Drug Status Report

Drug: Temazepam Impurities

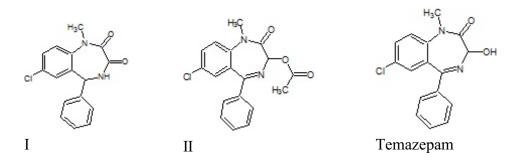
Drug Name Status: 7-Chloro-1,4-dihydro-1-methyl-5-phenyl-2H,3H-1,4-benzodiazepine-2,3-dione (I) and

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Chemical structure:



Molecular Formula: I- C₁₆H₁₃ClN₂O₂

II- $C_{18}H_{15}CIN_2O_3$

Pharmacological class / Application: pharmaceutical related substance

International status:

US: The substance is not listed on the schedules to the US Controlled Substances Act and is not mentioned on the DEA website.

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

Canadian Status: Item 18 of Schedule IV to the CDSA is, "Benzodiazepines, their salts and derivatives". Temazepam (structure above) is subitem 30 of this item. Substance I is an isomeric derivative of temazepam; substance II is the acetate ester derivative of temazepam. Both are therefore benzodiazepines.

Recommendation: Temazepam impurities I and II are included in item 18 of Schedule IV to the CDSA and are controlled substances.

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