

Best of ASCO Breast Cancer Update

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**Randomized Comparison of Adjuvant Aromatase
Inhibitor
Exemestane plus Ovarian Function Suppression
vs Tamoxifen plus Ovarian Function Suppression
in Premenopausal Women
with Hormone Receptor Positive Early Breast Cancer:
Joint Analysis of IBCSG TEXT and SOFT**

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International Breast Cancer Study Group
(IBCSG)**



TEXT and SOFT Designs

Enrolled: Nov03-Apr11

- Premenopausal
- ≤12 wks after surgery
- Planned OFS
- No planned chemo *OR* planned chemo

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TAMOXIFEN AND EXEMESTANE TRIAL (N=2672)

Tamoxifen+OFS x 5y

Exemestane+OFS x 5y

- Premenopausal
- ≤12 wks after surgery
- No chemo

OR

- Remain premenopausal ≤ 8 mos after chemo

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SUPPRESSION OF OVARIAN FUNCTION TRIAL (N=3066)

Tamoxifen x 5y

Tamoxifen+OFS x 5y

Exemestane+OFS x 5y

Joint Analysis
(N=4690)

Tamoxifen+OFS x 5y

Exemestane+OFS x 5y

Median follow-up 5.7 years

OFS=ovarian function suppression

Eligibility

- Premenopausal women with HR+ (ER and/or PgR \geq 10%) invasive breast cancer confined to breast +/- axillary nodes
- Proper local-regional treatment with no residual disease
- Randomized within 12 weeks of surgery for all women in **TEXT** and women in **SOFT** who did not receive chemotherapy
- Women in **SOFT** who received prior (neo)adjuvant chemotherapy randomized \leq 8 months of chemotherapy completion when premenopausal status demonstrated
 - These patients were permitted to receive oral endocrine therapy prior to randomization

Treatments

Protocol treatment was for 5 years from randomization

- **Ovarian Function Suppression**

TEXT

- All women started with GnRH agonist triptorelin (IM q28d)
- Triptorelin initiated concurrently with chemotherapy, if it was given
- Bilateral oophorectomy or irradiation as alternatives to triptorelin after 6 months

SOFT

- Choice of OFS method

- **Oral endocrine therapy**

- Exemestane 25 mg daily, or
- Tamoxifen 20 mg daily
- In TEXT started 6 to 8 weeks after initiation of OFS, or after chemotherapy if given

Endpoints

Primary

Disease-free survival (DFS)

- Invasive recurrence (local, regional, distant)
- Invasive contralateral breast cancer
- Second (non-breast) invasive malignancy
- Death without prior cancer event

Secondary

Breast cancer-free interval (BCFI)

- Invasive recurrence or contralateral breast cancer

Distant recurrence-free interval (DRFI)

- Distant recurrence

Overall survival (OS)

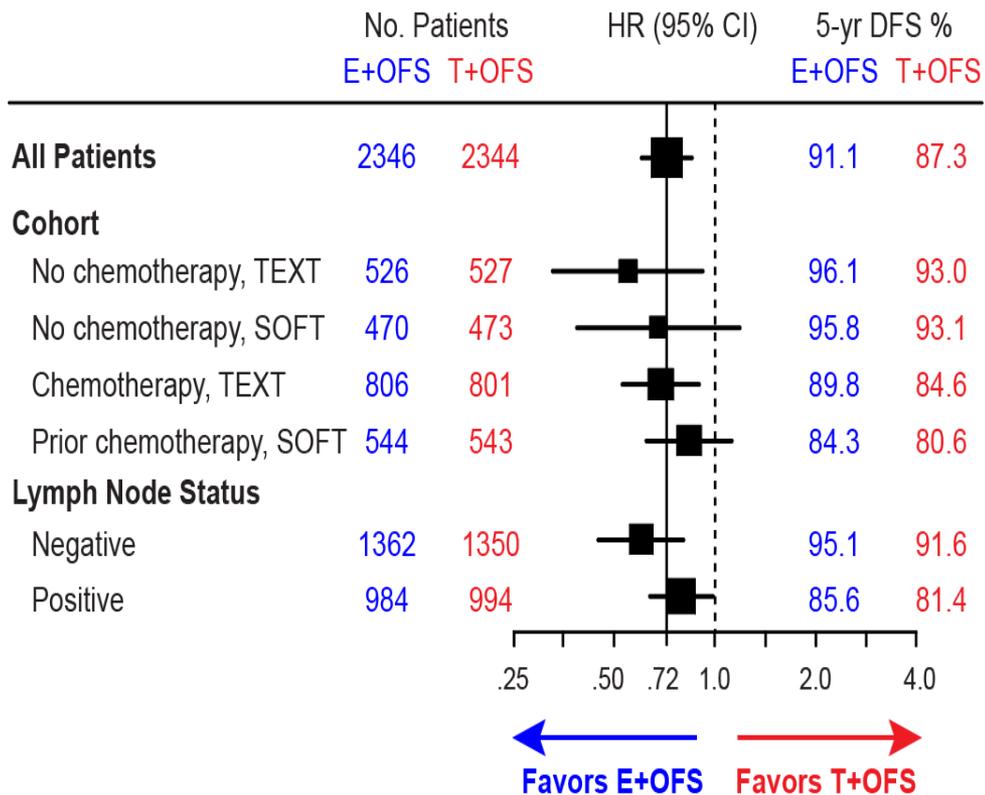
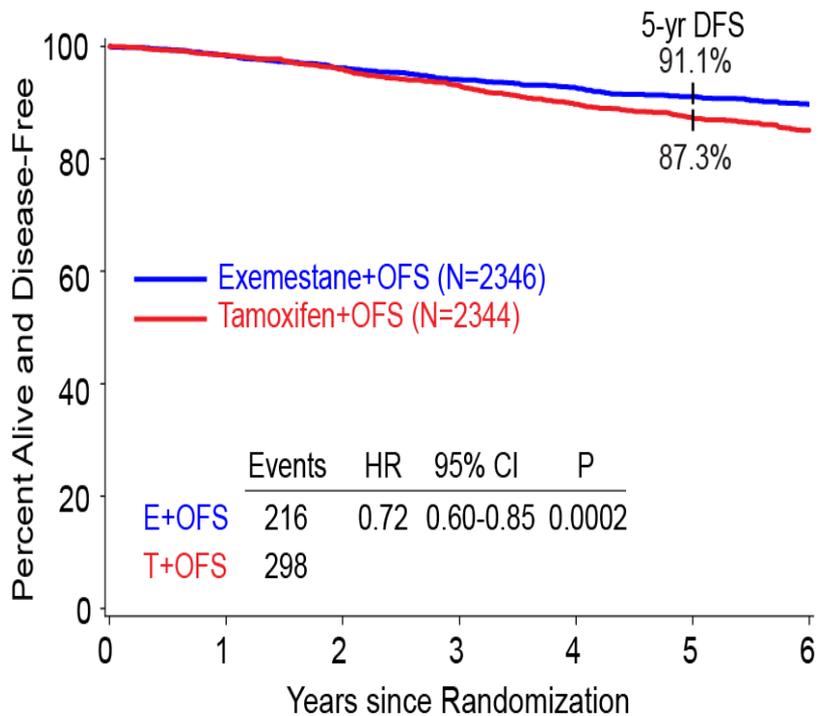
- Death from any cause

Characteristics

	No chemo TEXT (N=1053)	No chemo SOFT (N=943)	Chemo TEXT (N=1607)	Prior chemo SOFT (N=1087)	Overall (N=4690)
Age <40 yr	16%	9%	30%	49%	27%
LN +	21%	8%	66%	57%	42%
T-size >2cm	19%	15%	53%	47%	36%
HER2 +	5%	3%	17%	19%	12%
Surgery to random. (median)	1.5 mo	1.8 mo	1.2 mo	8.0 mo	1.6 mo

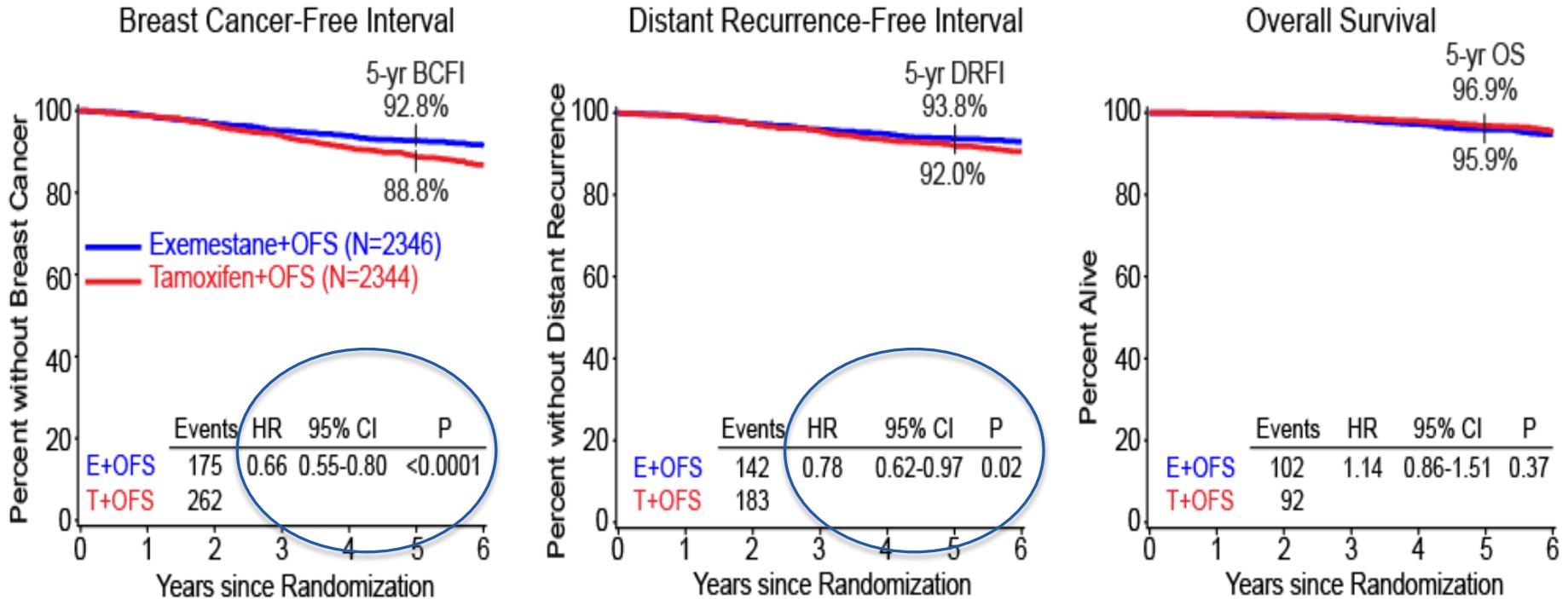
Exemestane+OFS Improved DFS

Difference 3.8% at 5 years



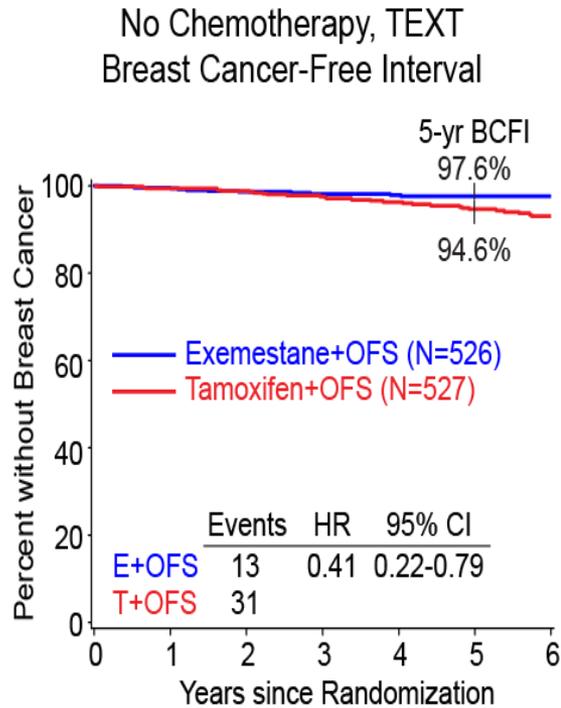
5.7 years median follow-up

Exemestane+OFS Reduced Recurrence

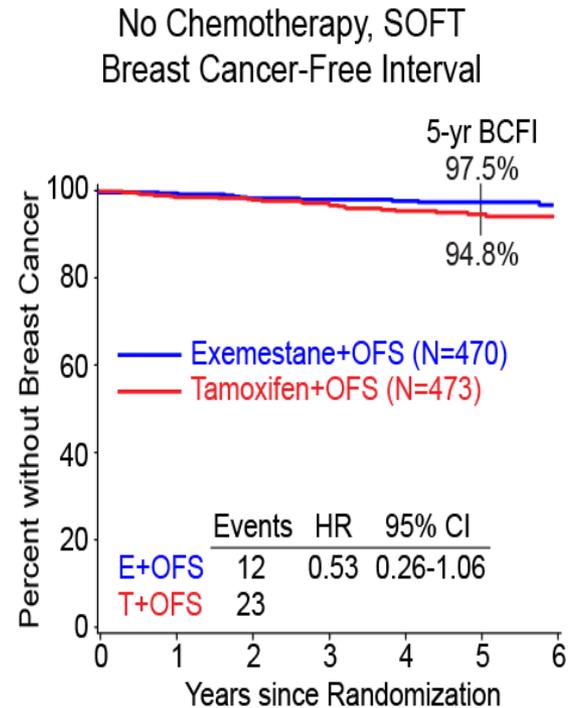


- 4% absolute improvement in 5-yr freedom from breast cancer for exemestane+OFS
- No significant difference in overall survival

Women Who Did Not Receive Chemotherapy



16% <40 years; 19% T-size >2cm; 21% N+

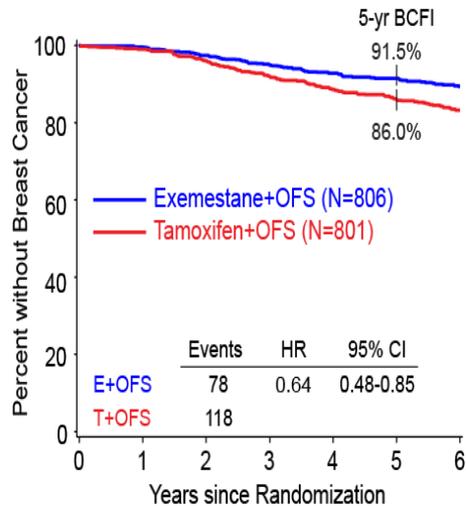


9% <40 years; 15% T-size >2cm; 8% N+

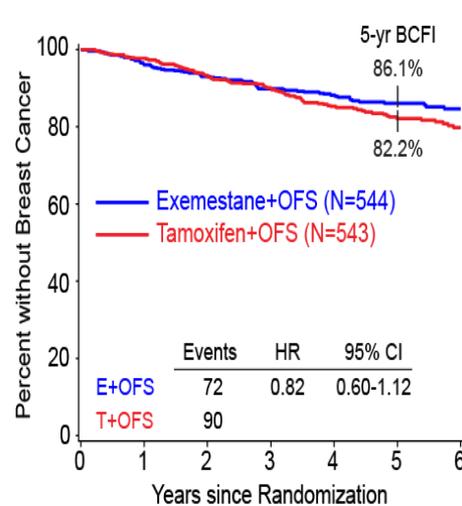
Some women have excellent prognosis with highly-effective endocrine therapy alone
>97% breast cancer-free at 5 years when treated with exemestane+OFS

Women Who Received Chemotherapy

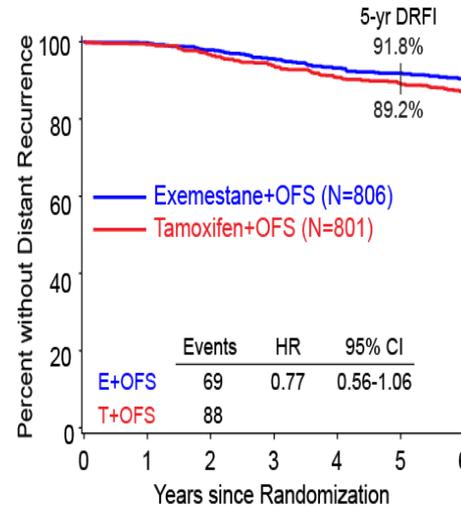
Chemotherapy, TEXT
Breast Cancer-Free Interval



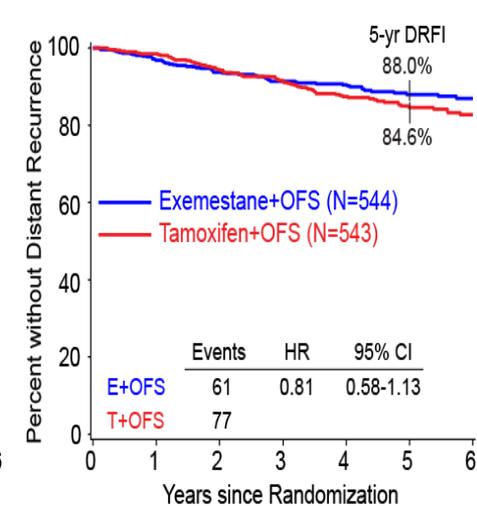
Prior Chemotherapy, SOFT
Breast Cancer-Free Interval



Chemotherapy, TEXT
Distant Recurrence-Free Interval



Prior Chemotherapy, SOFT
Distant Recurrence-Free Interval



66% N+; 53% T-size >2cm; 30% <40 years

57% N+; 47% T-size >2cm; 49% <40 years

Absolute improvement with exemestane+OFS

5-yr freedom from breast cancer: 5.5% in TEXT and 3.9% in SOFT

5-yr freedom from distant recurrence: 2.6% in TEXT and 3.4% in SOFT

Selected Adverse Events

CTCAE v3.0	Exemestane+OFS (N=2318)		Tamoxifen+OFS (N=2325)	
	Grade 1-4	Grade 3-4	Grade 1-4	Grade 3-4
Depression	50%	3.8%	50%	4.4%
Musculoskeletal	89%	11%	76%	5.2%
Osteoporosis (% T<-2.5)	39% (13%)	0.4%	25% (6%)	0.3%
Fracture	6.8%	1.3%	5.2%	0.8%
Hypertension	23%	6.5%	22%	7.3%
Cardiac ischemia/infarction	0.7%	0.3%	0.3%	0.1%
Thrombosis/embolism	1.0%	0.8%	2.2%	1.9%
CNS ischemia	0.7%	0.3%	0.3%	0.1%
CNS bleeding	0.6%	<0.1%	0.9%	0.1%
Hot flushes/flashes	92%	10%	93%	12%
Sweating	55%	--	59%	--
Vaginal dryness	52%	--	47%	--
Libido decrease	45%	--	41%	--
Dyspareunia	31%	2.3%	26%	1.4%

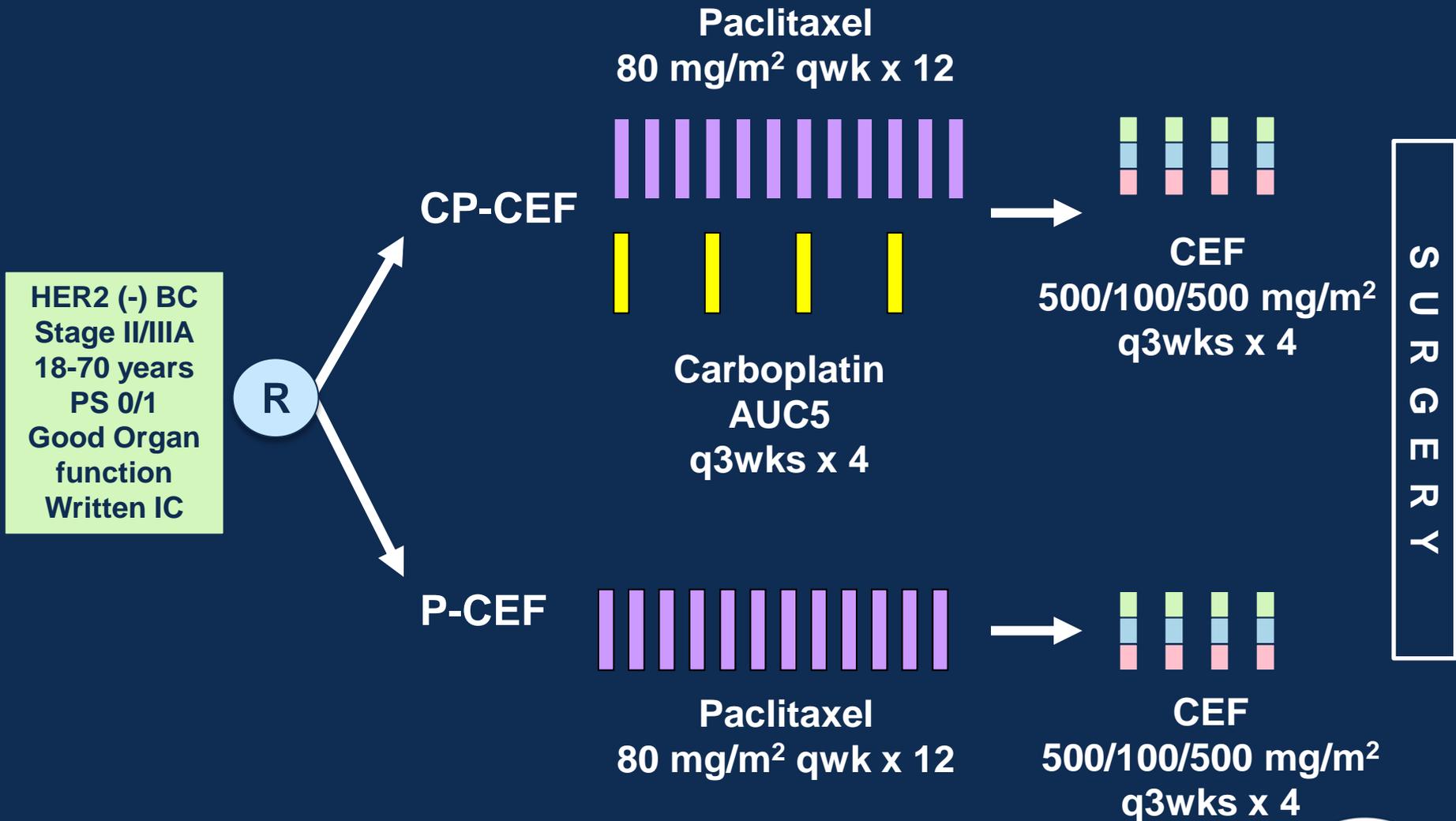
Conclusions: SOFT/TEXT

- Exemestane plus ovarian suppression had improved DFS compared to tamoxifen and is a reasonable option
- No difference in overall survival; longer follow-up is needed
- Results of tamoxifen alone arm not yet available
- Early cessation rate higher in exemestane arm
 - (16% vs 11%)
 - Side effect profile comparable to AIs in postmenopausal women
- Multiple unanswered questions:
 - Low risk patients: do short and long-term risks outweigh benefit?
 - Chemo-induced menopause: should we commit to 5 years of ovarian suppression or wait to switch to AI after confirming postmenopausal status
 - ABCSG12: similar trial (N=1803) of ovarian suppression with anastrozole versus tamoxifen did not show DFS advantage

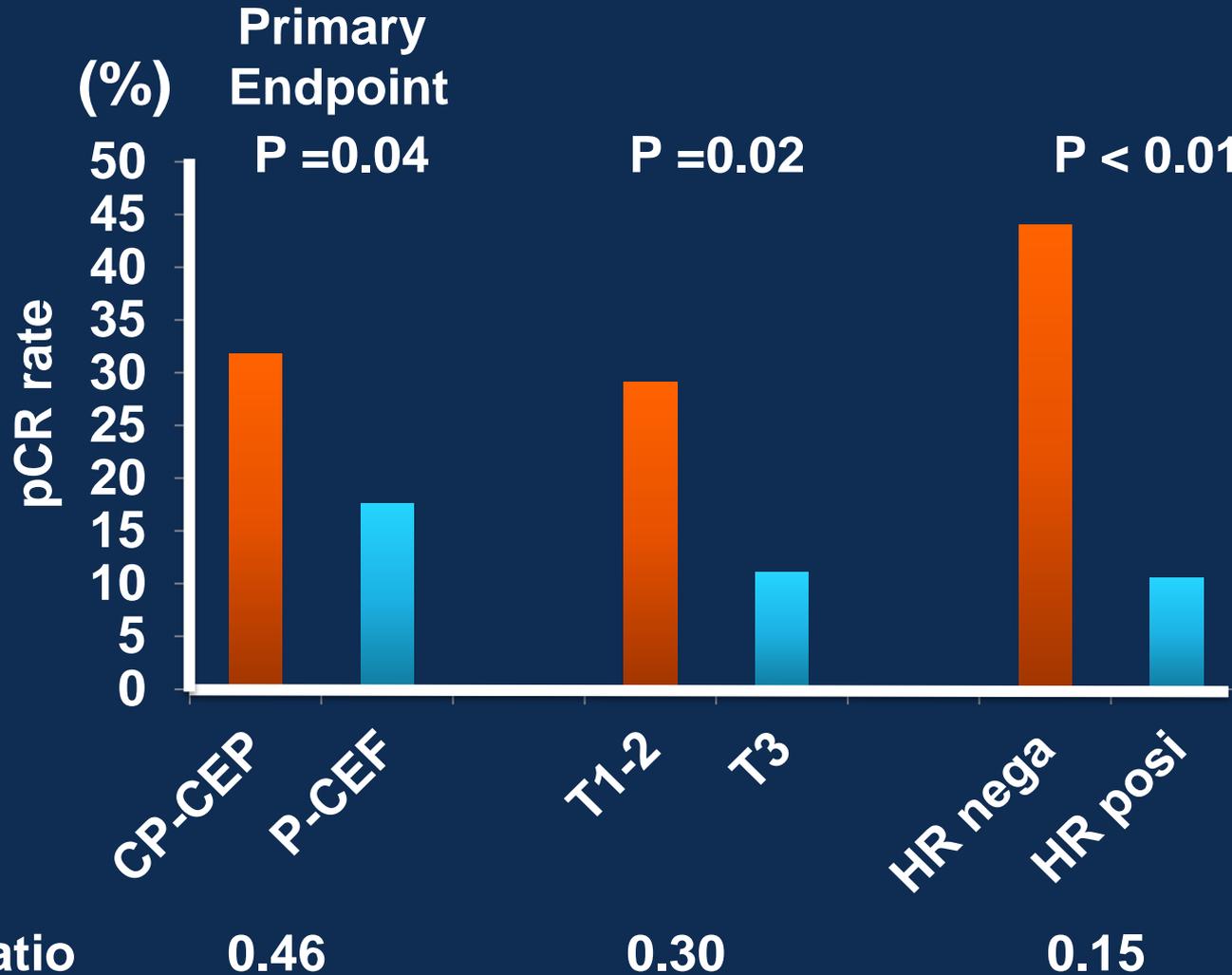
**Randomized phase II study of weekly paclitaxel
with and without carboplatin
followed by cyclophosphamide / epirubicin / 5-
fluorouracil as neoadjuvant chemotherapy
for stage II/IIIA breast cancer.**

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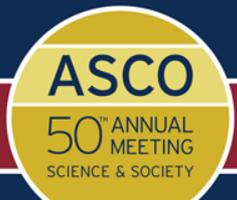
Protocol Design



pCR rates by sub groups

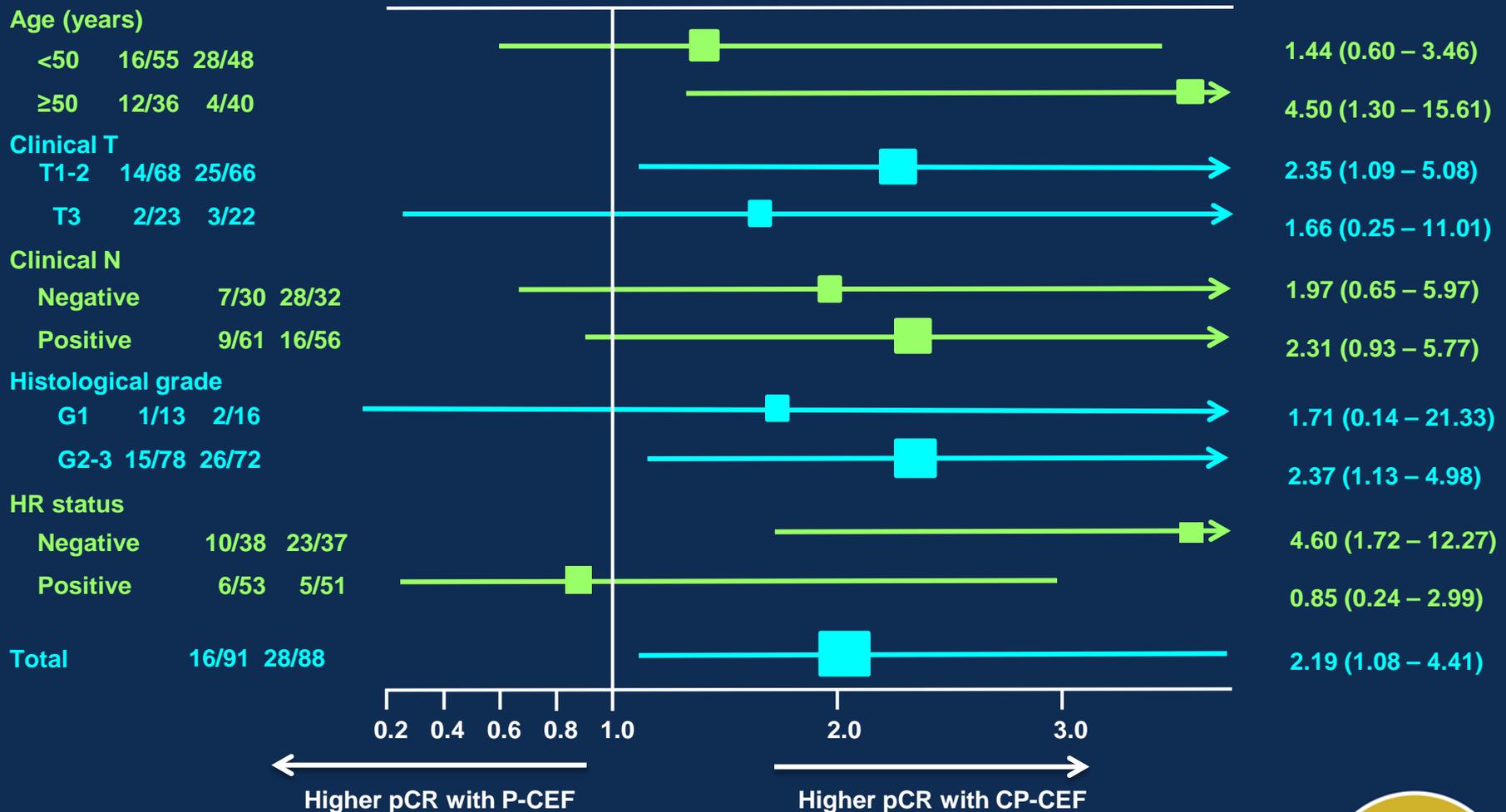


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Odds rates / Subgroup Analysis

Subgroup



Adverse Events

Treatment arm	CP-CEF				P-CEF			
	All		CP phase		All		P phase	
Adverse events	G3%	G4%	G3%	G4%	G3%	G4%	G3%	G4%
Anemia	18.2	1.1	14.8	1.1	1.1	0	0	0
Neutropenia	46.6	19.3	52.3	5.7	17.6	20.9	8.8	1.1
Thrombocytopenia	1.1	0	1.1	0	0	0	0	0
Febrile neutropenia	20.5	0	2.3	0	15.4	0	0	0
Nausea	3.4	0	2.3	0	2.2	0	0	0
Vomiting	2.3	0	1.1	0	0	0	0	0
Fatigue	2.3	0	2.3	0	1.1	0	0	0
Infection	4.4	0	2.2	0	1.1	0	0	0
Sensory neuropathy	1.1	0	1.1	0	1.1	0	1.1	0



***Pathological complete response (pCR) rates after carboplatin-containing
neoadjuvant chemotherapy in patients with germline BRCA (gBRCA)
mutation and triple negative breast cancer (TNBC) –
Results from GeparSixto***

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for the

GBG/AGO-B study groups





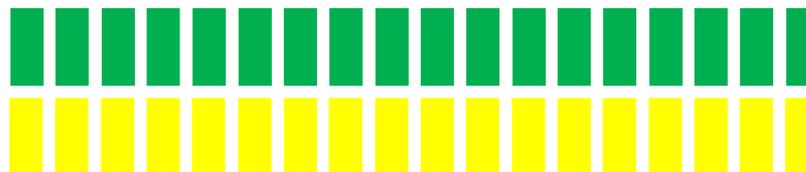
Main Study Design

N=595

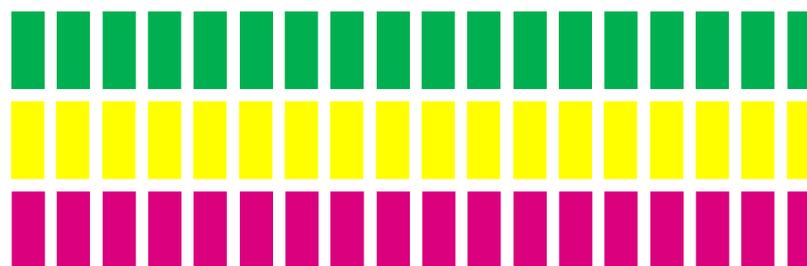
centrally confirmed
TNBC
or
HER2-positive
breast cancer

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PM



PMCb



Paclitaxel 80 mg/m² q1w



Non-pegylated liposomal
doxorubicin (M)
20 mg/m² q1w



Carboplatin AUC 1.5-2* q1w

*reduced from AUC 2 to AUC 1.5 after
enrolment of 330 patients

Surgery

von Minckwitz et al. Lancet Oncology, May 2014



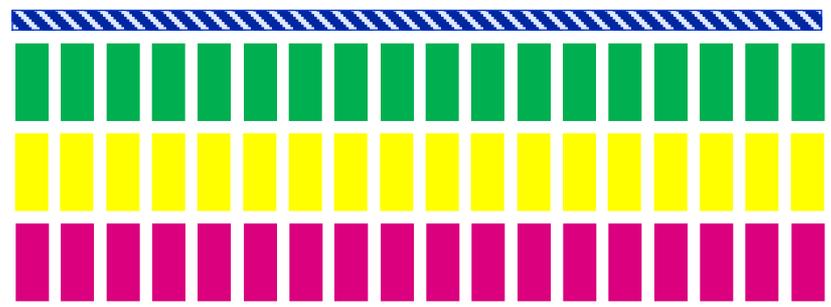
Therapy in TNBC subgroup

N=315
centrally confirmed
TNBC

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PMCb



Surgery

Paclitaxel 80 mg/m² q1w

Non-pegylated liposomal doxorubicin (M) 20 mg/m² q1w

Carboplatin AUC 1.5-2 q1w

Bevacizumab 15 mg/kg q3w

von Minckwitz et al. Lancet Oncology, May 2014



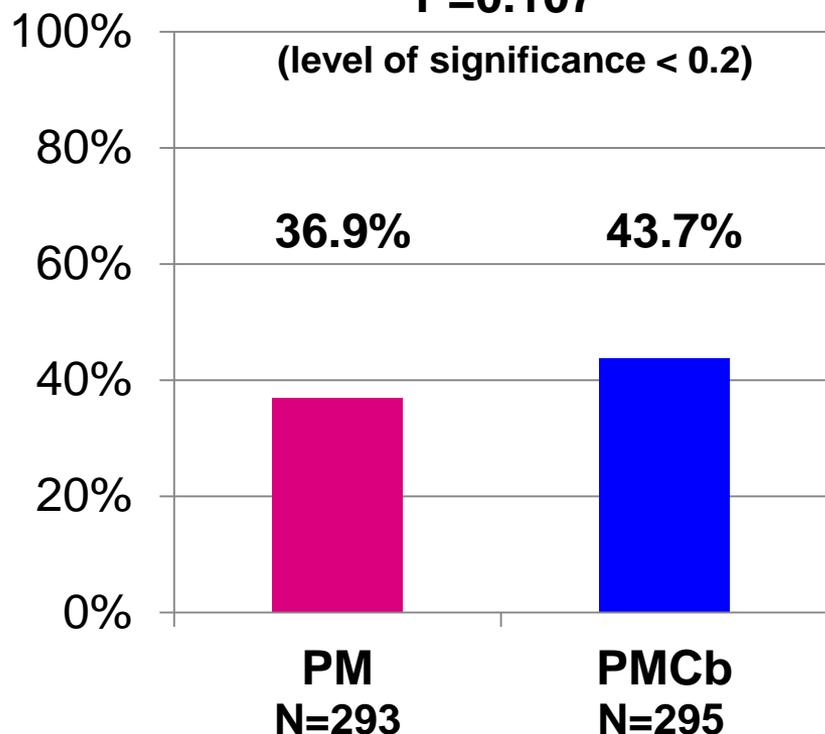
pCR Rates (ypT0 ypN0)

Overall

OR 1.33 (0.96-1.85)

P=0.107*

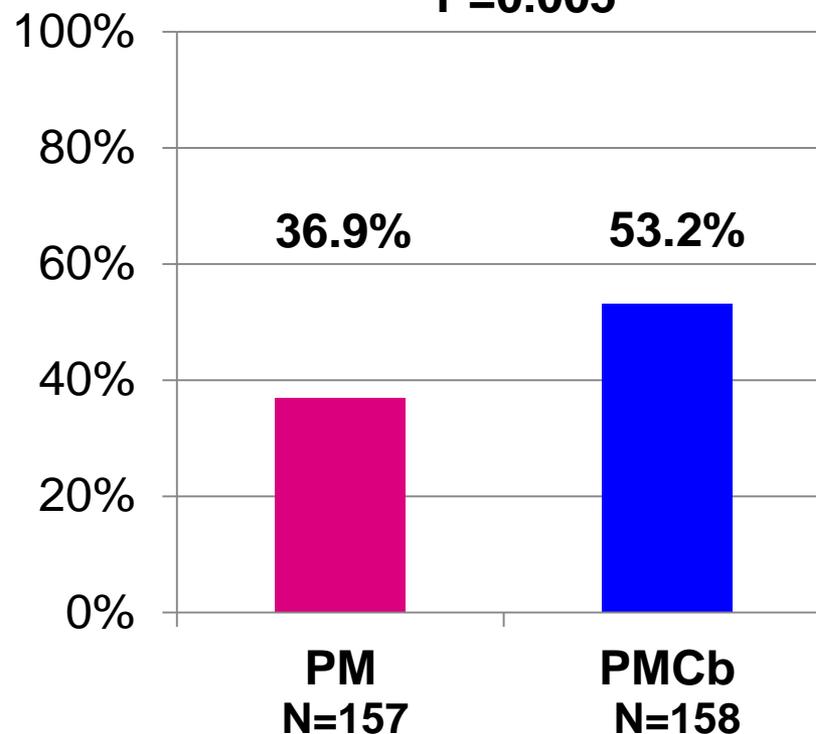
(level of significance < 0.2)



TNBC

OR 1.94 (1.24 – 3.04)

P=0.005



von Minckwitz et al. Lancet Oncology, May 2014





Patients in GeparSixto (N=595)

- N=280 HER2-negative tumor
- N=21 no blood sample collected

Patients with TNBC included in analysis (N=294)

Multiplex Ligation Probe Amplification (MLPA) (N=294)
(to search for large deletions or duplications within BRCA 1/2)

- N= 6 alterations found

Fluidigm Genotyping (Sanger) (N=288)
(to search for most frequent (60%) recurrent pathogen mutations known for Germany)

- N=28 alterations found

Next generation sequencing (NGS) of a 26 HRD gene panel (N=260)

Completed (n=96)

- N= 8 alterations found

Still running (N=164)

Homopolymer Assay (Multiplicom) (N=164)

- N= 2 alterations found

further \approx 8-10 alterations expected



Characteristics of patients with TNBC

		PM (N=146)	PMCb (N=148)
Age (median; yrs)		47.0	47.5
Tumor size (median; cm)		3.0	3.0
		%	%
cT 3 / 4		13.7	8.1
cN +		45.1	40.6
Grade 3		77.4	72.3
Family history for BC/OC*	(N=101)	34.9	33.8
<i>gBRCA 1</i> alteration	(N= 35)	13.0	10.8
<i>gBRCA 2</i> alteration	(N= 6)	1.4	2.7
<i>gRAD50/51C</i> alteration	(N= 3)	1.4	0.7
		15.8	14.2

*assessed by a checklist of the German BRCA consortium to identify women at risk for germline alterations of >10%



pCR (ypT0/is ypN0) in all Patients with TNBC

**Family
history for BC/OC**

gBRCA/RAD alteration

	no (N=250)	yes (N=44)
no (N=193)	43.9% (75/171)	45.5% (10/22)
yes (N=101)	49.4% (39/79)	81.8% (18/22)

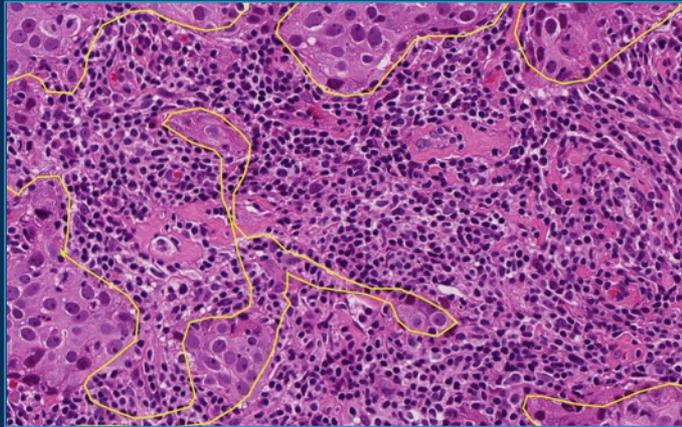
Expression of immune genes in triple-negative and HER2-positive breast cancer in the neoadjuvant GEPARSIXTO trial: Prediction of response to carboplatin-based chemotherapy

Carsten Denkert, Gunter von Minckwitz, Jan C. Brase, Silvia Darb-Esfahani, Stephan Gade, Ralf Kronenwett, Christoph Salat, Sherene Loi, Christian Schem, Christos Sotiriou, Keyur Mehta, Peter Klare, Karin Fisch, Jens-Uwe Blohmer, Hans Tesch, Sherko Kümmel, Kristin Krappmann, Manfred Dietel, Michael Untch, Sibylle Loibl

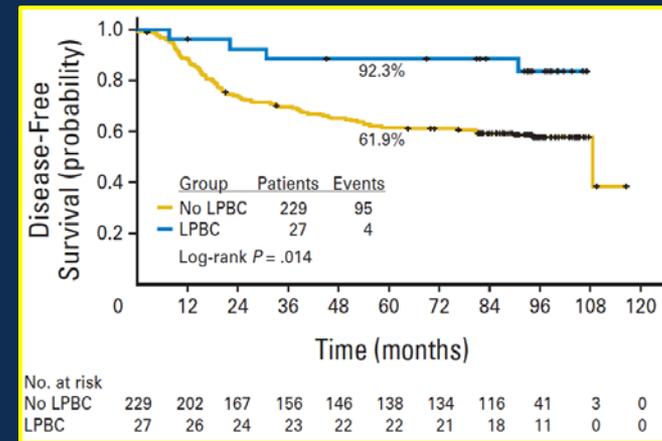
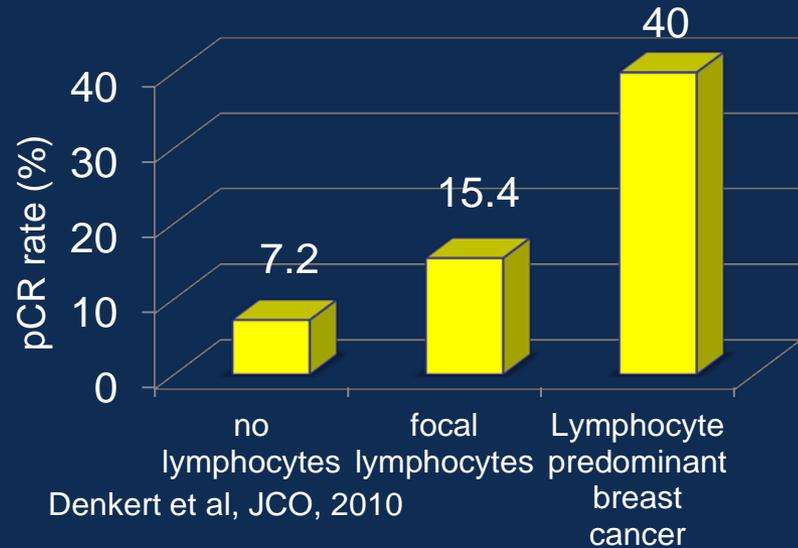
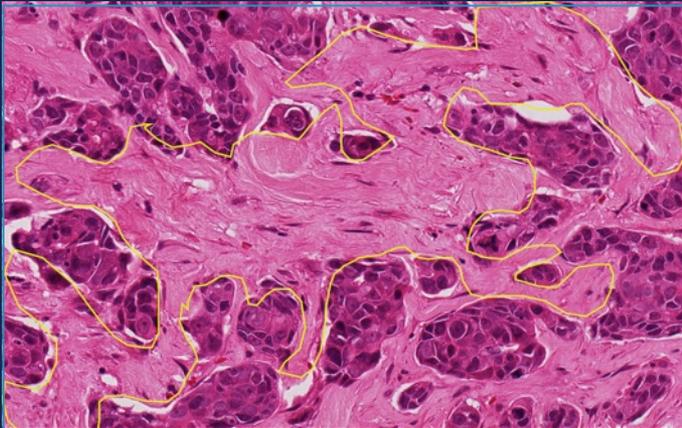


Background: Tumor-infiltrating lymphocytes are linked to chemotherapy response and prognosis in breast cancer

Lymphocyte-predominant breast cancer (LPBC)
= more than 60% TILs

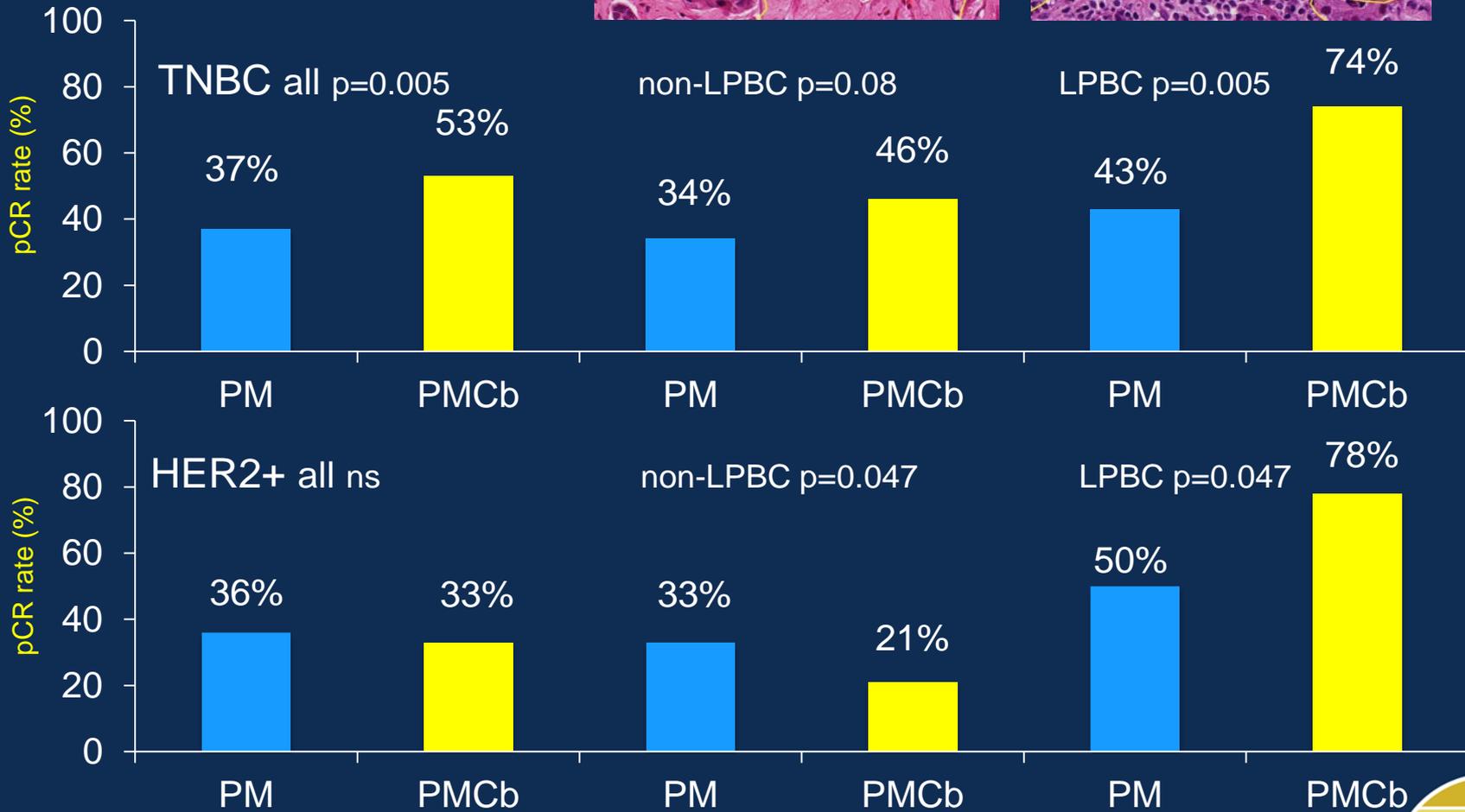
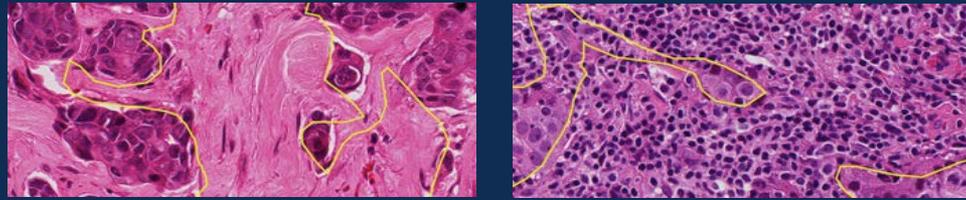


non-LPBC



Loi et al, JCO, 2013 – BIG2-98

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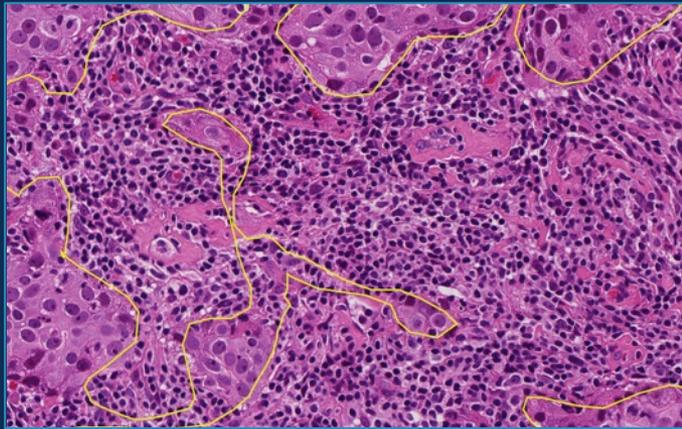


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Denkert et al. SABCs 2013

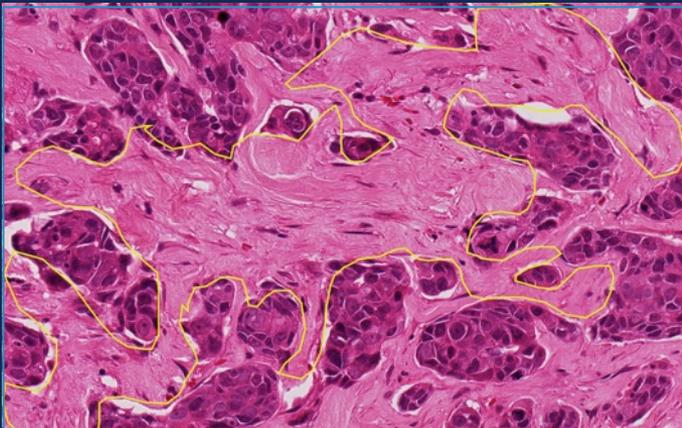
Further molecular characterization of immune infiltrate

morphological classification

Lymphocyte-predominant breast cancer (LPBC)
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non-LPBC



molecular characterization

Hypothesis:



Immunosuppressive
regulators:
PD1, PDL1,
CTLA4, IDO1, FOXP3



Immune activation:

T-Cells: CD8A, CCL5

B-Cells: IGKC, CD21,
CD80

Chemoattractants:

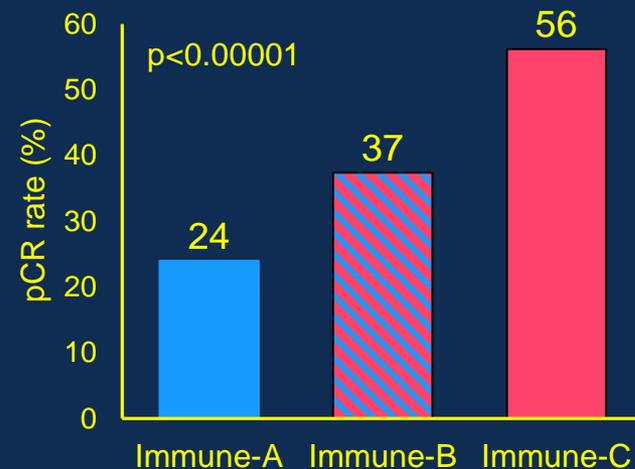
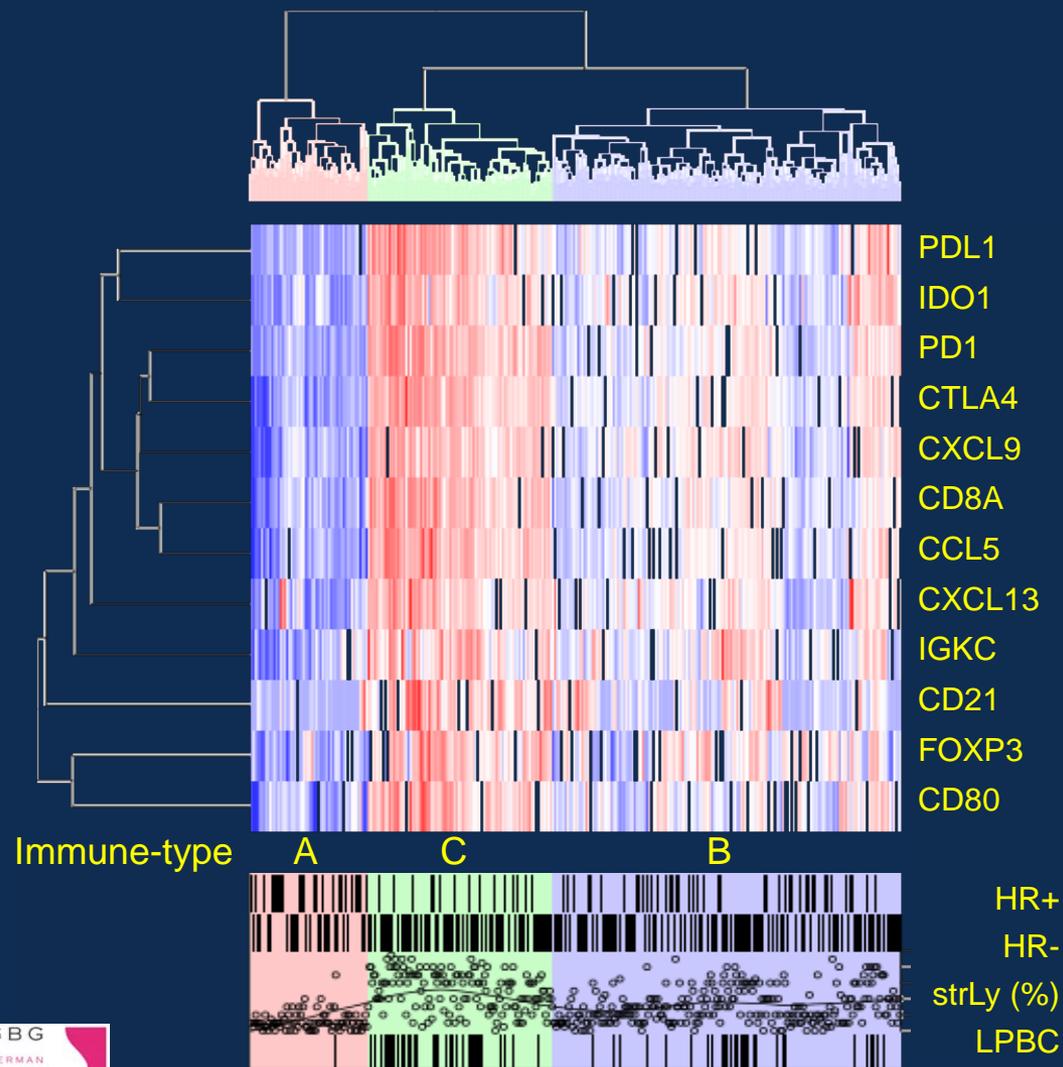
CXCL9, CXCL13



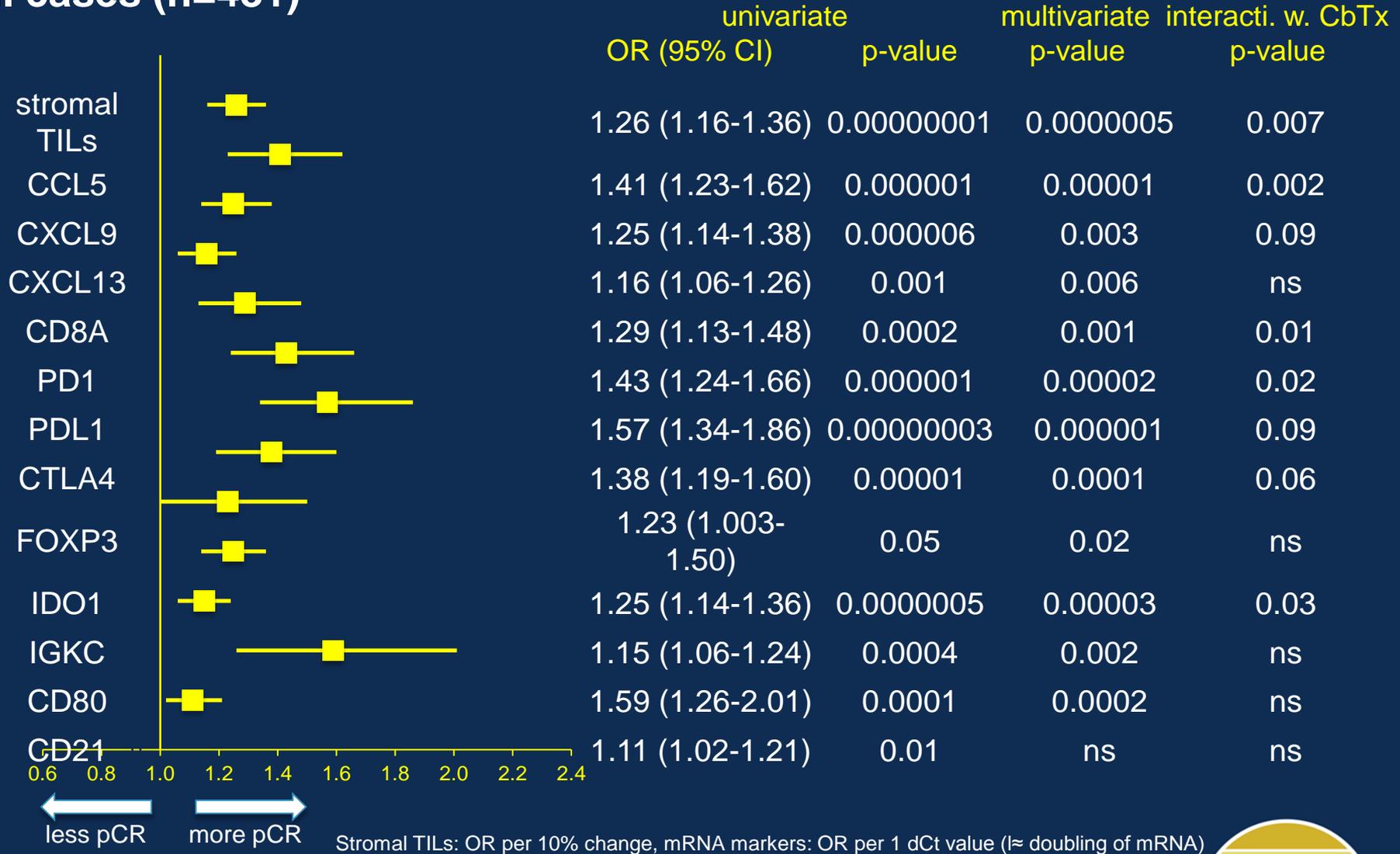
Methods

- Are mRNA markers better than TILs for diagnostic approaches?
- n=481 FFPE core biopsies from GeparSixto
- 12 immunologically relevant mRNAs
 - measured by quantitative RT-PCR
 - CXCL9, CCL5, CD8A, CD80, CXCL13, IGKC, CD21, IDO1, PD-1, PDL1, CTLA4, FOXP3
- evaluation of TILs based on H&E morphology
(Denkert et al, SABCS 2013; Denkert et al, JCO, 2010)

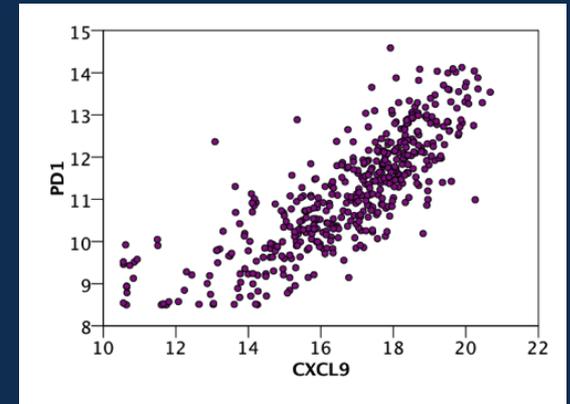
Three different immune subtypes: correlation with response rate



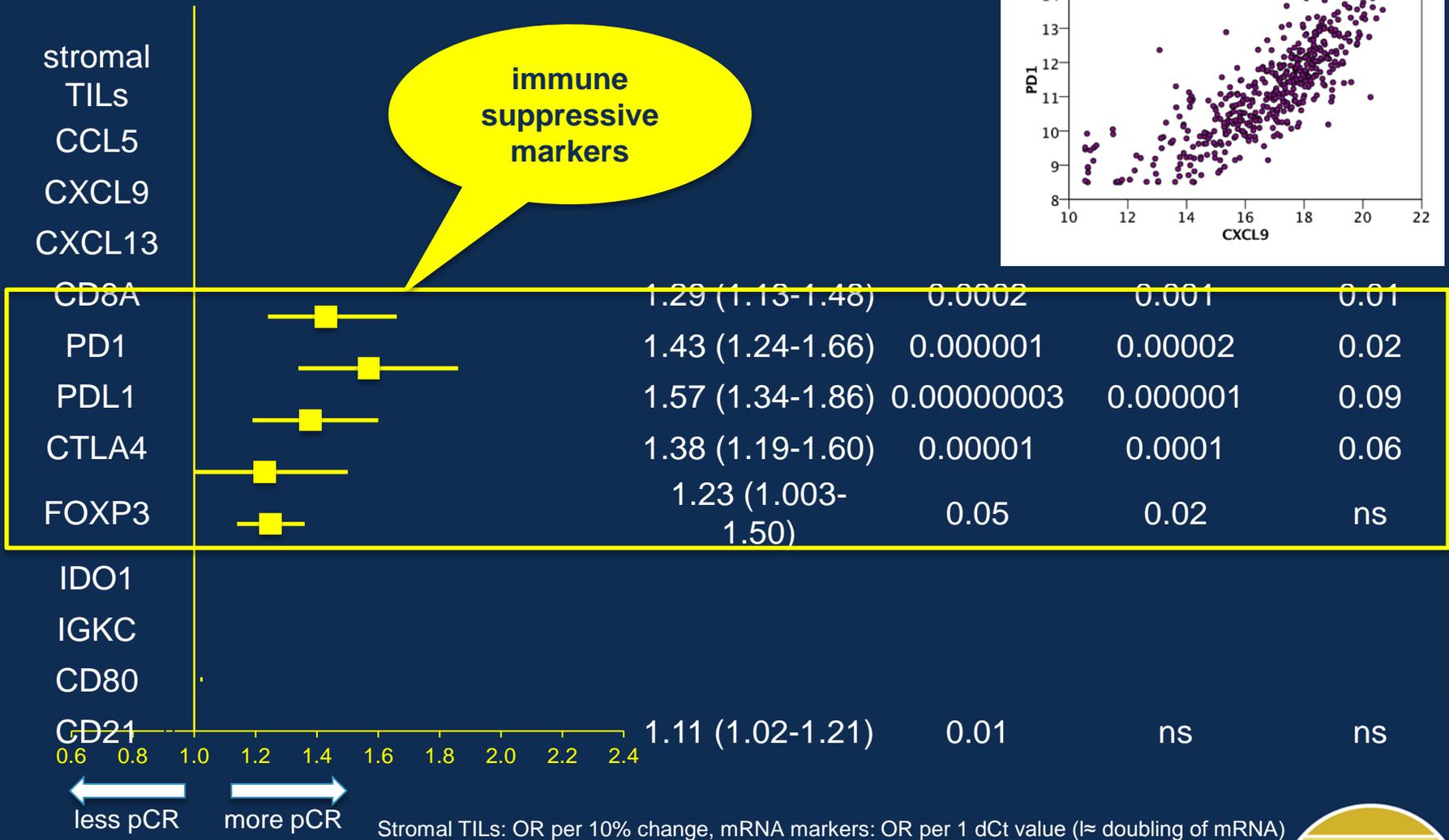
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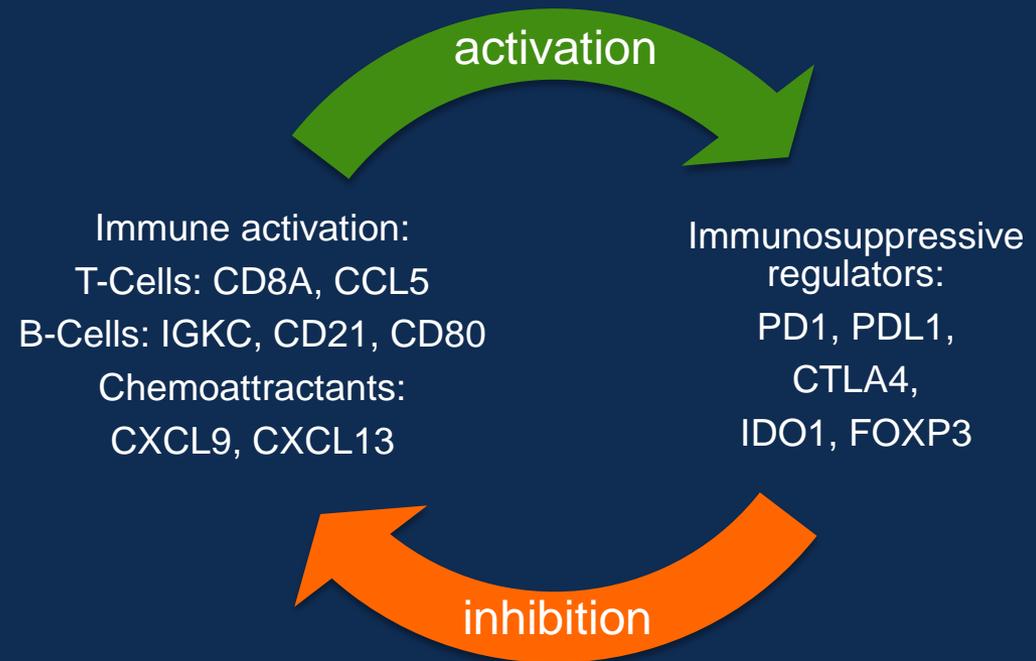
immune suppressive markers



Conclusion - Immune-regulatory checkpoint markers

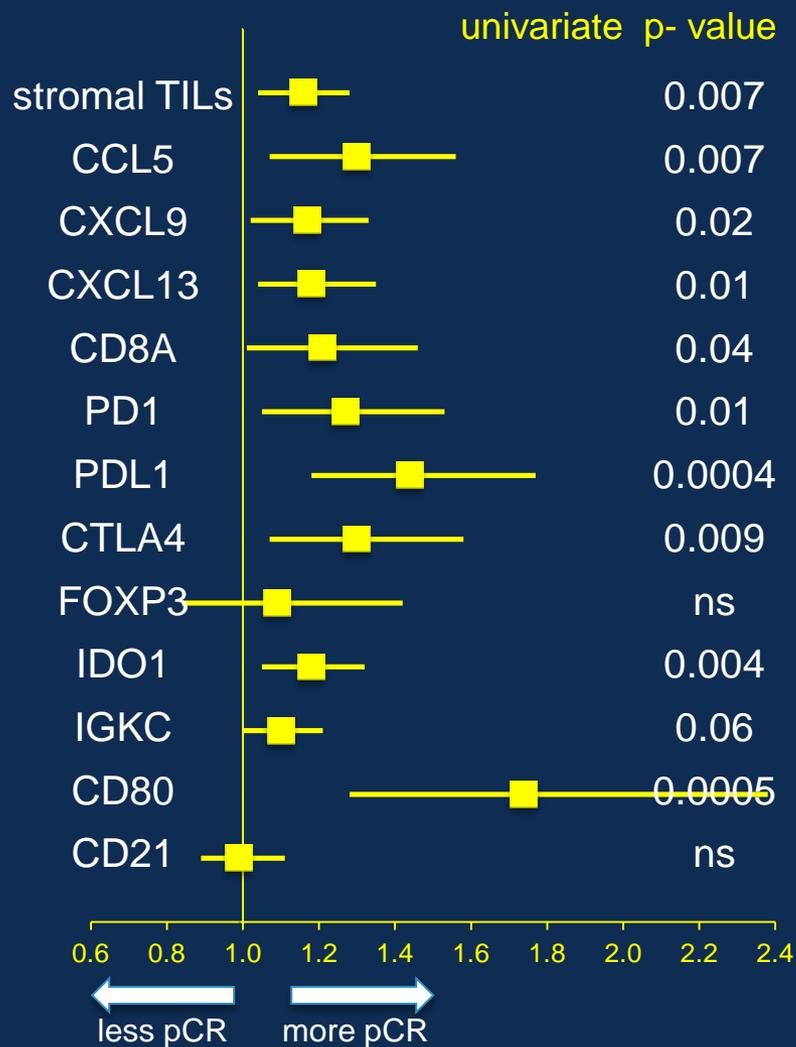
- Expression of PD1, PDL1, CTLA4, IDO1 and FOXP3 cannot be used to monitor anti-immune activity (because these markers are positively correlated with other immune mRNA markers and with therapy response).
- These markers are expressed in parallel to the pro-immune markers, suggesting a feedback activation of immuno-suppressive pathways in parallel to the immune reaction.

modified hypothesis – feedback loop

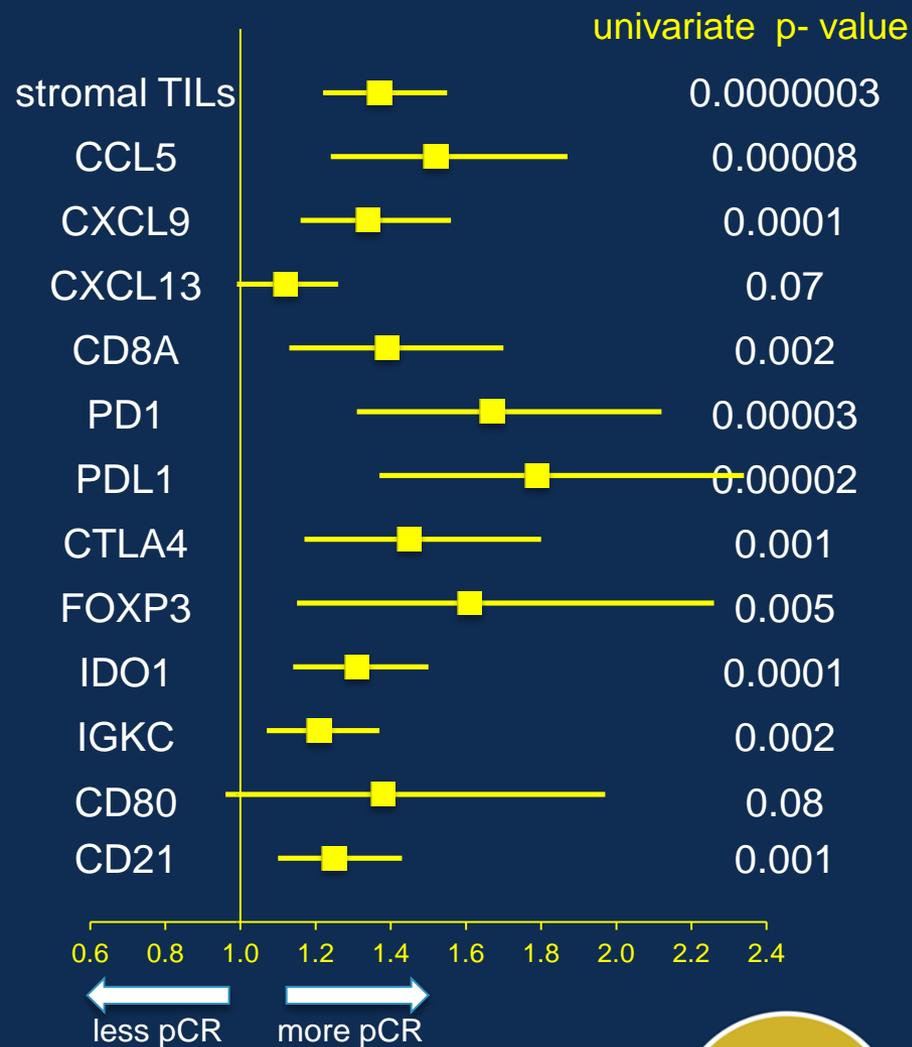


Immune markers in different subtypes

TNBC (n=255)



HER2+ BC (n=226)



Comparison of immune mRNAs and TILs for response prediction

	all cases	TNBC	HER2+
	p-value for immune mRNA	p-value for immune mRNA	p-value for immune mRNA
CCL5	0.04		
CXCL9			
CXCL13			
CD8A			
PD1	0.09		
PDL1	0.005	0.04	0.06
CTLA4			
FOXP3			
IDO1	0.05	0.08	
IGKC			
CD80	0.07	0.005	
CD21			

- Exploratory multivariate analysis including TILs, mRNA markers and clinical markers:
 - TILs are significant in all analyses
 - immune mRNAs are only significant in selected analyses
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- TILs contain similar information as immune mRNAs

Conclusions: Neoadjuvant Carboplatin

- Addition of carboplatin to weekly paclitaxel or to pegylated doxorubicin/paclitaxel improved pathologic complete response among triple negative breast cancer patients
- Similar to findings from CALGB 40603 in triple negative breast cancer
- Optimal dosing of carboplatin is unclear
- In GEPARSIXTO, increase of pCR rate with carboplatin was highest in patients with family history and alterations of *gBRCA/RAD*
- Assessment of tumor-infiltrating lymphocytes and other immune markers have been linked to improved response to neoadjuvant therapy

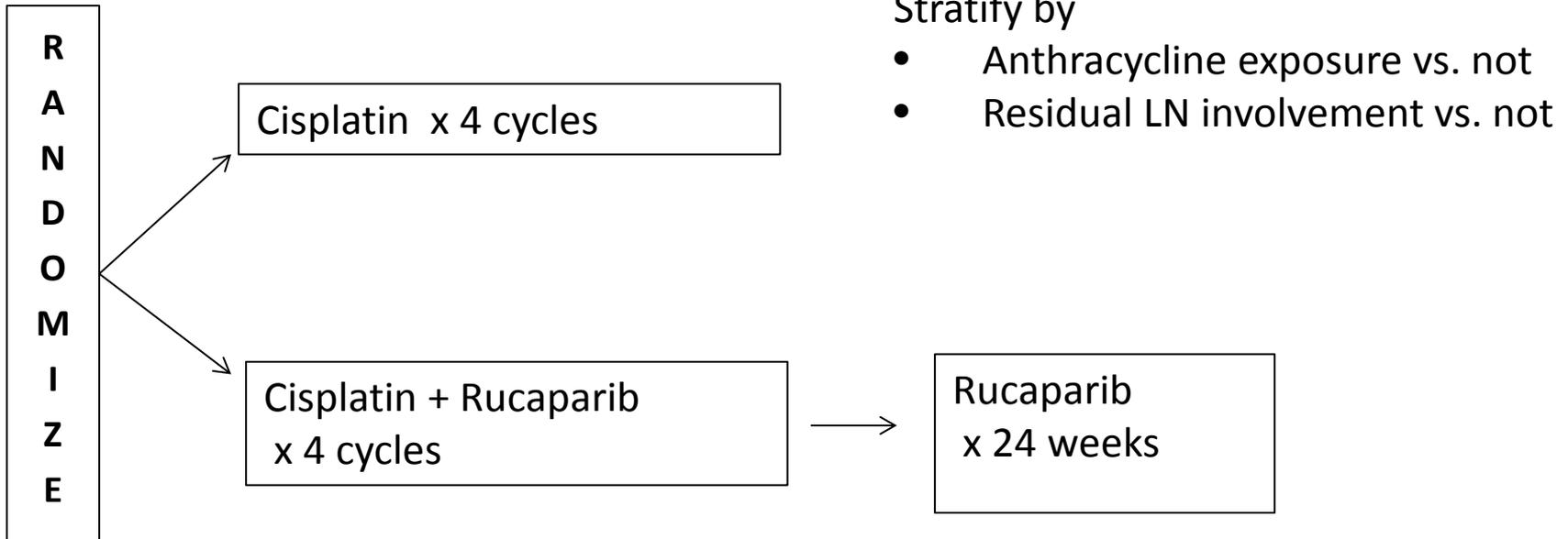
**Abstract 1019: Cisplatin with or without
PARP inhibitor, rucaparib, after
preoperative chemotherapy in patients
with triple-negative breast cancer
(TNBC): Hoosier Cancer Research
Network BRE09-146**

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Michael A. Danso, Cynthia X. Ma, Paula
Silverman, Mary-Claire King, Susan M.
Perkins, Sunil S. Badve, Kathy Miller**

Eligibility Criteria

- Histologically or cytologically confirmed triple negative invasive breast cancer, stage I-III at diagnosis
 - Patients with ER+ and/or PR+ allowed ONLY if they are known carriers of a deleterious mutation in BRCA1 or BRCA2.
- Completed neoadjuvant chemotherapy with an anthracycline and/or a taxane.
 - No prior cisplatin. Prior carboplatin allowed.
- Completed definitive resection of primary tumor with substantial residual disease based on one of the following
 - Miller-Payne class 0-2⁴
 - Residual Disease Burden (RCB) classification II or III⁵
 - Residual lymph node (N1-N3) involvement
 - Residual 2 cm invasive disease in the breast
- Radiation therapy completed if indicated.

Study Schema



Cisplatin 75 mg/m² D1

Rucaparib (combined therapy)

RP2 - 24 mg IV D1,2,3 cycle 1, escalate to 30 mg C2-4

Rucaparib monotherapy

30 mg IV or 100 mg po weekly x 24 weeks

Patient Characteristics	Cisplatin (n = 65)	Cisplatin + Rucaparib (n = 63)
Median age	48 (27-69)	47 (21-75)
African American	20%	17.5%
Known BRCA1 or 2 mutation at entry	BRCA 1 – 1 BRCA 2 - 2	BRCA 1 – 1 BRCA 2 - 2
Deleterious BRCA mutation by BROCA analysis*	21.5%	12.7%
Neoadjuvant Chemo		
Anthracycline	66%	48%
Taxane	92%	89%
Carboplatin	0	9.5%
Radiation Therapy	86%	86%
Median residual tumor	1.9 cm (0-9)	1.9 cm (0-11.5)
Median residual LN+	1 (0-15)	1 (0-38)
Median Residual Cancer Burden	2.6 (0-5.0) (n=53)	2.7 (0-5.3) (n=59)

*BROCA analysis available in 101 patients

1 YEAR DISEASE FREE SURVIVAL

	Cisplatin	Cisplatin + Rucaparib
All patients (ITT)	82.7%	82.5%
Deleterious BRCA mutation by BROCA analysis	84.6%	100%

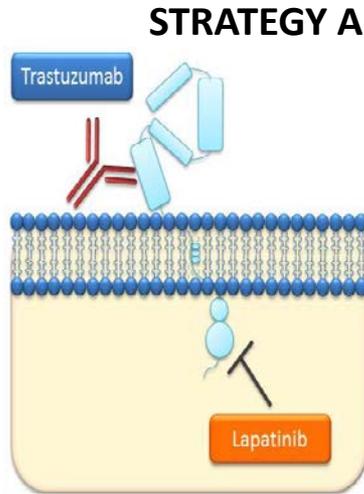
First results from the phase III ALTTO trial (BIG 02-06; NCCTG 063D) comparing one year of anti-HER2 therapy with lapatinib alone (L), trastuzumab alone (T), their sequence (T→L) or their combination (L + T) in the adjuvant treatment of HER2-positive early breast cancer (EBC)

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On behalf of the ALTTO Study Team



AVAILABLE RESULTS OF DUAL HER2 BLOCKADE PRIOR TO ASCO 2014



EGF104900 (N= 296)

NeoALTTO (N= 455)

Cherlob (N= 121)

LPT 109096 (N= 78)

NSABP B-41 (N= 529)

CALGB 40601 (N= 305)

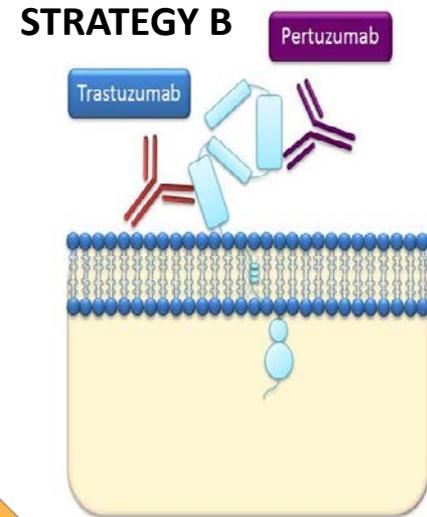
ALTTO (N= 8,381)

Advanced Disease
↑ PFS and OS
(2 trials)

Neoadjuvant setting
Significant ↑ ↑ pCR
(4 trials)

Non significant ↑ pCR
(2 trials)

Adjuvant setting



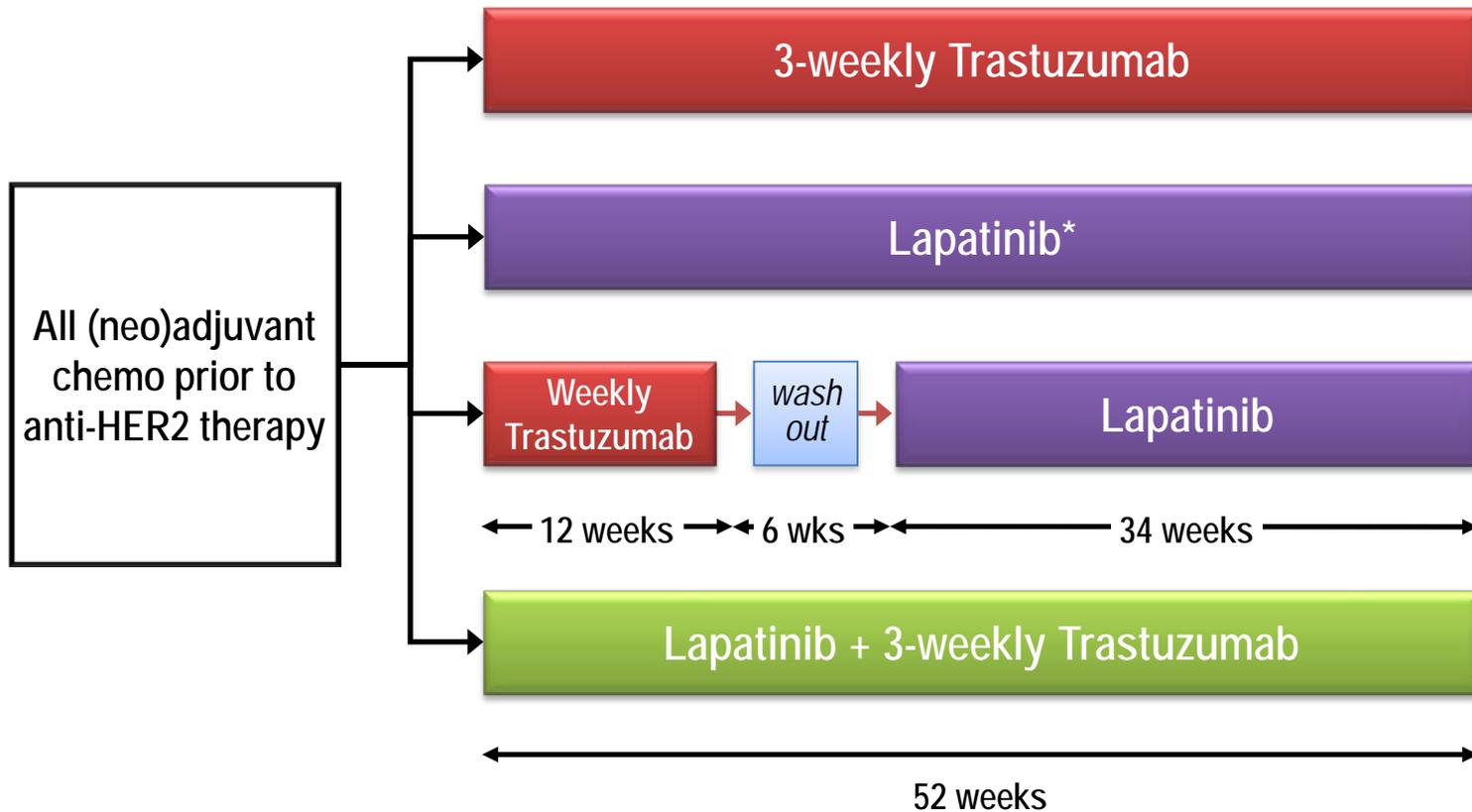
Cleopatra (N= 808)

NeoSPHERE (N= 417)

APHINITY (N= 4,805)



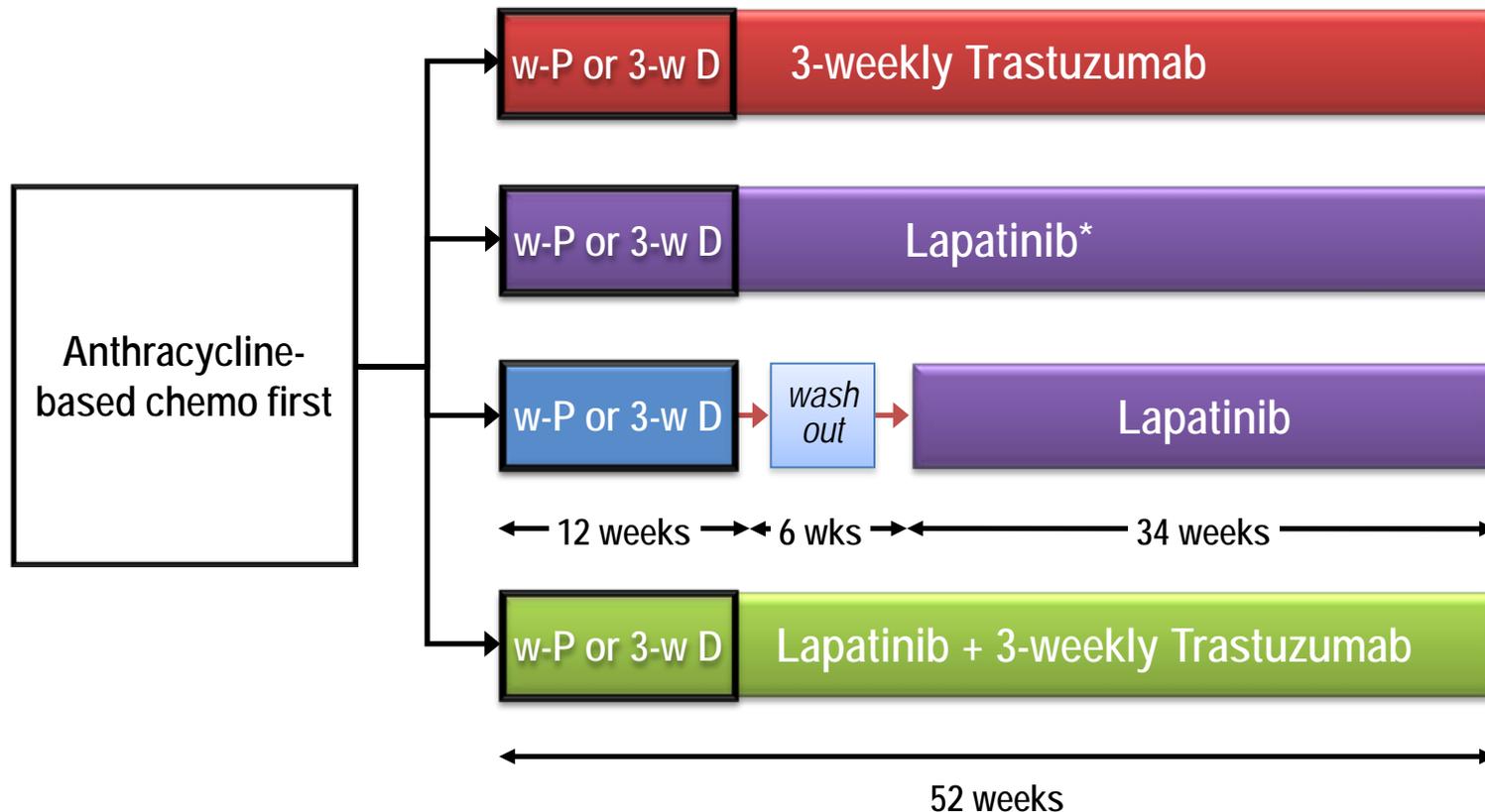
DESIGN 1: SEQUENTIAL ANTI-HER2 THERAPY AFTER ALL CHEMOTHERAPY (N= 4,613)



All patients: radiotherapy, if indicated (concomitant with targeted therapy).
Hormone receptor-positive patients: endocrine therapy for at least 5 years.
**The L alone arm was closed on 18 Aug 2011 following IDMC recommendation*

Tras alone: 8 mg/kg → 6 mg/Kg iv, q21 days
 Lap alone: 1500 mg po qd
 Tras → Lap: T 4 mg/kg → 2 mg/Kg iv q7 days; L 1500 mg po qd
 Tras + Lap: T 8 mg/kg → 6 mg/Kg iv, q21 days; L 1000 mg po qd

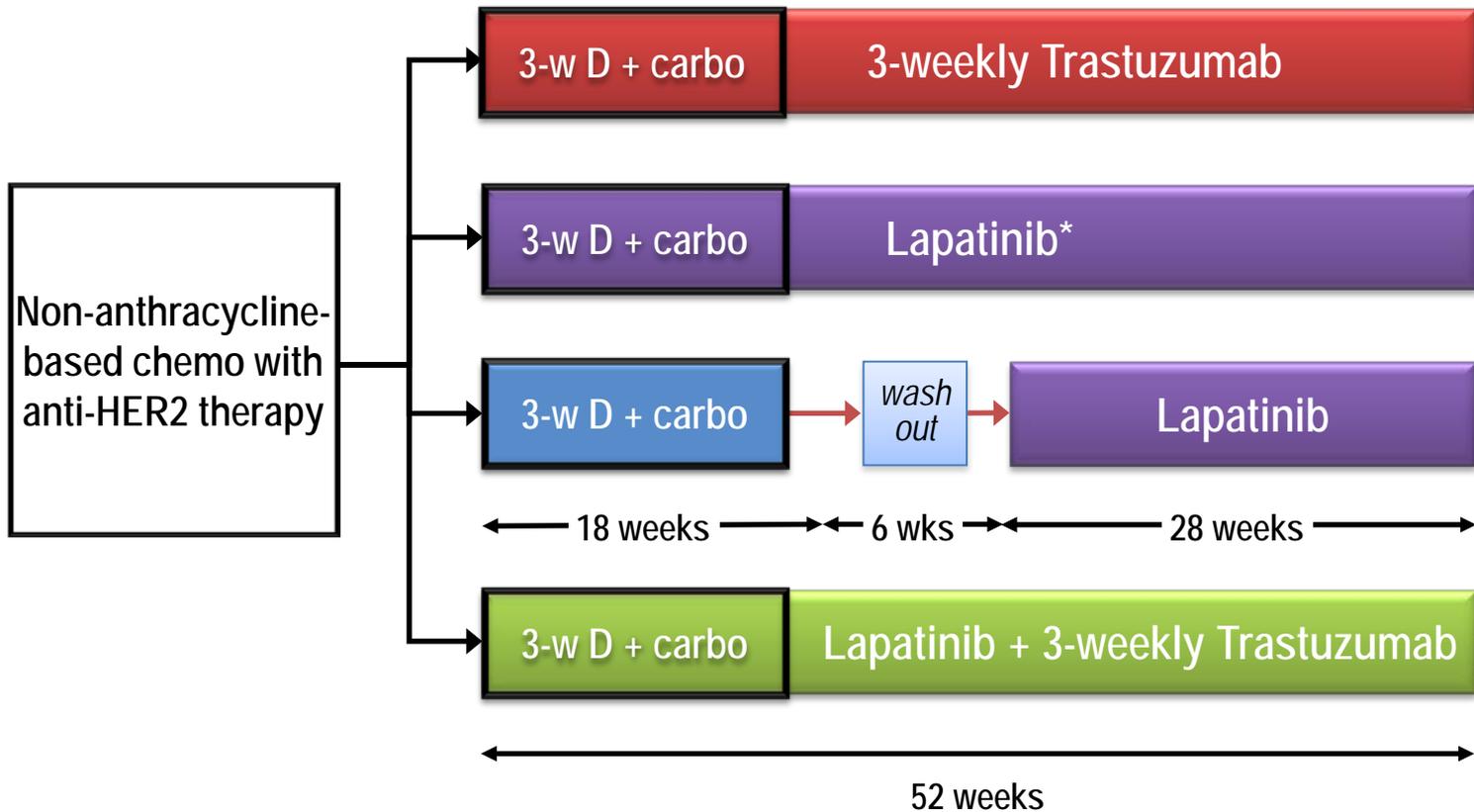
DESIGN 2: CONCURRENT ANTI-HER2 THERAPY AFTER ANTHRACYCLINE-BASED CHEMOTHERAPY (N= 3,337)



w-P: weekly paclitaxel (80 mg/m²); 3-w D: q3 weeks docetaxel (75-100 mg/m²)
All patients: radiotherapy, if indicated (concomitant with targeted therapy).
Hormone receptor-positive patients: endocrine therapy for at least 5 years.
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Tras alone: 4 mg/kg → 2 mg/Kg iv, q7 days → 6 mg/Kg iv, q21 days
 Lap alone: 750 mg po qd → 1500 mg qd
 Tras → Lap: T 4 mg/kg → 2 mg/Kg iv q7 days; L 1500 mg po qd
 Tras + Lap: T 4 mg/kg → 2 mg/Kg iv, q7 days → 6 mg/Kg iv, q21 days;
 L 750 mg po qd → 1000 mg qd

DESIGN 2B: CONCURRENT ANTI-HER2 THERAPY WITH A NON-ANTHRACYCLINE CHEMOTHERAPY (N= 431)



3-w D: q3 weeks docetaxel (75 mg/m²); carbo: carboplatin (AUC 6)
All patients: radiotherapy, if indicated (concomitant with targeted therapy).
Hormone receptor-positive patients: endocrine therapy for at least 5 years.
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 Tras + Lap: T 4 mg/kg → 2 mg/Kg iv, q7 days → 6 mg/Kg iv, q21 days;
 L 750 mg po qd → 1000 mg qd

PRIMARY ENDPOINT

Disease-free survival (DFS) event: first occurrence of 1) **invasive breast cancer recurrence** at any site, 2) a **second primary cancer** (invasive contralateral breast cancer or non-breast malignancy, or 3) **death from any cause** as first event.

SECONDARY ENDPOINTS

- **Overall survival (OS)**
- Time to recurrence (TTR)
- Time to distant recurrence (TTDR)
- Cumulative incidence of brain metastases
- **Safety in general**
- **Cardiac safety**
- Presence or absence of cMYC gene amplification
- Expression levels of PTEN
- Presence or absence of p95 HER2 domain

CURRENT ANALYSIS PLAN

Statistical procedures for the two remaining pairwise comparisons are:

Comparison	Assumptions
L + T vs. T	Test superiority in ITT population at alpha = 0.025
T → L vs. T	Test non-inferiority in per protocol population (PPP) at alpha = 0.025

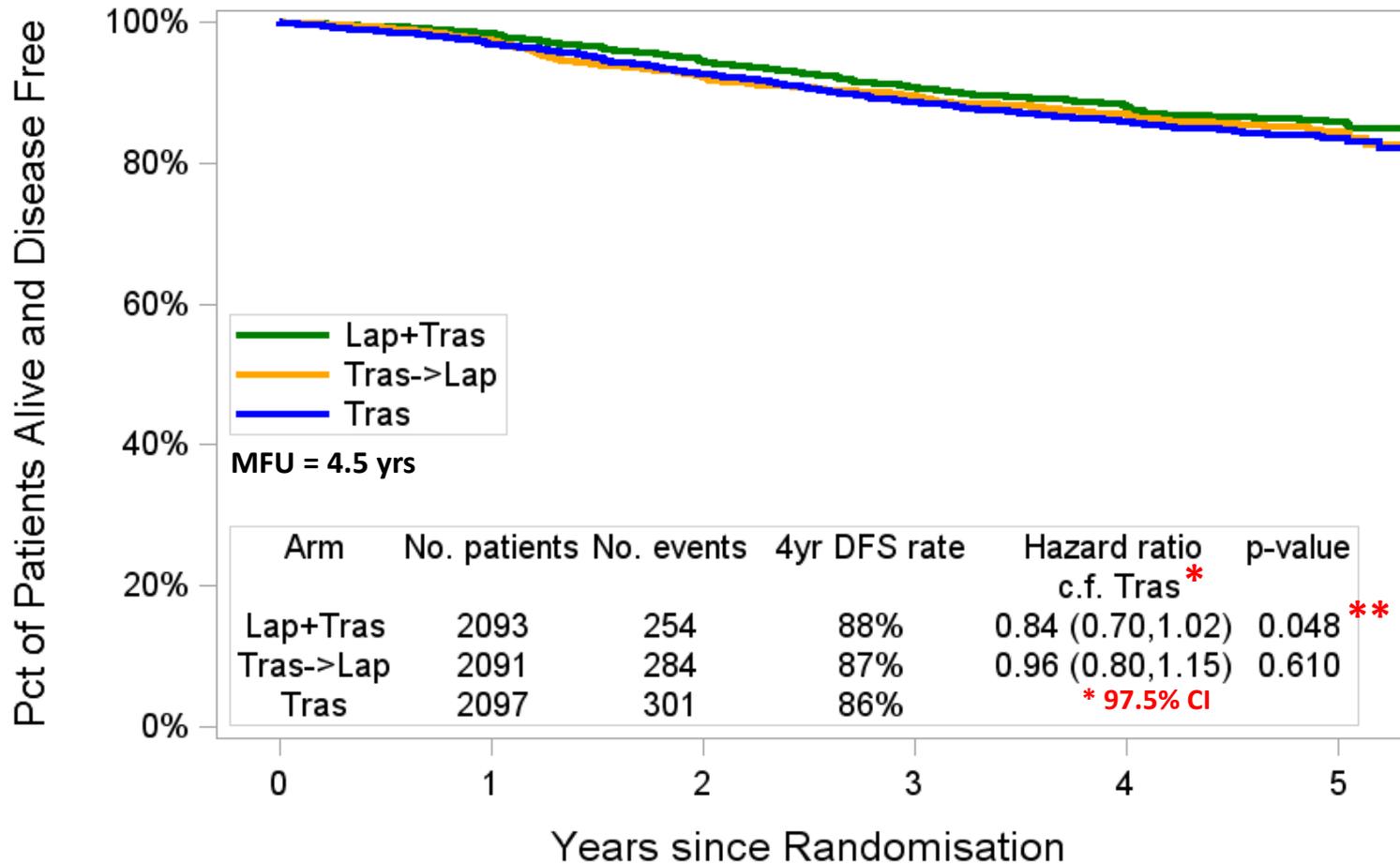
DISTRIBUTION OF THE STRATIFICATION FACTORS BY TREATMENT ARM

	L + T (N = 2,093)	T → L (N = 2,091)	T (N = 2,097)
Hormone Receptor Status			
Positive	1,203 (57%)	1,205 (58%)	1,200 (57%)
Negative	890 (43%)	886 (42%)	897 (43%)
Timing of chemotherapy			
Sequential (Design 1)	1,155 (55%)	1,143 (55%)	1,147 (55%)
Concurrent (Design 2 and 2B)	938 (45%)	948 (45%)	950 (45%)
Lymph Node Status			
Not applicable (neoadjuvant chemotherapy)	168 (8%)	170 (8%)	181 (9%)
Node negative	845 (40%)	842 (40%)	844 (40%)
1-3 positive nodes	617 (29%)	617 (30%)	603 (29%)
>=4 positive nodes	463 (22%)	462 (22%)	469 (22%)

DISTRIBUTION OF PATIENT CHARACTERISTICS BY TREATMENT ARM

	L + T (N = 2,093)	T → L (N = 2,091)	T (N = 2,097)
Menopausal Status			
Premenopausal	908 (43%)	929 (44%)	908 (43%)
Postmenopausal or male	1,185 (57%)	1,162 (56%)	1,189 (57%)
Pathological primary tumor size - largest diameter of invasive component			
Missing	27	41	38
≤ 2cm	937 (45%)	938 (46%)	942 (46%)
> 2cm to ≤ 5cm	1,002 (49%)	980 (48%)	990 (48%)
> 5cm	127 (6%)	132 (6%)	127 (6%)
Histologic grade			
Missing	10	7	9
Gx: Differentiation cannot be assessed	79 (4%)	61 (3%)	59 (3%)
G1: Well differentiated	51 (2%)	59 (3%)	48 (2%)
G2: Moderately differentiated	774 (37%)	793 (38%)	744 (36%)
G3: Poorly differentiated/undifferentiated	1,179 (57%)	1,171 (56%)	1,237 (59%)

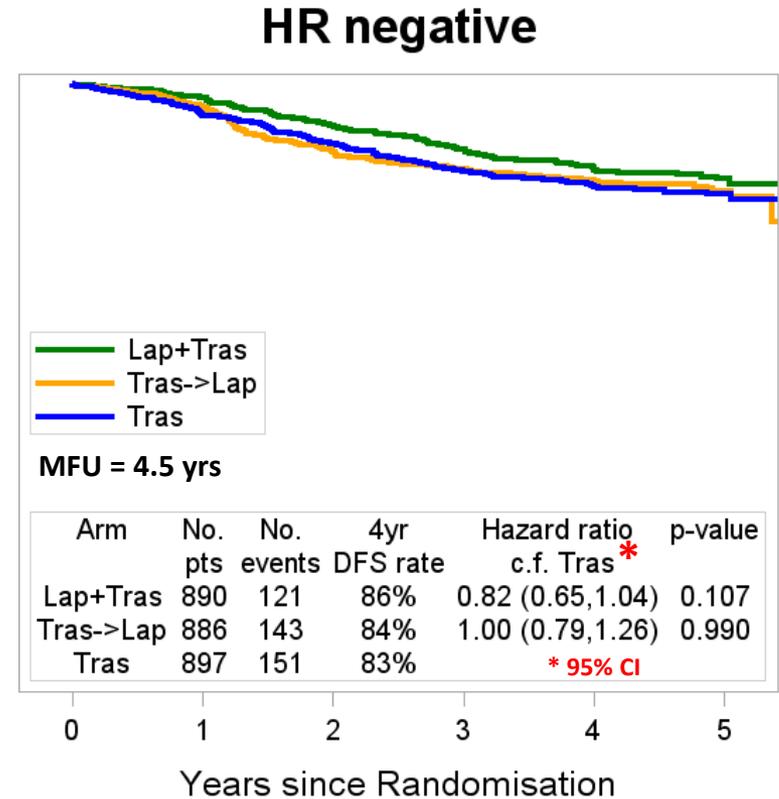
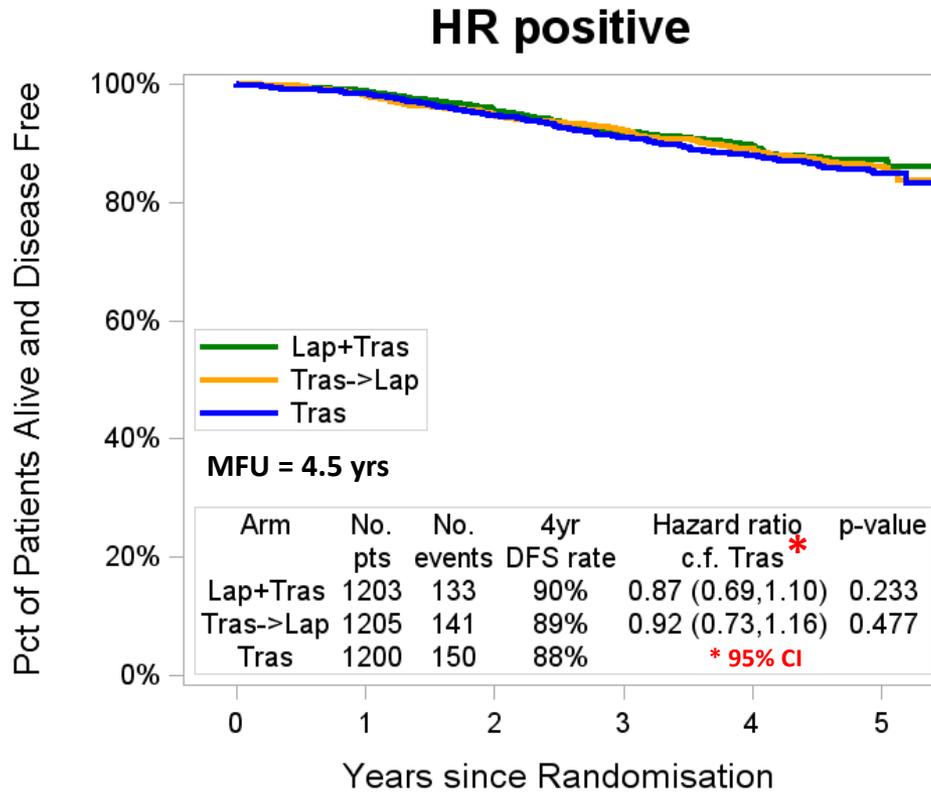
DISEASE-FREE SURVIVAL (DFS) ANALYSIS



Lap+Tras	2093	1938	1832	1672	1256	474
Tras->Lap	2091	1957	1822	1684	1261	476
Tras	2097	1959	1838	1658	1246	448

**p-value ≤ 0.025 required for statistical significance

DFS BY HORMONE RECEPTOR STATUS



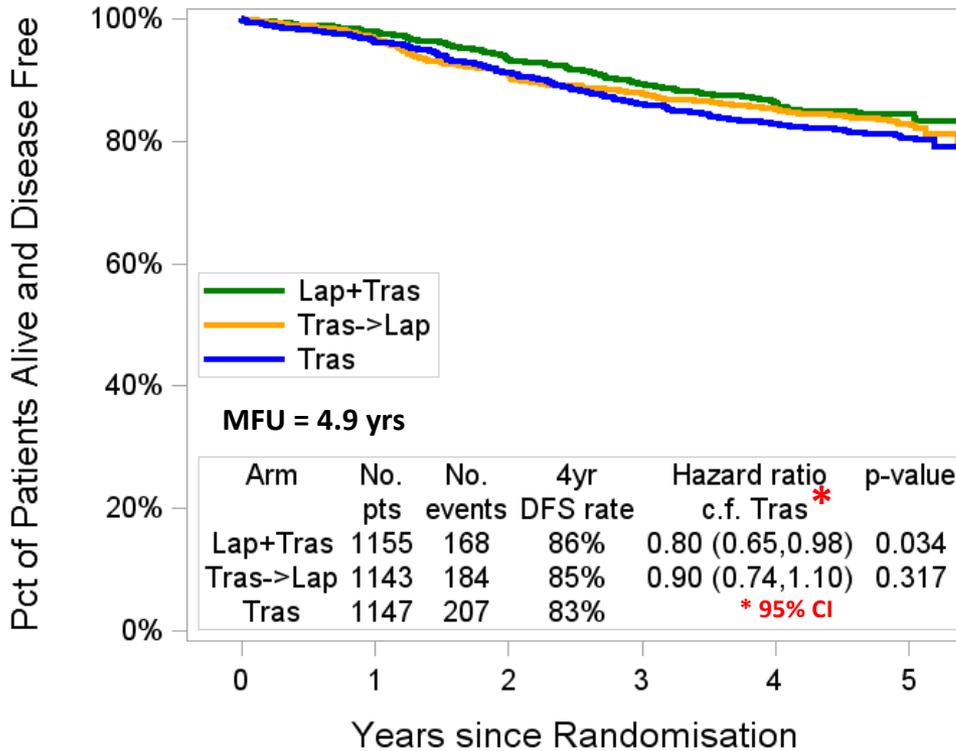
Lap+Tras	1203	1122	1066	972	738	278	890	816	766	700	518	196
Tras->Lap	1205	1137	1081	1000	734	288	886	820	741	684	527	188
Tras	1200	1135	1070	968	722	260	897	824	768	690	524	188

Interaction tests $p = 0.70$ L + T

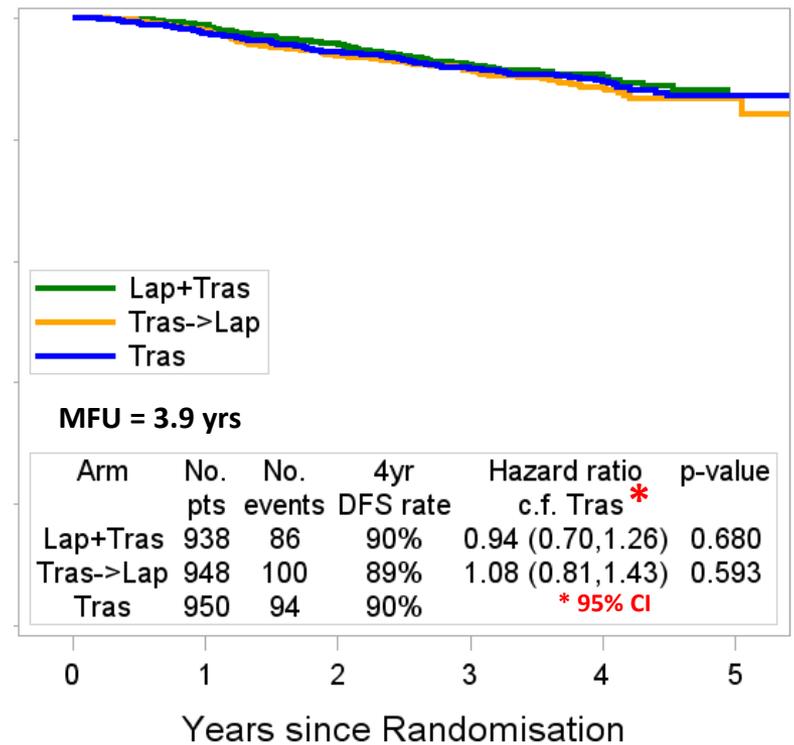
$p = 0.60$ T \rightarrow L

DFS BY CHEMOTHERAPY TIMING

Sequential (Design 1)



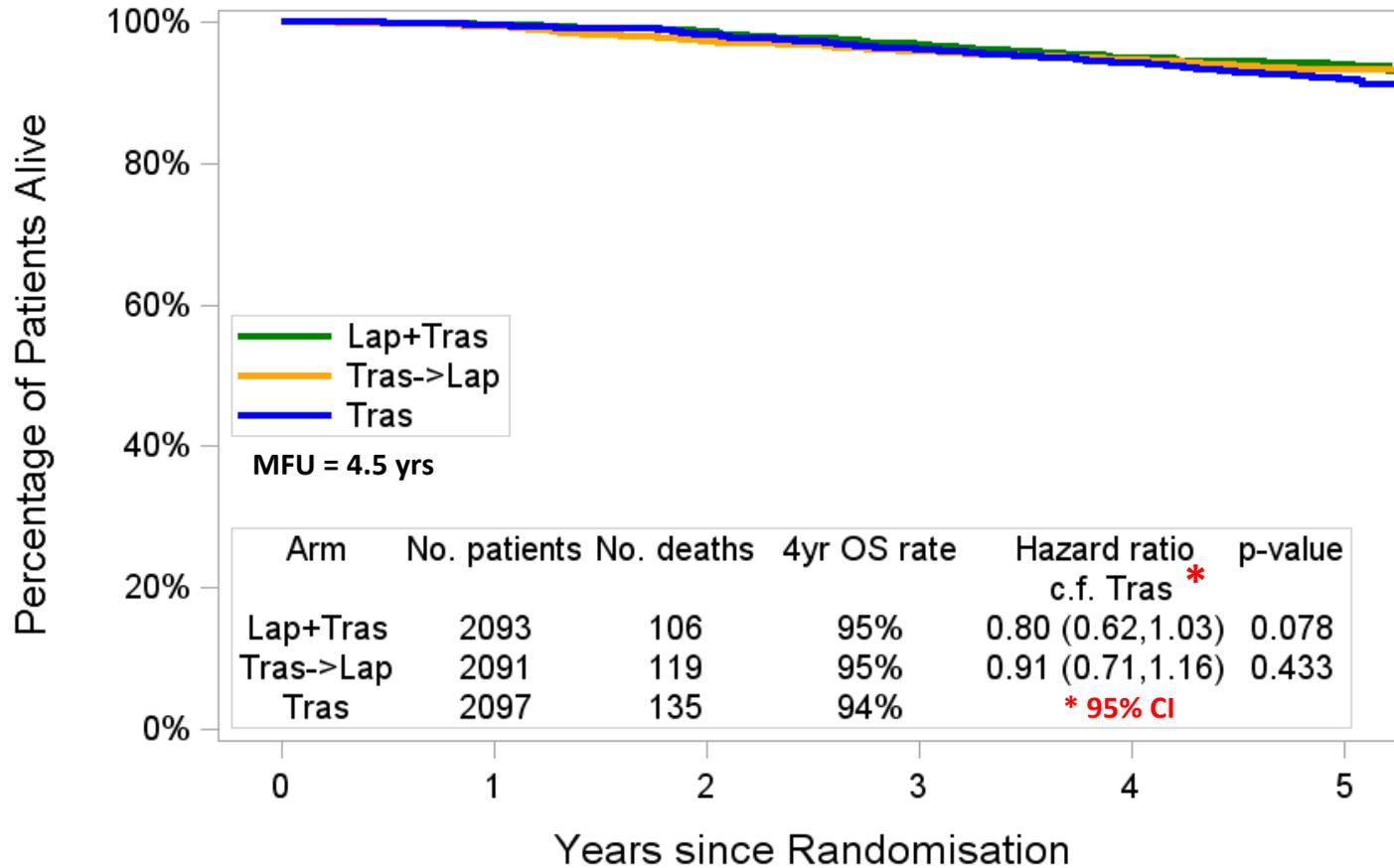
Concurrent (Designs 2 & 2B)



Lap+Tras	1155	1057	995	935	875	399	938	881	837	737	381	75
Tras->Lap	1143	1060	985	941	891	409	948	897	837	743	370	67
Tras	1147	1060	990	913	846	382	950	899	848	745	400	66

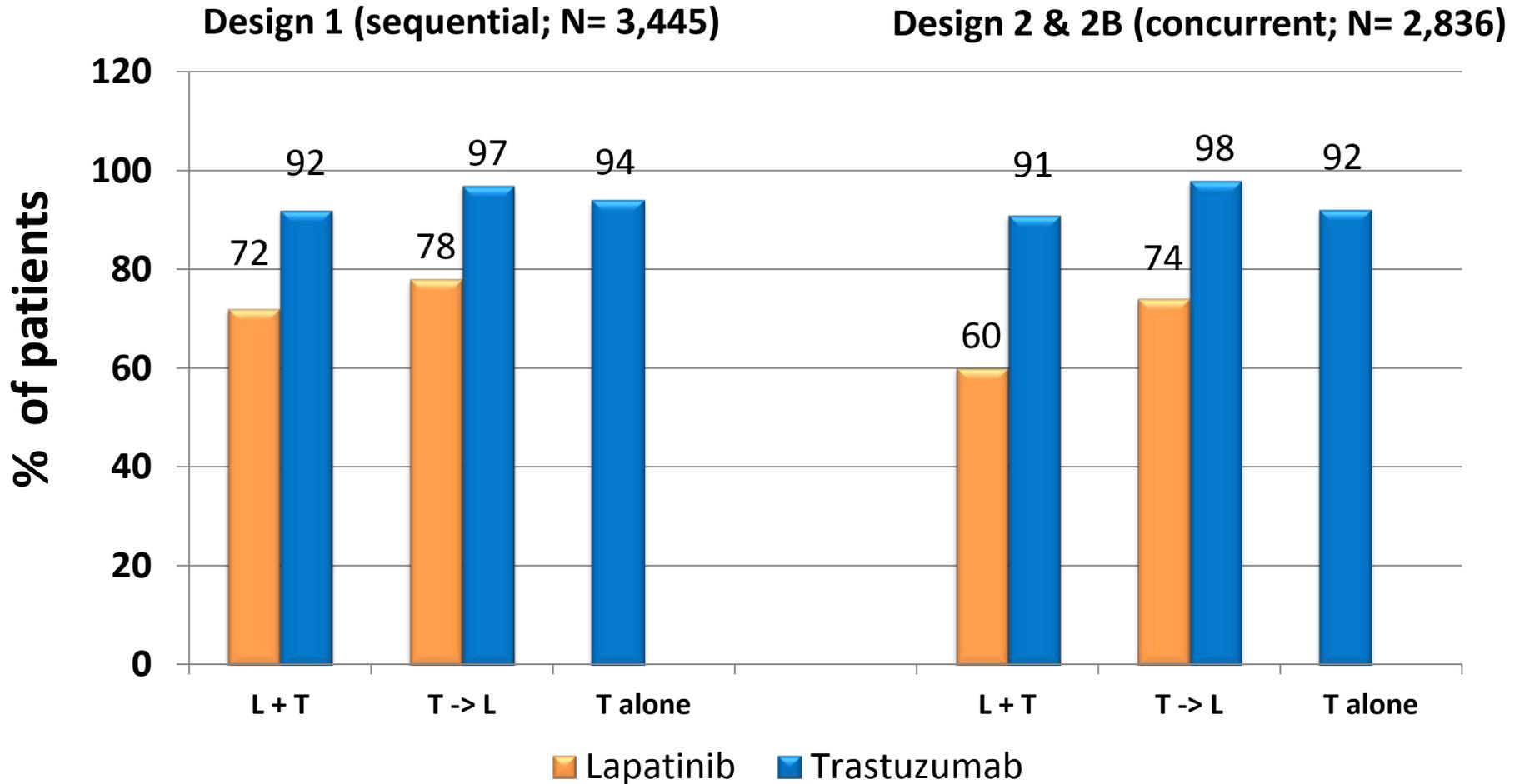
Interaction tests $p = 0.41$ L + T
 $p = 0.31$ T \rightarrow L

OVERALL SURVIVAL (OS) ANALYSIS

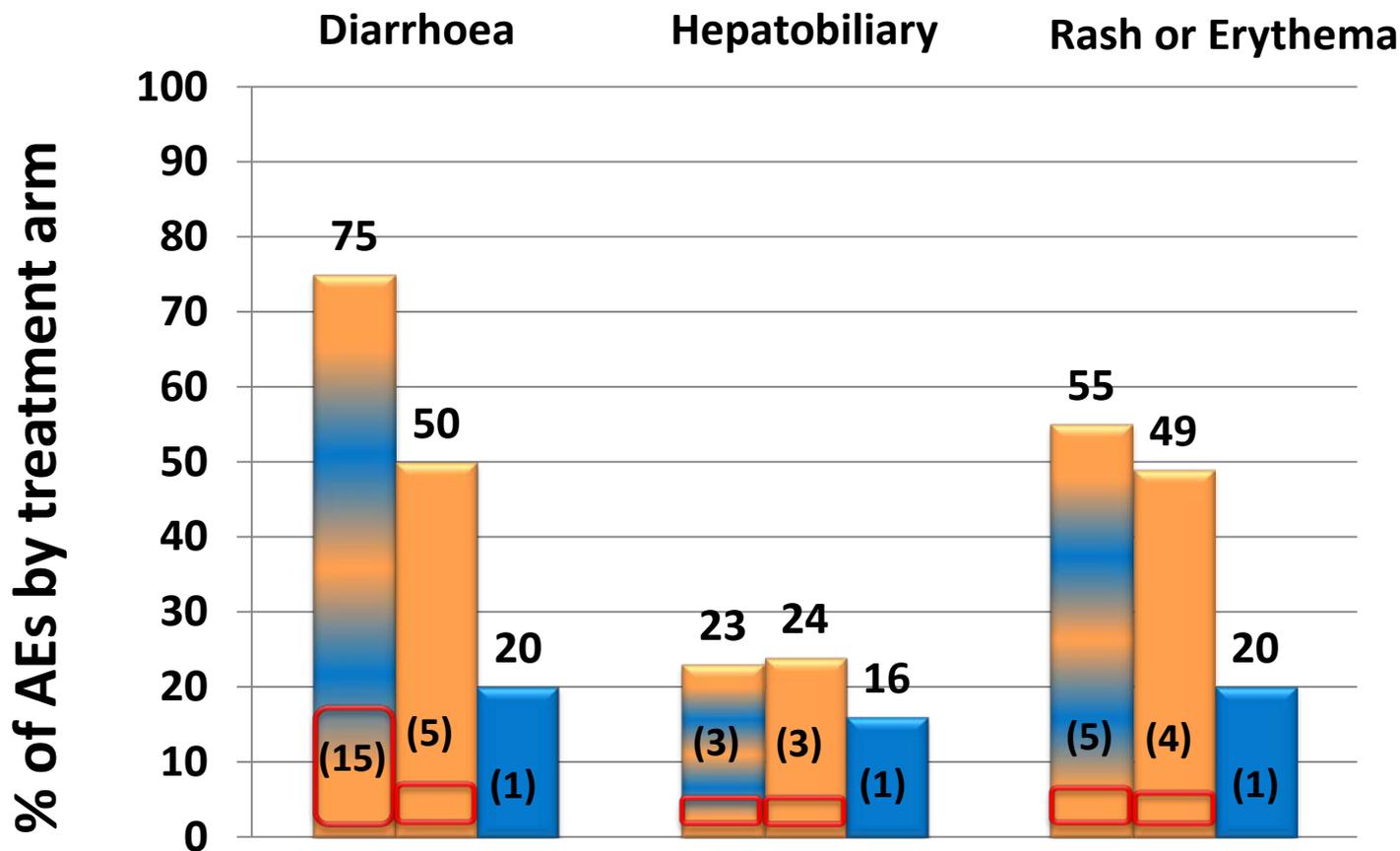


Lap+Tras	2093	1979	1930	1795	1362	533
Tras->Lap	2091	2005	1933	1805	1368	521
Tras	2097	2023	1949	1804	1373	508

PROPORTION OF PATIENTS RECEIVING $\geq 85\%$ OF THE PLANNED DOSE OF ANTI-HER2 DRUGS



MAIN DIFFERENCES IN AEs BY TREATMENT ARM



AEs  L + T
 AEs ≥G3 

 T → L


 T


p < 0.001 for incidence for all arms when compared to T

Conclusions

- The event rate was lower than anticipated: 555 DFS events for the L + T vs. T comparison at 4.5 years median follow-up instead of target of 850.
- The higher pCR observed with L + T vs. T in NeoALTTO (51.3% vs. 29.5%) did not translate into improved survival outcomes in ALTTO at 4.5 years median follow-up.
- Results of adjuvant pertuzumab trial (APHINITY) are anticipated to determine if higher pCR observed with trastuzumab plus pertuzumab (45.8% vs. 29%) in NeoSphere translates to improved long-term outcomes.

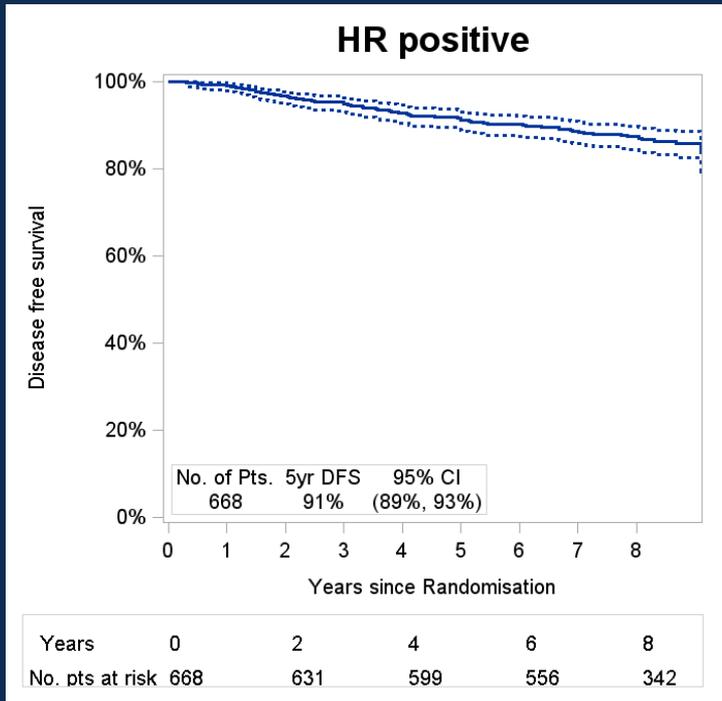


Efficacy Of Adjuvant Trastuzumab Compared With No Trastuzumab for Patients With HER2-Positive Breast Cancer And Tumors ≤ 2 cm: A Meta-analysis Of The Randomized Trastuzumab Trials

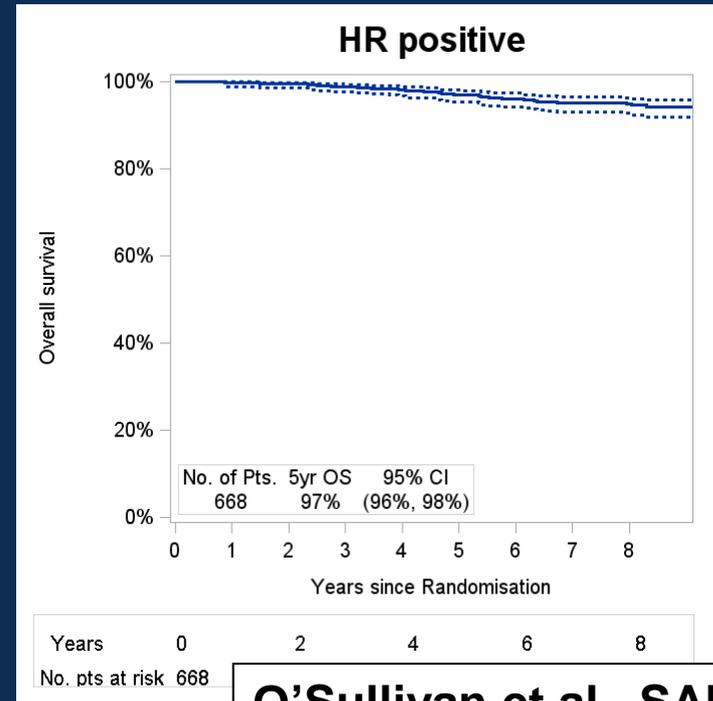
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Long term follow up on behalf of the Trastuzumab Overview Group

Favorable Prognosis Seen for Patients with HER2-Positive BC and Hormone Receptor (HR)-Positive Tumors $\leq 2\text{cm}$ & 0/1 N+ Treated with Chemotherapy/ Hormones/ Trastuzumab



5 year DFS 91%



5 year OS 97%

O'Sullivan et al., SABCS 2013

"Is there an advantage of trastuzumab compared with no trastuzumab for patients with small tumors?"

Efficacy Analysis

- **Aim:**
 - Compare efficacy of trastuzumab vs. no trastuzumab in pts with small HER2-positive breast cancer (BC) in the adjuvant randomized trastuzumab trials
- **Methods:**
 - Analysis performed separately for hormone receptor (HR)-positive and HR-negative cohorts
 - Individual patient meta-analysis: tumors ≤ 2 cm (T1a, T1b and T1c) & 0-1, 2-3 and ≥ 4 positive nodes.

Trials Included in This Analysis

Trial	HER2+ Tumors	Timing of Trastuzumab	Duration of Trastuzumab	Chemotherapy regimen	Median follow up (years)
HERA	5,102	Sequential	1 or 2 years	Any – 94% A; 26% A and T	8.0
NCCTG N9831	3,505	Concurrent or sequential	1 year	AC→T AC→ w TH AC→ w T→H	8.7
NSABP B-31	3,222	Concurrent	1 year	AC→T AC→TH	9.4
PACS 04	528	Sequential	1 year	FEC→H DE→ H	5.0
FinHER	232	Concurrent	9 weeks	D+/-H→FEC V+/-H→FEC	5.6

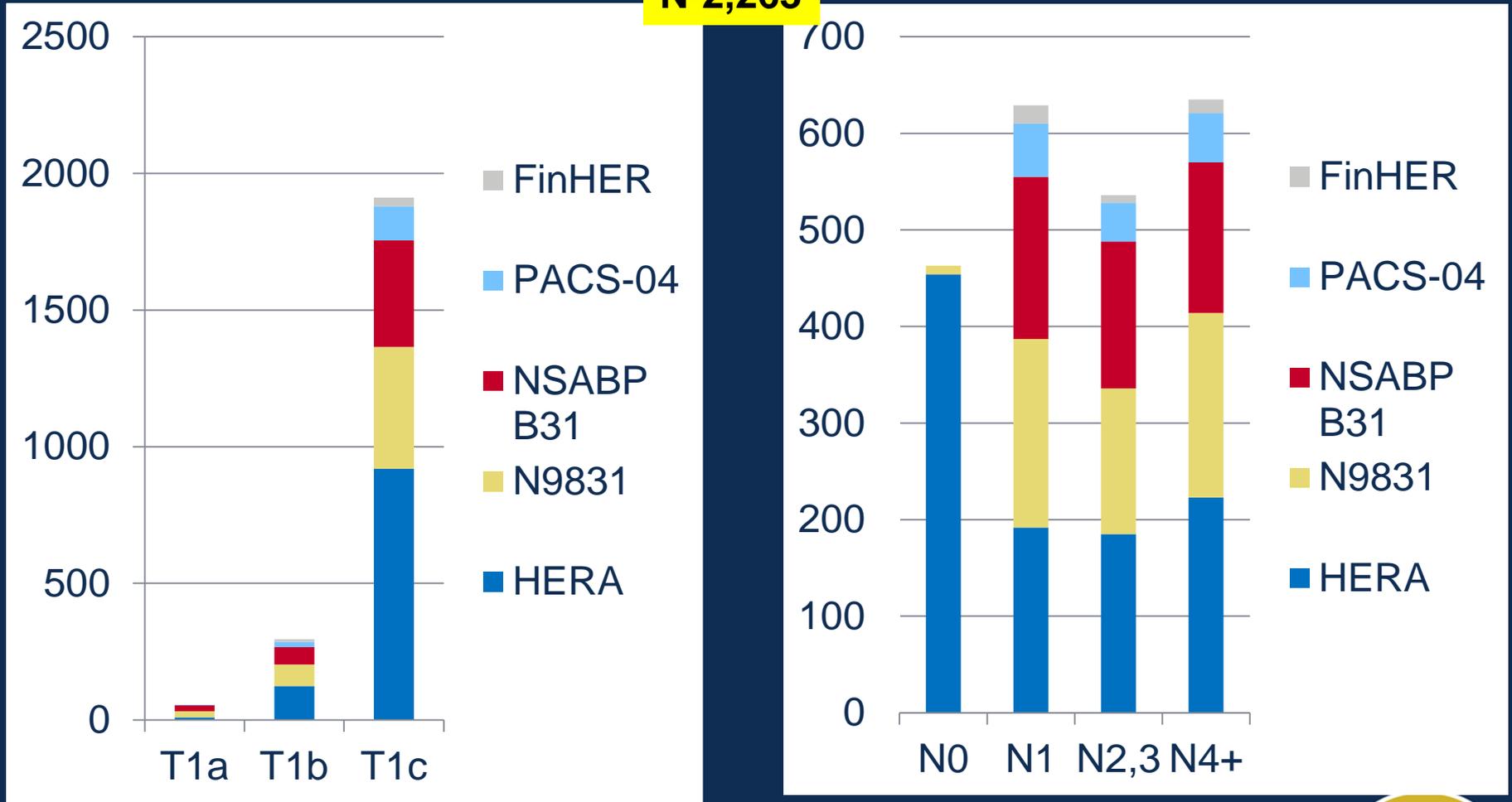
A-doxorubicin; T-paclitaxel; w-weekly ; H-trastuzumab; F-5-fluorouracil; E-epirubicin; C-cyclophosphamide; D-docetaxel; V-vinorelbine

HER2-Positive Tumors \leq 2cm

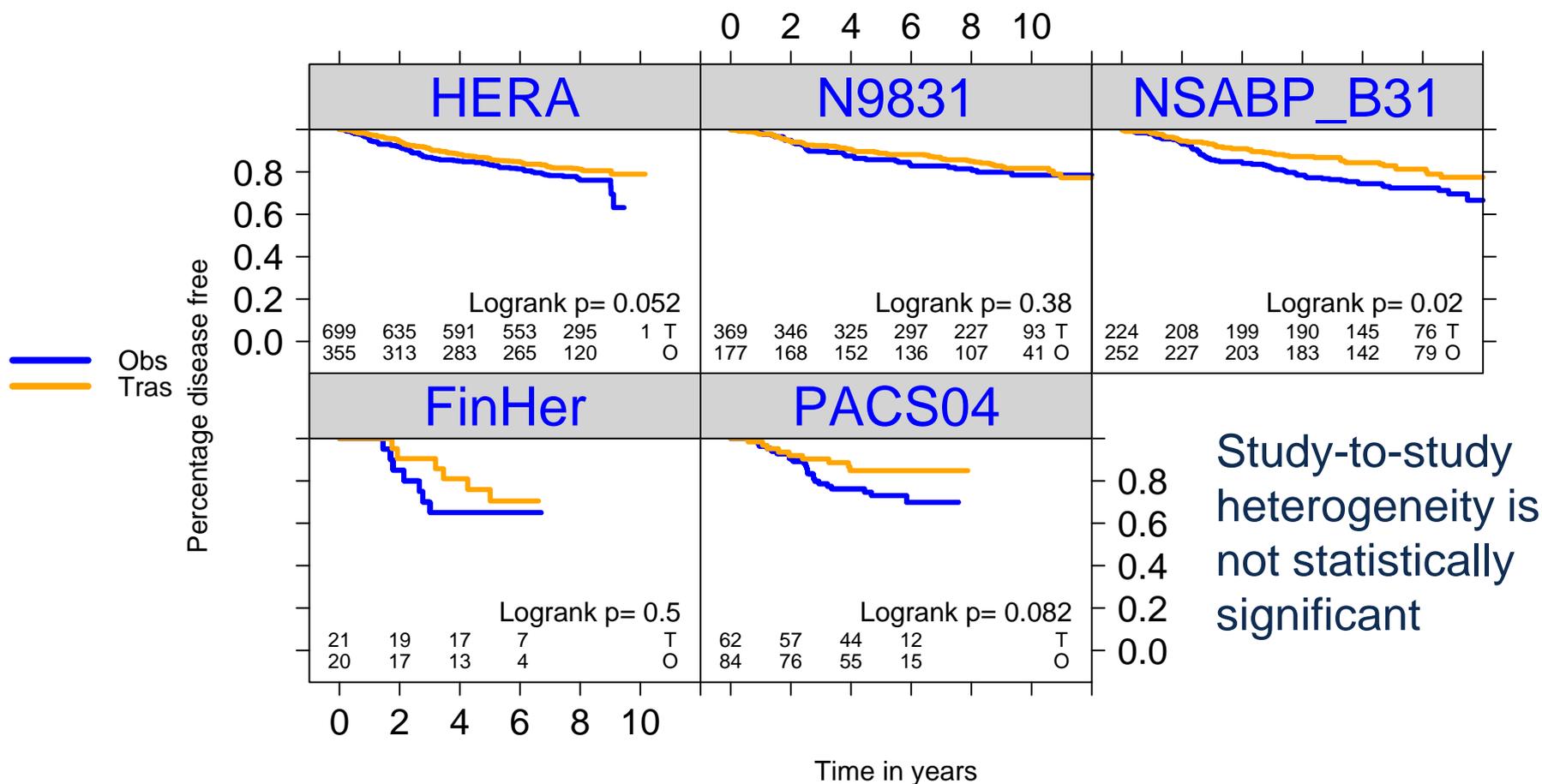
Trial	HER2+ Tumors	HER2+ Tumors \leq 2cm	Received Trastuzumab	DID NOT receive Trastuzumab
HERA	5,102	2,002	1,320	682
NCCTG N9831	3,505	756	405	351
NSABP B-31	3,222	1,146	711	435
PACS 04	528	235	106	129
FinHER	232	81	46	35
TOTAL PTS	12,589	4,220	 2,588	 1,632

RESULTS: HR-Positive Disease: Tumor Size ($\leq 2\text{cm}$) & Nodal Status

N-2,263



DFS for HR-Positive Disease Treated With or Without Trastuzumab: Tumors $\leq 2\text{cm}$



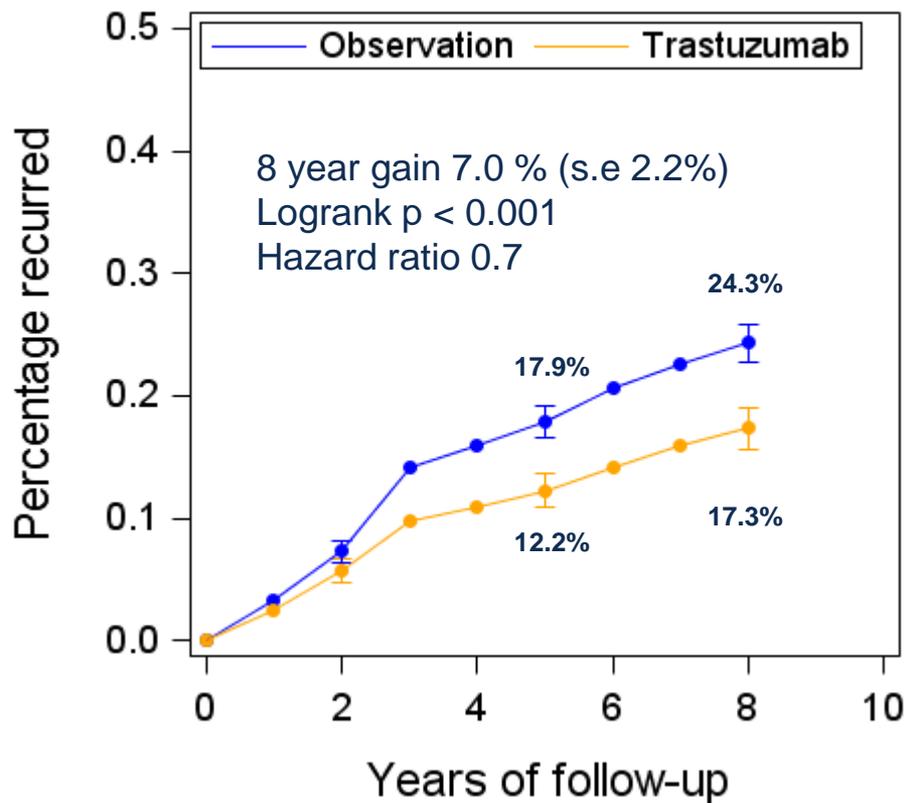
Study Specific Hazard Ratios For Model Stratifying on Study, Including Overall Study and Nodal Status Effects in HR-Positive Cohort: Tumors \leq 2cm

	Hazard Ratio	95% CI
Trastuzumab	0.7	0.58-0.85

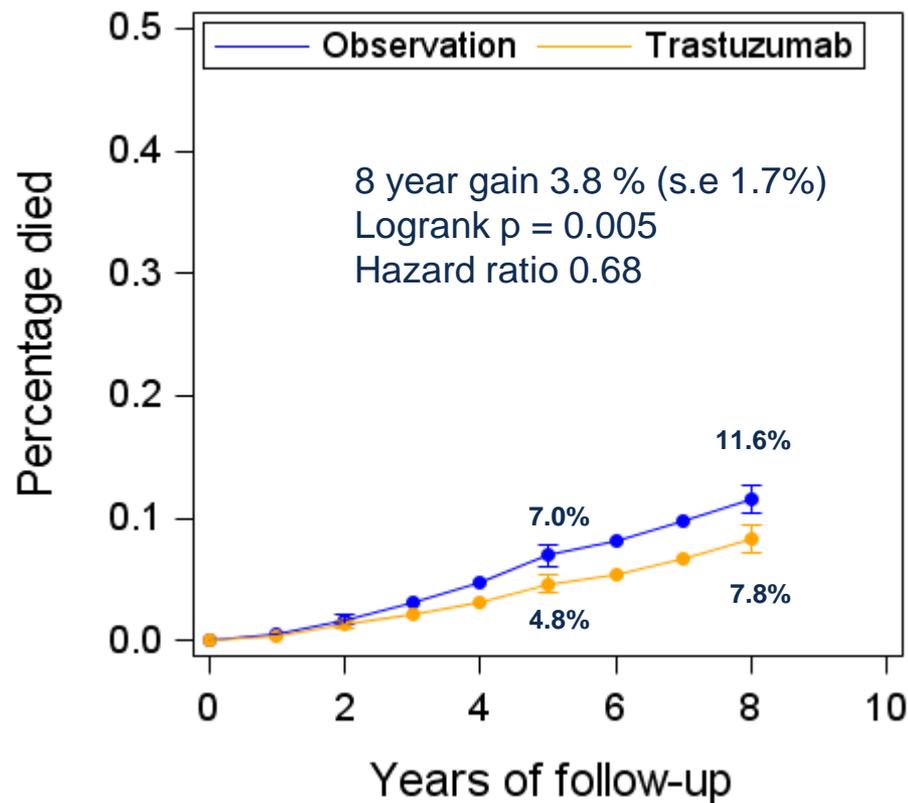
Nodes	Hazard Ratio	95% CI
0	1.00	REF
1	1.38	0.99 - 1.94
2-3	1.55	1.11 - 2.18
\geq 4	2.73	2.00 - 3.73

Cumulative Incidence of Recurrence or Death: HR-Positive Disease with Tumors ≤ 2 cm

Cumulative Recurrence

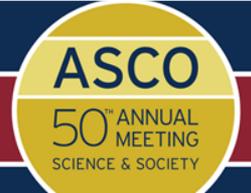
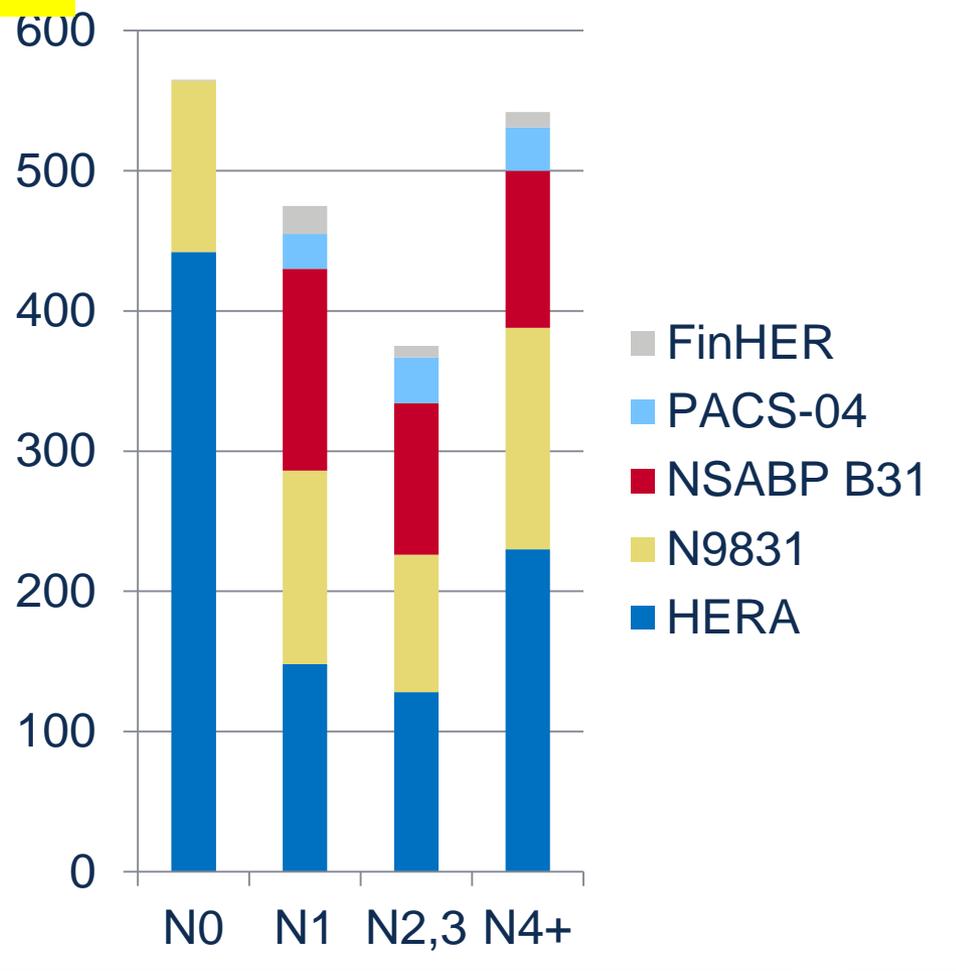
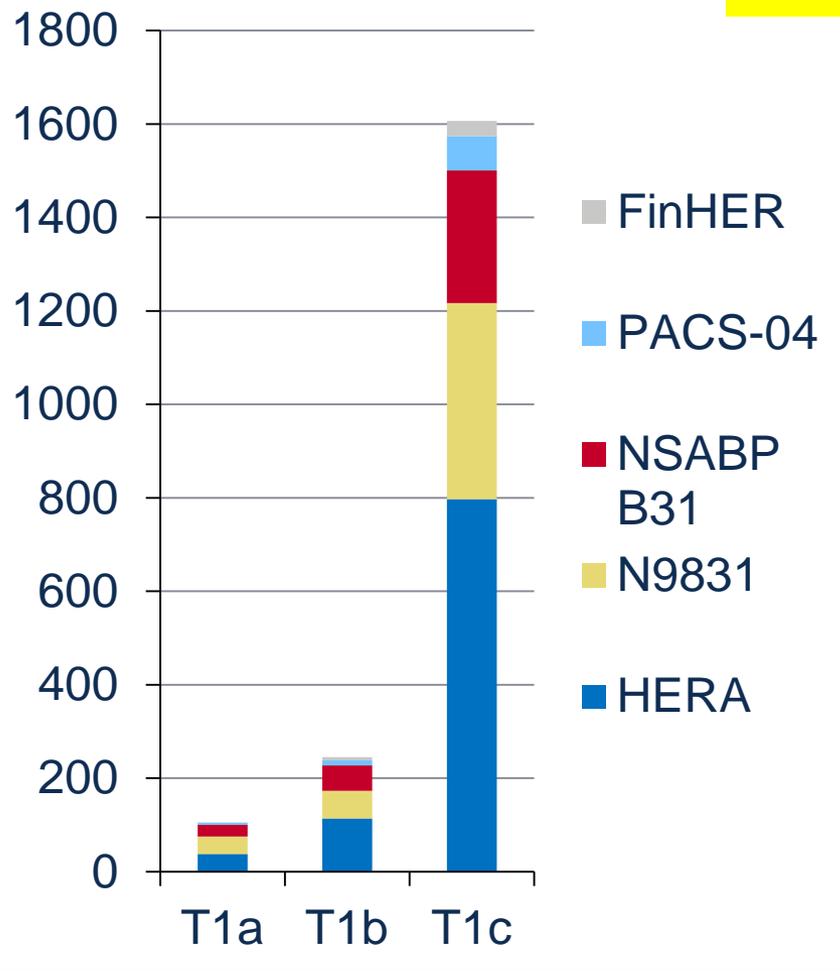


Cumulative Death

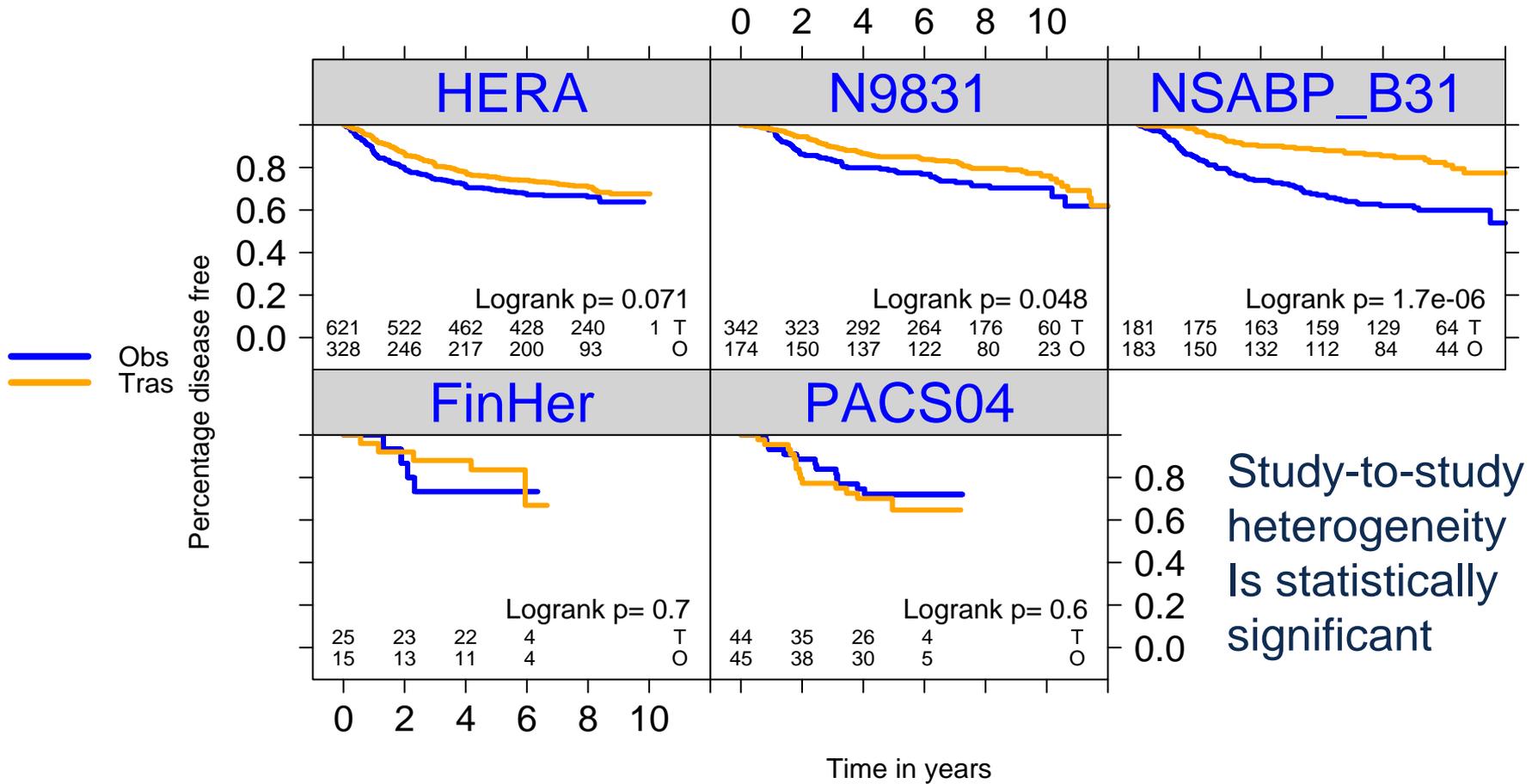


HR-negative disease : Tumor Size \leq 2cm & Nodal Status

N= 1,957

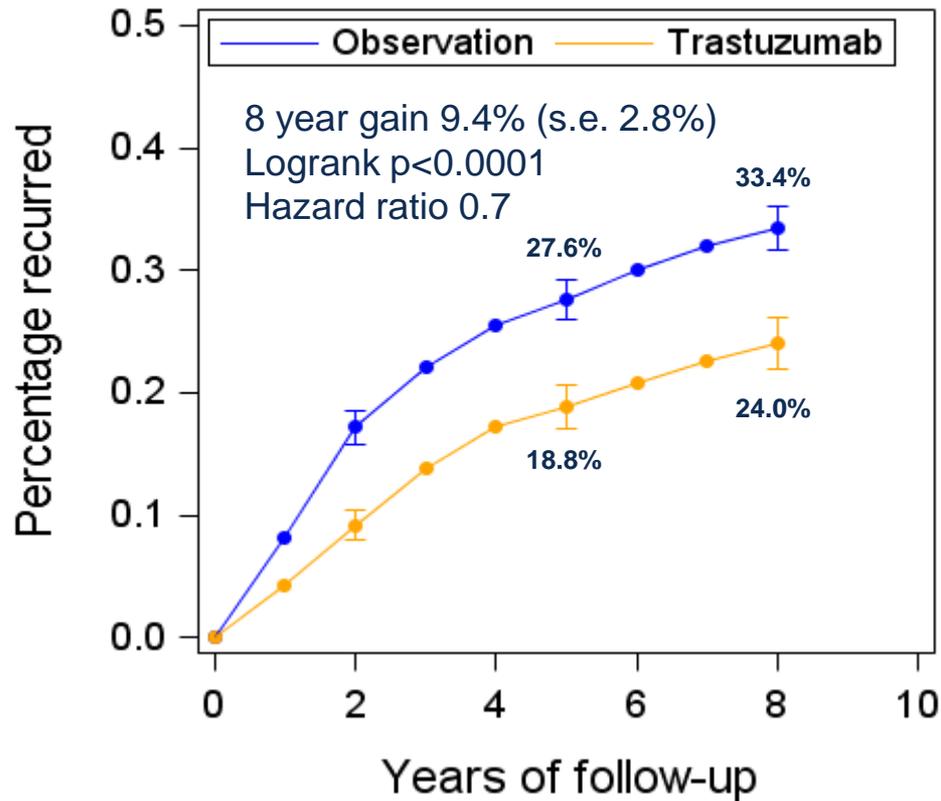


DFS for HR-Negative Disease Treated With or Without Trastuzumab: Tumors ≤ 2 cm

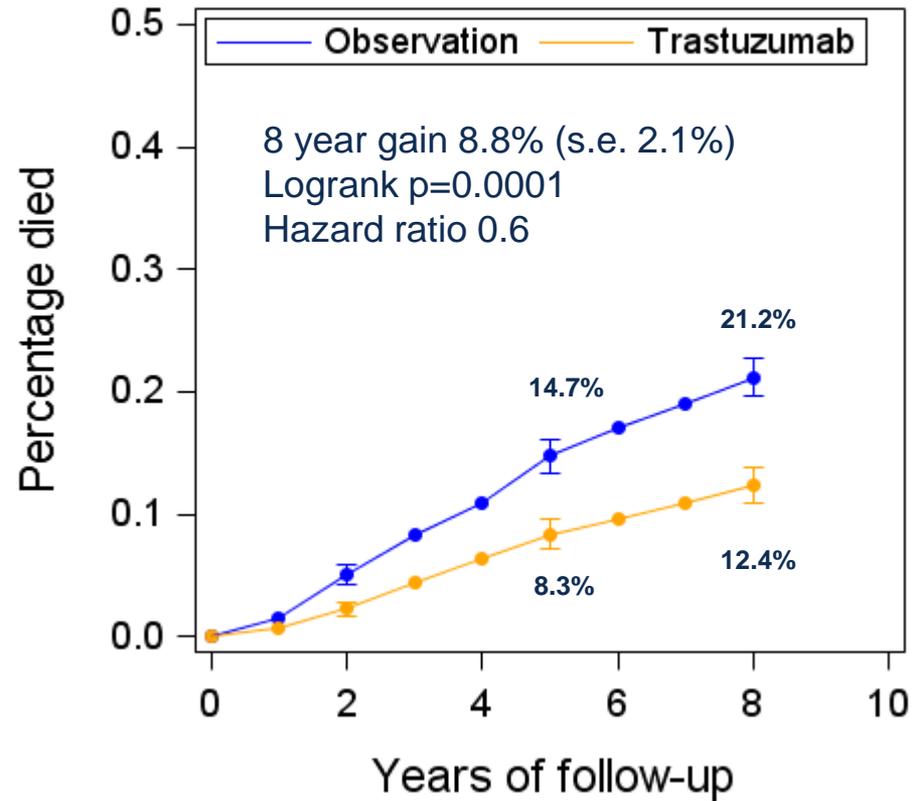


Cumulative Incidence of Recurrence or Death: HR-Negative Disease with Tumors $\leq 2\text{cm}$

Cumulative Recurrence



Cumulative Deaths



Conclusions

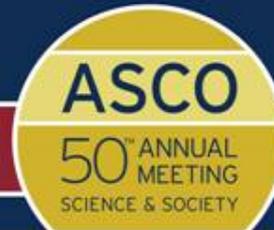
- Patients with tumors ≤ 2 cm benefitted substantially in terms of both DFS and OS from trastuzumab therapy
- Most patients included in analysis had T1c and positive axillary lymph nodes
- Benefit of trastuzumab-based chemotherapy among T1a-b, N0 tumors remains undefined.
- Benefit was similar in HR-negative and HR-positive patients

Prevention of Early Menopause Study (POEMS)-S0230

Phase III trial of LHRH analog during chemotherapy to reduce ovarian failure in early stage, hormone receptor-negative breast cancer: an international Intergroup trial of SWOG, IBCSG, ECOG, and CALGB (Alliance)



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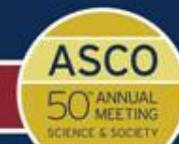
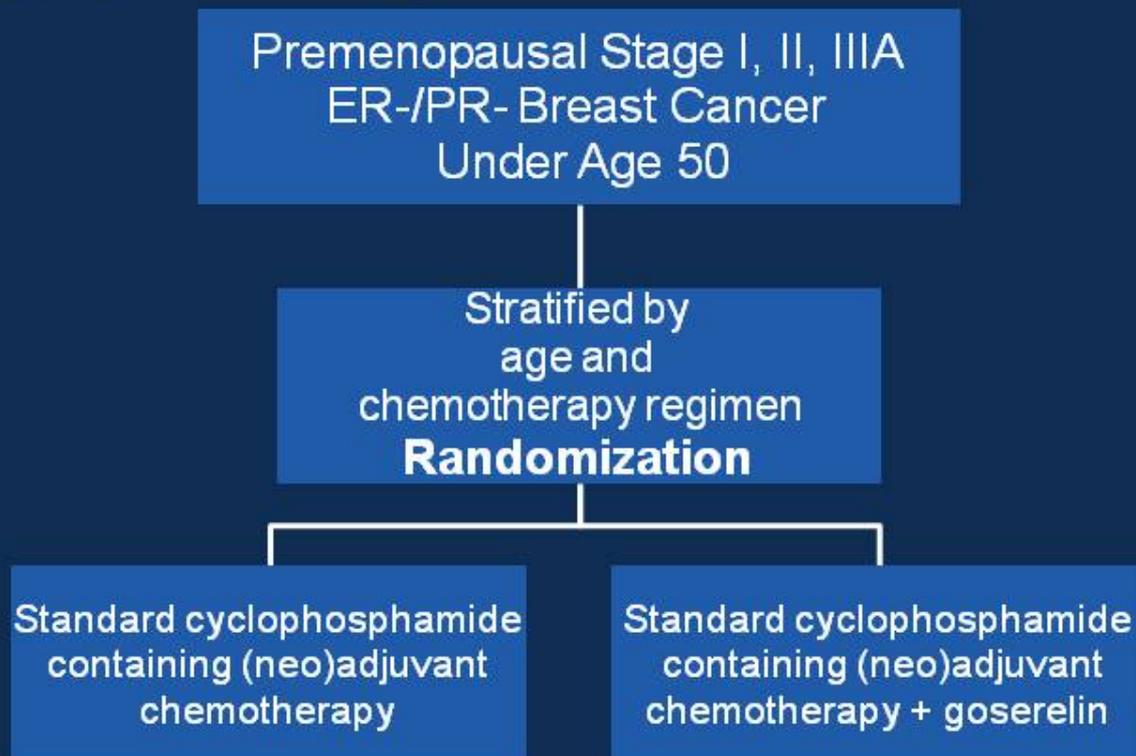


Background

- Approximately 25% of breast cancers occur in women under age 50
- Ovarian failure is a common consequence of chemotherapy treatment
- Ovarian failure rates depend on chemotherapy regimen/duration, patient age and perhaps gonadal activity at time of chemotherapy administration



POEMS/S0230 Schema



POEMS Objectives and Endpoints

- Primary
 - Ovarian Failure at 2 years
Defined as amenorrhea for the prior 6 months and FSH in the postmenopausal range
- Secondary
 - Ovarian dysfunction at 1 and 2 years
Defined as amenorrhea for preceding three months and FSH, estradiol and/or inhibin B levels in the postmenopausal range
 - Pregnancy Outcomes
- Exploratory
 - DFS and OS

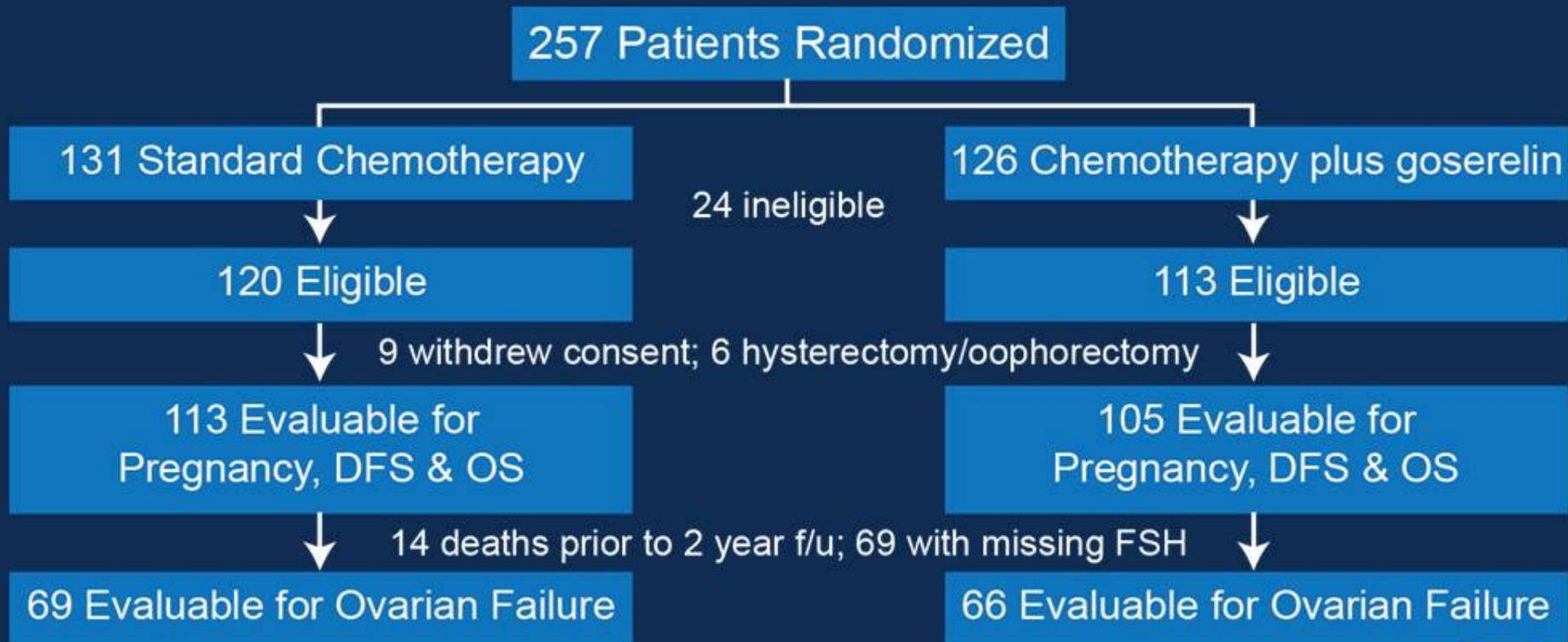


Goserelin Administration

- Goserelin 3.6 mg SubQ every 4 weeks
- Started at least 1 week prior to first chemotherapy dose
- Continued for duration of chemotherapy
 - Last goserelin administered within 2 weeks of (before or after) the final chemotherapy dose

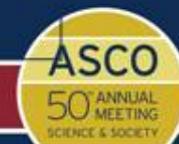


POEMS Consort Diagram



Patients

	Standard Chemotherapy n=113	Chemotherapy + Goserelin n=105
<u>Age in years: median (range)</u>	38.7 (25-49)	37.6 (26-49)
Age <40 years	62%	65%
Age ≥40 years	38%	35%
<u>Planned chemotherapy:</u>		
3-4 month/cycle anthracycline	19%	23%
6-8 month/cycle anthracycline	71%	69%
3-4 month/cycle non-anthra.	4%	4%
6-8 month/cycle non-anthra.	6%	5%
<u>Stage</u>		
I	28%	22%
II	46%	53%
III	26%	24%



POEMS Ovarian Failure

	Standard Chemotherapy	Chemotherapy + Goserelin
Ovarian failure at 2 years	15/69 = 22%	5/66 = 8%

Logistic Regression Results:

Analysis	Odds Ratio	95% CI	p-value	
			One-sided	Two-sided
Univariate	0.30	0.10 – 0.87	p=.01	p=.03
Stratified*	0.30	0.09 – 0.97	p=.02	p=.04
Multivariate*	0.36	0.11 – 1.14	p=.04	p=.08

*Accounting for age and regimen through stratification (“Stratified”) or covariate (“Multivariate”) adjustment, respectively

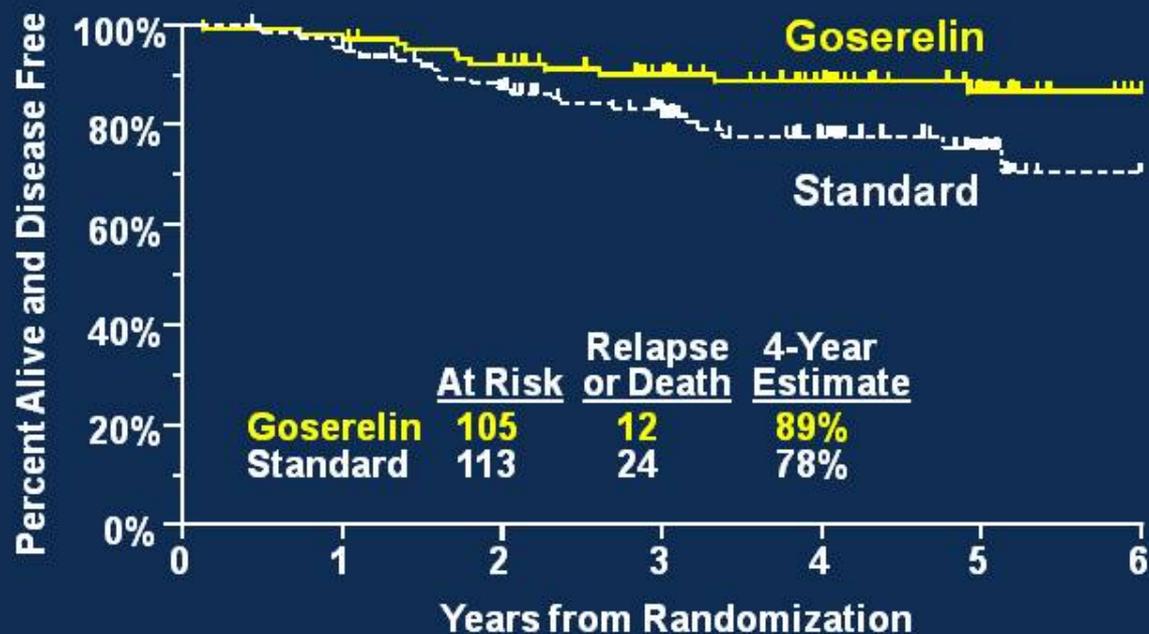


POEMS Pregnancy

	Standard Chemotherapy n=113	Chemotherapy + Goserelin n=105	Adjusted OR	Adjusted P-value
Attempted pregnancy	18 (16%)	25 (24%)		p=.12
Achieved pregnancy	12 (11%)	22 (21%)	2.45	p=.03
Patients with ≥ 1 delivery or ongoing pregnancy	8 (7%) 10 (9%)	16 (15%) 19 (18%)	2.51 2.45	p=.05 p=.04
Total number of babies	12	18		
Ongoing pregnancies	3	5		
Total adverse events				
Miscarriages	5	4		
Elective termination	3	2		
Delivery complication	2	2		



POEMS Disease Free Survival



Regression Covariates	HR (95% CI) p-value
Adjusted for age and regimen	0.47 (0.24-0.95) p=.04
Adjusted for age, regimen, & stage	0.49 (0.24-0.97) p=.04



POEMS Overall Survival



Regression Covariates	HR (95% CI) p-value
Adjusted for age and regimen	0.45 (0.19-1.04) p=.06
Adjusted for age, regimen, & stage	0.43 (0.18-1.00) p=.05



Conclusions

- Despite lower than planned accrual and incomplete follow-up data on 38% of patients, goserelin was associated with decreased rates of ovarian failure after chemotherapy and more successful pregnancies.
- Findings of improved DFS and OS are reassuring
- Study did not include hormone-receptor positive patients, so benefit and safety of goserelin in this setting is unclear
- For ER/PR-negative patients who are beginning chemotherapy should consider this option for the prevention of premature ovarian failure.