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## target [tahr'get]

1. an object or area toward which something is directed.
2. the area of the anode of an x-ray tube where the electron beam collides, causing the emission of x-rays.
3. a cell or organ that is affected by a particular agent, such as a hormone or drug.

**target (omaha)** in the [OMAHA SYSTEM](#), on the second level of the [INTERVENTION SCHEME](#), any of the 62 objects of [nursing INTERVENTIONS](#); the target serves to further describe an intervention. See also target DEFINITION.

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## tar·get (tar'gět),

1. An object fixed as goal or point of examination.

See also: [x-ray](#).

2. In the ophthalmometer, the mire.

See also: [x-ray](#).

- 3.

See also: [x-ray](#). Synonym(s): [target organ](#)

4. Anode of an x-ray tube.

See also: [x-ray](#).[It. *targhetta*, a small shield]

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## target /tar·get/ (tahr'gět)

1. an object or area toward which something is directed, such as the area of the anode of an x-ray tube where the electron beam collides, causing the emission of x-rays.
2. a cell or organ that is affected by a particular agent, e.g., a hormone or drug.

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## target (tär'gīt)

*n.*

1. A usually metal part in an x-ray tube on which a beam of electrons is focused and from which x-rays are emitted.
2. *Biochemistry* A molecule or molecular structure, such as a protein or a nucleic acid, that a drug or other compound interacts with and modulates the activity of.

*tr.v.* **tar·geted, tar·geting, tar·gets***Biochemistry* To interact with as a target: *drugs that target estrogen receptors.*

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**tar'get·a·ble** (-gĭ-tə-bəl) *adj.*

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## target

[tär'git]

Etymology: OFr, *targuete*, small shield

- 1 any object area subjected to bombardment by radioactive particles or another form of diagnostic or therapeutic radiation.
- 2 a device used to contain stable materials and subsequent radioactive materials during bombardment by high-energy nuclei from a cyclotron or other particle accelerator.
- 3 the part of the anode struck by electrons in an x-ray tube.

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## TARGET Cardiology

Do Tirofiban And ReoPro Give similar Efficacy Trial. A trial comparing safety and efficacy of abciximab/ReoPro and tirofiban/Aggrastat in the context of stent placement/percutaneous coronary intervention.

### Conclusion

Endpoints: death, acute myocardial infarction (MI), urgent revascularisation occurred in 7.6% of tirofiban patients vs 6.0% of abciximab patients.

### Rheumatology

Therapeutic Arthritis Research & Gastrointestinal Event Trial. A trial comparing the GI safety of Prexige (lumiracoxib) with ibuprofen and naproxen; a secondary endpoint was cardiovascular safety.

### Conclusion

The primary endpoint, including incidence of MI, did not differ between lumiracoxib and either ibuprofen or naproxen, irrespective of aspirin use.

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**target** *adjective* Pertaining to a lesion or radiologic finding in which there are  $\geq 3$  relatively well-circumscribed, concentrically arranged annular patterns or radiodensities *noun* Imaging The molecular defect that is examined in molecular imaging. See CT/PET, [Molecular imaging](#). Cf [Probe](#).

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5. In molecular diagnostic assays, the nucleic acid species being studied. The target is single-stranded and complementary to primers and/or probes.

[It. *targhetta*, a small shield]

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## target

A pattern or an object of fixation such as a red dot or an optotype. See [optotype](#).

Millodot: Dictionary of Optometry and Visual Science, 7th edition. © 2009 Butterworth-Heinemann

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## target,

*n* the small tungsten block, embedded in the face of the anode, that is bombarded by electrons from the cathode in a radiographic tube.

### target cell,

*n* **1.** also called

*leptocyte*, an abnormal red blood cell characterized by a densely stained center surrounded by a pale, unstained ring that is encircled by a dark, irregular band. **2.** a cell having a specific receptor that reacts with a specific hormone, antigen, antibody, antibiotic, sensitized T cell, or other substance.

### target group,

*n* a set of persons who serve as the focal point for a particular program or service. This is a smaller sample than the target population.

### target organ,

*n* **1.** an organ intended to receive a therapeutic dose of irradiation.

**2.** an organ intended to receive the greatest concentration of a diagnostic radioactive tracer.

### target population,

*n* all individuals belonging to a certain group who have a distinct set of qualities.

### target symptoms,

*n.pl* symptoms of an illness that are most likely to respond to a specific treatment.

### target-film distance (TFD),

*n* See [distance](#), [target-film](#); [source-film distance](#).

### target-object distance (TOD),

*n* See [source-object distance](#).

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## target

1. an object or area toward which something is directed, e.g. target animal, population, level or nucleotide sequence.
2. the area of the anode of an x-ray tube where the electron beam collides causing the emission of x-rays.
3. a cell or organ that is affected by a particular agent, e.g. a hormone or drug.

### target cell

see target [cell](#).

### target-film distance

the distance from the target of the x-ray tube and the plane of the x-ray film.

### target lesion

skin lesion consisting of annular or arciform areas of erythema with central pigmentation. Associated with bacterial hypersensitivity and seborrheic dermatitis. Called also bull's eye lesion.

### performance target

in herd health programs target performances are set up in a number of production and health functions in order to provide an incentive and give some measure of performance other than an absolute one. This enables farmers to be rated on their effective performance in spite of the great variations that can occur between them in basic resources.

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## Patient discussion about target

**Q. Does good and healthy diet helps in achieving the target besides regular exercises?** I am planning to join a gym to have a good physique, especially to get six pack abs. I think I need to work hard to develop muscles. I have kept my targets for a year to get them. My instructor has told me that he will guide me to make a really good looking abs. Does good and healthy diet helps in achieving the target besides regular exercises?

**A.** My experiences is that I missed to have a right diet and I lost my strength in the mid. This made me weak. And I lost all muscles very quickly. My targets were not to built abs but weight reduction. I stopped having one meal. I got slim but with lost energy. To make things worse I was having beverages. I did not notice that my health has deteriorated to a great extent. This was due to the passion to lose weight. So you keep your targets with low passion and with flexibility. Keep taking good diet and go slow and steady.

[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XZGgeGHU1Bs&eurl=http://www.imedix.com/health\\_community/vXZGgeGHU1Bs\\_nutrient\\_density\\_key\\_good?q=diet%20good&feature=player\\_embedded](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XZGgeGHU1Bs&eurl=http://www.imedix.com/health_community/vXZGgeGHU1Bs_nutrient_density_key_good?q=diet%20good&feature=player_embedded)

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