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Medical Definition of ANTALGIC

- 1 : marked by or being an unnatural position or movement assumed by someone to minimize or alleviate pain or discomfort (as in the leg or back)

 - Without even thinking about it, we adjust the way we walk to avoid putting too much pressure on a creaky joint because otherwise it hurts. Experts call this the *antalgic* ... or pain avoidance, gait.—*Harvard Health Letter*, February 2009
 - The patient came into my office with the classic *antalgic* stoop. She was bent over almost 90 degrees ... —Douglas R. Briggs, *Dynamic Chiropractic*, 29 Jan. 2008
 - an *antalgic* spine
- 2 : relieving pain : **ANALGESIC**

 - It is necessary to reduce catecholamine increase due to pain caused by the burn agents, by administering adequate *antalgic* therapy.—B. Mazzarella et al., in *The Management of Mass Burn Casualties and Fire Disasters*, 1992
 - an *antalgic* effect