

Can memantine prevent memory impairment induced by MDMA in humans.

No registrations found.

Ethical review	Not applicable
Status	Pending
Health condition type	-
Study type	Interventional

Summary

ID

NL-OMON29601

Source

NTR

Brief title

MEM-MDMA

Health condition

MDMA induced memory impairment

Sponsors and support

Primary sponsor: Maastricht University

Source(s) of monetary or material Support: NWO

Intervention

Outcome measures

Primary outcome

Memory performance is the primary outcome and is measured immediately after each cannabis/placebo treatment. Memory is measured with a verbal memory test and a prospective memory test.

Secondary outcome

Event related potentials are measured while performing the verbal memory test. P300 will be the outcome measure of the Event related potentials. Measurable and perceptual differences in speech will be studied between MDMA-influenced and non-intoxicated speech.

Study description

Background summary

Previous studies showed that ecstasy (MDMA) affects cognitive performance, such as memory. Animal studies have shown that memantine, a drug used in the treatment of Alzheimer patients, can prevent the memory problems caused by ecstasy.

This will be a double blind, placebo controlled, 4-way cross over design. Subjects will be pretreated with placebo or memantine. Two hours later they will be treated with placebo or MDMA. In between test days, a wash-out period of at least a week will be respected.

Study objective

It is predicted that pretreatment with memantine can prevent the memory impairment that is usually caused by MDMA.

Study design

Subjects will be pretreated with placebo or memantine. Two hours later they will be treated with placebo or MDMA.

Intervention

1. Placebo - Placebo;
2. Memantine 20 mg - Placebo;
3. Placebo - MDMA 75 mg;
4. Memantine 20 mg - MDMA 75 mg.

Contacts

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Eligibility criteria

Inclusion criteria

1. Recreational MDMA users;
2. Age between 18 and 40 years;
3. Free from psychotropic medication;
4. Good physical health;
5. Absence of any major medical, endocrine and neurological condition;
6. Normal weight;
7. Written Informed Consent.

Exclusion criteria

1. History of drug abuse (other than the use of MDMA) or addiction;
2. Pregnancy or lactation;
3. Excessive drinking;
4. Hypertension;
5. Current or history of psychiatric disorder.

Study design

Design

Study type:	Interventional
Intervention model:	Crossover
Allocation:	Non controlled trial
Masking:	Double blinded (masking used)
Control:	Placebo

Recruitment

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Recruitment status:	Pending
Start date (anticipated):	01-04-2011
Enrollment:	16
Type:	Anticipated

Ethics review

Not applicable	
Application type:	Not applicable

Study registrations

Followed up by the following (possibly more current) registration

No registrations found.

Other (possibly less up-to-date) registrations in this register

No registrations found.

In other registers

Register	ID
NTR-new	NL2664
NTR-old	NTR2792

Register

Other
ISRCTN

ID

MEC Maastricht University : 11-3-007
ISRCTN wordt niet meer aangevraagd.

Study results

Summary results

N/A