

Plenary Lecture 4

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• Education

Period	Affiliation	Position
– 1983-1984	University of California, San Diego, School of Medicine	Clinical and Research Fellow
– 1982-1983	University of Colorado Health Sciences Center	Clinical and Research Fellow
– 1974-1978	St. Louis University School of Medicine, St. Louis, Missouri	M.D.
– 1970-1974	Washington University, St. Louis	B.A.

• Affiliations / Experience

Period	Affiliation	Position
– 2018-Present	UAB Diabetes Research Center	Director/ PI
– 2018-Present	University of Alabama at Birmingham	Professor
– 2003-Present	Birmingham Veterans Affairs Medical Center Birmingham	Staff Physician and GRECC Investigator
– 2003-2018	Medical University of South Carolina	Adjunct Professor of Medicine
– 1994-2003	Ralph H. Johnson Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Charleston	Staff Physician

• Committee Memberships

- National Board of Medical Examiners
- American Board of Internal Medicine
- Specialty Board in Endocrinology and Metabolism
- American Board of Obesity Medicine
- American Association of Clinical Endocrinology

• Publications

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Current and Future Second-Generation Medications for Adiposity-Based Chronic Disease: an Era of Drug Discovery that Constitutes a Landmark in the History of Medicine

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Since 2021, two medications have been available for treatment of obesity that provide 15% weight loss in clinical trials, semaglutide and tirzepatide. These are described as second-generation medications based on an unprecedented efficacy for weight loss that is sufficient to prevent or treat a broad array of obesity complications and related diseases. This level of efficacy enables a complications-centric approach to the care of Adiposity-Based Chronic Disease where the goal is to ameliorate complications that confer morbidity and mortality rather than the loss of weight per se. Semaglutide and tirzepatide are peptide agonists of the nutrient-regulated hormones (NRHs) glucagon-like peptide 1 (GLP1) and dual agonism for GLP1 and gastric inhibitory polypeptide (GIP), respectively. Importantly, multiple other medications are actively being developed by pharma based on NRHs, including GLP1, GIP, amylin, glucagon, and peptide YY either as mono-, dual-, or triple-agonist/antagonists. Other NRHs also represent active drug targets including leptin agonism and ghrelin antagonism, and pharmaceutical strategies for muscle preservation during weight loss are under development. It is exciting that medications in phase 1-3 trials have already been shown to have second-generation level efficacy closing the gap with bariatric surgery. Furthermore, these medications are proving to be effective in treating multiple weight-related complications including osteoarthritis, sleep apnea, and the cardiometabolic disease outcomes of type 2 diabetes, MASH, hypertension, CHF with preserved ejection fraction, CKD, and prevention of cardiovascular disease. The potential benefits regarding patients suffering from obesity and the burden of this disease in societies are immense, and the current era of drug development for obesity merits recognition as a landmark in the history of medicine. To realize these benefits, societies will need to ensure access to these life-saving medications for those patients who need them.