

Marijuana Toxicity

The media's tiresome abuse and misuse of the debate format is irresponsible and has become a public disservice. The molecules and their cellular damage are not matters of opinion or debate. They are not determined by adolescent servicemen, or by scientifically uneducated lawyers, legislators, judges, or "doctors" without the facts. Certainly they are not determined by Benjamin Spock Wifflam Buckley, Geraido Rivera, Oprah Winfrey, Dan Rather, or the mayors of our drug beleaguered cities. We cannot vote for or against the "toxicity" of a drug. How much a drug impairs cell structure or, chemical function is neither subject to, nor governed by congressional committee, public referendum, or the federal constitution. We cannot govern the electromagnetic behavior of chemical molecules by popular vote, judicial proclamation, personal opinion, or individual desire. Everyone is entitled to his own "opinion". He is not entitled to his own "facts". Chemically, marijuana is a far more dangerous drug than most of the drugs the scientifically ignorant media and the American consumer have been duped into believing.

Invalid Research

No matter how renowned the investigator how well-known the institution where the research was performed, and no matter what the human system studied, whenever cannabinoids are present in cell membranes, any chemical or behavioral research which fails to reflect their reduction of cell energy is by scientific definition invalid. Careful review of every study where this energy loss has not been demonstrated reveals the investigator was ignorant of the most essential basic chemical properties of marijuana, or his study was fundamentally faulty in design, deficient in instrumentation or inappropriate in the choice of statistical analysis. As increasingly the case, whenever such scientific issues have become so vehemently "politicized" and financially rewarding, it reveals the fact that the study may have been intentionally biased and purposely distorted in its inception.

Marijuana's lack of drama becomes its most dramatic danger

In the midst of a national hysteria that we had unwittingly permitted far less toxic chemical substances to accumulate in our environment which could cause long-term destructive changes to our bodies, no nation could more clearly expose its scientific ignorance and capacity for contradiction than an American public, guided by legislative and judicial representatives, who allowed the promotion and politicization of marijuana - a millennium old, universally recognized, and directly neurotoxic drug.

Marijuana's comparatively undramatic immediate behavioral effects, its generalized rather than specific cellular disruption, and the gradual progression of its retardation of cell energy and cell maturation have not been sufficiently lethal or flagrantly obvious to a scientifically naive American public to have aroused their appropriate alarm.

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