MSNBIO2622 – Mechanisms and Clinical Presentation of Pain

Syllabus

The class meets Mondays from 3-5 in 1495 BST. This is a two unit class that will be based on class participation (~40%), and a review paper on a topic of your choosing (that is approved by me). The paper is due Monday December 9.

Reading material will be distributed prior to each class that should help set the stage for the topic(s) to be discussed. Hopefully, these will also prepare you to get the most out of each lecture.

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| **Date** | **Topic** | **Faculty** |
| 26-Aug | Pain Toxonomy - History/Nociceptors | Koerber/Gold |
| 9-Sept | Dorsal horn/Ascending circuits | Koerber/Ross |
| 16-Sept | Supraspinal circuits /Descending pathways | Kolber/Taylor |
| 23-Sept | Injury-induced changes in Nociceptors/Dorsal horn | Gold/Seal |
| 30-Sept | Neuropathic pain | Wasan/Gold |
| 7-Oct | Low Back Pain | Sowa/Vo |
| 14-Oct | Itch and Pain | Kaplan/Ross |
| 23-Oct | SFN Meeting |  |
| 28-Oct | Cancer pain | King/Davis |
| 4-Nov | Musculoskeletal pain – fibromyalgia | Helm/Albers |
| 11-Nov | Visceral pain | Levinthal/Davis |
| 18-Nov | Perioperative pain | Ibinson/Gold |
| 25-Nov | Pain and addiction | Merlin/Taylor |
| 2-Dec | Psychosocial/behavioral assessment/Orofacial pain-Headache | Brown/Kaniecki |

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