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Table S2. Dietary approach to sTYR in the United Kingdom National Alkaptonuria Centre.

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Figure S1. The PHE.TYR metabolic pathway is shown highlighting the site of the enzyme defect observed in AKU and the site of action of nitisinone, a reversible competitive inhibitor of 4-hydroxyphenylpyruvate dioxygenase. The pathway also highlights the dynamic relationships between HPPA, TYR and HPLA, a key relationship after introduction of nitisinone. (HPPR – 4- hydroxyphenylpyruvate reductase)

Figure S2. Changes in sHGA, uHGA₂₄, TBWHGA, and cHGA₂₄ in the nitisinone group of the SONIA 2. (p values only indicated for between-visit comparisons where statistical significance was achieved). The visits range from V1 (baseline), V2 (month 3), V3 (month 12), V4 (month 24), V5 (month 36) to V6 (month 48).

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Figure S5. Changes in sHGA/sTYR, uHGA₂₄/uTYR₂₄, TBwHGA/TBwTYR, and cHGA₂₄/cTYR₂₄ in the nitisinone group of the SONIA 2. (p values only indicated for between-

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Figure S6. Changes in sHPPA/sTYR, uHPPA₂₄/uTYR₂₄, TBWHPPA/TBWTYR, and cHPPA₂₄/cTYR₂₄ in the nitisinone group of the SONIA 2. (p values only indicated for betweenvisit comparisons where statistical significance was achieved). The visits range from V1 (baseline), V2 (month 3), V3 (month 12), V4 (month 24), V5 (month 36) to V6 (month 48).

Figure S7. Changes in sHPPA/sHPLA, uHPPA₂₄/uHPLA₂₄, TBwHPPA/TBwHPLA, and cHPPA₂₄/cHPLA₂₄ in the nitisinone group of the SONIA 2. (p values only indicated for between-visit comparisons where statistical significance was achieved). The visits range from V1 (baseline), V2 (month 3), V3 (month 12), V4 (month 24), V5 (month 36) to V6 (month 48).

Figure S8. Changes in sHPLA/sTYR, uHPLA₂₄/uTYR₂₄, TBWHPLA/TBWTYR, and cHPLA₂₄/cTYR₂₄ in the nitisinone group of the SONIA 2. (p values only indicated for betweenvisit comparisons where statistical significance was achieved). The visits range from V1 (baseline), V2 (month 3), V3 (month 12), V4 (month 24), V5 (month 36) to V6 (month 48).

Figure S9. Pathway adapted from KEGG (phenylalanine and tyrosine metabolism) showing alternative route of disposal of PHE to HPPD bypassing TYR. (KEGG - Kyoto Encyclopedia of Genes and Genomes)

Figure S10. Changes in in sHGA, uHGA₂₄, TBwHGA, and cHGA₂₄ in the nitisinone group of the SONIA 2 excluding V1. (p values only indicated for between-visit comparisons where statistical significance was achieved). The visits range from V2 (month 3), V3 (month 12), V4 (month 24), V5 (month 36) to V6 (month 48).

Figure S11. Changes in sHGA, uHGA₂₄, TBwHGA, and cHGA₂₄ in the nitisinone group of the SONIA 2. (p values only indicated for between-visit comparisons where statistical significance was achieved). The visits range from V1 (baseline), V2 (month 3), V3 (month 12), V4 (month 24), V5 (month 36) to V6 (month 48). The Y-axis is shown in log scale.

Figure S12. Changes in sHGA/sTYR, uHGA₂₄/uTYR₂₄, TBwHGA/TBwTYR, and cHGA₂₄/cTYR₂₄ in the nitisinone group of the SONIA 2. (p values only indicated for betweenvisit comparisons where statistical significance was achieved). The visits range from V1 (baseline), V2 (month 3), V3 (month 12), V4 (month 24), V5 (month 36) to V6 (month 48). The Y-axis is shown in log scale.

Table S1. Baseline demographic and related variables for nitisinone-treated AKU patients in the SONIA 2 study										
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	Control group			Nitisinone group						
	All	Male	Female	All	Male	Female				
Numbers of patients	69	40	29	69	45	24				
Age years	47.7 (10.2)	48.1 (9.9)	47 (10.7)	49 (11.3)	47.4 (11.9)	51.9 (9.6)				
Weight kg	74.1 (15.6)	80.4 (13.3)	65.6 (14.6)	74.8 (14.8)	79.2 (12.6)	66.3 (15.1)				
Body Mass Index (kg/M ²)	26.4 (4.6)	27 (4.1)	25.5 (5.2)	26.9 (4.4)	27.3 (4.2)	26.2 (4.7)				
uHGA ₂₄ (µmol/day)	35394 (13868)	38740 (12282)	30778 (14797)	35019 (13124)	37149 (12583)	31024 (13447)				
sHGA (µmol/L)	28.3 (8.7)	29.1 (7.7)	27.1 (9.8)	30.3 (11)	31.7 (11.2)	27.9 (10.4)				
sTYR (µmol/L)	64.5 (15.5)	69.4 (15.3)	57.8 (13.1)	65.3 (14.8)	67 (13.7)	62.2 (16.6)				

Table S2.

Derived data									
	V1 (n=69)	V2 (n=69)	V3 (n=67)	V4 (n=65)	V5 (n=60)	V6 (n=56)			
твwHGA µmol****	1376 (586)	33 (61)	35 (80)	98 (312)	105 (283)	108 (271)			
твwTYR µmol****	2963 (940)	43094 (13146)	43218 (13021)	40952 (14454)	41830 (14846)	40370 (15913)			
твwPHE µmol****	2574 (746)	2704 (847)	2774 (807)	3069 (938)	3163 (931)	3267 (1106)			
твwHPPA µmol		1852 (1390)	1718 (531)	1852 (602)	1884 (665)	1939 (894)			
твwHPLA µmol		4083 (1537)	4107 (1368)	4254 (1793)	4226 (1602)	4529 (2208)			
cHGA ₂₄ µmol/day****	36361 (13330)	196 (194)	213 (427)	1088 (4178)	1745 (6639)	1675 (6481)			
cTYR ₂₄ µmol/day****	3125 (977)	44827 (13451)	44490 (13257)	42132 (14768)	43101 (15271)	41482 (16225)			
cPHE ₂₄ µmol/day***	2696 (901)	2808 (883)	2830 (818)	3135 (951)	3214 (940)	3356 (1161)			
cHPPA ₂₄ µmol/day****	45 (103)	22597 (13400)	17324 (5563)	16322 (5849)	16489 (7050)	16209 (7504)			
cHPLA ₂₄ µmol/day****	43 (66)	20017 (9534)	17163 (5041)	18810 (6400)	18250 (6705)	16724 (8130)			
твwHGA/твwTYR****	0.48 (0.17)	0.0008 (0.002)	0.0008 (0.002)	0.0011 (0.001)	0.001 (0.001)	0.002 (0.002)			
TBWTYR/TBWPHE****	1.2 (0.3)	16.7 (4.7)	16 (3.9)	14.2 (3.7)	14.3 (3.5)	13.3 (3.8)			
TBWHPPA/TBWTYR		0.044 (0.04)	0.041 (0.01)	0.046 (0.01)	0.044 (0.01)	0.047 (0.01)			
TBWHPPA/TBWHPLA		0.47 (0.32)	0.44 (0.13)	0.48 (0.18)	0.47 (0.15)	0.46 (0.14)			
TBWHPLA/TBWTYR		0.095 (0.03)	0.097 (0.03)	0.10 (0.03)	0.097 (0.03)	0.11 (0.04)			
cHGA/cTYR****	12.6 (6.0)	0.0043 (0.004)	0.0052 (0.01)	0.166 (0.92)	0.40 (1.8)	0.42 (2.2)			
cTYR/cPHE****	1.18 (0.27)	16.7 (4.6)	16.2 (3.9)	13.9 (4.2)	13.9 (4.4)	12.9 (4.4)			
cHPPA/cTYR****	0.014 (0.03)	0.53 (0.32)	0.42 (0.16)	0.4 (0.13)	0.38 (0.14)	0.4 (0.17)			
cHPPA/cHPLA	0.99 (1.23)	1.11 (0.34)	1.03 (0.26)	1.03 (0.8)	0.94 (0.3)	1.22 (1.22)			
cHPLA/cTYR****	0.015 (0.02)	0.46 (0.21)	0.4 (0.11)	0.45 (0.17)	0.41 (0.12)	0.4 (0.18)			

Variation among column means is significantly greater than expected by chance with p<: *<0.05; **<0.01; ****<0.001; ****<0.0001; within sTYR group comparisons are shown in figures (main and supplementary). TBW - total body water; c represents combined TBW plus 24-h urine values; HGA – homogentisic acid; TYR – tyrosine; PHE – phenylalanine; HPPA – 4-hydroxyphenylpyruvate; HPLA – 4-hydroxyphenyllactate;

Figure S1. Tyrosine pathway



Figure S2.







V2/V6 <0.001 V3/V4 <0.001

Figure S4.



Figure S5.







V1/V5 <0.001 V1/V6 <0.001

Figure S7.

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Figure S10.

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