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# Antibodies

National Diabetes Information Clearinghouse (NDIC)

## Definitions

### Protein

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### Type 1 diabetes

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### Insulin

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### Beta cell

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**Proteins** made by the body to protect itself from foreign substances such as bacteria or viruses. People get **type 1 diabetes** when their bodies make antibodies that destroy the body's own **insulin**-making **beta cells**.