

Steroids

(anabolic)

LEGAL STATUS:

Prescription-only medicines

CLASS C without a prescription

OTHER NAMES/SLANG:

Androgenic anabolic steroids, roids, methandienone, stanzolol, testosterone, nandrolone, dianabol.

USUALLY FOUND AS:

Pills, solution for injection.

HOW IT'S TAKEN:

Swallowed as pills or injected.

SIGNS OF POSSIBLE USE:

Tablets or liquids that you don't recognise; syringes.

EFFECTS ON USER:

Helps the build-up of muscle tissue. Can increase aggression and sex drive, possible liver and heart damage, may stunt growth in adolescents.

Worth knowing...

- Steroids can cause paranoia, confusion and insomnia
- Steroids can cause physical changes in both males and females
- Many steroids that are available illegally are analogues (similar substances) and vary in strength and effect.

