

Substance Use Research

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SUBSTANCE USE

Early identification of alcohol patients at risk of developing Korsakoff's Syndrome

Study to determine whether the BEARNI screening tool can identify risk of KS

[Alcoholism: Clinical and Experimental Research](#)

MESUS 2020: Manchester Emergent Substance Use Survey

Latest report from the ongoing research to monitor emerging substance use trends

[Manchester Metropolitan University & Manchester City Council \[Contact Library\]](#)

Reciprocal relationship between substance use and insomnia

Study investigates if substance use causes insomnia, and vice-versa [BASIS](#)

SSA Society Lecture 2020: How drugs affect the brain

Nora Volkow, head of NIDA, on the latest research on changes in the brain during drug use and addiction [Society for the Study of Addiction](#)

TREATMENT & RECOVERY

Alcohol and drugs evidence reviews, and enquiries

Evidence to aid commissioners and providers to best implement policies and guidance

[Public Health England](#)

Alcohol consumption and incident cataract surgery in two large UK cohorts

Findings suggest a lower risk of undergoing cataract surgery with low to moderate alcohol consumption [Ophthalmology](#)

Analysis of North America's first women-only drug consumption site

Summary and commentary on a study that looked at the facility which opened in response to increased fatalities among women [Drug and Alcohol Findings](#)

Clinical management of cannabis complications

The rapidly changing field of cannabinoids and their clinical implications poses a particular challenge in psychiatry [Psychiatric Times](#)

Combining behavioural harm reduction treatment and extended-release naltrexone for people experiencing homelessness and alcohol use disorder in the USA

Combined treatment resulted in decreased alcohol use & related harm [Lancet Psychiatry](#)

Effectiveness of psychosocial interventions for reducing parental substance misuse

Systematic review showed that interventions combining parenting skills with a substance use component may show the most promise [Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews](#)

Link between unemployment and opioid prescribing

Unemployment appears to have an impact on opioid prescribing volume in England.

[Journal of Epidemiology and Community Health](#)

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