



Forehead Lift

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Anatomy

Temporal crest

Deep Temporal Fascia[Periosteum]

Superficial Temporal Fascia[Galia]

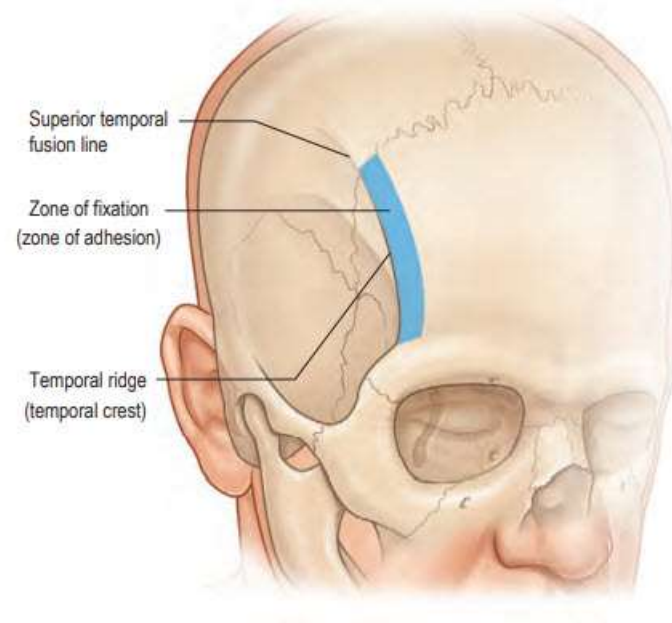
Zone of Fixation

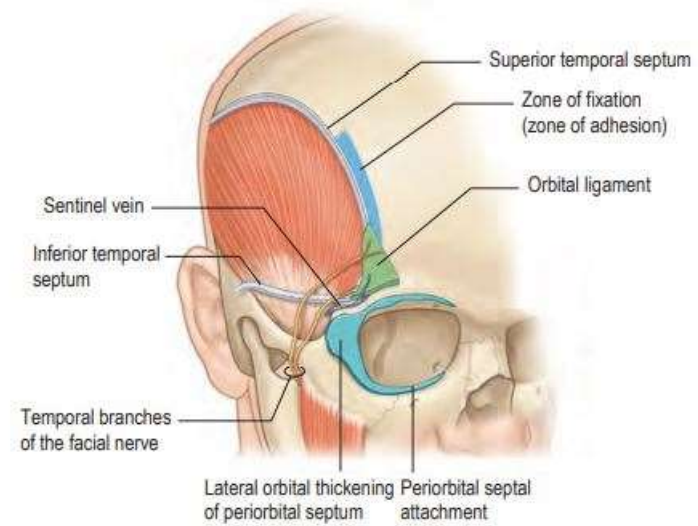
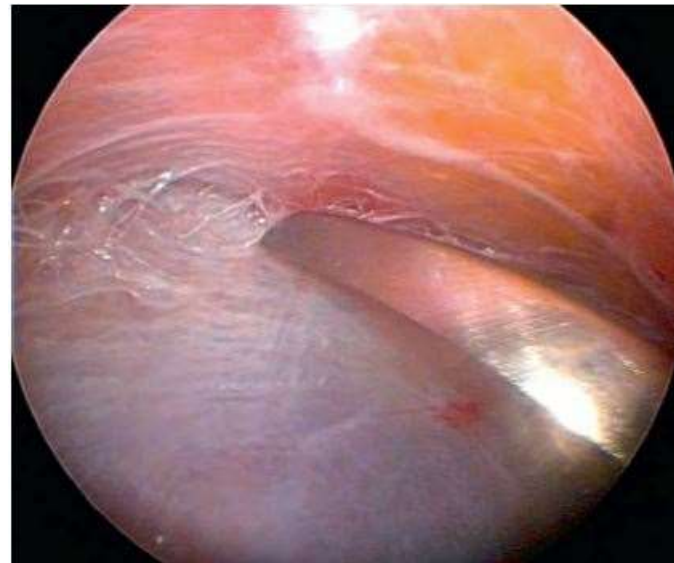
Orbital Ligament

Inferior Temporal Ligament

Temporal Branch of Facial Nerve

Sentinel Vein





Galea

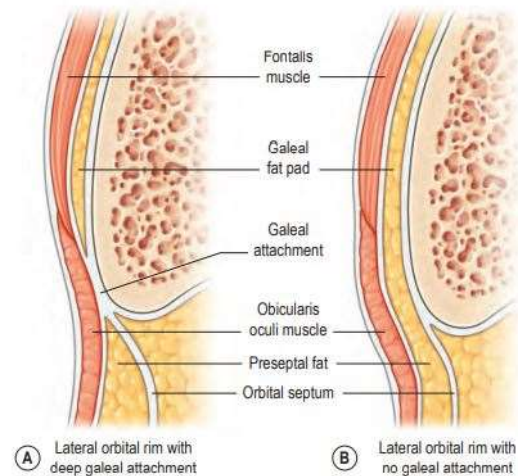
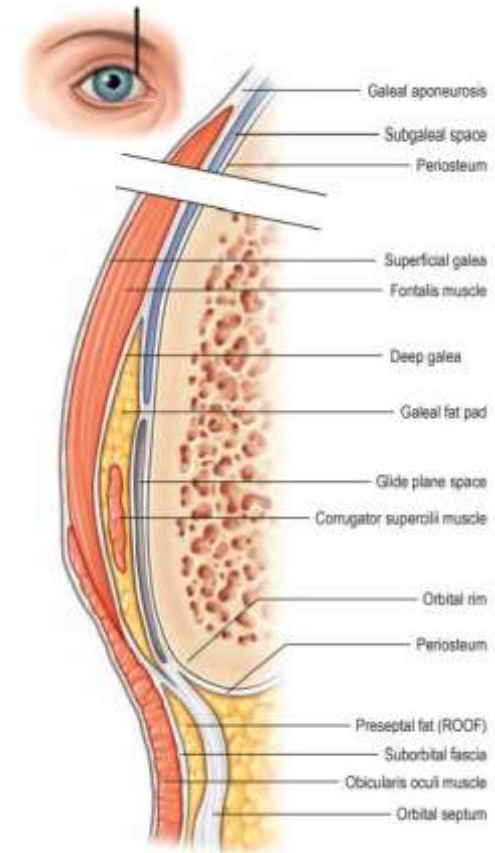
In frontal split into Superficial and Deep
Inferiorly Deep Galea separate to 3 layers

Glide plane space

Galeal fat pad

ROOF

Septum Orbitale in medial



Muscle

Eyebrow level

Brow Depressor:

Originate from bone medially inserting into soft tissue

Procerus

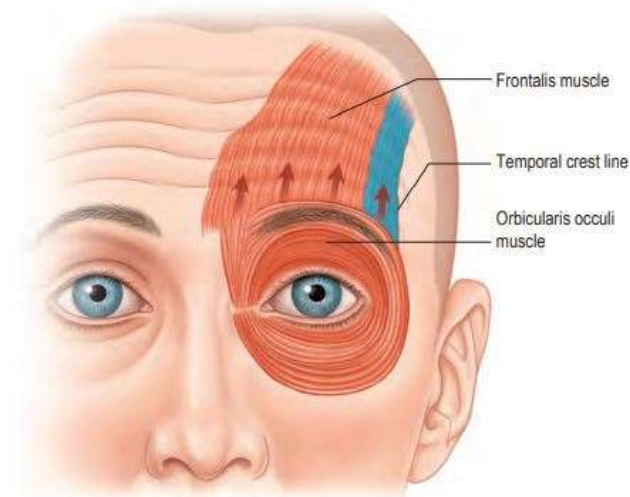
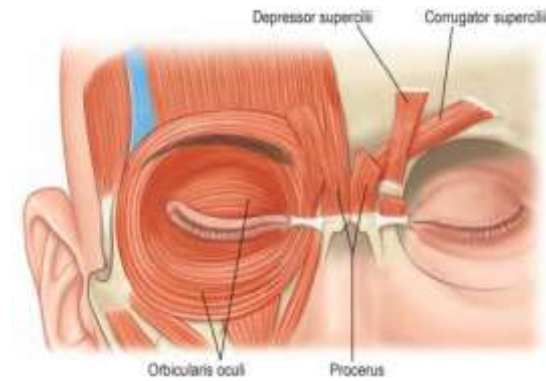
Depressor supercilii

Corrugator

Orbicularis oculi[sphincter]

OO is only depressor brow muscle laterally

Frontalis [lateral deficiency]



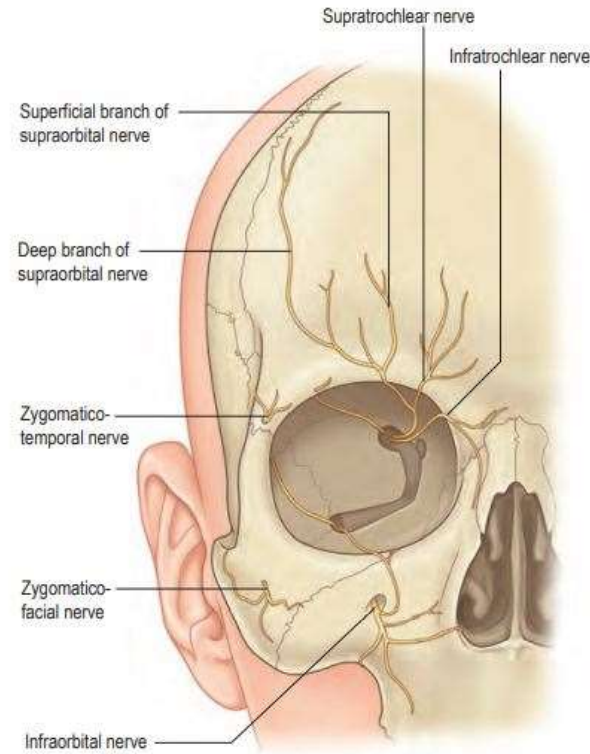
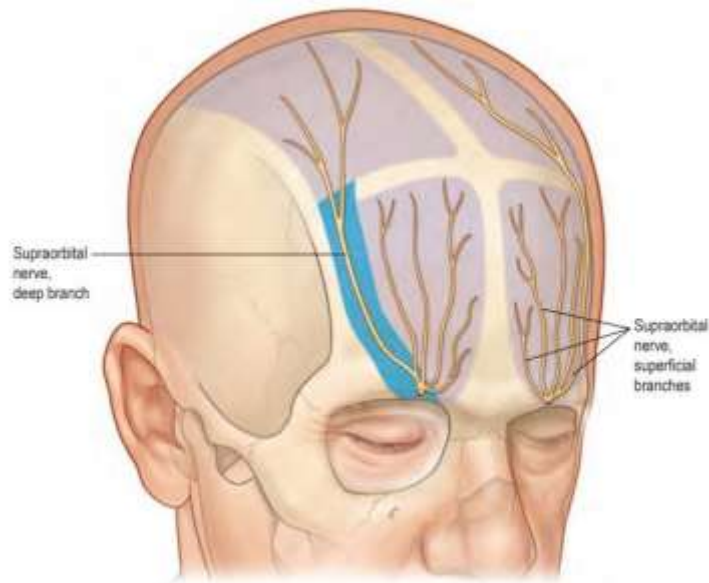
Sensory Nerves

Infratrochlear

Zygomatocotemporal

Supratrochlear

Supraorbital



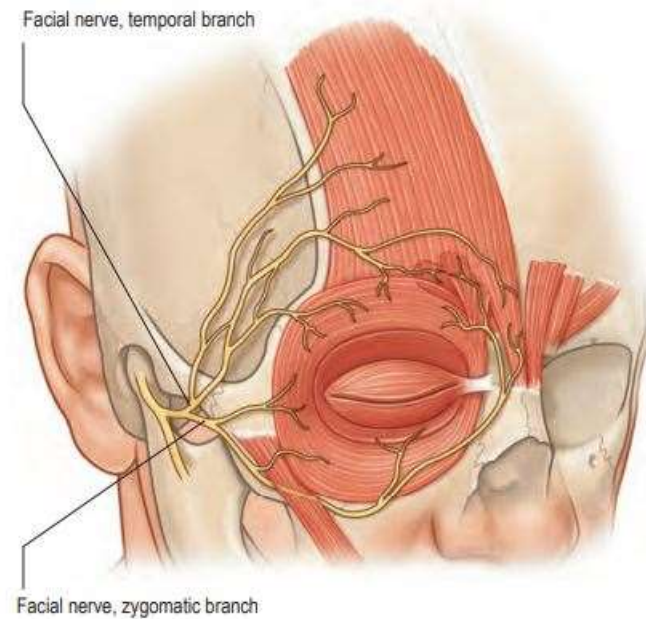
Motor Nerves

Temporal branch of facial nerve

2-4 fine branches

landmarks:

1. Middle third of palpable zygomatic arch
2. 1.5cm lateral to tail of the eyebrow
3. Parallel and adjacent to inferior temporal septum
4. Immediately superior to sentinel vein



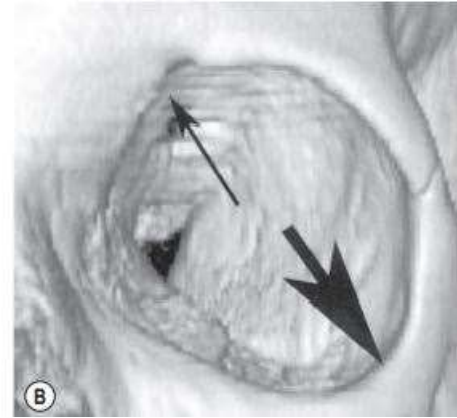
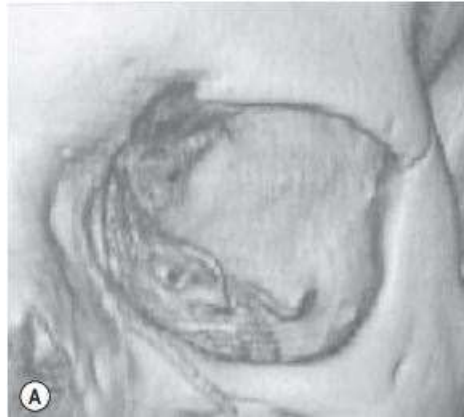
Forehead Aging

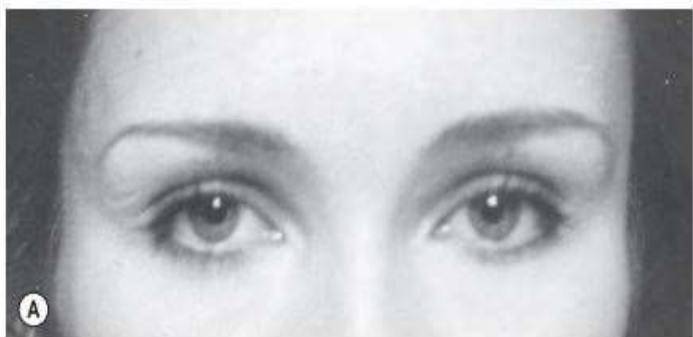
First: Furrows caused by repetitive action of underlying muscles

Second: ptosis of forehead/eyebrow complex

Pseudo-excess of upper eyelid skin

Central and medial eyebrow could rise over time





Aesthetics

Correct eyebrow position

Eyebrow height

Age:lateral downturn

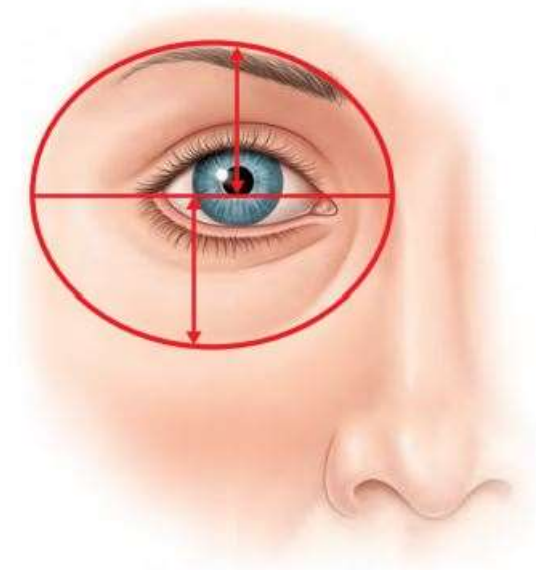
Complex junction of upper eyelid and brow:

- 1.Eyelid shape and position
- 2.Fullness or hollowness of upper sulcus
- 3.Shape of orbit

Gunter:eyebrow and nasojugal fold create oval shape

Pupil

Vertical size and height



Distance from lashes to lower border of eyebrow:

- 1.Changing eyebrow height
- 2.Lid ptosis or retraction
- 3.Redundant upper eyelid soft tissue
- 4.Loss of upper sulcus fat

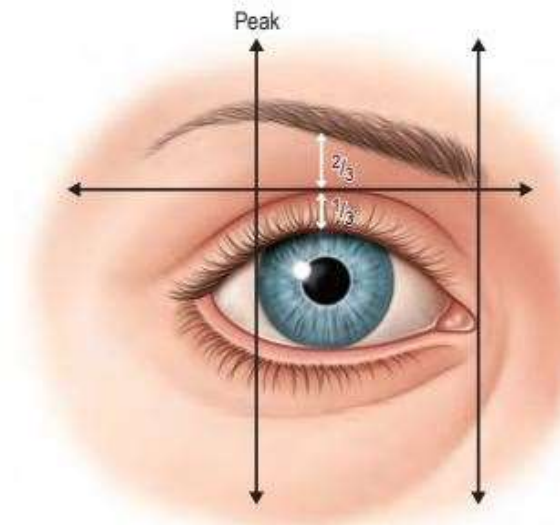
Individualization:

- 1.Gender
- 2.Ethnicity
- 3.Eye prominence
- 4.Facial proportion



Ideal eyebrow

- 1.The Medial eyebrow level[should lie over the medial orbit rim
- 2.The medial border of the eyebrow should be vertically in line with the medial cantus
- 3.Eyebrow should be rise gently peaking slightly at least two-third of the way to its lateral end,vertically above the lateral cantus
- 4.Lateral tail of eyebrow should be higher than the medial end
- 5.The male brow should be lower and less peaked



Patient selection

Main component of every patient

Old photograph

Assessment in sitting or standing and head in vertical position

Visual acuity

Periorbital symmetry

Anterior hairline

Thickness of scalp hair

Transverse forehead lines

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Glabellar frown lines

Thickness of eyebrow hair

Eyebrow height,axis and shape

Passive and active eyebrow mobility

Old scars and tattoos

Upper eyelid redundancy,hollowness

Lid level[ptosis or retraction]

Exam with eyelid open and closed

Entire or only laterally lift

Frown muscle ablation

Surgical Techniques

OPEN CORONAL APPROACH

Gold standard

Advantages:

1. Unparalleled surgical exposure
2. Stable and long standing

Technique: incision 6-8cm behind hairline in vertex to reduce numbness

Anterior incision: less dissection, better visibility and closer point of eyebrow traction

Ant flap: subperiosteal or more common subgaleal



Frown muscles: deep galeal surface, galeal fat pad

Leave some galeal attachment medially

Release of zone of fixation

Drawn flap superolaterally

Deeper fixation?

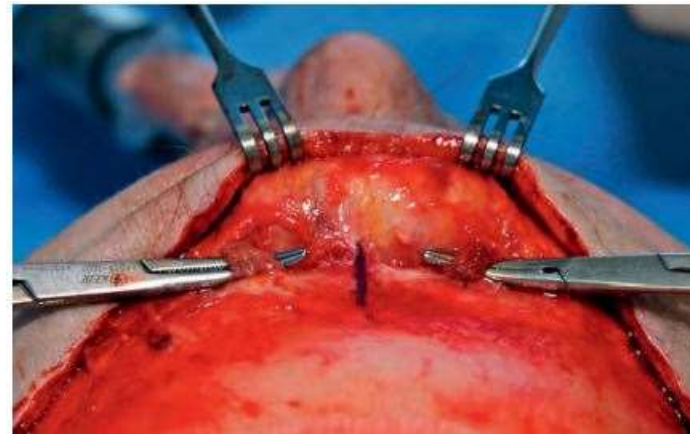
Disadvantages:

Numbness

Long scar

Hair follicles damage

dysesthesia



Anterior Hairline Approach

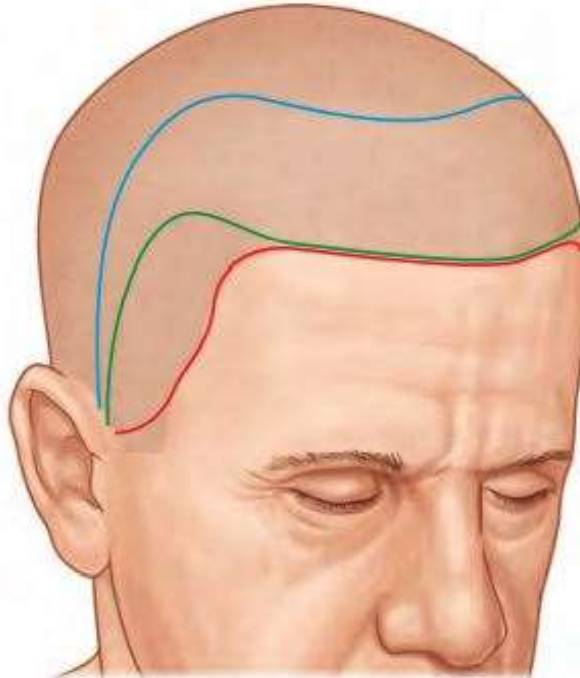
Along anterior hairline

Scar visibility: within hairline, beveling, slightly wavy line

3 different dissection planes: subperiosteal, subgaleal, subcutaneous

Advantages: coronal approach + excellent surgical exposure

No moving anterior hairline posterior



Two unique advantages: 1. subcutaneous plane dissection
2. Lower excessively high anterior hairline or to lower overly high eyebrow [congenital or prior brow lift surgery]

Bony fixation?

Disadvantages: 1. most important is permanent scar
2. Severescalp denervation 3. possible partial skin necrosis



Endoscopic Approach

Advantages: 1. very good exposure

2. Magnification of the view

3. short, undetectable incisions

4. avoid numbness

Lateral: mechanical fixation, not excision

Medial: passively brow lifting with
frown muscles ablation

3-5 small incisions

Medial dissection: subperiosteal or subgaleal first
blindly then near orbital rim with endoscopic control

Lateral dissection against DTF

Lateral orbital rim and supraorbital rim released

Dissection as far as lateral cantus for lateral brow elevation

Joined lateral to medial dissection

Glabella muscle ablation [risk injury to sensory nerves]

Avoid excessive release of flap medially

Drawn forehead flap superolaterally

Appropriate customized vectors

Fixation:

1. not need

2. lateral: STF to DTF suturing

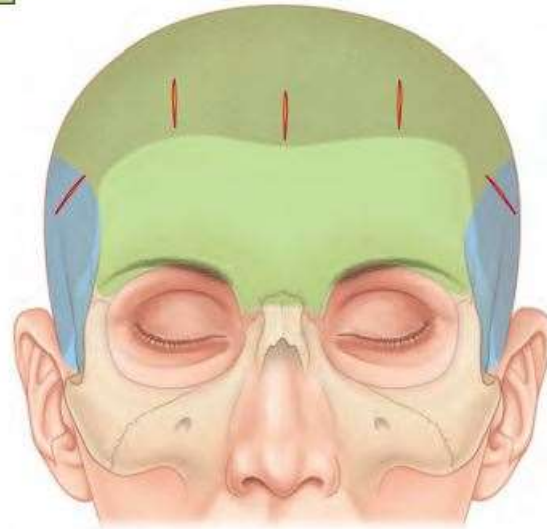
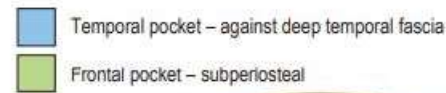
medial: bony fixation

Disadvantages:

1. Technical demands

2. Overly elevating or separating of medial eyebrows

3. Nonadequate fixation



Temple Approach

Fullthickness scalp incision

Lateral to temporal crest line

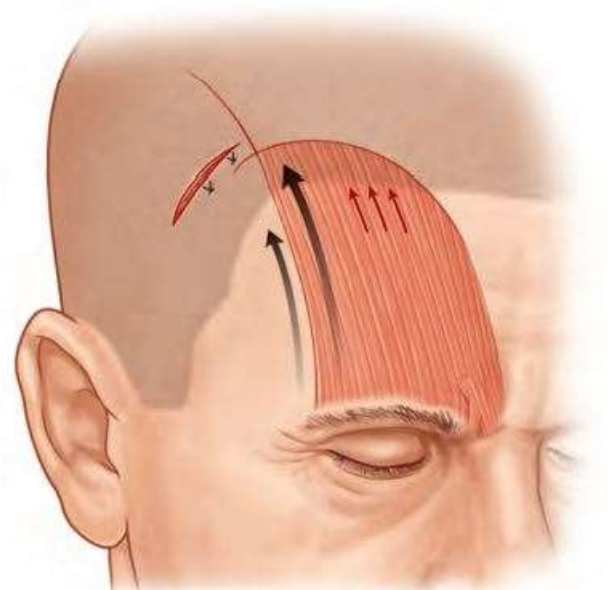
Dissection on DTF

Releasing lateral orbit and supraorbital rim and zone of fixation with endoscope

Fixation: suture between STF and DTF

Disadvantages;

- 1.Limited visibility of central and medial supraorbital rim
- 2.Oblique vector for lateral eyebrow



Transpalpebral approach-muscle modification

Blepharoplasty +muscle modification or ablation

Isolate elevation of lateral third of eyebrow

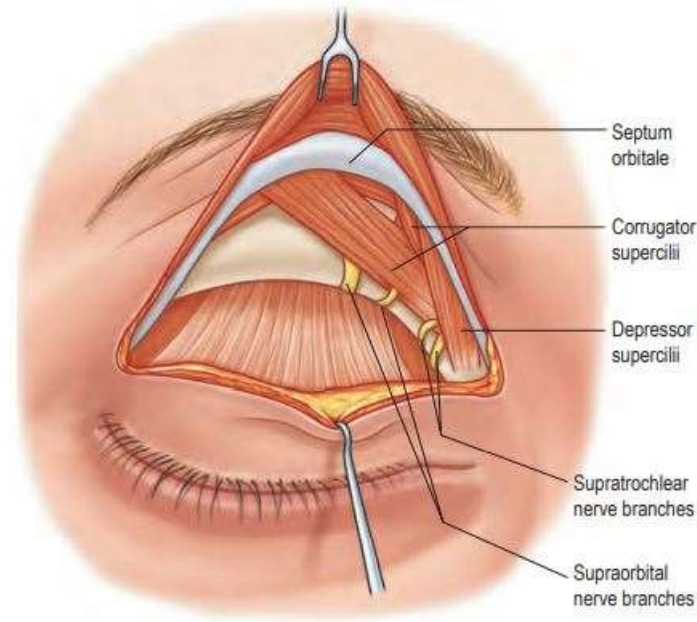
Advantages:

Hidden scar,two purposes

Disadvantages:

Sensory nerves damage

Increased bruising and edema



Lateral Brow Approach

More medial incision based on most effective vector



Direct Suprabrow Approach

Eyebrow is cutaneous structure

Simple

Fullthickness skin excision

Along upper margin or deep forehead creases

1:1 skin removal and elevation

50%relapse

Closer to eyebrow reduce relapse

Advantages:easy,well tolerated,not nerve injury,predictable result

Disadvantages:visible scar, recurrent

Good candidate:old man, deep crease,thick eyebrow

Easily can repeated



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Transpalpebral browpexy

Suture suspension browpexy

Postoperative care

Head elevation

Cold packs

Analgesics

Topical ointment

In more extensive procedures:

Dressing

Drains for 24 h

Nerve block: decrease postop headache

Shower after 2 days ,suture removal after 7-10 days

Botox to prevent relapse of lateral brow ptosis

outcomes

Type of deformity, type of procedures and quality of its

Lesser procedures: lesser results

Simultaneous procedures:

Blepharoplasty

Fat grafting

Eyelid ptosis repair

Medial[surprised] and lateral[angry] overly
brow are undesirable and difficult to correct



complications

Scar alopecia[incision,cautery,tension if permanent:simple scar excision or fat grafting]

Hematoma:uncommon rarely need drainage

Infection:rare [wound care +antibiotics]

Contour deformity:due to muscle excision[fill with fat or temporal fascia]

Nerve damage:common,normal sensation will likely returned over time

Temporary neuropraxia in muscle ablation

Motor nerve:temporal nerve of facial nerve, permanent damage is rare



Secondary procedures

Most reason for revision: correct aesthetic deformity

Upper blepharoplasty or repeat brow lift with different techniques and different planes and different fixation methods

Common: elevated medial brow if minimal injection of bottox in central frontalis
if severe: surgically lowered

Nerve palsy; bottox in opposite side or repeat brow lift in affected side



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