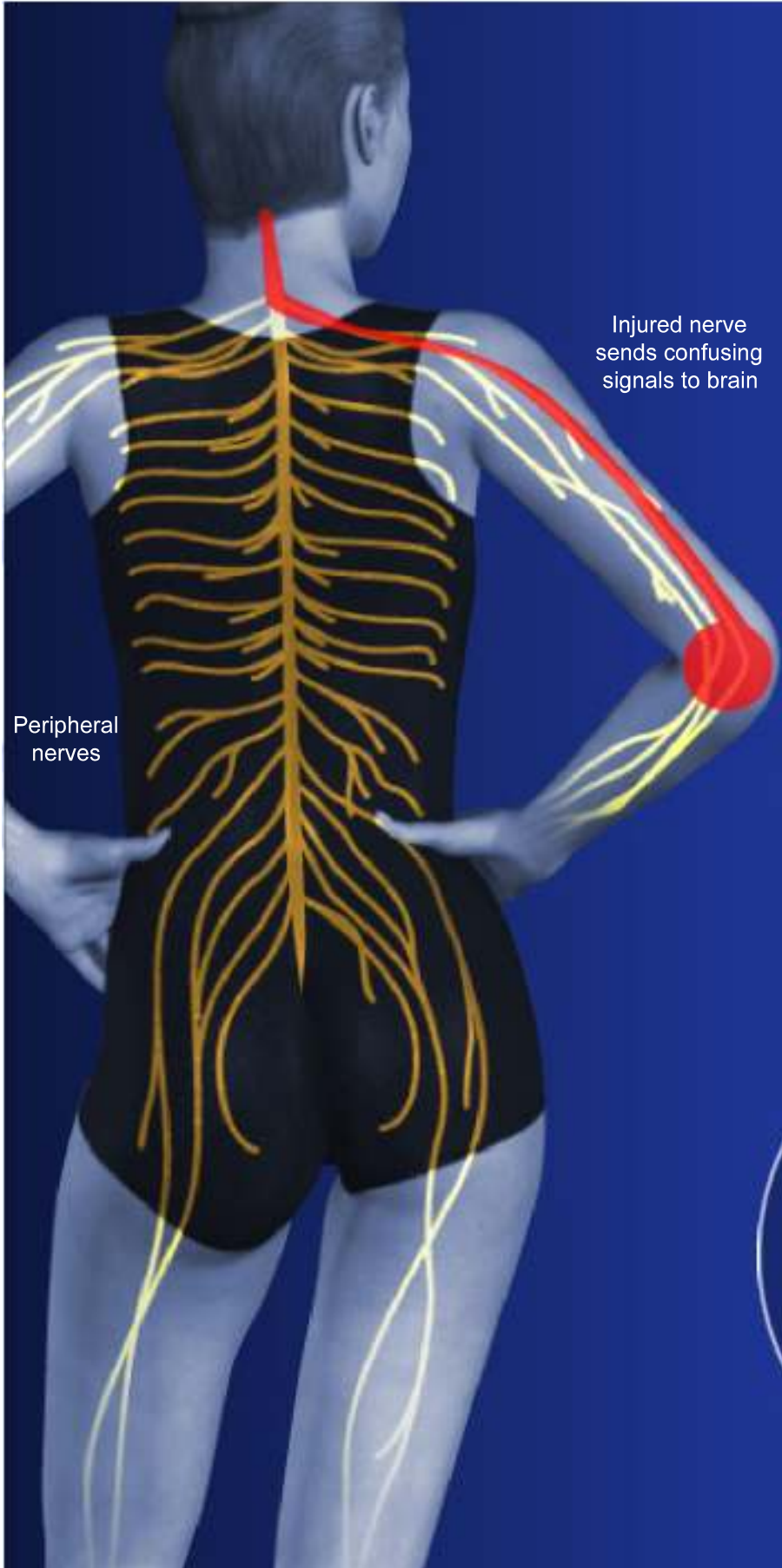


## PERIPHERAL NEURALGIA



This painful condition results from damage to the peripheral nervous system – the nerves that travel from the spinal cord to the limbs and organs.

### Causes

The fragile nervous system can be damaged by disease, trauma, surgery, or many other factors. Damaged nerves can send confused or amplified signals to the brain, which can be perceived as pain.

### Symptoms

Most neuralgia sufferers feel acute pain in a specific part of the body. Sensations can range from a steady burning to a pricking, or electric shock.

### Treatment

Neuralgia can be difficult to treat, and treatment often depends on the type and cause of the damage. Pain relief medications, antidepressants and anticonvulsants are often prescribed. Alternative treatments such as electrode therapy may also be used.



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