Drug Status Report

Drug: Exemestane and related substances

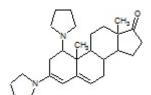
This report covers several structurally related substances. A client requested the status of these substances for a research project.

Drug Name Status: Exemestane is the proper (INN and USAN) name

Chemical Name: 6-Methyleneandrosta-1,4-diene-3,17-dione

Chemical structure:

1. Exemestane



2. 1,3-Dipyrrolidinyl-3,5-androstadiene-17-one

3. 6-Hydroxymethyl-1,4-androstadiene-3,17-dione

4. 6-Methylene-4-androstene-3-17-dione

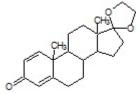
5. 4,6-Androstadiene-3,17-dione

6. 6-Isopropoxymethyl-1,4-androstadiene-3,17dione

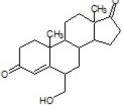
7. 6,16-Dimethylene-1,4-androstadiene-3,17-dione

8. 6-(p-Toluene-sulfonyloxymethyl)-1,4-androstadiene-3,17-dione

9. 6-Methoxymethyl-1,4-androstadiene-3,17dione



10. 1,4-Androstadiene-3,17-dione 17-ethylene ketal



11. 6-Hydroxymethyl-4-androstene-3,17-dione

Molecular Formula: C₂₀H₂₄O₂

Pharmacological class / Application: steroid

International status:

US: The substances are not currently listed on the US Controlled Substances Act and are not mentioned on the DEA website.

United Nations: The substances are 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 23 of Schedule IV to the CDSA is "23.Anabolic steroids and their derivatives." On September 19, 2001 OCS made a decision that 1,4-androstadien-3,17-dione was an anabolic steroid by inclusion in item 23. Substance 10 above, 1,4-androstadiene-3,17-dione 17-ethylene ketal is a derivative of this substance and therefore must also be considered to be included in item 23 of Schedule IV. None of the other substances shown above is a derivative of an anabolic steroid and none is known to have anabolic activity.

Recommendation: 1,4-androstadiene-3,17-dione 17-ethylene ketal is included in item 23 of Schedule IV and is a controlled substance. The other substances shown above are not included in the schedules to the CDSA.

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