

Nerve	Trigeminal (CN V)	Facial (CN VII)
Anatomy	<p>Three Branches</p> <p>Ophthalmic (VI) Sensory to face</p> <p>Maxillary (V2) Sensory to face</p> <p>Mandibular (V3) Sensory to face and Motor for mastication</p> <p>-Motor nucleus in the pons</p> <p>-Exits skull through the Oval Foramen</p>	<p>Motor: Facial expression</p> <p>Sensation: Concave surface of skin on pinna</p> <p>Taste: Rostral 2/3 of tongue</p> <p>Parasympathetic fibers to lacrimal and salivary glands</p> <p>Motor fibers originate from the motor nucleus of CN VII in the ventral part of the rostral medulla</p> <p>Exits through the stylomastoid foramen</p>
Testing	<p><u>Cutaneous Sensation</u></p> <p>Corneal Reflex A: ophthalmic branch E: CN VI +/- VII</p> <p>Palpebral Reflex A: ophthalmic and maxillary branch E: CN VII</p> <p>Trigemino-facial reflex A: ophthalmic and maxillary branch E: CN VII</p> <p>Noxious responses</p> <p>Nasal mucosa A: ophthalmic and maxillary branch</p> <p>Lateral maxilla A: maxillary branch E: CN VII curling of ipsilateral lip and head withdrawal (cortical)</p> <p>Lateral mandible A: mandibular branch E: head withdrawal (cortical)</p> <p><u>Motor Dysfunction</u></p> <p>Paresis/paralysis: Inability to close mouth / prehend food</p> <p>Atrophy</p> <p>Symmetry and tone</p> <p>Masticatory muscle paresis or paralysis</p> <p>“head caved in”</p> <p><u>Sensory Dysfunction</u></p> <p>Decreased sensation, hypesthesia or anesthesia</p> <p>Decreased or absent reflexes</p> <p>Abnormal paresthesia, hyperesthesia</p>	<p><u>Reflexes</u></p> <p>Menace response A: CN II, E: CN VII</p> <p>Corneal Reflex A: ophthalmic branch E: CN VI +/- VII</p> <p>Palpebral Reflex A: ophthalmic and maxillary branch E: CN VII</p> <p>Trigemino-facial reflex A: ophthalmic and maxillary branch E: CN VII</p> <p><u>Motor</u></p> <p>-Facial symmetry</p> <p>-Symmetry of movement</p> <p><u>Parasympathetic Function</u></p> <p>-Lacrimation (STT)</p> <p>-Dry eye and nose</p> <p><u>Cutaneous sensory testing</u></p> <p>Sensation to medial surface of pinna</p> <p><u>Special senses</u></p> <p>Taste (tartaric acid or atropine)</p> <p><u>Motor Dysfunction</u></p> <p>-Inability to close eye, drooping ear, eyelid, lip</p> <p>-Widening of palpebral fissure *acute deviation of nose to normal side, chronic contracted and deviated to abnormal side</p>

		-Lack of nostril flare -Abnormal facial reflexes Intracranial vs Extracranial
Lesion Localization	Central vs Peripheral <u>Intracranial</u> Brainstem: Motor and sensory dysfunction signs and usually brainstem signs -Other CN signs (VII, VIII) - Ipsilateral hemiparesis -Obtundation -CP deficits -Cerebellar signs <u>Extracranial</u> -Signs vary with location of the lesion/branches involved -DO NOT have brainstem signs	<u>Intracranial</u> Brainstem -Motor, sensory and parasympathetic involved - Ipsilateral CN VII paresis/paralysis -Reduced/absent lacrimation and taste Extracranial: Interosseous Nerve -CN VII paresis/paralysis -No brainstem signs +/- Middle ear disease +/- Horner's Syndrome
Diagnostic work up	History -Vaccinations Clinical Signs Advanced Imaging: MRI/CT +/- Skull Radiographs CSF analysis Dogs +/- type 2M antibody serology for masticatory muscle myositis	Clinical signs Schirmer Tear Test Otoscopic Examination Advanced Imaging: MRI/CT Skull Radiographs CSF analysis
Diseases	<u>Idiopathic Trigeminal Neuropathy</u> "Trigeminal Neuritis" -Diagnosis of exclusion -Extracranial -Idiopathic -Common in dogs, uncommon in cats -Acute onset dropped jaw, inability to close mouth -Dysphagia/drooling -Atrophy common *can be unilateral	<u>Idiopathic Facial Nerve Paralysis</u> Extracranial Dogs and cats (Cocker Spaniels) Acute, usually unilateral Localization: peripheral, proximal to geniculate ganglion Pathology: No inflammation; degeneration of myelinated fibers Prognosis is good; weeks to months for recovery <u>Otitis Media/Interna</u>

	<p>-Sensation is usually normal +/- Horner's Syndrome, facial paralysis associated</p> <p><u>Masticatory Muscle Myositis</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Muscle swelling and pain -Trismus <p>-Do not usually have a dropped jaw</p> <p><u>Neoplasia</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Lymphoma -Other round cell neoplasia -Nerve sheath tumor <p><u>Infection</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Rabies 	<p><u>Neoplasia</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Intracranial: primary and secondary neoplasia -Extramedullary: lymphoma -Secondary involvement by squamous cell carcinoma, osteosarcoma, adenocarcinomas <p><u>Trauma</u></p> <p>Bite wounds, ear surgery</p> <p><u>Metabolic</u></p> <p>Hypothyroid facial neuropathy in dogs (suspected, not proven); may be associated with other generalized motor unit clinical signs</p> <p><u>Inflammation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Polyradiculoneuritis, brachial plexus neuritis <p><u>Motor unit disease</u></p> <p>Myasthenia gravis, botulism</p>
Treatment	<p><u>Trigeminal Neuropathy</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Supportive Care (feeding tube, fluids) -Usually resolves in 2-6 weeks -Corticosteroids are NOT recommended <p><u>Rabies</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -No treatment, get a solid history and be careful <p><u>Neoplasia</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Intracranial: primary and secondary neoplasia -Extracranial: lymphoma, malignant peripheral nerve sheath tumor -Secondary involvement by squamous cell carcinoma, osteosarcoma, adenocarcinomas 	<p><u>Idiopathic Facial Nerve Paralysis</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Prevent exposure keratitis with artificial tears (NOT SALINE type) or ophthalmic ointments -Routine monitoring for KCS and corneal ulcers -Efficacy of corticosteroids is unknown and not recommended <p>Treat ear infection/trauma</p>

	<u>Trauma</u> -Signs develop acutely, resolution depends on severity	
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