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- 15 Years to Life - Maintained by Anthony Papa, noted advocate against the war on drugs and cofounder of the Mothers of the New York Disappeared.
- Addaction - UK drug and alcohol treatment agency.
- Adderall - A brand name psychostimulant drug. It belongs to the phenethylamine and amphetamine chemical classes. Like other stimulant drugs, such as methamphetamine and cocaine, Adderall directly affects the mesolimbic reward pathway in the brain. Amphetamine salt preparations are considered to have high abuse potential, and it is classified as Schedule II by the U.S. DEA. Also see:
  - Drugs.com: Adderall
  - PubMed Health: Dextroamphetamine and Amphetamine
- Addiction Center - Founded by recovering addicts and health professionals to provide the most up-to-date information on various addictions and reviews of top treatment centers across the U.S.
- Addiction Library - A resource about addiction, substance and alcohol that are commonly abused.
- Addiction Search - A directory of links to research-based information on drugs and alcohol, treatment approaches, and policy issues.
- Advisory Council on the Misuse of Drugs (ACMD) - An independent expert body that advises government on drug-related issues in the UK.
- Albert Hofman Foundation - A nonprofit, educational and research organization, whose purpose is to preserve the earliest records of psychedelic activity, gathering the records of these endeavors to further the understanding and responsible application of psychedelic substances in the investigation of both individual and collective consciousness.
- Alcohol Awareness Council (AAC) - Dedicated to informing the public about the use and abuse of alcohol. Find the latest alcohol research, studies and statistical data, brought to you by government agencies, academic institutions, news sources and awareness organizations.
- Alcohol Concern - UK's national agency on alcohol misuse. Provides information and encourage debate on public policy issues affected by alcohol, including public health, housing, children and families, crime and licensing.
- Alcohol Studies Database - Contains over 50,000 citations for journal articles, books, book chapters, dissertations, conference papers, and audio-visual materials.
- AlcoholTreatment.net - Committed to helping people recover from addiction by finding each client a treatment program that is developed specifically for their needs. Its team of professionals will help match your mental, physical, and personal needs with a rehab center that is right for you.
- All Treatment - Information on addiction, addiction recovery/treatment, and drug rehabilitation centers.
Amphetamines - Laevoamphetamine (Benzedrine), dextroamphetamine (Dexedrine), and methamphetamine (Methedrine) are collectively referred to as amphetamines. The amphetamines are potent psychomotor stimulants. They may be sniffed, swallowed, snorted or injected. They induce exhilarating feelings of power, strength, energy, self-assertion, focus and enhanced motivation. The need to sleep or eat is diminished. The release of dopamine typically induces a sense of aroused euphoria which may last several hours.

Amsterdam Smartshops - Smart shops in Amsterdam are selling herbal i.e. smart drugs, named because they were supposed to stimulate the mind and improve memory. These include energy substances like *Guarana, Cola nut*, relaxation stuff like *Skullcap, Valerian* or aphrodisiacs *Muira Puama, Gingko Biloba*, among others. many shops are selling magic mushrooms, vitamins, weed seeds, grown kits, pipes and various souvenirs and arts. Also see:
- Amsterdam Cannabis Coffeeshop Directory
- Conscious Dreams
- Headshop, The
- InterPolm Amsterdam
- Magic Mushroom Gallery
- Sensi Seeds

Anabolic Steroid Abuse - Compilation of scientific information on anabolic steroids and the risks of steroid abuse.

Angel Justice - Coverage of *Raich v. Ashcroft*, the federal medical cannabis lawsuit.

Beckley Foundation - A charitable trust set up to promote the investigation of consciousness and its modulation, and the science of drug use, from a multidisciplinary perspective. It is one of the few organisations that actively supports and promotes investigations into consciousness and its changing states. In addition to the research programme, the foundation also organises seminars to promote informed debate of the many issues surrounding drugs, and conducts a policy research programme dedicated to providing a rigorous, independent review of global drug policy, and exploring ways in which drug policy can be more effective in reducing the harms associated with the misuse of drugs.

Bibliography of Consciousness Studies - The list of references presented here has been compiled from suggestions provided by members and friends of SAC. Some of the references listed are from the field of the anthropology of consciousness in sensu strictu, others are from related or tangential fields. Many of these works have played a significant role in the development of the field, although they may no longer be regarded as accurate, up to date, or correct. For example, the works of *Carlos Castaneda*, once thought to be valid anthropological studies, are now more properly viewed as works of fiction. These are nevertheless included here because of the role they played in introducing the notion of "non-ordinary realities" to a wider audience.

Blue Ribbon Commission on Marijuana Policy - Purpose of the commission is to facilitate a comprehensive understanding of various policy questions related to the possibility of legalizing, taxing and regulating marijuana for adults in California. The *Blue Ribbon Commission* work includes closely monitoring the implementation of the new tax and regulatory schemes in Colorado and Washington and examining the results of different policy decisions made in each state for the most relevant lessons.

Borderland Beat - Reporting on the Mexican cartel drug war.

Breaking Open the Head - A companion website for Daniel Pinchbeck's book of the same name, which includes a cultural history of psychedelic use, philosophical and critical perspectives on shamanism, and Pinchbeck's personal explorations, ranging from transcendent to terrifying.

California Control, Regulate and Tax Adult Use of Marijuana Initiative (2016) - The measure would legalize marijuana and hemp under state law. The initiative is also designed to establish state agencies to oversee the licensing and regulation of the marijuana industry. Moreover, it would enact a sales tax of 15 percent and a cultivation tax of $9.25 per ounce for flowers and $2.75 per ounce for leaves, with exceptions for qualifying medical marijuana sales and cultivation. The initiative would also prevent licenses for corporate or large-scale marijuana businesses for five years in order to deter the "unreasonable restraints on competition by creation or maintenance of unlawful monopoly power." Other provisions relate to rights of employers, driving under the influence and marijuana business locations.

California Proposition 36 - The *Substance Abuse and Crime Prevention Act*, also known as Proposition 36, was passed by 61% of California voters on November 7, 2000. This initiative allows first and second time non-violent, simple drug possession offenders the opportunity to receive substance abuse treatment instead of incarceration.

Carl Hart - Drug researcher at Columbia University, behavioral and neuropharmacological effects of psychoactive drugs in humans. Author of *High Price*.

Center of Alcohol Studies (Rutgers University) - A multidisciplinary institute dedicated to acquisition and dissemination of knowledge on psychoactive substance use and related phenomena with primary emphasis on alcohol use and consequences. The Center's broad program of basic and applied research is conducted by scientists drawn chiefly from the biological sciences (principally biochemistry and neuropharmacology), psychology (both clinical and experimental), and sociology.
Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) - Enforces the controlled substances laws and regulations of the U.S. and

CIA and Drugs, The - Information on CIA complicity in drug trafficking.

Club Drugs - Topical resource on club drugs, a general term used for certain illicit substances, primarily synthetic, that are usually found at nightclubs, bars, and raves (all night dance parties). Substances that are often used as club drugs include, but are not limited to, MDMA (Ecstasy), GHB (gamma hydroxybutyrate), Rohypnol, Ketamine, and methamphetamine. Archived by National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA).

Coalition against BAYER-Dangers (CBG) - Cooperates with partners in more than 30 countries, collects information about Bayer AG and coordinates campaigns against violations of human and environmental rights.

Common Sense for Drug Policy - Organization dedicated to expanding discussion on drug policy by resonating the voices of those raising questions about existing law and educating the public about alternatives to current policies. Includes links page to help you get more involved.

Council on Spiritual Practices - A collaboration among spiritual guides, experts in the behavioral and biomedical sciences, and scholars of religion, dedicated to making direct experience of the sacred more available to more people. There is evidence that such encounters can have profound benefits for those who experience them, for their neighbors, and for the world.

Criminal Policy Justice Foundation (CJPF) - Provides information to policy makers and the public to promote innovative ideas about criminal justice issues, including sentencing, drug policy reform, and police policy.

DanceSafe - A nonprofit, harm reduction organization promoting health and safety within the rave and nightclub community.

Designer Drug - A term used to describe drugs which are created (or marketed, if they had already existed) to get around existing drug laws, usually by preparing analogs or derivatives of existing drugs by modifying their chemical structure to varying degrees, or less commonly by finding drugs with entirely different chemical structures that produce similar subjective effects to illegal recreational drugs.

Detox Local - Provides an extensive directory of all available drug and alcohol detox centers located near you. Detox Local also provides you with comprehensive information on a variety of substances, the detox process involved with each substance as well as the importance of detox from these substances. Also see:

- Needle Exchanges - National needle exchange locator to help curb the spread of HIV and other communicable diseases.
- Periodic Table of Drug Addiction - Interactive guides to commonly abused substances.
- Toll-free 24/7 Crisis Line: 866-315-7061 - If you are seeking drug and alcohol related addiction rehab for yourself or a loved one, the Detox Local hotline is a confidential and convenient solution.

Doping

- Anti-Doping Sciences Institute (ADSI) - A provider of analytical testing and consulting services in the realms of sports drug testing and dietary supplement certification.
- Banned Substances Control Group (BSCG) - An independent, third-party company specializing in dietary supplement certification. The BSCG Certified Drug Free program is a dietary supplement certification system that utilizes the most up-to-date scientific analysis and testing procedures to ensure that products are free of drugs or other contaminants that can be harmful or lead to positive drug tests.
- Doping in Sport (Wikipedia)
- International Associatin of Athletics (IAAF) - Documents concerning the fight against doping.
- U.S. Anti-Doping Agency - The national anti-doping organization (NADO) in the United States for Olympic, Paralympic, Pan American, and Parapan American sport. The organization is charged with managing the anti-doping program, including in-competition and out-of-competition testing, results management processes, drug reference resources, and athlete education for all United States Olympic Committee (USOC) recognized sport national governing bodies, their athletes, and events. Additionally, USADA contributes to the advancement of clean sport through scientific research and education & outreach initiatives focused on awareness and prevention.
- World Anti-Doping Agency - Founded with the aim of bringing consistency to anti-doping policies and regulations within sport organizations and governments right across the world. Also see:
- DRCNet Online Library of Drug Policy - Online library of articles, research papers, books, and essays on drugs, drug policy, prohibition, controlled substances, drug abuse, the drug war, marijuana, medical marijuana, LSD, peyote, psilocybin, ibogaine, psychedelic drugs.
- Drug Dangers - Keeping the public educated and informed of defective medical devices and dangerous medications currently on the market.
- Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) - Enforces the controlled substances laws and regulations of the U.S. and
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**Drug Policy Alliance** - A leading organization working to broaden the public debate on drug policy and to promote realistic alternatives to the war on drugs based on science, compassion, public health and human rights.

**Drug Policy Foundation (DPF)** - DPF believes that current drug policy is not working. It is time to examine reasoned and compassionate alternatives.

**Drug Rehab Connections** - A group of individuals who want to help those battling addiction by finding them the help they need. Not a treatment center, but a starting point to finding individuals and families helping those that are battling addiction.

**Drug Scheduling** - DEA drug scheduling for controlled substances.

**Drug Treatment Center Finder** - Find rehabilitation facilities throughout the U.S. Also provides Treatment Guides, Drug Withdrawal information, Drug Treatment News and other resources.

**Drug Treatment Guide** - Provided by The Recovery Village.

**Drug War Facts** - Provides reliable information with credible citations on criminal justice and public health issues.

**DrugRehab** - Find effective treatment for any type of drug or alcohol problem.

**Drugs** - Drug information, side effects and interactions, news and articles, drug interactions checker, pill identifier, drug image search, PDA software.

- **Drugs: Advanced Search** - Search over 24,000 approved medications: Search by drug name/brand, medical condition, care guide, for drug image (to see what a particular tablet or capsule looks like), for interactions, the internet.

**Drugscience** - Offers objective information on drugs and drug harms to the public, to educators and to academics. This is the website of the UK's Independent Scientific Committee on Drugs (ISCD).

**Drugnews Archive** - Searchable library of more than 57,000 drug-related articles.

**Drugscope** - One of the UK's leading centers of expertise on drugs. Provides quality drug information, promotes effective responses to drug taking, undertakes research at local, national and international levels, advises on policy-making, encourages informed debate.

**DrugSense** - Drug policy reform news and information.

**DRUGTEXT** - Center for substance use related risk reduction. The purpose of both Drugtext is to promote the development and dissemination of knowledge, research, education, scholarship and international jurisprudence in the area of drug policy and human rights.

**Ecstasy** - Gathers and makes accessible objective, authoritative and up to date information about the drug ecstasy (principally MDMA).

**Ed Rosenthal** - Official blog of the California horticulturist, author, publisher, and cannabis grower, well-known for his advocacy for the legalization of marijuana (cannabis as a drug) use. Also see Wikipedia entry.

**ELISAD** - European gateway on alcohol, drugs and addictions.

**Entheology** - Amassing a carefully-selected database of articles specifically related to entheogens, religion, ethnobotanicals, shamanic cultures and the politics that go with it.

**FDA News** - News and analysis on drugs, medical devices, biologics and veterinary medicine.

**Fix, The** - A leading website about addiction and recovery, featuring a daily mix of breaking news, exclusive interviews, investigative reports, and essays on sober living by some of the top writers in the country, including Maia Szalavitz.

**FOI Services Online** - Using the Freedom of Information Act, Using the FOI Services has collected over 150,000 documents that record the inner workings of the approval and regulation of medical devices, pharmaceuticals, biologics, veterinary products, foods and cosmetics. FOI maintains a private library of over 150,000 FDA documents in all categories of products regulated by the agency.

**Forward Thinking on Drugs** - A review of UN progress in combating the global drug problem.

**Frontline: Drug Wars** - A 30-year history of America's war on drugs from PBS Frontline public affairs television series.

**Gabor Mate M.D.** - A physician and bestselling author highly sought after for his expertise on a range of topics, from addiction and attention deficit disorder (ADD) to mind-body wellness, adolescent mental health, and parenting. Common to all of Dr. Mate's work is a focus on understanding the broader context in which human disease and disorders arise, from cancer to autoimmune conditions like MS, rheumatoid arthritis, ulcerative colitis, or fibromyalgia; childhood behavioral disorders like ADD, oppositionality, or bullying; or addiction, from substance abuse to obsessive gambling, shopping, or even workaholism.

**Geopium - Geography of illicit Drugs in Asia** - While the routine smoking of opium is certainly, although indirectly, a Chinese practice, the geographic origin of the opium poppy, Papaver somniferum L., is by no means Far Eastern. Indeed, it is thought that the plant first appeared somewhere between the Mediterranean region and Asia.
Marijuana

Major Studies of Drugs and Drug Policy - Contains full-text copies of major studies of drugs and drug policy.

Managing Pain - A Project of Common Sense for Drug Policy - Pain management: where healthcare and drug control policies intersect.


Internet Drug Index (RxList) - Extensive drug index; powerful search engine.

Drugfacts.org - Drug facts from the National Insitute of Drug Abuse. Also see:
  - Heroin Abuse and Addiction
  - Influence, The - A daily news site covering drugs, habits and all of the related responses, politics, science and cultures.

International Harm Reduction Association (IHRA) - An international professional association for individuals and associations concerned with the development of drug policies to reduce the harmful consequences of drug use.

International Centre for Science in Drug Policy - An international network of scientists and academic physicians committed to improving the health of communities and individuals affected by illicit drugs. The network is comprised of leading drug policy experts from around the globe who have come together in an effort to reduce drug-related harms by informing international drug policies with the best available scientific evidence.

Inhalant Abuse - A National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) report on inhalant abuse and its harmful effects.

Greater Los Angeles Collective Alliance (GLACA) - A voluntary association of medical cannabis cooperative and collective operators in Los Angeles who have organized around a shared desire to provide safe access to patients with adherence to a strict code of operational guidelines.

Greater Los Angeles Collective Alliance (GLACA) - Pain management: where healthcare and drug control policies intersect.

Harm Reduction Coalition (HRC) - Committed to reducing drug-related harm among individuals and communities by initiating and promoting local, regional, and national harm reduction education, interventions, and community organizing. HRC fosters alternative models to conventional health and human services and drug treatment; challenges traditional client/provider relationships; and provides resources, educational materials, and support to health professionals and drug users in their communities to address drug-related harm.


Heffter Research Institute - Promotes research of the highest scientific quality with psychedelic substances in order to contribute to a greater understanding of the mind, leading to the improvement of the human condition, and the alleviation of suffering.

Heroin - Drug facts from the National Institute of Drug Abuse. Also see:
  - Heroin Abuse and Addiction
  - Influence, The - A daily news site covering drugs, habits and all of the related responses, politics, science and cultures.

Informing America's Policy on Illegal Drugs - Report from the National Research Council of the National Academies examines drug policy.

Inhalant Abuse - A National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) report on inhalant abuse and its harmful effects.

International Antiprohibitionist League - Provides an independent assessment of data produced by the UN on drug-related matters that corroborates the thesis that prohibition has failed and continues to create more harms than goods.

International Harm Reduction Association (IHRA) - An international professional association for individuals and associations concerned with the development of drug policies to reduce the harmful consequences of drug use.

International Centre for Science in Drug Policy - An international network of scientists and academic physicians committed to improving the health of communities and individuals affected by illicit drugs. The network is comprised of leading drug policy experts from around the globe who have come together in an effort to reduce drug-related harms by informing international drug policies with the best available scientific evidence.

Internet Drug Index (RxList) - Extensive drug index; powerful search engine.

Join Together - A collaboration of the Boston University School of Public Health and The Partnership at Drugfree.org, dedicated to advancing effective drug and alcohol policy, prevention and treatment.

Julie Holland, M.D. - MDMA: The Science of Ecstasy - Information, papers, and resources on the psychoactive substance known popularly as Ecstasy, including its potential as an adjunct and catalyst to psychotherapy.

Khat - Khat leaves are chewed for stimulant and euphoriant effects and are used to treat obesity and prevent hunger in areas with meager food supplies. Some users experience dysphoria and sedation. Khat is prohibited in the US, France, Switzerland, and Sweden. Also see Wikipedia.

Law Enforcement Against Prohibition (LEAP) - A 10,000-member organization representing police, prosecutors, judges, FBI/DEA agents and others from around the world who fought on the front lines of the "war on drugs" and who learned firsthand that making drugs illegal only serves to make drug addiction and drug market violence problems worse.

Leafly - Cannabis information resource.

LSD - My Problem Child - Albert Hofman, the father of LSD, details the history of his "problem child" and his long and fruitful career as a research chemist.

Magic Mushrooms Net - All about psilocybin magic mushrooms (shrooms). Also Wikipedia article on Psilocybin mushrooms.

Global Commission on Drug Policy - Science-based discussion about humane and effective ways to reduce the harm caused by drugs to people and societies.

Global Commission on Drug Policy - Pain management: where healthcare and drug control policies intersect.

Global Commission on Drug Policy - Contains full-text copies of major studies of drugs and drug policy.

Marijuana
  - 1st Marijuana Growers - This site is all about marijuana seeds and marijuana growing, choosing the right cannabis seeds strain for personal gardening skills, grow location, climate and high preferences. Learn about getting free marijuana seeds or how to buy marijuana seeds at good trustworthy and discreet online shop.
Enjoy great free collection of over 97 marijuana growing guides, essential safety tips for growing marijuana, growing equipment recommendations, marijuana seeds strain reviews with high/stone reports and cultivation comments growers shared over the years.

- **420** - 4:20 or 4/20 (pronounced "four-twenty") refers to consumption of cannabis and, by extension, a way to identify oneself with cannabis subculture. The date 4/20 is sometimes referred to as "Weed Day" or "Pot Day". The term was coined from a group of teenagers at San Rafael High School in San Rafael, California, United States in 1971. The teens would meet after school at 4:20 p.m. to smoke marijuana outside the school. According to an April 2009 article on the The Huffington Post, the group called itself the Waldos because its members hung out by a wall after school. Writer Ryan Grim, citing interviews with anonymous Waldos, claims that the group met by the statue at 4:20 p.m. to begin a search for a crop of abandoned cannabis growing near Point Reyes that they had heard about. They never found the stash, Grim writes, but smoked plenty of marijuana while looking for it. April 20 ("4/20" in U.S. date notation) has evolved into a counterculture holiday, where people gather to celebrate and consume cannabis. Some events may have a political nature to them, advocating for the decriminalization of non-medical cannabis in the United States.

- **American Alliance for Medical Cannibis (AAMC)** - Dedicated to bringing patients, caregivers and volunteers the facts about medical marijuana (Cannabis) as medicine, laws for medicinal marijuana, patient resources, recipes and current research.

- **Americans for Safe Access (ASA)** - Campaign to protect medical marijuana laws in the U.S.

- **Campaign to Legalize Cannabis International Association (CLCIA)** - Seeks to legalise cannabis and release cannabis prisoners around the world.

- **Canadians for Safe Access** - Works to pressure Health Canada to free-up access to medicinal cannabis and to defend the rights of all legitimate users, cultivators, and distributors - including compassion clubs and societies - through legislative strategies, media campaigns, and non-violent direct action.

- **Canna Law Blog** - A forum for discussion about the practical aspects of cannabis law and how it impacts those involved in this growing industry.

- **Cannabis** - Find cannabis dispensaries, doctors, lawyers and businesses in your area.

- **Cannabis Culture** - Marijana and hemp around the world.

- **Cannabisnews** - News about marijuana, cannabis, and hemp.

- **Cannabist** - Denver, Colorado marijuana news, culture, resources.

- **Cannifornian, The** - Answering questions about the expanding legal use of marijuana in California.

- **High Times** - Cannabis cultivation, drug laws, drug tests, legal highs, the legalization of marijuana, the recreational use of marijuana, the medical uses for marijuana and the worldwide impact of the drug war.

- **Honest Marijuana** - Cannabis news.

- **How to Roll a Joint** - Tutorial with photos.

- **Humboldt Institute for Interdisciplinary Marijuana Research (HIIMR)** - Marijuana policy analysis from Humboldt State University in California.

- **Just Say Now** - A campaign for marijuana legalization, made of a transpartisan alliance of organizations seeking to improve our nation's drug laws.

- **Marijuana, Inc. TV** - Video news channel covering marijuana, medical marijuana, hemp, and related topics and issues.

- **Marijuana Index** - A registered equity tracking index that monitors the performance, news, and general pulse of marijuana stocks.

- **Marijuana Monitor** - Marijuana news and analysis and official government reports.

- **Marijuana Policy Project (MPP)** - Lobbying to reform the marijuana laws on the federal level in the U.S.

- **Morsel Bakery** - A collective of California bakers committed to providing quality cannabis edibles that have been operating out of the San Francisco Bay Area since 2010.

- **National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws (NORML)** - Working to reform marijuana laws. NORML serves as an informational resource to the national media on marijuana-related stories; lobbies state and federal legislators to permit the medical use of marijuana and to reject recent attempts to treat minor marijuana offenses more harshly; and serves as the umbrella group for a national network of citizen activists committed to ending marijuana prohibition. Also visit local affiliate California NORML.

- **mLaw** - Marijuana legalization awareness wiki.

- **Pot-TV** - Marijuana news.

- **POW 420** - Empowers, educates, and disseminates information about people incarcerated as a result of cannabis laws

- **Price of Weed** - A global index for marijuana.

- **Safe Access Now** - Working to ensure safe and legal access to medical cannabis (medical marijuana) for therapeutic uses and research.

- **San Francisco Cannibis Clubs** - Providing medical marijuana resources to California medical marijuana patients. Directory of medical marijuana dispensaries.

- **Spice (Synthetic Marijuana)** - "Spice" refers to a wide variety of herbal mixtures that produce experiences
similar to marijuana (cannabis) and that are marketed as "safe," legal alternatives to that drug. Sold under many names, including K2, fake weed, Yucatan Fire, Skunk, Moon Rocks, and others - and labeled "not for human consumption" - these products contain dried, shredded plant material and chemical additives that are responsible for their psychoactive (mind-altering) effects.

- **Synthetic Cannabis** - A psychoactive herbal and chemical product which, when consumed mimics the effects of cannabis. It is best known by the brand names K2 and Spice, both of which have largely become genericized trademarks used to refer to any synthetic cannabis product.
- **We Be High** - Cannabis travel guide.
- **MDMA ("Ecstasy," “Molly") Facts** - From Drug Policy Alliance. Also see Wikipedia.
- **Media Awareness Project** - A worldwide network dedicated to drug policy reform, informing public opinion, and promoting balanced media coverage.
- **Medical Council on Alcoholism** - UK organization committed to improving medical understanding of alcohol related problems.
- **Medical Marijuana Guide** - Information guide on medical marijuana. Also see Wikipedia article Medical Cannabis.
- **MEDLINE Plus Health Information: Alcoholism** - Search MEDLINE for recent research articles on alcoholism.
- **MEDLINE Plus Health Information: Drug Abuse** - Search MEDLINE for recent research articles on drug and substance abuse.
- **Media Awareness Project (MAP)** - A worldwide network dedicated to drug policy reform. Informs the public of the existence of rational alternatives to the drug war.
- **MedicalMJ.org** - Marijuana information and news.
- **Mexico Voices** - Speaks to the crisis of Mexicans building their democracy, the rule of law, justice and protection of human rights in the face of violence, corruption and impunity magnified by the U.S. enforced drug war.
- **Michael’s House** - A nationally recognized for providing integrated treatment for drug and alcohol addiction and co-occurring mental health issues, such as depression, anxiety, bipolar disorder, trauma, grief/loss, personality disorders and similar conditions. Also see:
  - Articles Index
  - Drug Addiction Facts and Statistics
  - Drug Detox - A great guide that addresses the most common obstacle between the addicted individual and treatment: the uncomfortable and much-feared detoxification process. This guide explains how the process works, the various options, common myths and also makes a strong case long-term care after the detox process.
- **Modafinil** - An analeptic drug. It is approved by the United States' Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for the treatment of narcolepsy, shift work sleep disorder and excessive daytime sleepiness associated with obstructive sleep apnea. Modafinil is currently classified as a Schedule IV controlled substance under U.S. federal law; it is illegal to import by anyone other than a DEA-registered importer without a prescription. Also see:
  - Provigal (modafinil)
  - PubHealth: Modafinil
  - RxList: Provigal
- **Multidisciplinary Association for Psychedelic Studies (MAPS)** - Researching MDMA, psychedelics and medical marijuana. Also see extensive Recommended Links and Wikipedia backgrounder.
- **Narco News Bulletin (NarcoNews.com)** - Reporting on the drug war and democracy from Latin America.
- **Narcosphere** - A participatory, online, forum, where readers and journalists come together to discuss, correct, add new information and relevant links, and debate the work of the journalists who publish on NarcoNews.com.
- **National Association of State Alcohol/Drug Abuse Directors (NASADAD)** - NASADAD supports the development of effective alcohol and other drug abuse prevention and treatment programs throughout every state.
- **National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence (NCADD)** - An advocacy organization addressing alcoholism and drug dependence. There are NCADD Affiliates across the United States offering critical recovery support services and providing a powerful network of support for those suffering from alcoholism and addiction -- friends and family members alike.
- **National Institute of Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA)** - Supports and conducts biomedical and behavioral research on the causes, consequences, treatment, and prevention of alcoholism and alcohol-related problems.
- **National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA)** - Working to further understanding of how drugs of abuse affect the brain and behavior and to ensure the rapid and effective transfer of scientific data to policy makers, drug abuse practitioners, other health care practitioners and the general public. Also see Research Reports, including:
  - Anabolic Steroid Abuse
  - Cocaine: Abuse and Addiction
  - Fentanyl
- Hallucinogens
- Heroin
- HIV/AIDS and Drug Abuse
- Inhalant Abuse
- Marijuana Abuse
- Methamphetamine: Abuse and Addiction
- Prescription Drugs: Abuse and Addiction

- **National Youth Anti-Drug Media Campaign: Above the Influence** - Sponsored by the *U.S. Office of National Drug Control Policy*.
- **November Coalition** - Educating the public about the destructive increase in the prison population in the United States due to current drug laws and federal and state government assaults on civil rights and freedoms in the U.S.
- **Oaksterdam University** - *Oaksterdam University* was founded in November 2007. Richard Lee, the founder, placed an advertisement in the *East Bay Express* proclaiming *Cannabis Industry Now Hiring*. Lee had wanted to open a trade school for the cannabis since visiting the cannabis college in Amsterdam. Rather than emulate the college in Amsterdam where curriculum mainly surrounds horticulture, Lee decided to create a curriculum that focuses on the entire cannabis trade. Lee's school quickly gained the attention of local, national, and even international media. With demand continually growing, in celebration of its 2 successful years, in November of 2009, *Oaksterdam University* moved to its current location at 1600 Broadway, Oakland. A sprawling 30,000 sqft campus, the new location features multiple classrooms, 2 auditoriums, a grow lab, and a theater.
- **Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP)** - Establishes policies, priorities, and objectives for the U.S. drug control program, the goals of which are to reduce illicit drug use, manufacturing, and trafficking; drug-related crime and violence; and drug-related health consequences.
- **PRDI Guide to Drug Policy Information on the Web** - Extensive links provided by the *Partnership for Responsible Drug Information (PRDI)*.
- **Psychedelic Library, The** - Papers and books on psychedelic drugs.
- **Quit Alcohol** - Guidance and support for the struggling addict. Also see *Social Anxiety and Alcoholism*.
- **Reality Sandwich** - Web magazine whose subjects run the gamut from sustainability to shamanism, alternate realities to alternative energy, remixing media to re-imagining community, holistic healing techniques to the promise and perils of new technologies.
- **Reconsider: Forum on Drug Policy** - A forum for discussing alternatives to one of America's greatest public policy failures: the war on drugs. Also, see *Find Inpatient Alcohol and Drug Rehab Centers Based On Your Needs* page.
- **RehabCenter** - Committed to helping people recover from addiction by finding treatment that works. Our free, national helpline provides confidential referrals to respected rehabilitation centers 24 hours a day, seven days a week
- **Reset.me** - Psychedelic news outlet.
- **RxList** - A leading online drug database that lists over 4,000 pharmaceuticals and other medicines, with extensive information on 600 entries and links from over 10,000 Web sites and search engines seeking drug information.
- **Salvia divinorum** - Also known as *Diviner's Sage, María Pastora, Sage of the Seers*, or simply by the genus name, *Salvia* is a psychoactive herb which can induce strong dissociative effects. It is a member of the sage genus and the Lamiaceae (mint) family. The Latin name Salvia divinorum literally translates to "sage of the seers". Also see *DEA information sheet* and *The Salvia Divinorum Research and Information Center*.
- **SAMSHA Behavioral Health Treatment Services Locator** - Confidential and anonymous source of information for persons seeking treatment facilities in the United States or U.S. Territories for substance abuse/addiction and/or mental health problems.
- **Schaffer Library of Drug Policy** - Major studies of drugs and drug policy, media articles, drug legalization debate, special collections, and more.
- **SEDBASE: Side Effects of Drugs Bluesheet** - *SEDBASE* critically analyzes the published drug side effect literature on drugs currently in use.
- **Shroomery** - Magic mushrooms (shrooms) demystified.
- **State Alcohol Law** - Each state has enacted statutes that govern the distribution, taxation, sale, and consumption of alcoholic beverages within that state, as well as provisions regarding criminal and civil liability for harms resulting from the consumption of alcohol. The state law materials listed here provides information on alcohol-related law from all 50 U.S. states.
- **StoptheDrugWar** - The *Drug Reform Coordination Network*, U.S. and global organization advocating legalization and an end to the drug war.
Students for Sensible Drug Policy (SSDP) - An international grassroots network of students who are concerned about the impact drug abuse has on our communities, but who also know that the War on Drugs is failing our generation and our society. SSDP mobilizes and empowers young people to participate in the political process, pushing for sensible policies to achieve a safer and more just future, while fighting back against counterproductive drug war policies, particularly those that directly harm students and youth.

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) - SAMHSA's mission is to reduce the impact of substance abuse and mental illness in America's communities. The agency's programs are carried out through its centers and offices. Also see Site Map.

- Behavioral Health Treatment Services Locator
- Center for Behavioral Health Statistics and Quality
- Center for Mental Health Services
- Center for Substance Abuse Treatment

Tackling Drug Markets and Distribution Networks in the UK - This July 2008, UK Drug Policy Commission (UKDPC) report provides a review of recent literature [of the time] concerning strategies to tackle illicit drug markets and distribution networks in the UK.

TNI Drugs and Democracy Program - Promotes evidence-based policies guided by the principles of harm reduction, human rights for users and producers, as well as the cultural and traditional uses of substances.

Transform Drug Policy Foundation (TDPF) - A charitable think tank that seeks to draw public attention to the fact that drug prohibition itself is the major cause of drug-related harm to individuals, communities and nations, and should be replaced by effective, just and humane government control and regulation.

Treating Opiate Addiction - This article was first printed in the December 2004 issue of the Harvard Mental Health Letter. Related links:
- American Society of Addiction Medicine
- Behavioral Health Treatment Services Locator
- Buprenorphine Information Center
- Narcotics Anonymous World Services
- National Institute on Drug Abuse
- Smart Recovery
- Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)

U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) - Federal agency responsible for ensuring that foods are safe, wholesome and sanitary; human and veterinary drugs, biological products, and medical devices are safe and effective; cosmetics are safe; and electronic products that emit radiation are safe.

UK Cannabis Internet Activists - A part of the wider Legalise Cannabis Campaign in the UK. See other campaign groups.

UK Drug Policy Commission (UKDPC) - An independent body providing objective analysis of UK drug policy. Read their Reports and Findings.

UN Office on Drugs and Crime: Publications - UNODC produces a broad range of publications in its areas of work.

Vancouver Coastal Health: Insite - Supervised Injection Site - Since opening its doors in 2003, Insite has been a safe, health-focused place where people inject drugs and connect to health care services - from primary care to treat disease and infection, to addiction counselling and treatment, to housing and community supports.

Vaults of Erowid, The - Mind-altering drug information, including different techniques, practices, methods, and lifestyles. Traditional uses, other methods of use, experiences, health effects, and current research.

Viridiana Rios - A PhD candidate in government and a doctoral fellow in Inequality and Criminal Justice at the Harvard Kennedy School. She studies drug trafficking, violence and corruption in Mexico.

Web of Addictions - Dedicated to providing accurate information about alcohol and other drug addictions.

Wo/Men's Alliance for Medical Marijuana (WAMM) - Campaigning to legalize medical marijuana.

Workstyle: Drink and Drugs - Resources, news and links on smoking, drugs and alcohol policy and practice at work provided by Hazards Magazine.

XLR-11 - A drug that presumably acts as a potent agonist for the cannabinoid receptors. It is a 3-(tetramethylcyclopropylmethanoyl)indole derivative related to compounds such as UR-144, A-796,260 and A-834,735, but it is not listed in the patent or scientific literature alongside these other similar compounds, and appears to have not previously been made by Abbott Laboratories, despite falling within the claims of patent WO 2006/069196. XLR-11 was instead first identified by laboratories in 2012 as an ingredient in synthetic cannabis smoking blends, and appears to be a novel compound invented by research chemical suppliers specifically for grey-market recreational use.
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