UN to Consider Policies for Improved Access to Controlled Medicines to Relieve Pain and Suffering
Special session on April 19 seeks balance between law-enforcement and public-health approaches to drug policy.

Two Editions of Pain: Clinical Updates Published in Connection with Global Year Against Pain in the Joints
Editions on movement to ease chronic joint pain and effective treatment for osteoarthritis are now online.

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Three New Books From IASP Press


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>> Keratinocytes as modulators of sensory afferent firing
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Association of levels of opioid use with pain and activity interference among patients initiating chronic opioid therapy: a longitudinal study

Differences in demographic, clinical, and symptom characteristics and quality of life outcomes among oncology patients with different types of pain

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Global Year Against Pain

Plan to Attend the Global Year Satellite Symposium at the World Congress, held in association with the SIG on Musculoskeletal Pain. View the program for "Is Joint Pain Unique or Does it Share Common Features with Other Musculoskeletal Pain Conditions?"

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Grants and Fellowships

Grant applications remain open for the John J. Bonica Trainee Fellowship. This 24-month fellowship of up to US$50,000 per year supports training for early stage researchers in all aspects of pain research. The deadline for receipt of applications is May 31, 2016.

SIG and Chapters Corner

NeuPSIG

NeuPSIG has produced three educational videos on clinical neurological examinations that can help develop and improve the bedside diagnostic skills of doctors who see patients with chronic pain. Titles of the videos in English and Spanish are:

- "Examination of a patient with central neuropathic pain" ("Examen de un paciente con dolor neuropático central")
- "Examination of a patient with peripheral neuropathic pain" ("Examen de un paciente con dolor neuropático periférico")
- "Examination of the cranial nerves" ("Examen de los nervios craneales")

You can find these videos on the NeuPSIG website under "Training Videos." If you prefer watching the films with Spanish subtitles, you may find them on YouTube -- just write the Spanish title, as shown above, in YouTube search box.