

Abstract

The main goal of this Bachelor's thesis is to map the context of psychedelic substance use and well-being. The theoretical part defines the concept of well-being including its basic predictors. It also defines classical psychedelics, presents the history and the present of psychedelic research, and describes the mechanism of the effect of these substances on humans including the risks associated with their use. The main part of this work summarizes the existing studies focused on examining the relationship between psychedelic substances and well-being, both in clinical studies on patients and healthy volunteers, and in observational studies dealing with the use of psychedelics in an uncontrolled environment. The empirical part contains a research proposal, which aims to compare the average values of well-being of users of these substances and non-users and to find out how users themselves evaluate psychedelic experience in relation to well-being and how important the safety of using these substances is for them.

Keywords

Well-being, psychedelics, psychedelic research, life satisfaction