

"Anesthesia and Brain: The Beginning of the Exploration of the Iceberg. An Update"

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The knowledge of the real action of the anesthetic drugs on the brain is a more and more often tackled subject in the anesthesiologic literature. The main goal of this presentation is to summarize and to make a synthesis of the results of the recent investigations about this subject, to try to describe and to make understand to the clinical anesthesiologists the subtil equilibrium which the "anesthesiologic state" underlyed by many very accurate and subtil mechanisms.