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**Marijuana myth-smasher John Morgan joins co-conspirator Lynn Zimmer in the hereafter.**

Image from public domain. John P. Morgan, M.D., was a pharmacology professor and advocate for marijuana legalization. With the late Lynn Zimmer, he wrote *Marijuana Myths Marijuana Facts: A Review Of The Scientific Evidence* (Lindesmith Center), going head on against such myths as the notion that marijuana is a gateway to more harmful drugs. He passed away on February 15, 2008, nearly two years after his co-author and friend Lynn Zimmer died. In this YouTube video posted by the Drug Policy Alliance/Lindesmith Center, Dr. Morgan talks about marijuana's low level of harmfulness in relation to other drugs. As to drivers under the influence of marijuana, he believes they often slow down. Even if marijuana turned out to be very harmful, which he discounts, he would find that to be all the more a good reason to have marijuana -- along with all other drugs -- legalized, regulated, and better controlled through the market place, and removed from the dangers of the current illicit drug market. Jon Katz.

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