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## **Application form for use of ESPAD Databases**

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## Working title of the project:

Does the prevention paradox apply for use of narcotics in young people?

**Work Plan:** (Please describe objectives, methods and specify the research question(s), maximum 250 words.) There exists no study on the issue of the validity of the prevention paradox in young people. Based on ESPAD data we have earlier published a paper about the prevention paradox for alcohol in young people i Addiction. The ESPAD questionnaire form has questions about frequency of use of use of different kinds of narcotics and about the frequency of ten different drug-related problems. The objective is to analyse the distribution of the total number of self-reported drug-related problems and of different kinds of such problems among users of different kinds of drugs. We will categorise drug users in categories of frequent users, moderately frequent users and less frequent users, (and maybe in only two categories for other drugs than cannabis) and calculate the proportion of problems for the different cattegories of male and female users. Research questions: Is the total number of narcotic-related problems highest among low-consumers (where the exact definition is to be worked out). Are there differences between boys and giels, between cannabis and other drugs and between dfferent kinds of problems? The statistical analyses will be about the same as in the published paper (Addiction) about the prevention paradox for alcohol.suse

Planned type of publication:	🖂 Paper/article 🗌 Report	🗌 PhD

Other, which:

Questions (see Questionnaire(s)) to be included in the analysis: (Please indicate the question numbers.)

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