

Analgesics

Analgesics are drugs that suppress pain , i.e. they cause **analgesia** (a state without pain). We divide them into:

- **non-opioid analgesics** that suppress inflammation and block the formation of prostaglandins . E.g. salicylates (ie drugs containing acetylsalicylic acid);
- **opioid analgesics** that act on opioid receptors in the CNS and other tissues. E.g. morphine , codeine , bezitramide, etc.

Opioid analgesics are used for very severe pain, while non-opioid analgesics are used quite widely.

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