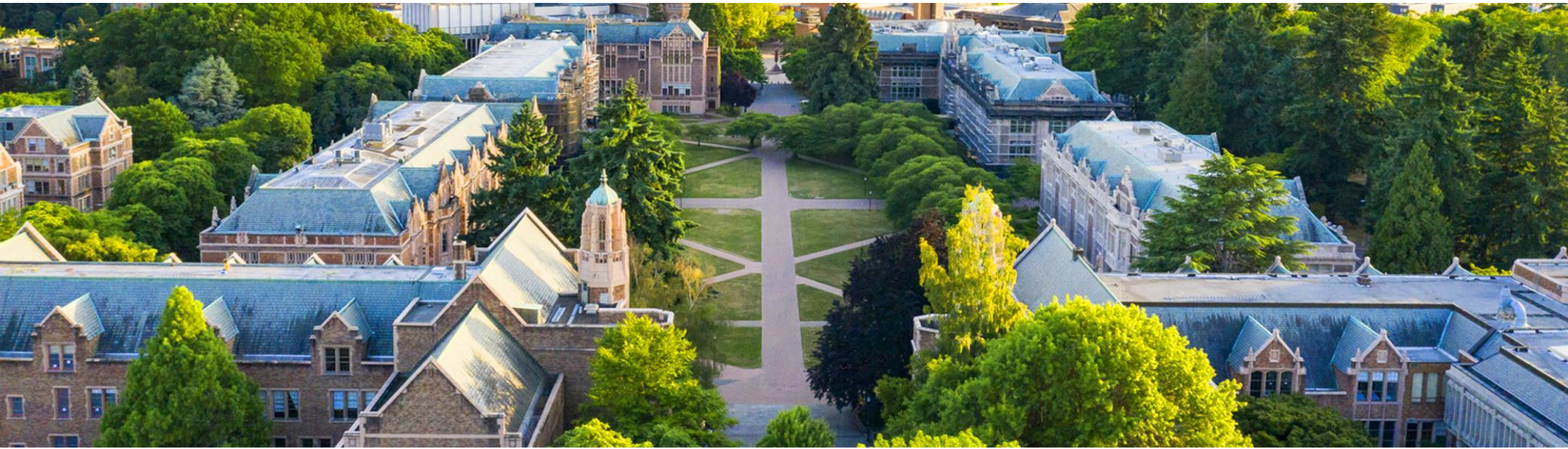




New and Emerging Pharmaceutical Options

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VA Puget Sound Health Care System**

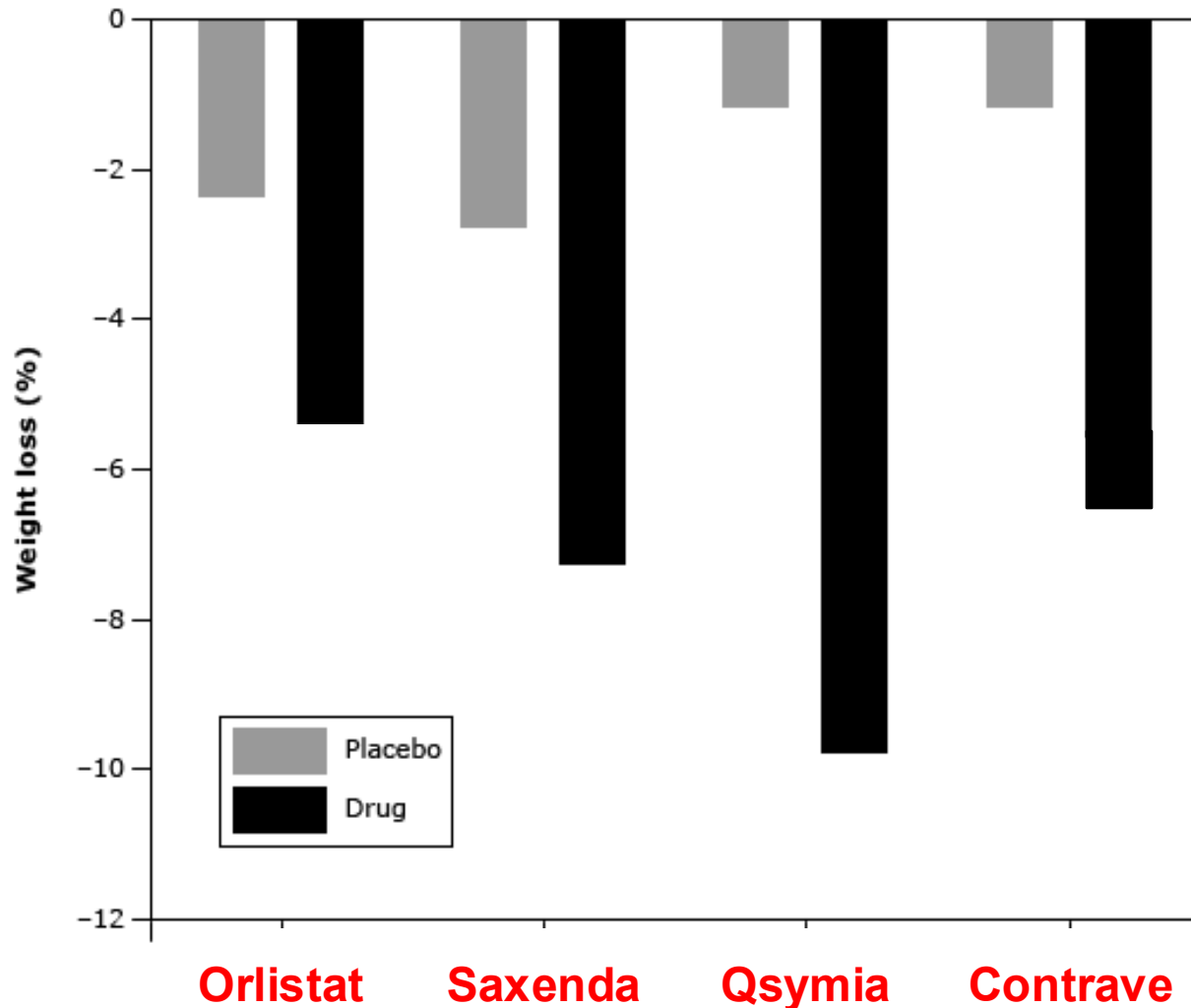


Scientific Advisory Boards

- Lumen Bioscience
- Morphic Medical
- AbbVie
- Endogenex

Older Obesity Medicines

Weight loss at 12 months for FDA-approved drugs



**Placebo-
subtracted
weight loss:
~3-8%**

Semaglutide

a GLP-1 receptor agonist

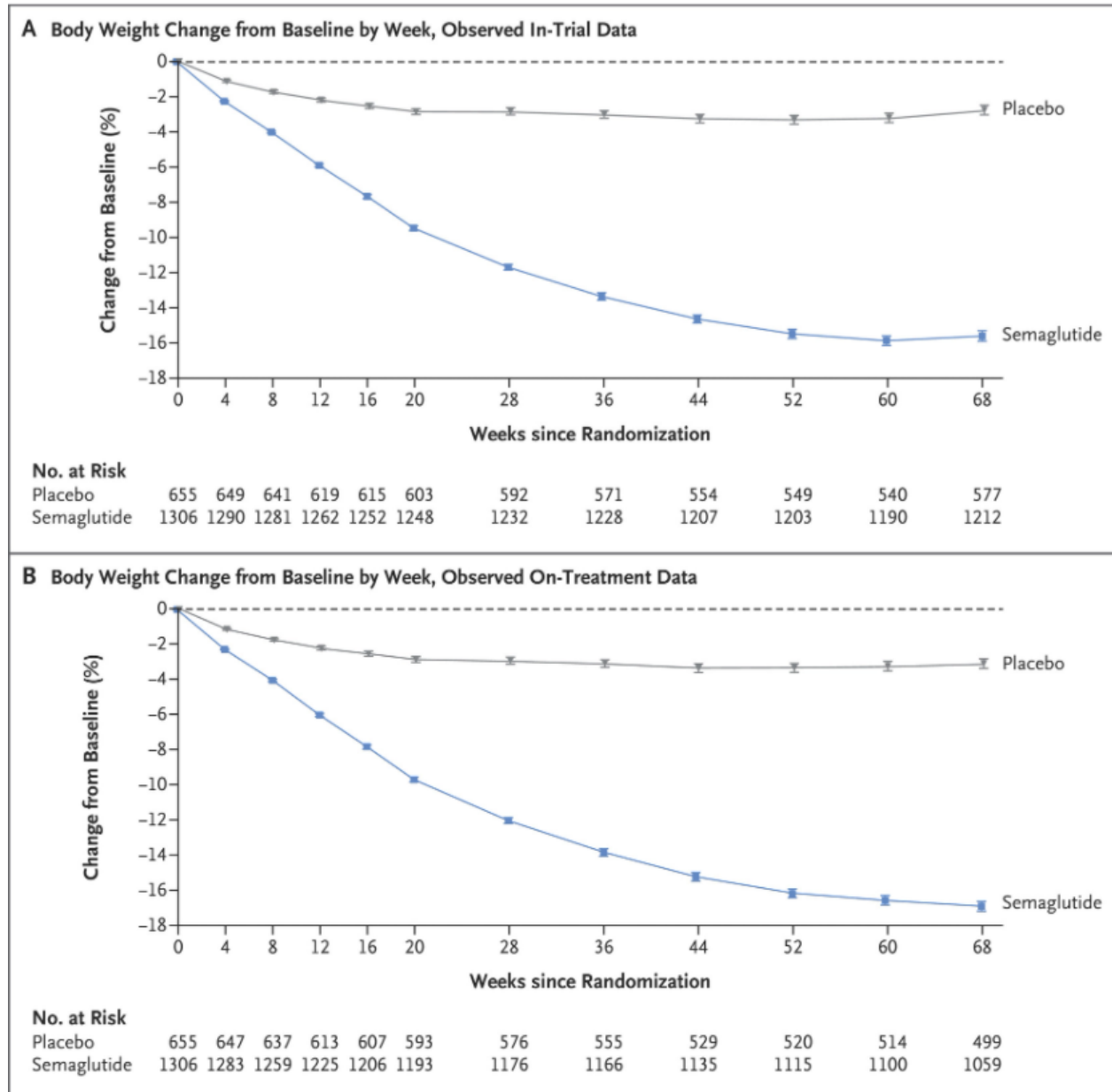
**GLP-1 receptor agonists were
developed in part based on
studies examining how
metabolic-bariatric surgery works**

STEP 1: Semaglutide vs. Placebo - No Diabetes

n=1,961

Body
Weight
Change
(%)

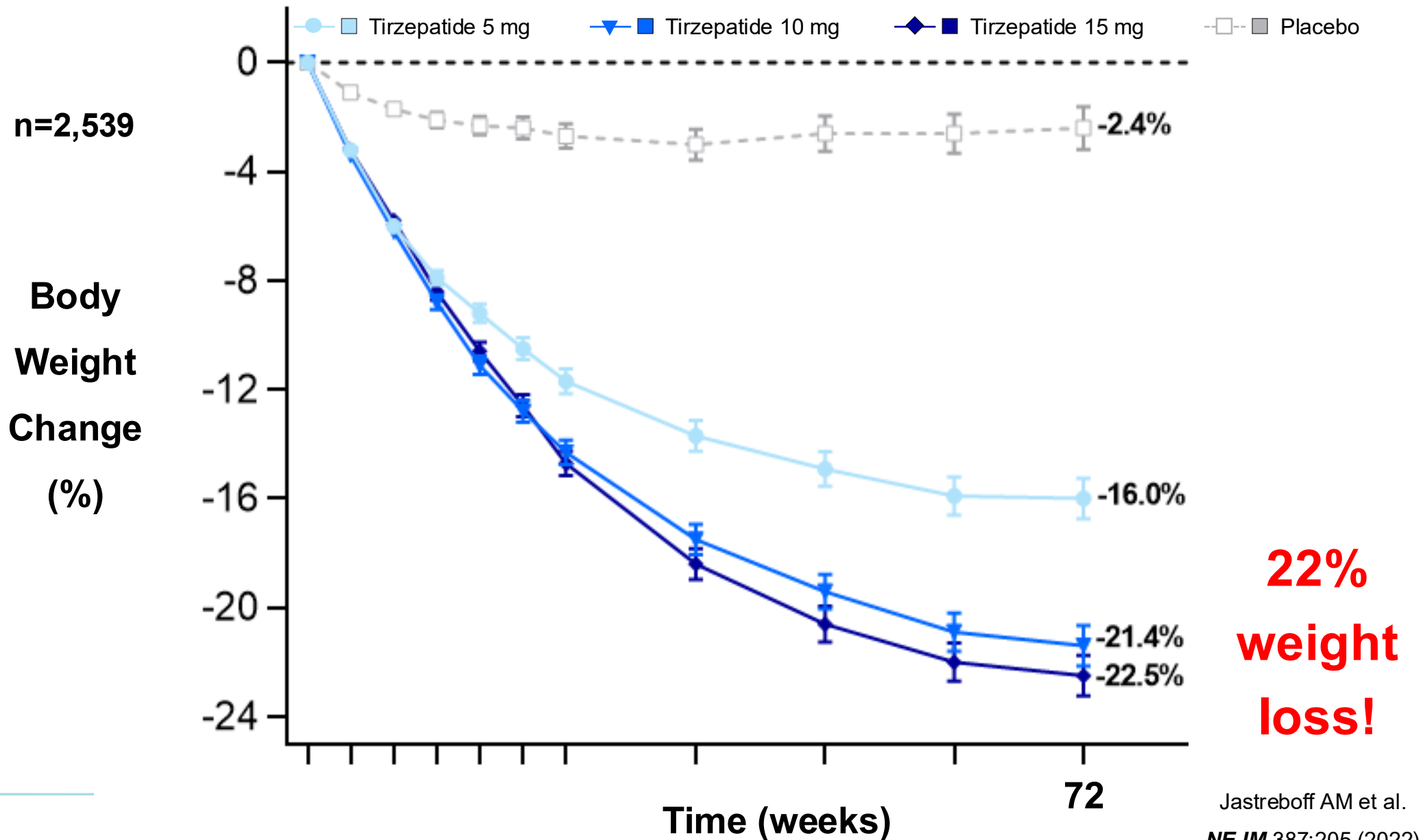
15%
weight
loss



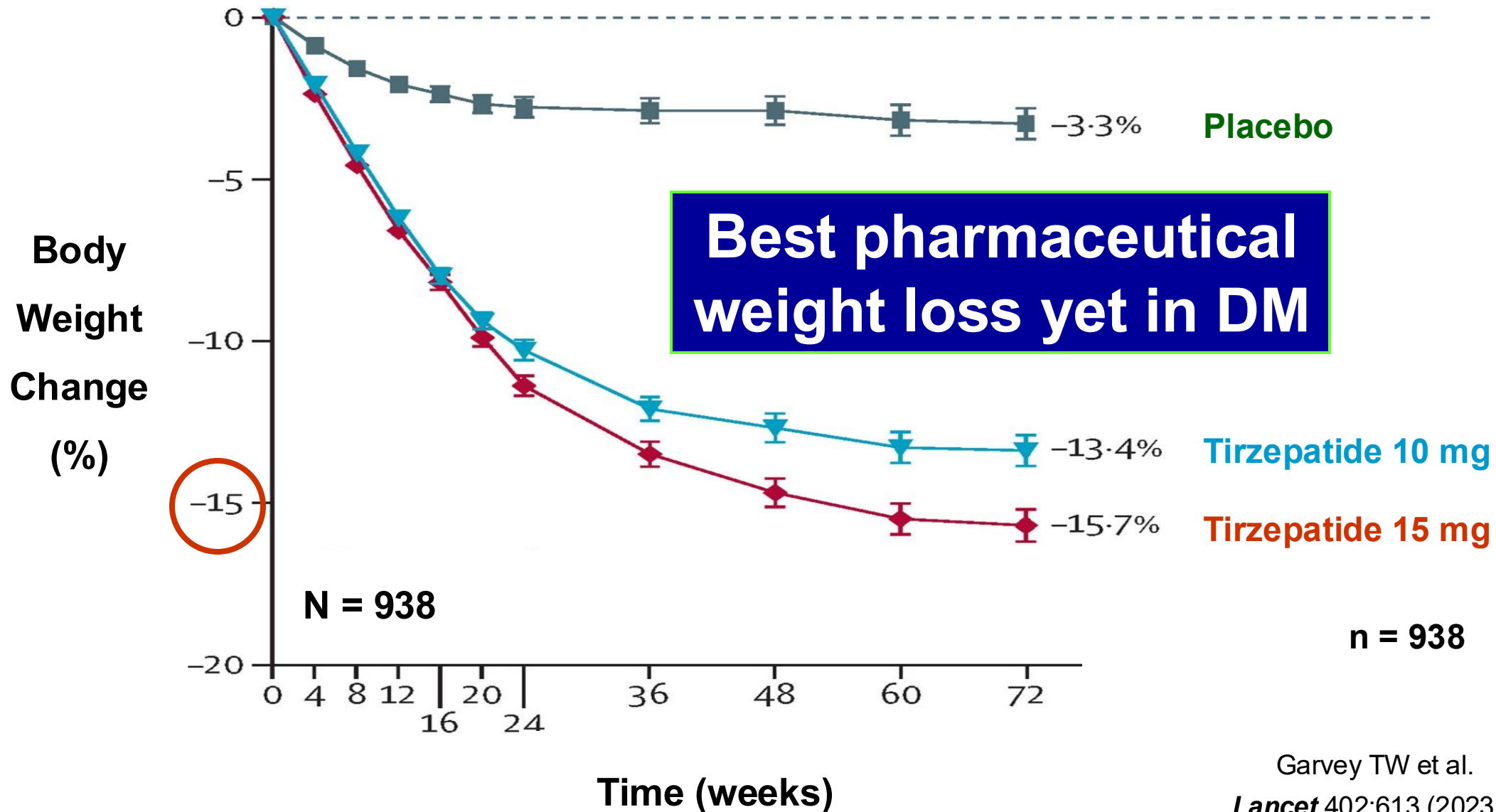
Wilding, et al.

NEJM 384:989 (2021)

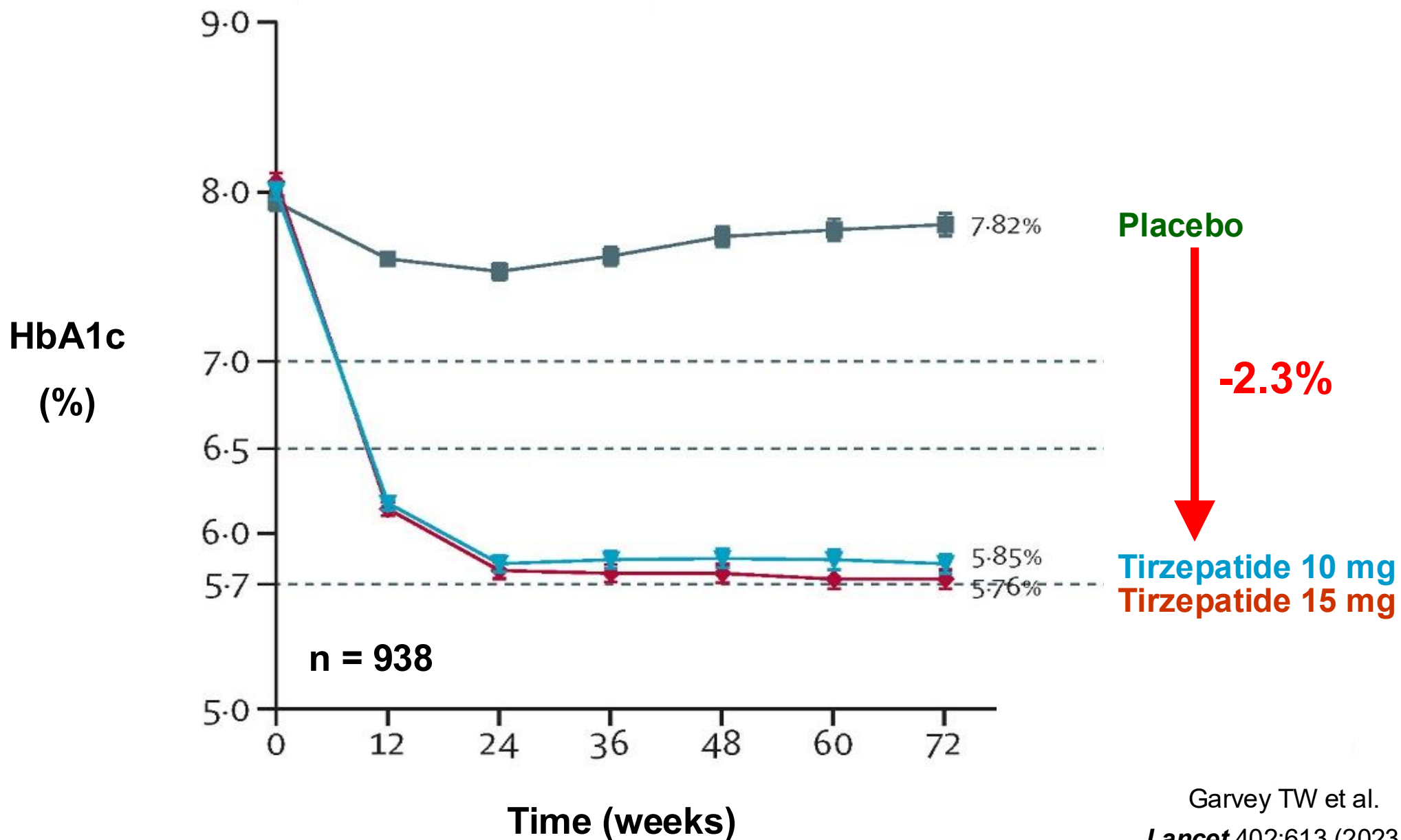
SURMOUNT-1: Tirzepatide vs. Placebo – No Diabetes



SURMOUNT 2: Tirzepatide vs. Placebo With Diabetes



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**What about effects of incretin
meds on harder outcomes?**

Benefits on Hard Outcomes with Incretin Meds in RCTs

- **Weight loss & diabetes improvement**
 - Improved lipids & bp
- **↓ Major adverse kidney events**
 - Perkovic V, *NEJM* 2024 (FLOW)
- **↓ Major adverse liver events**
 - Kanwal F, *JAMA IM* 2024
- **↓ Sleep apnea (↓ AHI by 50%)**
 - Malhotra A, *NEJM* 2024 (SURMOUNT-OSA)
- **Osteoarthritis improvement**
 - Bliddal H, *NEJM* 2024
- **↓ CHF**
 - STEP-HFpEF & SUMMIT
- **↓ Major adverse cardiovascular events**
 - SELECT, SUSTAIN 6, SURPASS-CVOT

**Promising additional
findings from
observational studies**

Other Possible Benefits with Incretin Meds

- ↓ **Cancer**
- ↓ **Alcohol & substance abuse**
- ↓ **Suicide & self harm**
- ↓ **Dementia**

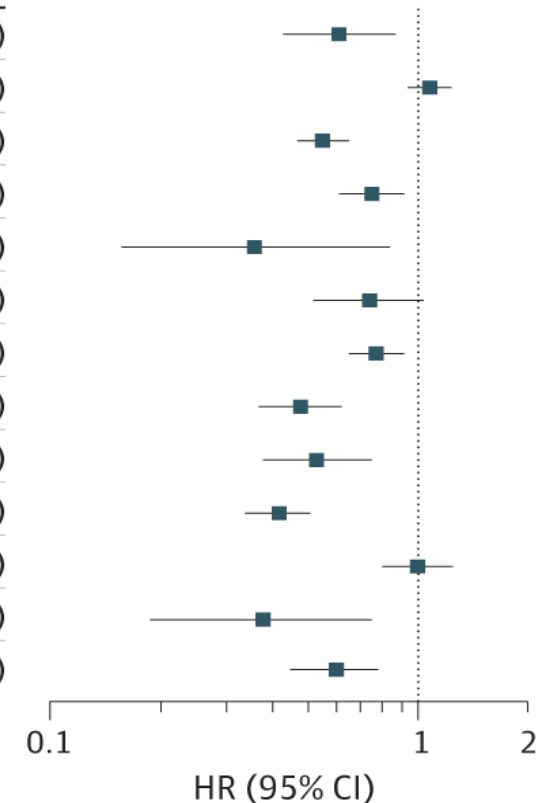
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Incretin Med Use Associated with Reduced Cancer Risk **In 10 out of 13 Obesity-Associated Malignancies**

Outcome (N = 1 651 452)	Group prescribed GLP-IRAs but not insulin, No (%) (n=48 983)	Group prescribed insulin but not GLP-IRAs, No (%) (n=1 044 745)	HR (95% CI)
Esophageal cancer (n=48 437)	49 (0.10)	77 (0.16)	0.60 (0.42-0.86)
Breast cancer (n=13 768)	427 (3.08)	379 (2.94)	1.07 (0.93-1.23)
Colorectal cancer (n=48 443)	223 (0.46)	391 (0.81)	0.54 (0.46-0.64)
Endometrial cancer (n=25 750)	160 (0.62)	210 (0.82)	0.74 (0.60-0.91)
Gallbladder cancer (n=48 587)	<10 (<0.02)	19 (0.04)	0.35 (0.15-0.83)
Stomach cancer (n=48 449)	56 (0.12)	75 (0.16)	0.73 (0.51-1.03)
Kidney cancer (n=48 322)	223 (0.46)	284 (0.59)	0.76 (0.64-0.91)
Hepatocellular carcinoma (n=48 397)	79 (0.16)	167 (0.35)	0.47 (0.36-0.61)
Ovarian cancer (n=25 739)	51 (0.20)	94 (0.37)	0.52 (0.37-0.74)
Pancreatic cancer (n=48 490)	123 (0.25)	290 (0.60)	0.41 (0.33-0.50)
Thyroid cancer (n=48 527)	154 (0.32)	149 (0.31)	0.99 (0.79-1.24)
Meningioma (n=48 518)	11 (0.02)	29 (0.06)	0.37 (0.18-0.74)
Multiple myeloma (n=48 527)	80 (0.17)	131 (0.27)	0.59 (0.44-0.77)

n = 1.7 million

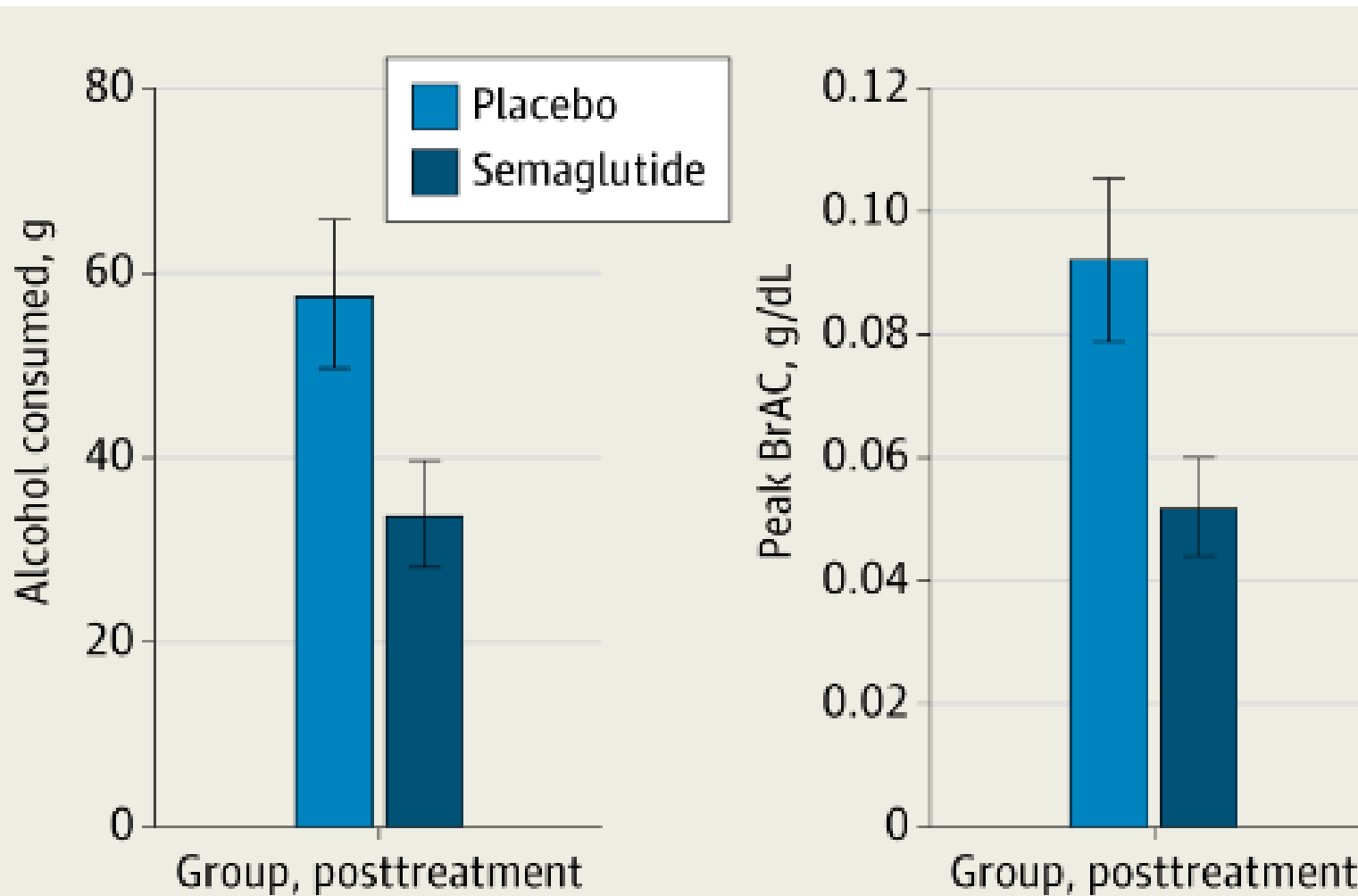


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Semaglutide Decreases Alcohol Use in an RCT

Inpatient RCT



↓ **With Sema:**

- * EtOH drunk
 - * [EtOH]
 - * Cravings
 - * Heavy drinking
 - * Smoking
-
- * Other drugs
 - * Gambling
 - * Shopping

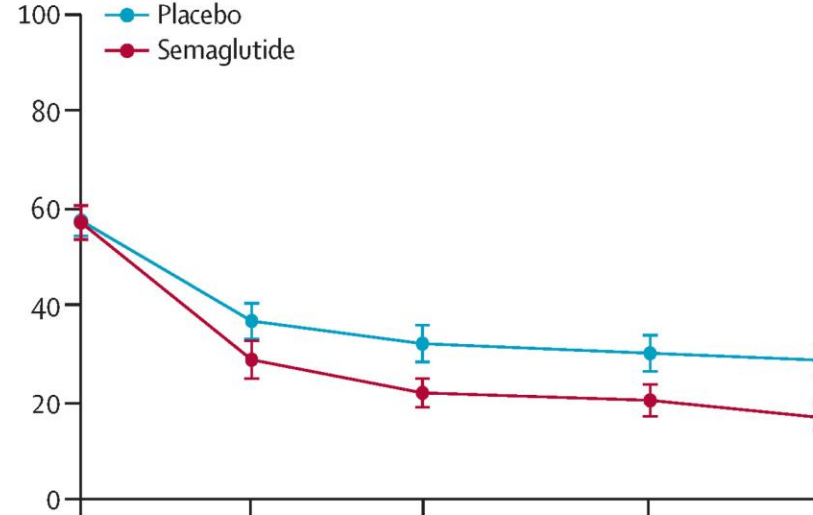
Tirzepatide Also Appears to Decrease Alcohol Use

Hendershot CS, et al
JAMA Psych 2/12/2025

Semaglutide Reduces Drinking Among People with Alcohol Use Disorder

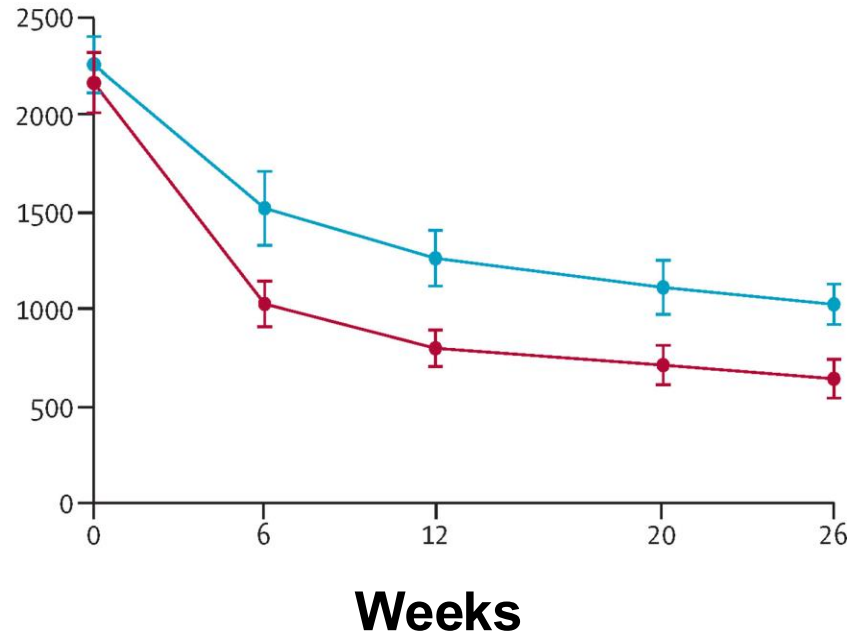
Outpatient RCT

**% Heavy
Drinking Days**



N = 108

**Alcohol
Consumed
(gm/month)**



↓ **with Semaglutide**

- Heavy drinking days
- Total EtOH drunk
- # Drinks/day
- EtOH cravings
- EtOH exposure biomarkers

NNT = 4

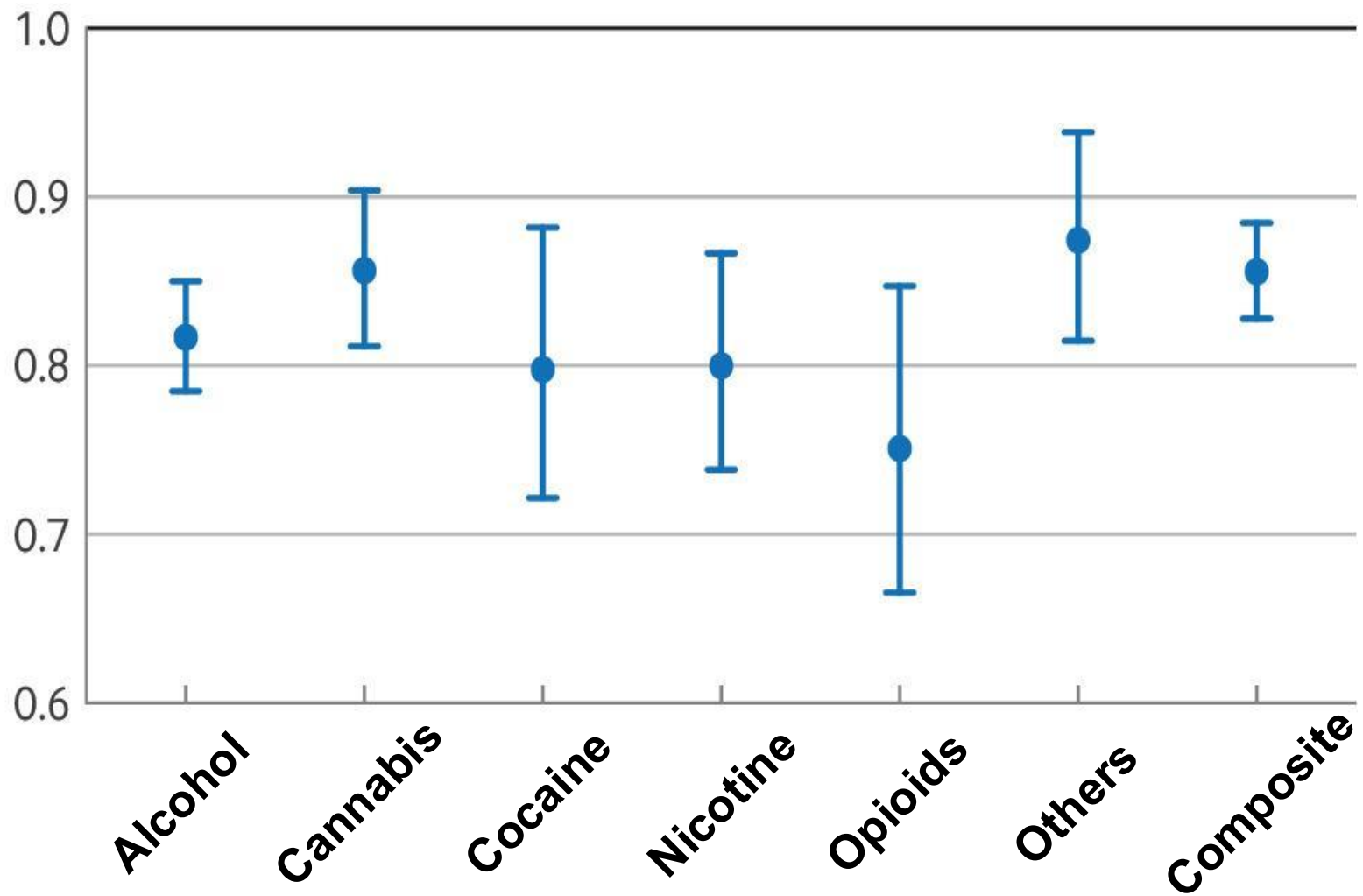
Klausen MK, et al.
The Lancet 407:1687
(May 2026)

Lower Incidence of Substance Abuse Disorders with Incretin Med Use

n = 606,434

F/U = 3 yrs

Hazard
Ratio
(95% CI)

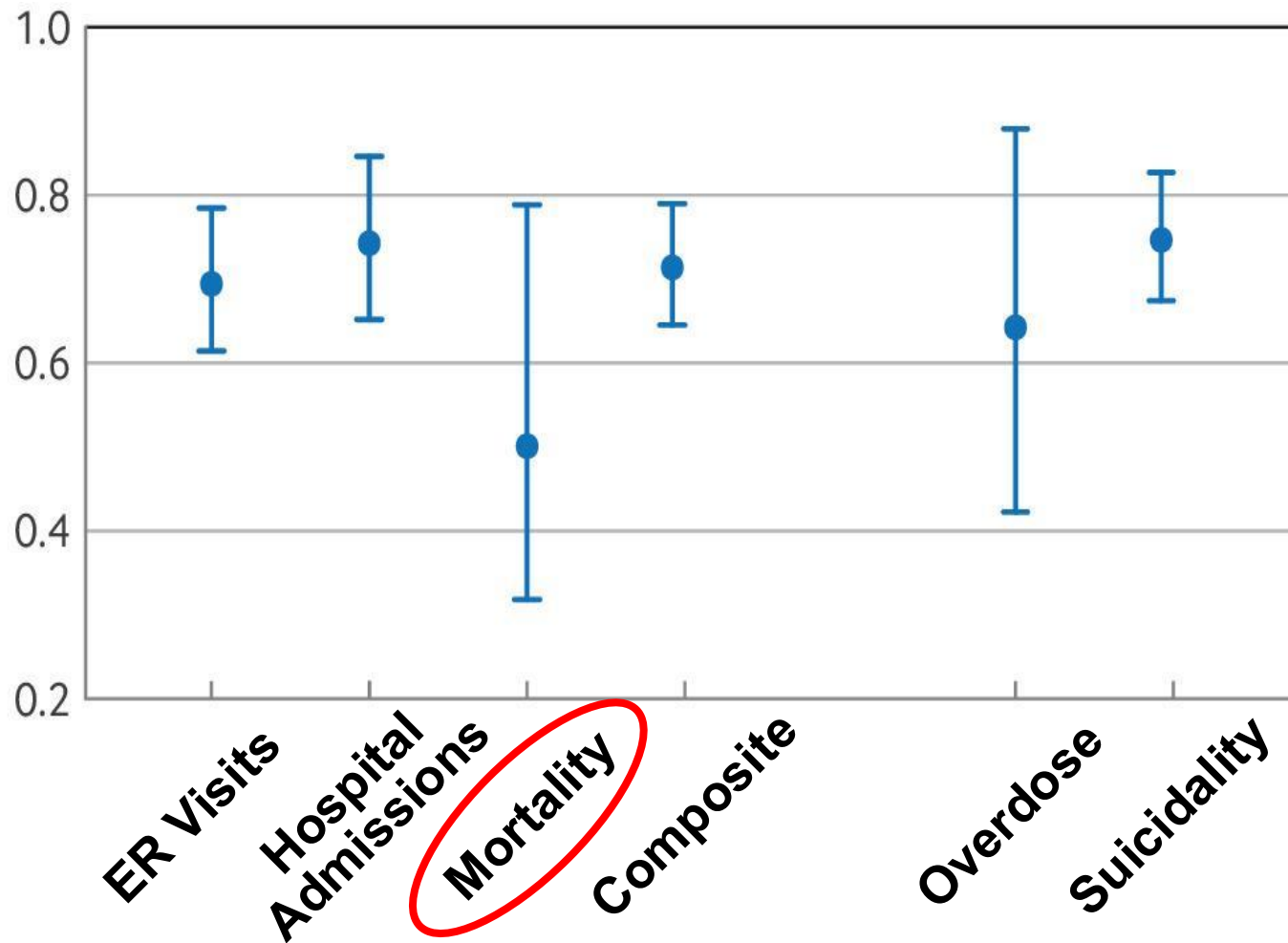


Lower Incidence of Adverse Outcomes Among People with Substance Abuse Disorders Using Incretin Meds

n = 606,434

F/U = 3 yrs

**Hazard
Ratio
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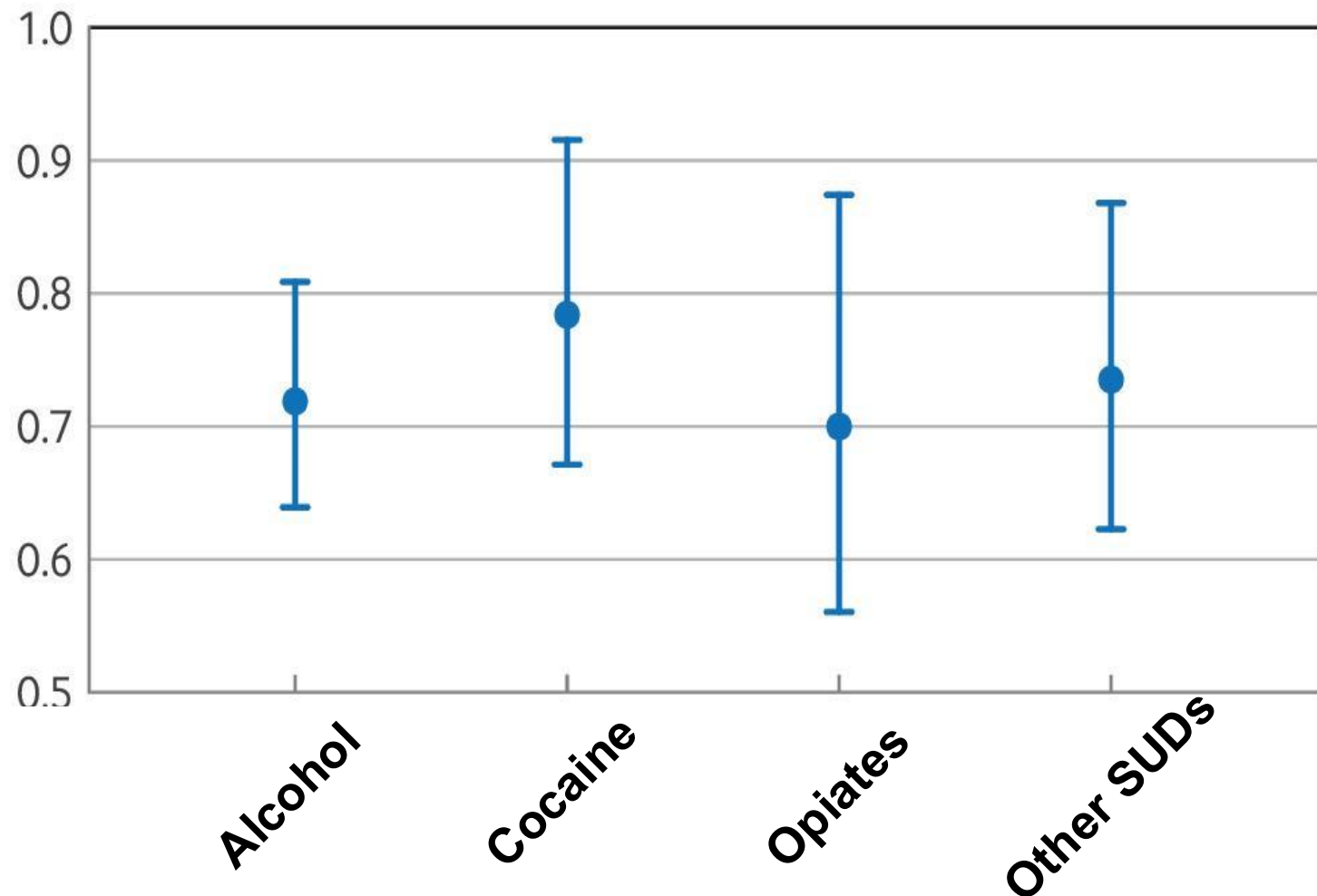


Lower Incidence of Adverse Outcomes Among People with Several Types of Substance Abuse Disorders

n = 606,434

F/U = 3 yrs

**Hazard
Ratio For
Composite AE
(95% CI)**



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**Some of the main
drawbacks of metabolic
surgery are strengths
with new obesity meds**

Adverse Effects of Metabolic Surgery

- Alcohol & substance abuse
- Suicide & self harm
- Fractures

**Some concerns about and
major limitations of new
obesity management meds**



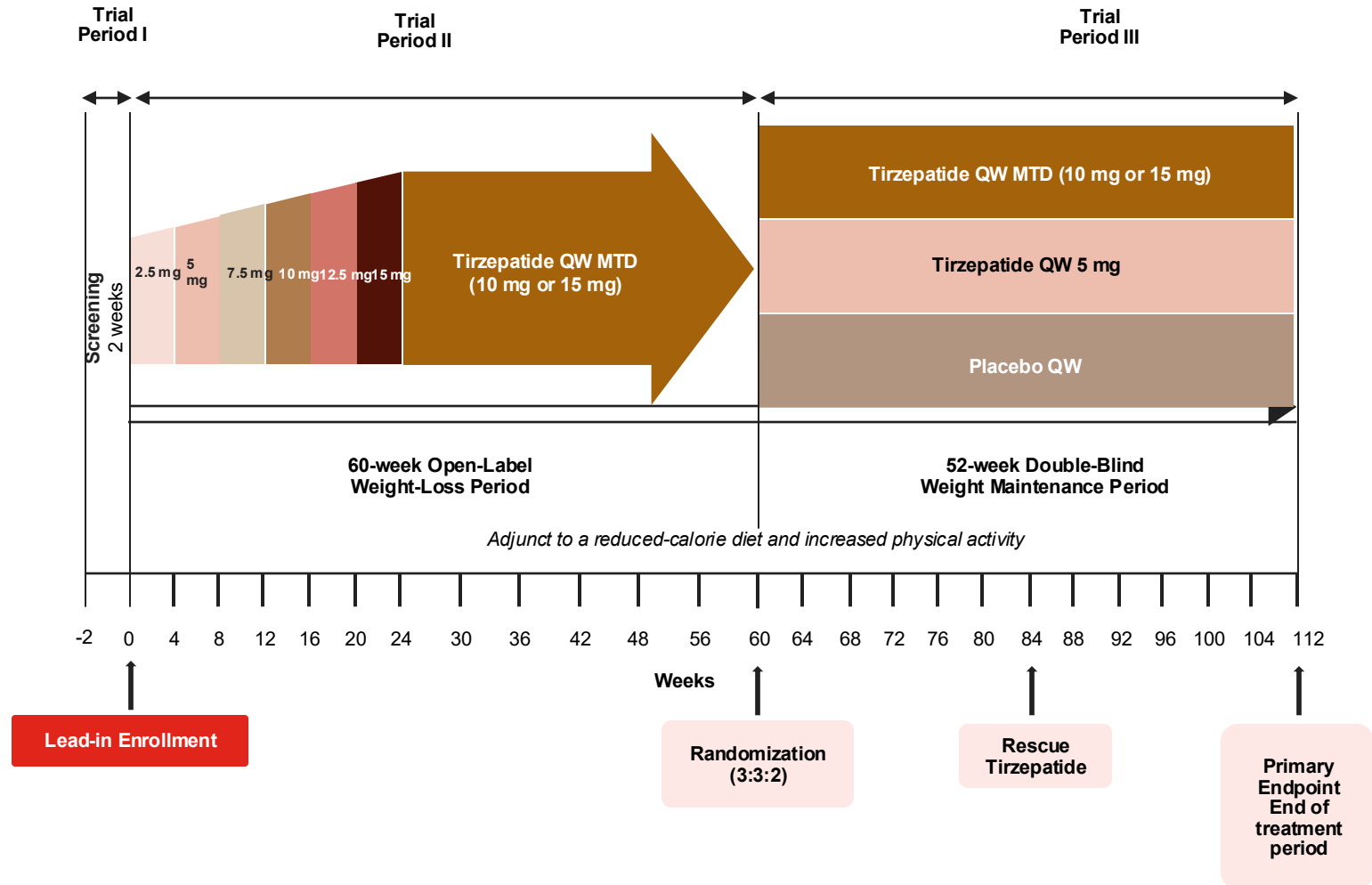
**These are
“Forever
Drugs”**

***NY Times
Washington Post
FDA***

Strategies for long-term management with incretin mimetic meds

SURMOUNT-MAINTAIN Trial Design

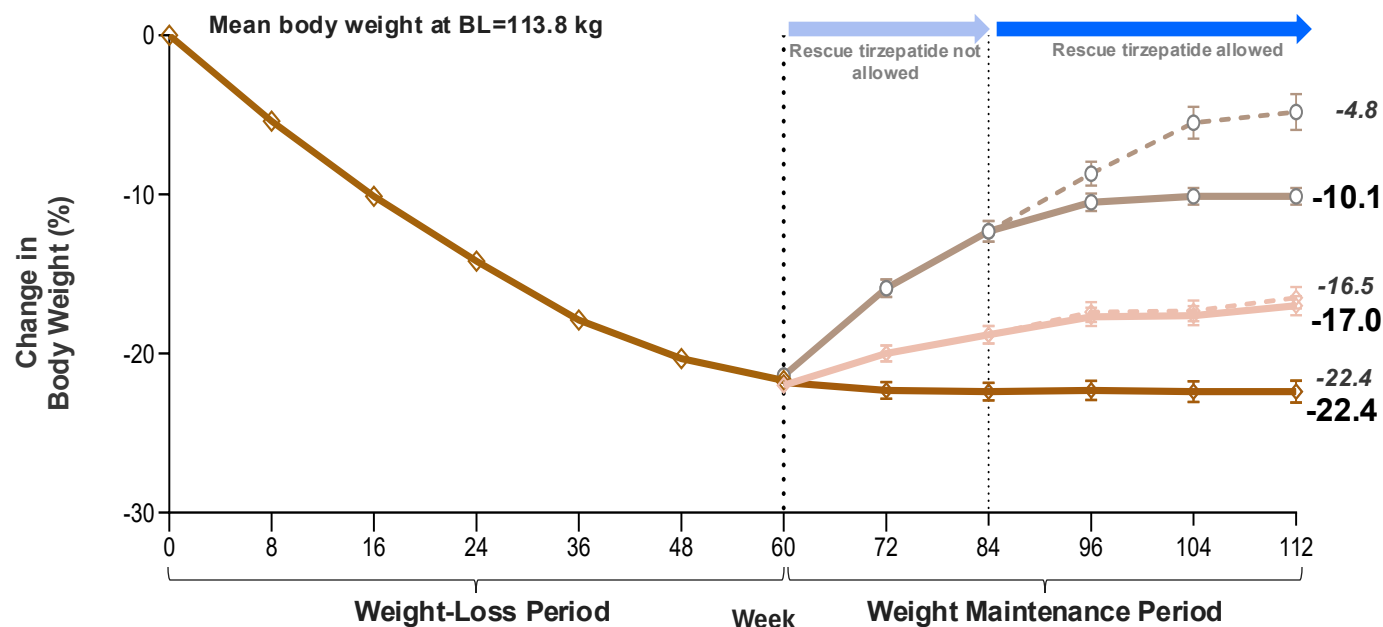
Phase 3b, Multicenter, Randomized, Parallel-arm, Double-blinded, Placebo-controlled, 112-week RCT



Percent Change in BW From Week 0 (Baseline) to Week 112

SURMOUNT-MAINTAIN | Primary Endpoint | mITT population (N=370)^a

Efficacy Estimand



Treatment Group: Cumulative Number of Participants who Received Rescue Tirzepatide

Tirzepatide MTD (10 or 15 mg):	2	5	11
Tirzepatide 5 mg	9	30	35
Placebo	41	56	60

Data are descriptive mean (standard error) in weight-loss period. Solid lines in the weight maintenance period indicate MBEs with WOCF imputation, whereas dotted lines indicate MBEs without WOCF imputation. The primary endpoint was tested under type 1 error procedure using an overall two-sided nominal significance level of 0.05 and controlled for multiplicity. ^aIncludes all randomly assigned participants who received at least one dose of study drug during the double-blind weight-maintenance period, excluding inadvertently enrolled participants.

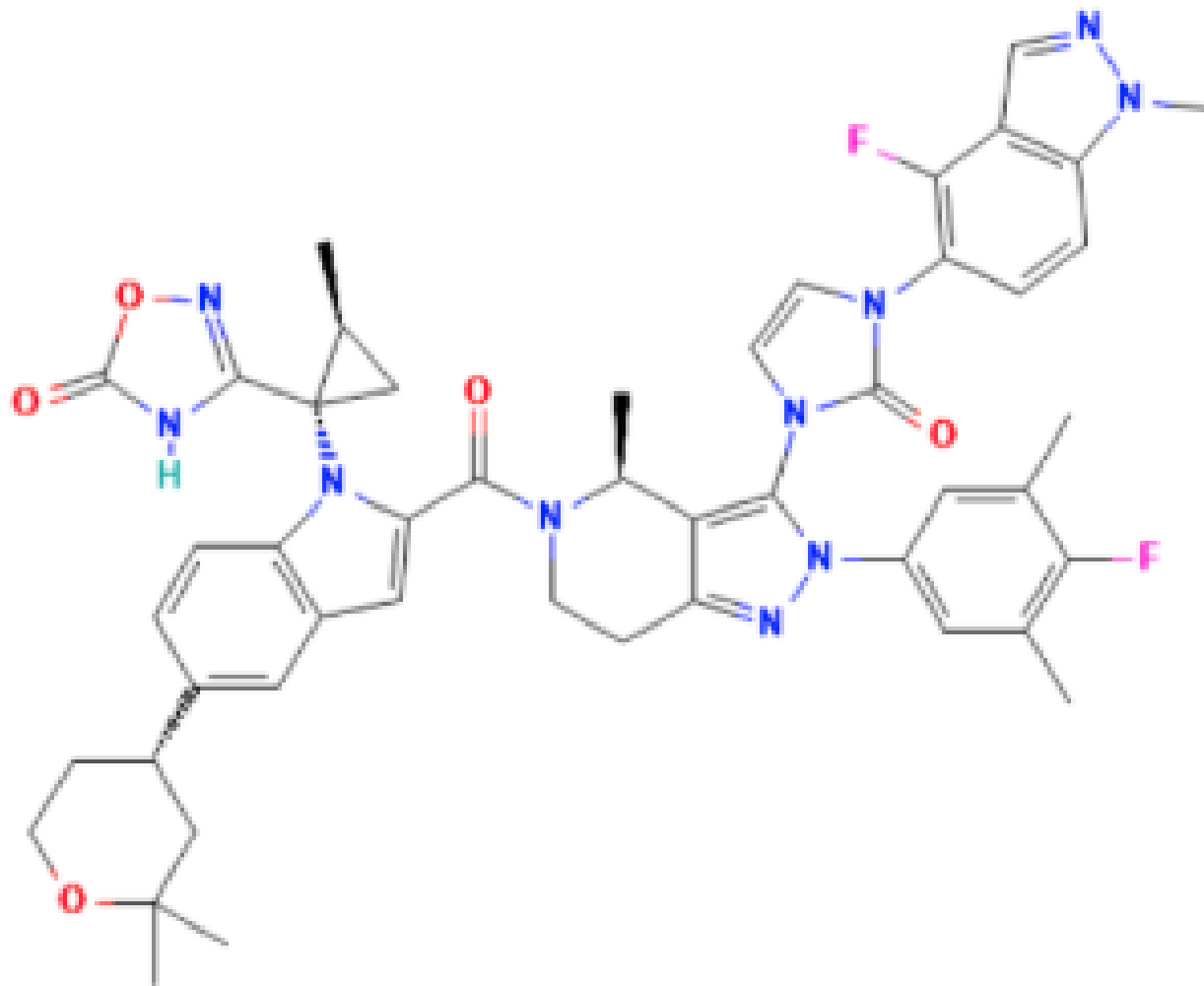
BL=baseline; BW=body weight; MBE=model-based estimates; mITT=modified intent-to-treat population; MTD=maximum tolerated dose; PBO=placebo; WOCF=worst observation carried forward; TZIP=tirzepatide.

Horn DB, et al. *LANCET*.

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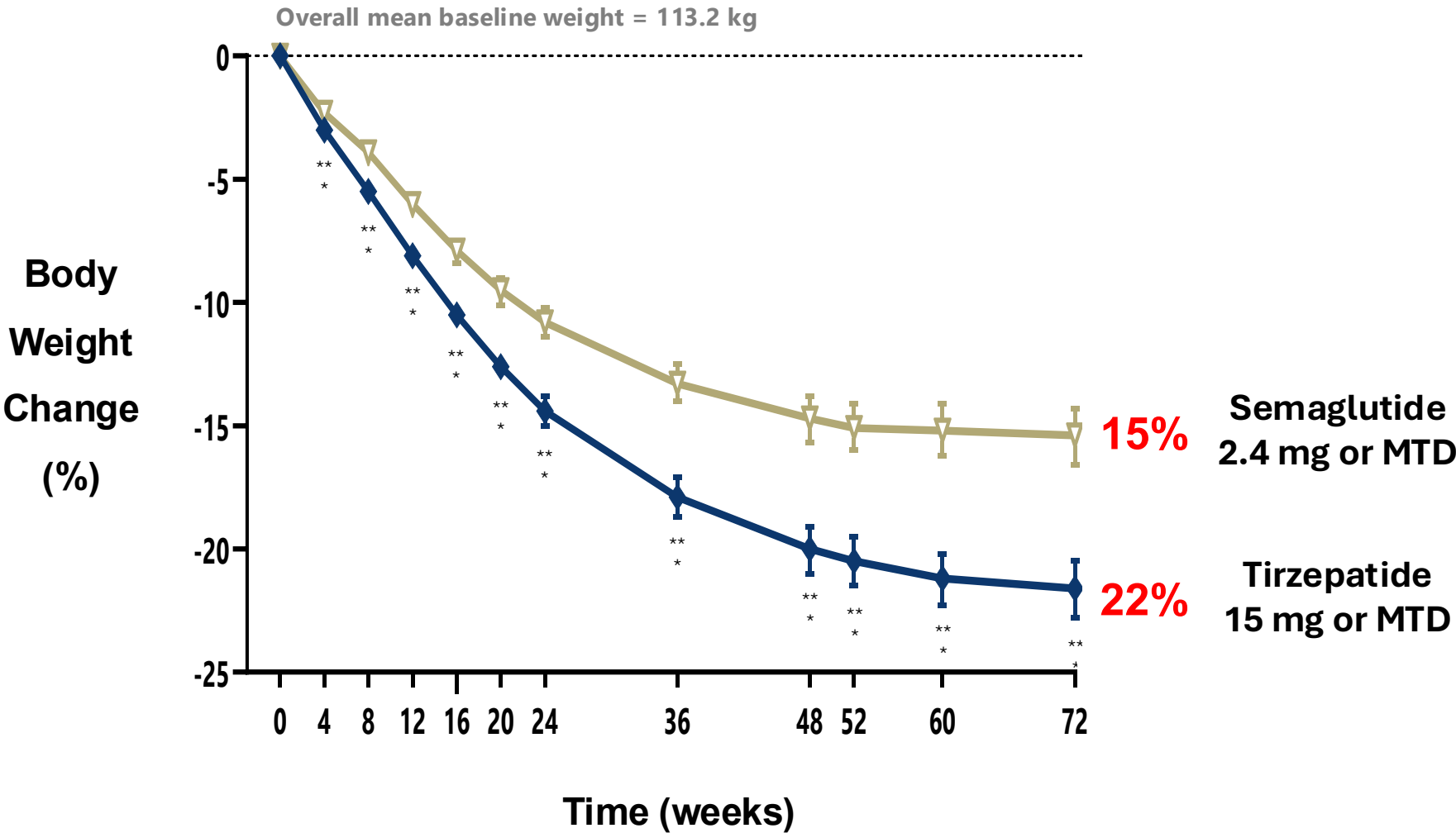
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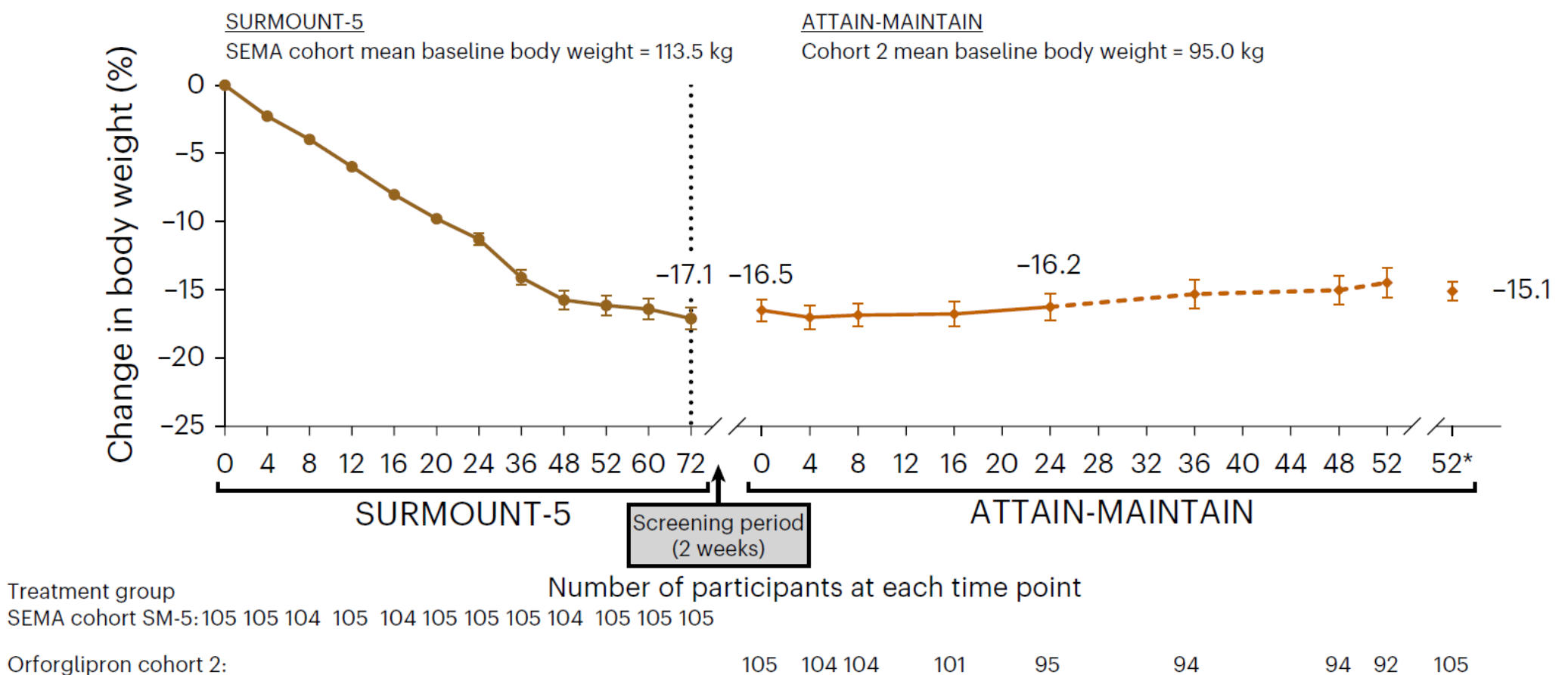
Randomized Clinical Trial

SURMOUNT-5: Tirzepatide vs. Semaglutide



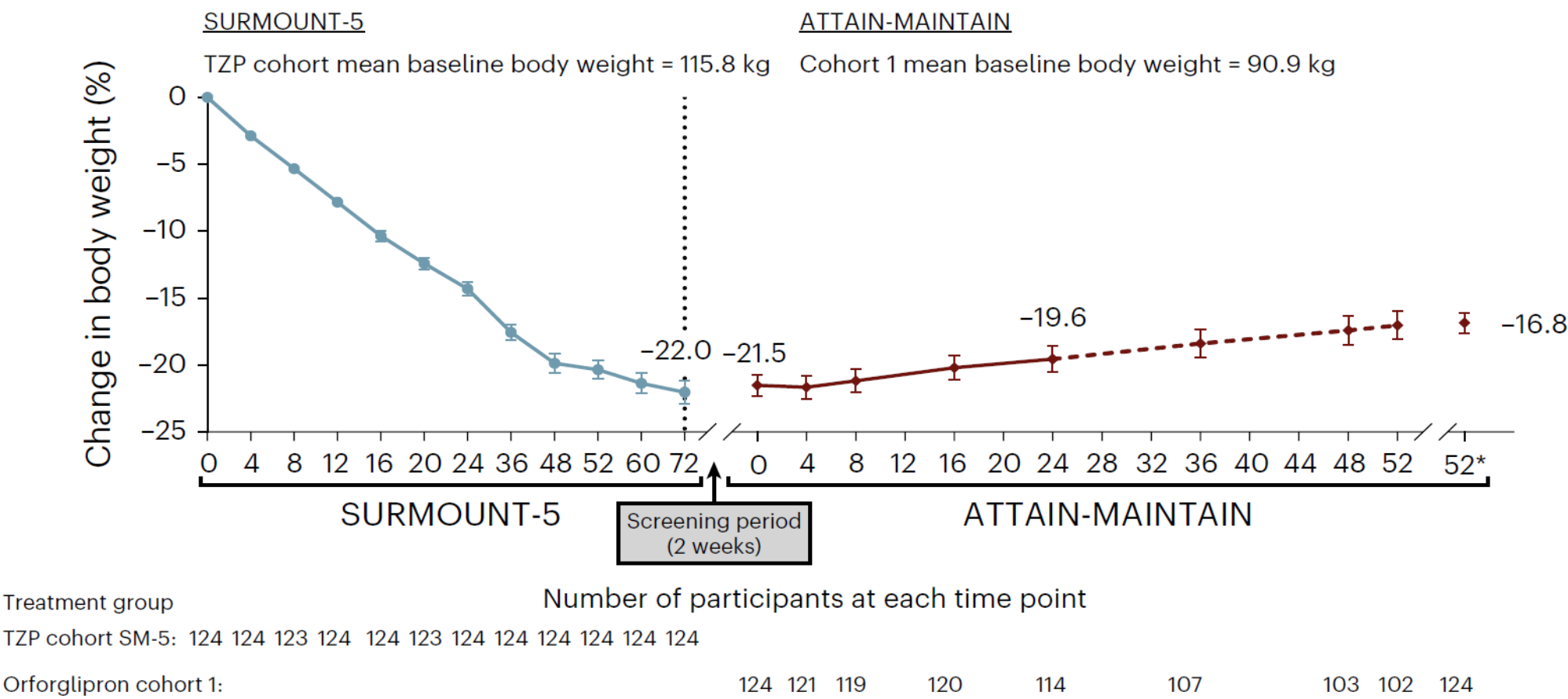
ATTAIN-MAINTAIN demonstrates orforglipron's potential as a globally scalable option for minimizing weight changes after injectable therapy

Weight change from SURMOUNT-5 to ATTAIN-MAINTAIN in cohort 2 (Semaglutide → Orforglipron)



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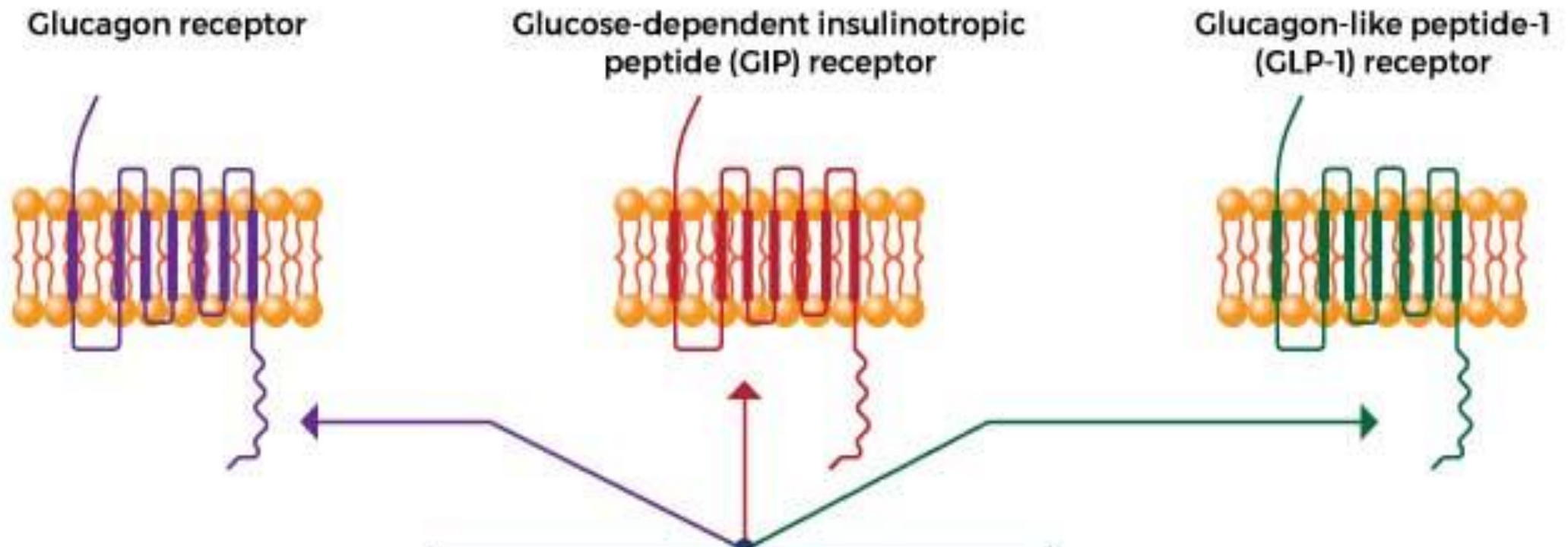
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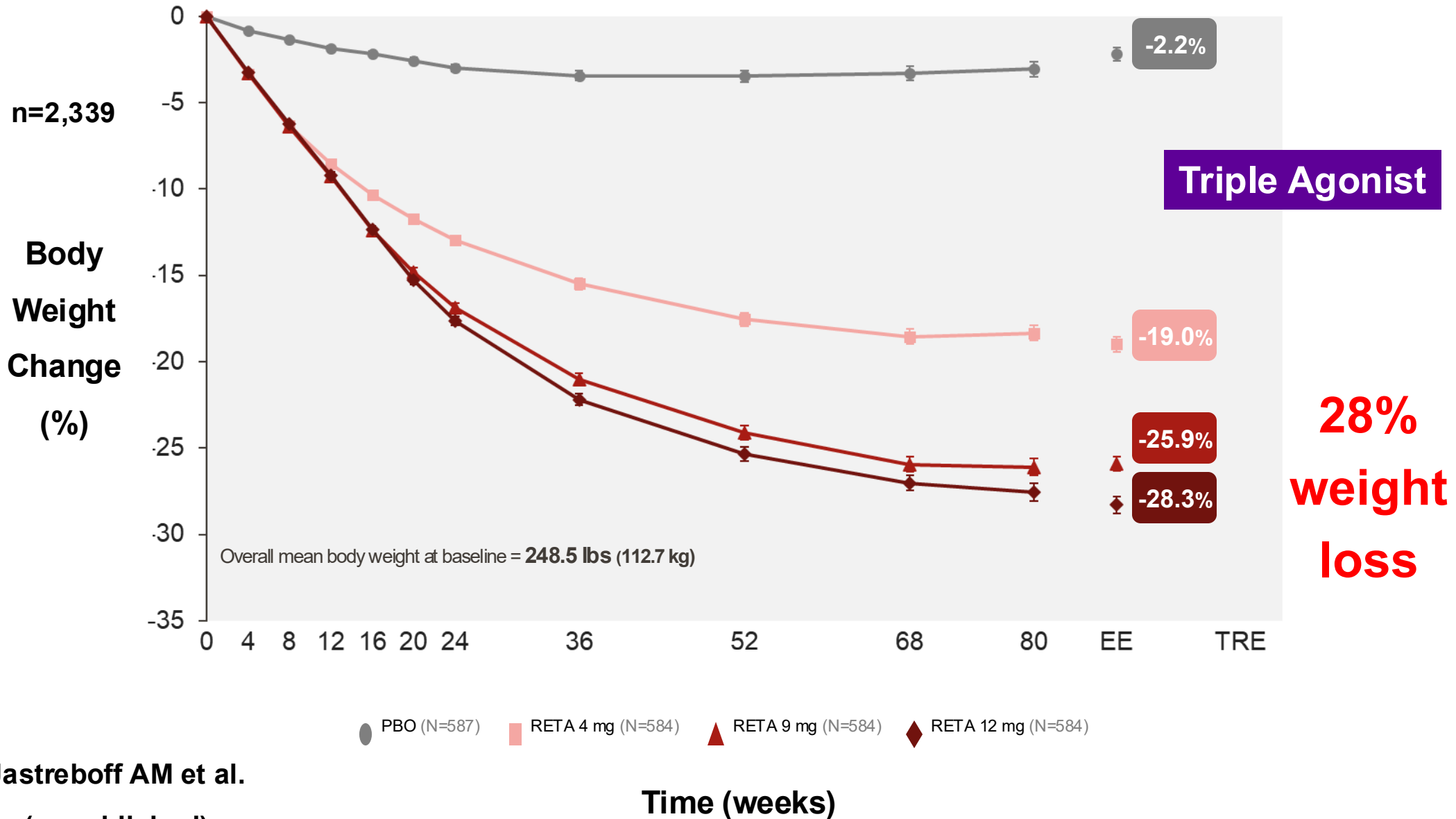
New Obesity Meds Under Development

Retatrutide

Triple G-Hormone Receptor Agonist



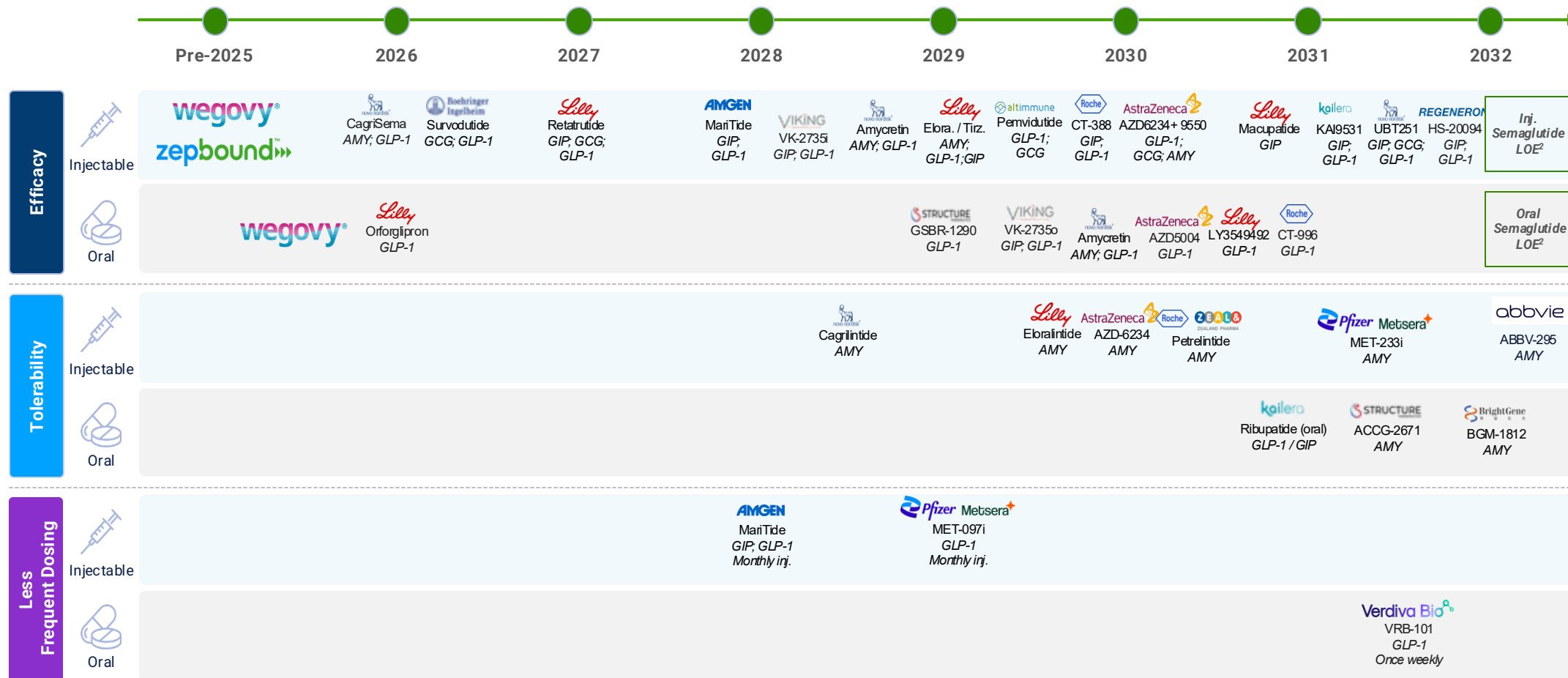
TRIUMPH-1: Retatrutide vs. Placebo – *No Diabetes*



Some Weight-Loss Drugs in Early Trials

- **New oral GLP-1 agonists: AI design**
 - Orforglipron - *NEJM* 389:877, oral sema, elecoglipron
- **GLP-1 + Amylin agonist**
 - CagriSema, amycretin, eloralintide, petrelintide
- **GLP-1 agonist + GLP antagonist**
 - MariTide (AMG-133, *monthly* injections)
- **GLP-1 agonist + Glucagon agonist**
 - Mazdutide, pemvidutide, survodutide, G49
- **GLP-1 agonist + Glucagon antagonist**
- **Activin-myostatin antagonists**
 - Bimagrumab, ALK4i, ALK7i, INHBEi, nimacimab, UCN2

Emerging Obesity Management Medications Through 2032



AMY = amylin receptor agonist; GCG = glucagon receptor agonist; GIP = glucose-dependent insulinotropic polypeptide receptor agonist; GLP-1 = glucagon-like-peptide-1 receptor agonist

Investigational product launch timelines are estimates only based on publicly available information¹

- Source: clinicaltrials.gov, company publications
- US Semaglutide Loss of Exclusivity (LOE) is 2032. EU LOE is 2031. China, Canada, India, and Brazil LOE is 2026.

**Metabolic/bariatric surgery
is still more effective
than any medicine!**

**Obesity meds augment
the benefits of
metabolic surgery &
metabolic endoscopy**



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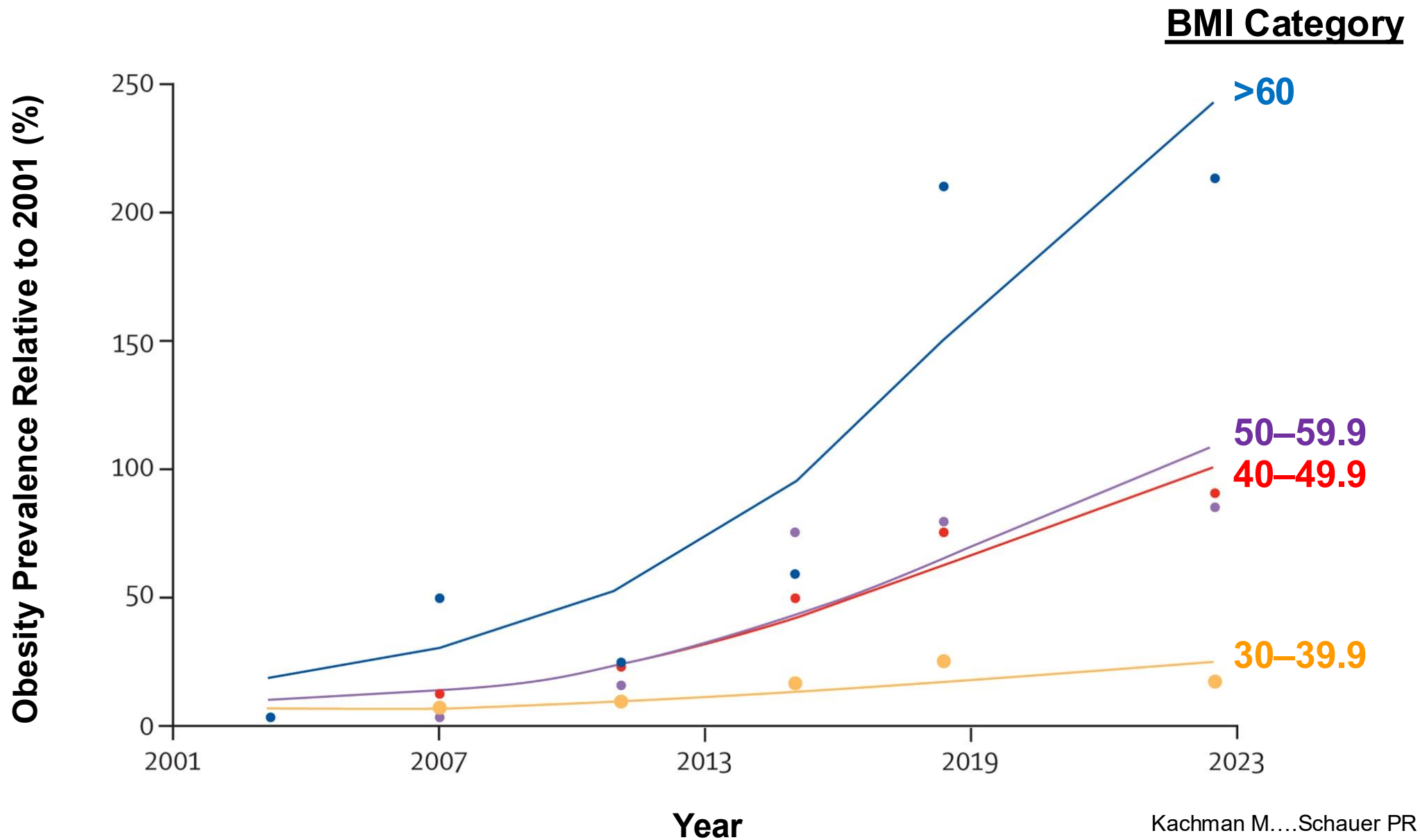
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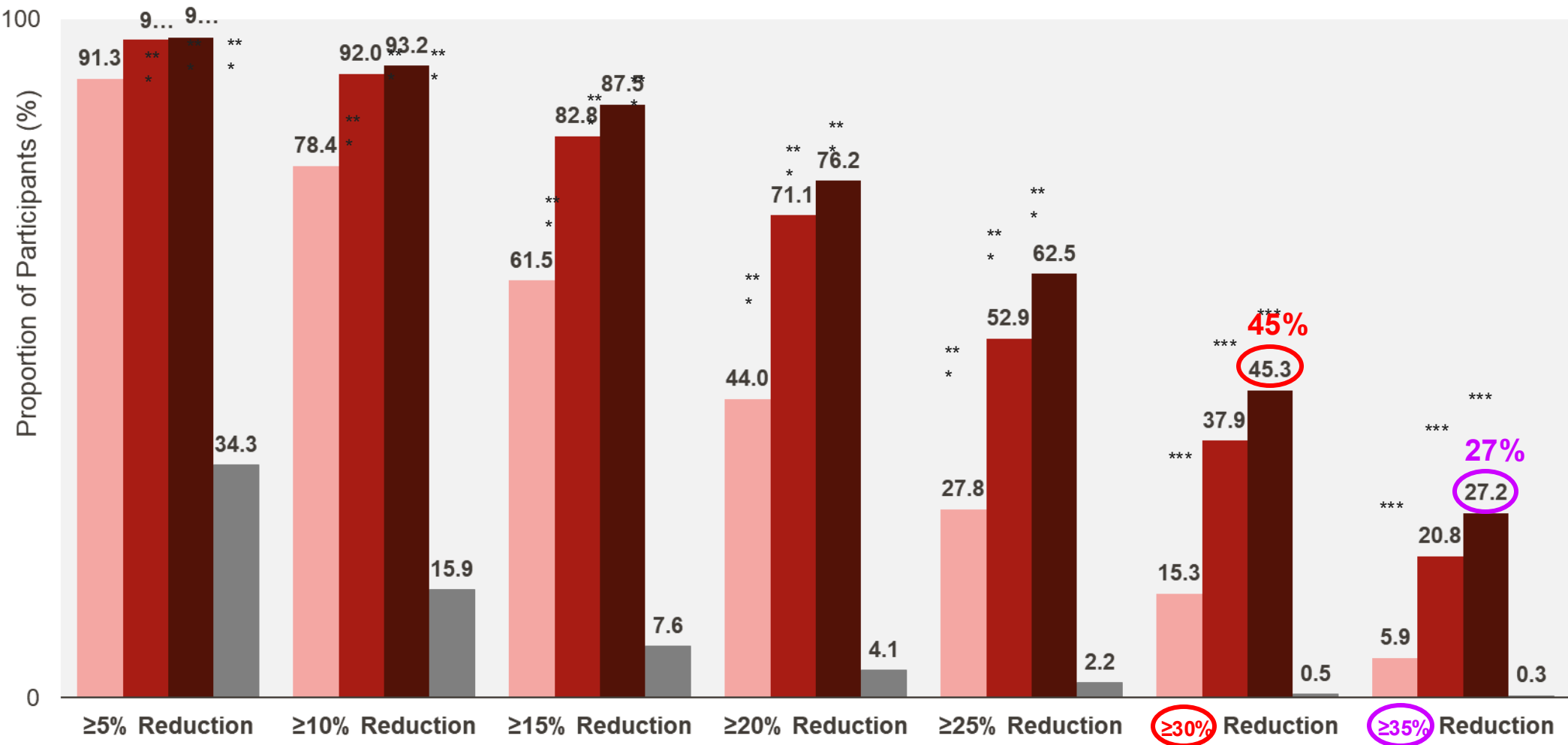


Thank you

~250% Increase of Extreme Obesity Prevalance in 20 Years

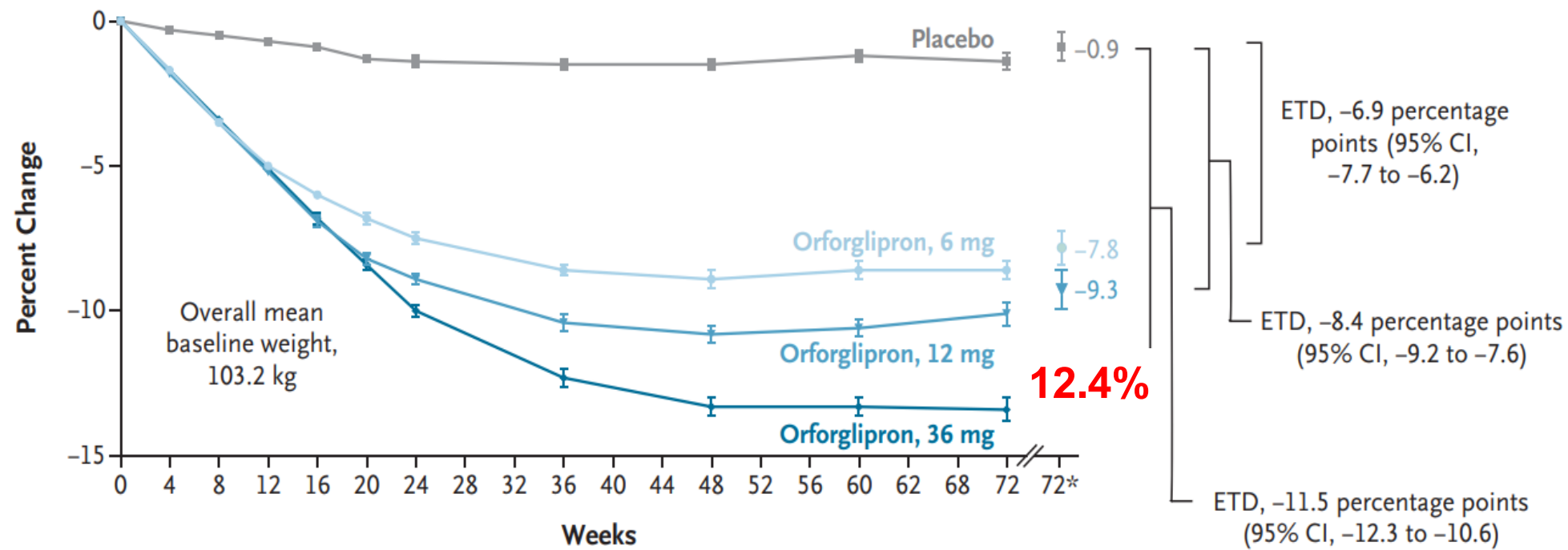


TRIUMPH-1: Percent of Participants Reaching Weight Reduction Thresholds with Retatrutide at Week 80



Change in Body Weight from Baseline to Week 72 (efficacy estimand)

ATTAIN-1



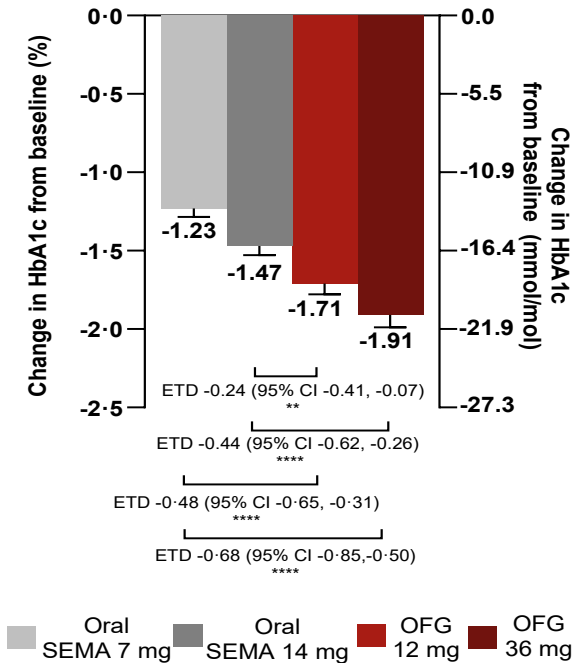
No. of Patients

Placebo	949	937	923	910	875	847	817	766	716	688	654	949
Orforglipron, 6 mg	723	713	702	690	675	664	652	630	601	578	559	723
Orforglipron, 12 mg	725	719	695	687	672	652	648	624	602	582	559	725
Orforglipron, 36 mg	730	715	704	689	670	662	644	617	583	573	549	730

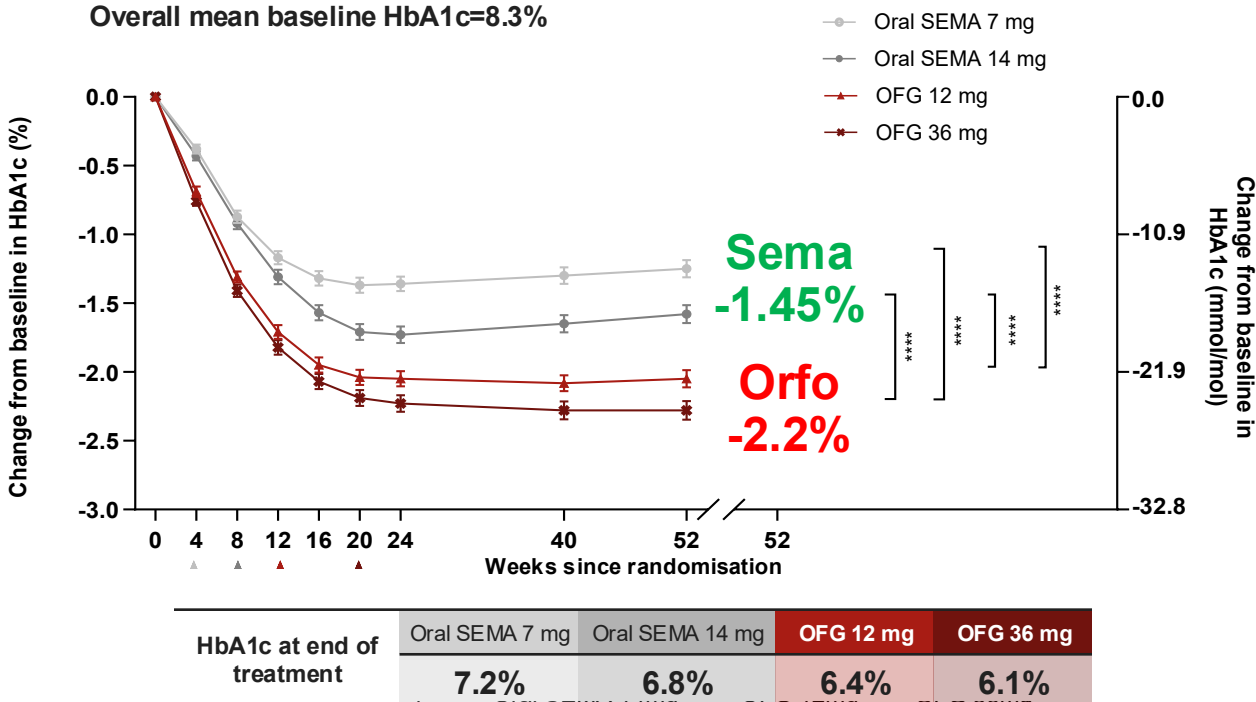
ACHIEVE-3 RCT

Change From Baseline in HbA1c at 1 Year

Treatment Regimen Estimand



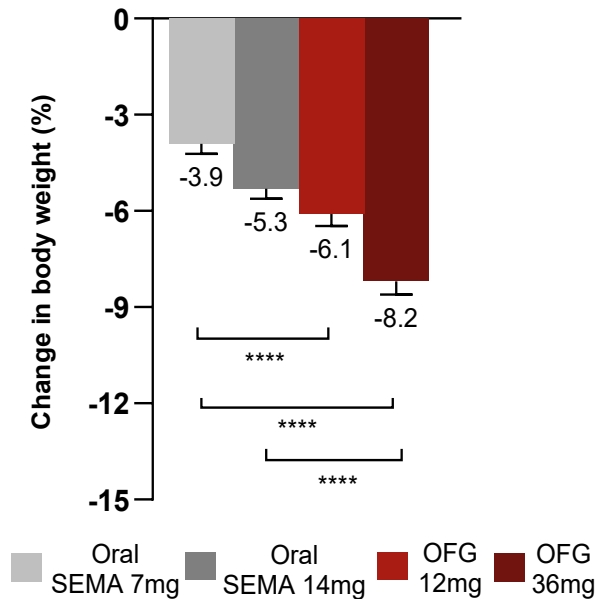
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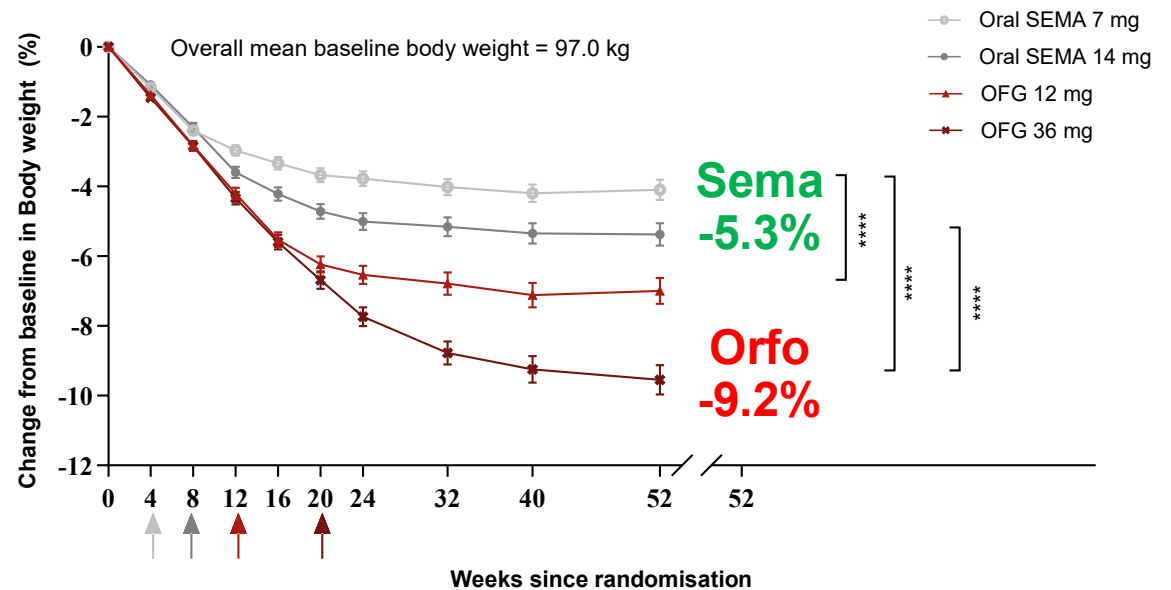
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Weight Loss at 1 Year

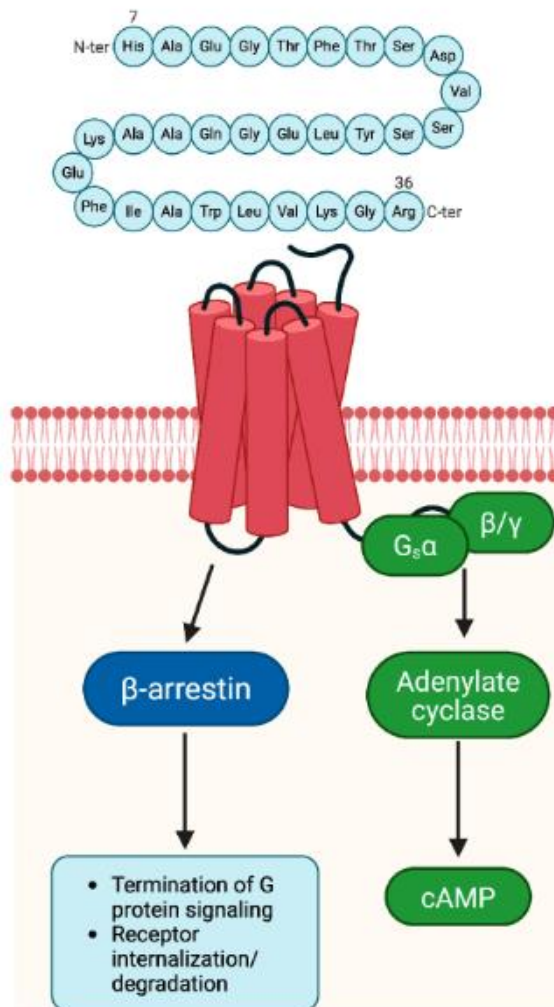
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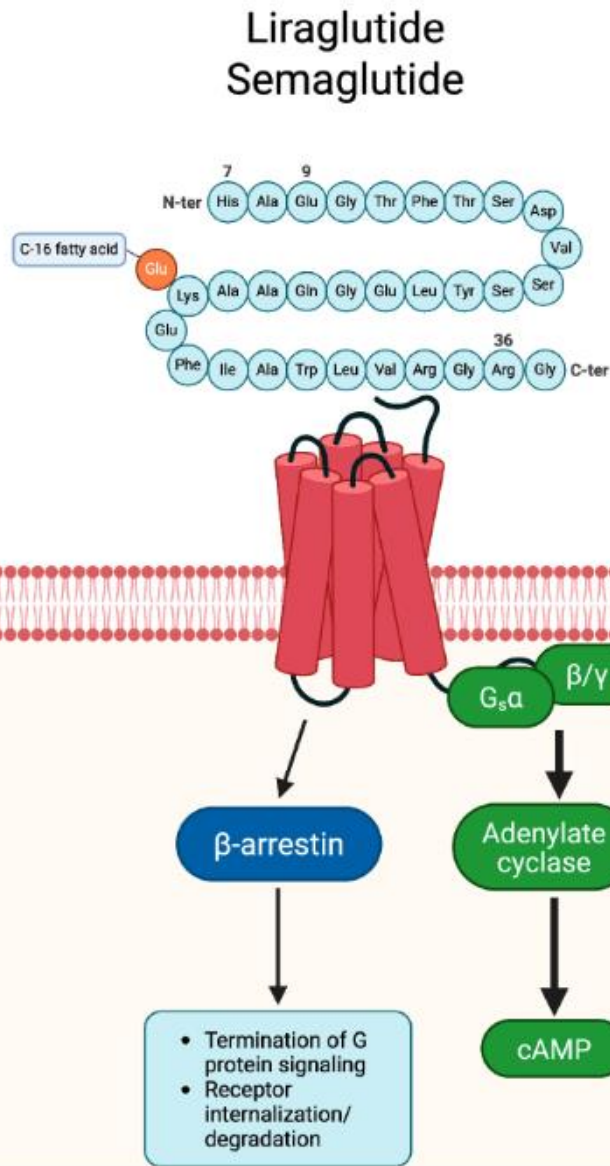
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(A) Native GLP-1 Peptide
Balanced



(B) Peptide Analogues
Balanced Agonism



(C) Small-Molecule Agonists
Gs-Biased Agonism

