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# Alpha-glucosidase inhibitor

National Diabetes Information Clearinghouse (NDIC)

## Definitions

### Type 2 diabetes

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### Carbohydrate

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### Blood glucose

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## Source

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A class of oral medicine for **type 2 diabetes** that slows down the digestion of foods high in **carbohydrate**, such as rice, bread, milk, and fruit. The result is a slower and lower rise in **blood glucose** after meals. (Generic names/Brand names: **acarbose/Precose; miglitol/Glyset**.)