

**Fentanyl-positive non-opioids from drug checking in British Columbia: August 2021**

| Date        | Location [City]                   | Expected Drug [Category]    | Appearance          | FTIR Results  | Strip Results |          | Notes   | Confirmatory Results               |
|-------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|---|---------------|----------|---|------------------------------------|
|             |                                   |                             |                     |   | Fentanyl      | Benzo    |   |                                    |
| Aug 10 2021 | Get Your Drugs Tested [Vancouver] | Alprazolam [Depressant]     | Brown chunk         | Caffeine, Mannitol, Heroin, Fentanyl                      | Positive      | Negative | No context provided.  | Not sent for confirmatory testing. |
| Aug 12 2021 | Get Your Drugs Tested [Vancouver] | Cocaine [Stimulant]         | White powder        | Cocaine, Phenacetin                                       | Positive      | Negative | Checked with a second strip, no additional context.                             | Not sent for confirmatory testing. |
| Aug 12 2021 | CMHA [Nanaimo]                    | Methamphetamine [Stimulant] | Colourless crystal  | Methamphetamine, Caffeine                                 | Positive      | Negative | Confirmed with second strip after dilution.                                     | Not available at this location.    |
| Aug 27 2021 | Get Your Drugs Tested [Vancouver] | Crack cocaine [Stimulant]   | White chunk         | Cocaine base, Baking soda                                 | Positive      | Negative | Individual tested <i>down</i> as well which may be the source of contamination. | Not sent for confirmatory testing. |
| Aug 27 2021 | ANKORS [Cranbrook]                | MDMA [Psychedelic]          | Light purple pebble | Erythritol, Caffeine, Fentanyl                            | Positive      | Negative | Noted to have been purchased as MDMA in Cranbrook.                              | Not sent for confirmatory testing. |
| Aug 30 2021 | Get Your Drugs Tested [Vancouver] | 2C-B [Psychedelic]          | White powder        | Dimethyl sulfone, 3-MeO-PCP, MDMA, Uncertain carbohydrate | Positive      | Negative | No context provided. An alert was issued via RADAR.                             | Not sent for confirmatory testing. |

**Notes**

- 1) Samples of methamphetamine or crack cocaine are known to return positive fentanyl test strip results if someone has recently touched fentanyl (i.e., cross-contamination). This is also common if baggies are reused or used to store multiple drugs.
- 2) With pills that test positive for fentanyl, it is not possible to tell if the fentanyl is inside the pill or contaminating the exterior with a test strip result alone.
- 3) Drug checking results are available on drugcheckingbc.ca. Questions? Email [drugchecking@bccsu.ubc.ca](mailto:drugchecking@bccsu.ubc.ca).