

Post operative pain management



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The management of pain is a multidisciplinary team effort involving physicians, psychologists, nurses, and physical therapists



GOAL OF PAIN TREATMENT

- Improve quality of the pt .
- Facilitate rapid recovery &return to full function .
- Reduce morbidity .
- Allow early discharge from hospital .

Physiologic response

- **Cardiovascular**

- : ↑ HR, ↑ BP, ↑ PVR, ↑ myocardial O₂ consumption
 - MI, DVT, pulmonary embolism

- **Respiratory**

- : ↓ lung volume → atelectasis

- : ↓ cough, sputum retention → infection, hypoxemia

- **Gastrointestinal**

- : ↓ gastric & bowel motility,

- : ↑ risk of bacterial transgression of bowel wall

Physiologic response

- **Musculoskeletal**

- : muscle spasm, immobility → ↑ risk DVT

- : muscle wasting → prolong recovery

- **Central nervous**

- : central sensitization → chronic pain

- **Psychological**

- : anxiety, fear, sleep deprivation, leading to ↑ pain

Physiologic response

- **Neuroendocrine**

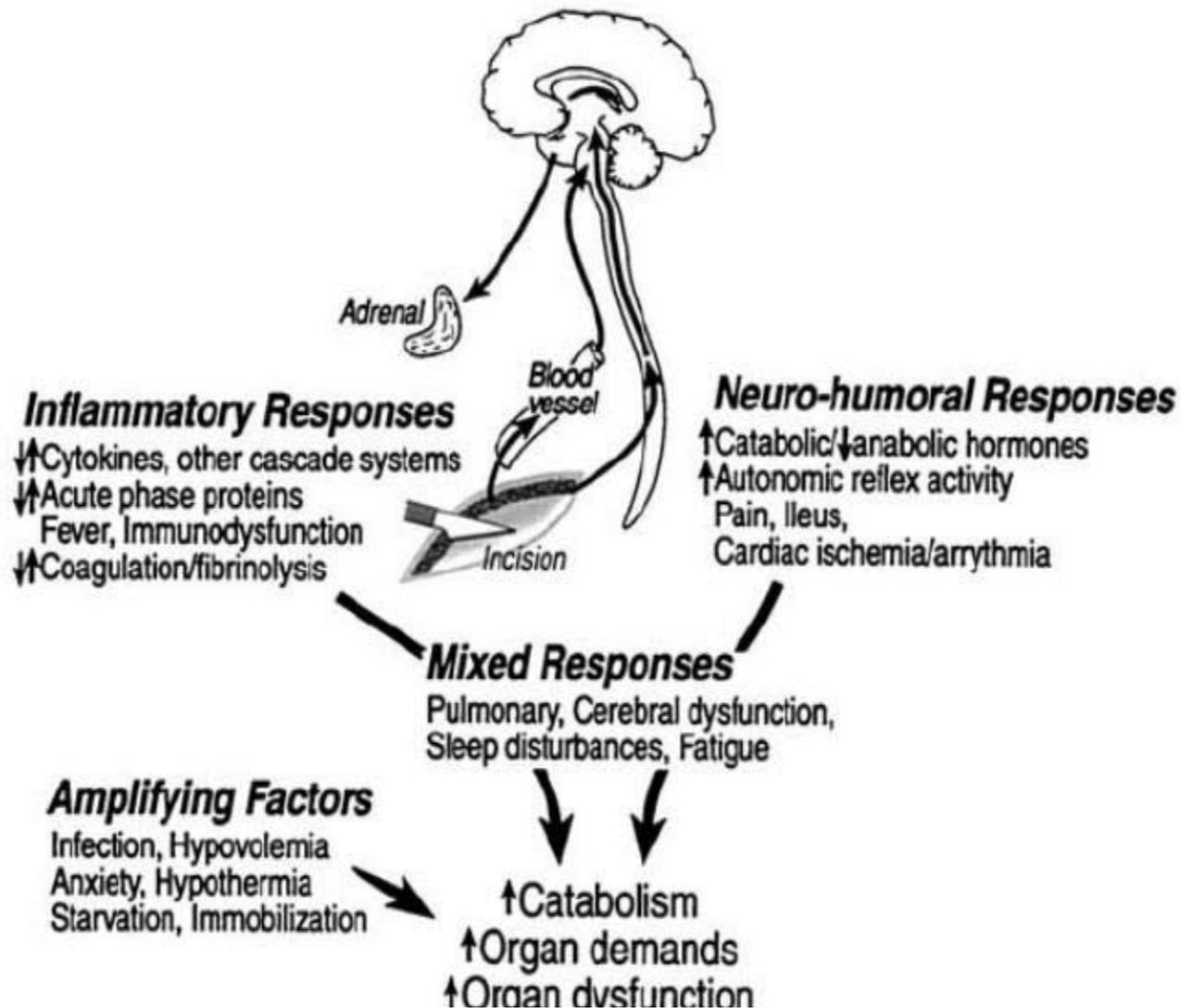
- : ↑ *catabolic hormone*

- (glucagon, growth hormone, vasopressin, aldosterone, renin angiotensin)

- hyperglycemia, impaired wound healing

- : ↓ *anabolic hormone* (insulin, testosterone)

Surgical pain



Surgical pain

Surgical procedure

Minor surgery

Herniotomy
Varicose vein
Gynecological
laparotomy

Moderate surgery

Hip replacement
Hysterectomy
maxillofacial

Major surgery

Thoracotomy
Major abdominal
surgery
Knee surgery

Paracetamol /NSIADs
/ weak opioids

Wound infiltration

Peripheral nerve block

Paracetamol /NSIADs
+Wound infiltration
Peripheral nerve block
Systemic opioids
PCA

Paracetamol /NSIADs
Epidural anesthesia
systemic opioids
PCA

Treatment modality

Pain management

1. Patient education
2. Drugs & non drugs treatment
3. Monitoring requirement
4. Treatment of side effects



Acute Pain management

- Pain management continues to be a challenge to doctors and nurses.
- PCA & epidural analgesia are advance in analgesia that may assist nurse with this challenge
- Pain management can be evaluated in terms of its ability to meet 2 main goals:
 - To relieve postoperative pain.
 - To relieve patient of inhibition of respiratory movement without sedation.

Pain evaluation

- **Physical examination**
- **Psychological examination**

Pain assessment tools

MODERATE

UNIVERSAL PAIN ASSESSMENT TOOL

This pain assessment tool is intended to help patient care providers assess pain according to individual patient needs. Explain and use 0-10 Scale for patient self-assessment. Use the faces or behavioral observations to interpret expressed pain when patient cannot communicate his/her pain intensity.

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Verbal Descriptor Scale	NO PAIN		MILD PAIN		MODERATE PAIN		MODERATE PAIN		SEVERE PAIN		WORST PAIN POSSIBLE
WONG-BAKER FACIAL GRIMACE SCALE											
	Alert smiling		No humor serious flat		Furrowed brow pursed lips breath holding		Wrinkled nose raised upper lips rapid breathing		Slow blink open mouth		Eyes closed moaning crying
ACTIVITY TOLERANCE SCALE	NO PAIN		CAN BE IGNORED		INTERFERES WITH TASKS		INTERFERES WITH CONCENTRATION		INTERFERES WITH BASIC NEEDS		BEDREST REQUIRED
SPANISH	NADA DE DOLOR		UNPOQUITO DE DOLOR		UN DOLOR LEVE		DOLOR FUERTE		DOLOR DEMASIADO FUERTE		UN DOLOR INSOPORTABLE
TAGALOG	Walang Sakit		Konting Sakit		Katamtamang Sakit		Matinding Sakit		Pinaka-Matinding Sakit		Pinaka-Malalang Sakit
CHINESE	不痛		輕微		中度		嚴重		非常嚴重		最嚴重
KOREAN	통증 없음		약한 통증		보통 통증		심한 통증		아주 심한 통증		최악의 통증
PERSIAN (FARSI)	بدون درد		درد ملایم		درد معتدل		درد شدید		درد بسیار شدید		بدترین درد ممکن
VIETNAMESE	Không Đau		Đau Nhẹ		Đau Vừa Phải		Đau Nặng		Đau Thệt Nặng		Đau Đớn Tận Cùng
JAPANESE	痛みがない		少し痛い		いくらか痛い		かなり痛い		ひどく痛い		ものすごく痛い

Pain Assessment tools

FLACC Behavioral Pain Assessment

Categories	0	Scoring 1	2
Face	No particular expression or smile	Occasional grimace or frown, withdrawn, disinterested	Frequent to constant quivering chin, clenched jaw
Legs	Normal position or relaxed	Uneasy, restless, tense	Kicking, or legs drawn up
Activity	Lying quietly, normal position moves easily	Squirming, shifting back and forth, tense	Arched, rigid or jerking
Cry	No cry, (awake or asleep)	Moans or whimpers; occasional complaint	Crying steadily, screams or sobs, frequent complaints
Consolability	Content, relaxed	Reassured by occasional touching hugging or being talked to, distractable	Difficulty to console or comfort

Each of the five categories is scored from 0-2, resulting in a total score between 0 and 10.

The FLACC scale was developed by Sandra Merkel, MS, RN, Terri Voepel-Lewis, MS, RN, and Shobha Malviya, MD, at C. S. Mott Children's Hospital, University of Michigan Health System, Ann Arbor, MI.

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- Pain Management

There are many different techniques, non-pharmacological & pharmacological, both regional and non-regional to provide post op analgesia.

Treatment ...

Pharmacologic

- ≡ Opioid
- ≡ Non opioid
- ≡ Adjuvant



Pharmacological approach

NON OPIOID

Acetamenophen

NSAIDs

OPIOID

WEAK OPIOID

Tramal

Strong Opioids

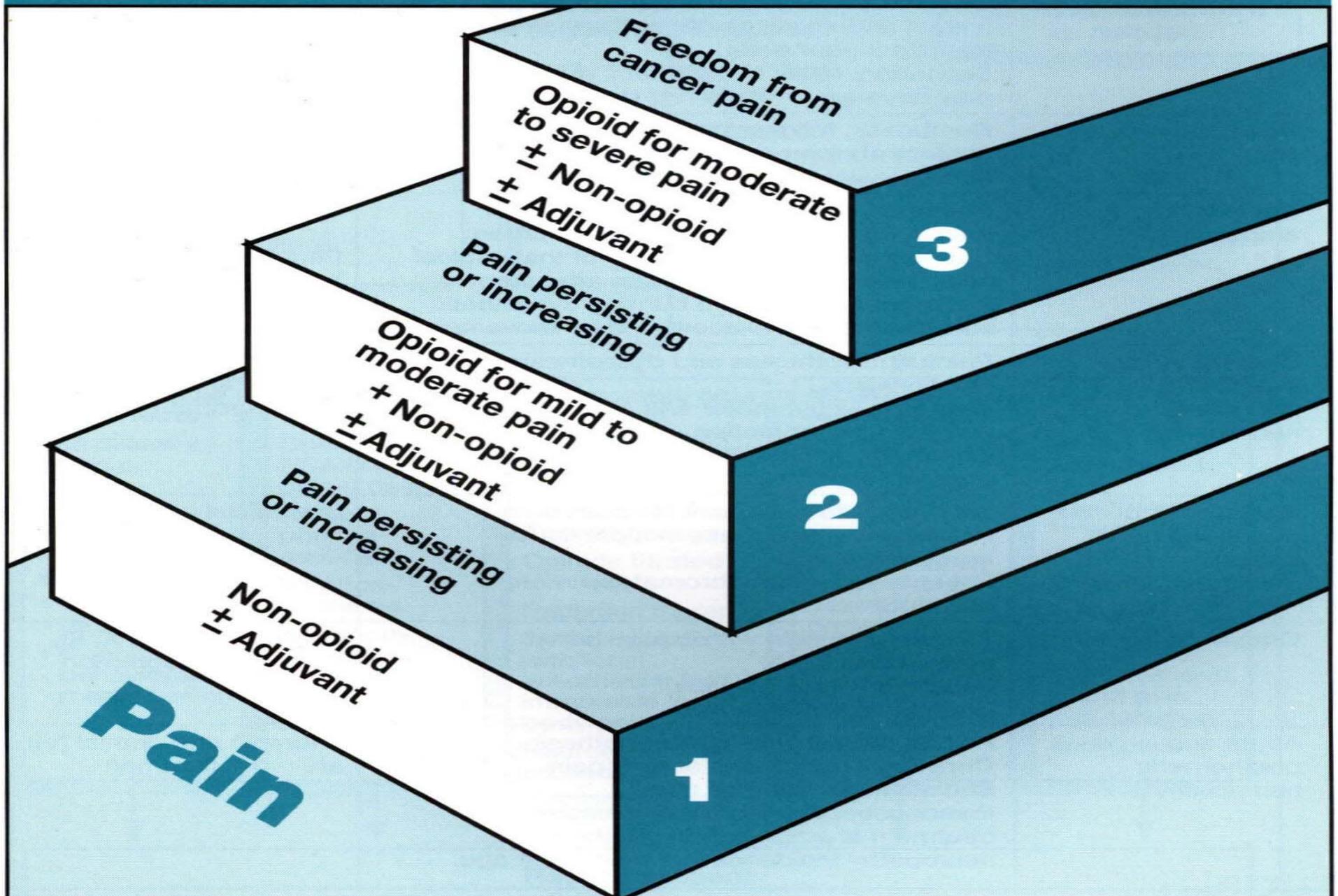
morphine

- Adjuvants therapy
 - Anticonvulsant
 - Antidepressants
 - NMDA antagonists
 - Muscle relaxants
 - Clonidine
 - Corticosteroids
 - Local Anesthetics
 - Sedatives

WHO Ladder

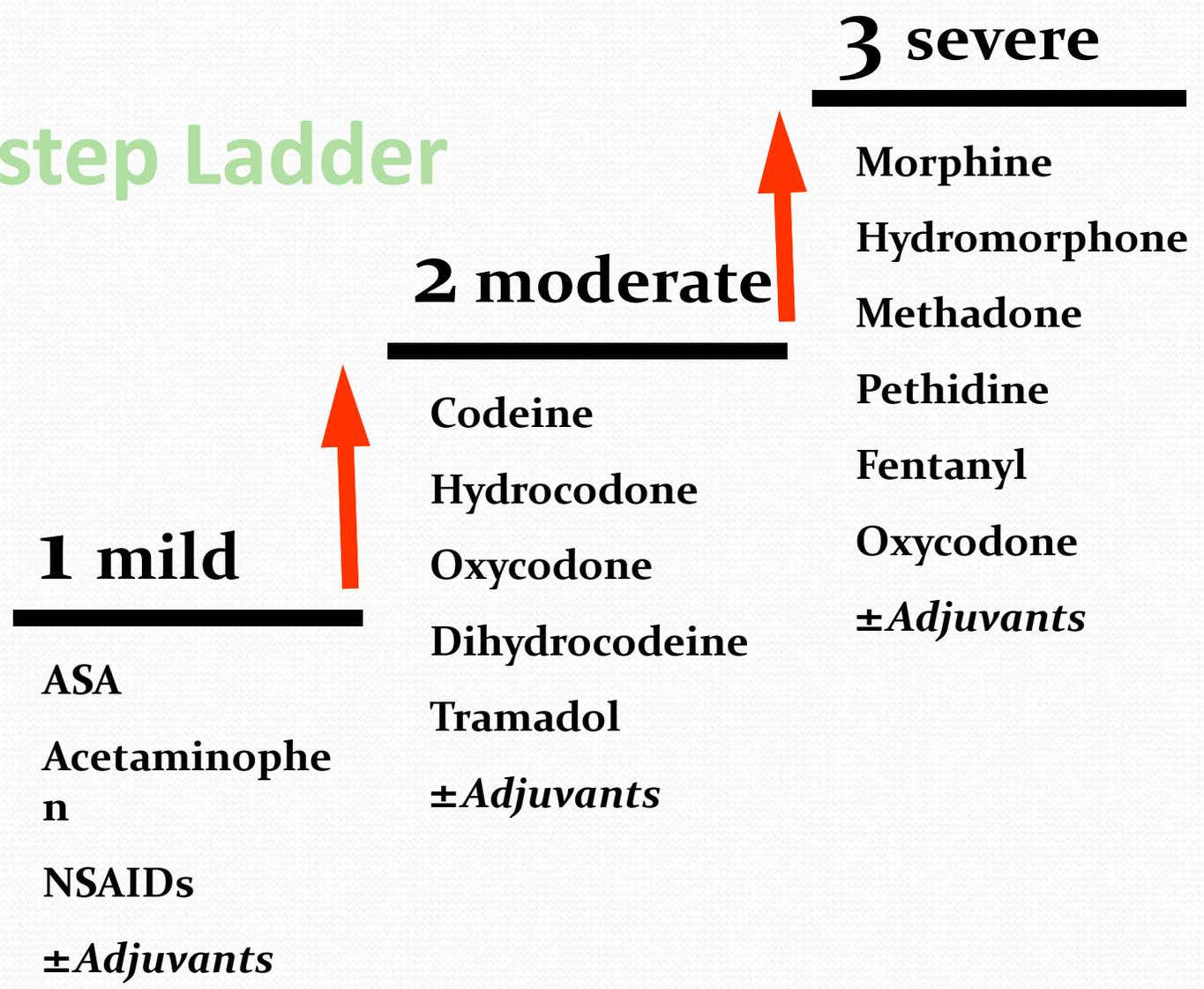
An essential principle in using medications to manage pain is to individualize the regimen to the patient.

Figure 3. WHO three-step analgesic ladder

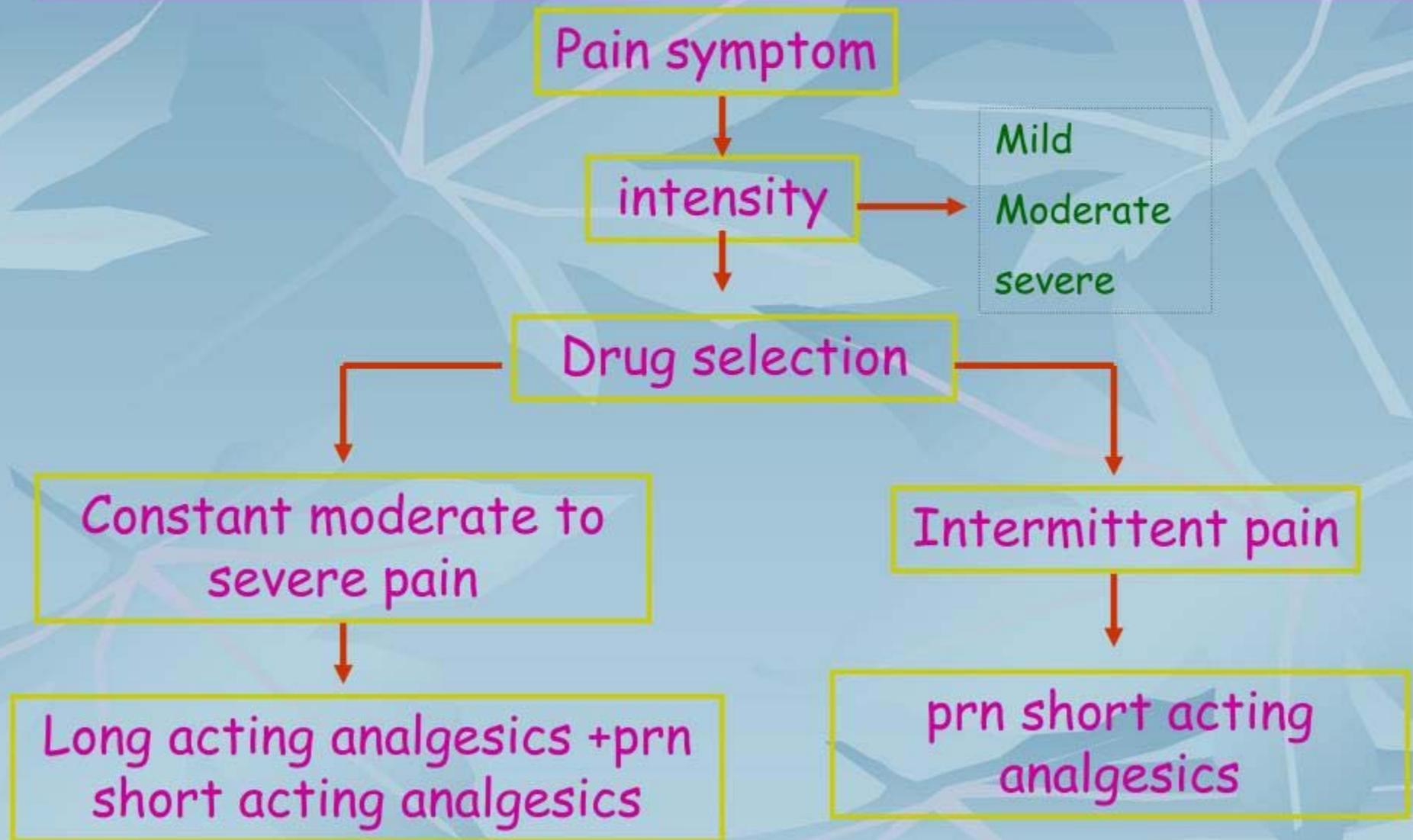


Source: World Health Organization, 1990. Used with permission.

WHO step Ladder



Pain management guideline





Methods of Acute Postoperative Pain Relief

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- Intramuscular
- Intravenous - Intermittent Bolus
- Intravenous-Continuous Infusion
- Patient Control Analgesia (PCA)
- Epidural analgesia
- Peripheral Blocks

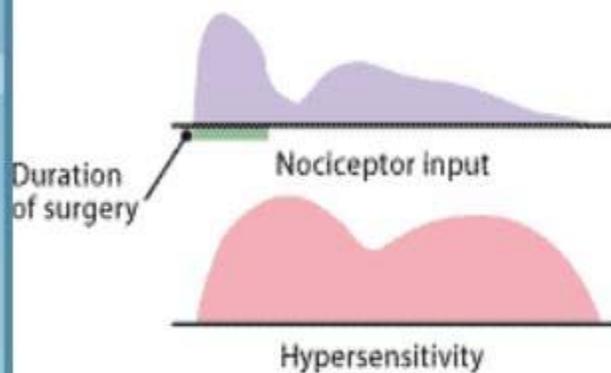
Pain management

- **Preemptive analgesia & Multimodal analgesia**
 - ↓ doses of each analgesic
 - Improved nociception due to synergistic/additive effects
 - may ↓ reduce severity of side effect of each drugs

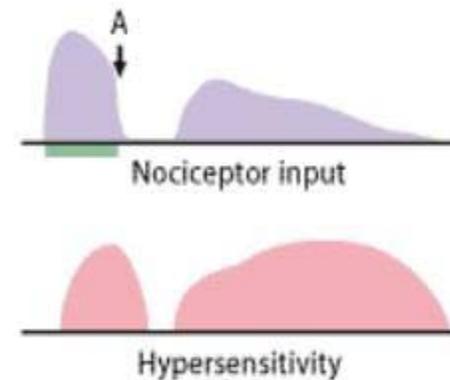


Preemptive analgesia

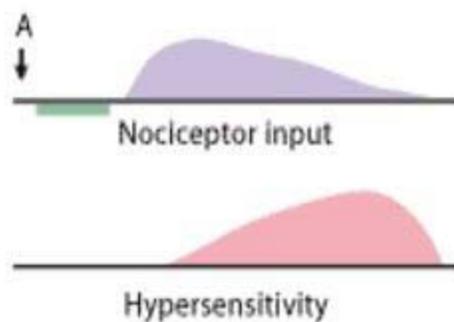
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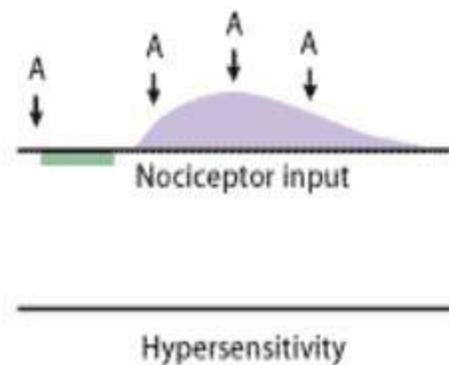
B. Postsurgical analgesia



C. Presurgical analgesia

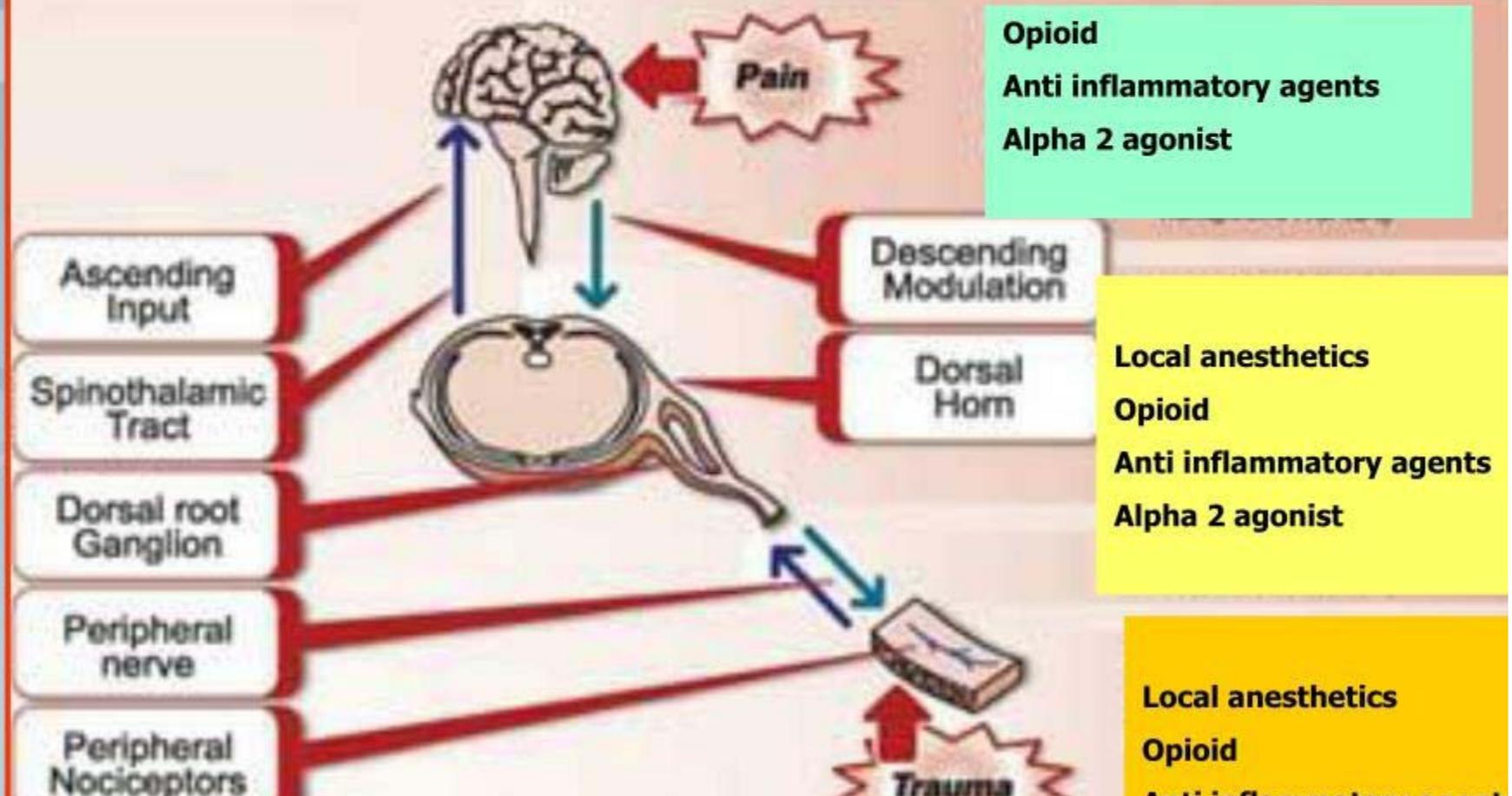


D. Presurgical and postsurgical analgesia



Multimodal analgesia

Multimodal Analgesia Attacks Different Points Along the Pain Pathway





OPIOIDS

Morphine

: standard treatment

: metabolism : liver

M-3-G : no analgesic property

M-6-G : more potent than morphine(2X)

: histamine release

Meperidine

: atropine like effect : tachycardia ,dry mouth

: metabolism liver

Normeperidine → CNS excitation

: shivering treatment

: interaction with MAOI → hyperpyrexia,
convulsion ,hypertension ,coma

Fentanyl

- : rapid onset & short duration
- : inactive metabolite
- : no histamine release
- : 100X potent than morphine

Codeine

- : weak opioids
- : orally plus with paracetamol "TWC"
- : mild to moderate pain.
- : Doses 15-60 mg 4 hourly
(with a maximum of 300 mg daily)

Tramadol

- Multiple mechanism
 - Weak μ -receptor agonist
 - Inhibit serotonin & NE reuptake
- Application : neuropathic component
- Dose : 50-100 mg PO q 4-6 hr.
- Max. 400 mg/d

Opioids

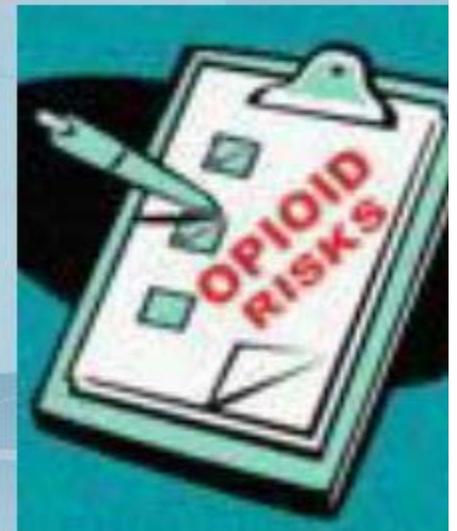
Table 3 Characteristics of various opioids

Agonist	Route	Equianalgesic dose, mg	Onset, min	Peak effect, min	Duration of effect, h
Morphine	IV	10	5-10	10-30	3-5
	Oral	30	15-60	90-120	4
Codeine	Intramuscular	120	10-30	90-120	4-6
	Oral	200	30-45	60	3-4
Hydromorphone	IV	1.5	5-20	15-30	3-4
	Oral	7.5	15-30	90-120	4-6
Oxycodone	Oral	20	15-30	30-60	4-6
Methadone	IV	10*	10-20	60-120	4-6
	Oral	20*	30-60	90-120	4-12
Fentanyl	IV	0.1	<1	5-7	0.75 [†] -2+ [‡]
Oxymorphone	IV	1	5-10	30-60	3-6
	Oral [§]	10		(meaningful relief: 60)	4-6
Tramadol	Oral	100	60	120-180	3-6

*These doses are based on single administrations and should only be used to convert between oral and IV methadone. If converting a patient who has been taking a different opioid, use the following formula that takes into account the dose-dependent p

Potential side effects of Opioids

- Respiratory & cardiovascular depression
- Nausea, vomiting, ileus , Constipation
- Urinary hesitency & retention
- Pruritus
- Sedation dizziness ,delirium
- Myoclonus/seizure
- Tolerance dependence



Treatment opioid adverse effects

- Respiratory depression: most serious

Sedation score

0 : wide awake

1 : easy to rouse

2 : easy to rouse but unable to stay awake

early respiratory depression

3 : somnolent, difficult to rouse

severe respiratory depression

Treatment opioid adverse effects

- Nausea: tolerance within 7-10 days

Px haloperidol , ondansetron or domperidone

- Vomiting:

Px domperidone or metoclopramide

- Constipation: not tolerance

Px laxative and stool-softeners

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oxycodone or meperidine
- Itching:
antihistamine

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Naloxone

- : Px opioid intoxication
- : dilute to 10 ml. titration
- : side effect : withdrawal symptoms, hypertension, tachycardia, pain, pulmonary edema

Naloxone

Respiratory depression & somnolence

: 1-4 mcg/kg repeat q 2-3 min

: 3-5 mcg/kg/hr continuous infusion

Urinary retention & Pruritus

: 1-2 mcg/kg

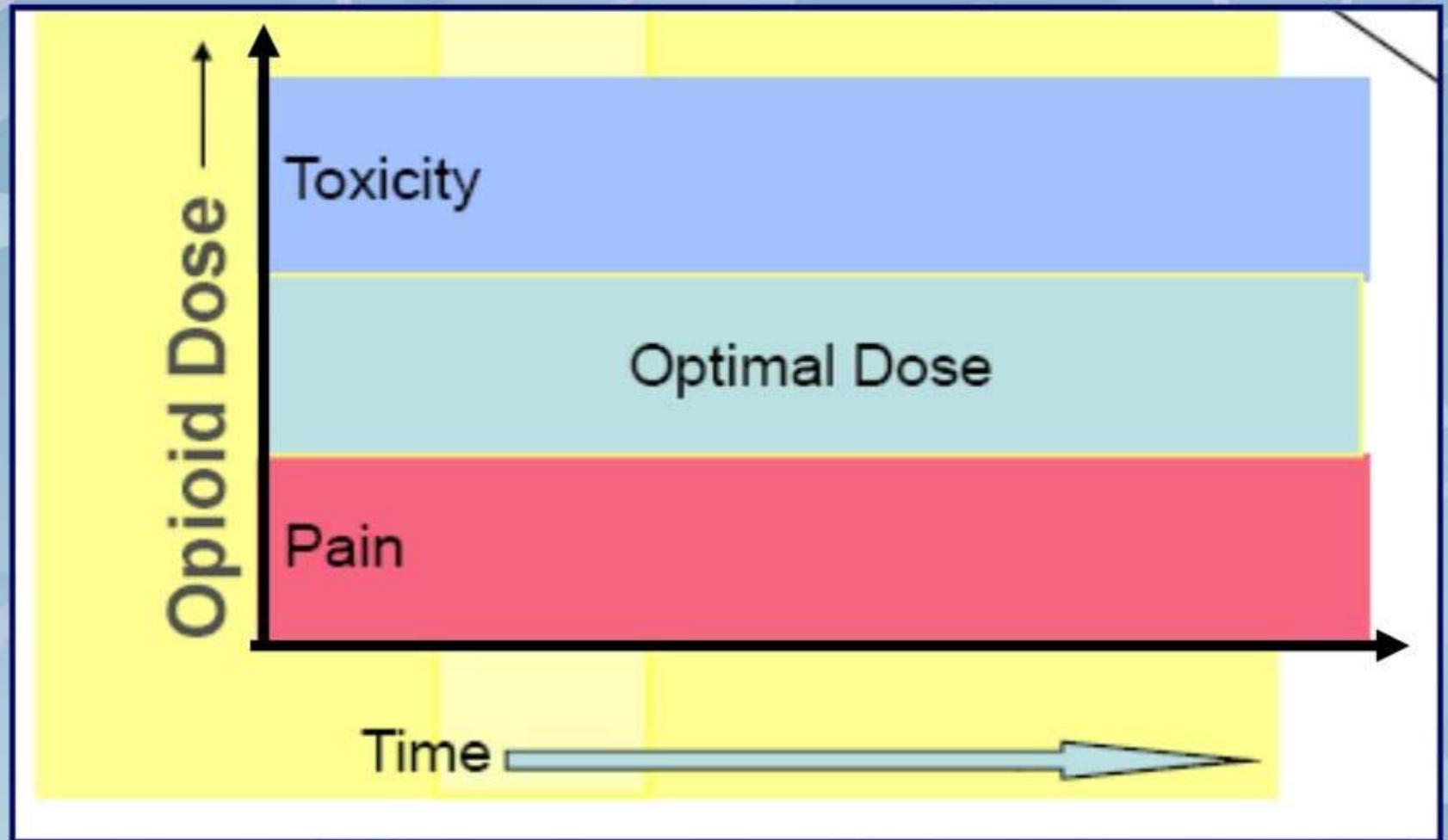
Nausea vomiting

: 0.5-1 mcg/kg

Goal! treatment

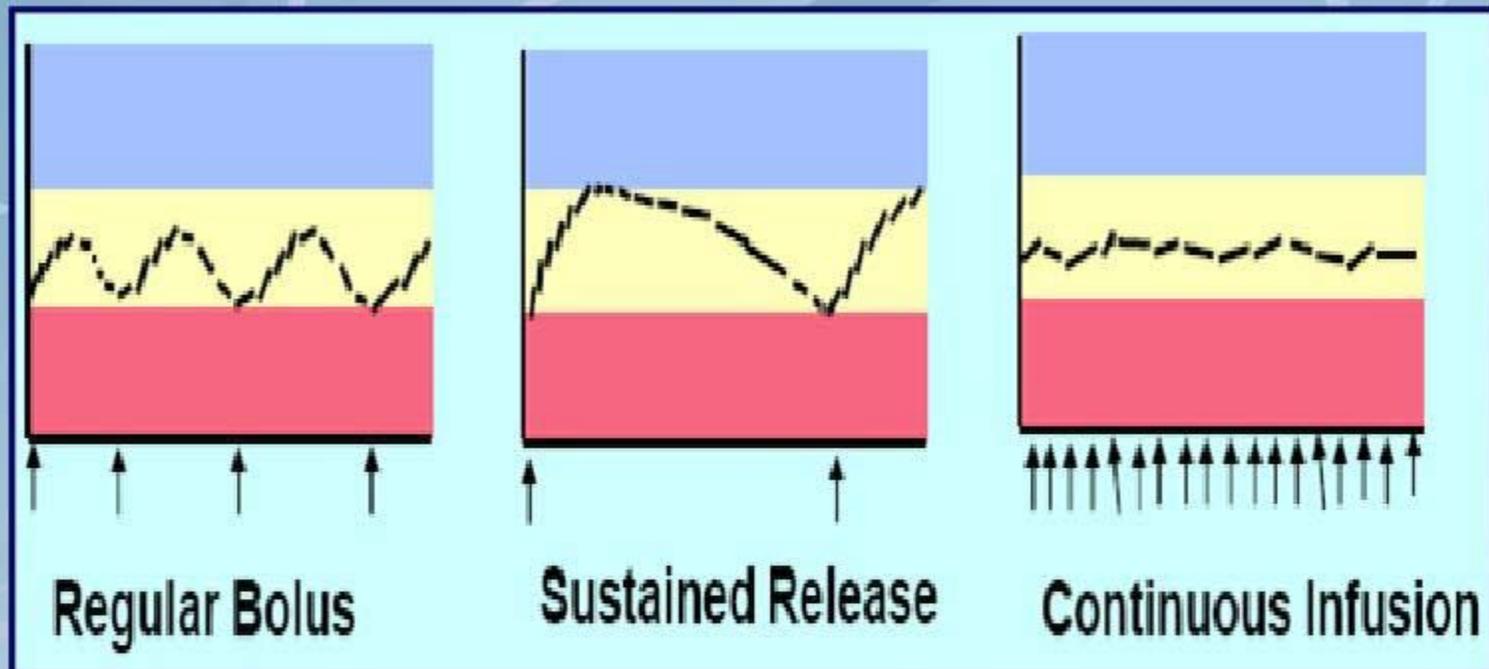
- : Right opioids
- : Right route
- : Right dose
- : Right interval

Opioids Administration



Analgesic corridor

Opioids Administration

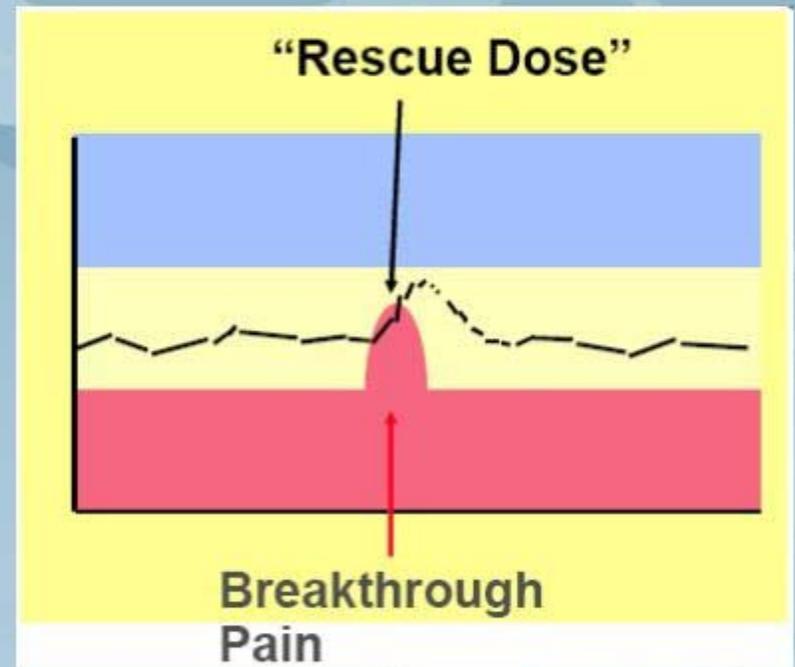


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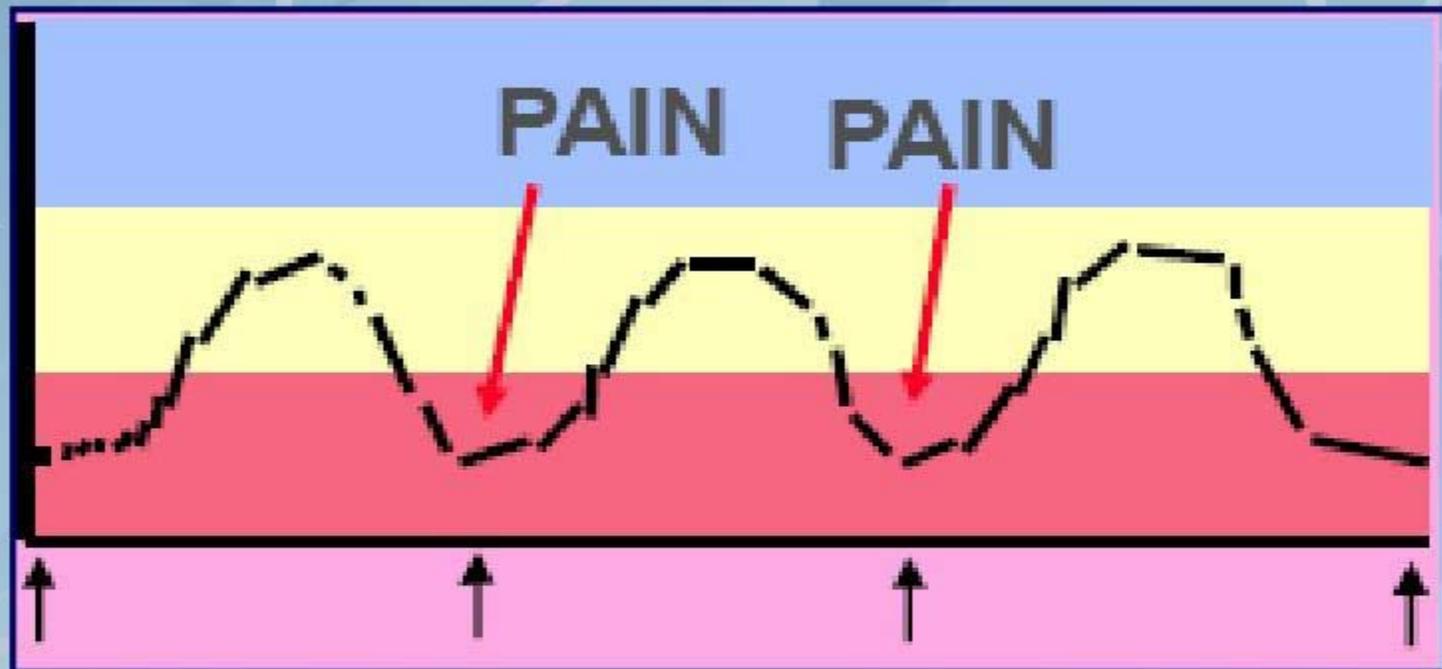
Opioids dose

Breakthrough pain

Prompt
Short action
easy to give



Opioids Administration

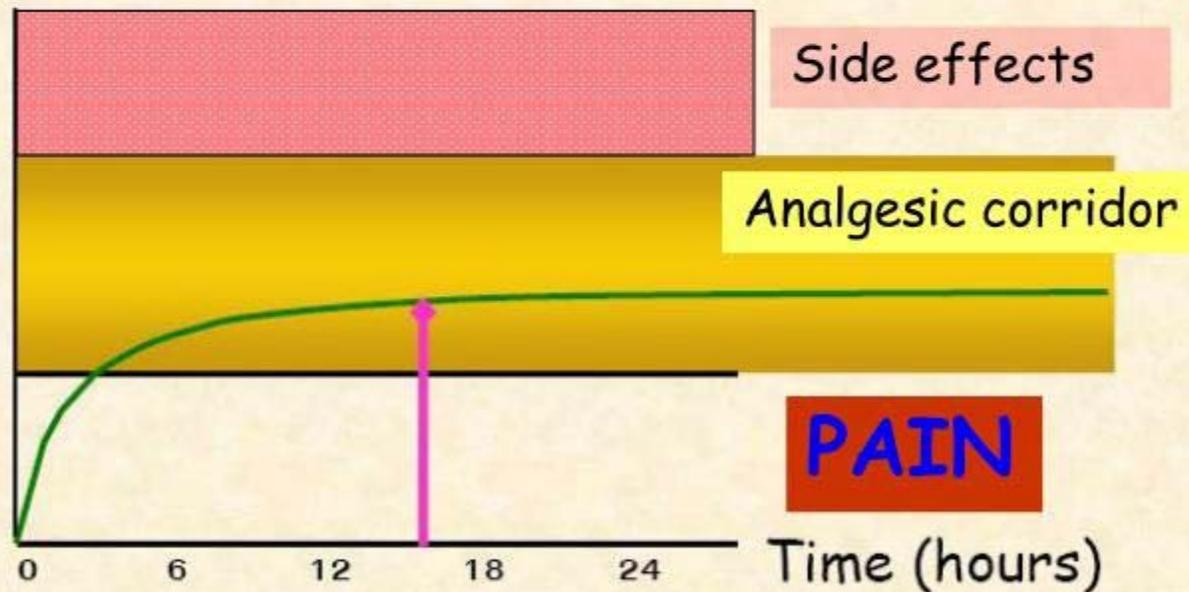


prn for pain q ...

Opioids Administration

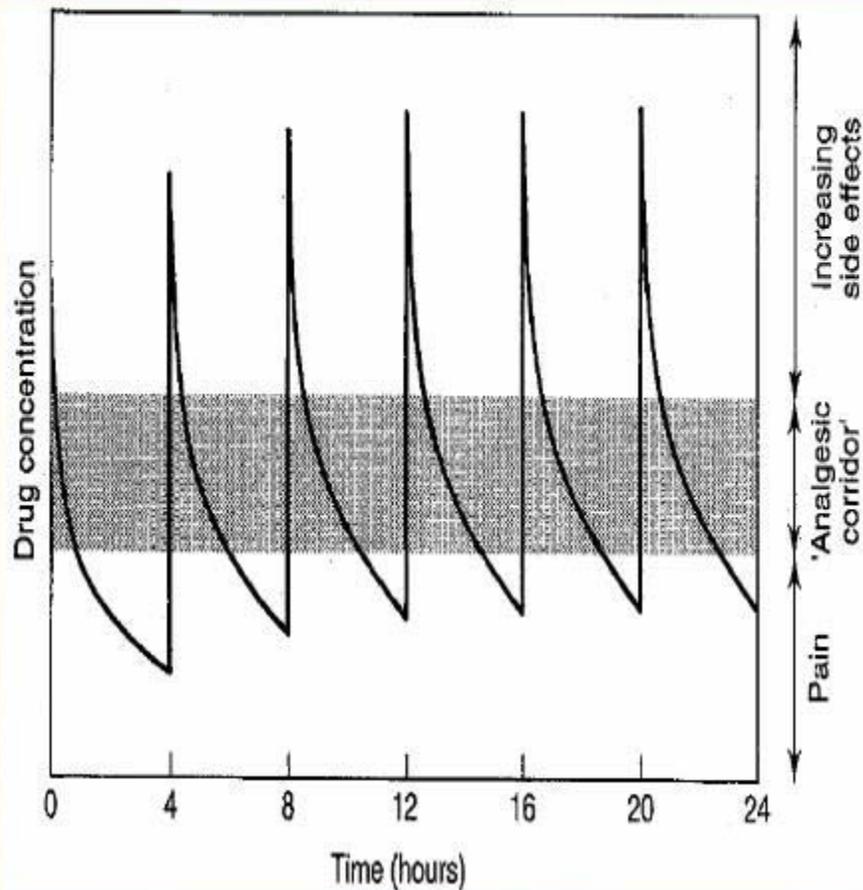
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Drug concentration

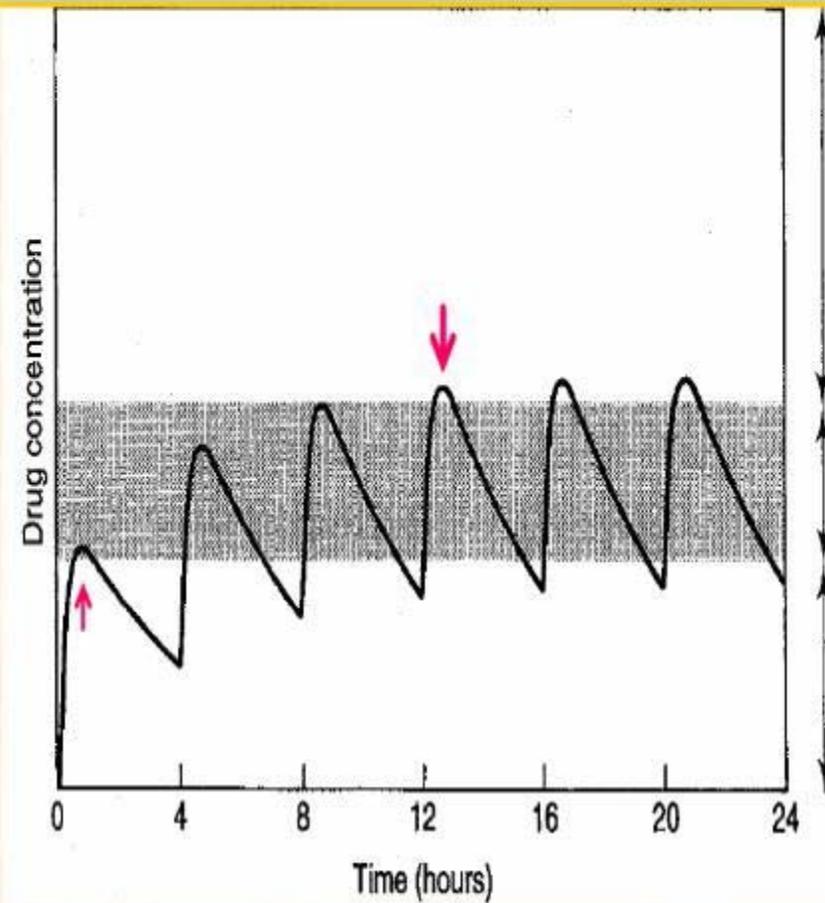


Opioids Administration

2. Intravenous q 4 hr



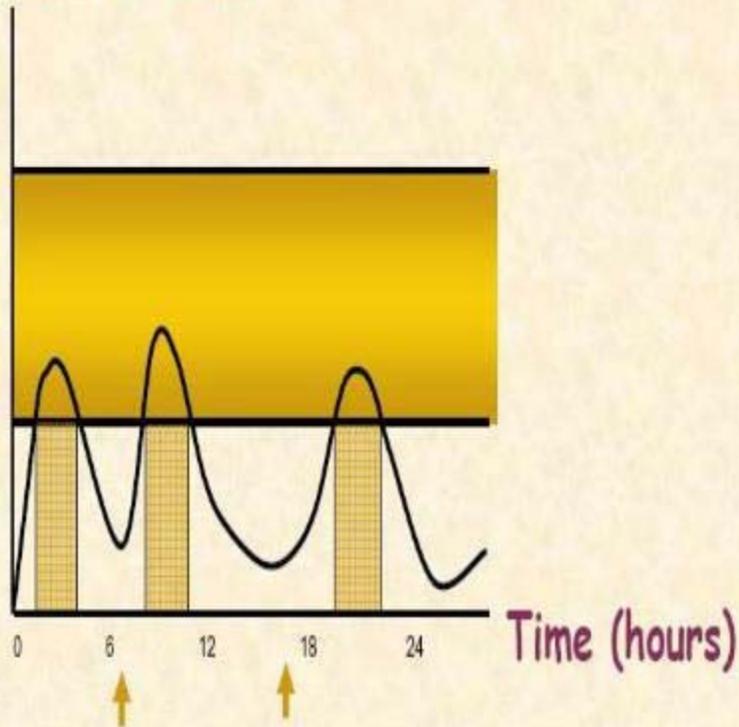
3. Intramuscular q 4 hr



Opioids Administration

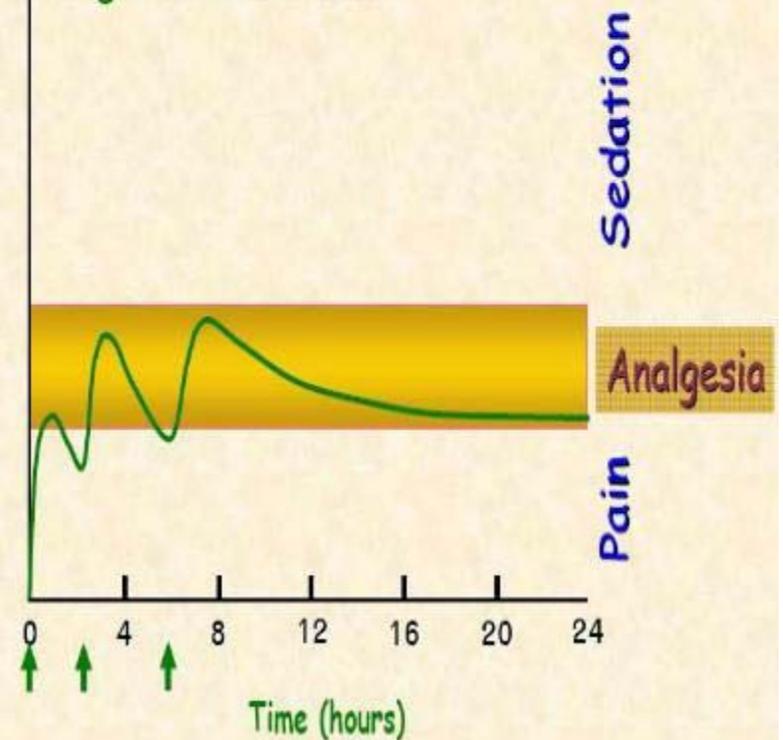
4. IM prn q 6 hr

Drug concentration



5. IM prn q 2 hr

Drug concentration



Patient controlled analgesia

