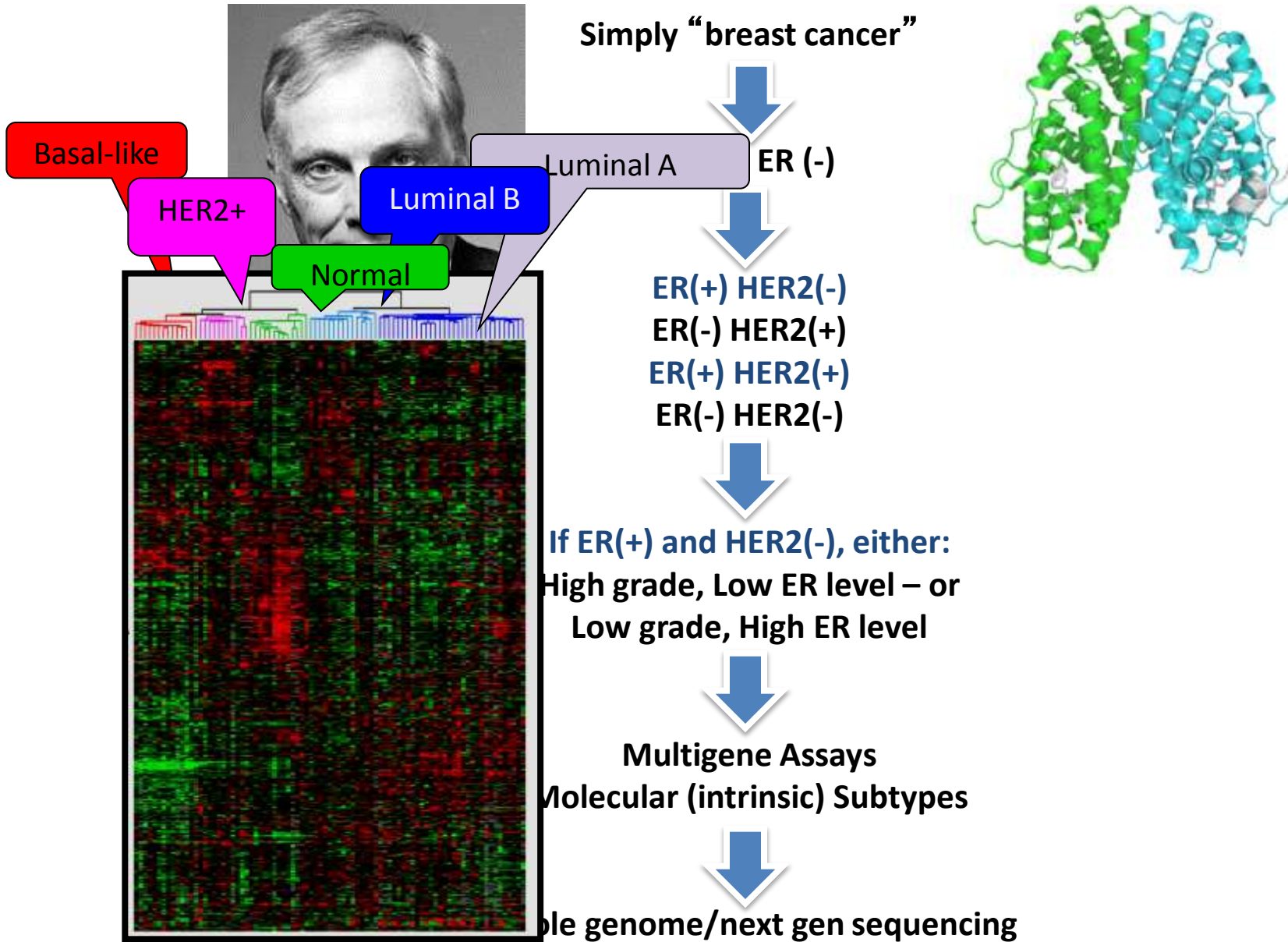


Terapia sistemica adiuvante: quando e quale?

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Breast Cancer – Was One Disease, Now Several



TAILORED / PERSONALIZED MEDICINE

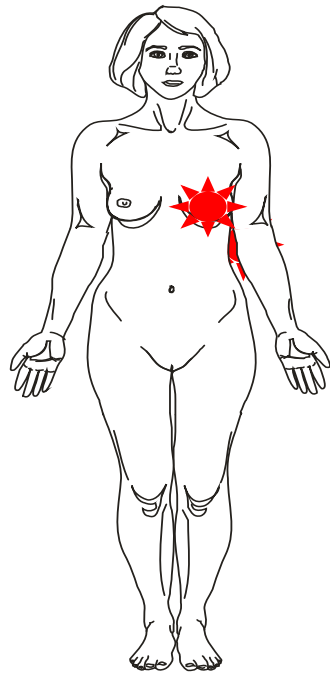


“One size fits all”

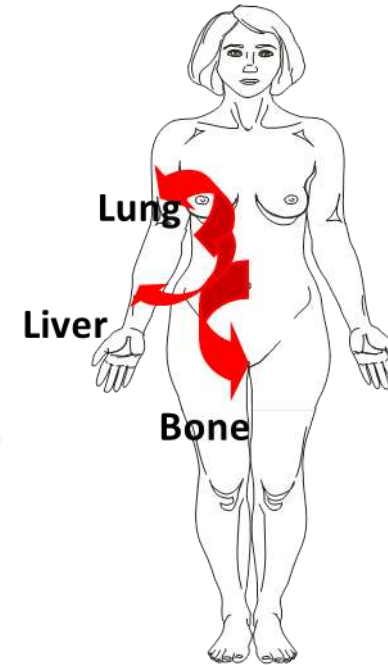
The right treatment
for the right patient
at the right time



“The right size for
the individual
woman”

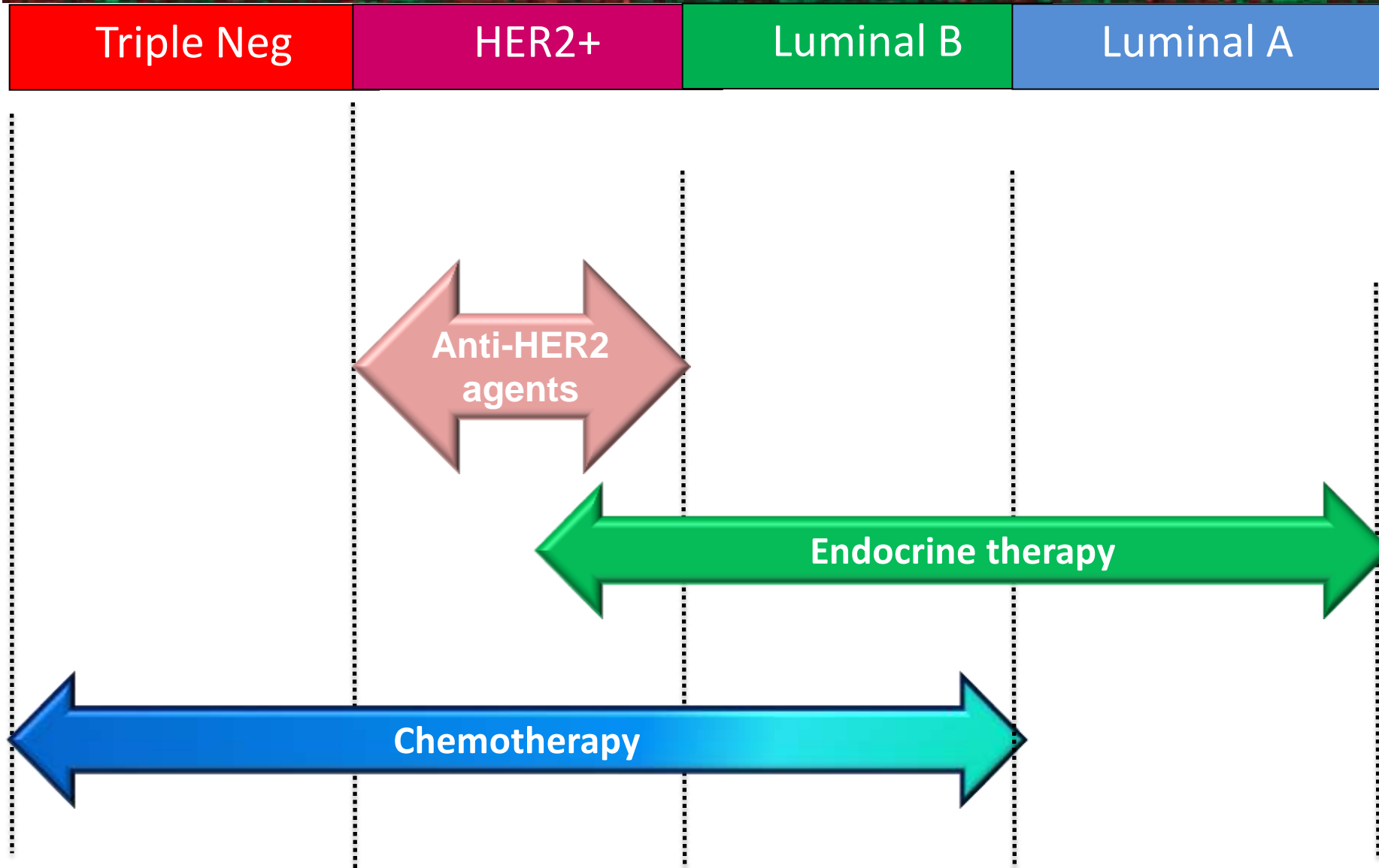


Early
Curable disease



Metastatic
Non curable disease

Subtype driven approach



Subtype driven approach

Triple Neg

HER2+

Luminal B

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Endocrine therapy

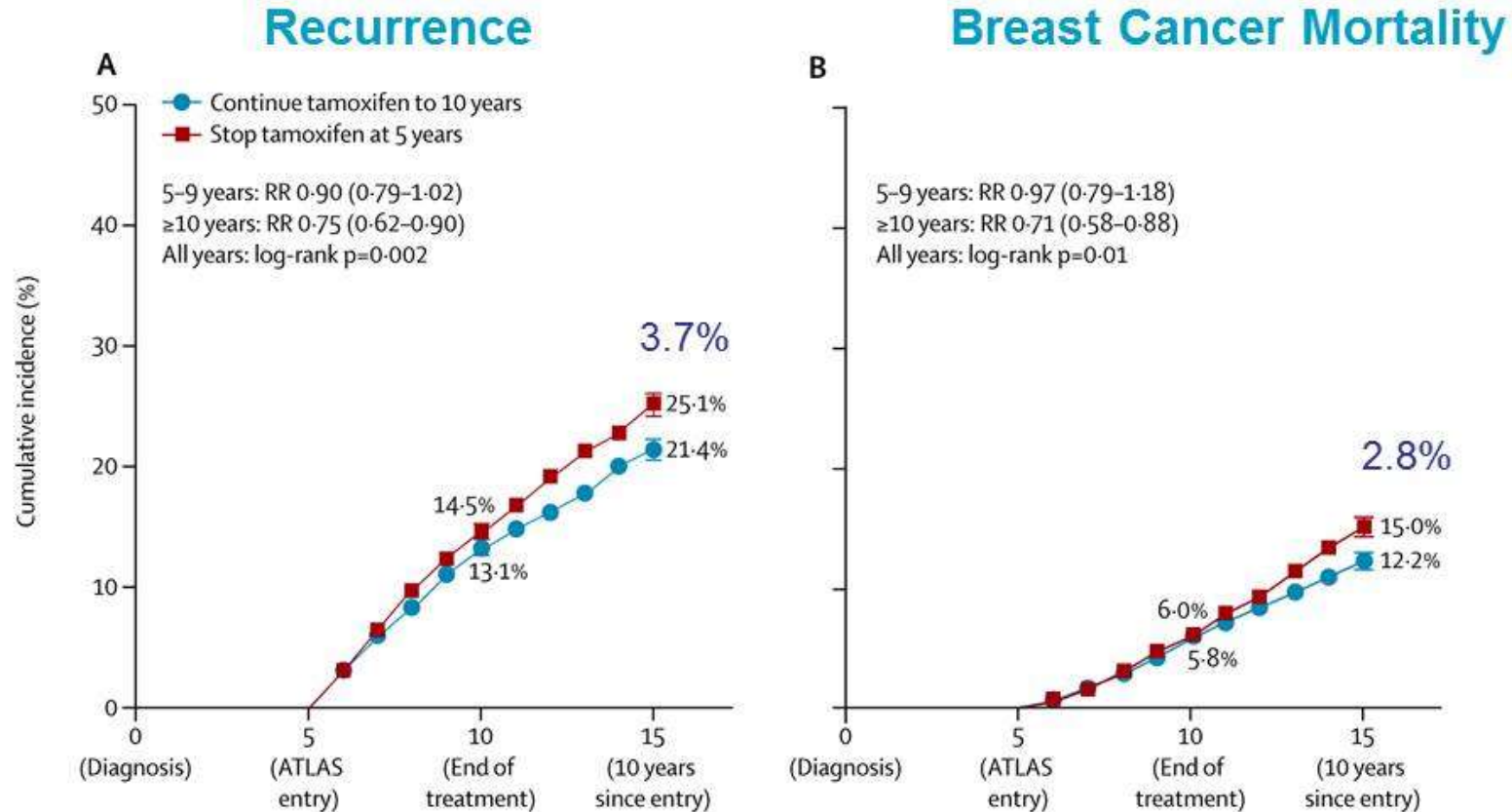


**ADJUVANT ENDOCRINE THERAPY IN
PREMENOPAUSAL WOMEN**

Tamoxifen for premenopausal pts

- 1980 tamoxifen effective for premenopausal metastatic BC
- 1988 (1st) EBCTCG publication: adjuvant tamoxifen benefit in women \geq 50 years
- 1998 EBCTCG publication: adjuvant tamoxifen effective in women < 50 yrs with ER+ BC; 5 years better than 2
- 2011 EBCTCG publication: tamoxifen 5 yrs reduced 15-year BC mortality by \sim 1/3 in women < 45 yrs

ATLAS: 10 vs 5 years of Tamoxifen (6846 patients)



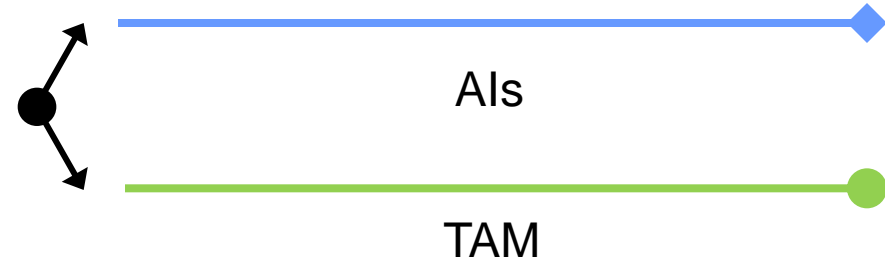
- Gain independent of age (<55 v ≥55) or nodes
- Reduced overall mortality (639 vs 722 deaths, p=0.01)
- Non-breast cancer deaths nsd (RR 0.99)

SOFT/TEXT

- SOFT showed:
 - DFS benefit with ovarian suppression only in higher risk patients receiving chemotherapy
 - Ovarian suppression + AI better, especially in pts under 35
- TEXT confirmed ovarian suppression + AI better DFS than ovarian suppression + Tamoxifen
- But no OS benefit so far
- Adverse QoL issues for many patients, and this requires discussion and choice

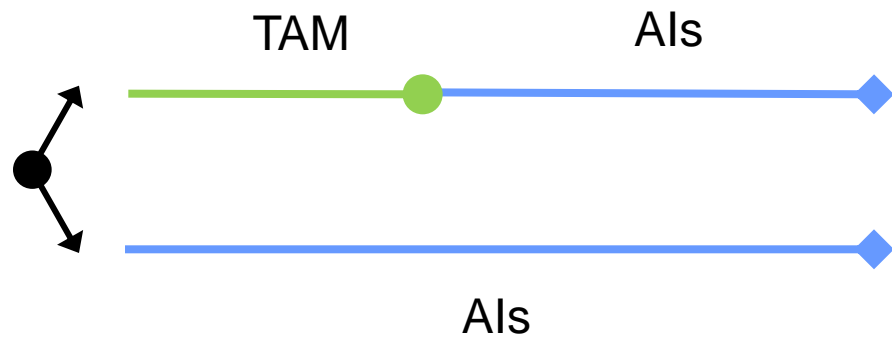
**ADJUVANT ENDOCRINE THERAPY IN
POSTMENOPAUSAL WOMEN**

Upfront vs switch



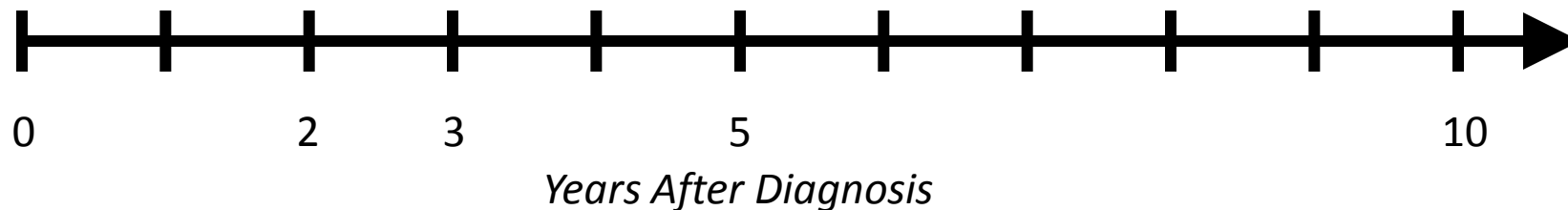
Upfront

ATAC, BIG 1-98, ABCSG 12, TEAM

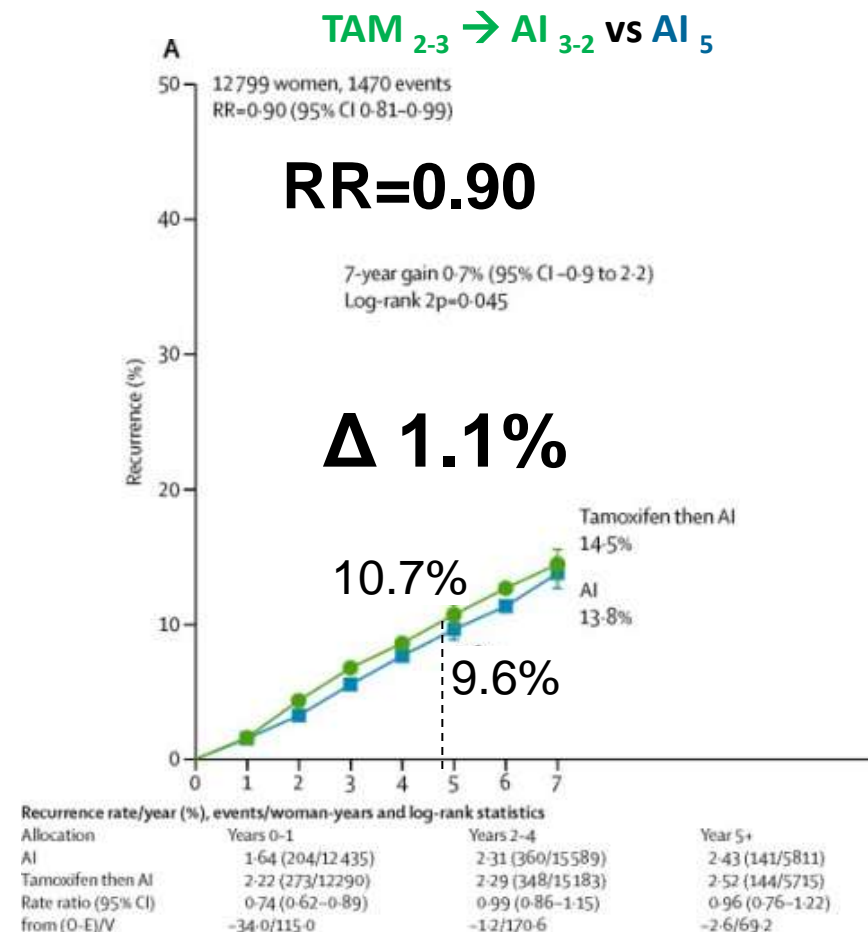
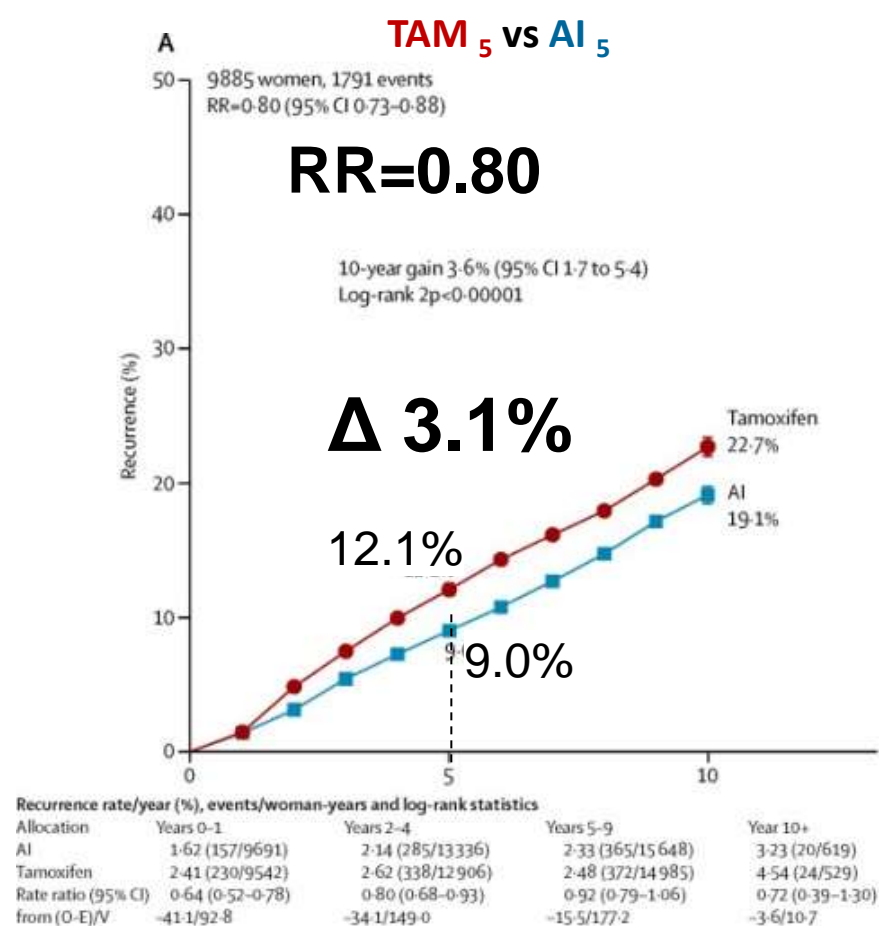


Switch

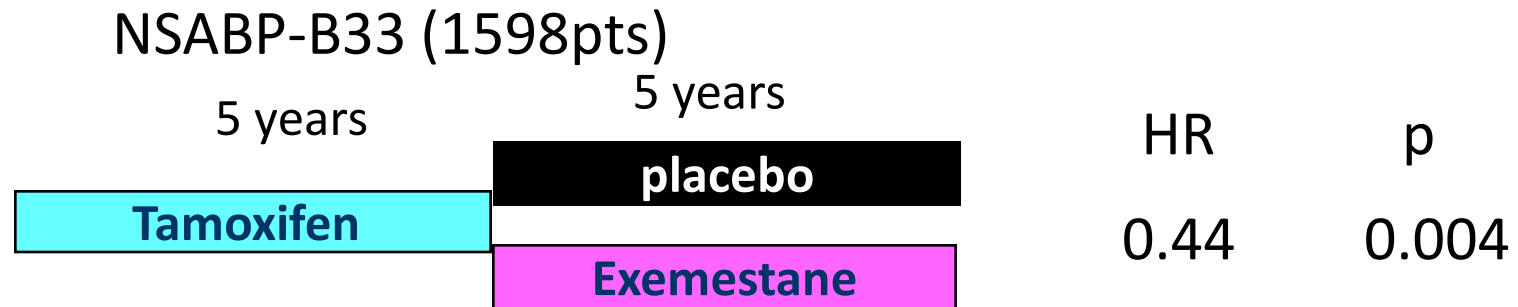
BIG 1-98, IES, ITA, NSAS BC-03,
ARNO 95, ABCSG 8



Patient-level meta-analysis of RCTs with endocrine therapy



Extended AIs after 5 yrs TAM significantly reduces recurrences, and likely improve OS

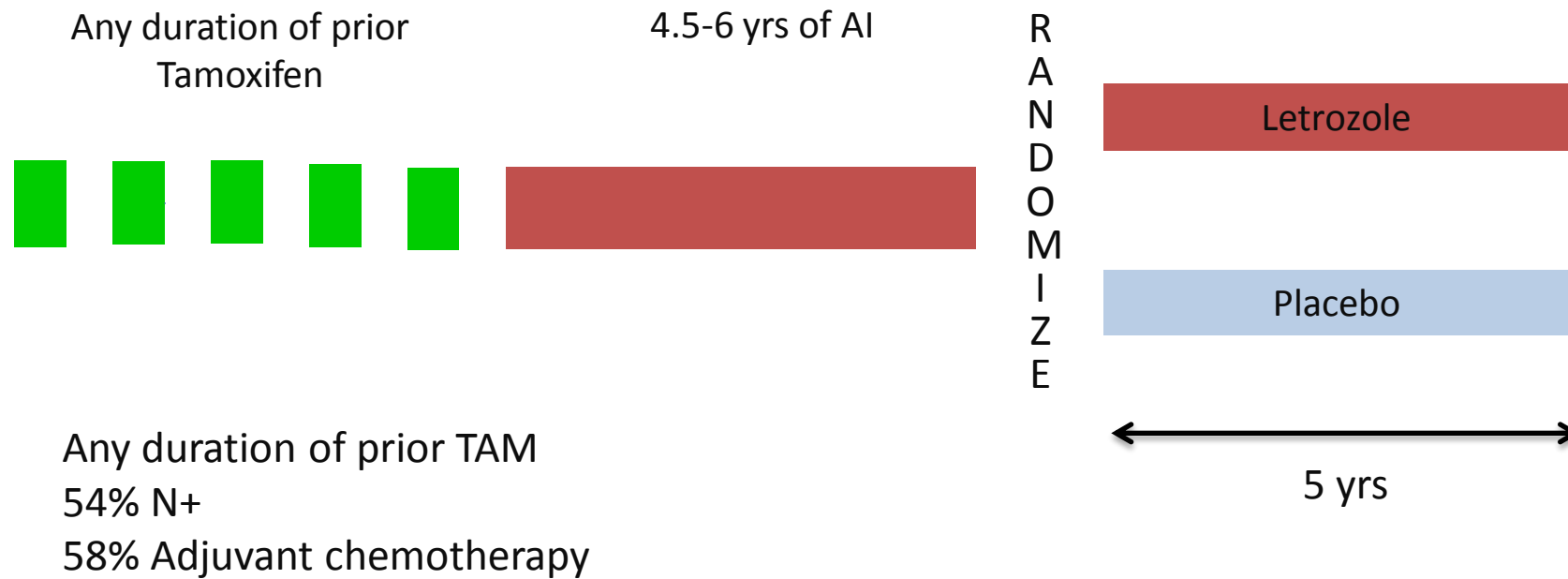


Mamounas et al. *JCO* 2008 26

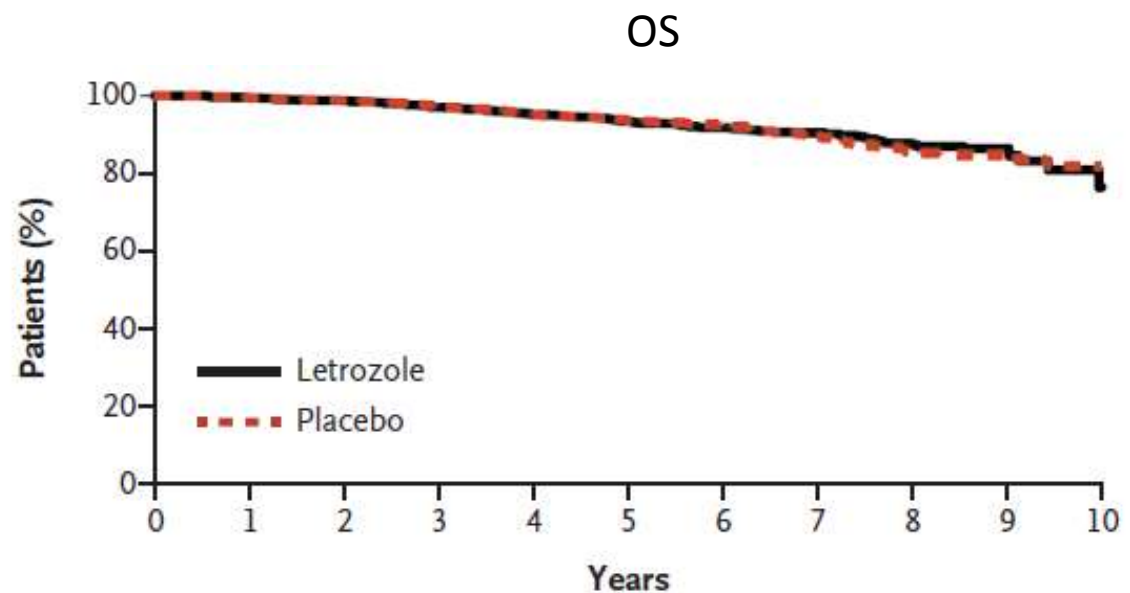
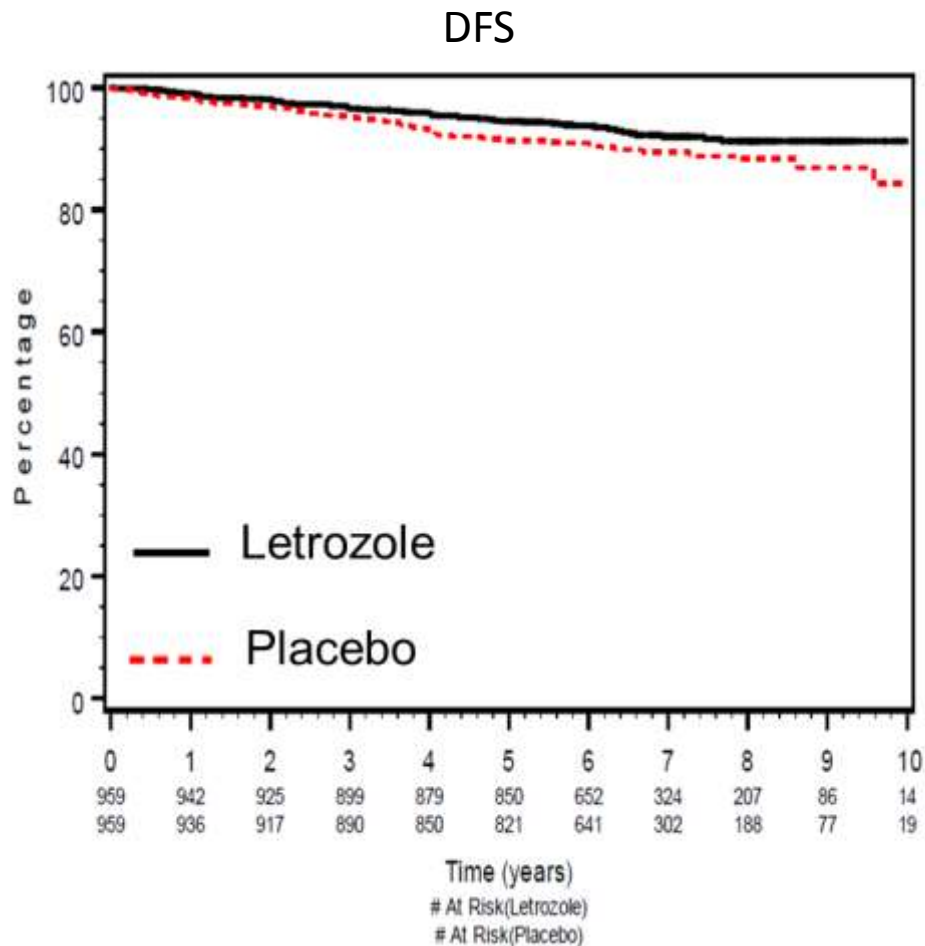


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Extended AIs after AIs: MA.17R Trial



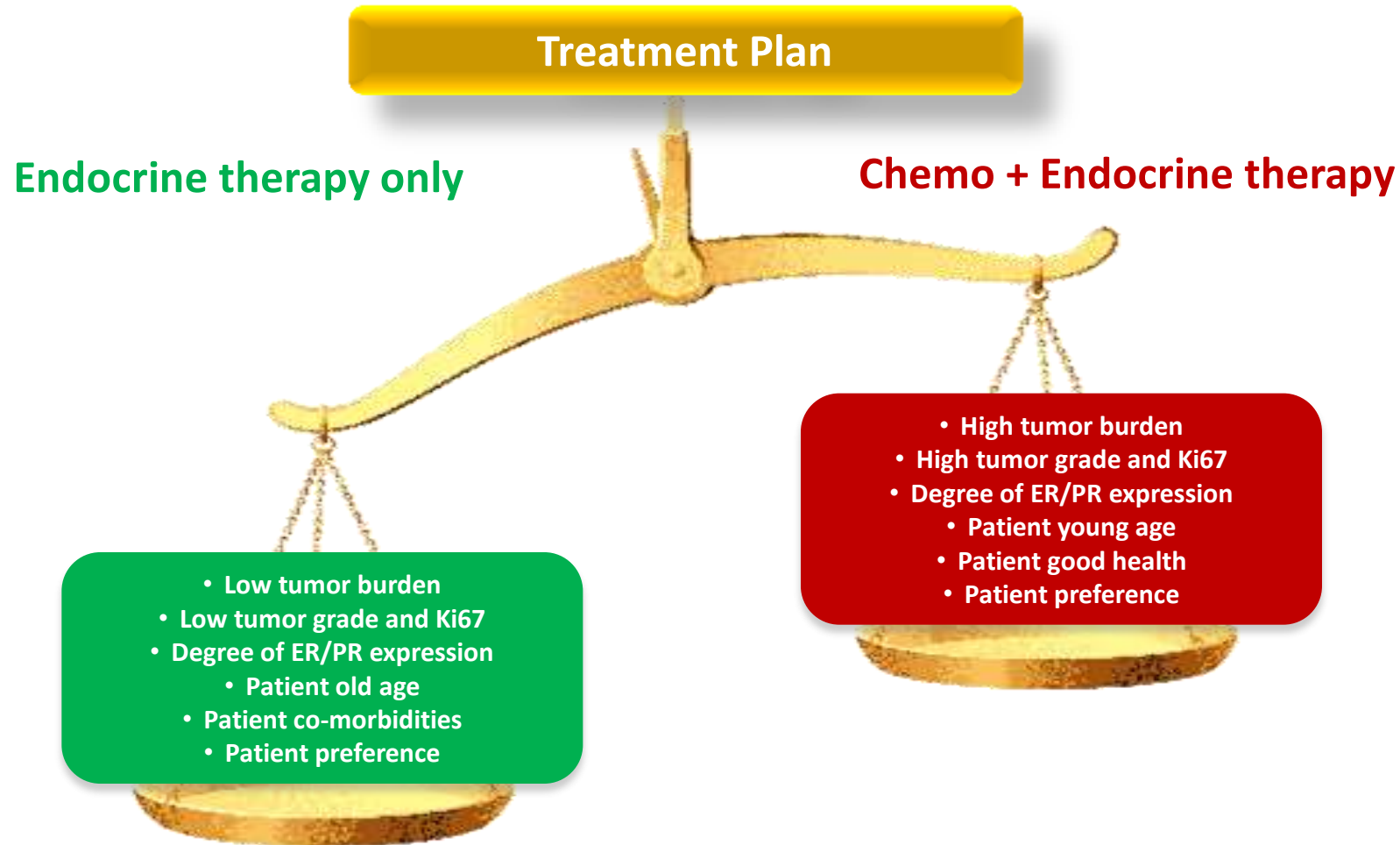
Extended AIs after AIs significantly reduces recurrences, but not OS benefit



No. at Risk

Letrozole	959	952	941	921	903	880	680	343	221	93	14
Placebo	959	953	943	923	895	874	680	327	204	84	20

Adjuvant Treatment Decision in ER+/HER2- Breast Cancer

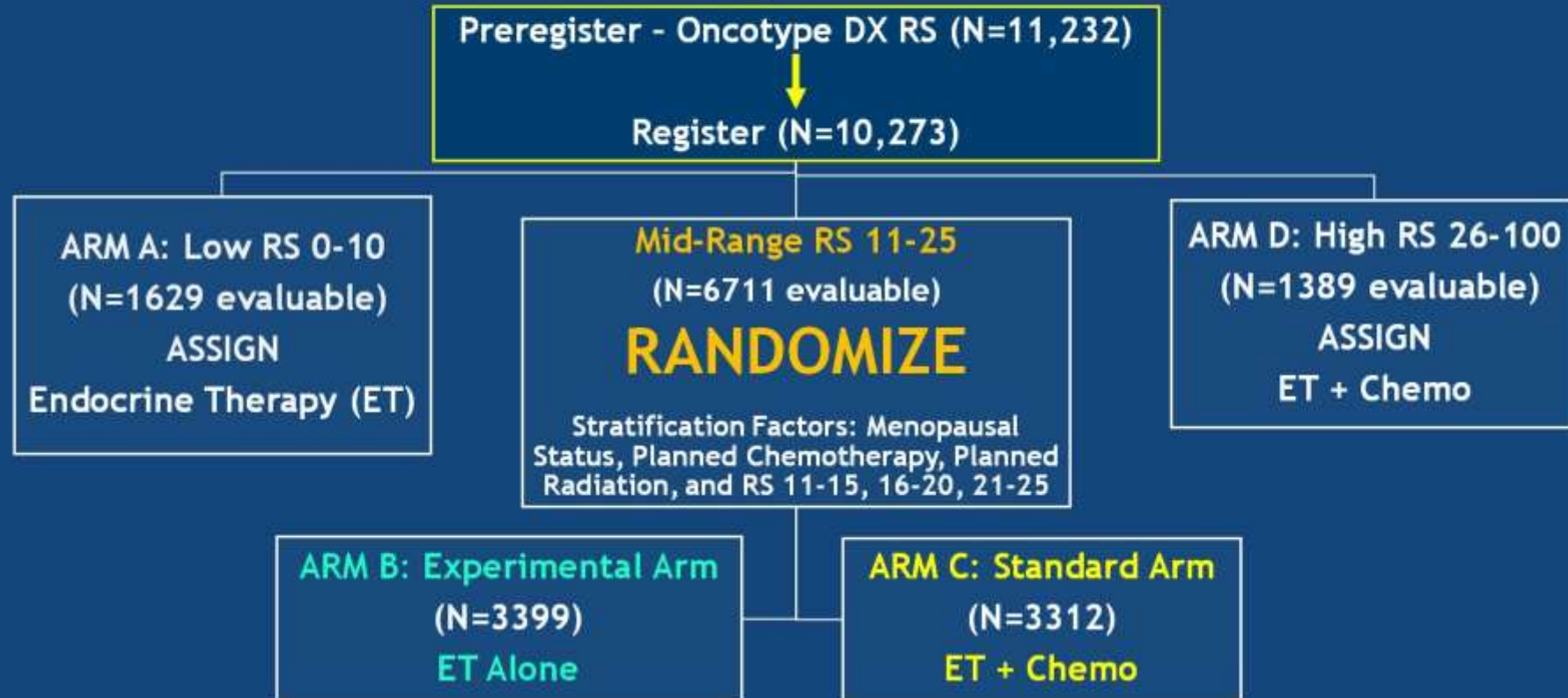


Multigene expression signatures
to forego chemotherapy:
15 years of research efforts!

Trial Assigning IndividualLized Options for Treatment (TAILORx):

Phase III trial of chemoendocrine therapy versus endocrine therapy alone in hormone receptor-positive, HER2-negative, node-negative breast cancer and an intermediate prognosis 21-gene recurrence score

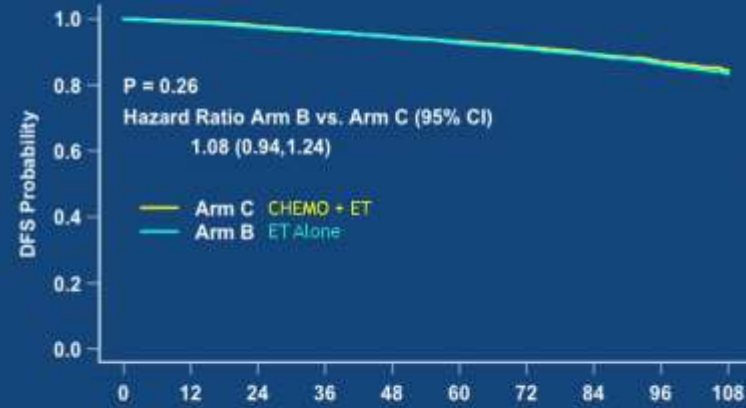
Accrued between April 2006 – October 2010



TAILORx Results - ITT Population: RS 11-25 (Arms B & C)

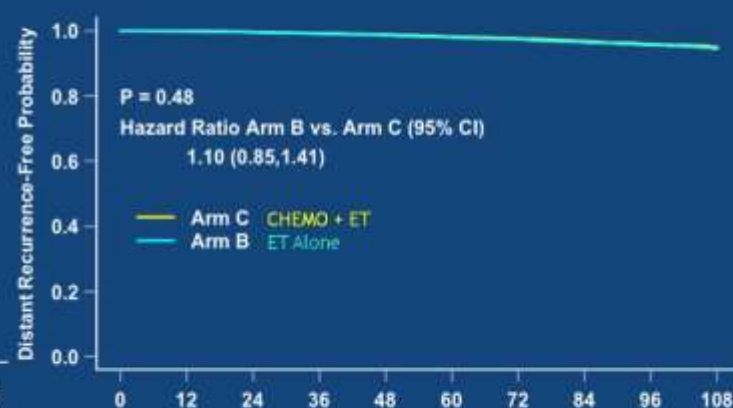
836 IDFS events (after median of 7.5 years), including 338 (40.3%) with recurrence as first event, of which 199 (23.8%) were distant

Primary Endpoint Invasive Disease-Free Survival



Number at risk	Months									
	0	12	24	36	48	60	72	84	96	108
Arm C CHEMO + ET	3312	3204	3104	2993	2849	2645	2335	1781	1130	523
Arm B ET Alone	3399	3293	3194	3081	2953	2741	2431	1859	1197	537

Secondary Endpoint Distant Relapse-Free Interval

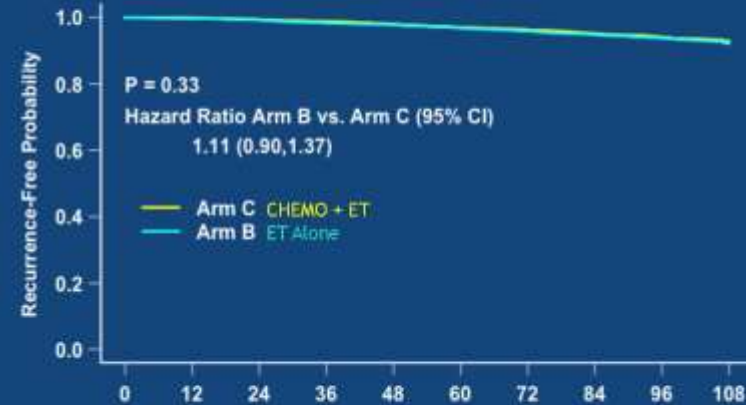


Number at risk	Months									
	0	12	24	36	48	60	72	84	96	108
Arm C CHEMO + ET	3312	3215	3142	3059	2935	2734	2432	1866	1197	554
Arm B ET Alone	3399	3318	3239	3147	3033	2833	2537	1947	1267	581

TAILORx Results – ITT Population: RS 11-25 (Arms B & C)

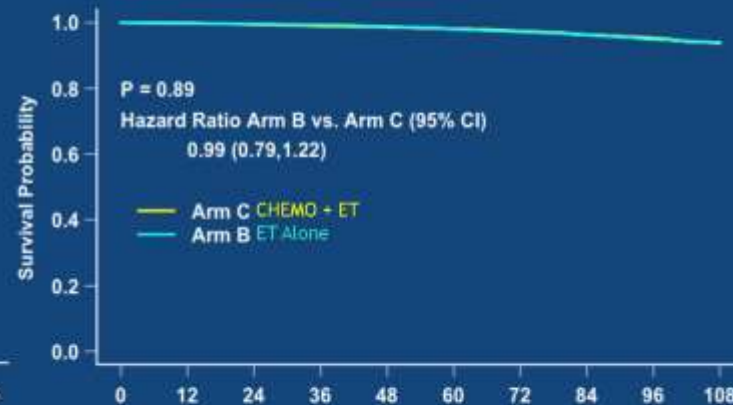
Other Secondary Endpoints

Relapse-Free Interval



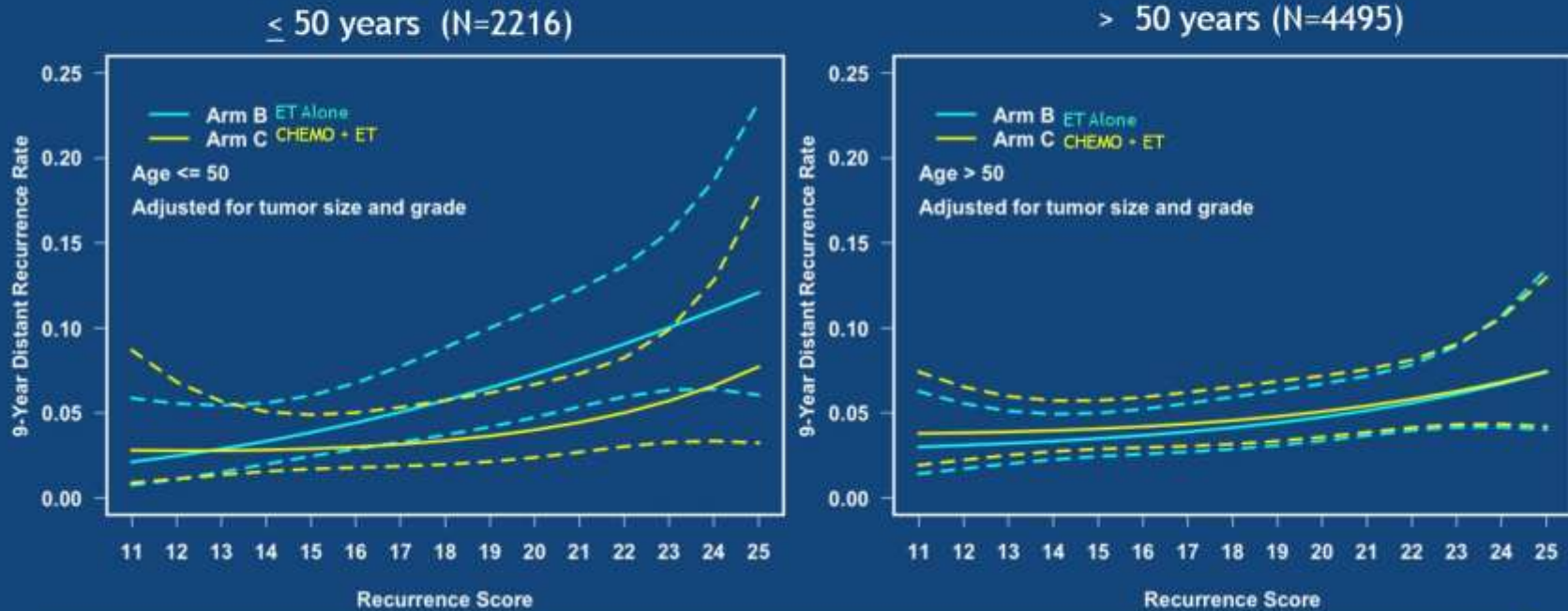
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Arm C CHEMO + ET	3312	3213	3134	3047	2911	2705	2405	1840	1176	543
Arm B ET Alone	3399	3313	3227	3127	3010	2802	2498	1915	1245	568

Overall Survival



Number at risk	Months									
	0	12	24	36	48	60	72	84	96	108
Arm C CHEMO + ET	3312	3252	3201	3144	3084	2962	2783	2292	1565	815
Arm B ET Alone	3399	3355	3315	3260	3204	3082	2903	2400	1614	859

TAILORx Results: Association between Continuous RS 11-25 and 9-Year Distant Recurrence Rate by Treatment Arms Stratified by Age (≤ 50 vs. >50 Years)



RS modeled with a natural spline with 2 degrees of freedom, adjusted for tumor size and grade

Subtype driven approach

Triple Neg

HER2+

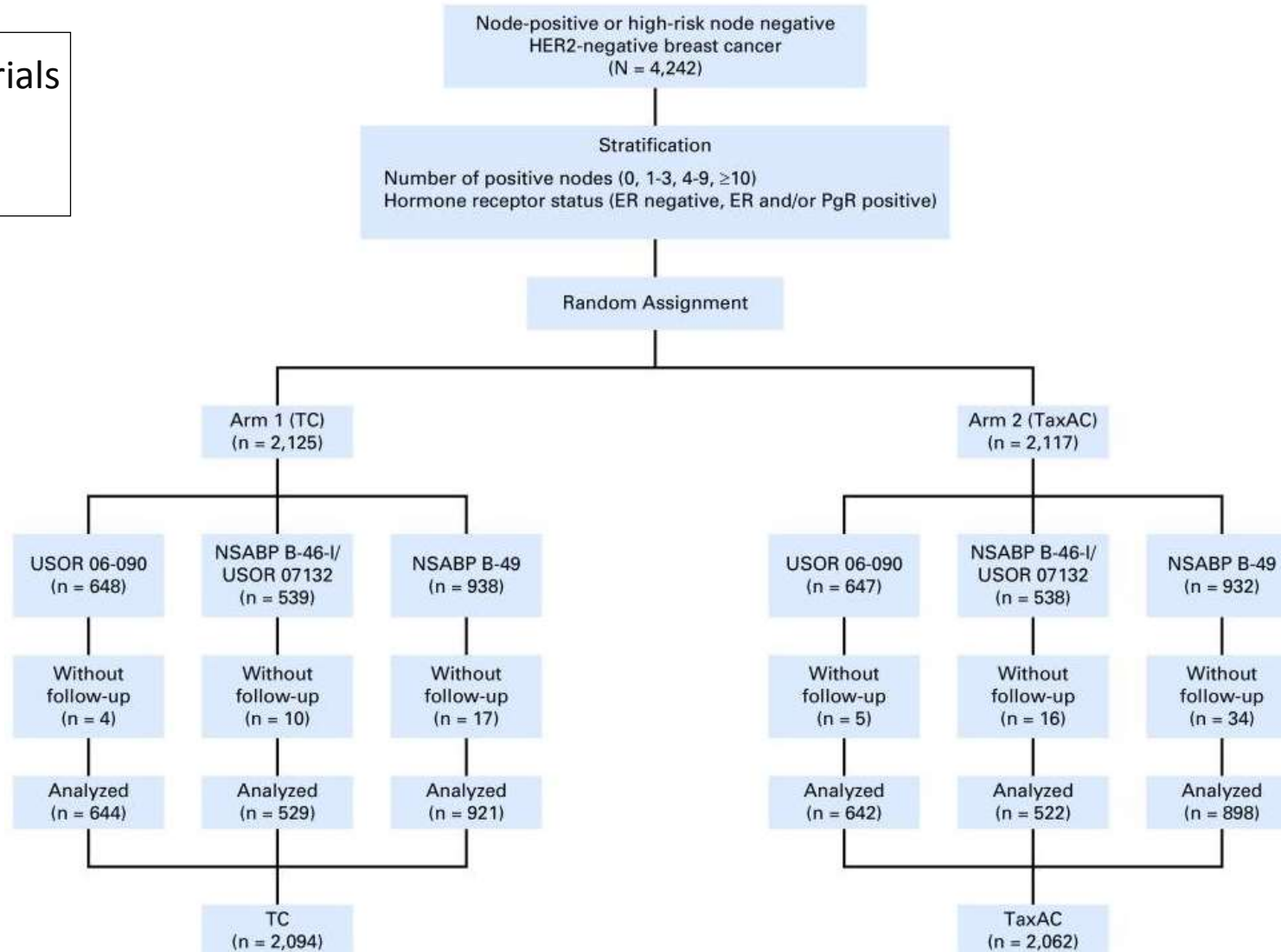
Luminal B

Luminal A

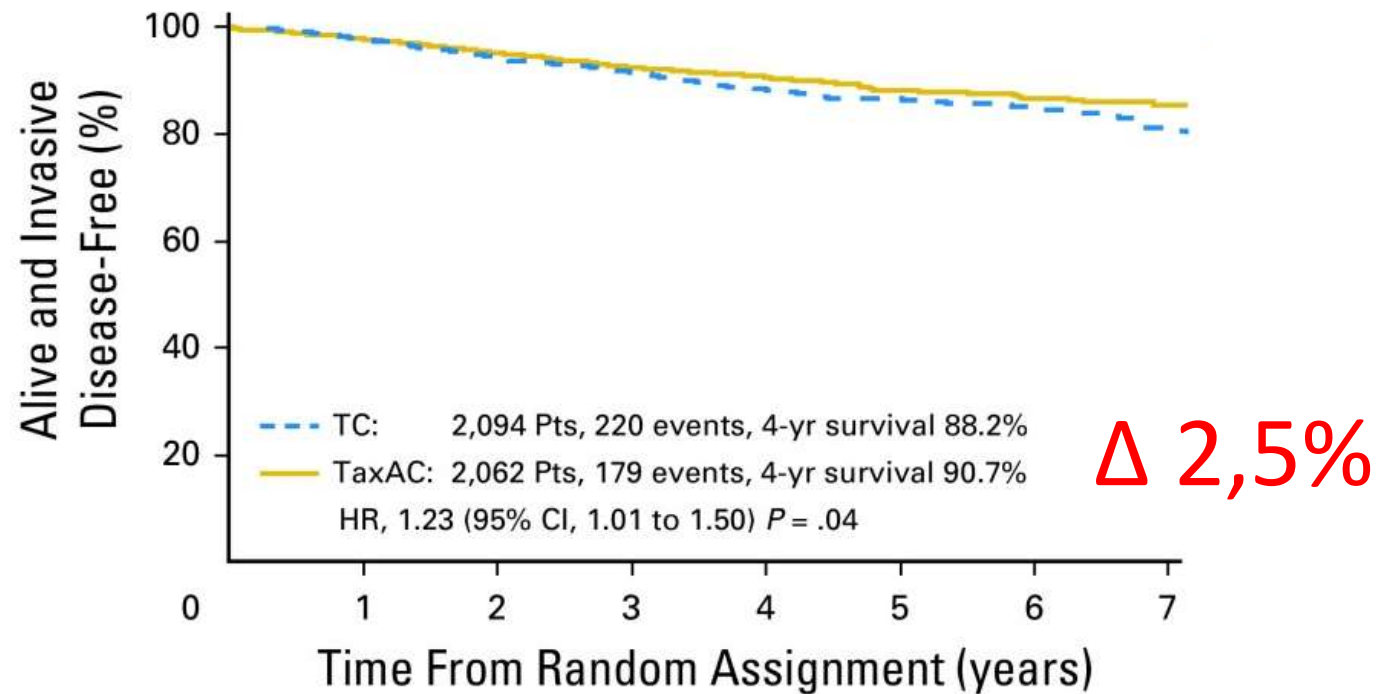
Chemotherapy

Looking for the optimal adjuvant chemotherapy

Joint Analysis of 3 ABC Trials
TC vs TaxAC
4242 high risk pts



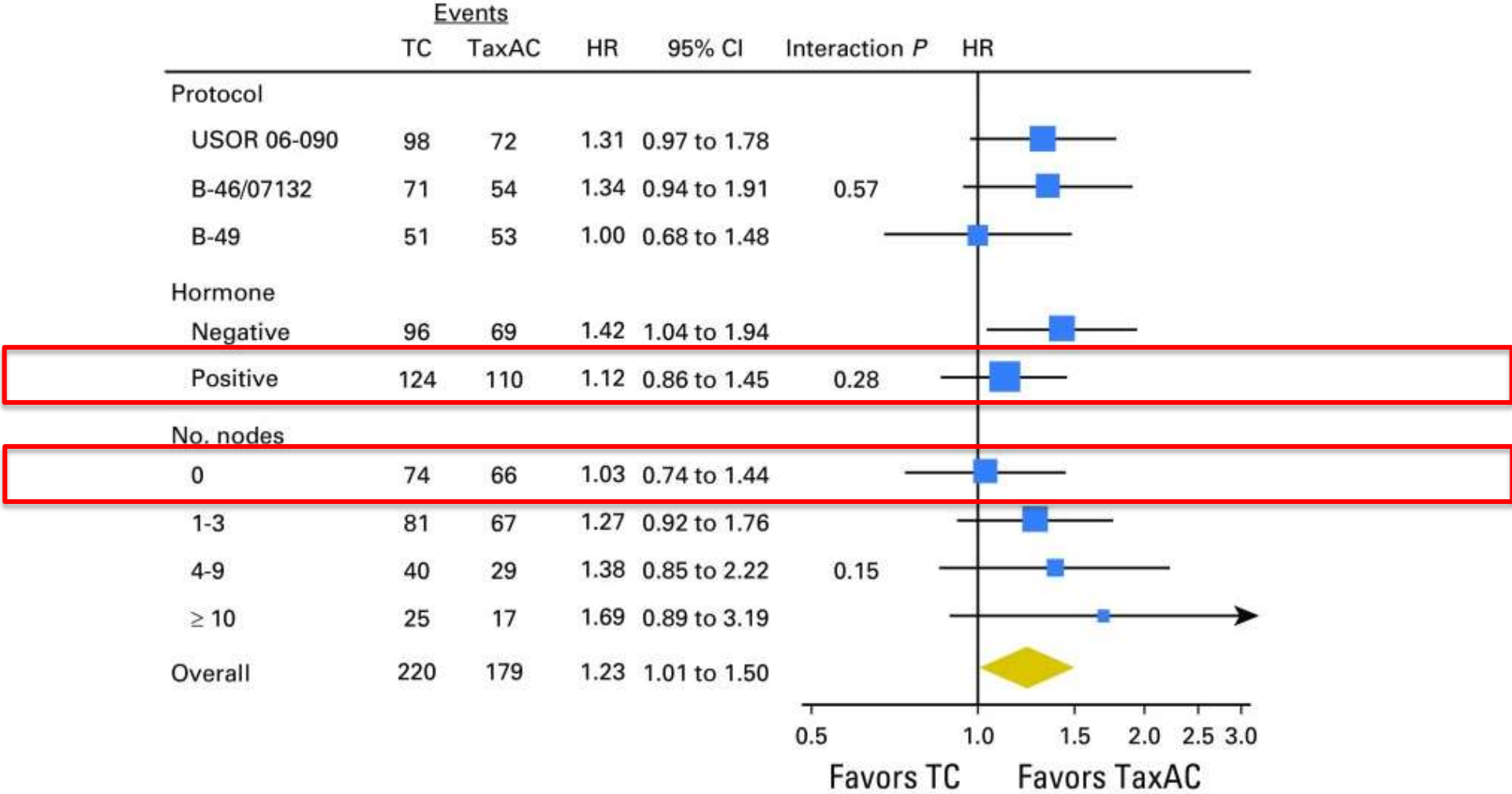
ABC trials: IDFS



No. at risk:

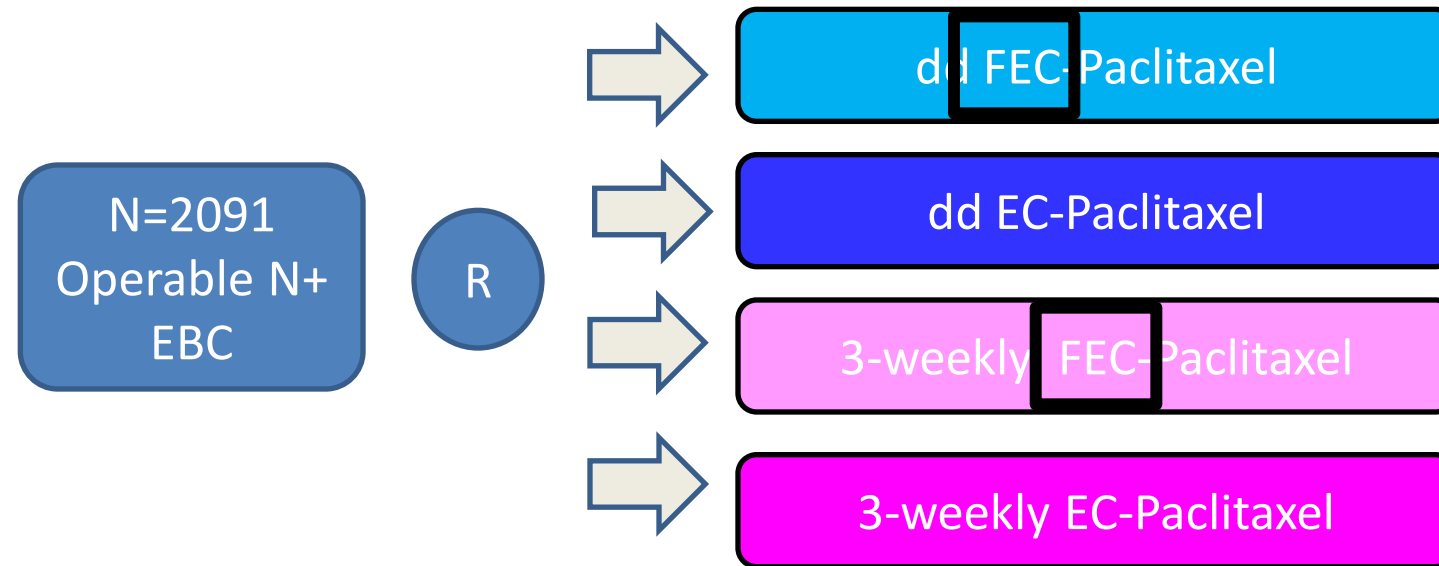
TC	2,094	2,005	1,599	1,014	856	591	358	136
TaxAC	2,062	1,965	1,575	1,007	847	565	316	132

Forest plots of IDFS by stratification variables



The role of 5-FU in the adjuvant setting

- 5FU has been a component of adjuvant chemo since the development of CMF
- 2x2 design:



- Primary endpoint: DFS

5-FU: NO improved outcome

Toxicity increased

	5-year DFS	5-year OS	Toxicity
5FU vs no 5FU (HR, 95% CI, p-value)	78% vs 79% (1.06, 0.89-1.25; p=0.561)	91% vs 92% (1.16, 0.91-1.46; p=0.234)	More G3-4 neutropenia, fever, nausea and vomiting with 5FU

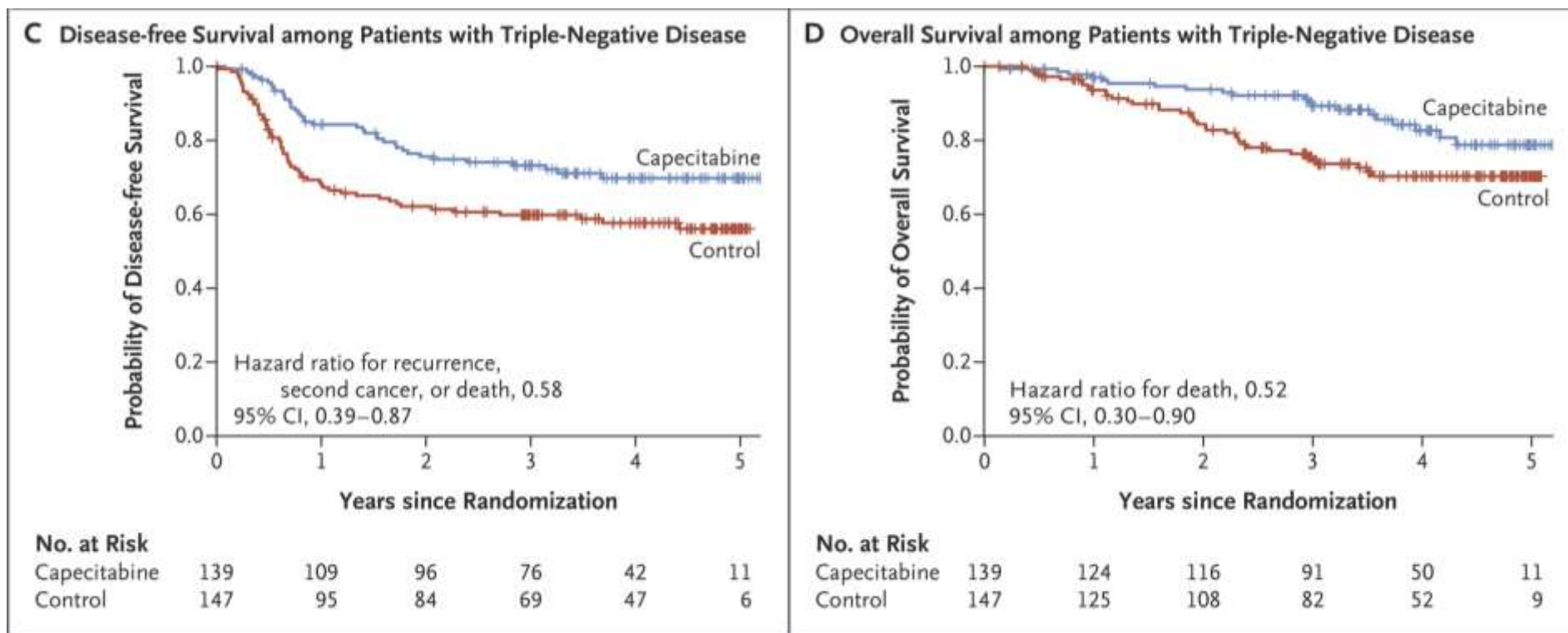
So why are we still using it?

Selection of optimal adjuvant chemotherapy

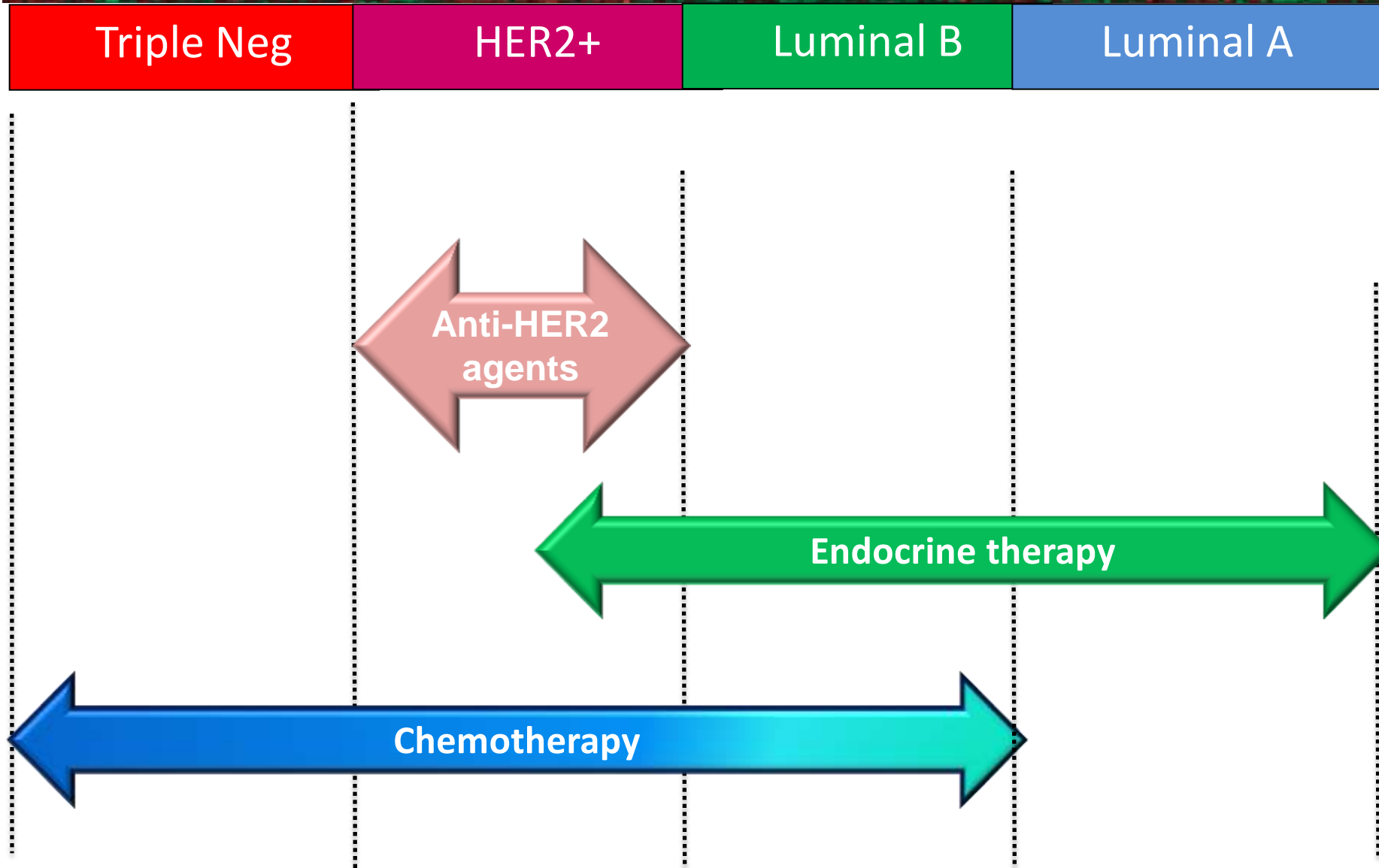
- In patients who can tolerate it, use of **a regimen containing anthracycline-taxane is considered the optimal strategy for adjuvant chemotherapy**, particularly for patients deemed to be at high risk.

Adding capecitabine in TNBC?

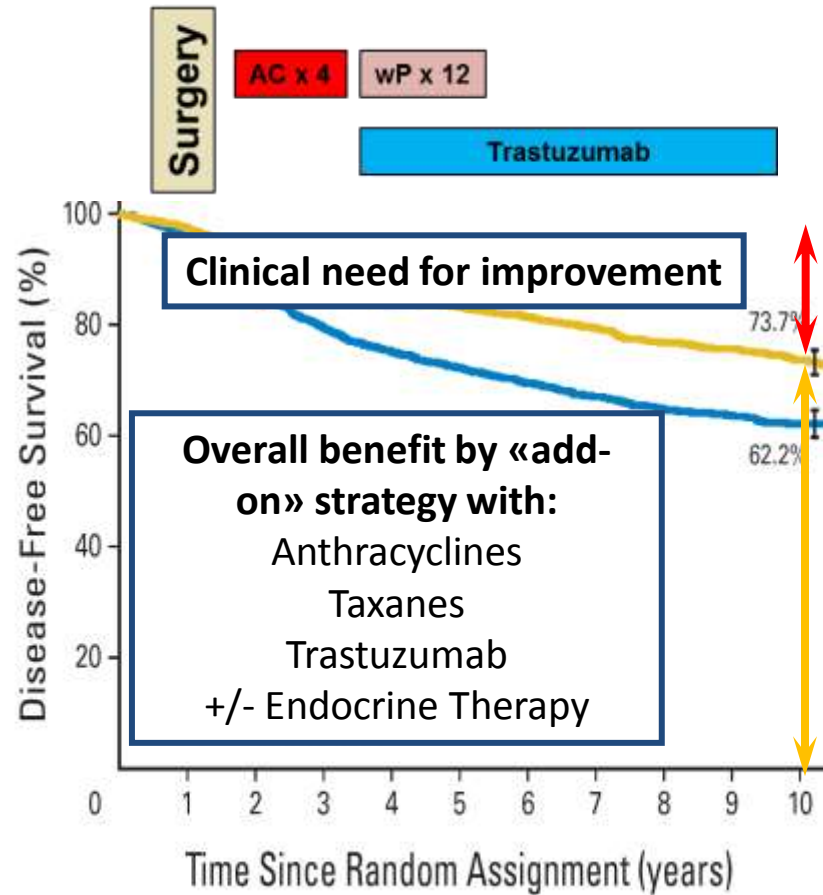
910 HER2- pts with RD and N+ after neoadjuvant chemotherapy



Subtype driven approach



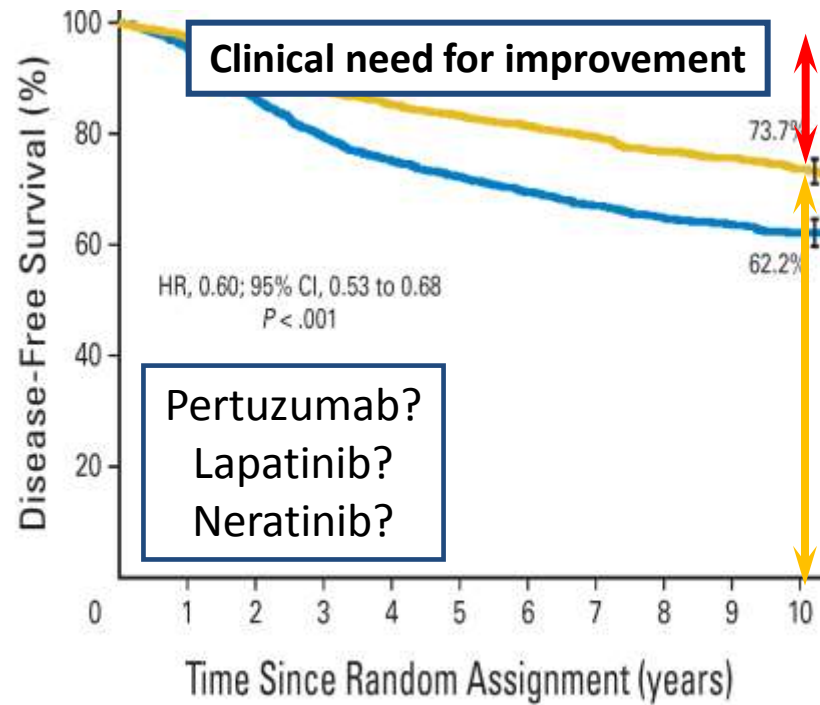
Trastuzumab + chemotherapy



No. at risk

AC → TH	2,028	1,959	1,848	1,747	1,675	1,611	1,514	1,293	910	619	350
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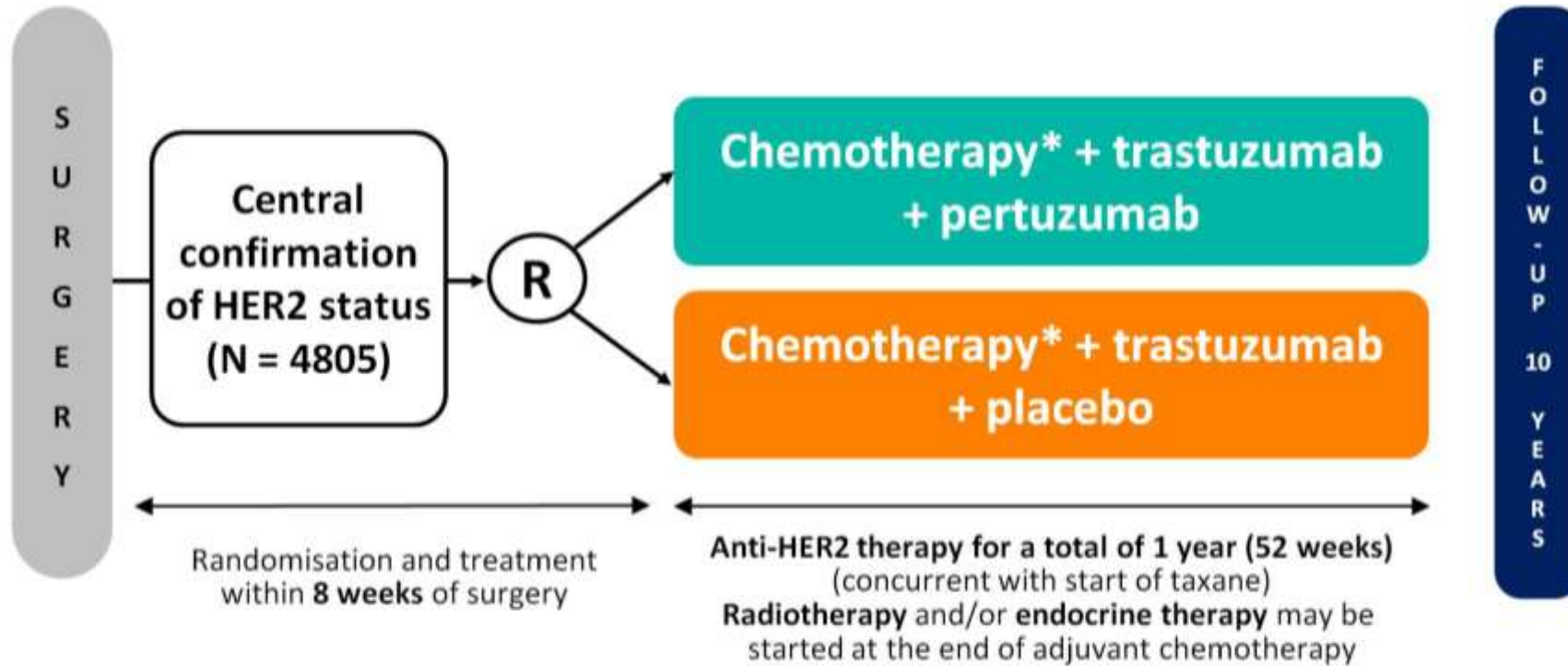
Escalation attempts



No. at risk

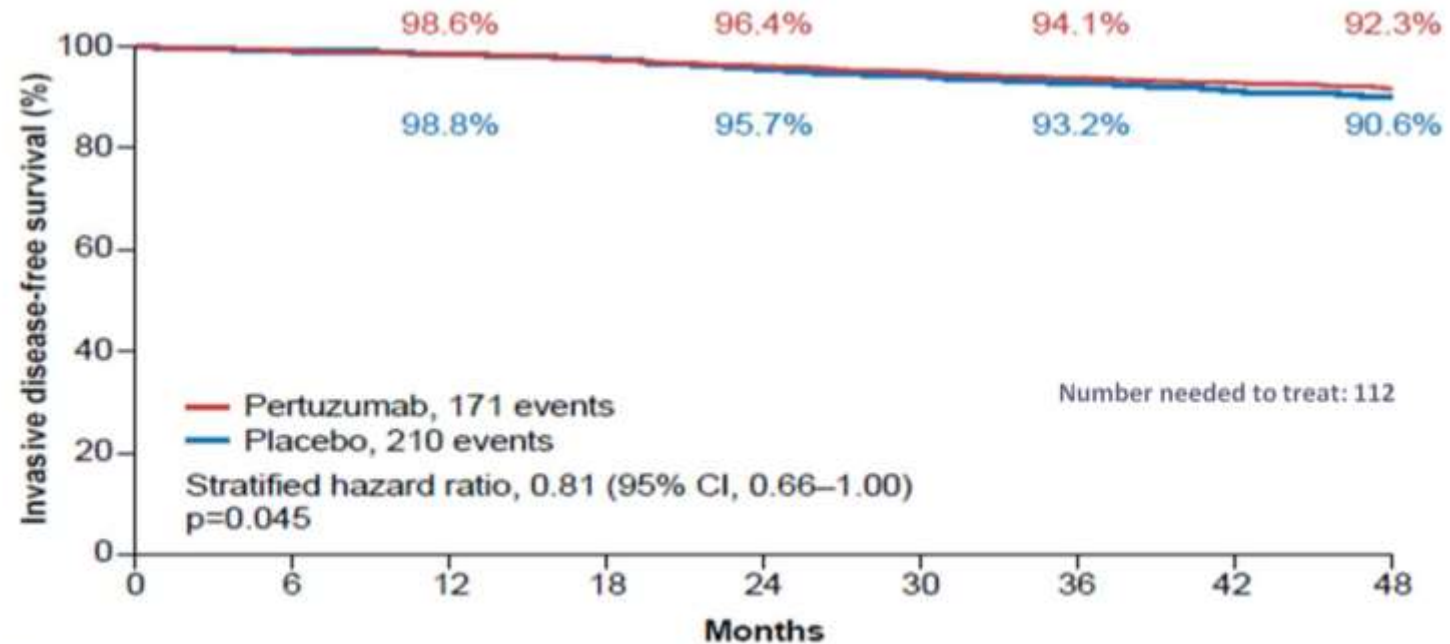
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APHINITY trial



*A number of standard anthracycline-taxane-sequences or a non-anthracycline (TCH) regimen were allowed

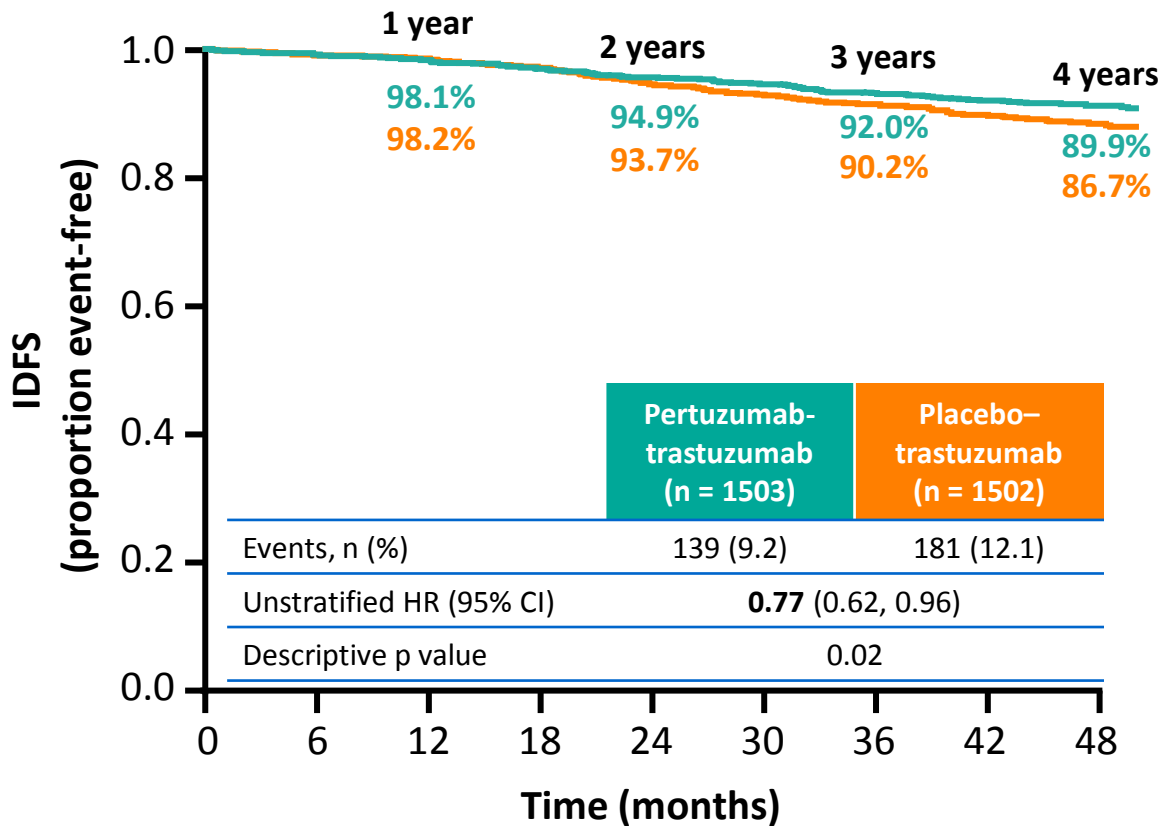
APHINITY trial: ITT IDFS



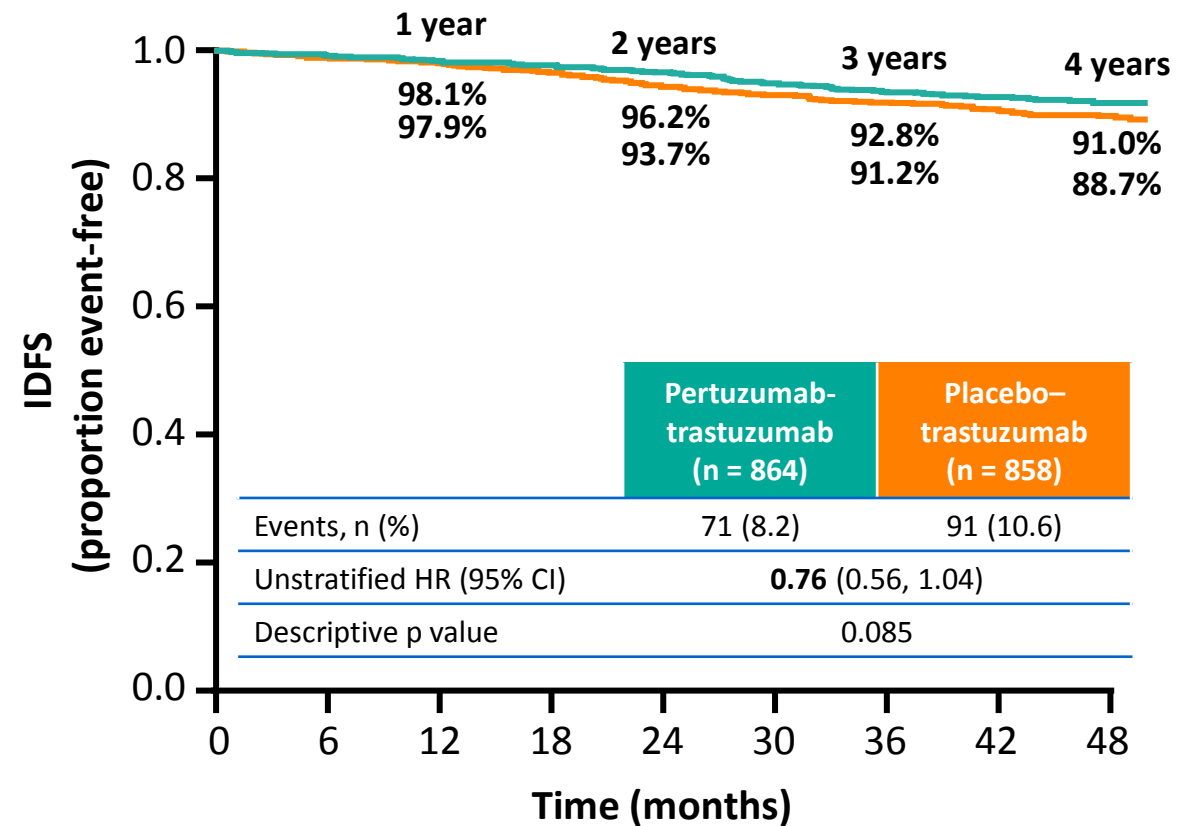
No. at Risk	0	6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48
Pertuzumab	2400	2309	2275	2236	2199	2153	2101	1687	879
Placebo	2404	2335	2312	2274	2215	2168	2108	1674	866

Who may derive more benefit from adjuvant pertuzumab?

N+ subgroup
(n = 3005)

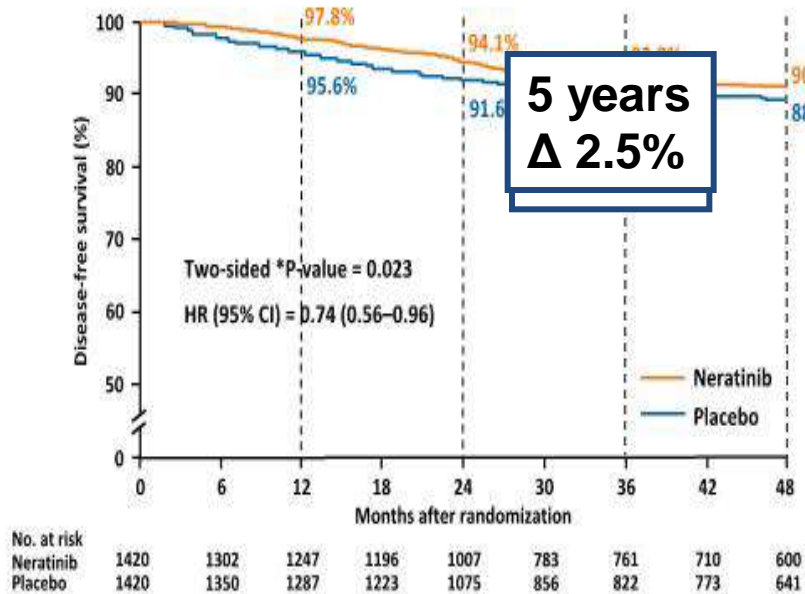


HR- subgroup
(n = 1722)



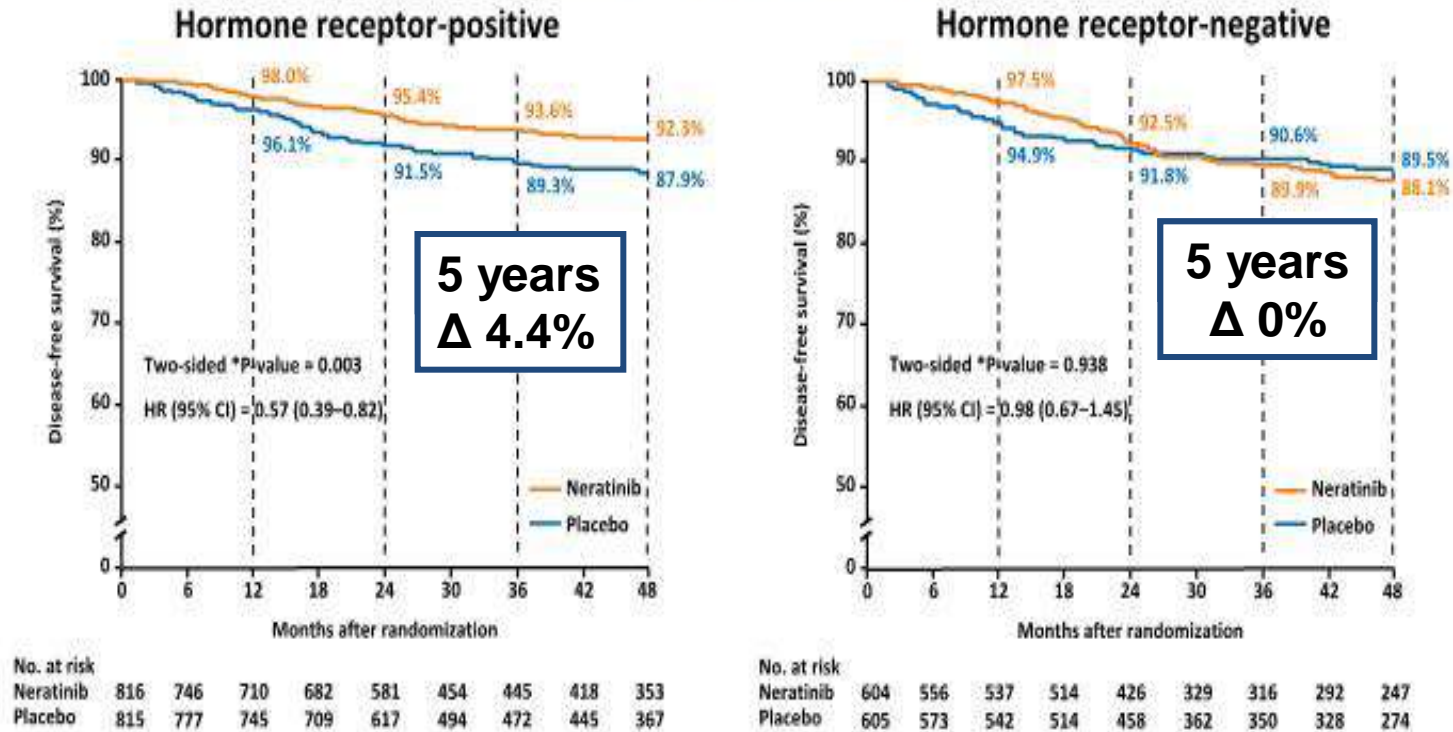
Neratinib in high risk early BC?

3-year iDFS analysis (ITT: n=2840)



Who may derive more benefit from neratinib?

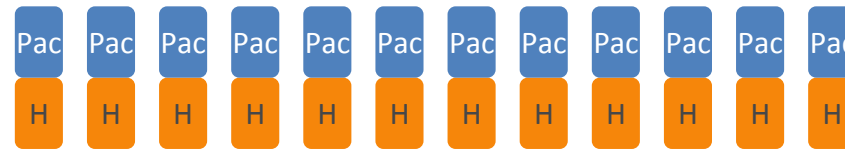
3-year iDFS analysis: Hormone receptor status



AVOID UNDUE OVERTREATMENT

De-escalation attempts: APT trial

- HER2-positive
- ER+ or ER-
- Node-negative tumour ≤ 3 cm



Paclitaxel (80 mg/m²) + Herceptin (2 mg/kg) x 12 weeks (q1w)



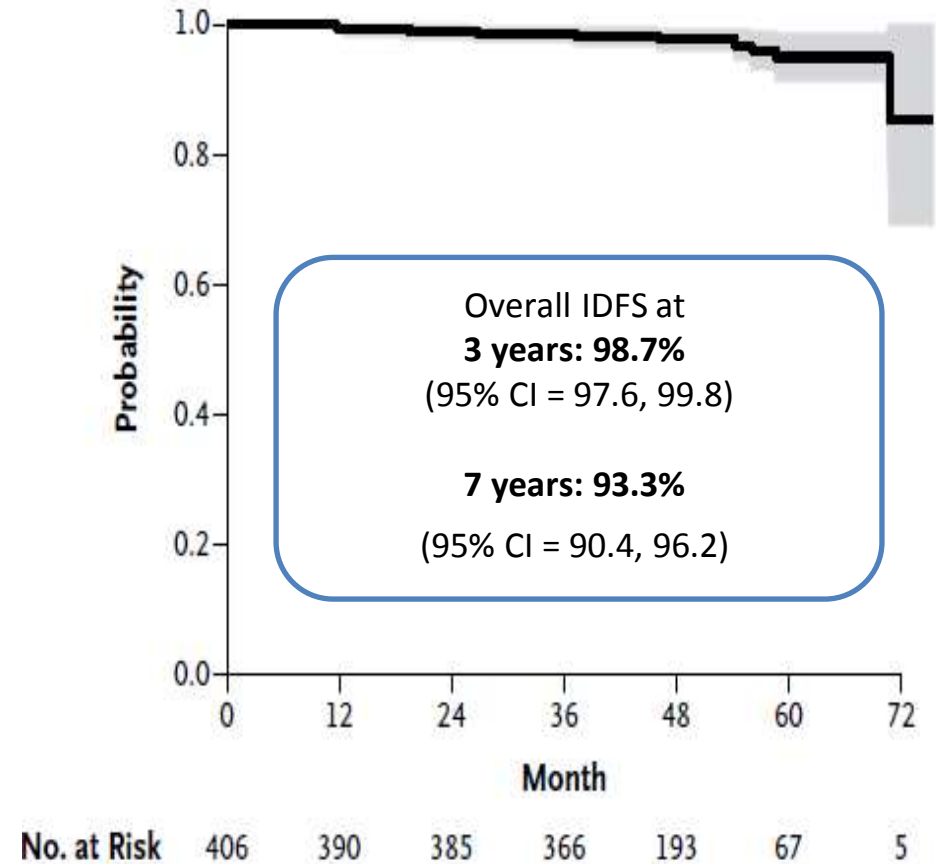
q3w doses of Herceptin (6 mg/kg) x 13

Total 18 cycles of Herceptin

N = 406

Primary endpoint:
IDFS

Disease-free Survival



Is medicine art or science?

“If it were not for the great variability among individuals, medicine might have well been a science and not an art”



Sir William Osler (1849 –1919)



Thank you