

Ultra Alert



Item: Pink & Clear Capsules, containing brown coarse granular material

Purchased and consumed as MDMA ('ecstasy')

Patient presenting with convulsions, requiring hospitalisation.

Analysis completed by ACTGAL indicates:

- 1) FLUOROAMPHETAMINE (isomer not determined)
- 2) N-(2-METHOXYBENZYL)-2,5-DIMETHOXY- 4-CHLOROPHENETHYLAMINE (25CNBOMe)



Fluoroamphetamine is a substituted amphetamine.

- on the Dutch drugs market between 2007 and 2009, but became a drug of choice in recent years
- intermediate between amphetamine and MDMA
- between January and September, 2016 16% of the acute toxic effects reported by first aid stations of large-scale events were related to the use of 4-FA
- 4-FA intoxications often complain of severe headache
- Several reports of severe cardiovascular and cerebrovascular complications, including intracerebral haemorrhages
- 4-FA was toxicologically confirmed in 4 of these patients
- In 2016, at least 2 deaths associated with 4-FA died in the Netherlands

[http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/S0140-6736\(17\)30281-7](http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/S0140-6736(17)30281-7)

25CNBOMe is a potent serotonergic hallucinogen

- Falsely referred to as 'synthetic LSD'
- Considerably more dangerous
- Behavioural harms associated with hallucinations
- Toxicological harms
- Multiple deaths reported from both causes

DOI: [10.1007/7854_2016_64](https://doi.org/10.1007/7854_2016_64)

Together, the mixture of these products significantly potentiate the potential for harm.

The contents of this sample are similar to those analysed in association with that which caused multiple overdoses in Melbourne several weeks ago, with the absence of MDMA.

People in possession of these products should be aware that they have a high probability of causing harm if ingested, and they should dispose of them safely, and immediately.

In general consumers should be aware that the market in Australia is highly volatile and unpredictable.

There is no guarantee that the product purchased is what it has been sold as- in fact, this season, it is less likely than ever.

As always, the medical advice to young Australians intent on consuming products for recreational purposes is that the only way to guarantee your safety 100%, is to not consume those products.

Should you or your friends choose to use drugs, and become unwell-
Please- call an ambulance.

It could be a matter of life & death.