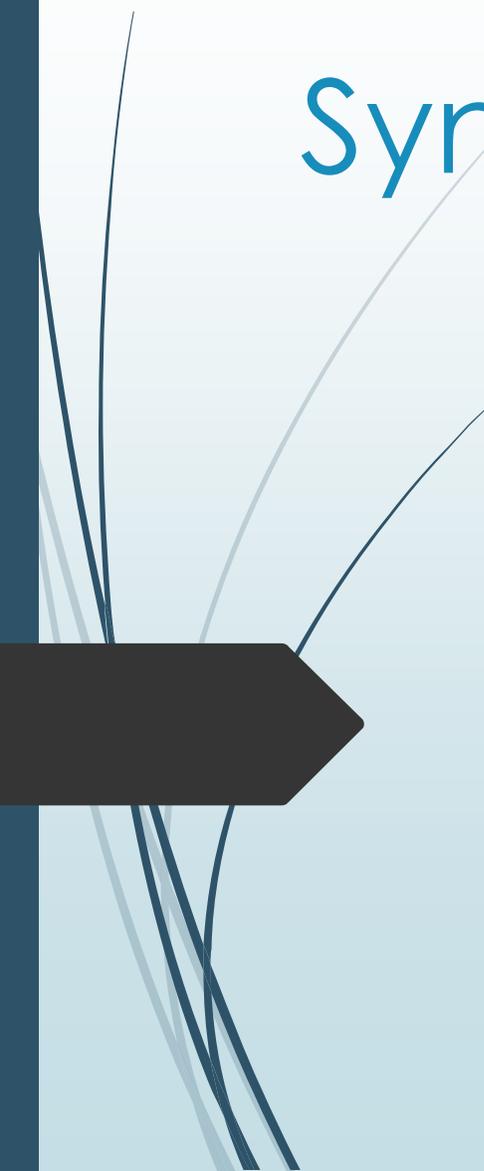


Synthetic Cannabinoids

Synthetic Marijuana



Spice, K2, Black Mamba,
Scooby Snax, Fake Weed



Ludlow teen charged after students sickened by synthetic marijuana June 1, 2015

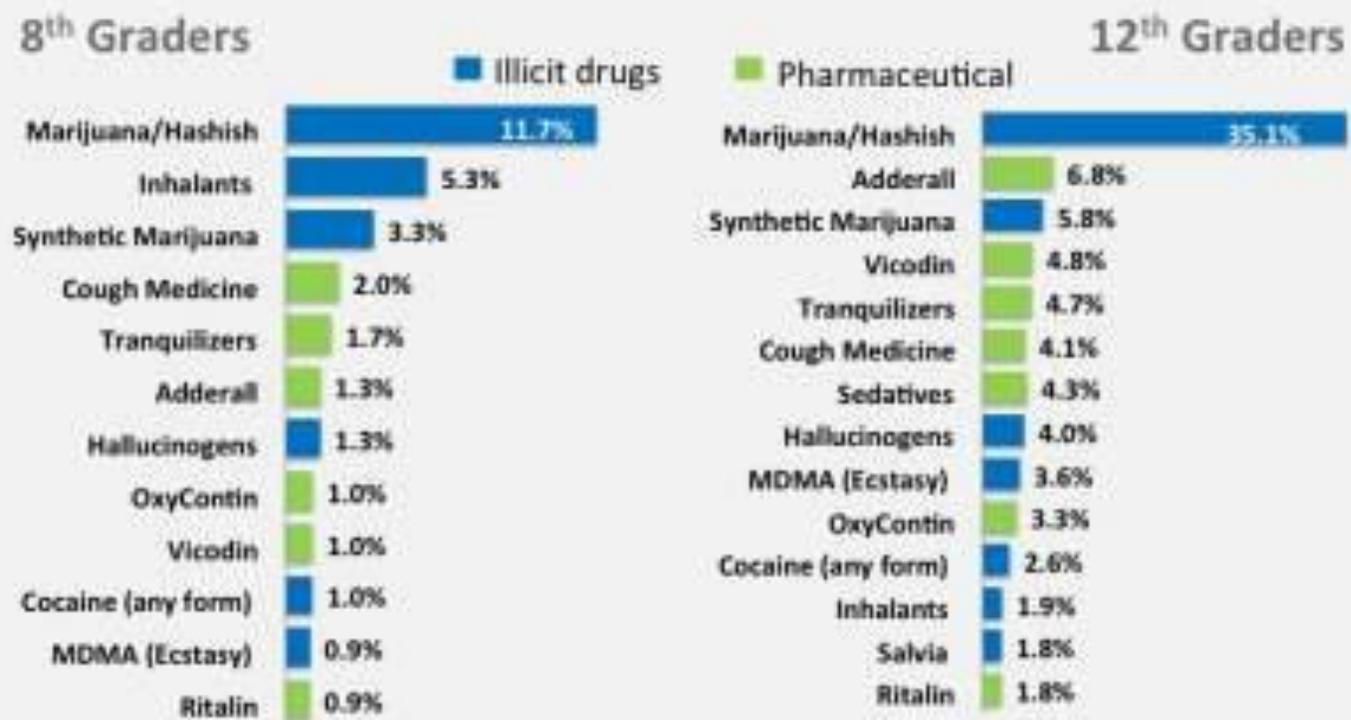
New York City's newest drug threat is a synthetic substance being called 'weaponized marijuana' August 4, 2015

California Teen Killed by Synthetic Marijuana August 11, 2014

Teen makes miraculous progress nine months after synthetic marijuana nearly kills her

Emily Bauer, 17, was left paralyzed, blind and on life support after smoking 'Spice,' and her family prepared to say their goodbyes. Less than a year later, she has returned to high school in Cypress, Texas. September 14, 2013

Top Drugs among 8th and 12th Graders, Past Year Use



* Only 12th graders surveyed about sedatives use

Source: University of Michigan, 2014 Monitoring the Future Study

Drugs are created in powdered form in large underground laboratories. Source locations such as China, Afghanistan.





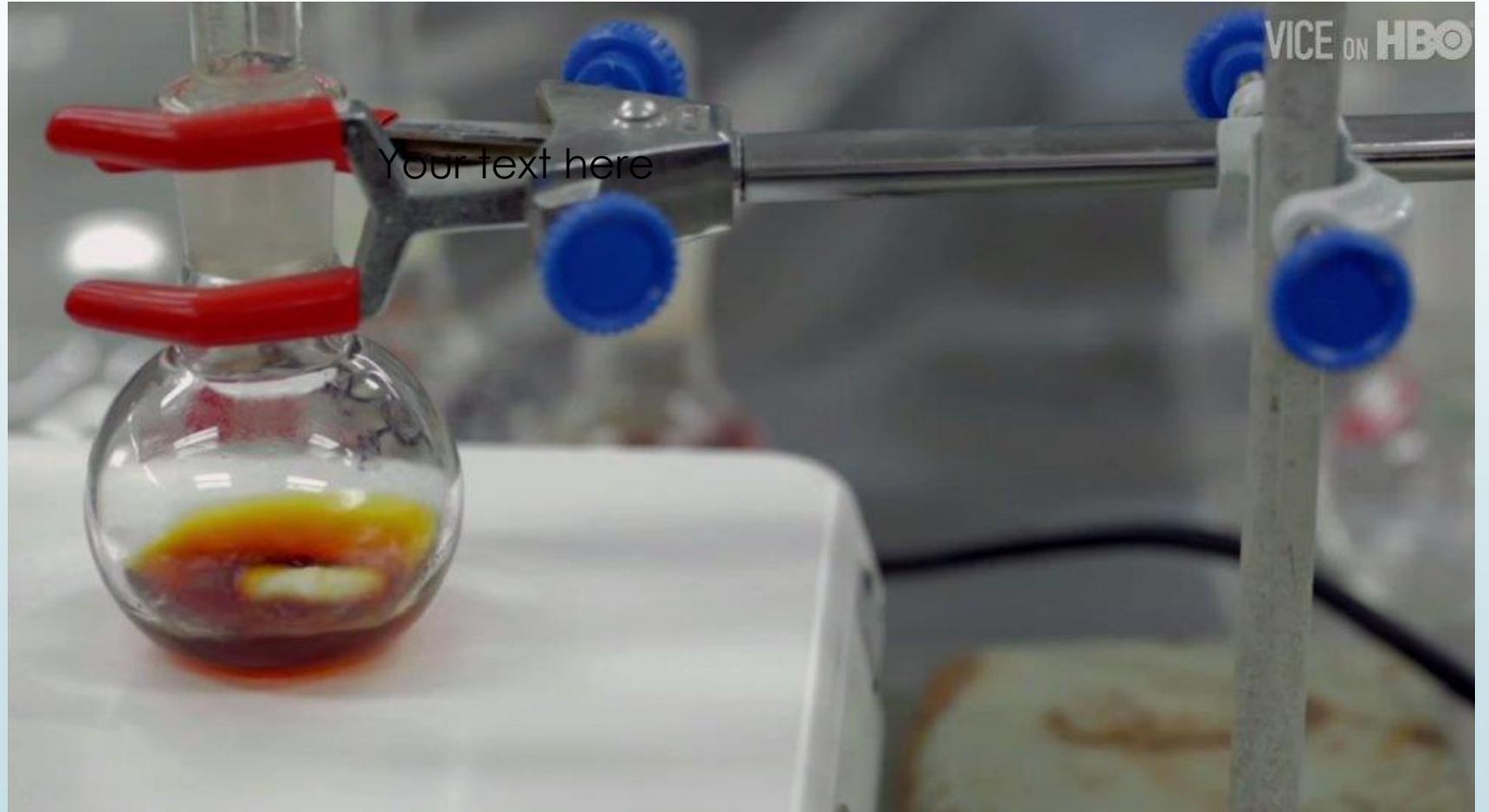
Product shipped in large containers labeled as “fertilizer”,
“industrial solvent” etc.



Ingredients are changed so often and such large quantities are made that it's hard for law enforcement to keep up.



Wholesale buyers purchase the drugs and turn them into a liquid by dissolving them in acetone or alcohol.

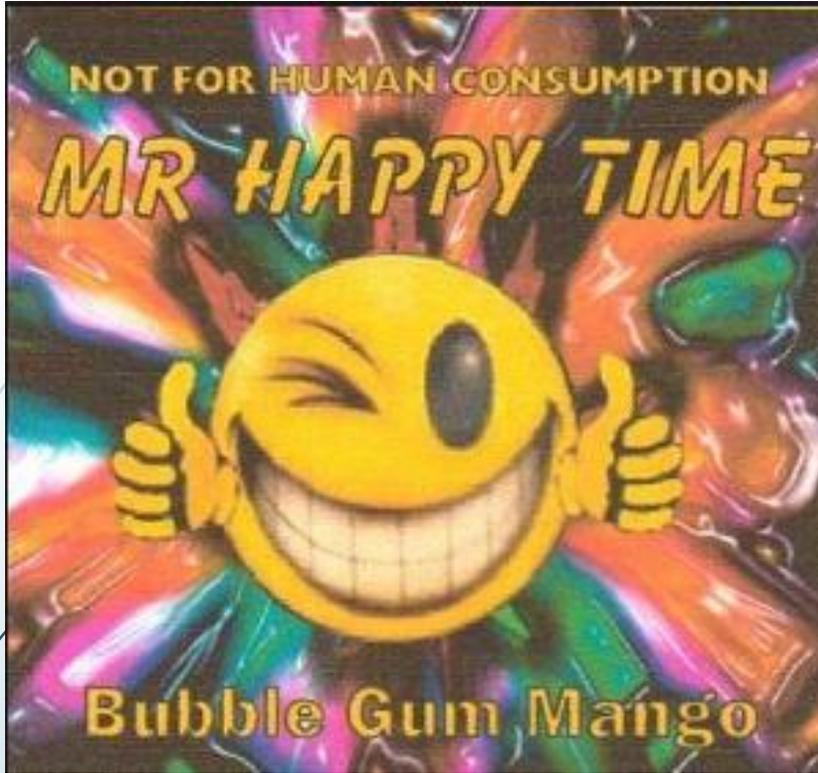




Manufacturers can also apply different flavorings to make it more appealing.









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Please consult your Town Counsel

MGL Chapter 270 § 18

Section 18. No person shall **intentionally** smell or inhale the fumes of any substance having the property of releasing toxic vapors, for the purpose of causing a condition of intoxication, euphoria, excitement, exhilaration, stupefaction, or dulled senses or nervous system, nor possess, buy or sell any such substance for the purpose of violating or aiding another to violate this section.

This section shall not apply to the inhalation of anesthesia for medical or dental purposes.

Whoever violates the provisions of this section shall be punished by a fine of not more than two hundred dollars or by imprisonment for not more than six months, or both.

Any person who is discovered by a police officer or special police officer in the act of violating this section may be arrested without a warrant by such police officer or special police officer, and held in custody, in jail, or otherwise, until a complaint is made against him for such offense which complaint shall be made as soon as practicable and in any case within twenty-four hours, Sundays and legal holidays excepted.

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- 21 U.S.C § 812 (d) as in BOH sample regulations list specific analogs that are not legal to possess, or distribute.
 - MGL CH 94C §1 also lists many banned substances.
 - Manufacturers continue to make reformulate so that new compounds are not on the list.
 - DEA continually adds to the list in Title 21 and recently added 3 more analogues .
 - Recently news about Representative Tim Whelan proposing new legislation. This legislation simply adds to the list.
 - They are seeking a proposal to adopt DEA regulations as these change more frequently. By adopting these, it would not take a bill proposal to add to the list

Draft BOH Regulations

Definition: Synthetic Marijuana:

(iii) vegetable material that has been chemically treated and is possessed, sold, or purchased, with the intent that it will, despite any labeling to the contrary, be consumed by humans, for the purpose of voluntary intoxication, said vegetable material typically having a retail price of over five dollars per ounce and contained within packaging indicating that the content is not for human consumption, which, if consumed, may induce an effect or effects of intoxication similar to a controlled substance or imitation controlled substance, said effect or effects to include elation, euphoria, dizziness, excitement, irrational behavior, exhilaration, paralysis, stupefaction, dulling of the senses or nervous system, or, distortion of audio, visual or mental processes.

Section D (2):

This Regulation shall apply regardless of whether the synthetic marijuana or synthetic marijuana analogue is described as tobacco, herbs, incense, spice, bath salts, plant food or any blend thereof, and, regardless of whether the substance is marketed for the purpose of being smoked or ingested, and, regardless of whether the substance is marked "not for human consumption".



Town of Barnstable Chapter 208 – General Ordinance

The Town of Barnstable Town Council recognizes there is no legitimate purpose of such synthetic chemicals contained therein. § 208-2 Prohibited Activities. A. It shall be unlawful for any person to possess, sell, barter, give, publicly display for sale; attempt to possess, sell, barter, or give; or transport any material, compound, mixture or preparation within the corporate limits of the Town of Barnstable which contains any quantity of synthetic marijuana or synthetic marijuana analogue. Page 19 of 30 B. This Ordinance shall apply regardless of whether the synthetic marijuana or synthetic marijuana analogue is described as tobacco, herbs, incense, spice, bath salts, plant food or any blend thereof, and, regardless of whether the substance is marketed for the purpose of being smoked or ingested, and, regardless of whether the substance is marked "not for human consumption".

Miscellaneous

- A gram of synthetic cannabis costs about \$5, while a gram of non-synthetic marijuana costs about \$20. (Aljezeera America)
- **Synthetic cannabinoids are the most common of an expanding** array of drugs that mimic the effects of outlawed, mostly farmed, substances but are based on manufactured and often legal compounds. In just a few years a complicated global supply chain, enabled by the Internet, has appeared to produce, package, and ship a multiplying variety of narcotics. It is taking an increasing chunk of the market for recreational drugs, estimated by Jeffrey A. Miron of Harvard and the Cato Institute to be \$121 billion in North America. (Bloomberg News)
- The fact that these products are out in the open makes it harder to prove the “intent.”
- Most drug abuse/ control/ enforcement agencies promote education as being key

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- Mashpee and Falmouth have adopted BOH regulation and are looking into town wide ordinance.
 - Orleans, Truro, Bourne, Brewster are all in process
 - Harwich BOH did not adopt regulations but passed a proclamation. They will look for cooperation from shop owners.