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3. Availability and Supply of Novel Psychoactive Substances
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4. Epidemiology of Use of Novel Psychoactive Substances; Introduction; General Population Surveys; Surveys in Young People; Adult Population Surveys
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Mephedrone; Synthetic Cannabinoid Receptor Agonists; Salvia divinorum; Behavioural Epidemiology; Data from Medical Monitoring Systems; Alternative Methodologies to Assess Prevalence of NPS; Summary and Conclusions; References;

5. Social Issues in the Use of Novel Psychoactive Substances; Introduction; Availability; Prevalence in Context: Differentiated Demand in Different Leisure Venues; School and College Students; Bar Customers; Festival-goers; Dance Club Customers; Understanding Motivations: the Displacement Question
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Sommario/riassunto

Novel Psychoactive Substances: Classification, Pharmacology and Toxicology provides readers with background on the classification, detection, supply and availability of novel psychoactive substances, otherwise known as "legal highs." This book also covers individual classes of novel psychoactive substances that have recently emerged onto the recreational drug scene and provides an overview of the pharmacology of the substance followed by a discussion of the acute and chronic harm or toxicity associated with the substance. Written by international experts in the field, this multi-au
