



# CONFIRMED NITAZENE FOUND IN COUNTERFEIT OXYCODONE

SMALL YELLOW PILL, 'HIGH' PRESS

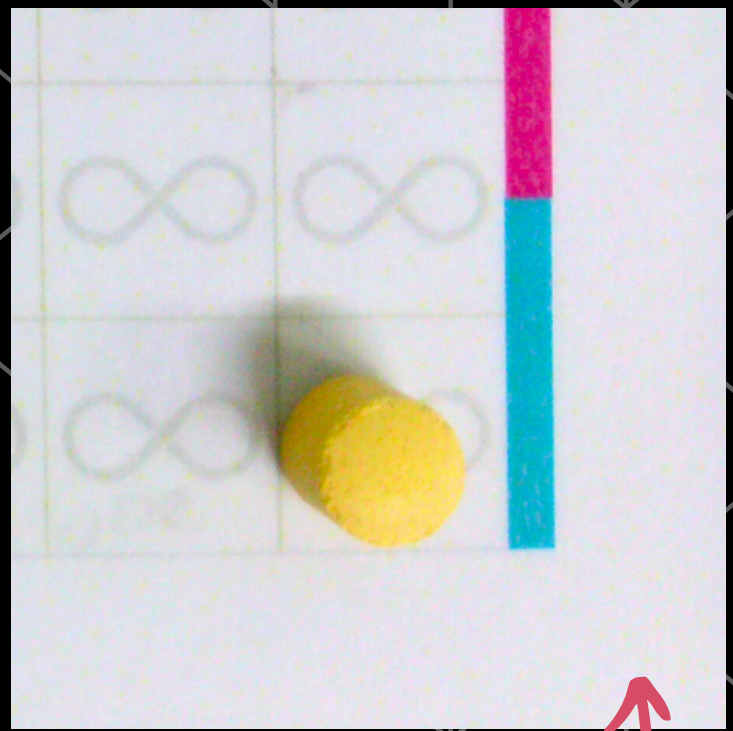
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## Nitazenes are highly potent synthetic opioids.

Nitazenes can be up to 200x  
more potent than morphine.

**A very small amount can result  
in overdose.**



## What we know

- Yellow pill, high press - (small in size but tall in height)
- Sample submitted to CheQpoint Bowen Hills 28/03/25
- Reportedly purchased from dark web.
- **Nitazene test strips won't guarantee it's nitazene-free.**  
This sample received a negative test strip result.
- We have confirmed a nitazene present, secondary analysis is underway to identify type.

## What you can do?

Know the signs of overdose.

Equip yourself with free Naloxone.

**Know what's in your drugs by testing them.**





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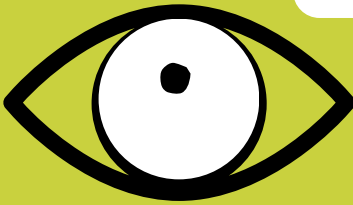
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Signs of overdose are similar to heroin/other opioids. Look out for:

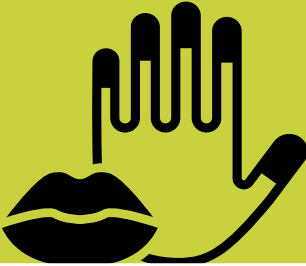
BEING REALLY DROWSY/  
LOSS OF CONCIIOUSNESS/  
'ON THE NOD'



'PIN PRICK PUPILS'



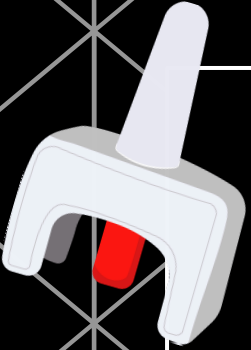
COLD &  
CLAMMY



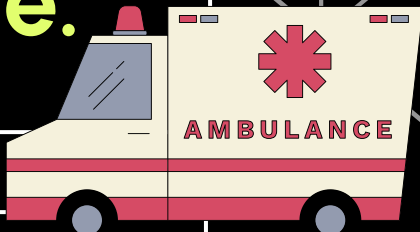
BLUE OR GREY TINGE TO  
LIPS/NAILS/HANDS



LOW OR NO  
BREATHING



If you notice these signs or are concerned, CALL 000.  
Administer naloxone if available.



- Call 000. Wait for help to arrive.
- If you have administered one dose of naloxone and the person starts showing OD symptoms again, administer more naloxone.
- Many synthetic opioids are so potent they will require IV naloxone to fully reverse the overdose.



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## **NALOXONE TEMPORARILY REVERSES OPIOID OVERDOSE.**

**We believe that everyone should carry naloxone, even if you don't take or know anyone taking opioids.**

Nitazenes have been detected in almost ALL common illicit substances in Australia.

You can get Naloxone for free at CheQpoint, some pharmacies and some other organisations (inc QuIHN NSPs).

Naloxone will have **NO EFFECT** on non-opioid overdoses, If you are unsure if Opioids are involved in an overdose but symptoms indicate it is possible - administer the Naloxone. The worst it will do is nothing, best case you could save a life.

One box of Naloxone contains TWO DOSES - each dose should last 20-60 minutes depending on the opioid.



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