Witness appeal following serious assault on South Bridge

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Police are appealing for information following a serious assault which occurred yesterday at around 3.50am when a 55-year-old man was assaulted on South Bridge, opposite Hunter Square.

The male suspect struck the 55-year-old to the face, causing him to fall back and strike his head on the pavement. The suspect then fled the scene in a southerly direction down South Bridge.

The Scottish Ambulance Service took the 55-year-old to the Edinburgh Royal Infirmary for treatment. He has since been released.

The suspect is described as a white man with a slim build. He is in his mid-twenties and is around 5ft 9" in height. He was wearing a black tracksuit and a white t-shirt.

Detective Constable Alison Wyllie said: "This was a violent incident, which has resulted in the victim being hospitalised.

"We are eager to trace this suspect as soon as possible. Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to contact police immediately."

Those with information regarding this incident are asked to contact Police Scotland on 101 or anonymously through Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.