



# Corso di Aggiornamento per **Operatori dei Registri Tumori**

**CEFPAS** Caltanissetta - 4, 5 e 6 Ottobre 2023

## **Aggiornamento sui Tumori Mammari Il punto di vista dell'oncologo**

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## DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

*During the past three years prof. Vincenzo Adamo received honoraria for consultant, advisory roles, and speaker bureau by:*

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GSK

Lilly

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Figura D.1 u – Incidenza proporzionale prime 10 cause tumorali (Sicilia; tutte le età; uomini)

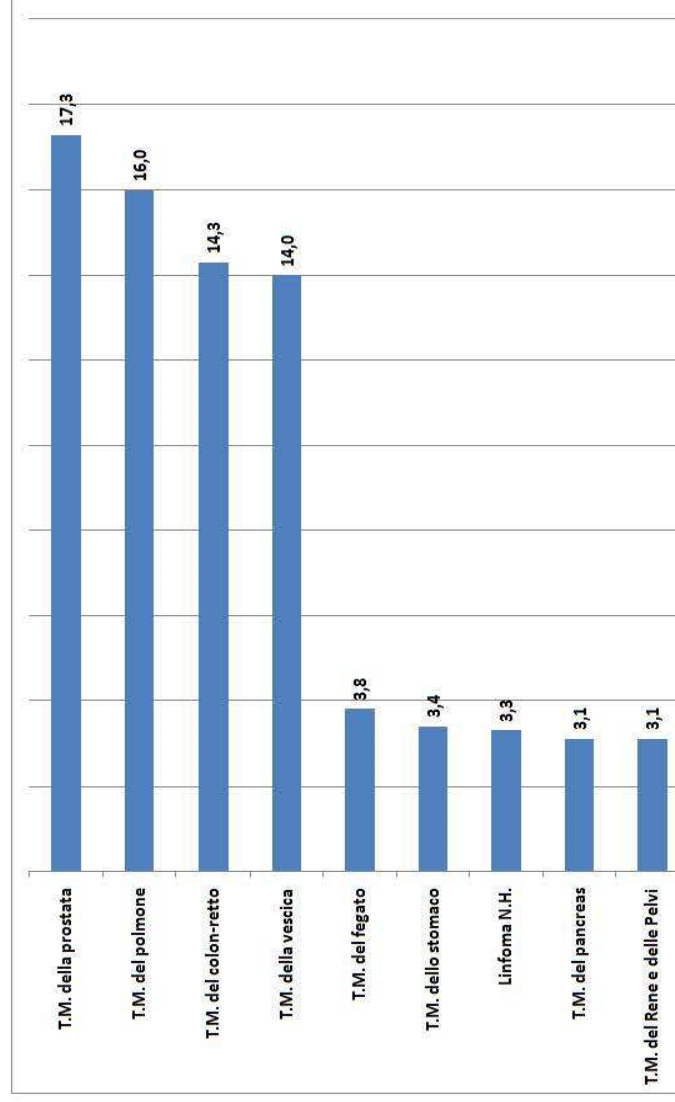


Figura F.1 u. – Mortalità proporzionale per tumori (Sicilia; tutte le età; uomini)

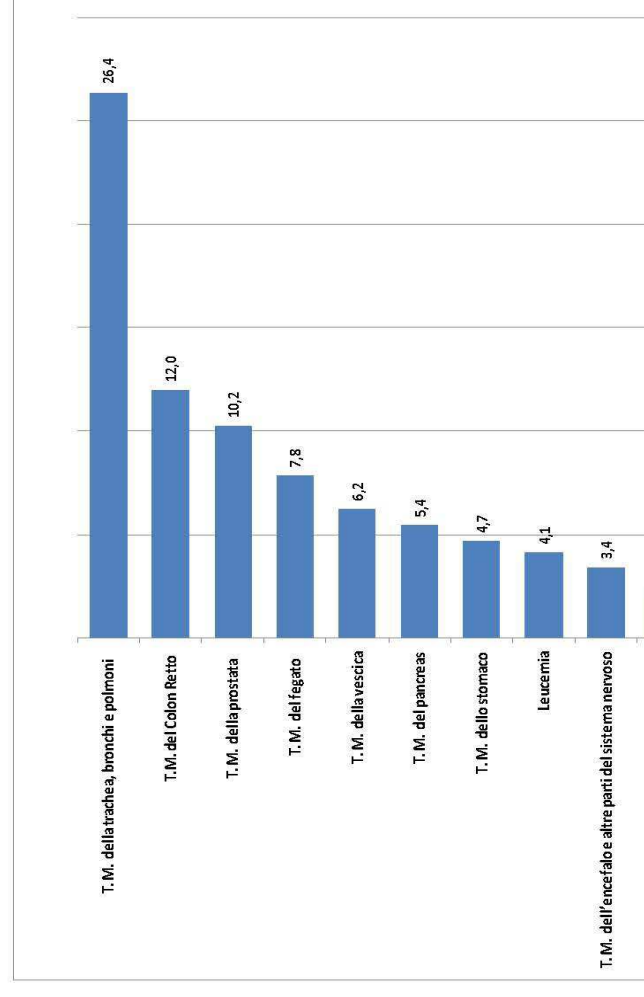


Tabella D. Trend di incidenza per le principali sedi anni 2003-2014

Incidenza			
Sede	Uomini	Donne	
Tutte (escluso carcinomi della cute)	↓	↑	↑
ADSA	↓	=	=
Esosfago	=	=	=
Stomaco	↓	↓	↓
Colon-Retto	=	=	=
Legato	↓	↓	↓
Vie biliari	=	↓	↓
Pancreas	=	↑	↑
Polmone	↓	↑	↑
Melanoma	↑	↑	↑
Mesotelioma	=	=	=
Mammella		↑	↑
Utero collo		=	=
Utero corpo		=	=

Tabella B. Rapporto U/D

Incidenza			
	Uomini	Donne	U/D
Tutte (escluso carcinomi della cute)	391.0	312.9	1.25
ADSA	9.5	3.8	2.50
Esosfago	2.1	0.4	5.25
Stomaco	12.9	7.0	1.84
Colon-Retto	53.7	37.1	1.45
Legato	14.5	5.6	2.59
Vie biliari	5.4	4.5	1.20
Pancreas	11.6	9.2	1.26
Polmone	8.6	0.9	9.56



### Incidenza

#### Incidenza

Sede	Uomini			Donne		
	Sicilia	Italia	Sicilia	Italia	Sicilia	Italia
Tutte (escluso carcinomi della cute)	↓	↓	↑	↓	↑	↓
VADS	↓	↓	=	↓	=	=
Stomaco	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓
Colon-Retto	=	↓	=	↓	=	↓
Fegato	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓
Pancreas	=	↑	↑	↑	↑	=
Polmone	↓	↓	↑	↓	↑	↑
Melanoma	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑
Mammella			↑			
Prostata	=	↓		↓		
Rene	=	=	=	=	=	=
Vescica	↓	↓	↑	↓	↑	=
Tiroide	↑	↑	=	↑	=	↑
Linfoma Hodgkin	=	=	=	=	=	↓

#### Sede

#### Mortalità

Sede	Uomini			Donne		
	Sicilia	Italia	Sicilia	Italia	Sicilia	Italia
Tutte (escluso carcinomi della cute)	↓	↓	↓	↓	=	↓
VADS	=	↓	↑	=	↑	=
Stomaco	↓	↓	↓	↓	=	=
Colon-Retto	=	↓	=	↓	=	↓
Fegato	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓
Pancreas	=	=	=	=	=	=
Polmone	↓	↓	↑	↓	↑	↑
Melanoma	↑	=	=	=	=	=
Mammella			=			
Prostata	↓	↓		↓		
Rene	↑	=	=	↑	=	=
Vescica	=	=	=	=	=	=
Tiroide	=	=	=	=	↓	↓
Linfoma Hodgkin	=	↓	=	↓	=	↓

Sopravvivenza



<b>Tutti, donne</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>63</b>
<b>Mammella</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>87</b>
<b>Prostata</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>91</b>
<b>Colon-retto</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>65</b>
<b>Polmone</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>16</b>

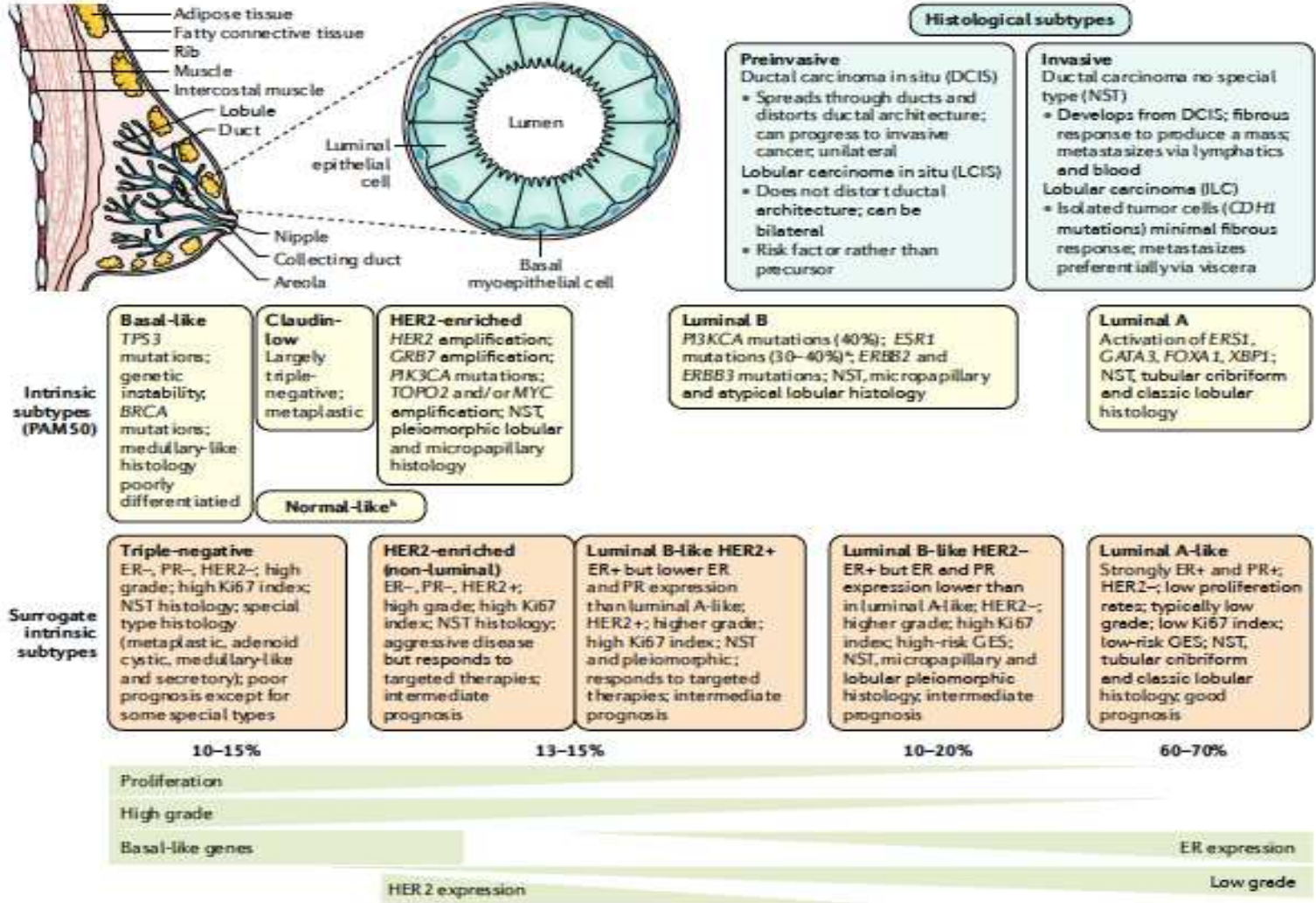
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# OUTLINE

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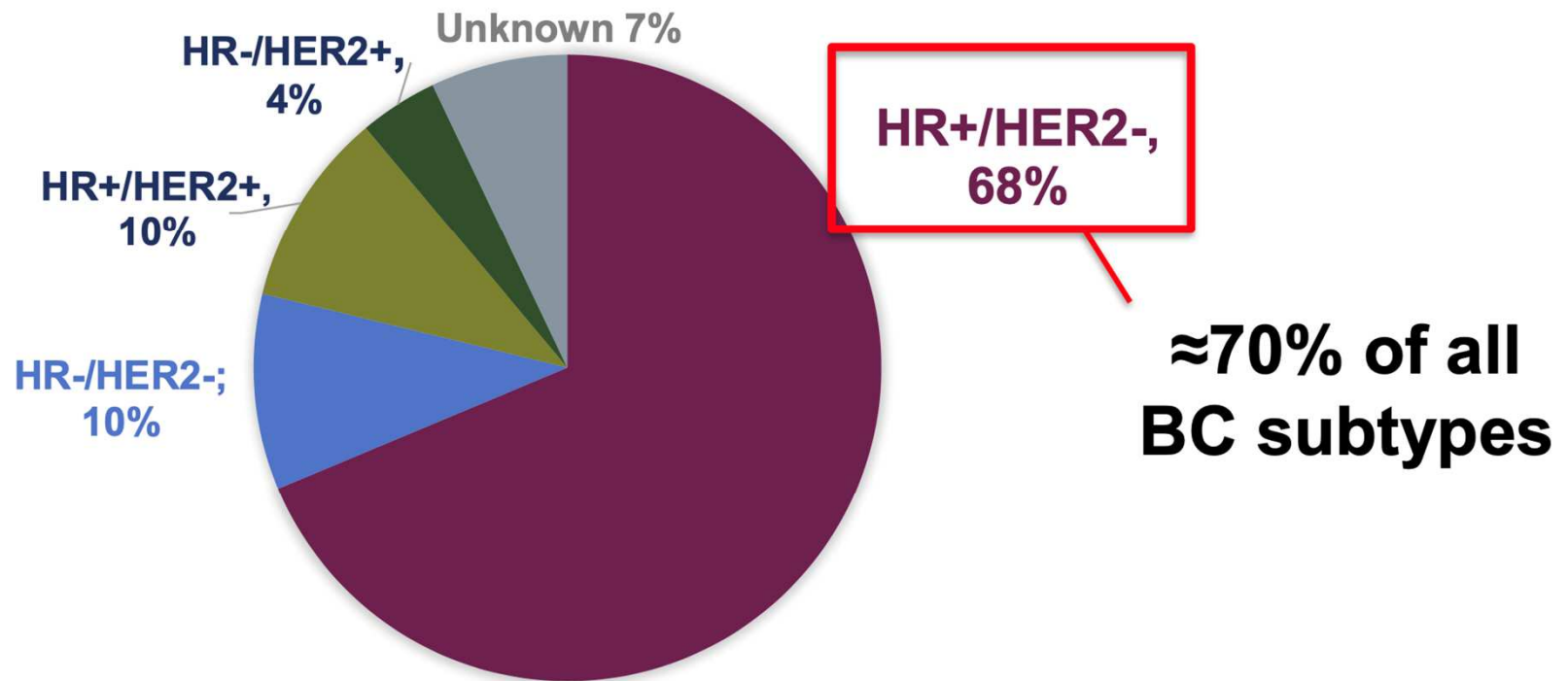
# Breast Cancer: histological and molecular characteristics



Harbeck N et al. NatRevDisPrimers. 2019 Sep23;5(1):66.

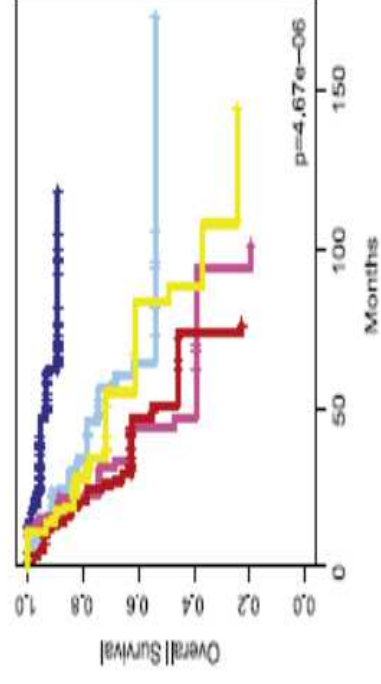
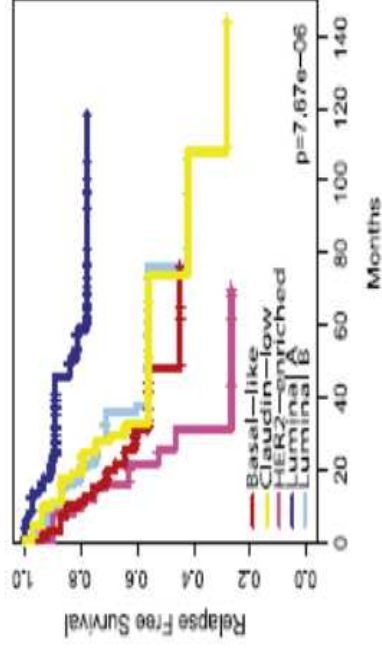
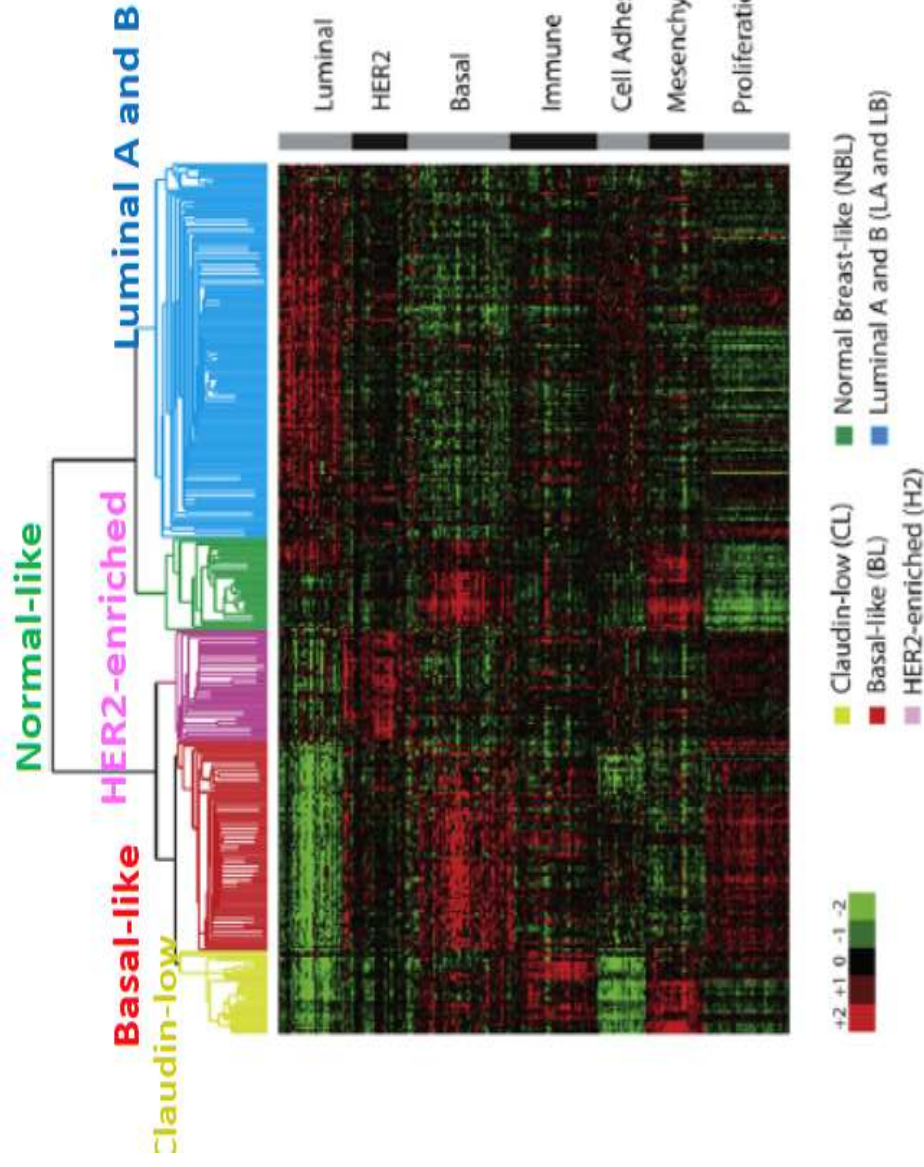


# Luminal Breast Cancer is the most represented breast cancer subtype



Surveillance, Epidemiology and End Results Program (SEER) 22, 2015-2019

# Breast Cancer Intrinsic Molecular Subtypes



# Guideline-Recommended Biomarker Testing for Breast Cancer

**HER2 per ASCO/CAP guidelines<sup>1,2</sup>**

*IHC ± dual-probe ISH assay*

**ER and PR<sup>2,3</sup>**

*IHC assay*

**Gene expression assays**

*To guide adjuvant chemotherapy*

**BRCA<sup>4</sup>**

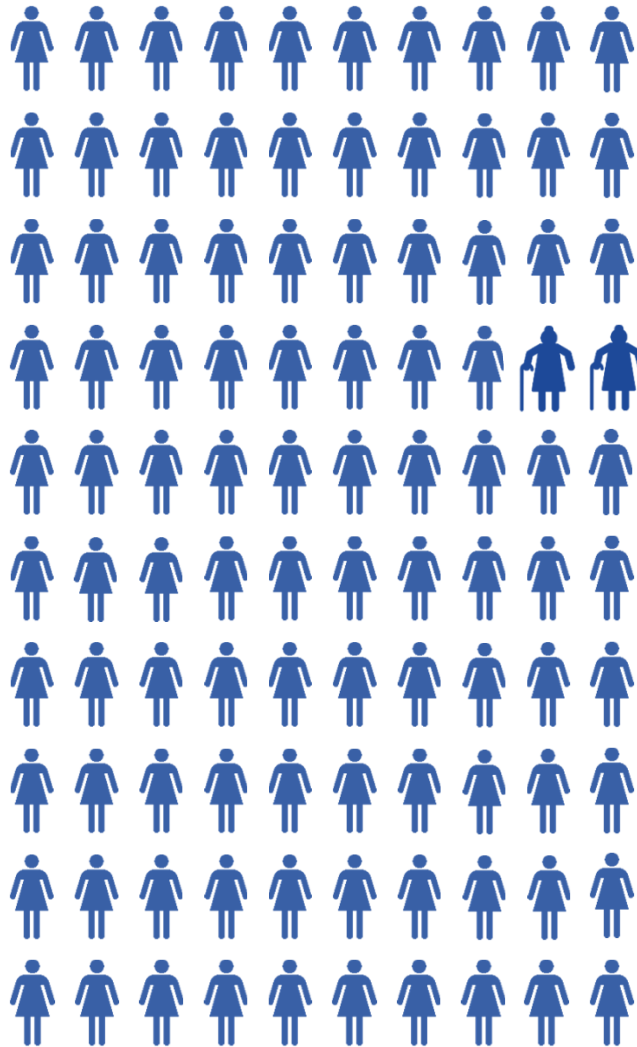
*For:*

- *TNBC (at any age)*
- *Male patients*
- *Meet criteria for personal or family history*
- *When considering olaparib as adjuvant therapy*

1. Wolff. JCO. 2018;36:2105. 2. NCCN. Clinical practice guidelines in oncology: breast cancer. v.4.2023. nccn.org.

3. Allison. JCO. 2020;38:1346. 4. NCCN. Clinical practice guidelines in oncology: genetic/familial high-risk assessment: breast, ovarian, and pancreatic. v.3.2023. nccn.org.

# Treatment Individualization



**100 BC patients**

20% HER2+ BC

15% TN BC

**65 HR+/HER2- BC patients**

5%  $\geq 4$  Node positive

2-3% too frail for CT

**50 HR+/HER2- BC PATIENTS POTENTIALLY  
CANDIDATE TO ADJUVANT CHEMOTHERAPY**

**BENEFIT/NO TOXICITY**

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# GAZZETTA UFFICIALE DELLA REPUBBLICA ITALIANA

PARTE PRIMA

Roma - Mercoledì, 7 luglio 2021

SI PUBBLICA TUTTI I  
GIORNI NON FESTIVI

MODALITÀ E REQUISITI PER L'ACCESSO AI TEST GENOMICI  
PER IL CARCINOMA MAMMARIO ORMONOSENSIVO IN  
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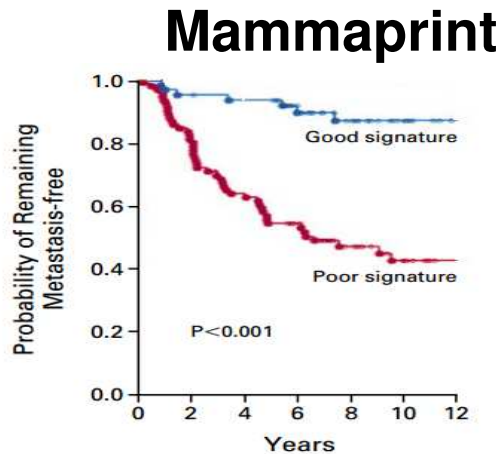
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Le seguenti 5 caratteristiche	Almeno 4 delle seguenti caratteristiche
G1 T1 (a-b)* Ki 67 <20% ER>80% N Negativo	G3 T3 T4 Ki 67>30% ER<30% N Positivo (>3 linfonodi non indicazione al test)
*In caso di T1a non è indicato l'accesso al test in presenza di almeno altri 2 parametri favorevoli	

## Most Common Commercially Available Prognostic Gene Signatures for Breast Cancer

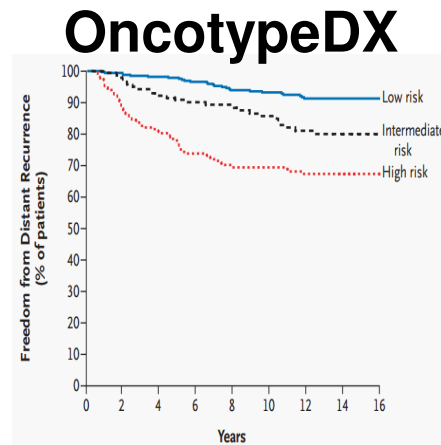
	Mammaprint	OncotypeDx	PAM50 ROR	EndoPredict	Breast Cancer Index
Method	Microarrays qRT-PCR	qRT-PCR	NannoString	qRT-PCR	qRT-PCR
Material	Frozen FFPE	FFPE	FFPE	FFPE	FFPE
Assessment	Central lab	Central lab	Local lab	Local lab	Central Lab
Population	pT1-T2, pN0, age <61	ER+	All	ER+/ HER2-	ER+
Early risk	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Late risk		Moderate	Good	Good	Good
Level I evidence	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

# Predicting Baseline Prognosis

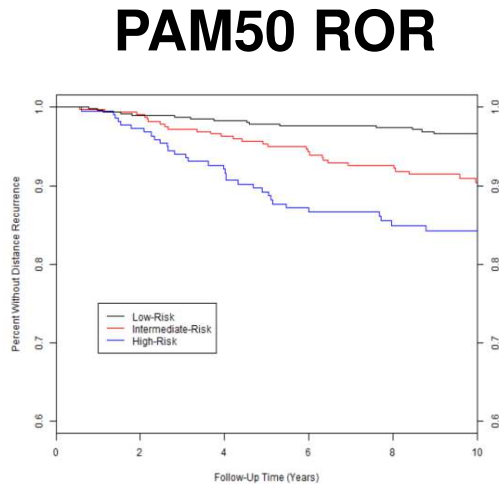
All tests have at least level IB evidence for HR+/HER2-, T1-2 and N0-1 early BC



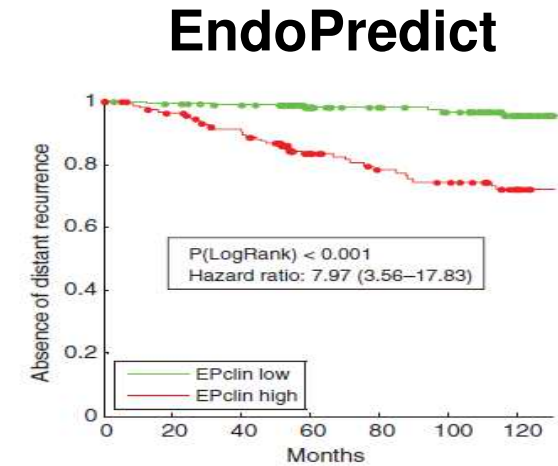
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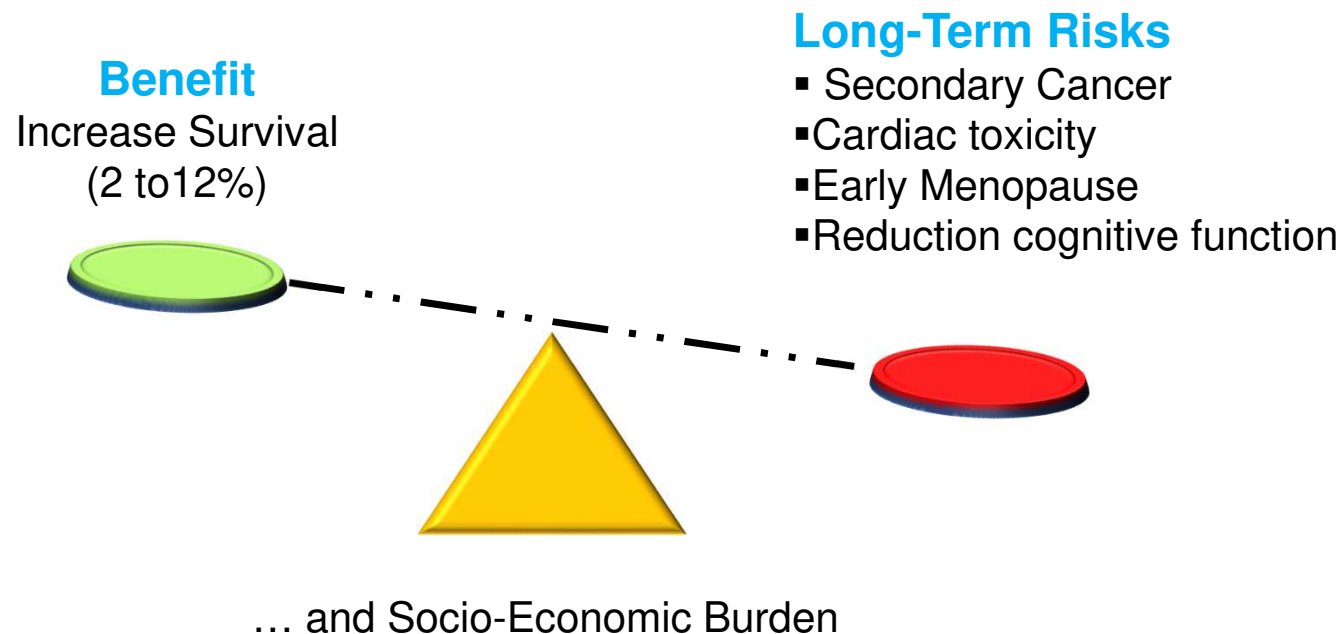
Filipits CCR 2011

**DATA FROM PROSPECTIVE RANDOMIZED TRIALS**

*(include tumor size+nodal status)*  
**Analytical Validation of Decentralized Gene Expression-based tests (only EndoPredict and PROSIGNA)**

\* FDA Approval: Mammaprint & PAM50 ROR

# Adjuvant Chemotherapy in Early Breast Cancer: Benefit/Risk Balance





# Treatment of Early-Stage, HR+/HER2- Breast Cancer

## Endocrine Therapy

- Tamoxifen
- Aromatase inhibitors
- Ovarian suppression (LHRH analogues) in high-risk premenopausal women
- Extended adjuvant therapy (10 yr vs 5 yr)

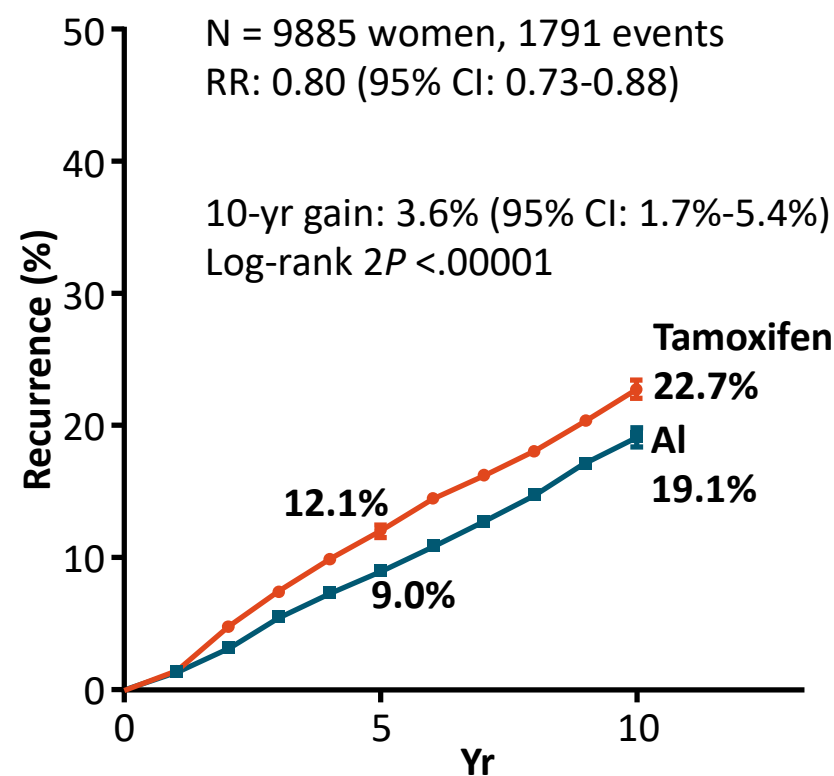
## Chemotherapy

- Benefit depends on risk for recurrence and biology of the disease

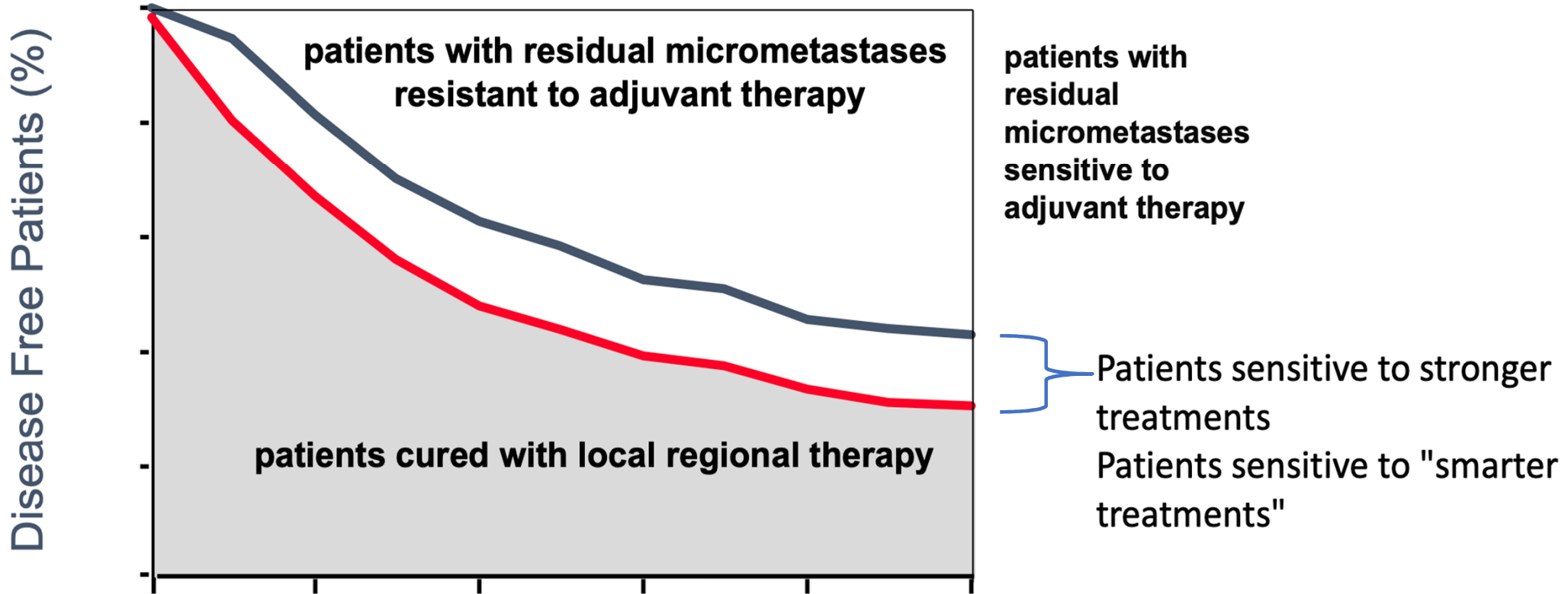
## Unmet Need

- Identifying patients with HR+ breast cancer who have primary endocrine resistance and preventing or delaying recurrence with additional therapy

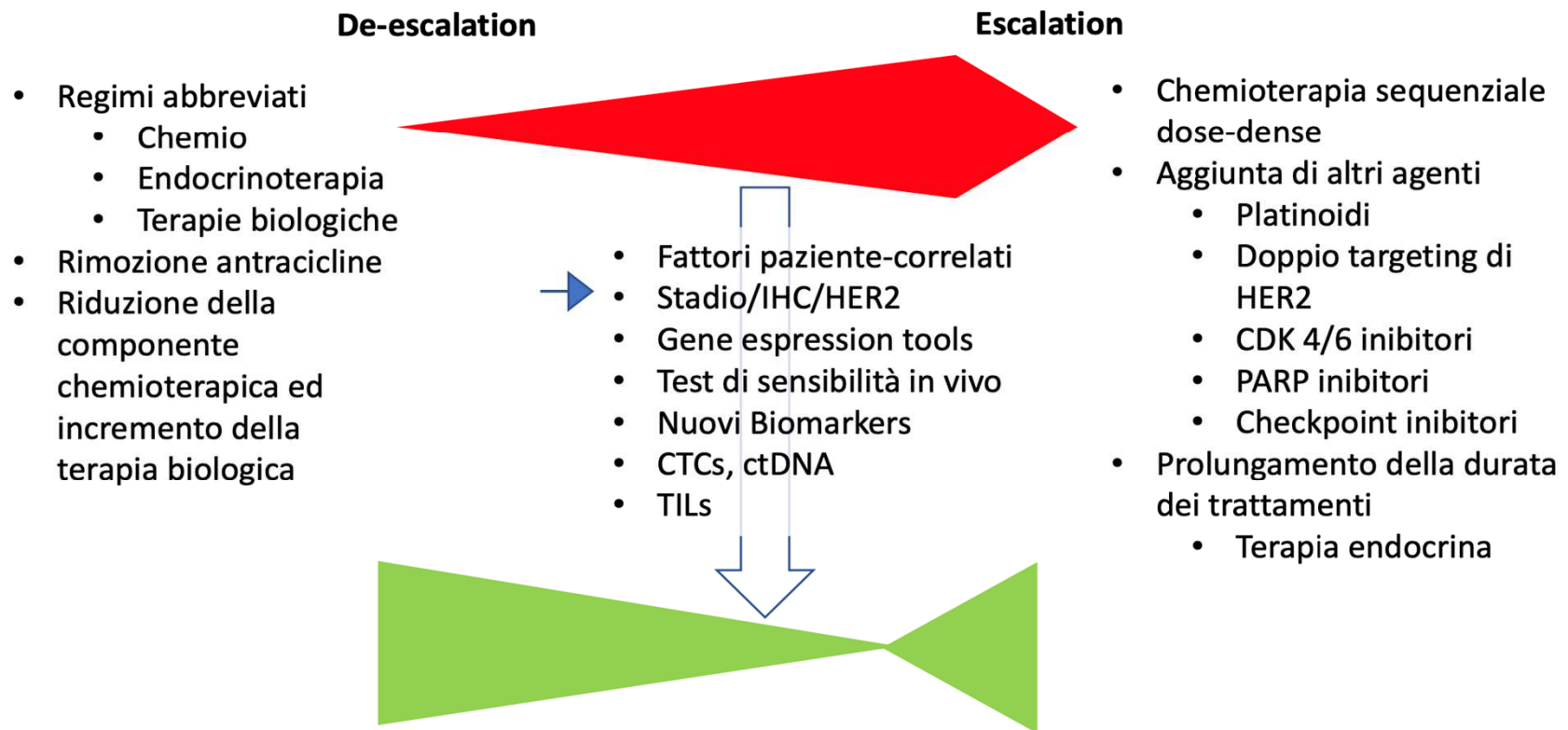
## Meta-analysis of 5 Yr of AI vs 5 Yr of Tamoxifen



# EBC



## Strategia per migliorare l'indice terapeutico dei trattamenti adiuvanti



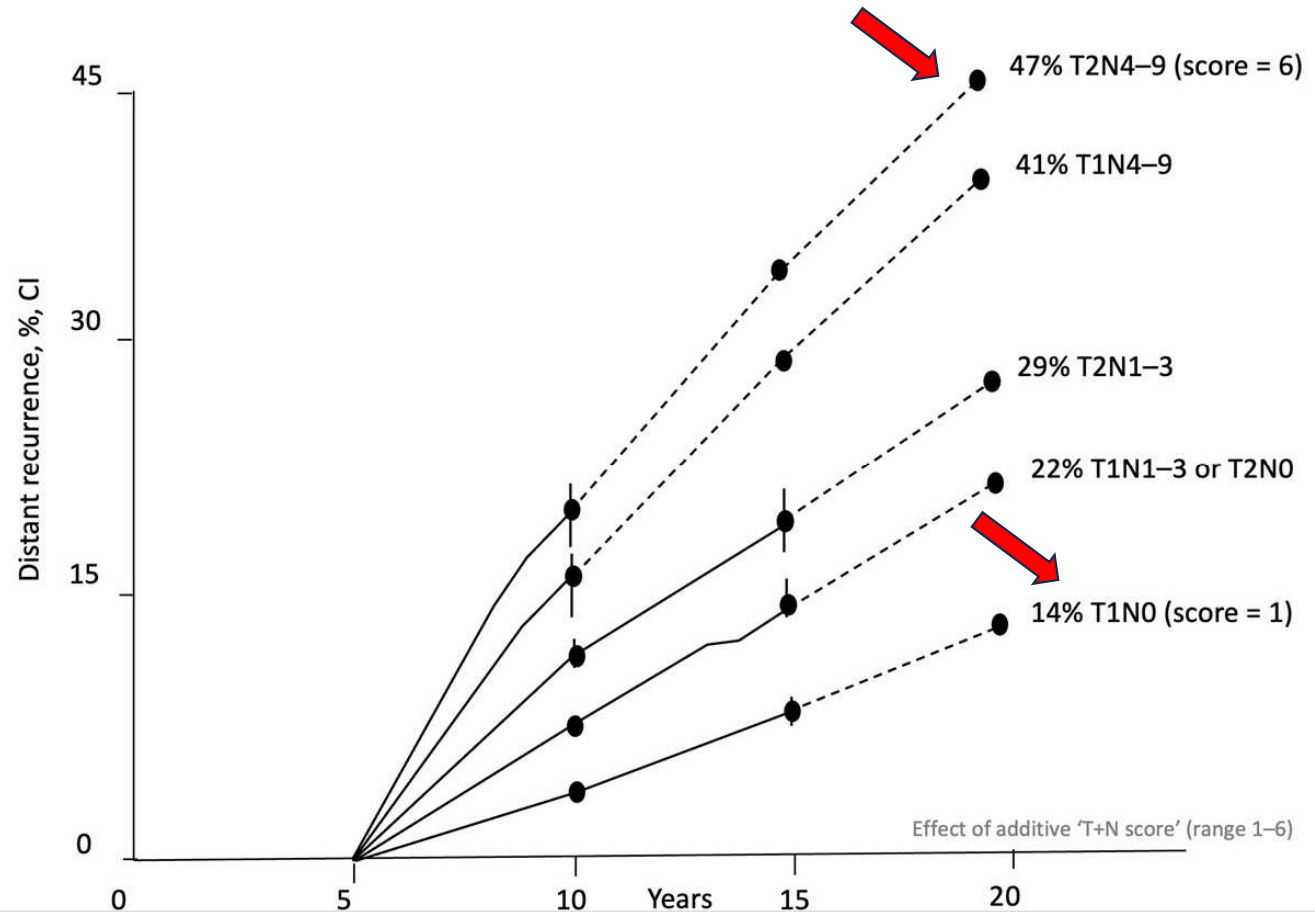
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# EBCTCG main findings: Long-Term Risk

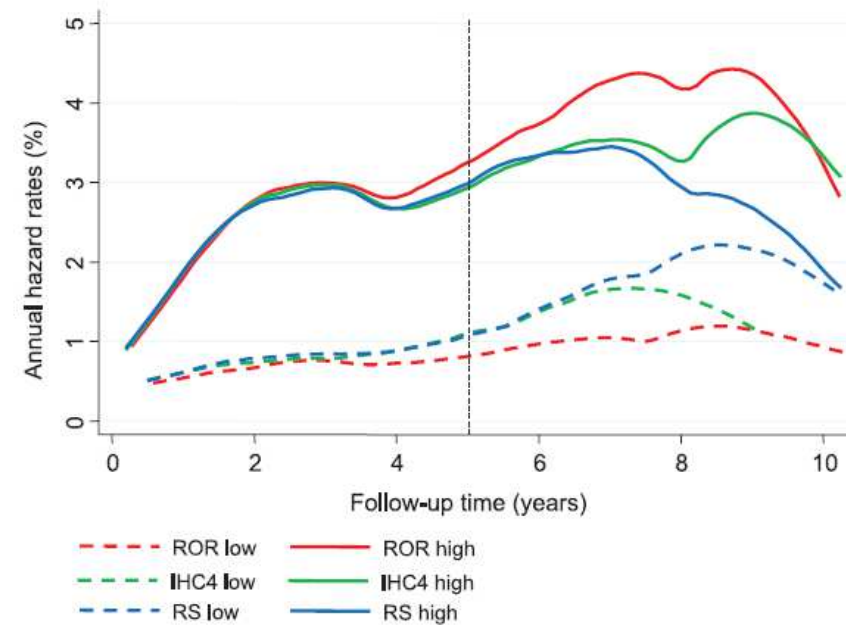
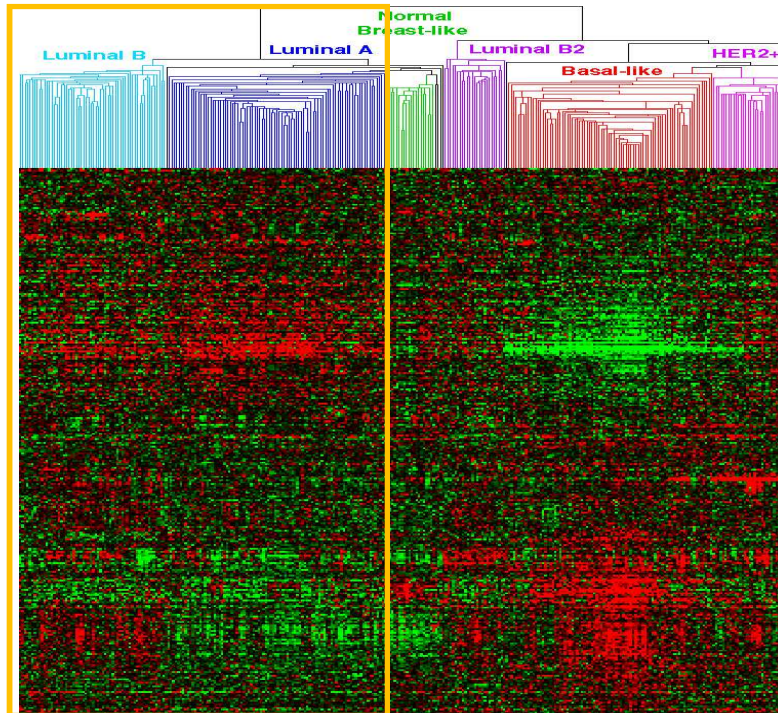
After 5 years' endocrine therapy, recurrences continue steadily to at least year 20

Absolute recurrence risk in years 5–20 is appreciable even for T1N0 disease





# Predicting Late Recurrence



**“...ROR was the strongest molecular prognostic factor in predicting late recurrence and discriminating patients into low and high risk for late distant recurrence”**

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## Adjuvant CDK4/6i trials: Study Design

	<b>PENELOPE-B</b>	<b>PALLAS</b>	<b>NATALEE</b>	<b>MONARCH-E</b>
<b>Agent</b>	Palbociclib	Palbociclib	Ribociclib	Abemaciclib
<b>Sample Size</b>	1250	5600	5000	4580
<b>Dose Schedule</b>	125 mg qD 3 wk on /1 wk off	125 mg qD 3 wk on /1 wk off	400 mg qD 3 wk on /1 wk off	150 mg BID, continuous
<b>Duration</b>	1 year	2 years	3 years	2 years
<b>Eligibility</b>	Residual dx post- NACT	Stage IIA (capped at 1000)	Stage IIA: N1 or N0 with G2/Ki-67>20% G2/High risk G3	1-3 + LN w/1: T size $\geq$ 5 cm Grade 3 Ki-67 $\geq$ 20%
<b>Lower risk group</b>	CPS-EG $\geq$ 2 with ypN+			
<b>Higher risk group</b>	CPS-EG $\geq$ 3	Stage IIB/III	Stage IIB/III	$\geq$ 4 + LN

# monarchE

## HR+, HER2-, node positive high-risk EBC

- Women or men
- Pre-/postmenopausal
- With or without prior neo- and/or adjuvant chemotherapy
- No metastatic disease
- Maximum of 16 months from surgery to randomization and 12 weeks of ET following the last non-ET

### Cohort 1: High risk based on clinical pathological features

- $\geq 4$  ALN OR
- 1-3 ALN and at least 1 of the below:
  - Grade 3 disease
  - Tumor size  $\geq 5$  cm

### Cohort 2: High risk based on Ki-67

- 1-3 ALN and
- Ki-67  $\geq 20\%$  and
- Grade 1-2 and tumor size  $< 5$  cm

#### Stratified for:

- Prior chemotherapy
- Menopausal status
- Region

On-study treatment period  
2 years

**Abemaciclib**  
(150mg twice daily)  
+  
**Endocrine Therapy: AI or tamoxifen**

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N = 5637

**Endocrine Therapy: AI or tamoxifen**

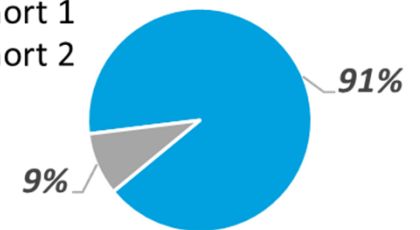
**Follow-up period**  
Endocrine Therapy  
3-8 years as clinically indicated

**Primary Objective: IDFS**

**Secondary Objectives: IDFS in high Ki-67 populations, DRFS, OS, Safety, PK, PRO**

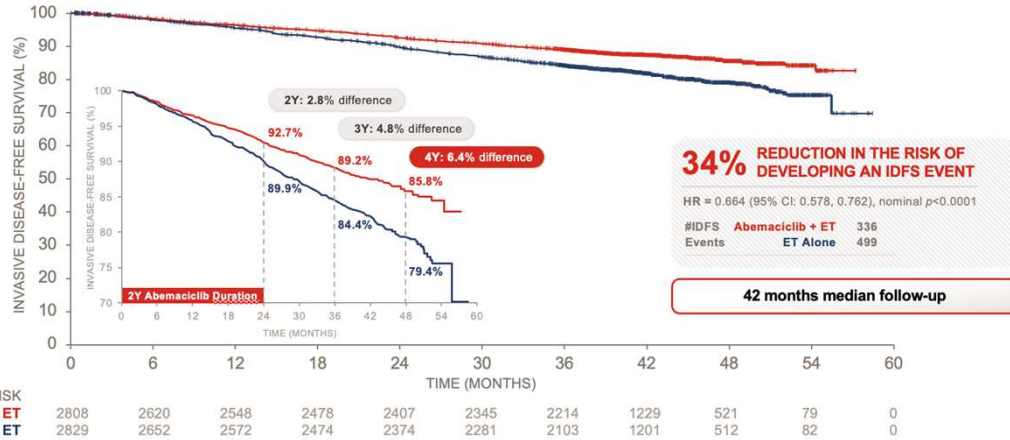
#### ITT Population

- Cohort 1
- Cohort 2



# monarchE: Efficacy

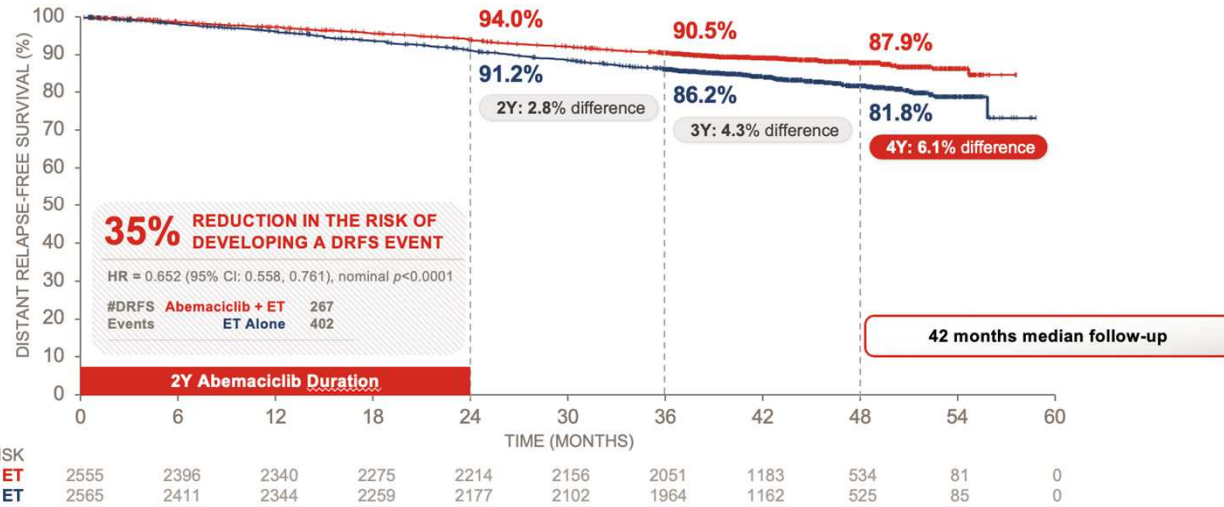
## IDFS



IDFS Benefit in ITT Persists Beyond Completion of Abemaciclib

	Abemaciclib + ET		ET Alone		HR (95% CI)	Interaction p-value
	No.	Events	No.	Events		
Overall	2808	336	2829	499	0.664 (0.578, 0.762)	
Number of Pos. lymph nodes						0.657
1-3	1118	111	1142	158	0.709 (0.556, 0.904)	
4-9	1107	113	1126	188	0.605 (0.479, 0.763)	
10 or more	575	110	554	153	0.654 (0.512, 0.835)	
Histologic Grade						0.754
Grade 1	209	18	216	23	0.797 (0.430, 1.478)	
Grade 2	1377	148	1395	226	0.654 (0.532, 0.805)	
Grade 3	1086	157	1064	213	0.709 (0.577, 0.872)	
Primary Tumor Size						0.044
<2 cm	781	66	767	131	0.481 (0.358, 0.646)	
2-5 cm	1371	177	1419	242	0.754 (0.621, 0.916)	
≥5 cm	607	86	610	121	0.689 (0.522, 0.908)	
Prior Chemotherapy						0.612
Neoadjuvant	1039	170	1048	261	0.631 (0.520, 0.785)	
Adjuvant	1642	147	1647	215	0.678 (0.549, 0.836)	
Menopausal Status						0.124
Premenopausal	1221	125	1232	205	0.583 (0.466, 0.728)	
Postmenopausal	1587	211	1597	294	0.730 (0.612, 0.871)	
Age						0.351
<65 years	2371	270	2416	414	0.646 (0.554, 0.753)	
≥65 years	437	66	413	85	0.767 (0.556, 1.059)	
Tumor Stage						0.351
Stage IIA	324	23	353	46	0.525 (0.318, 0.866)	
Stage IIB	392	42	387	47	0.909 (0.599, 1.378)	
Stage IIIA	1029	104	1026	157	0.655 (0.511, 0.839)	
Stage IIIC	950	148	963	227	0.626 (0.509, 0.770)	
Baseline ECOG PS						0.088
0	2405	277	2369	418	0.635 (0.545, 0.739)	
1	401	59	455	80	0.892 (0.637, 1.250)	
Race						0.337
White	1947	236	1978	344	0.688 (0.583, 0.812)	
					0.574 (0.427, 0.771)	
					0.869 (0.516, 1.463)	

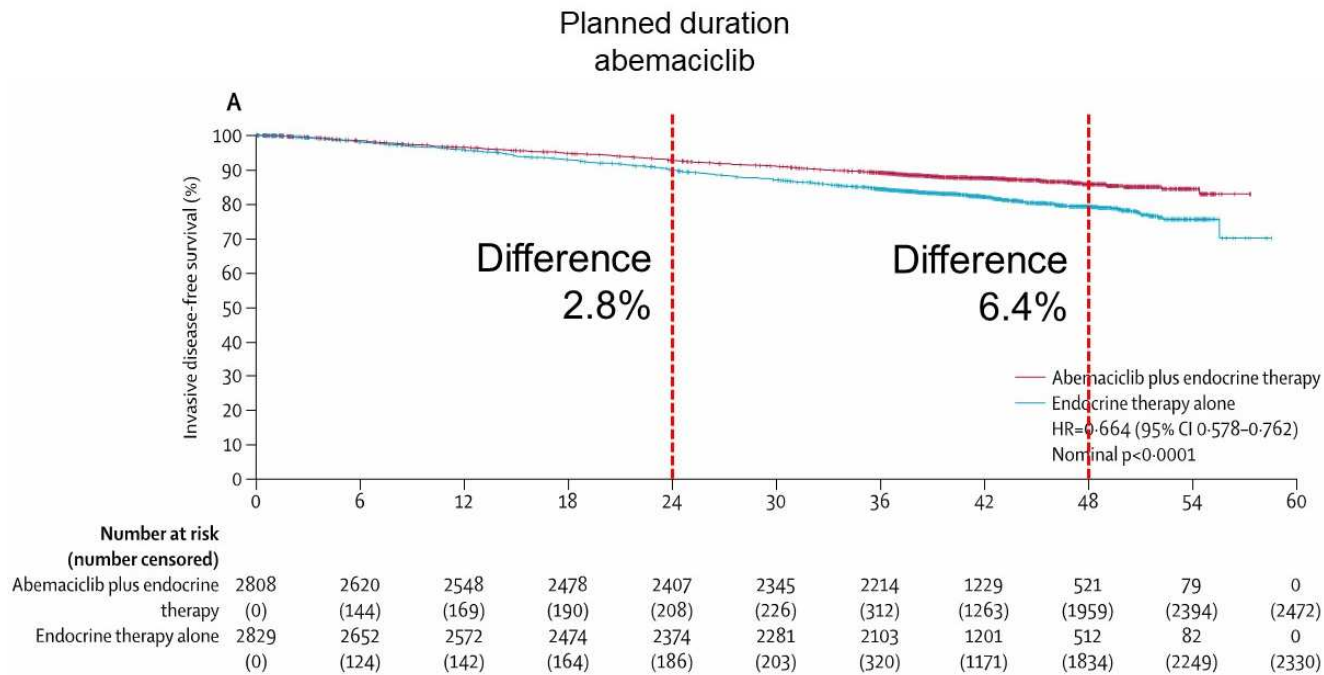
## DRFS



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# monarchE: Efficacy

Increasing benefit with longer follow-up – “carryover effect”



Relative benefit potentially increases with time

Piecewise HR by year

Year	HR	
0-1	HR 0.78	On abema
1-2	HR 0.67	
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2-3	HR 0.62	Off abema
3-4	HR 0.60	

Follow-up currently too short to assess overall survival

Johnston *et al* Lancet Oncol 2023

# NATALEE study design<sup>1,2</sup>

- Adult patients with HR+/HER2- EBC
  - Prior ET allowed up to 12 mo
  - **Anatomical stage IIA<sup>a</sup>**
    - **N0** with:
      - Grade 2 and evidence of high risk:
        - Ki-67 ≥ 20%
        - Oncotype DX Breast Recurrence Score ≥ 26 or
        - High risk via genomic risk profiling
      - Grade 3
    - **N1**
  - **Anatomical stage IIB<sup>a</sup>**
    - N0 or N1
  - **Anatomical stage III**
    - N0, N1, N2, or N3
- N = 5101<sup>b</sup>**

**R 1:1<sup>c</sup>**

## Ribociclib

400 mg/day  
3 weeks on/1 week off  
for 3 y

## NSAI

Letrozole or  
anastrozole<sup>d</sup> for ≥ 5 y  
+ **goserelin** in men  
and premenopausal  
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### Primary End Point

- iDFS using STEEP criteria

### Secondary End Points

- Recurrence-free survival
- Distant disease-free survival
- OS
- PROs
- Safety and tolerability
- PK

### Exploratory End Points

- Locoregional recurrence-free survival
- Gene expression and alterations in tumor ctDNA/ctRNA samples

#### Randomization stratification

**Anatomical stage:** II vs III

**Menopausal status:** men and premenopausal women vs postmenopausal women

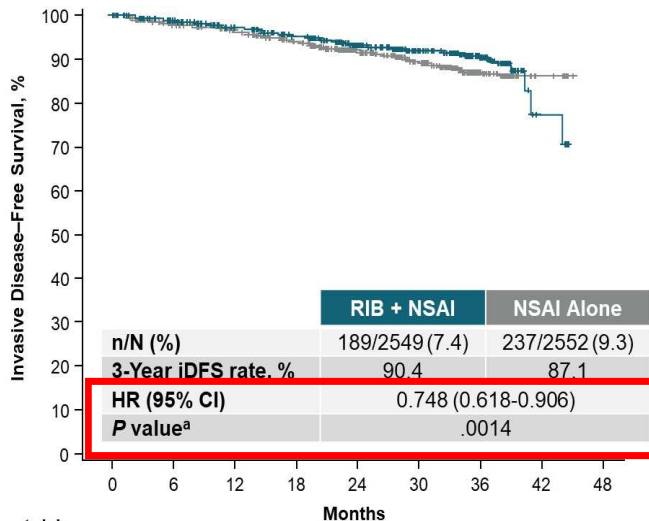
**Receipt of prior (neo)adjuvant chemotherapy:** yes vs no

**Geographic location:** North America/Western Europe/Oceania vs rest of world

<sup>a</sup> Enrollment of patients with stage II disease was capped at 40%. <sup>b</sup> 5101 patients were randomized from 10 Jan 2019 to 20 April 2021. <sup>c</sup> Open-label design. <sup>d</sup> Per investigator choice. CT, chemotherapy; ctDNA/RNA, circulating tumor DNA/RNA; EBC, early breast cancer; HER2, human epidermal growth factor receptor 2; HR, hormone receptor; iDFS, invasive disease-free survival; N, node; NSAI, nonsteroidal aromatase inhibitor; OS, overall survival; PAM50, prediction analysis of microarray 50; PK, pharmacokinetics; PRO, patient reported outcome; R, randomized; STEEP, Standardized Definitions for Efficacy End Points in Adjuvant Breast Cancer Trials. 1. ClinicalTrials.gov. <https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/NCT03701334>. Accessed April 6 2023. 2. Slamon DJ, et al. *J Clin Oncol*. 2019;37(15 suppl) [abstract TPS597].

# NATALEE TRIAL: RESULTS (1)

## Ribociclib achieved highly significant iDFS benefit



- Median follow-up for iDFS was 27.7 months
- Based on the *P* value of 0.0014, the IDMC concluded that the results met the criteria to demonstrate statistically significant and clinically superior efficacy
- Absolute iDFS benefit with RIB + NSAI at 3 years was 3.3%
- Risk of invasive disease was reduced by 25.2% with RIB + NSAI vs NSAI alone
- Ongoing patients will remain on treatment a follow-up will continue as prespecified

## iDFS benefit was consistent across prespecified key subgroups

Subgroup	RIB + NSAI n = 2549	NSAI Alone n = 2552	HR	(95% CI)
<b>Menopausal status</b>				
Men and premenopausal women	71/1126	93/1132	0.722	(0.530-0.983)
Postmenopausal women	118/1423	144/1420	0.781	(0.613-0.997)
<b>AJCC stage</b>				
Stage II	49/1011	65/1034	0.761	(0.525-1.103)
Stage III	140/1528	172/1512	0.740	(0.592-0.925)
<b>Prior CT</b>				
Neoadjuvant	111/1085	132/1095	0.785	(0.610-1.011)
Adjuvant	63/1223	89/1220	0.671	(0.486-0.927)
<b>Prior ET</b>				
Yes	127/1824	157/1801	0.756	(0.598-0.955)
No	62/725	80/751	0.774	(0.556-1.079)
<b>Region</b>				
North America/Western Europe/Oceania	111/1563	139/1565	0.759	(0.591-0.974)
Rest of world	78/986	98/987	0.757	(0.562-1.019)
<b>Histological grade at time of surgery</b>				
Grade 1	9/213	12/217	0.778	(0.328-1.846)
Grade 2	102/1460	125/1432	0.749	(0.577-0.973)
Grade 3	61/684	78/702	0.776	(0.555-1.085)
<b>Ki-67 status<sup>d</sup></b>				
Ki-67 ≤ 20%	76/1199	95/1236	0.801	(0.593-1.083)
Ki-67 > 20%	82/920	105/938	0.746	(0.559-0.996)
<b>Nodal status<sup>b,c</sup></b>				
N0	16/285	28/328	0.630	(0.341-1.165)
N1-N3	173/2261	208/2219	0.771	(0.630-0.944)

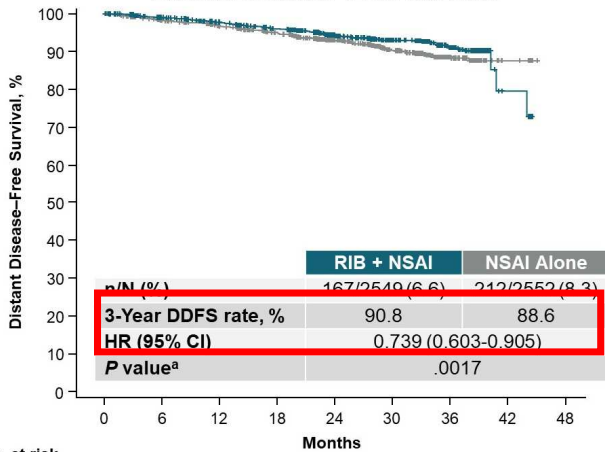
AJCC, American Joint Committee on Cancer; CT, chemotherapy; ET, endocrine therapy; iDFS, invasive disease-free survival; NSAI, nonsteroidal aromatase inhibitor; RIB, ribociclib.  
<sup>a</sup> From archival tumor tissue. <sup>b</sup> Nodal status classification according to AJCC staging. <sup>c</sup> Nodal status is from the worse stage derived per surgical specimen or at diagnosis.

iDFS, invasive disease-free survival; IDMC, Independent Data Monitoring Committee; HR, hazard ratio; NSAI, nonsteroidal aromatase inhibitor; RIB, ribociclib.  
<sup>a</sup> One-sided *P* value.

# NATALEE TRIAL: RESULTS (2)

## Consistent improvement in DDFS with ribociclib

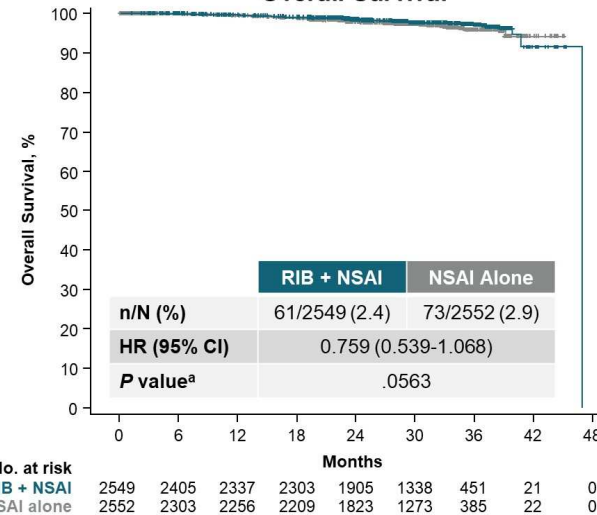
Distant Disease-Free Survival



- Distant disease-free survival is defined as the time from date of randomization to date of first event of distant recurrence, death (any cause), or second primary non-breast invasive cancer<sup>b</sup>
- The one-sided nominal *P* value was .0017
- Absolute distant disease-free survival benefit with RIB + NSAI at 3 years was 2.2%
- Risk of distant disease was reduced by 26.1% with RIB + NSAI vs NSAI alone

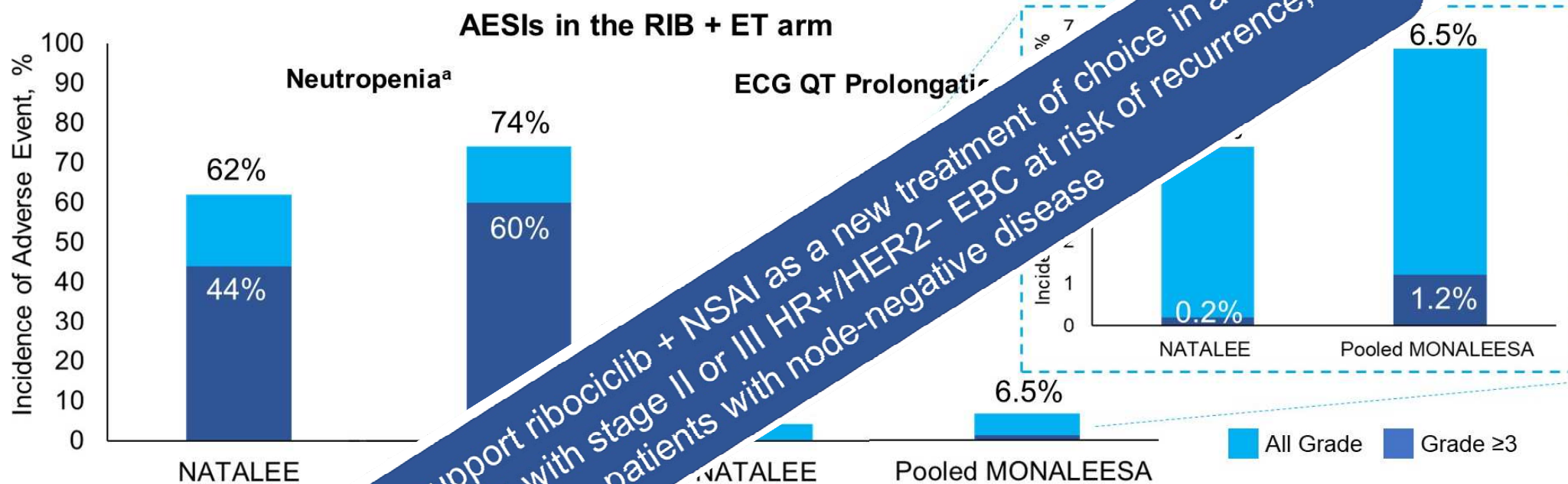
## Ribociclib showed a trend for improved OS

Overall Survival



- Results for secondary end points consistently favored ribociclib + NSAI over NSAI alone

# Favorable safety profile with ribociclib 400 mg



**NATALEE results support ribociclib + NSAID as a new treatment of choice in a broad population of patients with stage II or III HR+/HER2- EBC at risk of recurrence, including patients with node-negative disease**

- Compared with the standard of care in the ABC setting, RIB at a 400-mg starting dose in the NATALEE arm had lower rates of dose-dependent toxicities (neutropenia and QTc prolongation)<sup>1</sup>
- A new safety signal was infrequent in both the RIB + NSAID and NSAID alone arms (0.1% vs < 0.1%), as was the incidence of > 60 ms (0.8% vs 0.1%, respectively)<sup>c</sup>

<sup>a</sup> Neutropenia, neutrophil count decreased. <sup>b</sup> This is a preferred term. <sup>c</sup> The QTcF values reported in NATALEE are based on ECG abnormalities.



# Ormonoterapia adiuvante associata ad inibitori di ciclina (CDK4/6i) nelle donne ad alto rischio di recidiva



**Bilancio beneficio/danno:** In considerazione del vantaggio osservato in termini di IDFS e DRFS, pur in assenza di un vantaggio in OS (dati immaturi), a fronte del profilo di tossicità nel complesso maneggevole e considerati i limiti sopra-descritti, il bilancio beneficio-danno appare **probabilmente a favore dell'aggiunta di abemaciclib** al trattamento endocrino standard in pazienti con carcinoma mammario a recettori ormonali positivi/HER2-negativo ad alto rischio.

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Qualità globale delle evidenze	Raccomandazione clinica	Forza della raccomandazione
MODERATA	<i>In pazienti con carcinoma mammario HR+/HER2- N+ ad alto rischio* un trattamento adiuvante con abemaciclib + terapia endocrina può essere considerato rispetto a terapia endocrina</i>	Condizionale a favore
COI: nessuno		

\* Alto rischio: positività  $\geq 4$  linfonodi ascellari o da 1 a 3 linfonodi ascellari con almeno una delle seguenti condizioni: dimensioni della neoplasia  $\geq 5$  cm e/o grado istologico 3 (coorte 1 dello studio MonarchE).

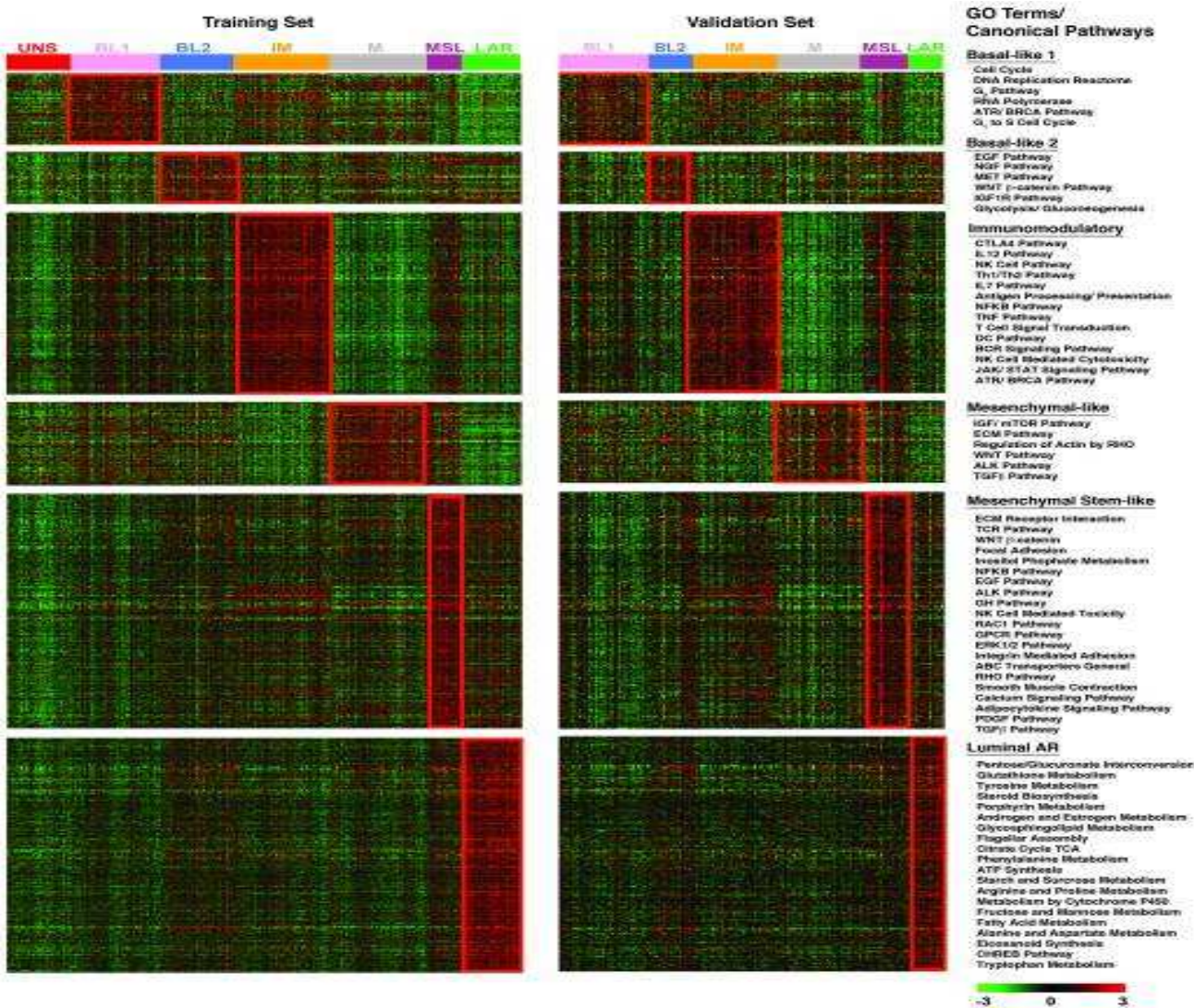
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# TNBC

- TNBC lacks expression of ER (<1%), PgR (<1%) and HER2
- TNBC comprises approximately 15% of all breast
- BRCA mutations in nearly 20% of TNBC patients (vs 5% non-TNBC): 16% BRCA1 and 4% BRCA2
- Triple negative Paradox → aggressive clinical course but high sensitivity to cytotoxic treatment
- Patients with metastatic TNBC experience poor outcomes relative to patients with other breast cancer subtypes, with a median of 18 months or less

# New Classification of TNBC



**Basal-like 1:** cell cycle, DNA repair and proliferation genes

**Basal-like 2:** Growth factor signaling (EGFR, MET, Wnt, IGF1R)

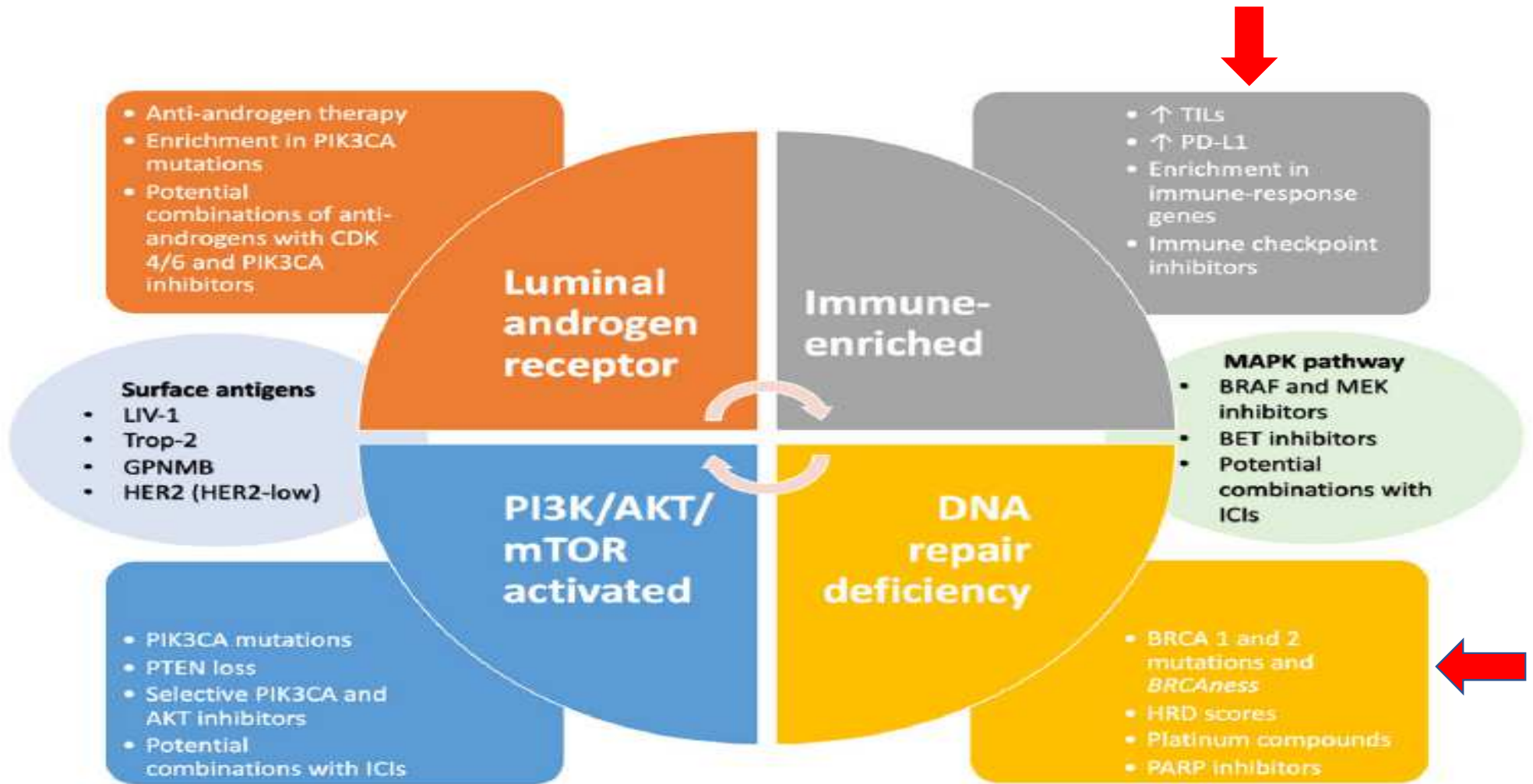
**IM:** immune cell processes (medullary breast cancer)

**M:** Cell motility and differentiation, EMT processes

**MSL:** similar to M but growth factor signaling, low levels of proliferation genes (metaplastic cancers)

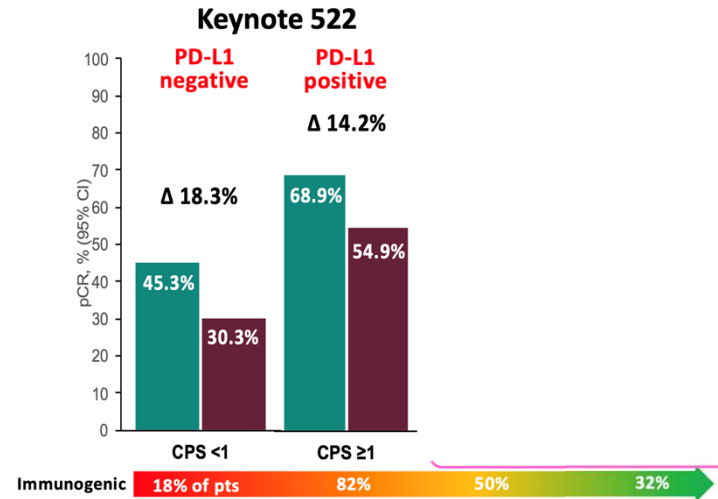
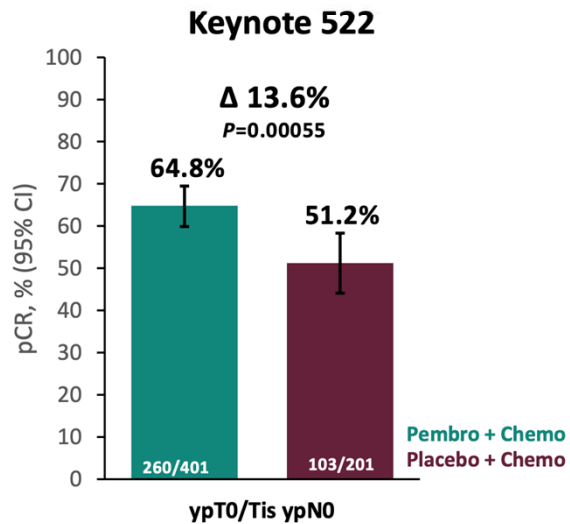
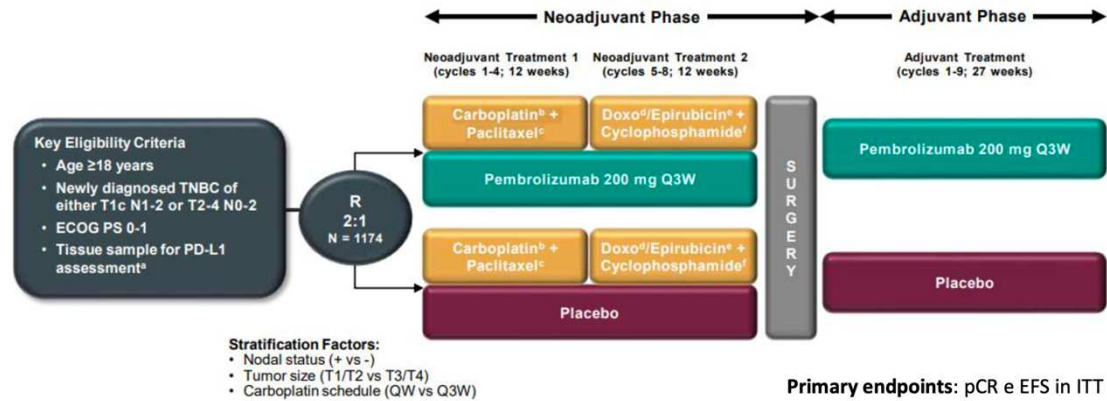
**LAR:** Androgen receptor and downstream genes, luminal features

# Biomarkers Driven Different Approaches in TNBC



# Neoadjuvant Immunotherapy in early TNBC

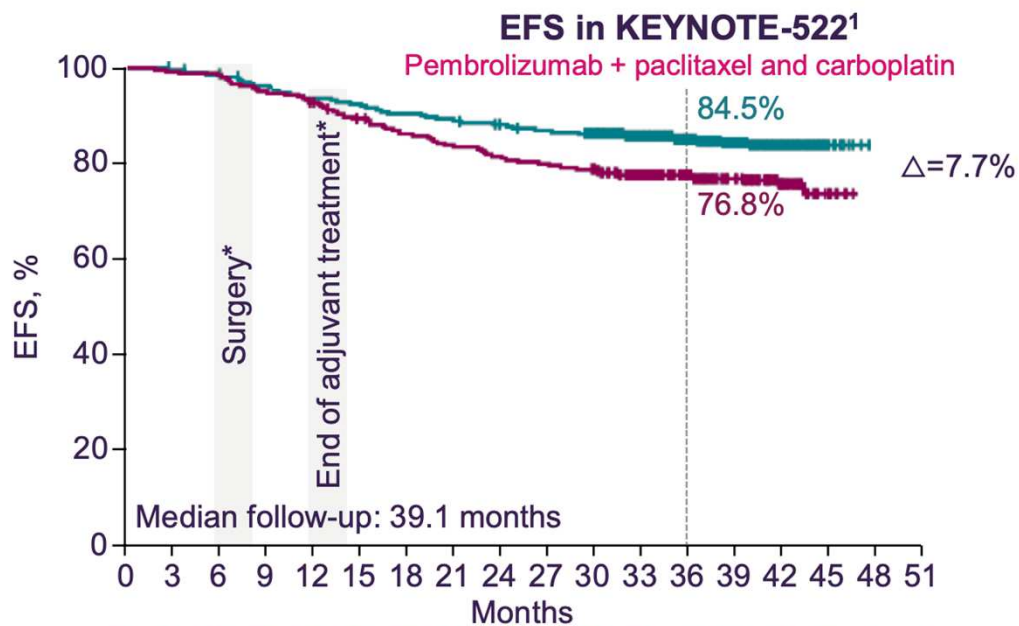
## KEYNOTE-522 Study Design (NCT03036488)



# Neoadjuvant Immunotherapy in early TNBC

In KEYNOTE-522, pembrolizumab added to chemotherapy resulted in a significant improvement of EFS vs. placebo in early TNBC<sup>1</sup>

Pembrolizumab received FDA approval for high-risk, early-stage TNBC in combination with NACT, and then continued as a single agent as adjuvant treatment after surgery based on these data<sup>2</sup>



	Pembrolizumab + chemotherapy / pembrolizumab (n=784)	Placebo + chemotherapy / placebo (n=390)
Events	15.7%	23.8%
Hazard ratio <b>0.63<sup>†</sup></b> (95% CI 0.48–0.82) p=0.00031 <sup>†</sup>		

No. at risk:

	0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30	33	36	39	42	45	48	51
Pembro+chemo/pembro	784	781	769	751	728	718	702	692	681	671	652	551	433	303	165	28	0	0
Pbo+chemo/pbo	390	386	382	368	358	342	328	319	310	304	297	250	195	140	83	17	0	0

CI=confidence interval; EFS=event-free survival; TNBC=triple-negative breast cancer

1. Schmid P, et al. Presented at ESMO Virtual Plenary 2021; 15–16 July Schmid P, NEJM 2022

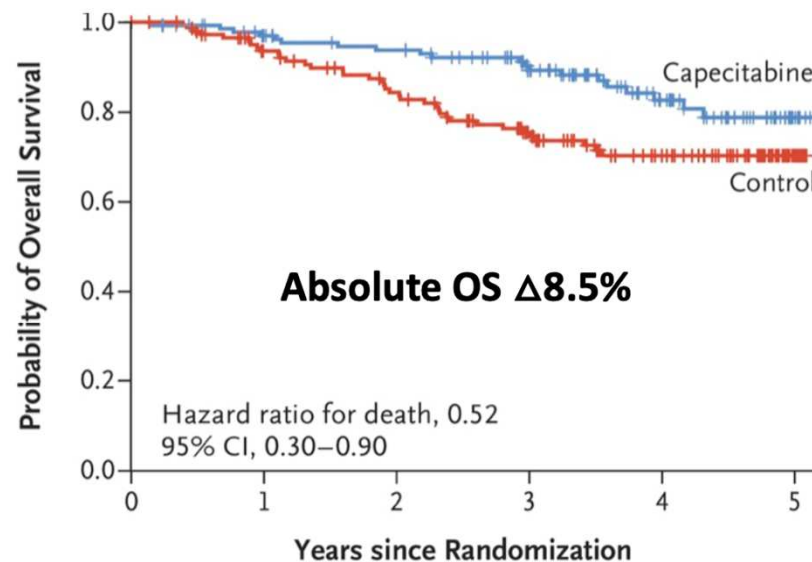
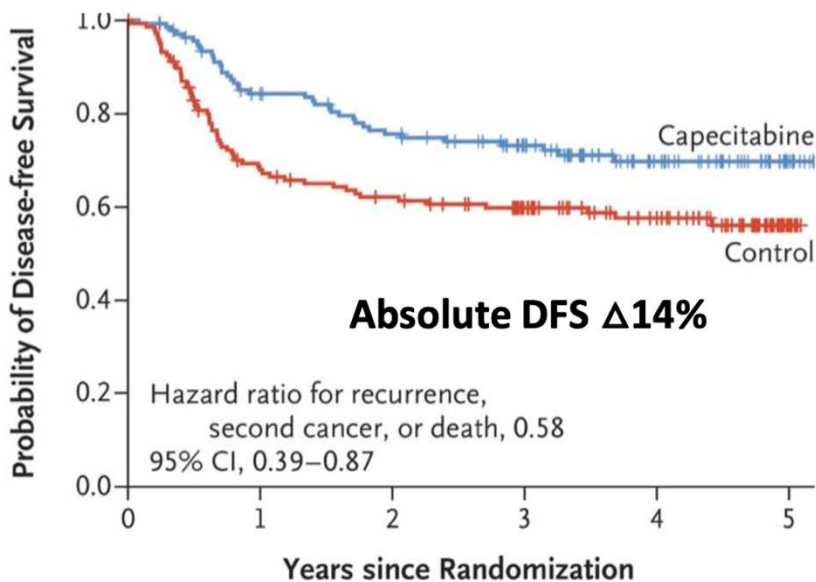
**EFS data for IMpassion031 are not yet mature.** After a median follow-up of 20.6 months, median EFS was not reached in either treatment arm (HR=0.76, 95% CI 0.40–1.44)<sup>1</sup>

# Tailored Chemotherapy Escalation in Residual Disease

## CREATE-X: Trial Design



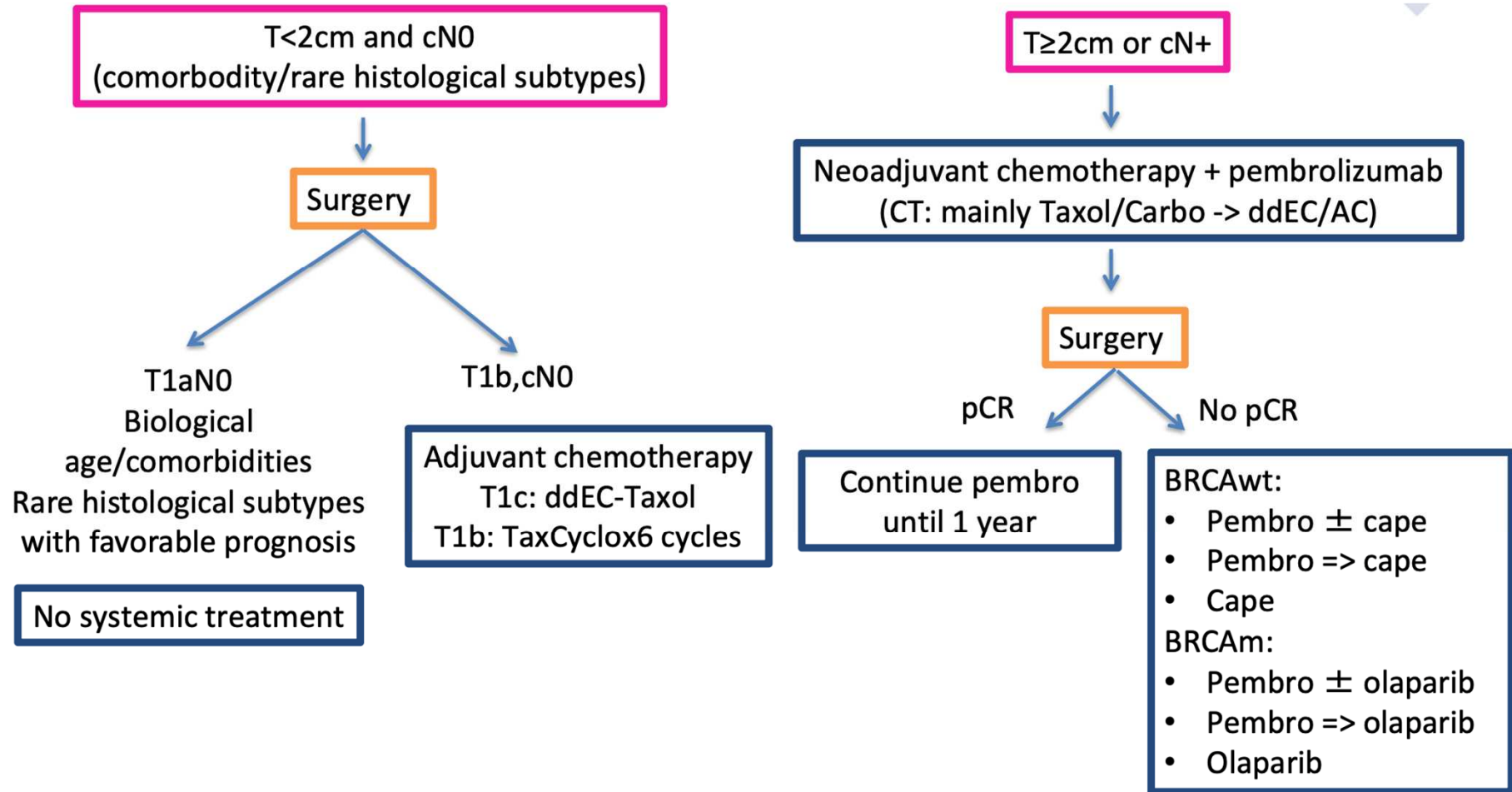
**Overall positive trial @ 3.5y**  
**Results driven by TNBC subset**



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# Systemic Treatment Approach STAGE 1-3 TNBC



# Strategie di trattamento sistemico neoadiuvante

**Bilancio beneficio/danno:** In considerazione del vantaggio osservato in termini di pCR e EFS, pur in assenza di un vantaggio in OS (dati immaturi), a fronte dell'incremento del carico di tossicità, il Panel ha giudicato il bilancio beneficio/danno come **probabilmente a favore dell'aggiunta di pembrolizumab al trattamento chemioterapico neoadiuvante standard in pazienti con carcinoma mammario triplo-negativo stadio II-III.**

**Quesito 22: Dovrebbe un trattamento neoadiuvante con pembrolizumab + chemioterapia versus chemioterapia essere utilizzato per pazienti con carcinoma mammario triplo-negativo ad alto rischio?**

**La direzione e la forza della raccomandazione verranno definite non appena pembrolizumab sarà autorizzato da parte di AIFA.**

**I risultati dello studio Keynote522 si basano sulla somministrazione di pembrolizumab anche nel setting adiuvante indipendentemente dalla risposta patologica. È importante sottolineare l'attuale incertezza riguardo al trattamento adiuvante ottimale in pazienti con malattia residua dopo terapia neoadiuvante, considerati i dati indipendenti di beneficio (in assenza di pembrolizumab) conferito da capecitabina in pazienti triplo-negative e da olaparib nel sottogruppo con mutazione germinale di BRCA1/2. Ad oggi non sono disponibili dati che supportino l'uso di pembrolizumab in combinazione a capecitabina o olaparib.**



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# BRCA1/2 mutant in TN & HR+HER2- Breast Cancer

TNBC patients

**~17%**  
have BRCA mutations

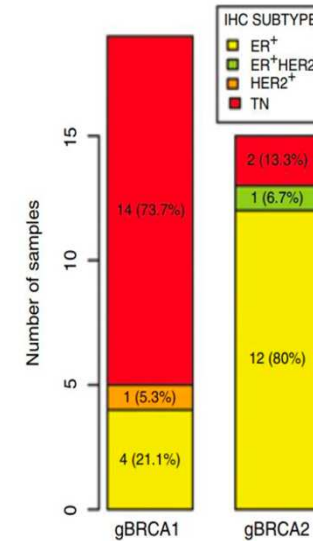
HR+ patients

**~6%**  
have BRCA mutations

Estimated prevalence of *BRCAm* within mBC segments  
Based on Winter et al, 2016<sup>1</sup>

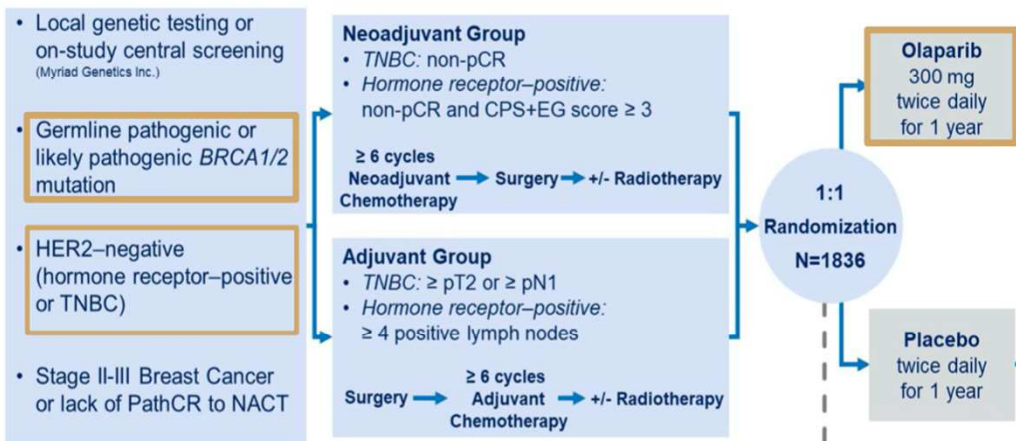


KEY	Icon	Subtype	Legend
	Blue female icon	TNBC	g: germline <i>BRCAm</i>
	Grey female icon	HR+/HER2-	s: somatic <i>BRCAm</i>
	Light grey female icon	HR-/HER2+	
	Orange female icon	HR+/HER2+	



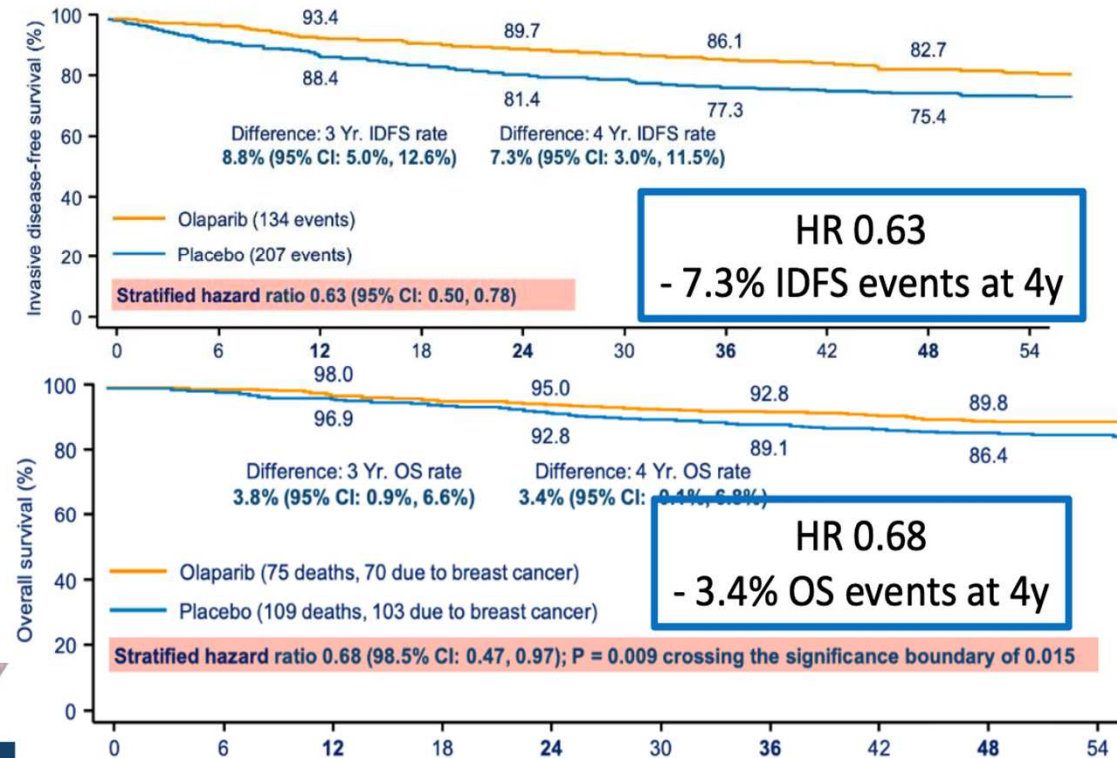
By IHC subtyping  
**TNBC incidence was higher in the gBRCA1 mut** and ER positive was dominant in the gBRCA2 mut

# OLYMPIA TRIAL: OLAPARIB IN EARLY HER2- BRCA mut



## OLYMPIA: PATIENT CHARACTERISTICS

	Olaparib (N = 921)	Placebo (N = 915)
<b>Hormone receptor status*</b>		
ER and/or PgR positive $\geq 1\%$ / HER2-negative <sup>†</sup>	168 (18.2%)	157 (17.2%)
Triple negative breast cancer <sup>‡</sup>	751 (81.5%)	758 (82.8%)



**1 year adjuvant olaparib (up to 12 weeks) after completion of local treatment and (neo)adjuvant chemotherapy improves overall survival in patients with high-risk TNBC and (likely) pathogenic variants in *BRCA1/2***

# Terapia sistemica neoplasia mammaria BRCA-correlata

**Bilancio beneficio/danno:** In considerazione del vantaggio osservato in termini di iDFS, DDFS, OS, secondi tumori, tenuto conto dell'impatto non detrimentalmente in termini di qualità di vita e dell'impatto in termini di tossicità, il Panel ha giudicato il bilancio beneficio/danno a favore di olaparib in pazienti con mutazione germinale BRCA1/2 affetti da neoplasia mammaria HER2-negativa (a recettori positivi o negativi) ad alto rischio di recidiva.

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Si ribadisce che in Italia olaparib è disponibile nell'ambito di un programma ad uso compassionevole (a partire da *Maggio 2022*) per il trattamento adiuvante di pazienti con neoplasia della mammella in stadio precoce, HER2-negativo e con mutazioni germinali nei geni BRCA1/2, che presentino caratteristiche istopatologiche ad alto rischio e che abbiano completato il trattamento loco-regionale e la chemioterapia (neo/adiuvante).

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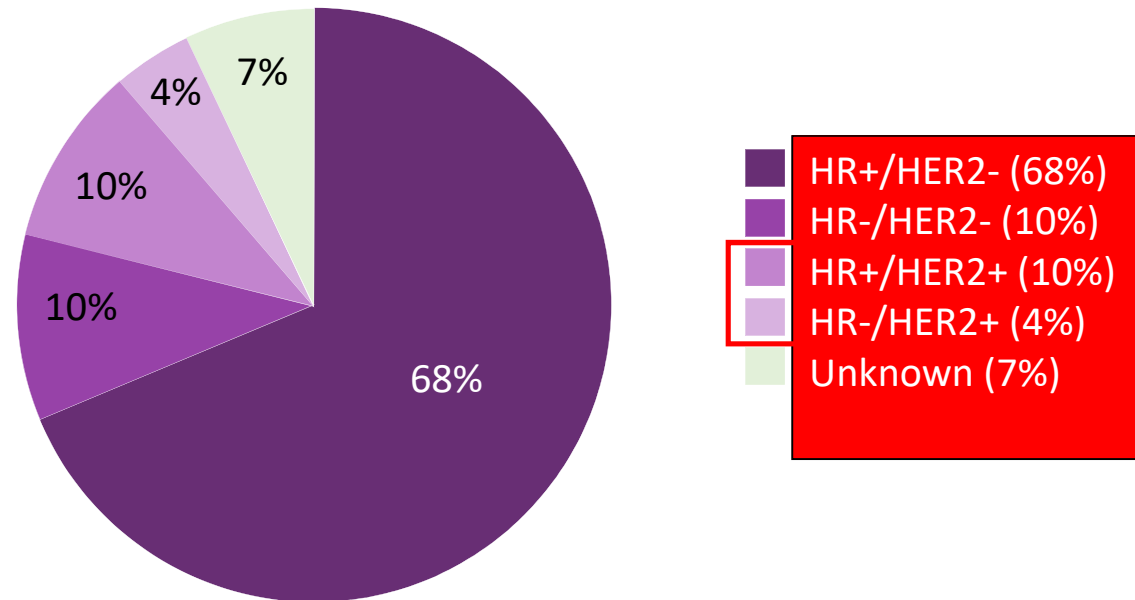


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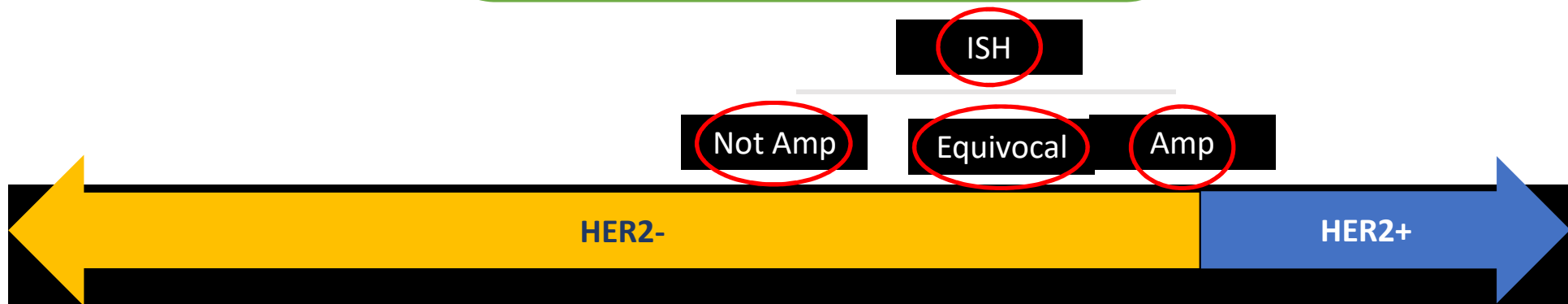
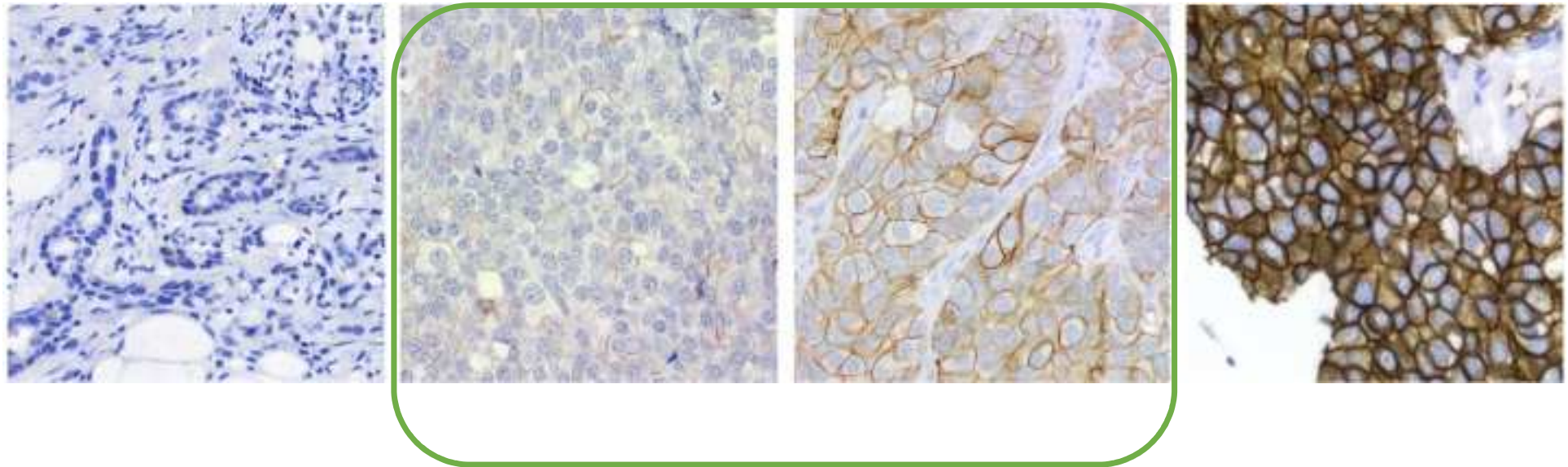
# Overview of HER2 in Breast Cancer

- ~15% of breast cancer are considered HER2 “positive”
- HER2 gene amplification and/or HER2 protein overexpression is linked to a more aggressive phenotype
- HER2 is a validated therapeutic target

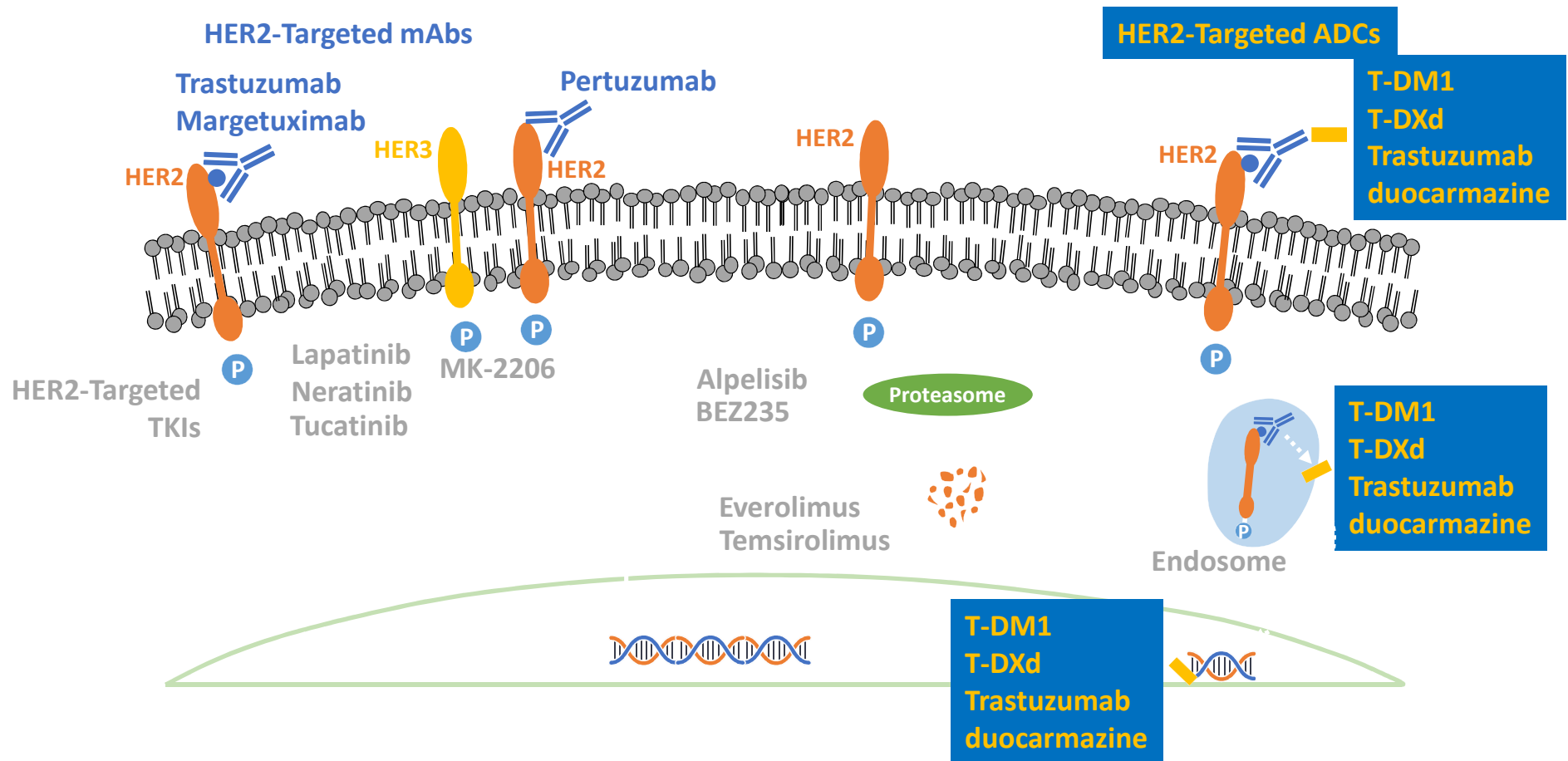




# Current Binary Classification of HER2 in Breast Cancer

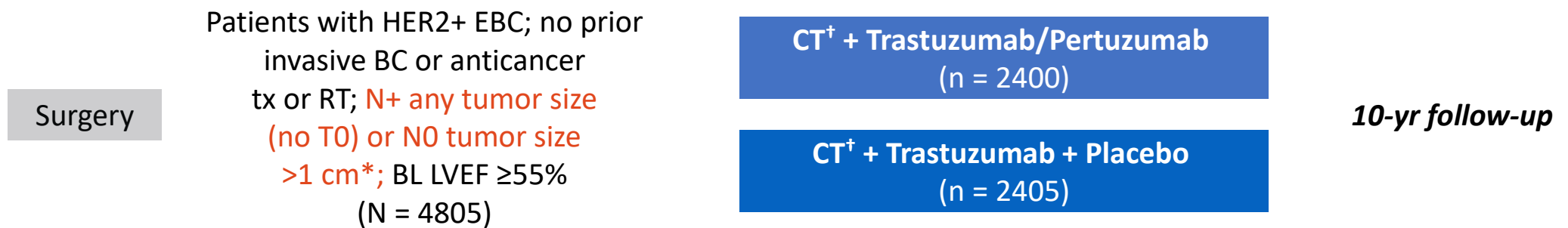


# Targeted Therapies for HER2+ Breast Cancer



# APHINITY: Pertuzumab, Trastuzumab, and CT vs Trastuzumab and CT in HER2+ EBC

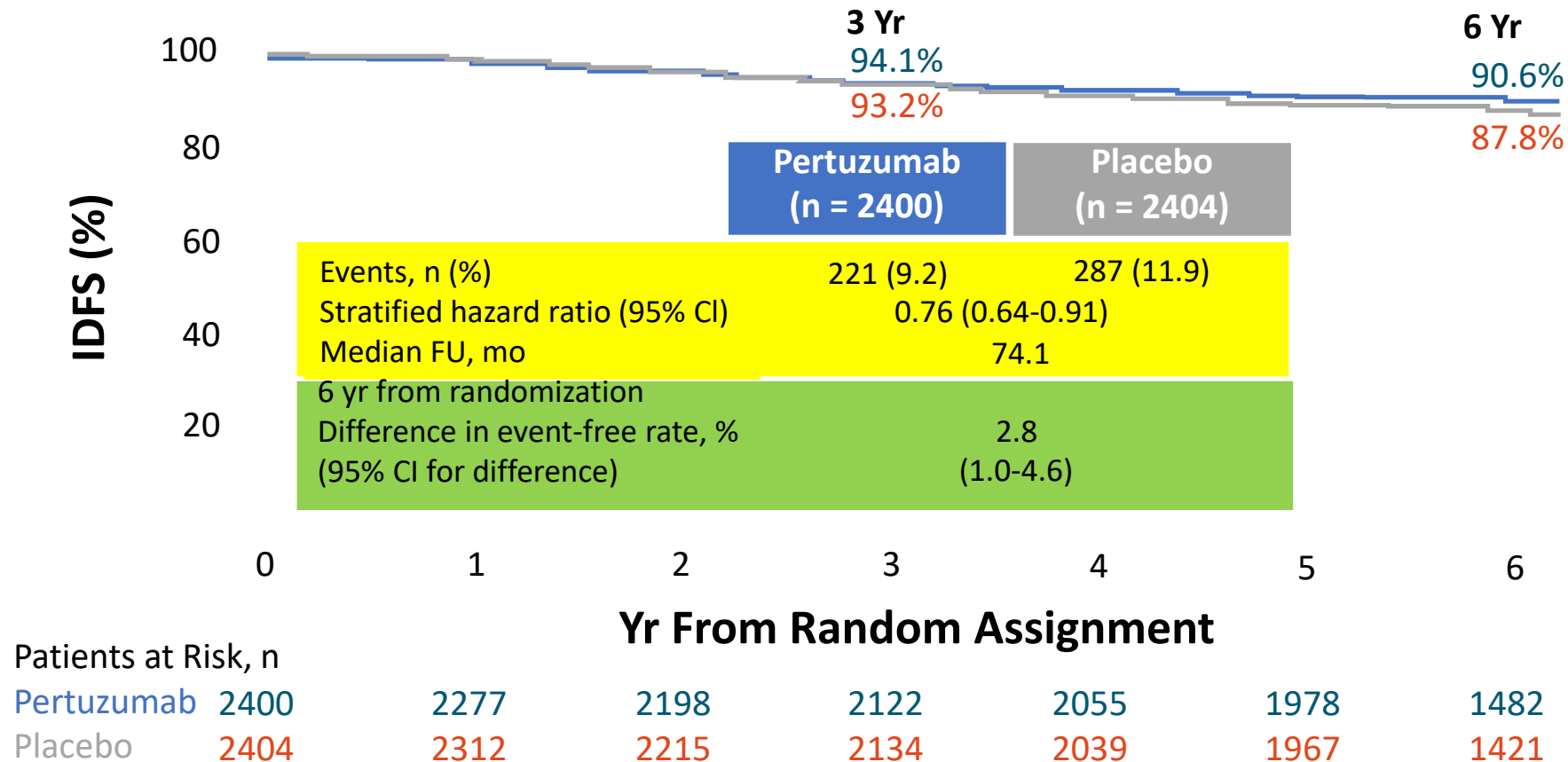
- International, randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled phase III trial<sup>1,2</sup> **Wk 52**



\*Or node negative with tumors >0.5 to ≤1 cm + ≥1 of following: histologic/nuclear grade 3; ER- and PR-; aged <35 yr. Node-negative enrollment capped after first 3655 patients randomized.

- Primary endpoint: IDFS per modified STEEP definition<sup>3</sup> (excludes second primary non-BC as event)
- Secondary endpoints: IDFS per STEEP definition,<sup>3</sup> OS, distant recurrence-free survival, DFS, recurrence-free interval, safety, cardiac safety, health-related QoL

# APHINITY: 6-Yr Follow-up for IDFS in ITT Population



# APHINITY: 6-Yr Follow-up IDFS, OS, Safety

6-yr IDFS rate, %	Pertuzumab	Placebo	Hazard Ratio (95% CI)
ITT	96.0 (n = 2400)	87.8 (n = 2404)	0.76 (0.64-0.91)
▪ HR+	91.2 (n = 1536)	88.2 (n = 1546)	0.73 (0.59-0.92)
▪ HR+	89.5 (n = 864)	87.0 (n = 858)	0.83 (0.63-1.10)
▪ LN+	87.9 (n = 1503)	83.4 (n = 1502)	0.72 (0.59-0.87)
▪ LN-	95.0 (n = 897)	94.9 (n = 902)	1.02 (0.69-1.53)
6-yr OS rate, %	Pertuzumab	Placebo	Hazard Ratio (95% CI)
ITT	94.8 (n = 2400)	93.9 (n = 2404)	0.85 (0.67-1.07)

- No difference in fatal AE (0.9% pertuzumab vs 1.2% placebo)
- More primary cardiac events with the addition of pertuzumab: 0.8% vs 0.3% with placebo

# KATHERINE: Trastuzumab Emtansine vs Trastuzumab as Adjuvant Therapy for HER2+ EBC

- Open-label, phase III trial

Patients with HER2+ EBC (cT1-4/N0-3/M0)  
**who had residual invasive disease in breast or axillary nodes** after neoadjuvant chemotherapy  
+ HER2-targeted therapy\* at surgery  
(N = 1486)

T-DM1<sup>†</sup> 3.6 mg/kg IV Q3W x 14 cycles  
(n = 743)

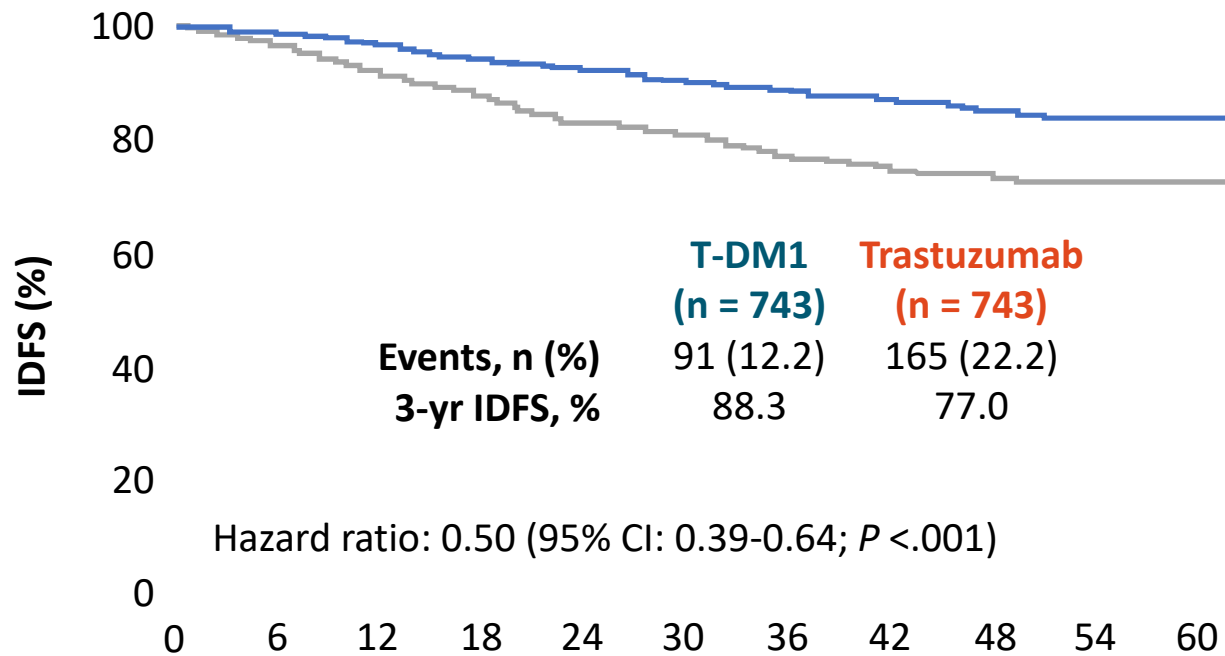
Trastuzumab 6 mg/kg IV Q3W x 14 cycles  
(n = 743)

Randomization occurred within 12 wk of surgery; **radiotherapy and/or endocrine therapy given per local standards.**

\*Minimum of 9 wk of taxane and trastuzumab. <sup>†</sup>Patients who d/c T-DM1 for toxicity allowed to switch to trastuzumab to complete 14 cycles.

- Primary endpoint: IDFS
- Secondary endpoints: distant recurrence-free survival, OS, safety

# KATHERINE: IDFS



Patients at Risk, n	Mo Since Randomization										
	0	6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54	60
<b>T-DM1</b>	743	707	681	658	633	561	409	255	142	44	4
<b>Trastuzumab</b>	743	676	635	594	555	501	342	220	119	38	4

First IDFS Event, %	T-DM1	T
Any	12.2	22.2
Distant recurrence	10.5*	15.9 <sup>†</sup>
Locoregional recurrence	1.1	4.6
Contralateral breast cancer	0.4	1.3
Death without prior event	0.3	0.4

CNS events: \*5.9% vs <sup>†</sup>4.3%.

# ExteNET 5-Yr Update: Neratinib vs Placebo After Adjuvant Trastuzumab in HER2+ EBC

- Multicenter, double-blind, phase III trial

1 yr

Patients with HER2+ EBC (stage I-III);  
adjuvant trastuzumab completed  $\leq 2$  yr before  
randomization\*; **N+/- disease or residual  
disease after neoadjuvant therapy** known  
ER and PR status  
(N = 2840)

Neratinib 240 mg/day PO  
(n = 1420)

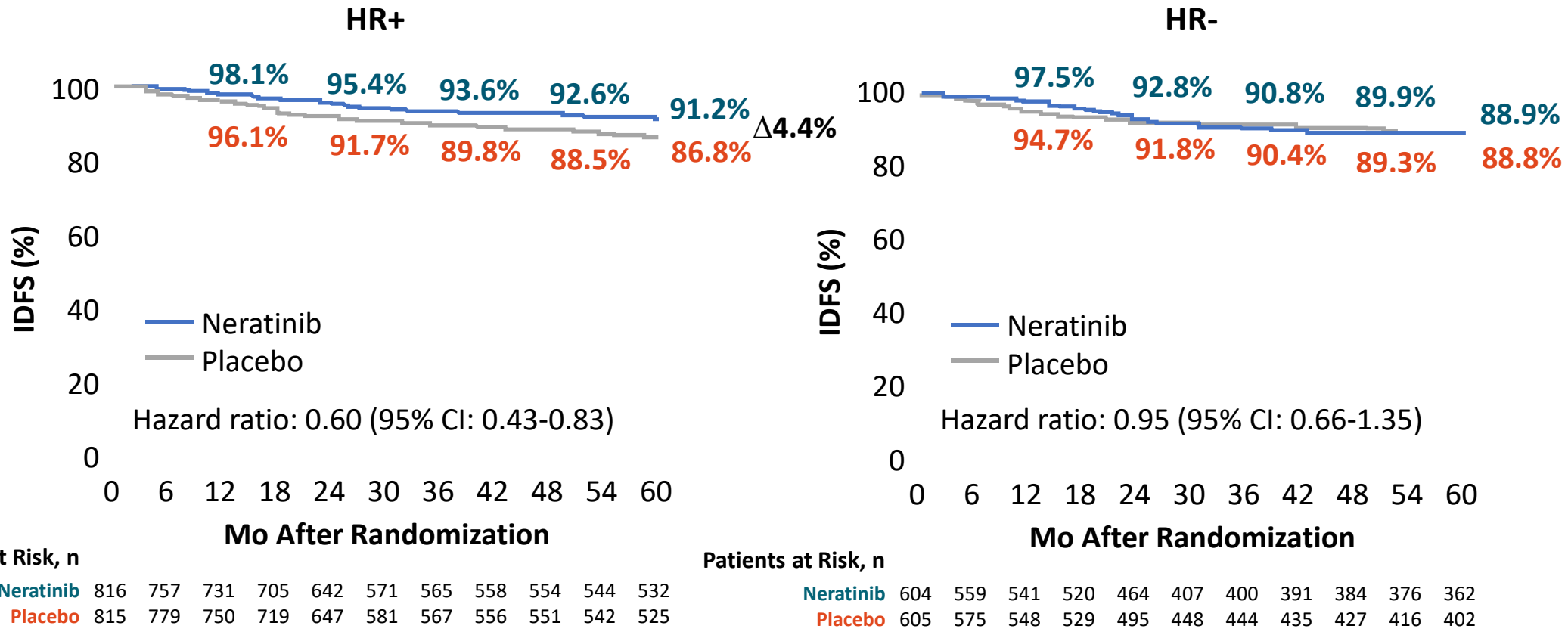
Placebo  
(n = 1420)

\*Amendment in February 2010  
**restricted enrollment to patients  
with N+ disease** who completed  
trastuzumab  $\leq 1$  yr before  
randomization.

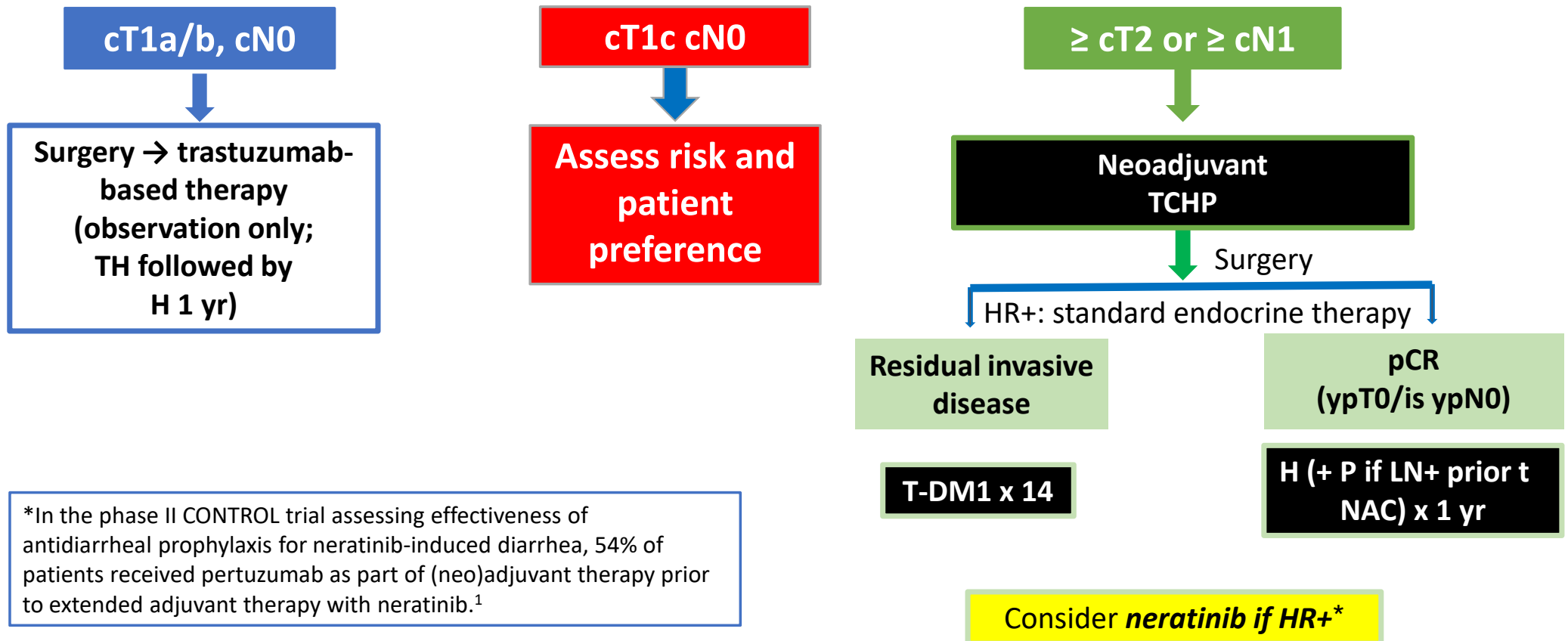
- Primary endpoint: IDFS at 2 yr
- Primary analysis of 2-yr IDFS rate: neratinib, 93.9%; placebo, 91.6%  
(hazard ratio: 0.67; 95% CI: 0.50-0.91;  $P = .0091$ )



# ExteNET: 5-Yr IDFS Analysis by HR Status



# Proposed Strategy for Managing Patients With Stage I-III HER2+ EBC



\*In the phase II CONTROL trial assessing effectiveness of antidiarrheal prophylaxis for neratinib-induced diarrhea, 54% of patients received pertuzumab as part of (neo)adjuvant therapy prior to extended adjuvant therapy with neratinib.<sup>1</sup>

# Future Directions: Ongoing Clinical Trials in HER2+ EBC

Trial Name	Phase	Setting	Treatment Arms	Primary Endpoint
IMpassion050 <sup>1</sup>	III	Neoadjuvant; T2-4, N1-3, M0 with known HER2, HR, PD-L1 status	AC + atezolizumab → THP + atezolizumab vs AC + Pbo → THP + Pbo	pCR
APTneo <sup>2</sup>	III	Neoadjuvant; early high-risk (T1c-2N1 or T3N0) or LA disease suitable for neoadjuvant tx	TCHP vs TCHP + atezolizumab vs AC + atezolizumab → TCHP + atezolizumab	EFS
DESTINY-11 <sup>3</sup>	III	Neoadjuvant; T04, N1-3, M0 or ≥ T3, N0, M0	T-DXd ± THP vs ddAC-THP	pCR
DESTINY-05 <sup>4</sup>	III	Adjuvant; patients with residual disease after neoadjuvant therapy	T-DXd vs T-DM1	IDFS
Astefania <sup>5</sup>	III	Adjuvant; patients with residual disease after neoadjuvant therapy	Atezolizumab + T-DM1 vs placebo + T-DM1	IDFS
NCT04886531 <sup>6</sup>	II	Neoadjuvant; triple-positive stage I-III	Neratinib plus ET and trastuzumab	pCR

1. NCT03726879. 2. NCT03595592. 3. NCT05113251. 4. NCT04622319. 5. NCT04873362. 6. NCT04886531.

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