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Octreotide

Approved human use · product-specific labels.



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KEEP IN MIND Evidence applies to the studied formulation, route, population and outcome—not every product sharing a name.

01 What is it?

Octreotide mimics somatostatin, a hormone that restrains several other hormones and digestive secretions. Its established uses include selected patients with acromegaly and control of severe diarrhea or flushing in particular hormone-secreting tumor syndromes. It does not simply reset all hormones. [1]

02 Potential benefits

Suppresses selected hormone and gastrointestinal secretions. Has established uses in acromegaly and certain neuroendocrine settings. [1]

03 Evidence & its limits

Suppressing secretions has trade-offs: gallstones, altered blood glucose, gastrointestinal problems, and cardiac conduction effects can occur. Symptom control in a hormone-secreting tumor is a different outcome from curing the underlying cancer. [1]

04 Risks & unknowns

Gastrointestinal symptoms, gallstones, glucose changes, and cardiac effects can occur. It is not a universal hormone-balancing treatment. [1]

05 Status & scope

Approved human use · product-specific labels. Read the full record for product, formulation and indication-specific status; a biological role or measured response is not a treatment approval. [1]

06 The question to ask

Does the evidence match the exact product, route, condition and outcome being discussed? Check the full record and its review dates. This summary is selective; the product label and clinical assessment contain additional warnings and contraindications.

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[1] Full evidence record, references and review dates
[2] FDA Drugs@FDA database
[3] MedlinePlus: medication-specific uses and precautions
[4] SANDOSTATIN injection prescribing information

Selective educational summary, not treatment or dosing advice. Existing profile review dates retained; no independent clinical review.