Is this drug a Controlled Substance or a Dangerous Drug?

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What is a Controlled Substance (CS)?

- Controlled Substances (CS) are drugs for which there is a potential for abuse/addiction. CS are divided into Schedules I - V depending on their medicinal value and potential for abuse.
  - Schedule I are considered to have no medicinal value and a high potential for abuse.
  - Schedule II has medicinal value but a high potential for abuse.
  - Schedule III – V have medicinal value and lesser potential for abuse.

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| Schedule I     | - Marijuana  
- LSD  
- Ecstasy (MDMA)  
- Heroin | Schedule I drugs are classified as substances that have a high potential for abuse and no accepted medical use and are not safe to use under medical supervision. |
| Schedule II    | - Cocaine  
- Opium  
- High Grade Morphine  
- Oxycodeone  
- Methamphetamines (i.e. Adderall) | Schedule II drugs are classified as substances that have a high potential for abuse, despite having an accepted medicinal use in the U.S. |
| Schedule III   | - Low-Grade Morphine  
- Anabolic Steroids  
- Ketamine  
- Certain Codeine Mixtures | Schedule III drugs are classified as substances that have less potential for abuse than Schedule I or II but abuse can lead to moderate physical dependence or high psychological dependence. |
| Schedule IV    | - Ambien  
- Valium  
- Xanax  
- Robynol  
- Zolpidem | Schedule IV drugs are classified as substances that have less potential for abuse than Schedule III and has accepted medical use in the U.S. but abuse of the drug may lead to limited physical or psychological dependence compared to those of Schedule III. |
| Schedule V     | - Cough Syrup (less than 200 mg)  
- Lomotil  
- Motofen  
- Lyrica  
- Parepectolin | Schedule V drugs are classified as substances with limited quantities of certain narcotics that have less potential for abuse than Schedule IV and have accepted medical use in the U.S. with limited risk of physical/psychological dependency. |
What is a Controlled Substance (CS)?

Some prescription drugs are CS. If you use CS in research, you must follow the rules for them to obtain them.

Please refer to the DEA Researcher Manual for additional information.
Containers for CS are required by law to have the schedule classification on them so when in doubt check the container.
What is a Dangerous Drug?

- Under Georgia law, “Dangerous Drugs” are drugs that are available only by prescription from a licensed healthcare professional or the purchase of which is restricted to licensed healthcare professionals.

- Dangerous Drugs do not include over-the-counter drugs (including certain lower-dose forms of drugs that would be considered prescription drugs if they were in higher-dose forms). Georgia Drugs and Narcotics Agency has a list of the drugs.

- A good rule of thumb is if the drug can be issued via a prescription/order, it is a dangerous drug.
How to identify if a drug is controlled or dangerous?

The Drug Enforcement Administration has a list on their website. Access the list [here](http://www.lexisnexis.com/hottopics/gacode). There is a general list of controlled substances [here](http://www.lexisnexis.com/hottopics/gacode).

For dangerous drugs, see the list in the GA code at [http://www.lexisnexis.com/hottopics/gacode](http://www.lexisnexis.com/hottopics/gacode). On the page with a table of contents type “16-13-71. You can access the same list in Excel on the ORIC website. [Find the list here](http://www.lexisnexis.com/hottopics/gacode).
I plan to use a CS/DD for animal/bench research; what must I do?

To use one of these drugs, you need to follow a process that would last up to 3 (DD) to 6 months (CS). Having all the documents completed correctly is critical before submission to the regulatory agencies, as any error causes additional delays.

ORIC provides help with the submission of these documents to the agencies- find more here.

In the following slides we will see the roadmap from submission to approval
Roadmap
Dangerous Drugs

1. Contact ORIC to help with your pre-inspection, process and document submission.
2. Look for adequate storage location for dangerous drugs.
3. Complete the application with the Georgia Board of Pharmacy (GBP) and await approval.
4. After pre-inspection is completed, you will receive your Georgia researcher permit.
5. Call Georgia Drug and Narcotics Agency (GDNA) at 404-656-5100 to schedule your pre-inspection.
6. You are done!
Roadmap Controlled Substances

1. Contact ORIC to help with your pre-inspection, process and document submission.
2. Look for adequate location and purchase and install locked cabinets for storage of drugs.
3. Complete application with Georgia Board of Pharmacy (GBP), and await approval.
4. DEA will review your application and do an inspection.
5. After completing pre-inspection and receiving your Georgia researcher permit, submit your application with DEA online.
6. Call Georgia Drug and Narcotics Agency (GDNA) at 404-656-5100 to schedule your pre-inspection.

You are done!
Cases to discuss
Register for Training Sessions here: Meeting Registration - Zoom

Managing Controlled Substances & Dangerous Drugs in Research

Date & Time: You can choose to attend one or more of the following sessions.

- Nov 8, 2023 12:00 PM
- Dec 13, 2023 12:00 PM
- Jan 10, 2024 12:00 PM

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