CARFENTANIL

Carfentanil is a variation of fentanyl and is considered the world's most powerful commercial opioid. It is 100 times stronger than fentanyl and over 10,000 times stronger than morphine.

It is not intended for use in humans and is used to tranquilize large animals - like elephants. The drug is extremely powerful. Protective clothing and masks must be worn to handle the drug so none is inhaled, or touches the skin.

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Looks: A white powder, usually diluted and disguised as heroin or other drugs, tablets, blotter paper or spray.

Street Names: Drop Dead, Serial Killer

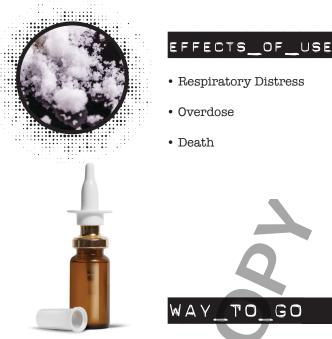
Methods of Use: Injection, Inhalation, Ingestion, Skin Contact

Actions: Used as a tranquilizing agent for elephants and other large mammals. Carfentanil was used as a chemical weapon in Russia.

Warning Signs: Respiratory depression or arrest, drowsiness, disorientation, sedation, pinpoint pupils, clammy skin, blue lips or fingernails

TRAGEDIES

Carfentanil was linked to mass overdoses in 14 states. In Ohio, 35 overdoses were reported over just three days, six were fatal, ten were in just a nine hour time span. The lethal dose is as small as a grain of salt.



Carfentanil is so powerful that the effects on the body and brain begin very quickly. Overdose symptoms begin immediately after ingestion. If an overdose reversal treatment is not administered the effects are often fatal. Even if treated quickly, the strength of this drug usually requires numerous doses of Narcan to fully revive an overdose victim. Most people who were given Carfentanil did not realize what they had taken as it was mixed with more commonly abused drugs.