

Traumatic optic neuropathy treatment

Clinical interventions for traumatic optic neuropathy include [observation](#) only, treatment with [corticosteroids](#) alone, or [optic canal decompression](#) (with or without steroids). There is controversy in clinical practice concerning which treatment is the best.

The data in the literature to date has not shown any treatment to be superior to observation ^{[1](#) [2](#)}.

New findings of laboratory studies such as mitochondrial therapy, lipid change studies, and other studies in favor of TON therapy have also been identified ^{[3](#)}.

Surgery

see [Optic canal decompression](#)

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