

# Focusing on the Use of GLP-1s in Treating MASH & Fatty Liver Disease

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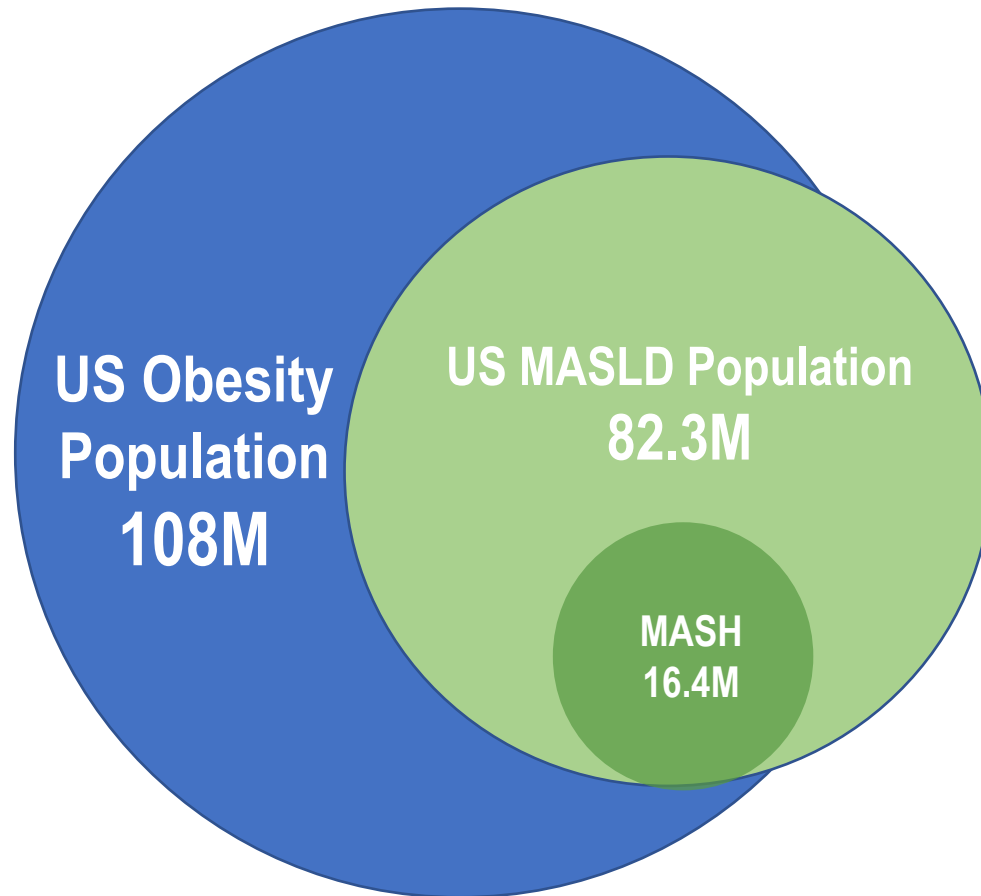
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# OBESITY AND FATTY LIVER DISEASE

DISEASES WITH UNMET NEED APPROACHING EPIDEMIC PROPORTIONS



The recent successes of semaglutide (Wegovy<sup>®</sup>) and tirzepatide (Mounjaro<sup>®</sup>) have created optimism for other incretin-based therapies

- ▶ GLP-1/GCG dual receptor agonists
- ▶ GLP-1/ amylin combination agents
- ▶ GLP-1/GIP mAb
- ▶ Oral GLP-1 monotherapies

GLP-1: glucagon-like peptide-1  
GCG: glucagon  
mAB: monoclonal Ab

Hales CM et al. NCHS Data Brief. 2020 Feb;(360):1-8. PMID: 32487284.

Younossi ZM et al. Gut. 2020 Mar;69(3):564-568.

<https://liverfoundation.org/liver-diseases/fatty-liver-disease/nonalcoholic-steatohepatitis-nash/>

# OBESITY-RELATED CO-MORBIDITIES ARE THE MOST FREQUENT CAUSE OF DEATH IN PATIENTS WITH MASLD

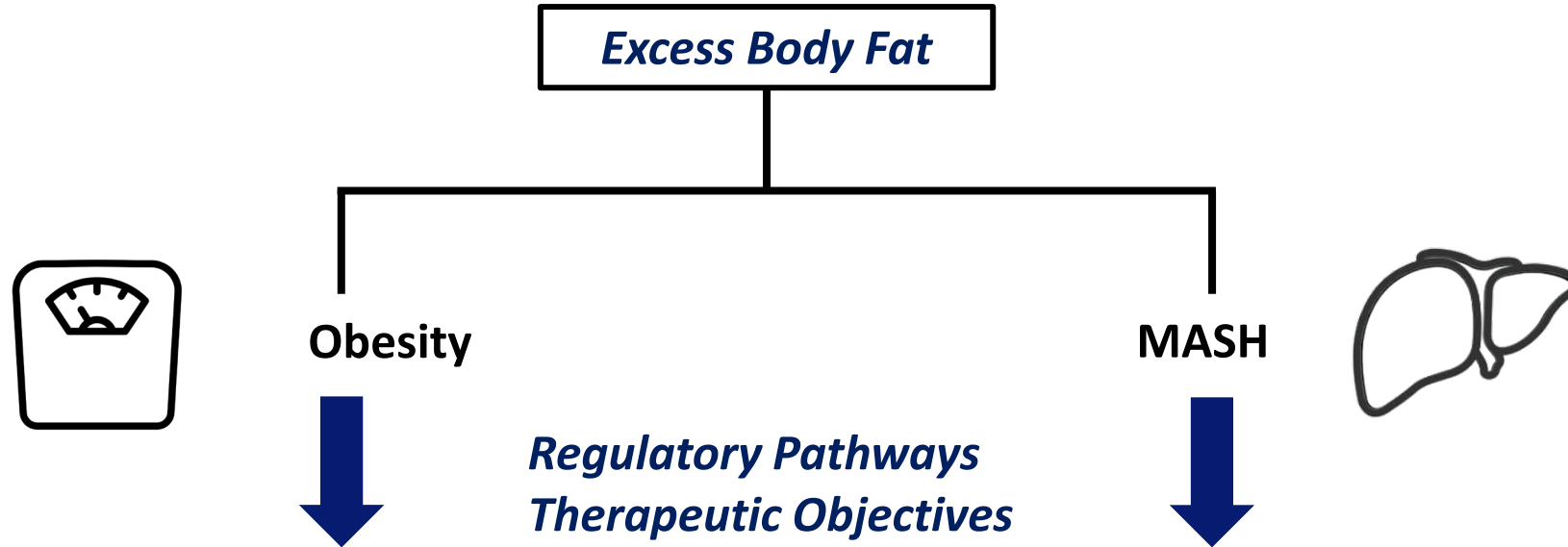
Outcome	n (%)
Death or liver transplantation	193 (100.0)
Cardiovascular disease	74 (38.3)
Non-liver cancer	36 (18.7)
Cirrhosis complications	15 (7.8)
Infections	15 (7.8)
HCC	2 (1.0)
Liver transplantation	1 (0.5)
Other	35 (18.1)
Unknown	15 (7.8)

619 patients with biopsy confirmed MASH

Median follow-up 12.6 years (range 0.3-35)

# OBESITY AND MASH SYNERGIES

DISTINCT REGULATORY PATHWAYS BUT SIMILAR THERAPEUTIC OBJECTIVES



- **Reduce body weight**
- Improve serum lipid profile
- Reduce cardiovascular risk factors

- **Reduce liver fat**
- Reduce liver inflammation
- Reduce body weight

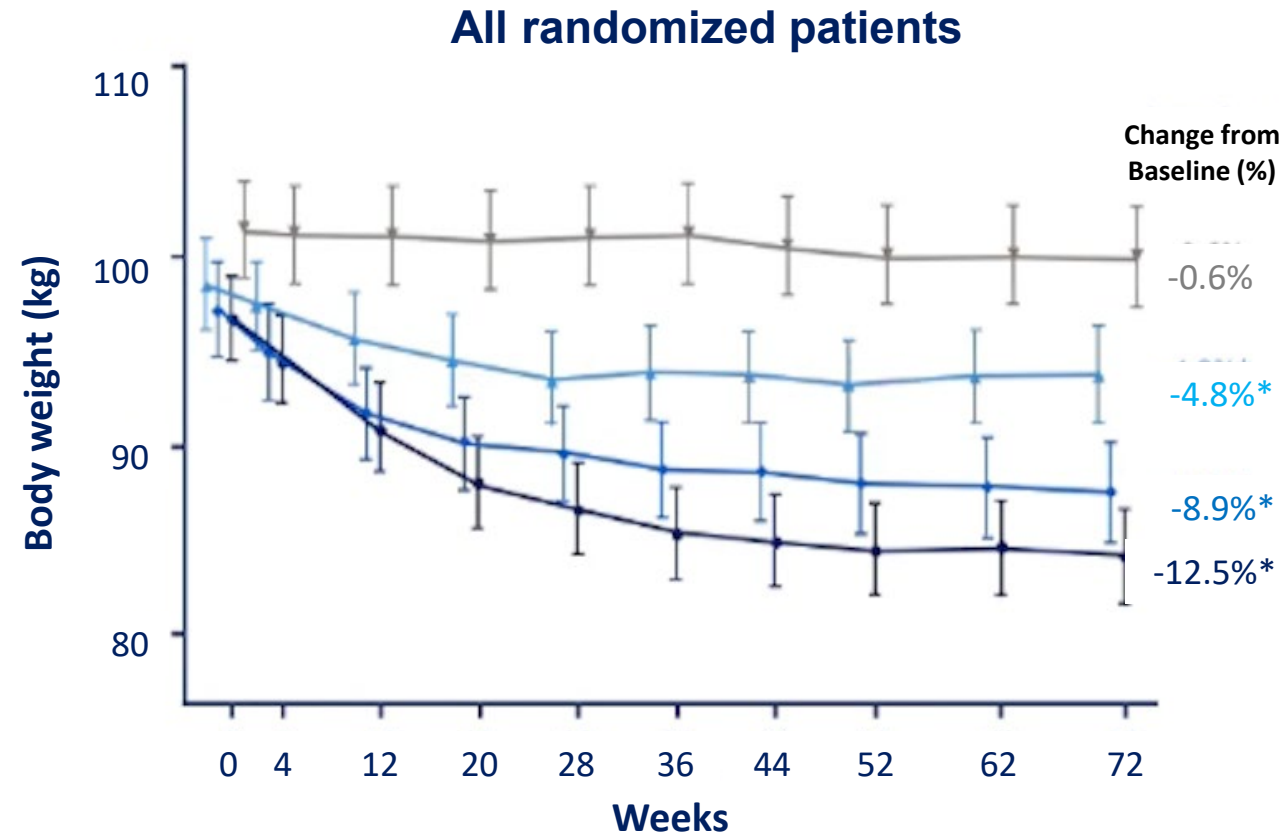
# NON-INCRETIN AGENTS FAIL TO ACHIEVE MEANINGFUL WEIGHT LOSS

SNAPSHOT OF COMPOUNDS IN ADVANCED MASH DEVELOPMENT

Agent	Mechanism	Change in Body Weight	MASH Resolution	Fibrosis Improvement
Obeticholic acid	FXR agonist	-2%	No	Yes
Resmetirom	THR $\beta$ agonist	no change	Yes	Yes
Lanifibranor (1200 mg)	PanPPAR	+3.1%	Yes	Yes
Efruxifermin (70 mg)	FGF21 agonist	-2.6%	Yes	Yes

# SEMAGLUTIDE—WEIGHT LOSS IN PHASE 2 MASH CLINICAL TRIAL

SUBJECTS WITH AND WITHOUT DIABETES

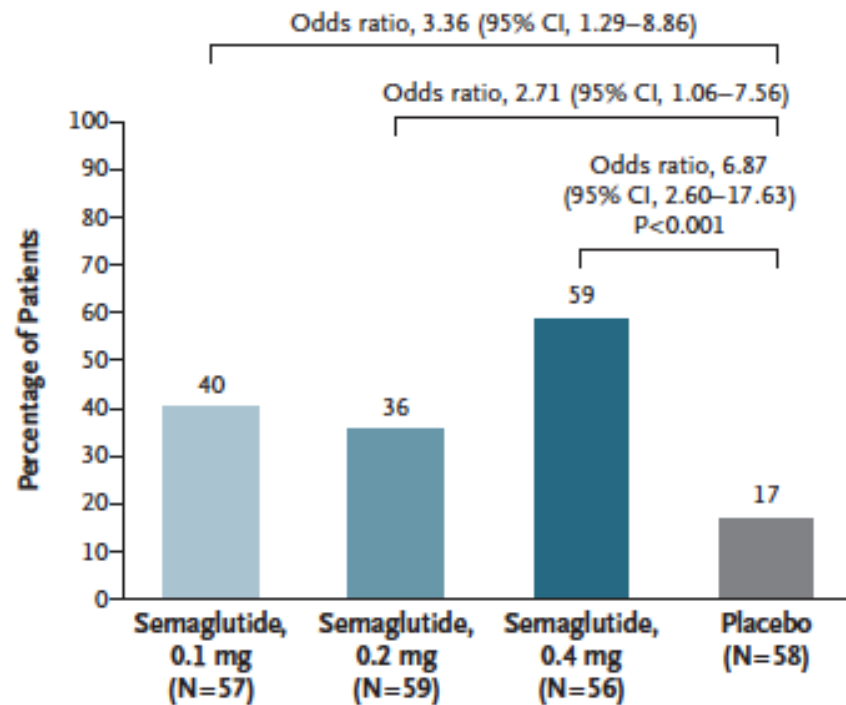


 Semaglutide 0.1 mg/day       Semaglutide 0.2 mg/day       Semaglutide 0.4 mg/day       Placebo

# SEMAGLUTIDE—MASH RESOLUTION WITHOUT FIBROSIS IMPROVEMENT

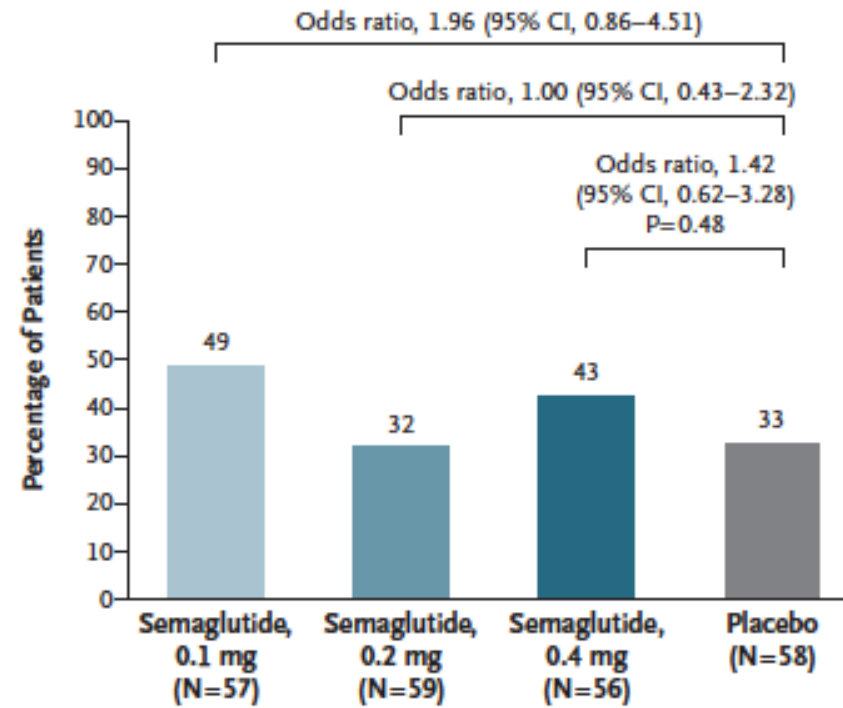
RESULTS OF A 68-WEEK, PHASE 2, MULTICENTER TRIAL

### MASH Resolution



Weekly dose            0.7 mg            1.4 mg            2.8 mg

### Fibrosis Improvement



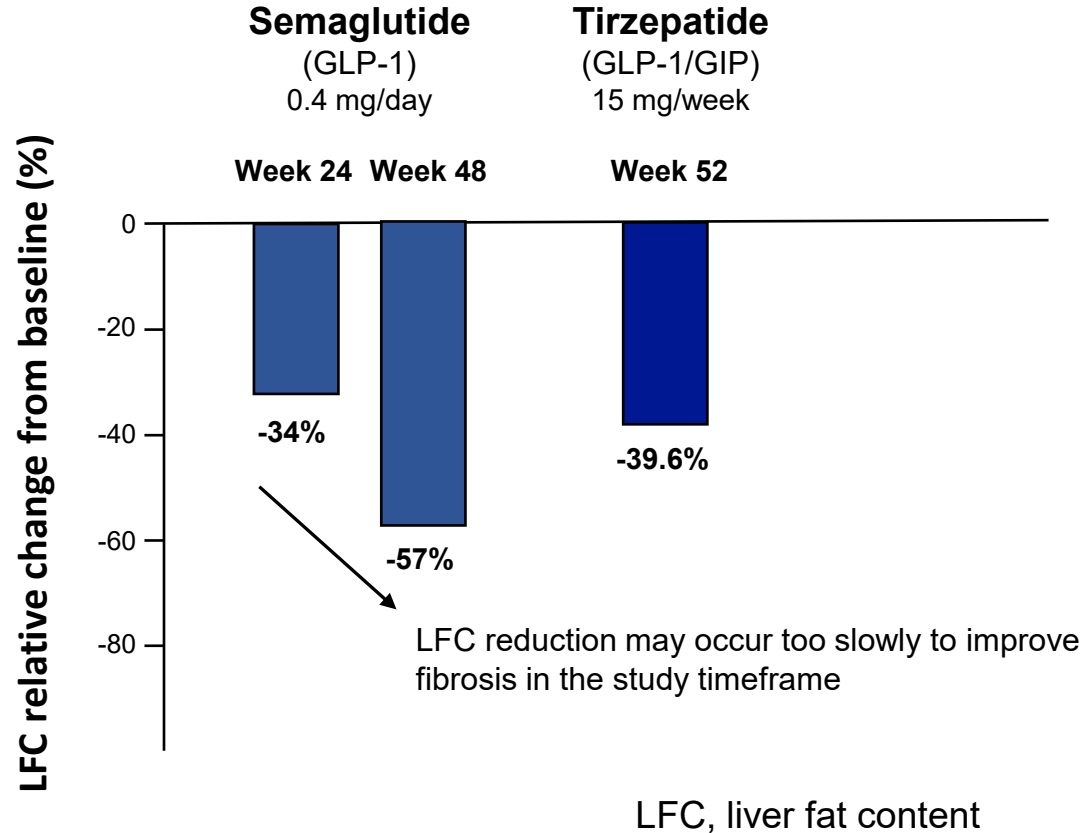
Weekly dose            0.7 mg            1.4 mg            2.8 mg

Newsome, NEJM 2020; Nov 13. doi: 10.1056/NEJMoa2028395



# GLP-1 AND GIP AGENTS DISPLAY UNIMPRESSIVE EFFECTS ON LIVER FAT CONTENT

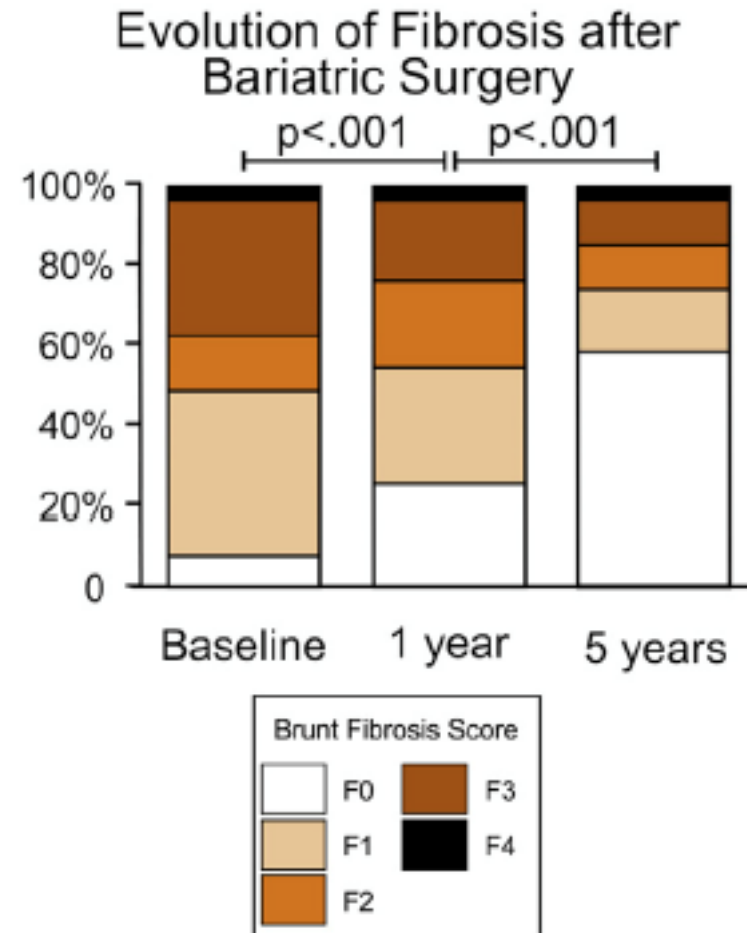
ABSENCE OF GLP-1 AND GIP RECEPTORS IN LIVER



Flint, Aliment Pharm Ther 2021; Gastadelli, Lancet Diabetes Endocrinol 2022; Harrison, AASLD 2022

# THE IMPACT OF WEIGHT LOSS ON LIVER FIBROSIS MAY BE SLOW

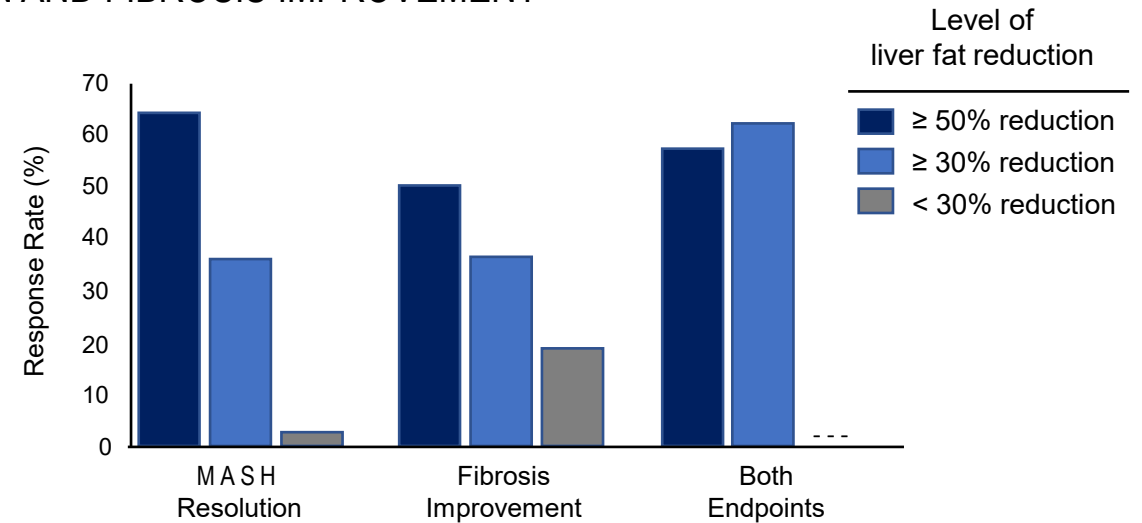
IMPROVEMENT ON FIBROSIS MAY TAKE AS LONG 5 YEARS IN THE ABSENCE OF DIRECT LIVER EFFECTS



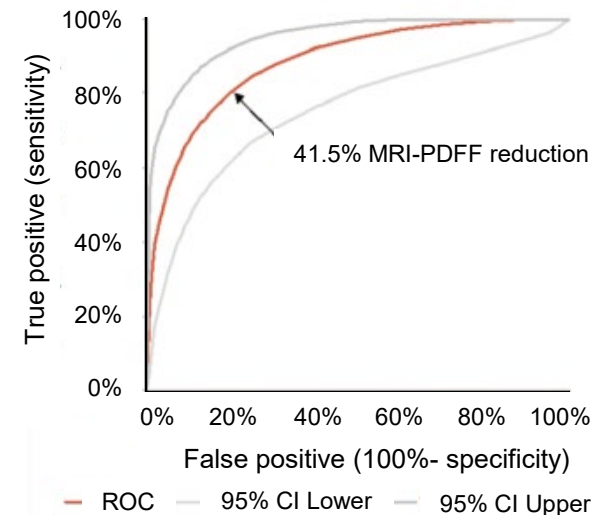
# LIVER FAT REDUCTION IMPROVES OUTCOMES ON LIVER BIOPSY

GREATER REDUCTIONS LEAD TO HIGHER RATES OF MASH RESOLUTION AND FIBROSIS IMPROVEMENT

- 30% and 50% reductions in liver fat content were associated with higher rates of MASH resolution and fibrosis improvement
- 41.5% liver fat reduction was identified on ROC analysis as the cutoff for achieving MASH resolution



Receiver Operating Characteristic (ROC)



Adapted from Loomba, European Association for the Study of the Liver, International Liver Conference, 2020, analysis of Phase 2 resmetirom study (Harrison SA, Lancet 2019)

# FIBROSIS IMPROVEMENT DRIVEN BY LIVER FAT REDUCTION

EFFECTS ARE INDEPENDENT OF MECHANISM

## Agents with Direct Effects on Liver - Fibrosis Improvement Achieved

Compound	Dose	Mechanism	Liver Fat Reduction	Duration of Treatment	Fibrosis Improvement		
					Treatment	Placebo	Δ
Resmetirom	100 mg QD	THR-β	48%	52 weeks	26%*	14%	12%
Pegozafermin	44 mg Q2W	FGF21	54%	24 weeks	27%*	7%	20%
Efruxifermin	50 mg QW	FGF21	64%	24 weeks	41%*	20%	21%
<b>Pemvidutide</b>	1.8 mg QW	GLP-1/GCG	<b>75%</b>	24 weeks	TBD	TBD	TBD

## Agents with Indirect Effects on Liver - Fibrosis Improvement Not Achieved

Compound	Dose	Mechanism	Liver Fat Reduction	Duration of Treatment	Fibrosis Improvement		
					Treatment	Placebo	Δ
Semaglutide	0.4 mg QD	GLP-1	30-35% <sup>1</sup>	72 weeks	43%	33%	10%

\* p < 0.05    <sup>1</sup> Estimated at Week 24

**Good established correlation between Liver Fat Reduction and fibrosis improvement...  
Pemvidutide clearly demonstrates its promise to be superior**

# GLP-1/GLUCAGON DUAL RECEPTOR AGONISTS

Optimized for weight loss and MASH

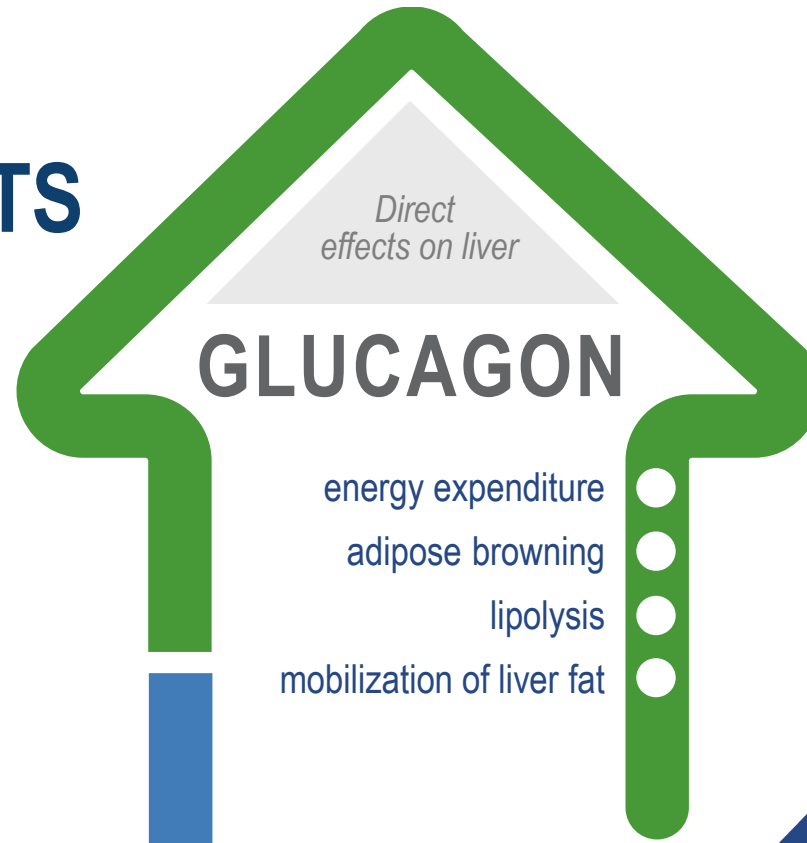
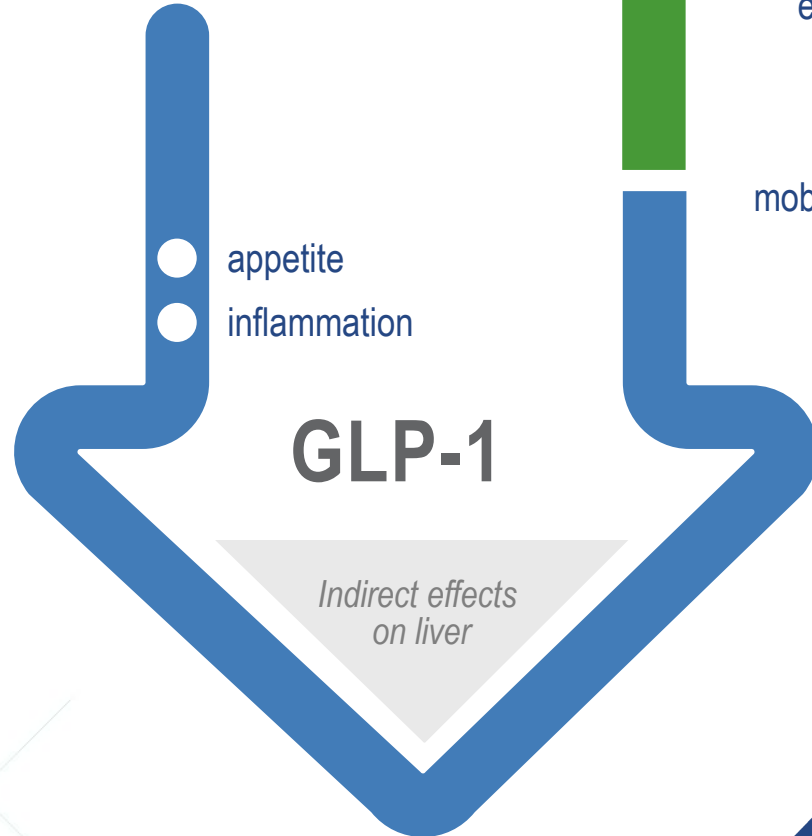
Designed for significant reductions in:



**BODY WEIGHT**



**LIVER FAT, INFLAMMATION, & RESULTING FIBROSIS**

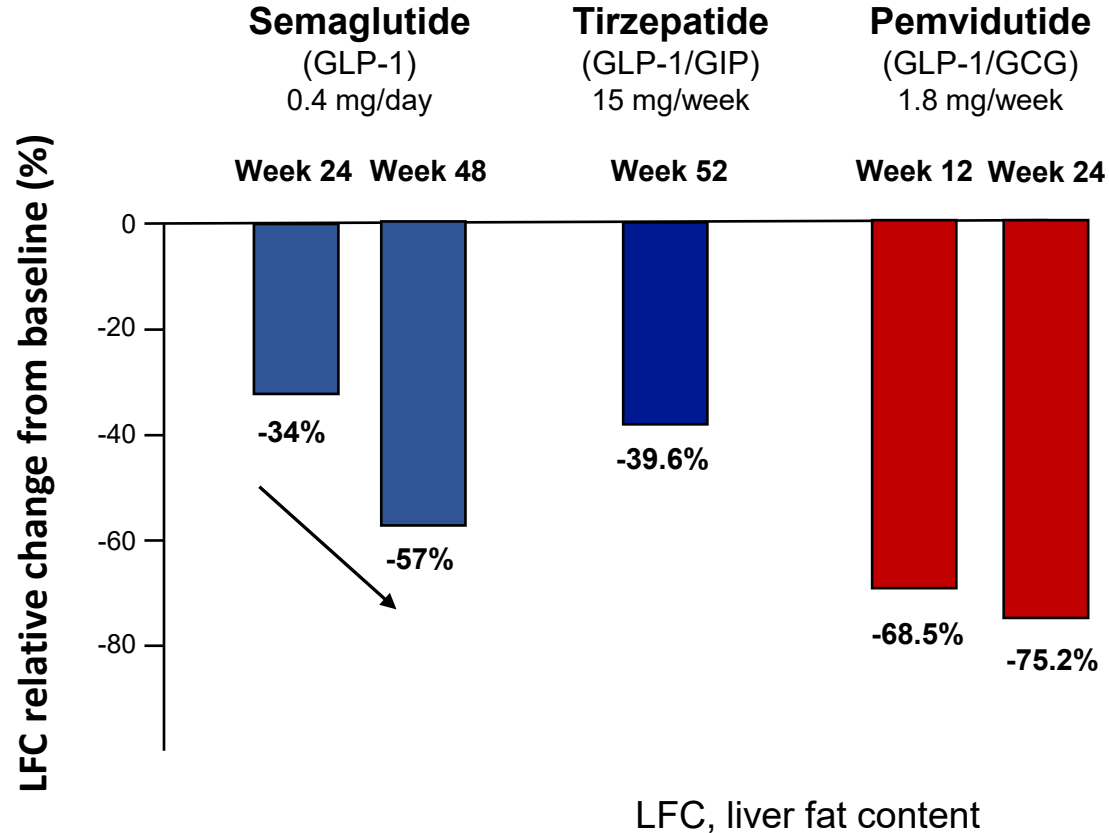


**MIMICS**



# GLUCAGON AGENTS EXERT RAPID AND POTENT EFFECTS ON LIVER FAT CONTENT

REFLECT THE PRESENCE OF RECEPTORS IN LIVER

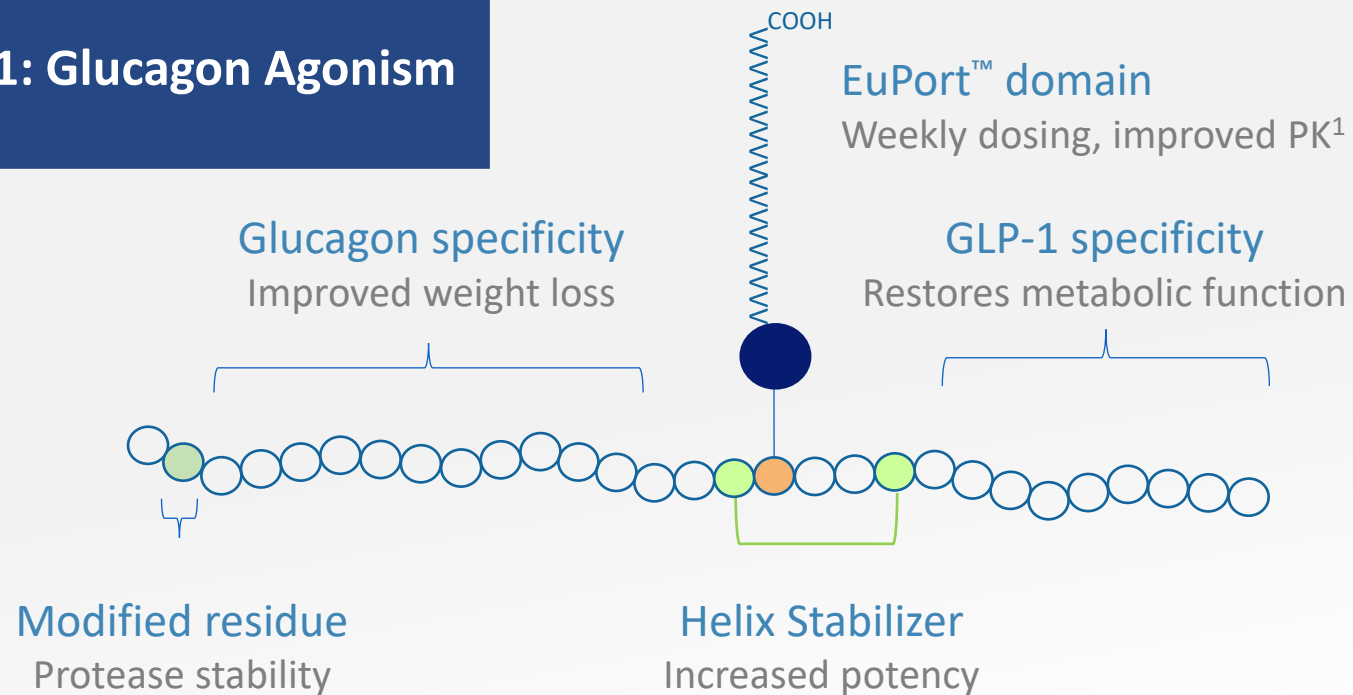


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# PEMVIDUTIDE

BALANCED AGONIST WITH PROLONGED SERUM HALF-LIFE AND DELAYED TIME TO PEAK CONCENTRATION

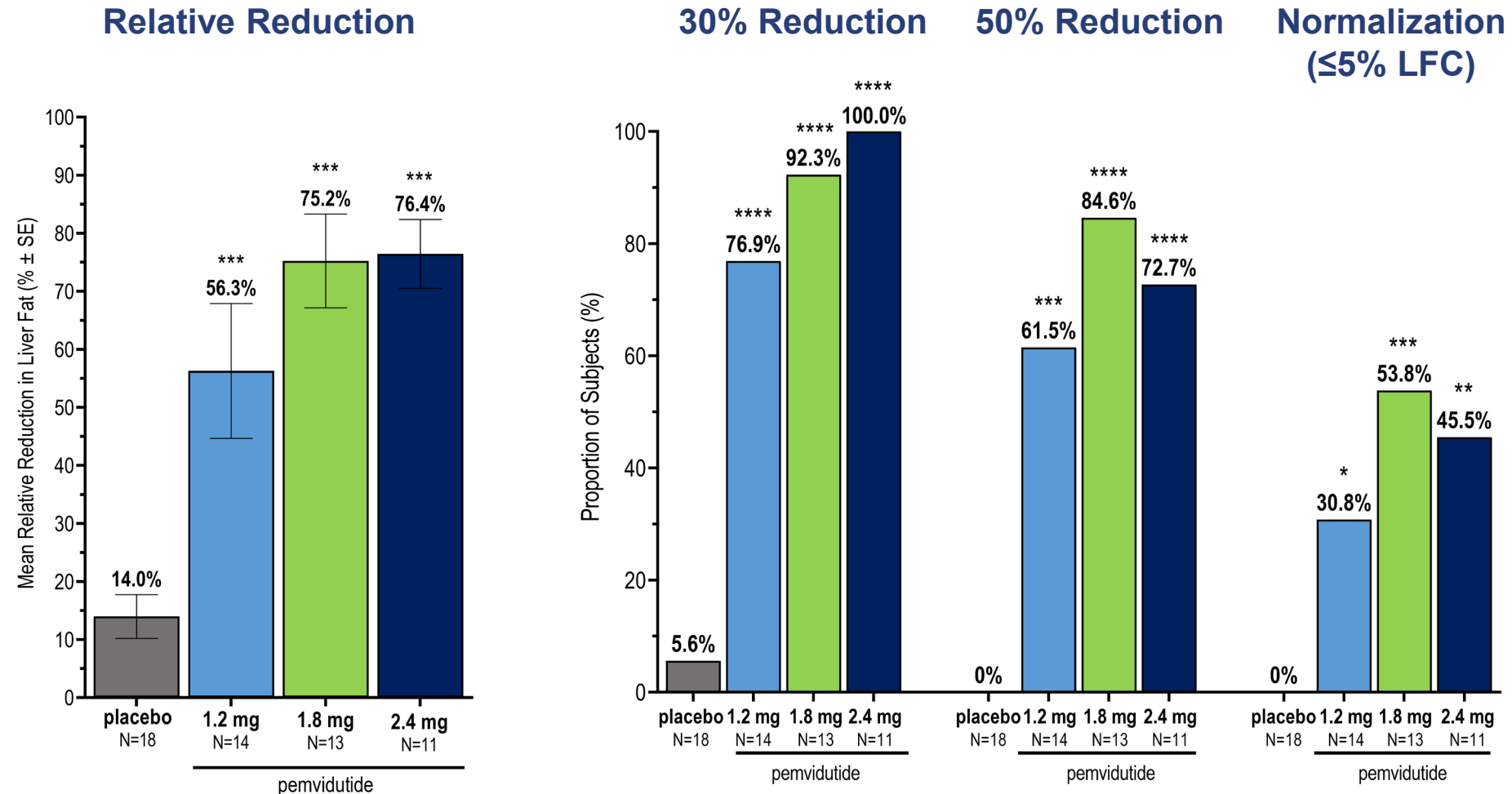
## Pemvidutide: Balanced GLP-1: Glucagon Agonism



<sup>1</sup>Nestor JJ et al, *Peptide Science*. 2021;113:e24221

# PEMVIDUTIDE— ROBUST REDUCTIONS IN LIVER FAT CONTENT AT 24 WEEKS

CORRELATES WITH MASH RESOLUTION AND FIBROSIS IMPROVEMENT

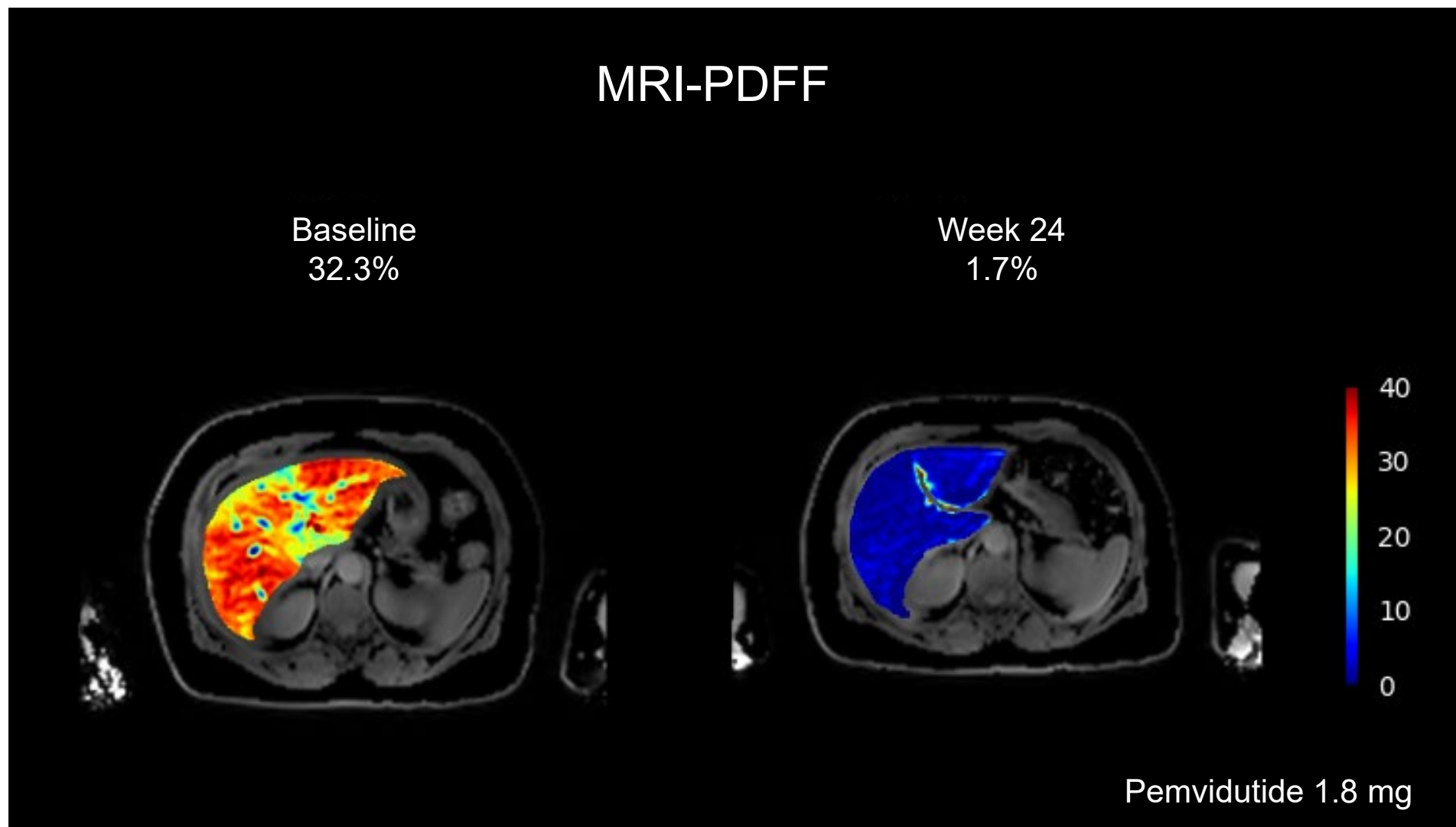


\*\*\* p < 0.001 vs placebo ANCOVA, LS mean ± SE

\* p < 0.05, \*\*\* p < 0.001, \*\*\*\*, p < 0.0001 vs placebo, Cochran-Mantel-Haenszel



# PEMVIDUTIDE— MARKED REDUCTION OF LIVER FAT CONTENT BY MRI-PDFF AT WEEK 24

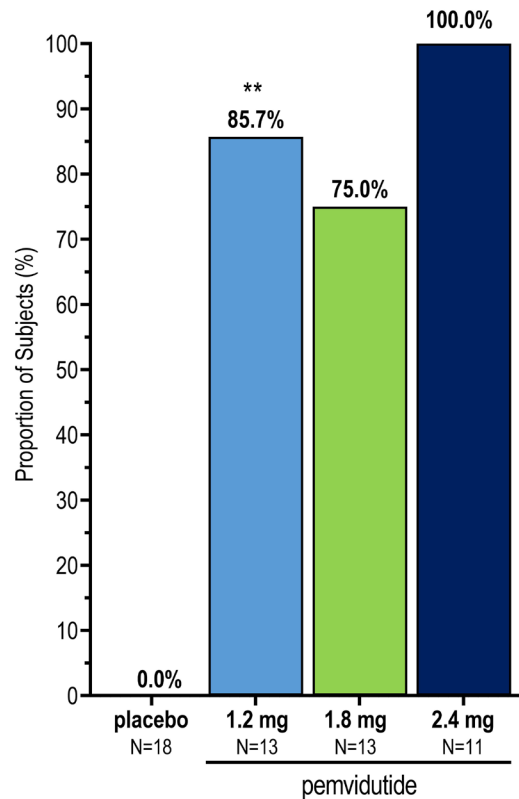


This reduction was accompanied by a 38.1% decrease in liver volume

# PEMVIDUTIDE— SIGNIFICANT ALT REDUCTIONS AND cT1 RESPONSE RATES

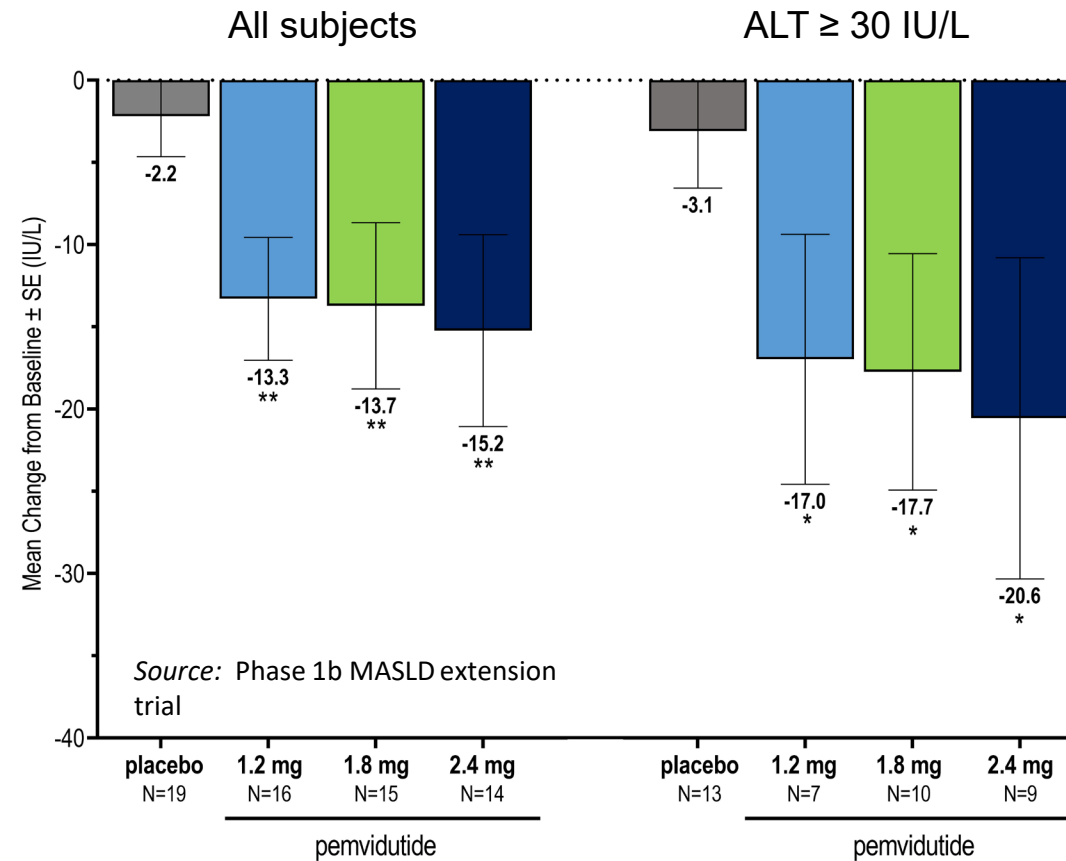
TWO INDEPENDENT INDICATORS OF REDUCED LIVER INFLAMMATION AND NAFLD ACTIVITY SCORE (NAS)

## cT1 Responder Rates<sup>1</sup> at Week 24



\* p < 0.05, \*\* p < 0.005 vs. placebo (Fisher's Exact Test)

## ALT Reduction at Week 24



\* p < 0.05, \*\* p < 0.005 vs. placebo (MMRM<sup>3</sup>)

# GLP-1 BASED AGENTS IN DEVELOPMENT<sup>1</sup> FOR MASH AND OBESITY

HIGH GLUCAGON CONTENT DRIVES POTENT EFFECTS ON LIVER FAT AND BODY WEIGHT

Agent	Class	Agonist Ratios <sup>2</sup>	Dose Titration	LFC Reduction	Weight Reduction
Semaglutide	GLP-1	—	yes	+	++++
Tirzepatide	GLP-1/GIP	1:15	yes	+	++++
BI456906	GLP-1/GCG	8:1	yes	—	++++
Cotadutide	GLP-1/GCG	5:1	yes	++	+
Retatrutide	GLP-1/GIP/GCG	1:6:0.1	yes	++++	++++
Efinopegdutide	GLP-1/GCG	2:1	yes	++++	++++
Pemvidutide	GLP-1/GCG	1:1	no	++++	++++

<sup>1</sup> Phase 2 and later; GLP-1, glucagon-like peptide-1; <sup>2</sup> based on cell-based potency assays  
GLP-1, glucagon-like peptide-1; GCG, glucagon; GIP, gastric inhibitory polypeptide

**THANK YOU**

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