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Il dolore nocicettivo neuropatico

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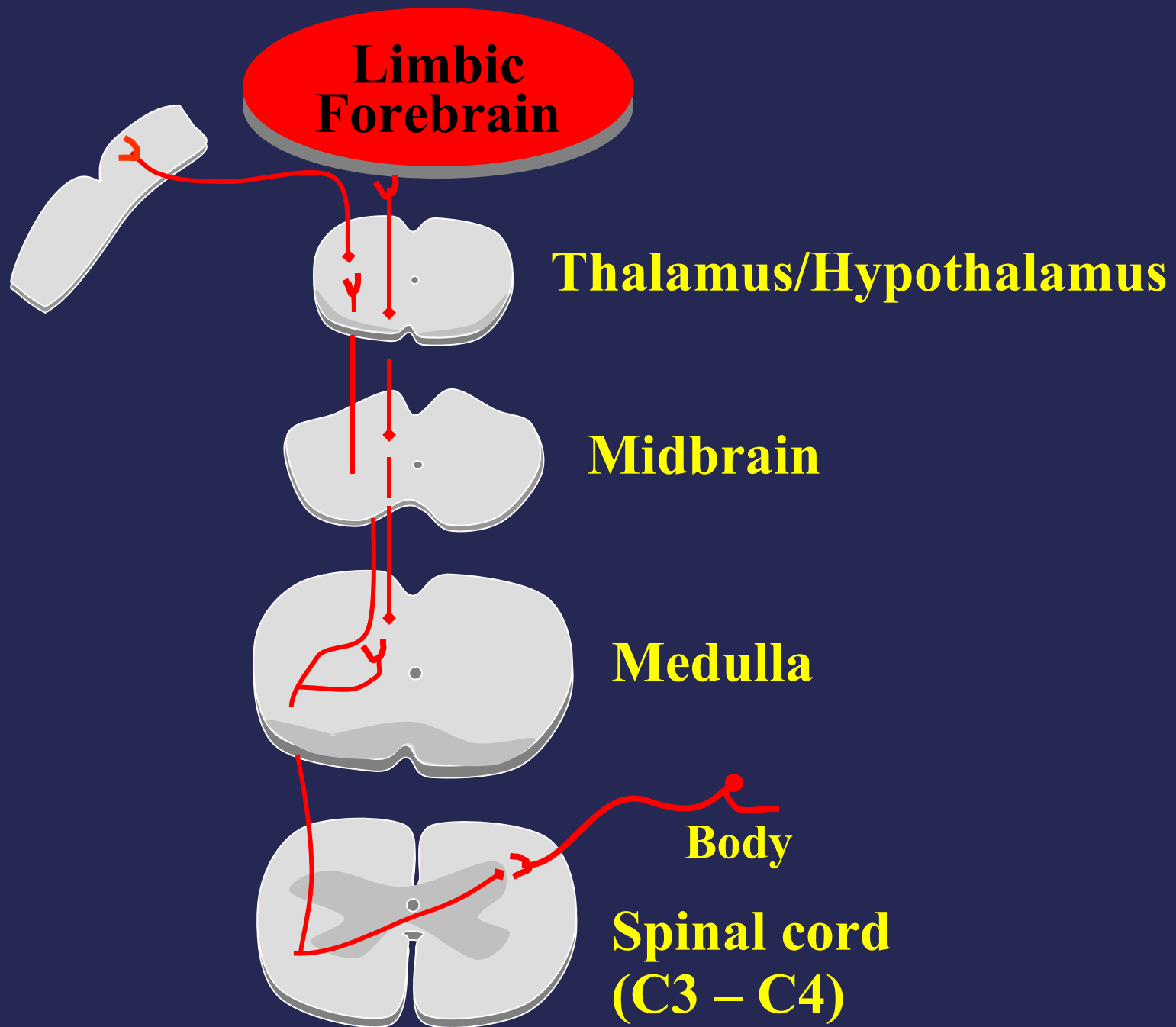
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Il dolore è una esperienza sensoriale
ed emozionale spiacevole
associata ad un danno tessutale

Nocicezione: fenomeno sensoriale

Dolore: interpretazione emozionale e
cognitiva dello stimolo



**Frontal lobe,
Limbic forebrain**

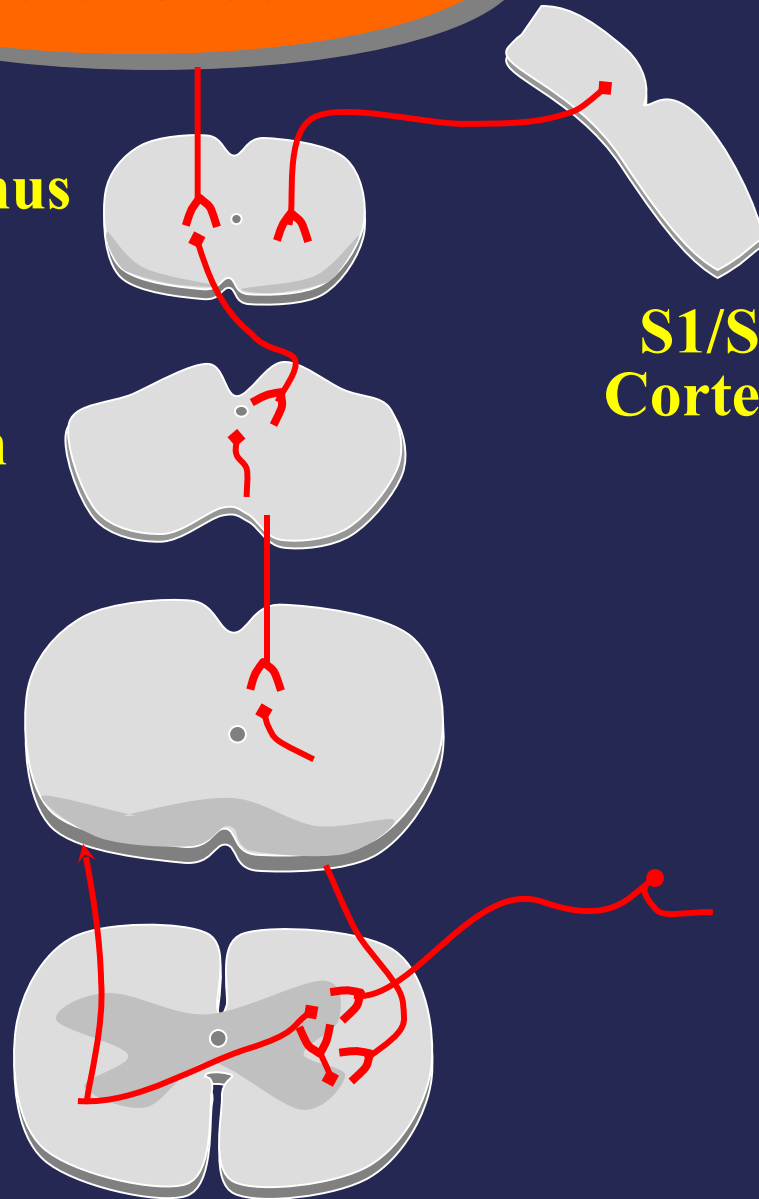
Thalamus/Hypothalamus

**S1/S2
Cortex**

Midbrain

Medulla

**Spinal cord
(C3 – C4)**



CLASSIFICATION

Pain syndromes have been classified as:

nociceptive

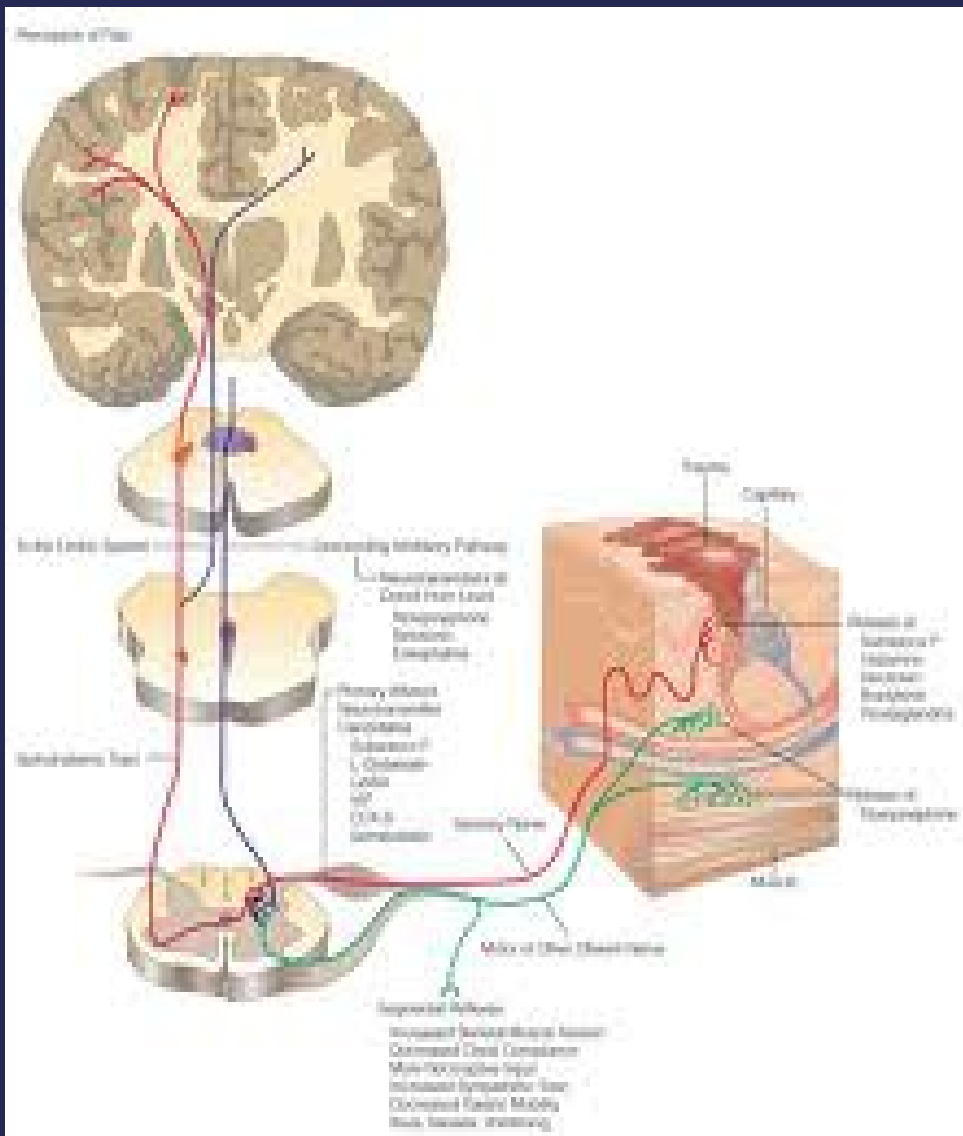
neuropathic

psycogenic pain

Idiopathic

Mixed pain

DOLORE NOCICETTIVO

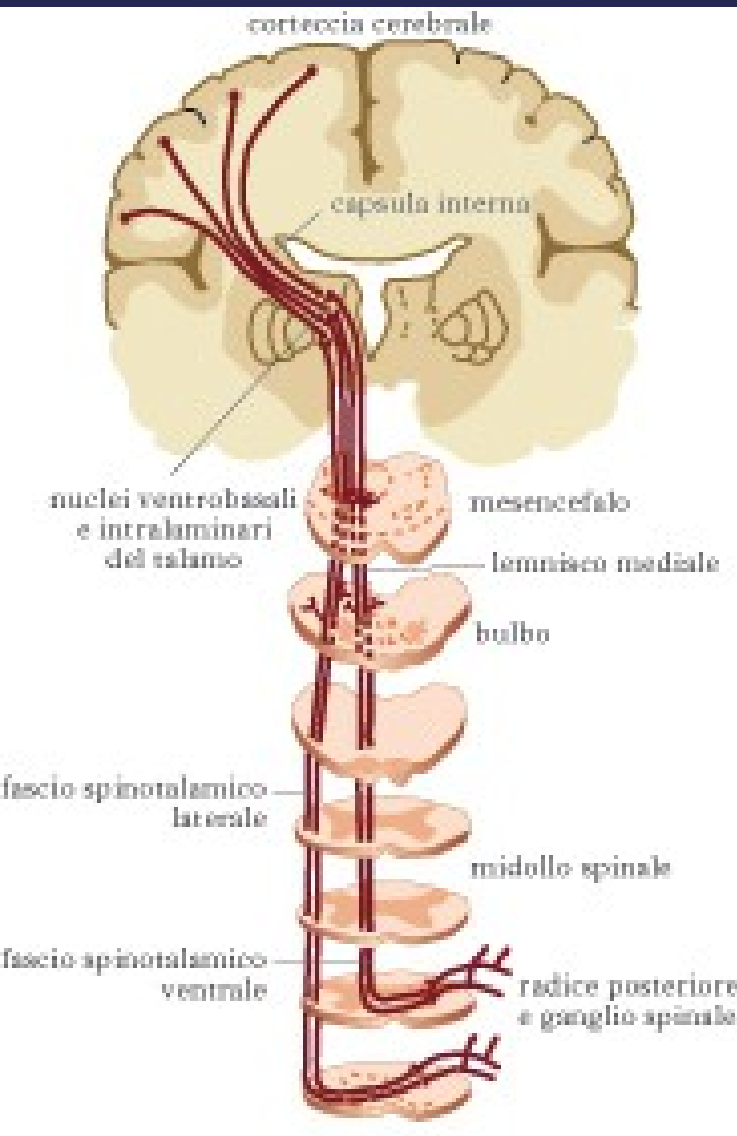


Risposta appropriata a stimoli dolorosi

Espressione della fisiologica attivazione dei nocicettori

- intenso, continuo
- spesso pulsante
- ad andamento crescente
- generalmente circoscritto ad aree anatomiche ben definite

DOLORE NEUROPATICO



- Fenomeno non appropriato, secondario a disfunzione o lesione nervosa: deriva dalla stimolazione diretta delle fibre nervose o da modificazioni sinaptiche di tipo eccitatorio
- E' spontaneo ovvero insorge senza uno stimolo
- È ectopico, non è innescato da una scarica dei nocicettori (insorge in sede anomala)

Sintomi del dolore neuropatico

**Dolore spontaneo, indipendente da stimoli
(Sintomi descritti dal paziente)**

dolore bruciante continuo

parossistico

urente

dolore intermittente lancinante, a fitta

dolore a scossa elettrica

alcune parestesie/disestesie

Patogenesi

Periferici

Nevralgia trigeminale

Centrali

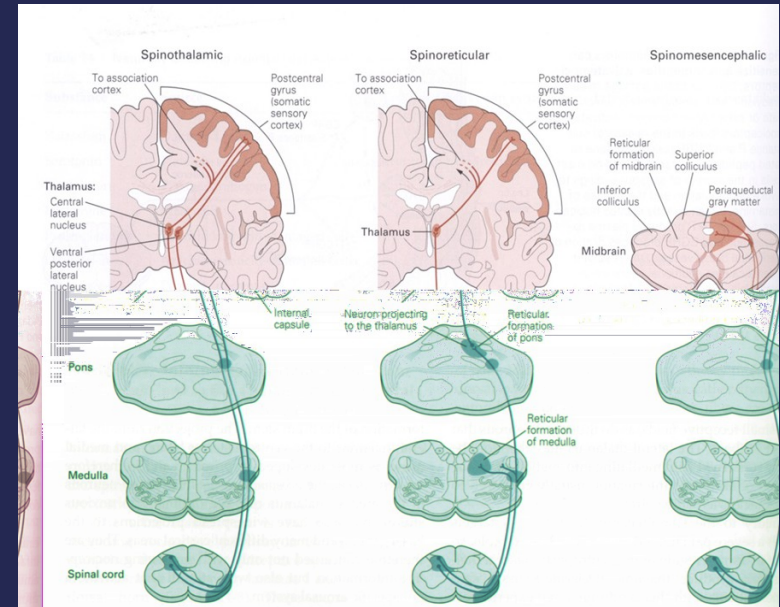
Disconnessione

Danno diretto

Demielinizzazione

Percezione del dolore somatico

Disturbi cognitivi-depressivi

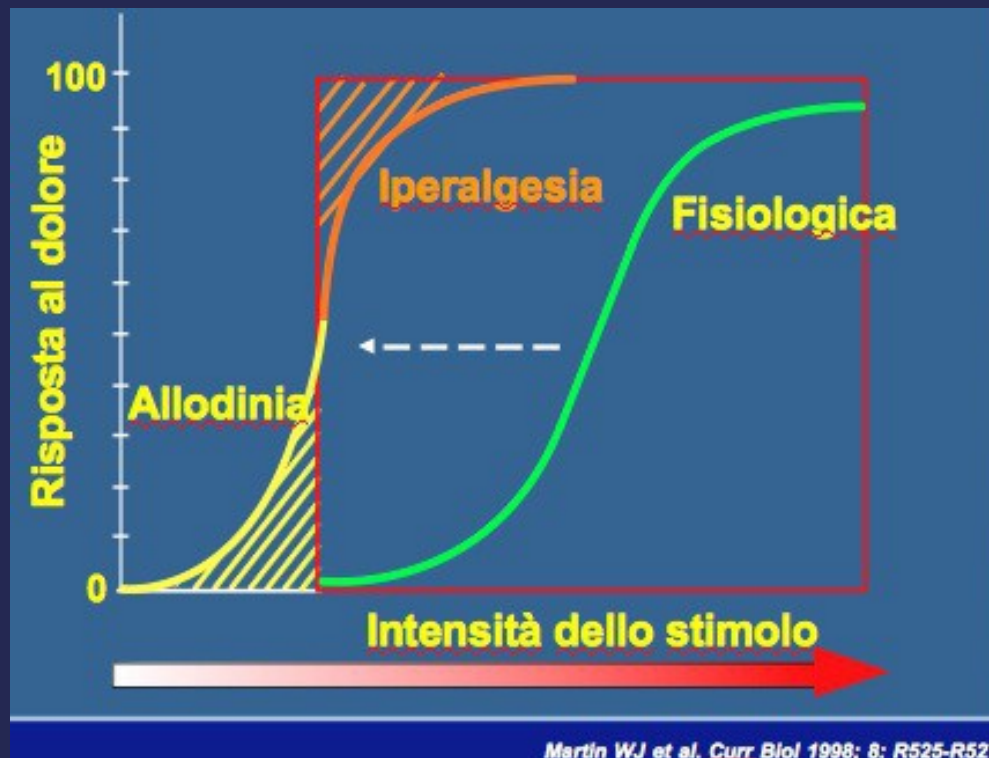


Iperalgesia

Una risposta dolorosa incrementata e sproporzionata verso stimoli che sono *di solito dolorosi*

Allodinia

Una risposta dolorosa conseguente a stimoli *di solito non dolorosi*



Review



Allodynia and hyperalgesia in neuropathic pain: clinical manifestations and mechanisms

Troels S Jensen, Nanna B Finnerup

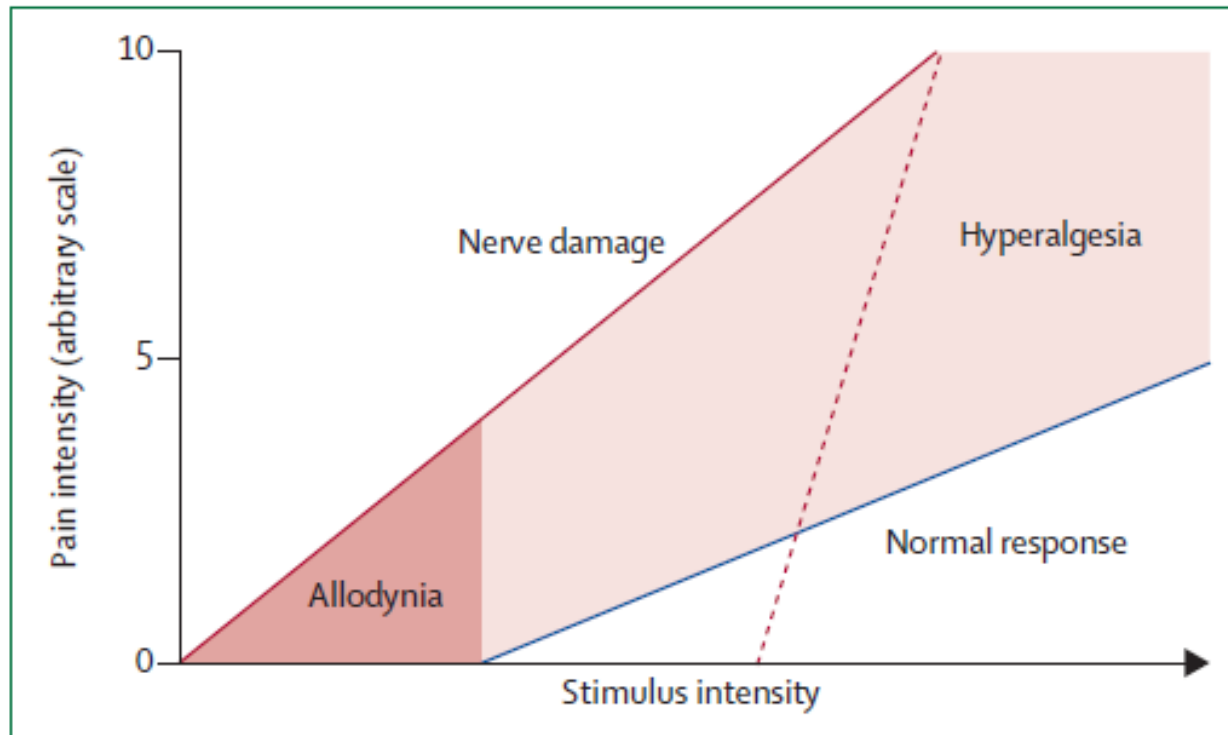


Figure 1: Stimulus–response function illustrating allodynia and hyperalgesia following nerve damage

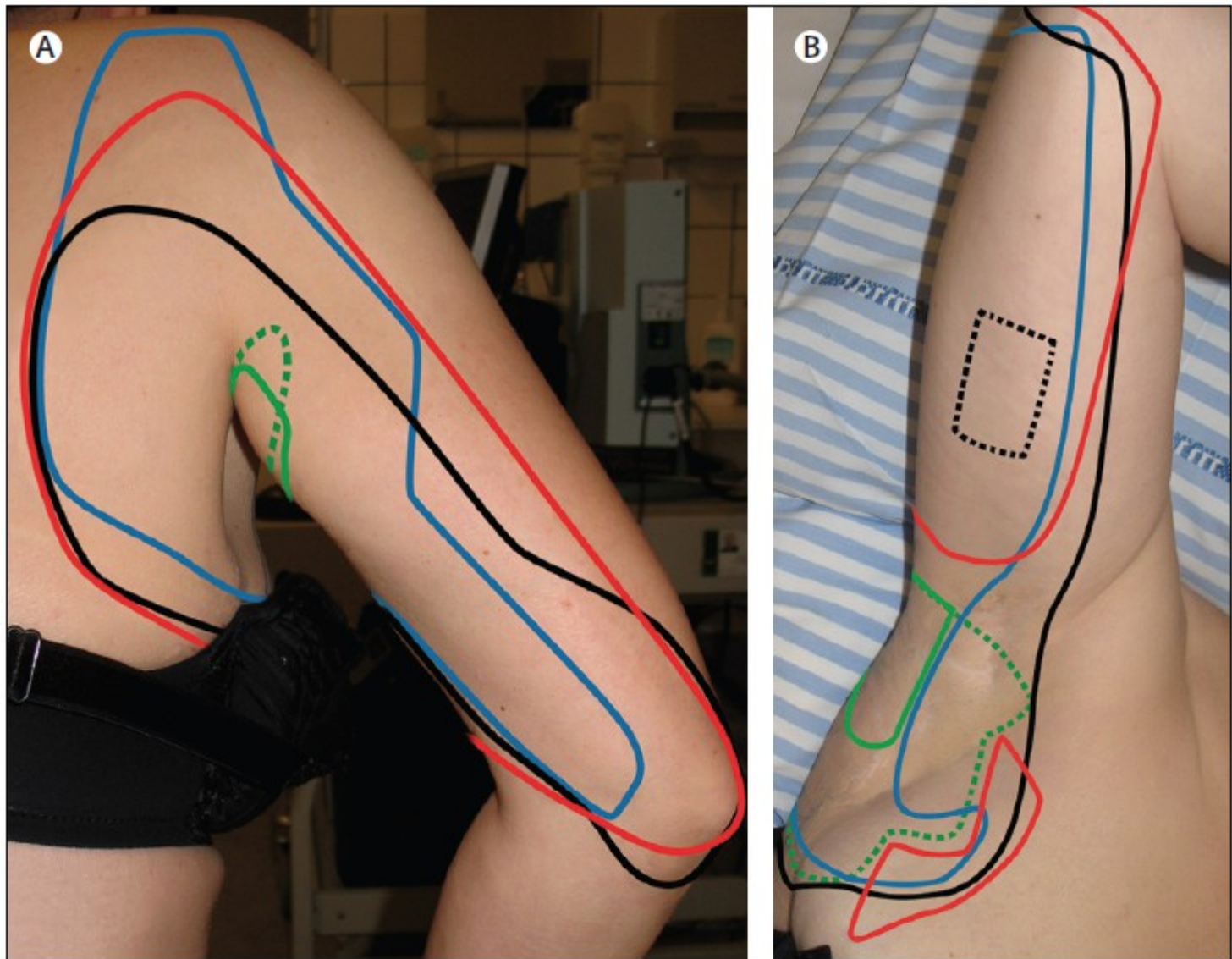


Figure 2: Mapping of allodynia and hyperalgesia

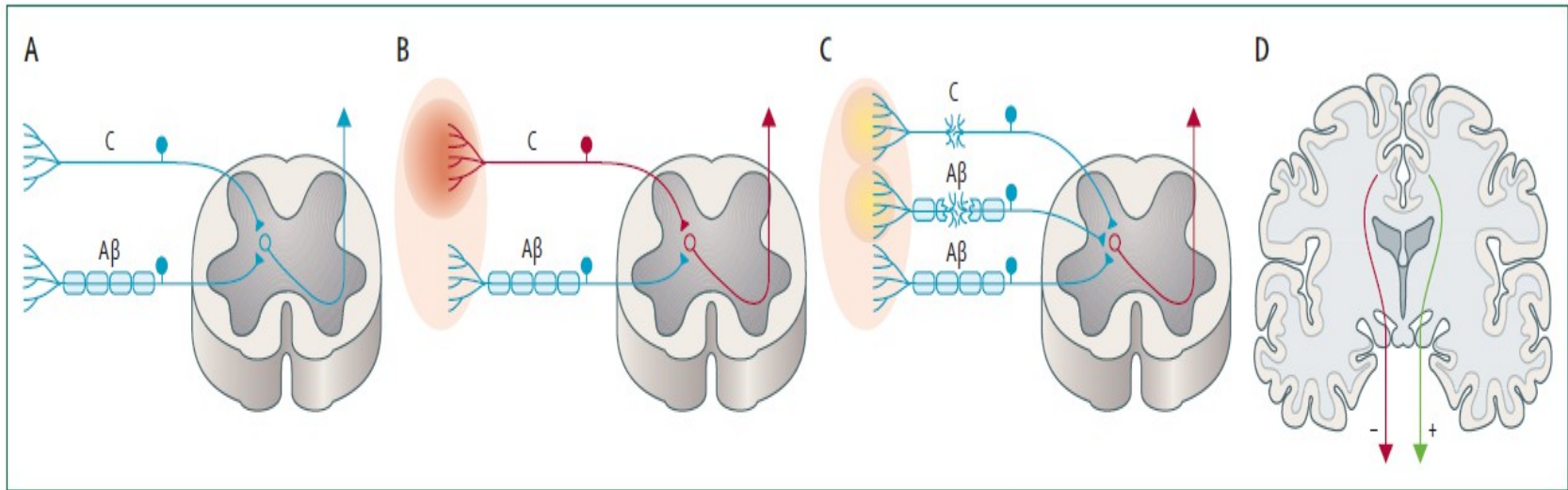


Figure 3: Mechanism for development of central sensitisation

(A) Diagram of noxious (C fibres) and non-noxious (A β fibres) input to second-order projection neurons in the spinal cord. (B) Following stimulation of C fibres (red area)—eg, by capsaicin amplification of spinal cord signalling systems—central sensitisation develops and non-noxious stimulation outside the injured area is sufficient to elicit a painful sensation. (C) After injury to nerves, second-order neurons are excited by abnormal and increased input from the periphery, causing central sensitisation and non-noxious input from damaged or undamaged A β fibres, which may now elicit activity sufficient to cause pain. Because of injury, there are also areas with a loss of sensitivity (yellow areas). (D) Additionally, a change in the balance of descending inhibitory (-) and facilitating (+) pathways from the brain to the spinal cord can affect dorsal horn neuronal activity and can therefore cause central sensitisation. Red represents sensitisation of fibres and blue represents normal fibres in A-C.

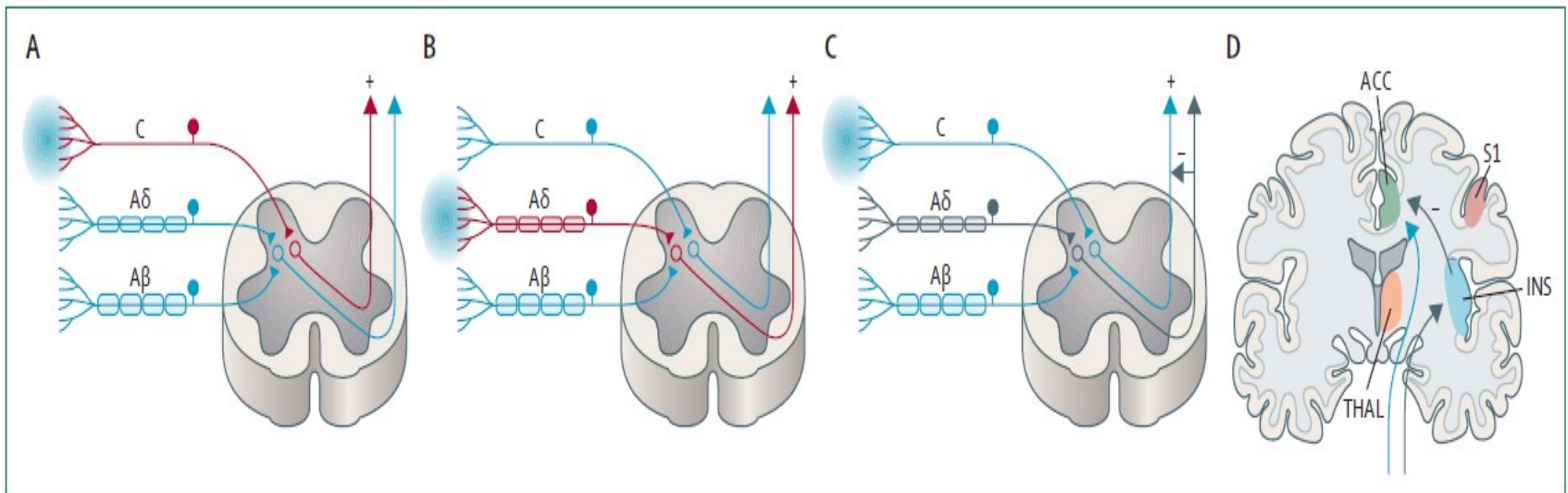


Figure 5: Potential mechanisms for cold allodynia and hyperalgesia

(A) Peripheral sensitisation of cold-sensitive C fibres through abnormal expression or function of, for example, TRPM8 and TRPV1 receptors, or sodium, potassium, or calcium channels, can cause decreased thresholds and exaggerated responses to cold. (B) Peripheral sensitisation of A δ fibres might likewise cause cold allodynia and hyperalgesia. (C) Loss of peripheral A δ fibres or (D) of central innocuous cold pathways (eg, by disruption of a thermosensory area in the insular cortex) might disinhibit cold-sensitive polymodal nociceptive heat-pinch-cold-sensitive pathways, causing cold to be experienced as burning pain. Red represents sensitisation of fibres, grey represents loss of fibres, and blue represents normal fibres in A–D. Blue areas show where a cold stimulus is applied. ACC=anterior cingulate cortex. INS=insular cortex. S1=primary somatosensory area. THAL=thalamus.

Subgrouping of patients with neuropathic pain according to pain-related sensory abnormalities: a first step to a stratified treatment approach

Ralf Baron, Matti Förster, Andreas Binder

Components of pain history

Somatic aspects

- Onset
- Location
- Quality
- Quantity
- Duration
- Aggravating/alleviating factors

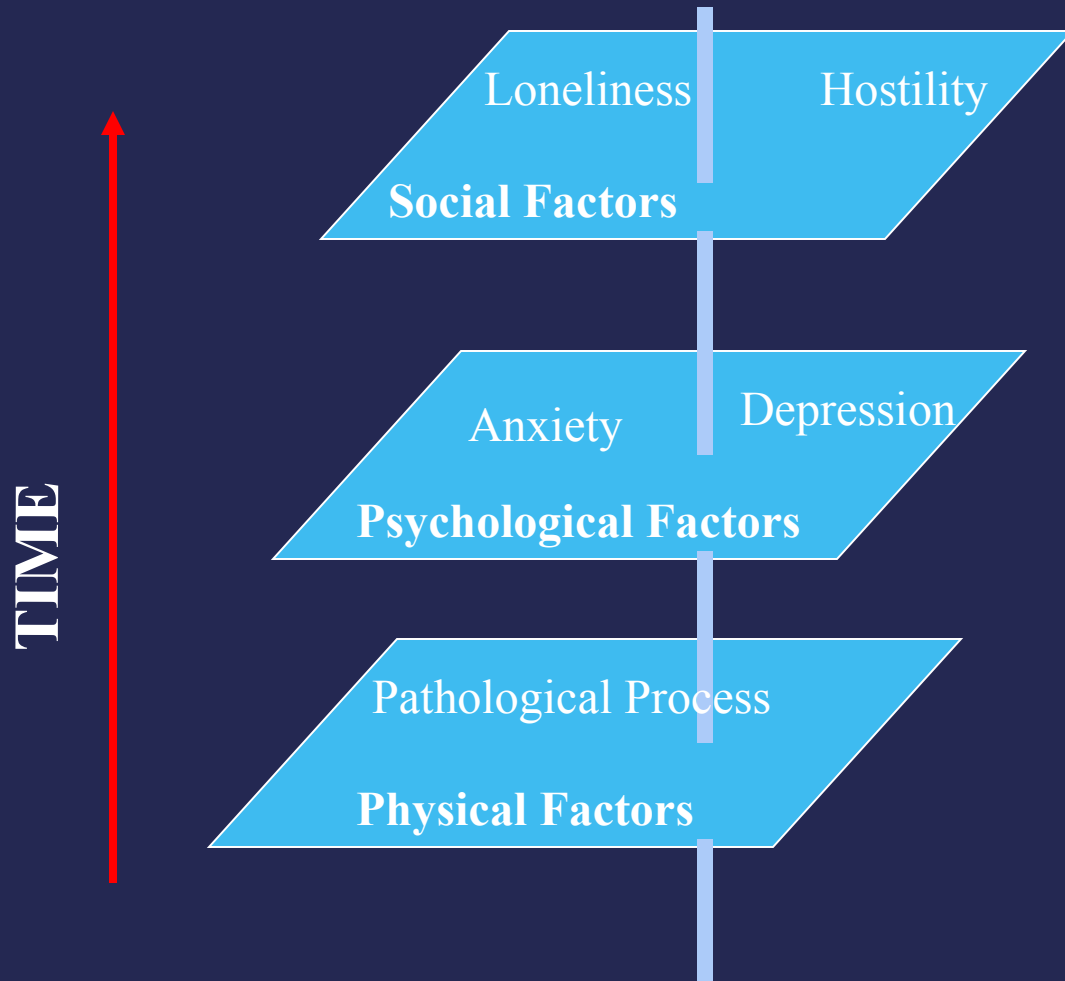
Psychological aspects

- Mood
- Cognitive
- Coping styles
- Beliefs on pain

Social aspects

- Impact on relationship
- Capacity for intimacy
- Activities of daily living
- Vocational
- recreational

Dimensions of Chronic Pain



Traditional vs. biopsychosocial models of pain

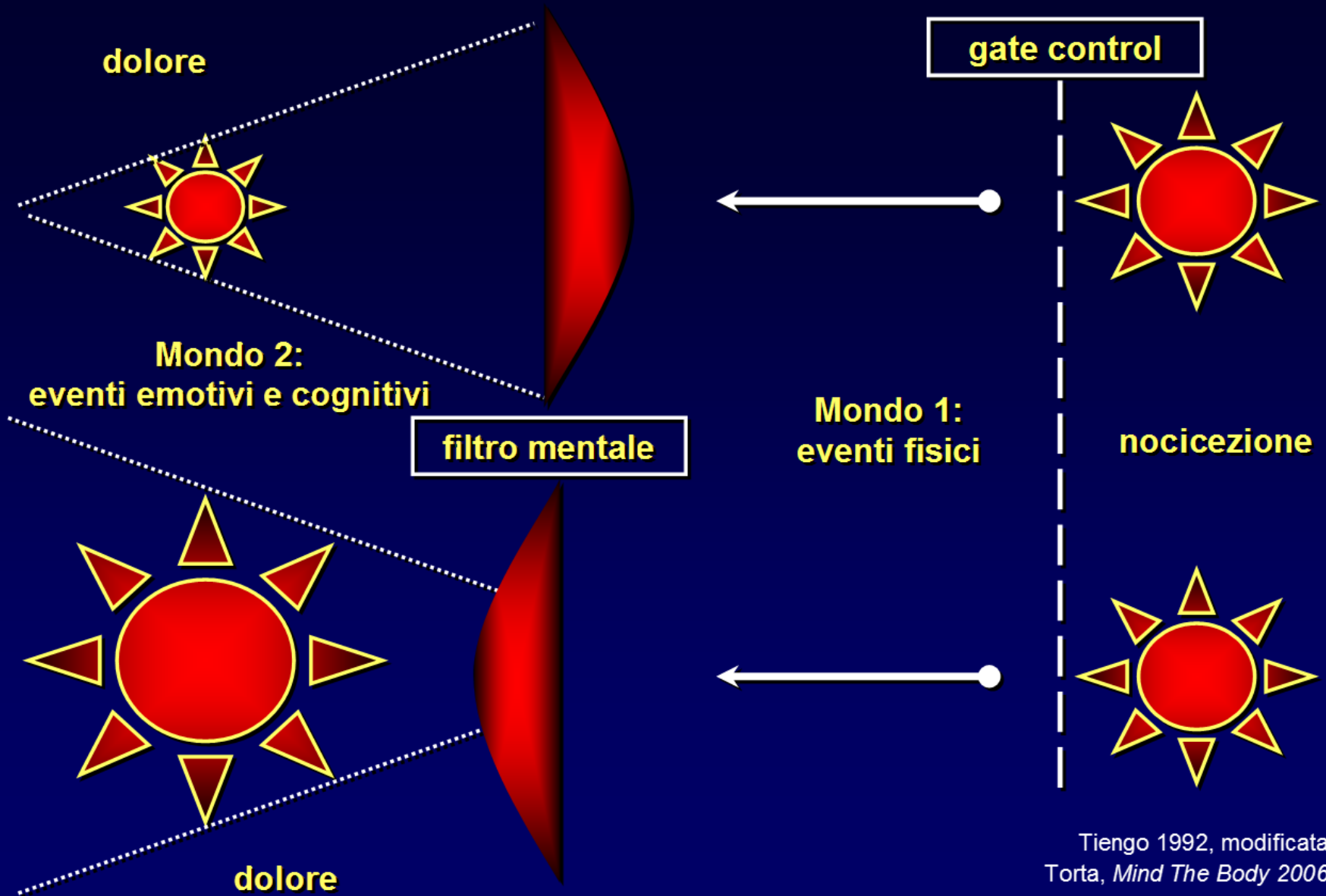
	<i>Traditional</i>	<i>Biopsychosocial</i>
View of pain	as an illness	as an experience
Determinants	Disease	Biopsychosocial factors
Management	Physician only	Physician + patient
Role of patient	Passive	Active
Goal	Pain relief	Quality of life
Focus of attention	Somatic complaints	Patient's beliefs

Osborne TL, Jensen MP, Ehde DM, Hanley MA, Kraft G: Psychosocial factors associated with pain intensity, pain-related interference, and psychological functioning in persons with multiple sclerosis and pain *Pain* 2007; 127: 52 - 62

Co-morbidity of central pain in MS

- Sleep disturbance 71%
- Fatigue 63%
- Attentional deficit 39%
- Depression 38%
- Anxiety 26%
- Anorexia 19%

Meyer A: Pain and sensory complaints in multiple sclerosis Eur J Neurol 2004; 11: 479–82



Tiengo 1992, modificata
Torta, *Mind The Body* 2006

Pain: related to disability and treatment

- Neck pain in wheelchair users
- Osteoporosis
- Peripheral nerve lesions
- (Injection sites)



Problematiche diagnostiche

Difficoltà da parte del paziente a riferire la sintomatologia depressiva (aspetti culturali, insight, sesso, età)

Difficoltà da parte del medico (prevalenza della malattia di base sugli aspetti psicologici, scarsità di risorse diagnostiche, difficoltà della gestione delle co-morbilità)

**Pain in Individuals With Multiple Sclerosis, Knee Prosthesis,
and Post-herpetic Neuralgia: Learning From Focus Group
Patients' Experience**

Saverino Alessia MD and Solaro Claudio MD

Original spontaneous descriptors, possibly pathology-specific, emerged in all groups not included in the MGPQ and pointed out the need to use assessment tools based on people experience.

**PatientsLikeMe: Consumer Health Vocabulary as a
Folksonomy**

Review



Pain assessment in elderly adults with dementia

Thomas Hadjistavropoulos, Keela Herr, Kenneth M Prkachin, Kenneth D Craig, Stephen J Gibson, Albert Lukas, Jonathan H Smith

DN4 QUESTIONNAIRE

DN4 Questionnaire

Please complete this questionnaire by ticking one answer for each item in the 4 questions below:

INTERVIEW OF THE PATIENT

Question 1: Does the pain have one or more of the following characteristics?

- 1 - **Burning**
- 2 - **Painful cold**
- 3 - **Electric Shocks**

yes	no
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Question 2: Is the pain associated with one or more of the following symptoms in the same area?

- 4 - **Tingling**
- 5 - **Pins and Needles**
- 6 - **Numbness**
- 7 - **Itching**

yes	no
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

EXAMINATION OF THE PATIENT

Question 3: Is the pain located in an area where the physical examination may reveal one or more of the following characteristics?

- 8 - **Hypoesthesia to touch**
- 9 - **Hypoesthesia to prick**

yes	no
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Question 4: In the painful area, can the pain be caused or increased by:

- 10 - **Brushing**

yes	no
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

NPSI

Q1. Il dolore assomiglia a una sensazione di bruciore?												
Nessuna sensazione di bruciore	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	La peggiore sensazione di bruciore che si possa immaginare
Q2. Il dolore assomiglia ad una stretta?												
Nessuna stretta	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	La stretta più forte che si possa immaginare
Q3. Il dolore assomiglia a una sensazione di compressione?												
Nessuna sensazione di compressione	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	La peggiore sensazione di compressione che si possa immaginare
Q4. Nelle ultime 24 ore, il dolore spontaneo è stato presente: Scelga la risposta che descrive meglio il suo caso.												
In continuazione												<input type="checkbox"/>
Da 8 a 12 ore												<input type="checkbox"/>
Da 4 a 7 ore												<input type="checkbox"/>
Da 1 a 3 ore												<input type="checkbox"/>
Meno di 1 ora												<input type="checkbox"/>
Vorremmo sapere se ha brevi attacchi di dolore. Per ciascuna delle seguenti domande, la preghiamo di scegliere il numero che descrive meglio l'intensità media dei suoi attacchi di dolore nelle ultime 24 ore. Scelga il numero 0 se non ha provato questo tipo di dolore (faccia un cerchietto attorno a un solo numero).												
Q5. Il dolore è simile a delle scosse elettriche?												
Nessun dolore simile a scosse elettriche	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Il peggiore dolore simile a scosse elettriche che si possa

Q6. Il dolore è simile a una pugnalata?												
Nessun dolore simile a una pugnalata	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Il peggiore dolore simile a una pugnalata che si possa immaginare
Q7. Nelle ultime 24 ore, quanti di questi attacchi di dolore ha avuto? Scelga <i>la risposta</i> che descrive meglio il suo caso.												
Più di 20											<input type="checkbox"/>	
Da 11 a 20											<input type="checkbox"/>	
Da 6 a 10											<input type="checkbox"/>	
Da 1 a 5											<input type="checkbox"/>	
Nessun attacco di dolore											<input type="checkbox"/>	
Vorremmo sapere se avverte dolore provocato o accentuato dallo sfioramento, dalla pressione o dal contatto della parte dolorante con il freddo o con il caldo. Per ciascuna delle seguenti domande, la preghiamo di scegliere il numero che descrive meglio <i>l'intensità media del dolore provocato nelle ultime 24 ore</i> . Scelga il numero 0 se non ha provato questo tipo di dolore (faccia un cerchietto attorno a un solo numero).												
Q8. Il dolore è provocato o accentuato dallo sfioramento della parte dolorante?												
Nessun dolore	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Il peggiore dolore che si possa immaginare
Q9. Il suo dolore è provocato o accentuato dalla pressione sulla parte dolorante?												
Nessun dolore	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Il peggiore dolore che si possa immaginare
Q10. Il dolore è provocato o accentuato dal <i>contatto</i> della parte dolorante con il freddo?												
Nessun dolore	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Il peggiore dolore che si possa immaginare
Vorremmo sapere se ha delle sensazioni insolite <i>nella parte dolorante</i> . Per ciascuna delle seguenti domande, la preghiamo di scegliere il numero che descrive meglio <i>l'intensità media delle sensazioni insolite nelle ultime 24 ore</i> . Scelga il numero 0 se non ha avuto questo tipo di sensazione.												
Q11. Ha una sensazione di aghi o spilli?												
Nessuna sensazione di aghi o spilli	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	La peggiore sensazione di aghi o spilli che si possa immaginare
Q12. Avverte un formicolio?												
Nessun formicolio	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Il peggiore formicolio che si possa immaginare

The international Classification of headache disorders

ICHD-3 beta

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Headache Classification Committee of the International Headache Society (IHS)

**The International Classification of Headache Disorders,
3rd edition (beta version)**

13. Painful cranial neuropathies and other facial pains

13.1 Trigeminal neuralgia

13.1.1 Classical trigeminal neuralgia

13.1.1.1 Classical trigeminal neuralgia, purely paroxysmal

13.1.1.2 Classical trigeminal neuralgia with concomitant persistent facial pain

13.1.2 Painful trigeminal neuropathy

13.1.2.1 Painful trigeminal neuropathy attributed to acute Herpes zoster

13.1.2.2 Post-herpetic trigeminal neuropathy

13.1.2.3 Painful post-traumatic trigeminal neuropathy

13.1.2.4 Painful trigeminal neuropathy attributed to multiple sclerosis (MS) plaque

13.1.2.5 Painful trigeminal neuropathy attributed to space-occupying lesion

13.1.2.6 Painful trigeminal neuropathy attributed to other disorder

Painful trigeminal neuropathy attributes to MS plaque

13.1.2.4 Painful trigeminal neuropathy attributed to multiple sclerosis (MS) plaque

Description:

Unilateral head and/or facial pain in the distribution of a trigeminal nerve and with the characteristics of classical trigeminal neuralgia, induced by a multiple sclerosis plaque affecting the trigeminal nerve root and associated with other symptoms and/or clinical signs of multiple sclerosis.

Diagnostic criteria:

- A. Head and/or facial pain with the characteristics of 13.1.1 *Classical trigeminal neuralgia* with or without concomitant persistent facial pain, but not necessarily unilateral
- B. Multiple sclerosis (MS) has been diagnosed
- C. An MS plaque affecting the trigeminal nerve root has been demonstrated by MRI or by routine electrophysiological studies (blink reflex or trigeminal evoked potentials) indicating impairment of the affected trigeminal nerve(s)
- D. Not better accounted for by another ICHD-3 diagnosis.

Comments:

Current studies indicate that about 7% of MS patients have a syndrome that is similar to 13.1.1 *Classical trigeminal neuralgia*. However, symptoms of trigeminal neuralgia are very rarely a presenting feature of MS.

Symptoms of 13.1.2.4 *Painful trigeminal neuropathy attributed to multiple sclerosis (MS) plaque* are more likely to be bilateral than those of 13.1.1 *Classical trigeminal neuralgia*.

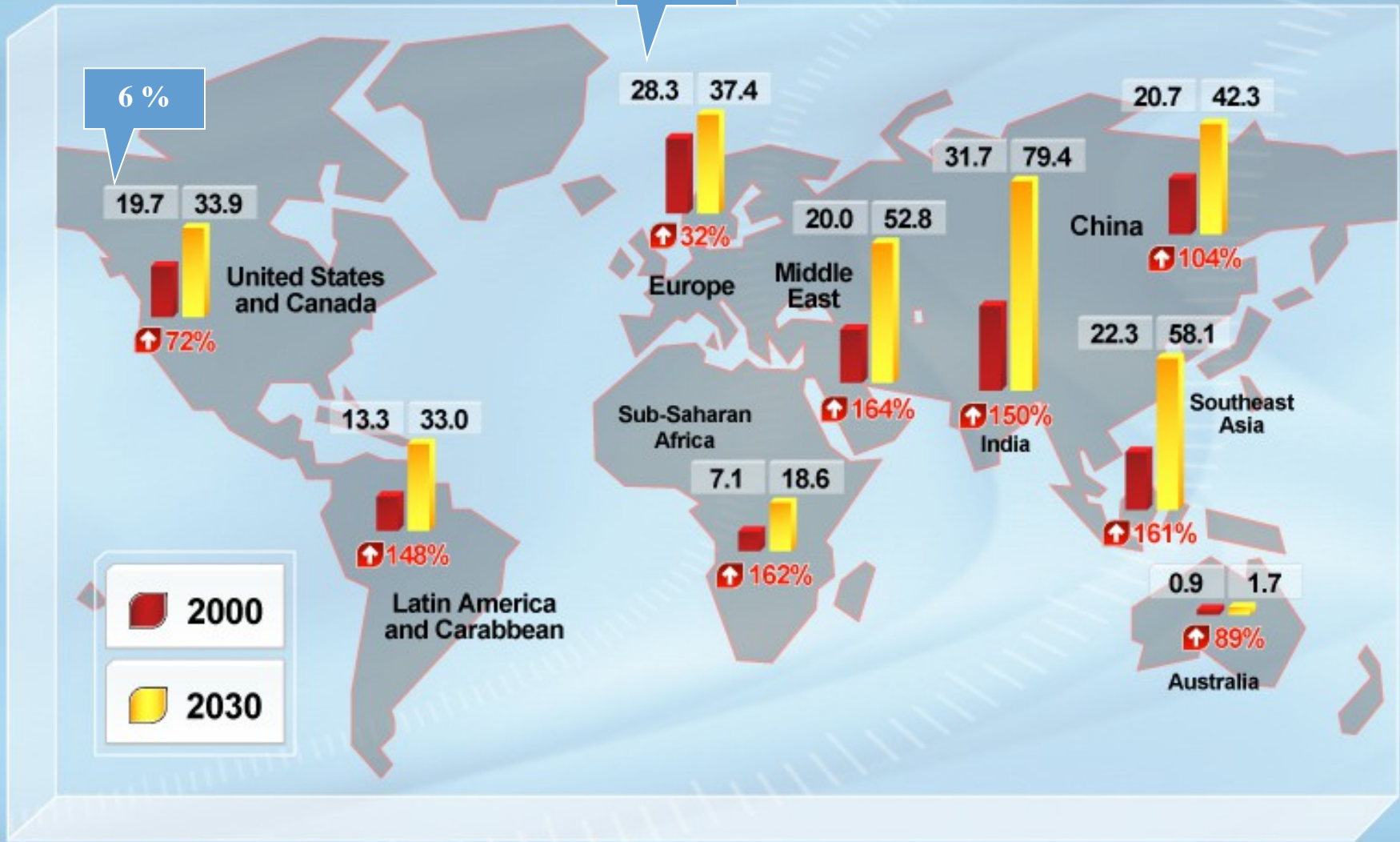
Patients with 13.1.2.4 *Painful trigeminal neuropathy attributed to multiple sclerosis (MS) plaque* benefit less from pharmacological interventions than those with 13.1.1 *Classical trigeminal neuralgia*.

Neuropathic Pain is a Frequent Complication of Diabetes

- 30–60% of patients with diabetes develop long-term complications of diabetic peripheral neuropathy and up to 10–20% of these experience pain^{1–3}
- Increased risk with longer duration of diabetes and with poor glucose control⁴
- Diabetic peripheral neuropathic pain (DPNP) interferes with patients' functioning and quality of life⁴
- Patients' quality of life and level of daily function decrease further with increasing disease severity^{4,5}

1. Clark CM, et al. *N Engl J Med.* 1995;332:1210–1217;
2. Boulton AJM, et al. *Diabetes Care.* 2004;27:1458–1486;
3. Eastman RC. Neuropathy in Diabetes. In: Diabetes Data Group, eds. *Diabetes in America*, 2nd ed. NIH Publication: Washington, DC;1995:339–348.
4. Argoff CE, et al. *Mayo Clin Proc.* 2006; 81(4):S3–11; 5. Sullivan SD, et al. *Pharmacoeconomics.* 2002;20:1079–1089.

WORLDWIDE PREVALENCE OF DIABETES IN 2000 AND ESTIMATES FOR THE YEAR 2030 (IN MILLIONS)



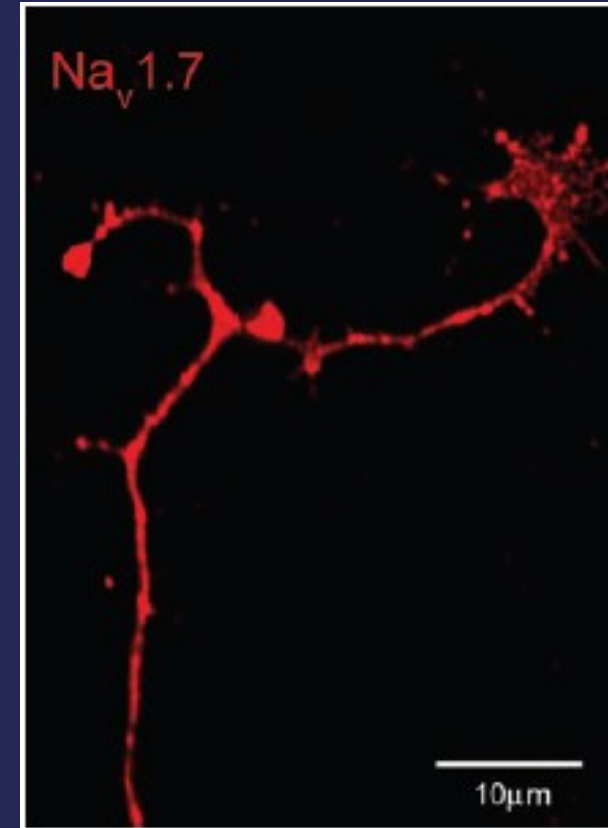
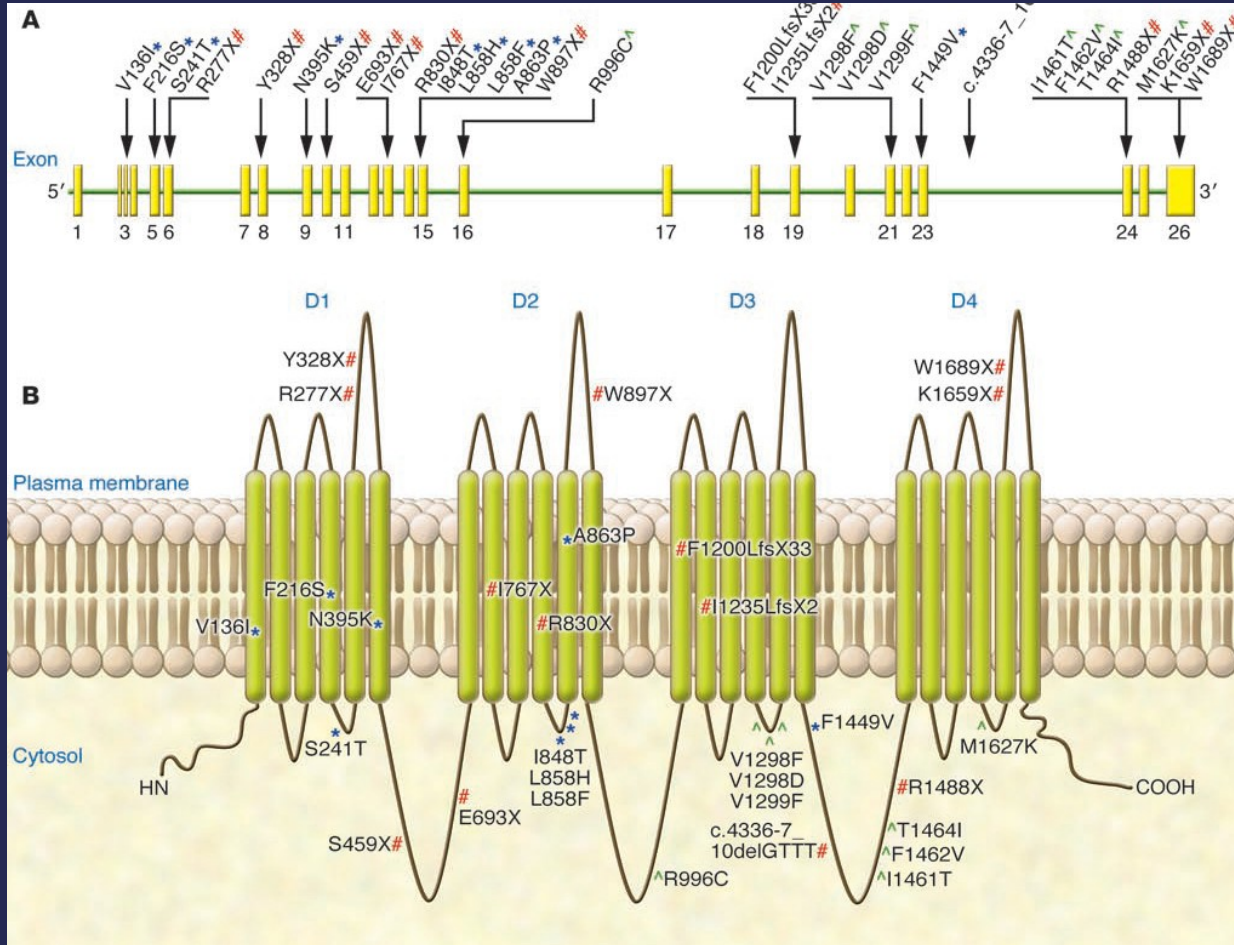
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Premessa

It is still unclear why neuropathies of apparently equal aetiology can be painful or painless. Prototypes of painful polyneuropathies are those with the prominent involvement of small unmyelinated fibres (C-fibres), such as the amyloid neuropathies and Fabry disease. However, neuropathies with nonselective fibre loss such as the alcoholic, dysproteinaemic, and some toxic neuropathies can be equally painful, as well as some neuropathies with selective large fibre loss.

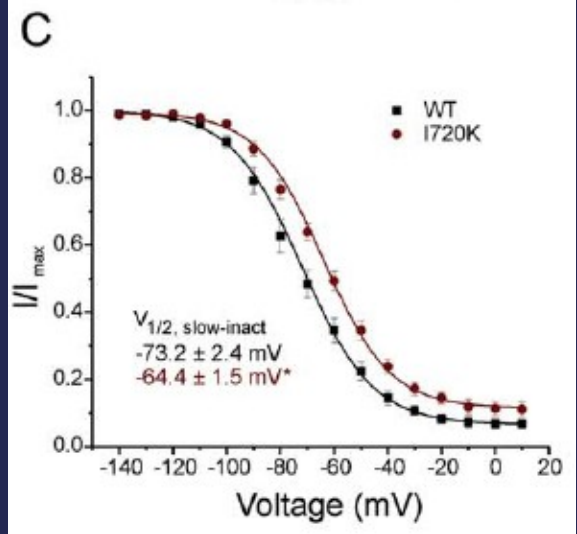
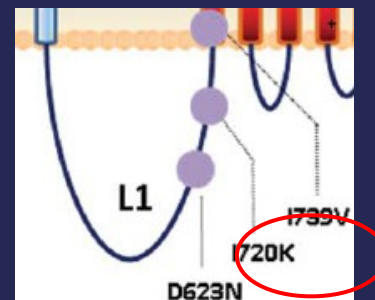
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Gene SCN9A (Nav 1.7)

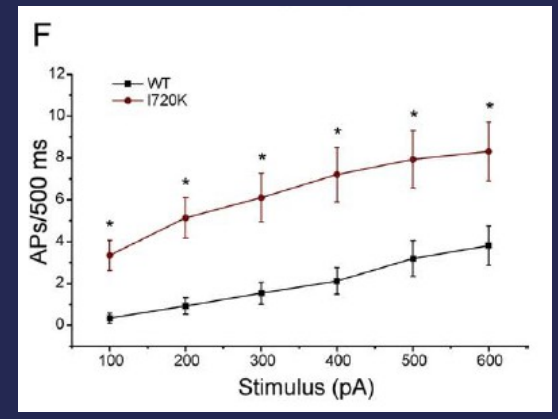
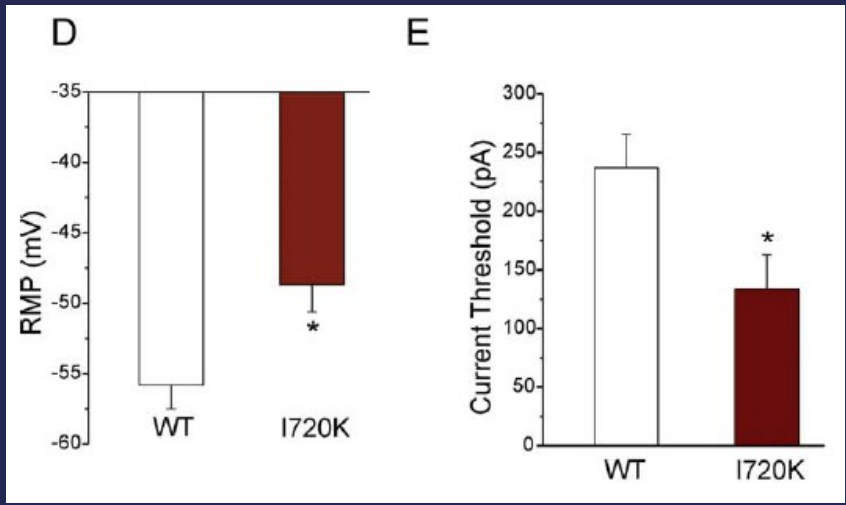


Functional Characterization of $Na_v1.7$ Mutations

Voltage clamp analysis of the mutant channels from patients with I-SFN showed that they were all gain of function, and that they impaired slow inactivation (p.I720K, p.M1532I, p.I228M, p.I739V), depolarized slow and fast inactivation (p.D623N), or enhanced resurgent currents (p.M932L/V991L, p.R185H). None of these mutations exhibited the hyperpolarized activation or enhanced ramp currents characteristic of IEM¹⁵ or the incomplete fast inactivation characteristic of PEPD¹⁷ mutations of $Na_v1.7$. Current clamp analysis demonstrated that all 7 mutations rendered DRG neurons hyperexcitable. Here we present the



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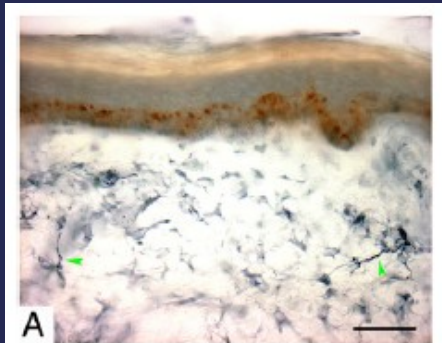
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Gain-of-function $\text{Na}_v1.8$ mutations in painful neuropathy

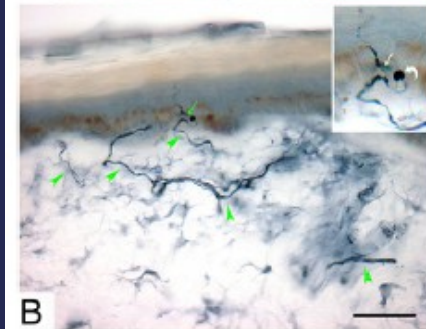
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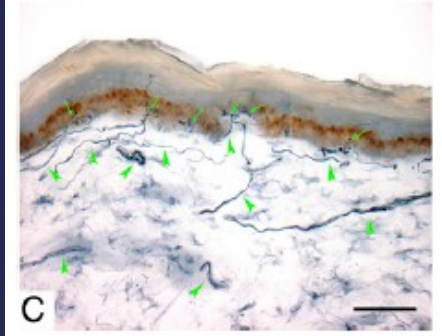
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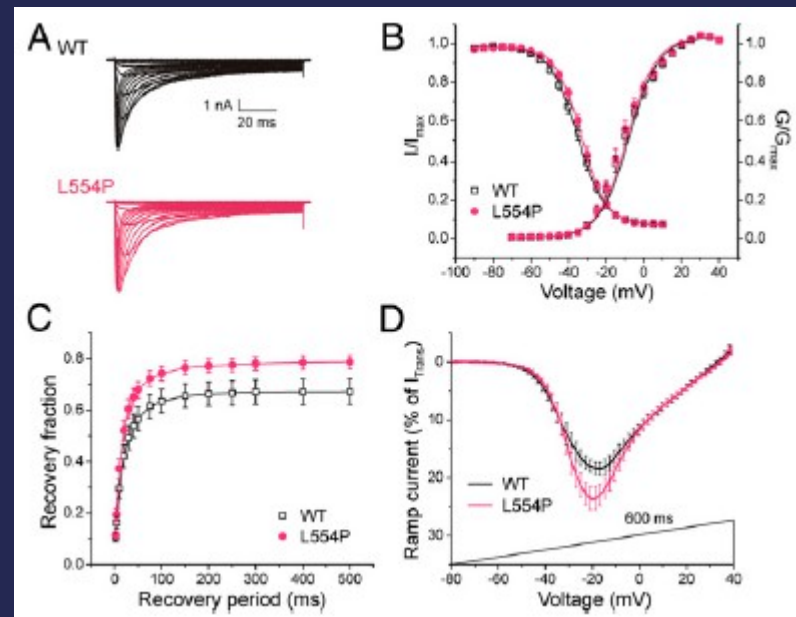
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L554P mutation alters $\text{hNa}_v1.8$ channel properties.



Gain-of-function mutations in sodium channel Na_v1.9 in painful neuropathy

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Sodium channel Na_v1.9 is expressed in peripheral nociceptive neurons, as well as visceral afferents, and has been shown to act as a threshold channel. Painful peripheral neuropathy represents a significant public health challenge and may involve gain-of-function variants in sodium channels that are preferentially expressed in peripheral sensory neurons. Although gain-of-function variants of peripheral sodium channels Na_v1.7 and Na_v1.8 have recently been found in painful small fibre neuropathy, the aetiology of peripheral neuropathy in many cases remains unknown. We evaluated 459 patients who were referred for possible painful peripheral neuropathy, and confirmed the diagnosis of small fibre neuropathy in a cohort of 393 patients (369 patients with pure small fibre neuropathy, and small fibre neuropathy together with large fibre involvement in an additional 24 patients). From this cohort of 393 patients with peripheral neuropathy, we sequenced SCN11A in 345 patients without mutations in SCN9A and SCN10A, and found eight variants in 12 patients. Functional profiling by electrophysiological recordings showed that these Na_v1.9 mutations confer gain-of-function attributes to the channel, depolarize resting membrane potential of dorsal root ganglion neurons, enhance spontaneous firing, and increase evoked firing of these neurons. Our data show, for the first time, missense mutations of Na_v1.9 in individuals with painful peripheral neuropathy. These genetic and functional observations identify missense mutations of Na_v1.9 as a cause of painful peripheral neuropathy.

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DOLORE NEUROPATICO E SINDROMI ALGICHE CRONICHE

Coordinatore: Dott. Claudio Solaro

ore 9.00 - 11.00

Dolore e neuropatie periferiche: farmacogenetica

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Treatment of Na_v1.7-mediated pain in inherited erythromelgia using a novel sodium channel blocker

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We have developed a novel compound (XEN402) that exhibits potent, voltage-dependent block of Na_v1.7 (IC₅₀ 80 nM). Here we report an exploratory trial performed to evaluate the efficacy of XEN402 in mutation-proven erythromelgia patients, with the primary aim of demonstrating that Na_v1.7 antagonism alleviates pain associated with IEM. Our novel approach uses a rare genetic

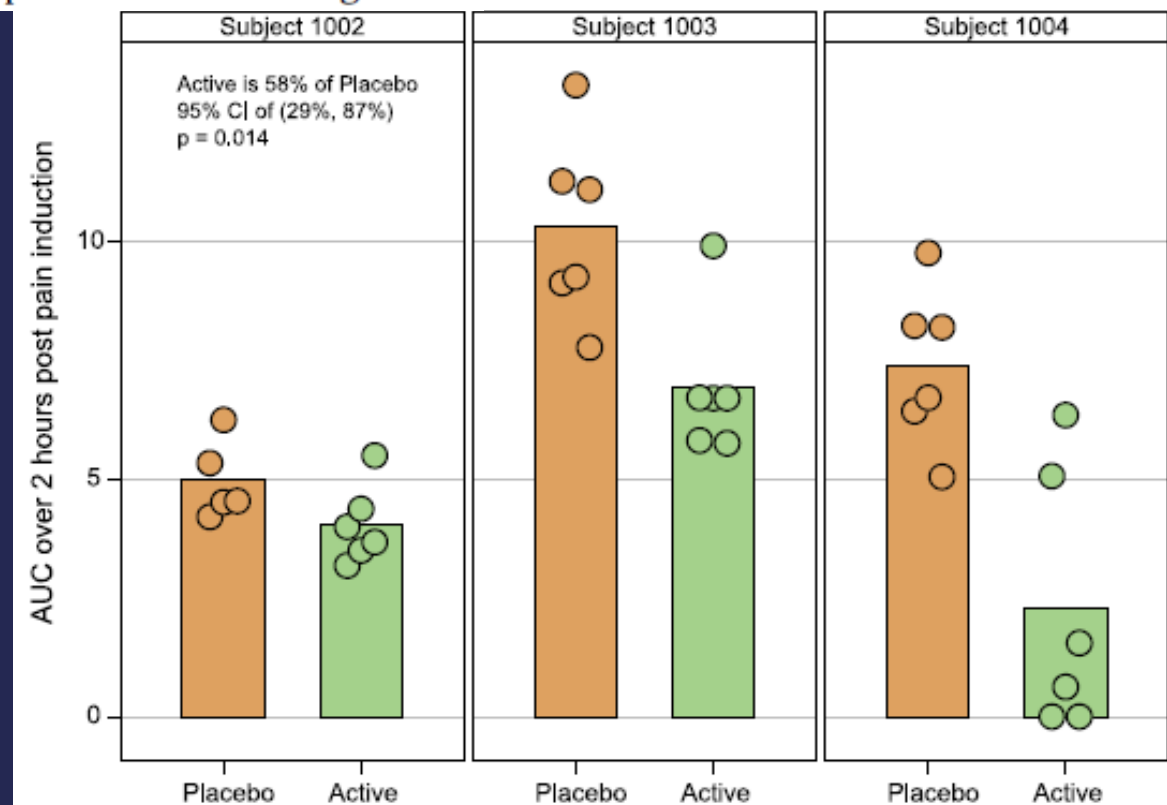


Fig. 1. Reduction in total pain in the 2 hours after each pain induction by treatment for subjects 1002, 1003, and 1004.

Pharmacogenetic



**Pharmacokinetics
Pharmacodynamics**

- **Pharmacokinetic: factors that affect drug metabolism and/or elimination, altering the relationship between drug dose and steady state serum concentrations**
- **Pharmacodynamic: based on variations in drug target receptors and downstream signal transduction**

Review

Pharmacogenetics of chronic pain management

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- **Genes affecting pharmacokinetic: cytochrome p450 family of enzymes, enzymes responsible for glucoronidation, drug transporter proteins**
- **Genes affecting pharmacodynamic: cyclooxygenase enzymes, catecholamine methyltransferase enzyme, the opioid receptors**

Corteccia sensitiva

Talamo

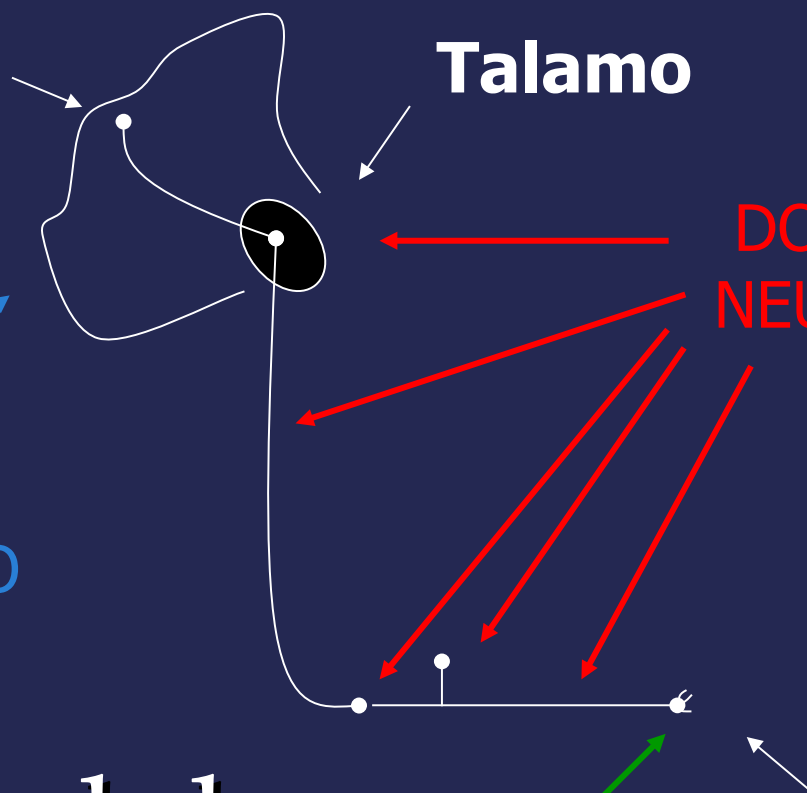
DOLORE NEUROPATICO

DOLORE PSICOGENO

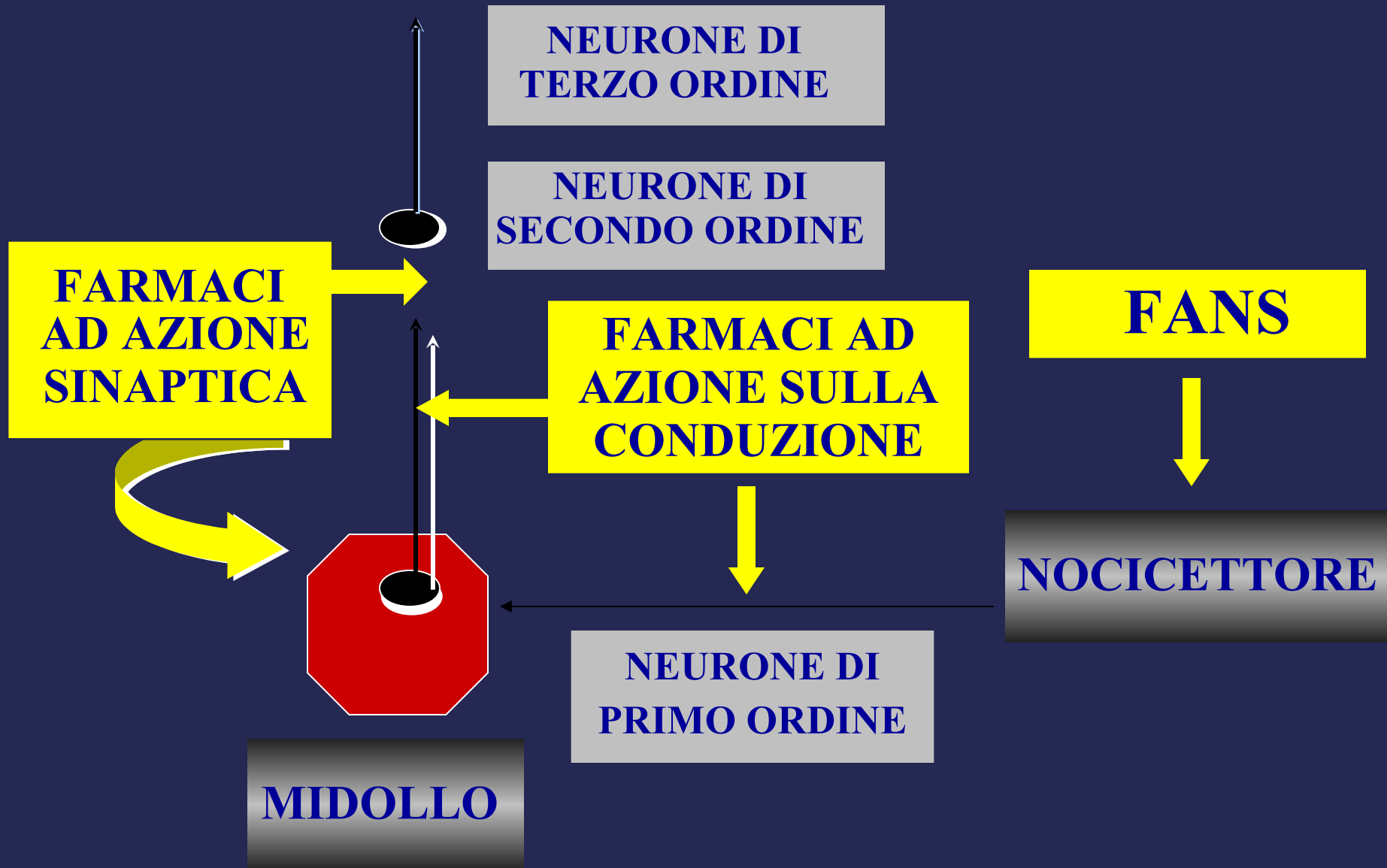
La via del dolore

Nocicettore

DOLORE NOCICETTIVO



Siti d'azione dei farmaci sulle vie di conduzione del massaggio nocicettivo



Raccolta anamnestica
Esame neurologico



Dolore SI



Classificazione del
dolore
(DN4)
Valutazione delle co-
morbilità

TERAPIA

Terapia medica

Valutazione ausilii

Trattamenti

Valutazione terapeuta del dolore

Infusione intra-tecale

Stimolazione midollare

