

Levamisole

Levamisole is a veterinary drug that treats parasitic infections.



Harm Reduction: Narcan can reverse nitazene-related overdoses. Because of their strength, you might need more doses of Narcan. Wait 2-3 minutes between each dose of Narcan and give rescue breaths if possible.

- ear ringing
- rashes
- "hard to smoke"
- passing out
- feeling sick after use

People report:

Nitazenes are a type of opioid that have been found in trace amounts. Some are as strong as fentanyl while others are much stronger.



Nitazenes

BTMPS

BTMPS or Tinuvin 770 is a chemical used in making plastics that has been found in the drug supply.



People report:

- blurred vision
- headaches
- nausea
- burning when injected
- gelling/gumming up
- when in high levels

Harm Reduction: Levamisole is not easily recognizable without drug checking. If you have an infection, are living with HIV or have cancer, it can be very harmful. If you have sores, wounds, or signs of illness or infection consider seeking medical help.

- rash, sores
- mouth sores
- nausea, diarrhea
- passing out
- difficulty breathing
- seizure
- fever

People report:

Test Your Stuff,
Use Together,
Go Slow,
Carry Narcan.

Drug Checking Is Available.



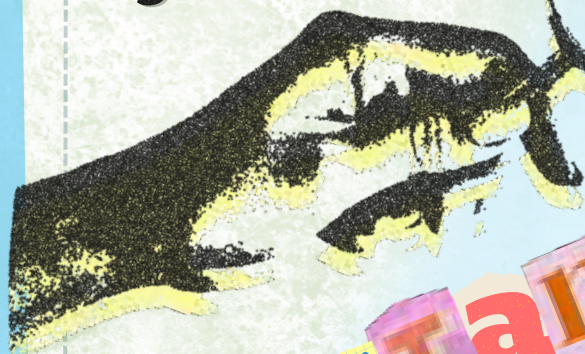
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What's That Substance?!



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Harm Reduction: Medetomidine is not an opioid, but it has only been found with opioids, so always give Narcan during an overdose. Keep watching for breathing and stay with the person if you can.

- People report:**
- muscle twitches
 - hallucinations
 - deep sleepiness
 - dry mouth
 - slow breathing
 - withdrawal symptoms

Medetomidine is a veterinary sedative, and is stronger than xylazine.



Medetomidine

The drug supply is changing all the time. This zine covers some emerging adulterants drug checking programs are finding in the supply in New England as of the spring of 2026. In this zine, we will share some brief information about the adulterant, what people report experiencing, and how to reduce harm.

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NARCAN
COULD HELP



SUBSTANCE
TYPE



SUBSTANCE
IS STRONG



CAUSES
WOUNDS



EFFECTS
HEART



EFFECTS
OVER
LONG TIME



EFFECTS
UNKNOWN

Harm Reduction: If you think someone overdosed, give Narcan, and check their breathing. Xylazine can cause infection and ulcers, so wound care and keeping materials clean is really important!

- People report:**
- skin ulcers
 - unresponsiveness
 - drowsiness



Xylazine is a long-acting animal tranquilizer. It is most often found in fentanyl.

Xylazine

Harm Reduction: Drug checking can help identify Phenacetin. Consider cancer screenings. It does not have immediate effects but can damage kidneys and increase risk of cancer.



Phenacetin is a pain reliever and fever reducer that was discontinued by the FDA in 1983.

Phenacetin

What substances are being found together?



SUBSTANCE	OPIOIDS	COCAINE	METH
Medetomidine	✓		
Nitazenes	✓		
BTMPs	✓		
Phenacetin	✓	✓	
Xylazine	✓		
Levamisole		✓	

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