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n.

A biologically active polypeptide, consisting of nine amino acids, that forms from a blood plasma globulin and mediates the inflammatory response, increases vasodilation, and causes contraction of smooth muscle.

[[BRADY-](#) + Greek *kīnein*, to move; see [keia-](#) [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#) + [-IN.](#)]

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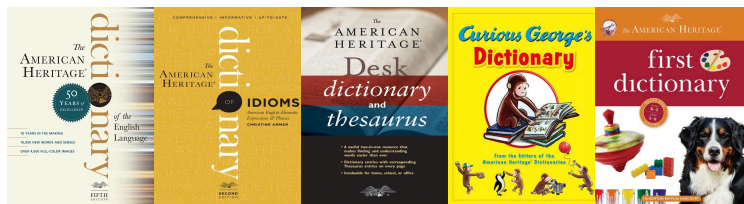
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