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## **CHRONIC PAIN REDUCES ACUPUNCTURE ANALGESIA**

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Acupuncture is a basic method for the treatment of painful disorders and symptoms. Acupuncture is especially good for acute pain and has limited effect on chronic pain relief from clinic practice. This problem has been troubling acupuncturists for a long time. Chronic pain is also a major difficulty in clinical medicine. At present, the effect of analgesic medication is limited. Morphine in the routine doses, in particular, has no good enough analgesic effect for chronic intractable pain and advanced cancer pain. Over the past decade, the reduced effect of conventional analgesia on the treatment of chronic pain is well understood as the endogenous pain modulation system is damaged. Due to the changes of endogenous pain modulation system induced by chronic pain, we carried on systemic basic animal and clinical researches. Our study finds that acupuncture analgesia effect that acts through DNIC was affected. The segmental gate control pathway through which acupuncture analgesia works remains normal. Therefore, in the cases of chronic pain, the best way is local painful regional acupoints acupuncture.

## **Biography**

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