

GCCL Solutions for Obesity & Metabolic Therapeutics

As the obesity therapeutics market evolves rapidly, advanced analyses tailored to drug-specific mechanisms has become essential to accelerating development timelines.

GCCL designs and develops optimized PK, ADA, and biomarker analytical platforms based on a deep understanding of drug mechanisms, enabling rapid clinical assay transfer and support.

Obesity Therapeutics Landscape

- ▶ GLP-1 therapies have transformed obesity into a treatable disease paradigm
- ▶ Semaglutide patent expirations (2026–2032) → driving intensified global competition
- ▶ Expansion of dual/multi-agonists, novel delivery modes, and long-acting formulations
- ▶ Growing focus on complex metabolic diseases and cardiovascular risk reduction
- ▶ Indication expansion beyond obesity, including CNS disorders



Why Is Obesity Drug Analysis Challenging?

Unlike conventional small molecules and large molecule protein therapeutics, peptide-based obesity drugs given at high doses over long durations present distinct analytical challenges. With proven expertise in peptide drug analysis and LC-MS/MS and LBA method development, GCCL delivers reliable solutions to these challenges.

1 Peptide PK (LC-MS/MS)

- Challenges in high-sensitivity peptide quantification by LC-MS/MS
- Increased analytical complexity due to structural characteristics
- Matrix effect mitigation & peptide stability control issue



2 Immunogenicity (LBA)

- Requirement for ELISA/ECL based ADA and NAb assays
- Drug interference mitigation issue (acid dissociation, etc)
- Need for development and validation strategies for bridging/direct assay (ADA/NAb)



3 Biomarker Analysis

- Diversified clinical biomarker testing requirements
- Data quality management aligned with international standards



Biomarker Panel for Obesity & Metabolic Disease

GCCL provides biomarker analysis services to support drug development, covering biomarkers commonly used in the field.

(Additional biomarkers and customized panel configurations are available upon request.)

	Glucose Control	Insulin Dynamics	Fibrosis	Bone Metabolism	CV / Inflammation	GLP-1 Mechanism
Key Markers	FPG, PPG, OGTT, HbA1c	Insulin, C-peptide, HOMA-IR/β, QUICKI	ELF, Pro-C3, CTX-3	PINP, BALP, OC, CTX-1	Lipid panel, ApoA/B, Lp(a), IL-6, hs-CRP	Adiponectin, Glucagon, Paracetamol test
Purpose	Glycemic control	Insulin secretion-insulin resistance	Presence of liver fibrosis	Bone metabolism changes associated with weight loss	Cardiovascular-inflammatory risk	Mechanistic evaluation

GCCL Key Services

Key Services 1

PK analysis (LC-MS/MS)

- ✓ High-sensitivity peptide drug quantification using LC-MS/MS
- ✓ Extensive experience with peptide and modified peptide analysis
- ✓ Method development and validation with rapid initiation based on prior expertise
- ✓ Analytical conditions optimized for GLP-1 analogues



Key Services 2

Immunogenicity Analysis

- ✓ Development and validation of ADA assays using ELISA/ECL platforms
- ✓ Proven experience in improving drug tolerance
- ✓ Statistical analysis support for assay development and validation
- ✓ High-quality analysis and data management tailored to GLP-1 and related modalities



Key Services 3

Regulated Clinical Bioanalysis Support

- ✓ Experience analyzing clinical samples from obesity and metabolic disease studies
- ✓ Quality management aligned with GCLP and ISO 15189 standards
- ✓ Full sample traceability and chain-of-custody management
- ✓ Support for analysis initiation aligned with each clinical trial phase



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