A-784 Room D, 10/17/2000 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (PS) Intrathecal Mu and Delta, but Not Kappa Agonists, Can Induce Spastic Paraplegia after Non-Injurious Interval of Spinal Cord Ischemia in Rats Manabu Kakinohana, MD; Seiya Nakamura, MD; Yutaka Taira, MD; Martin Marsala, MD, Anesthesiology, Univeersity of the Ryukyus, Nishihara, Okinawa, Japan. Intrathecal mu and delta agonists incuded spasticity after short lasting spinal ischemia.

A-785 Room D, 10/17/2000 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (PS) Effect of Nitric Oxide Synthase Inhibitor, 7-Nitro Indazole on the Loss of Righting Reflex during Sevoflurane Anesthesia in Rats Shunji Kobayashi, M.D.; Tatsuaki Iwamoto, M.D.; Hiromichi Bito, M.D.; Takasumi Katoh, M.D.; Shigebito Sato, M.D., Department of Anesthesiology and Intensive Care, Hamamatsu University School of Medicine, Hamamatsu, Shizuoka, Japan. Administration of 7-nitroindazole reduced ED50.

A-786 Room D, 10/17/2000 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (PS) Local Anesthetics Preferentially Inhibit Sustained K⁺ Currents of Small Dorsal Root Ganglion Neurons *Hirochika Komai*, *Pb.D.*; *Thomas S. McDowell, M.D., Pb.D., Anesthesiology, University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI, United States.* Local anesthetics block K⁺ currents more potently in small vs. large sensory neurons. This may facilitate block of Na⁺ currents in these cells.

A-787 Room D, 10/17/2000 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (PS) Spontaneous Opioid Withdrawal Is Dose-Dependent Lev Langerman, MD; Alexander Krendal, MD, PbD; Gilbert J. Grant, MD, Anesthesia, NYU Med Center, New York, NY, United States. We revised the theory that the induced opioid withdrawal intensity is dose-dependent, while the spontaneous opiate withdrawal intensity (SOWI), is not. In contrast to the current concept, we found that SOWI is dose-dependent.

A-788 Room D, 10/17/2000 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (PS) Opioid Inhibition of Calcium Currents Elicited by Action Potential Waveform *Thomas S. McDowell, M.D., Ph.D., Anesthesiology, University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI, United States.* Opioid inhibition of total Ca²⁺ entry is similar whether elicited by a typical square wave voltage pulse or an action potential waveform, but is less voltage dependent during the action potential waveform.

A-789 Room D, 10/17/2000 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (PS) Activation of the δ_2 Opioid Receptor Reduces Ca²⁺ Currents in Sensory Neurons *Thomas S. McDowell, M.D, Ph.D., Anesthesiology, University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI, United States.* Ca²⁺ channels in a population of sensory neurons are negatively coupled to μ - and/or δ_2 -opioid receptors but not to δ_1 -opioid receptors.

A-790 Room D, 10/17/2000 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (PS) Effects of Nonimmobilizers on Immobility in C. Elegans Phil G. Morgan, MD; Gregory W. Radke, BA; Margaret M. Sedensky, MD, Anesthesiology, Case Western Reserve Univ., Cleveland, OH, United States. In C.elegans nonimmobilizers have effects antagonistic to volatile anesthetics. The data indicate that the antagonistic effects require specific gene products.

A-791 Room D, 10/17/2000 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (PS) Mutual Antagonism of Buprenorphine and Morphine as Evidenced in the Nociceptive Activity Evoked in Thalamus Neurons of the Rat Alexander Nemirovsky, MD; Ilmar Jurna, Dr. Med., Anesthesiology, USC, Los Angeles, CA, United States. Pure (morphine) and partial (buprenorphine) agonists of μ-opioid receptors interacted in an antagonistic manner while producing depression of thalamic neurons in rats.

A-792 Room D, 10/17/2000 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (PS) Membrane and Synaptic Actions of Halothane on Rat Hippocampal Pyramidal Neurons and Inhibitory Interneurons Kobichi Nishikawa, MD, PbD; M. Bruce MacIver, MSc, PbD, Anesthesia, Stanford University School of Medicine, Stanford, CA, United States. Halothane increases GABA_A receptor-mediated synaptic transmission between hippocampal interneurons and depresses excitatory transmission.

A-793 Room D, 10/17/2000 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (PS) Time-Dependent Effect of Fentanyl on Affective States as Assessed by Place Conditioning in Rats Laure Pain, MD; Guy Simonnet, PbD; Philippe Oberling, MD, PbD, GRERCA, service d'anesthesie et U405 INSERM, CHU Hautepierre, Strasbourg, France. Fentanyl (4X60 µg/kg) induced an immediate plaisant state, but a delayed (24 hours) unplaisant one, independently of any nociceptive stimulus.

A-794 Room D, 10/17/2000 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (PS) Implication of Forebrain Cholinergic Neurotransmission in Propofol Induced Sedation Laure Pain, MD; Olivia Lehmann; Helene Jetsch, PhD; Fathem-Zohra Laalou; Jean-Cristophe Cassel, PhD, GRERCA, Service d'Anesthesie et U405 INSERM, CHU Hautepierre, Strasbourg, France. The sedative potency of propofol is reduced by about 50 % in rats with alteration of brain cholinergic function.

A-795 Room D, 10/17/2000 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (PS) ERK Inhibition Reduces Opioid Tolerance in Rats Phillip P. Pearson, Ph.D.; Gavin B. Bishop, B.S.; James M. Trzaskos, Ph.D.; Howard B. Gutstein, M.D., Anesthesiology, UT-MD Anderson Cancer Center, Houston, TX, United States. ERK inhibition reduces opioid-induced tolerance in rats.

A-796 Room D, 10/17/2000 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (PS) The Influence of Morphine on Thermogenesis and Ventilatory Control in μ-Opioid-Receptor Knockout Mice Elise Y. Sarton, MD; Luc J. Teppema, PbD; Cees N. Olievier; Diederik J.F. Nieuwenhuijs, MD; Albert Dahan, MD PbD, Department of Anesthesiology, Leiden University Medical Center, Leiden, Netherlands. The μ-opioid-receptor is the primary molecular target of all respiratory actions of morphine.

A-797 Room D, 10/17/2000 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (PS) Nitrous Oxide-Induced Antinociception and Noradrenergic Activation Are Not Mediated by Enkephalinergic Mechanism in Mice Shigebito Sawamura; Geeta Agashe; Wade S. Kingery; M. Frances Davies; Mervyn Maze, Anesthesiology, Stanford University, Stanford, CA, United States. Antinociception and brainstem noradrenergic activation by N2O were preserved in preproenkephalin-deficient mice.