

# Multimodal perioperative pain management protocols

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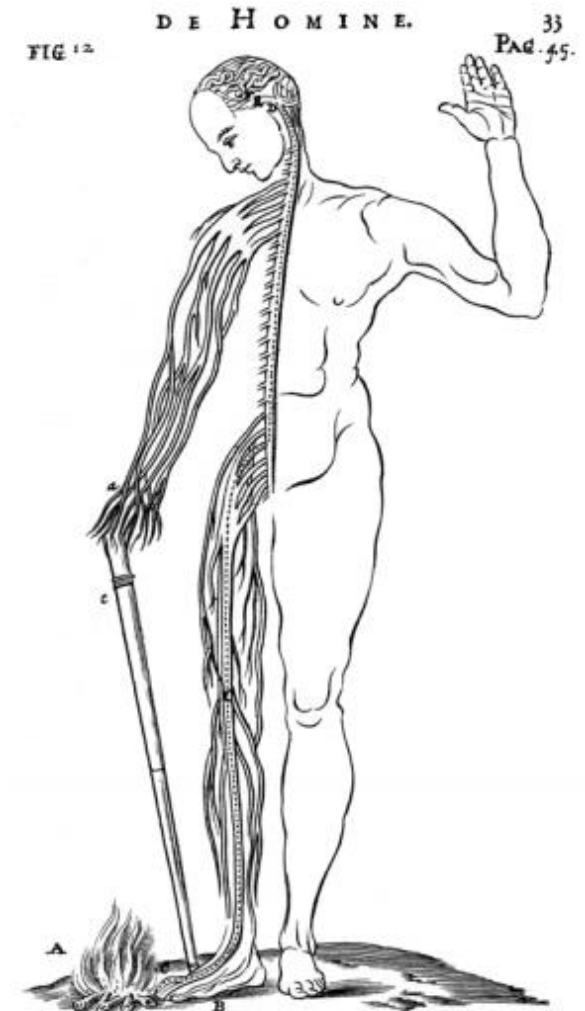
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# title slide explained



- sensory response would “tug” on the tube, which would then open a gate between the tube and the brain
- opening of this gate would allow “animal spirits” to flow through these tubes & elicit a motor response
- pattern & rate of firing (intensity of tugging) of a fiber provided the adequate information to the brain about the stimulus intensity and quality





## objectives



- pain, pathways & central sensitization
- traditional analgesia
- opioids
- multimodal approach to analgesia
- multimodal perioperative pain protocol (MP3)

## what is pain?



- pain is an unpleasant sensory and **emotional** experience associated with actual or potential tissue damage
- acute postoperative pain is a direct result of **tissue trauma**, the severity of which reflects the degree of tissue damage
- controlled by **neural, cellular, humeral factors**

## adverse physiological effects of pain



- endocrine - stress hormone release
- cortical responses - anxiety and fear
- cardiovascular - sympathetic response
- respiratory - hypoventilation, basal atelectasis, chest infection
- mobilization delayed - DVT, decubitus
- persistent postoperative pain

## why treat pain?



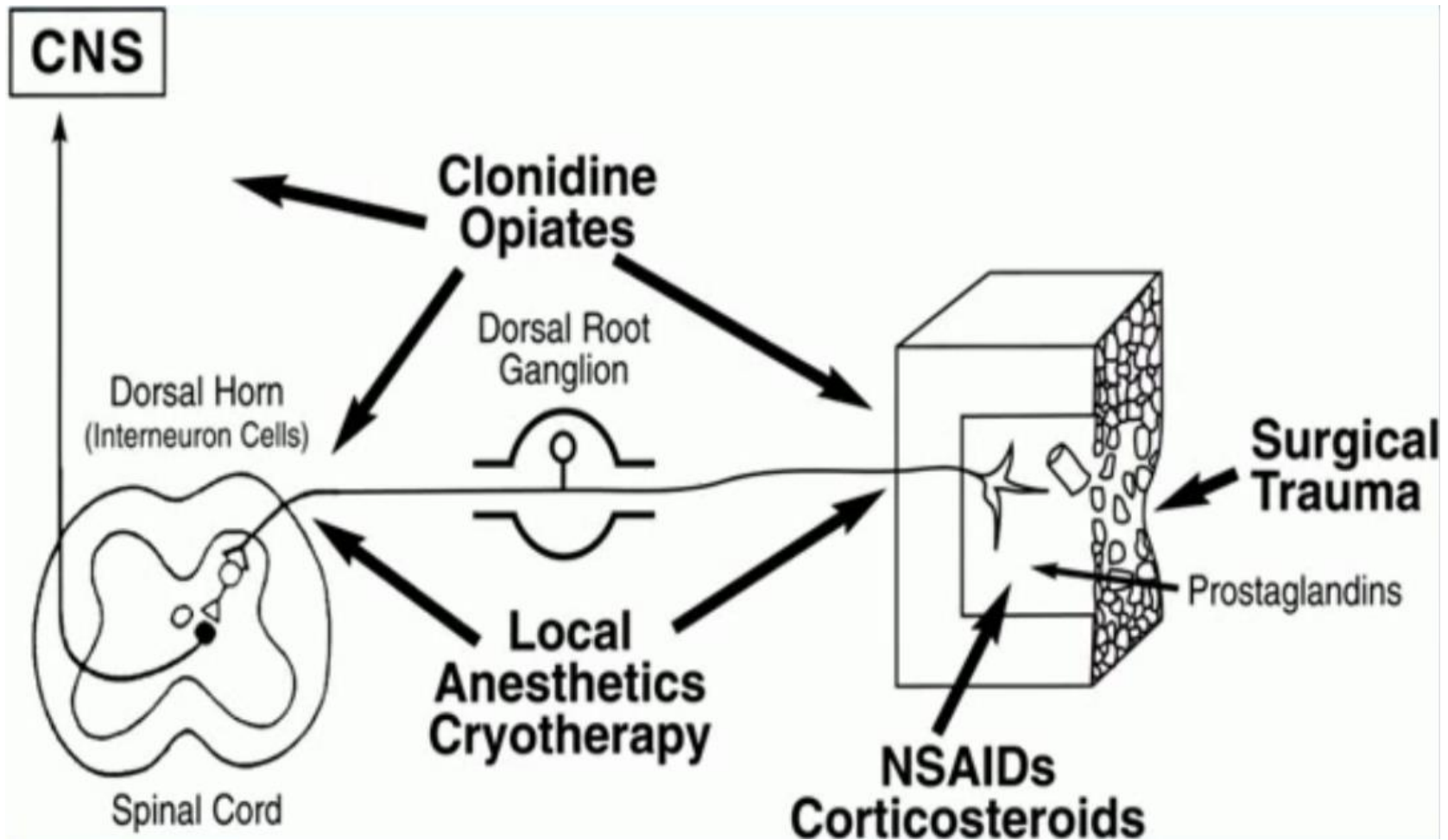
- relieve suffering
- achieve early mobilization after surgery
- better functional recovery (physical & mental)
- improved patient experience
- compliant with JCAHO
- KPI

## multimodal **preventative** pain management



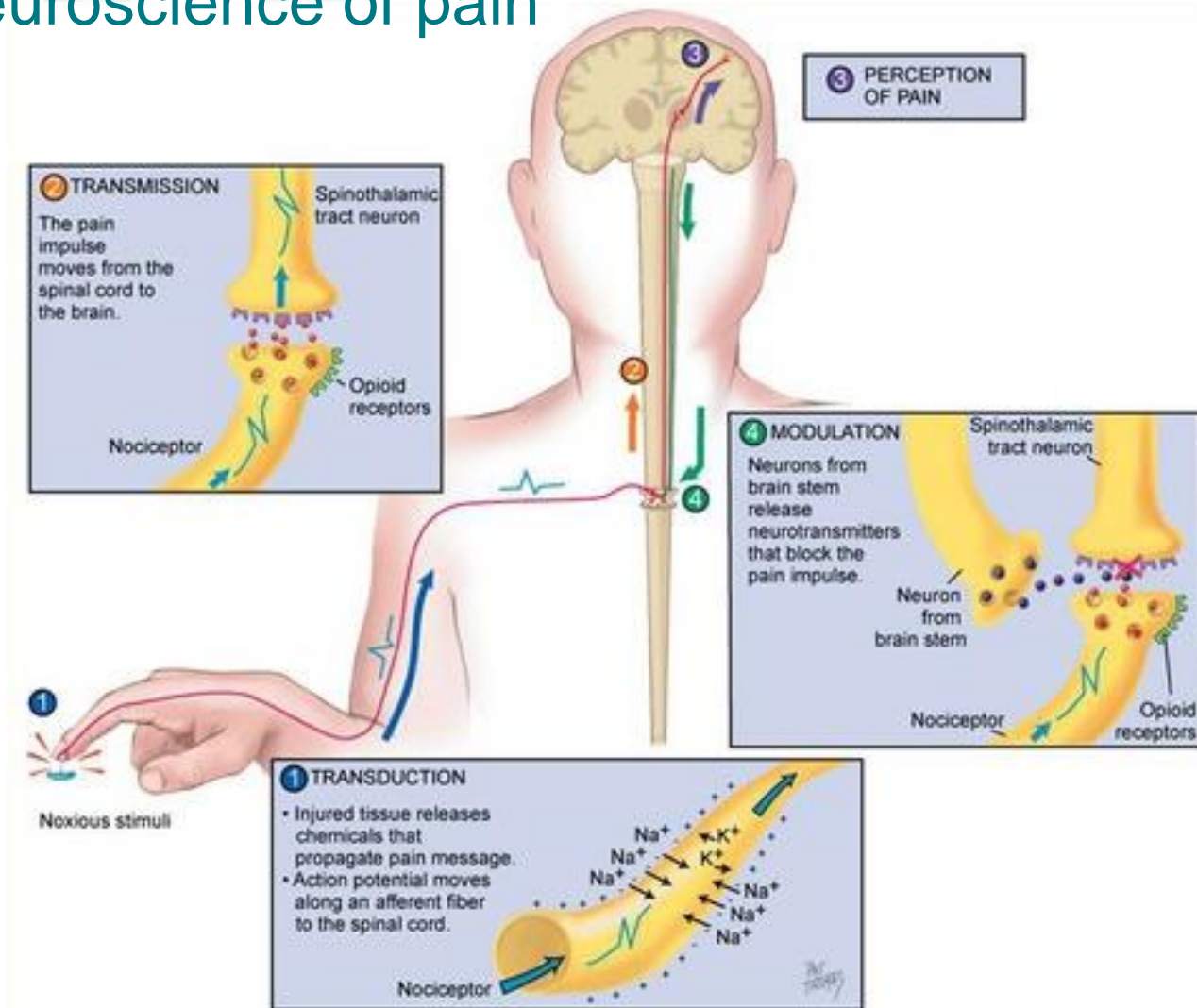
- minimize tissue **trauma**
- local anesthesia infiltration of surgical site
- non-opioid adjunct **medications**
- neuraxial/regional anesthesia
- medications that act at different points of pain pathway
- **education**: anticipate, don't chase the pain

# pain management pathway





# neuroscience of pain



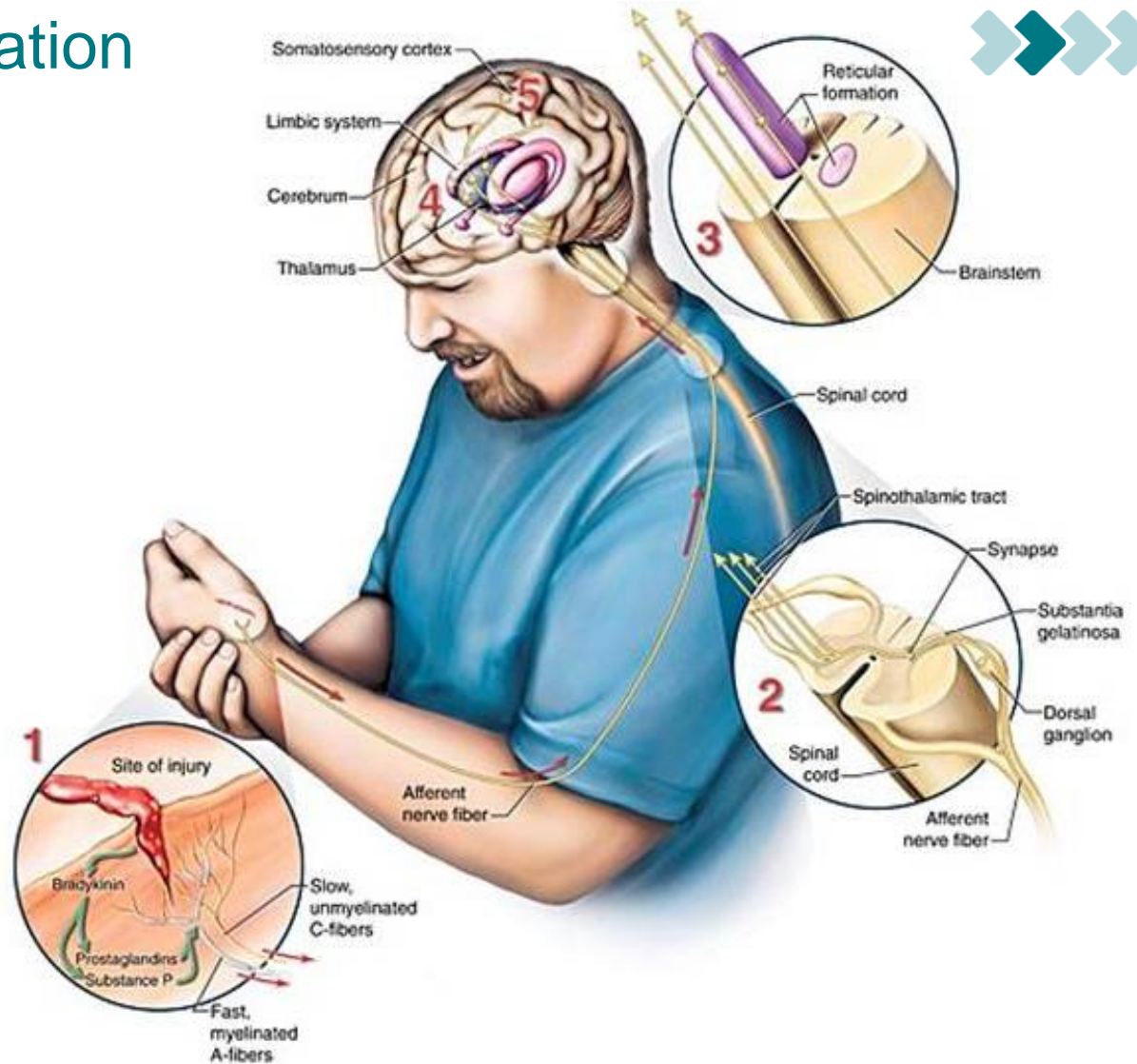
# central sensitization

transduction

transmission

perception

modulation



**Neurologic transmission of pain stimuli.** (Source: Jason M. Alexander. © 2005, Wild Iris Medical Education.)

# gate-control theory



- thin fiber activity *impedes the inhibitory cells* (tending to allow the transmission cell to fire)
- large diameter fiber activity *excites the inhibitory cells* (tending to inhibit transmission cell activity)
- the more large fiber (touch, pressure, vibration) activity relative to thin fiber activity at the inhibitory cell, the less pain is felt
- activation of nerves which do not transmit pain signals, called nonnociceptive fibers, can interfere with signals from pain fibers, thereby inhibiting pain
- rubbing your belly decreases pain caused by cutting your knee
- “pain is in the brain” & the importance of pre-operative education

## traditional pain management: CNS



- modify pain pathway at central nervous system
- opioids traditional medications of choice
- oral, injections, PCA, epidural, intrathecal

## the opioid paradox



- good pain relief during and after surgery that improves surgical recovery
- good pain relief during and after surgery that also results in bad sedation, nausea, constipation, respiratory depression, cognitive impairment, disorientation

# the opioid problem



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Each day, 46 people die from an overdose of prescription painkillers\* in the US.



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Health care providers wrote 259 million prescriptions for painkillers in 2012, enough for every American adult to have a bottle of pills.



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10 of highest prescribing states for painkillers are in the South.

# adverse effects of narcotic pain medication



**Table 1.** Summary of Data Pre- and Post-Numerical Pain Treatment Algorithm Pain Standard

	Pre	Post
Hospital admissions	20,423	11,596
Hospital patient days	116,701	65,388
Mean Case-Mix Index (SD)	1.93 ± 0.12	2.06 ± 0.09*
Mean Patient satisfaction with pain control (SD)	4.13 ± 0.16	4.38 ± 0.08†
Patients with over sedation or respiratory failure	13	16
Patients with respiratory rate < 12 (%)	2 (15.4)	1 (6.25)
Patients with decreased consciousness (%)	12 (92.3)	15 (93.8)
Patients given naloxone (%)	6 (46.1)	11 (68.8)
Patients transferred to intensive care unit (%)	4 (30.8)	7 (43.8)
Mean Age (SD)	58.3 (16.2)	68.6 (13.8)
Gender (Males/Females)	5/8	7/9

\*  $P < 0.0002$ ; †  $P < 0.001$ .



the opioid problem here

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## Tramadol is UAE abusers' drug of choice

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DUBAI // The prescription medication tramadol has emerged as the drug of choice for most recreational users in the UAE.

Experts estimate that between 2 per cent and 4 per cent of the population misuse prescription medication and users as young as 12 are reporting to rehabilitation centres with problems.



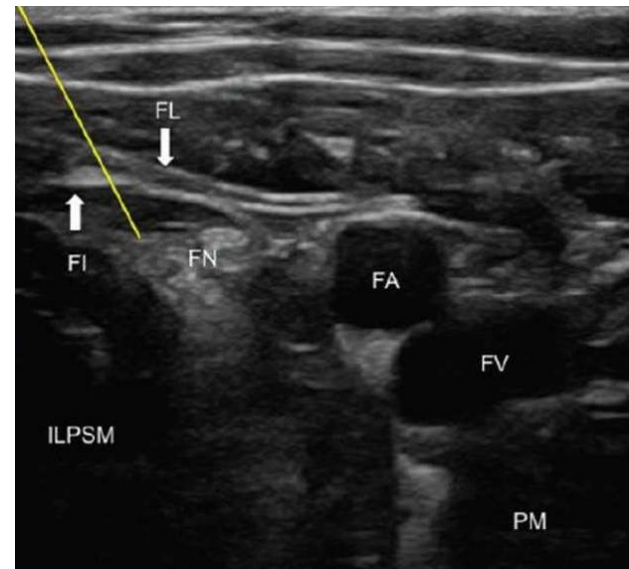
## evolution of pain management: PNS



- peripheral nerve blocks
- plexus blocks
- in addition to CNS medications
- with or without narcotics

## regional nerve blocks

- shoulder arthroplasty & arthroscopy (interscalene brachial plexus, suprascapular)
- total knee arthroplasty (femoral nerve)
- ankle replacements (popliteal)
- orthopaedic trauma

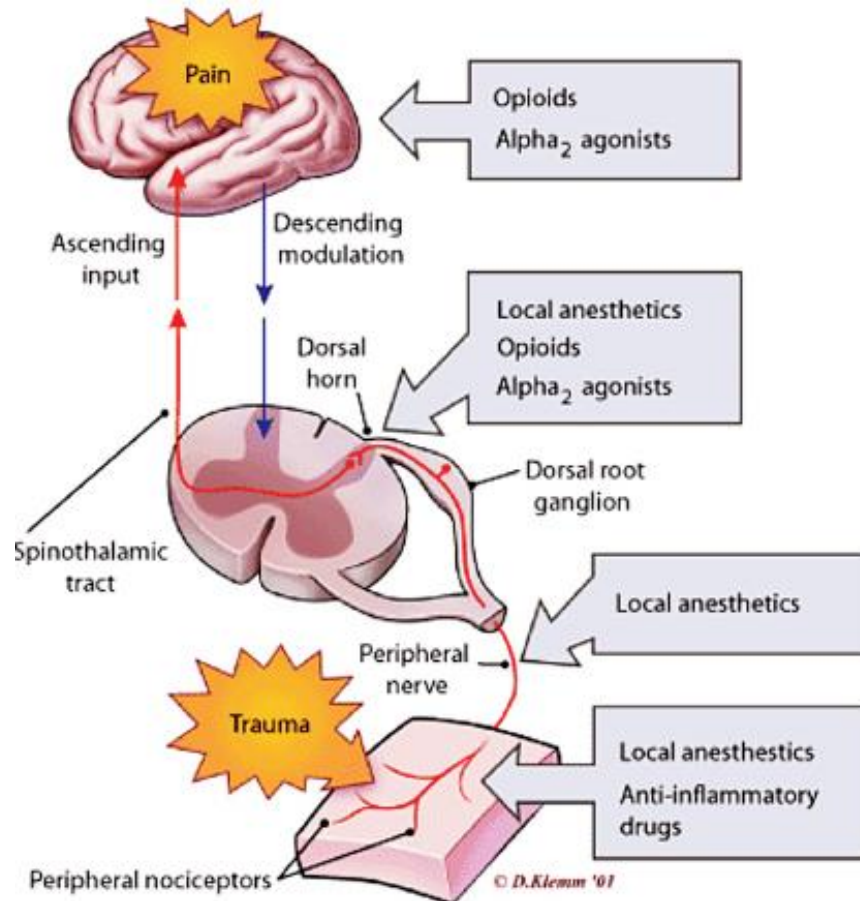


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# multimodal preventative pain management



## phases of pain management

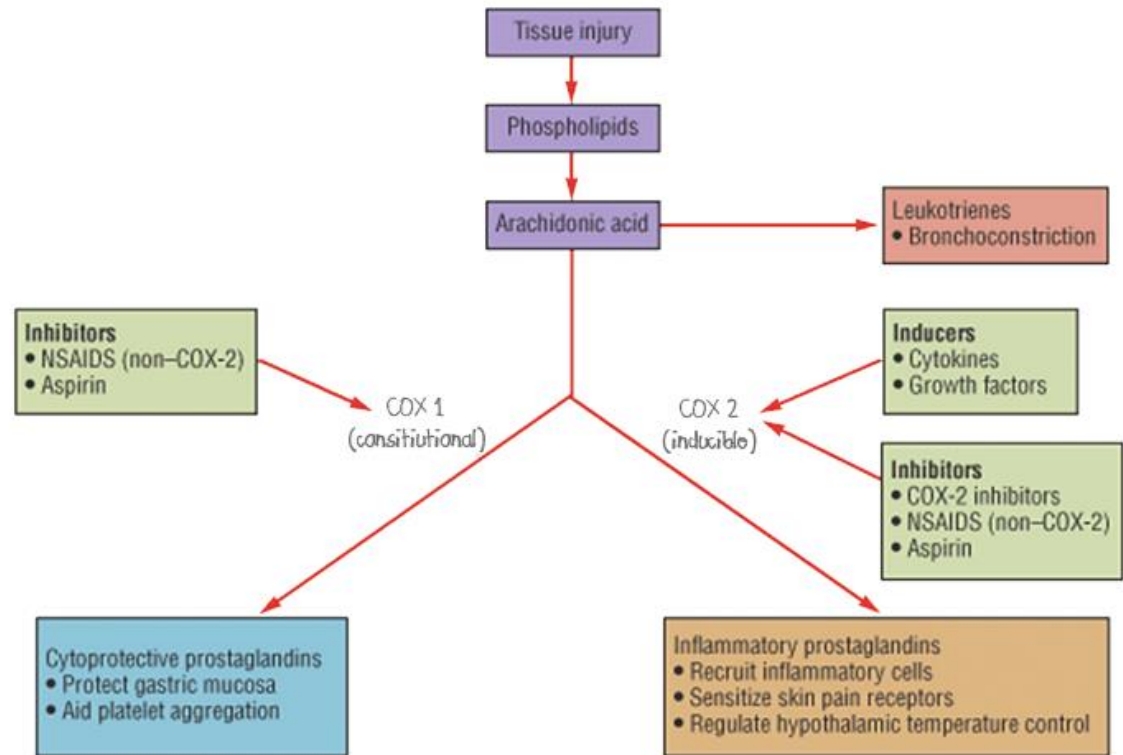


- office: education, spine school, joint school
- pre-operative: holding area
- intraoperative: OR
- acute post-operative
- home medications & education

# pre-operative NSAIDs & analgesics



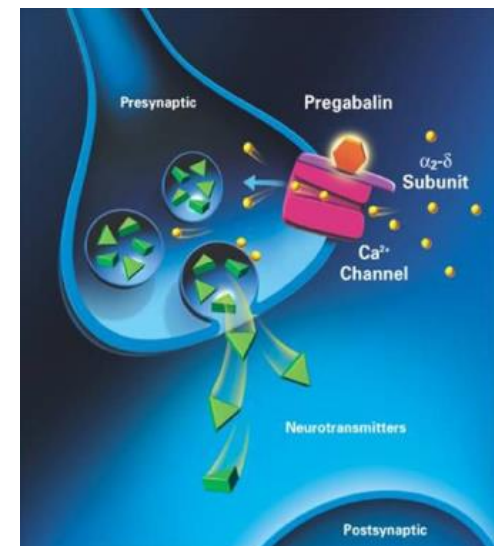
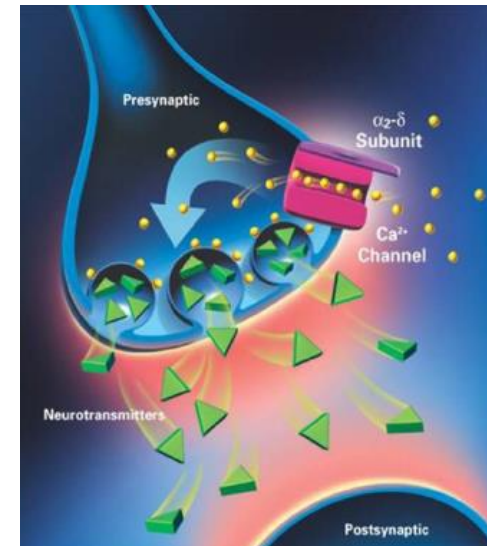
- ketorolac
- celecoxib
- paracetamol



# pre-operative neuromodulators



- gabapentin & pregabalin
- modulate the subsequent release of excitatory neurotransmitters from activated nociceptors
- inhibit pain transmission
- inhibit central sensitization



## intraoperative spinal & epidural



- may facilitate early return of bowel function
- improves pain control
- effect on length of stay and outcomes are less consistent

## intraoperative analgesia: lidocaine



- initial bolus (1.5 to 2 mg/kg) followed by infusion 1.5 to 3 mg/kg/hour
- continuous intravenous administration of lidocaine during and after abdominal surgery improves patient rehabilitation and shortens hospital stay



## intraoperative analgesia: $\alpha 2$ agonists



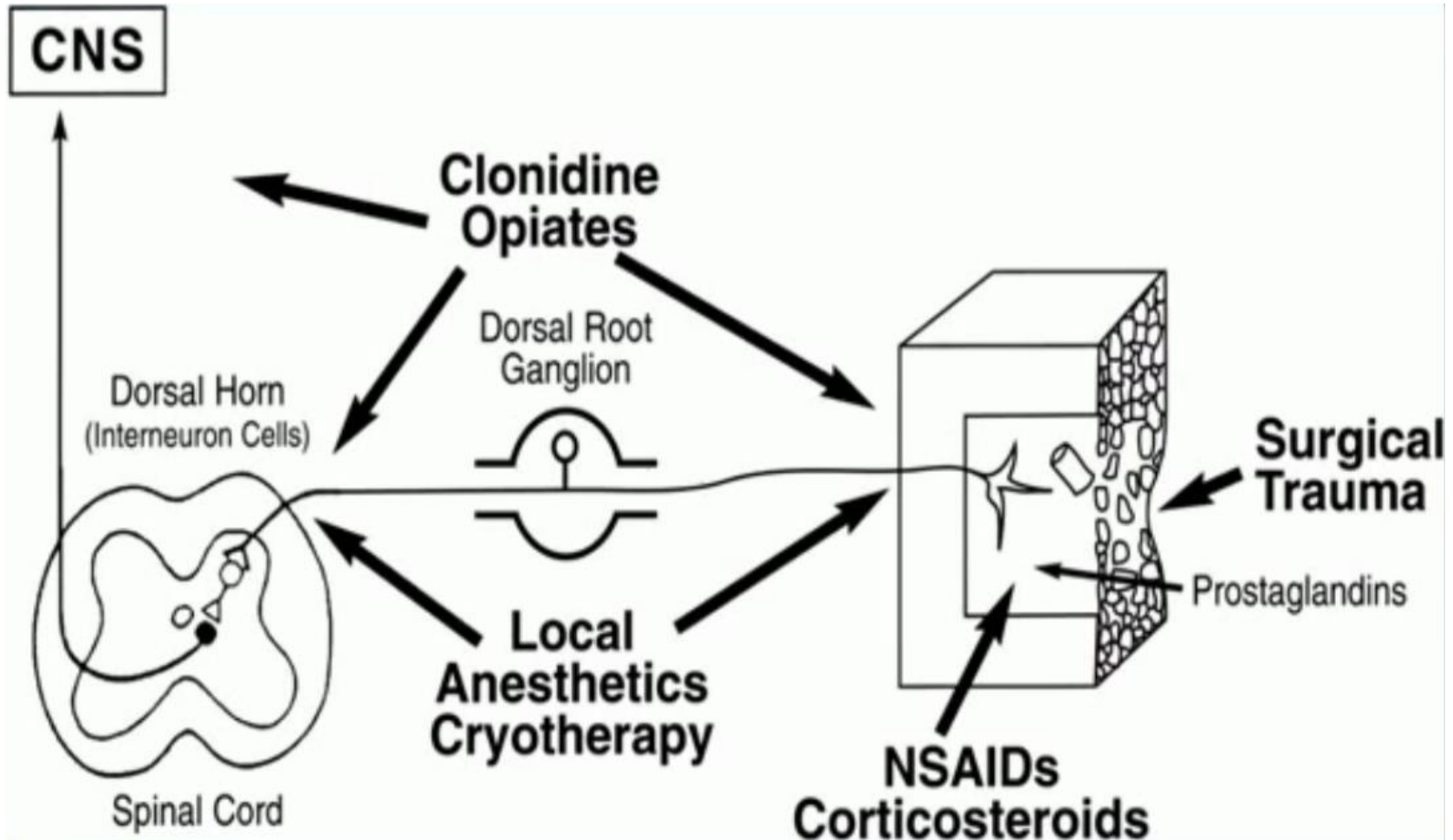
- clonidine & dexmedetomidine
- several useful perioperative benefits such as sedation, anxiolysis, analgesia, postoperative shivering, agitation, mitigation of stress response, anaesthetic-sparing effect
- enhances morphine analgesia after abdominal surgery

## surgical site analgesia: local infiltration



- bupivacaine-epinephrine
- ketorolac
- morphine
- dexamethasone

# pain management pathway



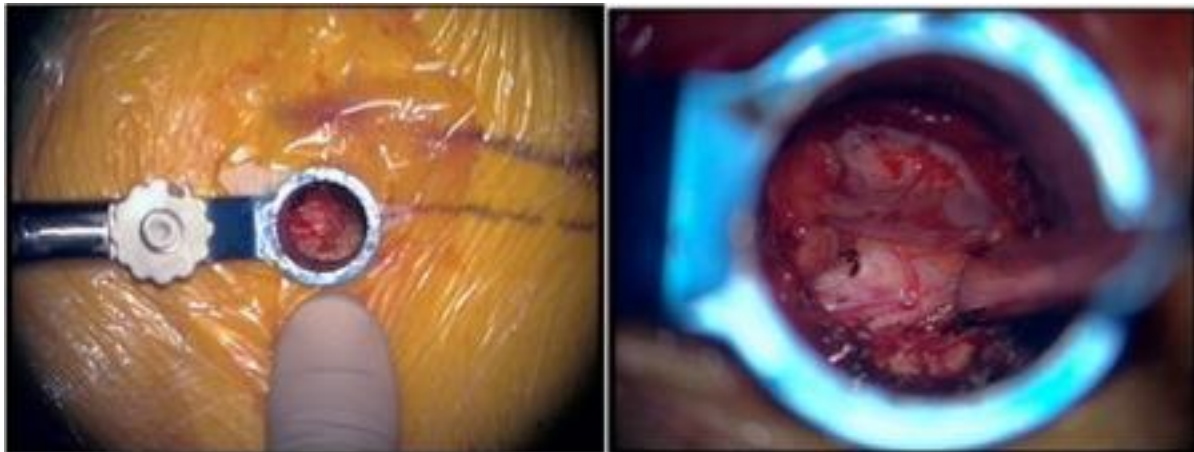
# Cleveland Clinic Abu Dhabi Spine Surgery Multimodal Perioperative Pain Protocol (MP3)



minimize tissue trauma

spine surgery: minimally invasive techniques

shoulder surgery: arthroscopy



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## pre-operative in holding area

celecoxib 400 mg PO x 1 (hold if sulfa allergy or  
GFR < 65)

gabapentin 600 mg PO x 1

oxycodone SR 10 mg PO x 1

metoclopramide 10 mg IV x 1 (hold if age > 75)

pantoprazole 40 mg PO x1

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## intra-operative injection

*total 100mL cocktail of:*

bupivacaine-epinephrine (PF) 0.5%-1:200,000

injection 20 mL

ketorolac (30 mg/mL) 1 mL

morphine (10 mg/mL) 0.5 mL

normal saline solution 78.5 mL

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## intra-operative medication:

clonidine 30 mcg IV x1 (beware sedation & hypotension)

desamethasone 8mg IV x 1 (No steroid in diabetics, immunocompromised, elderly (> 80 years))

lidocaine 1.5mg/kg bolus followed by 2mg/kg/hr

magnesium sulfate 40 mcg/kg IV x1

ondansetron 4 mg IV x 1 (hold if allergy)

paracetamol 1 gram IV x 1

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## post-operative floor:

### *pain control standing orders:*

celecoxib 200 mg PO BID  
diazepam 5 mg Q8 hrs x 48 hours  
gabapentin 300 mg PO BID  
ketorolac 15 mg IV Q6 hrs x 48 hours  
oxycodone 10 mg Q6 hrs x 48 hours  
paracetamol 1 g Q6 hrs

### *pain control PRN:*

diazepam 5 mg Q8 hrs PRN spasms starting POD #2  
oxycodone 10 mg Q6 hrs PRN pain starting POD #2  
morphine Sulfate 2mg IV Q2 hrs (NO PCA POST-OPERATIVELY) prn moderate pain (4-6) (hold if RR<12 or heavily sedated)

### *GI Rx:*

ondansetron 4mg IV Q8hrs prn nausea  
pantoprazole 40 mg PO daily  
docusate 100 mg PO BID  
senna 10 mg PO BID



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## hospital discharge medications:

celecoxib 200 mg PO BID x 6 weeks (84 tabs)

gabapentin 300 mg PO TID x 2 weeks (42 tabs)

oxycodone 10 mg SR 1 tabs PO Q12 hrs prn pain x 30  
days (60 tabs)

paracetamol 1000 mg PO TID x 1 week (21 tabs)

pantoprazole 40 mg PO daily x 6 weeks (42 tabs)

## DVT prophylaxis:

enoxaparin 30 mg sc daily starting POD#2 (major risk  
factors) or #4 (minor risk factors)

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very preliminary data

30 spine surgeries (cervical & lumbar)

no use of opioid PCA

immediate post-operative VAS in PACU range 1-3

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