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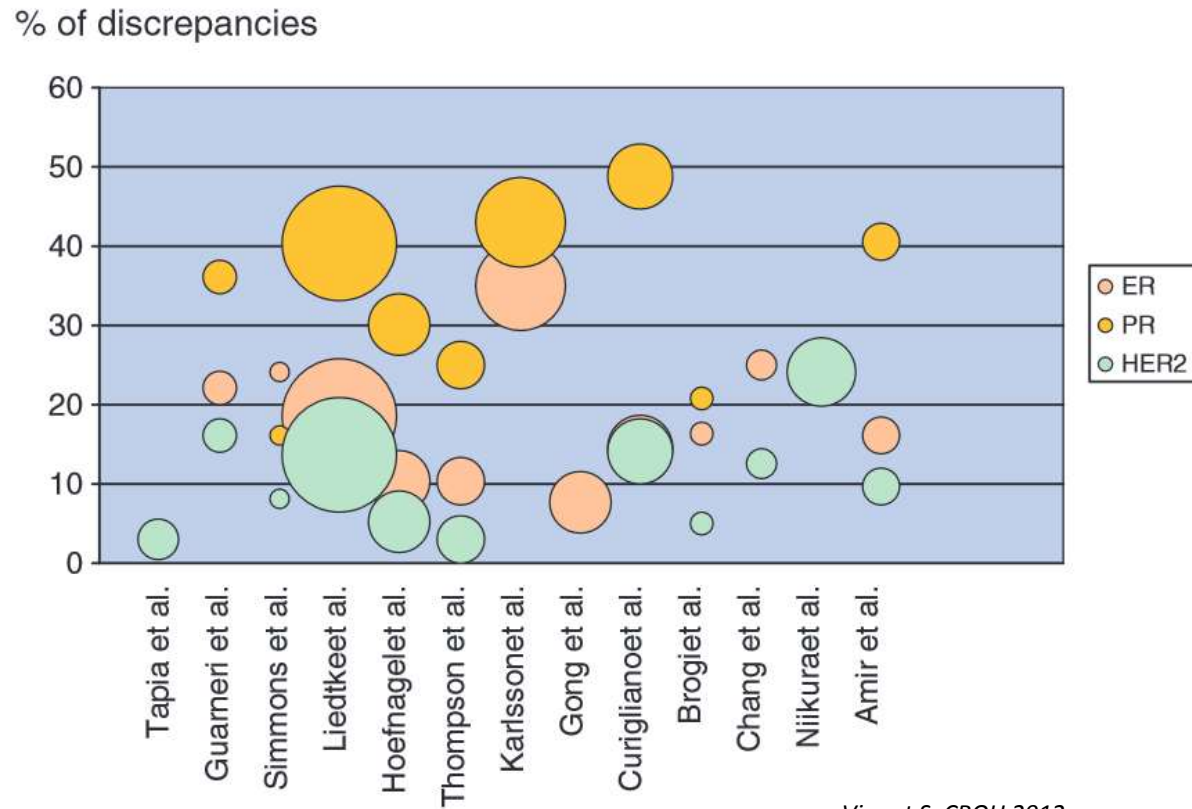
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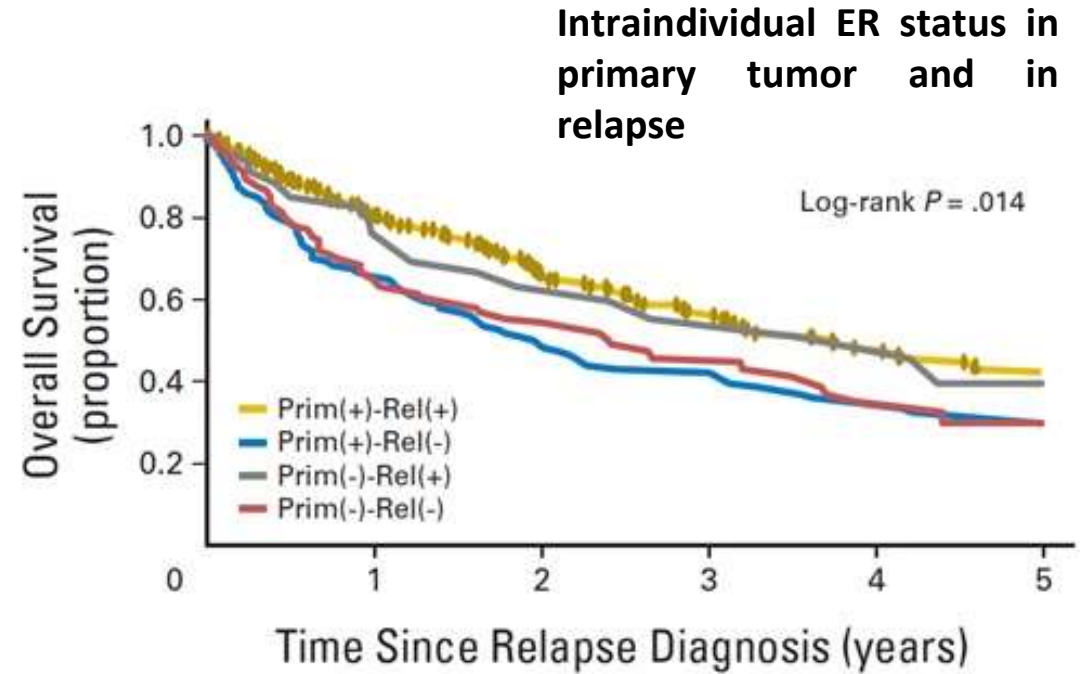
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# Biology of HR+/HER2- MBC

Receptor status may change during metastatic progression and receptor discordance can have a prognostic impact.



Vignot S, CROH 2012



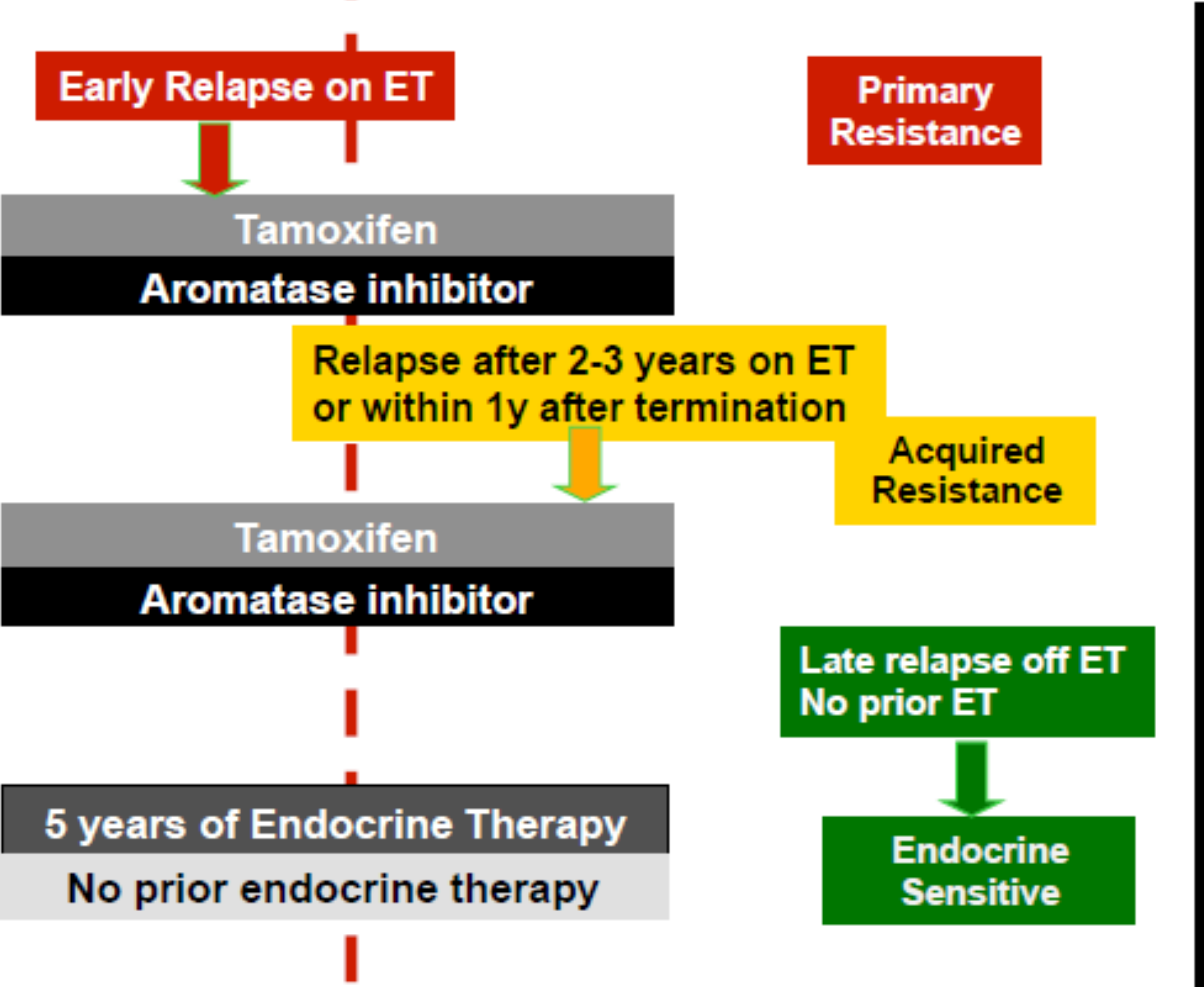
Lindström LS, J Clin Oncol 2012

# Endocrine Therapy for HR+ MBC: key considerations

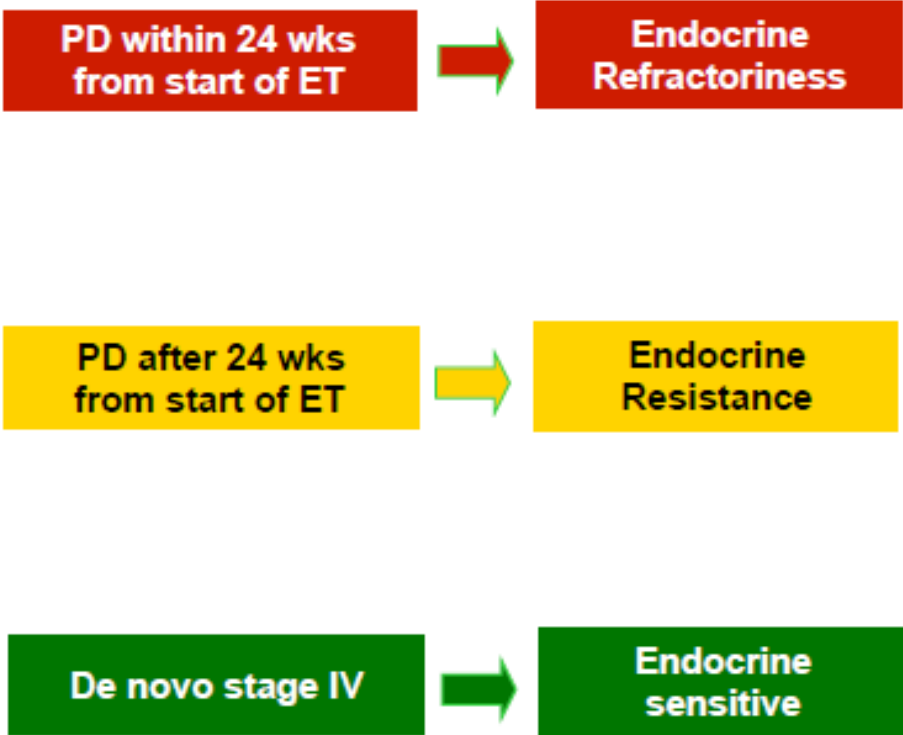
- Sequential hormone therapy is the preferential treatment for most patients with HR-positive/HER2-negative MBC.
- Many treatment options available: endocrine monotherapy or combinations with targeted agents.
- Endocrine resistance is universal, duration of response is variable.
- Chemotherapy as first line should be considered for patients with immediately life-threatening disease.

# Endocrine Resistance

## Endocrine Resistance after Adjuvant ET



## Endocrine Resistance in ABC



Modified from S Johnston and ABC3



The Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine 2001

Leland Hartwell, Tim Hunt, Sir Paul Nurse

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# The Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine 2001



Leland H. Hartwell

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Tim Hunt

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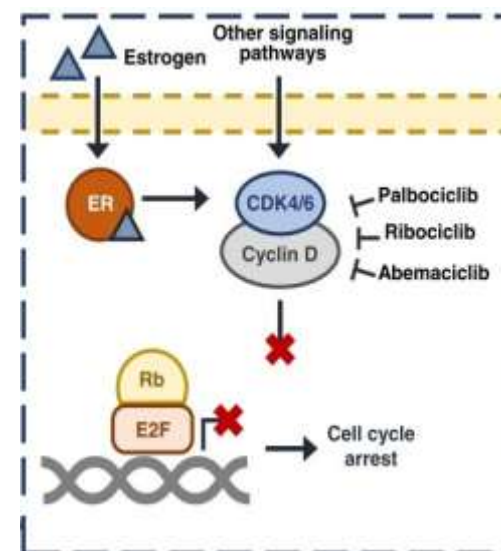
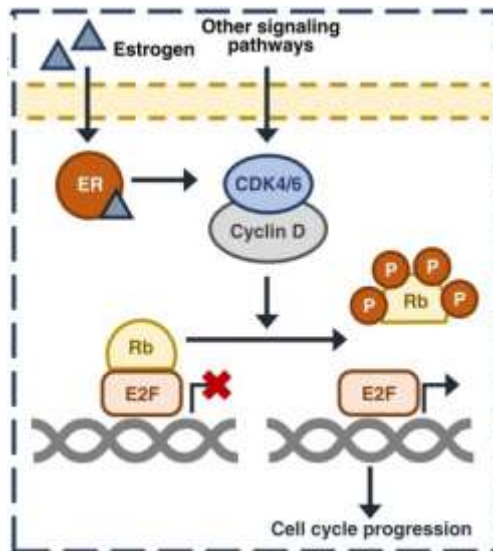
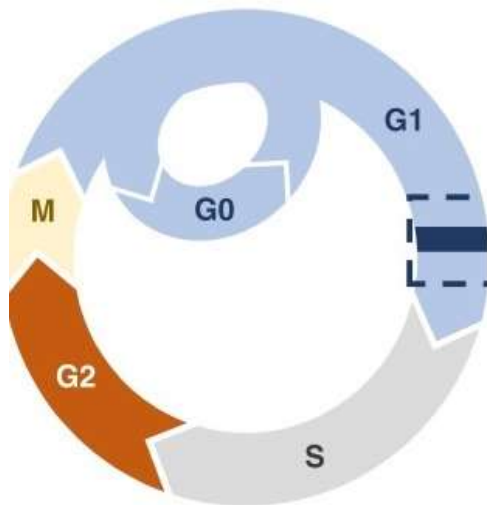
Sir Paul M. Nurse

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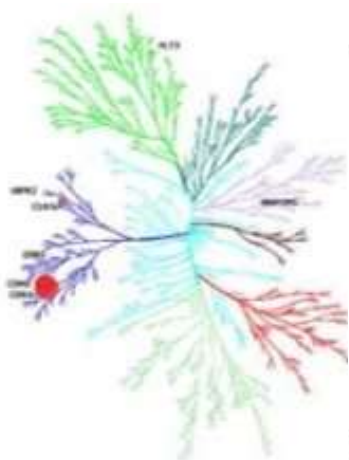
The Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine 2001 was awarded jointly to Leland H. Hartwell, Tim Hunt and Sir Paul M. Nurse *"for their discoveries of key regulators of the cell cycle"*.

Work in yeast led to Nobel prize in 2001:  
Nurse, Hartwell and Hunt for discovery of CDKs

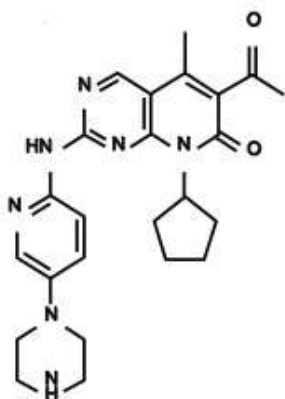
# CDK 4/6 inhibitors



Sammons SL et al, *Curr Cancer Drug Target* 2017



Palbociclib



CDK4 IC<sub>50</sub> = 11 nM  
CDK6 IC<sub>50</sub> = 16 nM

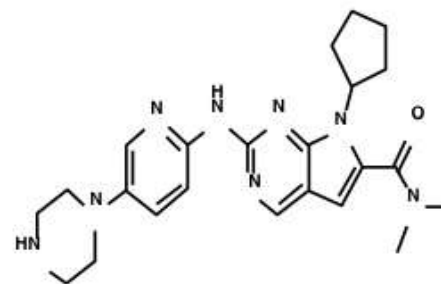
FDA approved 2015



Ribociclib

Selectivity

- 1x
- 10x
- 100x

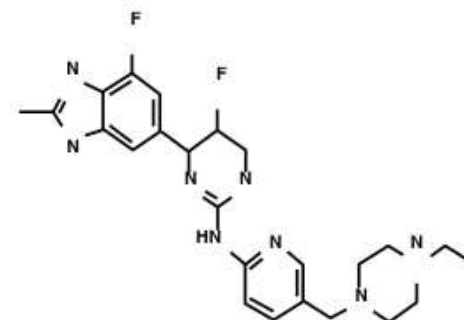


CDK4 IC<sub>50</sub> = 10 nM  
CDK6 IC<sub>50</sub> = 39 nM

FDA approved 2017



Abemaciclib

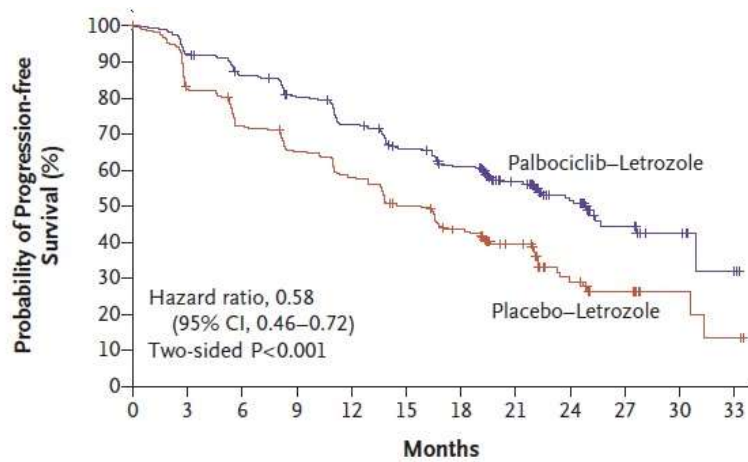


CDK4 IC<sub>50</sub> = 2 nM  
CDK6 IC<sub>50</sub> = 9.9 nM  
CDK9 IC<sub>50</sub> = 57 nM  
CDK1 IC<sub>50</sub> = 1,627 nM

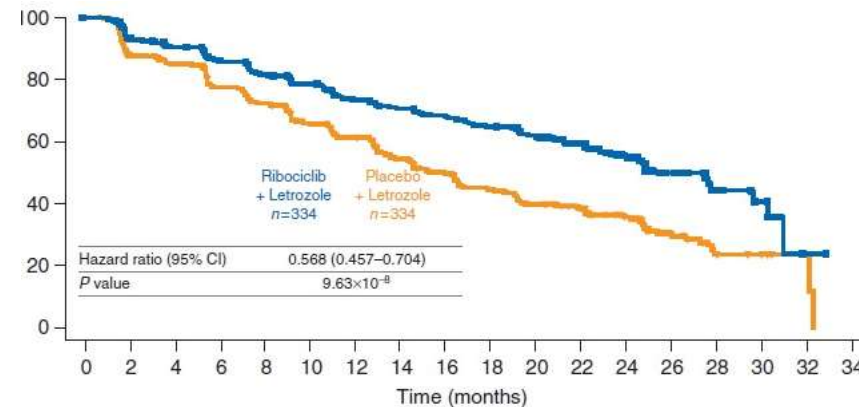
FDA approved 2017

# CDK 4/6 inhibitors: first line setting

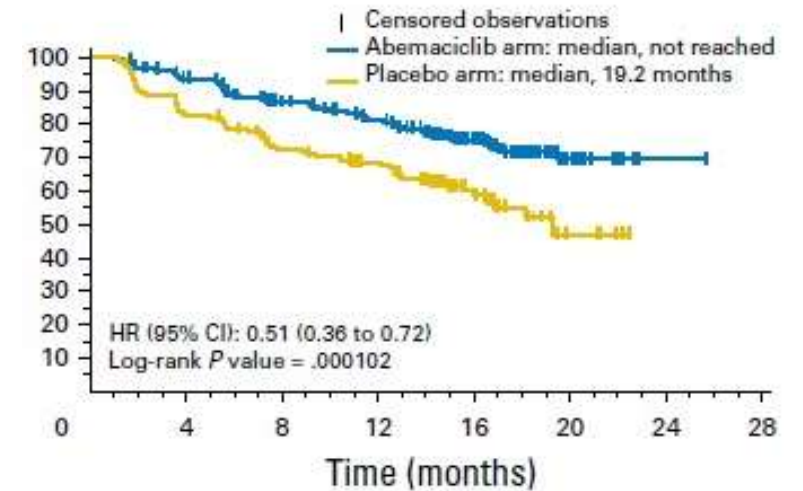
First-line, AI-sensitive	n	Treatment	PFS CDK4/6	PFS Placebo	HR (95%CI)
<b>PALOMA-2</b>	666	Let+Palbo Let+Pla	24.8	14.5	0.58 (0.46-0.72)
<b>MONALEESA-2</b>	668	Let+Ribo Let+Pla	25.3	16.0	0.57 (0.46-0.70)
<b>MONARCH-3</b>	493	AI+Abema AI+Pla	28.8	14.8	0.54 (0.42-0.70)



Finn RS et al, N Engl J Med, 2016



Hortobagyi GN et al, Ann Oncol 2018

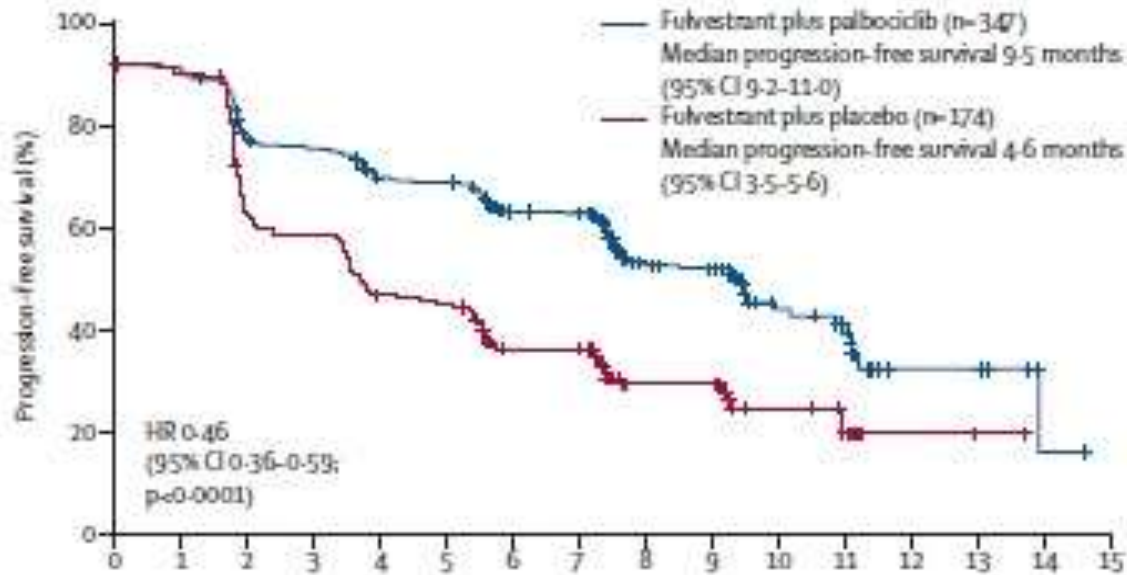


Goetz et al, J Clin Oncol, 2017

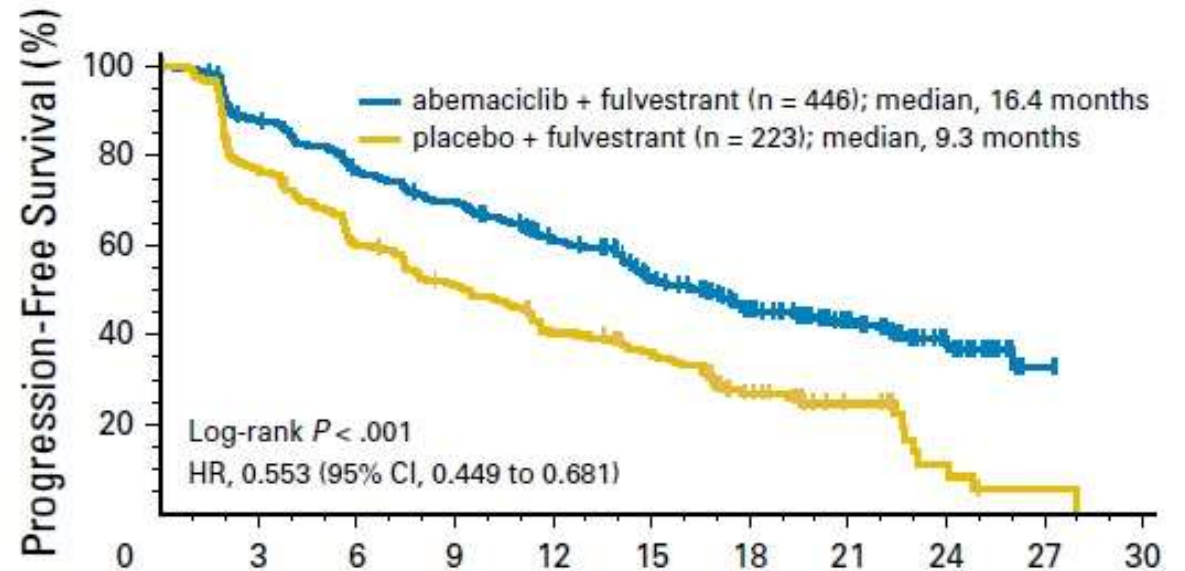


# CDK 4/6 inhibitors: 2<sup>nd</sup> line or early relapse during/after adjuvant ET

Second-line, endocrine pretreated	n	Treatment	PFS CDK 4/6	PFS Placebo	HR (95%CI)
<b>PALOMA-3</b>	521	Fulv+Palbo Fulv+Plac	9.5	4.6	0.46 (0.36–0.59)
<b>MONARCH-2</b>	669	Fulv+Abema Fulv+Pla	16.4	9.3	0.55 (0.45-0.68)

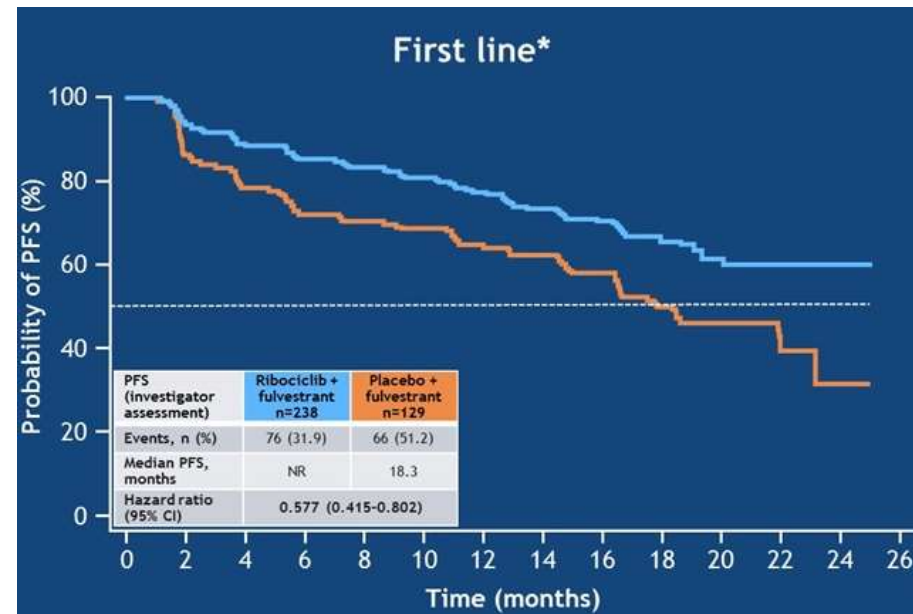
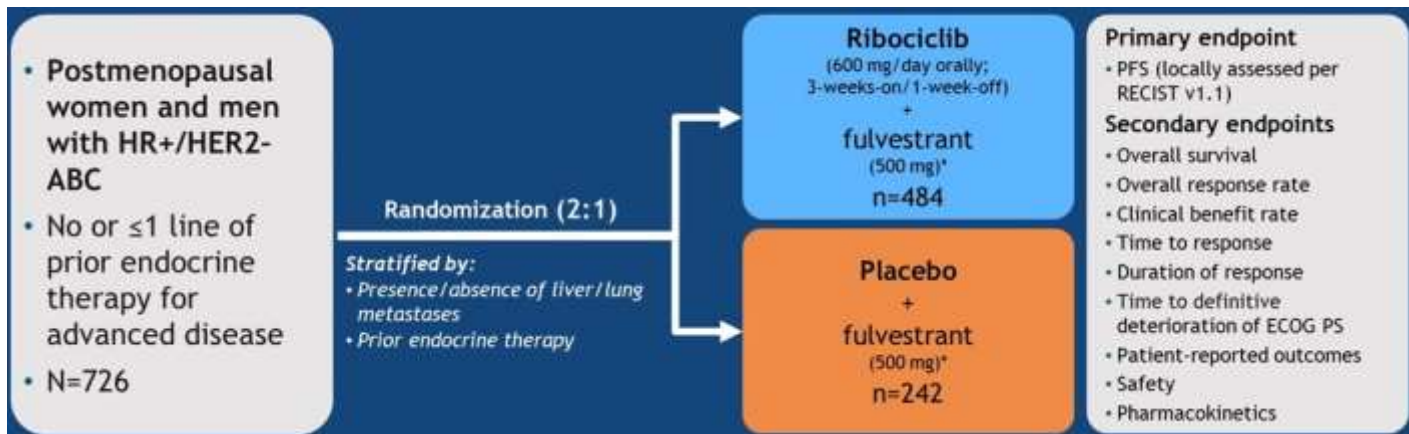


Cristofanilli M. et al, Lancet Oncol 2016

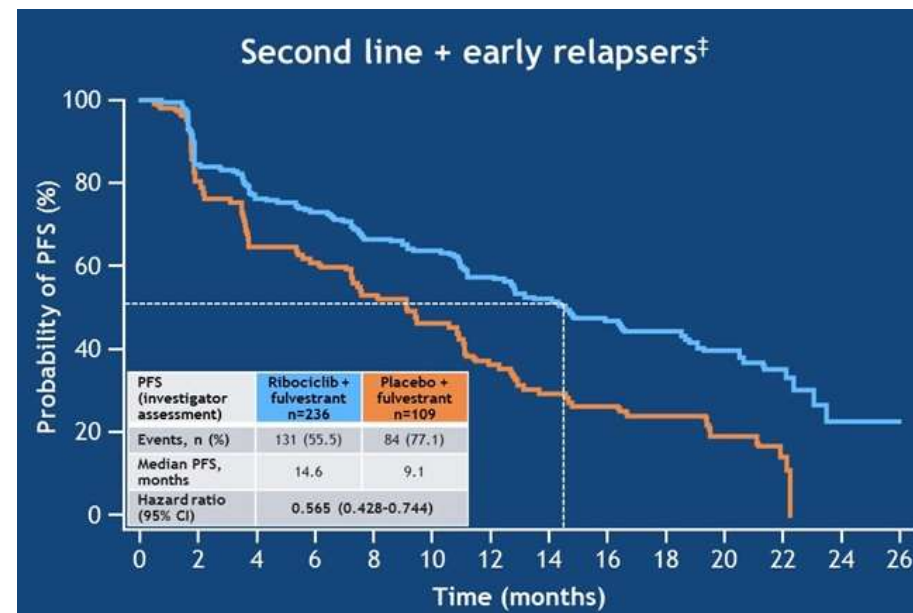


Sledge GW et al, J Clin Oncol 2017

# MONALEESA-3: phase III placebo-controlled study of ribociclib + Fulv



First line <i>(i.e. treatment-naive for ABC)</i>	Second line + early relapsers <i>(i.e. received up to 1 line of prior endocrine therapy for ABC)</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Relapse &gt;12 months after completion of (neo)adjuvant endocrine therapy</li> </ul> OR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Early relapse on or ≤12 months from completion of (neo)adjuvant endocrine therapy</li> </ul> OR
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>De novo</i> advanced/metastatic disease (no prior exposure to endocrine therapy)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Relapse &gt;12 months from completion of (neo)adjuvant endocrine therapy with subsequent <b>progression</b> after 1 line of endocrine therapy (antiestrogen/AI) for ABC</li> </ul> OR
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ABC at diagnosis that <b>progressed</b> after 1 line of endocrine therapy (antiestrogen/AI) for ABC</li> </ul>



# CDK 4/6 inhibitors: place in therapy

Drug	Trial	1st CDK4/6 + AI PFS mo	Trial	2nd Fulv PFS mo	TOT mPFS
Palbociclib	PALOMA-2	27.6	PALOMA-3	4.6*	<b>32.2</b>
Abemaciclib	MONARCH-3	28.8	MONARCH-2	9.3	<b>38.1</b>
Ribociclib	MONALEESA-2	25.3	MONALEESA-3	9.2	<b>34.5</b>
Drug	Trial	1st AI PFS mo	Trial	2nd Fulv+CDK4/6inh PFS mo	TOT mPFS
Palbociclib	PALOMA-2	14.5	PALOMA-3	11.2*	<b>25.7</b>
Abemaciclib	MONARCH-3	14.8	MONARCH-2	16.4	<b>31.2</b>
Ribociclib	MONALEESA-2	16.0	MONALEESA-3	14.6	<b>30.6</b>

\*heavily pretreated

# CDK 4/6 inhibitors: place in therapy

## CDK4/6i upfront for all?

- OS data
- Clinical subgroups
- Toxicity
- Quality of life
- Costs
- Regulatory restrictions (still no data on CDK4/6i after 1<sup>st</sup> line fulvestrant)
- Biomarkers

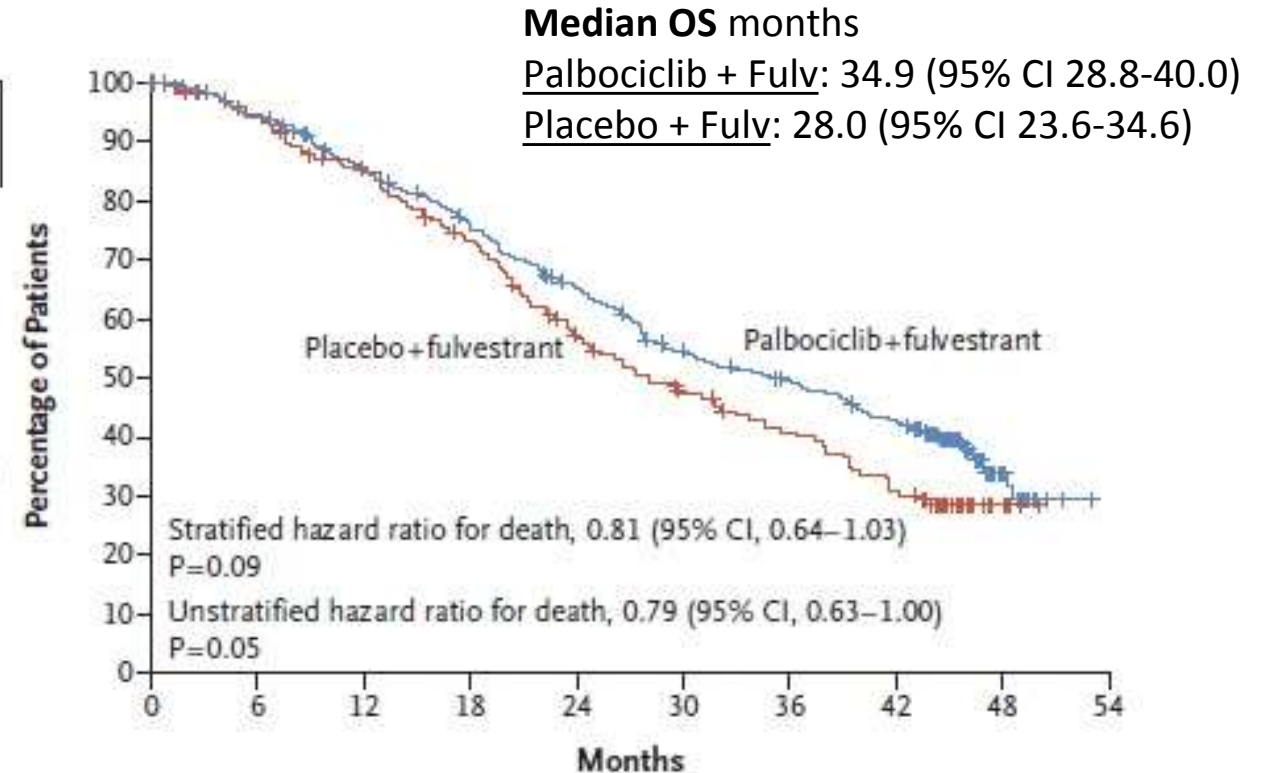
# CDK 4/6 inhibitors: overall survival

ORIGINAL ARTICLE

## Overall Survival with Palbociclib and Fulvestrant in Advanced Breast Cancer

N.C. Turner, D.J. Slamon, J. Ro, I. Bondarenko, S.-A. Im, N. Masuda, M. Colleoni, A. DeMichele, S. Loi, S. Verma, H. Iwata, N. Harbeck, S. Loibl, F. André, K. Puyana Theall, X. Huang, C. Giorgetti, C. Huang Bartlett, and M. Cristofanilli

Presented at ESMO 2018



# CDK 4/6 inhibitors: overall survival

## LONG NATURAL HISTORY OF DISEASE

Endocrine therapy

Chemotherapy

BSC

- Impact of new therapy at early point
- Impact of subsequent therapy
- Trials not powered for OS
- Individual patient-level meta-analysis

# CDK 4/6 inhibitors: post-progression data

## PALOMA-3

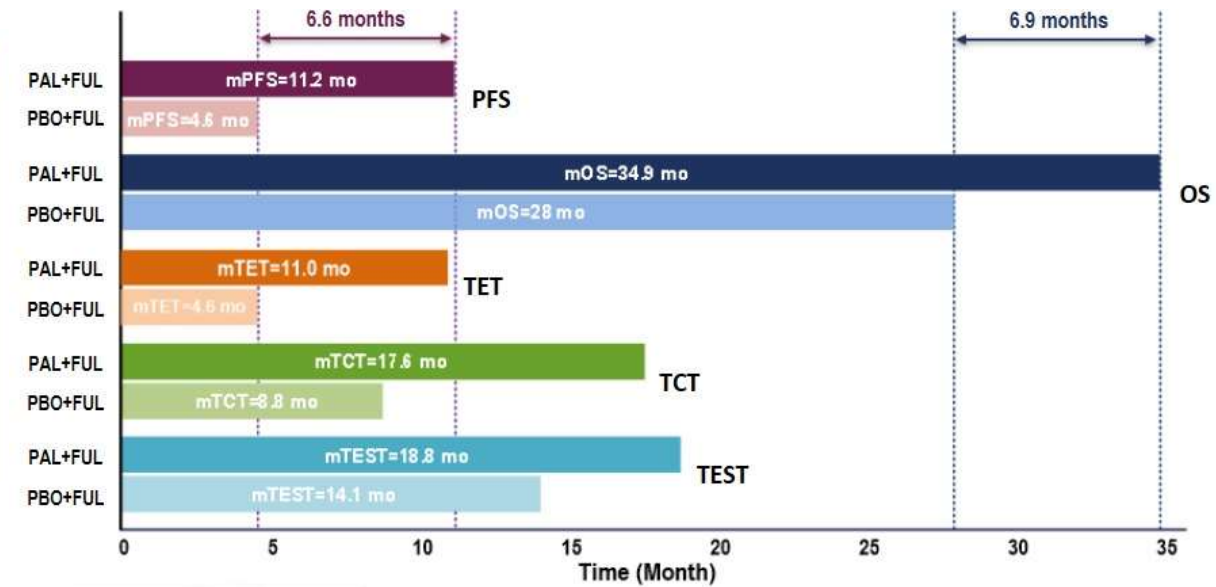
### SYSTEMIC SUBSEQUENT ANTICANCER THERAPIES

	Palbociclib + Fulvestrant (n=347)			Placebo + Fulvestrant (n=174)		
Line of Subsequent Therapy						
Treatment, n (%)*	First	Second	Third or Greater	First	Second	Third or Greater
Any treatment received†	248	182	131	140	113	85
Chemotherapy	138 (56)	133 (73)	121 (92)	87 (62)	76 (67)	76 (89)
Antihormonal	100 (40)	40 (22)	38 (29)	52 (37)	29 (26)	31 (36)
mTOR kinase inhibitor	40 (16)	17 (9)	20 (15)	21 (15)	12 (11)	13 (15)
CDK4/6 inhibitors‡	6 (2)	2 (1)	6 (5)	9 (6)	6 (5)	15 (18)

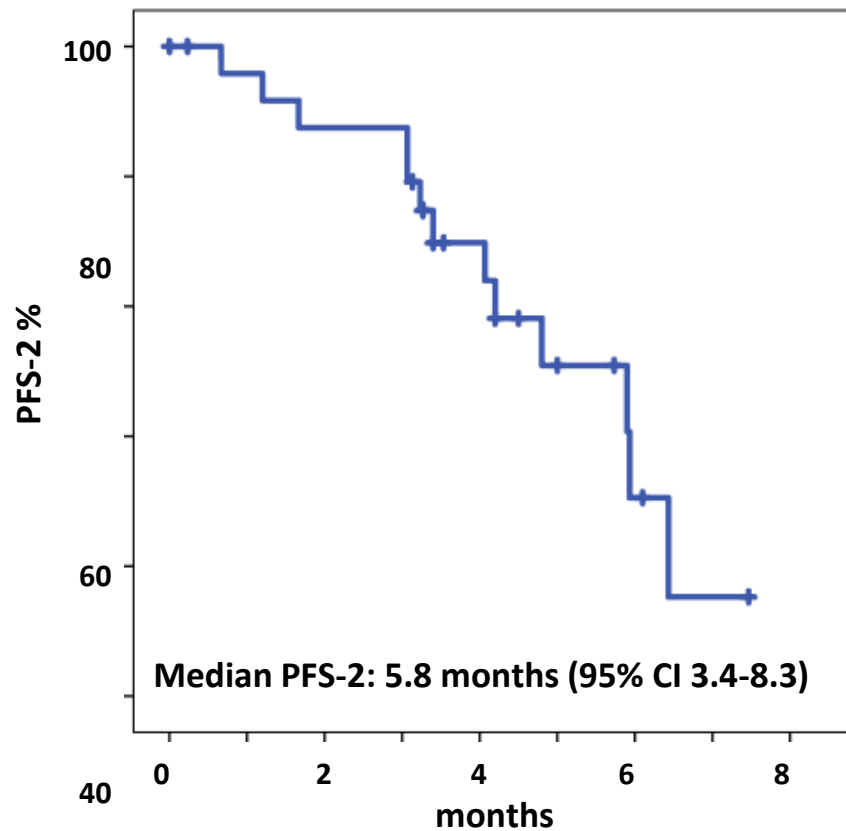
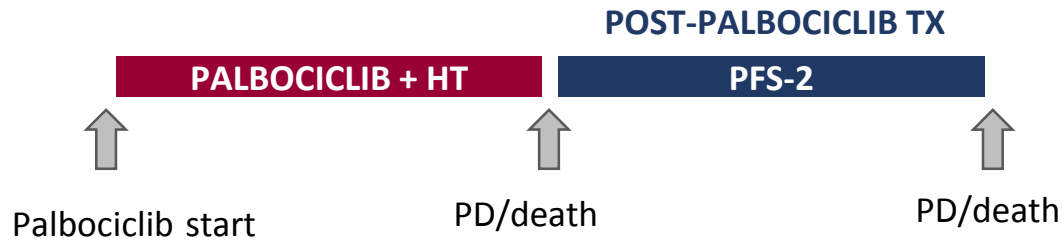
Median (range) number of lines of post-progression therapy: palbociclib arm, 2 (1-10); placebo arm, 3 (1-10).

27 patients in the PBO arm received postprogression CDK4/6 inhibitor treatment.

- Sensitivity analysis suggests reduction of the treatment effect size



# CDK 4/6 inhibitors: real-world data



Treatment post-palbociclib	Frequency (%)
<b>Systemic anticancer treatment</b>	26 (76.5)
<b>Chemotherapy</b>	24 (92.3)
Caelyx	4 (15.4)
Capecitabine	7 (26.9)
Carboplatin + Gemcitabine	1 (3.8)
Eribuline	6 (23.1)
Nab-paclitaxel	5 (19.3)
MTX – Ciclophosphamide	1 (3.8)
<b>Endocrine Therapy</b>	2 (7.7)
Everolimus + Exemestane	2 (7.7)
<b>Best Supportive Care</b>	8 (23.5)

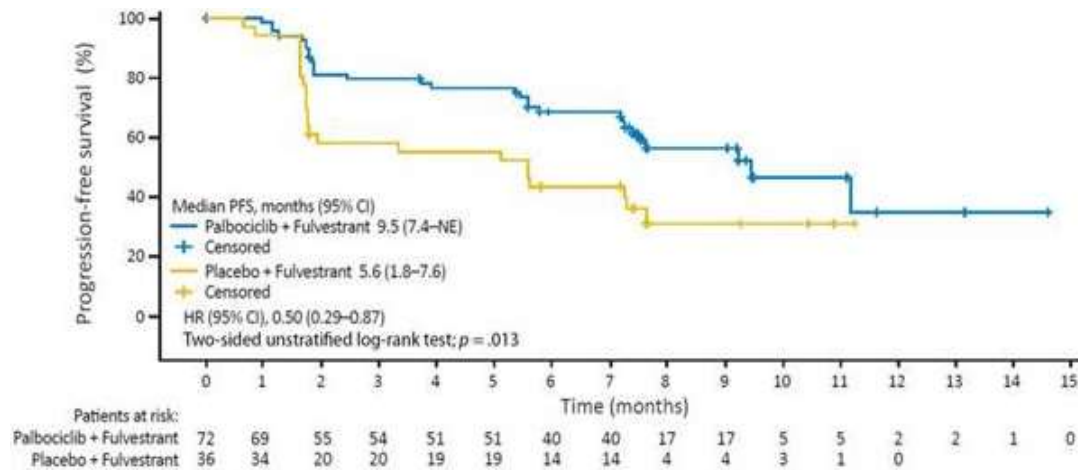
Best Response	Frequency (%)
CR	0 (0.0)
PR	1 (4.2)
SD	15 (62.5)
PD	8 (33.3)



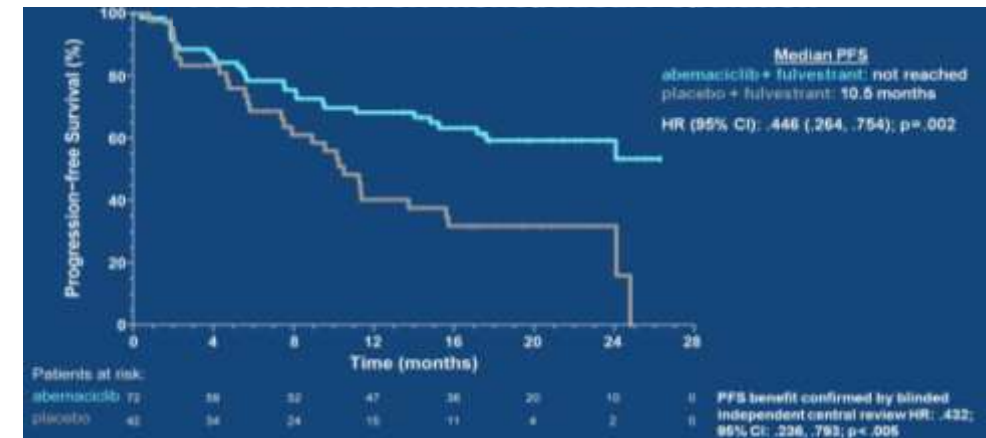
# CDK 4/6 inhibitors: clinical subgroups

## Fulvestrant + CDK 4/6 inhibitors in premenopausal women

### PALOMA-3 (subgroup analysis)



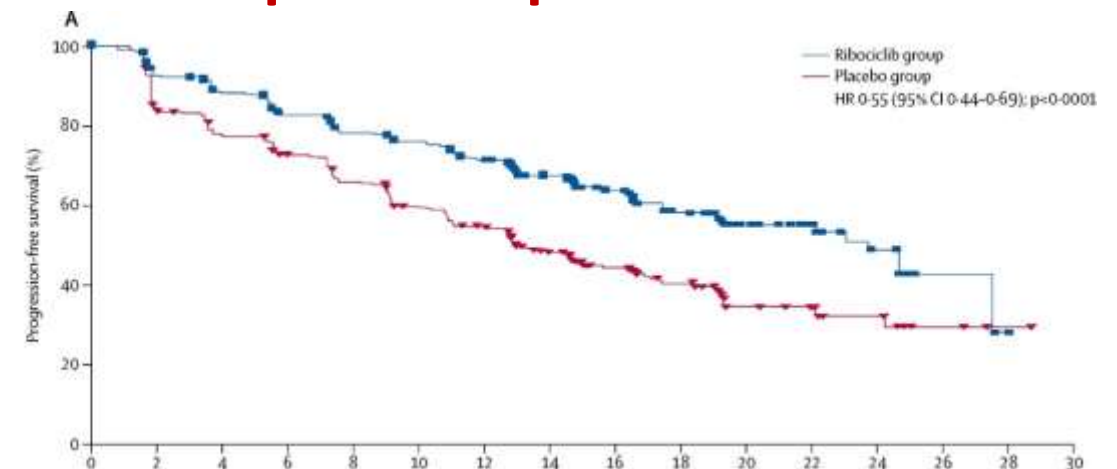
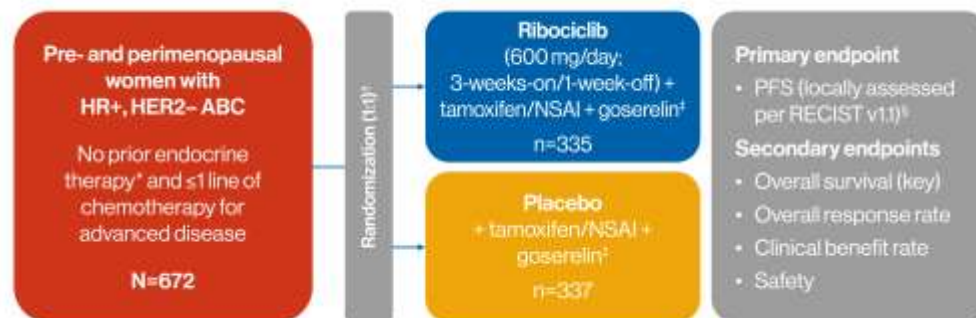
### MONARCH-2 (subgroup analysis)



Loibl S, Oncologist 2017; Neven P, ASCO 2018

## AI/tamoxifen + goserelin + CDK 4/6 inhibitors in premenopausal women

### MONALEESA-7

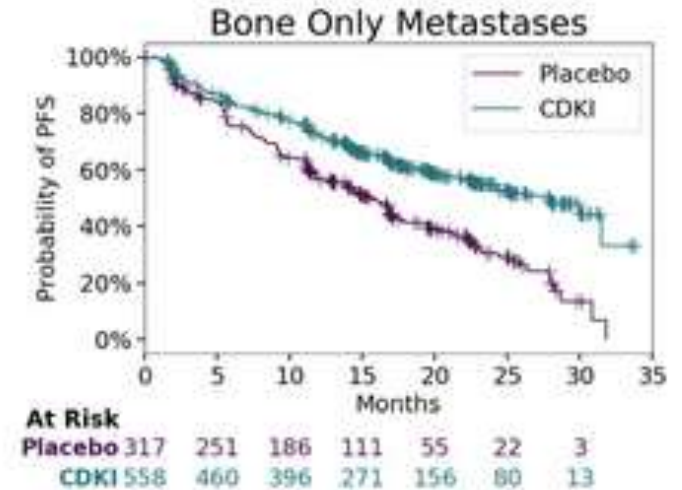
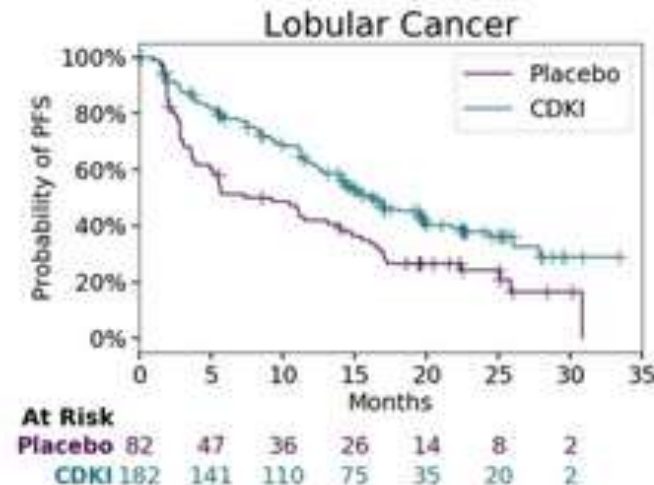
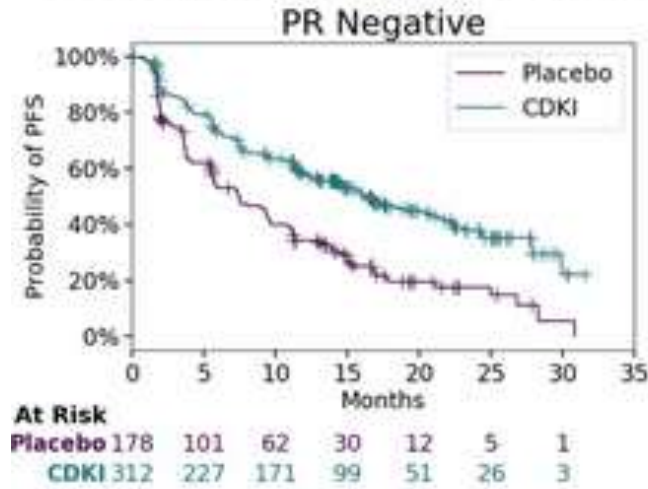


Tripathy D, Lancet Oncol 2018

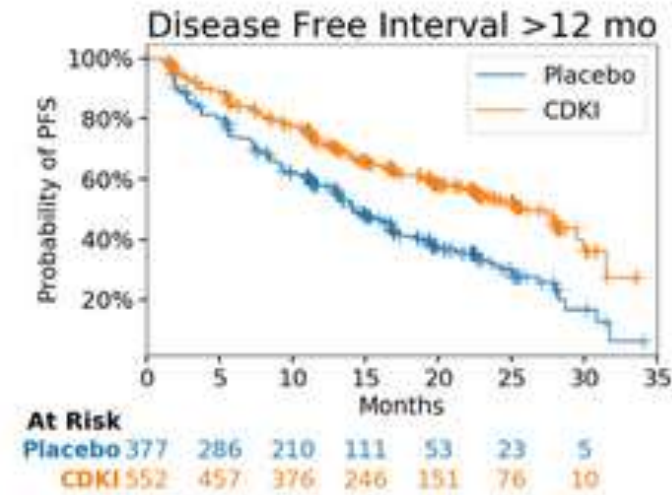
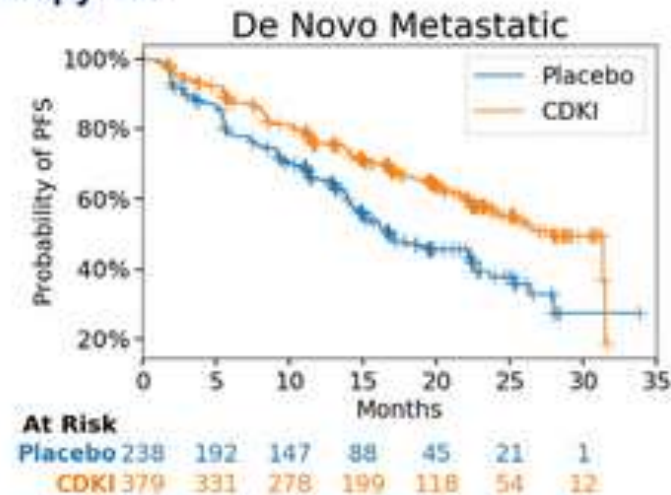
# CDK 4/6 inhibitors: clinical subgroups

FDA pooled analysis of raw data from 5 RCTs: PALOMA-2, PALOMA-3, MONALEESA-2, MONARCH-2, MONARCH-3

## Endocrine Therapy: AI or Fulvestrant



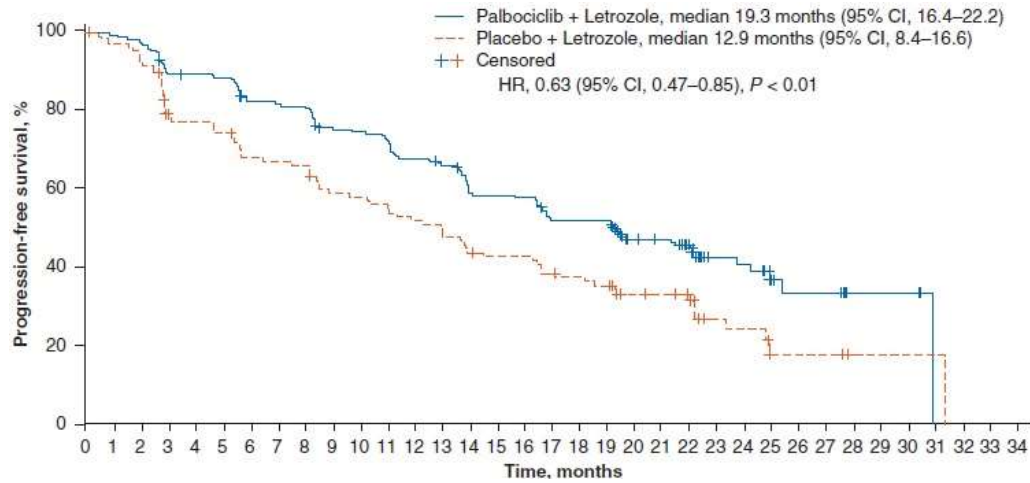
## Endocrine Therapy: AI



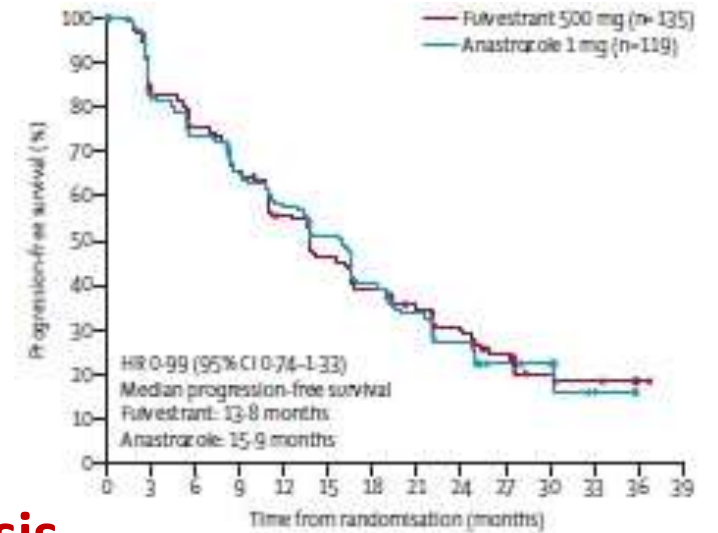
# CDK 4/6 inhibitors: clinical subgroups

## Pts with visceral metastasis

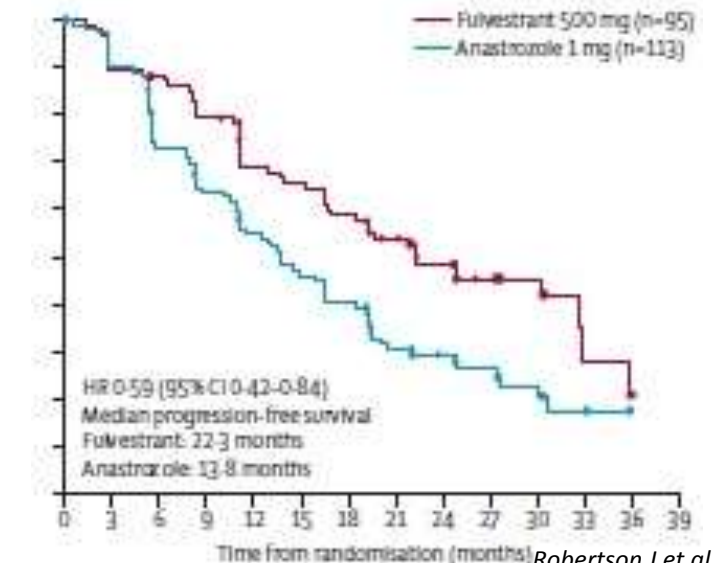
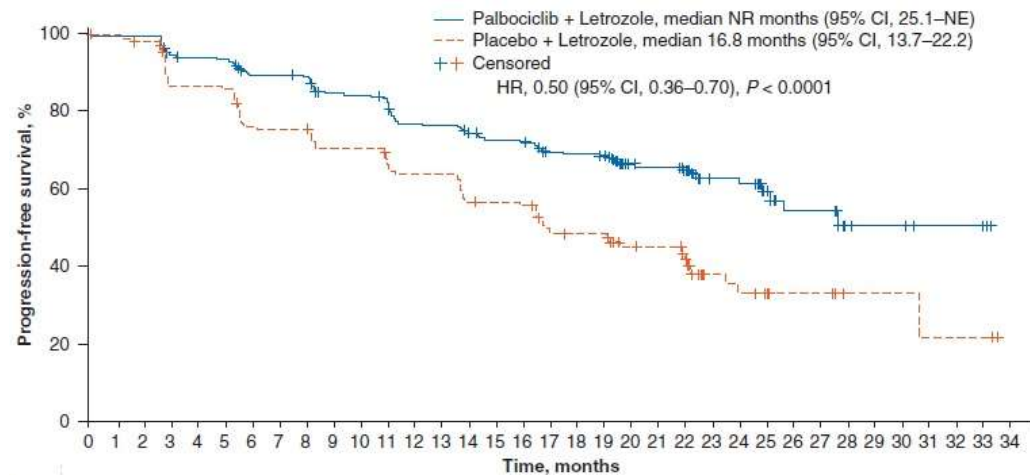
### PALOMA-2



### FALCON



## Pts without visceral metastasis



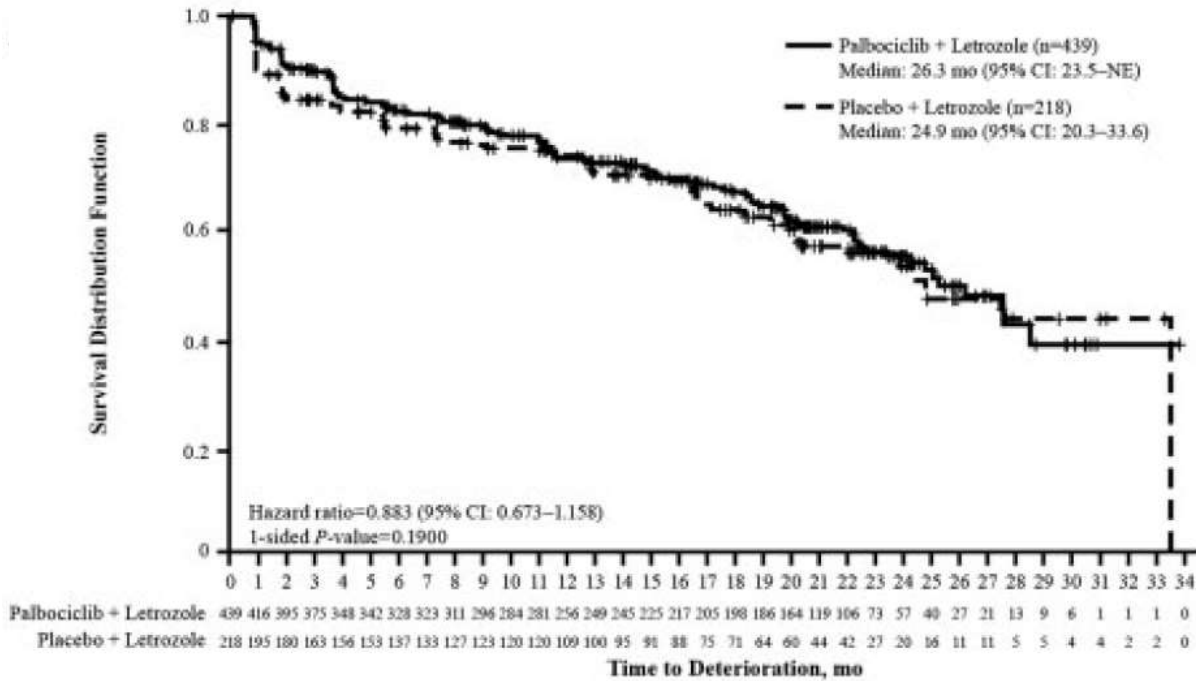
# CDK 4/6 inhibitors: toxicity

	Palbociclib	Ribociclib	Abemaciclib
Neutropenia	✓✓✓	✓✓✓	✓✓
Anemia	✓✓	✓✓	✓✓
Thrombocytopenia	✓		
Fatigue	✓	✓	✓
Diarrhea	✓	✓	✓✓
Nausea			✓
QTc prolongation		✓	

**Venous thromboembolic events 4.9% abemaciclib arm vs 0.6% placebo arm (MONARCH-3)**

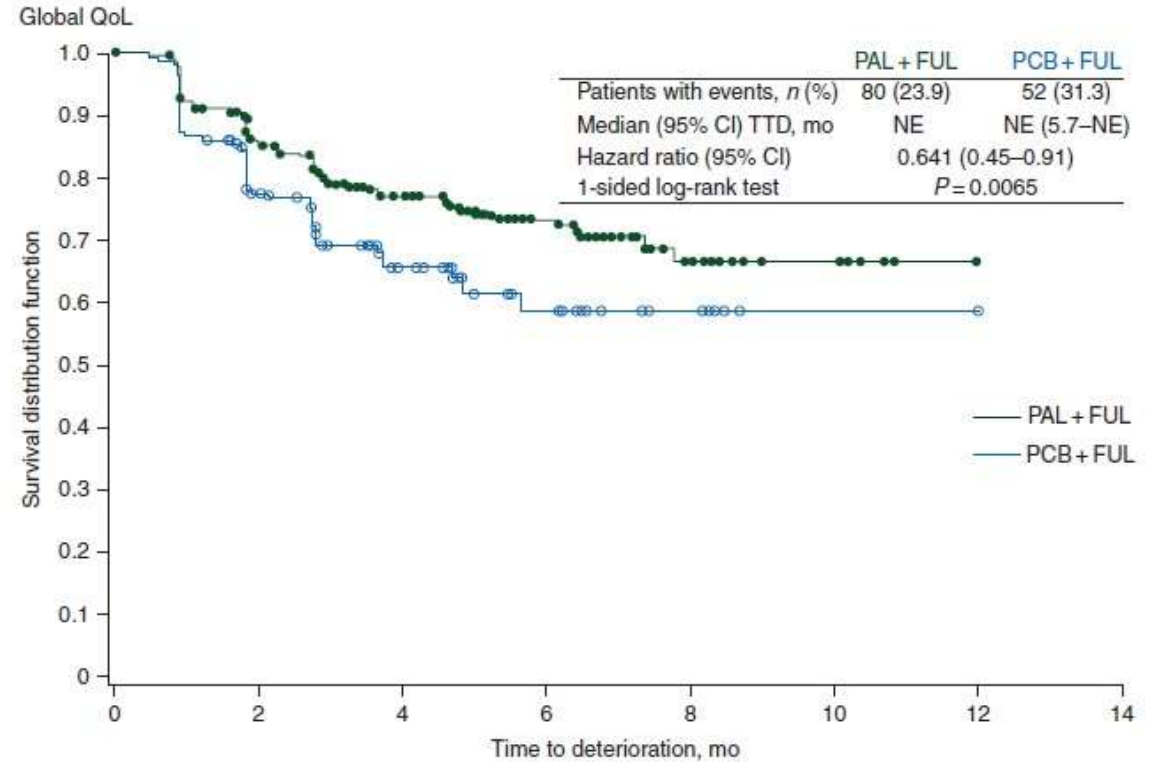
# CDK 4/6 inhibitors: QoL

## PALOMA-2



Rugo HS, Ann Oncol 2018

## PALOMA-3



Harbeck N et al, Ann Oncol 2016

# CDK 4/6 inhibitors: regulatory indications

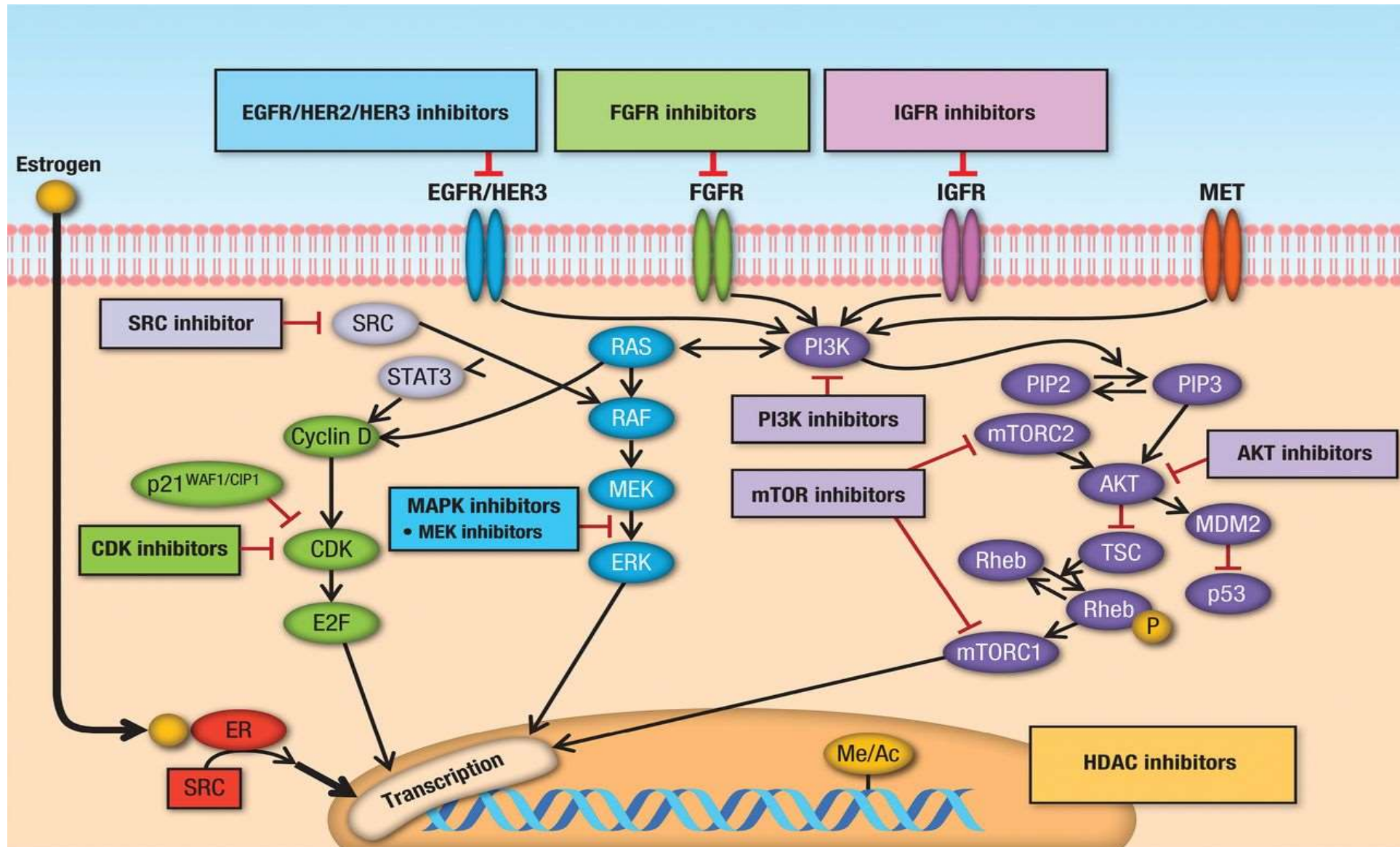
Drug	Dose	Schedule	EMA approval	EMA approval	AIFA
<b>Palbociclib</b>	125 mg daily	3 weeks on/1 week off	<b>First line, AI-sensitive with AI Progressing after ET, with Fulvestrant</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>Approval and reimbursement</b>
<b>Ribociclib</b>	600 mg daily	3 weeks on/1 week off	<b>First line, AI-sensitive with AI</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>Approval and reimbursement</b>
<b>Abemaciclib</b>	150 mg or 200 mg daily	Continuous	<b>First line, AI-sensitive with AI Progressing after ET with Fulvestrant Monotherapy after progression on ET and CT</b>	<b>2018</b> (not in monotherapy)	Approval pending

**CDK4/6 POST 1ST LINE FULVESTRANT IS NOT ALLOWED**

# PREDICTIVE BIOMARKERS

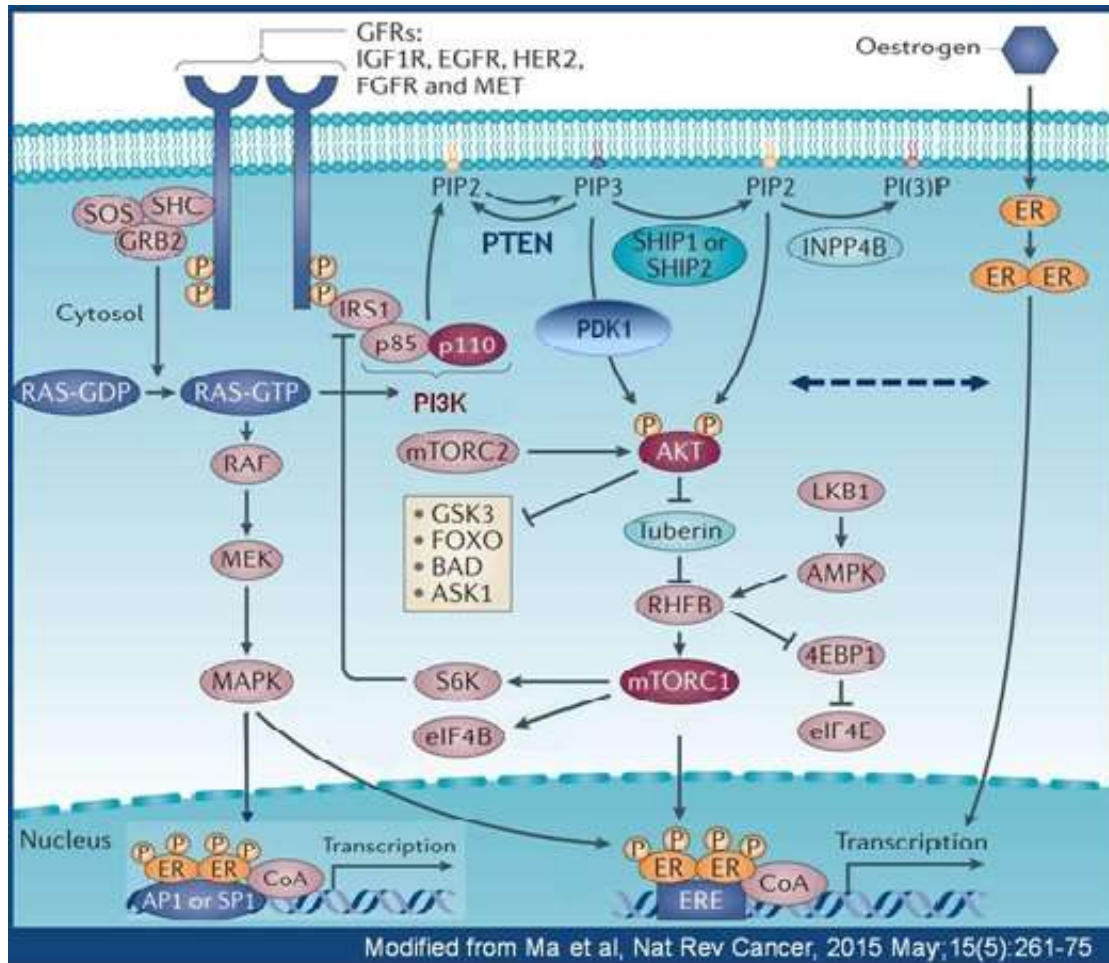
- pRb 
- P16 
- Ki67 
- ER 
- ESR1 gene expression 
- CDKN2A gene expression 
- CCND1 gene expression 
- CCNE1 gene expression 
- PIK3CA mut 
- TP53 mut 
- CDH1 mut 
- FGFR1 mut 
- RTK mut 
- ESR1 mut 

# Mechanisms of endocrine resistance





# PI3K/AKT/mTOR pathway

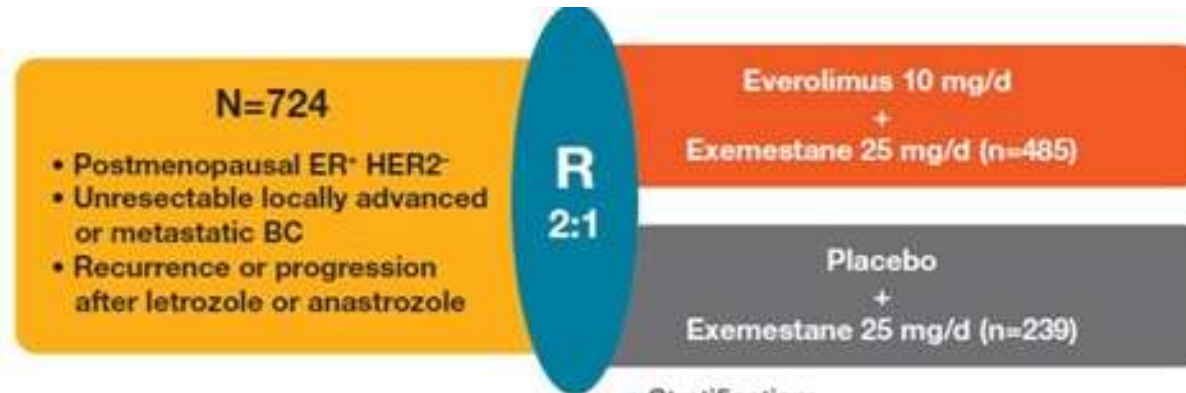


Inhibitor	Drug	Target	Study
<b>Pan-class I PI3K inhibitors</b>	Buparlisib (BKM120)	Pan-PI3K	BELLE-2 BELLE-3
	Pictilisib (GDC-0941)	Pan-PI3K	FERGI
<b>Isoform-specific PI3K inhibitors</b>	Taselisib	p110α	SANDPIPER
	Alpelisib	p110α	SOLAR-1
<b>mTOR inhibitors</b>	Temsirolimus	mTOR	HORIZON
	Everolimus	mTOR	TAMRAD, BOLERO
<b>AKT inhibitor</b>	Ipatasertib	AKT 1/2	Ipatunity

**LUMINAL BC:** *PIK3CA* mut 30-40%, *AKT1* mut 4%, *PTEN* mut 4%.  
Significant cross-talk with ER.

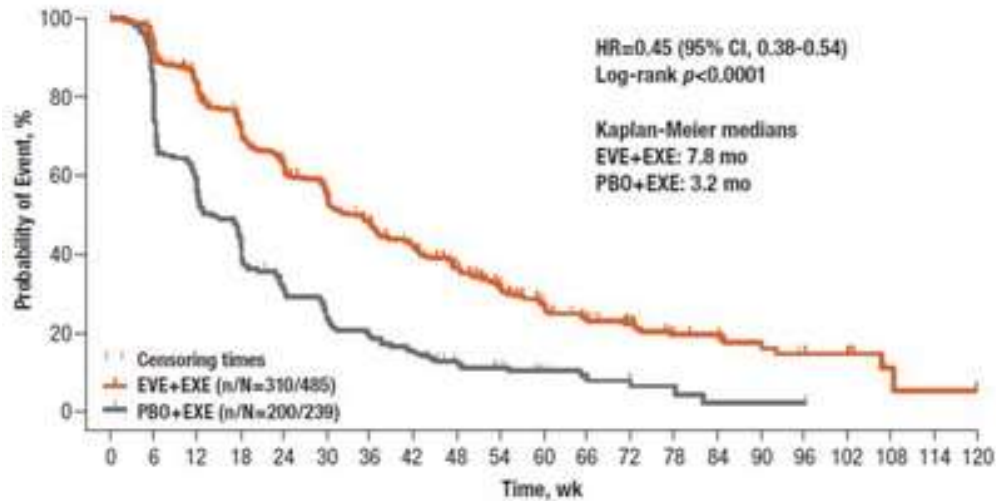
# mTOR inhibitors: Everolimus

## BOLERO-2



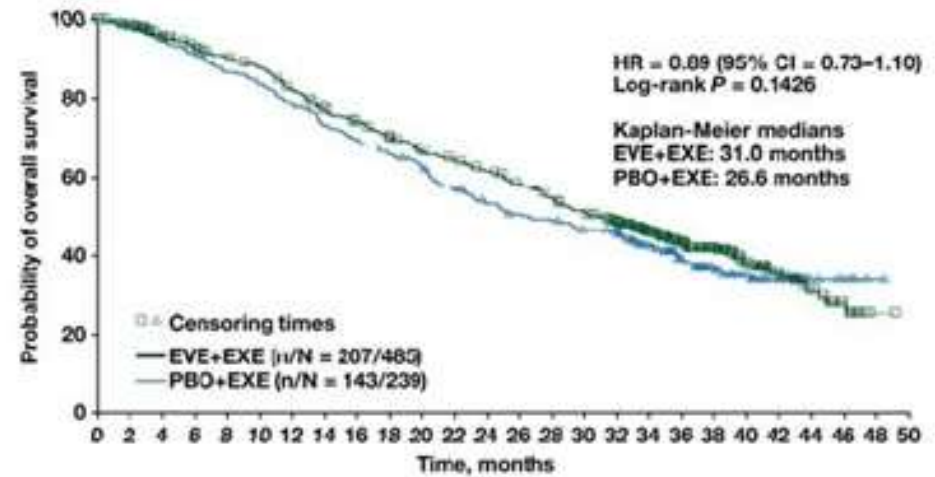
- Stratification:
  1. Sensitivity to prior hormonal therapy
  2. Presence of visceral disease
- No crossover

### PFS



Yardley DA, Adv Ther, 2013

### OS



Piccart, Ann Oncol 2014

# mTOR inhibitors: Everolimus

## Toxicities

AE (preferred term)	EVE+EXE (n=482), %					PBO+EXE (n=238), %				
	All	1	2	3	4	All	1	2	3	4
Any AE	100	7	40	44	9	91	26	36	23	5
Stomatitis	59	29	22	8	0	12	9	2	<1	0
Rash	39	29	9	1	0	7	5	2	0	0
Fatigue	37	18	14	4	<1	27	16	10	1	0
Diarrhea	34	26	6	2	<1	19	14	4	<1	0
Nausea	31	21	9	<1	<1	29	21	7	1	0
Decreased appetite	31	19	10	1	0	13	8	4	1	0
Weight decreased	28	10	16	2	0	7	3	5	0	0
Cough	26	21	4	1	0	12	8	3	0	0
Pneumonitis*	16	7	6	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hyperglycemia*	14	4	5	5	<1	2	1	1	<1	0

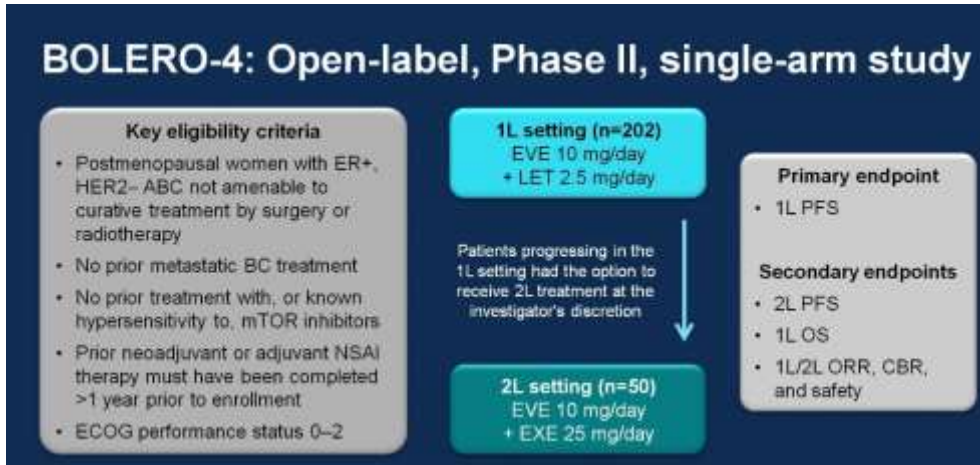
\*Incidence <25%, but AE of special interest.

Abbreviations: AE, adverse event; EVE, everolimus; EXE, exemestane; PBO, placebo.

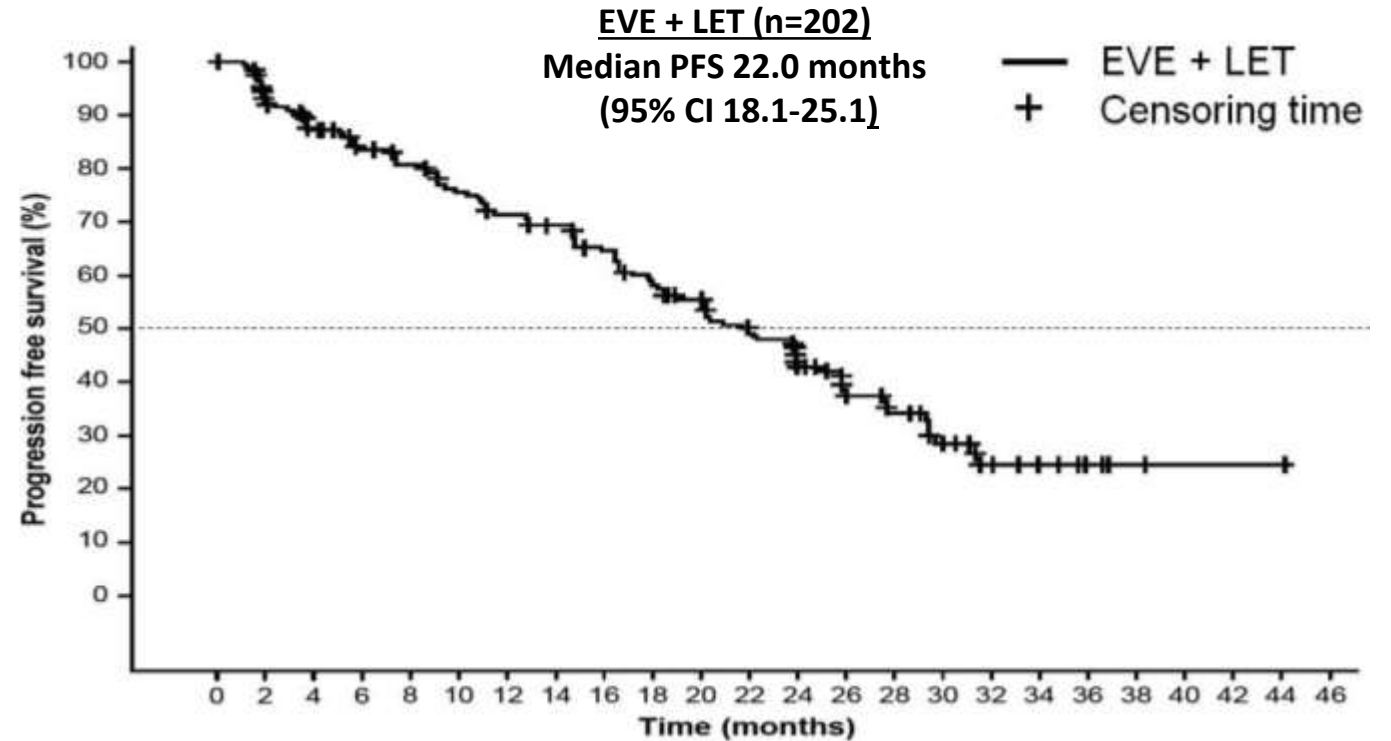
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# mTOR inhibitors: first line

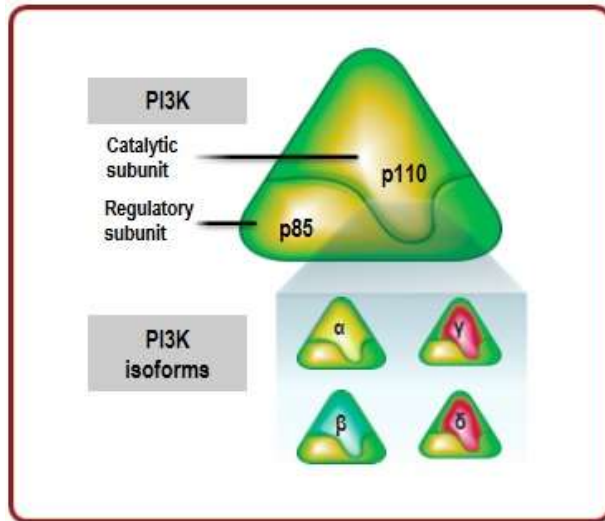
Combination of mTor inhibitors and AI in first-line: able to prevent endocrine resistance?



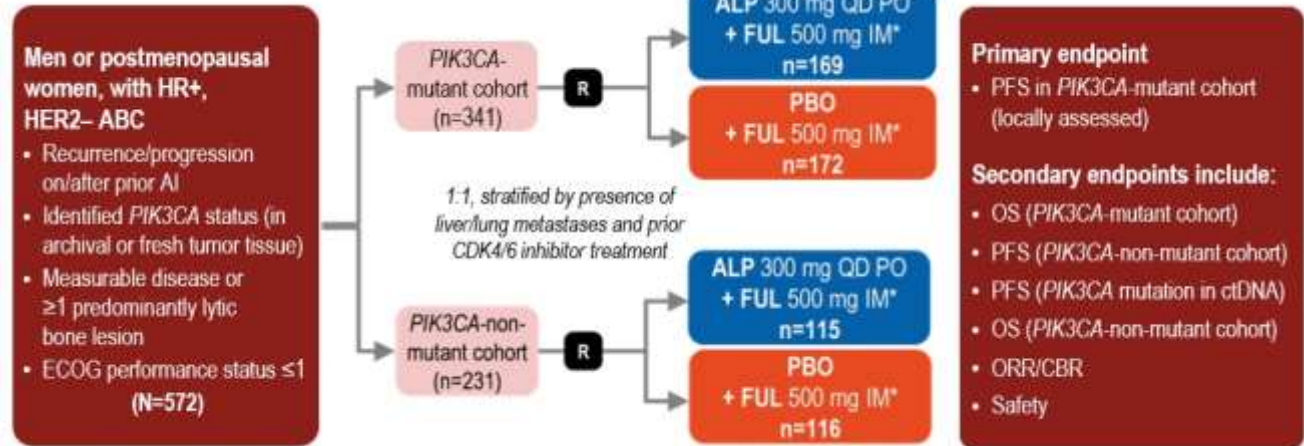
56% no prior Endocrine Rx



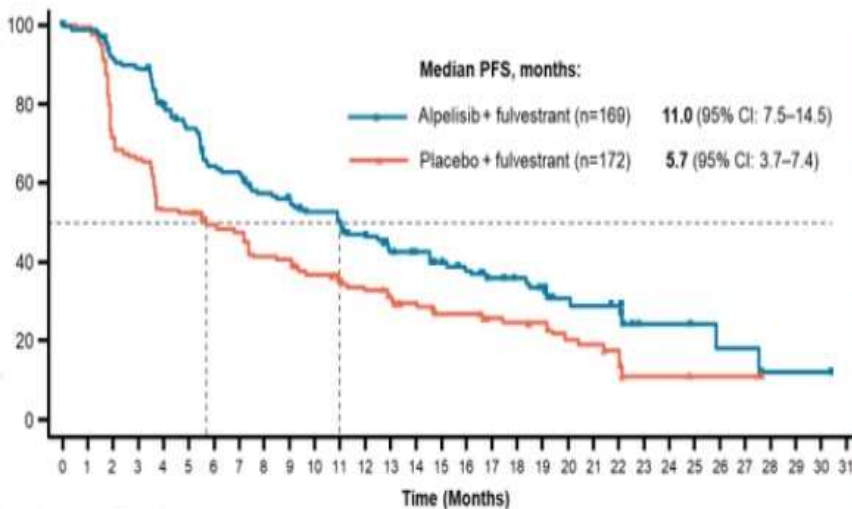
# Isoform-specific PI3K inhibitors: Alpelisib



## SOLAR-1 study design

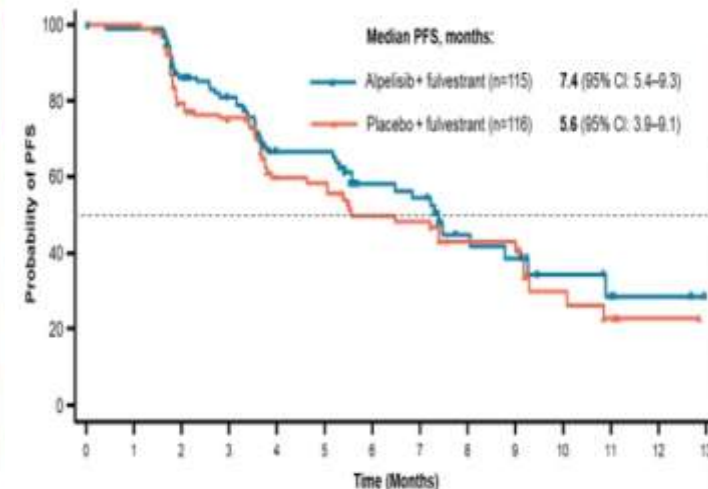


## PFS in PIK3CA-mut



	Alpelisib + fulvestrant (N=169)	Placebo + fulvestrant (N=172)
<b>Data cut-off:</b> Jun 12, 2018		
Number of PFS events, n (%)	103 (60.9)	129 (75.0)
Progression	99 (58.6)	120 (69.8)
Death	4 (2.4)	9 (5.2)
Censored	66 (39.1)	43 (25.0)
Median PFS (95% CI)	11.0 (7.5–14.5)	5.7 (3.7–7.4)
HR (95% CI)	0.65 (0.50–0.85)	
p-value	0.00065	

## PFS in PIK3CA-non-mut



	Alpelisib + fulvestrant (N=115)	Placebo + fulvestrant (N=116)
<b>Data cut-off:</b> Dec 23, 2016		
Number of PFS events, n (%)	49 (42.6)	57 (49.1)
Progression	47 (40.9)	57 (49.1)
Death	2 (1.7)	0
Censored	66 (57.4)	59 (50.9)
Median PFS (95% CI)	7.4 (5.4–9.3)	5.6 (3.9–9.1)
HR (95% CI)	0.65 (0.50–1.25)	
Posterior probability HR<1, %	79.4	

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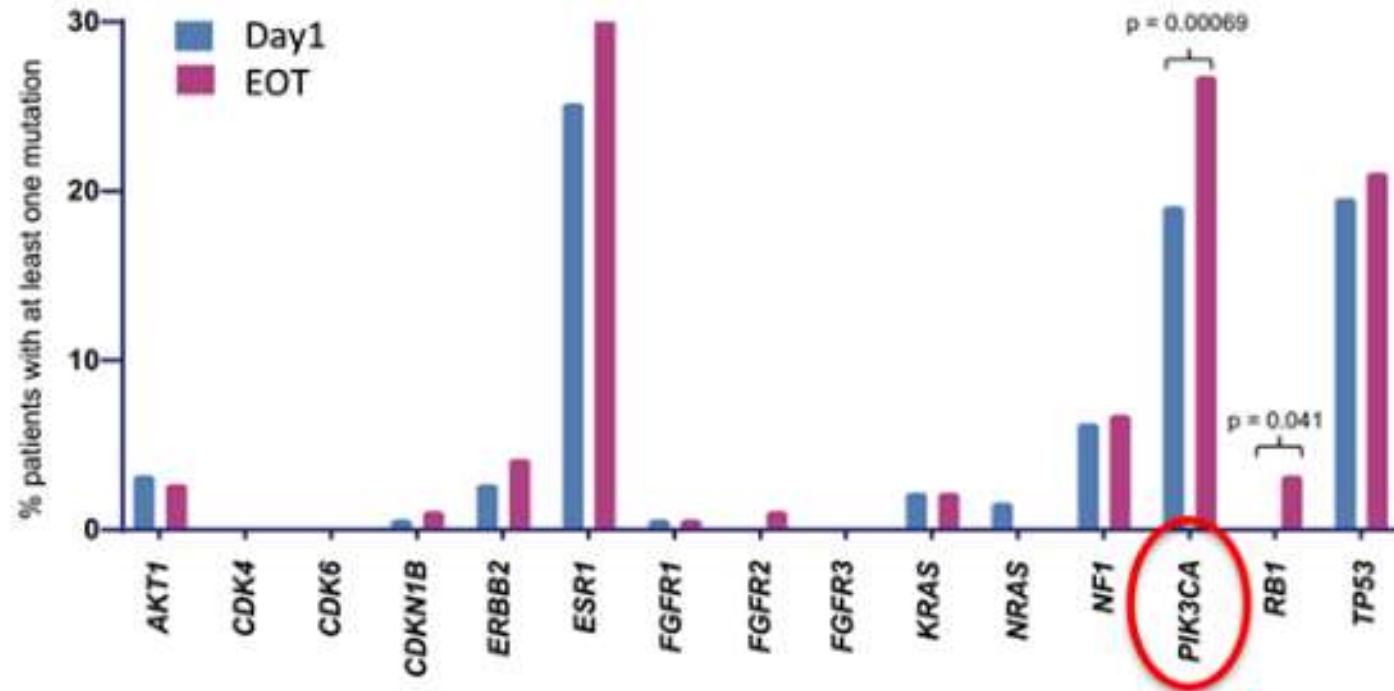
## Adverse events in total population

AEs ≥20% in either arm, %	Alpelisib + fulvestrant N=284			Placebo + fulvestrant N=287		
	All	Grade 3	Grade 4	All	Grade 3	Grade 4
Any adverse event	282 (99.3)	183 (64.4)	33 (11.6)	264 (92.0)	87 (30.3)	15 (5.2)
Hyperglycemia	181 (63.7)	93 (32.7)	11 (3.9)	28 (9.8)	1 (0.3)	1 (0.3)
Diarrhea	164 (57.7)	19 (6.7)	0	45 (15.7)	1 (0.3)	0
Nausea	127 (44.7)	7 (2.5)	0	64 (22.3)	1 (0.3)	0
Decreased appetite	101 (35.6)	2 (0.7)	0	30 (10.5)	1 (0.3)	0
Rash*	101 (35.6)	28 (9.9)	0	17 (5.9)	1 (0.3)	0
Vomiting	77 (27.1)	2 (0.7)	0	28 (9.8)	1 (0.3)	0
Decreased weight	76 (26.8)	11 (3.9)	0	6 (2.1)	0	0
Stomatitis	70 (24.6)	7 (2.5)	0	18 (6.3)	0	0
Fatigue	69 (24.3)	10 (3.5)	0	49 (17.1)	3 (1.0)	0
Asthenia	58 (20.4)	5 (1.8)	0	37 (12.9)	0	0

Dose discontinuation due to AEs: 25% in the alpelisib + fulvestrant and 5% in the placebo + fulvestrant

# Open issues: when to use Pi3k inhibitors?

Identification of PIK3CA-mutant clones after resistance to CDK 4/6 inhibitors



# Endocrine treatment versus chemotherapy in postmenopausal women with hormone receptor-positive, HER2-negative, metastatic breast cancer: a systematic review and network meta-analysis

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The systematic review included all phase II and III randomized controlled trials investigating chemotherapy with or without targeted therapies and hormone therapies with or without targeted therapies as first-line or second-line treatments, or both, in postmenopausal women with HR-positive, HER2-negative metastatic breast cancer published between January 2000 and December 2017; additional recently published relevant randomized controlled trials were also subsequently added. Progression-free survival was the primary outcome measure. All treatments were compared with anastrozole (the most common comparator in trials included in the meta-analysis) and with palbociclib plus letrozole (since it was the first combination of a CDK4/6 inhibitor plus hormone therapy approved for clinical practice and remains a first-line standard of care along with other CDK4/6 inhibitor plus hormone therapy combinations).

A total of 140 studies comprising 50,029 patients were included in the analysis.

## Key Findings

Compared with anastrozole alone, progression-

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0.42, 95% CrI = 0.28–0.67) and, in patients with *PIK3CA*-mutated disease, alpelisib plus fulvestrant (HR = 0.39, 95% CrI = 0.22–0.66).

“In the first-line or second-line setting, CDK4/6 inhibitors plus hormone therapies are better than standard hormone therapies in terms of progression-free survival. Moreover, no chemotherapy regimen with or without targeted therapy is significantly better than CDK4/6 inhibitors plus hormone therapies in terms of progression-free survival.”

— Giuliano et al

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Compared with anastrozole alone, progression-free survival was improved with several regimens of chemotherapy with or without targeted therapies (including anthracycline- and taxane-containing regimens), including fluorouracil plus

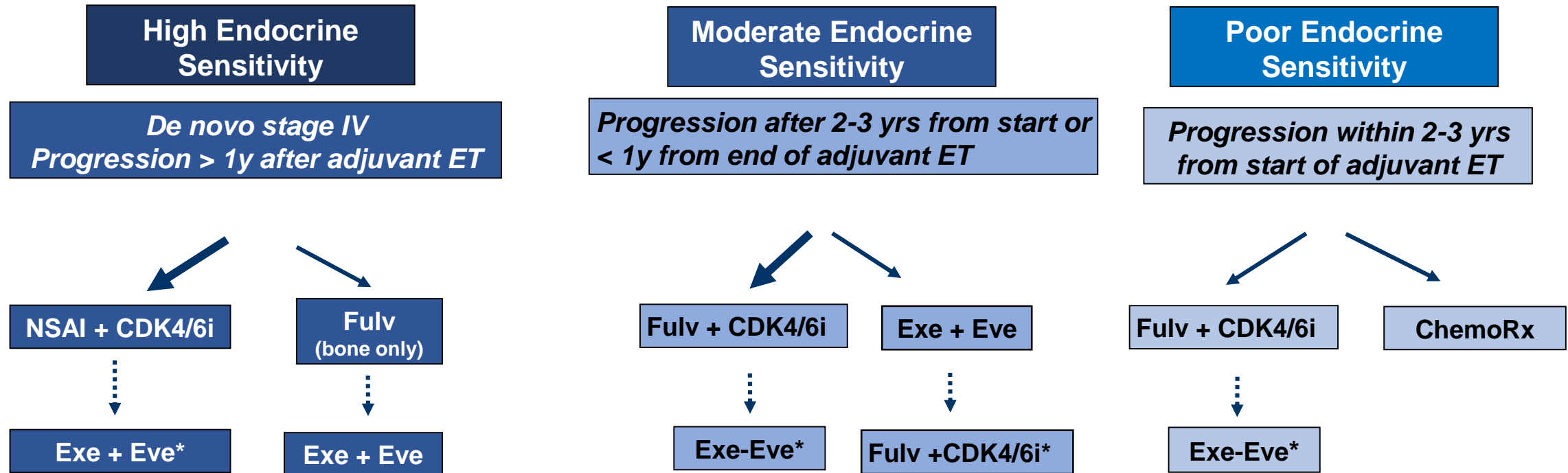
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# Endocrine Therapy for HR+ MBC: new algorithms



\* Sequences not supported by data from clinical trials

PIK3CA (and ESR1) mutational status on ctDNA might have a role in treatment sequencing