



Introducing PARC

[PARC](#) is a transdisciplinary research center focused on developing and testing new approaches for treating pain, decreasing the negative consequences of opioids, and developing effective ways to mitigate the impact of addiction and opioid overuse. Want to get involved? Click [here](#) to learn about [PARC membership](#).



Why UCSF?

Given the collective clinical, research and educational expertise in pain and addiction across the UCSF Schools of [Medicine](#), [Nursing](#), [Dentistry](#), and [Pharmacy](#), and driven by a sense of urgency and our public mission, the [PARC](#) at UCSF is uniquely positioned to find innovative solutions to these devastating problems. In the setting of COVID-19, we now face a worsening epidemic of chronic pain and addiction – overdose and death.

Please join us in the pursuit of the following research themes:

1. Correcting Disparities in Pain and Addiction Care
2. Identifying new ways to prevent and treat chronic pain and addiction
 - a. Mechanisms of Pain and Addiction
 - b. Drug Discovery and Natural Products
 - c. Emergency Medicine and Outpatient Care
 - d. Neuromodulation in Treatment of Chronic Pain
 - e. Complementary and Integrative Health
3. Improving Pain and Addiction Education for Provides and Students
4. Furthering Pediatric Pain and Addiction Care
5. Advancing Cancer Pain Management

Coming Soon – PARC Initiatives

- PARC Seminar series-- beginning August 24, 2020
- Thematically-driven working groups to develop funded proposals-- beginning August 2020
- PARC Research Retreat-- September 2020
- International transdisciplinary scientific meeting-- March 13, 2021
- Education campaign across UCSF - pain and addiction



Reach out to the PARC Directors, [Dr. Mark Schumacher](#) and [Dr. Christine Miaskowski](#), to let us know about how [PARC](#) can help address your group's pain and addiction interests. We hope to hear from you! Connect to our website at [painaddiction.ucsf.edu](#).