

QUIZ

Learning medicine through riddles

Each riddle is an autobiography of a drug. Name it.

1. My US and UK names differ
Those bothered by sulfa may suffer
I'm sequestered at the site of action
Weight gain is my adverse reaction

2. I'm polypeptide in nature
Sourced from a poisonous creature
I mimic the gut hormone in action
Pancreatitis my serious reaction

3. I got into the limelight by
Modulating gene expression
But peripheral edema
Created a bad first impression
Raised liver enzymes just
Added fuel to the flame
Cardiovascular events
On the increase made me lame

4. I am extracted from a goat's rue
After just one month's therapy,
My benefit is due
Anorexia is my beneficial side-effect
Dose division will lessen
My main adverse effect

5. Named after my structural modification
A common metabolic
Disorder my indication
I'm very rapid in action
And least variable in absorption

6. Born in 19th century for gout
But later served a different bout
Tiny in structure; tardy in action
Hypothyroidism and
Tremor my adverse reactions

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Answers

1. Glibenclamide/Glyburide
2. Exenatide
3. Rosiglitazone
4. Metformin
5. Insulin lispro
6. Lithium

