

Supplemental Material

Consents (Phases 2B and 3)\



**Patient Information and Consent Form
Phase 2B**

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Financial Compensation

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(Date)

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