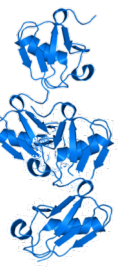


Combatting obesity through a novel mechanism

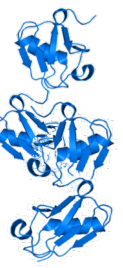
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Executive Summary



- ***Unique Investment Opportunity***
 - A new way to target obesity by blocking degradation of a proteolytic cleavage product.
 - The therapeutic effect is to burn calories in muscle and adipose tissues – distinct from other mechanisms.
- ***Multi-billion dollar market***
 - The global obesity market is estimated to reach \$15.6B by 2024¹
- ***Competitive Edge***
 - Novel target – ATE1 and associated proteins that degrade the TUG C-terminal cleavage product
- ***Large M&A potential and industry interest***
 - 18 M&A or IPO deals since January 2017²
 - Collaboration with major pharma to test specific downstream effectors of the pathway
- ***Development Plan***
 - Cell-based drug screen and secondary screen
 - Identify compounds could be used in a combination approach with currently approved diabetes drugs

Experienced scientific and business leadership



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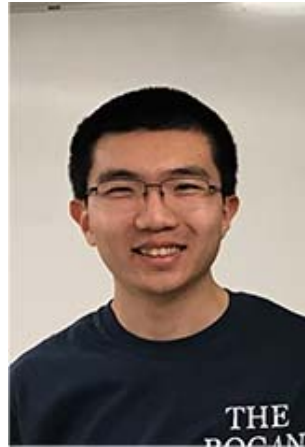
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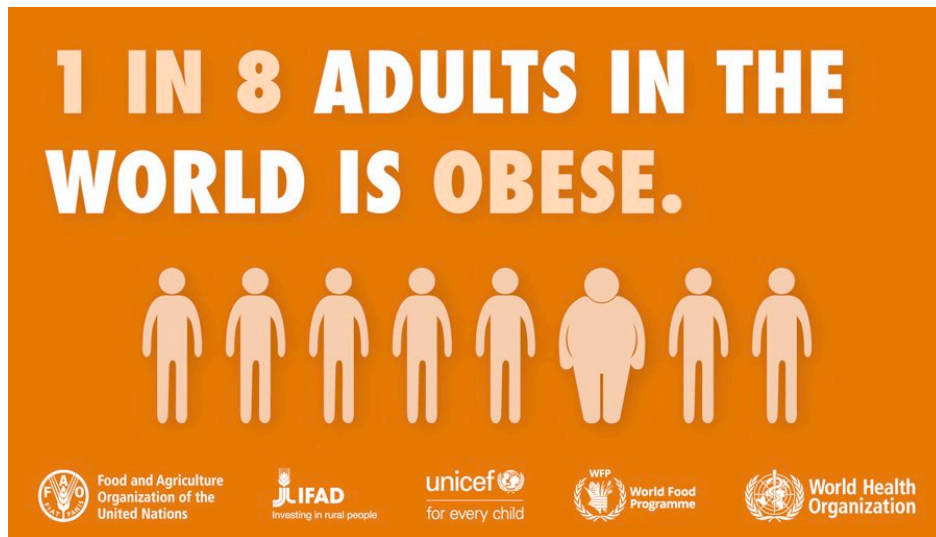
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Obesity is a multi-billion dollar market

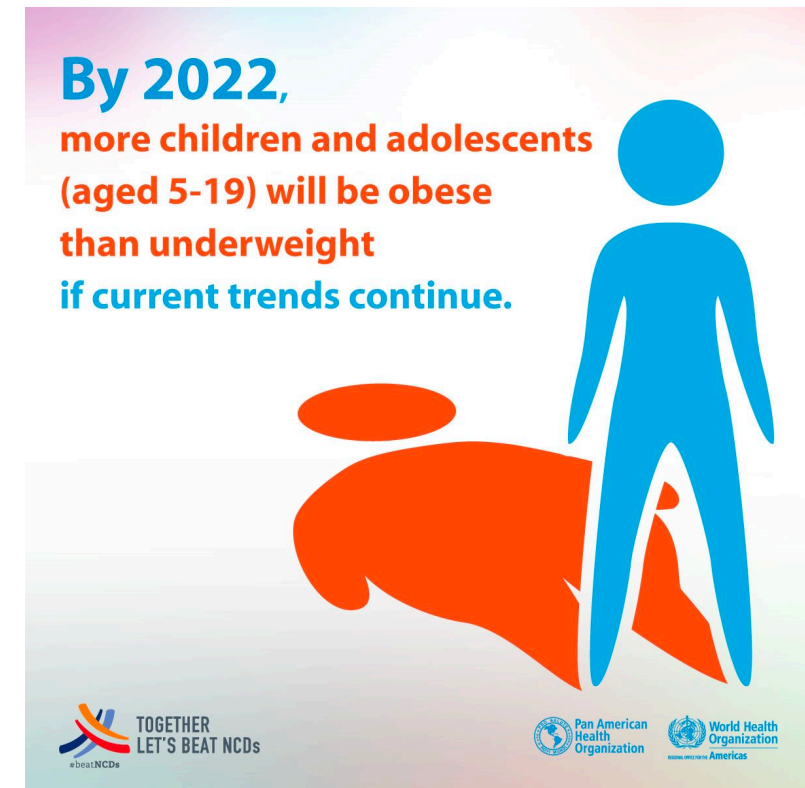


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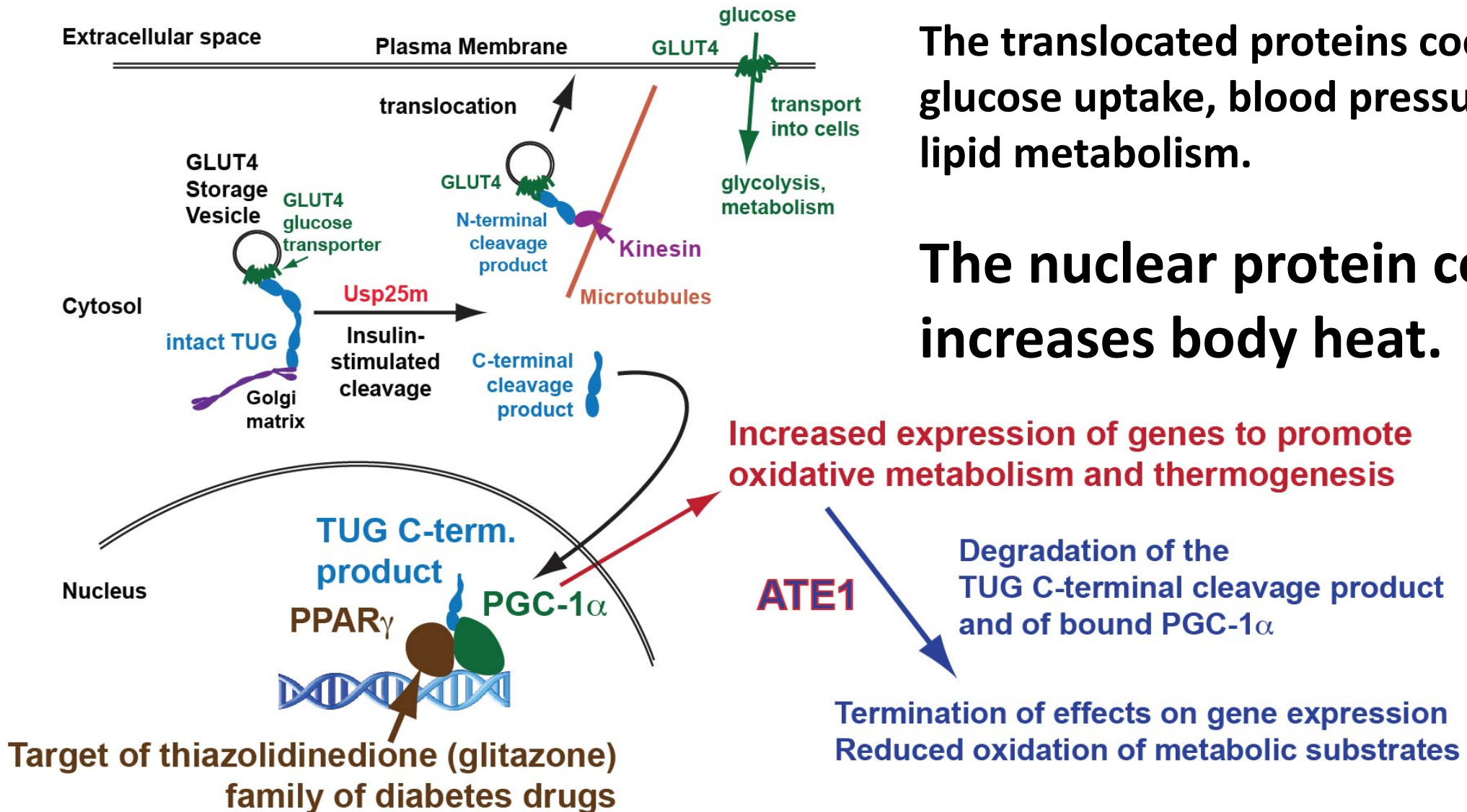
In the U.S. in 2015–2016, the prevalence of obesity was 39.8% in adults and 18.5% in youth (CDC).



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A novel mechanism for insulin action in muscle and fat

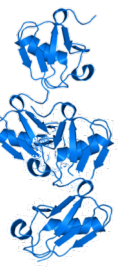
A novel target to treat obesity



The translocated proteins coordinate glucose uptake, blood pressure, and lipid metabolism.

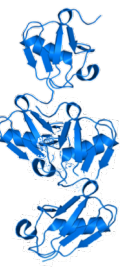
The nuclear protein complex increases body heat.

How we plan to target this pathway



- **The TUG C-terminal cleavage product:**
 - prolongs the half-life of PGC-1 α
 - stabilizes its interaction with PPAR γ
- **Degradation of the TUG C-terminal product:**
 - is controlled by a specific mechanism
 - requires ATE1, a druggable enzyme
- **We plan a cell-based screen to identify compounds that stabilize the TUG C-terminus.**
 - a dual-fluorescent reporter will provide an internal control
 - cells will express relevant ATE1 isoforms
- **Secondary screens will measure:**
 - effects on cellular respiration
 - effects on ATE1 activity toward the TUG product in vitro
- **Effects of identified compounds may be enhanced by concurrent PPAR γ agonist treatment.**

Competitive Advantage & Commercial Interest



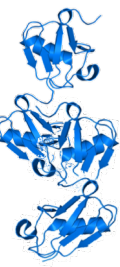
Advantages of targeting this TUG-C/PGC-1 α /PPAR γ pathway over other possible therapeutic approaches:

	Stabilizing the TUG C-terminal product	Enhancing brown adipose tissue	Targeting the regulation of appetite	Wasting calories in urine/feces	Bariatric surgery
Capitalizes on the large mass of skeletal muscle	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗
Counters a “vicious cycle” that promotes obesity	✓	?	?	✗	✓
Circumvents compensatory mechanisms controlling energy balance	✓	?	✓	✗	✓
No surgical complications or micronutrient deficits	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗

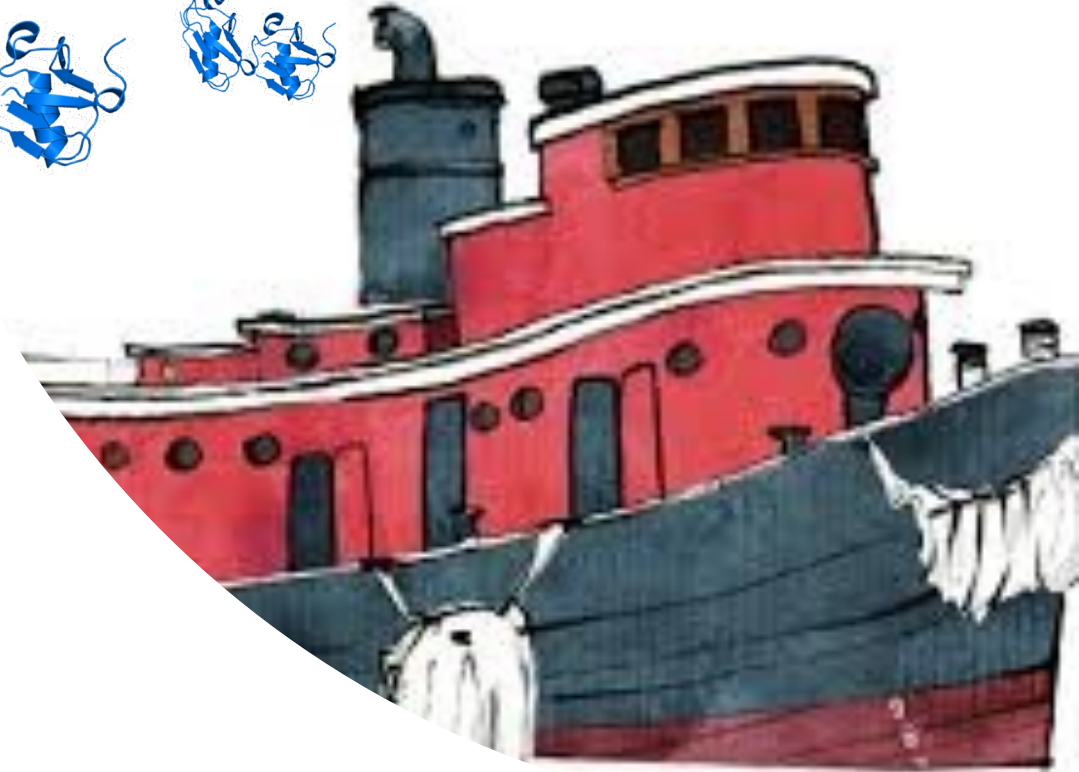
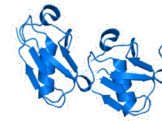
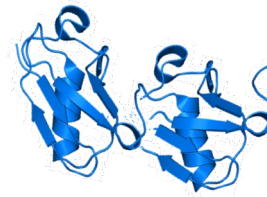
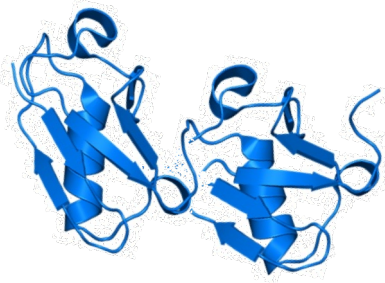
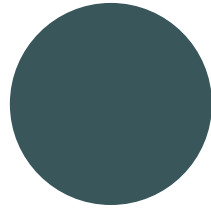
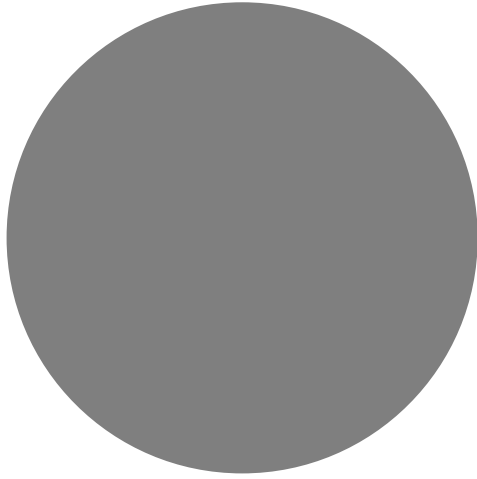
Commercial Validation: ongoing collaboration with large pharma for secreted protein effectors of pathway.

Clinical Development: Human SNP in PPAR γ modulates TUG-C binding; additional pharmacogenetic markers.

Blavatnik Development Plan for IP Generation



<i>Step 1</i>	<i>Step 2</i>	<i>Step 3</i>
<p>Develop a ratiometric, dual-fluorescence reporter to use in a high-throughput screen for compounds that stabilize the TUG C-terminal cleavage product.</p> <p>Clone and express relevant ATE1 isoforms in target cells for screen.</p>	<p>High-Throughput Screen for compounds using WuXi or Charles River Laboratories as CRO</p>	<p>Validate compounds biochemically in muscle and adipose cells.</p> <p>Perform a secondary screen measuring effects on cellular oxygen consumption.</p> <p>Time permitting: Assess selected compounds for effects to inhibit ATE1 activity toward the TUG product in vitro. This may help with optimization of lead compounds.</p>
\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000



Discovery

- Novel enzymatic target regulating energy expenditure
- *In vivo* validation of the relevance of TUG-C
- *In vivo* validation of ATE1 as a target
- Assays for screening TUG-C preservation

Clinical Development

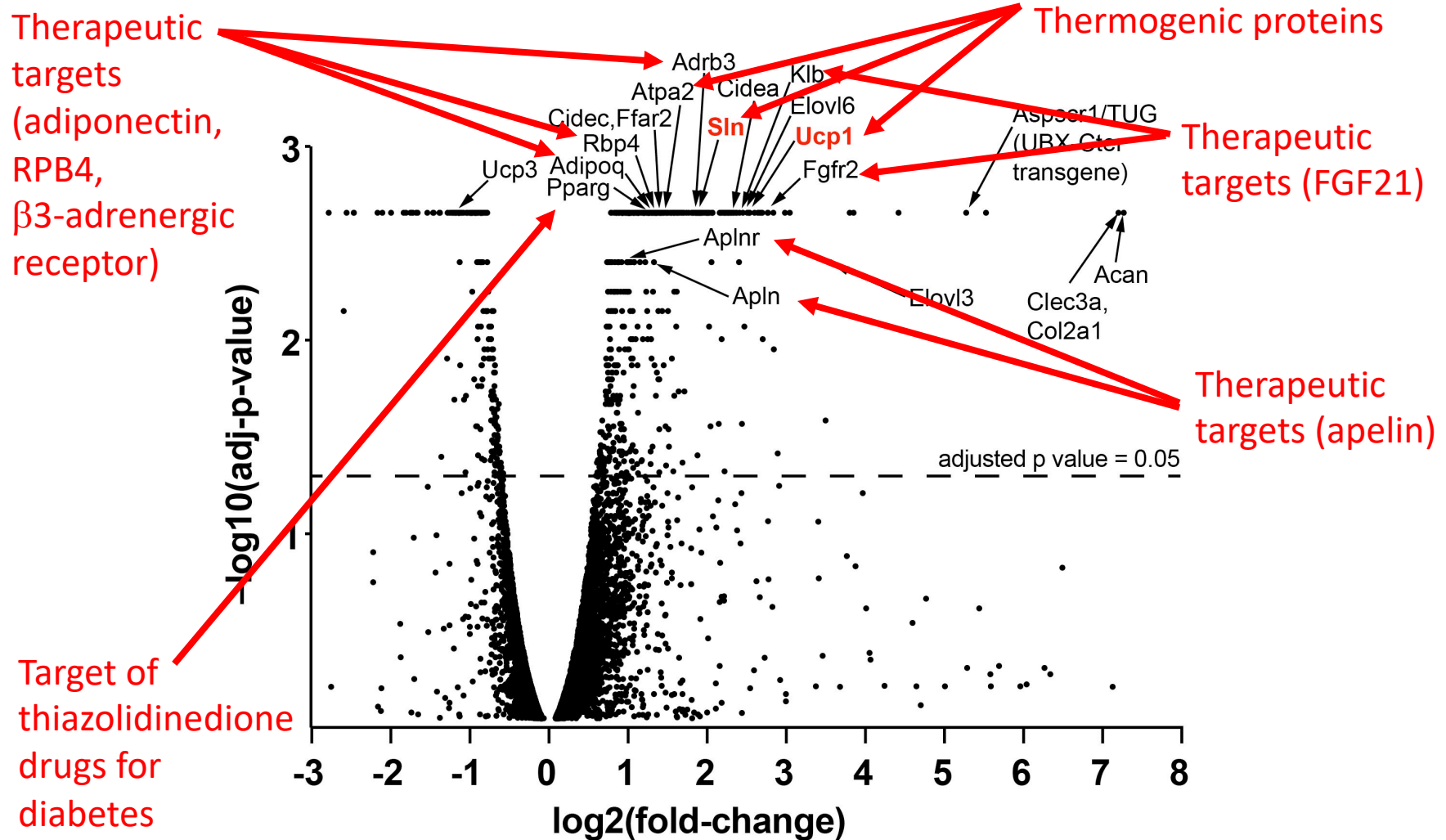
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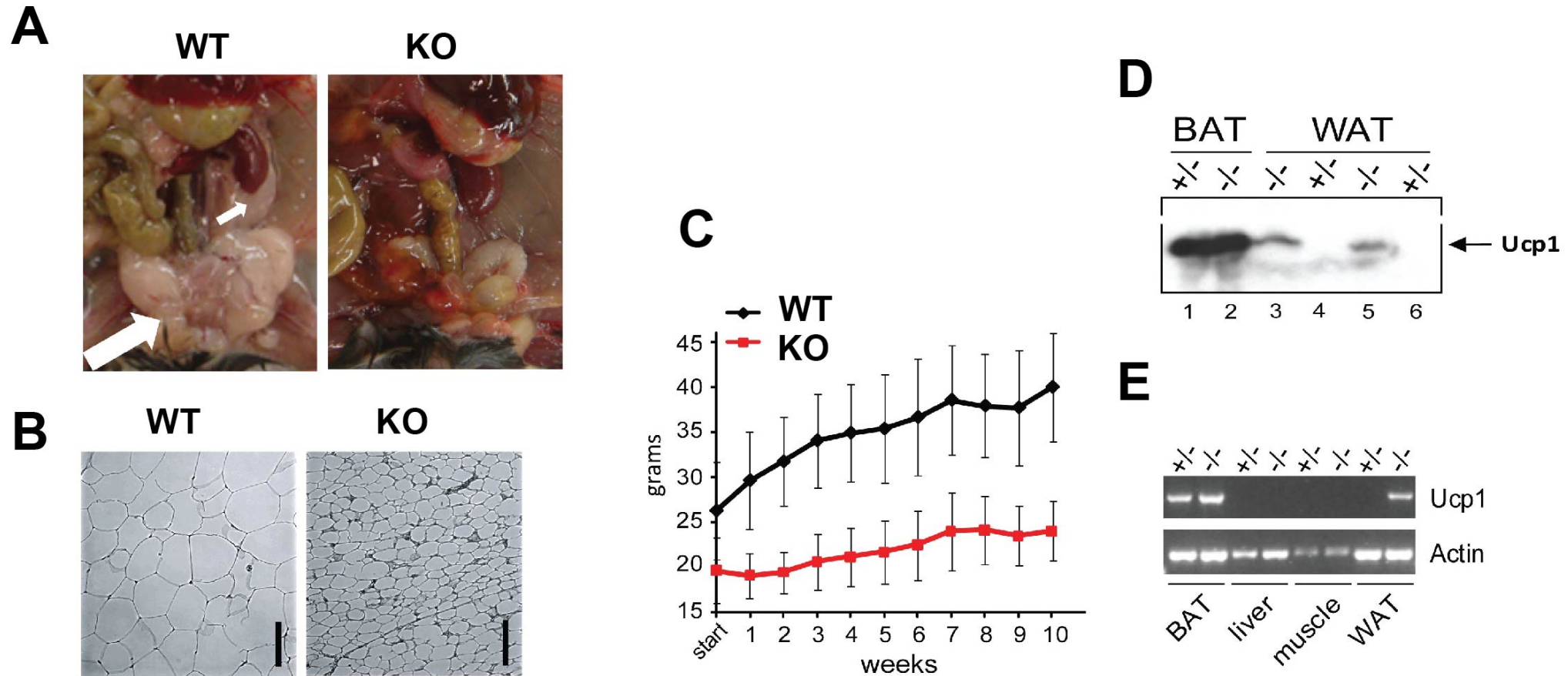
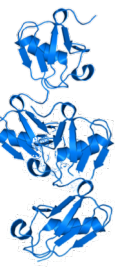
Supplemental Data



Key data: the TUG C-terminal product induces a broad program of gene expression to increase thermogenesis in muscle



Blocking the degradation of TUG-C results in fat loss, reduced weight gain on an obesogenic diet, and induction of Ucp1 in white adipose tissue



Inducible whole-body KO of OCR7575 results in dramatic loss of abdominal fat in ~1 month (A, B), reduced weight gain on HFD (C), and induction of Ucp1 protein (D) and mRNA (E) in white adipose tissue. This work was done by a third party having no knowledge of the mechanism of action.