



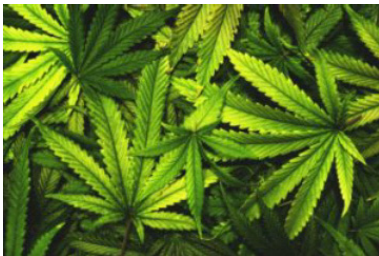
## PARKINSON'S DISEASE NEWS

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### THE EFFECT OF MEDICAL CANNABIS ON PARKINSON'S DISEASE

Medical cannabis or medical marijuana, are cannabis or marijuana that is recommended by doctors for their patients. It has been claimed to be beneficial for people with Parkinson's Disease. However, its use is controversial, because support for its benefits is based on small clinical studies. For more information go to : [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Medical\\_cannabis](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Medical_cannabis)



The duration of medical cannabis use was an average of 19 months (between 2 and 36 months). The average daily dose was 0.9g per day. The delivery of medical cannabis was mainly by smoking cigarettes (in 80% of cases). The size of the effect from the greatest effect to the least effect were for reducing falls 0.89, pain relief 0.73, tremor 0.64, depression 0.64, muscle stiffness 0.62, and then sleep 0.60.

The most frequently reported adverse effects from medical cannabis were cough (35%) in those who used medical cannabis by smoking it, and confusion and hallucinations, which were each reported in 17% of people, causing 10% of patients to stop taking cannabis.

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