Extraction from Combination Tablets Yields Far Lower Levels of Pseudoephedrine than Single Ingredient Products

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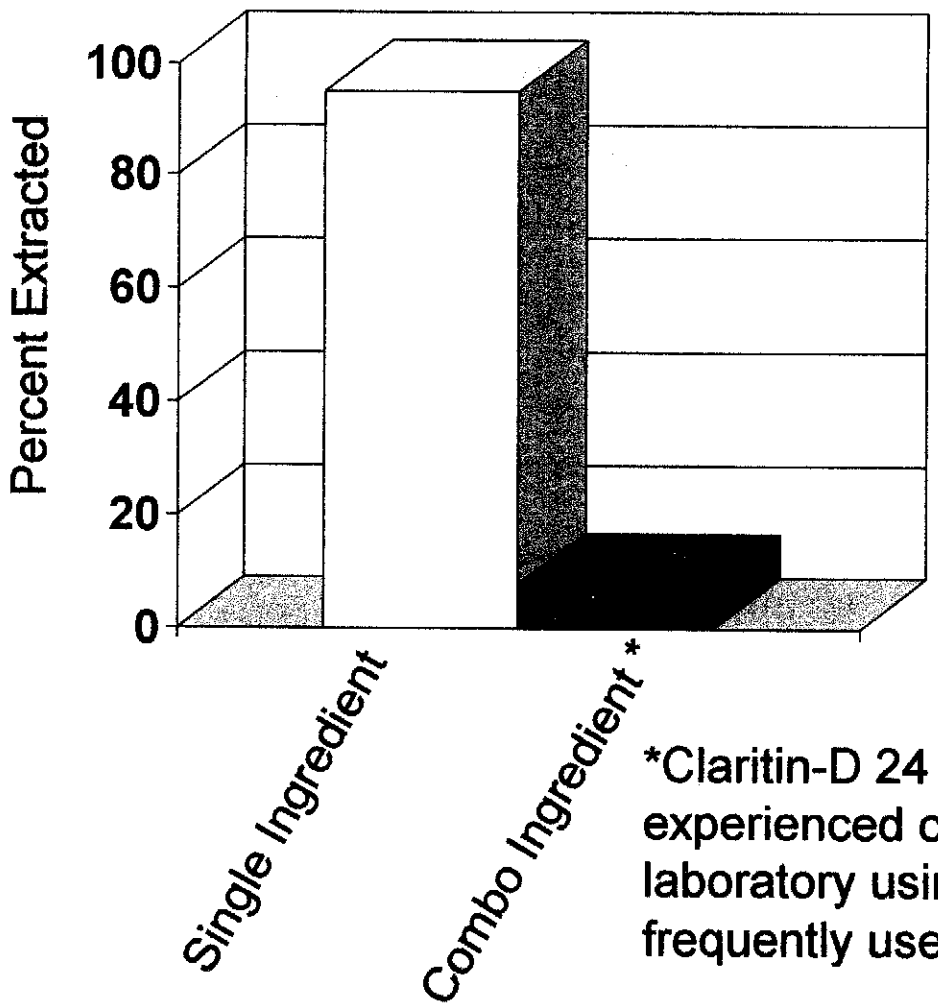
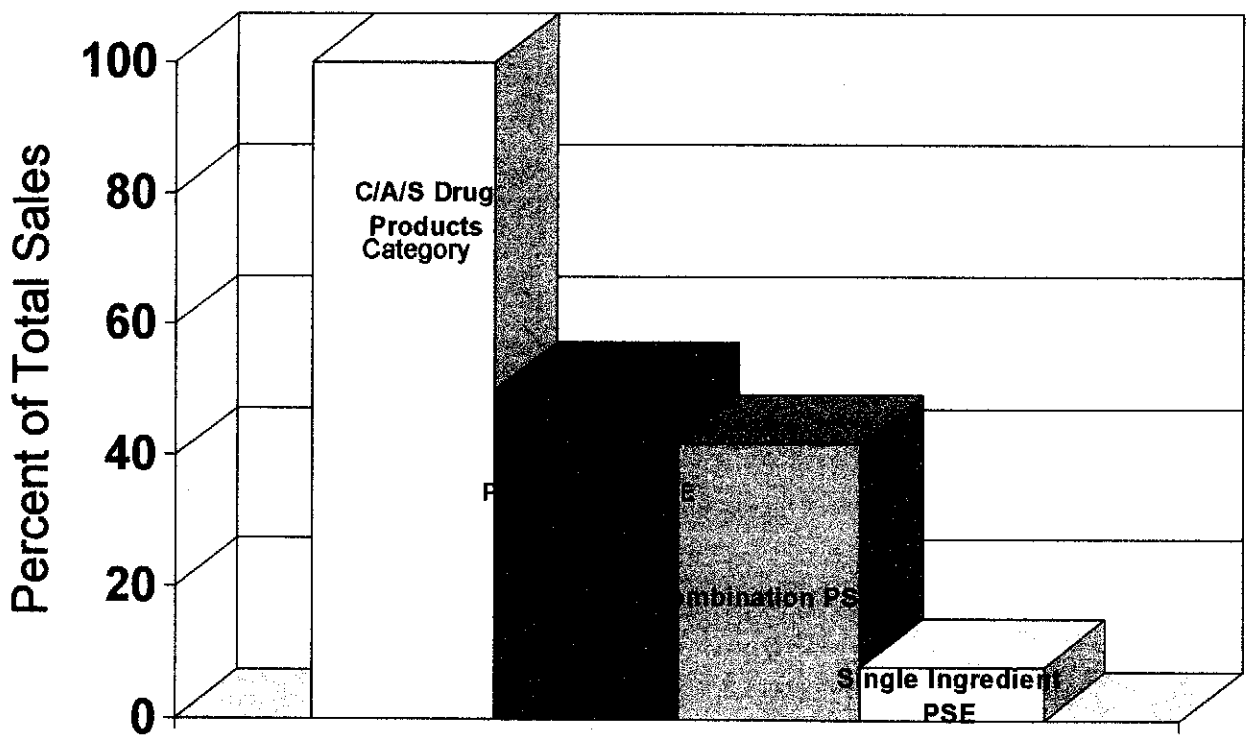


*Claritin-D 24 extracted by an experienced chemist in a pharmaceutical laboratory using the "UncleFester" method frequently used by meth cooks

Single Ingredient Pseudoephedrine Products are Small Part of Cold/Allergy/Sinus OTC Market but Are Predominant Products Found in Meth Labs



IRI Market Information, January 2005

Measures in place greatly deter theft and illicit purchase of PSE products

- Electronic sensor tagging of all Claritin-D and Drixoral Products
  - Approximately 80% of sales are in stores with electronic sensor systems
- All sales orders are carefully monitored
  - Suspicious orders identified and shipment refused

Combination Pseudoephedrine Products are **not** found in Meth Lab Seizures*

- Eight states thoroughly investigated
  - AZ, CA, GA, IL, NY, OK, TN, TX
- Interviews with local, state, and federal law enforcement officials
- Findings
  - Single ingredient pseudoephedrine products predominantly found in meth labs
  - Combination products in general not found and no Claritin-D products found

*Investigation conducted by national DEA Investigative consulting firm, February 2005