

# Equator Therapeutics

The first drug to burn fat  
through natural heat production

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# Executive Summary



The first drug to stimulate natural heat production by the body.



Activates heat production by the cell powerplant mitochondria.



Will allow patients to burn 2lb/week & reverse obesity.



Potential to defeat epidemics of metabolic disorders: type 2 diabetes, fatty liver disease & polycystic ovary syndrome.

# Equator Therapeutics

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# Losing weight is an unresolved problem for 50% of Americans!

For most Americans, attempting dieting and exercise has not resulted in sustained weight loss.

Average annual health expenditure per capita due to obesity

Dieting



Exercise



**\$650B**

Expenditure  
per capita

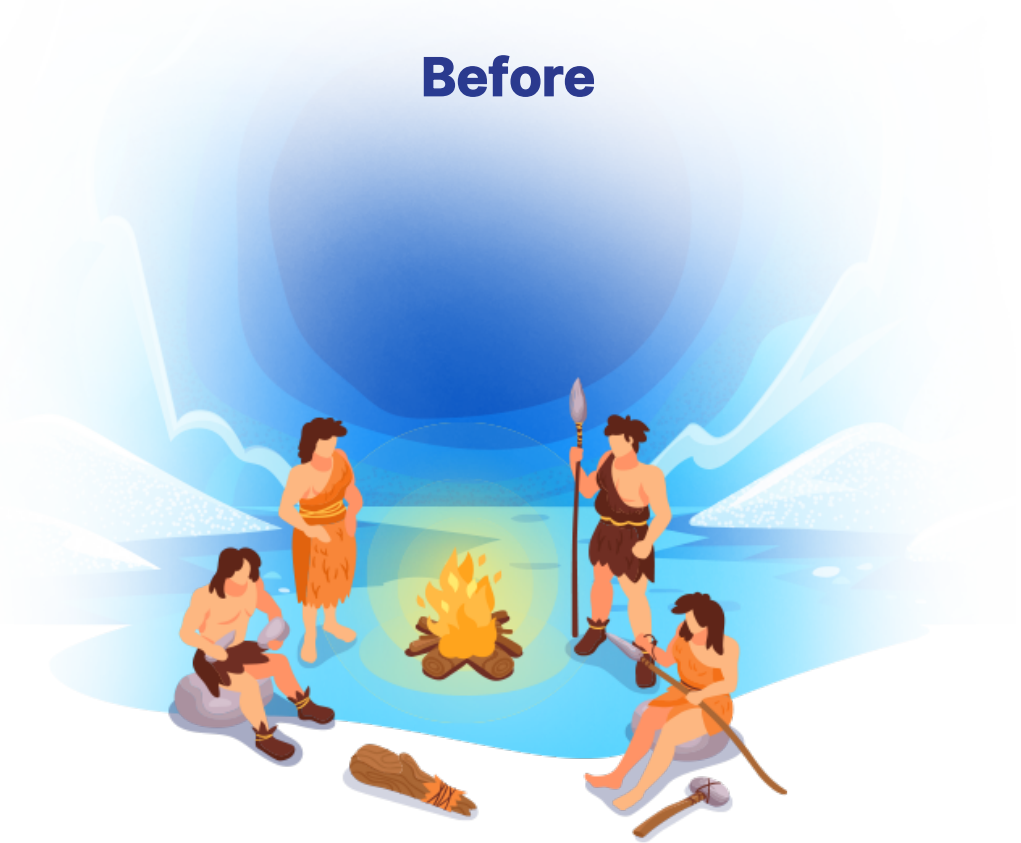
**14%**

of total health  
expenditure



# A forgotten way to lose weight

**Before**



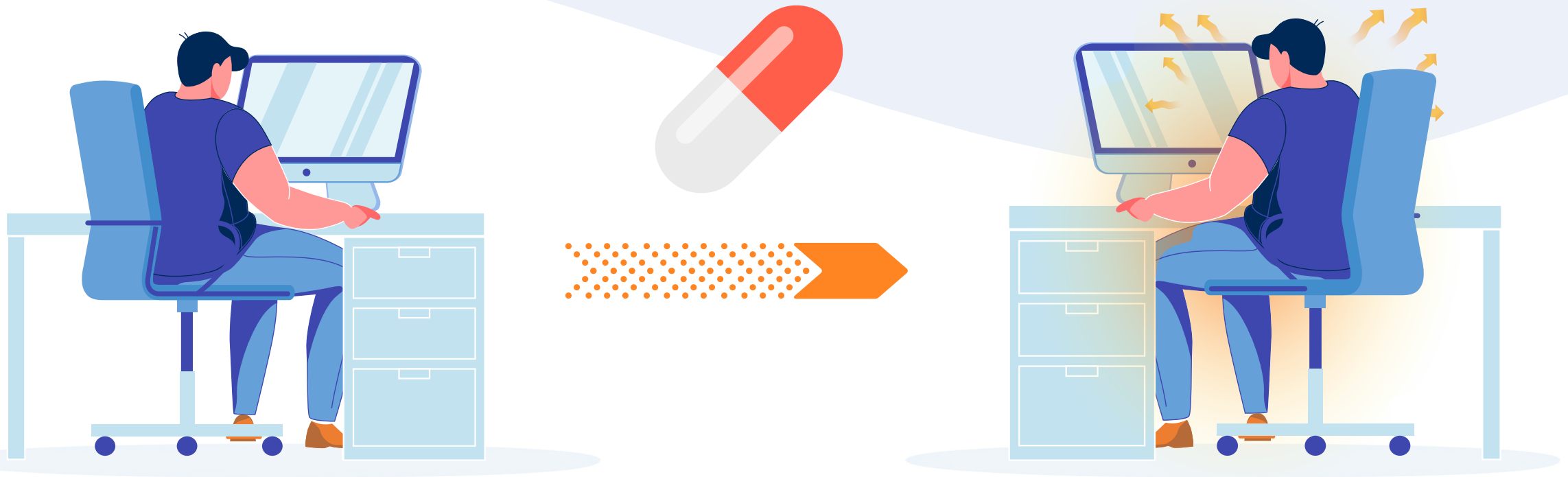
Our body naturally burns calories to keep us warm.  
This mechanism reduces body weight.

**Now**



It is hardly active in  
modern living conditions.

# We are targeting a novel mechanism to activate natural heat production



# The drug will increase heat production to that of a standing person



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**2 lb / week**  
weight loss



# How to lose 2lb/week

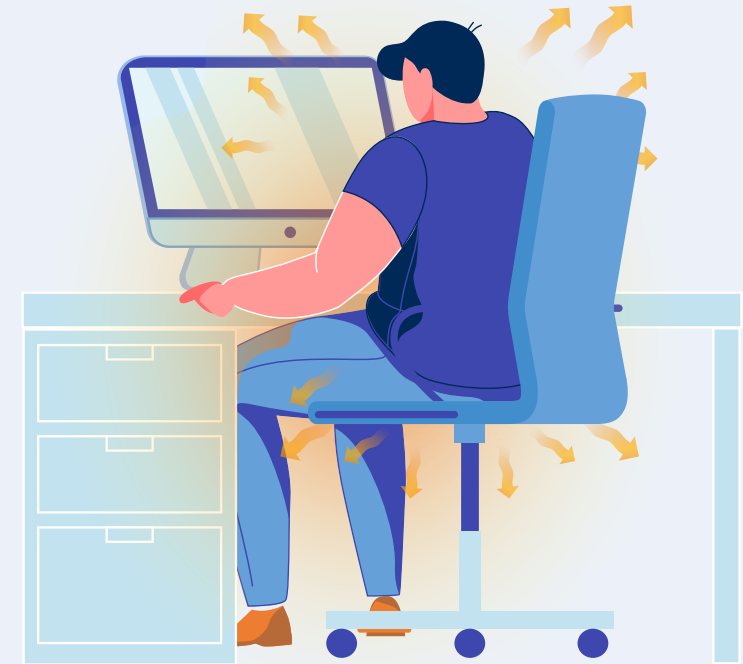
## Method 1: Run 2 hr/day

Unattainable for most obese patients



## Method 2: Take our drug daily

Easily attained by obese patients  
Facilitates transition to exercise



# How will our drug work?

Stimulate heat production by the cellular powerplant – mitochondria.

Mitochondria burn nutrients to generate heat.

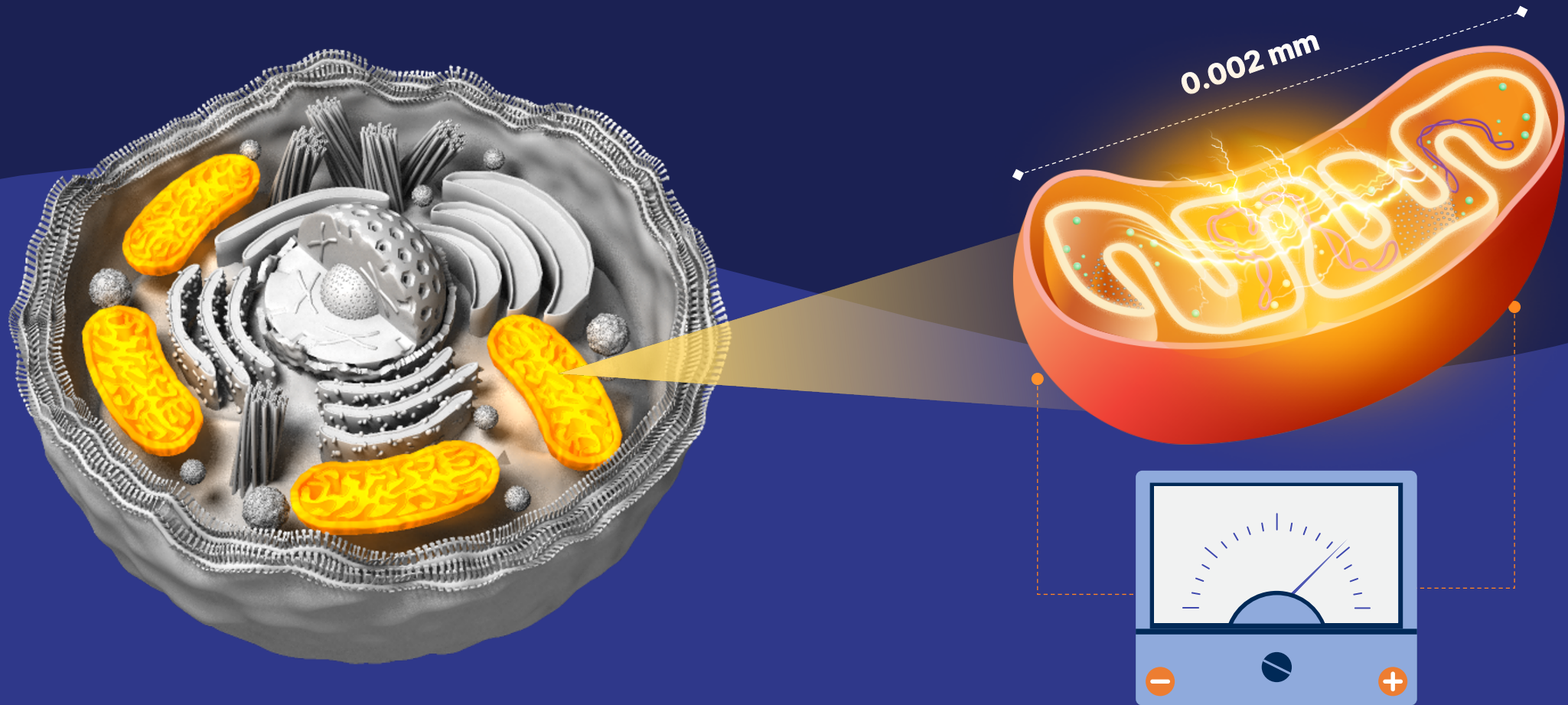
Mitochondria run on electricity.

Our drug will activate currents responsible for heat production in mitochondria.



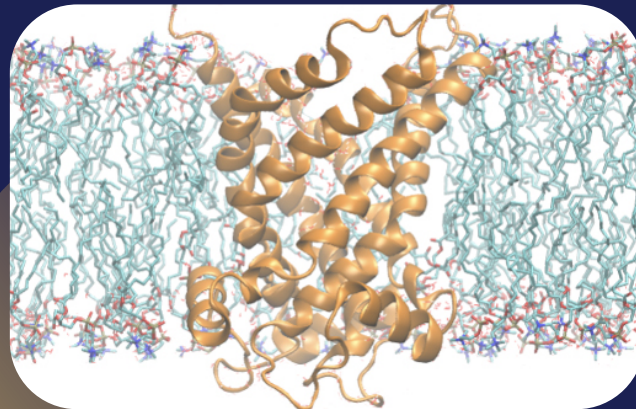


# Uniquely ours: Measuring mitochondrial electricity



# Our Science: Illuminating how mitochondria produce heat

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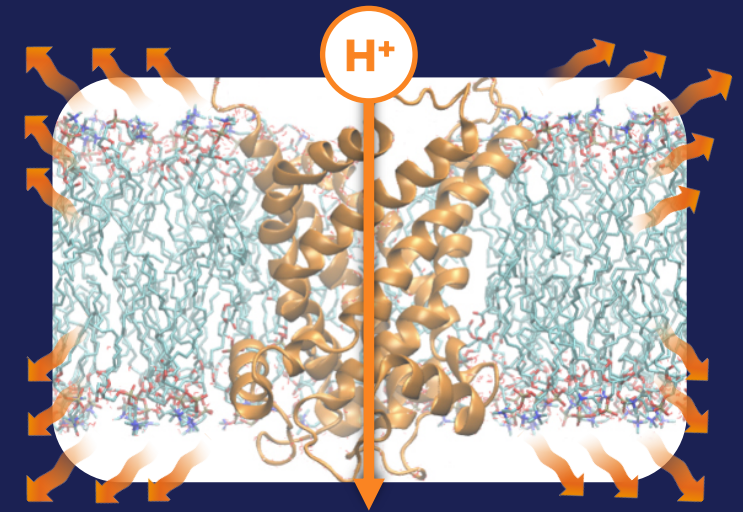


No  $H^+$  current

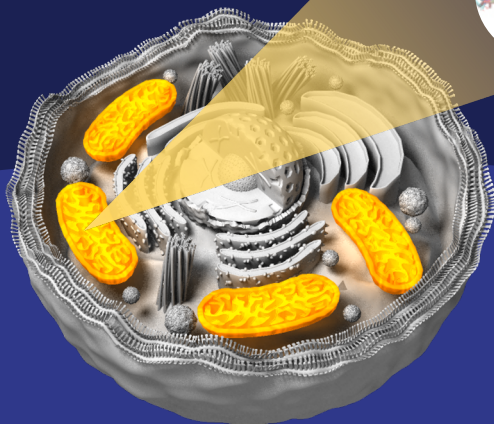
Long chain  
fatty acids



After:



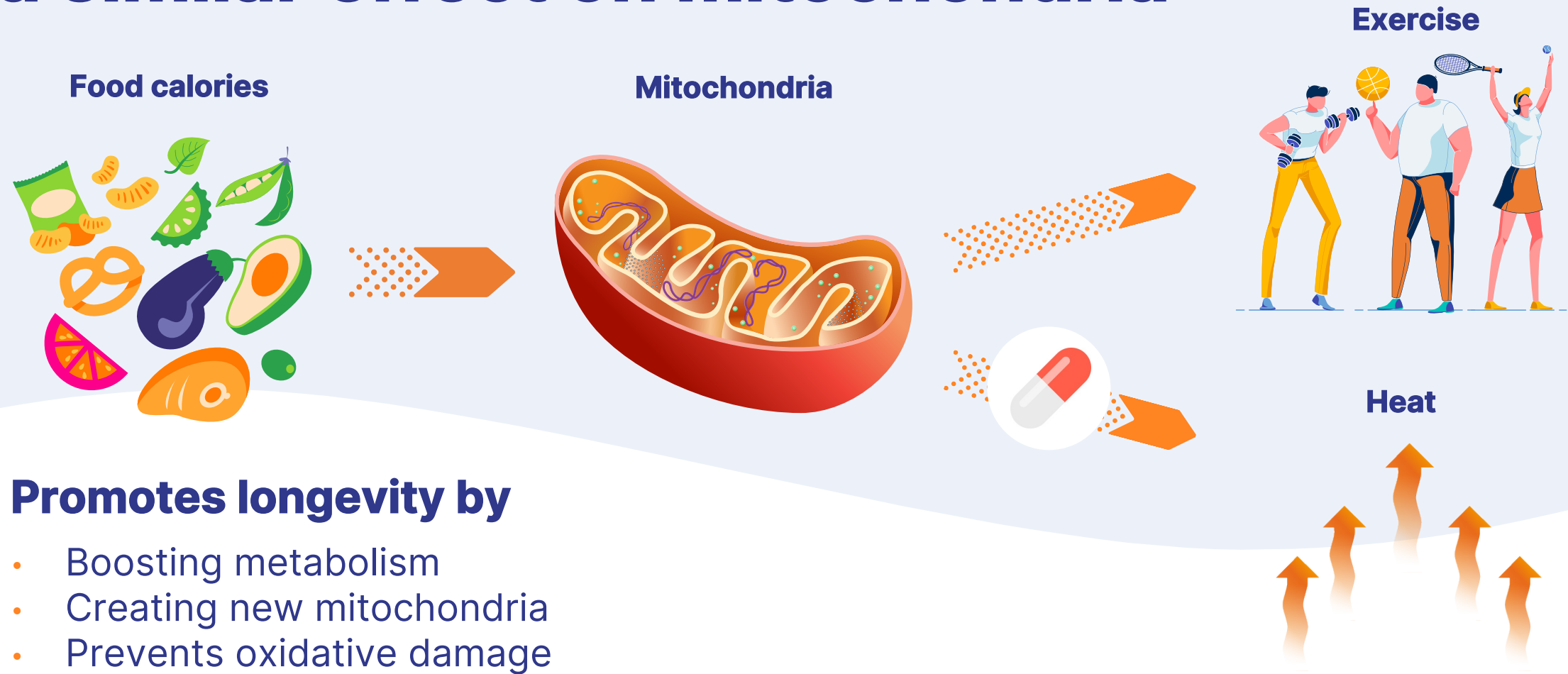
With  $H^+$  current



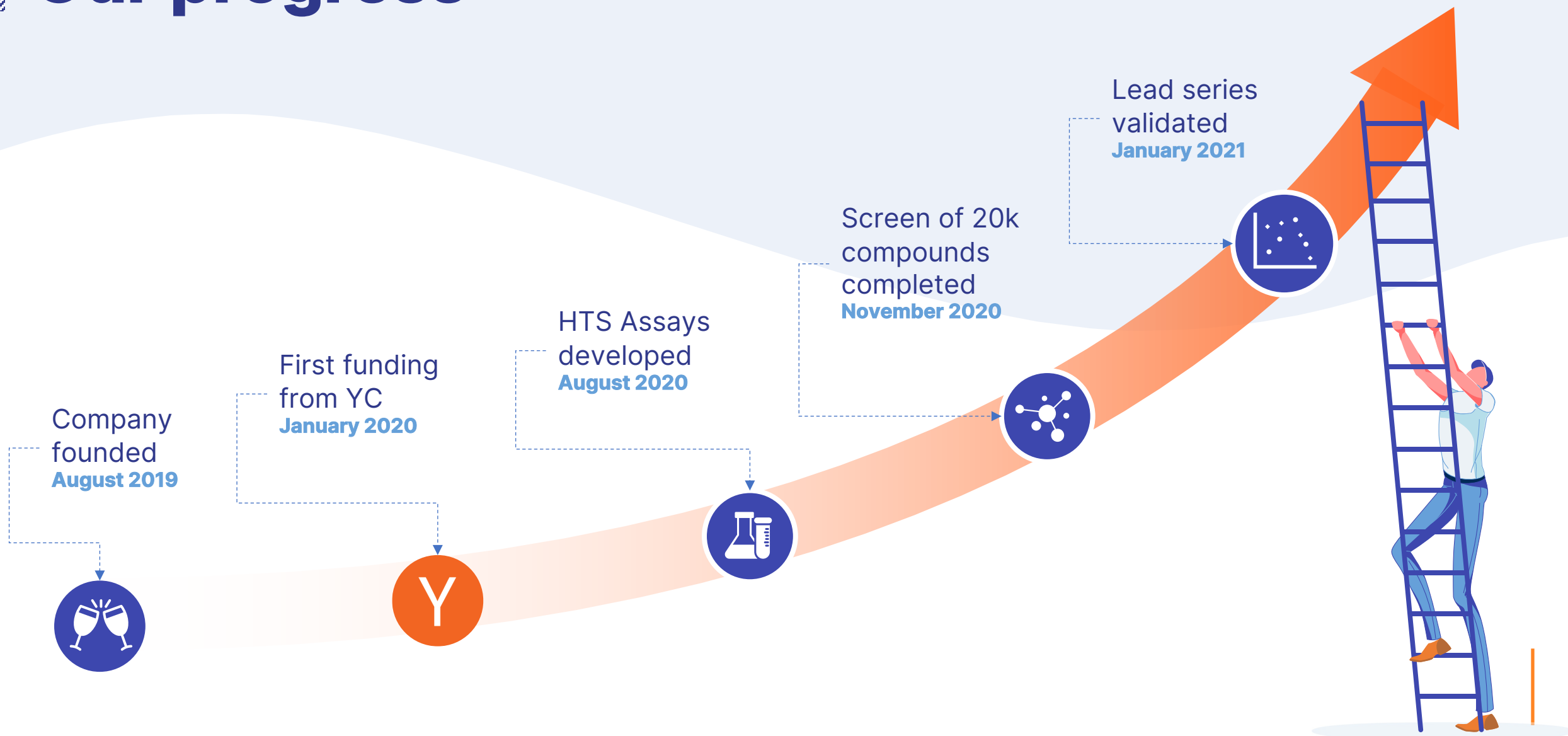
nature

Bertholet et al, *Nature* 2019

# Our drug will mimic exercise by having a similar effect on mitochondria



# Our progress



# Our timeline to candidate selection

## Milestone

Assays  
developed

Q1 2020

Four lead series  
identified

Q4 2020

First in vitro  
proof of concept

Q2 2021

In vivo safety  
+ efficacy

Q2 2022

Candidate  
selection

Q1 2023



## Funding

\$1m

+\$2m

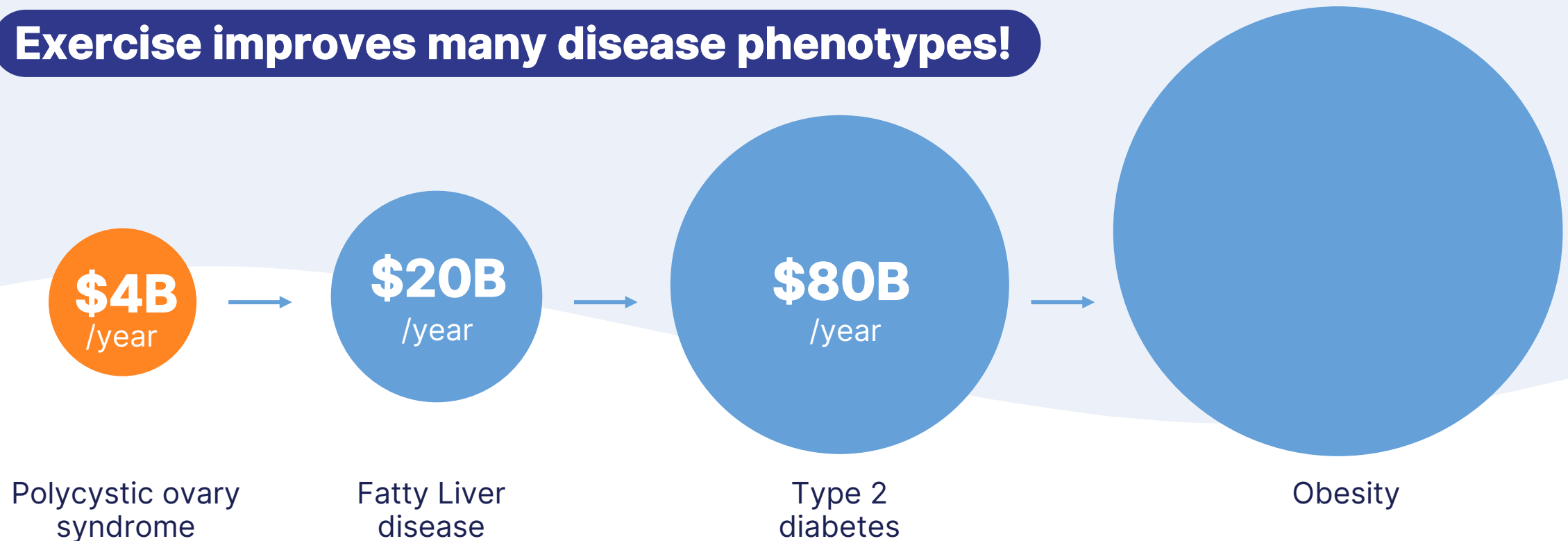
+\$1.5m



# Commercial potential

Targeting large markets of patients with **complex diseases** with a **simple mechanism**

**Exercise improves many disease phenotypes!**



**Thank you!**

