

Section XI – Endocrine System

The endocrine system consists of glands that help to produce hormones that go into the blood stream.

<u>Medical Word</u>	<u>Meaning</u>
<u>Combining Form</u>	
acr/o	extremities
aden/o	glands
adrenal/o, adren/o	adrenal glands
anter/o	front, anterior
poster/o	posterior, back, behind
pancreat/o	pancreas
thyroid/o, thyr/o	thyroid
thym/o	thymus
ur/o	urine
gluc/o, glyc/o	glucose, sugar
lith/o	stone

Suffixes

-genesis, gen	producing, forming
-ism	condition
-cele	hernia, swelling
-megaly	enlargement
-edema	swelling
-lith	stone
-lysis	destruction, separation, loosening
-dipsia	thirst

Prefixes

hyper-	excessive
hypo-	under, below

Medical Terms

Thyroid gland (thyroid/o)

- hyper/thyroid/ism – condition of excessive secretion of the thyroid gland
- thyroid/o/tomy – incision of the thyroid gland
- thyroid/ectomy – excision of the thyroid gland

Pancreas (pancreat/o)

- pancreat/oma – tumor of the pancreas
- pancreat/o/lith – stone in the pancreas
- pancreat/o/pathy – disease of the pancreas

Sugar, glucose (gluc/o, glyc/o)

- glyc/o/gen – producing sugar
- hyper/glyc/emia – excessive amount of glucose in the blood

Diabetes – disease characterized by excessive urination and high blood sugar. Insulin is used to reduce the amount of glucose.

polyuria – excessive urination

poly/dipsia – excessive thirst

Abbreviations

IDDM	insulin dependent diabetes mellitus
NIIDM	non- insulin dependent diabetes mellitus
I&O	intake and output
ETOH	alcohol

Worksheet – Section XI – Endocrine System

Complete the following matching.

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|----------------------|-----------------------|
| _____ 1. acr/o | A. abnormal condition |
| _____ 2. aden/o | B. back, behind |
| _____ 3. anter/o | C. blood |
| _____ 4. dermat/o | D. calcium |
| _____ 5. hidr/o | E. extremities |
| _____ 6. poster/o | F. fixation |
| _____ 7. hypo- | G. front |
| _____ 8. thyroid/o | H. gland |
| _____ 9. toxic/o | I. many, much |
| _____ 10. -uria | J. near, besides |
| _____ 11. neur/o | K. nerve |
| _____ 12. radi/o | L. pancreas |
| _____ 13. -lith | M. producing, forming |
| _____ 14. -emia | N. poison |
| _____ 15. -gen | O. radiation, x-ray |
| _____ 16. -iasis | P. skin |
| _____ 17. para- | Q. stone, calculus |
| _____ 18. poly- | R. sweat |
| _____ 19. gluc/o | S. sugar |
| _____ 20. -dipsia | T. thyroid gland |
| _____ 21. calc/o | U. thirst |
| _____ 22. -pexy | V. urination |
| _____ 23. pancreat/o | W. under, below |

Define the following terms.

24. acr/o/megaly –
25. adren/al –
26. hyper/calc/emia –
27. hypo/glyc/emia –
28. thym/o/lysis –
29. thyroid/ectomy –
30. thyr/o/toxic –
31. glucos/uria –
32. aden/oma –
33. adrenal/ectomy –
34. poly/dipsia

Vocabulary

35. insulin tolerance test –
36. fasting blood sugar –
37. diabetes mellitus –