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# Glimepiride

National Diabetes Information Clearinghouse (NDIC)

## Definitions

### Insulin

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### Pancreas

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### Blood glucose

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### Type 2 diabetes

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### Sulfonylurea

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## Source

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An oral medicine used to treat **type 2 diabetes**. Glimepiride lowers **blood glucose** by helping the **pancreas** make more **insulin** and by helping the body better use the insulin it makes. Glimepiride belongs to the class of medicines called **sulfonylureas**. (Brand name: **Amaryl**.)