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Metamizole (Dipyrone) and the Liver: A Review of the Literature

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Metamizole, also known as dipyrone, was introduced to the market nearly a century ago. Due to its excellent analgesic, antipyretic and spasmolytic properties, combined with its mostly favorable gastrointestinal tolerability, the drug was extensively applied worldwide during the first decades after its market introduction. Although rare, agranulocytosis is a well-known adverse event of metamizole and led to its withdrawal from the market in a number of countries beginning in the 1960s. Nevertheless, metamizole is still a frequently-used drug worldwide, either legally or without official approval. Following the completion of this activity, learners will understand the hepatic effects associated with the use of metamizole.



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1. Understand the hepatic metabolism of metamizole;
2. Understand the potential hepatotoxicity associated with metamizole use.

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