

ABSTRACT

Basically pain is a normal reaction of the body to harmful stimulus - inflammation, trauma, etc. We all have certainly experienced it in our lives. Pain in its own way serves as a warning and a beneficially important signal to defend the body against any harmful effects. Under certain circumstances, however, the pain becomes a cause of suffering to the patient - this applies especially to tumor pain, but also any chronic pain, i.e., long-term. Today it is known that pain is not just a signal that something is wrong, but that pain is itself a disease.