

# Rhythm Pharmaceuticals

## Phase 3 EMANATE Trial Topline Results

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# Phase 3 EMANATE Topline Results

- ✓ Encouraging signals seen in POMC Hets and SRC1 substudies to inform development of next-generation MC4R agonists
  - Post hoc LOCF analyses demonstrated setmelanotide achieved statistically significant BMI reduction in POMC Hets and SRC1 substudies
- ✓ Deepened understanding across MC4R pathway genetics and variant classification
- ✓ Placebo effect potentially confounded analysis of intent-to-treat (ITT) population
- ✓ High discontinuation rate across all four substudies negatively affected topline results
  - Multiple imputation statistical analysis for calculating missing values and discontinued patients confounded primary endpoint analysis

# Topline Results from Phase 3 EMANATE Trial of Setmelanotide

**PRIMARY ENDPOINT:** Difference in mean percent change in BMI from baseline to 52 weeks vs. placebo analyzed with pre-specified multiple imputation analysis of mITT population<sup>1</sup>

**POMC/PCSK1  
Hets**

**-4.3%**

(N=78\*)

**p-value = 0.15**

**LEPR Hets**

**-3.6%**

(N=23)

**p-value = 0.94**

**SRC1 (NCOA1)**

**-4.0%**

(N=73)

**p-value = 0.12**

**SH2B1**

**-1.7%**

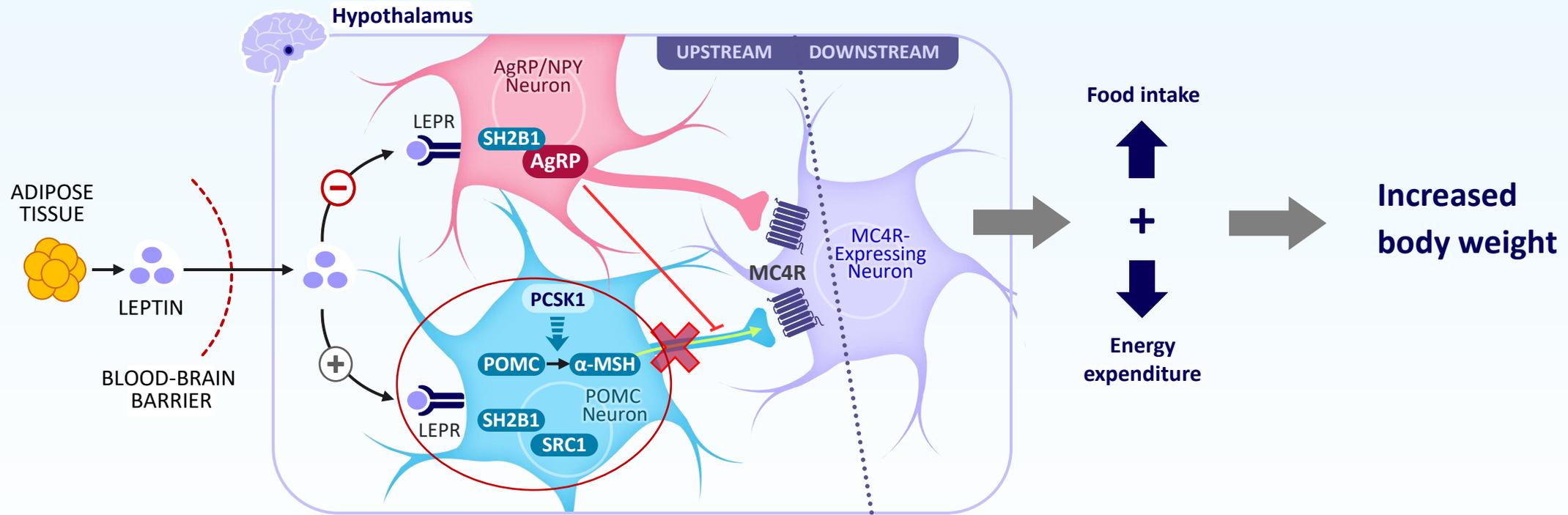
(N=121)

**p-value = 0.43**

MITT, modified intent-to-treat

1. ANCOVA least-squares mean (LSM) difference in mean percent change in BMI from baseline to 52 weeks in setmelanotide arm compared to placebo arm using multiple imputation to replace missing values using placebo data for modified intent-to-treat analysis set; \*One randomized patient discontinued before initial dose.

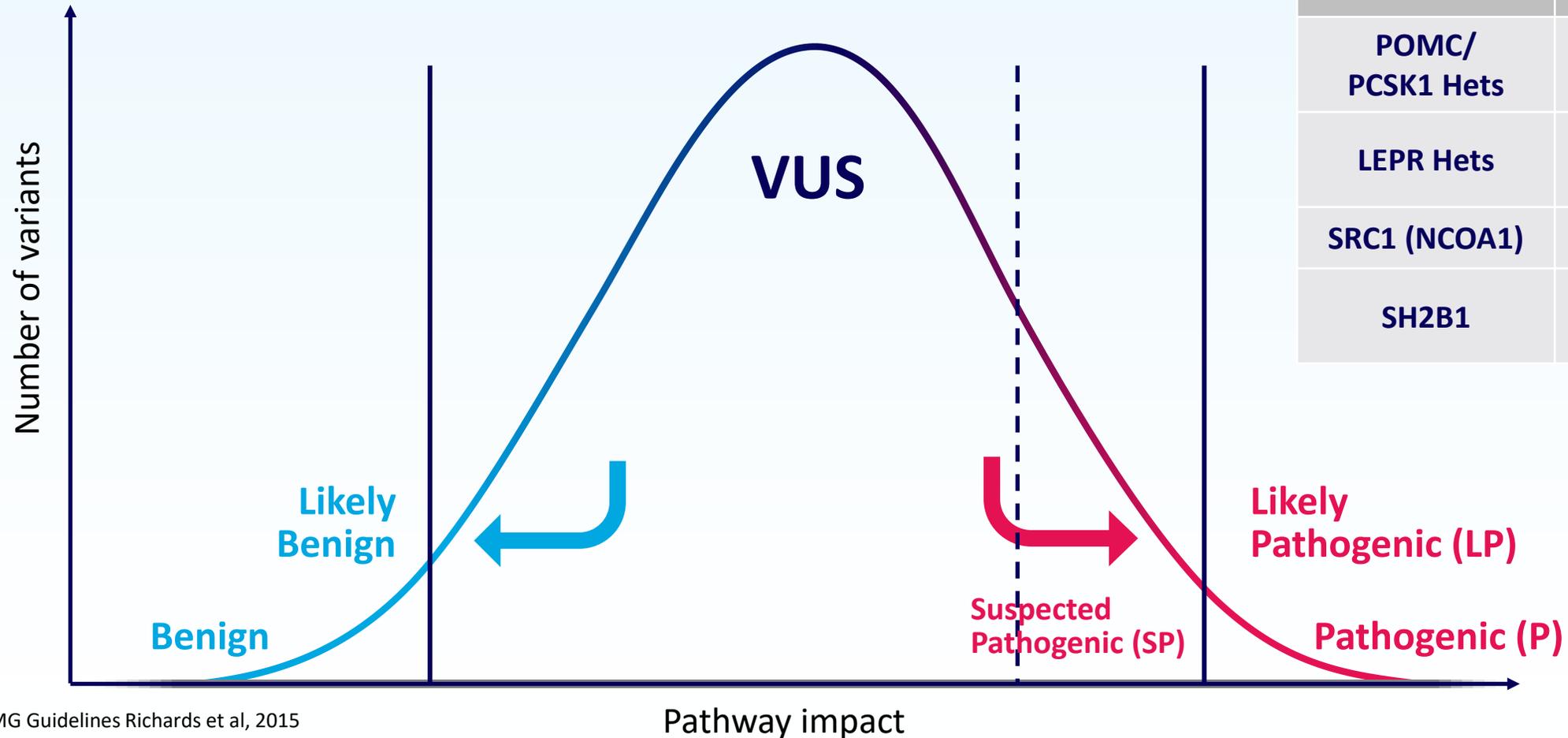
# MC4R Pathway Impairment May Lead to Increased Hunger, Decreased Energy Expenditure and Early-onset Obesity



AgRP, agouti-related peptide; LEPR, leptin receptor; MC4R, melanocortin-4 receptor; MSH, melanocyte-stimulating hormone; NPY, neuropeptide Y; PCSK1, proprotein convertase subtilisin/kexin type 1; POMC, proopiomelanocortin; SH2B1, SH2B adaptor protein 1; SRC1, steroid receptor coactivator 1.

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# Variant Pathogenicity Defines MC4R Pathway Dysfunction and Is Subject to Reclassification

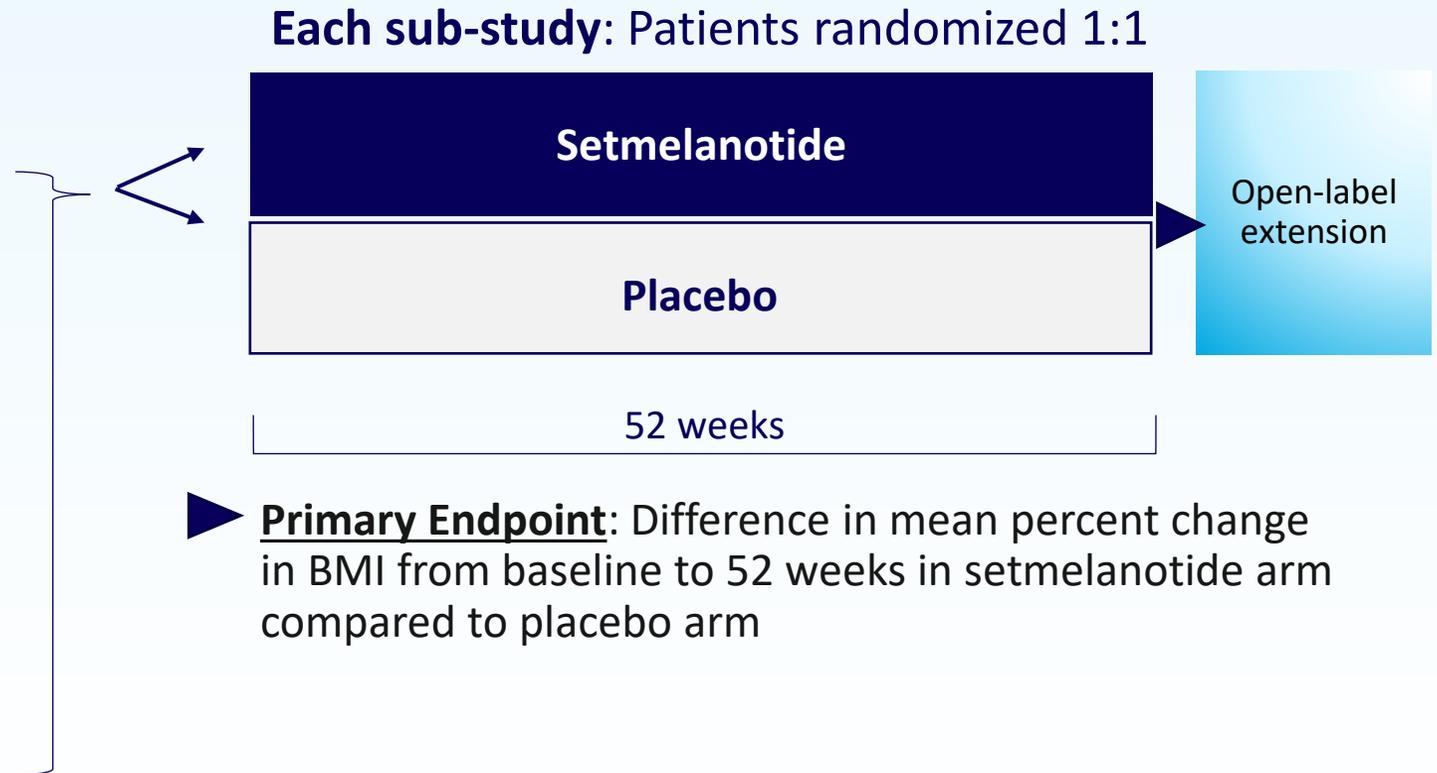


EMANATE Sub-study	ACMG Classification entry criteria
POMC/ PCSK1 Hets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• P/LP</li> <li>• VUS-SP</li> </ul>
LEPR Hets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• P/LP</li> <li>• VUS-SP</li> </ul>
SRC1 (NCOA1)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All VUS</li> </ul>
SH2B1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• P/LP</li> <li>• VUS</li> </ul>

\*ACMG Guidelines Richards et al, 2015

# Phase 3 EMANATE Trial Comprised of Four Independent Sub-studies

Genetic sub-study	Enrolled patients
POMC/ PCSK1 Hets	N=79*
LEPR Hets	N=23
SRC1 (NCOA1)	N=73
SH2B1	N=121



VUS, Variant of uncertain significance

\*One randomized patient discontinued before initial dose.

Baseline Demographics		POMC / PCSK1 hets (N=79)	LEPR hets (N=23)	SRC1 (NCOA1) (N=73)	SH2B1 (N=121)
Age, years	Mean (SD) (Range)	25.3 (17.09)	23.0 (13.94)	29.0 (18.16)	27.2 (17.98)
	<12 years old, n	20 (25.3)	7 (30.4)	11 (15.1)	29 (24.0)
	≥12 years and <18, n	22 (27.8)	5 (21.7)	23 (31.5)	28 (23.1)
	≥18 years old, n	37 (46.8)	11 (47.8)	39 (53.4)	64 (52.9)
Sex, n (%)	Female / Male	44 (55.7) / 35 (44.3)	13 (56.5) / 10 (43.5)	49 (67.1) / 24 (32.9)	70 (57.9) / 51 (42.1)
Race, n (%)	White	71 (89.9)	18 (78.3)	56 (76.7)	92 (76.0)
	Black or African American	3 (3.8)	2 (8.7)	7 (9.6)	15 (12.4)
	Other	3 (3.8)	0	6 (8.2)	5 (4.1)
	Not Reported	2 (2.5)	2 (8.7)	0	6 (5.0)
Ethnicity, n (%)*	Hispanic or Latino	8 (10.1)	3 (13.0)	22 (30.1)	28 (23.1)
	Not Hispanic or Latino	69 (87.3)	17 (73.9)	51 (69.9)	87 (71.9)
Weight, kg	Mean (SD)	110.88 (35.330)	127.64 (46.200)	119.93 (40.909)	119.94 (40.478)
	Range	40.4, 193.6	35.1, 224.3	38.3, 284.7	35.8, 236.0
BMI, kg/m <sup>2</sup>	Mean (SD)	<b>41.03 (9.104)</b>	<b>45.40 (13.120)</b>	<b>44.12 (11.461)</b>	<b>43.51 (11.118)</b>
	Range	<b>22.8, 76.2</b>	<b>20.1, 69.2</b>	<b>24.5, 85.9</b>	<b>21.5, 75.3</b>
BMI z-score	Mean (SD)	3.41 (1.384) (n=42)	3.78 (1.491) (n=12)	3.28 (1.214) (n= 34)	3.41 (1.309) (n= 57)
	Range	1.85, 8.01	1.66, 6.10	1.66, 6.20	1.80, 7.70

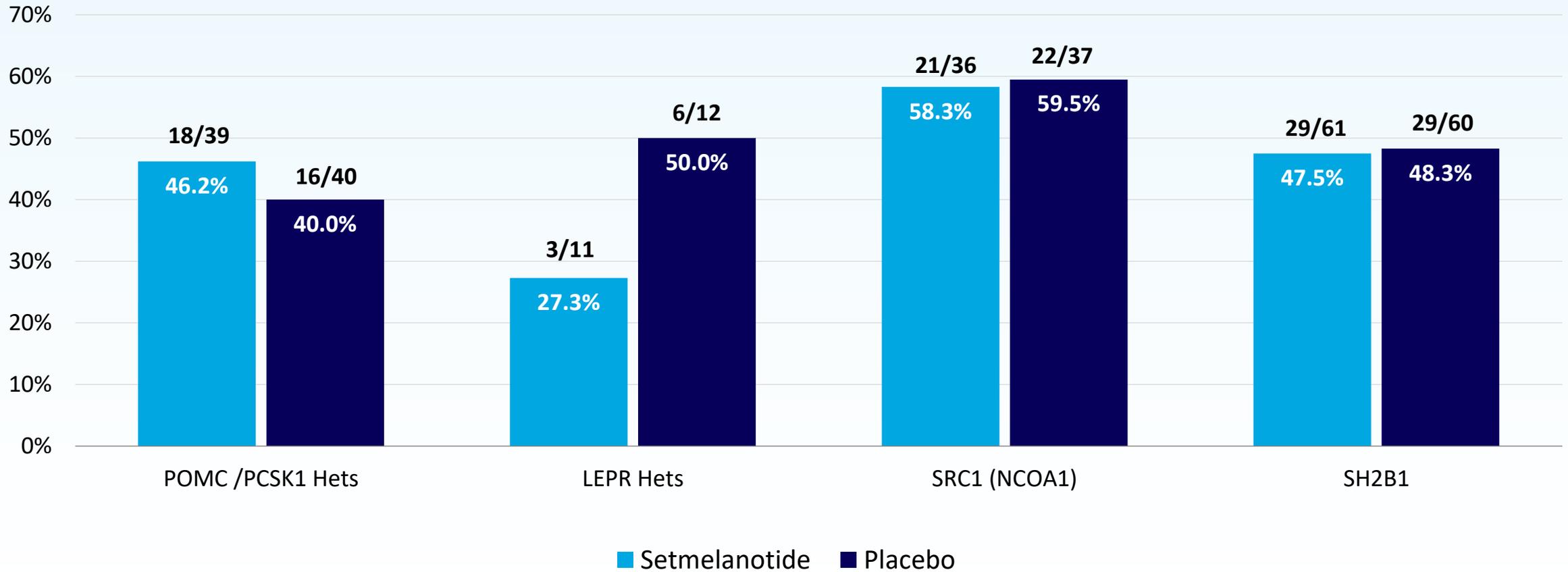
\*Not reported: POMC/PCSK1 hets, n=2; LEPR hets, n=3; SH2B1, n=28.

# Common Adverse Events with Setmelanotide

Adverse Event	POMC/PCSK1 Hets		LEPR Hets		SRC1 (NCOA1)		SH2B1	
	PBO N=39 n (%)	SET N=39* n (%)	PBO N=12 n (%)	SET N=11 n (%)	PBO N=37 n (%)	SET N=36 n (%)	PBO N=60 n (%)	SET N=61 n (%)
Events with ≥30% incidence in a setmelanotide (Set) arm in any substudy are shown								
Injection site erythema	17 (43.6)	14 (35.9)	4 (33.3)	6 (54.5)	20 (54.1)	14 (38.9)	30 (50.0)	25 (41.0)
Injection site induration	12 (30.8)	13 (33.3)	2 (16.7)	3 (27.3)	13 (35.1)	9 (25.0)	12 (20.0)	20 (32.8)
Injection site pain	14 (35.9)	13 (33.3)	3 (25.0)	4 (36.4)	14 (37.8)	14 (38.9)	19 (31.7)	17 (27.9)
Injection site pruritus	8 (20.5)	9 (23.1)	1 (8.3)	3 (27.3)	16 (43.2)	16 (44.4)	13 (21.7)	21 (34.4)
Skin hyperpigmentation	7 (17.9)	32 (82.1)	3 (25.0)	10 (90.9)	10 (27.0)	30 (83.3)	23 (38.3)	52 (85.2)
Nausea	11 (28.2)	17 (43.6)	2 (16.7)	1 (9.1)	6 (16.2)	17 (47.2)	15 (25.0)	26 (42.6)
Vomiting	7 (17.9)	12 (30.8)	1 (8.3)	1 (9.1)	3 (8.1)	11 (30.6)	7 (11.7)	13 (21.3)
Headache	8 (20.5)	9 (23.1)	3 (25.0)	3 (27.3)	7 (18.9)	6 (16.7)	6 (10.0)	20 (32.8)
Melanocytic nevus	5 (12.8)	20 (51.3)	1 (8.3)	6 (54.5)	2 (5.4)	15 (41.7)	6 (10.0)	25 (41.0)

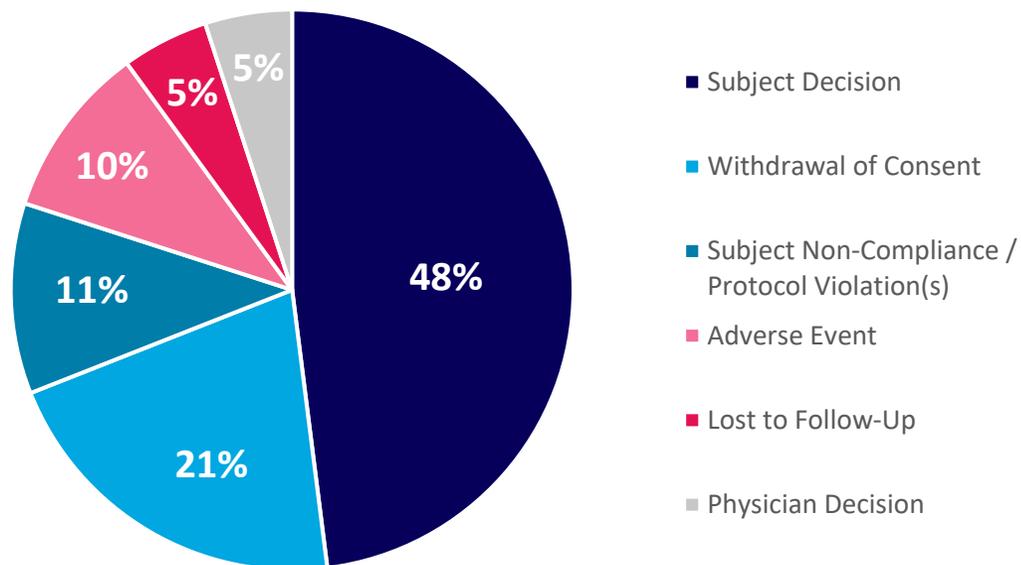
\*One patient transitioned from placebo to setmelanotide/rescue therapy during the study due to weight gain. This patient was included in the placebo arm for efficacy analysis due to their initial randomization, but have been included in the active arm for safety analysis due to setmelanotide exposure.

# High Discontinuation Rate across All Cohorts

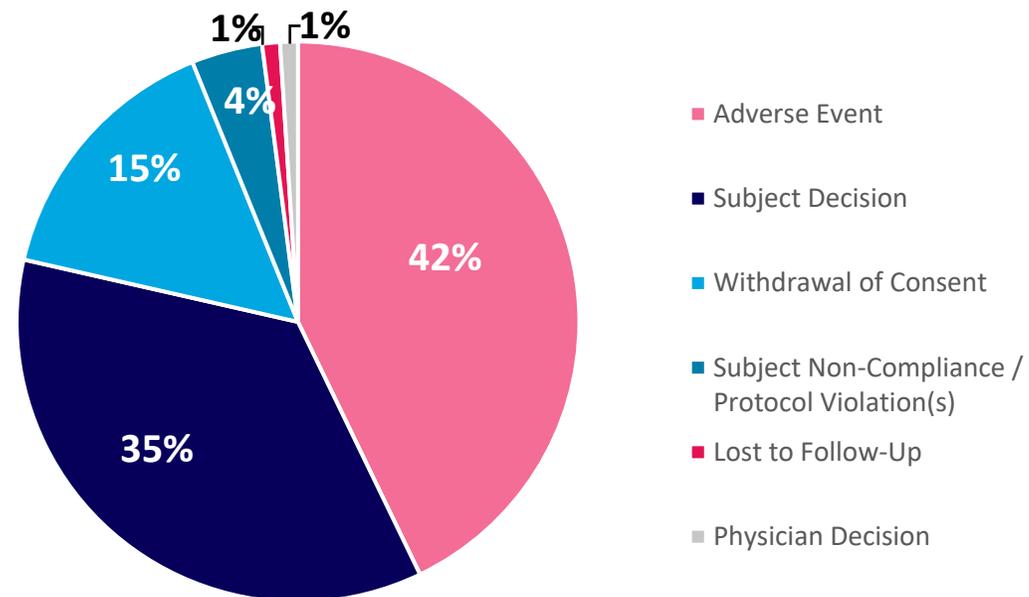


# Discontinuation Rates Driven by Multiple Factors in Placebo and Active Arms

## Discontinuations – Placebo (All Substudies)



## Discontinuations – Setmelanotide (All Substudies)\*



\*Across the four substudies, 29 patients in the active (setmelanotide arm) discontinued treatment before week 52. The most common AEs leading to discontinuation included hyperpigmentation, nausea and vomiting.

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# POMC / PCSK1 Hets

# POMC/PCSK1 Hets: Setmelanotide Achieved Statistically Significant BMI Reduction in mITT Patients Based on LOCF Analysis

	Placebo (N=40)	Setmelanotide (N=38)
% change BMI baseline to week 52: Mean (SE)	0.98 (1.151)	-4.65 (1.106)
ANCOVA LSM (SE) [95% CI]	0.75 (1.329) [-1.90, +3.39]	-4.79 (1.367) [-7.51, -2.06]
LSM difference (SE) [95% CI], setmelanotide-placebo		<b>-5.53</b> (1.612) [-8.75, -2.32]
P-Value for LSM difference		0.0010

Post hoc analysis of mITT cohort based on last observation carried forward (LOCF)

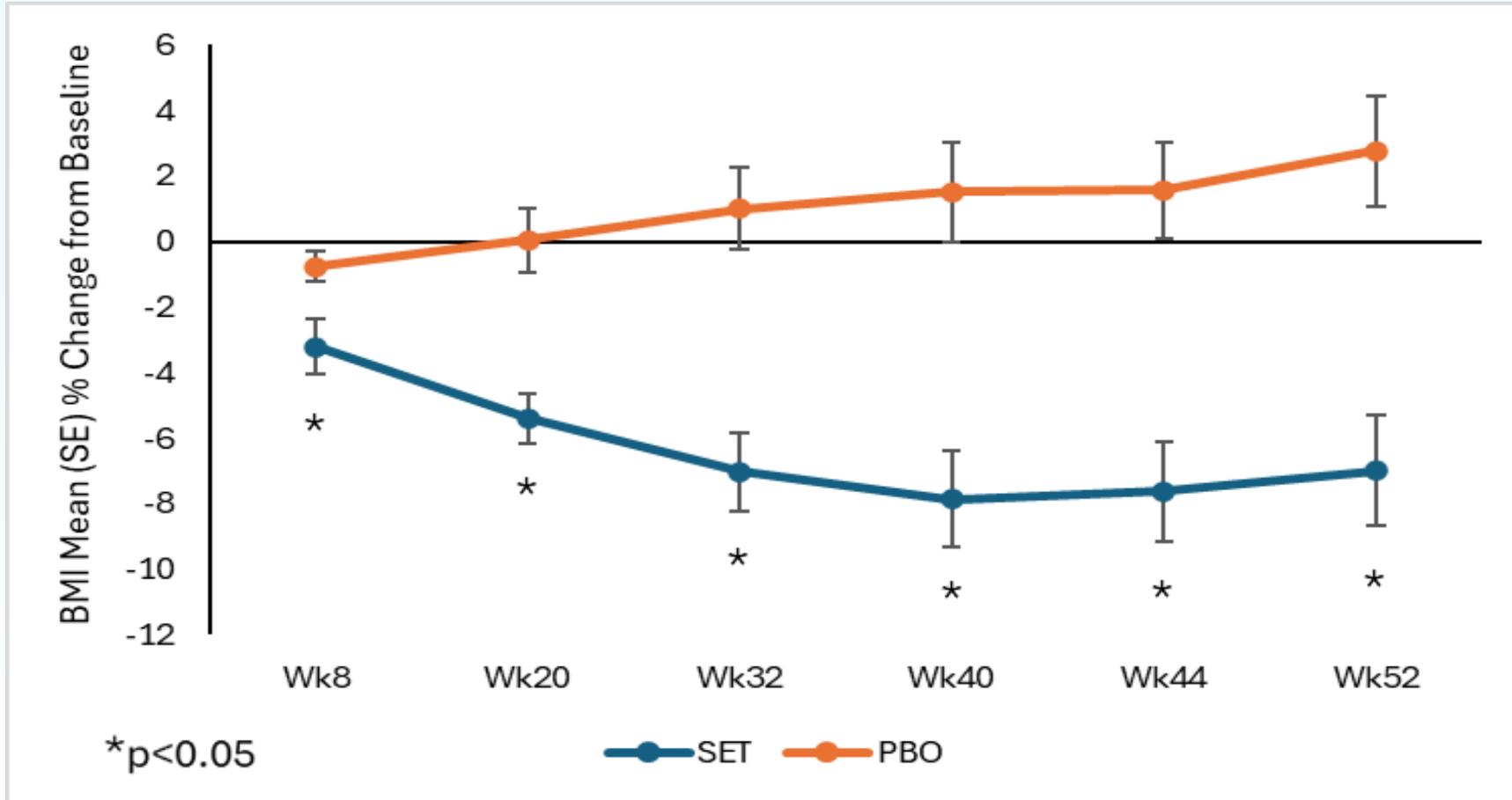
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# POMC/PCSK1 Hets: Setmelanotide Achieved Statistically Significant BMI Reduction in Genetically Confirmed Patients Based on LOCF Analysis

	Placebo (N=35)	Setmelanotide (N=32)
% change BMI baseline to week 52: Mean (SE)	2.20 (1.290)	-5.04 (1.171)
ANCOVA LSM (SE) [95% CI]	2.61 (1.628) [-0.64, 5.87]	-4.17 (1.511) [-7.19, -1.15]
LSM difference (SE) [95% CI], setmelanotide-placebo		<b>-6.78</b> (1.775) [-10.33, -3.23]
P-Value for LSM difference		0.0003

Post hoc analysis of genetically confirmed patients based on last observation carried forward (LOCF)

# POMC/PCSK1 Hets: Setmelanotide Achieved Statistically Significant BMI Reduction in Genetically Confirmed Patients who Reached Week 52



**-9.7%**  
**Week 52**  
**placebo-adjusted**  
**difference**  
 (PBO n=21; SET n=20)  
**p=0.0002**

Placebo, N	21	21	21	20	20	21
Setmelanotide, N	20	20	20	19	20	20

NOTE: Post hoc analysis of genetically confirmed completers using a student's T-test.

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# LEPR Hets

# Highlights from the LEPR Hets Substudy

**Eligible LEPR Hets patients  
were rare and hard to  
recruit**

**Eight (8) of 11  
setmelanotide-assigned  
patients were  
down classified  
(predominantly one  
variant)**

**Positive response in 3  
setmelanotide-assigned  
patients who had a  
pathogenic variant  
achieved BMI  
reductions of:  
-4.3%, -7.2%\*, -13.3%**

\*Patient with -7.2% BMI reduction at Week 28 subsequently discontinued treatment.

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# SRC1 (NCOA1)

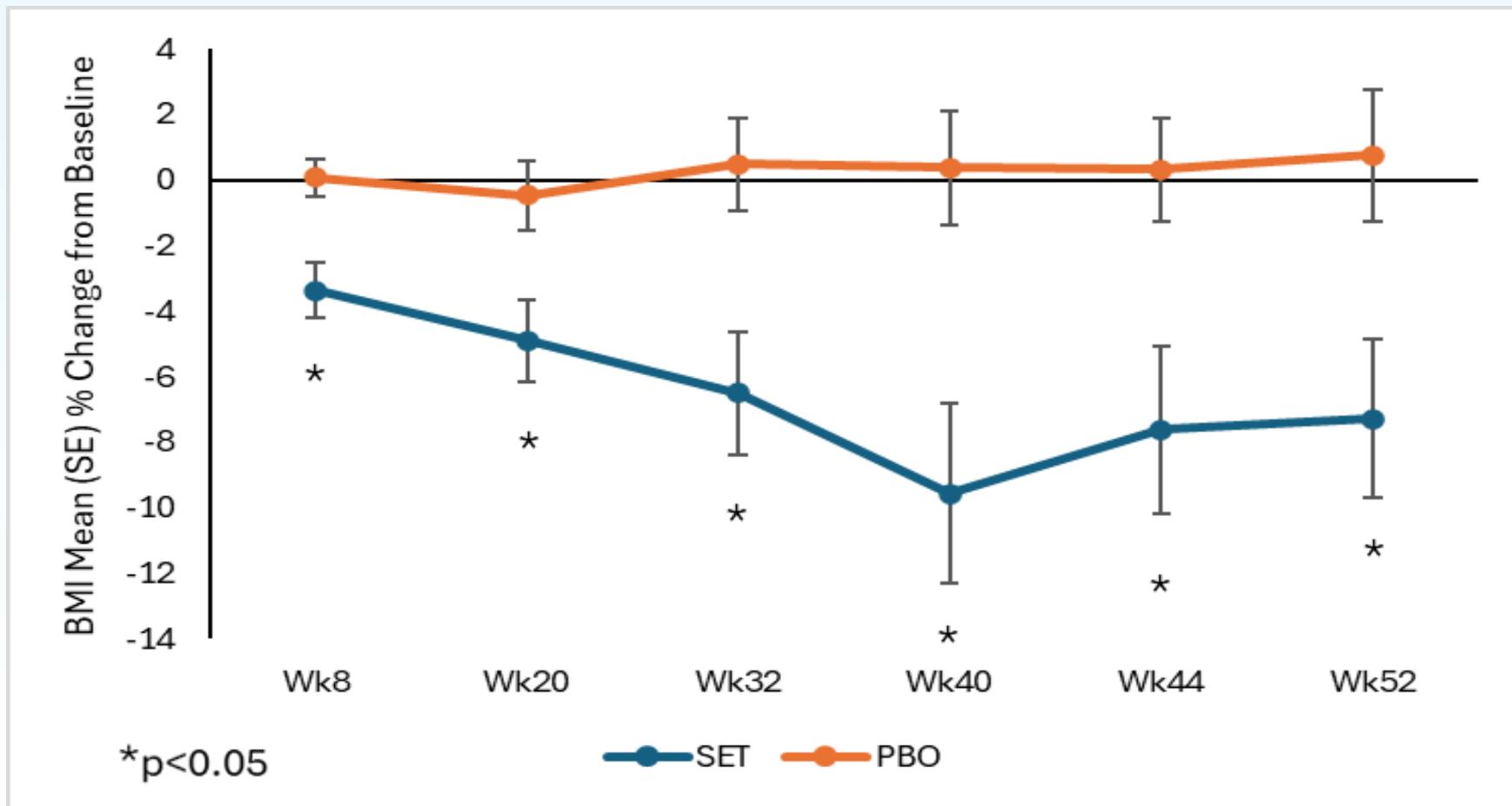
# SRC1 (NCOA1): Setmelanotide Achieved Statistically Significant BMI Reduction in mITT Patients Based on LOCF Analysis

	Placebo (N=37)	Setmelanotide (N=36)
% change BMI baseline to week 52: Mean (SE)	1.44 (0.837)	-4.87 (1.192)
ANCOVA LSM (SE) [95% CI]	1.73 (1.115) [-0.50, +3.95]	-4.51 (1.68) [-6.84, -2.18]
LSM difference (SE) [95% CI], setmelanotide-placebo		<b>-6.24</b> (1.499) [-9.33, -3.25]
P-Value for LSM difference		<0.0001

Post hoc analysis of mITT cohort based on last observation carried forward (LOCF)

mITT, modified intent-to-treat

# SRC1 (NCOA1): Setmelanotide Achieved Statistically Significant BMI Reduction in Genetically Confirmed Patients who Reached Week 52

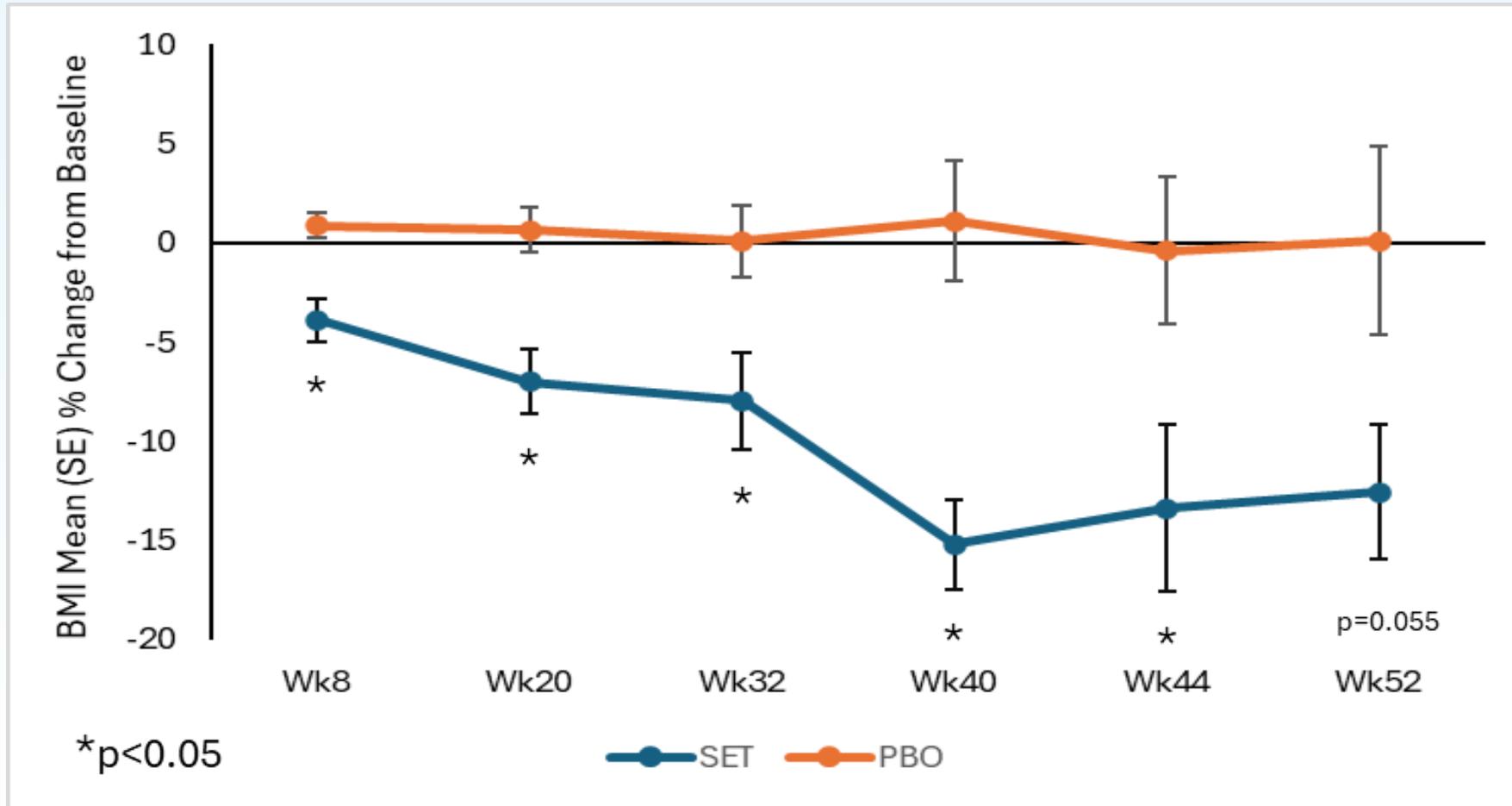


**-8.0%**  
**Week 52**  
**placebo-adjusted**  
**difference**  
 (PBO N=15; SET N=14)  
**p=0.0158**

Placebo, N	15	15	15	13	15	15
Setmelanotide, N	14	14	14	12	14	14

NOTE: Post hoc analysis of genetically confirmed completers using a student's T-test.

# SRC1 (NCOA1): Analysis of Genetically Confirmed Patients with Variants in Critical Protein Binding Domain Demonstrate Compelling Response



**-12.7%**  
**Week 52**  
**placebo-adjusted**  
**difference**  
**(PBO N=6; SET N=6)**  
**p=0.055**

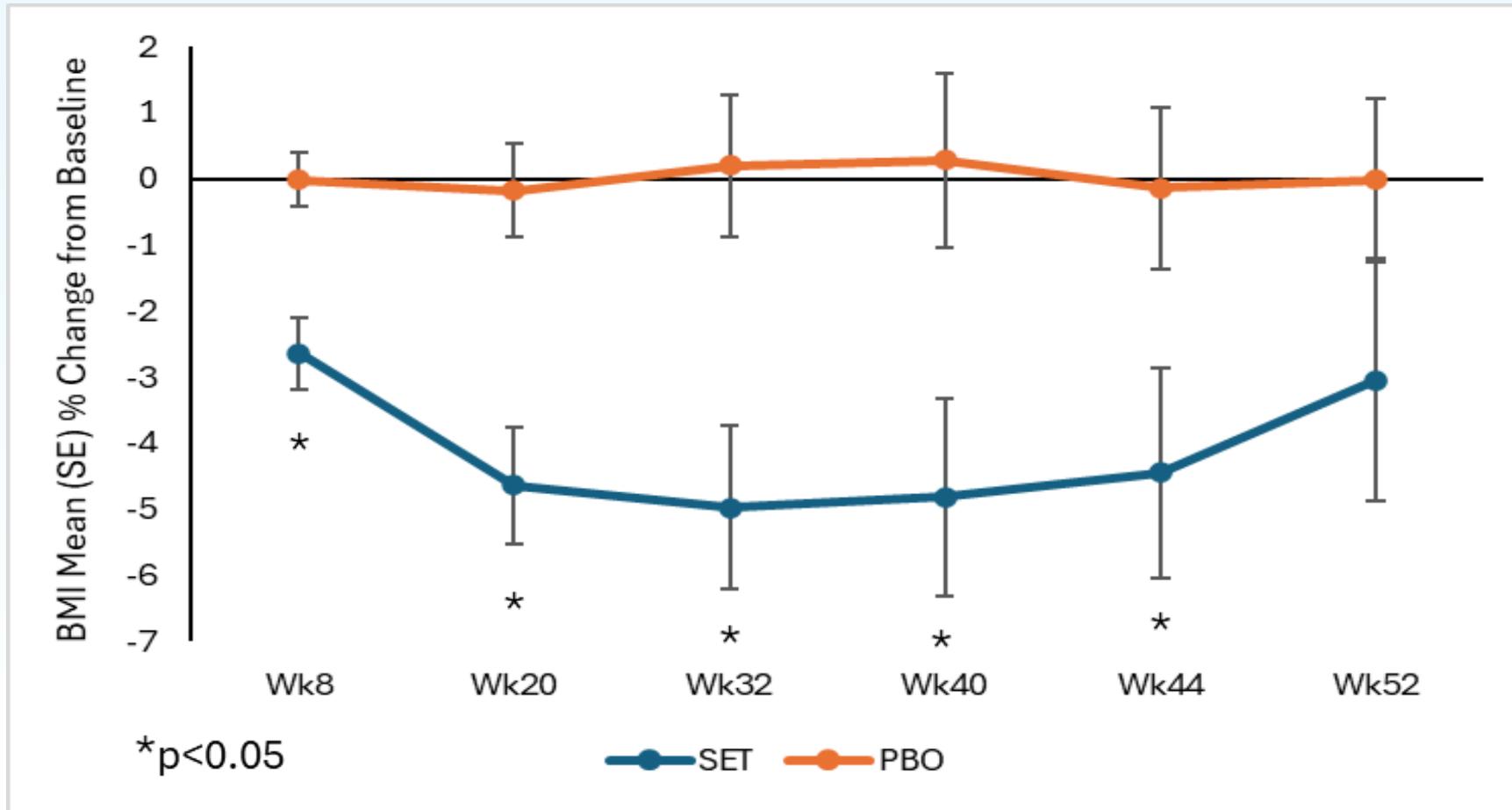
Placebo, N	9	9	8	7	6	6
Setmelanotide, N	10	9	8	5	6	6

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SH2B1

# SH2B1/16p11.2: Analysis of Genetically Confirmed Completers Shows No Significant Difference in BMI Reduction at Week 52

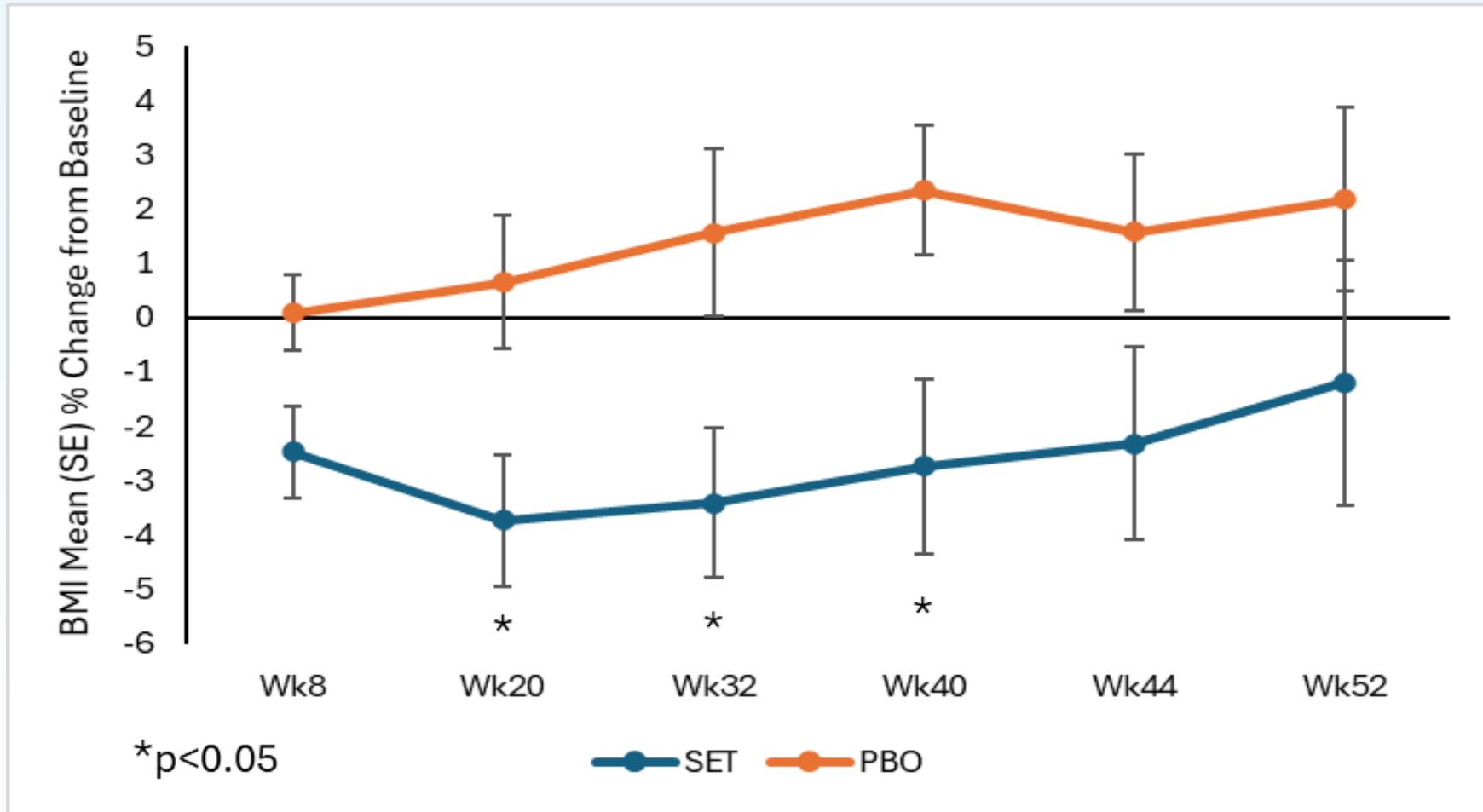


**-3.0%**  
**Week 52**  
**Placebo-adjusted**  
**difference**  
 (PBO N=30; SET N=32)  
**p=0.1772**

Placebo, N	30	30	29	25	29	30
Setmelanotide, N	32	32	32	30	32	32

NOTE: Post hoc analysis of genetically confirmed completers using a student's T-test.

# 16p11.2 Subgroup Analysis Shows No Significant Difference in BMI Reduction at Week 52



**-3.4%**  
**Week 52**  
**Placebo-adjusted**  
**difference**  
**(PBO n=8; SET n=13)**  
**p=0.3006**

Placebo, N	8	8	8	7	8	8
Setmelanotide, N	13	13	13	12	13	13

NOTE: Post hoc analysis of genetically confirmed completers using a student's T-test.

# Encouraging Results Leading to Next Steps

**Encouraged by positive analyses of POMC/PCSK1 and SRC1 substudies**

**Continue to interrogate POMC/PCSKI, SRC1 plus DAYBREAK genes to improve LOF determination**

**Advance next-generation MC4R agonists in genetic indications**

LOF, loss of function

# MC4R Agonism Development Across Three Pillars



## Genetic MC4R Pathway Diseases

- Promising signals in POMC Hets and SRC1
- Additional DAYBREAK genes
- Next-generation assets



## Hypothalamic Obesity

- U.S. launch\*
- EMA authorization\*\*
- Ongoing Ph2 trial with RM-718
- Ph3 trial with bivamelagon by YE 2026



## Prader-Willi Syndrome

- Ongoing Ph2 trial with setmelanotide
- Ph1/2 trial with RM-718 initiated

\*Pending FDA approval; the FDA's assigned PDUFA goal date is March 20, 2026; \*\*pending regulatory feedback

# Questions