

New diabetes drug may help children

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The clinical trial of a drug for the Type-1 diabetes is currently going on in Jaipur. The drug, if successful, will help in improving the lives of the kids suffering from this ailment. This drug will also reduce a kid's dependence on insulin injections. Along with Jaipur, similar trial of the drug is going on in 10 others cities of the country and many parts of the world.

Type1 diabetes is an auto-immune disease that results in destruction of insulin-producing beta cells of the pancreas. Thus far, such destruction has been permanent, but there is speculation that reversing the immune system malfunction may allow recovery of beta cell function, says Dr Sailesh Lodha, endocrinologist, who is associated with the trials.