



ASSERSON CANNABIS GROUP

Glossary of Cannabis Terminology



When it comes to the Medical Cannabis space, often terms are misunderstood. Anything from Hemp through to CBD is used freely in general speech, often inaccurately.



The Asserson Cannabis Group, with both qualified medical professionals and legal practitioners, has broken these terms down by way of an easy-to-read glossary:



What is a Cannabis-based product for medicinal use?

Cannabis-based products

There are three broad requirements that a product should satisfy:

- ✓ The product is or contains cannabis, cannabis resin, cannabidiol, or a cannabidiol derivative.
- ✓ It is produced for medicinal use in humans.
- ✓ It is a product that is regulated as a medicinal product or an ingredient of a medicinal product.

The definition is necessarily broad to take account of the range of cannabis-based preparations that have been used for therapeutic purposes and to ensure that raw products/ingredients and intermediate products are captured. This is essential to ensure that where there is a clinical need, a patient will be able to access appropriate cannabis-based medicines and/or products that can be made to meet any prescription.

| Term | Category | Technical Definition |
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| Cannabis | General Definition | This is the Latin or scientific name for the entire plant hemp, legally named marijuana, ganja, or Indian hemp in some jurisdictions. Three recognised subspecies include Cannabis indica, Cannabis ruderalis and Cannabis sativa. |
| Cannabis Flower | Plant | Known as the hairy or sticky parts of the plant which are harvested for consumption in various products, also known as the reproductive organs of the plant. |
| Cannabinoids | Composition | <p>Chemicals in the cannabis plant influence cell receptors in the brain and body and can change how those cells behave.</p> <p>Cannabinoids interact with CB1 receptors and CB2 receptors.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CB1 receptors mediate physical and psychoactive effects. - CB2 receptors regulate inflammation, immune response and peripheral nervous systems (including the gut, spleen, liver, heart, kidneys, bones, blood vessels, lymph cells, endocrine glands, and reproductive organs.) <p>There are at least 113 total cannabinoids identified in the plant.</p> |

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| CBD | Cannabinoid | <p>CBD (Cannabidiol) is a non-psychoactive chemical compound found in Cannabis. It is the second most commonly used cannabinoid found in the cannabis plant and is a powerful relaxant.</p> <p>CBD is an antagonist to THC (the powerful stimulant most related with cannabis) and is non-psychoactive. It helps mitigate the psychoactive effects caused by THC and has become popular for its therapeutic effects on autism, epilepsy, chronic pain, and nerve problems.</p> |
| Edible Products | Recreational Use | <p>Cannabis products that are orally consumed. These products can contain THC, CBD, or a combination of both. Common edible products include cookies, brownies, candies, gummies, chocolates, beverages, or homemade goods.</p> |
| Hemp | Plant | <p>Hemp or industrial hemp is a botanical class of Cannabis Sativa cultivars <u>grown</u> specifically for industrial or medicinal use. It is any part of the plant, whether growing or not, with a THC concentration that does not exceed 0.3% on a dry weight basis. Hemp is not psychoactive, and typically has higher concentrations of CBD.</p> |

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| Hemp | Plant | <p>Along with bamboo, hemp is amongst the fastest-growing plants on Earth. It can be refined and used to make paper, rope, textiles, clothing, biodegradable plastics, paint, insulation, biofuel, food, and animal feed.</p> <p>In 2020, the UN successfully recommended removing hemp and cannabis from Schedule IV. However, completely removing hemp containing predominantly CBD and not more than 0.2% THC from Schedule I was rejected.</p> <p>That means that hemp and extracts thereof will remain in legal ambiguity under UN conventions.</p> |
| Medical Cannabis | Medical | <p>Medical Cannabis covers any aspect of the supply chain of cannabis for the benefit of qualifying patients in the treatment of debilitating medical conditions or the symptoms thereof.</p> <p>This includes the acquisition, cultivation, possession, processing (including the development of related products such as food, tinctures, aerosols, oils, or ointments), transfer, transportation, sale, distribution, dispensing, or administration.</p> |

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| THC | Cannabinoid | <p>THC (Tetrahydrocannabinol) is the principal psychoactive cannabinoid. It is the most common cannabinoid found within the cannabis plant and is a powerful stimulant.</p> <p>THC demonstrates its effects through weak partial agonist activity at Cannabinoid-1 (CB1R) and Cannabinoid-2 (CB2R) receptors, which results in the well-known effects of smoking cannabis such as increased appetite, reduced pain, and changes in emotional and cognitive processes.</p> |
| Tincture | Medical | <p>A liquid form of cannabis that is made from glycerin or alcohol.</p> <p>Tinctures are usually distributed in an eyedropper under the tongue to provide fast absorption to the body, leading to quicker effects than edibles and inhalation.</p> |
| Topical | Medical | <p>Cannabis products such as lotions, balms, and oils are used for pain relief.</p> |

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| Vaping / Vaporizer | Medical | <p>A vaporizer is a vaporizing device with a rechargeable battery that heats material such as cannabis flower (bud) or liquids containing THC or nicotine to produce vapor for inhalation. Used as an alternative to smoking cannabis or tobacco.</p> <p>When cannabis flower or concentrate is heated in a vaporizing device (vaporizer) to a temperature below the point of combustion, the cannabinoids are activated and turned into a vapor that can be inhaled.</p> |
| VapePod + | Device | <p>The VapePod+ is Kanabo's vaporizer. It is produced in a certified GMP medical facility in full compliance with ISO13485, setting a new medical standard, engendering trust, and ensuring peace of mind for our global clientele.</p> <p>The device was approved in 2018 as a medical device for cannabis extracts by the Israeli Ministry of Health and is the first-ever medically certified vaporizer for the delivery of cannabis-based formulas.</p> |