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- 7) **Proteins** bind to the hormones and allow it to secrete the correct amount.
- 8) Once hormone levels reach the correct amount, **body mechanisms** step in to control the hormone **secretion**.
- 9) Negative Feedback System: when a gland senses there is an elevated level of a hormone and begins to decrease secretion.