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MDMA (3,4-methylenedioxy-*N*-methylamphetamine)

MDMA, popularly known as **Ecstasy**, is a synthetic, psychoactive drug that has similarities to both the stimulant amphetamine and the hallucinogen mescaline. The term "Molly" represents an allegedly pure form of MDMA, many times found as a white powder in capsules. A lesser used street name is "Mandy".



MDMA Usage

MDMA is often considered the drug of choice within the rave culture and is also used at clubs, festivals and parties. MDMA is occasionally known for being taken in conjunction with psychedelic drugs, such as [LSD](#) or [psilocybin mushrooms](#), or even common drugs such as cannabis. As this practice has become more prevalent, most of the more common combinations have been given nicknames, such as "candy flipping" for MDMA combined with [LSD](#), "hippy flipping" for MDMA with [psilocybin mushrooms](#), or "kitty flipping" for MDMA with [ketamine](#).

Ecstasy



Ketamine

25I-NBOMe
used as an
alternative
to LSD

Identifying Molly and Ecstasy

The photos below demonstrate the two forms of MDMA, Ecstasy on the left and Molly on the right. The "Molly" capsules are many times packaged in the drug dealer's apartment after the purchase of the bulk product online. The Ecstasy pills are produced with a pill press that have unique pill marks. The presses can also be be purchased online.



When MDMA is not MDMA

Ecstasy tablets and Molly capsules are notoriously impure, often containing chemicals other than MDMA. In point of fact, this has become the rule rather than the exception. These substitutions have been responsible for many accidental overdose deaths recently.



Rocky Mountain Molly was actually 4-MEC, found in Denver in May 2013. If you recall from the synthetic drugs class, 4-MEC is a “research chemical” similar to mephedrone (used in bath salt drugs in Gen 1 synthetics).



“Raptor” Ecstasy Pills (Colorado) were actually 5-MeO-DiPT (aka Foxy Methoxy), Benocyclidine, and Caffeine. Foxy is a triptamine psychedelic (Think Psilocybin...many of which are analogues of 25I-NBOMe...and we already know the problems that is causing!)

Email us at info@safekidsamerica.org to find out about MDMA in your community

When MDMA is not MDMA

Substituting other compounds for MDMA is a way for the drug dealer to increase profits and/or attempt to increase drug dependency among his users. Many common substitutions include:

LSD, or more recently 25i

Heroin

Methamphetamine

Many Triptamine Psychedelics (DMT, Foxy Methoxy, etc)

MDMA (bath salts common active ingredient)

DXM (Dextromethorphan...active in cough syrup)

2C-B (actually, several of the phenethylamines)

And many others

**TALK WITH YOUR TEENS ABOUT THE DANGERS OF
ECSTASY AND MOLLY!**

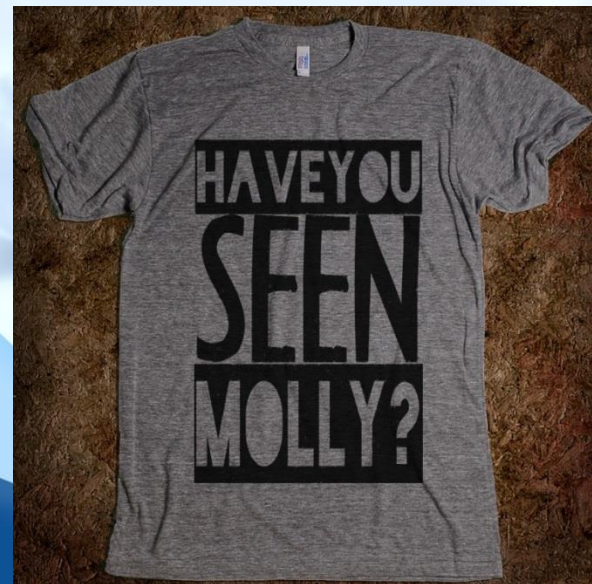
The Costs of MDMA

As with any drug, the costs of distribution varies and will most likely depend more on how many one buys at a time. I include this simply as a point of reference as to how cheap they can be for our teens. Common terms for Ecstasy pills are a "Jar" (100 pills) and a "Boat or a Jug" (1000 pills). For example, ordering two boats is ordering 2000 pills. Dealers can purchase these quantities for 1-3 dollars a piece and sell the pills individually for around 10 dollars each or more. A "Molly" capsule will be a little more expensive.



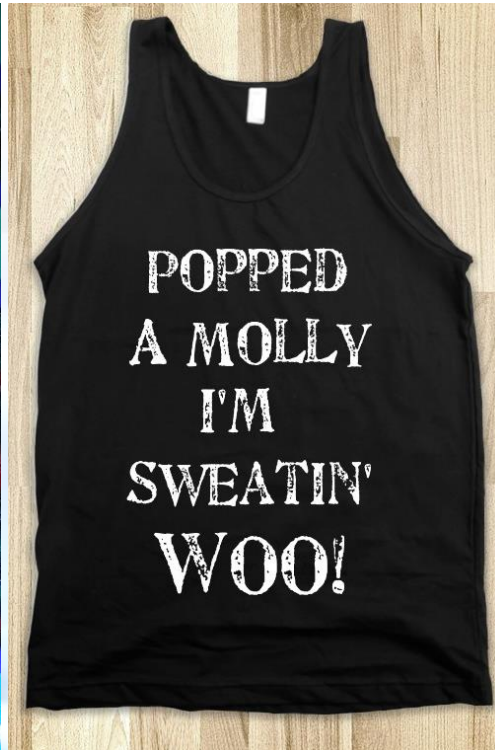
Have You Seen Molly?

At a concert in 2012, Madonna took the stage to introduce Avicii at Miami's Ultra Music Festival, and she asked, "How many people in this crowd have seen Molly?" Molly, being a slang term for MDMA, the active chemical in ecstasy, is often associated with electronic dance music (EDM) concerts. This created an uproar and Twitter war between Madonna and some music execs (she claimed she was referring to a song, but the crowd knew better). The term now lives on with young people as a way to ask for, or promote, the drug "Molly" or Ecstasy.



Have You Seen Molly?

More drug paraphernalia to be aware of...



Just FYI



“Popped a Molly, I’m Sweatin’” is a lyric from the 2012 rap single “All Gold Everything” by Trinidad James, indicating that the speaker has taken a dose of MDMA and is beginning to feel the effects. The line is typically used to caption images in which the subject appears to be perspiring or dancing to music.