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Read the article by De Oliveira et al. entitled “Perioperative single dose systemic dexamethasone for postoperative pain: A meta-analysis of randomized controlled trials” on page 575 and the accompanying editorial by Turan and Sessler entitled “Steroids to ameliorate postoperative pain” on page 457 of this issue.

Learning Objectives

After completing this activity, the learner should understand the theoretical mechanisms whereby steroids produce perioperative analgesia, be able to pick an appropriate steroid dose and timing of administration to produce maximal analgesic efficacy, and recognize the potential adverse effects of perioperative steroid administration.

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