Oxycodone

- **Drug Class:** Opiate
- **Found in:** Percocet, Oxycontin
- **Legality:** Schedule II
  - Need a prescription!
- **Positive Effects:**
  - Euphoria
  - Analgesia
  - Full body relaxation
- **Negative Effects:**
  - Constipation
  - Respiratory Depression
  - Confusion
  - Fast or slow heart beat
- **Mechanism of Action**
  - See image to the right
- **Withdrawal symptoms**
  - Feeling horrible physical and psychological pain
  - Anxiety
  - Increased sensitivity to pain
  - Diarrhea
  - Runny nose
- **Treatment**
  - Antagonist Therapy
    - Given a medication that blocks the effects of the oxycodone
- Naloxone
- Naltrexone
  - Substitution Therapy
    - Given a medication that binds to the same receptor but induces a milder effect
    - Methadone
    - Buprenorphine
- In case of an overdose
  - Must be rushed to the Emergency Room
  - Will be given Naloxone to block the effects and induce withdrawal
  - Will be monitored for respiratory failure
- If you or someone you know is abusing or addicted to oxycodone, there is ample therapy and treatment to consider.
  - Please call 1-800-943-0566