Rules of Anesthesia and Drugs in Islamic

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Abstract

An Anesthetic Drug: Is a substance causing variable loss of consciousness, in both humans and animals.

Or it is any exogenous element given to human being, causing dysfunction of one ore more of its systems.

Anesthesia consist of different types. General anesthesia is the most important, in which the patient is kept asleep and motionless during the whole operation.

Local anesthesia causes loss of pain sensation in the targeted part of the body. While the patient is fully or partly aware.

Pain killers and sedatives are other modalities of anesthetic drugs, and are usually consumed by an aware patient.

Medically; anesthetic drugs could be used to initiate and during surgery, or as a post-operation pain killer, or to handle the shock after massive burns.

Major pains and psychiatric therapy are other indications.

Drugs are also abused and consumed for pleasure.

Originally; anesthesia and drugs are forbidden in Islam, because they damage the brain, which is the God's best gift for humanity. And is the base of good behavior and responsibility.

So mind should be protected from any source of harm and damage.

Besides of the bad side effect of drugs on general health.

Drugs and alcohols are both banned in Islam for same reasons.

Restrictively; the use of drugs for medical indications is allowed, but still considered as a subdivision of "treating with banned", which is still controversial.

Most Islamic scholars permit using these drugs to achieve a necessary right medical purpose.

Using drugs under Islamic conditions will consequently lead to definite rules. As punishments, condemnation, fasting, purification, and misbehavior.

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