44th Expert Committee on Drug Dependence (ECDD)

Substances for review 11-15 October 2021

Critical reviews:

The substances listed below have never been formally reviewed by WHO and are not currently under international control. Information was brought to WHO's attention that these substances are clandestinely manufactured, of especially serious risk to public health and society, and of no recognised therapeutic use by any Party. The Expert Committee will consider whether information presented during a critical review may justify the scheduling or a change in the scheduling of the substance in the 1961 or 1971 Conventions.

Synthetic cannabinoid receptor agonist

1. 4F-MDMB-BICA

Novel synthetic opioids

- 2. Brorphine
- 3. Metonitazene

Cathinones/stimulants

- 4. Eutylone
- 5. Benzylone

Pre-reviews:

The substances listed below have been proposed for a pre-review. The purpose of a pre-review is to determine whether current information justifies an Expert Committee critical review. A pre-review is a preliminary analysis and findings at this stage should not determine whether the control status of a substance should be changed.

Herbal drugs

1. Kratom, mitragynine, 7-hydroxymitragynine

Medicines

2. Phenibut