Special Issue

Endogenous Analgesia: Methodological Aspects and Clinical Application

Message from the Guest Editors

In the present Special Issue, we aim to exploit different aspects of the assessment of endogenous analgesia. Various descending control mechanisms modulate the spinal cord responses to afferent noxious inputs. In this issue, we aim to discuss the different neuronal pathways and their pharmacology, and to point out changes in descending controls in different clinical conditions, including the potential implications in terms of mechanism-based treatment. Studies on the opposing descending facilitatory systems are also welcome. The audience of such an issue is intended to include both pre-clinical and clinical researchers, with the aim to establish links between the findings of basic science and their clinical applications.

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