

Dad's cocaine use may help protect son from addiction

Cocaine use may not make you a better dad, but it may make your son a bit more resistant to addiction, says a new study conducted on rats.

Compared with the pups of rats who got no cocaine, the male offspring of rats that were allowed to self-administer cocaine for two months behaved very differently under the influence of the drug. When they got repeated doses of cocaine, rats sired by undrugged fathers responded with an escalating frenzy of movement – in rats, a sign of incipient addiction. The male offspring of fathers who went on a two-month cocaine bender did not show the same increase in motor activity – an indication they were more resistant to the drug's rewarding effects.

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