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Large, meaty organ that sits on the right side of the belly. ... The liver also detoxifies chemicals and metabolizes drugs. As it does so, the liver secretes bile that ends up back in the intestines. The liver also makes proteins important for blood clotting and other functions.

The anterior pituitary is one of only two sites in the body having a portal circulation (the other being the liver).

Insulin-like growth factor-1 (IGF-1) (formerly known as somatomedin-C) is the protein secreted primarily by the liver in response to GH that is responsible for most of GH's systemic effects.

Many cases blamed on steroids may instead be due to alcohol use, cigarette smoking, liver disease, underlying vascular inflammation...

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