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Abstract	<p>Congenital vascular anomalies have been and remain poorly understood. Since 1982 haemangiomas and vascular malformations have been recognised as distinct entities that exhibit unique characteristics and demand appropriately tailored treatment plans . Vascular lesions in the head and neck region, including both haemangiomas and vascular malformations, are common and many different treatment modalities have been used for their removal. In the past decade, the Nd:YAG laser has emerged as a new mode of treatment for vascular lesions. Venous malformations of the face and neck involve multiple anatomical spaces and encase critical neuromuscular structures, making surgical treatment difficult; high recurrence rates and high morbidity are well documented. Various methods of treatment of uncertain value and risk of complications have been advocated. Lasers have been used in the treatment of haemangiomas since the early 1980s. Several study groups have reported good results, others have been less enthusiastic and emphasized other treatments like cryosurgery.</p>		