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Medicine
Laetrile flops — A nationwide search has turned up only six cancer patients whose conditions improved after being treated with laetrile. "We cannot dismiss the possibility that the six patients responded to laetrile," researchers wrote in the New England Journal of Medicine, but this "in no way allows us to draw this conclusion."

Insulin synthesized— A research team working at the City of Hope National Medical Center near Los Angeles has announced that they have produced human insulin in the lab. Their technique involves splicing genes together in certain bacteria, and if it is successful, it will be the first production of a human hormone in a laboratory.

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