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The Effect of Insulin-like Growth Factor on Wool Production

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Insulin-like growth factor 1 (IGF1)

- IGF1 mediates the action of GH
 - endocrine and paracrine/autocrine actions
 - can improve protein metabolism when the animal is in a catabolic state
 - rarely affects wool production
 - has little effect on skin metabolism



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Insulin-like growth factors (IGF) and follicle growth



- Direct effect of IGF1
- IGF BPs located in dermal papilla
- May affect bulb and papilla function
- IGF2 (100ng/ml)
 needed to return
 follicle growth to +
 insulin (10µg/ml)
 levels

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