

Aetiology of Facial Injuries.

- (1) *Assault*
- (2) *Sporting*
- (3) *Motor Vehicle Trauma.*

Most cases of facial trauma arise as a result of assault. Most patients have a competent airway and are neurologically stable but remember they have received a relatively hard hit to their head. Beware of head injury and cervical spine injury. Significant midfacial trauma is becoming less common as it is usually the result of MCA. These however quite commonly have intracranial neurological injuries and cervical spine injuries due to usually high velocity impact.