Drug Status Report

Drug: 2-Methylamino-1-(3,4-methylenedioxy)-propiophenone

Drug Name Status: 2-Methylamino-1-(3,4-methylenedioxy)-propiophenone is the common name

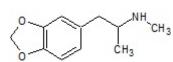
Other Names: Methylone; Explosion

Chemical Name: N,α-Dimethyl-1,3-benzodioxole-5-(2-oxoethanamine)

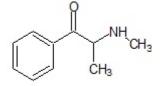
Chemical structure:

NH CH₃ ĊH₃

2-Methylamino-1-(3,4-methyl enedioxy)-propiophenone



N-methyl-3,4-methylenedioxy amphetamine (MDMA)



Methcathinone

Molecular Formula: C₁₁H₁₃NO₃

Pharmacological class / Application: stimulant **International status**:

US: The substance is not currently listed on the US Controlled Substances Act and is not mentioned on the DEA website. However, 2-methylamino-1-(3,4-methylene-dioxy)-propiophenone may be controlled in the US due to the analogue provisions in the CSA.

United Nations: The substance is not listed on the Yellow List - List of Narcotic Drugs under International Control nor the Green List - List of Psychotropic Substances under International Control.

Canadian Status: Item 1 of Schedule III to the CDSA is, "Amphetamines, their salts, derivatives, isomers and analogues and salts of derivatives, isomers and analogues." Subitem 1(9) is N-methyl-3,4-methylenedioxyamphetamine which is also known as MDMA and Ecstasy (structure shown above). 2-Methylamino-1-(3,4-methylenedioxy)-propiophenone is analogous to MDMA in that it contains the same structure with an additional oxygen. 2-Methylamino-1-(3,4-methylenedioxy)-propiophenone is therefore an analogue of MDMA and is included in item 1 of Schedule III to the CDSA. The hydrochloride salt has the same status.

The substance is also structurally similar to 2-methylamino-1-phenyl-1-propanone (methcathinone) which is listed as item 21 of Schedule III to the CDSA.

Recommendation: 2-Methylamino-1-(3,4-methylenedioxy)-propiophenone and its hydrochloride

salt are included in item 1 of Schedule III to the CDSA and are controlled substances.

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