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Tolbutamide

National Diabetes Information Clearinghouse (NDIC)

Definitions

Sulfonylurea

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Insulin

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Pancreas

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Blood glucose

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Type 2 diabetes

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An oral medicine used to treat **type 2 diabetes**. Tolbutamide lowers **blood glucose** by helping the **pancreas** make more **insulin** and by helping the body better use the insulin it makes. Tolbutamide belongs to the class of medicines called **sulfonylureas**. (Available only in generic form.)