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# Objectives

- Review long-term follow-up of MINDACT trial
- Discuss BCI and prediction of benefit from extended AI therapy
- Compare outcomes of de-escalated neoadjuvant trastuzumab and pertuzumab with or without weekly paclitaxel
- Analyze results from OlympiA trial
- Introduce new regimen of dalpiciclib plus fulvestrant
- Compare efficacy of trastuzumab plus endocrine therapy or chemotherapy as first-line for metastatic breast cancer
- Discuss patient survey results about tolerability of treatment and individualized dosing options



# Outcome of patients with an ultralow risk 70-gene signature in the MINDACT trial

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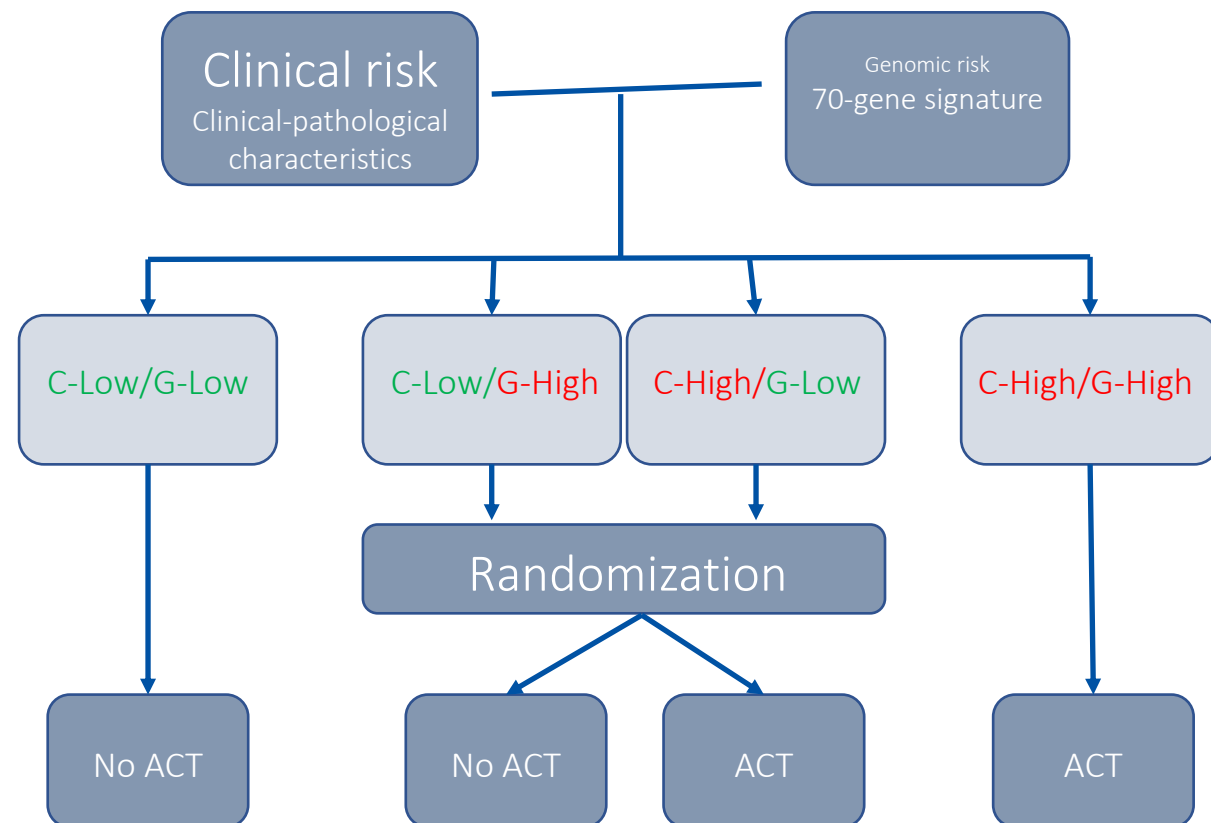


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**MINDACT**

- Inclusion criteria
- Women aged 18-70
- Operable invasive breast cancer
- Tumor size max 5 cm
- 0-3 positive lymph nodes
- No distant metastasis

## MINDACT trial design



Cardoso (2016) NEJM;375:717-729. ; Piccart (2021) Lancet Oncol. 2021; 22:476–488

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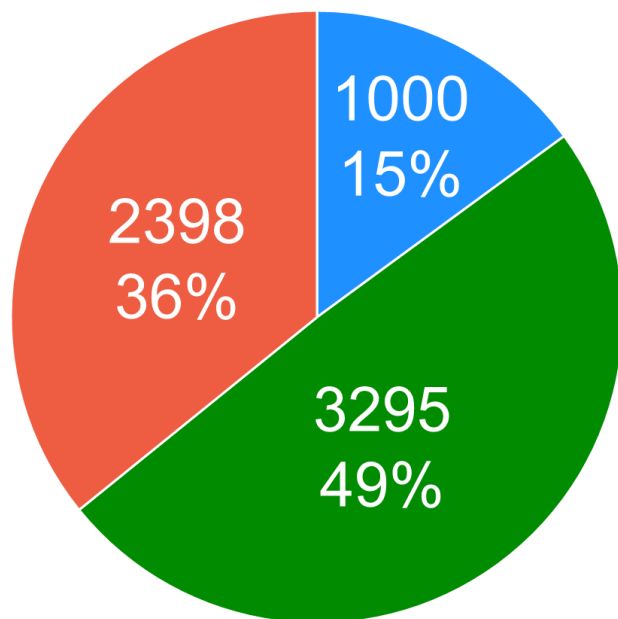
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# 15% of MINDACT patients genomic ultralow risk

## 70-gene signature result



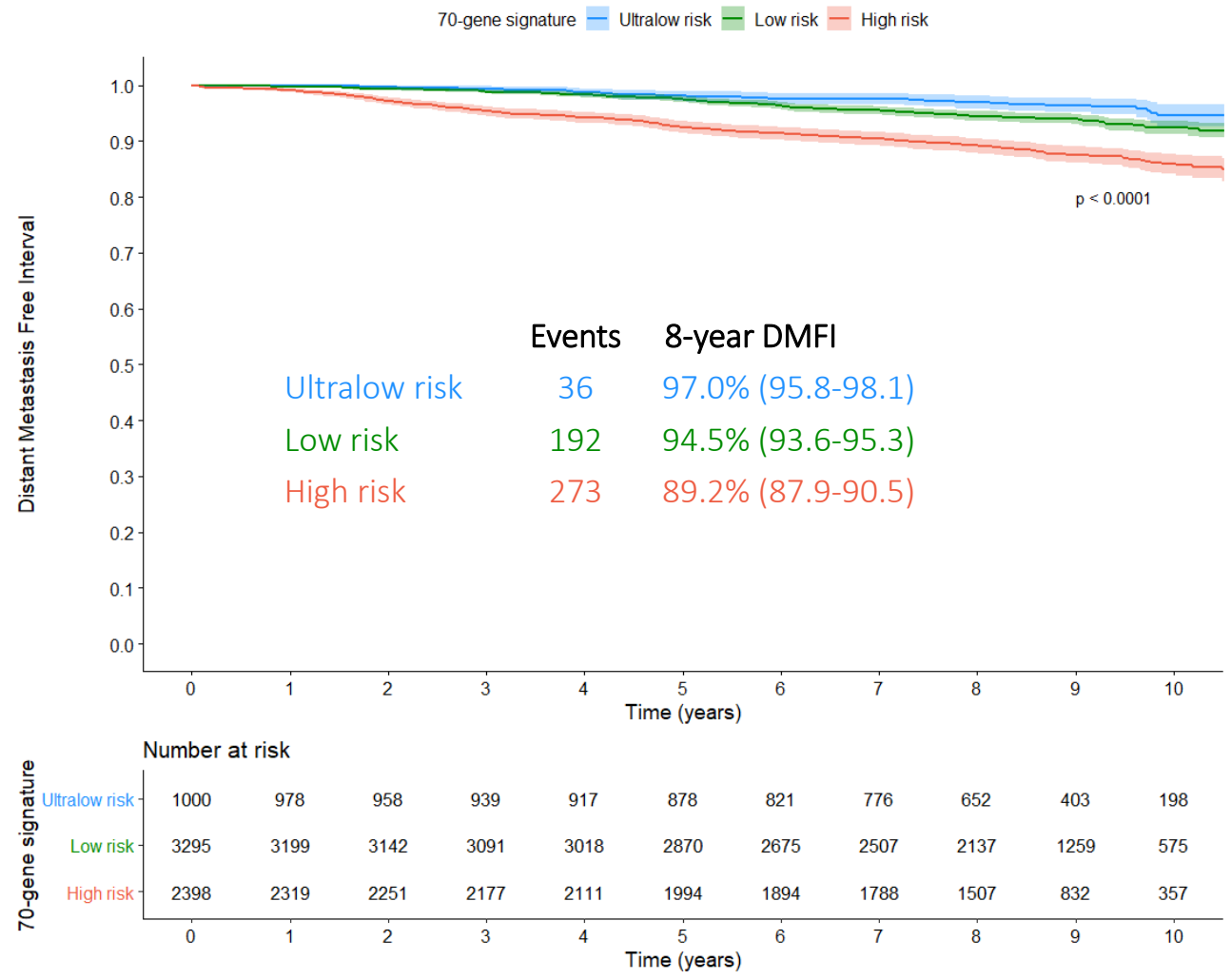
■ Ultralow risk ■ Low risk ■ High risk

Total N=6693

- HR+/HER2- subtype
- ~95% of Low\* and Ultralow risk patients
- 57% of High risk patients
  
- Adjuvant systemic treatment
- 76-85% endocrine therapy or no AST in Low and Ultralow risk
- 83% chemotherapy in High risk
  
- \*Low risk also referred to as Low not Ultralow

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# Excellent Distant Metastasis Free Interval rates for genomic Low and Ultralow risk patients



Median follow-up: 8.7 years

Risk of distant metastasis or BC-death	
	Adj* HR (95% CI)
Ultralow risk vs low risk	0.65 (0.45-0.94)
High risk vs low risk	2.17 (1.68-2.80)

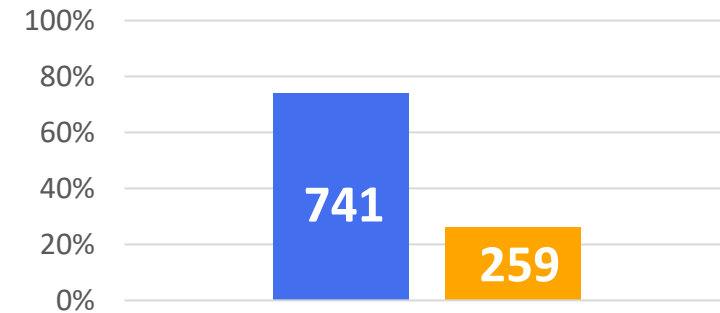
\*Adjusted for clinical-pathological and treatment characteristics



## Characteristics 1000 genomic Ultralow risk patients

- 67% >50 years
- 80% lymph node negative
- 81% tumors  $\leq 2$  cm
- 96% Grade 1 or 2
- 97% HR+/HER2- subtype
- 16% no adjuvant systemic treatment
- 69% endocrine therapy
- 14% chemotherapy

## Clinical risk



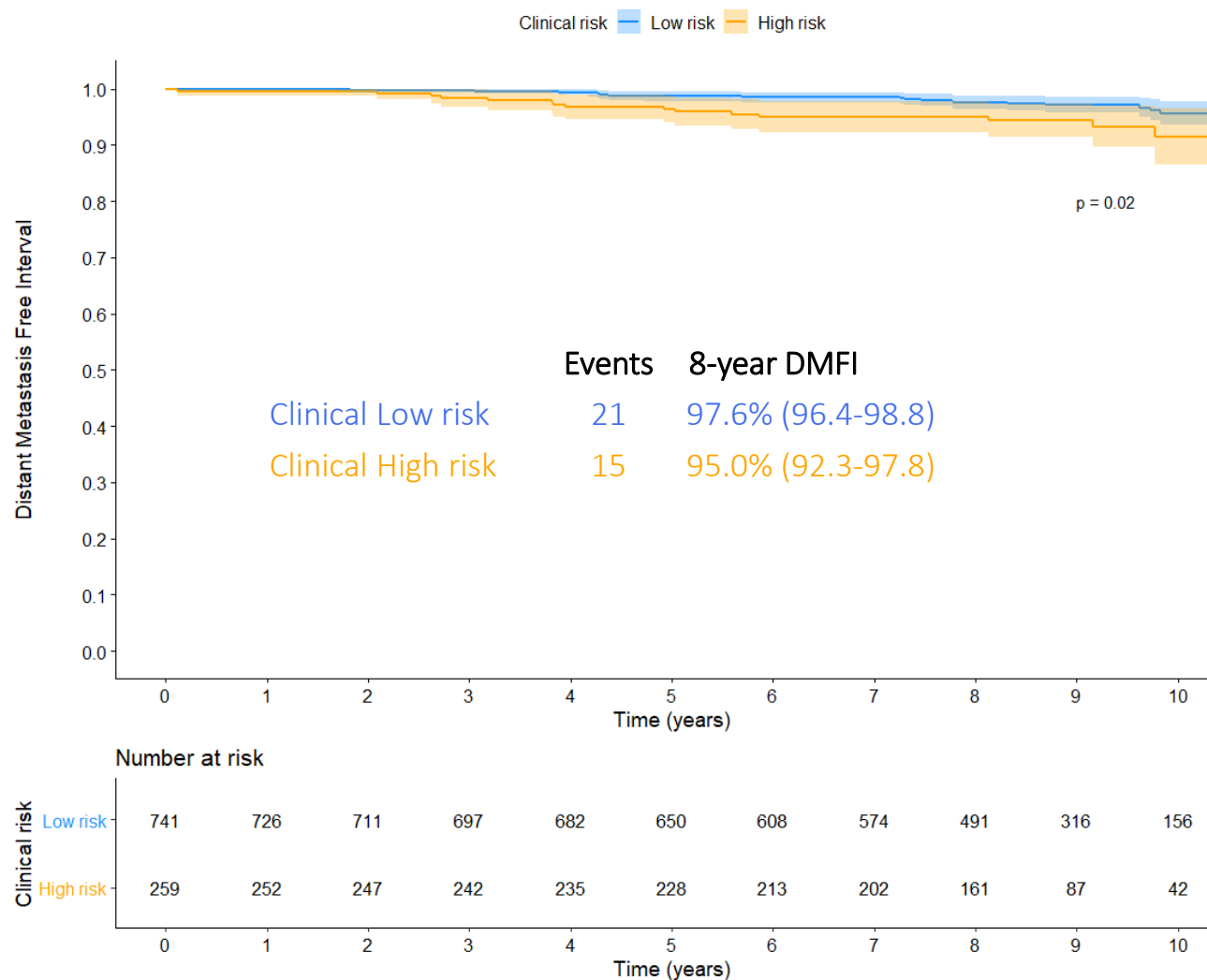
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### Clinical High risk tumors

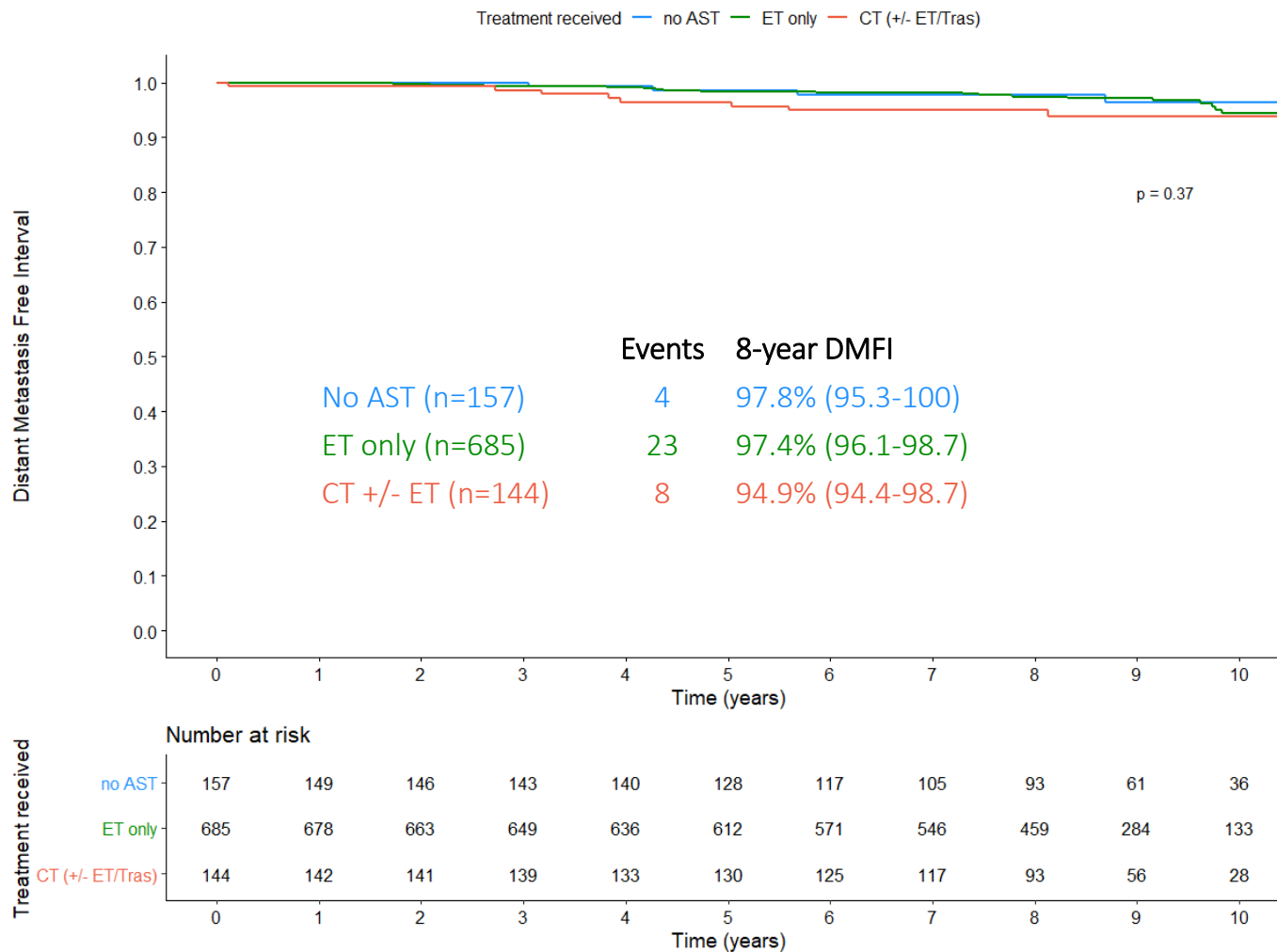
- Larger size
- Higher grade
- Lymph node positive



# Small difference in Distant Metastasis Free Interval in genomic Ultralow risk patients by Clinical risk



# Excellent outcomes for genomic Ultralow risk patients receiving only endocrine therapy or no adjuvant systemic treatment



## Risk of distant metastasis or BC-death (Ultralow risk patients only)

	Adj* HR (95% CI)
<b>CT vs no CT</b>	0.98 (0.37-2.61)
<b>ET vs no ET</b>	0.59 (0.27-2.13)

\*Adjusted for clinical-pathological characteristics

Note: 92% of patients receiving chemotherapy were Clinical High risk

# Clinical implications

- The 70-gene signature MammaPrint can identify patients with an ultralow risk of distant recurrence
- Patients with ultralow risk tumors could be candidates for further de-escalation of treatment, further reducing overtreatment and the risk of side-effects

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# Breast Cancer Index (BCI) and Prediction of Benefit from Extended Aromatase Inhibitor (AI) Therapy in HR+ Breast Cancer: NRG Oncology/NSABP B-42

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# NSABP B-42

- Postmenopausal pts with ER+ or PR+ breast cancer
- Stage I, II, or IIIa invasive BC at diagnosis
- Disease-free after 5 years of endocrine therapy

AI x 5 years

or

TAM x  $\leq 3$  years

AI to Complete 5 years



## Stratification:

Pathological nodal status (Negative, Positive)

Prior adjuvant TAM (Yes, No)

Lowest BMD T score: spine, hip, femur ( $>-2.0$ ,  $\leq-2.0$  SD)

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Letrozole x 5 yrs

Placebo x 5 yrs

# NSABP B-42: Results

- Ten-year results (SABCS 2019) and further updated as of 04/30/2020
  - **Statistically significant improvement in DFS with extended L therapy: HR = 0.85, p = 0.01, 3.3% absolute improvement**
  - **No significant difference in overall survival with L vs. P**
  - **Extended L provided statistically significant reduction in:**
    - **BCFI events: HR = 0.75, p = 0.003, 2.7% absolute benefit**
    - **DR: HR = 0.72, p = 0.01, 1.8% absolute benefit**
- **Genomic classifiers that predict risk of late recurrence and/or benefit from extended endocrine therapy may further assist with the decision to recommend extended aromatase inhibitor therapy**

# Breast Cancer Index (BCI)

- BCI is an 11-gene expression molecular signature comprised of two functional panels:
  - **Molecular Grade Index (MGI) – 5 genes measuring tumor proliferative status**
  - **HOXB13 and IL17BR (H/I) – 2 gene ratio measuring estrogen signaling**
- The BCI test provides both a prognostic BCI score for the risk of cumulative (0-10 years) and late (post-5 years) distant recurrence, and a prediction of the likelihood of extended endocrine therapy benefit based on BCI (H/I)
- BCI (H/I) predicted endocrine benefit across several different endocrine treatment backgrounds in the Stockholm, MA.17, Trans-aTTom and IDEAL studies with significant treatment to biomarker interaction<sup>1-5</sup>

1. Sgroi DC et al JNCI 2013; 105(14):1036-42. 2. Zhang Y et al. CCR 2013; 19(15):4196-205. 3. Sgroi DC et al. Cancer Res 2012; 72 (Suppl.): Abstract P2-10-5. 4. Bartlett JMS et al. Ann Oncol 2019 Nov 1;30(11):1776-83. 5. Noordhoek I et al. Clin Cancer Res 2021 Jan 1;27(1):311-9.

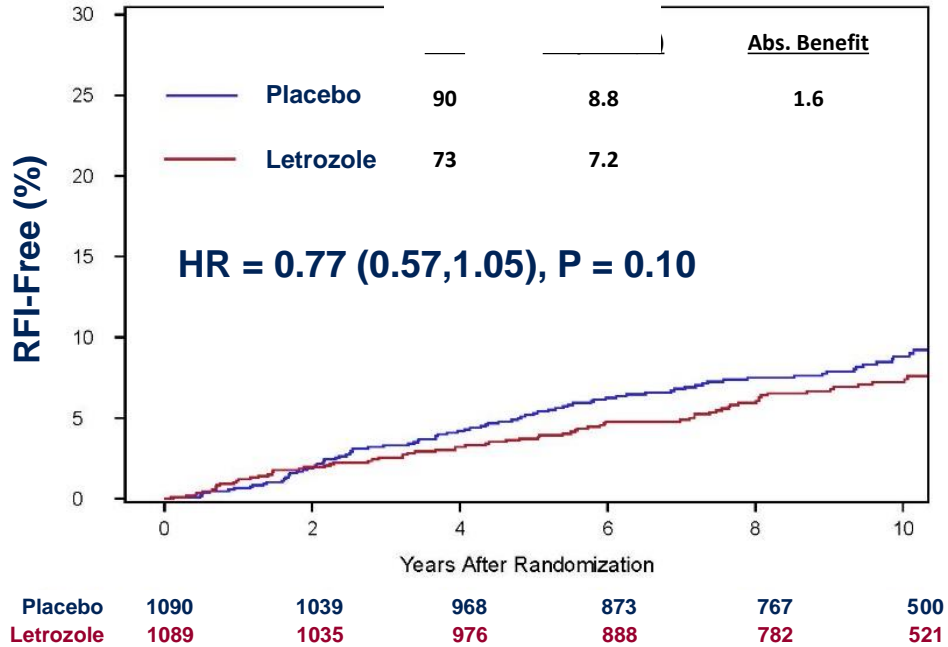
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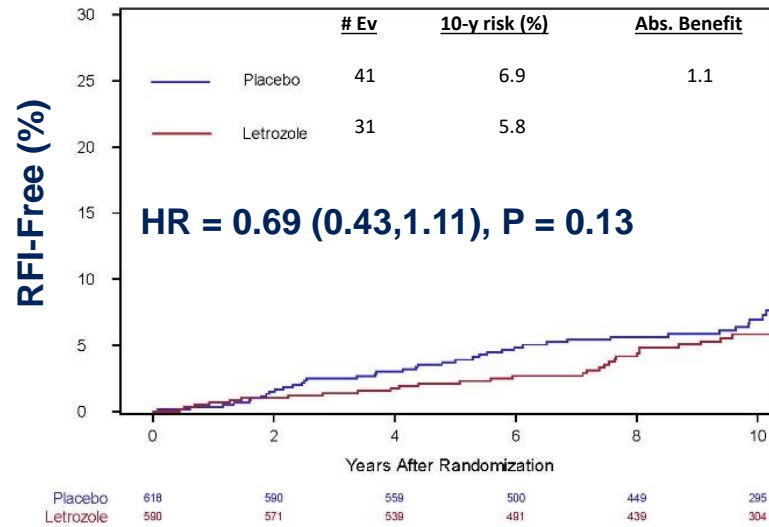
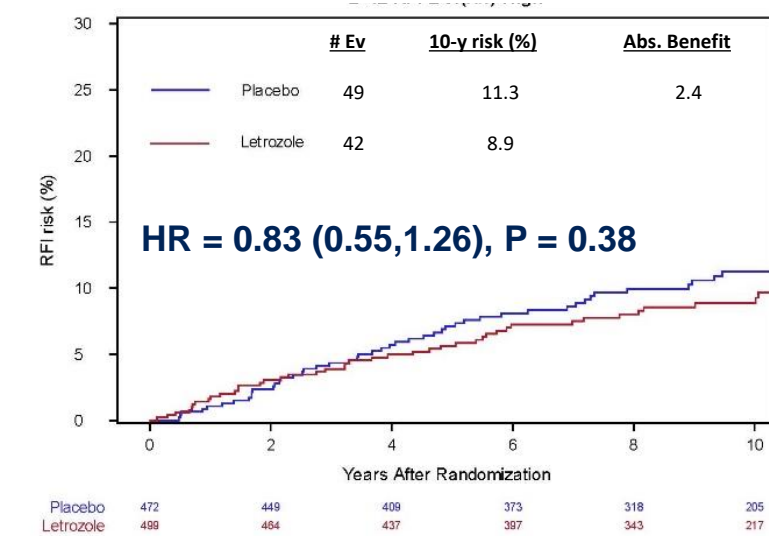
# Results: RFI

## All Patients



**BCI (H/I)  
High**

**BCI (H/I)  
Low**



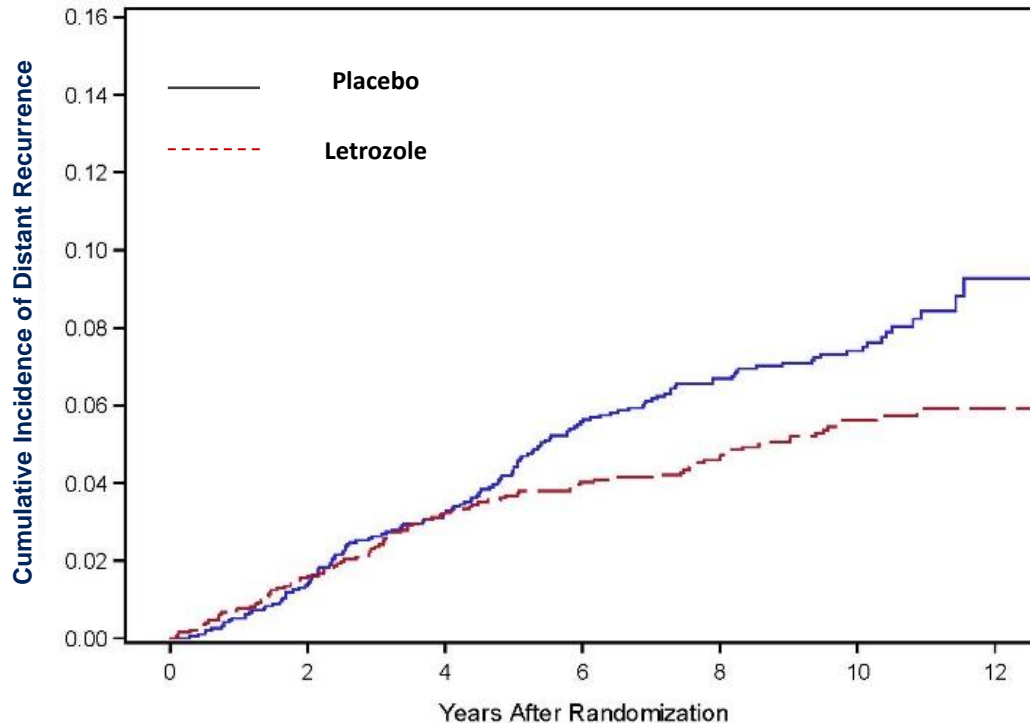
Test for Treatment-by-BCI (H/I) Interaction  $p = 0.55$

ELT effect in subgroups (nodal status, prior tam use, HER2 status) was not different by BCI (H/I)



# Non-proportionality of Hazard Rates in DR

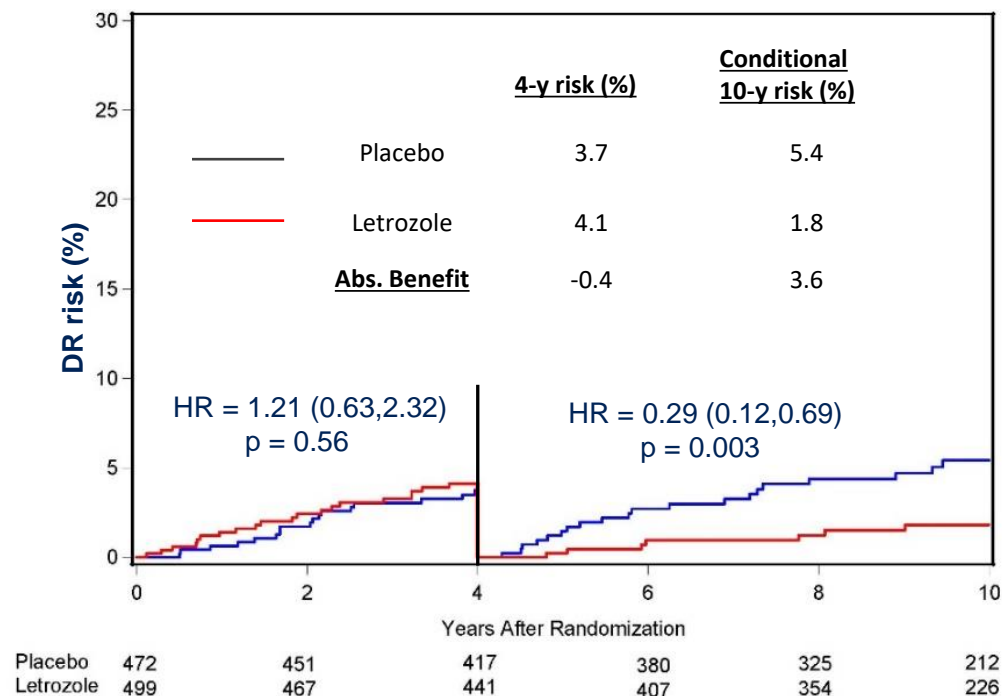
## B-42, Parent Trial



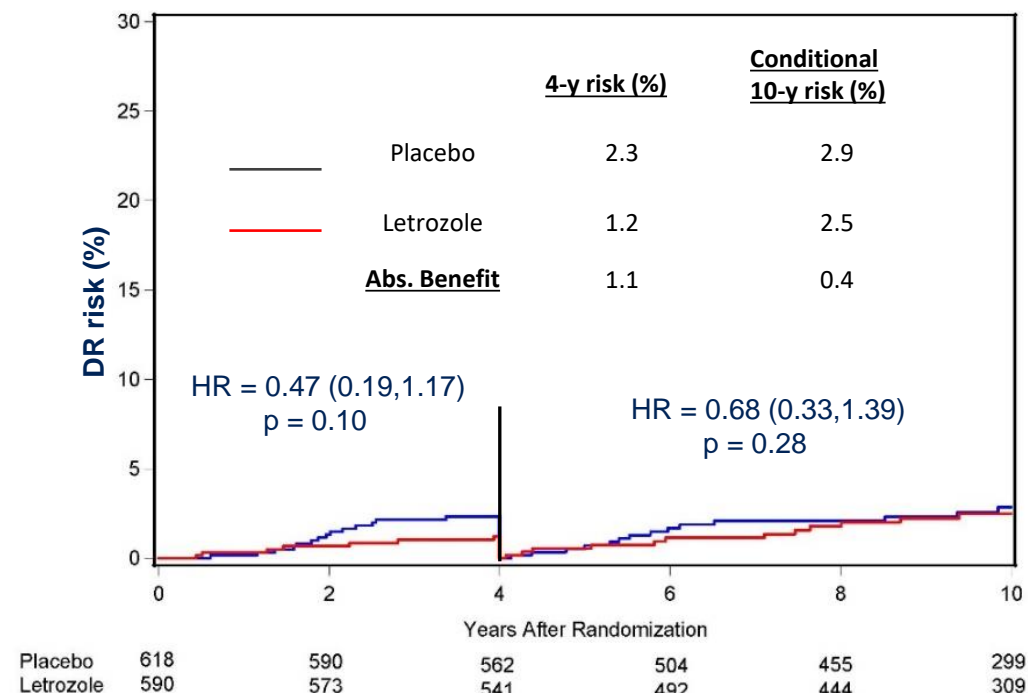
- In the B-42 parent trial a delayed treatment effect of ELT on DR at around year 4 after randomization was observed
- Proportional hazards assumption was not satisfied for BCI (H/I)-High group ( $p = 0.016$ )
- Based on that, time dependent secondary analyses for DR were performed

# Time-dependent Secondary Analysis of DR

## BCI (H/I)-High



## BCI (H/I)-Low



- Statistically significant ELT benefit for DR in BCI (H/I)-High after Year 4
- ELT-by-BCI (H/I) interaction was not statistically significant for any of the time intervals:  $\leq 4$  y ( $p=0.09$ ),  $>4$  y ( $p=0.14$ )

# Summary/Conclusions

- BCI (H/I) prediction of ELT benefit on RFI was not confirmed:
  - **RFI absolute benefit was 1.6% in the B-42 BCI translational cohort**
- In time-dependent DR analyses, BCI (H/I)-High cohort showed statistically significant benefit from ELT after 4y, while BCI (H/I)-Low did not.
  - **Absolute benefit after 4y comparing BCI (H/I)-High (3.6%) vs. the unselected cohort (1.7%) is consistent with previous validation results**
  - **BCI (H/I) prediction of ELT benefit after 4y was more apparent in the HER2 negative subset (treatment-by-BCI (H/I) interaction  $p=0.043$ )**
- Additional follow-up may enable further characterization of BCI (H/I) predictive ability in B-42

# DE-ESCALATED NEOADJUVANT PERTUZUMAB+TRASTUZUMAB WITH OR WITHOUT WEEKLY PACLITAXEL IN HER2+/HR- EARLY BREAST CANCER: ADAPT HER2+/HR- BIOMARKER AND SURVIVAL RESULTS

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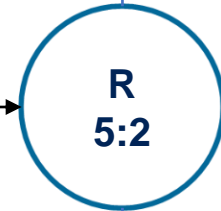




# WSG-ADAPT HER2+/HR-

## Study Design (NCT01779206)

- HER2+, ER- and PR-
- M0
- ECOG ≤1 or KPS ≥80%  
(n=134)



**A**

**Trastuzumab**  
8 mg/kg → 6 mg/kg q3w x4  
+  
**Pertuzumab**  
840 mg → 420 mg q3w x4  
(n=92)

**12 weeks**

**Trastuzumab**  
8 mg/kg → 6 mg/kg q3w x4  
+  
**Pertuzumab**  
840 mg → 420 mg q3w x4  
+  
**Paclitaxel**  
80 mg/m<sup>2</sup> q1w x12  
(n=42)

**B**

Surgery within 3 weeks

In histologically confirmed non-pCR:  
standard neoadjuvant therapy followed  
by surgery

Adjuvant therapy according to national  
guidelines; if pCR was achieved after 12  
weeks of study therapy, additional  
chemotherapy could be omitted at  
investigator's discretion

3-week biopsy for  
**early response assessment** (defined as  
Ki67 decrease ≥ 30% vs baseline or  
low cellularity, i.e. < 500 invasive tumor cells)

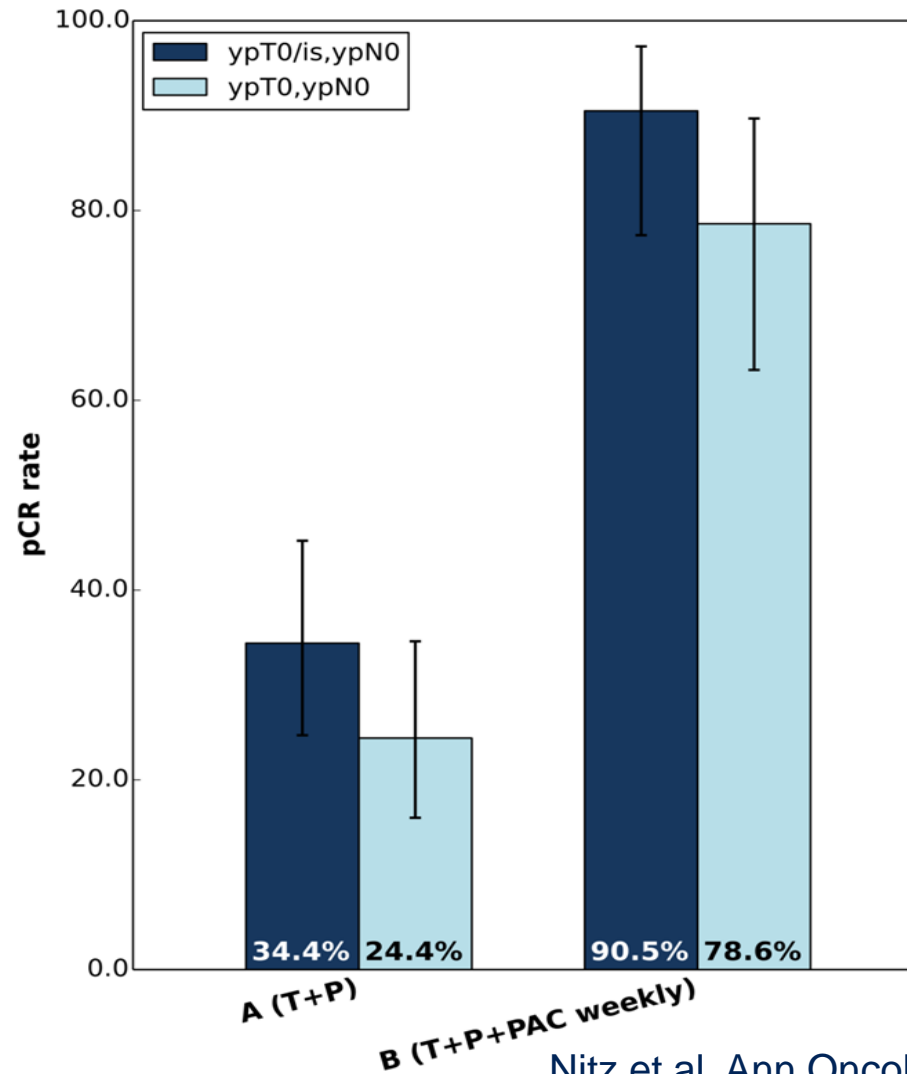
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# WSG-ADAPT HER2+/HR-

pCR rates  
(ypT0/is ypN0; ypT0 ypN0)

Patients with  
no further CT after pCR

Arm A	Arm B
9 (29.0%)	30 (79.0%)

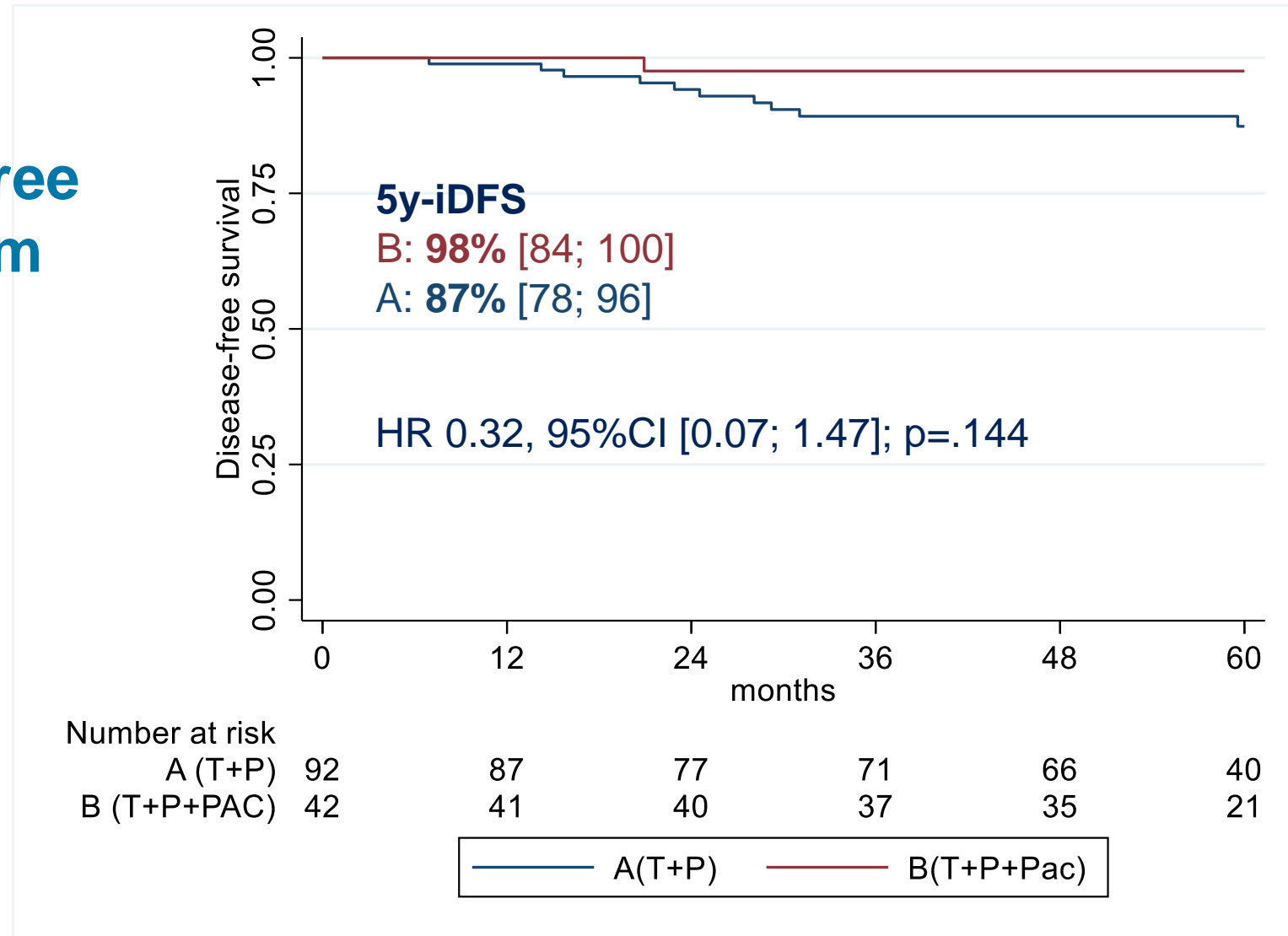


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# WSG-ADAPT HER2+/HR-



## Invasive disease-free survival by trial arm



# WSG-ADAPT HER2+/HR-

(NCT01779206)

## Conclusions

- For the first time, we have shown in a prospective multicenter trial both excellent pCR and survival in patients treated by de-escalated 12-week neoadjuvant weekly paclitaxel and dual HER2 blockade (T+P), irrespective of additional chemotherapy (CT) use.
- CT-free regimens are promising in highly sensitive tumors with early response.
- Future investigation of CT-free regimens needs to be focused on selected patients (e.g. HER2 3+, non-basal-like, early responders, predictive RNA signatures such as immune signatures).
- In WSG-ADAPT HER2+/HR-, early pCR after only 12 weeks of neoadjuvant Pac+P+T was strongly associated with improved outcome and may thus serve as a predictive clinical marker for further treatment (de)-escalation.
- WSG-ADAPT TP II has already reported a pCR rate of 57% in HER2+/HR+ EBC after 12 weeks of neoadjuvant Pac+P+T<sup>1</sup>; survival results are being awaited.
- Further de-escalation trials with similar concepts (e.g. COMPASS, DECRESCENDO) are ongoing<sup>2</sup>.

<sup>1</sup>Gluz et al, ASCO 2020; <sup>2</sup>Piccart et al, JCO 2020

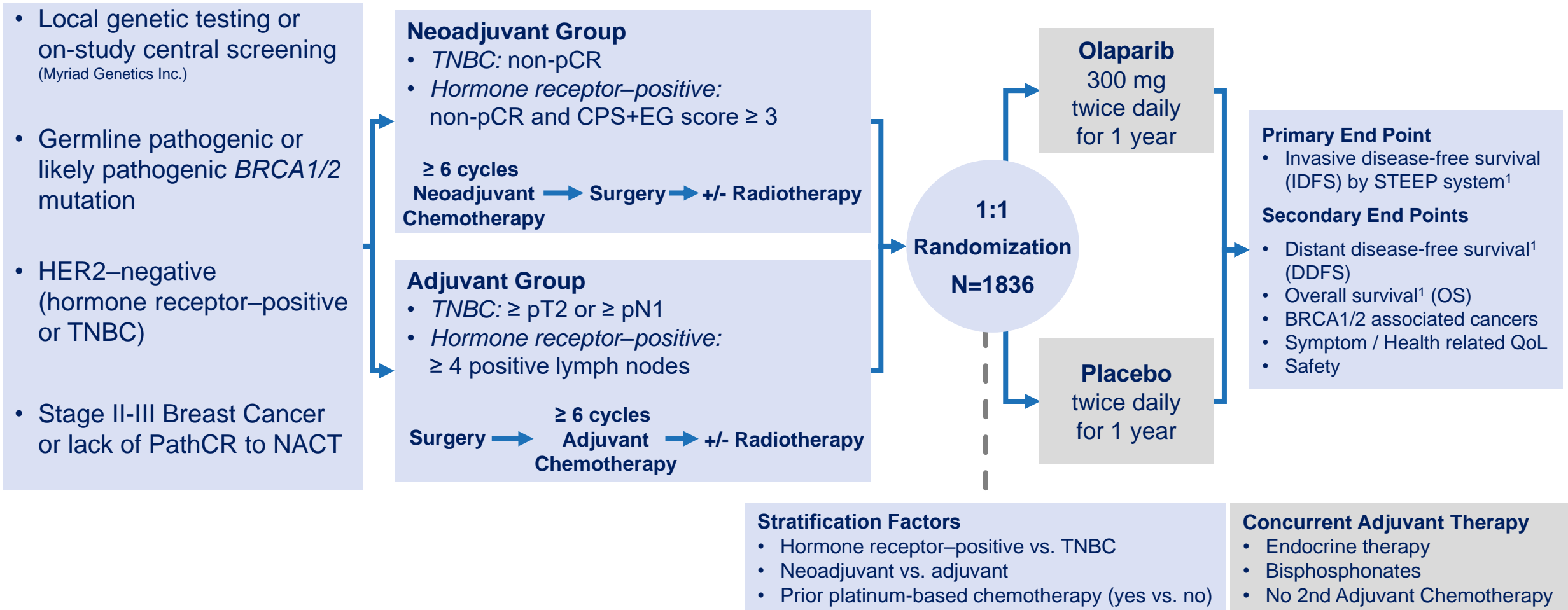




**OlympiA**  
**OLaparib in Adjuvant  
BRCAm breast cancer**

A phase III, multicenter, randomized, placebo-controlled trial of adjuvant olaparib after (neo)adjuvant chemotherapy in patients with germline *BRCA1/2* mutations and high-risk HER2-negative early breast cancer

# OlympiA: Trial schema

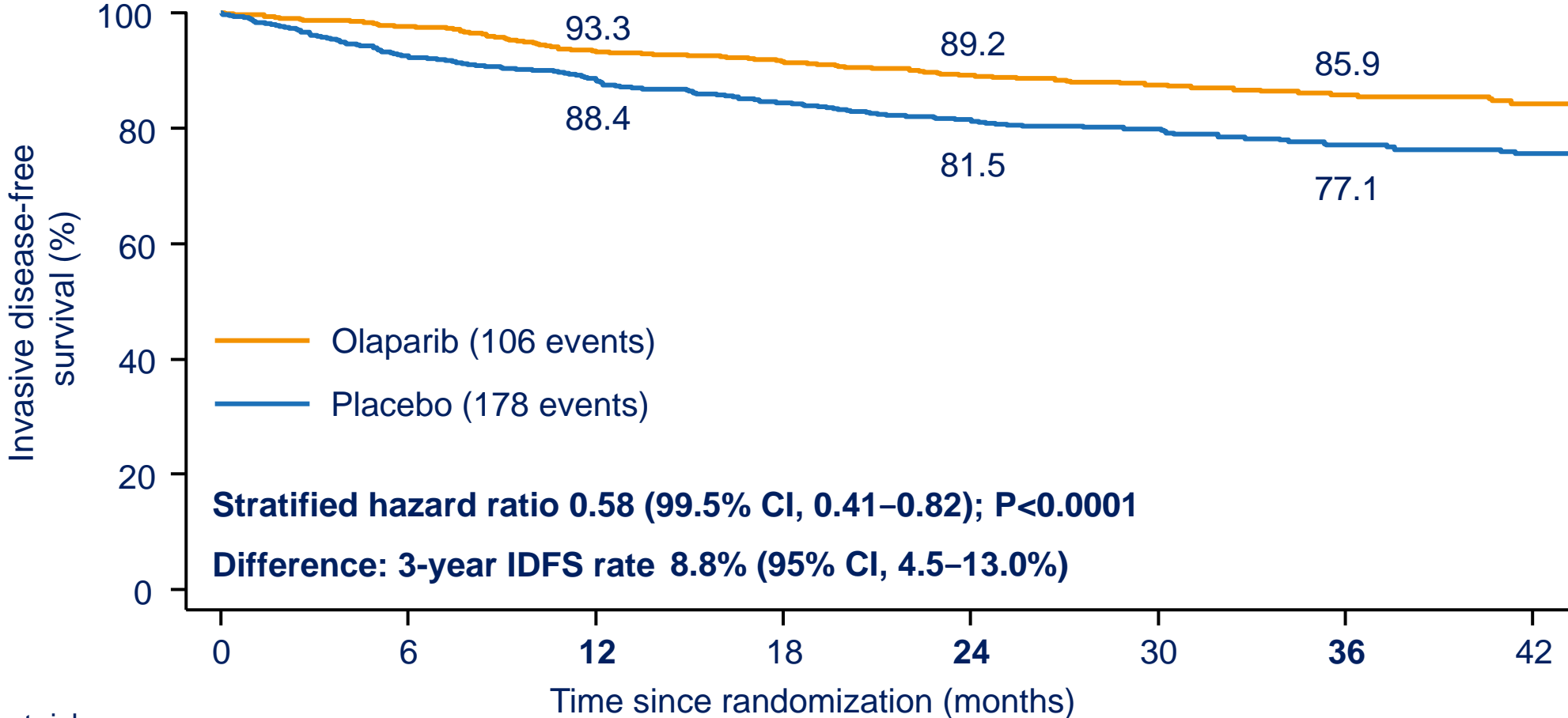


Hormone receptor +ve defined as ER and/or PgR positive (IHC staining  $\geq 1\%$ )

Triple Negative defined as ER and PgR negative (IHC staining  $< 1\%$ )

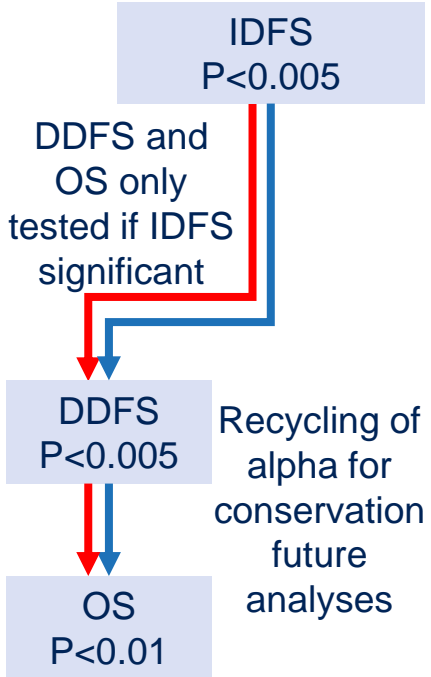
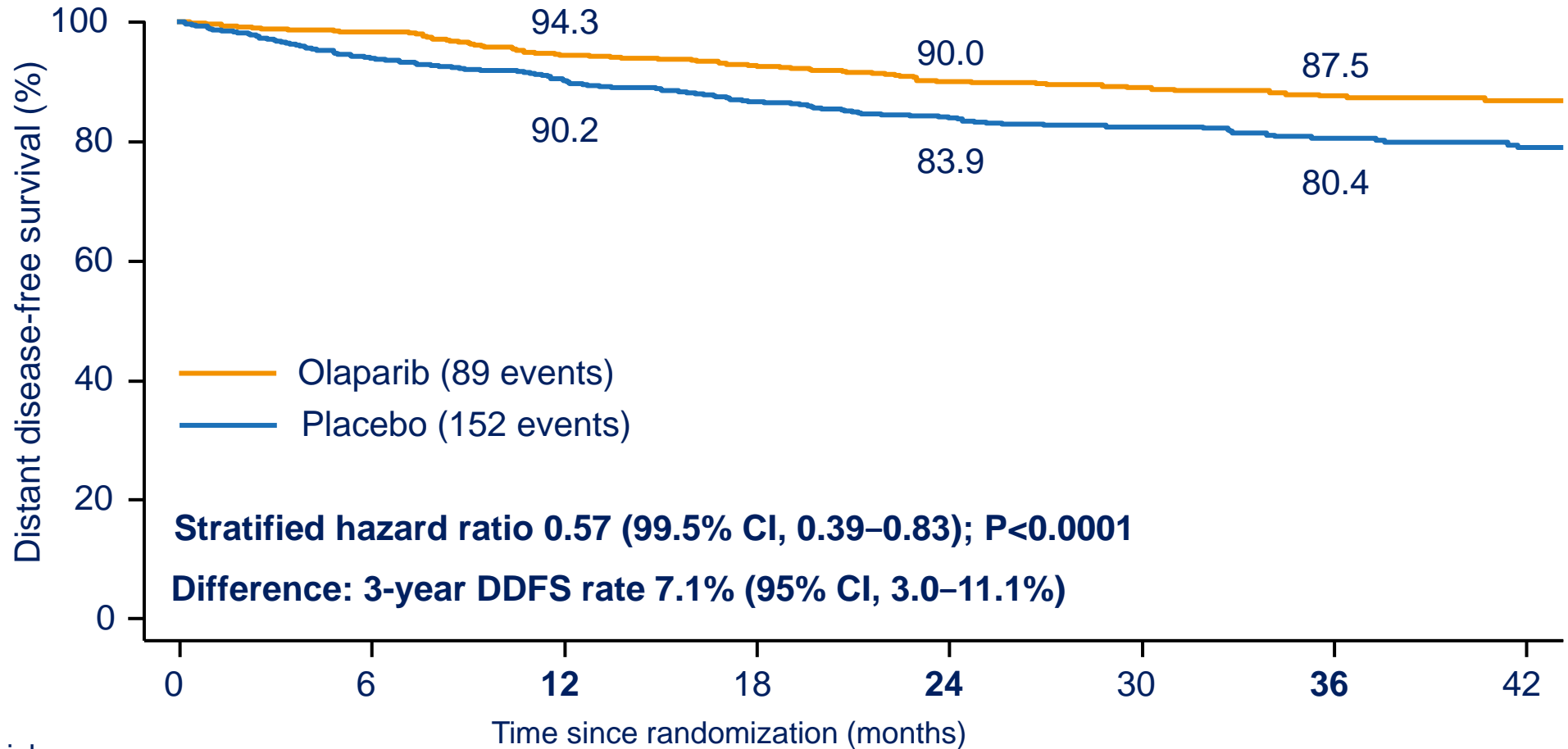
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# OlympiA: Invasive disease-free survival (ITT)



No. at risk	0	6	12	18	24	30	36	42
Olaparib	921	820	737	607	477	361	276	183
Placebo	915	807	732	585	452	353	256	173

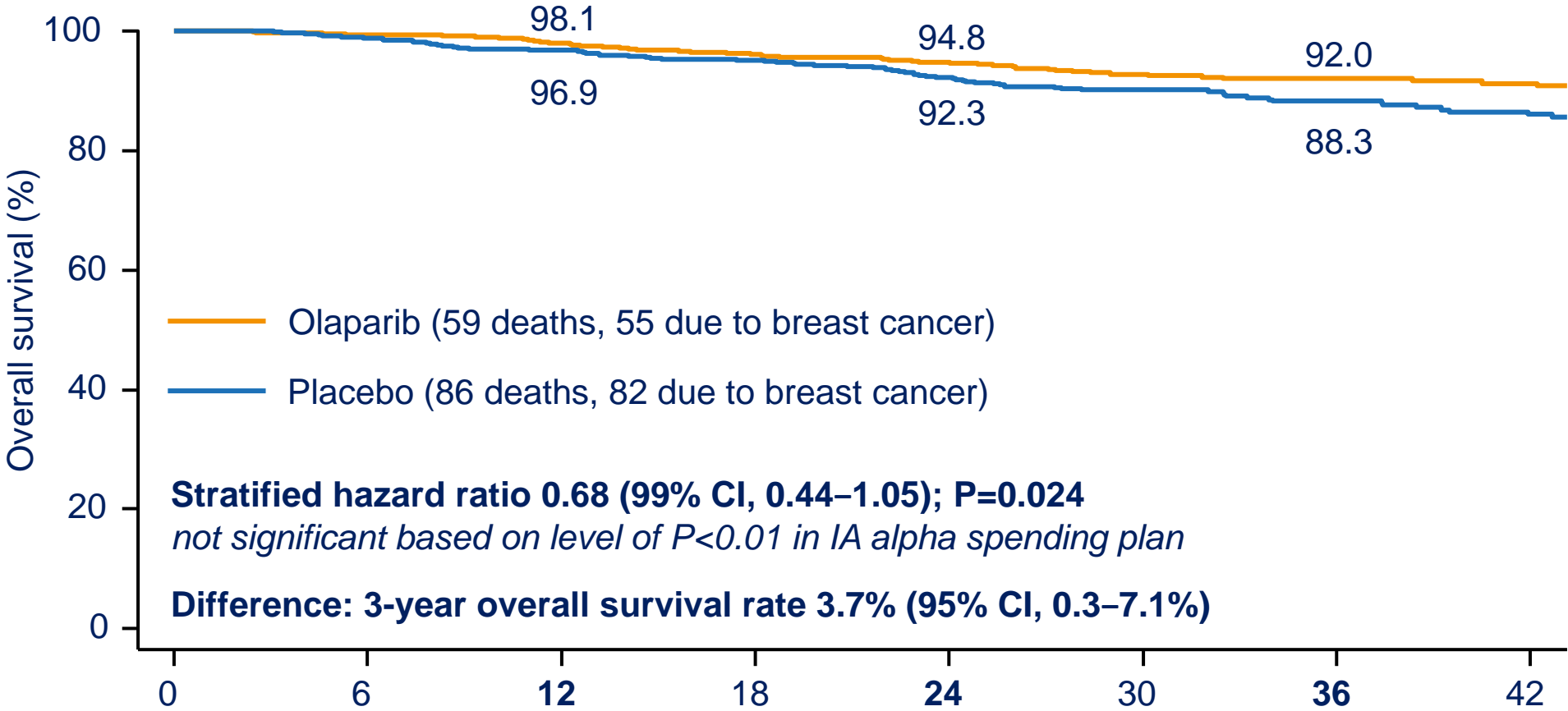
# OlympiA: Distant disease-free survival



No. at risk	Time since randomization (months)							
	0	6	12	18	24	30	36	42
Olaparib	921	823	744	612	479	364	279	187
Placebo	915	817	742	594	461	359	263	179



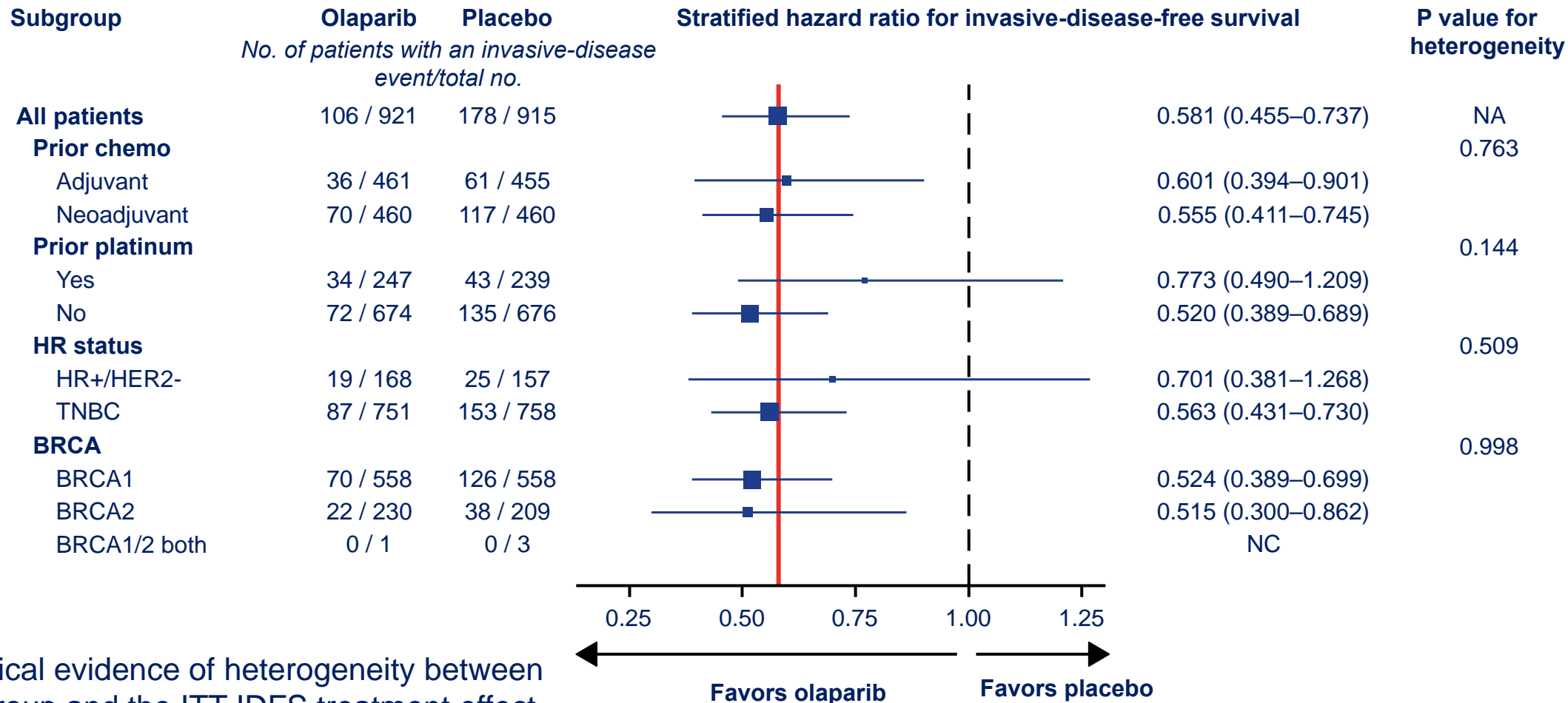
# OlympiA: Overall survival



No. at risk

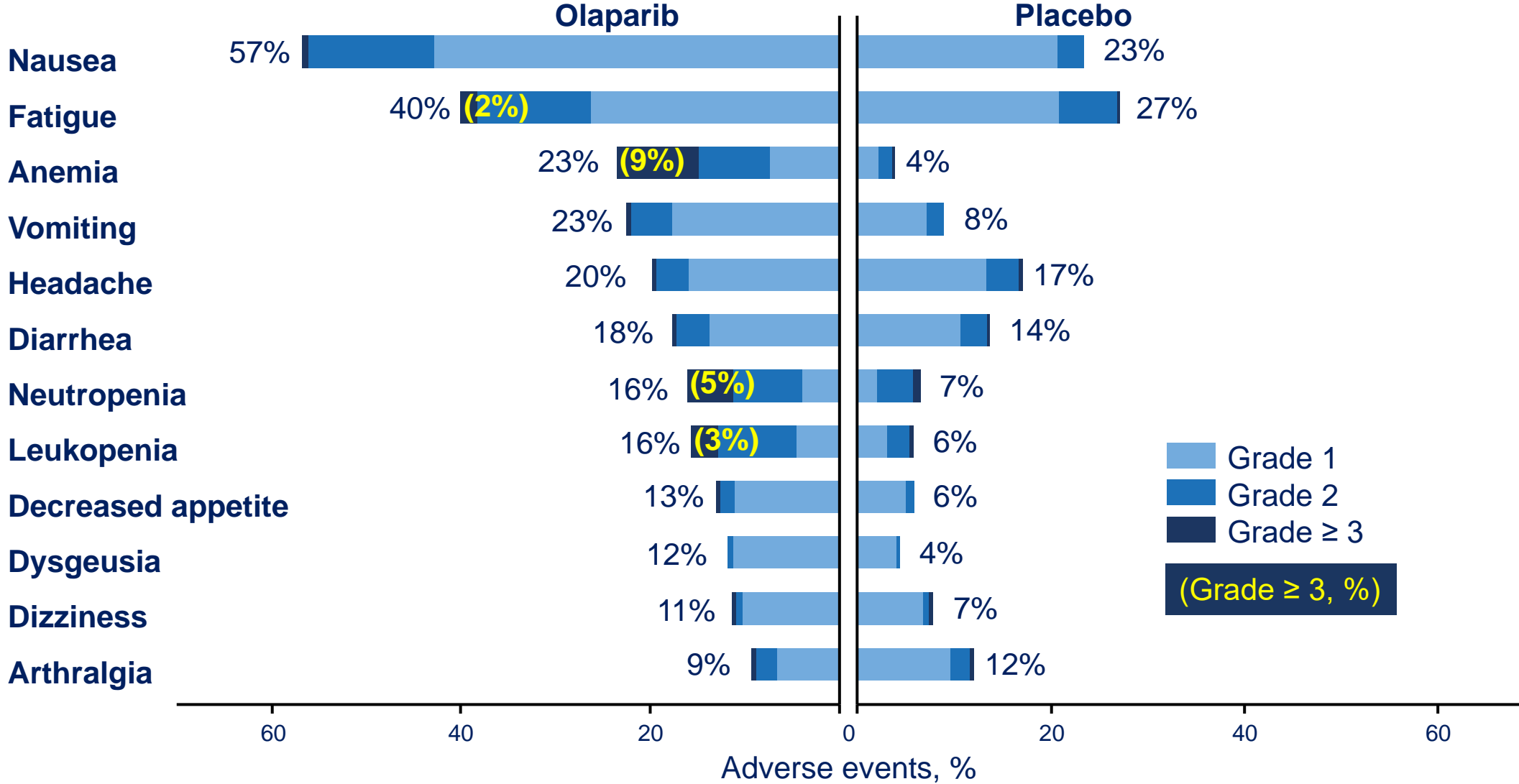
	0	6	12	18	24	30	36	42
Olaparib	921	856	801	659	531	400	310	205
Placebo	915	865	801	659	516	397	292	199

# OlympiA: Subgroup analysis invasive disease-free survival



No statistical evidence of heterogeneity between any subgroup and the ITT IDFS treatment effect

# OlympiA: Adverse events of any grade $\geq 10\%$



# OlympiA: Summary of adverse events

	<b>Olaparib (N = 911)</b>	<b>Placebo (N = 904)</b>
Any adverse event	835 (91.7%)	753 (83.3%)
<b>Serious adverse event (SAE)</b>	<b>79 (8.7%)</b>	<b>76 (8.4%)</b>
<b>Adverse event of special interest</b>	<b>30 (3.3%)</b>	<b>46 (5.1%)</b>
<b>MDS/AML</b>	<b>2 (0.2%)</b>	<b>3 (0.3%)</b>
Pneumonitis	9 (1.0%)	11 (1.2%)
<b>New primary malignancy</b>	<b>20 (2.2%)</b>	<b>32 (3.5%)</b>
Grade ≥ 3 adverse event	221 (24.3%)	102 (11.3%)
<b>Grade 4 adverse event</b>	<b>17 (1.9%)</b>	<b>4 (0.4%)</b>
<b>Adverse event leading to permanent discontinuation of treatment*</b>	<b>90 (9.9%)</b>	<b>38 (4.2%)</b>
Adverse event leading to death <sup>†</sup>	1 (0.1%)	2 (0.2%)

Includes adverse events with an onset date on or after the first dose date and up to and including 30 days following date of last dose of study medication. AML denotes acute myeloid leukemia; MDS myelodysplastic syndrome

\*Adverse events leading to permanent discontinuation of treatment in the olaparib group that occurring in > 1% were; nausea, anemia and fatigue

†Adverse events leading to death are cardiac arrest (olaparib, n = 1), AML (placebo, n = 1), and ovarian cancer (placebo, n = 1)



# OlympiA: Conclusions

- Participants in OlympiA with high risk HER2-negative early breast cancer and germline *BRCA1/2* mutation had significant risk of IDFS and DDFS events despite standard therapies
- Adjuvant olaparib for 1 year after completion of local treatment and (neo)adjuvant chemotherapy, significantly improves both invasive and distant disease-free survival
- Fewer deaths were reported on olaparib, however OS benefit was not significant with median FU of only 2.5 years and as IA specified  $P < 0.01$ ; blinded follow-up continues
- Toxicity was limited and manageable without effect on global patient-reported quality of life
- Germline *BRCA1* and *BRCA2* sequencing is an important biomarker in early breast cancer

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## Dalpiciclib plus fulvestrant versus placebo plus fulvestrant in HR+/HER2- advanced breast cancer that relapsed or progressed on previous endocrine therapy (DAWNA-1): a multicenter, randomized, phase 3 study

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# DAWNA-1: study design

## Patients

- Pathologically confirmed HR+, HER2- locally advanced or metastatic breast cancer
- ECOG PS 0/1
- Relapsed or progressed on previous endocrine therapy
- ≤1 line of prior chemotherapy for recurrent/metastatic disease

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2:1

**Dalpiciclib** (150 mg po qd, d1-21, q4w) +  
**Fulvestrant** (500 mg im, cycle 1 d1, d15, then  
d1 q4w)

**Placebo** (150 mg po qd, d1-21, q4w) +  
**Fulvestrant** (500 mg im, cycle 1 d1, d15, then  
d1 q4w)

## Primary endpoint

- PFS (investigator)

## Secondary endpoints

- PFS (IRC)
- OS
- ORR
- CBR
- DoR
- Time to first subsequent chemotherapy
- Safety profile

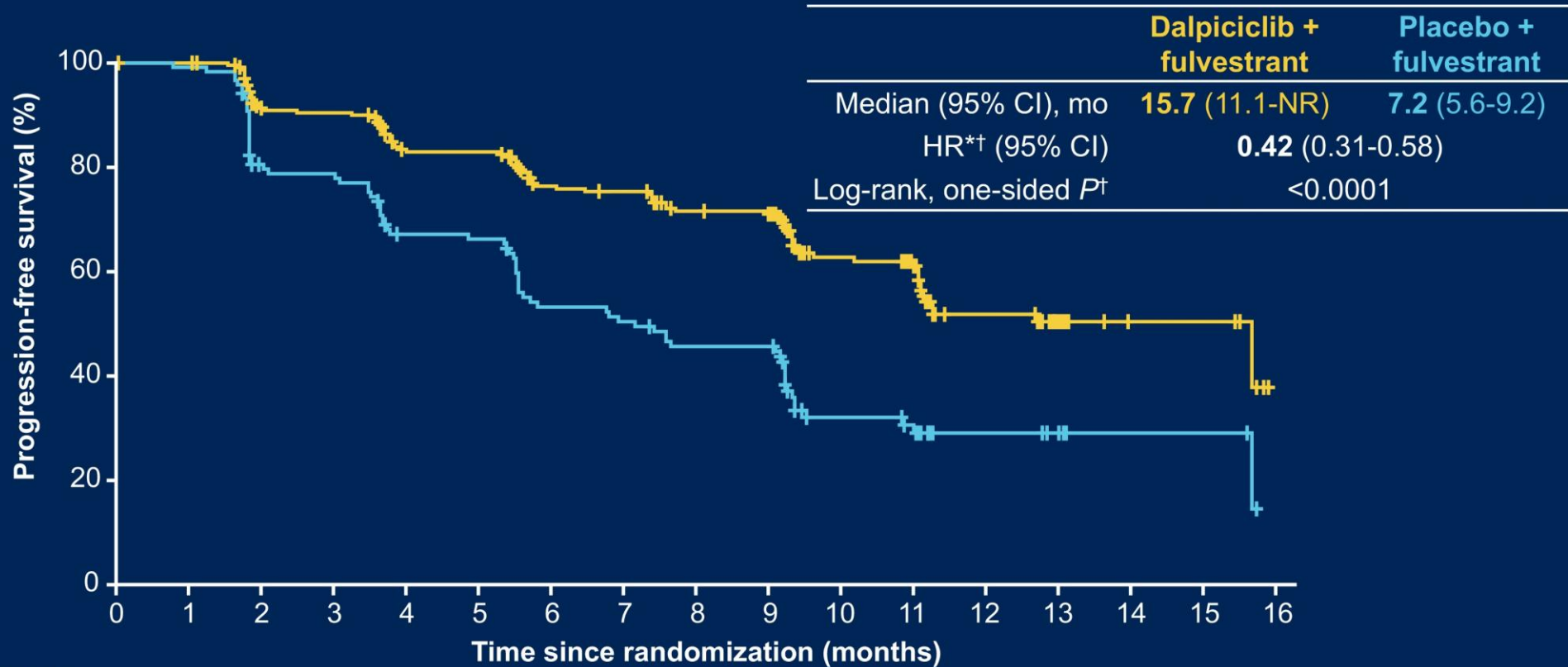
## Stratification factors

- Visceral metastasis (yes vs no)
- Menopausal status (postmenopausal vs pre- or perimenopausal)

Tumor response was assessed per RECIST v1.1.

CBR, clinical benefit rate; DoR, duration of response; ECOG, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group; IRC, independent review committee; ORR, objective response rate; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression-free survival; PS, performance status

# Primary endpoint: PFS per investigator



	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
<b>Dalpiciclib + fulvestrant</b>	241	239	204	200	172	171	146	143	131	130	78	72	39	20	6	6	0
<b>Placebo + fulvestrant</b>	120	119	91	89	73	72	57	54	48	48	23	20	9	7	3	3	0

\*Estimated using a stratified Cox proportional hazards model. † Analysis stratified by the randomization strata.

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# AEs occurring in $\geq 10\%$ of patients in either group

Events, n (%)	Dapiciclib + fulvestrant (n=240)			Placebo + fulvestrant (n=120)		
	Any grade	Grade 3	Grade 4	Any grade	Grade 3	Grade 4
<b>Hematological toxicities</b>						
Neutropenia	235 (97.9%)	156 (65.0%)	46 (19.2%)	15 (12.5%)	0	0
Leukopenia	233 (97.1%)	149 (62.1%)	0	12 (10.0%)	0	0
Anemia	147 (61.3%)	7 (2.9%)	0	14 (11.7%)	2 (1.7%)	0
Thrombocytopenia	135 (56.3%)	14 (5.8%)	0	10 (8.3%)	0	1 (0.8%)
Lymphopenia	40 (16.7%)	11 (4.6%)	1 (0.4%)	1 (0.8%)	0	0
<b>Non-hematological toxicities</b>						
AST increased	48 (20.0%)	1 (0.4%)	0	31 (25.8%)	1 (0.8%)	1 (0.8%)
Nausea	45 (18.8%)	1 (0.4%)	0	17 (14.2%)	1 (0.8%)	0
ALT increased	36 (15.0%)	0	0	32 (26.7%)	1 (0.8%)	1 (0.8%)
Asthenia	35 (14.6%)	1 (0.4%)	0	17 (14.2%)	0	0
Urinary tract infection	34 (14.2%)	0	0	18 (15.0%)	0	0
Rash	34 (14.2%)	0	0	5 (4.2%)	0	0
Hyperglycemia	29 (12.1%)	0	0	16 (13.3%)	0	0
Upper respiratory tract infection	28 (11.7%)	2 (0.8%)	0	12 (10.0%)	0	0
Hypertriglyceridemia	26 (10.8%)	0	1 (0.4%)	12 (10.0%)	2 (1.7%)	0
Headache	26 (10.8%)	0	0	8 (6.7%)	1 (0.8%)	0
Arthralgia	25 (10.4%)	0	0	8 (6.7%)	0	0
Hypoalbuminemia	25 (10.4%)	0	0	6 (5.0%)	0	0
Blood creatinine increased	25 (10.4%)	0	0	4 (3.3%)	0	0
Hypercholesterolemia	14 (5.8%)	0	0	13 (10.8%)	0	0

All grade 3 or 4 AEs occurring in  $\geq 3\%$  of patients in either group are listed. ALT, alanine aminotransferase; AST, aspartate aminotransferase

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# Conclusions

- The phase 3 DAWNA-1 met its primary endpoint at the interim analysis, with PFS significantly improved with dalpiciclib + fulvestrant vs placebo + fulvestrant
  - PFS: HR 0.42 (95% CI: 0.31-0.58)
- Benefit of dalpiciclib vs placebo extended beyond initial study treatment
  - Time to first subsequent chemotherapy: HR 0.47 (95% CI: 0.32-0.69)
- Dalpiciclib + fulvestrant demonstrated a tolerable safety profile

**These findings support dalpiciclib + fulvestrant as a new treatment option in patients with HR+/HER2- advanced breast cancer who relapsed or progressed on prior endocrine therapy**



# Trastuzumab Plus Endocrine Therapy or Chemotherapy as First-Line Treatment for Metastatic Breast Cancer with Hormone Receptor-positive and Her2-positive: the SYSUCC-002 Randomized Clinical Trial

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# Trial Design

## Eligibility criteria

- Aged  $\geq 18$  years
- Histology-confirmed MBC
- HR+ HER2+
- Disease-free interval\* >12 months

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Stratification factors:

- previous adjuvant **endocrine** therapy (AI / ORM) and disease status (recurrent / *de novo*)

## **ET group**

ORMs or AIs # +  
trastuzumab

## **CT group**

taxanes, capecitabine, or  
vinorelbine + trastuzumab

Primary endpoint: Progression-free survival (PFS)

Secondary endpoints: Overall survival (OS), objective response rate (ORR), and Safety

\*Disease-free interval defined as the time from the diagnosis of the primary breast cancer to the first recurrence in patients who received (neo)adjuvant therapy) had to be >12 months

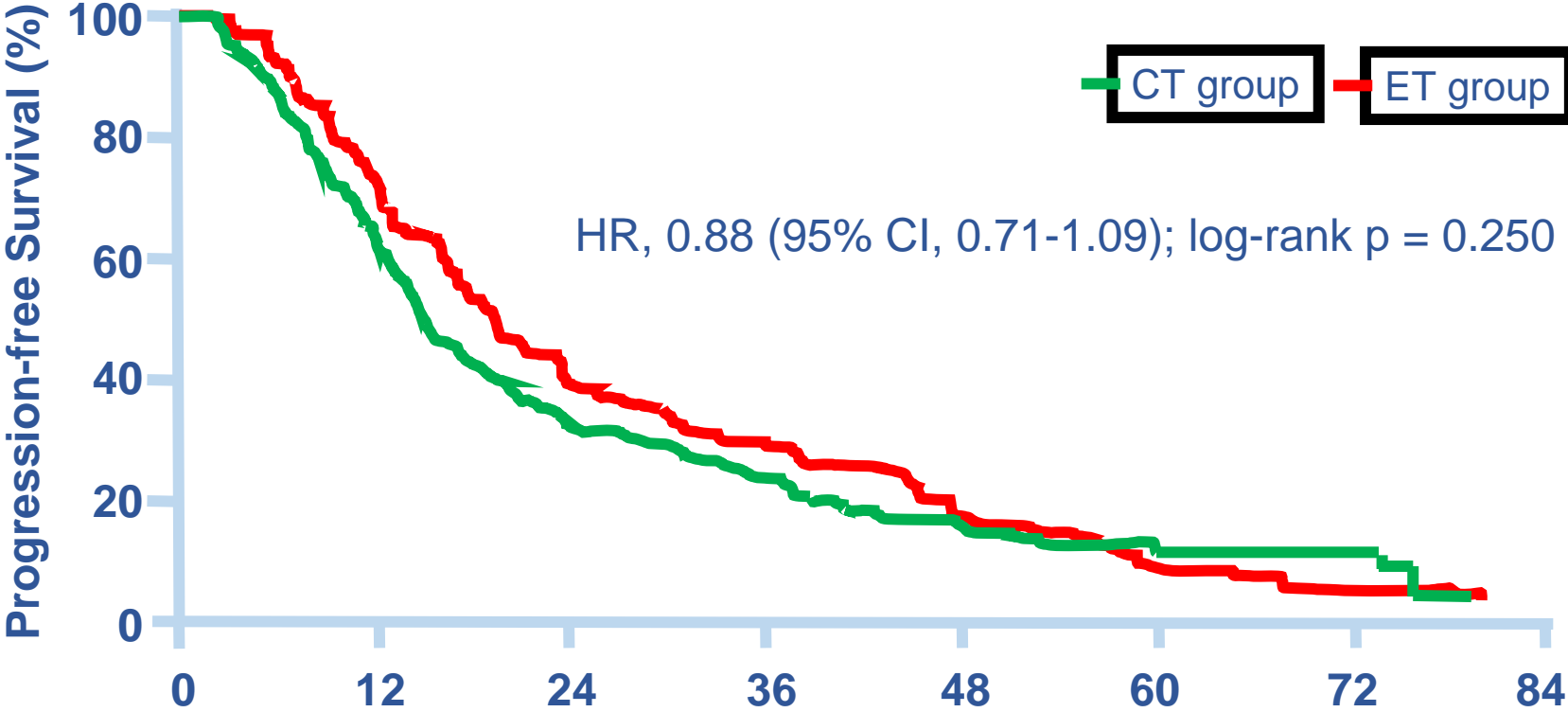
#ORMs: oestrogen-receptor modulators, including tamoxifen and toremifene; AIs: aromatase inhibitors, including anastrozole, letrozole, and exemestane

# Baseline Patients Characteristics

	ET group (N = 196)		CT group (N = 196)	
	n	%	n	%
Disease-free interval				
≤ 24 months	64	32.7	78	39.8
> 24 months	78	39.8	64	32.7
Previous anti-HER2 therapy				
Yes	41	20.9	48	24.5
No	101	51.5	94	48.0
Previous (neo)adjuvant chemotherapy	133	67.9	135	68.9
<i>De novo</i> metastases	54	27.6	54	27.6
Previous adjuvant endocrine therapy				
AIs	83	42.3	83	42.3
ORMs	59	30.1	59	30.1

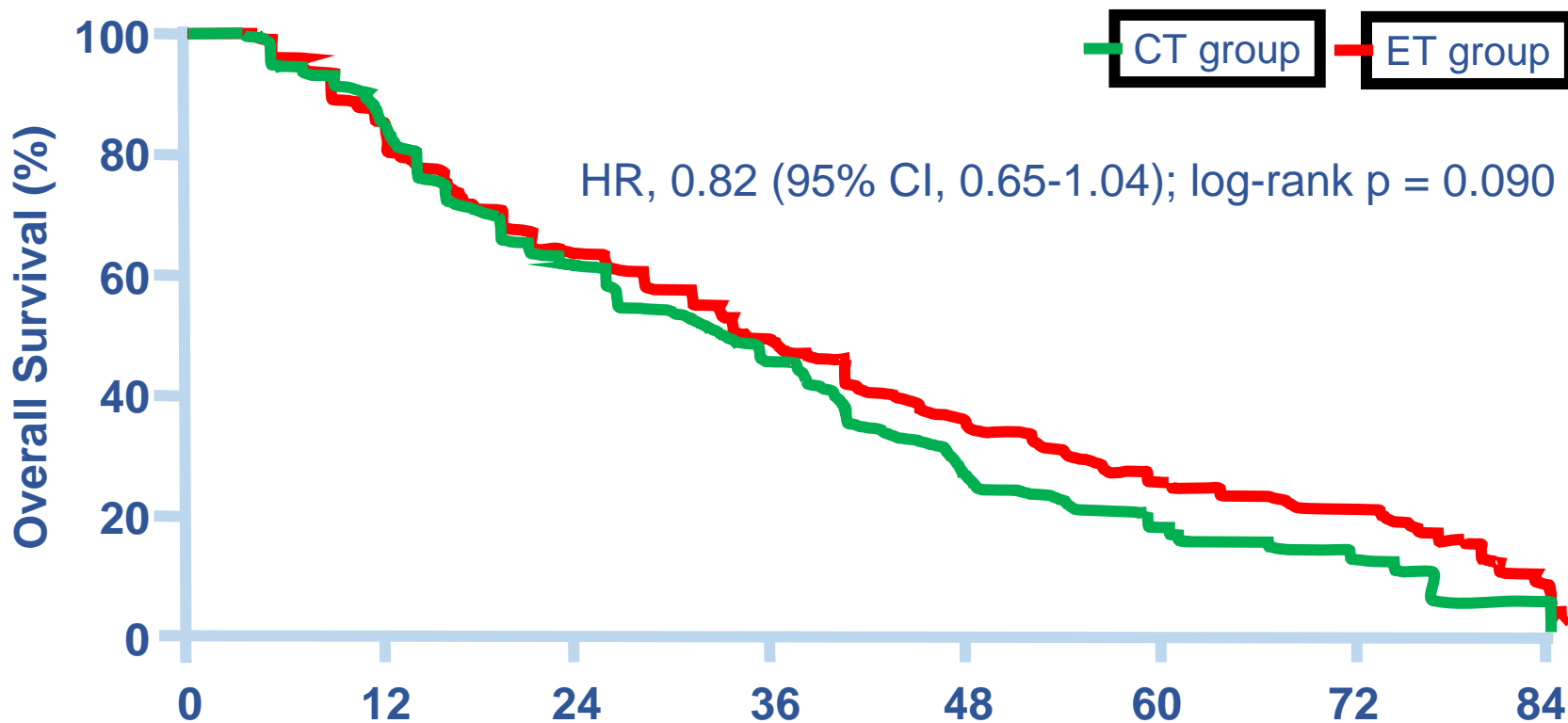


# Progression-Free Survival (primary endpoint)



No. at risk	Time since Randomization (months)							
	0	12	24	36	48	60	72	84
CT group	196	124	61	33	16	9	5	0
ET group	196	142	73	50	28	11	4	0

# Overall Survival



No. at risk	Time since Randomization (months)							
	0	12	24	36	48	60	72	84
CT group	196	166	114	66	28	16	6	0
ET group	196	166	118	78	49	33	22	2

# Conclusion

- Trastuzumab plus endocrine therapy was non-inferior to and had fewer toxicities compared with trastuzumab plus chemotherapy in patients with HR+HER2+ MBC
- Exploratory analyses revealed that trastuzumab plus endocrine therapy was likely to be more beneficial in patients with a DFI >24 months
- Exploratory analyses revealed that trastuzumab plus chemotherapy was likely to be more beneficial in patients with a DFI  $\leq$ 24 months

TREATMENT-RELATED SIDE EFFECTS AND  
VIEWS ABOUT DOSAGE ASSESSMENT TO  
SUSTAIN QUALITY OF LIFE:

RESULTS OF AN ADVOCATE-LED SURVEY OF  
PATIENTS WITH METASTATIC BREAST CANCER  
(MBC)

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# SURVEY RATIONALE

## BACKGROUND

- MBC is treatable, not curable
- Most patients remain on treatment indefinitely
- Usually no distinction between dosages for MBC vs. early-stage
- Recommended Starting Dose typically based on Phase 1 dose escalation trials
- Phase 1 trials → RP2D / Maximum Tolerated Dose (MTD)
- **PARADIGM: HIGHER DOSE/TOXICITY ~ GREATER EFFICACY**

## PARADIGM CHALLENGES

- Toxicity not entirely relevant for targeted therapies
- “Real world” patient responses/tolerability may vary
- Treatment-related toxicities may
  - degrade QOL
  - occasionally be fatal
- MDA retrospective analysis - lower starting capecitabine dose improved tolerability / preserved efficacy

**NEW PARADIGM: PERSONALIZE STARTING DOSE IN CLINICAL PRACTICE BASED UPON PATIENT ATTRIBUTES**



**PATIENT-CENTERED DOSING INITIATIVE (PCDI)**

MBC patient advocates/Advisory Board of medical oncologists

## WHAT WOULD PATIENTS SAY?

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# GOALS AND METHODS

## SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES

1. Prevalence/severity of side effects
2. Physician-patient communication
3. Effect of dose reduction on QOL
4. Patients' willingness to discuss alternate allowed dosing opportunities

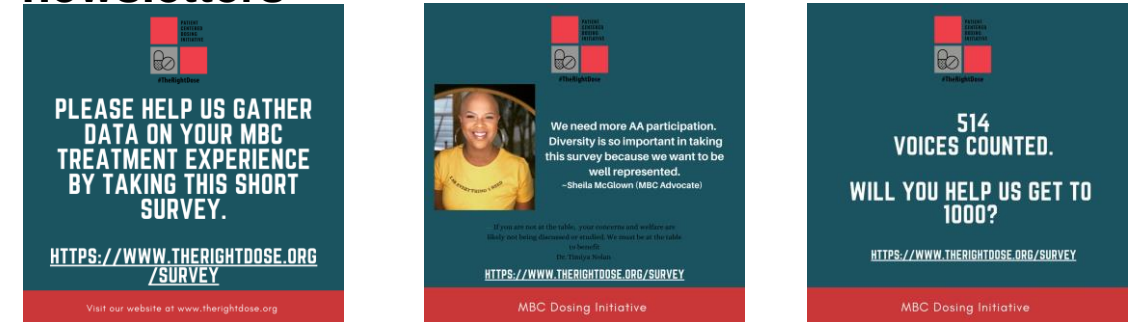
## PREPARATION

- Questions created by patient advocates
- "Piloted" the survey → 32 patients
- Final online, anonymous version
  - 27 questions
  - approved by Advisory Board
- Inclusion: US patients with MBC ≥ 18 ys.
- IRB Exempt Determination

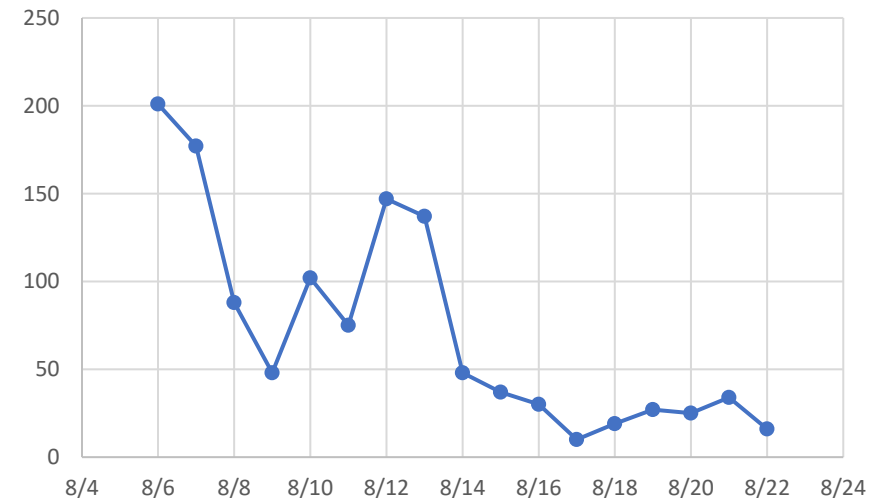
**GOAL: UNDERSTAND TOLERABILITY FROM PATIENTS' PERSPECTIVES + WILLINGNESS TO DISCUSS INDIVIDUALIZED DOSING OPTIONS**

## ROLLOUT

**Social media, online support groups, email lists, breast cancer organization newsletters**



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# SUMMARY

## 1,221 patients have spoken...

### Objective 1: Prevalence/Severity of Side Effects:

- 86% had  $\geq 1$  bad side effect
  - 20% visited ER/hospital
  - 43% missed  $\geq 1$  treatment

### Objective 2: Level of Physician/Patient Communication:

- 98% of patients with SE's told their doctor
- 82% received assistance

### Objective 3: Effect of Dose Reduction on QOL:

- 83% given a dose reduction felt better

### Objective 4: Patients' Willingness to Discuss Alternate Dosing Options:

- 92% would discuss dosages with physicians based on personal attributes

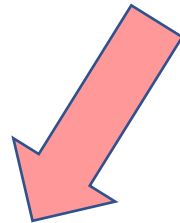


NEXT STEPS:  
PATIENT-CENTERED DOSING INITIATIVE

“and more studies are needed...”

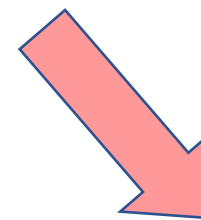
- 1) Medical Oncologists Survey
- 2) Compare Patient and Oncologists Survey Results
- 3) Engage Industry re: Dosage Level Efficacy

Retroactively



Outcomes of patients on lower doses  
due to Adverse Events vs. MTD

Proactively



Integrate comparative outcomes  
into clinical trial design