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Niacin-based Antilipidemic Agent

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Source

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An antilipidemic agent that works through, or mimics, the action of niacin to increase HDL-C levels by blocking hepatic uptake of apolipoprotein A-1 and decreasing HDL clearance. The use of free niacin is limited by its side effects of skin flushing (i.e., redness, itching, burning, and paresthesias).