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# Onset

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## Definitions

### Insulin

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### Blood glucose level

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### Diabetes

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In referring to [insulin](#), how soon the insulin starts to lower [blood glucose levels](#) after it is taken. Onset may also refer to the time when a person's [diabetes](#) began.