

EMCDDA technical report on the new psychoactive substance N,N-diethyl- 2-[[4-(1-methylethoxy)phenyl]methyl]-5-nitro-1H-benzimidazole- 1-ethanamine (isotonitazene)

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Summary

The purpose of this technical report is to provide an analysis of the available information on *N,N*-diethyl-2-[[4-(1-methylethoxy)phenyl]methyl]-5-nitro-1*H*-benzimidazole-1-ethanamine (commonly known as isotonitazene), an opioid analgesic that has recently emerged on the drug market in Europe, to support a risk assessment of the substance that has been requested by the European Commission in accordance with Article 5c of Regulation (EC) No 1920/2006 (as amended).

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