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LDL cholesterol

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Definitions

Cholesterol

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Fat

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Artery

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Stands for low-density lipoprotein **cholesterol**; a **fat** found in the blood that takes cholesterol around the body to where it is needed for cell repair and also deposits it on the inside of **artery** walls. Sometimes called “bad” cholesterol.