

## **LPCN 2401 for Obesity Management**

Clinical Study Results

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## **LPCN 2401 for Obesity Management**

### **Potential to Improve Body Composition**

#### **Product Candidate Attributes**

Proprietary oral formulation comprising an anabolic androgen receptor agonist (ARA) and  $\alpha$ tocopherol, an antioxidant and a metabolic modifier

#### **Targeted MOA**

- Stimulates muscle satellite activator, FGF2<sup>1</sup>
- Modulates muscle growth suppressors MRF4, and myostatin (GDF8) expression in skeletal muscle1
- Induces lipolysis and lowers lipogenesis<sup>2</sup>
- Anti-oxidant protects against oxidative stress and maintains membrane fluids<sup>3,4</sup>; counters oxidative stress associated with osteoclasts differenciation<sup>5</sup>
- Anti-inflammatory decreases the activation of cytokines and adhesion molecules<sup>6</sup>



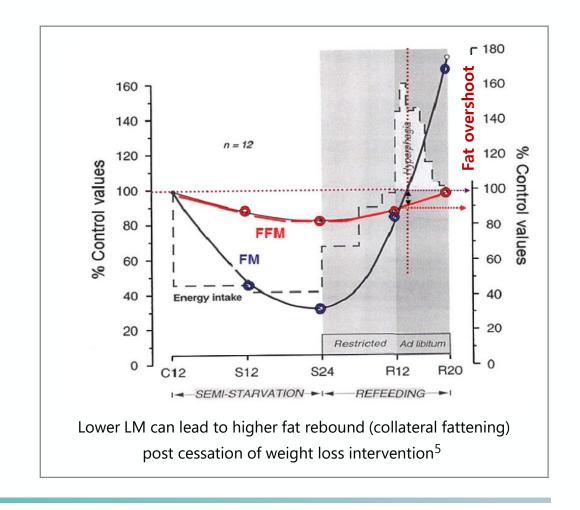
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## Importance of Lean Mass (LM)

## LM of around 70% for women and 90% for men is considered to be healthy

#### **Importance of Muscle Mass**

- Significant role in metabolic health and disease prevention<sup>1</sup>
  - High caloric demand<sup>2</sup>
- Contributes to physical strength, active lifestyle
- Rapid loss of LM has multiple negative health implications<sup>3</sup>
  - Weakness/fatigue, lowered metabolism, declines in neuromuscular function, potential effects on emotion and psychological states, and increased risk of injury<sup>4</sup>





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<sup>.</sup> Aragon AA et al. J Int Soc Sports Nutr. 2017 Jun 14;14:16.

<sup>3</sup> Larsson et al. Physiol Rev. 2019 Jan 1: 99(1): 427–511

<sup>4.</sup> Hunger GR, et al. J Obes, 2019 Mar 6:2019:8031705.

<sup>5.</sup> Abdul G. Dulloo, Obesity Reviews, 2020, DOI: 10.1111/obr.13189

## **Consequences of Excess Total Body Fat (TBF)**

risk of death and major comorbidities such as type 2 diabetes, hypertension, dyslipidemia, cardiovascular disease, osteoarthritis of the knee, sleep apnea, and some cancers<sup>1,2</sup>

Having excess fat in the **android region**, **AF** (**fat in the area roughly between the pelvis and ribs**), is more strongly associated with negative health outcomes than TBF% or BMI<sup>3</sup>

**Visceral fat** (~10% of TBF) refers to fat that is stored within the abdominal cavity<sup>4</sup>
Men have more visceral fat than women<sup>5</sup>

Can increase the risk of certain health conditions, such as diabetes, prediabetes, and heart disease



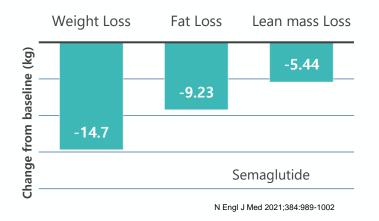
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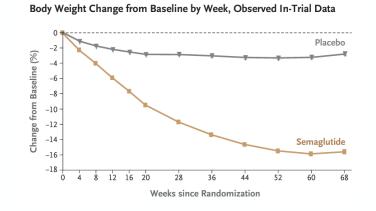
## **Limitations of Incretin Mimetics (GLP-1 agonists)**

## Significant loss of lean mass and fat rebound potential upon cessation

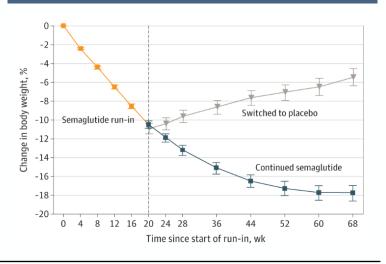
#### **Loss of lean mass**



#### **Plateauing of weight loss**



#### **Rebound weight gain**



GLP-1 agonist treatment led to 15-21% rapid weight loss with unwanted LBM loss of up to 40% of the total weight lost<sup>1</sup>

Muscle wasting at an alarming rate

Greatest amount of weight loss is by week 20 Rate of weight loss reaches a plateau<sup>1</sup>

Patients who discontinued treatment at week 20 had significant weight gain<sup>2</sup>



## **Unmet Need in Incretin Mimetic Based Chronic Weight Management**

## Oral agent with improved benefit to risk profile:



- Ameliorate the loss of lean mass loss due to GLP-1/GIP treatment (a higher quality weight loss)
- Improve body composition, lose more fat while preserving, or even gaining, muscle



- Provide long-term option to maintain weight upon cessation of GLP-1 therapy
  - Prevent rebound "fat overshoot" and minimize weight gain
  - Accelerate muscle recovery
  - Prevent collateral fattening and progression to sarcopenic obesity





# LPCN 2401 Preclinical and Clinical Results

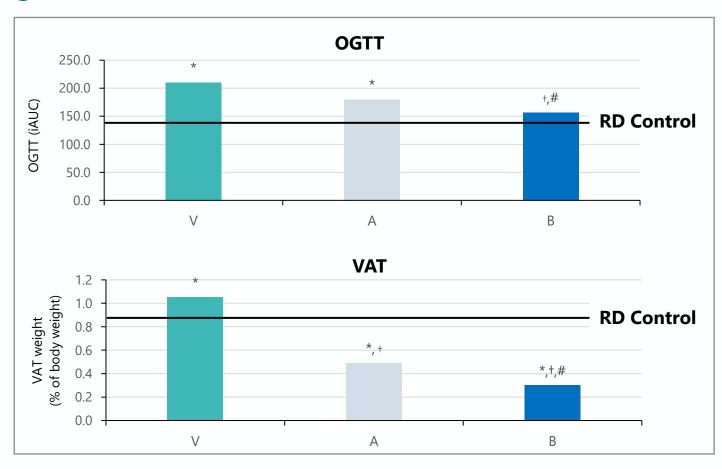
## **Summary of Preclinical Results in Diet Induced Model**

#### LPCN 2401 significantly improved oral glucose tolerance test and reduced VAT

12-week study in male rabbit model of metabolic syndrome

- Regular Diet (RD control), n=10
- High Fat Diet (HFD), n=10
- HFD + vehicle (**V**), n=7
- HFD + TU monotherapy (A), n=8
- HFD + LPCN 2401 (TU +  $\alpha$ -tocopherol) (**B**), n=8

LPCN 2401 resulted in a significantly improved OGTT and reduced VAT not only compared to vehicle, but was also superior to Treatment A (monotherapy)



\* p<0.05 vs RD; † p<0.05 vs vehicle; # p<0.05 vs Trt A



## **Phase 2 Study in Patients with Obesity**

#### NCT04134091 study design

Three-arm, blinded, placebo-controlled trial in subjects with metabolic dysfunction associated steatohepatitis (n=56)

- High prevalence of obesity and weight related comorbid conditions such as dyslipidemia, T2DM, and hypertension
- 1:1:1 randomization across three oral treatment arms; Treatment duration of 36 weeks
  - Treatment A: T undecanoate monotherapy capsule
  - Treatment B: T undecanoate +  $\alpha$ -tocopherol capsule (LPCN 2401)
  - Treatment C: Matching placebo
- Dual Energy X-Ray Absorptiometry (DEXA, n=40) at baseline, 20 weeks, and 36 weeks
  - Prespecified endpoints: change in lean mass and fat mass
- Low testosterone was not a requirement for study eligibility



## **Baseline Demographics**

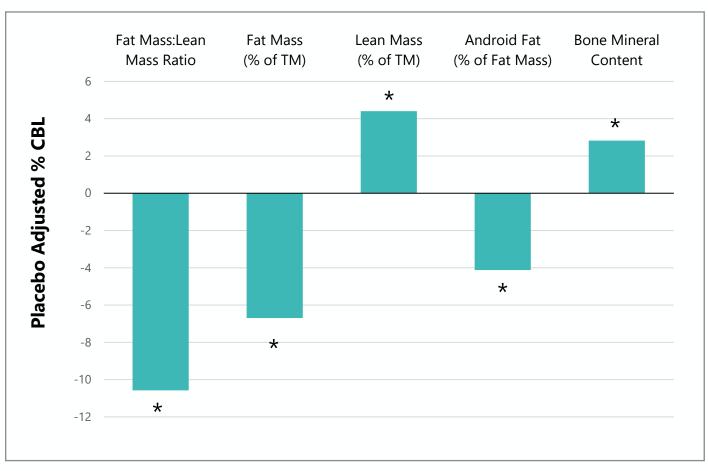
## **Body composition analysis set\***

Parameter	Treatment B (N=13)	Treatment A (N=13)	Placebo (N=14)
Mean Age (years)	53.8	53.2	51.1
Mean Weight (kg)	107.8	111.3	118.6
Mean BMI (kg/m²)	34.7	35.9	37.2
Fat Mass (DXA) % of total mass	37.2	39.5	39.3
Lean Mass (DXA) % of total mass	62.8	60.5	60.7
Fat Mass:Lean Mass Ratio	0.60	0.67	0.66
Android Fat Mass (DXA) % of FM	11.9	11.5	11.2
BMC (DXA), kg	3.1	3.1	3.0



## **LPCN 2401 Body Composition Results**

#### Significantly increased lean mass and decreased fat mass



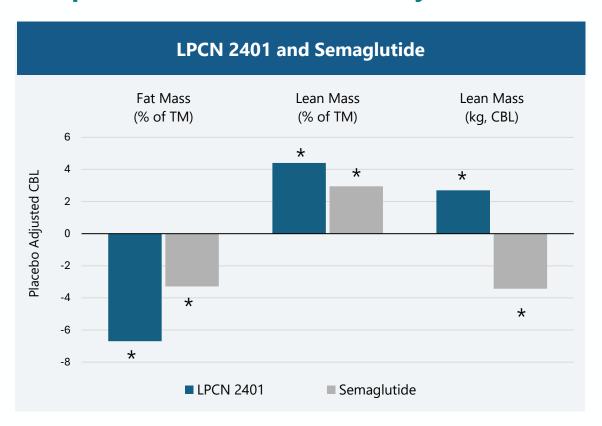
- **⊘** Improvement in fat:lean ratio
  - Reduction of fat mass.
  - Increase in lean mass.
- Reduction in android fat
  - Correlated with whole body visceral fat
- Increase in bone mineral content
- Weight neutral
  - Fat mass lost offset by lean mass gained

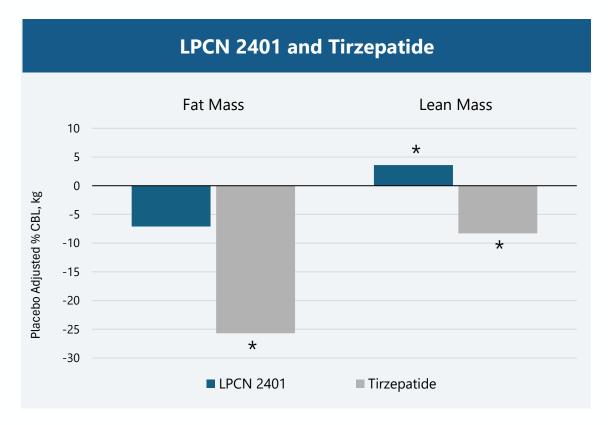
<sup>\*</sup> p<0.05 vs placebo. Body composition analysis set; N=27.



## **Changes in Body Composition**

## Comparison<sup>†</sup> of LPCN 2401 to injectable incretin mimetics clinical data

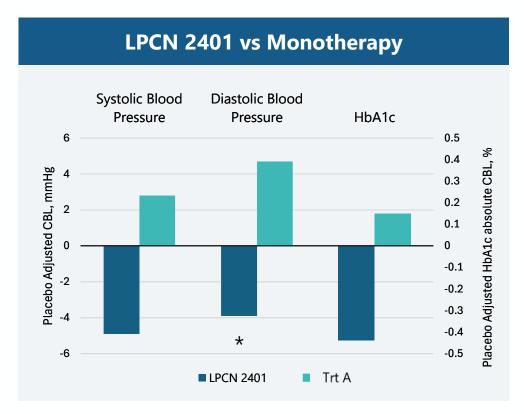




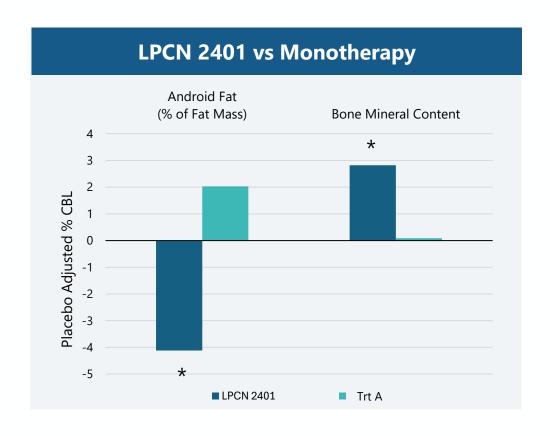


## **Comparison of LPCN 2401 and T Monotherapy (Treatment A)**

## **Differentiated impacts**



Baseline	N	SBP	DBP	HbA1c
Placebo	14	127	80	7.3
LPCN 2401	13	124	78	7.2
Trt A	13	128	79	7.0







## Safety Overview of LPCN 2401 Through Week 36

#### Well-tolerated with an overall safety profile comparable to placebo

#### **Adverse Events – Safety Set**

Preferred Term	Placebo N=19	LPCN 2401 N=19
Diarrhea	2 (10.5%)	0 (0%)
Nausea	1 (5.3%)	0 (0%)
Vomiting	none	none
Muscle Spasms	none	none
ВРН	1 (5.3%)	0 (0%)
PSA Increased	none	none
Hypertension <sup>†</sup>	1 (5.3%)	0 (0%)
Peripheral Edema	2 (10.5%)	1 (5.3%)

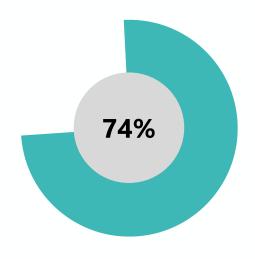
- Frequency and severity of TEAEs with LPCN 2401 were comparable to placebo
- Frequency of SAEs with LPCN 2401 were comparable to placebo
- Discontinuance of study drug due to TEAEs: 0 subjects on LPCN 2401, 4 subjects on placebo
- No cardiovascular events with LPCN 2401
- No reported cases of hepatocellular carcinoma or Drug Induced Liver Injury ("DILI")
- Changes in lipids comparable to placebo

BPH = Benign prostatic hyperplasia; PSA = Prostate-Specific Antigen; † New or worsening hypertension



## Obesity and Overweight: A Growing Epidemic in US

Increases the risks of heart disease, stroke, type 2 diabetes and certain types of cancer<sup>1,2</sup>



of adults age 20 and older are obese or overweight  $(2017-2018)^3$ 

- The est. annual medical cost of obesity was ~ \$173 B in 2019<sup>3</sup>
- Diabesity population (~110mn adults)<sup>4</sup>
  - ~24M obese elderly, group most vulnerable to losing muscle mass <sup>3,4</sup>
- GLP-1 users in the US projected to reach 30 million by 2030<sup>5</sup>
- 38% of men and 51% of women would be interested in taking a prescription drug for weight loss<sup>6</sup>



<sup>4.</sup> Flynn et al. Morgan Stanley Research, February 27, 2024

Circulation. 2004: 110:e476-e483.

<sup>1.</sup> New England Journal of Medicine. 1999; 341:10971105 3. https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/fastats/obesity-overweight.htm

## **Recent Trends and Complications in Weight Management**

Current clinical use prioritizes weight loss over healthy body composition

#### **Recent Trends**

#### **US Obesity (2017-March 2020)**<sup>1</sup>

- Increased from ~31% to ~42%
- Prevalence of severe obesity increased from 4.7% to 9.2%

# Incretin mimetics are widely used in chronic weight management

- GLP-1 agonist (e.g. semaglutide, Wegovy®, liraglutide, Saxenda)
- Dual GLP-1/GIP agonist (e.g. tirzepatide, Zepbound®)

#### **Issues with Incretin Mimetics**

Substantial lean mass loss

Rebound weight gain upon cessation<sup>2</sup>

Potential for "fat overshoot" upon discontinuation of therapy<sup>3</sup>

Unclear long term use challenges



<sup>2.</sup> JAMA. 2021;325(14):1414-1425

## **LPCN 2401 – Novel Oral Treatment for Obesity and Weight Management**

#### **Key Take Aways**

Significant body composition improvement in men with at least one weight-related comorbidity

Decreased fat mass (FM)

Increased lean mass (LM)

Reduced android fat

Increased bone mineral content (BMC)



Potential for improved body composition in combination with GLP-1 agonists:

- Ameliorate muscle loss
- Amplify fat loss



Potential to maintain weight, prevent "fat overshoot," and accelerate muscle rebound after GLP-1 discontinuation



Well-tolerated, with AE rates and severities similar to that of placebo



Clinical and preclinical data support further testing as an aid in quality weight loss while preserving lean mass

