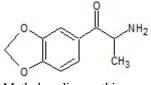
Drug Status Report

Drug: Methylenedioxycathinone

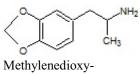
Drug Name Status: Methylenedioxycathinone is the common name.

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

Chemical structure:



Methylenedioxycathinone



amphetamine

Molecular Formula: C₁₀H₁₁NO₃

Pharmacological class / **Application:** amphetamine-like stimulant¹

International status

US: The substance is not listed on the US Controlled Substances Act and is not mentioned on the DEA website. However, methylenedioxycathinone 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(5) is 3,4-methylenedioxyamphetamine which is also known as MDA (structure shown above). Methylenedioxycathinone is analogous to MDA in that it contains the same structure with an additional oxygen. Methylenedioxycathinone is therefore an analogue of MDA and is included in item 1 of Schedule III to the CDSA.

Recommendation: Methylenedioxycathinone is included in item 1 of Schedule III to the CDSA

¹ Dal Cason TA, Young R, Glennon RA., Pharmacol Biochem Behav. 1997 Dec;58(4):1109-16.

and is a controlled substance.

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