

Update on HER2-positive Breast Cancer

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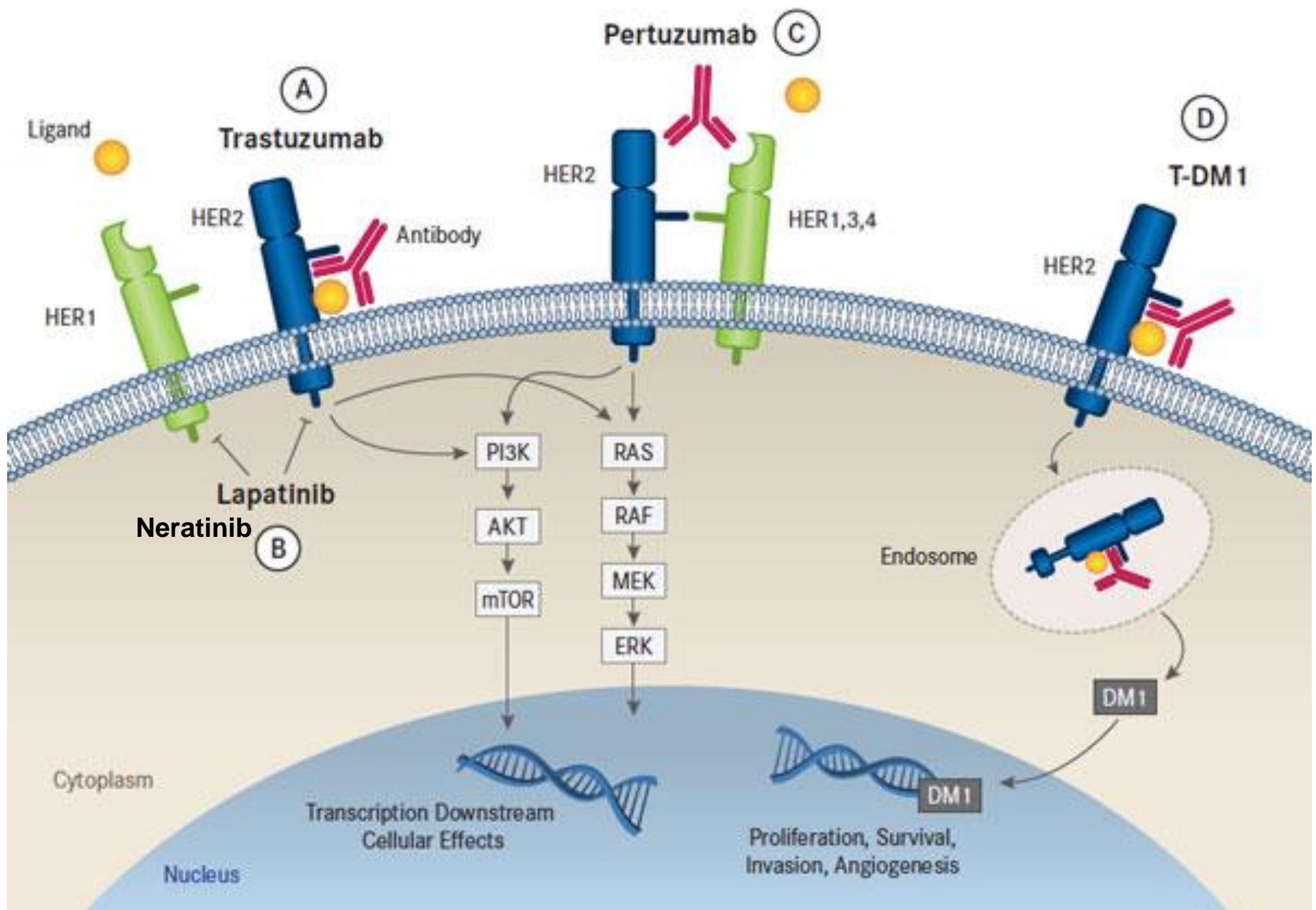
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Objectives

To discuss advances in:

1. Metastatic breast cancer
2. Adjuvant breast cancer: more vs less
3. HER2 negative!



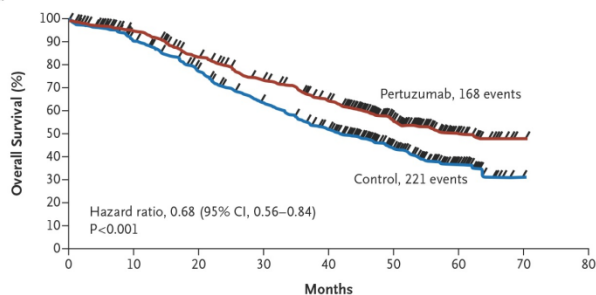
Phase III trials in HER2+ MBC

Trial	Design	Median OS	Population
CLEOPATRA ¹	1 st line THP vs TH	56.5 vs 40.8 months	10% prior H
EMILIA ²	2 nd line TDM-1 vs CL	29.9 vs 25.4 months	100% prior H, taxanes
TH3RESA ³	3 rd line TDM-1 vs TPC	22.7 vs 15.8 months	100% prior H, L and taxane
EGF 104900 ⁴	3 rd /4 th line HL vs L	14 vs 9.8 months	Prior anthracyclines, taxane, H; Median 3 prior txs

T=docetaxel; H=trastuzumab; P=pertuzumab, C=capectabine; L=lapatinib;
TPC=treatment of physician's choice

Advances in HER2+ MBC

A Overall Survival



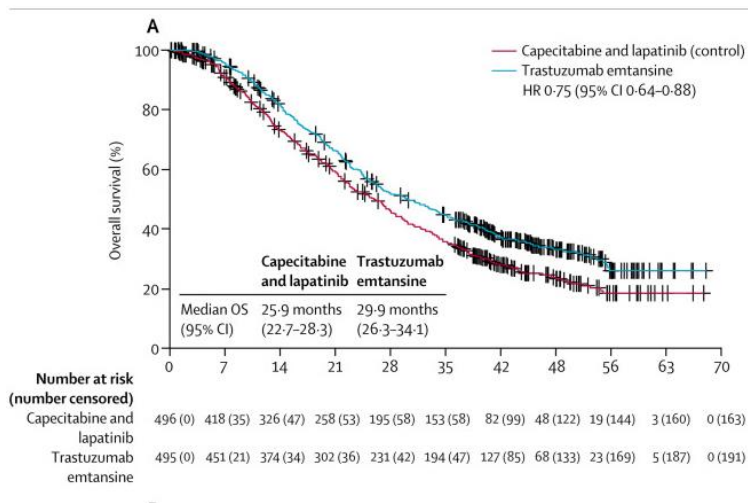
No. at Risk	0	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80
Pertuzumab	402	371	318	268	226	104	28	1	0
Control	406	350	289	230	179	91	23	0	0

B Subgroup Analysis of Overall Survival

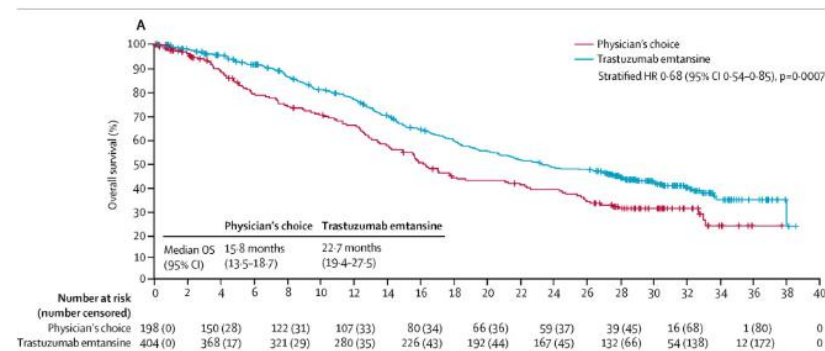
Subgroup	No. of Patients	Hazard Ratio (95% CI)	P Value for Interaction
All patients	808	0.67 (0.55-0.82)	
Previous adjuvant or neoadjuvant treatment			0.63
No	432	0.64 (0.48-0.85)	
Yes	376	0.70 (0.53-0.93)	
Region			0.36
Europe	306	0.65 (0.47-0.91)	
North America	135	0.63 (0.37-1.07)	
South America	114	0.50 (0.30-0.85)	
Asia	253	0.82 (0.57-1.16)	
Age			0.27
<65 yr	681	0.70 (0.56-0.87)	
≥65 yr	127	0.53 (0.31-0.90)	
Age			0.84
<75 yr	789	0.68 (0.55-0.83)	
≥75 yr	19	0.85 (0.26-2.73)	
Race or ethnic group			0.40
White	480	0.63 (0.49-0.82)	
Black	30	0.41 (0.11-1.45)	
Asian	261	0.82 (0.58-1.17)	
Other	37	0.37 (0.13-1.06)	
Disease type			0.03
Visceral	630	0.59 (0.48-0.74)	
Nonvisceral	178	1.11 (0.66-1.85)	
ER or PgR status			0.47
Positive	388	0.71 (0.53-0.96)	
Negative	408	0.61 (0.47-0.81)	
HER2 status			0.52
IHC 3+	721	0.66 (0.53-0.81)	
FISH-positive	767	0.69 (0.56-0.85)	0.14

CLEOPATRA, Swain, et al, NEJM, 2015

Advances in HER2+ MBC



EMILIA, Dieras, et al, 2017



TH3RESA, Krop, et al, 2017

Can we go further?

MARIANNE Trial: Study Design

- Phase 3 trial
- N = 1095
- HER2-positive LABC* or MBC not treated with chemotherapy
- > 6 mo since use of a vinca alkaloid or taxane

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Arm A (either regimen)

- Trastuzumab 8 mg/kg LD then 6 mg/kg + Docetaxel 75 or 100 mg/m² every 3 wk
- Trastuzumab 4 mg/kg LD then 2 mg + paclitaxel 80 mg/m² every wk

Arm B

- T-DM1 3.6 mg/kg + placebo 840 mg LD then 420 mg every 3 wk

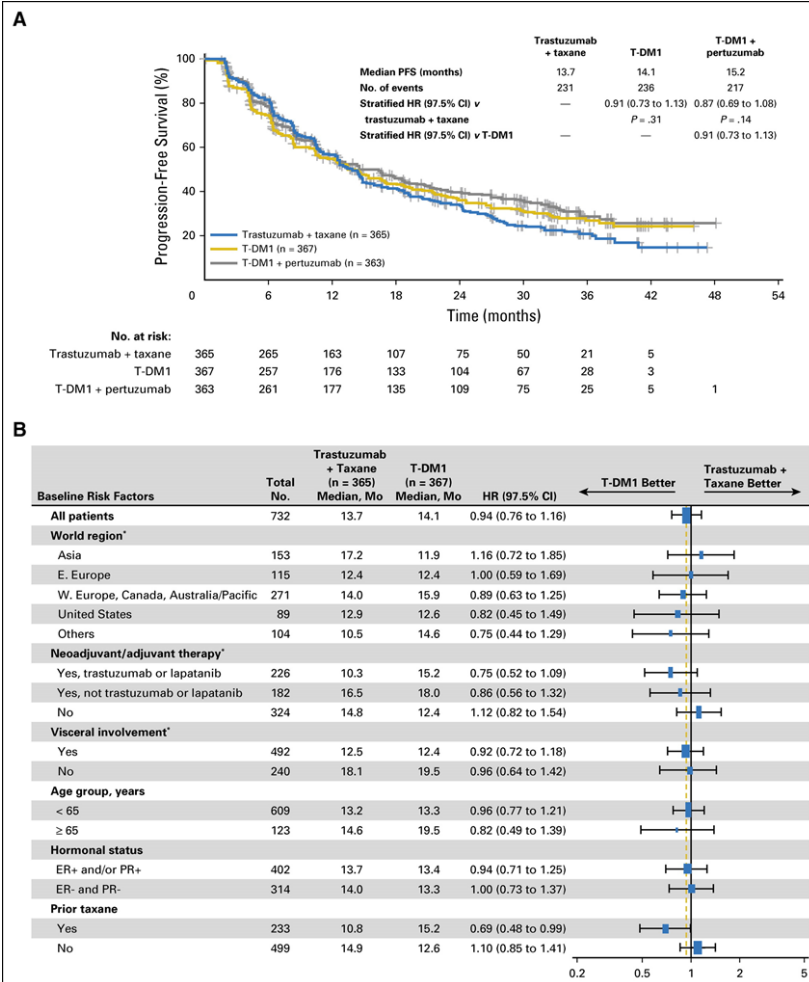
Arm C

- T-DM1 3.6 mg/kg + pertuzumab 840 mg LD then 420 mg every 3 wk

*Locally progressive or recurrent breast cancer not amenable to resection with curative intent. LD = loading dose.

- Primary end points were PFS assessed by independent review and incidence of AEs
- Secondary end points included OS, PFS by investigator, ORR, and safety

Ellis PA, et al. *J Clin Oncol.* 2015;33(suppl):507.^[1]



Perez, et al, JCO 2017

Can we go further?

PHEREXA study design NCT01026142

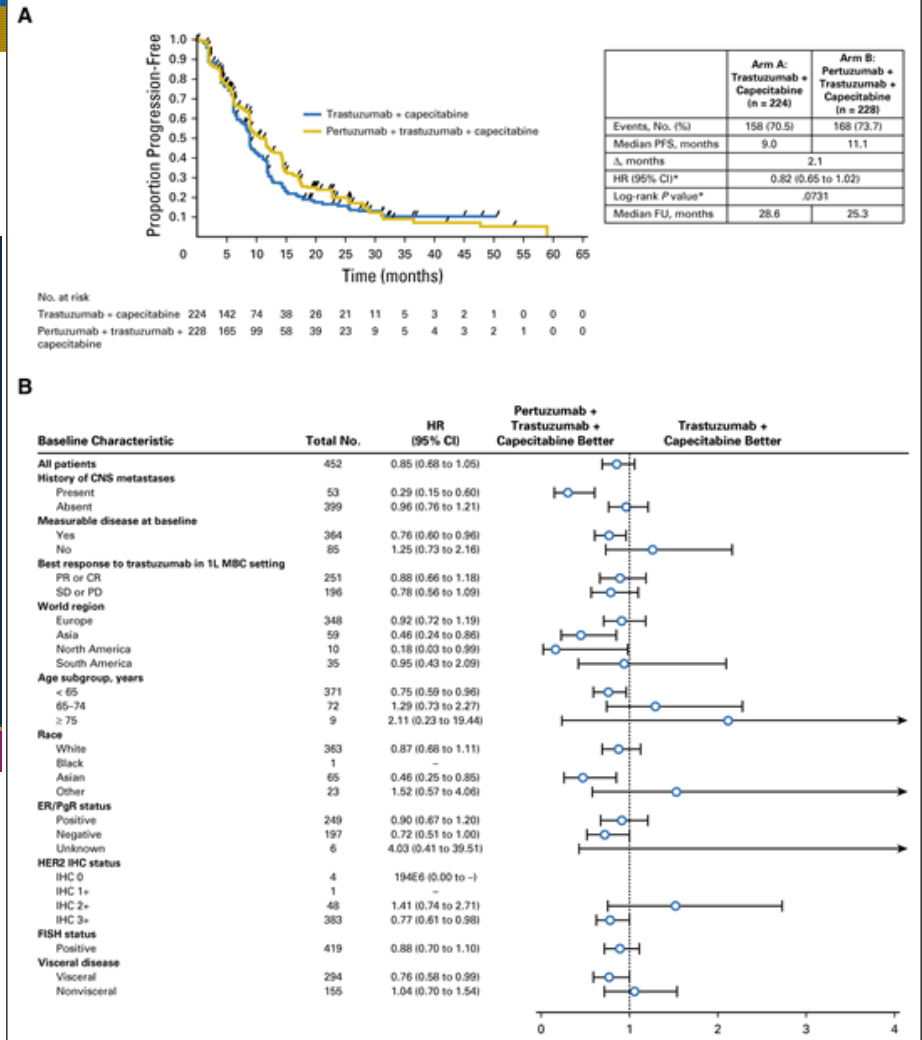
- HER2-positive MBC (centrally confirmed)
- Prior taxane and H
- Progression during or after H-based therapy for MBC

N = 452

Arm A:
H (8 mg/kg → 6 mg/kg) + X (1,250 mg/m²)
n = 224

Arm B:
H (8 mg/kg → 6 mg/kg) + X (1,000 mg/m²)
+ P (840 mg → 420 mg)
n = 228

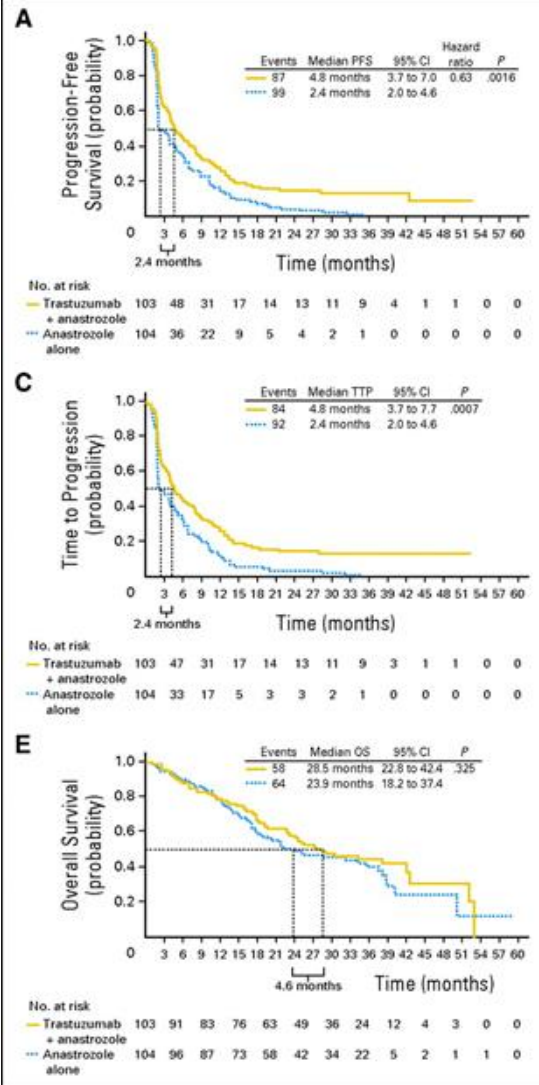
First pt included: Jan 28, 2010
Last pt included: Aug 12, 2013
Clinical cut-off: May 29, 2015



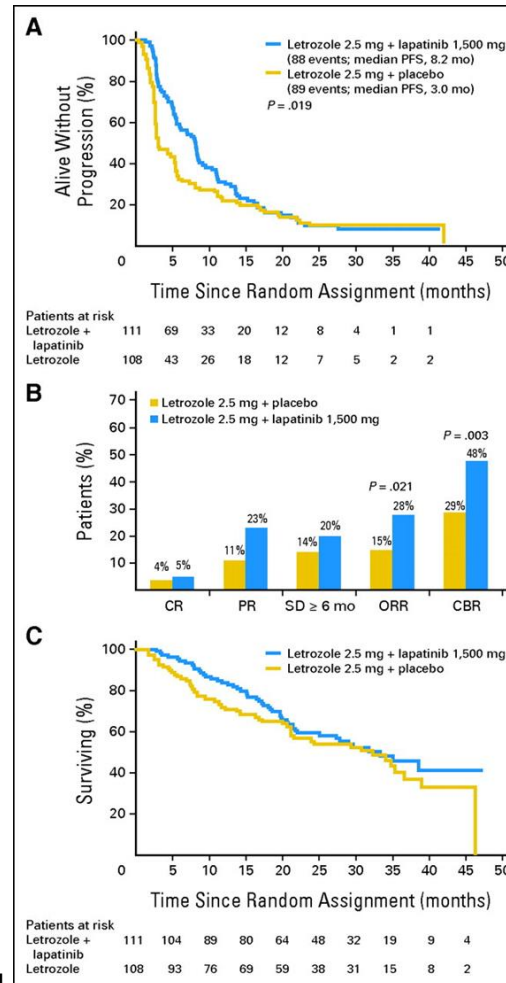
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What about endocrine therapy?

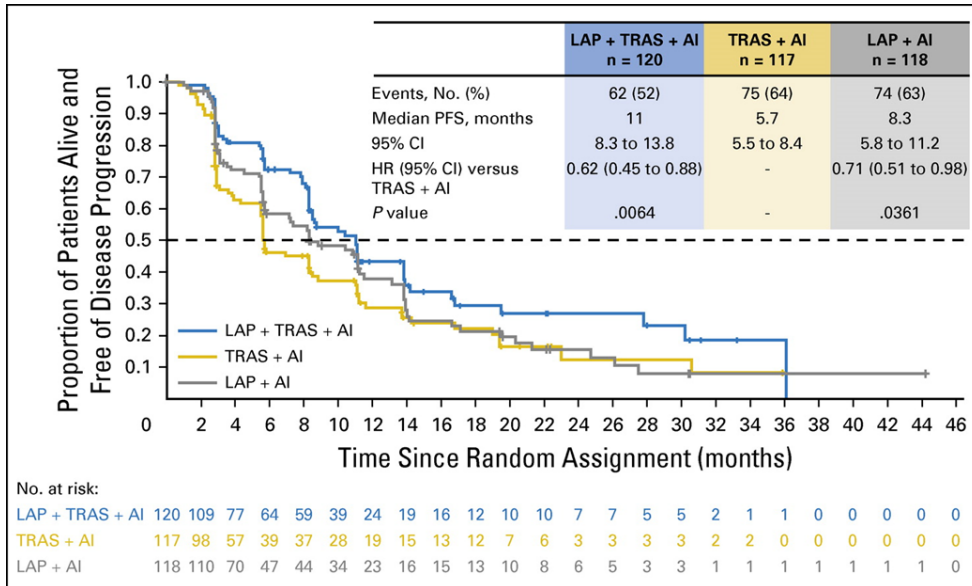


Kaufman, et al,
JCO 2009

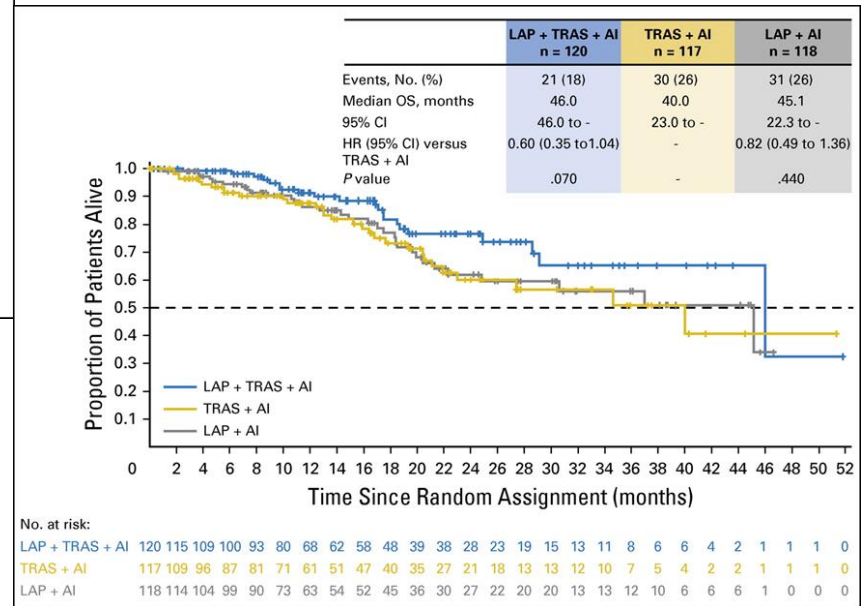


Johnston, et al,
JCO 2009

Dual HER2 therapies



13% grade 3/4 diarrhea in L+ Tras arm



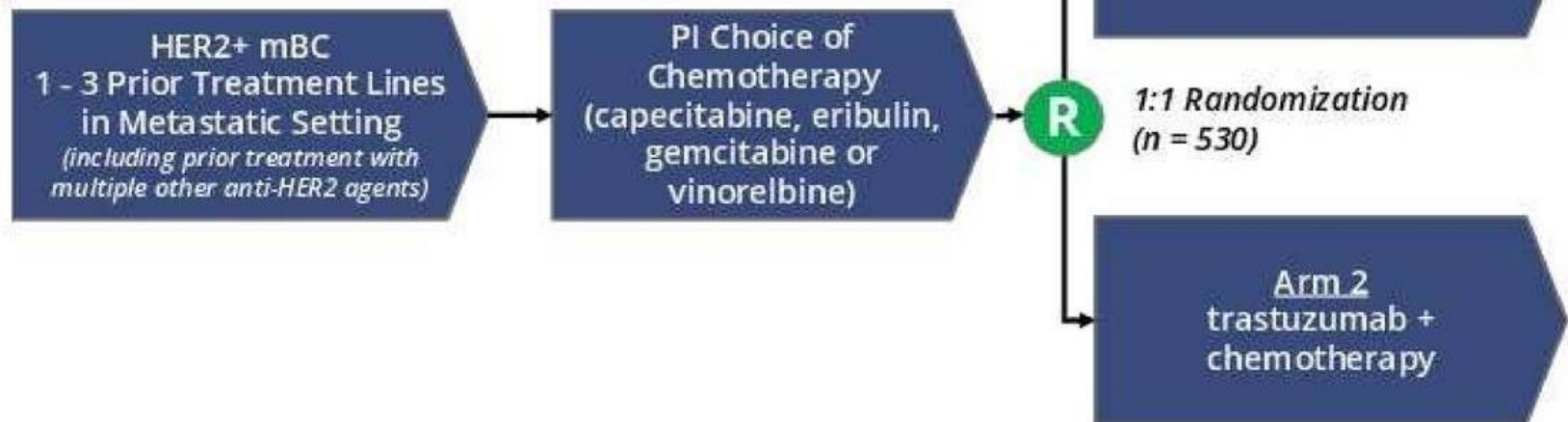
How does this change clinical practice?

- Many effective HER2-directed therapies as continued HER2 blockade necessary
- HER2 therapies effective with chemotherapy, endocrine therapy and on their own
- Unknown efficacy of pertuzumab after trastuzumab exposure

Margetuximab

Phase 3 Study to Establish Superiority to Trastuzumab

Futility analysis anticipated Jan 2018; Enrollment completion expected 4Q18



of Global sites: ~200

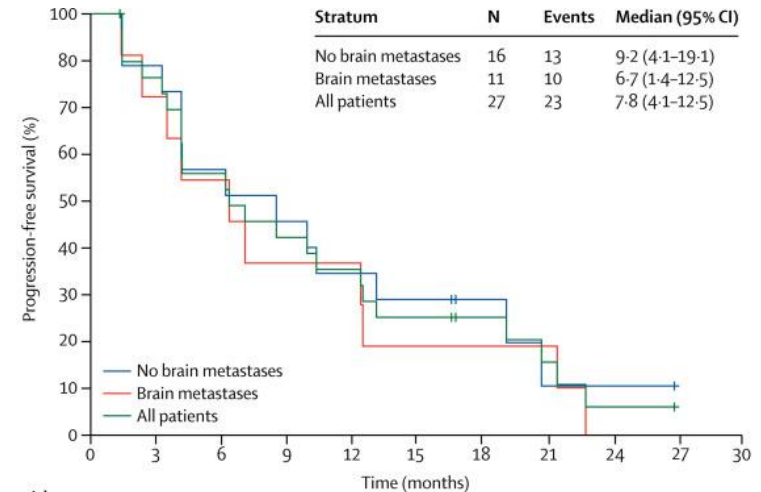
Sequential primary endpoints: Progression-Free Survival & Overall Survival:

PFS (N=257, HR=0.67, $\alpha=0.05$, power=90%)

OS (N=385, HR=0.75, $\alpha=0.05$, power=80%)

Tucatinib

- Oral, potent HER2-specific TKI
- Phase Ib study of heavily pretreated patients



	0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30
Number at risk	16	14	10	8	6	5	3	1	1	0	0
(number censored)											
No brain metastases	16 (0)	14 (0)	10 (0)	8 (0)	6 (0)	5 (0)	3 (2)	1 (2)	1 (2)	0 (3)	0 (3)
Brain metastases	11 (0)	8 (1)	6 (1)	4 (1)	4 (1)	2 (1)	2 (1)	2 (1)	0 (1)	0 (1)	0 (1)
All	27 (0)	22 (1)	16 (1)	12 (1)	10 (1)	7 (1)	5 (3)	3 (3)	1 (3)	0 (4)	0 (4)

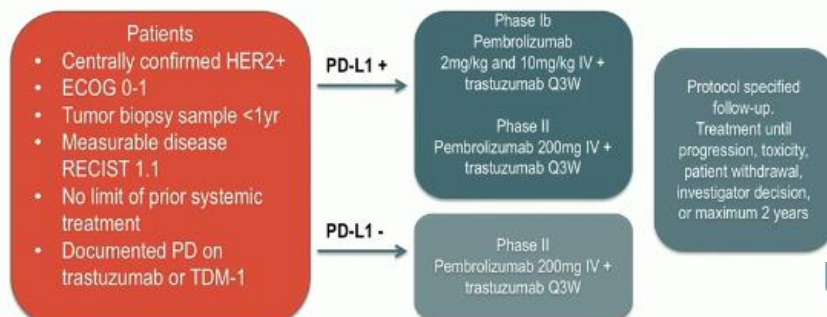
Murthy, et al, Lancet Oncology 2018

Checkpoint inhibition?

2017 SAN ANTONIO BREAST CANCER SYMPOSIUM

December 5-9, 2017

Study Design: PANACEA IBCSG 45-13/BIG 4-13/KEYNOTE-014



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Most Common AEs¹ at Least Possibly Related; N=58

Adverse Event	Pts N (%)	G1	G2	G3	G4
Fatigue	12 (21%)	7	5		
Diarrhea	8 (14%)	6	2		
Arthralgia	8 (14%)	6	2		
Headache	6 (10%)	4	2		
Nausea	6 (10%)	6			
Dyspnoea	5 (9%)	2	1	1	1
Myalgia	5 (9%)	5			

Immune-related AEs

- Any grade, n=11 (19.0%)
- Grade ≥ 3, n=6 (10.3%)
- Led to discontinuation, n=4 (6.9%)

Most common Immune AEs

- Any grade thyroid, n=4 (6.9%)
- Pneumonitis
 - All grades, n=4 (6.9%)
 - Grade ≥ 3, n=2 (3.4%)

No cardiac events reported
No DLTs in Phase Ib

¹ Grade is reported as worst grade for patient



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Best Overall Response (RECIST 1.1)

	PD-L1 Positive Phase Ib, n=6	PD-L1 Positive Phase II, n=40	PD-L1 Negative Phase II, n=12
ORR n (%) [90%CI]	1 (17%) [1-58]	6 (15%) [7-29]	0 (0%) [0-18]
DCR ¹ n (%) [90%CI]	1 (17%) [1-58]	10 (25%) [14-49]	0 (0%) [0-18]
Best overall response, n (%)			
Complete Response	1 (17%)	1 (2.5%)	-
Partial Response	-	5 (12.5%)	-
Stable Disease	-	7 (17.5%)	2 (16.7%)
Progressive Disease	5 (83%)	25 (62.5%)	9 (75.0%)
Not Evaluable	-	2 (5.0%)	1 (8.3%)

Overall PD-L1 + cohort

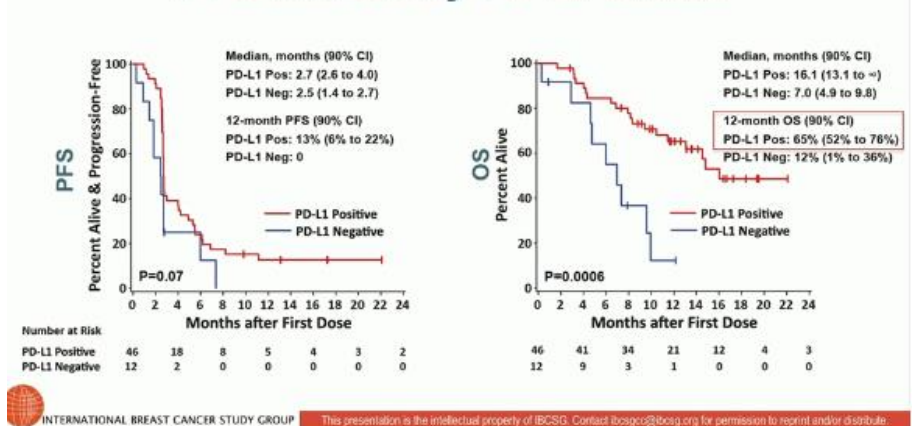
ORR 15.2% [7-27]

DCR 24% [14-36]

¹DCR: CR, PR, or SD ≥ 6 months

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PFS and OS by PD-L1 Status



Objectives

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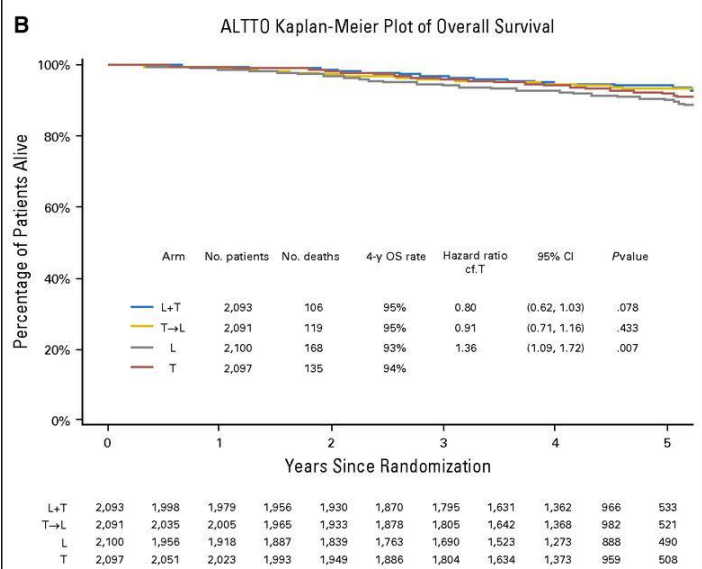
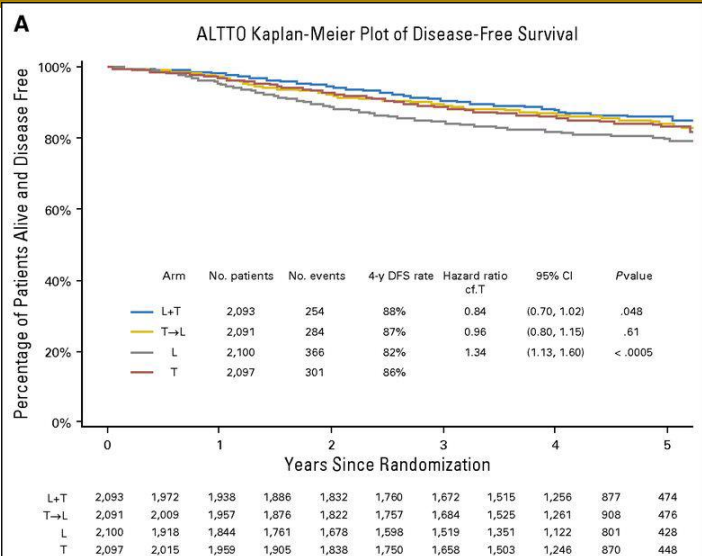
1. Metastatic breast cancer
2. Adjuvant breast cancer: more vs less
3. HER2 negative!

Adjuvant HER2 therapy

Trial	Design	N	DFS
NCCTG 9831 and NSABP B-31 ¹	AC→T +/- H	4046	HR 0.48, p<0.0001
HERA ²	C→ +/- H x 1 year or 2 years	3401	HR 0.54, p<0.0001
BCIRG-006 ³	AC→T AC→TH TCH	3222	HR 0.64, p<0.001 HR 0.75, p=0.04

1. Romand, et al, NEJM, 2005; 2. Piccart-Gebhart, et al, NEJM 2005;
2. 3. Slamon, et al, NEJM 2011

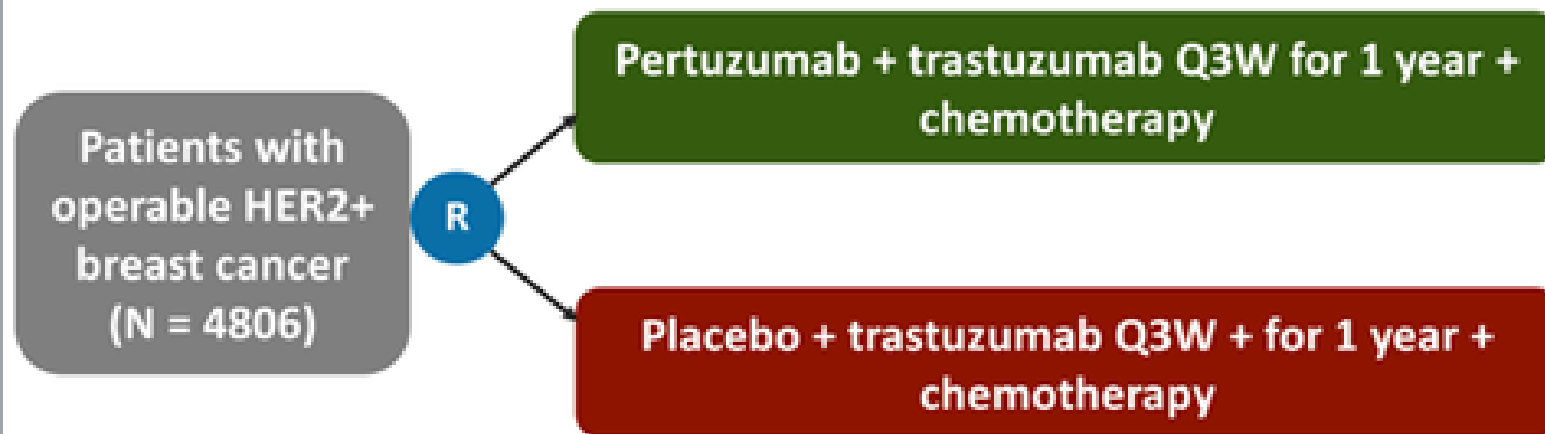
What about more?



Piccart-Gebhart, et al, JCO 2016

APHINITY: Phase 3 Trial of Adjuvant Pertuzumab and Trastuzumab + Chemotherapy

- Randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled trial



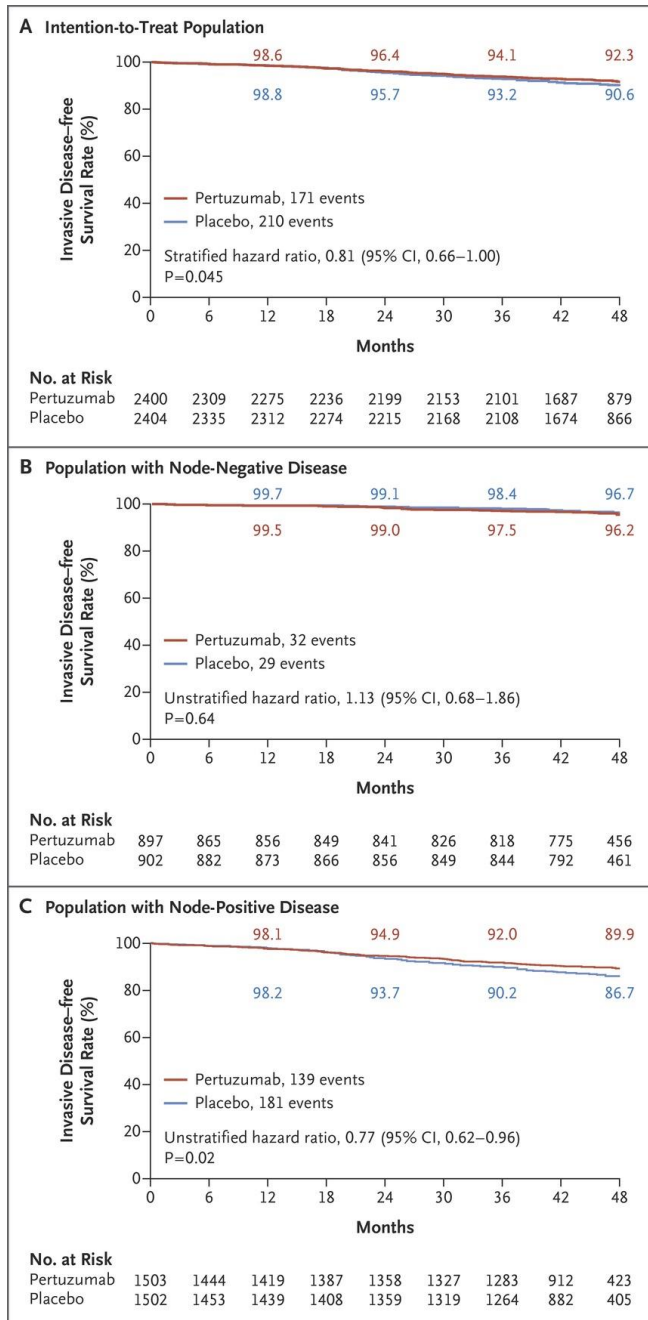
- Primary endpoints: IDFS duration, percentage of patients with both HF (NYHA Class III or IV), and drop in LVEF of ≥ 10 points from baseline and to below 50%

Demographic and Baseline Disease Characteristics of the Patients.

Table 1. Demographic and Baseline Disease Characteristics of the Patients.

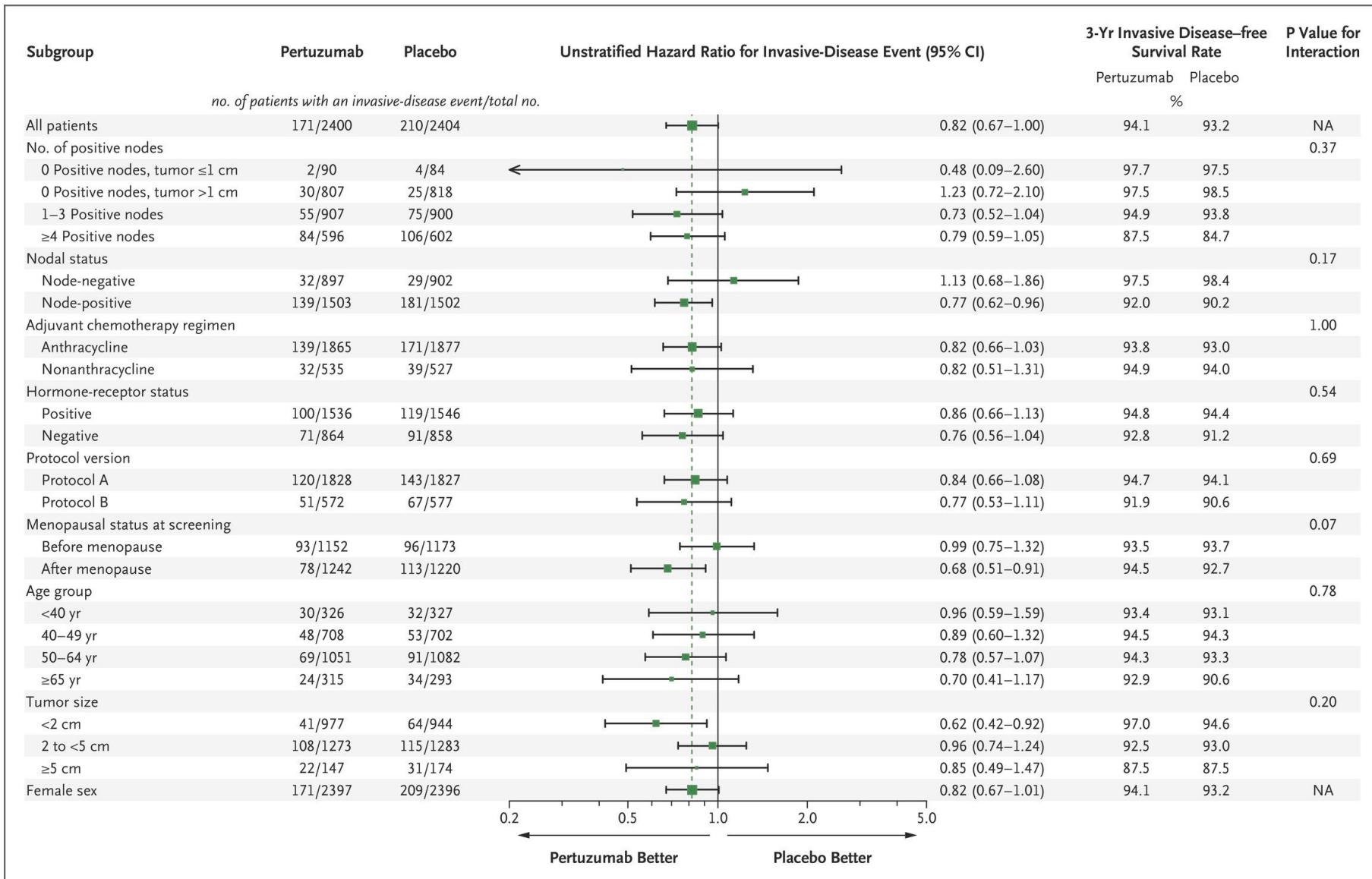
Characteristic	Pertuzumab Group (N = 2400)	Placebo Group (N = 2404)
Nodal status — no. of patients (%)		
0 positive nodes and tumor ≤1 cm*	90 (3.8)	84 (3.5)
0 positive nodes and tumor >1 cm*	807 (33.6)	818 (34.0)
1–3 positive nodes	907 (37.8)	900 (37.4)
≥4 positive nodes	596 (24.8)	602 (25.0)
Adjuvant chemotherapy regimen — no. of patients (%)†		
Anthracycline-containing regimen	1865 (77.7)	1877 (78.1)
Non-anthracycline-containing regimen	535 (22.3)	527 (21.9)
Hormone-receptor status — no. of patients (%)‡		
Negative	864 (36.0)	858 (35.7)
Positive	1536 (64.0)	1546 (64.3)
Protocol version — no. of patients (%)*		
Protocol A	1828 (76.2)	1827 (76.0)
Protocol B	572 (23.8)	577 (24.0)
Age — no. of patients (%)		
<40 yr	326 (13.6)	327 (13.6)
40–64 yr	1759 (73.3)	1784 (74.2)
≥65 yr	315 (13.1)	293 (12.2)
Pathological tumor size — no. of tumors/total no. (%)§		
0 to <2 cm	978/2400 (40.8)	948/2405 (39.4)
2 to <5 cm	1275/2400 (53.1)	1283/2405 (53.3)
≥5 cm	147/2400 (6.1)	174/2405 (7.2)

Kaplan–Meier Plot of Invasive-Disease–free Survival



von Minckwitz G et al. N Engl J Med ;377:122-131

Forest Plot of Invasive-Disease-free Survival



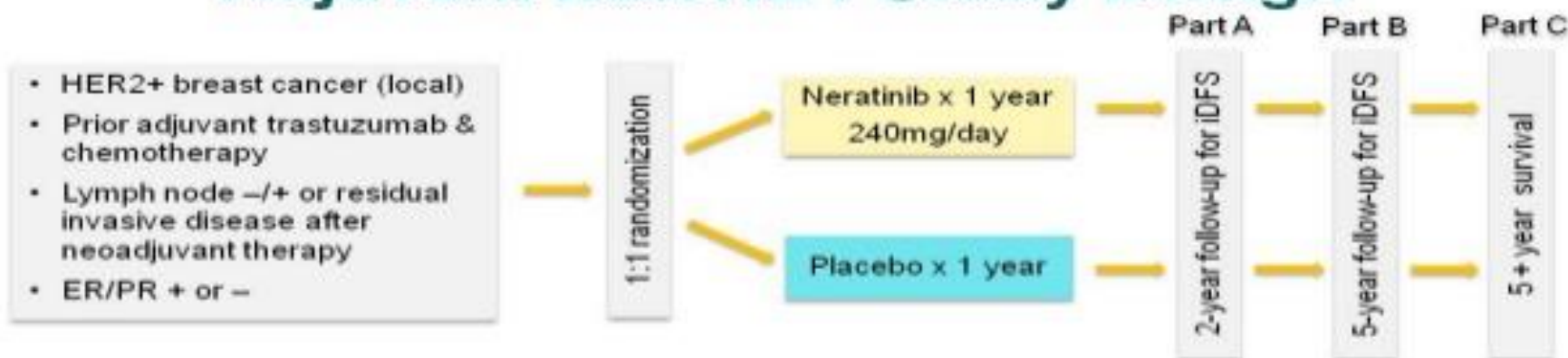
Summary of Adverse Events (Safety Analysis Population).

Table 3. Summary of Adverse Events (Safety Analysis Population).*

Event	Pertuzumab Group (N = 2364)	Placebo Group (N = 2405)
	<i>no. of patients (%)</i>	
Grade ≥ 3 adverse event	1518 (64.2)	1379 (57.3)
Neutropenia	385 (16.3)	377 (15.7)
Febrile neutropenia	287 (12.1)	266 (11.1)
Neutrophil count decreased	228 (9.6)	230 (9.6)
Diarrhea†	232 (9.8)	90 (3.7)
Anemia	163 (6.9)	113 (4.7)
Fatal adverse event‡	18 (0.8)	20 (0.8)
Primary cardiac event§	17 (0.7)	8 (0.3)
NYHA class III or IV heart failure and substantial decrease in LVEF¶	15 (0.6)	6 (0.2)
Definite or probable cardiac death	2 (0.1)	2 (0.1)
Secondary cardiac event	64 (2.7)	67 (2.8)
Identified automatically from LVEF assessments	50 (2.1)	47 (2.0)
Identified by cardiac advisory board	14 (0.6)	20 (0.8)

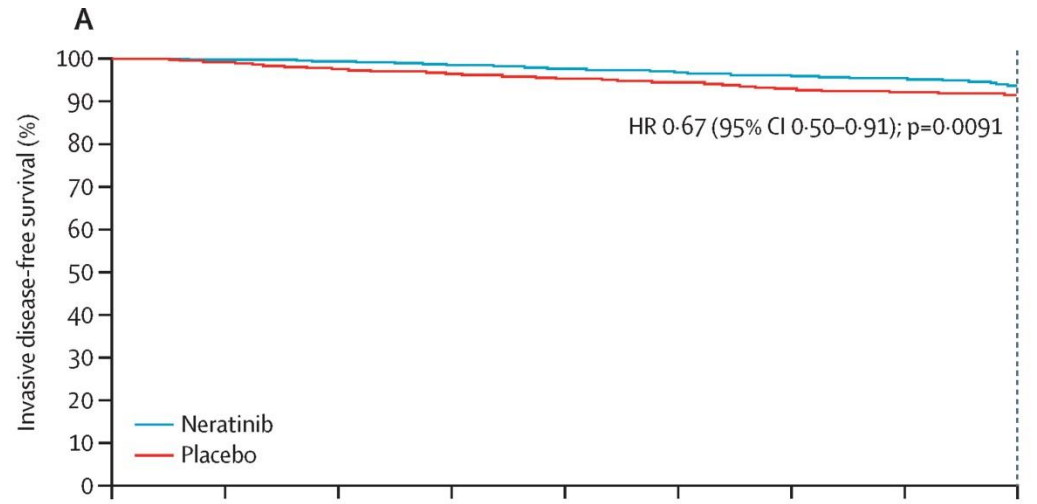
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Adjuvant ExteNET Study Design

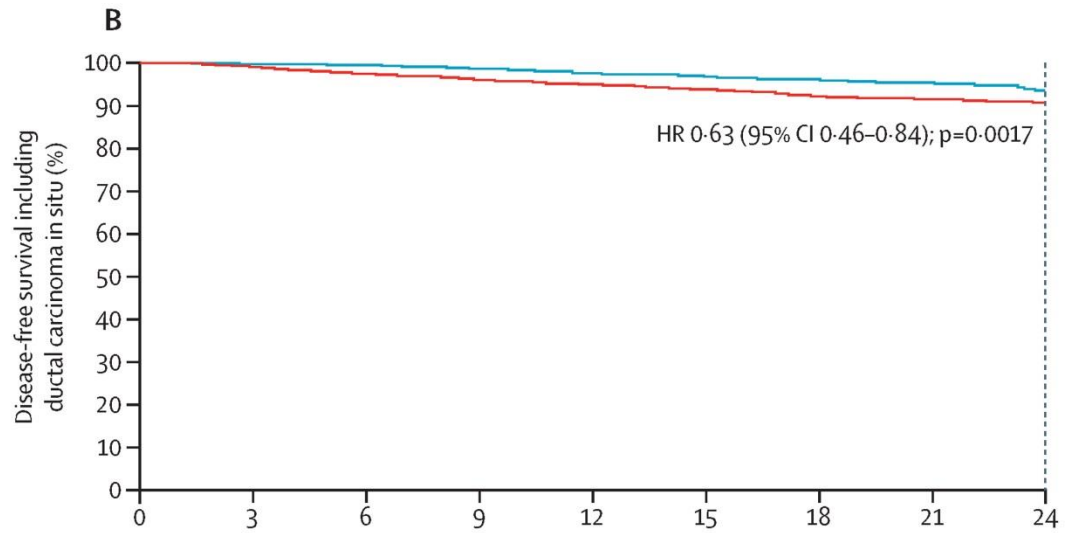


- Primary endpoint: invasive disease-free survival (iDFS)
- Secondary endpoints: DFS-DCIS, time to distant recurrence, distant DFS, CNS metastases, overall survival, safety
- Other analyses: biomarkers, health outcome assessment (FACT-B, EQ-5d)
- Stratified by: nodes 0, 1–3 vs 4+, ER/PR status, concurrent vs sequential trastuzumab

Figure 2



Number at risk	0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24
Neratinib group	1420	1291	1260	1229	1189	1150	1108	1033	662
Placebo group	1420	1367	1324	1292	1243	1209	1163	1090	704



Number at risk	0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24
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Placebo group	1420	1366	1324	1290	1241	1206	1159	1086	701



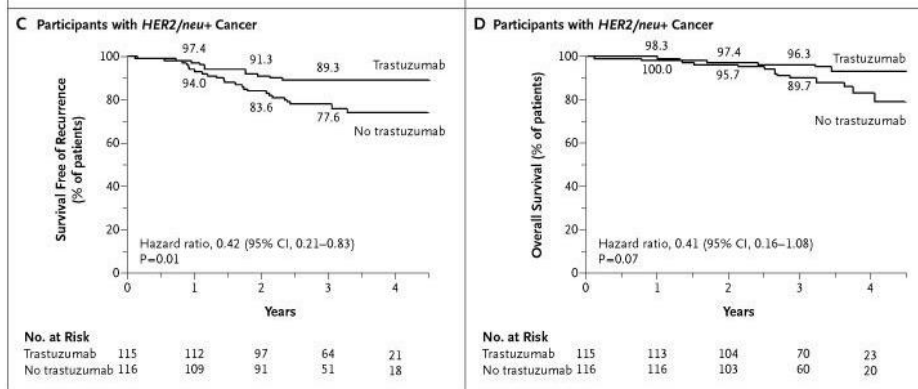
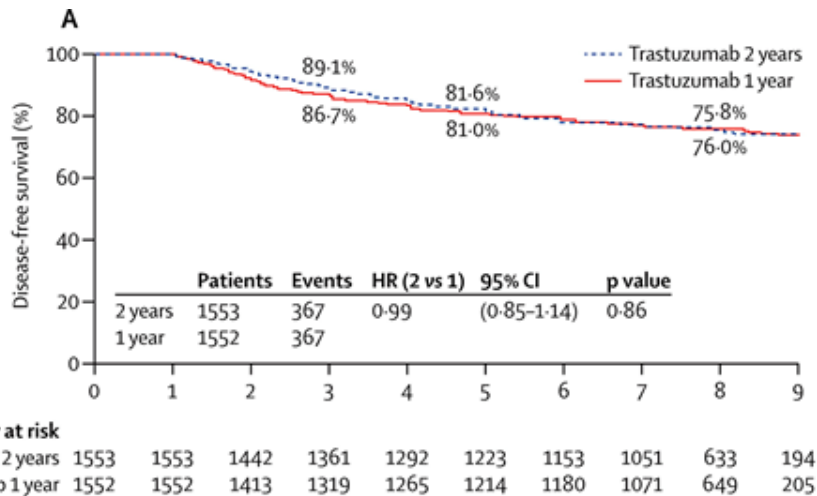
Table 3 Treatment-emergent adverse events occurring in at least 10% of patients in the safety population

	Neratinib group (n=1408)			Placebo group (n=1408)		
	Grade 1-2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 1-2	Grade 3	Grade 4
Diarrhoea	781 (55%)	561 (40%)	1 (<1%)	476 (34%)	23 (2%)	0
Nausea	579 (41%)	26 (2%)	0	301 (21%)	2 (<1%)	0
Fatigue	359 (25%)	23 (2%)	0	276 (20%)	6 (<1%)	0
Vomiting	322 (23%)	47 (3%)	0	107 (8%)	5 (<1%)	0
Abdominal pain	314 (22%)	24 (2%)	0	141 (10%)	3 (<1%)	0
Headache	269 (19%)	8 (1%)	0	269 (19%)	6 (<1%)	0
Upper abdominal pain	201 (14%)	11 (1%)	0	93 (7%)	3 (<1%)	0
Rash	205 (15%)	5 (<1%)	0	100 (7%)	0	0
Decreased appetite	166 (12%)	3 (<1%)	0	40 (3%)	0	0

How does this change clinical practice?

- Additional HER2 directed therapies come at cost, both in side effects and dollars.
- Consider a year of adjuvant pertuzumab or a neratinib in high-risk patients:
 - Node positive
 - Residual disease after neoadjuvant therapy

What about less?



Joensuu, et al, NEJM 2006

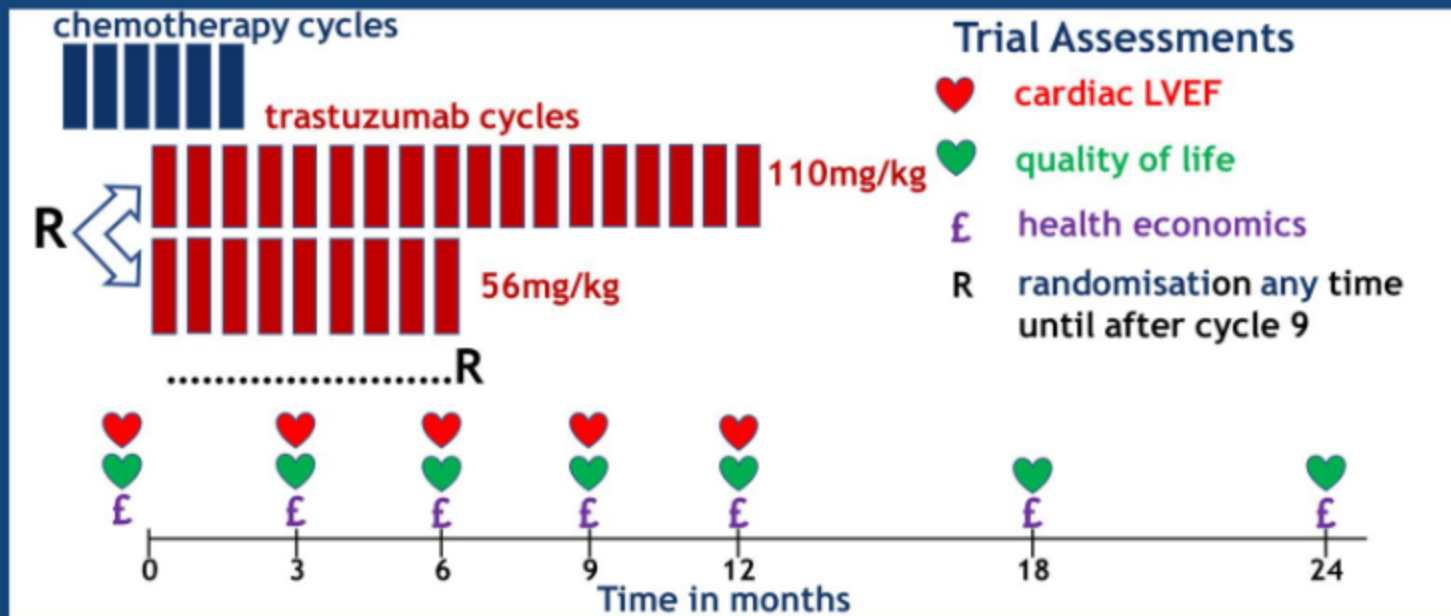
Goldhirsch, et al, Lancet 2013

Adjuvant trials of trastuzumab duration

Trial	Non-inferiority DFS HR	Experimental duration vs 12 m	N	Results	Cardiac toxicity?
PHARE ¹	1.15	6 months	3384	HR 1.21	Yes
HORG ²	1.53	6 months	481	HR 1.57	No difference
Short HER ³	1.29	9 weeks	1254	1.15 (0.9-1.46)	Yes
SOLD ⁴	1.3*	9 weeks	2176	1.39	Yes
PERSEPHONE ⁵	1.3	6 months	4000	1.07 (0.93-1.24)	Yes

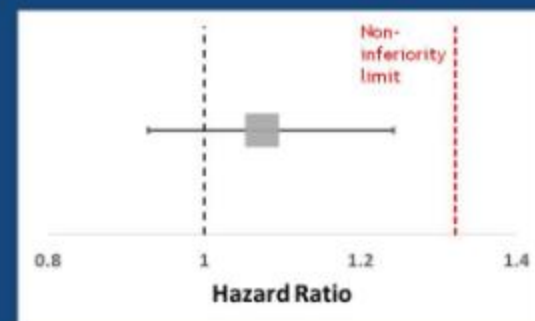
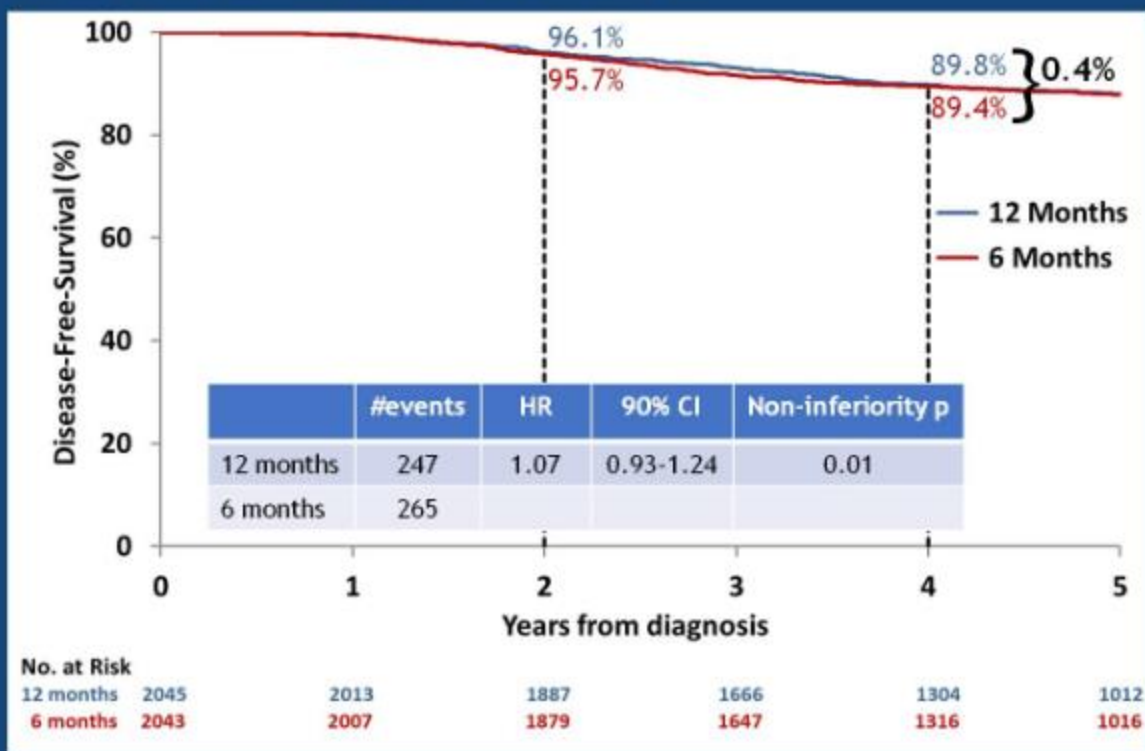
1. Pivot, et al, Lancet Oncology 2103; 2. Mavroudis, et al, Ann Onc 2015; 3. Conte, et al, ASCO 2017; 4. Joensuu, et al, JAMA Onc 2018; 5. Earl, et al, ASCO 2018.

Persephone Study Design



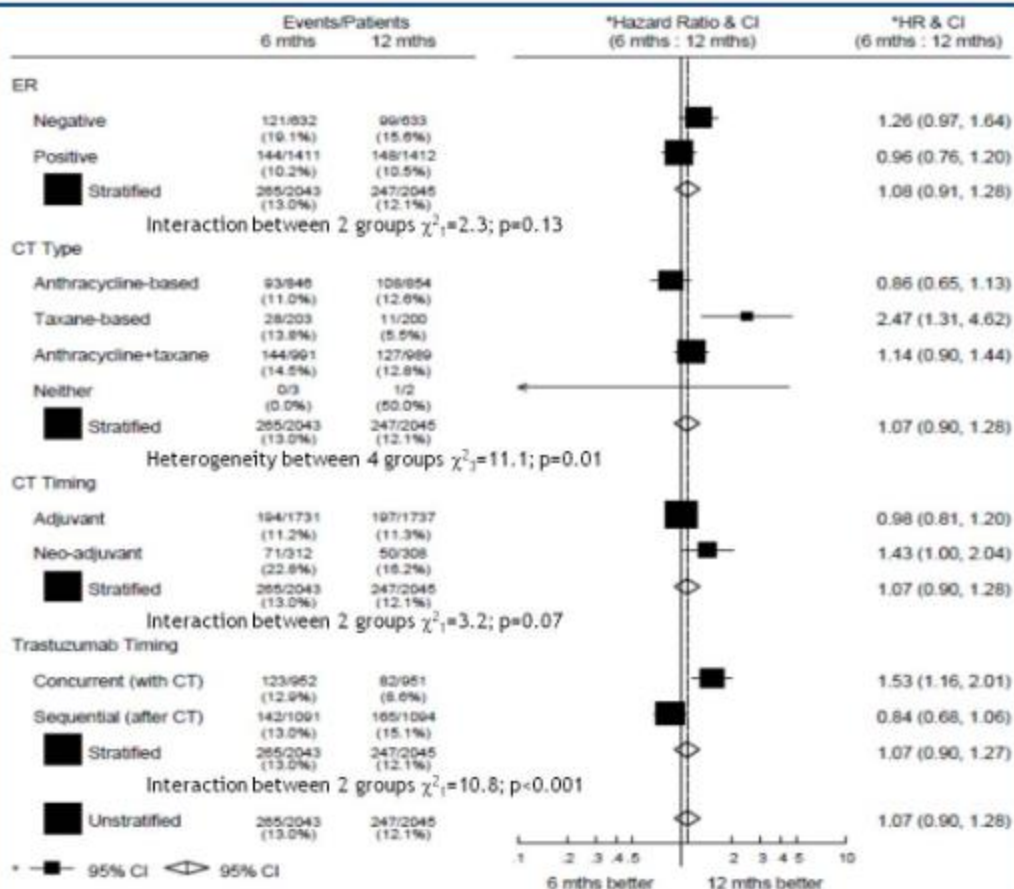
1^o : DFS [Diagnosis to 1st relapse (local or distant) or death]
 2^o : OS ; Cost effectiveness ; Cardiac function

Disease-free survival

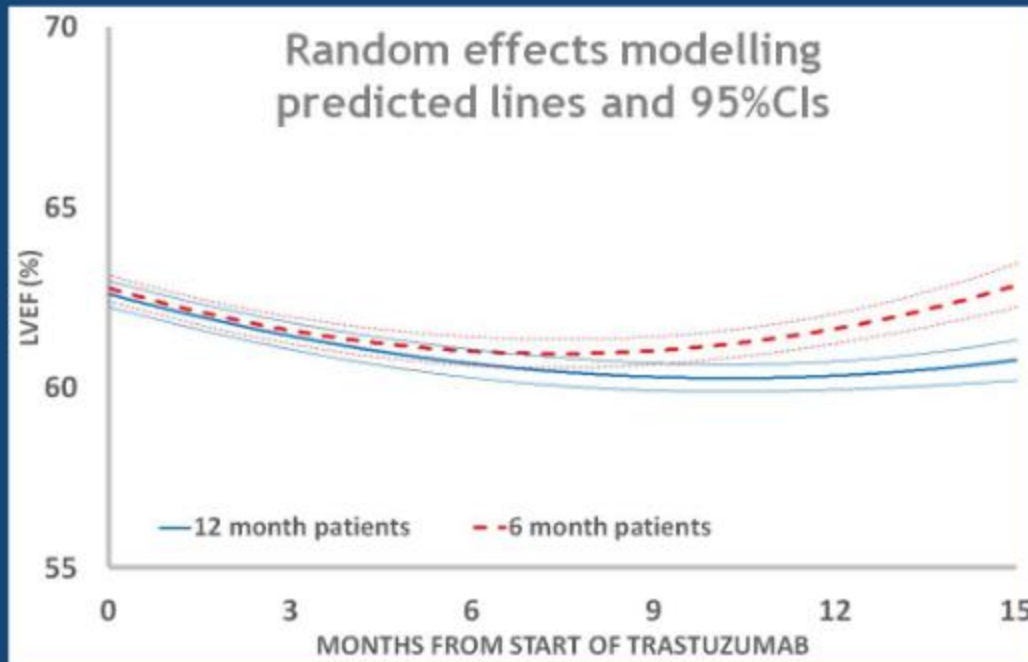


DFS:

Pre-defined subgroup analysis



Cardiotoxicity



Stopped trastuzumab because of cardiotoxicity

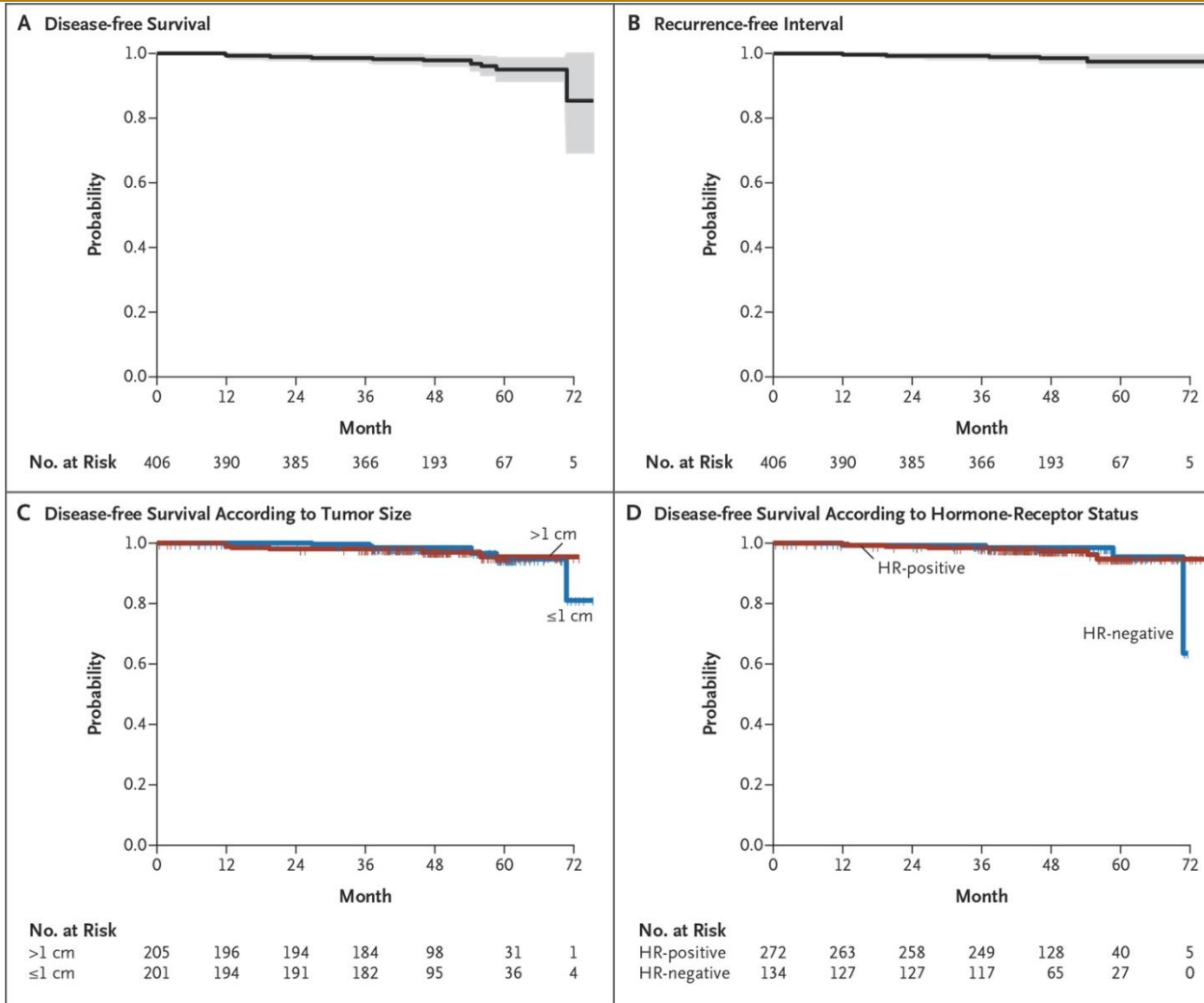
- in **8%** of 12-month patients
- in **4%** of 6-month patients

($p < 0.0001$)

- Cardiac function recovers post-trastuzumab ($p < 0.0001$)
- 6-month patients had a more rapid recovery ($p = 0.02$)

Ref: Earl et al. British Journal of Cancer (2016) 115, 1462–1470

De-escalating chemotherapy

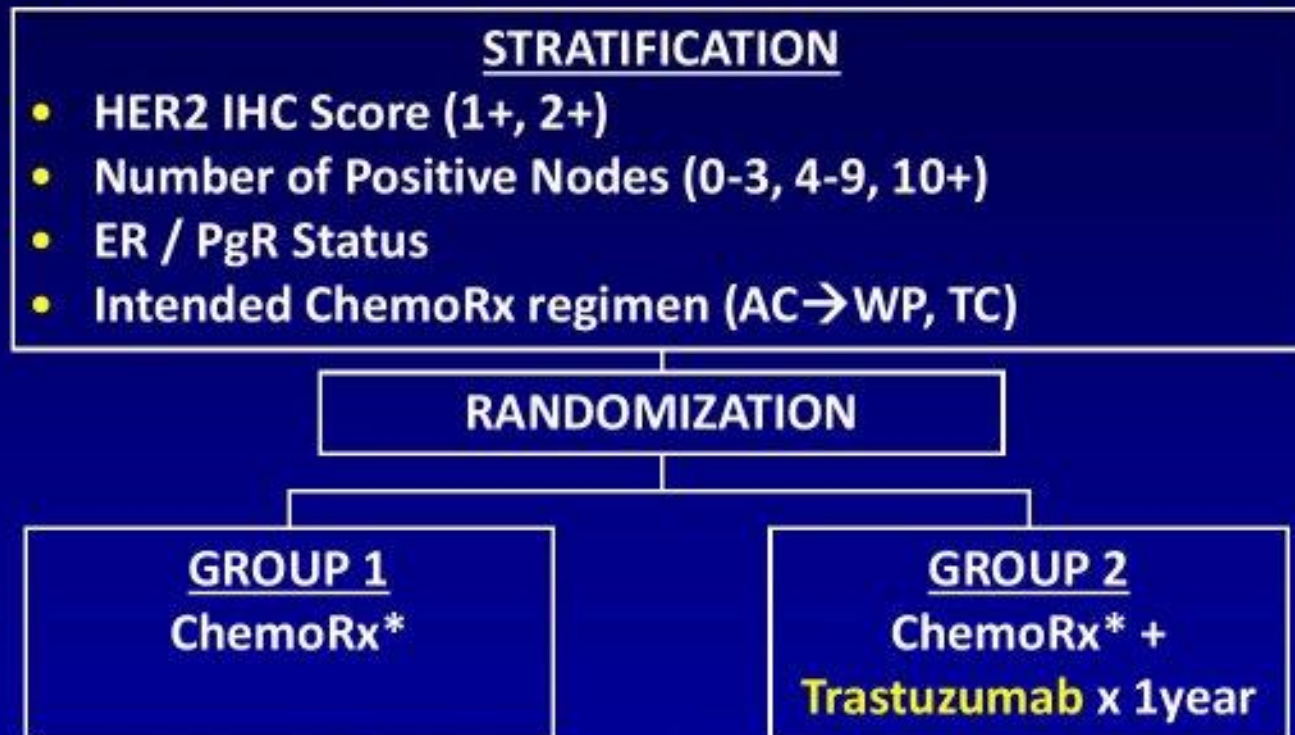


Tolaney, et al, NEJM 2015

How does this change clinical practice?

- Duration of adjuvant trastuzumab remains 1 year
- Can be reassured if patient cannot complete a year
- Focus is on de-escalating chemotherapy rather than HER2 directed therapy

B-47: Adjuvant Trastuzumab in HER2 Low Breast Cancer

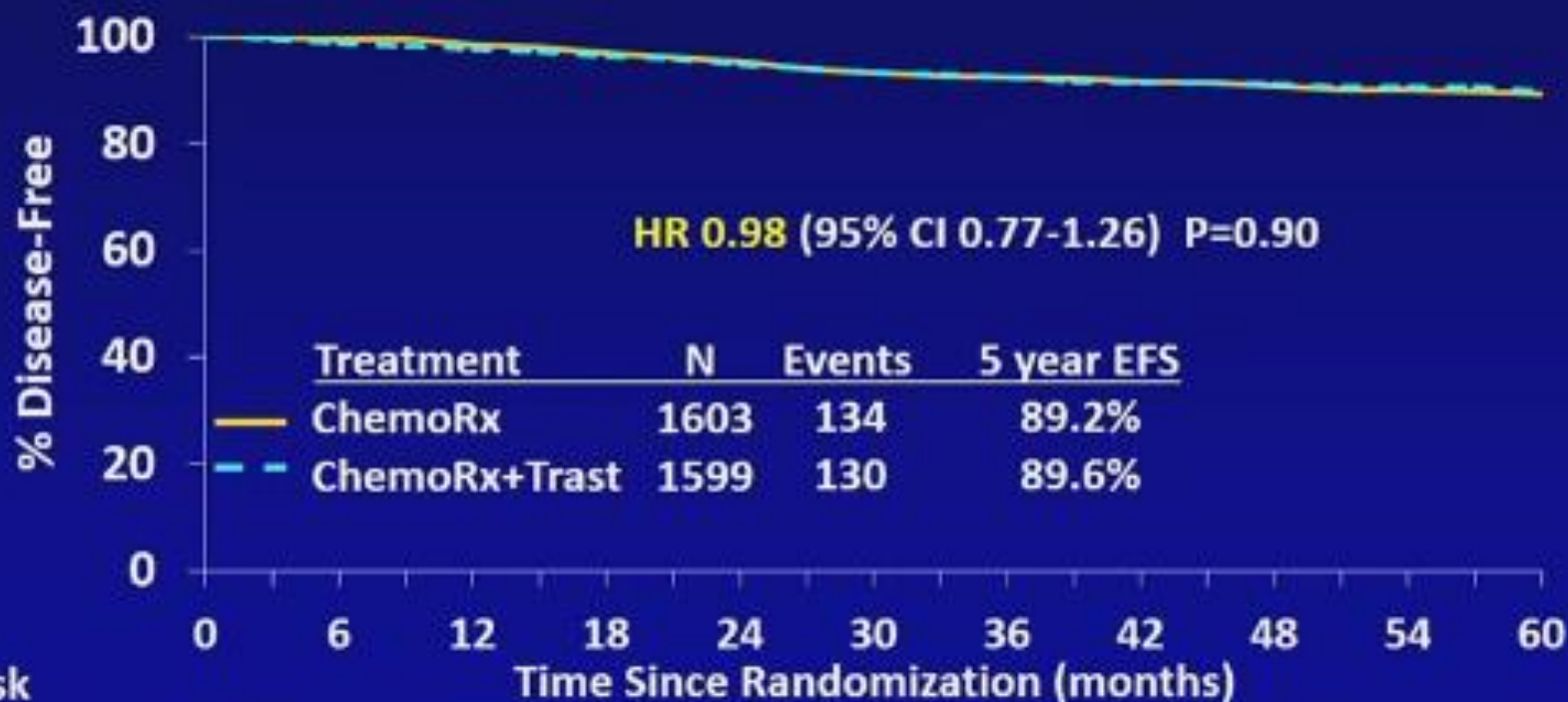


Hormonal therapy and radiation as indicated. Chemotherapy by **MD Choice**:

***AC→WP**: Doxorubicin 60mg/m² and Cyclophosphamide 600mg/m² q2 or 3 wks x 4 followed by qwk paclitaxel x 12
or **TC**: Docetaxel 75mg/m² + Cyclophosphamide 600mg/m² q3wk x 6

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B-47: Invasive Disease-Free Survival



How does this change clinical practice?

- No role for trastuzumab in HER2 low early stage breast cancer

Thank you.
Questions?