

NITAZENES ARE IN THE DRUG SUPPLY

What are nitazenes?

Nitazenes are a strong class of opioids that are increasingly found across the UK drug supply. It's suspected that a spike in heroin prices due to the Afghan ban on opium cultivation led to its introduction.

What do they look like?

Unfortunately, nitazenes can look like anything: they come in powder and pill form. They've been detected in benzos (xanax, valium), olys, even in synthetic cannabis. Here are some pictures of samples with nitazenes.

So far, they've been detected all across the UK, **particularly** in the heroin/opioid supply.

What can you do about it?

There's a few ways you can keep yourself safe during this time.

1. Test your drugs

You can send anonymous drug samples to WEDINOS (wedinos.org) and get test results in a couple of days. Fentanyl test strips don't work with nitazenes.

2. Start low, go slow / Don't use alone

Start with low doses and wait for peak effects to pass before redosing. Consider staggering doses with a friend to ensure you can help each other if needed.

3. Carry naloxone

A no brainer! Especially because nitazenes are showing up in all supply, not just opioids. Get it from your local drug service. Learn how to detect an overdose and what to do. Multiple doses may be needed.



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