Police hunt man with "rottweiler-type" dog who attacked pensioner in Leith



A police investigation is underway after a 70-year-old pensioner suffered serious facial injuries in an assault by a man who walking a "rottweiler-type" dog along Duncan Place towards Wellington Place around 2.50pm yesterday.

The attacker is a white male, aged around 20, stocky build with mid-length light brown hair and a local accent.

At the time of the assault he was wearing a dark sweater and dark jogging bottoms.

Detective Constable Alastair Paisley, of Gayfield CID, said: "This was a senseless and vicious attack resulting in serious injuries for the victim.

"We are keen to trace the man walking a Rottweiler-type breed of dog who was seen to run off in the direction of Duke Street following the attack.

"The area was busy with other pedestrians and I would appeal to anyone who witnessed the assault, or knows who is responsible, to contact police immediately."

The injured man was taken to Edinburgh Royal Infirmary and released following treatment.