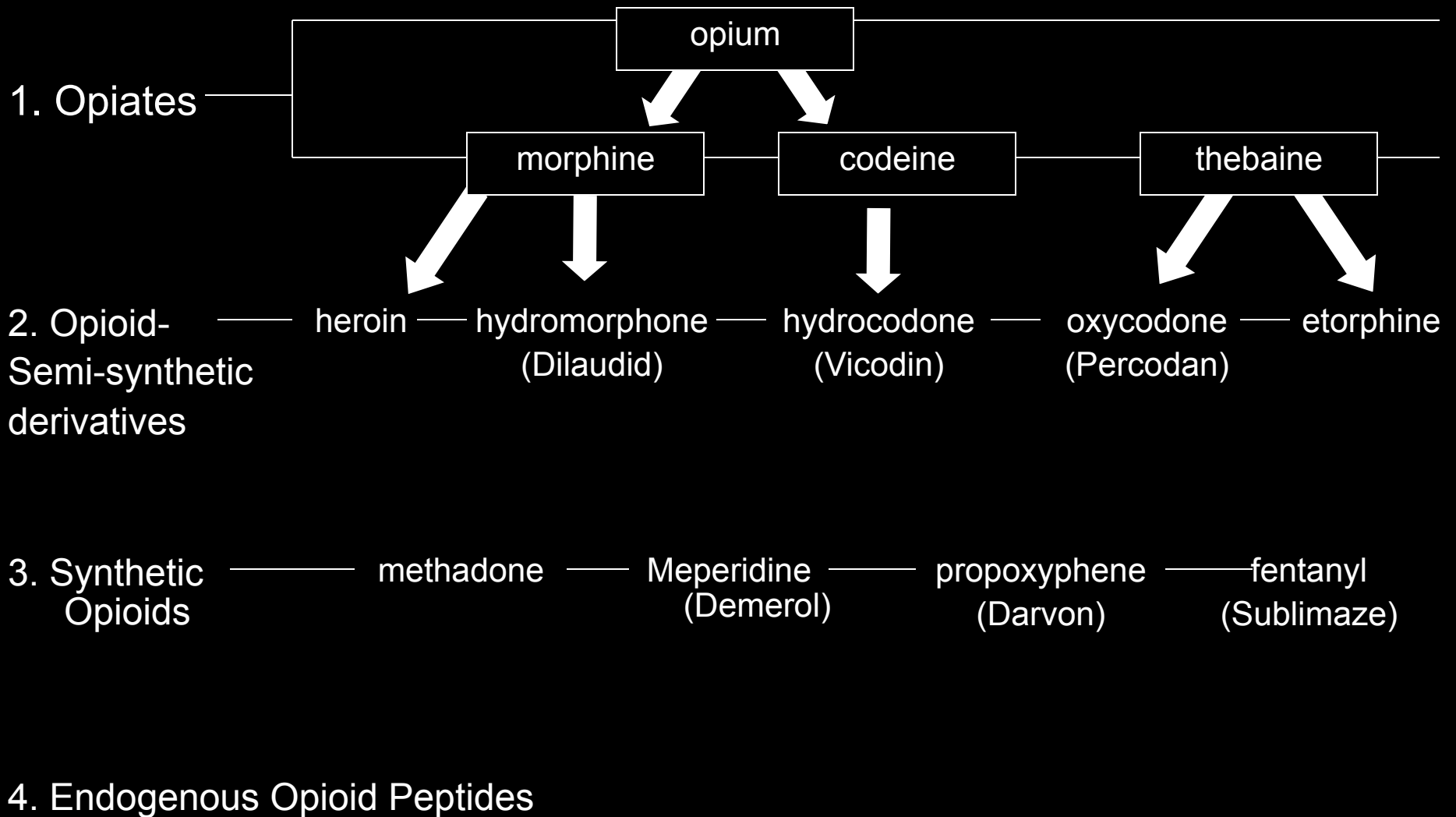


Opioids



Narcotic Analgesics

Generic Name	Trade Name	Recommended Dose (mg)
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Natural Products

morphine		10-30
codeine		30-60

Semisynthetics

heroin, diamorph	[not medically available in the U.S.]	
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Synthetics

methadone	Dolophine	2.5-10
meperidine	Demerol	50-150
oxycodone	Percodan, Oxycontin	2.25-4.5
oxymorphone	Numorphan	1-1.5
hydrocodone	Vicodin, Lortab	5-10
hydromorphone	Dilaudid	1-4
dihydrocodeine		32
propoxyphene	Darvon	32-65
pentazocine	Talwin	30
fentanyl	Sublimaze	0.05-0.10

Opioids Widely Used for Diarrhea

loperamide (Imodium) 4 mg (2-2 mg tablets)

-does not cross the blood brain barrier

- half life around 11 hours

diphenoxylate (Lomotil)5 mg (2-2.5 mg tablets) with atropine (25 micorgrams per tablet)

-crosses the blood brain barrier but atropine prevents abuse

-Half- life around 13 hours

Opioid Preparations Widely Used for Pain Management

meperidine (Demerol) (50 mg) + acetaminophen (300 mg) dose range: 50-150 mg

Hydrocodone (Vicodin) (5 mg) + acetaminophen (500 mg) dose range: 5-10 mg

oxycodone (Percocet) (5 mg) + acetaminophen (325 mg) dose range: 2.5-5.0 mg

(DO NOT EXCEED 4 GRAMS ACETOMINOPHEN PER DAY)

oxycodone (Percodan) (5 mg) + aspirin (325 mg) dose range: 2.5- 5.0 mg

**oxycodone (Oxycontin) (10, 20, 40, 80, 160 mg) controlled release
dose range:10-160 mg**

(80 AND 160 MG ONLY FOR USE IN OPIOID TOLERANT PATIENTS)

Opioids Widely Used for Control of Cough

dextromethorphan

- over the counter
- 30 mg every 6 hours as needed not to exceed 120 mg/day
- Very high dose (3000 mg) produces psychedelic-like experience (“hallucinations”)

codeine

- prescription
- 7.5 mg -60 mg per day
- Schedule V drug as a liquid
- Schedule II drug as tablet
- Schedule III drug when combined with acetaminophen