Drug Status Report

**Drug**: Dimethoxyamphetamines

A client asked for the status of several dimethoxyamphetamines. Of the possible isomers, 2,5-dimethoxyamphetamine is used as an example.

**Drug Name Status**: 2,5-Dimethoxyamphetamine is the common name

**Chemical Name**: 2,5-Dimethoxy-α-methylbenzeneethanamine

**Chemical structure**: 

![Chemical structure of 2,5-Dimethoxyamphetamine](image)

**Molecular Formula**: $C_{11}H_{17}NO_2$

**Pharmacological class / Application**: stimulant

**International status**:

US: Only 2,5-dimethoxyamphetamine is specifically listed on Schedule I to the CSA. However, the analogue provision of the CSA provides for the control of all dimethoxyamphetamine isomers as Schedule I substances.

United Nations: Only 2,5-dimethoxyamphetamine is specifically listed in Schedule I to the 1971 Convention. Other positional isomers are not included in the schedules to the Convention.

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(6) of Schedule III is, “2,5-Dimethoxyamphetamine (2,5-Dimethoxy-α-methylbenzeneethanamine)”. The other possible positional isomers of 2,5-dimethoxyamphetamine are therefore also included in item 1 of Schedule III.

Recommendation: All of the positional isomers of dimethoxyamphetamine are included in item 1 of Schedule III to the CDSA and are controlled substances.

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