## CCTV images issued in plea for information about assault

Police Scotland have released images of a group of three men they wish to trace in connection with a serious assault in the city centre last weekend in the early hours of Sunday 23 July 2017.



A 25-year-old man suffered a fractured skull and was taken to hospital following the attack, which happened on Waverley Bridge at around 3.30a.m.

Detectives are keen to trace the men on the CCTV footage, who are seen to be within the area at the time of the assault.



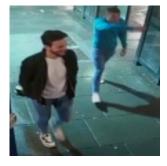












Anyone who recognises these images is asked to contact police immediately.

Detective Constable Graham McIlwraith said: "The victim suffered a serious head injury as a result of this incident and police have been conducting various enquiries including viewing several hours of CCTV footage from in and around Edinburgh City Centre.

"The males pictured are believed to be of significance to our investigation and anyone who can assist in tracing them is asked to come forward.

"Similarly, we would ask these males to get in touch with

police and help with our investigation."

Those with information can contact officers at Gayfield CID on 101, quoting incident number 0973 of July 23, or the charity Crimestoppers in complete anonymity on 0800 555 111.