

Rhythm Research and Development Event

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Today's Agenda

Introductions

Hunter Smith, Chief Financial Officer

Welcome and Overview

Keith Gottesdiener, M.D., Chief Executive Officer

Science Behind New Indications

Alastair Garfield, Ph.D., Vice President of Translational Research and Development

Update on Epidemiology Estimates

Keith Gottesdiener, M.D., Chief Executive Officer

Rhythm Engine, Basket Study and Update on Phase 2 Bardet-Biedl Syndrome Patients

Murray Stewart, M.D., Chief Medical Officer

Bardet-Biedl and Alström Syndromes Community Building and Patient Finding

Nithya Desikan, Chief Commercial Officer

Closing Remarks and Q&A

Welcome

Keith Gottesdiener, M.D.
Chief Executive Officer

Welcome to Rhythm's Fall 2019 R&D Event

4 **new indications**
being added
to Phase 2
Basket Study



Growing database now with
sequences of
13,567
people with early-onset,
severe obesity

Sequencing yield and
updated **epidemiology**
for pivotal and basket
indications

Rhythm Engine
and what it's
designed to
accomplish

Progress in programs
for **Bardet-Biedl** and
Alström syndromes

Rhythm Achievements on the Road to Changing the Paradigm with a Much-needed Therapy for Rare Genetic Disorders of Obesity

Translational Research and Genetics

- ✓ Added **high-impact heterozygous (HET)** obesity to **Basket Study** and presented preliminary clinical data demonstrating consistent weight and hunger responses
- ✓ Launched **Uncovering Rare Obesity**, a free genetic testing program
- ✓ Launched **TEMPO** registry and **GO-ID** trial

Clinical Advancement

- ✓ Secured **Breakthrough Therapy** and **EMA PRIME** designations for POMC, LEPR, BBS & Alström
- ✓ Achieved **positive Phase 2** Bardet-Biedl & Alström syndromes results
- ✓ Enrolled first patient in pivotal Phase 3 study in BBS & Alström
- ✓ **Completed enrollment in** POMC Phase 3 trial
- ✓ Completed enrollment in LEPR **Phase 3 trial**
- ✓ Initiated Phase 2 trial for **once-weekly** formulation of setmelanotide
- ✓ **Met all primary and key secondary endpoints** for weight loss and reduction in hunger in **POMC and LEPR Phase 3 trials**



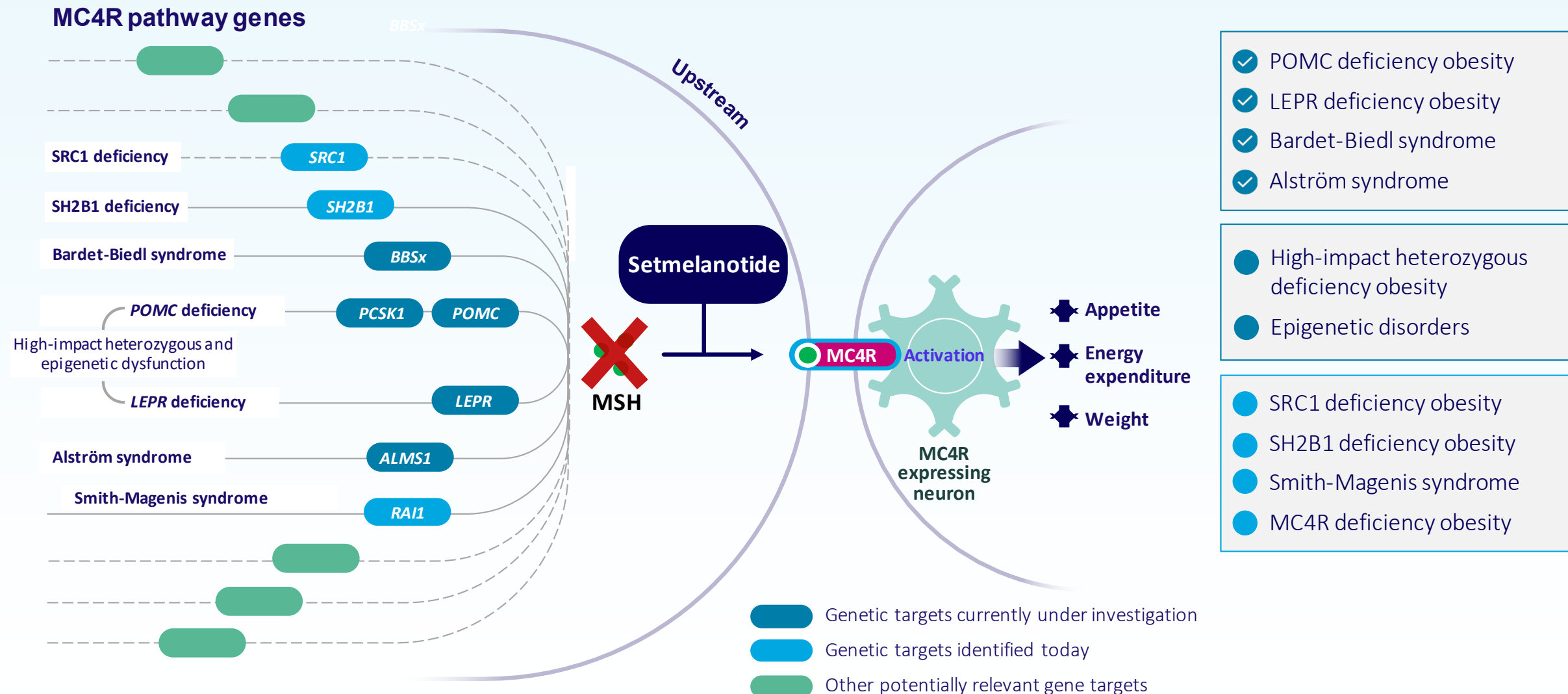
Expand Basket Study and provide update on genetic sequencing and patient finding

Today's Focus is on New Indications and Patient Finding

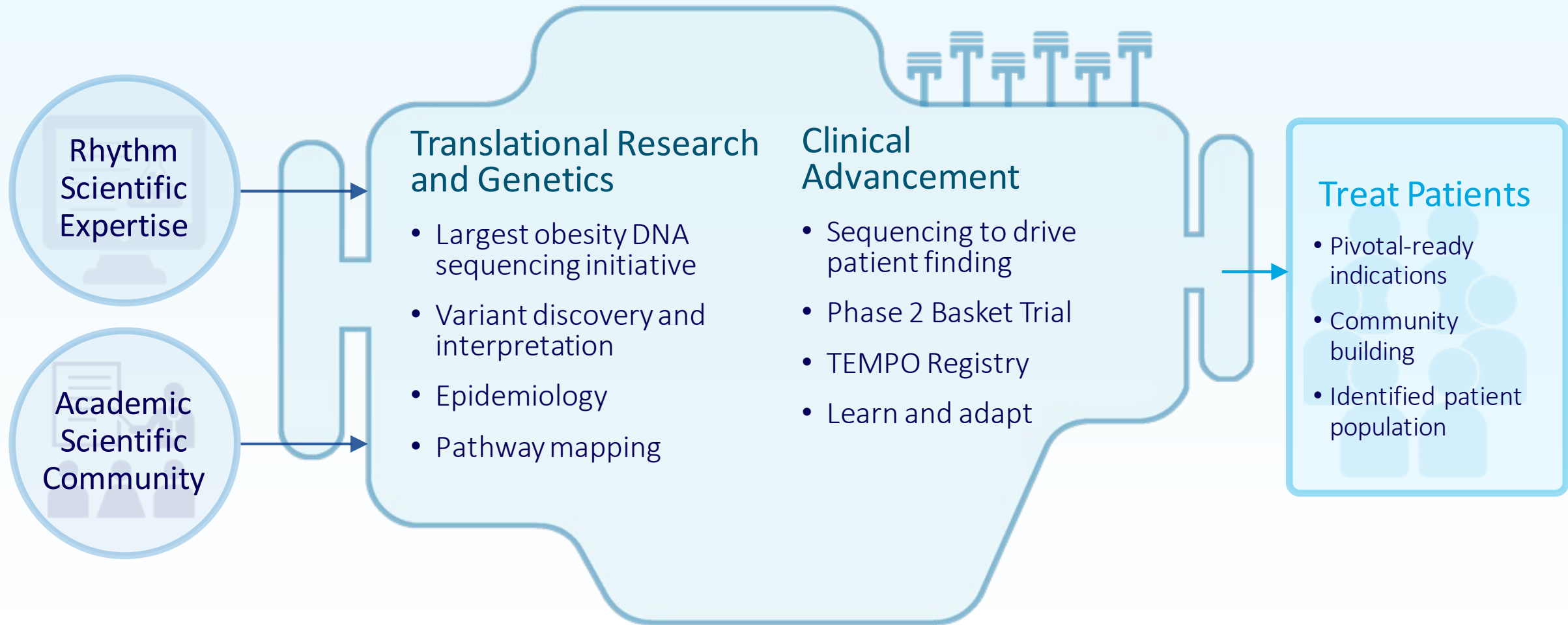
These Rhythm initiatives remain on track

- POMC and LEPR deficiency obesities pivotal data and registration
 - Presentations of data at major medical meeting expected during 4Q2019
 - U.S. New Drug Application submission on track to be completed 4Q2019/1Q2020
- High-impact HETs progressing in Rhythm Basket Study; update coming in 2020
- Commercialization approach for POMC/LEPR - 1H2020

Setmelanotide has Potential to Address Multiple Genetic Disorders that Disrupt MC4R Pathway Function



Rhythm Engine Drives Understanding and Treatment of Rare Genetic Disorders of Obesity



Science Behind New Indications

Alastair Garfield, Ph.D., Vice President of
Translational Research and Development

Numerous MC4R Pathway Genes Implicated in Rare Genetic Disorders of Obesity

PCSK1 POMC
ALMS1 BBS1-21
LEPR

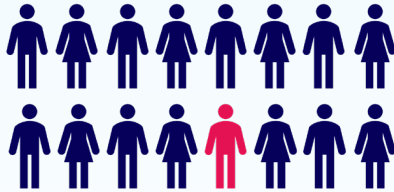
SRC1 SH2B1
MC4R RAI1
CPE LEP

BDNF
OTP SIM1
TUB TBX3 ADCY3
NTRK2 GNAS
Semaphorins (~13 genes) MRAP2
?? ?? ??
?? ??

MC4R Pathway Disorders: Genetic or Syndromic Diagnosis

Genetically-identified

**POMC, LEPR deficiency obesities;
High-impact HETs**



Patients diagnosed after genetic screening

SRC1

deficiency obesity

MC4R

deficiency obesity

SH2B1

deficiency obesity

Clinically-identifiable, syndromic

BBS and Alström syndrome

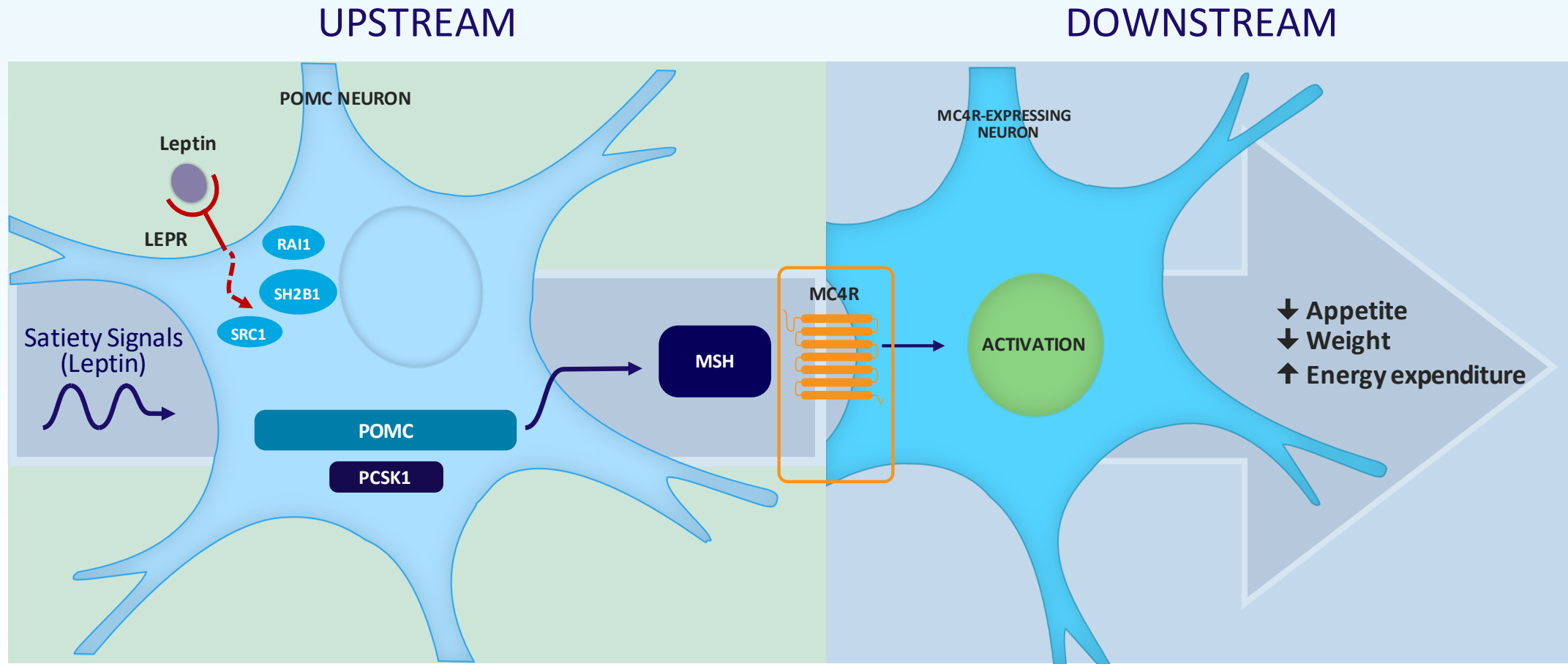


Patients often known to the medical system

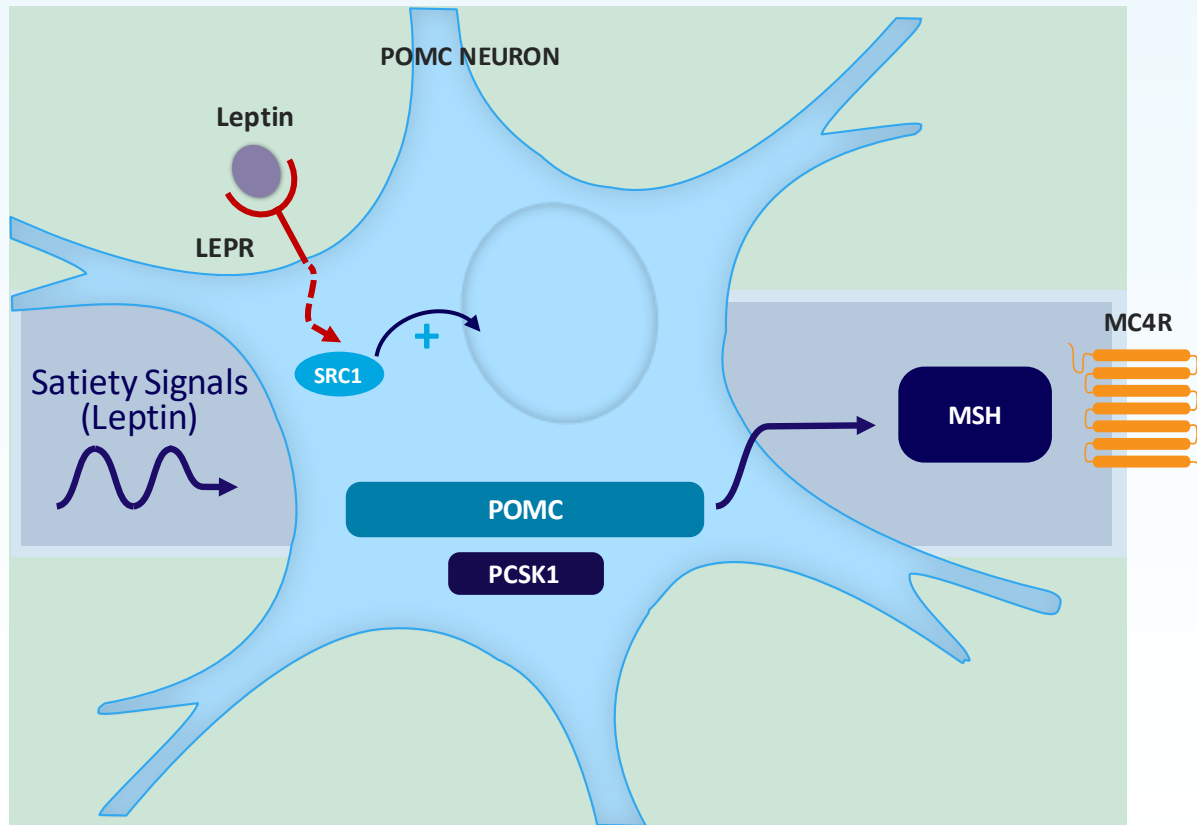
**Smith-Magenis
syndrome**

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New MC4R Pathway Indications Based on Proven Scientific Rationale



SRC1 is a Transcriptional Coactivator that Drives POMC Expression



Pathway Relevance: Drives POMC Expression

- Transcriptional coactivator activated downstream of LEPR
- Found in POMC neurons

Autosomal Dominant

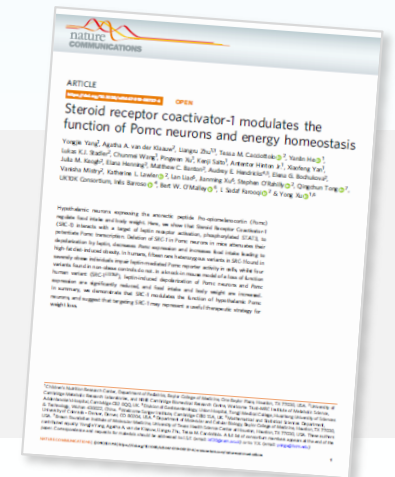
- Obesity arises due to heterozygous gene variants

Clinical Presentation

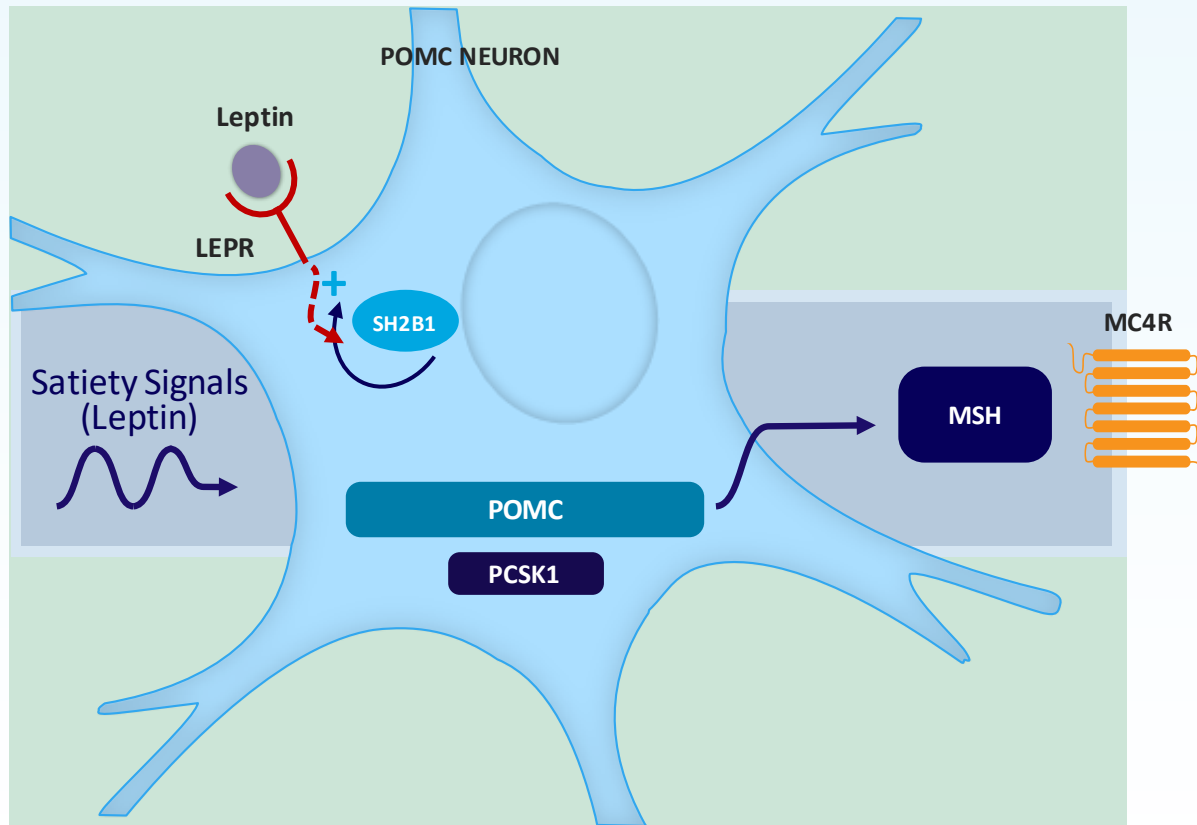
- Early onset obesity and hyperphagia
- Hyperleptinemia

Citations

- Yang et al 2019, Nat Comm. 10, Article 1718



SH2B1 is an Adapter Protein that Regulates LEPR Activity



Pathway Relevance: Regulates LEPR activity

- Adapter protein
- Found in POMC neurons

Autosomal Dominant

- Obesity arises due to heterozygous gene variants or chromosomal deletions

Clinical Presentation

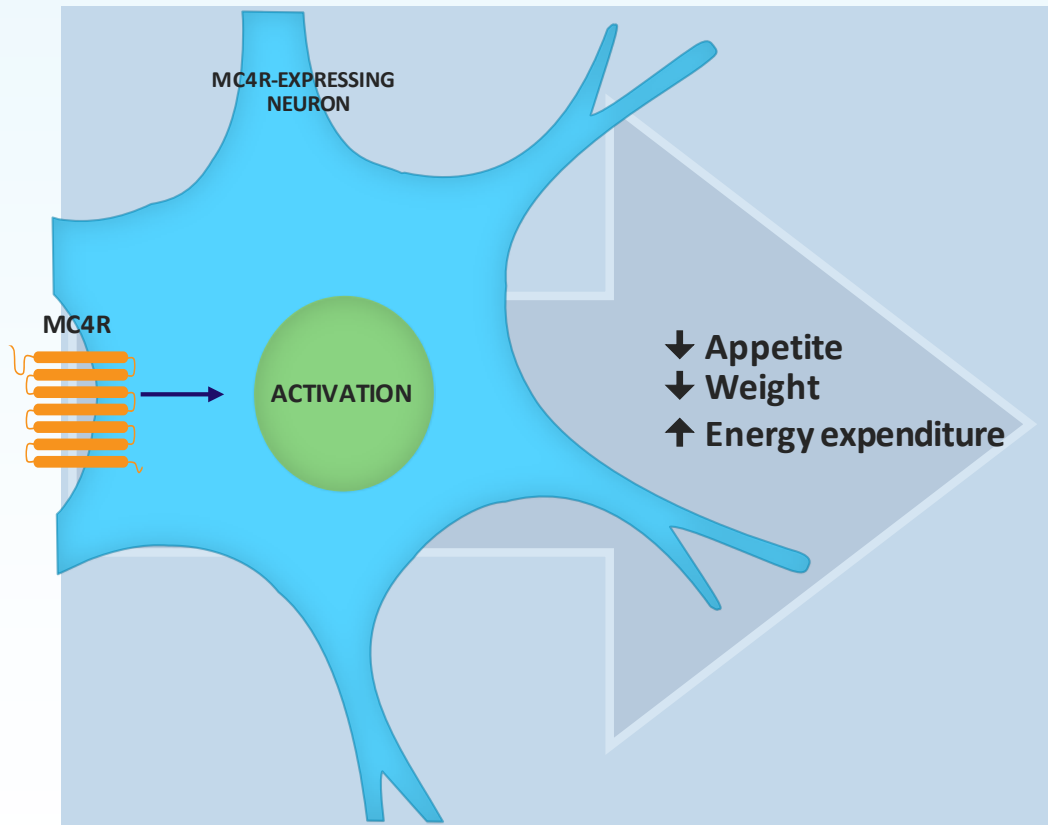
- Early onset obesity and hyperphagia
- Hyperinsulinemia

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- Doche et al 2011, JCI, 122; 4732
- Ockukova et al 2010, Nature, 463; 666



MC4R: Receptor for POMC Ligand MSH



Pathway Relevance: Receptor for POMC ligands

- Required for satiety effects of α/β -MSH

Autosomal Dominant

- Obesity arises due to heterozygous gene variants

Clinical Presentation

- Early onset obesity and hyperphagia

Setmelanotide

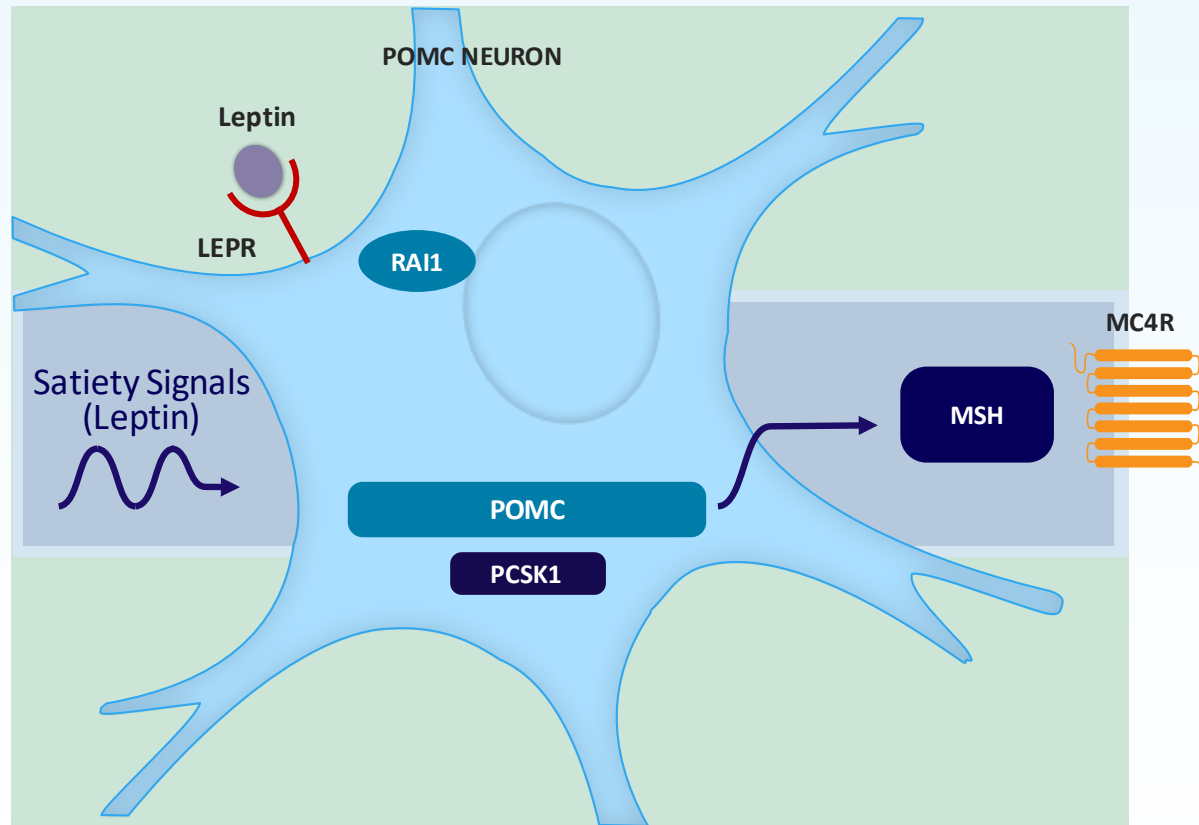
- Pharmacological target for setmelanotide
- Rhythm conducted small, 4-week Ph1b study in MC4R deficiency obesity
- Rhythm biochemical studies indicate that setmelanotide can rescue specific MC4R variants
- Current indication is focused on rescuable MC4R variant carriers

Citations

- Farooqi et al 2003, NEJM, 348; 1085
- Collett et al 2017, Molecular Metabolism, 6; 1321



Smith-Magenis Syndrome Obesity: RAI1 Affects POMC Expression



Pathway Relevance: Decreased Pathway Function Upstream of MC4R

- Causal gene is RAI1
- Transcription factor for a number of pathway genes

Autosomal Dominant

- Gene variants and chromosomal deletions

Clinical Presentation

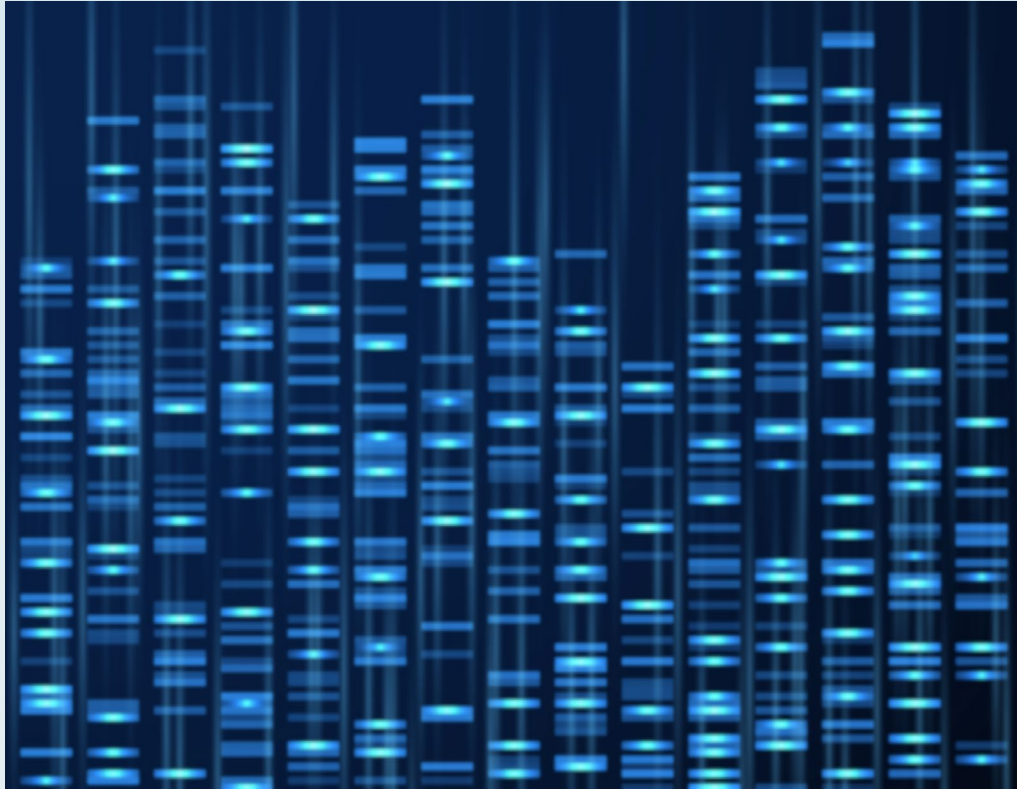
- Adolescent obesity and hyperphagia
- Sleep disturbance, cognitive impairment, craniofacial anomalies, low energy expenditure

Citations

- Edelman et al 2007, Clin Genet; 71: 540–550
- Burns et al 2010, Hum. Mol. Gen; 19; 4026



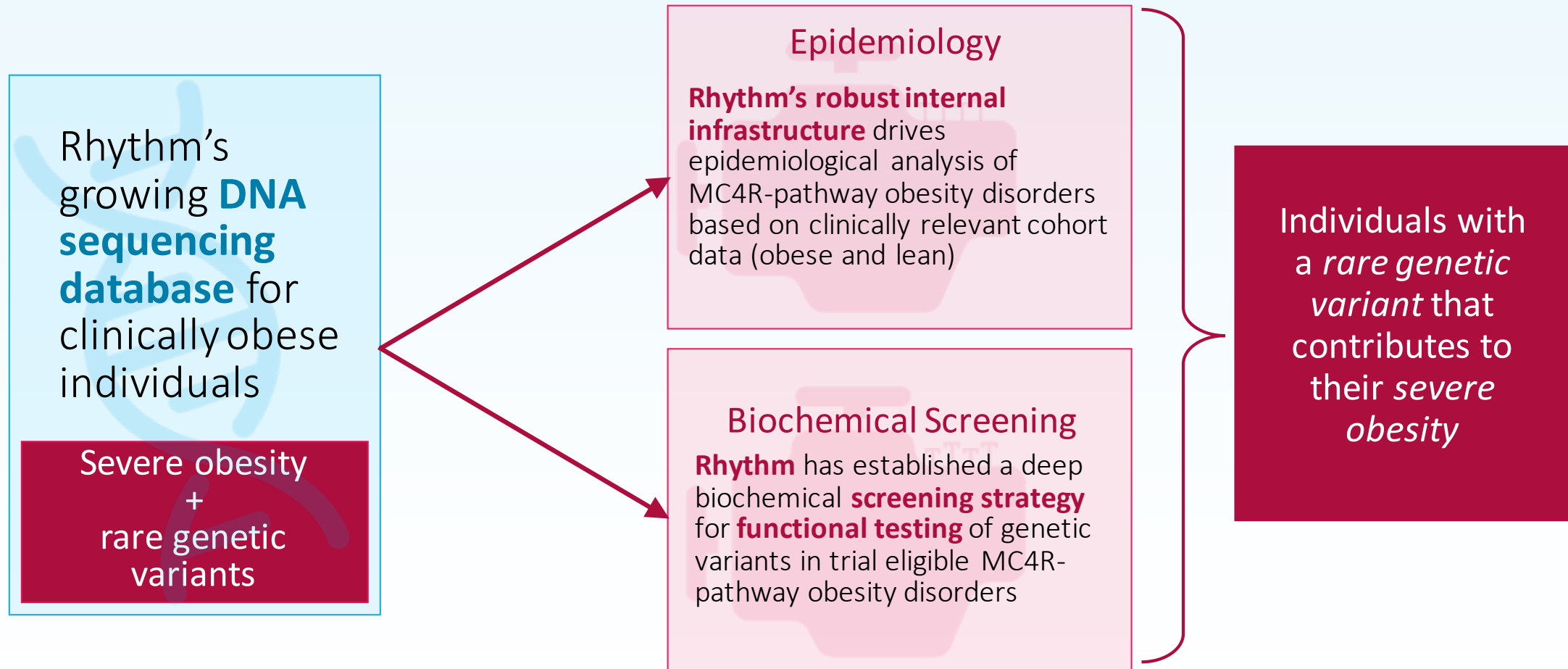
Leveraging Sequencing Data to Build a Better Understanding of Genetics Underlying Obesity



101 Gene Panel for Obesity

- Clinically relevant obesity genes
- Research based genes
- Not all associated with MC4R pathway

There's an Art to the Science of Rhythm's Genotyping Strategy



Epidemiology Estimates for MC4R Pathway-driven Disorders

Keith Gottesdiener, M.D.
Chief Executive Officer

Building the Largest Genetic Database for Severe Obesity

Clinical Characteristics:

Early-onset obesity

Obesity is severe

BMI > 40* as adults

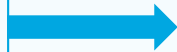
Rhythm's growing
database has

13,567
samples**

* For children under 12, included those who are 1.4 X 95th percentile for weight; ** As of June 2019.

Sequencing Focused on Genetically-identified Rare Disorders of Obesity

Individuals with
severe obesity
sequenced
13,567



Number of genetically-identified
individuals who may be eligible for
Rhythm Basket Study:

1,584

Yield = 11.7%

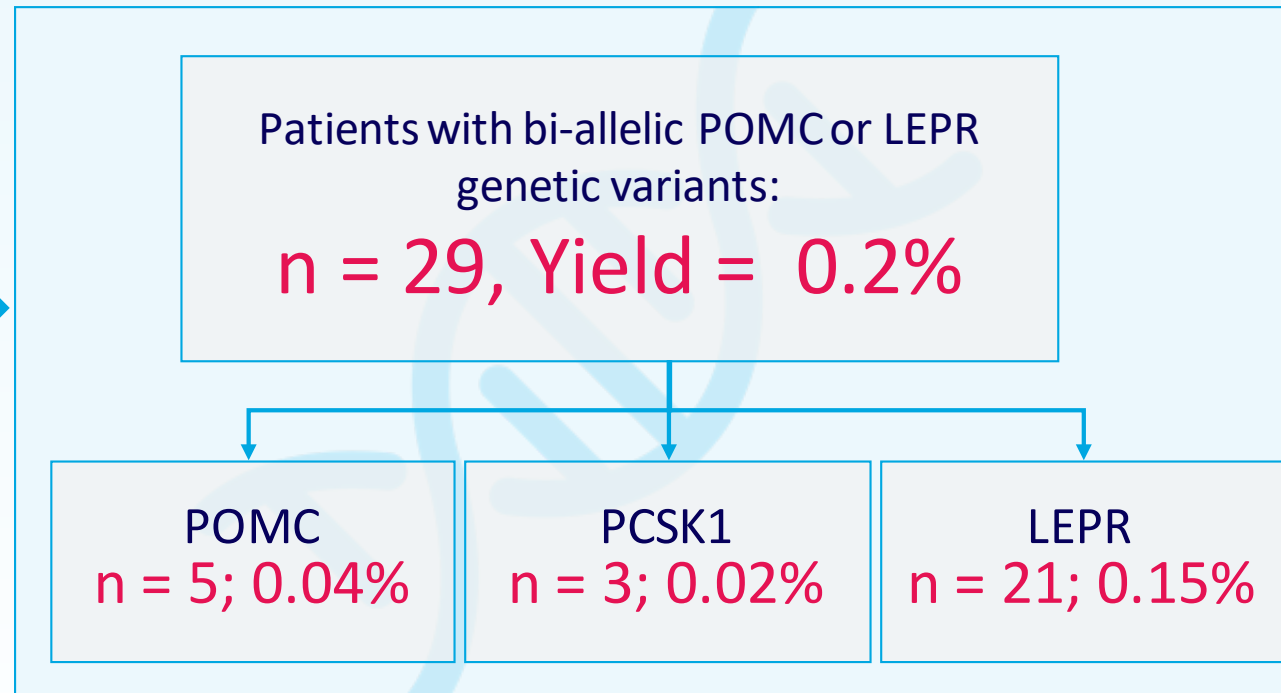
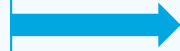
With 'rarity filter' of <1% frequency applied



Severe obesity
+
rare genetic
variant

Sequencing Yield Supports Ultra-rare Populations in POMC and LEPR Deficiency Obesities

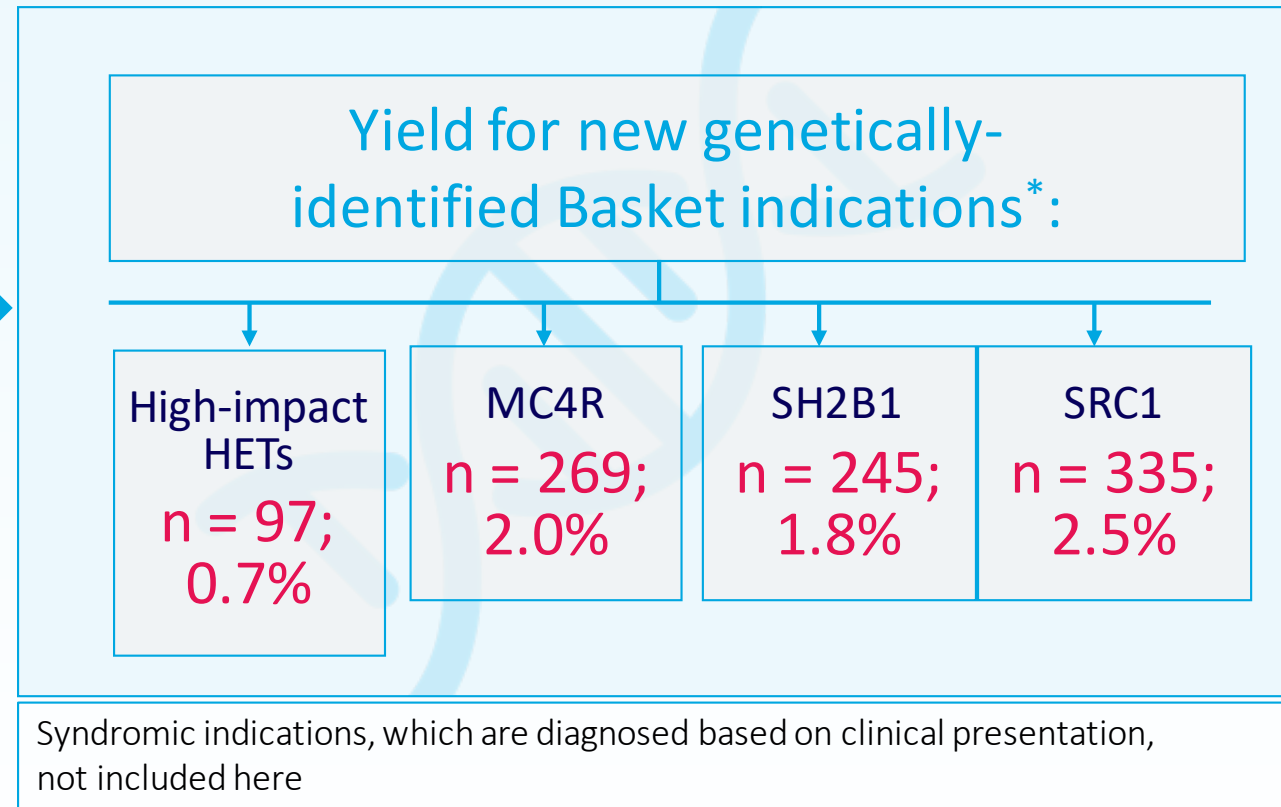
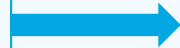
Individuals with
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sequenced
13,567



Consistent with Rhythm's U.S. clinical epidemiology estimates of 100-500 for POMC deficiency obesity and 500-2,000 for LEPR deficiency obesity

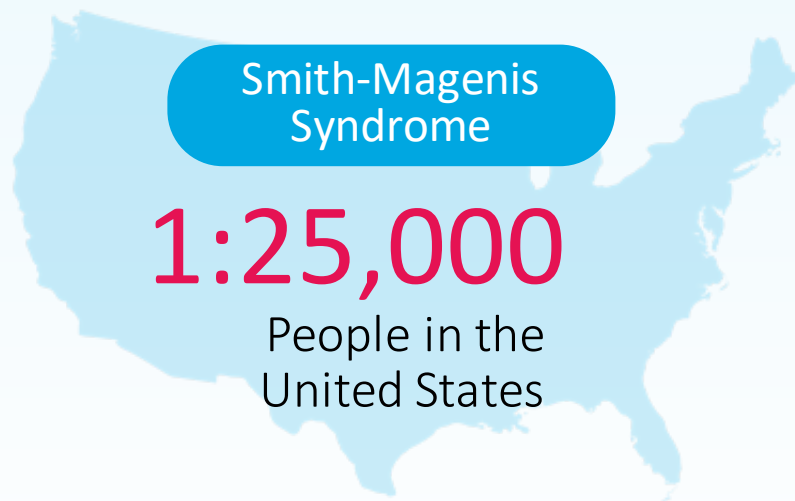
Sequencing Yield for New Basket Indications Points to Significant Opportunity

Individuals with
severe obesity
sequenced
13,567



*Basket yield includes 683 individuals with other variants; some patients have more than one variant.

Obesity Affects a Meaningful Portion of Patients with Smith-Magenis Syndrome



10%
of patients have
RAI1 variants

90%
of patients have
17p11.2 chromosomal
deletion

U.S. epidemiology estimate of SMS patients living with severe obesity:

67%
of SMS patients with
RAI1 variant live with
obesity*

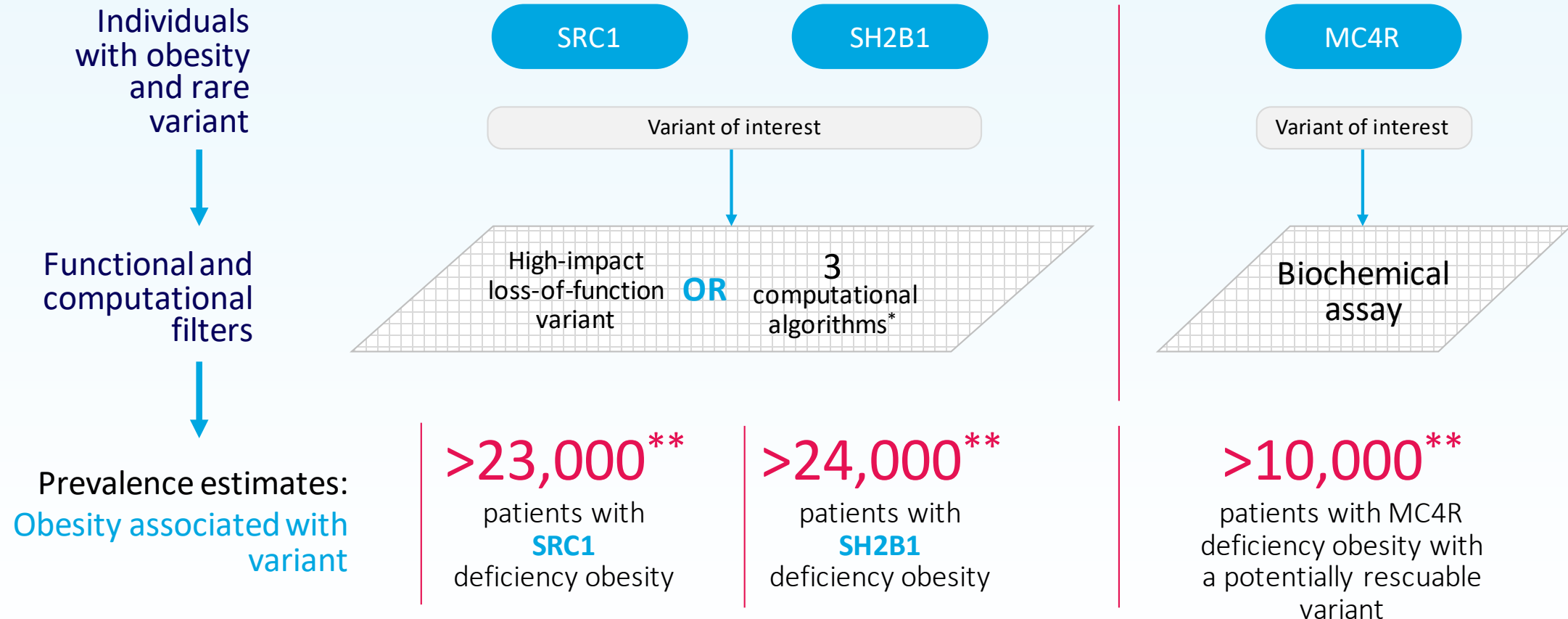
13%
of SMS patients with
17p11.2 deletion live
with obesity*

U.S. epidemiology estimate of SMS patients living with severe obesity

> 2,400

* Elsea and Girirajan, European Journal of Human Genetics, 16;412-421 (2008)

Translating Rhythm Sequencing Data to U.S. Prevalence Estimates



*PolyPhen: Adzhubei IA, et al. Nat Methods 7(4):248-249 (2010); SIFT: Vaser R, et al. Nat Protocol 4:1073-1081 (2009); MutationTaster: Schwarz J.M., et al. Nat. Methods 11(4):361-362 (2014) ** Company estimates calculated based on the following assumptions: US pop 327 million; 1.7% has early onset, severe obesity (Hales et al in JAMA – April 2018: Trends in Obesity and Severe Obesity Prevalence in US Youth and Adults by Sex and Age, 2007-2008 to 2015-2016); Allele frequency based on Rhythm genetic sequencing (June 2019)

U.S. Prevalence Estimates for MC4R Pathway-driven Rare Genetic Disorders Obesity

New indications > 60,000*

SRC1 deficiency obesity
SH2B1 deficiency obesity
Smith-Magenis syndrome
MC4R deficiency obesity

High-impact HETs: > 20,000*

Pivotal indications: up to 5,000*

POMC deficiency obesity
LEPR deficiency obesity
Bardet-Biedl syndrome
Alström syndrome



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Rhythm Engine and the Basket Study

Murray Stewart, M.D., Chief Medical Officer

Rhythm Engine: Identifying Patients, Discovering Diseases and Advancing a Therapy

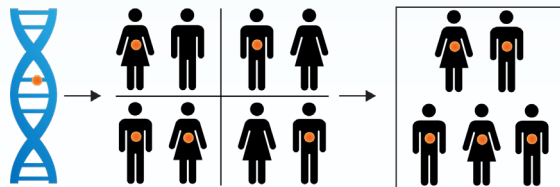
GO ID
genotyping

**UNCOVERING
RARE OBESITY**

Sponsored genetic
testing program

Biobanks

Phase 2 Basket Study



TEMPO
TRACING THE EFFECT OF THE MC4R PATHWAY IN OBESITY

Uncovering Rare Obesity Program Broadens Access to Genetic Testing and Facilitates Diagnosis of Rare Genetic Disorders of Obesity



Raise Awareness

Elevate awareness and increase suspicion of rare genetic disorders of obesity (RGDO)



Increase Frequency of Genetic Testing

Providing simple and efficient genetic testing program



Improve Access to Genetic Testing

Offering no-cost genetic testing option



Biobanks Providing Large Data Sets for Patient Identification and Furthering Disease Understanding



Established collaborations with

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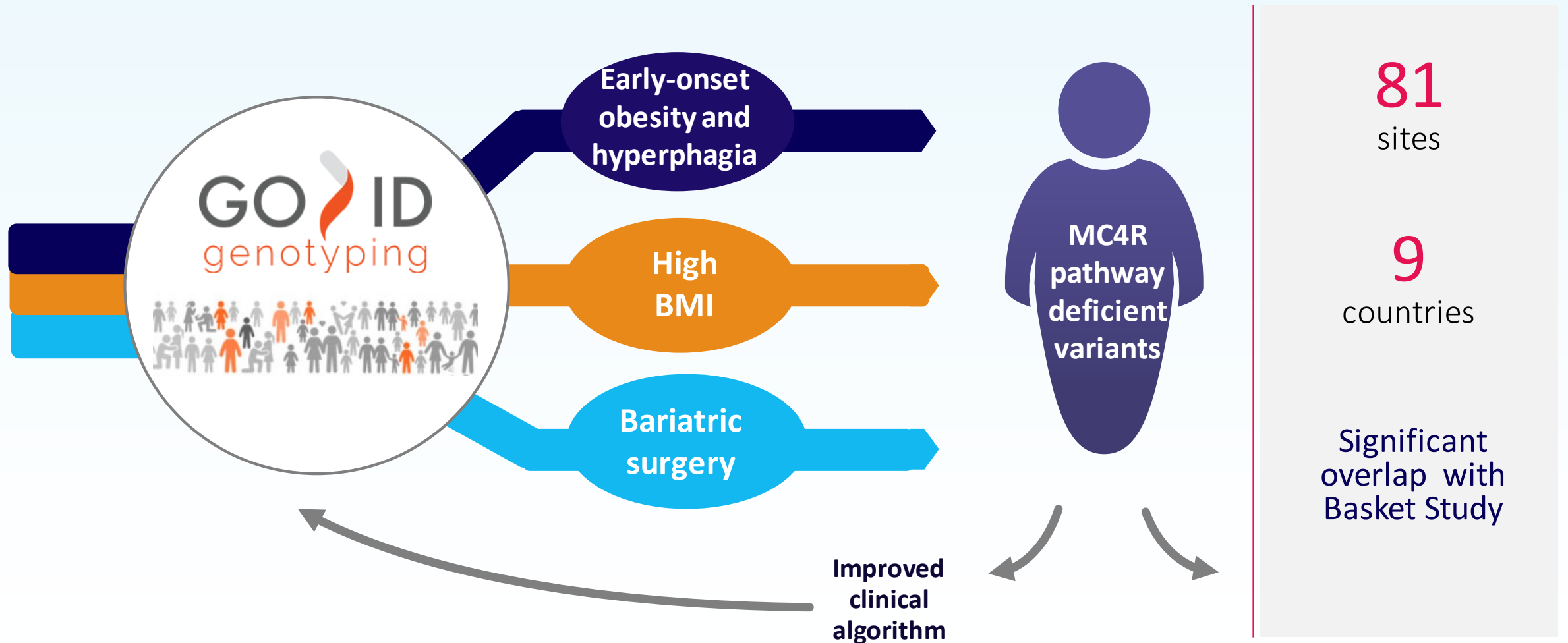
well-known biobanks giving Rhythm access to sequencing data from

23,000

individuals with severe obesity

- Identification of eligible patients for potential trial enrollment and treatment
- Data for variant characterization
- Evaluation of clinical features that may be predictive of genotypes of interest

GO-ID Driving Genetic Testing and Patient Finding while Evaluating and Enriching Distinct Patient Subsets



Community Building Through the TEMPO Registry

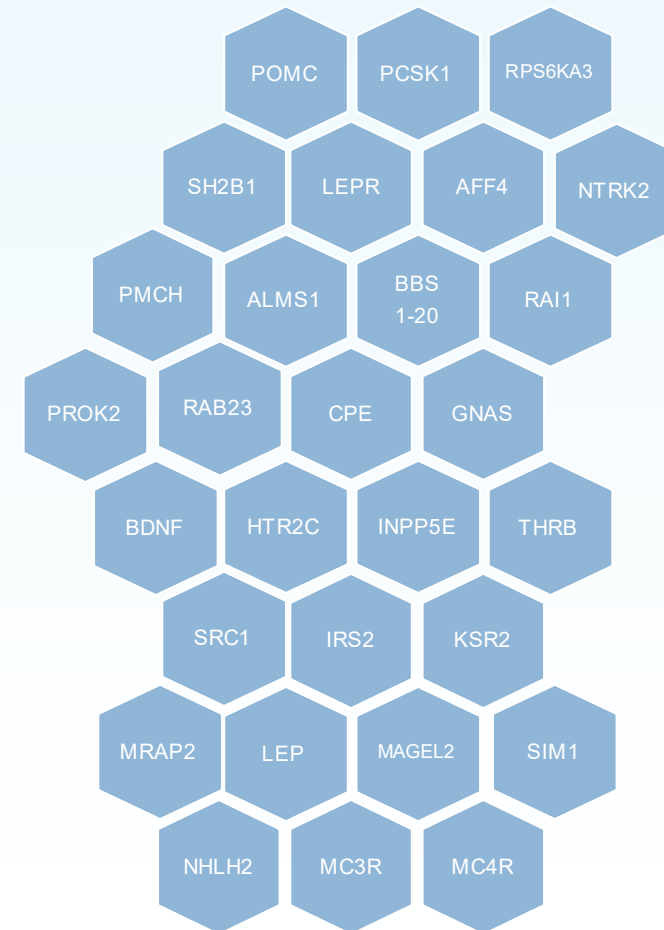


TRACING THE EFFECT OF THE MC4R PATHWAY IN OBESITY

Designed to complement existing patient registries (e.g. CRIBBS for BBS) and to facilitate **better understanding of rare genetic disorders of obesity** in the medical community

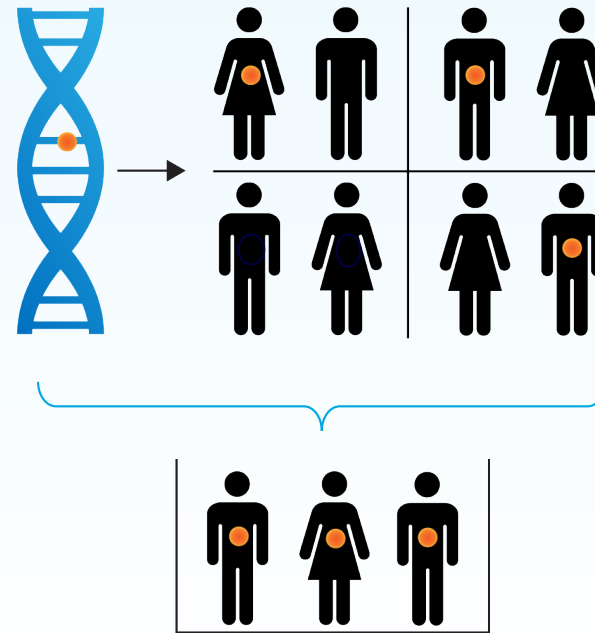
- Target enrollment of ~1,000 patients
- Genetic screening through GO-ID
- Potential enrollment in Phase 2 basket studies

TEMPO is for individuals with specific variants in the MC4R pathway genes, that include at least one of the following:



Basket Study Key to Proof of Concept, Advancing Indications to Phase 3

- Improve understanding of interplay of genetic variation and MC4R pathway function
- Aim for seamless integration with sequencing efforts
- Rapid proof-of-concept in new indications
- Delivers pivotal indications into phase 3 trials



- Multiple cohorts of HETs patients enrolled
- Enrolling patients in new indications

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Updated Phase 2 Data in BBS Show Continued Responses at ~Two Years

	Gene	Treatment, weeks	Weight Change from Baseline	Hunger Score Change from Baseline
Patient 1	BBS1	123	-36.7%	-33%
Patient 2	BBS2	119	-15%	-71%
Patient 3	BBS10	121	-28%	-100%*
Patient 4	BBS12	108	-25%	67%
Patient 6	BBS5	83	-10.8%	-38%
Patient 7	BBS4	73	-17.9%	-14%**

- Six of nine pts responded - All maintain weight loss at ~two years
- Mean percent weight reduction of responders = **22.2%** after ~two years on therapy
- Three patients discontinued treatment
 - Patient 5 (pediatric patient with BBS1 variant and type 1 diabetes) experienced 53.3% reduction in hunger and reduction in hemoglobin A1c (10.1% to 7.6%) before withdrawing. Pt subsequently entered long-term extension study
 - Two patients (one non-genetically confirmed) withdrew due to lack of weight loss

*Pt. has cognitive impairment, so Food Problem Diary (FPD) score maintained by caregiver; **Pt. did not have baseline hunger measure. The first score was a 7, which was not recorded until after the patient had received treatment. Current score is a 6.

Updated Phase 2 Data in Alström Syndrome Show Variable Responses

	Age at enrollment/ Sex	Baseline Weight (kg)	Treatment, weeks	% Weight Change from Baseline	% Hunger Score Change from Baseline [†]
Patient 1	12/M	78.6	95	-20%	-25%
Patient 3*	15/F	70.7	84	1%	-38%
Patient 4	16/F	91.6	68	-6%	0%

- Patient 1 showed strongest response and HCP started decreasing the dose after 32 weeks of treatment; currently 0.5 mg/day and has reached healthy body weight
- Patient 3 maintaining weight and reduced hunger – HbA1c decreased by 3% from 11% to 8%
- All 3 continuing patients plan to enter long-term extension trial

*As previously disclosed, patient 2 (data not shown) discontinued at ~14 weeks

Community Building and Patient Finding

Nithya Desikan, Chief Commercial Officer

Community Building Off and Running



Disease Journey

- Reducing barriers to diagnosis



Advocacy Relations

- Building relationships with multiple advocacy groups in US and EU



Established Registries

- CRIBBS (Bardet-Biedl syndrome registry)
- Large cohorts of known patients



Field Medical Outreach

- GOLD academies building awareness and community
- Field team members connecting with HCPs

Mapping the BBS Patient Journey to Diagnosis and Beyond

Working to Reduce Barriers to Diagnosis



Solomon, Living with BBS

Variability:

Variability of presentation and progression of the disease

Initial concerns dismissed:

Caregivers collect “proof” to raise HCP suspicion

Medical Team:

Specialists brought in as symptoms increase and worsen with no coordinated care

Specialists may include:

Pediatricians, ENTs, ophthalmologist, endocrinologist, nephrologist and/or therapist

Discovering BBS:

Happens by chance for most via an encounter with someone familiar with BBS; or someone diagnosed with it.

Patient Advocacy Collaborations Advance Common Mission to Improve Lives of Patients, Families Affected by Bardet-Biedl, Alström Syndromes

- Increase disease awareness and reduce barriers to diagnosis
- Gain feedback on clinical trial design and materials
- Support pathway to regulatory approval



CMO Murray Stewart at the 2019 9th Alstrom Syndrome International Family Conference and Scientific Symposium



**Bardet Biedl
Syndrome
Foundation**



BBS UK
Bardet-Biedl Syndrome UK



Alström Syndrome UK
Strength for today, hope for the future



Community Building: Genetic Obesity Leadership and Network Development



Launched in **2019** to educate health care providers, develop management strategies and build a **peer-to-peer** network



Established education modules on rare genetic disorders of obesity, hyperphagia, clinical characteristics, potential diagnosis and management strategy

20

GOLD Academy
faculty



20

programs completed
or in process



>500

Health care providers have or are
expected to participate



Patient Finding Efforts have Resulted in Many Identified Patients with BBS and Alström syndrome*

Field Medical teams survey of physicians confirms original prevalence of estimates for Bardet-Biedl, Alström syndromes

Estimated Clinical Epidemiology

2,500 in U.S.

2,500 in EU
Bardet-Biedl syndrome

500 in U.S.

500 in EU
Alström syndrome

Rhythm Physician Interactions

224

physicians who treat BBS
patients

93

physicians who treat
patients with Alström
syndrome

BBS Patients Identified

500-800*
in U.S.

1,000 - 1,500*
in EU

Patients with Alström Syndrome Identified

50-70*
in U.S.

200-225*
in EU

*Assessment of numbers of patients relies on HCP recall, which may result in over or under reporting

Conclusion

Rhythm Expects Significant Progress in 2019 and 2020



Updated interim data for HET obesity



Positive topline data from both POMC and LEPR Phase 3 studies



Expand Phase 2 basket studies into four additional MC4R pathway disorders

2H19

Complete pivotal enrollment in BBS and Alström Phase 3 study

4Q19-1Q20

Initial NDA submission for setmelanotide in POMC and LEPR

2020

Additional data in high impact HETs obesity and additional Basket indications

2020

Topline data from BBS and Alström Phase 3 study

Rhythm Is Transforming the Care for Patients with Rare Genetic Disorders of Obesity Driven by deficiencies within the MC4R Pathway

Discovering MC4R pathway disorders that cause obesity and identifying patients

Rhythm has expanded the Basket Study into **4 new indications**, all with strong scientific ties to the MC4R pathway

Sequencing has improved our understanding of:

- **POMC and LEPR**
- **New indications**, for which the estimated prevalence is substantial

Significant progress in Bardet-Biedl and Alström syndromes programs

- Patients in Phase 2 trial showing deepening of response over longer-term
- Patient finding efforts are exceeding expectations



Rhythm Engine is executing on a scientific approach to identifying patients with rare genetic disorders of obesity related to the MC4R pathway

Rhythm
PHARMACEUTICALS

Setmelanotide has Potential to Address Multiple Genetic Disorders that Disrupt MC4R Pathway Function

