

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT

Date Issued: 05 November 2015

Autopsy No: F00542/2015

Fiscal Ref: KC15002548

Name of Deceased: Sheku Ahmed Tejan BAYOH

Date of Birth: 30 September 1983

Age at Death: 31

Sex: Male

Address: Sheku Bayoh's address at Arran Crescent
Kirkcaldy
Fife

Place of Death: Resus, A&E, Victoria Hospital, Kirkcaldy

Pronounced Dead At: 09:04 Hours on 03 May 2015

Medical Cause of Death:

1a Sudden death in a man intoxicated by MDMA (ecstasy) and alpha-PVP, whilst being restrained

Date of Autopsy: 04 May 2015

Examining Doctors: Dr Kerryanne Shearer/Dr Ralph BouHaidar

Authorising Procurator Fiscal Kirkcaldy
(District):

Post mortem blood and hospital blood samples were analysed for caffeine. The following results were obtained:

Post mortem blood (preserved):	Caffeine – 2.2 mg/L
Post mortem blood (unpreserved):	Caffeine – 1.8 mg/L
Hospital blood taken on the 3 rd of May, 2015:	Caffeine – 1.9 mg/L
Hospital blood taken on the 3 rd May, 2015:	Caffeine – 1.6 mg/L
Hospital blood taken on the 3 rd of May, 2015:	Caffeine – 2.1 mg/L

All other analyses were negative.

A regular cup of coffee or tea could contain up to 150mg of caffeine. Oral ingestion of 120mg of caffeine gave peak plasma concentrations of 3mg/L at 1 hour falling to 2.5mg/L by 2 hours. Post-mortem blood caffeine concentrations averaged 117mg/L in 7 cases of acute fatal overdose and 155mg/L in a further 16 cases.

The statistics are referenced in R.C. Baselt, Disposition of Toxic Drugs and Chemicals in Man, Biomedical Publications, Foster City, California, 10th Edition (2014).

See also University of Glasgow Toxicology Report FT2015/1158.

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