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# Immunosuppressant

National Diabetes Information Clearinghouse (NDIC)

## Definitions

### Immune system

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### Transplant

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### Autoimmune disease

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## Source

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A drug given to stop the natural responses of the body's [immune system](#). Immunosuppressants are given to prevent organ rejection in people who have received organ [transplants](#) and to patients with [autoimmune diseases](#).