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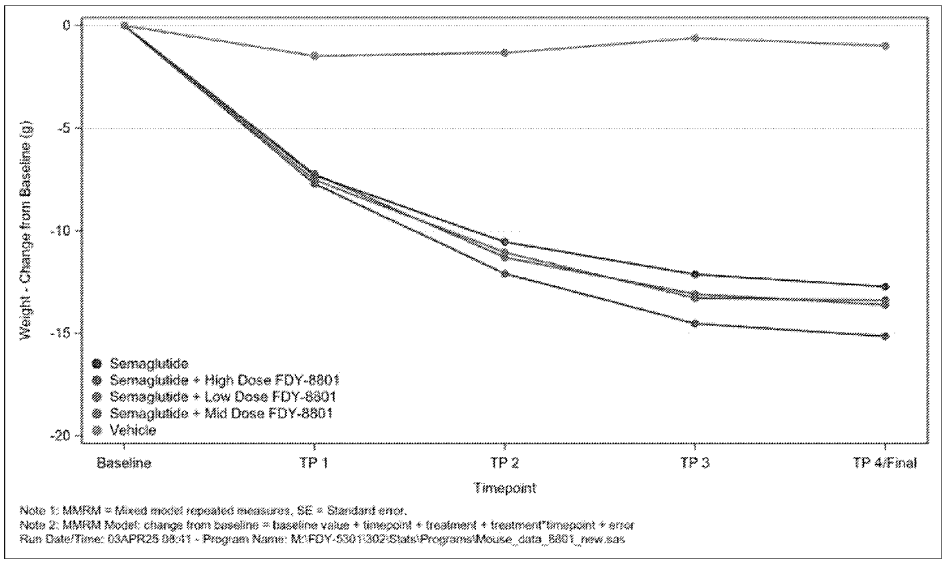
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FIG. 18A



(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to a beta-blocker for use in a method for preventing, inhibiting, or reducing loss of muscle mass and/or function and/or bone density in a subject resulting from a weight loss treatment, which method comprises providing to the subject an effective amount of the beta-blocker. The invention also relates to a beta-blocker for use in a method for protecting cardiac muscle and/or cardiac function in a subject during a weight loss treatment, or for protecting against hypotension and/or increased heartrate in a subject during a weight loss treatment, which method comprises providing to the subject an effective amount of the beta-blocker. The invention further relates to a beta-blocker for use in a method for increasing or restoring muscle mass and/or function and/or bone density in a subject following a weight loss treatment, which method comprises providing to the subject an effective amount of the beta-blocker.

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