Tianeptine

WHAT IS TIANEPTINE?

Tianeptine is an atypical tricyclic antidepressant that has opioid effects at high doses.

WHAT IS ITS ORIGIN?

Tianeptine has been used in other countries as an antidepressant, however it has been removed from the market in some countries due to its adverse effects. Tianeptine has not been approved by FDA for any medical use.

What are common street names?

Common street names include:

• Tianaa, gas station heroin, Neptune's Fix, ZaZa

What does it look like?

Tianeptine is sold in various forms, including as a powder, liquid, or in pill format.

How is it used?

Tianeptine can be used in similar ways to other opioids, including smoking, injecting, snorting, or by swallowing pills.

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What are the effects of tianeptine?

Some effects of tianeptine, similar to other commonly used opioid analgesics (e.g., morphine, heroin), may include relaxation, euphoria, pain relief, sedation, confusion, drowsiness, dizziness, nausea, vomiting, urinary retention, pupillary constriction, and respiratory depression. Like other opioids, when stopping use of tianeptine, withdrawal may occur. The most commonly reported adverse effects among tianeptine withdrawal-associated calls consisted of agitation, nausea, vomiting, tachycardia, hypertension, diarrhea, tremor, and diaphoresis. Deaths from tianeptine use have been reported both from using the drug alone or in combination with other drugs, including other opioids like heroin or fentanyl.



What is its legal status in the United States?

Tianeptine has not been approved by FDA for any medical use nor are there any commercial uses for tianeptine in the United States. Tianeptine is not controlled under the Controlled Substances Act, however, it has been controlled by a number of states.

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