



THE RAVE CULTURE & DESIGNER DRUGS



The “Rave” scene began as a subculture in England circa 1980, and has since migrated into mainstream culture throughout the United States.



Rave Culture In The United States Is Characterized By:

- **2 Types of Raves**
 - ◇ **secretive: warehouses, deserts, woods, etc.**
 - ◇ **commercialized: typically held in established clubs**
- **Extremely loud “techno” music/dancing**
- **Lighting and visual stimuli: lasers, video screens, etc...**
- **14-25 age group**
- **Alcohol free environment**
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- **All night events**
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Rave Advertisement

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Rave Paraphernalia

- **Water bottles**
- **Light sticks**
- **Pacifiers**
- **Bags of small candies/breath mints**
- **Eye-drop bottles**
- **Dust masks/Vicks Vapor-Rub**
- **Caffeine beverages/over the counter stimulants**



Rave Paraphernalia Defined

- **Water bottles --** Ecstasy the most widely used drug associated with raves causes dehydration and increases body temperature.
- **Light sticks --** These are used to enhance the visual experience while on the drugs (individuals see “trails” of light)
- **Pacifiers --** Rave drugs tend to cause the user to grind their teeth, the pacifier prevents this.
- **Bags of small candies and breath mints --** The drugs intended for sale are often stored in these bags.
- **Eye drop bottles --** These are used to store the liquid form of the drugs.
- **Dust mask and Vicks Vapor-Rub --** These are combined to enhance the effects of the designer drugs. The Vicks is placed under the nose the the mask is used to keep the rub from dissipating.
- **Caffeine beverages/stimulants --** These help with exhaustion caused by the dancing and stimulant effect of the drugs.



Designer Drugs

Affiliated With Raves:

- **Ecstasy**
- **LSD**
- **Ketamine/ Special “K”**
- **GHB**
- **Rohypnol**
- **Nitrous Oxide**



As with all drugs, the amount used combined with the mental state of the user and the setting in which it is consumed, will determine the effect of the chemical.

The higher the dose the more pronounced and more prolonged the effects.



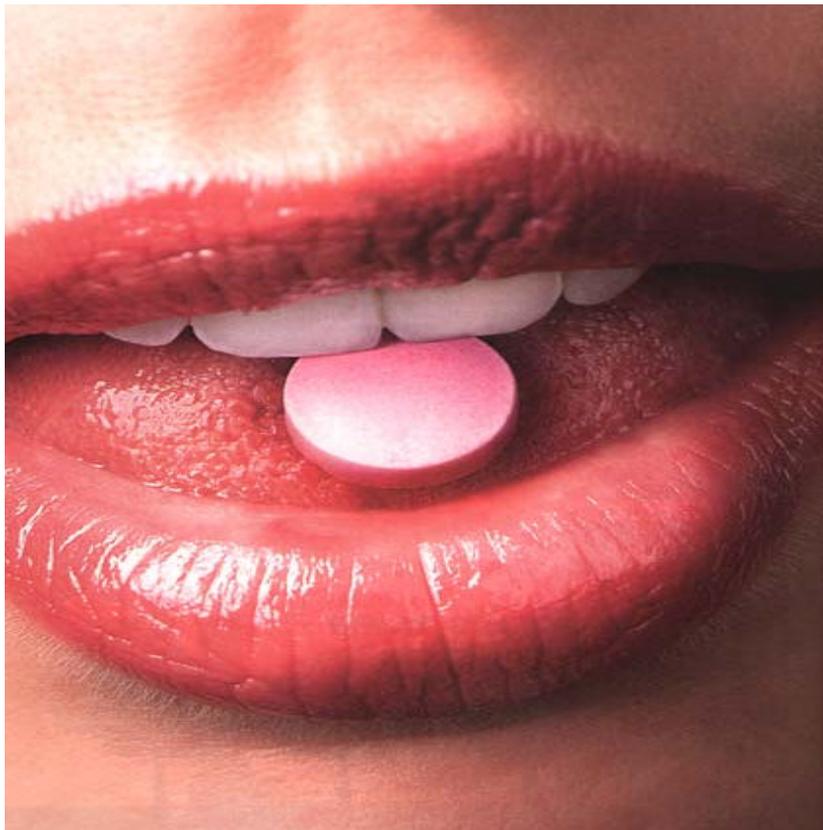
ECSTASY (MDMA)

(Methylenedioxyamphetamine)

- Street names: E, X, XTC, rolling, clarity, essence, Adam, go, disco biscuit, crystal, hug drug
- Over-sensitivity to sensory stimuli
- Overall feeling of euphoria
- Dehydration/hypothermic shock
- Insomnia
- Hallucinogenic
- Stimulant
- Appetite suppressant
- Dilated pupils



Ecstasy/ MDMA Pill Form





144 Ecstasy (MDMA) Tablets
photographer unknown





Ecstasy/MDMA Capsule Form





Ways Ecstasy is Shipped





LSD



(Lysergic Acid Diethylamide)

- **Street names:** sold under more than 80 names; acid, blotter, cid, doses, trips, hits, tabs, dope
- **Distorted and intensified sensory input**
- **Powerful hallucinogenic**
- **Delusions/paranoia**
- **Strong effect on mood and emotion**
- **Dilated pupils**
- **Raised: body temp., heartbeat, blood pressure**
- **Facial flushing/profuse perspiration**
- **Blurred vision**
- **Dizziness and nausea**
- **Synesthesia- “hearing colors” or “seeing sounds”**



LSD BLOTTER PAPER





SMOKING DEVICES





LSD Blotter Paper





KETAMINE

(Ketamine Hydrochloride)

- **Street names: special K, K, kit kat, cat valium, jet, super acid, honey oil, green, super C**
- **Powerful anesthetic**
- **Overtly hallucinatory**
- **Muscle relaxation to complete muscle loss**
- **Mild sedative to loss of conscience**
- **Hypnotic**
- **Partial amnesia**
- **Detached, distant, and estranged from surroundings**
- **Described as similar to drunkenness only stronger**



GHB

(Gamma-Hydroxybutyrate)

- **Street names: liquid X, liquid E, G, Georgia home boy, goop, gamma-oh, grievous bodily harm**
- **Powerful sedative**
- **Produces euphoric and psychedelic hallucinatory states**
- **Stimulates muscle growth**
- **Adverse effects: drowsiness, nausea, vomiting, dizziness, severe respiratory depression, unconsciousness, seizures, coma, death**
- **Induces a reduced level of consciousness**
- **Memory loss**



ROHYPNOL (Flunitrazepam)

- **Street names: roofies, R-2, Mexican valium, rophies, rope, roaches, forget me drug, circles**
- **Powerful anesthetic**
- **Sedation to loss of consciousness**
- **Muscle relaxation to complete loss of muscle control**
- **Reduction in anxiety**
- **Prevention of convulsions**
- **Partial amnesia**
- **Adverse effects: drowsiness, dizziness, loss of motor control, lack of coordination, slurred speech, confusion, respiratory depression**
- **Impairs cognitive and psychomotor functions**
- **Alcohol and Rohypnol potentate each other's toxicity**



NITROUS OXIDE

(N₂O)



- **Disorientation**
- **Fixated vision**
- **Throbbing or pulsating auditory hallucinations**
- **Similarly pulsating visual hallucination**
- **Increased pain threshold**
- **Deeper mental connections**
- **Weak anesthetic**
- **Bacteriostatic (destroys bacteria)**
- **Light use is not hazardous**



Young Military Personnel And

The Rave Scene: A Dangerous Combination

- **Lonely 18 year old kids away from home**
- **Underage access to Rave clubs/parties due to lack of alcohol**
 - **Attraction to the “love drugs”**
 - **Steady incomes and the open sale of drugs**
 - **Knowledge of the detection deficiencies for designer drugs**
 - **Belief that designer drugs are not dangerous**



Military/DOD

Drug Testing Program

Tests for 8 drug classes:

- **Cannabinoids (marijuana, hashish)**
- **Cocaine**
- **Opiates (heroin, morphine, codeine)**
- **Amphetamines (methamphetamine, MDA, MDMA, MDEA)**
- **PCP**
- **LSD**
- **Barbiturates (seco-, pheno-, butalbital)**
- **Steroids (upon command request)**



- **Tests active duty military, military entrance processing station (MEPS), recruits, reserve, national guard**
- **\$40M per year testing program**
- **Random testing- each service member is tested approximately 2 times per year; minimum average testing frequency is 1 random test per year**
- **Testing schedule is inadequate to effectively detect designer drugs and requires an education process for field level commanders**



- **Designer drugs such as *Ecstasy* are viewed as social, non-threatening, yet all have the potential to negatively impact readiness and quality of life within the Department of the Army.**



Other Drugs Commonly Found at RAVES



- Marijuana
- Cocaine
- Heroine
- Amphetamines
- Methamphetamines



Marijuana



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Cocaine





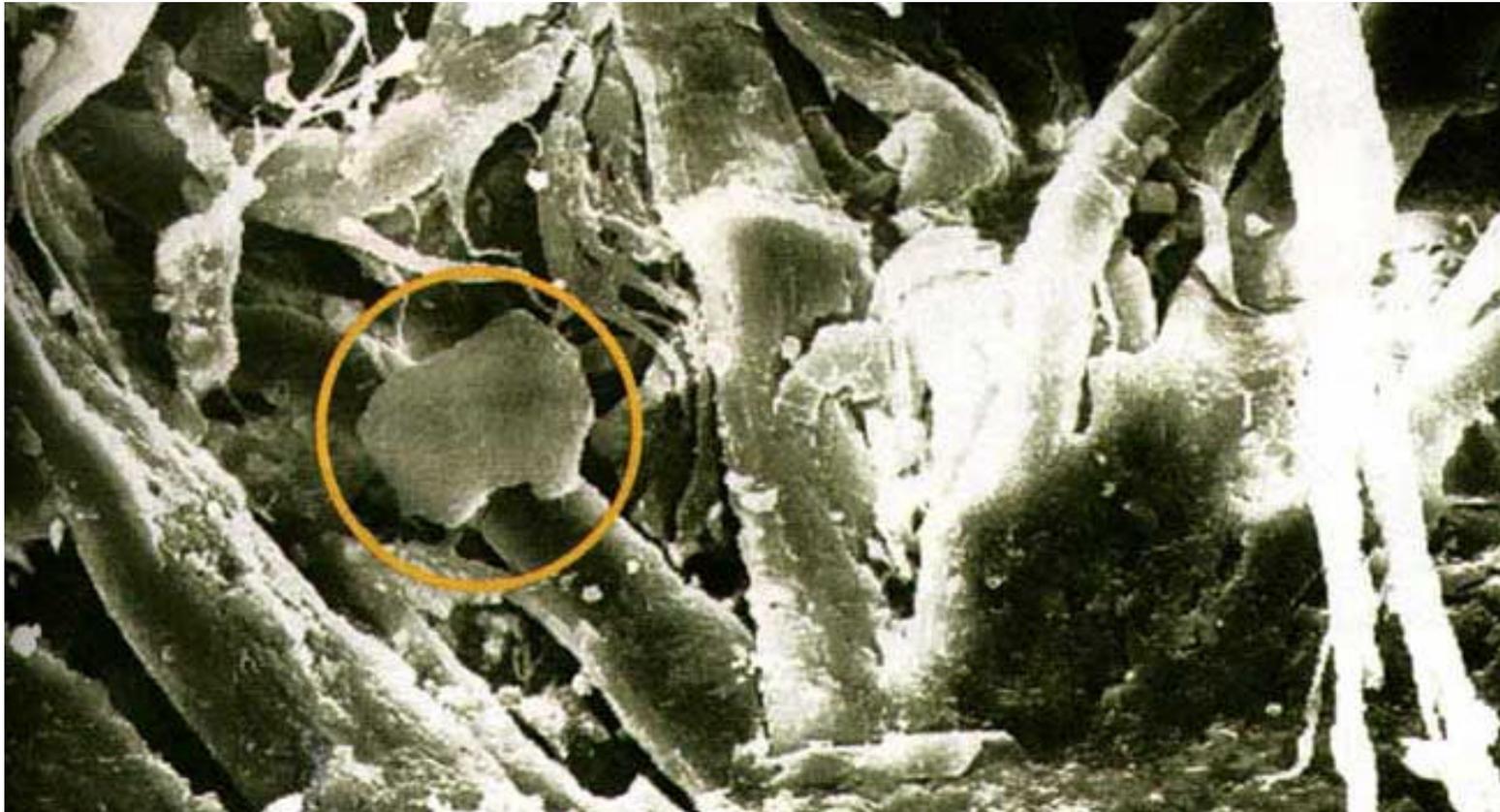
Cocaine Powder Form



One Kilo. Of Cocaine

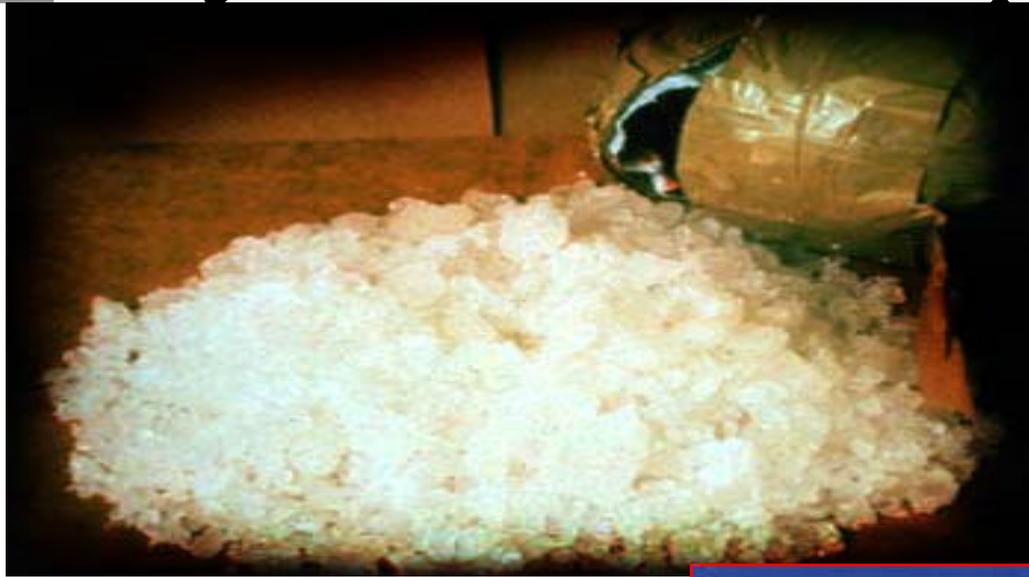


Grain of Cocaine in Fibers of Dollar Bill





Crystal Methamphetamine

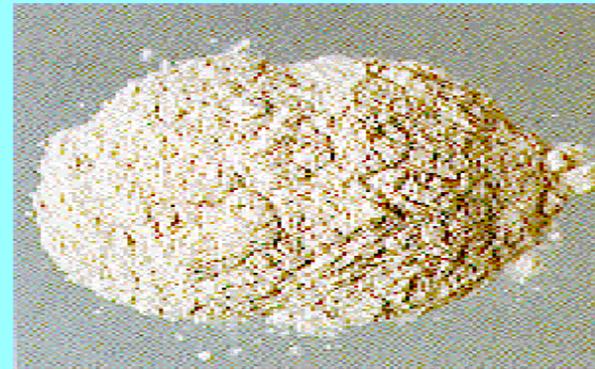




Heroin



The heroin pictured above was removed from latex balloons.



Southwest Asian heroin.

