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Sennosides

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Anthraquinone glycosides found in senna plant, usually referring to the sennosides A and B, with laxative activity. Sennosides act on and irritate the lining of the intestine wall, thereby causing increased intestinal muscle contractions leading to vigorous bowel movement.