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Abstract
Theoretical and methodological difficulties similar to those dealt with previously are also encountered when attempts are made to relate clinical assessments of personality to a unitary concept of “brain damage”. Considerations of the nature, in relation to intellectual functions, have
That a brain injury could lead to this kind of personality change may sound far-fetched, but consider the real-life “Patient 3534”, a woman who had a brain tumour removed at the age of 70, leaving damage to the front of both sides of her brain. According to her husband, who’d known her for 58 years, before her surgery she had a “stern” personality, was highly irritable and grumpy. After the brain surgery, he said that she was “happier, more outgoing, and more talkative than ever before”. Patient 3534 is not the only one with such a change. There is now evidence that, at least for a minority of When damage occurs to the brain, changes consequently occur to the person. These changes vary considerably and may include alterations to the person’s speech, mobility, memory and even personality (Synapse 2016). Brain injuries can be acquired in a variety of ways, including (Synapse 2016). The symptoms displayed as a result of brain injury are dependent on where the brain was damaged and the extent of the damage (Better Health Channel 2014). This article will outline the effects of damage to different areas of the brain. Frontal Lobe. The frontal lobe is considered the ‘control panel’ of our personality and communication (Healthline 2018). Learn more about brain damage, including traumatic brain injury (TBI) and acquired brain injury (ABI), that damages brain cells. Learn about causes, signs, symptoms, and treatment of brain damage. What are the symptoms of brain damage? How are brain damage and brain injuries treated? Can I prevent brain injuries? Brain Damage: Symptoms, Causes, Treatments Center. Dementia Slideshow Pictures. Take the ADHD Quiz. Brain Foods Slideshow. Patient Comments: Brain Damage - Causes. Patient Comments: Brain Damage - Prevention. Find a local Doctor in your town. Brain damage introduction. What are the types of brain damage and how severe are they? What causes brain damage? What are the symptoms of brain damage? Volume 117 Issue 537. Brain Damage and Personality Ch English | Français. The British Journal of Psychiatry. This paper reports on the personality changes found in 261 patients after proven subarachnoid haemorrhage, and in particular on the association between these changes and the site and severity of damage to the brain. Psychiatric symptoms and details of intellectual impairment are not considered but will be reported elsewhere.