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## **Abstract**

Alcohol use has significant effects on behavior; these can be both acute (e.g., drunken comportment) and chronic (e.g., alcohol-induced depression). However, it is well established that there are large, individual differences in how drinkers react to alcohol. Additionally, different types of drinking contexts tend to elicit different effects and are associated with different harms. Consequently, characterizing the effects of alcohol consumption requires an understanding of the drinker and the drinking context, in addition to the drink (i.e., beverage alcohol) itself. © 2012 Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved.