

5-aminolevulinic-acid fluorescence-guided resection of glioma

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see [5-aminolevulinic acid fluorescence guided resection of high-grade glioma](#).

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The major challenge neurosurgeons encounter when resecting infiltrative gliomas is the identification of the glioma tumor margin to perform a radical [resection](#) while avoiding and preserving [eloquent regions](#) of the brain. [5-aminolevulinic acid](#) (5-ALA) remains the only optical-imaging agent approved by the [FDA](#) for use in [glioma surgery](#) and the identification of [tumor tissue](#)¹⁾.

[5-ALA-based fluorescence guided surgery](#) has been shown to be a safe and effective method to improve intraoperative visualization and resection of [malignant gliomas](#). However, it remains ineffective in guiding the resection of lower-grade, non-enhancing, and deep-seated tumors, mainly because these tumors do not produce detectable fluorescence with conventional visualization technologies, namely, wide-field (WF) [surgical microscope](#). The introduction of [fluorescence guided resection](#) (FGS) represents one of the most important advances in the neurosurgical treatment of brain tumors.

[5-aminolevulinic acid fluorescence guided resection](#) permits the intraoperative visualization of [malignant glioma](#) tissue and supports the neurosurgeon with real-time guidance for differentiating tumor from normal brain that is independent of [neuronavigation](#) and [brain shift](#).

¹⁾

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