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These are all reasons related to a performance that explain the use of cocaine by a number of athletes, mainly to compensate for the slump in mood and aggressiveness during the suspension of anabolic steroids or testosterone. With the consequence of becoming addicted to both categories of substances.
England cricket star Chris Lewis jailed for 13 years after smuggling £140,000 of cocaine into Britain in his kit bag

Former England cricketer Chris Lewis was jailed for 13 years yesterday for smuggling cocaine worth more than £140,000 into Britain.

The 41-year-old hid the drug in liquid form in five tins of fruit juice placed in his cricket kit bag, after a holiday on the Caribbean island of St Lucia.

But the drugs were discovered after Customs officers at Gatwick Airport stopped the former all-rounder - who was once hailed as the successor to Sir Ian Botham.

Lewis had been travelling with his friend and co-accused Chad Klimon, who was found with three tins of dissolved cocaine in his luggage on December 8 last year.

Klimon was also found guilty and jailed for 13 years for his part in the conspiracy. Both will serve half their sentences.

Judge Nicholas Aminley told the pair they were motivated by greed, adding: "The majority of those who are guilty have the courage to face up to what they did and take the punishment."

"You showed neither of these qualities. In a cowardly attempt to evade justice, you each sought to blame the other for..."
Two footballers and two Fifa agents arrested for smuggling cocaine into Spain

By DAILY MAIL REPORTER
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Two professional footballers and two football agents have been arrested on suspicion of smuggling cocaine into Spain from Argentina.

Police have arrested a further seven people after 600kg of the drug was seized.

Officers believe the suspected Fifa agents organised the smuggling operation while on a trip to Latin America recruiting professional footballers.

Part of the 600kg consignment of cocaine seized during the Spanish operation
Ex-Olympian, rugby player in drug bust

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Former Olympic swimmer Scott Miller and the son of rugby union great Ken Catchpole have been charged over a northern Sydney drug bust.

Forty-year-old Mark Philip Catchpole - a former player for Queensland and New South Wales whose father captained the Wallabies - faces 11 drug and firearm charges.

The two were arrested yesterday afternoon after police raided a Brookvale storage building about 11:00am (AEST).

Police say they found a commercial pill press and a tablet counter that could process 27,000 tablets an hour in the building.

Hours later, officers arrested Catchpole at his Seaforth home.

In documents tendered to Manly Local Court this afternoon, police allege he was caught dealing 'ice' and with $240,000 cash.

Other offences include possessing cannabis, ecstasy, cocaine and an unlicensed, loaded revolver.

Some of the possession charges date back to October last year, suggesting police have been following Catchpole for some time.
British Olympic boxer arrested over £12K cocaine find in his back garden

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A British Olympic boxer and major medal hope was arrested on suspicion of dealing cocaine, it was revealed today.

Light welterweight Bradley Saunders, 22, who was tipped to win gold at the Beijing Games, was arrested after a sniffer dog detected what police believed was £12,000 of the drug in his back garden.
Detenido un ex futbolista del Espanyol en una redada antidroga

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La policía ha desarticulado una organización internacional dedicada al narcotráfico que introducía grandes cantidades de cocaína en España. Hay 21 detenidos. La policía ha hallado media tonelada de cocaína en Las Palmas y casi un millón de euros en efectivo. La red se dedicaba, además, al blanqueo de dinero.

Entre los detenidos se encuentra, Josep Maria Gallart, de 46 años y ex jugador del RCD Espanyol, según informó un responsable policial. Gallart jugó como defensa durante varias temporadas en el club perico. Una de sus actuaciones más brillantes fue el marcoje a Ruud Gullit, el histórico centrocampista del Milan, en la copa de la Uefa del 88.
Current World Extreme Cagefighting featherweight Leonard Garcia was arrested on Tuesday in connection with an investigation into an alleged drug trafficking

The 28-year-old fighter was arrested for his alleged connection with the cocaine ring.

When contacted for comment, Garcia's manager, Sven Bean said, "it was a shock to me. It definitely came out of left field. I've talked with his family and I've had one phone conversation with his lawyer. We're just letting him do his job at this point. Hopefully, we'll know more as the days progress."

According to the report, authorities arrested a total of 13 suspects after a four-year investigation into the drug ring that allegedly ran from El Paso to Hub City.

The report specifically named Garcia, identifying him as a mixed martial artist and Ultimate Fighting Championship veteran. None of the other suspects were identified in the report.

If convicted, three of the suspects could face up to 40 years in prison and a $2 million fine, while the others arrested could face life in prison and up to a $4 million dollar fine.
LISMORE, Australia -- Australian Olympic silver medalist and former world kayaking champion Nathan Baggaley was sentenced to at least five years in prison on Friday on charges of supplying and manufacturing ecstasy pills.

The 33-year-old Baggaley was sentenced in Lismore District Court to a maximum of nine years with a non-parole period of five years after pleading guilty to the sale and distribution of 1,509 ecstasy tablets in November 2007.

Baggaley, who won two silver medals at the 2004 Athens Olympics, and his brother have spent more than 18 months in prison following their arrest.

Baggaley won silver in both the K1 and K2 over 500 meters in Athens. He also won gold medals in the K1 class at the world championships in 2002, 2003 and 2005.

Nathan Baggaley tested positive for two steroids _ stanozolol and methandione _ in September 2005 and was subsequently banned for 15 months by the Australian Canoe Federation. The suspension was extended to two years by the International Canoe Federation, and he was barred from competing at the Beijing Olympics last year because of the pending criminal charges.
Olympian charged in cocaine conspiracy

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But now things have gone downhill for the former Olympian, who's in a California prison awaiting trial for cocaine trafficking after two Vancouver co-accused pleaded guilty to their role in the massive smuggling ring.
La DEA investiga los posibles vínculos de equipos mexicanos con cárteles del Golfo, Sinaloa, Juárez, Tijuana, "La Familia", y parte de los Beltrán Leyva, los cuales serían utilizados para "lavar" dinero y lograr el control de plazas.

La Agencia Antidroga de Estados Unidos (DEA, por sus siglas en inglés) investiga si cárteles mexicanos de la drogas están utilizando a equipos mexicanos de fútbol, incluso algunos de la Primera División en negocios ilícitos.

Investigaciones de la DEA presumen que los cárteles del Golfo, Sinaloa, Juárez, Tijuana, "La Familia", y parte de la organización de los Beltrán Leyva, han utilizado a equipos de fútbol, desde amateur hasta profesional de México, en algunas de sus operaciones de lavado de dinero.

La agencia ha identificado que las nuevas generaciones del narcotráfico han visto en el fútbol un negocio de largo plazo con diversas aristas, como sobornos, extorsiones, reventa de boletos, compra de jugadores y manejo de apostas.

Tras los resultados obtenidos en la operación conocida como Proyecto Reckoning, la DEA indaga sobre equipos mexicanos de Primera, Segunda y Tercera División como Venados de Mérida e Indios de Ciudad Juárez. La investigación revisa la posibilidad de que equipos como Cruz Azul, entre otros, pudieran haber sido víctimas de promotores relacionados con lavado de dinero.

Hay indicios de que los cárteles han utilizado a los brokers del fútbol en la compra o traspaso de jugadores para lavar dinero, usando paraísos fiscales.

La DEA ha encontrado que los grupos criminales también compran cartas de propiedad de los jugadores como parte del pago de cargamentos de droga.

De igual manera investigan si jugadores, cuerpos técnicos o cualquier otro miembro de los equipos, o árbitros, han sido objeto de extorsiones, amenazas o sobornos. Las indagaciones de la DEA no indican que los equipos de Primera División sean propiedad de los cárteles, o que funcionen con dinero del narco, pues están dirigidas a ubicar las operaciones en las que las mañas puedan haber utilizado a estos equipos para realizar transacciones ilícitas. Sin embargo, en el caso de equipos de Segunda y Tercera División sí hay evidencias de que algunos serían propiedad de miembros de los cárteles de las drogas.
Ex-Bronco Henry busted for alleged cocaine deal

Former Broncos running back Travis Henry was arrested in Denver following an alleged cocaine deal, the Drug Enforcement Administration said yesterday.

Henry and James Mack were arrested Tuesday after they met to buy cocaine from a person who was cooperating with authorities, according to an arrest warrant affidavit.

Mack and Henry were in federal custody on suspicion of knowingly and intentionally conspiring to distribute and possess with intent to distribute cocaine. They were advised of charges yesterday, and a preliminary hearing and detention hearing were scheduled for Monday.
COCAIN BLACK HOLE

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OF THE UNITED NATIONS
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FROM 1999 TO 2007

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AN OBSERVATORY IN REAL TIME ON COLOMBIA

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To combat drug trafficking worldwide - doping substances or social drugs - it is necessary to define the global offer that is in the hands of organized crime.
This definition is needed to assess the true extent of money laundering by the crime that is polluting both the business and financial activities.
It should be recognized that Wada did understand the interrelationship between supply and demand of doping substances. Doping substances are intertwined with social drugs and this illegal market continues to expand.

Other international institutions, far more important than Wada and with public funds greatly in excess (United Nations, World Health Organization, Interpol, and others) must shake the liabilities that can sometimes become complicity.