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Desoximetasone

National Cancer Institute

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A synthetic glucocorticoid receptor agonist with metabolic, anti-inflammatory and immunosuppressive activity. Desoximetasone activates specific intracellular receptors, which bind to distinct sites on DNA to modify gene transcription. This results in an induction of the synthesis of anti-inflammatory proteins and suppression of the synthesis of inflammatory mediators. This leads to an overall reduction in chronic inflammation and autoimmune reactions. Desoximetasone is indicated for the relief of the inflammatory and pruritic manifestations of corticosteroid-responsive dermatoses.