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## DENTAL TREATMENT FOR DEMENTIA: THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN ORAL AND BRAIN CONDITION

As average life expectancy has developed, dementia has become a major social issue, especially in developed countries. There is a close relationship between dental and general health. Oral conditions may also significantly affect the brain condition. The author has researched the efficacy of dental treatment as a method to improve overall health. Although severe dementia is seemed to be intractable, this study suggests that symptoms may be improved via dentistry. Underlining mechanism has not been clarified so further research is required. The author believes this improvement is caused by stimulus of dental treatment to the brain via trigeminal nerve which is the biggest in the cranial nerves.

### Biography

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