#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

#### FORM 8-K

#### CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): May 23, 2024

#### SAGIMET BIOSCIENCES INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 001-41742 (Commission File Number) 20-5991472 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

Sagimet Biosciences Inc. 155 Bovet Road, Suite 303, San Mateo, California 94402 (Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(650) 561-8600 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable (Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

□ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

<u>Title of each class</u> Series A Common Stock, \$0.0001 par value per share <u>Trade</u> <u>Symbol(s)</u> SGMT

Name of each exchange on which registered The Nasdaq Global Market

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§ 230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§ 240.12b-2 of this chapter).

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If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

#### Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure

On May 23, 2024, Sagimet Biosciences Inc. (the "Company"), updated information reflected in a slide presentation, which is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference. Representatives of the Company will use the updated presentation in various meetings with investors from time to time.

The information in Item 7.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K, including the information set forth in Exhibit 99.1, is being furnished and shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), nor shall Exhibit 99.1 furnished herewith be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

#### (d) Exhibits

Exhibit	
No.	Document
<u>99.1</u>	Investor Presentation of Sagimet Biosciences Inc., dated May 23, 2024
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document).

#### SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Sagimet Biosciences Inc.

By: /s/ David Happel David Happel Chief Executive Officer

Date: May 23, 2024



Targeting Metabolic Dysfunction with Novel Therapies to Treat MASH, Acne and Cancer

May 2024

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This presentation contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of, and made pursuant to the safe harbor provisions of, The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. All statements contained in this document, other than statements of historical facts or statements that relate to present facts or current conditions, including but not limited to, statements regarding possible or assumed future results of operations, business strategies, research and development plans, regulatory activities, the presentation of data from clinical trials, Sagimet's clinical development plans and related anticipated clinical development milestones, market opportunity, competitive position and potential growth opportunities are forward-looking statements. These statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other important factors that may cause our actual results, performance or achievements to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements by terms such as "may," "will," "should," "would," "expect," "plan," "anticipate," "could," "intend," "target," "project," "believe," "estimate," "predict," "presentation are only predictions. These forward-looking statements by terms such as "may," "will," "should," "would," expect, " plan," anticipate, "could," "intend," "target," "project," believe," "estimate," "predict," "presentation are only predictions. These forward-looking statements by terms such as "may," "will, "should," "would," expect, " plan," anticipate, "could," "intend," target," "project," believe," estimate, " predict," "protential," or "continue" or the negative of these terms or other similar expressions. The forward-looking statements in this presentation are only predictions. These forward-looking statements and assumptions, some of which cannot be predicted or quantified and some of which are beyond our control, including, among others: the clinical development final Clinical trials, that linical trials, the risk the topline clinical trials may not be predicti This presentation contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of, and made pursuant to the safe harbor provisions

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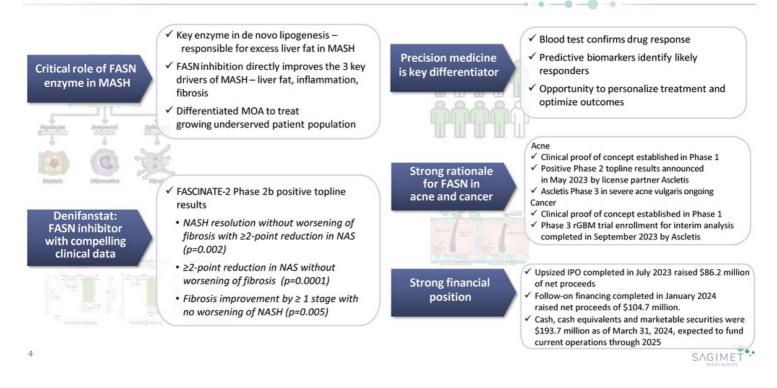
# Proven Team with Development and Commercialization Experience Across Hepatology, Metabolic Disease and Oncology



T	Dave Happel President & CEO	<ul> <li>Cognoa: President &amp; CEO Chrono Therapeutics: President &amp; CEO Senior Executive and Commercial roles at Horizon, Raptor, Dynavax, Chiron</li> <li>M.B.A. – Indiana State University; B.A. Chemistry – Indiana University</li> </ul>	Pfizer
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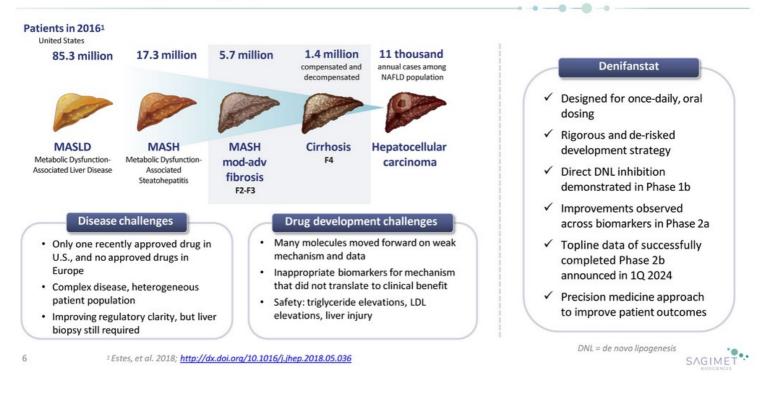
### Sagimet Investment Highlights



### Development Pipeline: Indications and Clinical Milestones

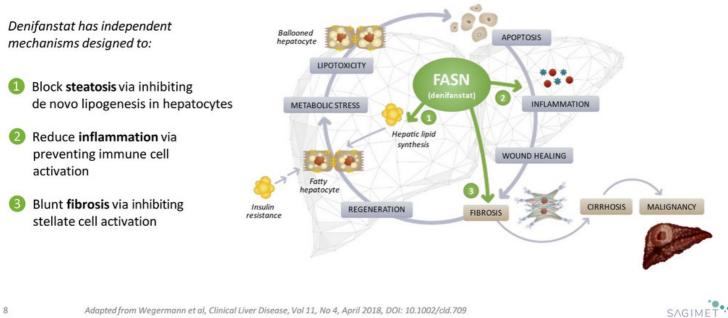


### MASH: A Burgeoning Epidemic



## Denifanstat in MASH

### Denifanstat: Differentiated Mechanism Believed to Target Key Drivers of MASH



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- No dose-related significant adverse events relative to placebo
- No serious AEs
- Majority of AEs were Grade 1; no Grade ≥3 drug-related AEs

		Cohort 1		Coh	ort 2	Cohort 3
Treatment Emergent Adverse Event (TEAE) Classification	US Placebo N=31	US 25mg N=33	US 50 mg N=35	China Placebo N=9	China 50 mg N=21	US 75mg N=13
Any TEAE	Gr 1: 12 (38.7%) Gr 2: 7 (22.6%)	Gr 1: 18 (54.5%) Gr 2: 7 (21.2%)	Gr 1: 12 (34.3%) Gr 2: 6 (17.1%)	Gr 1: 3 (33%) Gr 2: 2 (22%)	Gr 1: 11 (52%) Gr 2: 4 (19%) Gr 3: 2 (10%)	Gr 1: 3 (23%) Gr 2: 6 (46%)
TEAE leading to drug withdrawal	0	2 (6.1%)	0	0	0	4 (31%)
Treatment Emergent Serious Adverse Event (SAE)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Drug related TEAE	Gr 1: 3 (9.7%) Gr 2: 1 (3.2%)	Gr 1: 10 (30.3%) Gr 2: 2 (6.1%)	Gr 1: 9 (25.7%) Gr 2: 1 (2.9%)	0	Gr 1: 9 (43%) Gr 2: 4 (19%)	Gr 1: 1 (8%) Gr 2: 6 (46%)

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#### FASCINATE-2 Phase 2b Biopsy Trial Design Measuring Histological Improvement

FASCINATE-2	2 Phase 2b trial design		Primary endpoints
reening	Denifanstat 50mg		<ul> <li>NAS ≥2 points improvement w/o worsening of fibrosis OR</li> <li>NASH resolution + NAS ≥2 improvement w/o</li> </ul>
<u> </u>	Placebo		worsening of fibrosis
	Study weeks		
0	26	52	
Baseline	Interim	Final	
MRI-PDFF Biomarkers	MRI-PDFF Biomarkers	WRI-PDFF Biomarkers	Other selected endpoints
Biopsy		Biopsy	<ul> <li>Improvement in liver fibrosis ≥1 stage without worsening of NASH (Bx)</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Digital AI pathology</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Biopsy confirmed F2</li> </ul>	2-F3 NASH patients		<ul> <li>MRI-PDFF: absolute decrease, % change from</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>52 weeks, 2:1 50mg</li> </ul>	g or placebo, double-blind		baseline, % pts ≥30% reduction from baseline (responders)

<sup>10</sup> Al: Artificial Intelligence, Bx; biopsy, MRI-PDFF; magnetic resonance imaging derived proton density fat fraction, NAS; NAFLD Activity Score.

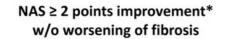


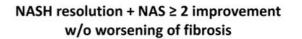
### FASCINATE-2 Baseline Characteristics Typical F2/F3 MASH Population

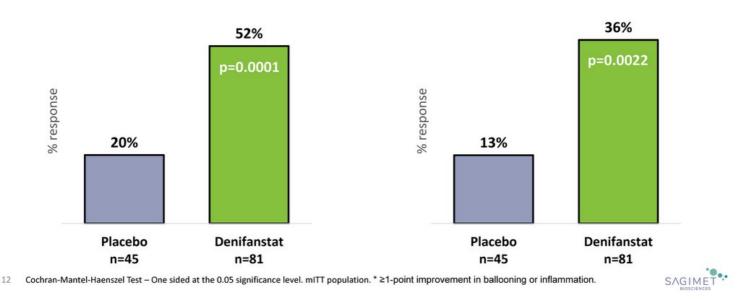
Parameter	Placebo, n=45	Denifanstat, n=81
Age, years	59.6 (+/- 10.9)	56.1 (+/- 10.8)
Sex, female	27 (60%)	48 (59%)
Race, White	41 (91%)	73 (90%)
Ethnicity, Hispanic or Latino	15 (33%)	27 (33%)
BMI, kg/m²	36.5 (+/- 6.7)	34.6 (+/- 6.1)
Type 2 diabetes	27 (60%)	55 (68%)
ALT (alanine aminotransferase) U/L	67 (+/- 33)	57 (+/- 29)
AST (aspartate aminotransferase) U/L	52 (+/- 27)	48 (+/- 29)
Liver Fat Content (MRI-PDFF), %	19.0 (+/- 7.0)	16.6 (+/- 7.1)
Baseline liver biopsy NAS ≥ 5	34 (76%)	63 (78%)
Baseline liver biopsy F2/F3	22 (49%) / 23 (51%)	34 (42%) / 47 (58%)
Statin (at baseline)	21 (47%)	38 (47%)
GLP1-RA (at baseline)	4 (9%)	12 (15%)
LDL, mg/dL	103 (+/- 39)	96 (+/- 34)
Triglycerides, mg/dL	153 (+/- 67)	173 (+/- 79)
ELF (Enhanced Liver Fibrosis) Score	9.8 (+/- 0.8)	9.6 (+/- 0.8)
FAST (Fibroscan AST) Score	0.6 (0.19)	0.6 (0.20)

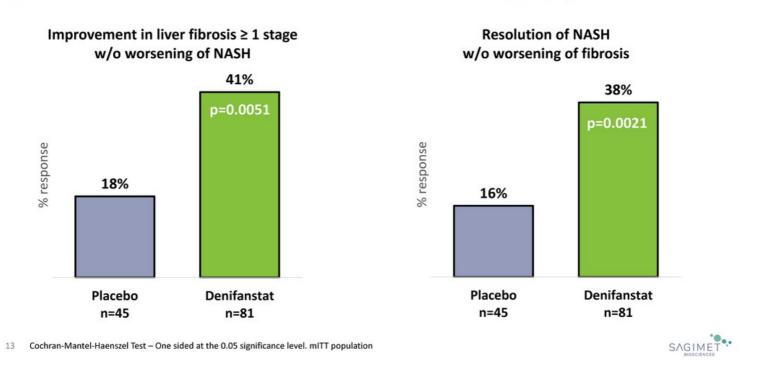
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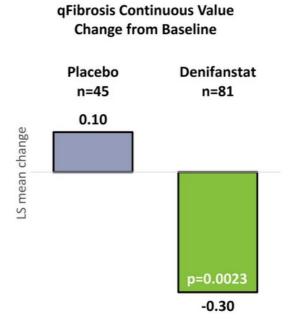
Modified intent-to-treat population (mITT) includes all patients with paired biopsies. Data are mean (SD) or n (%)





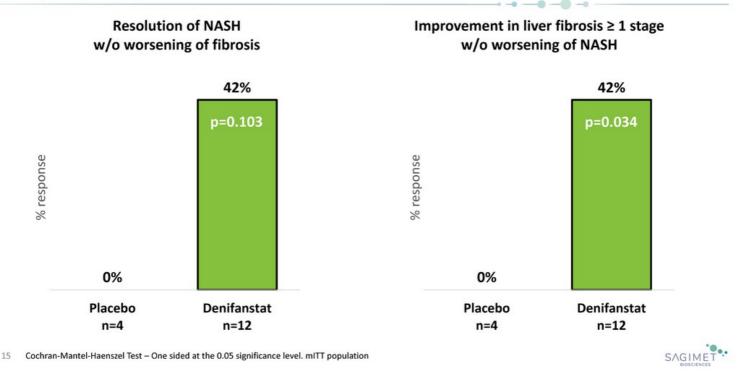


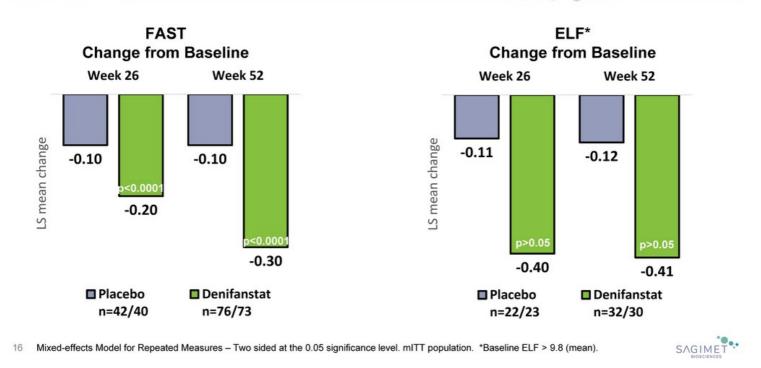




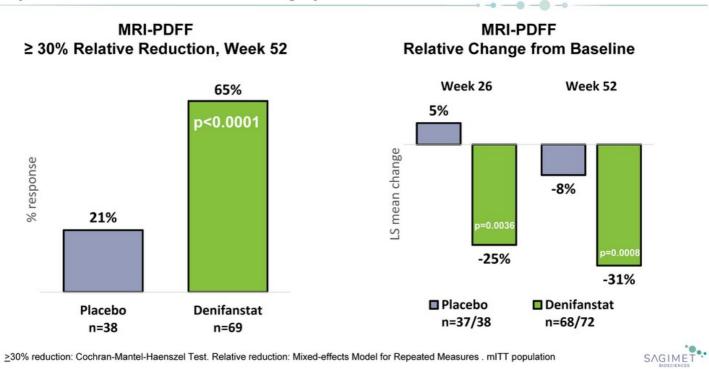
#### 14 Cochran-Mantel-Haenszel Test – One sided at the 0.05 significance level. LS means; least squares mean. Histolndex platform. mITT population.



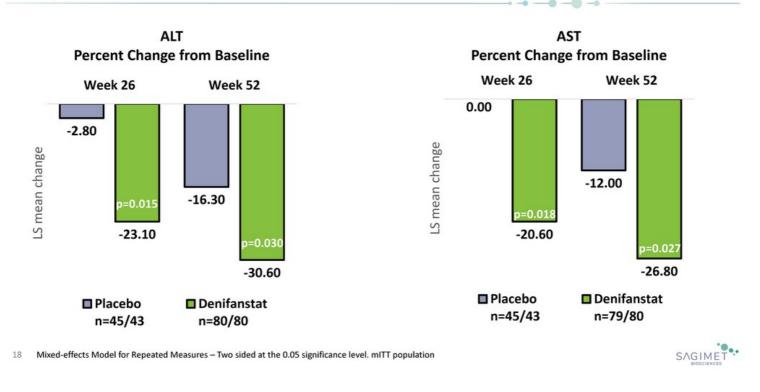




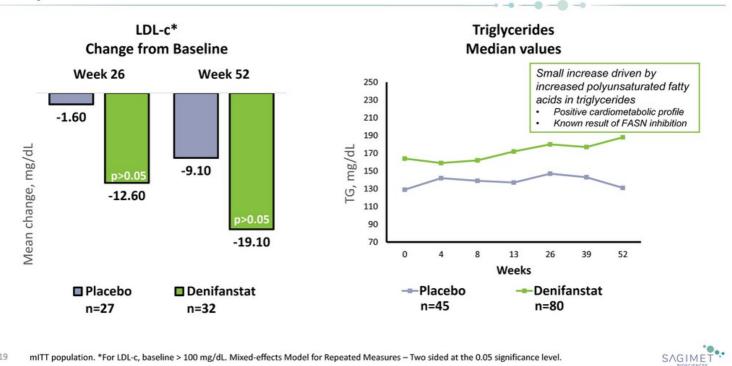
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### Secondary Endpoints: Liver Enzymes Denifanstat Decreased ALT and AST Levels



#### Cardiometabolic health Denifanstat Decreased LDL-c Levels



19 mITT population. \*For LDL-c, baseline > 100 mg/dL. Mixed-effects Model for Repeated Measures - Two sided at the 0.05 significance level.

### FASCINATE-2: Safety Denifanstat was Generally Well Tolerated

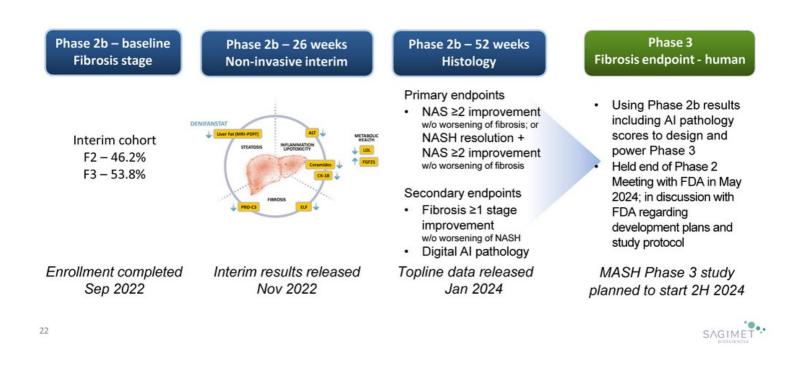
Parameter	Placebo n=56	Denifanstat N=112
Any TEAE (treatment emergent adverse event)	45 (80.4%)	96 (85.7%)
TEAE related to study drug	20 (35.7%)	51 (45.5%)
Most common TEAE related to study drug in ≥5% of patients by system organ class		
eye disorders	9 (16.1%)	17 (15.2%)
gastrointestinal disorders	5 (8.9%)	13 (11.6%)
skin and subcutaneous tissue disorders	4 (7.1%)	25 (22.3%)
TEAE leading to study drug discontinuation	3 (5.4%)	22 (19.6%)
TEAE with CTCAE Grade 3 (Severe) or higher*	3 (5.4%)	13 (11.6%)
SAE (none related to treatment)	3 (5.4%)	13 (11.6%)
Fatal TEAE	0	0

\* No treatment-related AE was Grade 3 or higher



## MASH Development Program

### Progression from Phase 2b to Phase 3



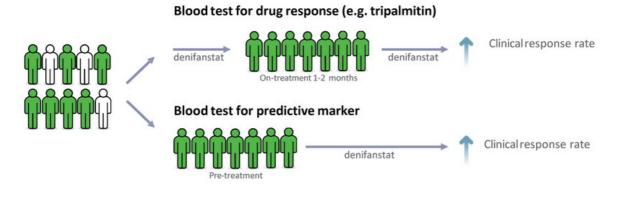
## We Believe Denifanstat is Differentiated in the Evolving MASH Landscape

Mechanism	FASN inhibitors	THRß Agonists	FGF-21	GLP-1 agonists	PPAR agonists	ACC inhibitors	FXR agonists
Category	DNL pathway	Nuclear receptor	Growth factor	GLP-1	Nuclear receptor	DNL pathway	Nuclear receptor
Route	Oral	Oral	Stuff	ACLUIT	Oral	Oral	Oral
Status	Phase 2 complete Phase 3 to start 2H 2024	Approved March 2024	Phase 2 complete	Phase 2 complete	Phase 3 ongoing	Phase 2 complete	Phase 3 complete
Challenges	<ul> <li>Perceived market pressure from incretin class of weight loss drugs</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Diarrhea</li> <li>Potential hormonal axis changes</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Bone loss</li> <li>Injectable</li> <li>Nausea and diarrhea</li> <li>Potential neutralizing antibodies</li> <li>Higher COGS</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>GI side effects including nausea</li> <li>Lack of fibrosis improvement to date</li> <li>Muscle wasting</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Weight gain, edema, GI side effects, anemia</li> <li>Possible liver injury</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Combinations only</li> <li>MOA causes triglyceride increases</li> <li>Lack of fibrosis improvement as monotherapy</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Mixed results from several programs</li> <li>MOA causes pruritus and LDL-cholesterol increases</li> </ul>

- MASH is a multi-faceted disease and patients may benefit from being matched with optimal treatments
- Two approaches using blood tests are undergoing further evaluation

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- Drug response: 1-2 months after taking drug, tripalmitin identifies patients responding to drug treatment
- Predictive marker: before taking drug, signature of 6 blood metabolites enriches for responders<sup>1</sup>



<sup>1</sup>Signature has 6 metabolites: ursodeoxycholic acid, DL-2-aminocaprylic acid, sarcosine, glycoursodeoxycholic acid, D(-)-2-aminobutyric acid, PC(0-18:0/22:4). Accuracy 79%, PPV 88%, NPV 63%.



### Strong Monotherapy Opportunity for Denifanstat in MASH

Expansion as backbone of combinations

#### Denifanstat data support success as first line monotherapy Oral, once-daily tablet ideal for chronic administration Illustrative potential combo mechanisms 1 · Tablets generally more affordable than complex biologics 1 Potential to treat broad patient population NLRP3 • Including those with thyroid challenges APOPTOSIS 1 Novel mechanism that acts directly upon liver 1 Encouraging safety profile to date FASN • METABOLIC STRESS INFLAMMATION Broaden market opportunity through combinations with denifanstat as backbone Hepatic lipid synthesis • Denifanstat's potential Complementary to other mechanisms 1 Potential for fixed dose combinations with other oral medications CIRRHOSIS REGENERATION Insulin resistance FIBROSI ✓ Preclinical combination studies ongoing MASH agents: anti-fibrotic, other metabolic agents ٠ Co-morbidities: diabetes and other cardiovascular agents

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### Additional Expansion Opportunities in MASH

#### Compensated cirrhotic patients (MASH F4)

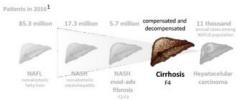
- Denifanstat directly targets stellate cells
- Hepatocytes continue to be functional, and patients frequently have increased liver fat
- Next steps
  - Characterize PK profile in patients with impaired hepatic function Phase 1 results in 1Q 24
  - Positive impact on fibrosis in FASCINATE-2
  - Phase 2b/3 trial in MASH-F4

#### Pediatric MASH

- 23% of children with NAFLD have MASH at the time of diagnosis
- Next steps
  - Compile safety data across all denifanstat studies in young adults including FASCINATE-2
  - Nonclinical toxicology study in juvenile animals plan to initiate in 2024
  - Phase 2 trial in pediatric MASH



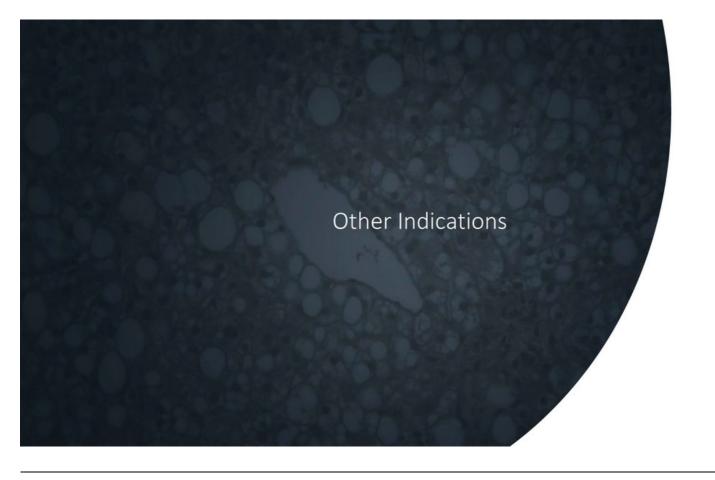
<sup>1</sup> Estes, et al. 2018; <u>http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/i.jhep.2018.05.036</u>



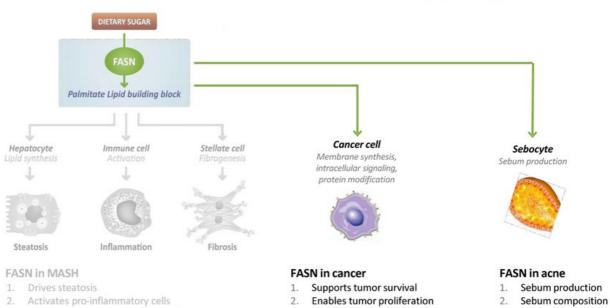
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#### FASN Hyper-Activity Plays a Key Role in Multiple Diseases Beyond MASH



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Establishes resistance to drugs

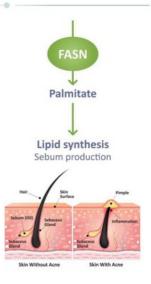
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3. Activates stellate cells leading to fibrosis

#### FASN is an attractive therapeutic target for acne

- · Acne is associated with excess sebum production by sebocyte cells in the skin
- Acne resolution is associated with reduced sebum production
- Sebocytes upregulate and rely on DNL/FASN to make sebum
   >80% of key sebum lipids such as palmitate and sapienic acid produced by DNL/FASN

hase 1 – sebum analysis <sup>y Sagimet</sup>		<b>2 – acne</b> letis in Chin	a 🤇	歌 而L ascletis	
Denifanstat inhibited		EFFICACY RESULTS – 12 WEEKS			
lipogenesis in skin Dose-dependent Proof of mechanism		Placebo n=45	25 mg n=45	50 mg n=44	75 mg n=45
	Total lesions	-34.9%	-49.5%**	-51.5%**	-48.4%**
	Inflammatory lesions	-36.5%	-54.7%**	-56.7%**	-49.4%*
	Non-inflammatory lesions	-35.0%	-44.4%	-46.6%	-46.5
	IGA (2-grade improvement)	15.6%	31.1%	31.8%	22.2%
	Well tolerated acros	s dose grou	ups	* p <	0.05 ** p <0.0





### FASN is Integral to Tumor Cell Proliferation and Survival

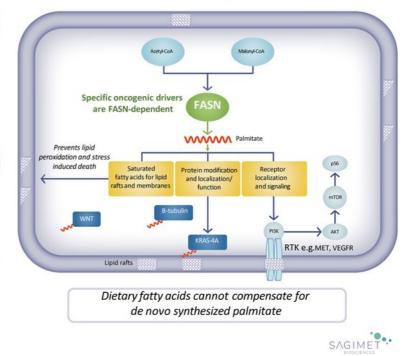
Reprogramed metabolism is one of the hallmarks of cancer

#### FASN-dependence

- Certain cancers are dependent on DNL/FASN for proliferation especially downstream of driver oncogenes
   eg. KRASM in non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC)
- Strategy -> exploit this vulnerability using FASN inhibition in the combination setting to cause death

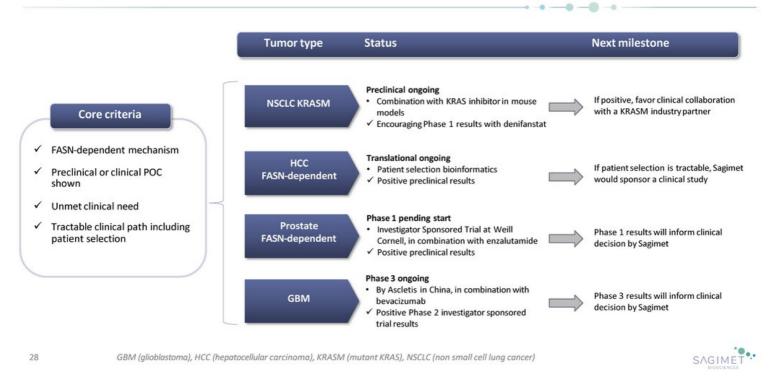
#### **Completed Phase 1 provides foundation**

- 136 patients received denifanstat
- Heavily pretreated Phase 1 population
- Recommended Phase 2 dose defined
- Promising clinical activity consistent with proposed mechanism
  - KRASM NSCLC patients had significantly longer duration on study with denifanstat than KRASWT (p<0.02), and 91% KRASM had stable disease



### FASN-Dependent Tumor Types Identified that Meet Core Criteria

Program focused on 4 selected tumor types



### Strong Financial Position and Intellectual Property Portfolio

Financial highlights Nasdaq: SGMT	<ul> <li>net proceeds</li> <li>Follow-on financing completed in January 2024 raised net proceeds of \$104.7 million.</li> <li>Cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities were \$193.7 million as of March 31, 2024, expected to fund current operations through 2025</li> </ul>
trong patent estate	<ul> <li>Denifanstat method of use: 2036</li> <li>Denifanstat composition of matter: 2032 (Issued in all key commercial territories)</li> <li>Opportunities exist to lengthen patent exclusivity of either composition patent or method of use patent for up to 5 years via Patent Term Extension (US) or SPC (Europe)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Currently building out global patent portfolio to further protect commercialization of denifanstat via patent applications directed to formulations, methods of use, and synthetic methods, with potential to extend exclusivity further</li> </ul>

### Development Pipeline: Indications and Clinical Milestones

