

# Novel psychoactive substances (NPS) –

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Hassan Kurimbokus previously worked as a Forensic Toxicologist at Eurofins Forensic Services, where he specialised in volume toxicology cases that are relating to the Road Traffic Act 1988. He is now the Head of Reporting Toxicology at Analytical Services International, based in London. He oversees the reporting team whilst also being a practicing forensic toxicologist for both the prosecution and defence, where he attends court frequently as an expert witness. He has trained trainee toxicologists to become competent to interpret and write post-mortem toxicology reports for HM Coroner and to give evidence as expert witnesses. Hassan has completed his BSc and MSc degrees at Bournemouth University. Additionally, Hassan is part of the Forensic Science Subcommittee for the Faculty of Forensic Science & Legal Medicine, a committee member for the LTG (formerly the London Toxicology Group), a member of the International Association of Forensic Toxicologists, a member of The Royal Society of Chemistry and a member of the Chartered Society of Forensic Sciences. He has also provided training to the police, healthcare professionals, Coroner's officers and to mortuary technicians.

### Learning Objectives

- Understanding what NPS are, their effects and the different categories of NPS
- Their prevalence in society and their impact to users
- Their impact in forensic cases
- Understand the analytical considerations with regards to NPS

