



### Endocrine Therapy in Breast Cancer: State of the Art



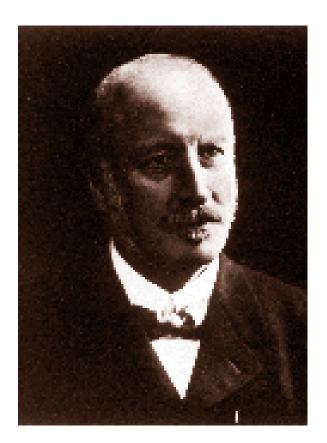
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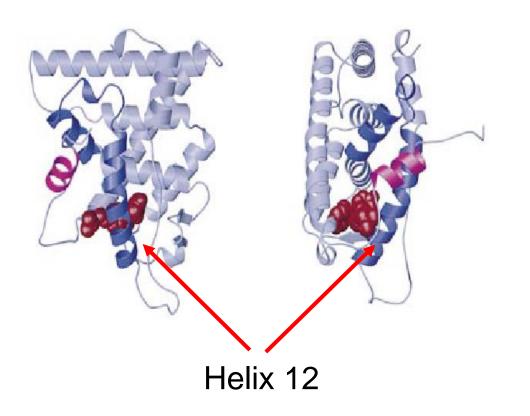
# Oophorectomy and Clinical Response in Breast Cancer

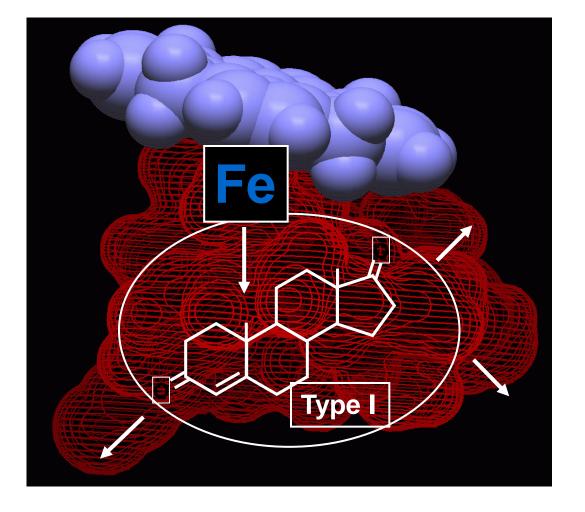


Sir George Beatson, The Lancet, 1896

LEFT: SERM binding to ER alters conformation of helix 12 and disrupts interaction with ER co-activators RIGHT: Type I (steroidal) Aromatase Inhibitor

#### ERα/Tamoxifen

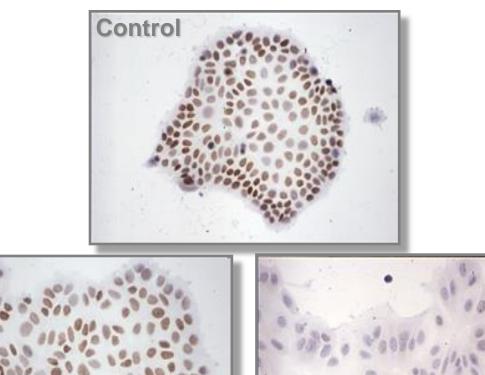




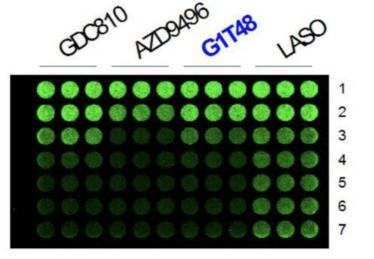
\*Computer-assisted molecular modeling. Furet et al. *J Med Chem.* 1993;36:1393.

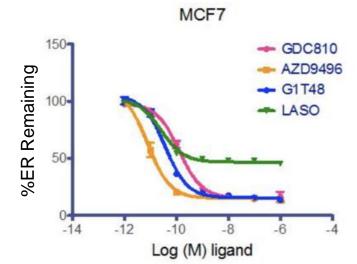
# Downregulation of ER by Fulvestrant and G1T48 in Human Breast Cancer Cell Lines

**Fulvestrant** 





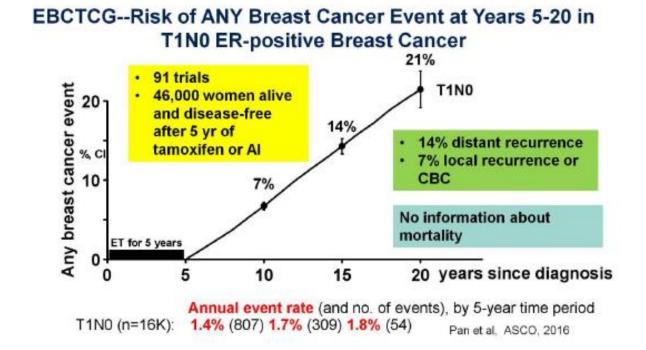




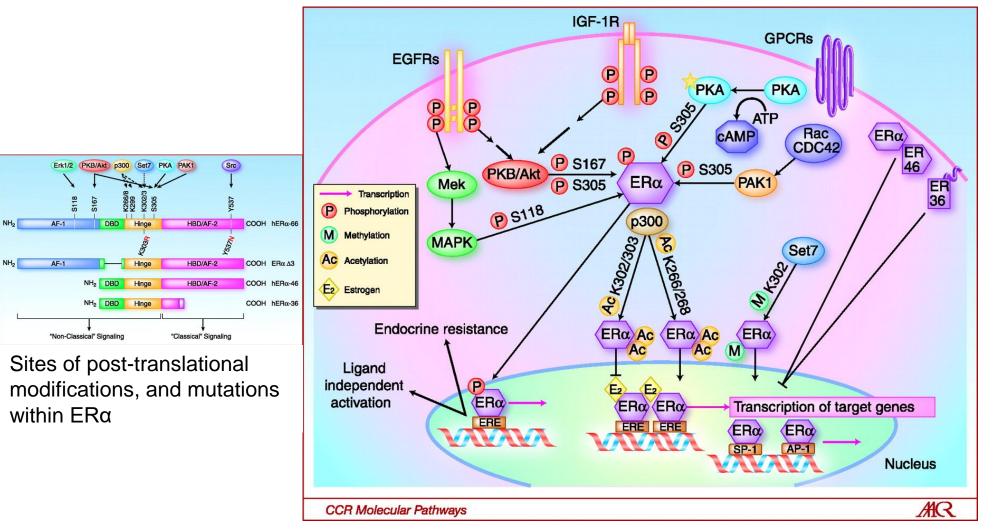
ER protein expression (top panels, green) was assessed using In-cell Western

## Recurrence/Resistance After Endocrine Therapy for Breast Cancer Represents a Substantial Unmet Need

- Early Breast Cancer Trialists' Collaborative Group (EBCTCG)
- N=46,000 women enrolled in 91 trials who were disease-free after initial 5 years of endocrine therapy
  - Observed a risk of distant recurrence of 7% to 21% from year 10 to year 20
  - Degree of risk was dependent on stage, tumor grade, and expression of Ki67



A representation of the "classical" and "nonclassical" estrogen receptor signaling pathways.

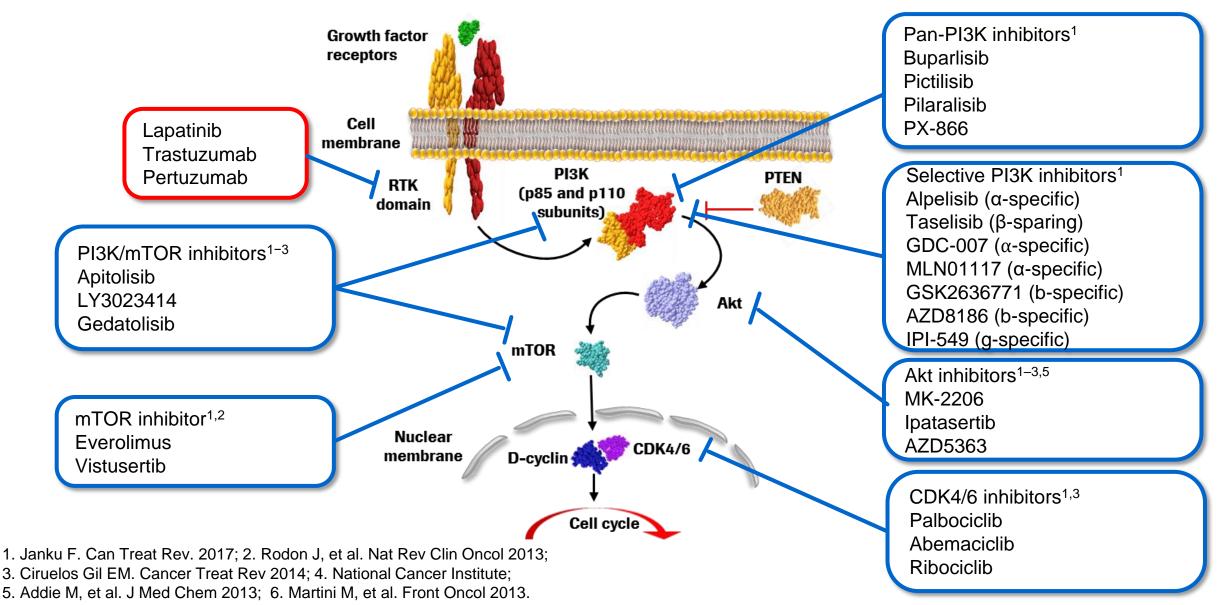


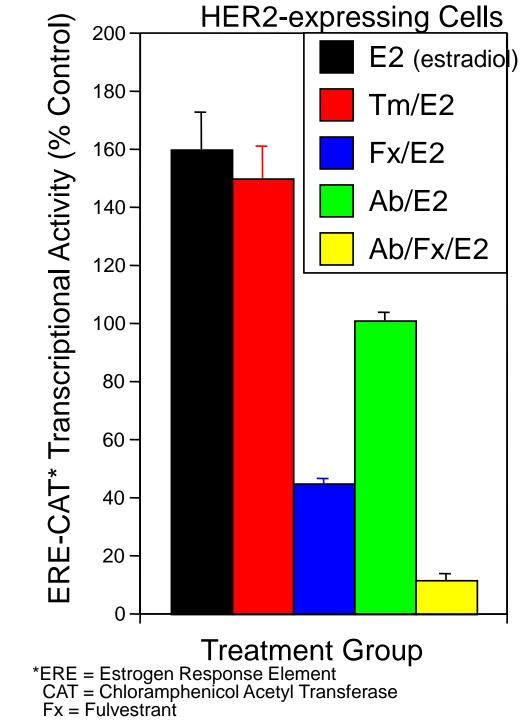
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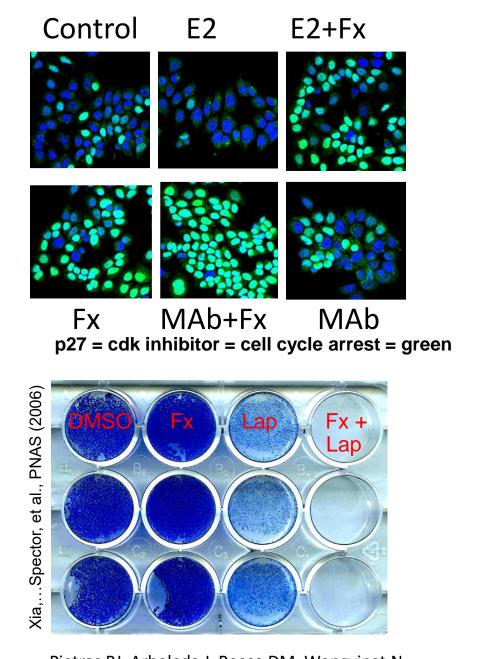


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### The PI3K-AKT-mTOR Pathway is Under Investigation as a Potential Target to Overcome Endocrine Resistance in HR+ mBC

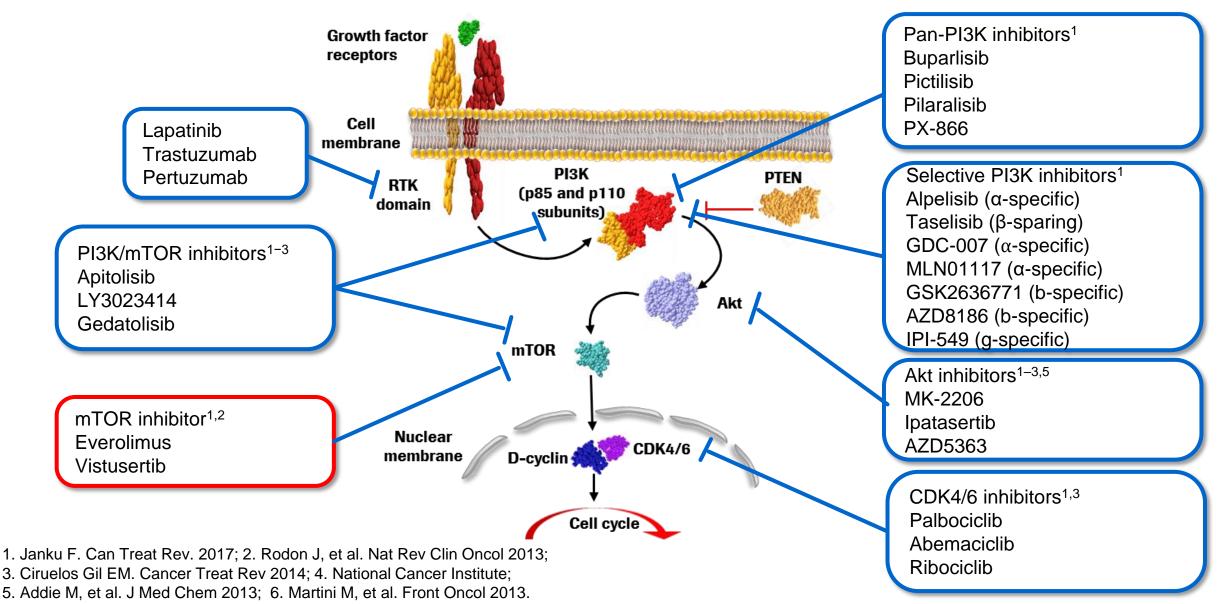






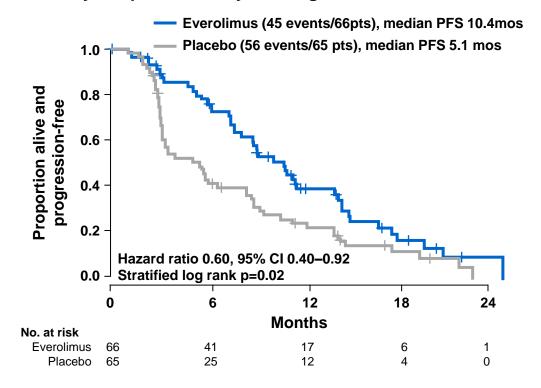
Pietras RJ, Arboleda J, Reese DM, Wongvipat N, Pegram MD, Ramos L, Gorman CM, Parker MG, Sliwkowski MX, Slamon DJ Oncogene. 1995 Jun 15;10(12):2435-46.

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#### PrECOG 0102: fulvestrant ± everolimus -- efficacy and safety

#### Primary endpoint: PFS by investigator assessment



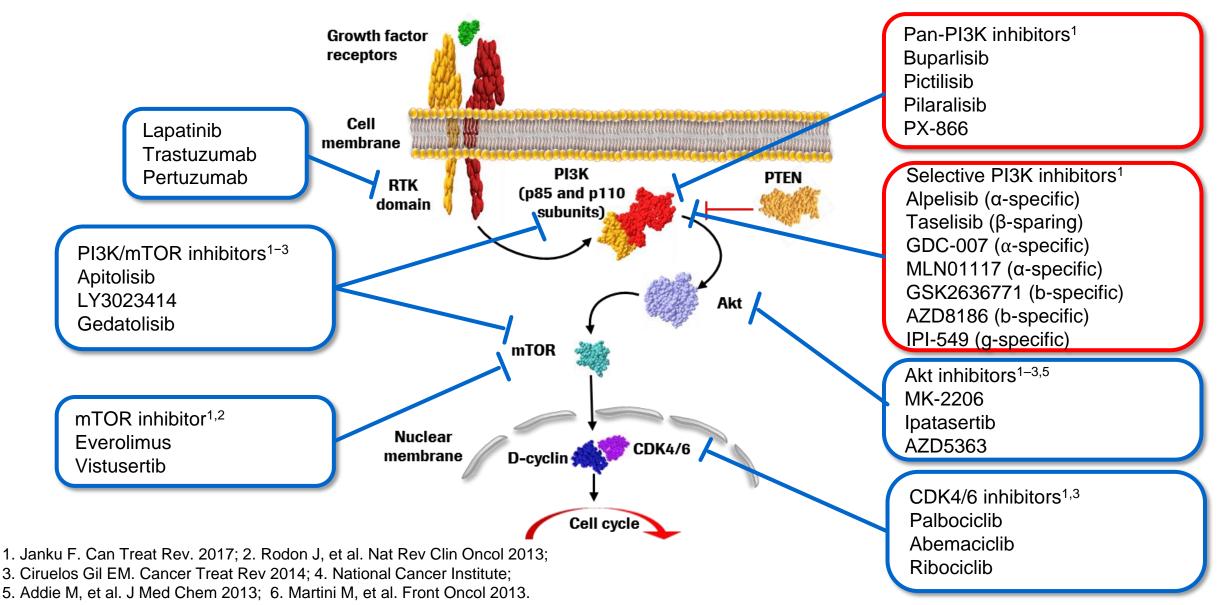
#### OS

 Median OS: 24.8 months with fulvestrant + everolimus vs. not reached with fulvestrant + placebo

#### Safety

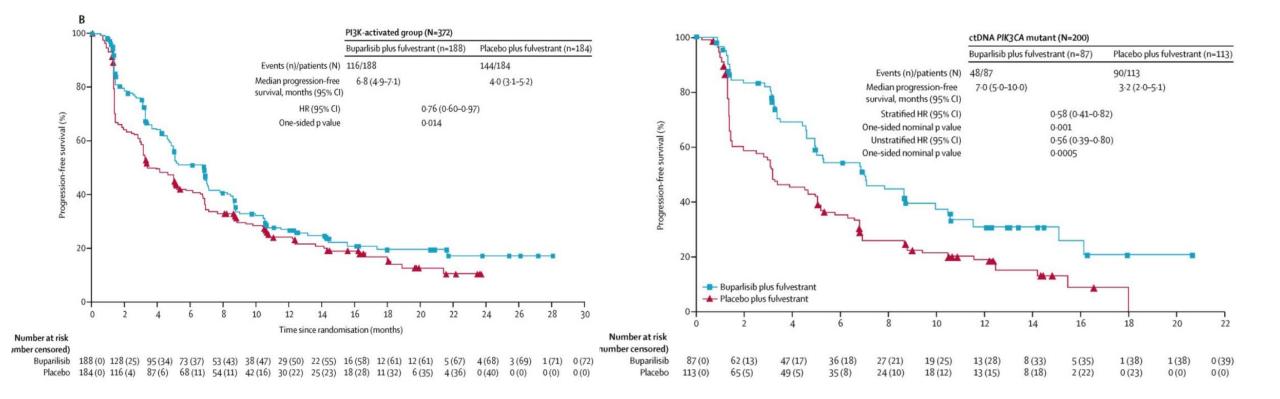
 The most frequently reported AEs with fulvestrant + everolimus were mucositis/stomatitis, fatigue, anaemia and hypertriglyceridaemia

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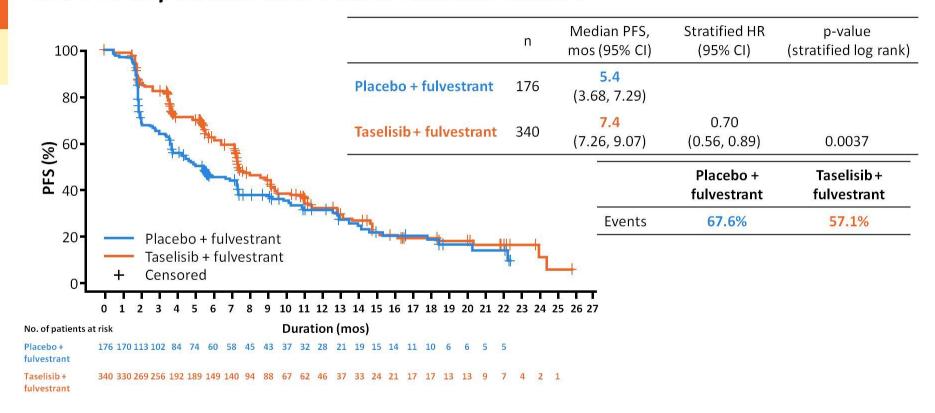
#### **BELLE-2**

#### ctDNA Analysis of PI3K Status May be More Predictive than Archival Tissue Overall concordance of PIK3CA status in tumour tissue and ctDNA was 342 (77%) of 446\*



\*In 307 patients with PIK3CA wild-type tumour tissue, 243 (79%) had non-mutant ctDNA, and 64 (21%) had PIK3CA mutant ctDNA, potentially indicating tumour evolution between initial diagnosis and treatment.

SANDPIPER: Phase III study of taselisib + fulvestrant vs. fulvestrant alone in ER+ PIK3CA-mut MBC PRIMARY ENDPOINT: *INV-PFS in patients with* PIK3CA-*mutant tumors* 

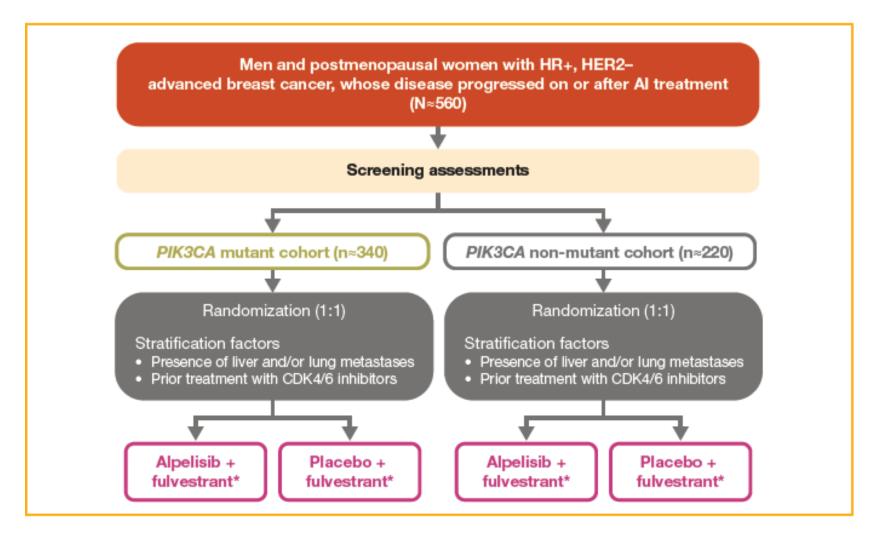


PFS was defined as the time from randomization to first disease progression as determined by investigator using RECIST v1.1, or death from any cause. RECIST, Response Evaluation Criteria In Solid Tumors.

#### Grade ≥3 AEs = 49.5%; SAEs = 32%

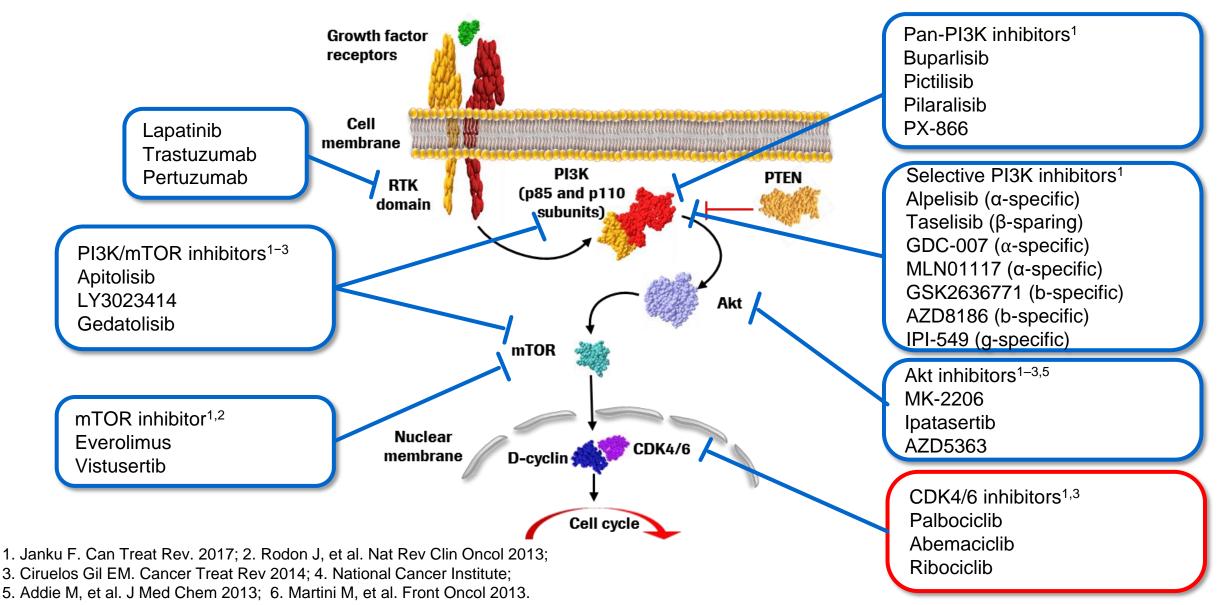
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# Phase III SOLAR 1 $\alpha$ -specific Alpelisib\* + fulvestrant vs. fulvestrant + placebo in HR+HER2- Al resistant mBC



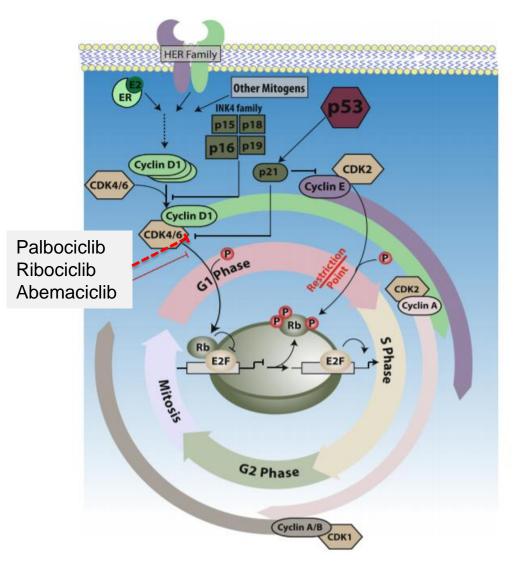
\* Alpelisib (BYL719, Novartis) is the first oral PI3Ki to selectively target the class I PI3K a-isoform (IC50 = 4.6 nM).

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# The Role of CDK4/6 in HR-Positive Breast Cancer





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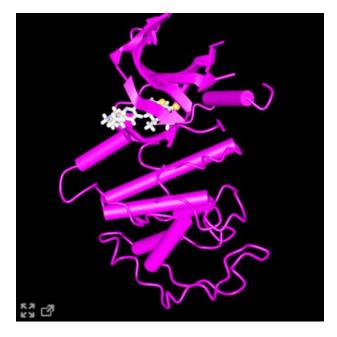
- 2001 Nobel Prize in physiology and medicine for Hartwell (cdc, yeast), Nurse (CDK, human) and Hunt (cyclins, sea urchin)
- The growth of HR+ breast cancer is dependent on Cyclin D1, a direct transcriptional target of ER
- Cyclin D1 activates CDK 4/6 resulting in G1–S phase transition and entry into the cell cycle
- Rb binding inactivates E2F, which regulates genes important for transition through the G1/S cell cycle restriction point<sup>1,2</sup>
- Phosphorylation of Rb by CDK4/6 leads to dissociation of E2F from Rb and cell cycle progression<sup>1,2</sup>

CDK, cyclin-dependent kinase; Rb, retinoblastoma

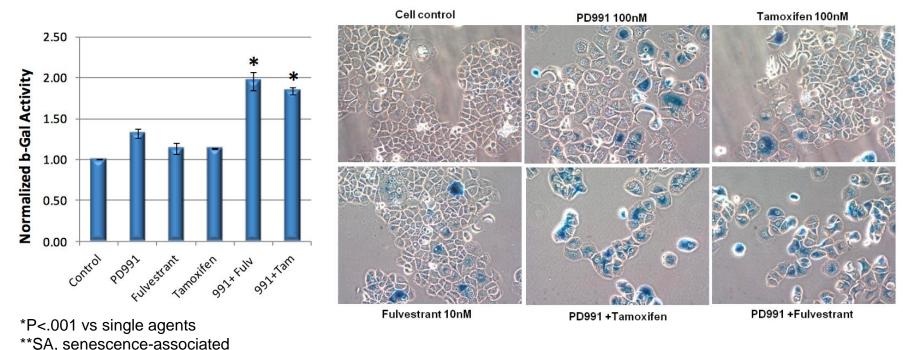
- 1. Hosford S, et al. Pharmgenomics Pers Med. 2014;7:203-215.
- 2. Thangavel C, et al. Endocr Relat Cancer. 2011;18(3):333-345.

#### Molecular Mechanisms of CDK4/6 Inhibitors Combined With ER Antagonists in ER+ Breast Cancer

• Combined inhibition of CDK4/6 and ER signaling increases senescence in ER+ breast cancer cell lines



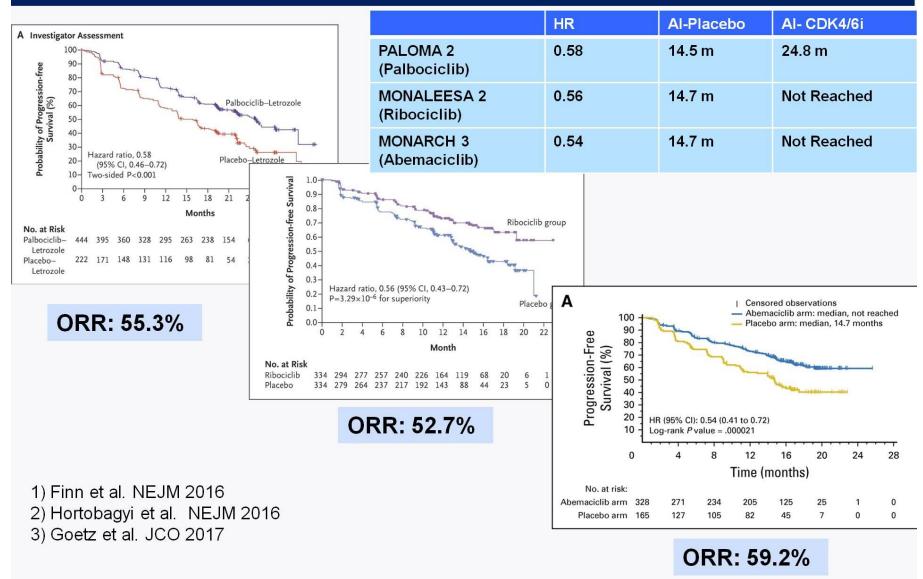
X-Ray Co-Crystal Structure of Human CDK6 and Abemaciclib



#### SA\*\*-βGal activity in T47D treated with ER antagonists and palbociclib

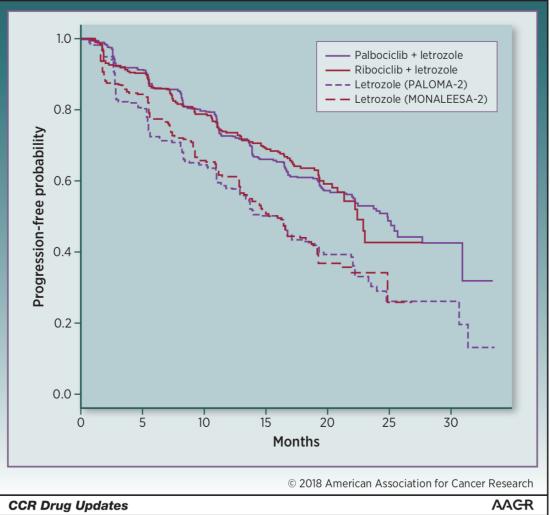
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#### First-line Metastatic ER+/HER2- Breast Cancer PALOMA-2, MONALEESA 2, and MONARCH 3



### MONALEESA-2 (Ribociclib + Letrozole) and PALOMA-2 (Palbociclib + Letrozole)

"Cross-study inferences should not be made."



Shah A, et al. Clin Cancer Res. 2018 [Epub ahead of print].

# **PALOMA-2** Efficacy – Patient Subgroups

Baseline Factors	PAL+LET	PBO+LET	PAL+LET	PBO+LET		PBO+LET	
	Patien	ts, n (%)	mPFS (	95% CI)		HR (95% CI)	
• •	444 (100)	222 (100)	27.6 (22.4-30.3)	14.5 (12.3-17.1)	┝╼╋╌┥	0.56 (0.46-0.69)	<.(
All randomized patients. BICR	444 (100)	222 (100)	35.7 (27.7-38.9)	19.5 (16.6-26.6)		0.61 (0.49-0.77)	<.
Visceral disease	214 (48.2)	110 (49.5)	19.3 (16.4-24.2)	12.3 (8.4-16.4)		0.62 (0.47-0.81)	<.
Nonvisceral disease	230 (51.8)	112 (50.5)	35.9 (27.7-NE)	17.0 (13.8-24.8)	⊢∎→	0.50 (0.37-0.67)	<
Bone-only disease	103 (23.2)	48 (21.6)	36.2 (27.6-NE)	11.2 (8.2-22.0)	⊢∎→	0.41 (0.26-0.63)	<.
No bone-only disease <sup>b</sup>	341 (76.8)	174 (78.4)	24.2 (19.4-27.7)	14.5 (12.9-18.5)		0.62 (0.50-0.78)	<.
DFI <sup>†</sup> >12 mo	179 (40.3)	93 (41.9)	30.3 (24.8-NE)	13.8 (8.8-18.2)	⊢∎→	0.55 (0.40-0.76)	<.
DFI <sup>†</sup> ≤12 mo	98 (22.1)	48 (21.6)	16.6 (13.9-24.2)	11.0 (5.6-12.9)	⊢-∎1	0.48 (0.32-0.72)	<
DFI <sup>†</sup> >2 y	154 (34.7)	77 (34.7)	38.5 (27.5-NE)	16.6 (13.7-23.5)	<b></b>	0.52 (0.36-0.75)	<
DFI <sup>†</sup> >5 y	90 (20.3)	46 (20.7)	38.6 (27.6-NE)	23.5 (16.3-32.2)	<b>⊢</b> ∎	0.60 (0.36-1.00)	
DFI <sup>†</sup> >10 y	32 (7.2)	23 (10.4)	NR (30.4-NE)	23.5 (16.6-NE)	⊢∎	H 0.44 (0.19-1.03)	
De novo metastatic	167 (37.6)	81 (36.5)	27.9 (22.1-33.4)	22.0 (13.9-27.4)		0.61 (0.44-0.85)	<
DFI from prior ET >12 mo	156 (35.1)	78 (35.1)	27.6 (22.2-38.6)	13.8 (8.2-16.6)	·····	0.58 (0.41-0.82)	<
DFI from prior ET ≤12 mo	94 (21.2)	48 (21.6)	16.6 (13.9-24.2)	11.0 (5.6-12.9)	<b>⊢</b> ∎−−−1	0.49 (0.33-0.73)	<
-	338 (76.1)	171 (77.0)	23.7 (19.3-27.6)		⊢∎→	0.63 (0.50-0.79)	<
	106 (23.9)	51 (23.0)	36.2 (27.6-NE)	16.5 (8.3-19.6)	<b>⊢</b> ∎—–⊣	0.39 (0.25-0.60)	<
	86 (19.4)	47 (21.2)	23.7 (16.8-30.3)	13.9 (10.2-22.2)	<b>⊢</b> ∎−−−1	0.55 (0.36-0.85)	<
-	108 (24.3)	49 (22.1)	36.2 (27.9-NE)	27.6 (19.1-35.6)	<b></b>	0.59 (0.38-0.92)	
-	250 (56.3)	126 (56.8)	24.2 (18.8-27.6)	11.2 (8.4-14.5)	<b></b>	0.54 (0.42-0.71)	<
	194 (43.7)	96 (43.2)	30.3 (24.5-35.7)	21.9 (15.9-27.4)	<b>⊢</b> ∎−−−1	0.59 (0.43-0.80)	<.
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	231 (52.0)	113 (50.9)	27.9 (23.2-33.4)	18.5 (13.6-24.8)	<b>⊢_∎</b> (	0.59 (0.45-0.79)	<.
	138 (31.1)	66 (297)	30.4 (24.8-NE)	16.5 (11.0-22.1)	<b>⊢</b>	0.52 (0.36-0.75)	<.
	117 (26.4)	52 (23.4)	28.1 (19.4-NE)	16.3 (11.0-27.4)		0.57 (0.37-0.89)	
	189 (42.6)	104 (46.8)	23.7 (19.2-27.6)	13.8 (8.8-17.0)	<b>8</b>	0.61 (0.46-0.82)	<
-	257 (57.9)	102 (45.9)	27.9 (24.9-36.2)	. ,	<b></b>	0.65 (0.48-0.87)	<
	187 (42.1)	120 (54.1)	22.2 (16.6-27.7)	11.8 (8.3-16.5)	<b>⊢∎</b> I	0.51 (0.39-0.68)	<
	263 (59.2)	141 (63.5)	23.2 (19.3-27.6)	13.7 (11.0-16.6)	<b>⊢∎</b> →	0.55 (0.43-0.70)	<
	181 (40.8)	81 (36.5)	. ,	19.1 (11.0-30.4)	<b></b>	0.60 (0.43-0.86)	<

<sup>†</sup>Protocol-defined DFI refers to DFI since completion of prior (neoadjuvant therapy and onset of metastatic disease or disease recurrence) <sup>§</sup>A few patients initially enrolled as having measurable disease were later found to have nonmeasurable disease beyond bone-only disease ← In favor of PAL±LET PBO+LET →

Rugo HS, et al. Presented at: 2017 San Antonio Breast Cancer Symposium; December 5-9, 2017; San Antonio, Texas. Abstract P5-21-03.

#### **Summary of Biomarker Data**

#### De Novo Resistance

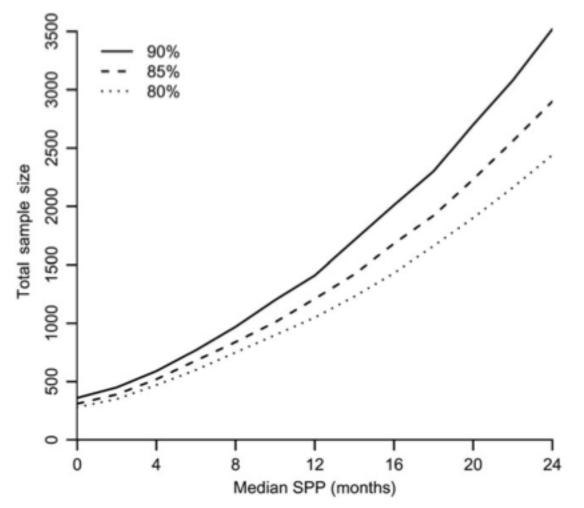
- Preclinical and clinical data that CCNE1 (Cyclin E) associated with poor survival and CDK 4/6i resistance
- FGFR amplification associated with resistance to endocrine therapy and CDK 4/6i

#### Acquired Resistance

- Preliminary evidence for acquired *Rb1* mutations at time of progression (frequency low)
- Do ER+ cancer cells retain endocrine sensitivity after progression on CDK 4/6 inhibitor?
- The majority of mechanisms for acquired resistance are unknown

Keyomarsi et al. NEJM 2002
Turner et al AACR 2018
Formisiano SABC 2017
Condorelli Annals of Oncology 2018
Turner et al. ASCO 2018

### Sample Sizes Required for Detecting a Statistically Significant Difference in Overall Survival by Median Survival Post Progression (SPP)



Broglio KR, Berry DA. J Natl Cancer Inst. 2009;101(23):1642-1649.

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Cdk4/6 inhibitors and overall survival: power of first-line trials in metastatic breast cancer

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PALOMA-2 and MONALEESA trials have an almost similar power despite different allocation ratios, while MONARCH-3 has a more limited power. Overall, the power of these trials to demonstrate a statistically significant improvement in OS is less than 70% if the prolongation in median OS is ≤12 months, whatever the OS data maturity. This analysis shows that OS results are jeopardized by limited powers, and a meta-analysis might be required to demonstrate OS benefit.

Tanguy, et al., npj Breast Cancer (2018)4:14

#### Pfizer Announces Overall Survival Results from Phase 3 PALOMA-3 Trial of IBRANCE® (Palbociclib) in HR+, HER2- Metastatic Breast Cancer

- · Results show a positive trend in the secondary endpoint of overall survival, though not reaching statistical significance
- IBRANCE is approved worldwide in combination with fulvestrant based on compelling results from the primary endpoint of progressionfree survival

Monday, June 25, 2018 8:00 am EDT

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#### **Public Company Information:**

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NEW YORK--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Pfizer today announced overall survival (OS) results from the Phase 3 PALOMA-3 trial, which evaluated IBRANCE<sup>®</sup> (palbociclib) in combination with fulvestrant compared to placebo plus fulvestrant in women with hormone receptor-positive (HR+), human epidermal growth factor receptor 2-negative (HER2-) metastatic breast cancer whose disease has progressed after prior endocrine therapy. The results demonstrated a positive trend in the hazard ratio favoring the IBRANCE combination, although this trend did not reach statistical significance. Overall survival is a secondary endpoint of the PALOMA-3 trial and, as such, the trial design was not optimized to detect a statistically significant difference in OS.

"The duration of the survival in hormone receptorpositive metastatic breast cancer patients, and the potential for subsequent therapies to confound overall survival outcomes,

# Endocrine Therapy of Breast Cancer -- Messages:

- Recurrence/Resistance after endocrine therapy for breast cancer represents a substantial unmet need.
- PIK3CA mutations appear to be predictive factors for p110a catalytic isoformspecific inhibitors.
- The identification of appropriate biomarkers of efficacy and the development of optimal combination therapies and dosing schedules for PI3Kis are likely to be required for the graduation of this class of compounds to clinical practice.
- CDK4/6 inhibitors improve the durability of both first and second-line endocrine responses in patients with metastatic, HR+ breast cancer.
- No biomarkers have yet been identified to select patients who are most likely to respond to CDK4/6 inhibition.

Questions/Comments Discussion Criticism Debate

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