

Limbic surgery

The surgical targets that are utilized vary across institutions and involve lesions produced bilaterally in the anterior limb of the internal capsule ([anterior capsulotomy](#)), the supragenual anterior cingulate gyrus and cingulum (anterior cingulotomy), and the subgenual anterior cingulate gyrus and subcortical orbitofrontal white matter (subcaudate tractotomy) ^{[1\)](#) [2\)](#)}.

The combination of bilateral cingulotomy and subcaudate tractotomy is known as limbic leucotomy

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