

# Pharmacologie, dopage et éléments d'algologie

### Lecturers

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### Course mnemonic

PSYC-I6026

### **ECTS** credits

5 credits

### Language(s) of instruction

French

### Course period

Second term

### **Campus**

Erasme

### Course content

- > Brief summary of the functional and structural pathways involved in pain: nociception and nociceptive fibres activation, pain afferent pathways (discriminative, affective and motivational components), referred pain, central pain regulatory pathways.
- > Description of analgesic drugs targets and mechanisms of action according to the different steps of nociceptive stimuli transduction and modulation: inflammatory reaction (steroidal and non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs), muscles (myorelaxant drugs), peripheral nerve (activation, facilitation and propagation), spinal nociceptive neurons (gate control theory), peri-acqueducal grey matter, opoidergic system and high level cortical control (Attentional, limbic and hypothalamic).
- Pragmatic method of analgesic drug selection based on reallife clinical patterns. Red flags in analgesia, sequential drug selection, drugs combinations (positive/negative interactions). Analgesic drugs limitations, number needed to treat (NNT) to get a benefice and combined pharmacological and nonpharmacological treatments.

# Objectives (and/or specific learning outcomes)

> Provide a clinical, pragmatical and rational approach of the drugs available to treat acute and chronic musculoskeletal pain

# Teaching method and learning activities

> Ex-cathedra lessons with Power Point slides

### Course notes

Université virtuelle

### Other information

### Place(s) of teaching

Erasme

## Evaluation method(s)

Oral examination

Main language(s) of evaluation

French

Other language(s) of evaluation, if applicable

English

# Programmes

Programmes proposing this course at the faculty of Motor Sciences

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