

WEDI NOS

The logo consists of the text 'WEDI' stacked above 'NOS' in a bold, black, sans-serif font. A red ECG line starts at the bottom left, crosses the 'W' in 'WEDI', and continues horizontally across the 'I' in 'WEDI' and the 'N' in 'NOS'. A white silhouette of a person stands inside the 'I' in 'WEDI', with a grey shadow cast to the right. The entire logo is set against a white background.

Collecting • Testing • Informing



September 2023

- 437 samples analysed (all community based submissions)
 - 76 substances identified either in isolation or combination
 - Samples received from across UK
 - 25 services
 - Including: Health, Substance Misuse Services, Mental Health, Housing and Homelessness and Welsh hospitals
 - Alongside samples submitted anonymously by individuals

Sex / age profile of sample providers



- Sex (where listed n= 423 of 437 community samples)
 - Male: 79% (n= 336)
 - Female: 21% (n= 87)
- Age
 - Range: 17 to 64yrs (Median: 34yrs)
 - Male age range: 17 to 62yrs (Median: 33yrs)
 - Female age range: 20 to 64yrs (Median: 34yrs)

Community Submissions

(comparing top 10 purchase intent vs top 10 post analysis)

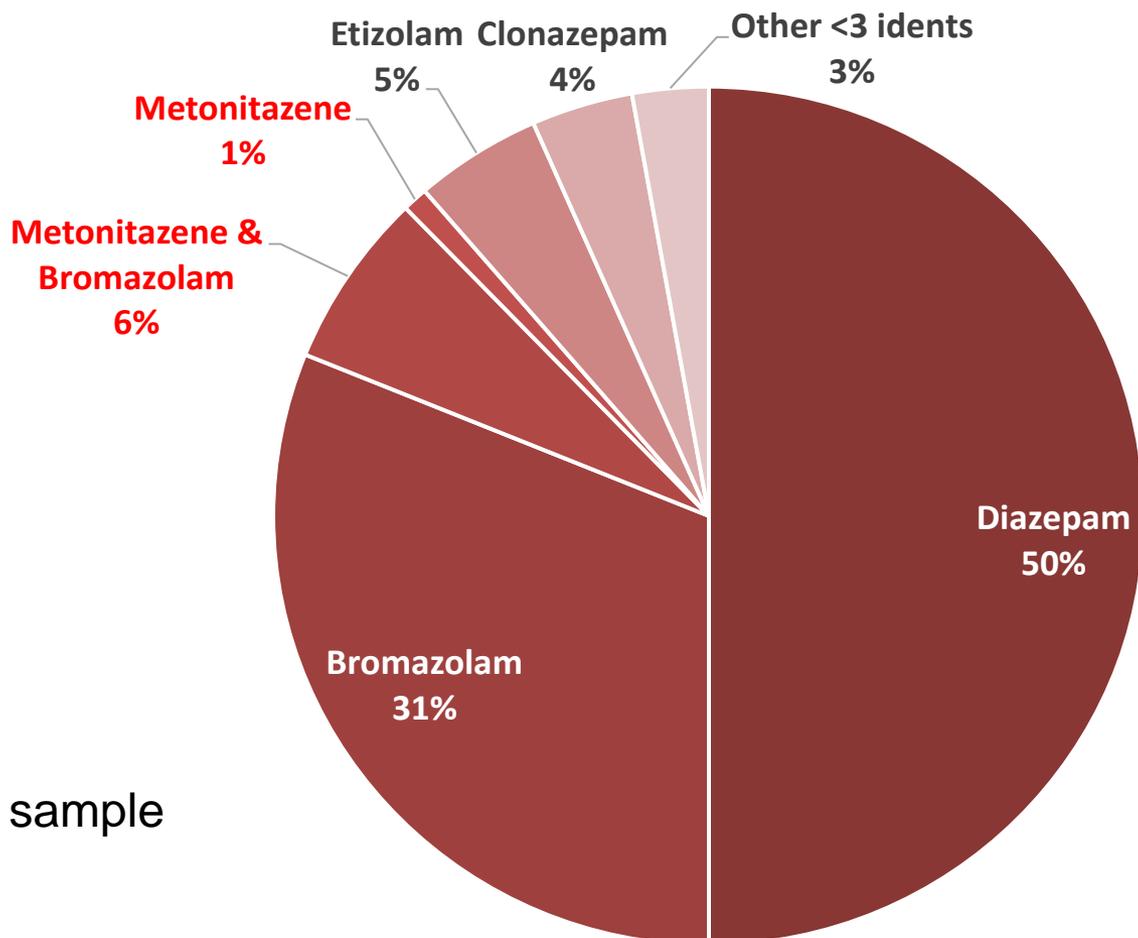
No.	Community purchase intent	Community post analysis
1	Diazepam	Diazepam
2	MDMA	Bromazolam
3	Unknown	MDMA
4	Cocaine	Cocaine
5	Alprazolam	Ketamine
6	Zopiclone	Zopiclone
7	Ketamine	Caffeine
8	THC	Clonazepam
9	Clonazepam	Amphetamine
10	Heroin	Paracetamol

Benzodiazepines

- 11 Benzodiazepines identified
 - Diazepam (106 purchase intent / 56 identifications)
 - Bromazolam (0 purchase intent / 55 identifications)
 - Clonazepam (12 purchase intent / 16 identifications)
 - Alprazolam (26 purchase intent / 11 identifications)
 - Etizolam (0 purchase intent / 7 identifications)
 - Flualprazolam
 - Lorazepam
 - Clonazolam
 - Flubromazolam
 - Methylclonazepam
 - Temazepam

Identifications <5

Contents of samples submitted as Diazepam: September 2023 (n=106)



Diazepam sample providers:

Age range: 19 to 64yrs
Median: 37yrs

Focus on: Purchased as Diazepam



NITAZENES

Eight samples submitted as **diazepam**, were profiled following analysis as containing the potent synthetic opioid, **metonitazene**. Seven of these samples were also profiled as containing the benzodiazepine, **bromazolam**

As a very potent substance, supplied in unknown dosages there is an increased risk of overdose and acute harms from the consumption of nitazenes. This can be increased in poly drug use where different depressant drugs, such as benzodiazepines, are consumed alongside each other.

With the emergence of nitazenes (opioids) within the illicit benzodiazepine market, we recommend, individuals who are consuming unprescribed benzodiazepines, speak to their local drug treatment service about **Naloxone** (often described as the opioid antidote): <http://www.naloxonesaveslives.com/>

To find out where your local drug treatment service is in Wales, visit DAN 24/7: [DAN 247 – Wales Drug and Alcohol Helpline](#)

