropathy (PTN) optimally

Consequences

PT Neuropathy and pain causing functional problems

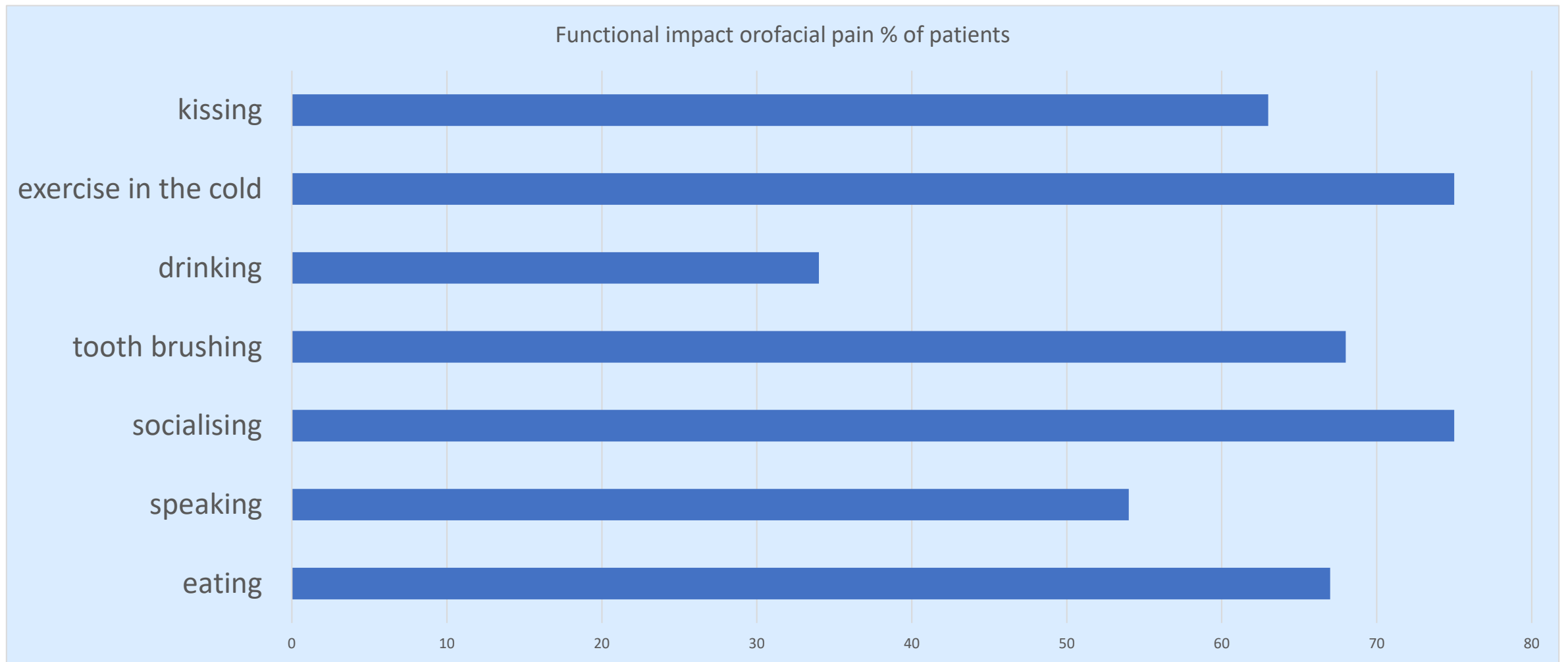
78% of patients have significant functional problems
Recent study @ KCL on 100 implant nerve injury patients
95% of implant nerve injury neuropathic pain
92% permanent
Functional and psychological impact

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Functional impact of post traumatic neuropathy



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AXIS II pre consultation extensive psychosocial assessment

- All patients:
 - EQ-5D
 - GAD7 generalised ANXIETY disorder
 - PHQ9 Patient Health Questionnaire- depression
 - SF-MPQ-2 Short-form McGill Pain Questionnaire-2
 - BPI Facial pain
 - ISI insomnia
 - STOP Bang and International sleep inventory ISI (sleep)
 - IES-R (abuse)
 - Hit-6 migraine
 - Fibromyalgia-19 (ARA)
 - ~~(PHQ 15 MULTIDIMENSIONAL SCALE OF PERCEIVED SOCIAL SUPPORT)~~
 - ~~Global Chronic Pain Scale (GCPS)~~
 - ~~Post traumatic neuropathic scale~~
- Dash board with red flags suicidal thoughts/ depression, anxiety and somatic disorders



Severe Anxiety
Probable Major
depression
Somatic disorder
PTSD
Likely NP

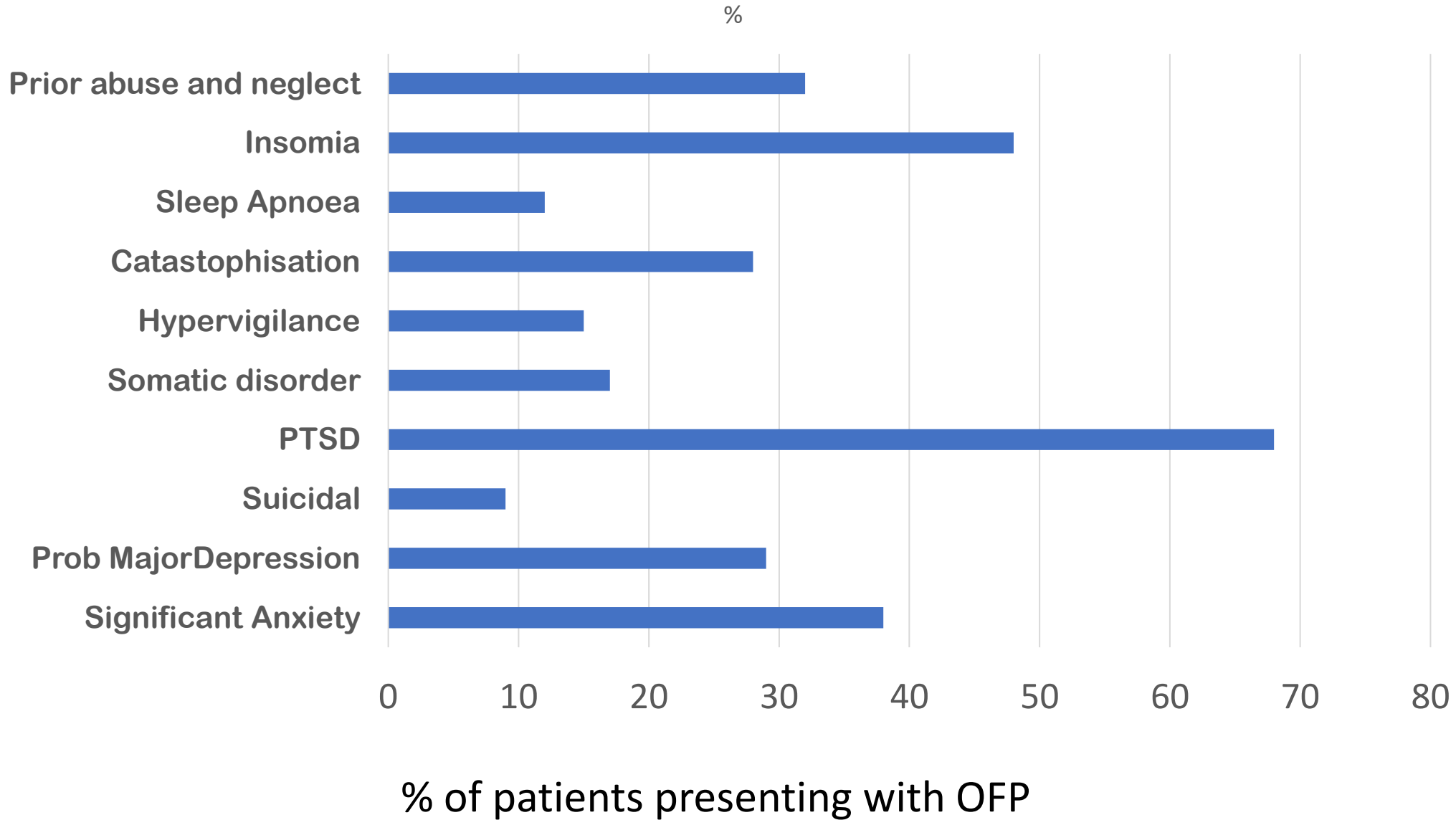
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What AXIS II diagnoses patients with PTN?



Diagnosis of Post traumatic neuropathy (PTN)

Table 3. Core Diagnostic Criteria for Persistent Posttraumatic Neuropathic Pain

1. History of traumatic nerve injury or surgery associated with known risk of nerve injury.*
2. Pain lasting ≥ 3 mo, with onset showing a temporal relation to known nerve injury (onset within days to weeks after the injury).†
3. Positive and/or negative signs of sensory disturbance in the innervation of the injured nerve as evidenced by ≥ 1 of the following:
 - a. Mixed areas of hypo- and hypersensitivity to various sensory modalities
 - b. Hyposensitivity to nonpainful warmth (with or without change in cold sensation)
 - c. Hypersensitivity to brush or pinprick in or around the painful area
4. No other condition (eg, inflammation, tumor) better explains the pattern of the clinical features (eg, radiculopathy) that could plausibly account for persisting pain in the affected dermatome or dermatomes.

*This pain may occur even if there was a deliberate attempt to spare the nerves crossing the surgical area (eg, in breast surgery).

†There is a spontaneous decline in reporting of pain >12 mo after surgery. Relevant citations in support of these diagnostic criteria are Bru-Duffy et al,⁷⁷ Guo et al,¹⁰⁷ Haldar et al,¹⁰⁹ Pappagallo et al,¹⁸⁷ Teerijoki et al,²²⁴ and Wildgaard et al.²⁴⁷

Focus Article

AAPT Diagnostic Criteria for Peripheral Neuropathic Pain: Focal and Segmental Disorders



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PTNP diagnostic criteria

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- History of trauma or risk of nerve injury. **Traumatic event = onset**
- Pain lasting >3 mo with onset showing a temporal relation to known nerve injury (in the area of the injury).[†] **Neuropathic area**
- Positive and/or negative signs in the innervation of the injured nerve as evidenced by ≥1 of the following:
 - Mixed areas of hypo- and hypersensitivity to various sensory modalities. **Positive signs Allodynia / Hyperalgesia = hyperaesthesia**
 - Hyposensitivity to cold sensation. **Negative signs anaesthesia/paraesthesia = hypoaesthesia**
 - Hypersensitivity to cold sensation.
- No other clinically identifiable features (eg, radiculopathy) that could probably account for persisting pain in the affected dermatome or dermatomes.

*This pain may occur in nerves crossing the injury site.
[†]There is a sporadic history of trauma. Relevant literature: Duffy et al.⁷⁷ Gu

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Post Traumatic neuropathic pain PTNP (ICOP)

4.1.2.3 Post-traumatic trigeminal neuropathic pain

- ▶ Previously used terms: Anaesthesia dolorosa; painful post-traumatic trigeminal neuropathy.
- ▶ Description: Unilateral or bilateral facial or oral pain following and caused by trauma to the trigeminal nerve(s), with other symptoms and/or clinical signs of trigeminal nerve dysfunction, and persisting or recurring for more than 3 months.
- ▶ *4.1.2.3.1 Probable post-traumatic trigeminal neuropathic pain*
- ▶ *Diagnostic criterion: A. Pain fulfilling all but criterion B2 for 4.1.2.3 Posttraumatic trigeminal neuropathic pain.*

4.1.2.4 Trigeminal neuropathic pain attributed to other disorder

4.1.2.5 Idiopathic trigeminal neuropathic pain

Description: Unilateral or bilateral facial pain in the distribution(s) of one or more branches of the trigeminal nerve

Diagnostic criteria:

- A. Pain, in a neuroanatomically plausible area within the distribution(s) of one or both trigeminal nerve(s), persisting or recurring for >3 months and fulfilling criteria C and D
- B. Both of the following:
 1. history of a mechanical, thermal, radiation or chemical injury to the peripheral trigeminal nerve(s)
 2. diagnostic test confirmation¹ of a lesion of the peripheral trigeminal nerve(s) explaining the pain²
- C. Onset within 6 months after the injury
- D. Associated with somatosensory symptoms and/or signs⁴ in the same neuroanatomically plausible distribution
- E. Not better accounted for by another ICOP or ICHD-3 diagnosis.

Probability for Neuropathic Pain



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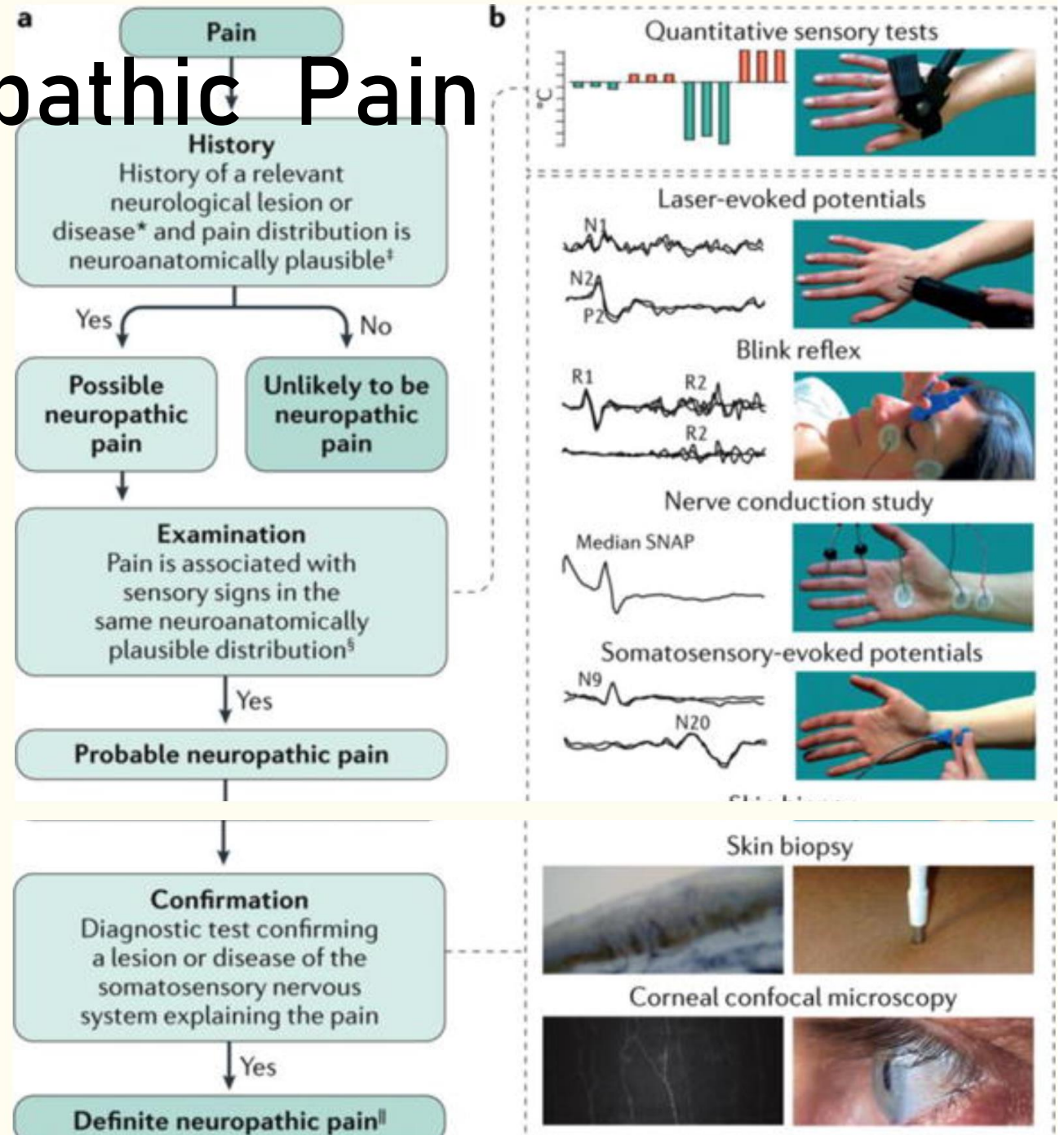
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Grading of neuropathic pain

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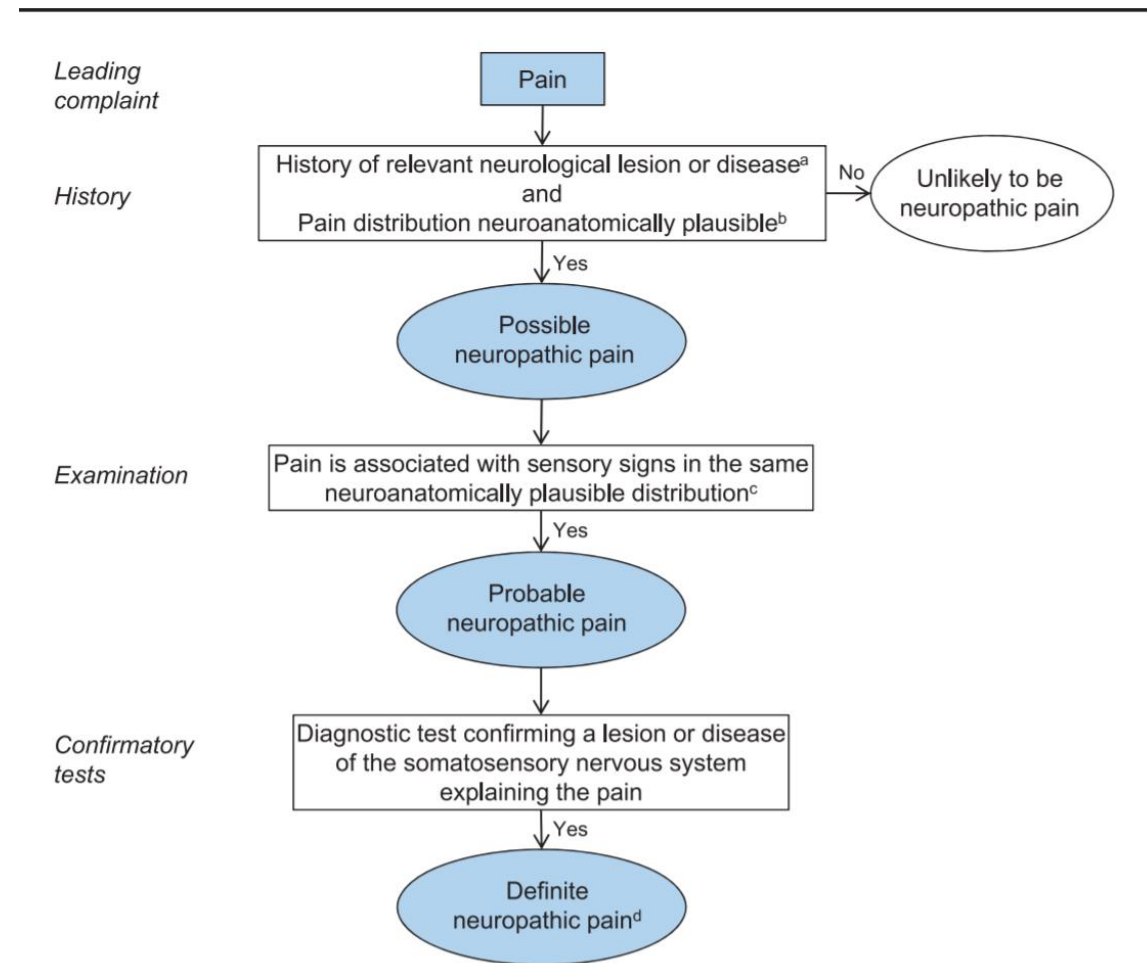
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Compared to the grading system published in 2008, we have (1) changed the order of the grading criteria to better reflect clinical practice. (2) annotated the terms used to improve clarity. (3) recognized the role of screening tools (questionnaires) in neuropathic pain evaluation. (4) emphasized that reaching the final level of certainty (definite neuropathic pain) confirms clinically that a lesion or disease of the somatosensory nervous system can explain the pain but, as often in neurology, it does not establish causality (ie, there may still be other causes of the pain such as a diabetic ulcer). The main purpose of the grading system is to help in the classification of the pain as neuropathic.

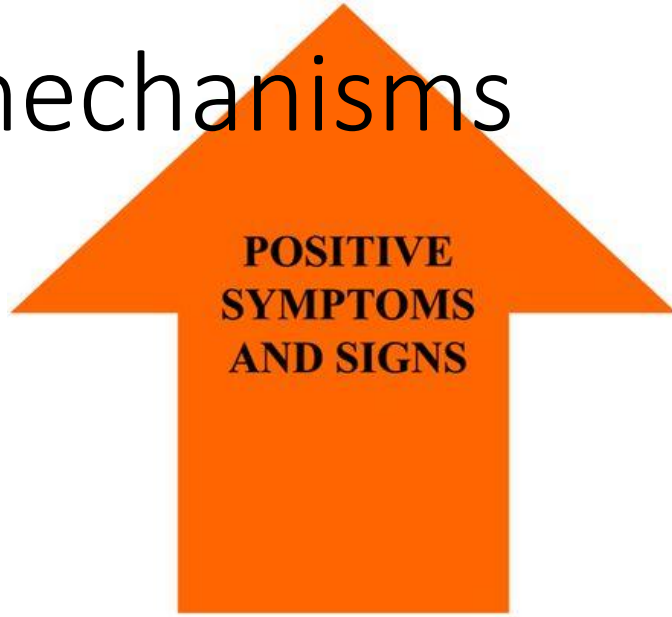
Features of Neuropathic pain

- Diagnostic features
 - **Neuropathic area -either hypoaesthetic or hyperaesthetic**
 - **Allodynia**
 - **Hyperalgesa**
 - **Hyperpathia**
- Prior Multiple injuries or episodes of infection and pain
- Non-respondent to anti inflammatory pain killers (NSAIDs Paracetamol)
- Does not disturb sleep
- Better in mornings
- Worsens during day
- Worsens with stress, tiredness and illness
- **Pain presentation**
 - **Constant burning/dull**
 - **Elicited neuralgic/sharp/ shooting**
 - **Or a combination of both**

Paresthesia	An abnormal sensation, whether spontaneous or evoked
Dysesthesia	An unpleasant sensation, whether spontaneous or evoked
Hypoesthesia	Decreased sensitivity to stimulation (tactile or thermal; both are frequent)
Hyperesthesia	Increased sensitivity to stimulation (tactile or thermal; both are rare)
Hypoalgesia	Diminished pain response to a normally painful stimulus
Hyperalgesia	An increased response to a stimulus that is normally painful
Allodynia	Pain due to a stimulus that does not normally activate the nociceptive system

Signs and mechanisms

**Neuropathic
area
+
Positive or
negative
signs**



SYMPTOMS Paroxysmal pain Superficial pain Deep pain Paraesthesia	PHYSIOPATHOLOGICAL MECHANISMS Spontaneous activity in C-fibres Spontaneous activity in A δ - and C-fibres Spontaneous activity in articular/muscular nociceptors Spontaneous activity in A β -fibres
SIGNS (EVOKED PAIN) Cold hyperalgesia Heat hyperalgesia Punctate hyperalgesia Mechanical allodynia Temporal summation of pain After-sensations	PHYSIOPATHOLOGICAL MECHANISMS Central sensitization/loss of central inhibition Peripheral sensitization Central sensitization mediated by A δ -fibres Heterosynaptic central sensitization Homosynaptic central sensitization Homosynaptic central sensitization

Hyperaesthetic

NEUROPATHIC PAIN SYNDROMES
Coexistence of negative symptoms/signs (loss-of-function of the somatosensory system)
and positive symptoms/signs (gain-of-function of the somatosensory system)

Hypoaesthetic

SYMPTOMS Hypalgesia	PHYSIOPATHOLOGICAL MECHANISMS A δ -fibres lesion
SIGNS Tactile hypesthesia Hypopallesthesia Thermal hypesthesia Punctate hypesthesia	PHYSIOPATHOLOGICAL MECHANISMS A β -fibres lesion A β -fibres lesion A δ - and C-fibres lesion A δ -fibres lesion



Exclude non-traumatic Neuropathic pain

Nutritional deficiencies

Fe, Ferritin, Zinc, Magnesium,
Vit B complex, D, E

Malignancy

Compression by a space occupying lesion centrally or peripherally NEOPLASIA

Metabolic Acromegaly, Hormonal neuropathy (Hypothyroidism, Diabetes),

Infarction (sickle cell hypoxic neural damage, giant cell arteritis)

Demyelination (Multiple sclerosis)

Infection Post viral neuropathy, Bacterial, Leprosy

Toxic Heavy metal poisoning (lead, mercury) radiation, thermal, chemotherapy, drugs

Auto immune problems: Lupus, Rheumatoid disease

Sarcoidosis and amyloidosis

Exclude systemic causes of Peripheral neuropathy

Peripheral Neuropathy: Differential Diagnosis and Management

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Table 1. Causes of Peripheral Neuropathy

Cause	Type of neuropathy	Comments	Laboratory tests
Diseases			
Acquired immunodeficiency syndrome	A	Mainly sensory	Human immunodeficiency virus test
Carcinoma (paraneoplastic syndrome)	A	Usually sensory	Paraneoplastic panel (anti-Hu, anti-Yo, anti-Ri, anti-Tr, anti-Ma, and anti-CV2 antibodies)
Chronic liver disease	M	Mainly demyelinating, especially in viral hepatitis	Hepatic transaminase, bilirubin, albumin, and alkaline phosphatase levels
Critical illness neuropathy	A	Usually acute or subacute	No specific laboratory test
Diabetes mellitus	M	Chronic; axonal may predominate	Fasting blood glucose level, glucose tolerance test, A1C level
End-stage renal disease	A	—	Serum creatinine and blood urea nitrogen levels
Hypothyroidism	A	Usually acute or subacute, but can be chronic	Thyroid-stimulating hormone level
Leprosy	A	Usually sensory	Phenolic glycolipid-1 antibody, skin biopsy
Lyme disease	A	—	Lyme titers
Lymphoma	M	Mainly axonal	CBC, imaging
Monoclonal gammopathy		Usually chronic	Urine and serum protein electrophoresis with immunofixation
Amyloidosis	A	Usually sensory	
Multiple myeloma	M	Axonal damage predominates after treatment	
Plasmacytoma (osteosclerotic myeloma)	D	May have some axonal damage	
Monoclonal gammopathy of undetermined significance			
IgM	D	Most common; may have some axonal damage	
IgG or IgA	M	Demyelinating features often predominate	
Porphyria	A	Acute	Porphyrin titers
Syphilis	A	—	Rapid plasma reagin, VDRL, cerebrospinal fluid analysis
Vitamin B ₆ deficiency	A	Sensory more than motor	Vitamin B ₆ level
Vitamin B ₁₂ deficiency	A	Peripheral neuropathy is intermixed with upper motor neuron signs	CBC; vitamin B ₁₂ and homocysteine levels; methylmalonic acid test

continued

Peripheral neuropathy: differential diagnosis and management

Table 1. Causes of Peripheral Neuropathy (continued)

Cause	Type of neuropathy	Comments	Laboratory tests
Drugs*			
Amiodarone (Cordarone)	M	Mainly axonal with sensorimotor	No specific tests
Chloroquine (Aralen)	D	May have some axonal damage	
Digoxin	A	Mainly sensory	
Heroin	A	Sensorimotor	
Hydralazine	A	Mainly sensory	
Isoniazid	A	Mainly sensory	
Lithium	A	Sensorimotor	
Metronidazole (Flagyl)	A	Mainly sensory	
Misoprostol (Cytotec)	A	Motor	
Nitrofurantoin (Furadantin)	A	Sensorimotor	
Phenytoin (Dilantin)	A	Mainly sensory	
Procainamide (Pronestyl)	D	May have some axonal damage	
Statins	A	Mainly sensory	
Vincristine (Oncovin)	A	Sensorimotor	
Vitamin B ₆ excess	A	Mainly sensory	
Genetic disorders†			
Charcot-Marie-Tooth disease			Genetic testing
Type 1	D	Also called HMSN-I	
Type 2	A	Also called HMSN-II	
Metachromatic leukodystrophy	D	—	
Neuropathy with liability to pressure palsies	D	—	
Refsum disease	D	Also called HMSN-IV	
Toxins*			
Diphtheria toxin	D	Acute presentation	Histopathology
Ethanol (alcohol)	A	Sensorimotor	No specific or practical laboratory test
Heavy metals (e.g., arsenic, lead, mercury, gold)	A	Lead and mercury mainly cause motor neuropathy	24-hour urine collection for heavy metal titers
		Arsenic causes sensorimotor neuropathy	
		Gold may cause some demyelination	
Organophosphates	A	Sensorimotor	No specific or practical laboratory test
Tetanus	A	Motor; acute presentation	No specific or practical laboratory test
Tic paralysis	A	Motor; acute presentation	No specific or practical laboratory test
Other causes			
Idiopathic polyneuropathy	A	Diagnosis of exclusion; usually chronic	No laboratory test

A = axonal; CBC = complete blood count; D = demyelinating; HMSN = hereditary motor-sensory neuropathy; Ig = immunoglobulin; M = mixed; VDRL = Venereal Disease Research Laboratory.

* Usually acute presentations, but can be chronic.

Common treatable causes of peripheral neuropathy. Careful clinical assessment remains unclear. A combination of the underlying etiology, blood count, complete blood glucose, vitally indicated. Lumbar syndrome and chronic in studies and electro-physiology. Treatment should be symptomatic treatment. (Am.)

Examination protocol for mechanosensory evaluation of the extraoral dermatome of V3. This protocol could also be applied to other dermatomes.

Area affected

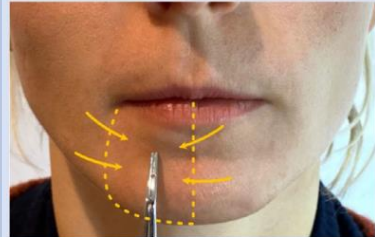
Using forceps run over normal to neuropathic area warning the patient that there may be hypersensitivity as well as hyposensitivity.

Neuropathic area?

Map out the area and record pictorially or by photograph using pen marks on patient's face.

Estimate the % or extra-oral dermatome is affected by the neuropathy.

(yellow dotted lines indicate V3 dermatome and arrows indicate direction of testing from normal to neuropathic area)

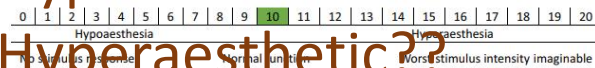


Subjective function

Using forceps with beaks together firmly tap (minimum 5 times) the patient's hand several times explaining that is 'normal' 10 out of 10 subjective function. Then tap, with the same pressure, over the unaffected side of the face or tongue and repeat the stimulation explaining that should be 10 out of 10.

Move your forceps away and explain no stimulation at all is 0 out of 10. Repeat over neuropathic area that you have already confirmed and ask the patient to report the level of stimulus according to the NRS scale below.

Hypo or Hyperaesthetic??



This test can be repeated over different domains of the neuropathy (lip vermillion, lip skin and chin skin or over tongue)

Light touch

To evaluate light touch thresholds von Frey filaments are highly recommended. If these are not available, a pledget can be used instead, placing repeated (minimum 5 times) on normal side first then repeated on affected side; ask the patient to report differences. If the patient is experiencing numbness on stimulation, they will have reduced light touch detection thresholds. However, if the patient is suffering from hyperaesthesia and possible allodynia (pain on touch) this test can be very uncomfortable.

Tactile / mechanical allodynia?



Sharp blunt discrimination

Using a dental probe sharp and blunt ends, the unaffected side is tested first. A minimum of five stimulations would be used and the number recognized by the patient (if less than 3 out of 5 then the test is negative). Whilst this test can illustrate hypoaesthesia with reduced sharp detection on the affected side, this test can also identify mechanical hyperalgesia (increased pain on sharp stimulation) which is often extremely uncomfortable for the patient. Sharp thresholds can be estimated using specially designed algometers not used in this study.



Tactile / mechanical hyperalgesia?



Two-point discrimination (TPD)

Using college forceps with beaks open and closed (both for five stimulations), TPD function can be estimated. Some authors prefer specially designed calipers which can be set to a specific distance. Normal TPD in the V3 dermatome extraorally ranges from 2-4mm on the lip vermillion to 6-8mm on the skin of the chin.

Apply Cold metal mirror back Thermal allodynia

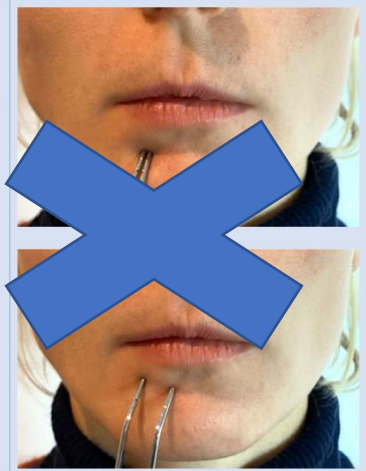


Figure 1

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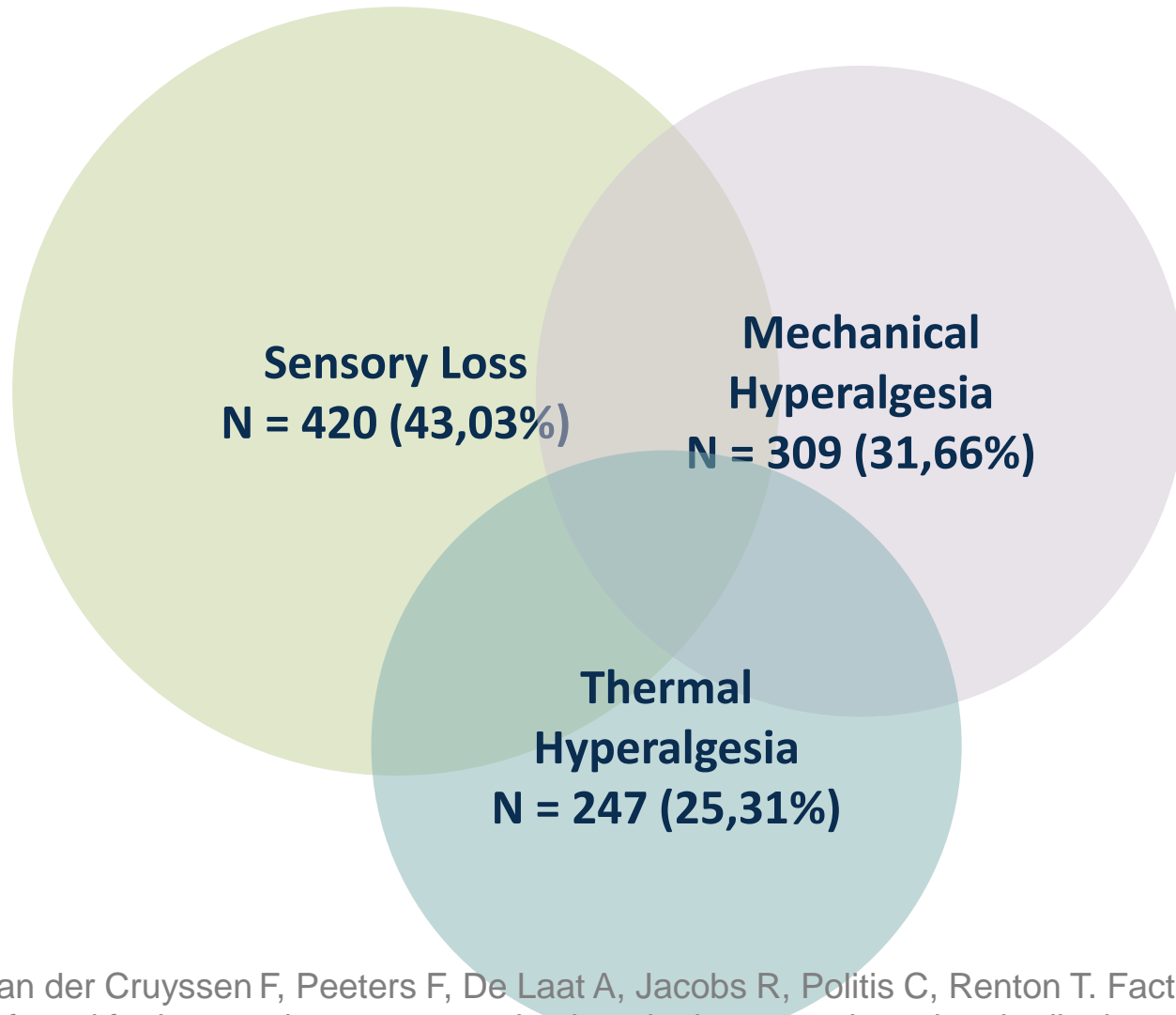
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Signs and symptoms, quality of life and psychosocial data in 1331 post-traumatic trigeminal neuropathy patients seen in two tertiary referral centres in two countries

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Abstract

Background: Post-traumatic trigeminal neuropathy (PTN) is a disturbance of function or pathological change of the trigeminal nerve branches following trauma and has an important impact on patient's quality of life (QoL).

Objectives: To provide diagnostic data on PTN and illustrate differences in aetiology, injured nerve, pain distribution, sensory profile and QoL between PTN subgroups.

Methods: 1331 patients with painful or non-painful PTN were retrospectively reviewed in two centres, extracting demographic data, time and cause of trauma, clinical findings including signs and symptoms, basic neurosensory testing, imaging modalities, treatments, and QoL or psychosocial assessment.

Results: More females were represented (70%) than males. The inferior alveolar nerve was most frequently damaged (60%) followed by the lingual nerve (28%). Wisdom teeth removal was considered the main cause (48%). Pain was reported in 63% of patients and pain frequency increased with age without clinically significant gender differences. Numbness was reported in 50% of PTN patients. Neurosensory testing showed larger affected dermatome involvement in persistent injuries, with no differences between the non-painful and painful PTN groups. Patient clustering indicated different sensory profile distributions when stratified according to aetiology or affected nerve branch. High interference with lifestyle was reported (78%), and patients suffering from painful PTN had worse QoL and psychosocial outcomes. **Conclusion:** Patients with painful PTN had different clinical profiles and lower QoL scores than those with non-painful PTN. Sensory profiles may provide important prognostic and therapeutic information; however, more research is needed to assess the clustering procedure and link these clusters to therapeutic guidelines.

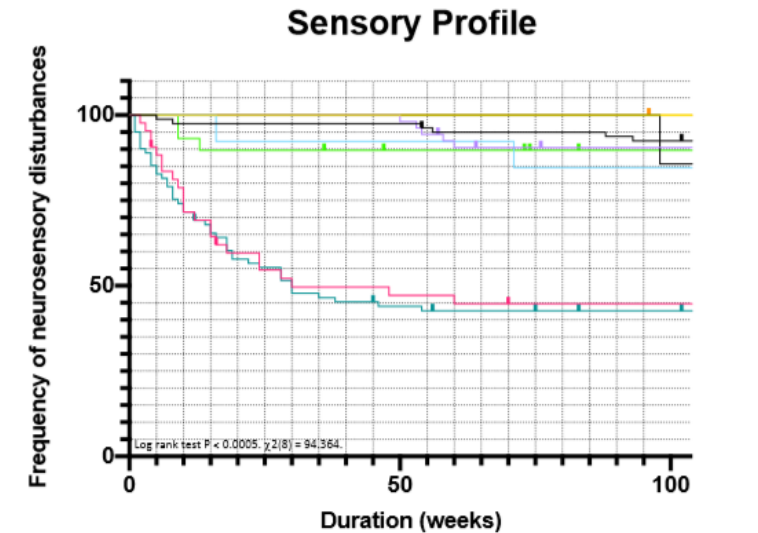
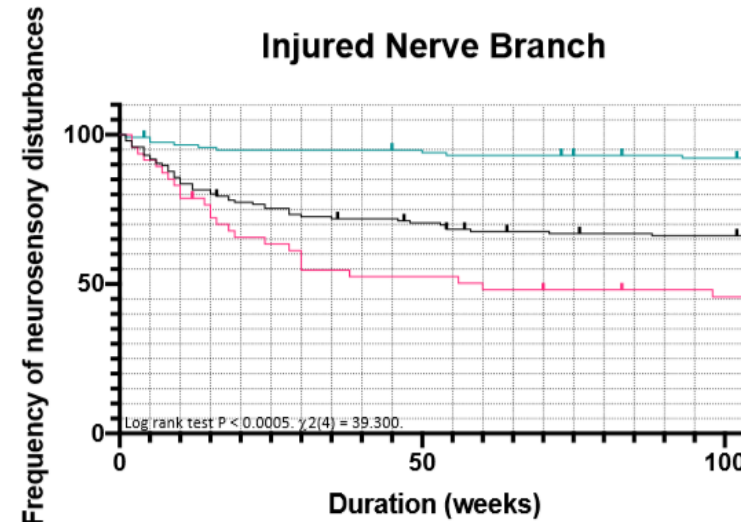
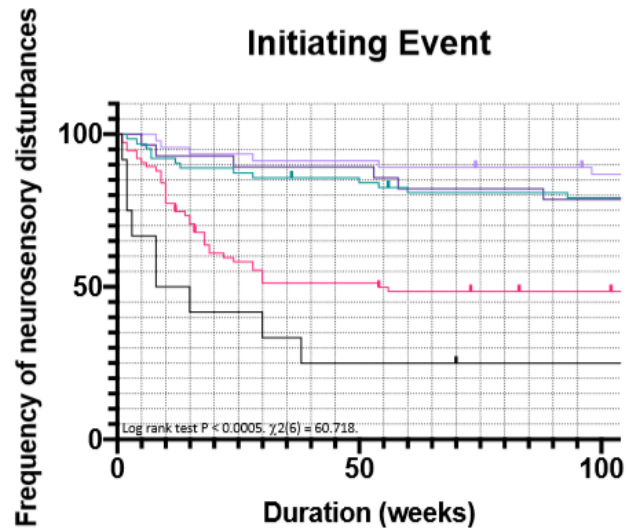
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Kaplan–Meier analysis of neurosensory disturbances over time comparing the injured nerve branch (A), initiating event (B), and sensory profile (C).



- Local Anesthesia
- Tooth Extraction
- Third Molar Surgery
- Endodontic Treatment
- Dental Implant Surgery

- Inferior Alveolar Nerve
- Lingual Nerve
- Maxillary Nerve

- Pain
- Sensory Loss Without Pain
- Sensory Loss With Pain (Cluster 1)
- Thermal Hyperesthesia (Cluster 2)
- Mechanical Hyperesthesia (Cluster 3)
- Cluster 1+2
- Cluster 1+3
- Cluster 2+3
- Cluster 1+2+3