



# Optimal Treatment for Early Stage Triple Negative Breast Cancer

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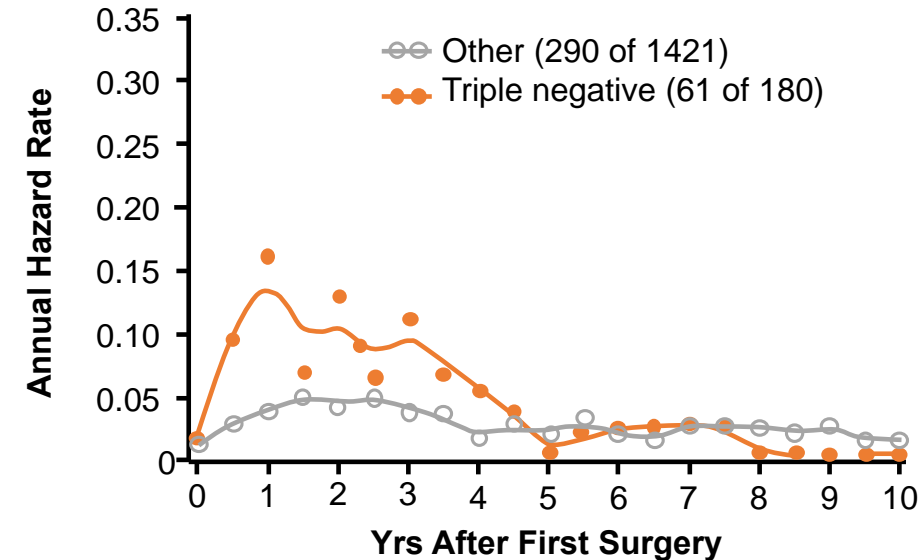
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# Triple Negative Breast Cancer

- General concepts
  - Heterogeneous disease
    - Proliferative, generally chemotherapy responsive
    - Rapid development of resistance
  - High risk of early recurrence
    - Visceral dominant disease, early/frequent brain metastases
    - Short median survival (<2yrs) after diagnosis of metastases
  - Rare subtypes
    - Indolent subtypes, generally in older women (adenoid cystic)



# Progress!

## General

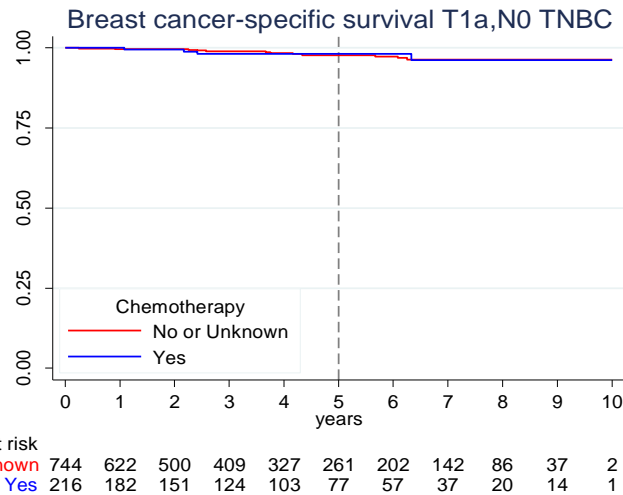
- **Neoadjuvant therapy preferred for all but the smallest tumors**
  - pCR (no invasive disease in breast or node) associated with a markedly improved outcome
  - Allows the potential to individualize therapy to response

## Topics

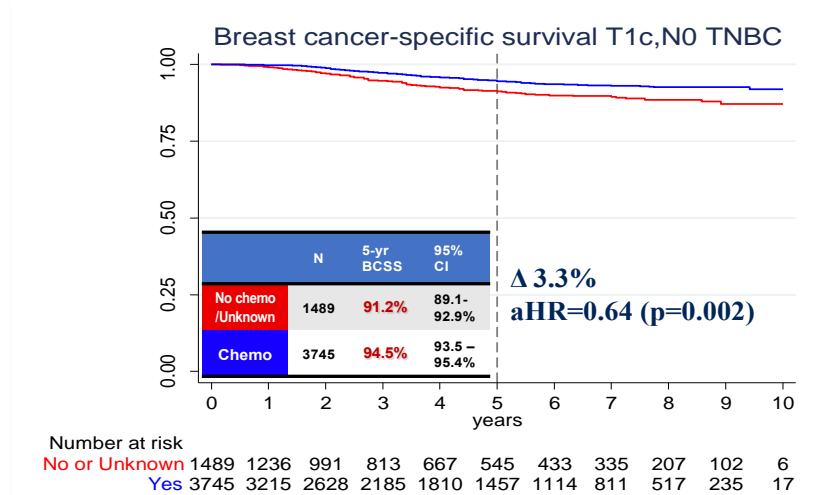
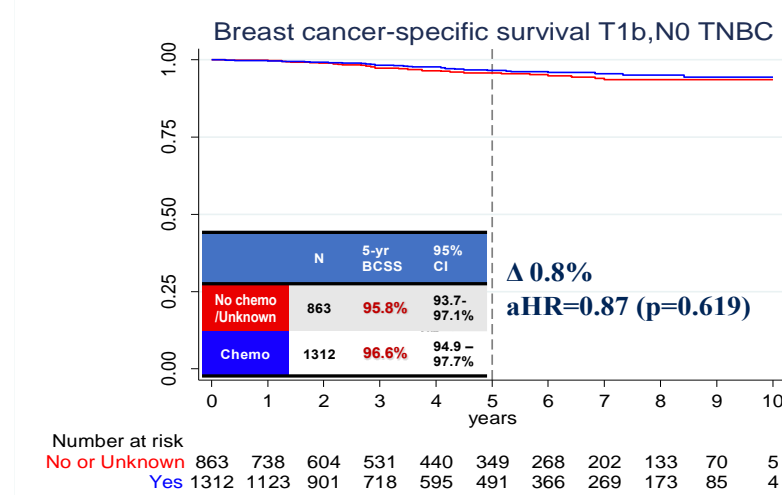
- Neoadjuvant platinum
- Immunotherapy: neoadjuvant vs adjuvant
- Alternative regimens
- Post-neoadjuvant therapy and PARP inhibitors
  
- Next steps?

# Stage I TNBC: SEER Registry 2010 – 2019

## N=8,601



No adjusted analysis could be performed due to low event rate.



Multivariable cox models adjusted for: age at diagnosis, race, tumor grade, histology, radiation, marital status, income, and rurality.

The use of chemotherapy significantly increased over time for patients diagnosed with T1b and T1c TNBC

Chemotherapy significantly improved BCSS in patients with T1c TNBC

Event rates were low in stage Ia and Ib disease; changing patterns of chemotherapy use impact interpretation

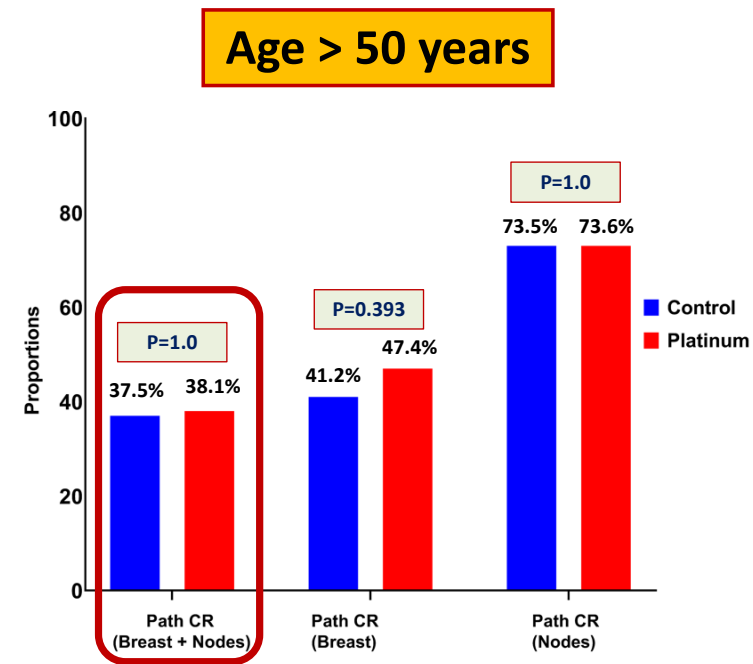
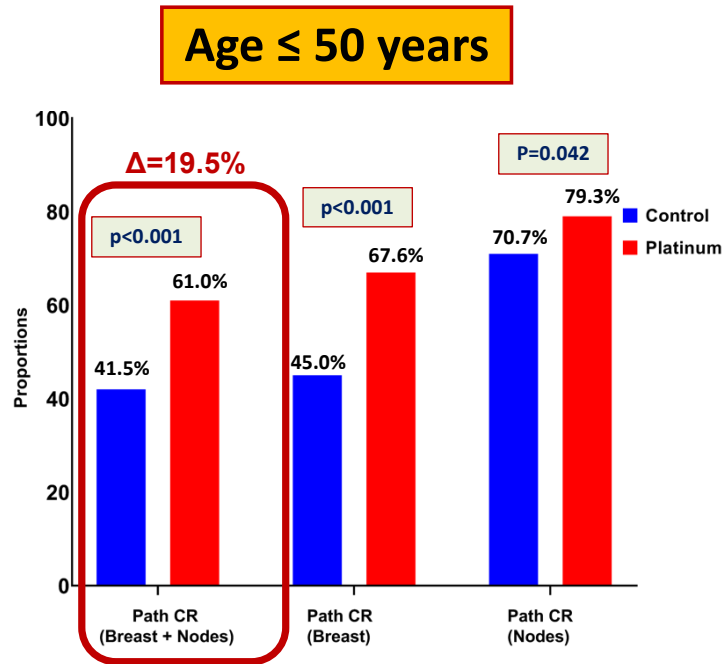
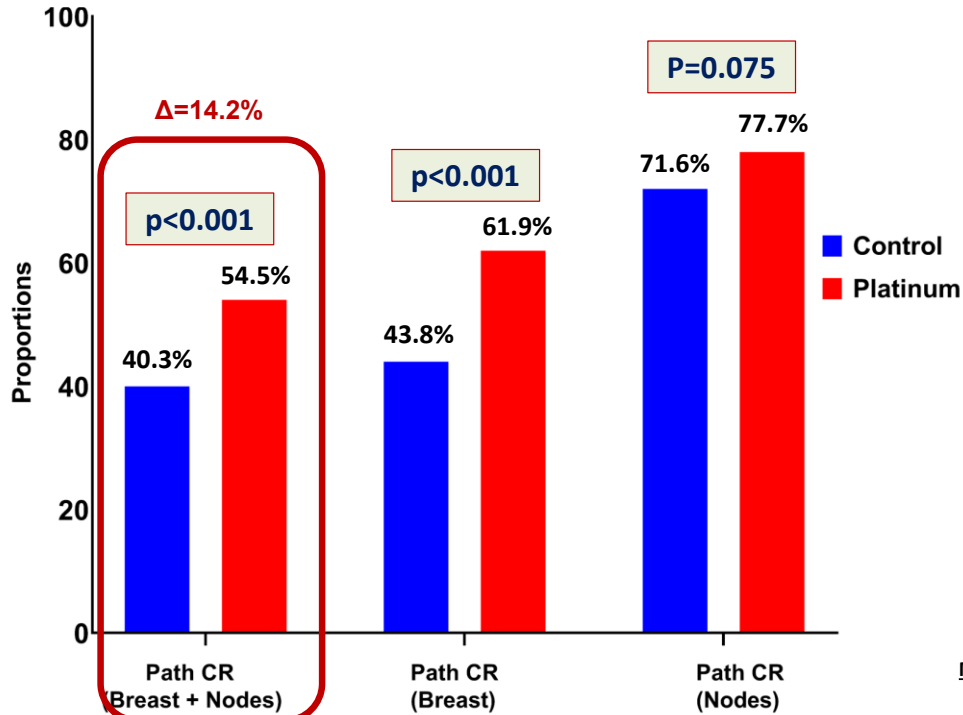
# Platinum Added to Taxane/Anthracycline Chemotherapy in Early Stage TNBC

- Increases pCR (smaller benefit in gBRCA+)
  - Increase BCS, decreases extent of axillary surgery
- Increases toxicity when added to AC/T or T/AC regimen
- Improved EFS and OS
  - Age related effect?
- Possible alternative to anthracycline based chemotherapy

# TMC Neoadjuvant Trial in TNBC:

Weekly Paclitaxel x 8 weeks +/- Weekly Carboplatin followed by AC/EC

717 pts accrued over 10 years; Median FU 67.6 mo.



Multivariable (binary logistic) analysis for factors affecting pCR: Rx-Arm X Age interaction significant in a model including Rx-Arm, Age, cT size, cN status, Family History

58% premenopausal  
89% node positive  
78% T > 5cm

pCR highly prognostic for EFS regardless of age

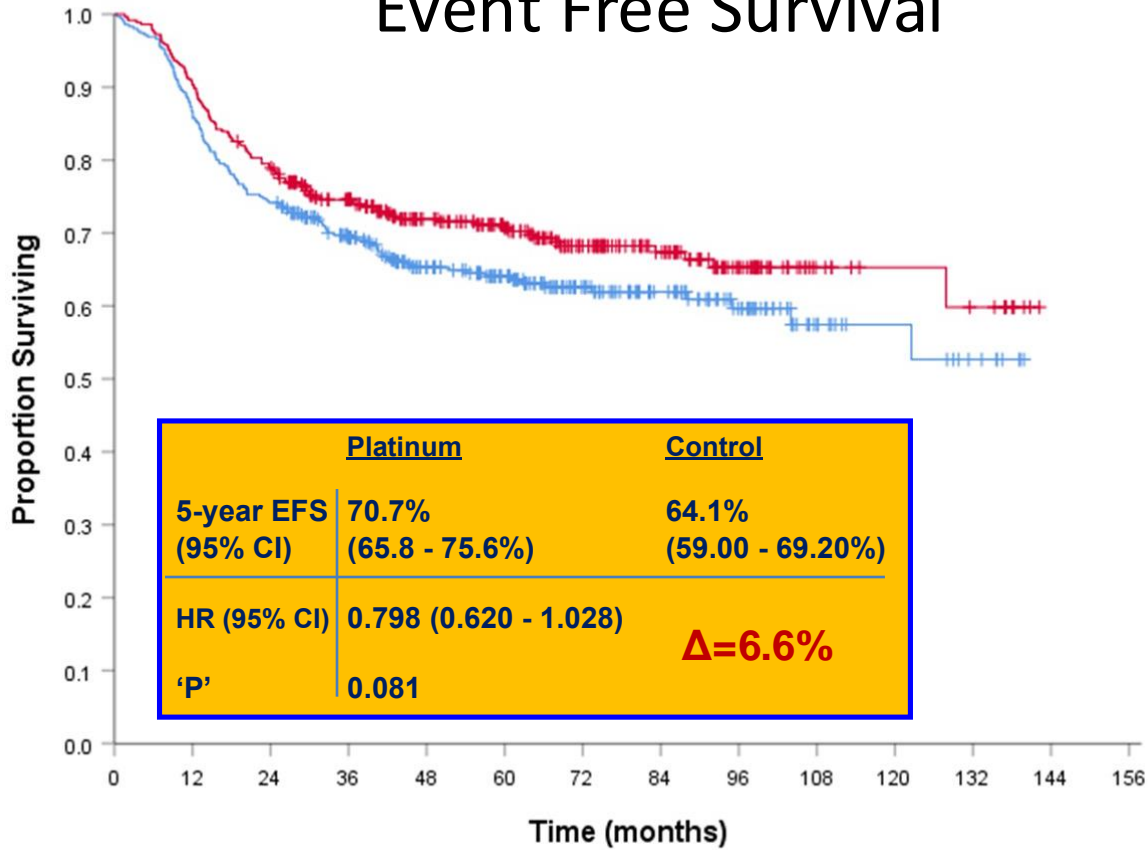
## Prognostic impact of pCR

	pCR (ypT0/is ypN0)	No-pCR
5-year EFS (95% CI)	84.9% (80.39 - 89.41%)	51.8% (45.33 - 58.27%)
HR (95%CI)	0.248 (0.174 - 0.353)	<b>Δ=33.1%</b>
'p'	<0.001	

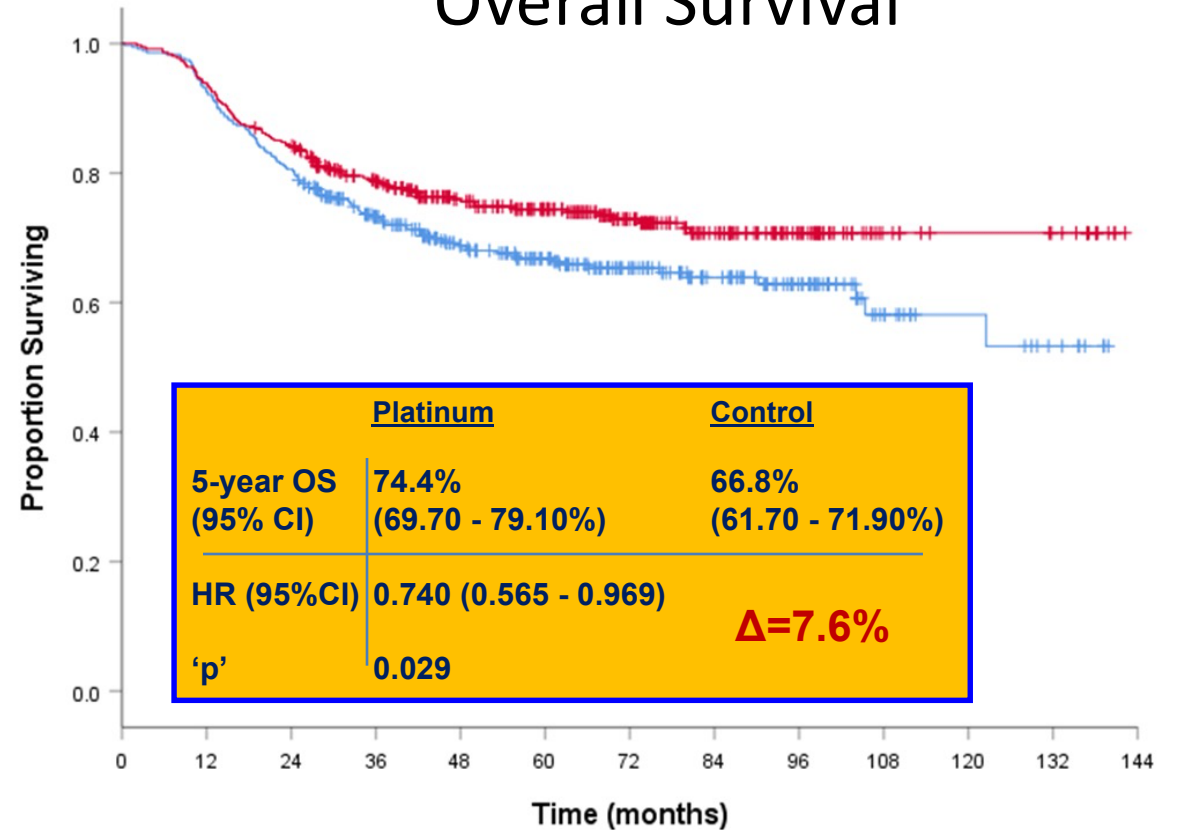
	pCR (ypT0/is ypN0)	No-pCR
5-year EFS (95% CI)	86.8% (79.16 - 94.44%)	52.6% (43.19 - 62.01%)
HR (95%CI)	0.258 (0.135 - 0.493)	<b>Δ=34.2%</b>
'p'	<0.001	

# Long Term Efficacy (n=717)

## Event Free Survival



## Overall Survival



Control	356	308	264	218	169	141	101	70	45	19	12	7
Platinum	361	326	284	239	190	159	112	79	47	17	12	10

Age ≤ or > 50yrs: 12.5% vs no difference

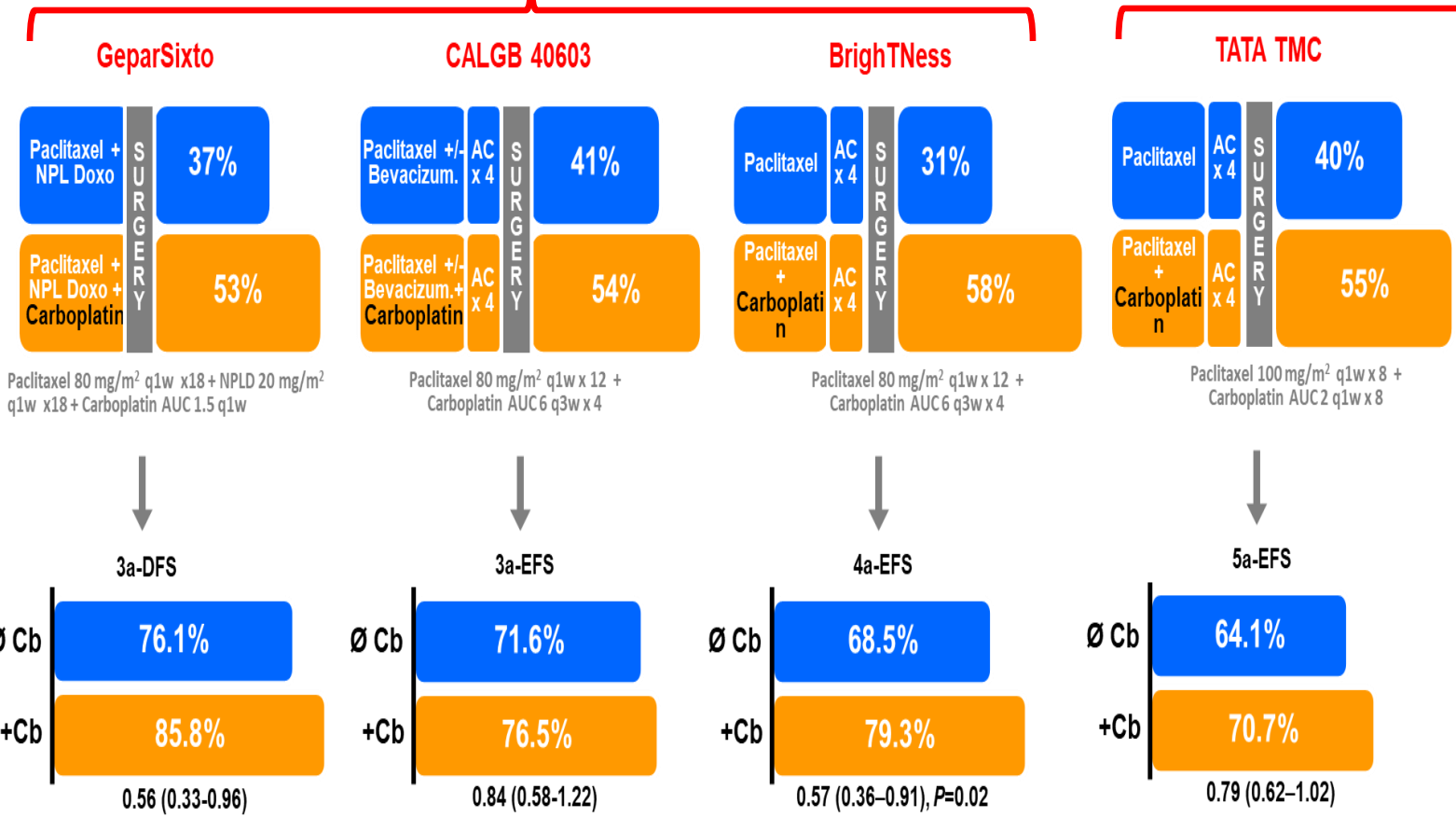
Control	356	330	287	229	179	147	106	74	48	20	12	7
Platinum	361	339	303	252	201	168	122	83	51	19	14	12

Age ≤ or > 50yrs: 11.2% vs no difference

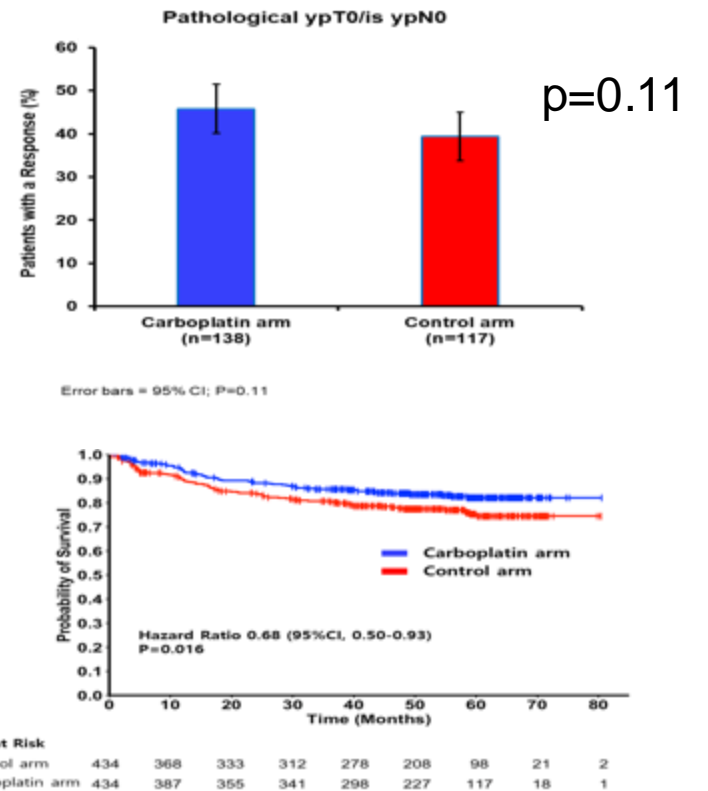
# For Early Stage TNBC, the Addition of Platinum Improves Outcome

Primary endpoint : pCR

Primary endpoint : EFS



(Phase III- PEARLY trial)

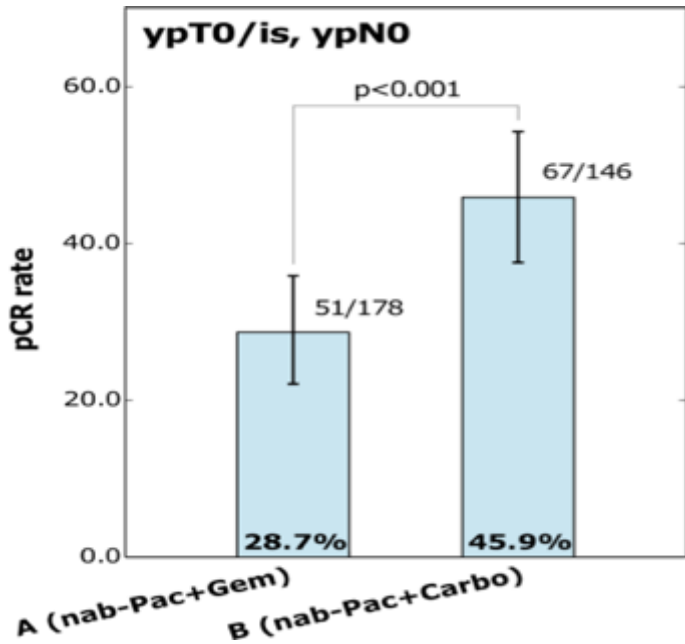


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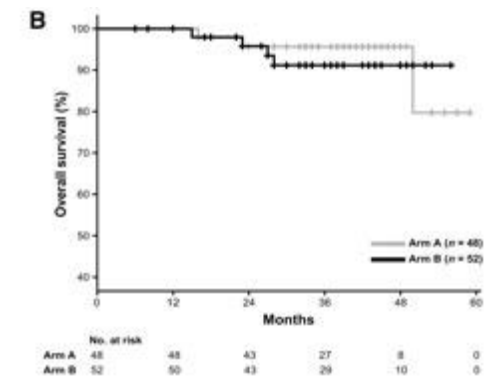
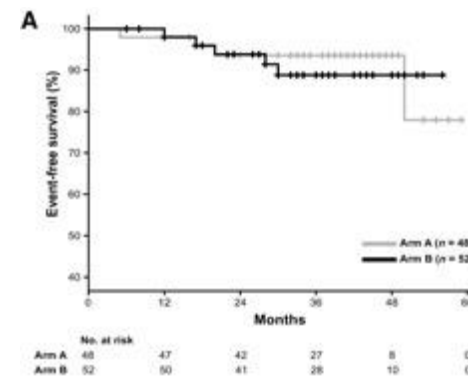
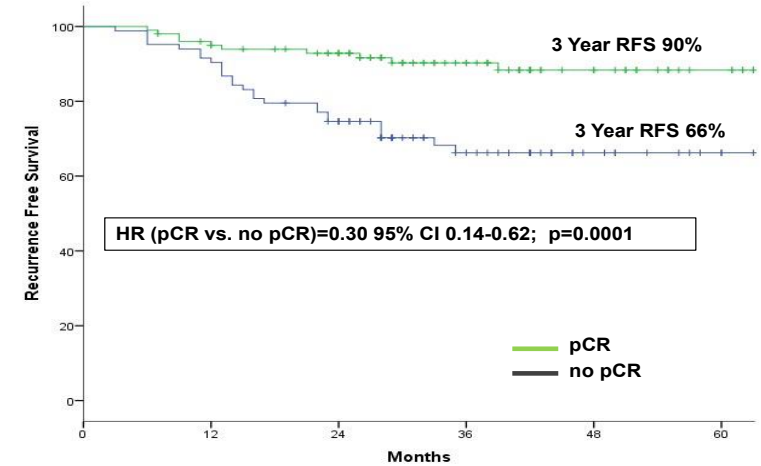
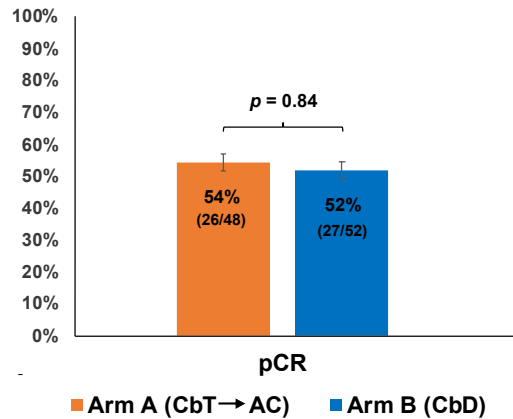
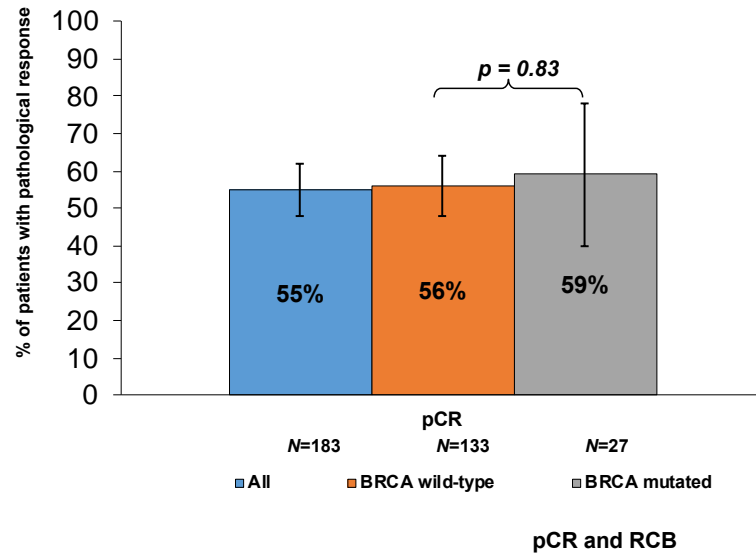
# Can we Eliminate Anthracyclines?

ADAPT-TN; N=336

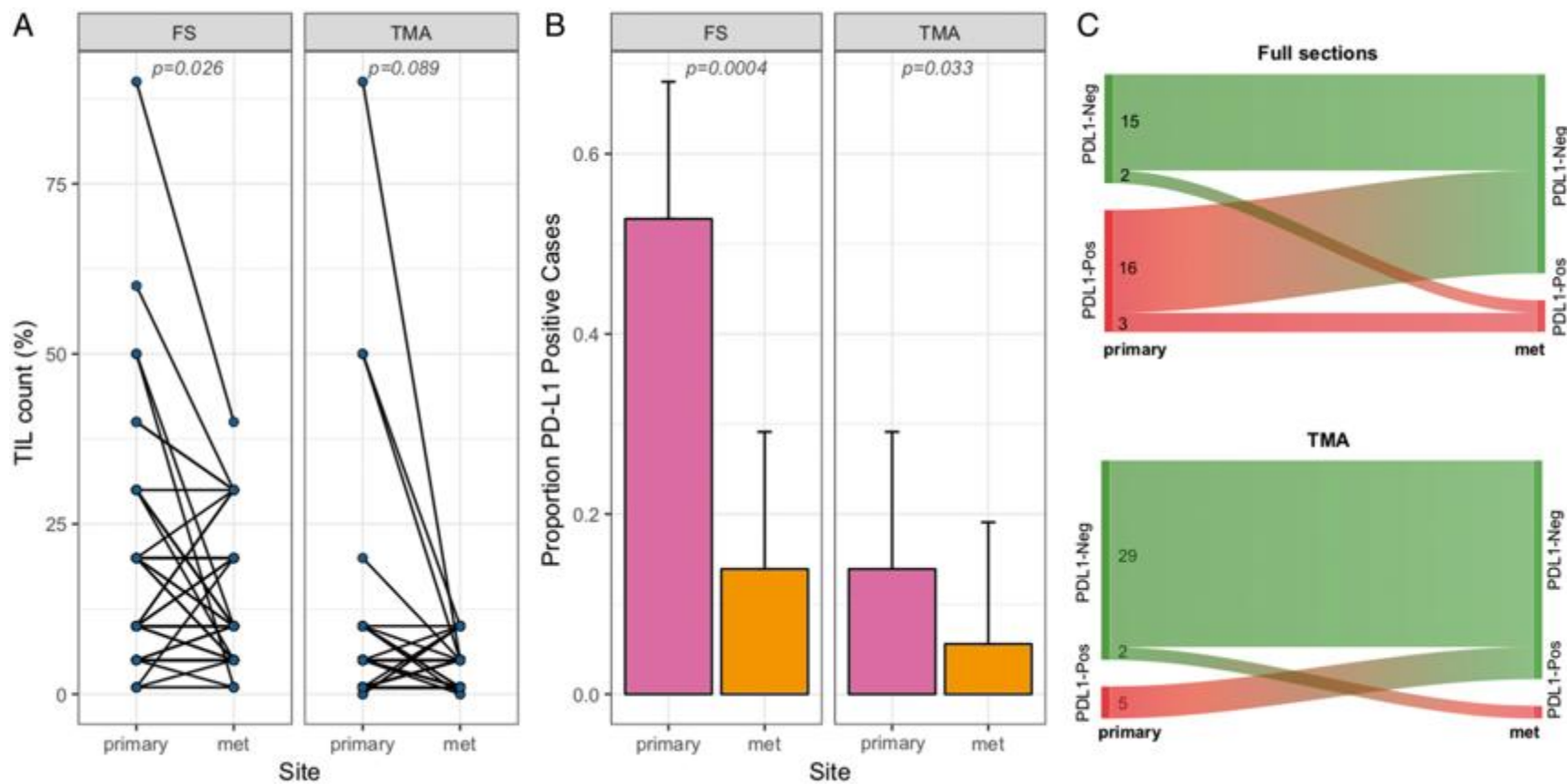


NeoStop Trial  
TCa/AC vs Tca x 6  
N=100

Pooled Analysis of 6 Cycles of Neoadjuvant Carboplatin plus Docetaxel (CbD) in TNBC



# Immunologic Differences Between Primary and Metastatic Tumor Samples

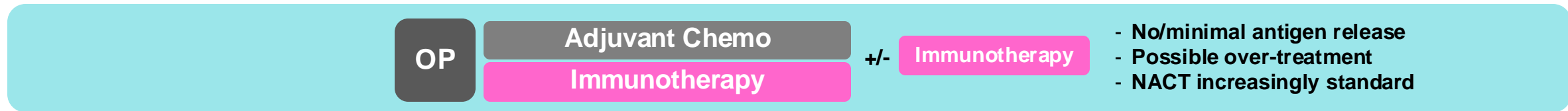


Percent TIL counts in full sections and TMAs.

# Chemoimmunotherapy Trial Designs in Early Stage TNBC



Keynote 522, Impassion031, NSABP B-59/GBG96



Impassion030

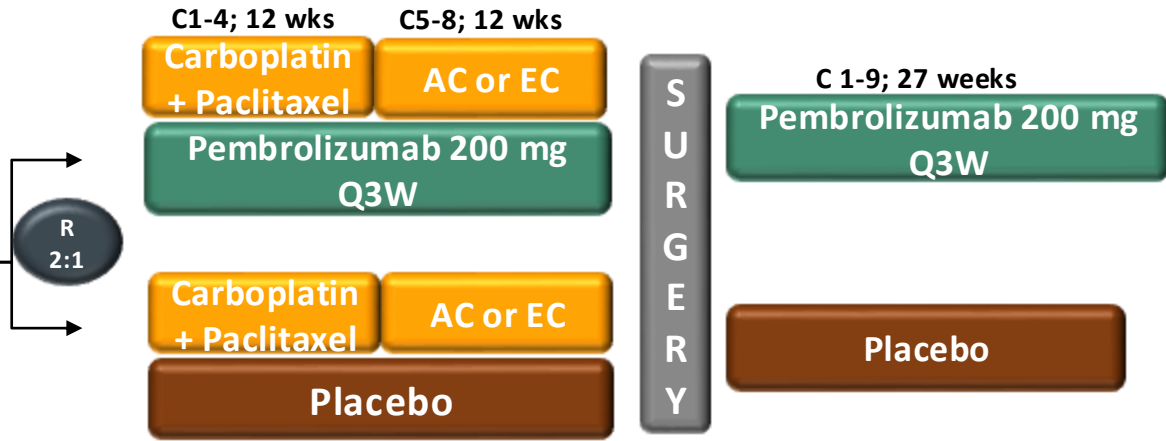


A-BRAVE, SWOG

# Phase II Neoadjuvant Immunotherapy Trials

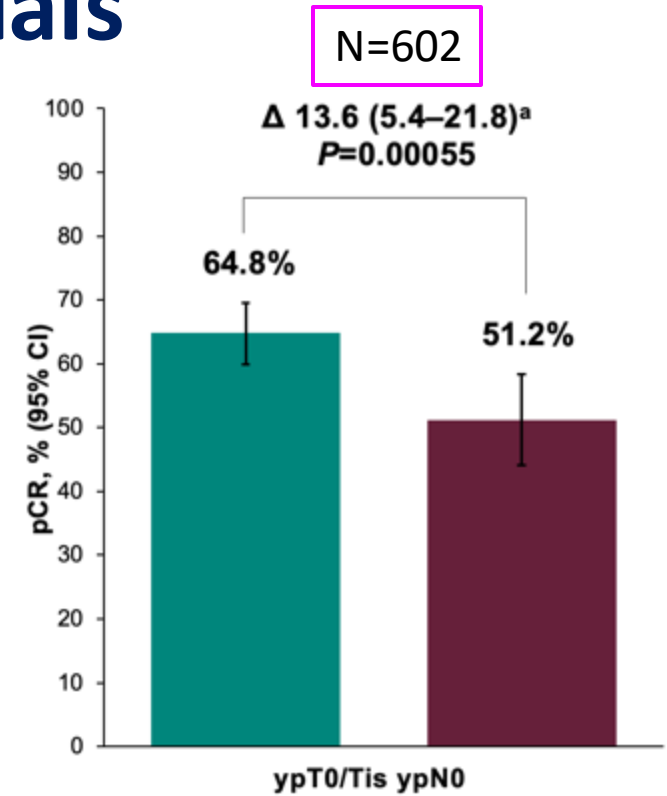
## KEYNOTE 522

N=1174  
Newly diagnosed TNBC  
T1c N1-2 or T2-4 N0-2



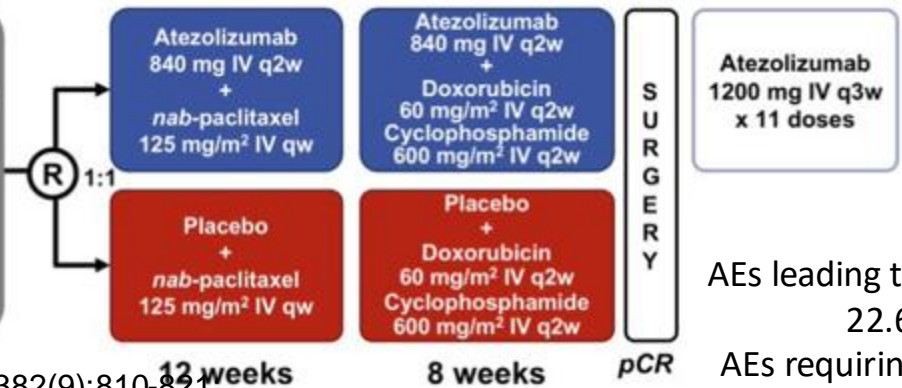
### Patient population

- ~51% node positive
- 75% stage II/25% stage III
- ~56% premenopausal

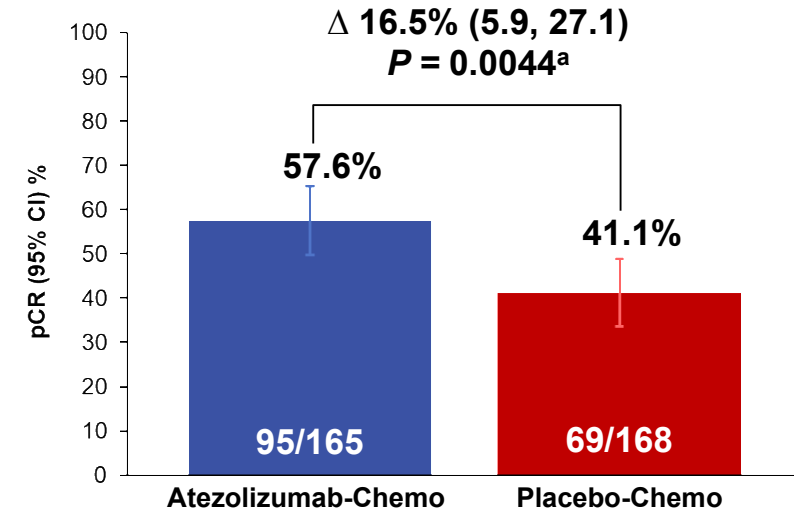


## IMpassion 031

N = 333  
• TNBC, with primary tumour > 2 cm  
• cT2-cT4, cN0-cN3, cM0  
• Known PD-L1 status (IHC)  
• No prior therapy for treatment or prevention of BC  
• ECOG PS 0 or 1



AEs leading to D/C of any drug:  
22.6 v 19.8%  
AEs requiring corticosteroids:  
12.8 v 9.6%

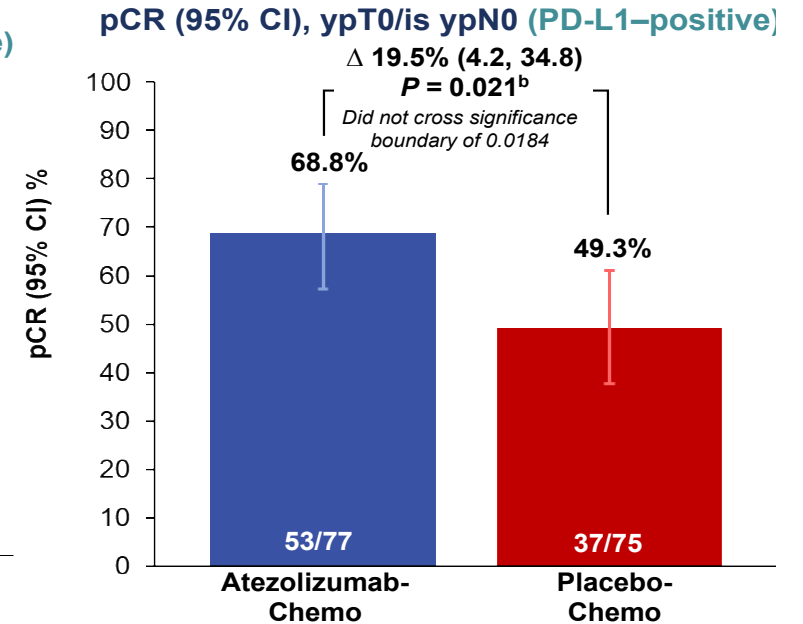
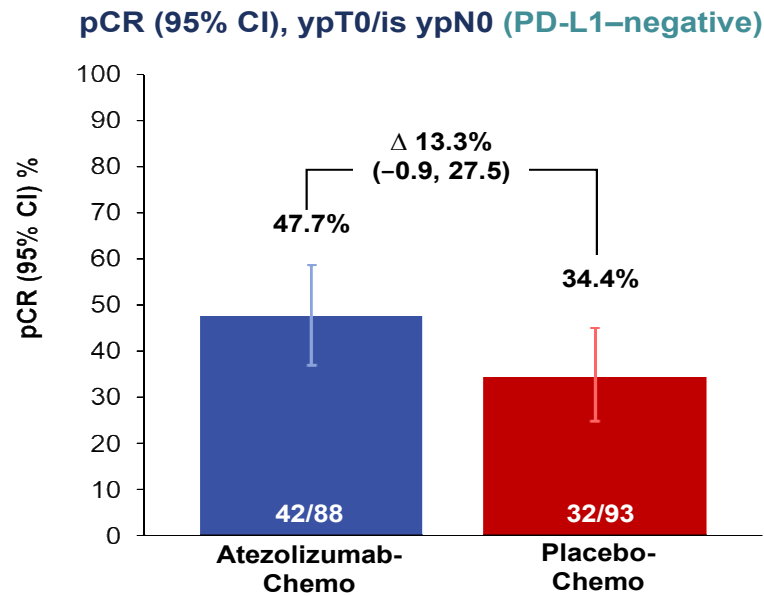
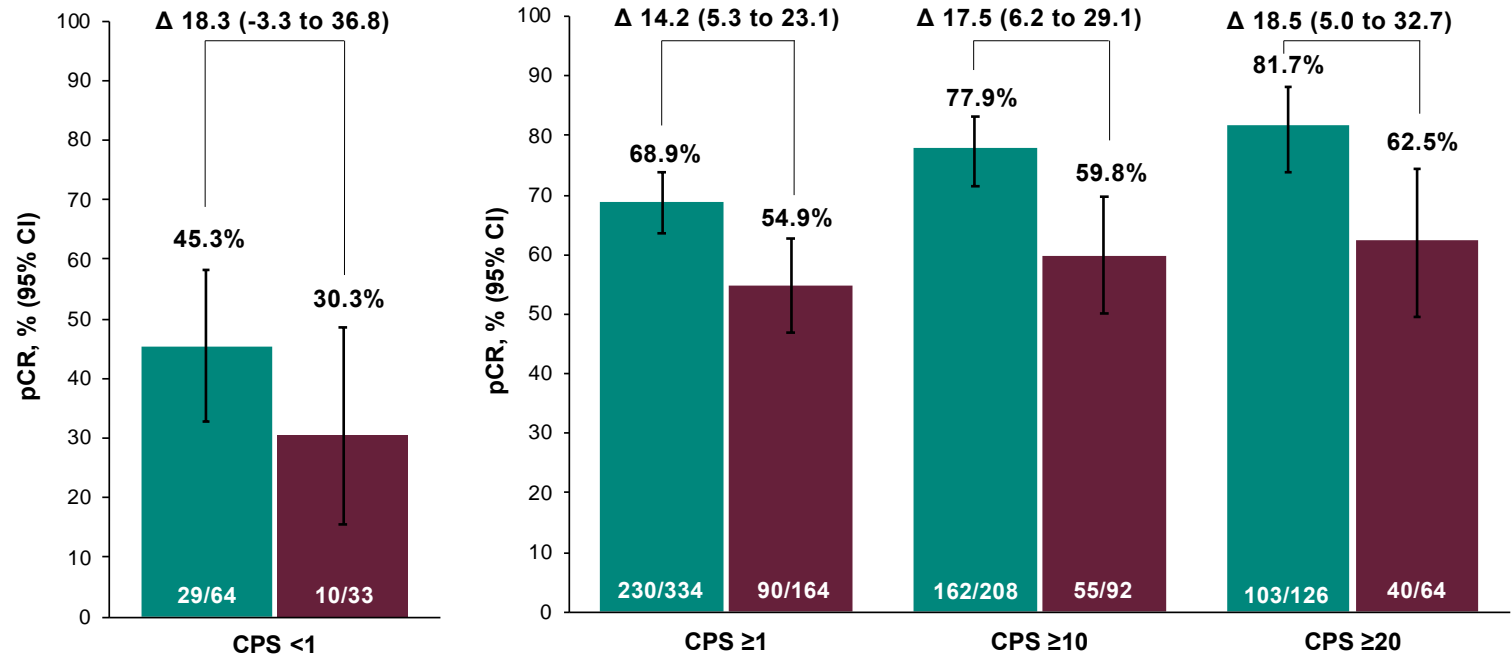


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Pembro + Chemo  
Placebo + Chemo

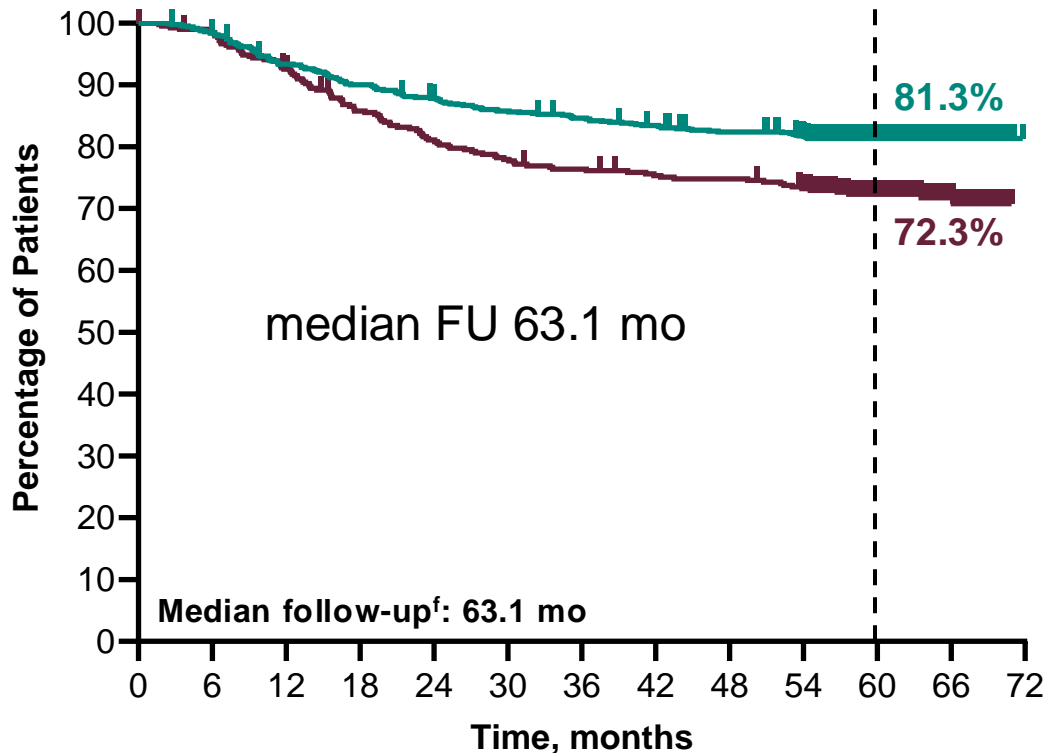
# Benefit from Immunotherapy is Independent of PD-L1 status

## PD-L1 is Predictive of Response to Chemotherapy



# KEYNOTE 522: EFS and OS

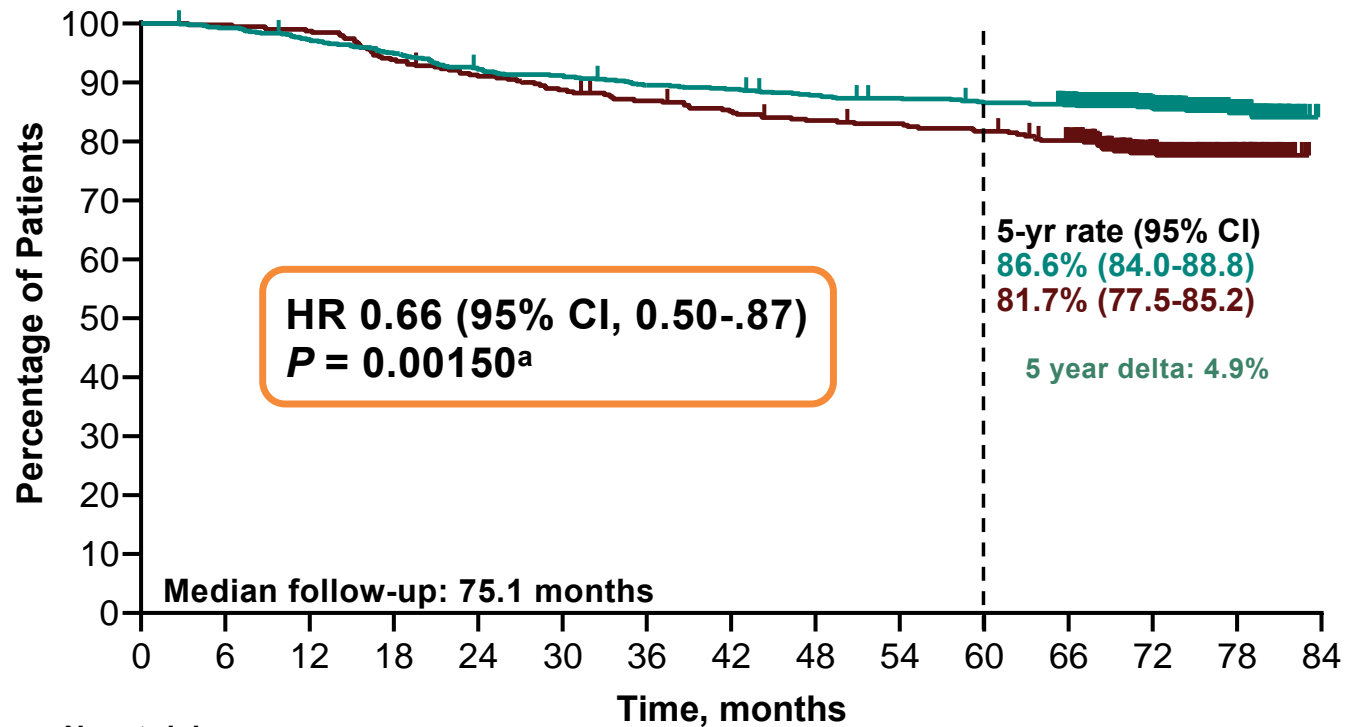
IA6	Events	HR (95% CI)
Pembro + Chemo/Pembro	18.5%	0.63 <sup>c</sup> (0.49–0.81)
Placebo + Chemo/Placebo	27.7%	



No. at risk													
784	769	728	702	681	665	654	643	631	612	411	162	0	
390	382	358	329	311	299	292	286	284	274	189	79	0	

	Pts w/ Event
Pembro + Chemo/Pembro	14.7%
Placebo + Chemo/Placebo	21.8%

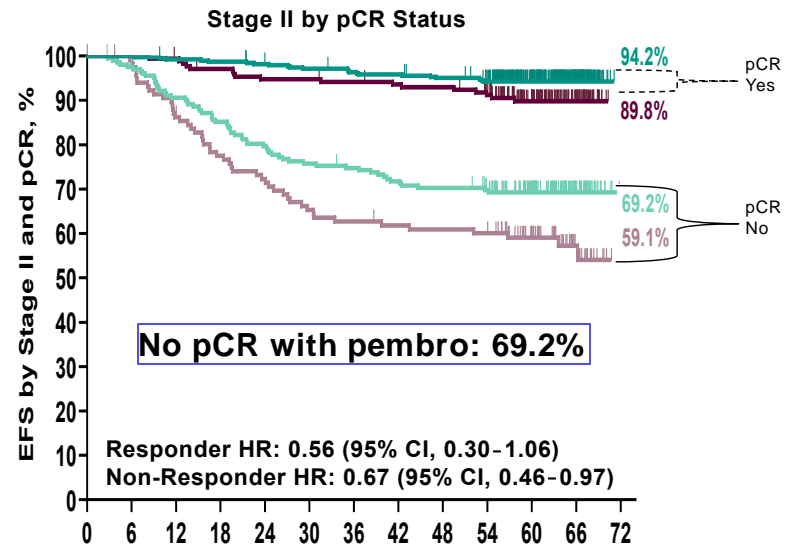
67.3% information fraction<sup>a</sup>



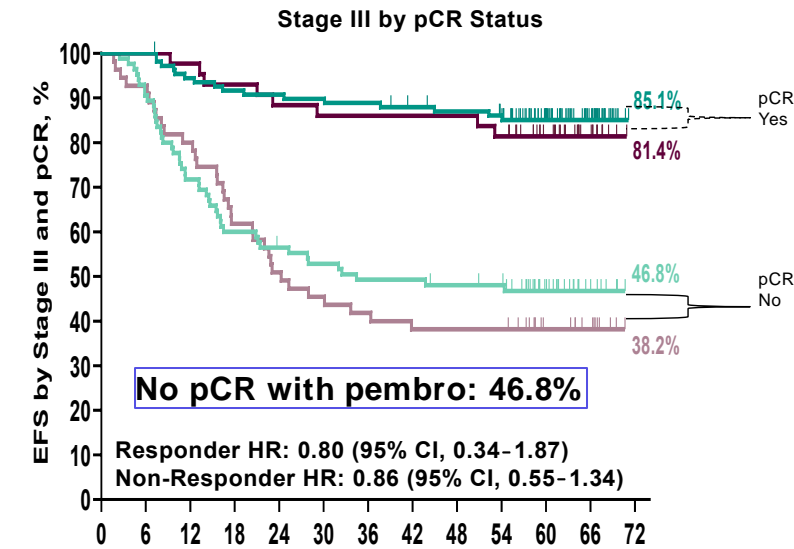
No. at risk														
784	777	760	742	720	712	698	693	683	677	670	656	448	176	0
390	389	385	366	354	345	336	328	321	318	313	300	199	82	0

<sup>a</sup>With 200 events (67.3% information fraction), the observed *P*-value crossed the prespecified nominal boundary of 0.00503 (1-sided) at this interim analysis. Overall, 86/115 (74.8%) deaths in the pembro group and 62/85 (72.9%) deaths in the placebo group were due to disease progression or recurrence. The unstratified piecewise HR was 0.87 before the 2-year follow-up and 0.51 afterwards. The weighted average HR with weights of number of events before and after 2-year follow-up was 0.66. Data cutoff date: March 22, 2024.

## EFS at IA6 by Disease Stage in Patients With and Without pCR

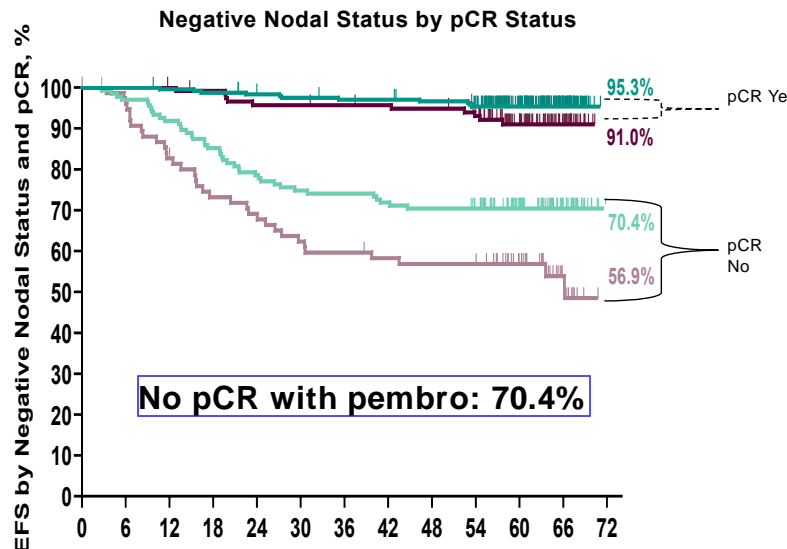


	No. at risk														
	0	6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54	60	66	72		
Pembro + Chemo/Pembro Responder	386	386	382	380	375	371	367	365	360	351	236	90	0		
Pbo + Chemo/Pbo Responder	173	173	171	166	162	162	160	158	157	150	106	42	0		
Pembro + Chemo/Pembro Non-Responder	204	197	183	172	161	153	150	144	141	135	95	35	0		
Pbo + Chemo/Pbo Non-Responder	118	114	100	89	83	75	72	70	69	68	47	18	0		

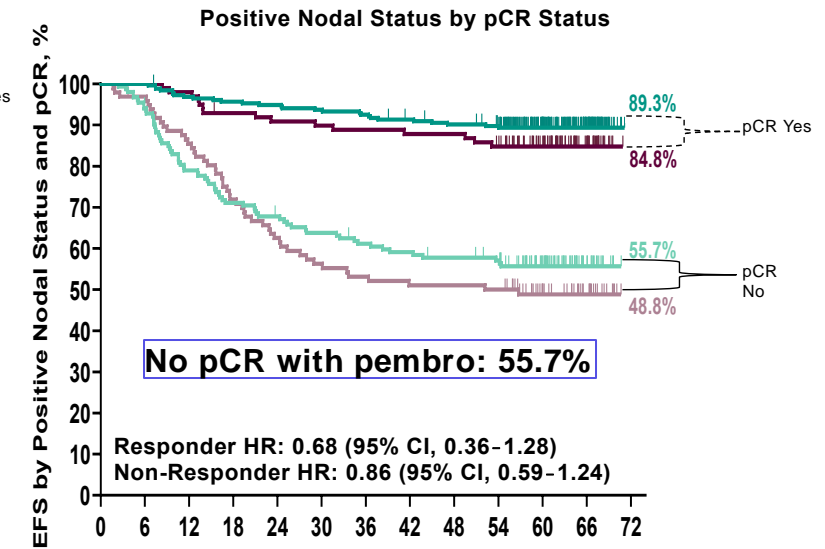


	No. at risk														
	0	6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54	60	66	72		
Pembro + Chemo/Pembro Responder	109	109	102	99	98	97	96	93	91	88	59	30	0		
Pbo + Chemo/Pbo Responder	43	43	42	40	38	37	37	37	37	35	24	11	0		
Pembro + Chemo/Pembro Non-Responder	85	77	61	51	47	44	41	41	39	38	21	7	0		
Pbo + Chemo/Pbo Non-Responder	55	51	44	34	28	25	23	21	21	21	12	8	0		

## EFS at IA6 by Nodal Status in Patients With and Without pCR



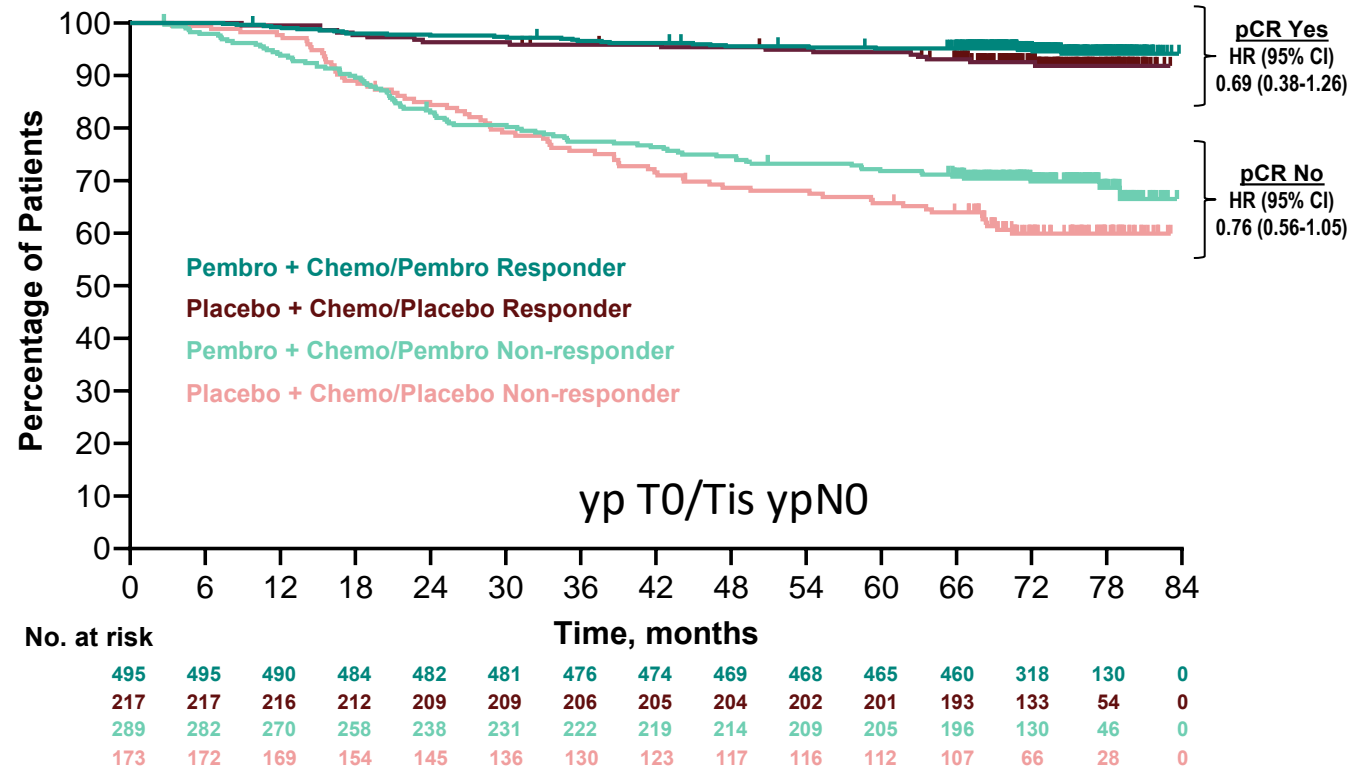
	No. at risk														
	0	6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54	60	66	72		
Pembro + Chemo/Pembro Responder	240	240	238	236	232	230	228	228	225	218	149	55	0		
Pbo + Chemo/Pbo Responder	118	118	117	115	111	111	110	109	108	103	70	28	0		
Pembro + Chemo/Pembro Non-Responder	136	131	124	115	106	101	100	97	95	91	61	25	0		
Pbo + Chemo/Pbo Non-Responder	76	72	62	54	51	46	44	42	41	41	28	10	0		



	No. at risk														
	0	6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54	60	66	72		
Pembro + Chemo/Pembro Responder	255	255	246	243	241	238	235	230	226	221	146	65	0		
Pbo + Chemo/Pbo Responder	99	99	97	91	89	88	87	86	86	82	60	25	0		
Pembro + Chemo/Pembro Non-Responder	153	143	120	108	102	96	91	88	85	82	55	17	0		
Pbo + Chemo/Pbo Non-Responder	97	93	82	69	60	54	51	49	49	48	31	16	0		

# Overall Survival in Patient Subgroups

Subgroup	No. Events/No. Patients (%)		Hazard Ratio (95% CI)
	Pembro + Chemo/Pembro	Placebo + Chemo/Placebo	
Overall	115/784 (14.7)	85/390 (21.8)	0.66 (0.50 to 0.87)
Nodal status			
Positive	78/408 (19.1)	56/196 (28.6)	0.65 (0.46 to 0.91)
Negative	37/376 (9.8)	29/194 (14.9)	0.65 (0.40 to 1.05)
Tumor size			
T1/T2	54/580 (9.3)	51/290 (17.6)	0.51 (0.35 to 0.75)
T3/T4	61/204 (29.9)	34/100 (34.0)	0.88 (0.58 to 1.34)
Carboplatin schedule			
Every 3 weeks	46/334 (13.8)	36/167 (21.6)	0.63 (0.41 to 0.97)
Weekly	68/444 (15.3)	49/220 (22.3)	0.67 (0.46 to 0.96)
PD-L1 status			
CPS ≥1	92/656 (14.0)	62/317 (19.6)	0.70 (0.51 to 0.97)
CPS <1	23/128 (18.0)	23/69 (33.3)	0.51 (0.28 to 0.91)
Age category			
<65 years	93/700 (13.3)	72/342 (21.1)	0.62 (0.45 to 0.84)
≥65 years <sup>a</sup>	22/84 (26.2)	13/48 (27.1)	0.96 (0.48 to 1.91)

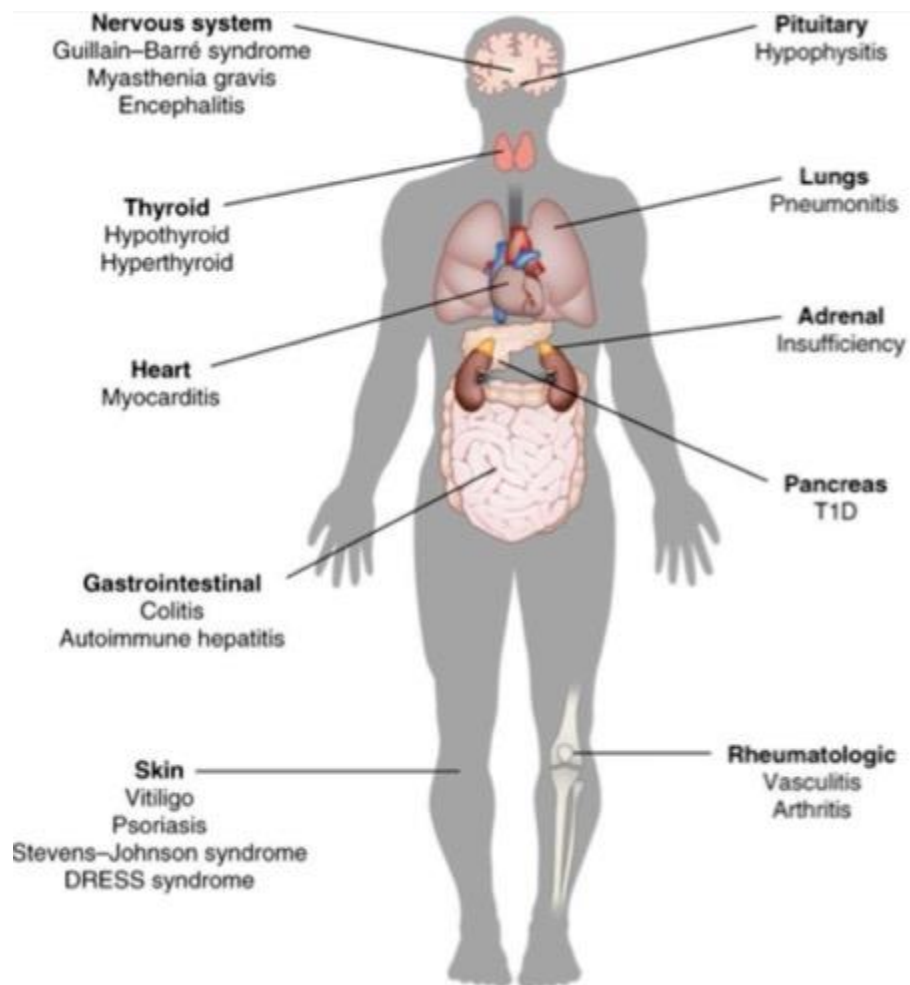


***Benefit from pembrolizumab seen for both EFS and OS in non-PCR***

***It's impossible to separate out the benefit from neoadjuvant vs continued adjuvant pembro***



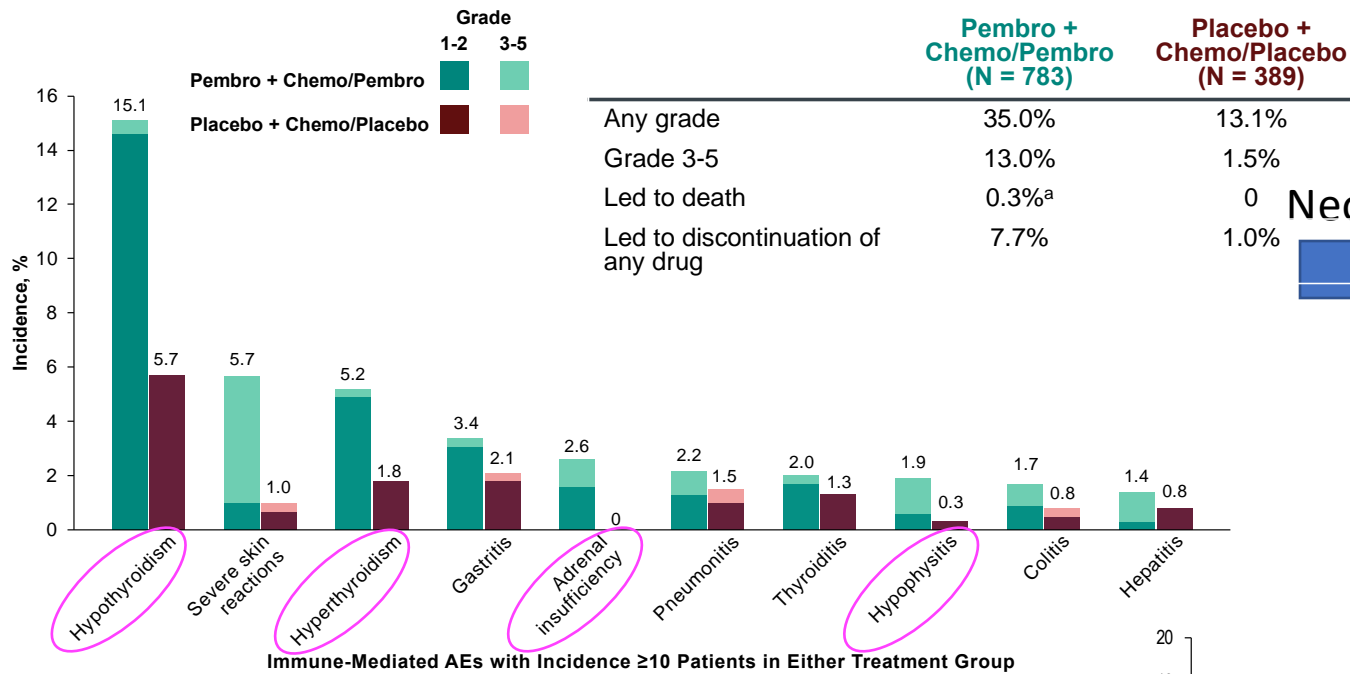
# Safety of neoadjuvant immune check point inhibitors in early stage TNBC



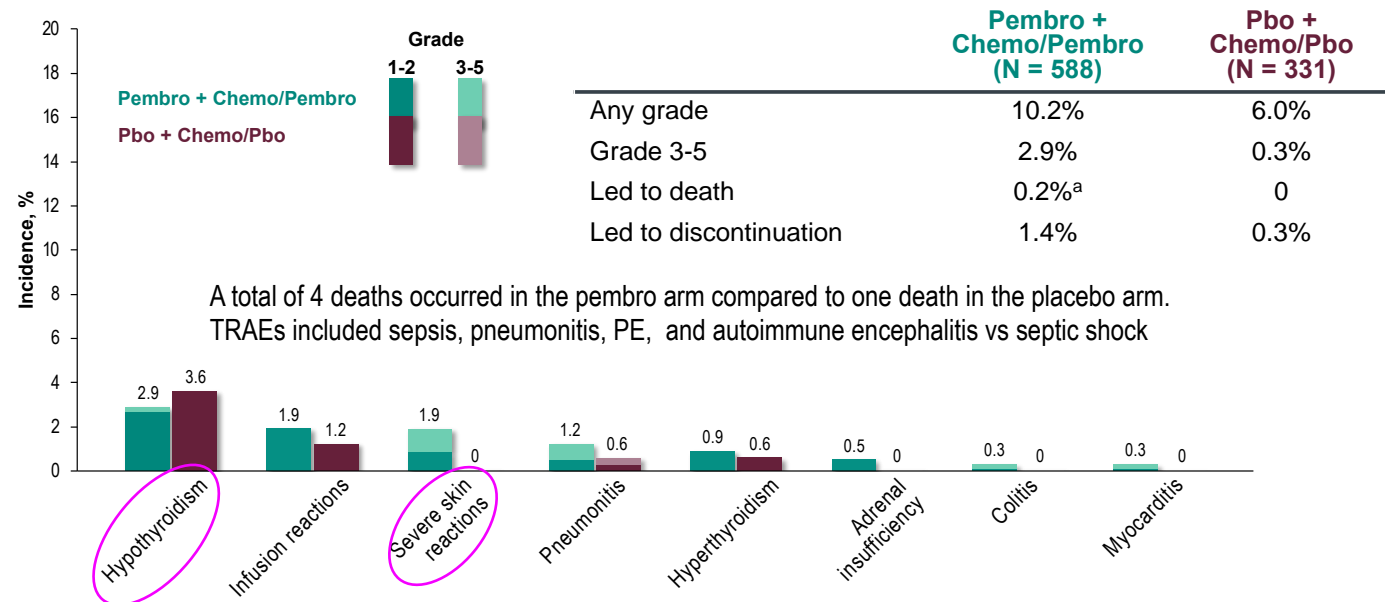
## irAE incidence in eTNBC

- Any grade: 40-44%
- **Grade 3-5: 14-15%**
- Higher incidence in women!
- **Early recognition and prompt management is critical**
  - Delayed toxicity
    - Can occur months to years after Rx
- Management guidelines
  - ASCO/NCCN/SITC
  - Steroid refractory irAEs

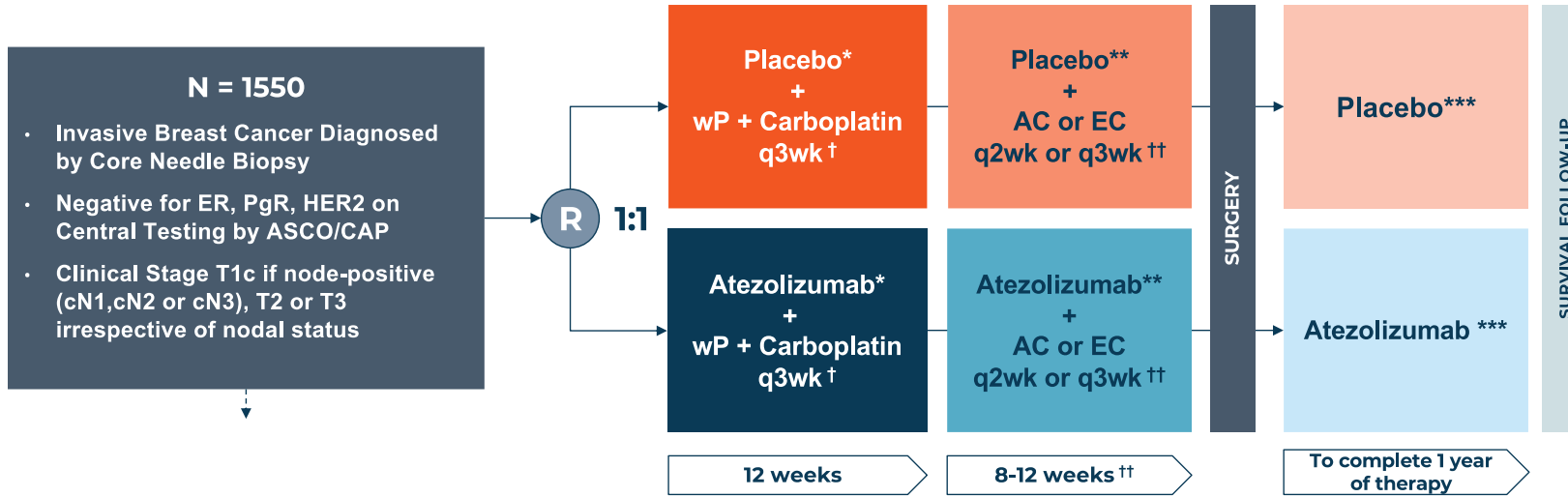
# What is the Patient Cost of Therapy: irAEs in KN522



Immune-Mediated AEs with Incidence ≥10 Patients in Either Treatment Group

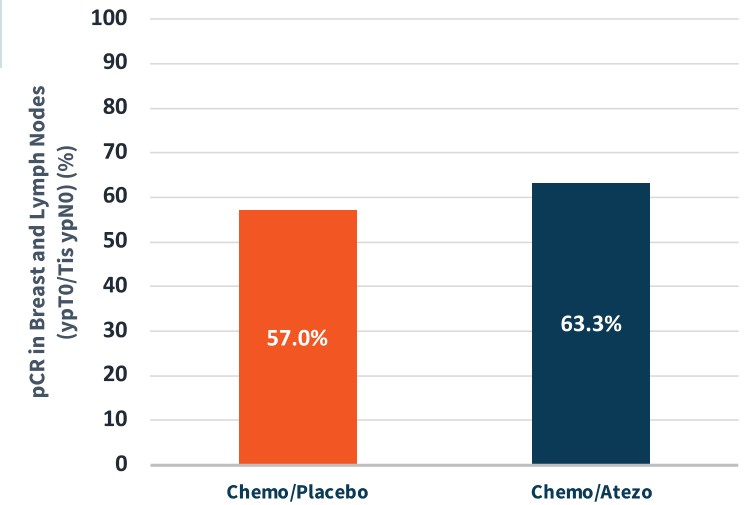
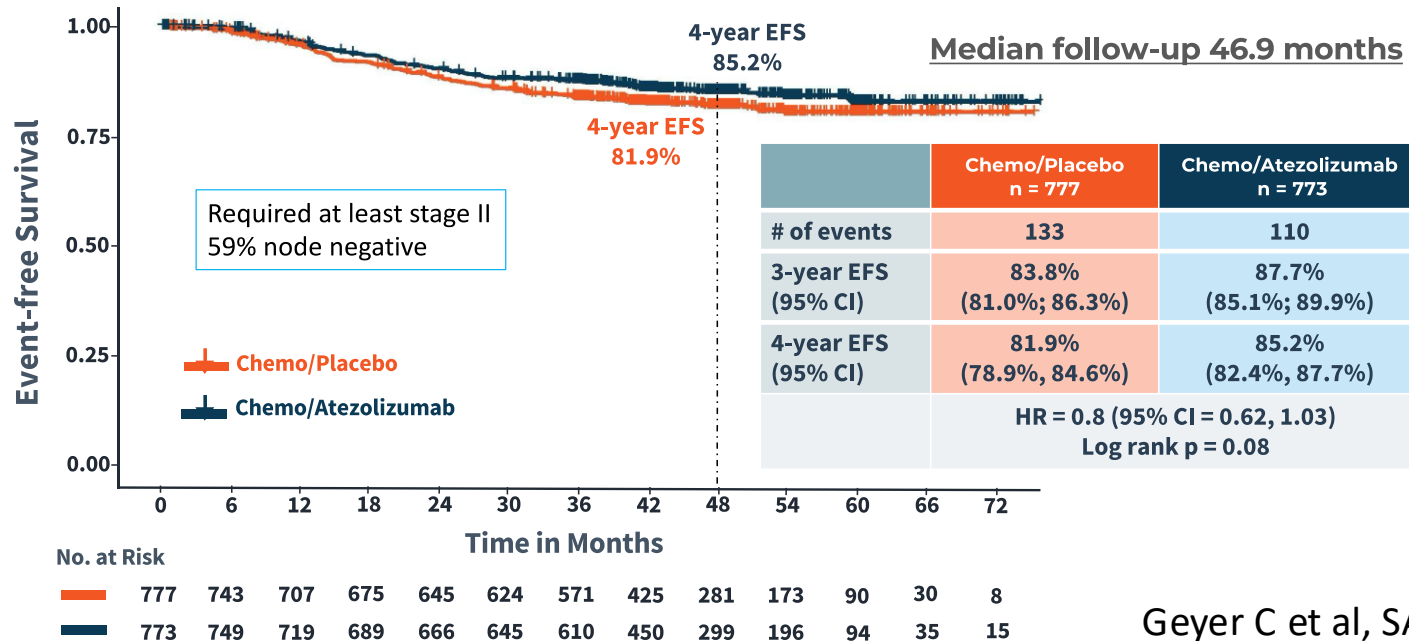


# GeparDouze/NSABP B-59



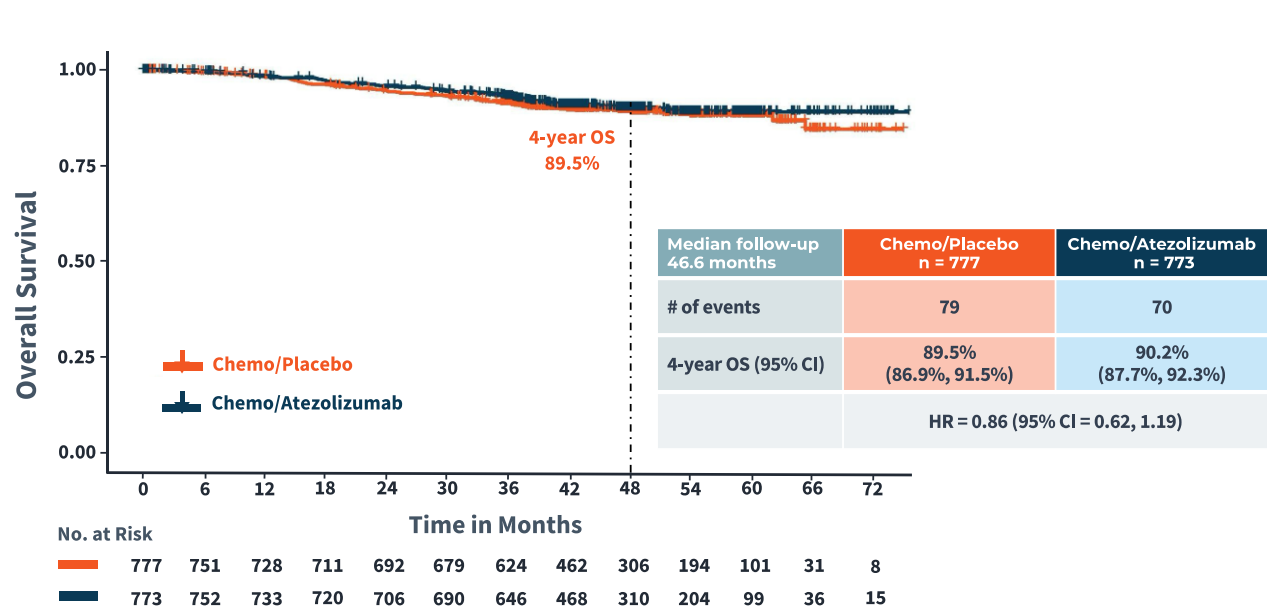
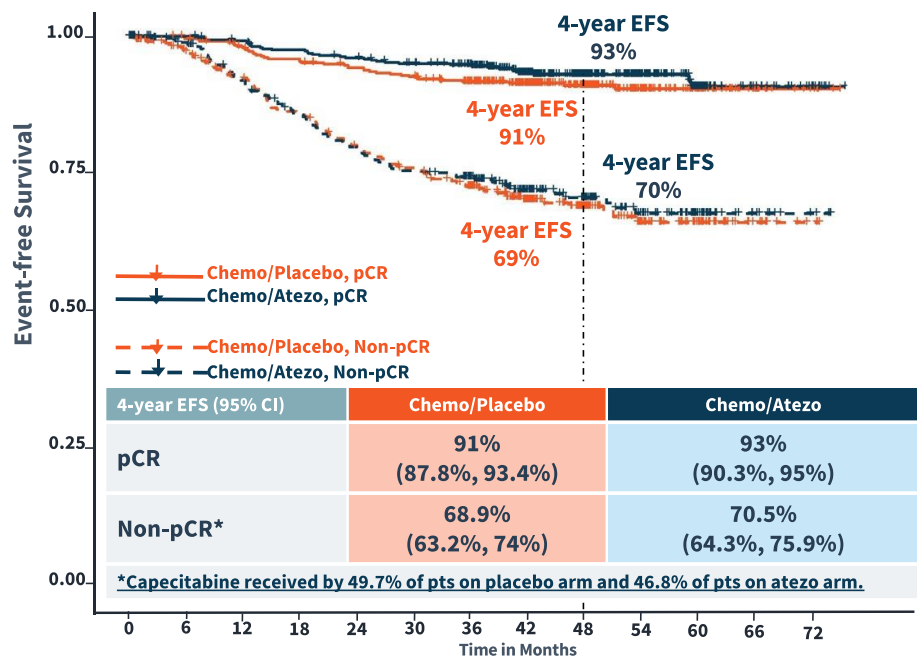
Demographics

Required at least stage II  
59% node negative

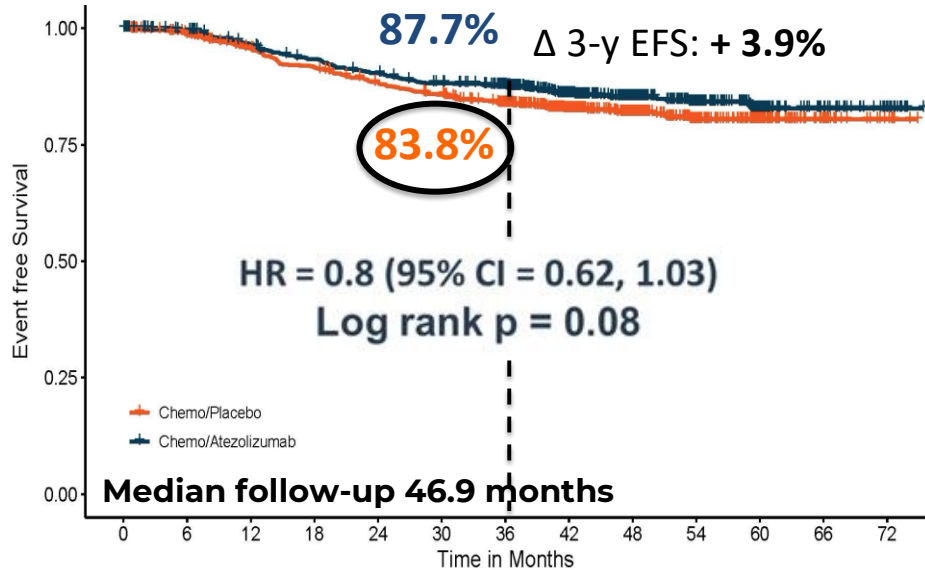


	Chemo/Placebo n = 777	Chemo/Atezo n = 773
% pCR <sup>a</sup> (95% CI)	57.0% (53.5%, 60.5%)	63.3% (59.9%, 66.7%)
Difference in % pCR (95% CI)	6.3% (1.4%, 11.1%)	
	(p <sub>adj</sub> = 0.0091) <sup>b</sup>	

<sup>a</sup> Those with missing pCR status are considered as non-responders.  
<sup>b</sup> 2-sided CMH test adjusted by stratification factors collapse of PD-L1 status.



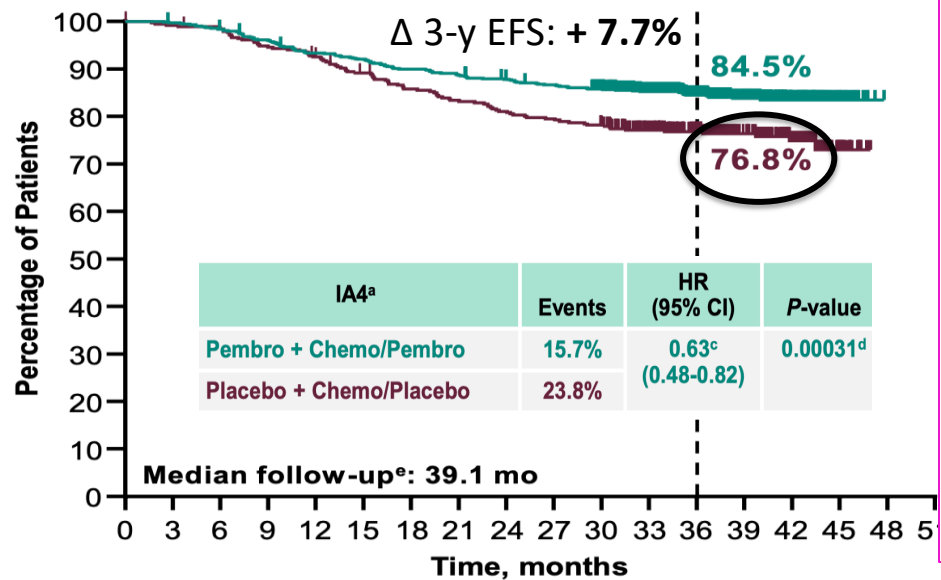
### NSABP B-59/GBG-96-GeparDouze



Number at risk

777	743	707	675	645	624	571	425	281	173	90	30	8
773	749	719	689	666	645	610	450	299	196	94	35	15

### KEYNOTE-522



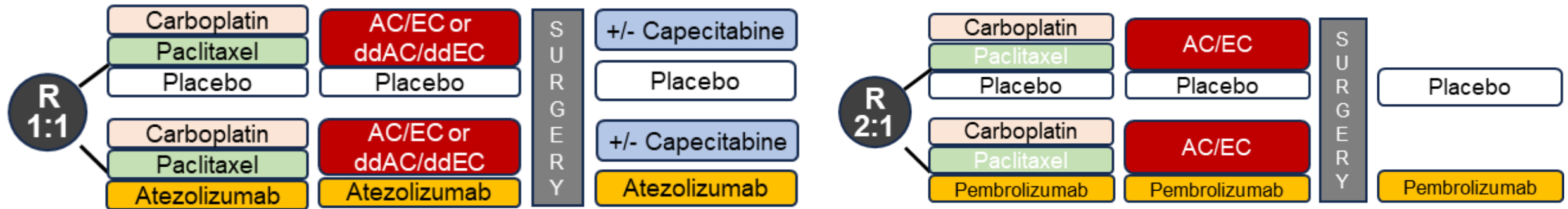
No. at risk

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390	386	382	368	358	342	328	319	310	304	297	250	195	140	83	17	0	0

Reasons for lack of benefit with atezo and improved outcome in the control arm?

- Capecitabine use in almost 50%
- Higher percent node negative
- Use of dose dense AC/EC?

# Anti-PD-L1 and anti-PD1 are not made equal



Atezolizumab  
Anti-PD-L1

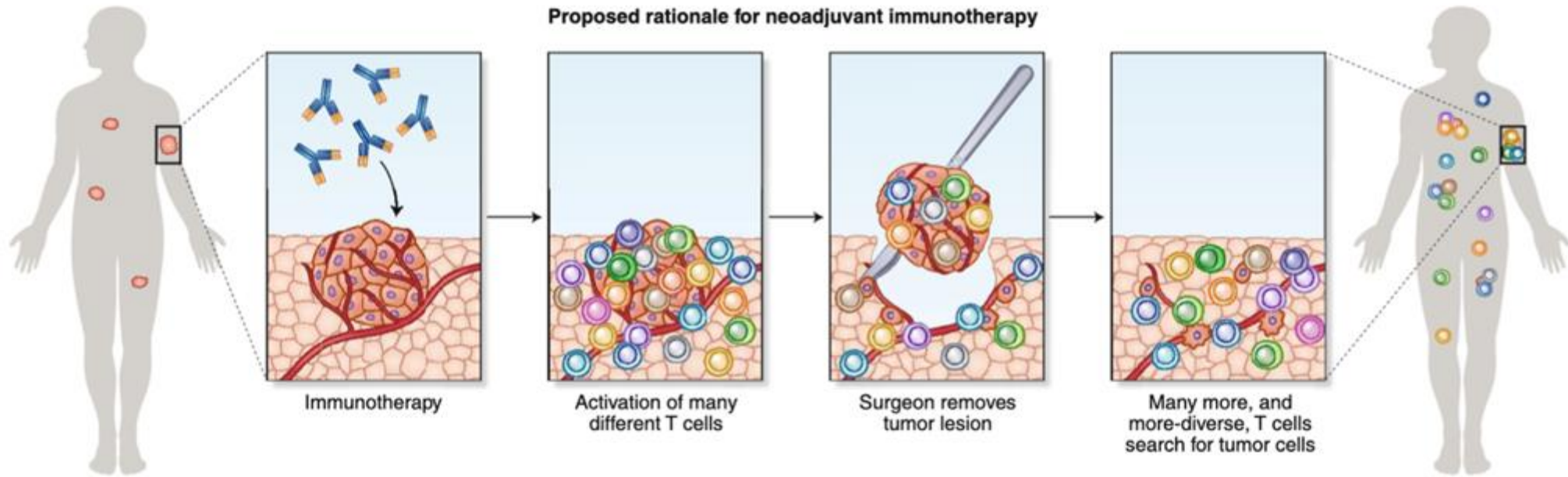


Pembrolizumab  
Anti-PD1

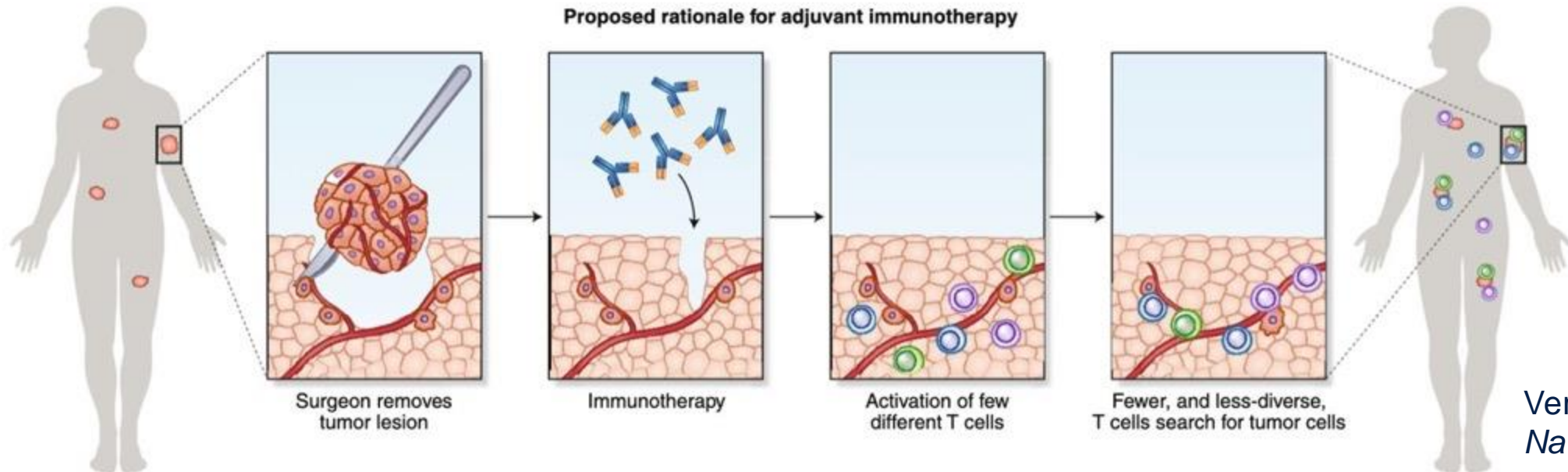


# Proposed rationale for neoadjuvant vs. adjuvant immunotherapy

Neoadjuvant

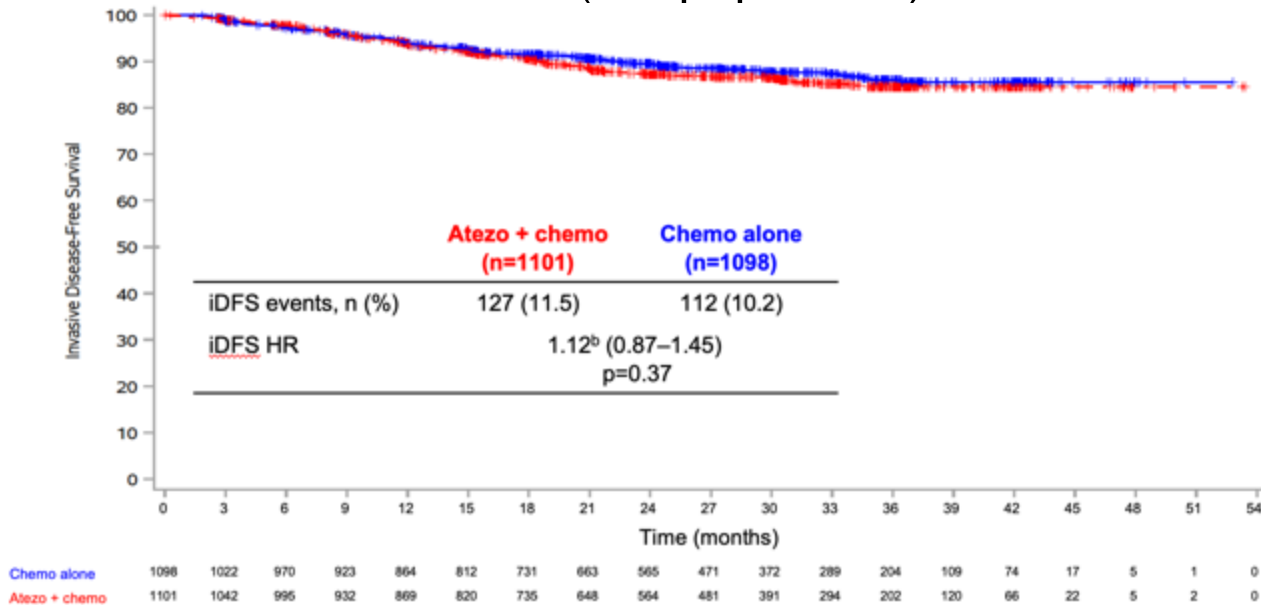


Adjuvant



# Adjuvant IO in IMpassion030: Treatment Setting Matters

## Primary efficacy endpoint: iDFS (ITT population)



Demographics: 52% node negative; 85% stage II; 71% PD-L1+

\*\* Median f/u 25 months: Futility declared because the observed HR of 1.12 in the ITT population crossed the non-binding futility boundary of HR >1 at this interim analysis.

## Secondary efficacy endpoints:

- iDFS in PD-L1+ subgroup – No difference
- OS (ITT population) – No difference

## Conclusions:

- These data do not support the addition of adjuvant atezolizumab to chemotherapy in patients who have undergone primary surgery for early-stage TNBC
- *Why?*
  - Is the PDL1 inhibitor inferior to PD1 inhibitors for TNBC? (GeparDouze/B59 also negative)
- **Given these data, neoadjuvant IO administration is clearly preferred, followed by adjuvant IO as indicted.**
- **More definitive data regarding timing will come from the SWOG trial S1418 (adjuvant pembrolizumab for early-stage TNBC)**

# A-BRAVE Trial: Avelumab after Chemotherapy for Early Stage TNBC

High Risk TNBC patients who completed locoregional and systemic treatment with curative intent

Key eligibility criteria:

- Age ≥18 years
- ECOG PS 0-1
- TNBC (ER & PgR <10%, HER2 0-1+ or 2+ FISH-)<sup>^</sup>
- Anthracycline and taxanes (neo)-adjuvant ChemoRx<sup>\*</sup>
- Tissue samples for central PD-L1 assessment
- **Stratum A (Adjuvant):** pT2N1, pT3-4 N0-3, pN2-3 anyT<sup>#</sup>
- **Stratum B (Post-neoadjuvant):** residual invasive carcinoma in the breast and/or axillary lymph nodes<sup>§</sup>

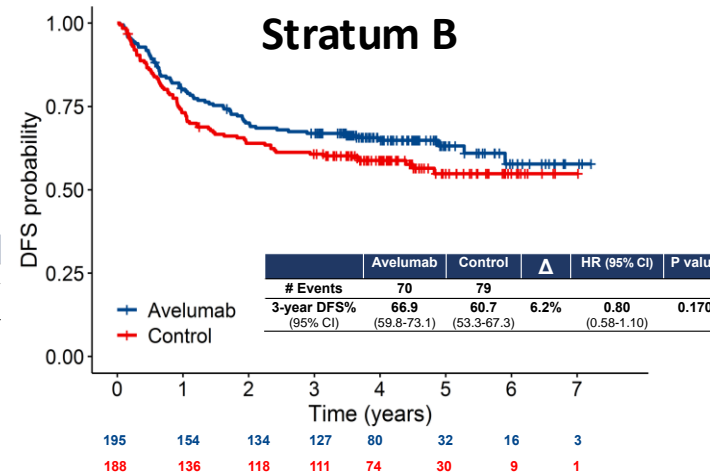
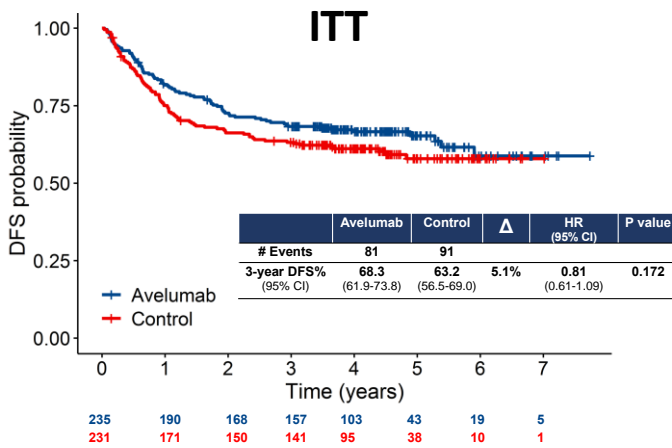
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N=474

**Avelumab**  
10mg/kg, iv, q 2 weeks for 52 weeks

**Observation**

<sup>^</sup> for patients in the neoadjuvant stratum, TN status required in the preoperative and in the post-surgical specimen  
<sup>\*</sup> After amendment of 06/2018, patients in stratum B were allowed to receive additional post-operative chemotherapy and were randomized at completion of treatment.  
<sup>§</sup> excluding ypT1micN0, ypT1micN0i+, ypT0N0i+  
<sup>#</sup> trial initially limited to pN≥2; protocol amendment in 10/2017 to include patients with pT2N1 and pT3-4 N0-3 disease stage  
 Randomization balanced for Stratum A and Stratum B

Endpoint and population			Δ 3-yr rate	HR (95% CI)
DFS	ITT	Co-primary	+ 5.1%	<b>0.81</b> (0.61-1.09)
	Post-neoadj	Co-primary	+ 6.2%	<b>0.80</b> (0.58-1.10)
OS	ITT	Secondary	+ 8.5%	<b>0.66</b> (0.45-0.97)
	Post-neoadj	Exploratory	+ 8.6%	<b>0.69</b> (0.46-1.03)
DDFS	ITT	Exploratory	+ 7.5%	<b>0.70</b> (0.50-0.96)



- Hard to interpret data in this mixed population
- Should we consider IO in patients who have surgery first?
  - Not enough data to change treatment practice
  - IO in the neoadjuvant setting (KN522) remains the **standard of care**



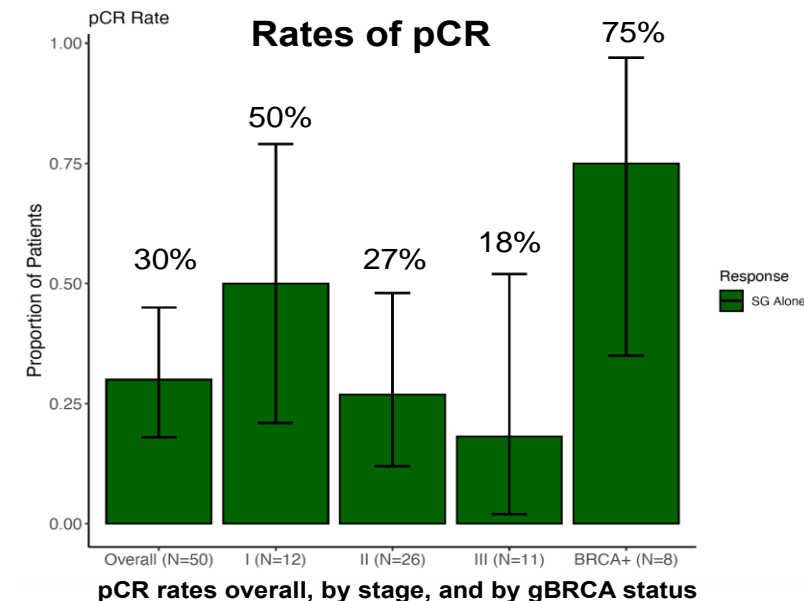
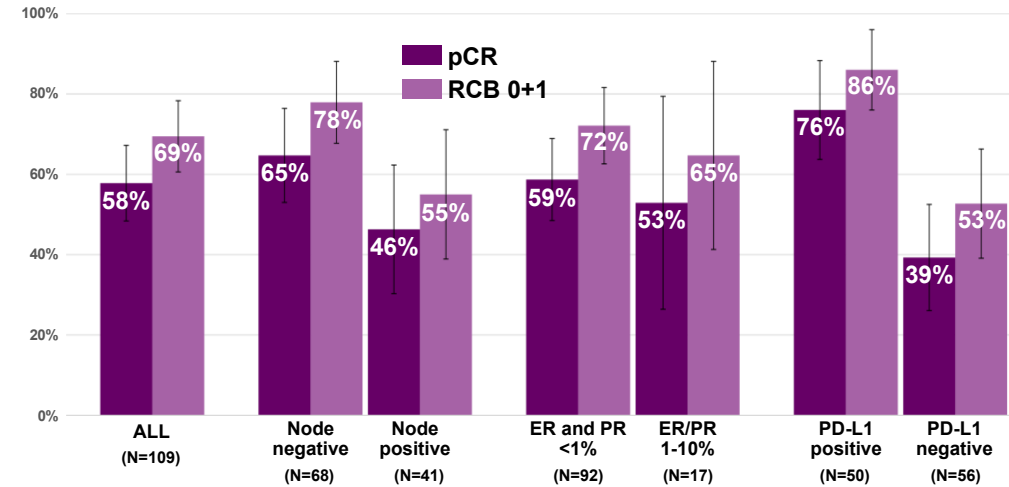
# Alternative NeoAdjuvant Regimens for TNBC

- **NeoPACT:**

- Pembrolizumab/docetaxel/carboplatin x 6 cycles
- 109 evaluable, 88% stage 2-3
- Stage II-III, ER & PR IHC <1%
  - pCR and RCB 0+1 59% and 69%
  - $\geq 30\%$  TILS and immune signature predict pCR
- 2-year EFS with pCR: 98%

- **NeoSTAR: Sacituzumab govitecan x 4**

- N=50 (12 stage I disease, 26 stage II, 11 stage III; 62% node neg; 9 pts gBRCA+).
- pCR rate 30% (n= 15/50; (18%, 45%); RCB1, 3
- Ongoing study plus pembrolizumab



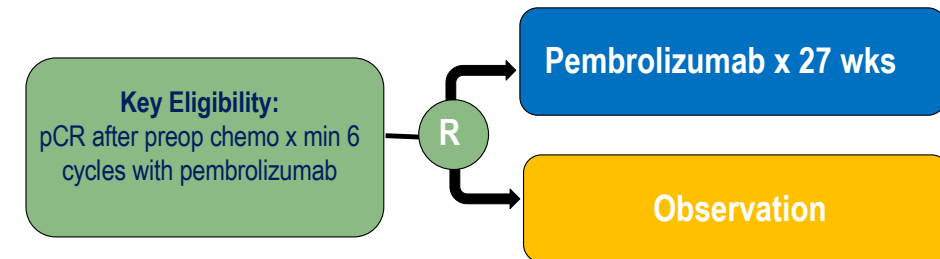
# TNBC: Immunotherapy for Early-Stage Disease

## Questions

- Optimal duration of CPI if pCR achieved?
- Balancing risk
  - Can we identify a group of patients who will do well with chemotherapy alone?
- Optimal post-neoadjuvant therapy
  - Should we combine or sequence pembrolizumab with other post-neoadjuvant therapies?
- Optimal chemotherapy backbone
  - Role of platinum salts established
  - Alternate chemotherapy regimens?

## OptimICE-pCR

PI: Tolaney  
Alliance Trial



Stratification Factors:

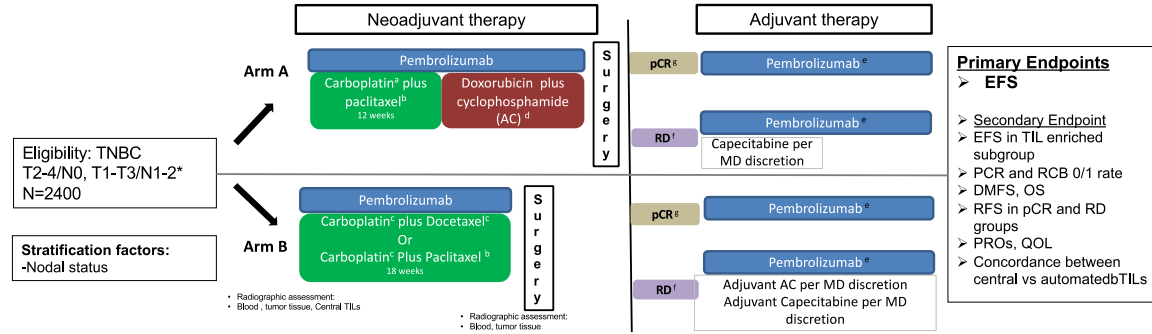
- Baseline nodal status
- Receipt of anthracycline chemotherapy: yes vs. no

# Next Steps in the Neoadjuvant Setting

## Non-anthracycline regimen

Randomized non-inferiority trial

Hypothesis: In patients with early stage TNBC, carboplatin-taxane chemoimmunotherapy is non-inferior to taxane-platinum-anthracycline-based chemoimmunotherapy



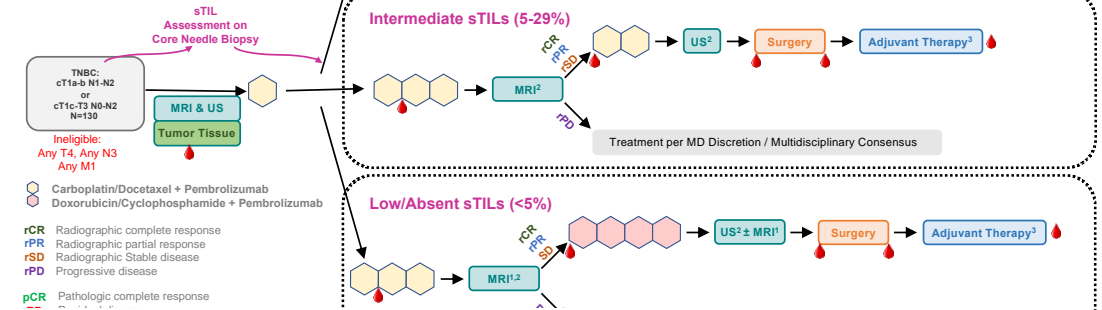
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# Stratify treatment based on TILs

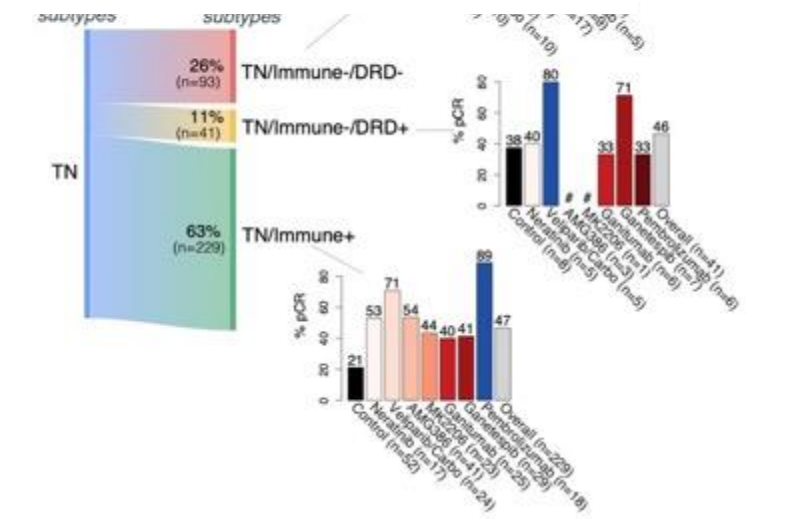
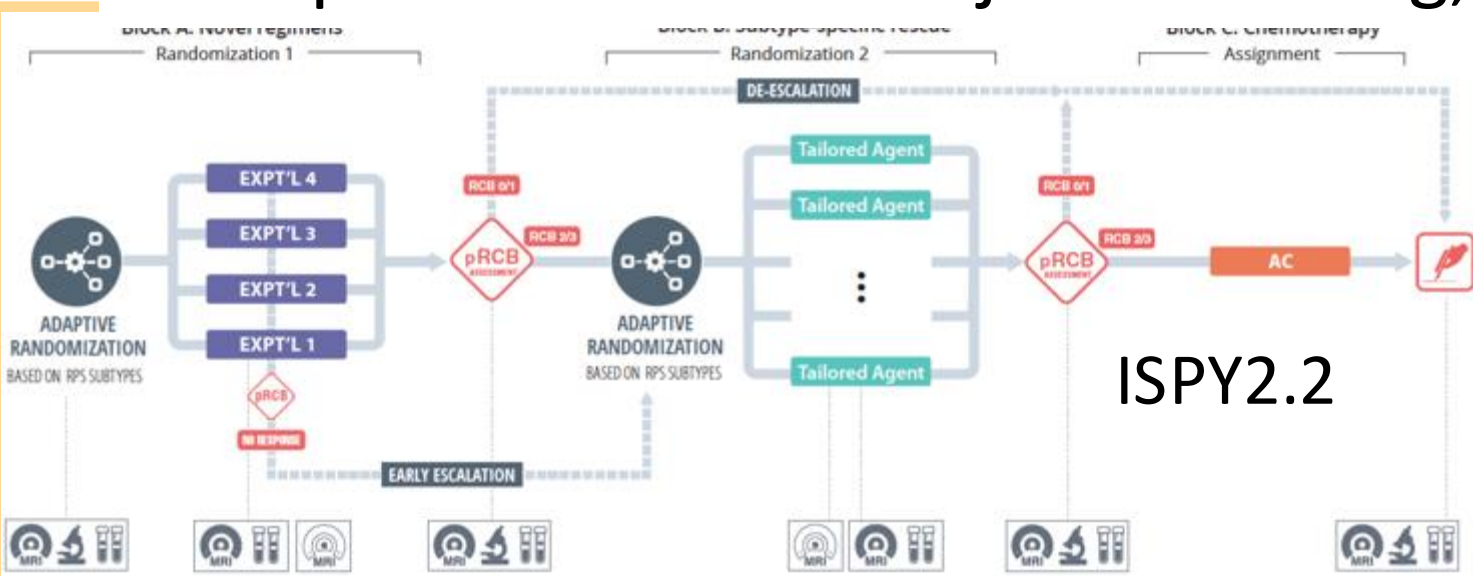
## Response-Adapted Chemoimmunotherapy for TNBC (NeoTRACT)

**Primary Objective**  
 Determine pathologic complete response (pCR) rate in high, intermediate and low-stromal tumor infiltrating lymphocytes (sTIL) categories

**Secondary Objectives**  
 RCB, radiographic response in TIL categories  
 Immune biomarkers, ctDNA and other circulating biomarkers

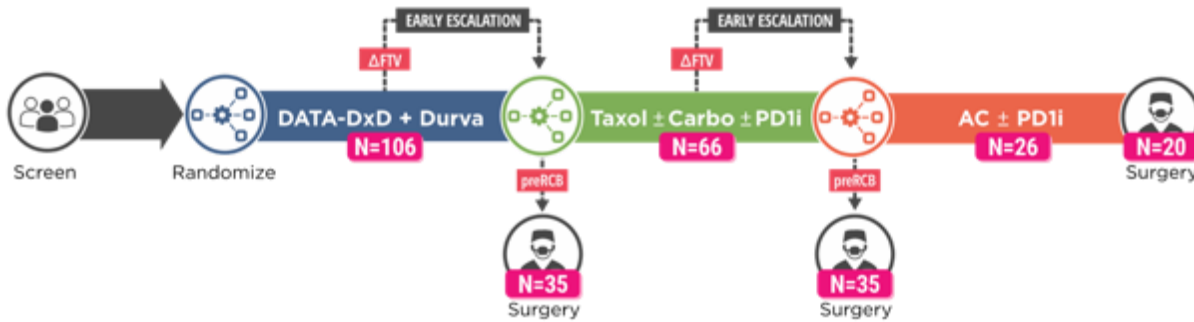


# ISPY2.2: Individualize therapy based on biology and on response in the neoadjuvant setting; test new agents first



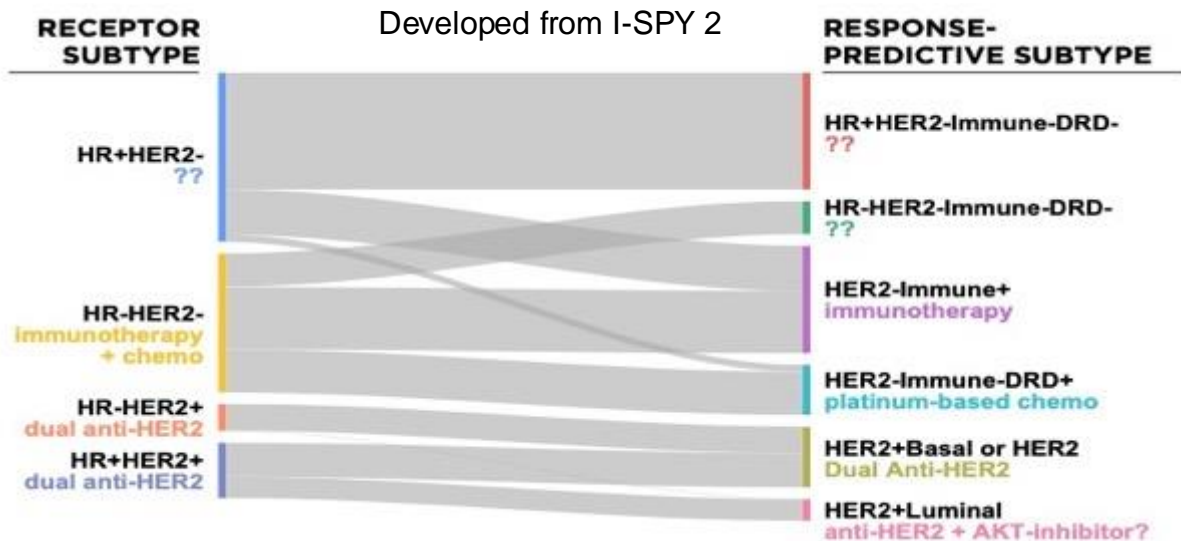
# Can We Optimize Neoadjuvant Systemic Treatment?

## Dato-DXd + Durva Schema



Primary Endpoint: pCR

## Block B: Based on RPS (Response Predictive Subtypes)



- RPS developed from ~990 I-SPY2 patients across 9 arms
- Reflects predicted sensitivity to immune, DNA damage repair deficiency, HER2-targeting agents
- Used to inform I-SPY 2.2 Block B agent drug assignments/randomization
- In Dato+Durva arm (HER2-)
  - 38% of HR+ are immune+
  - 49% of HR- are immune+

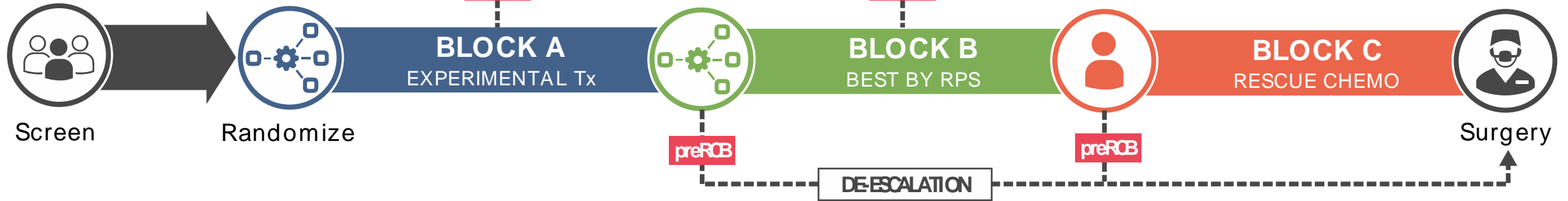
# I-SPY 2.2 Design Features: Multiple Sequential Regimens

Eligibility for Dato+Durva arm:

Anatomic Stage II/III

MammaPrint® High risk

HER2 negative



## *Treatment Assignments/Randomization based on Response Predictive Subtype (RPS)*

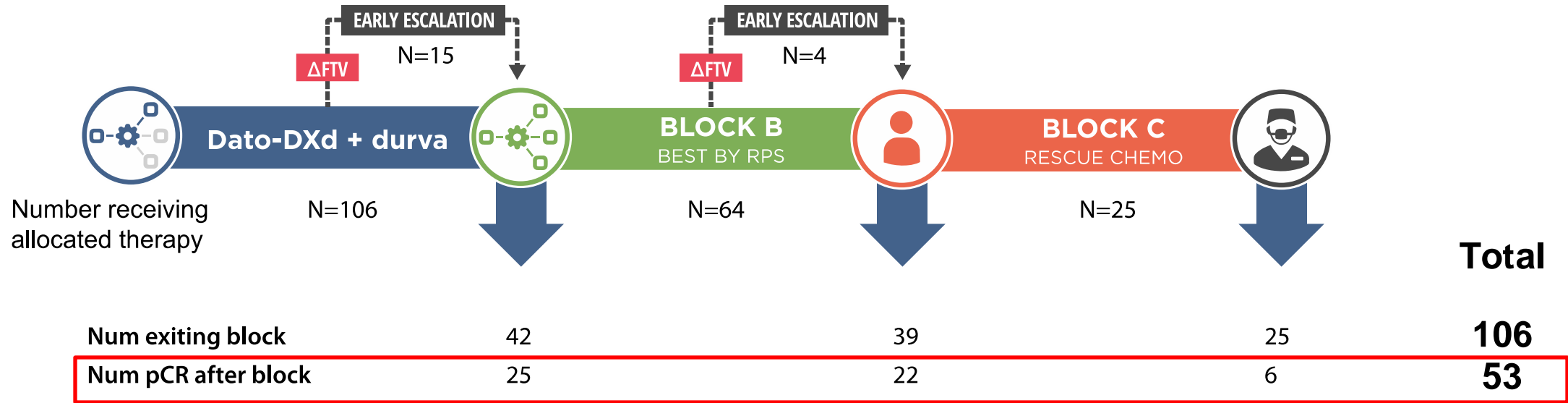
HR+ HER2- Immune- DRD-	Taxol	AC
HR- HER2- Immune- DRD-	Taxol + Carbo + Pembro	AC + Pembro
HER2- Immune+:	Taxol + Carbo + Pembro	AC + Pembro
HER2- Immune- DRD+:	Taxol + Carbo + Pembro	AC + Pembro
HER2- Immune- DRD+:	Taxol + Carbo	AC + Pembro

## **Comparator arm: Dynamic control**

Specific to each subtype identified from previously tested I-SPY2 agents between March 2010 and April 2022 (e.g. paclitaxel -> AC ; paclitaxel + pembrolizumab -> AC ; paclitaxel + veliparib + carboplatin -> AC)

Trivedi et al, ESMO 2024 and  
Shatsky et al, Nat Med 2024

# Timing of pCR in Immune+ and HR- subtypes



	After Block A	After Block B	After Block C	Total
<b>HER2-Immune+ (N=47)</b>				
N achieving pCR	20	14	3	37
Cumulative % of total observed pCR	54%	92%	100%	
<b>HR-HER2-* (N=64)</b>				
N achieving pCR	21	15	3	39
Cumulative % of total observed pCR	54%	92%	100%	

\* Excludes 1 patient who did not receive pembrolizumab in Block B

# ISPY2.2: Key Takeaways

The ISPY 2.2 Dato + Durva treatment strategy resulted in an overall pCR rate of 50%

- ◆ The highest pCR rate was seen in Immune+ (79%) followed by HR- (62%) subtypes
  - ◆ > 50% of pCRs achieved by Block A alone and >90% achieved by Block B
  - ◆ Many patients were able to avoid taxane and/or anthracycline treatment
- ◆ In HR-/Immune-/DRD-, the modeled pCR rate for the treatment strategy outperformed the dynamic control



# TB04 Study Design: Ph3 Dato-DXd + Durva in Neoadjuvant/Adjuvant TNBC

Neoadjuvant

Surgery

Adjuvant

## Key Eligibility Criteria

- Histologically confirmed Stage II or III unilateral or bilateral primary invasive breast cancer.
- TNBC (ER and PR < 1%) or hormone receptor-low breast cancer (ER and/or PR 1% to < 10%, neither hormone receptor may be ≥ 10%), and HER2-negative.
- No evidence of distant disease.
- No prior surgery, radiation, or systemic anticancer therapy.
- ECOG PS 0 or 1.
- Adequate hematologic and organ function.

## Stratification factors:

- Lymph node status (positive versus negative)
- Tumour stage (cT1 to cT2 versus cT3 to cT4)
- Hormone receptor status (hormone receptor-negative [ER and PR < 1%] versus hormone receptor-low (ER and/or PR 1% to < 10%, neither hormone receptor may be ≥ 10%])
- Geographic region (US/Canada/Europe/Australia versus Rest of World).

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### Experimental Arm

Dato-DXd + durvalumab  
Q3W x 8 (24 weeks)

### Control Arm

Pembrolizumab +  
carboplatin + paclitaxel  
Q3W x 4 (12 weeks)

Pembrolizumab +  
doxorubicin or epirubicin  
+ cyclophosphamide  
Q3W x 4 (12 weeks)

Durvalumab  
x 9 cycles  
+/- chemotherapy  
**a, b, c**

Pembrolizumab  
x 9 cycles  
+/- chemotherapy  
**a, c, d**

Dual primary endpoints:  
pCR and EFS

Secondary endpoints:  
OS, DDFS, safety and tolerability, PROs, PK, immunogenicity

Exploratory endpoints include but are not limited to:  
TROP2, PD-L1

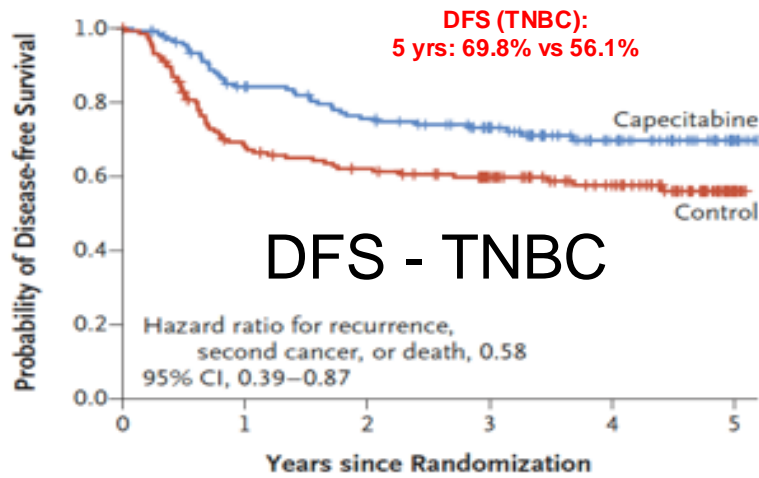
- a.** Endocrine therapy is permitted for participants with hormone receptor-low tumours. No adjuvant CDK4/6 inhibitor (eg, abemaciclib, ribociclib).
- b.** Adjuvant chemotherapy may be given in combination with durvalumab for participants with residual disease. Chemotherapy options at discretion of investigator, either: doxorubicin/epirubicin + cyclophosphamide, followed by paclitaxel + carboplatin; doxorubicin/epirubicin + cyclophosphamide followed by paclitaxel; carboplatin + paclitaxel; capecitabine.
- c.** Olaparib may be administered to participants who are gBRCA-positive with residual disease.
- d.** Adjuvant capecitabine may be given in combination with pembrolizumab for participants with residual disease, at the discretion of investigator.



# Post-Neoadjuvant Therapy

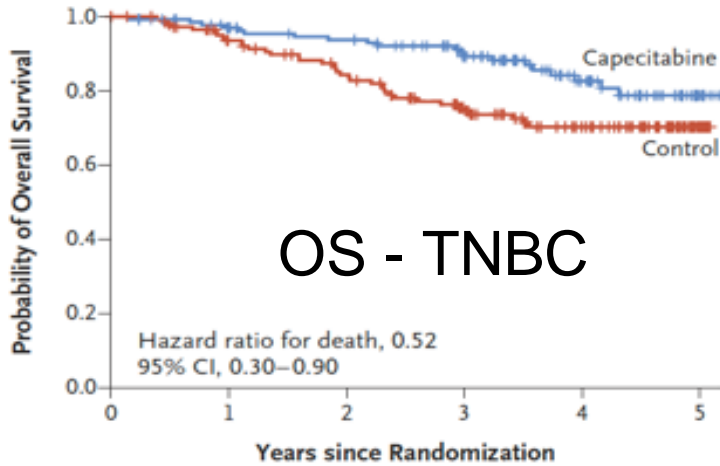
# Post-Neoadjuvant Capecitabine

## CREATE-X



No. at Risk

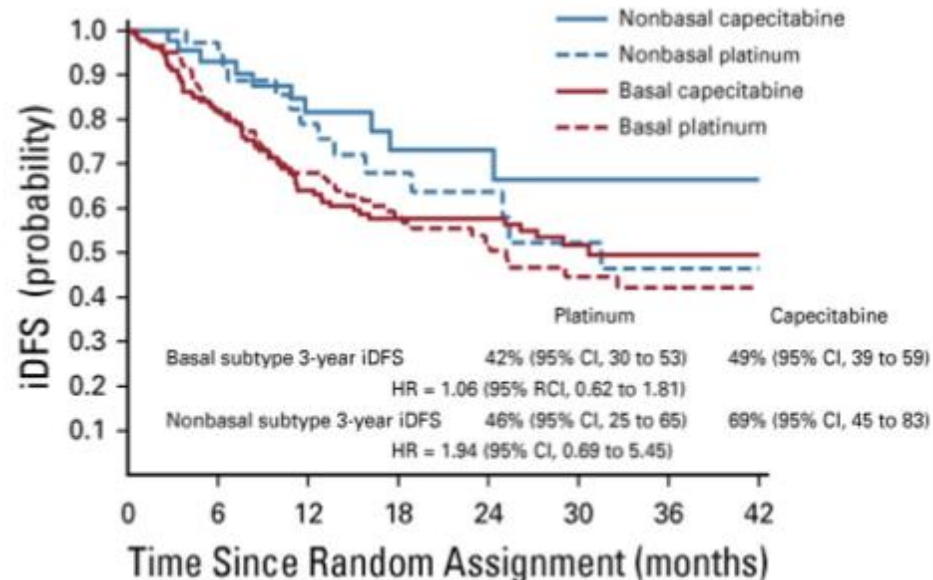
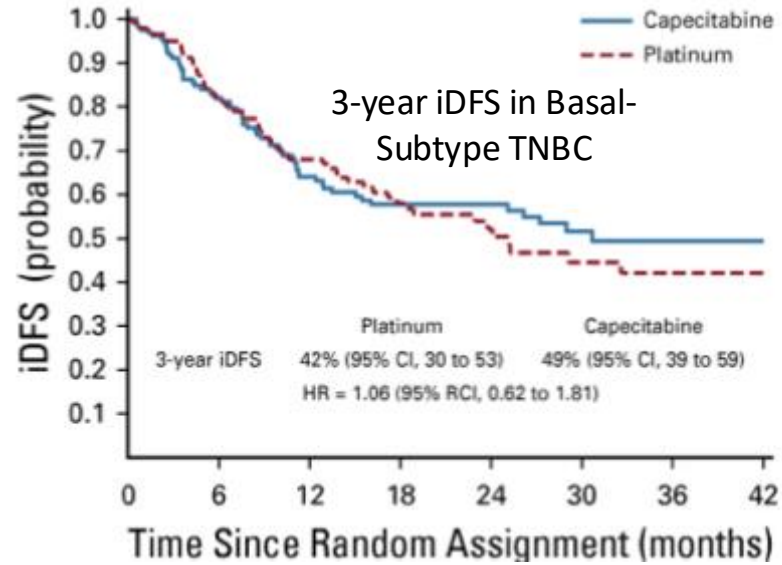
Capecitabine	139	109	96	76	42	11
Control	147	95	84	69	47	6



No. at Risk

Capecitabine	139	124	116	91	50	11
Control	147	125	108	82	52	9

Masuda N et al. N Engl J Med. 2017.



## ECOG 1131

- ~80% of patients with residual TNBC after NAC have basal-subtype by PAM50 analysis
- Platinum agents were associated with more severe hematological toxicities
- Irrespective of treatment arm, a much higher than expected event rate was observed in this high-risk population

Mayer et al. J Clin Oncol. 2021

# Olympia:

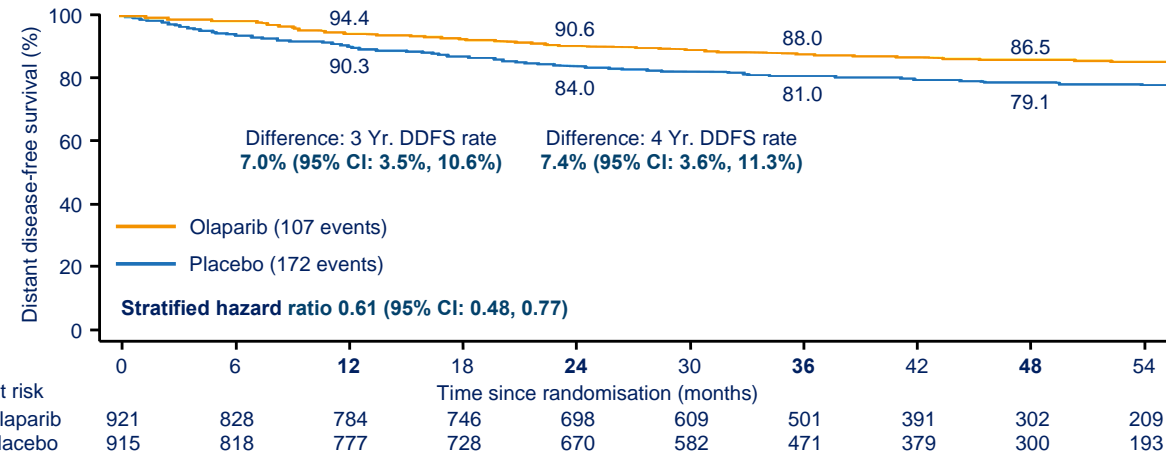
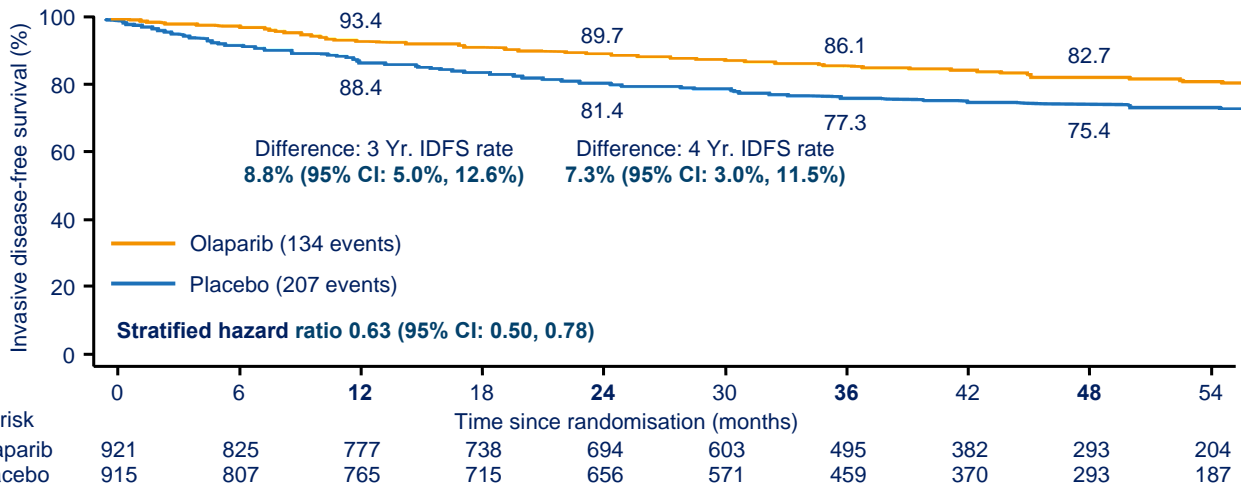
## Median FU 3.5 years, 2<sup>nd</sup> IA

**Neoadjuvant Group**

- TNBC: non-pCR
- Hormone receptor-positive: non-pCR and CPS+EG score  $\geq 3$

**Adjuvant Group**

- TNBC:  $\geq$  pT2 or  $\geq$  pN1
- Hormone receptor-positive:  $\geq 4$  positive lymph nodes

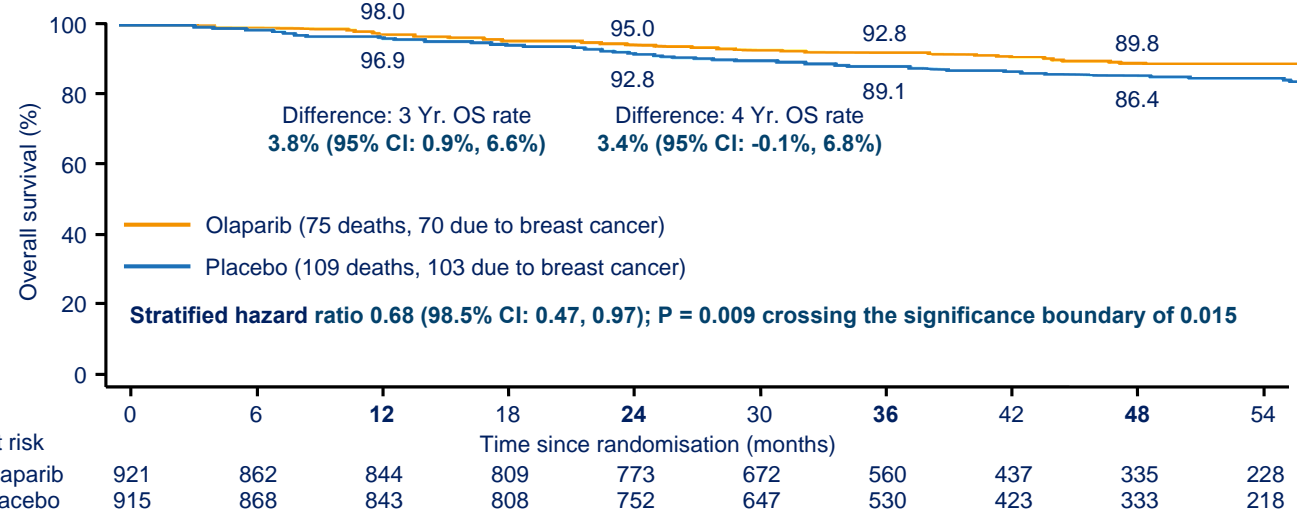


No. at risk

Time since randomisation (months)	0	6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54
Olaparib	921	825	777	738	694	603	495	382	293	204
Placebo	915	807	765	715	656	571	459	370	293	187

No. at risk

Time since randomisation (months)	0	6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54
Olaparib	921	828	784	746	698	609	501	391	302	209
Placebo	915	818	777	728	670	582	471	379	300	193

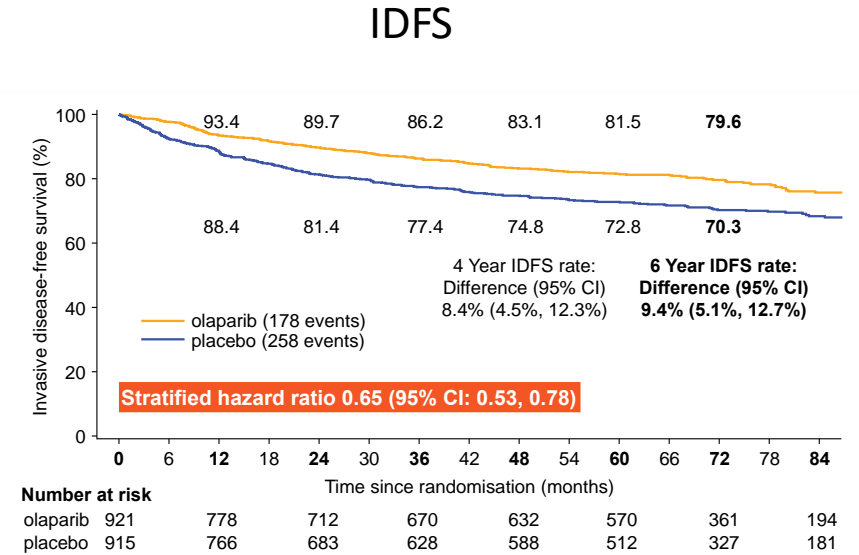
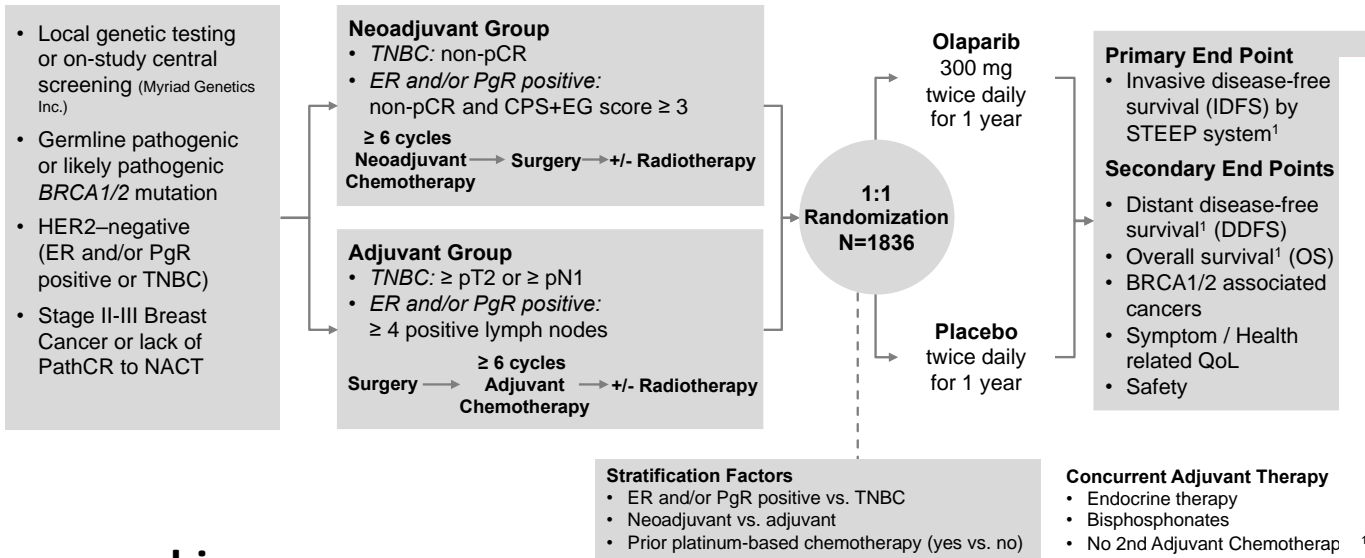


No. at risk

Time since randomisation (months)	0	6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54
Olaparib	921	862	844	809	773	672	560	437	335	228
Placebo	915	868	843	808	752	647	530	423	333	218

- 72% BRCA1, 82% TNBC, 50% post NACT
- No increase in MDS/AML compared to placebo
- Most toxicity grade 1/2; nausea most common
- Grade 3
  - Anemia 9%, fatigue 2%, neutropenia 5%

# 10 Year FU from the Olympia Trial



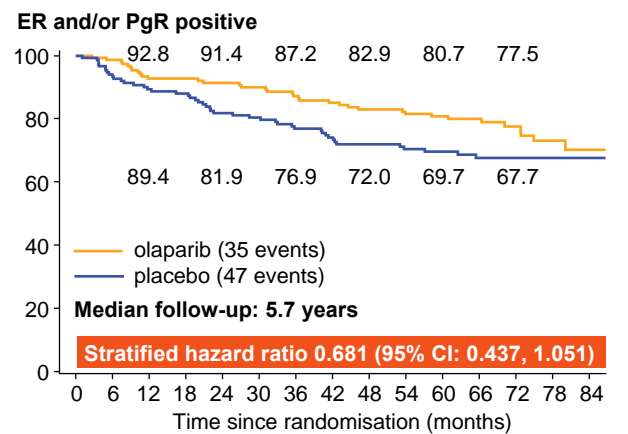
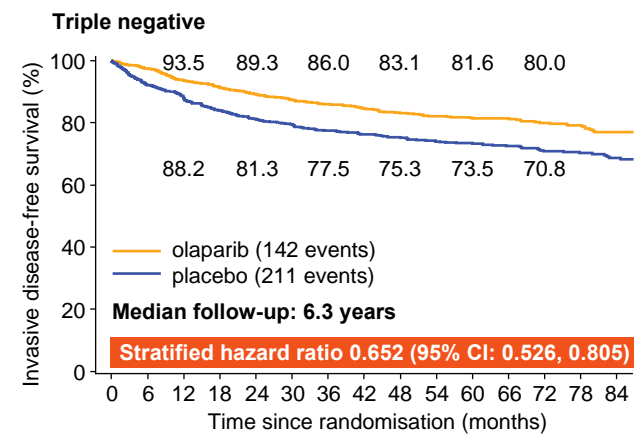
Judy E. Garber, MD, MPH

## Demographics

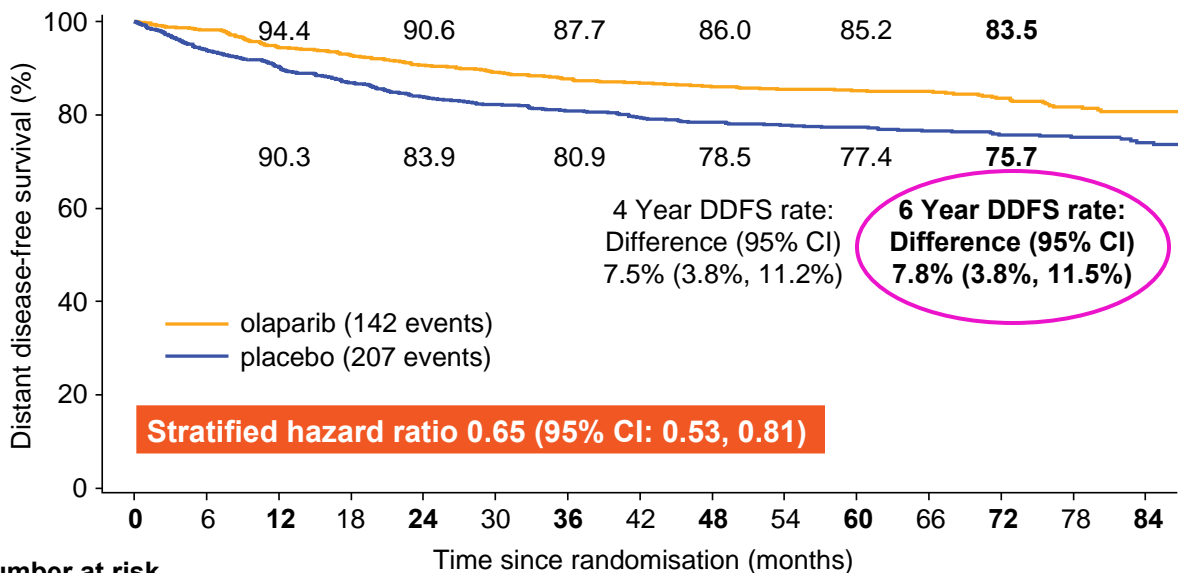
Median age: 42.5  
 BRCA1: 72%  
 BRCA2: 27%

Premenopausal: 61%  
 TNBC: 82%  
 Neoadjuvant Rx: 50% (26% with platinum)

New primary ovarian/fallopian tube CA: 5 vs 14  
 New CL invasive breast cancer: 34 vs 42



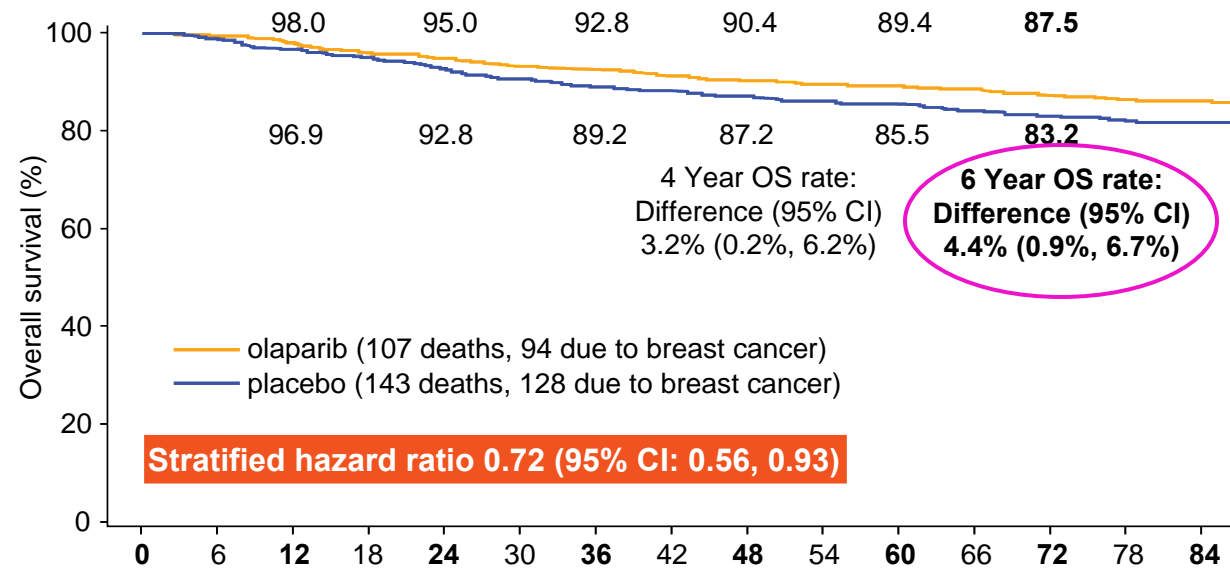
# DDFS (ITT)



**Number at risk**

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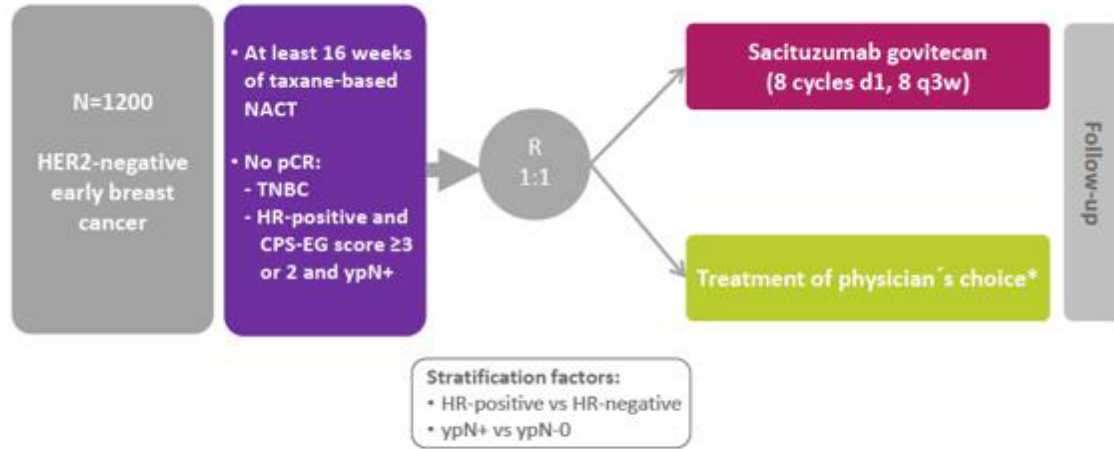
# OS (ITT)



**Number at risk**

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olaparib	921	846	795	765	728	660	420	224							
placebo	915	843	788	739	698	616	390	221							

## GBG: SASCIA Post-Neoadjuvant Trial NCT04595565

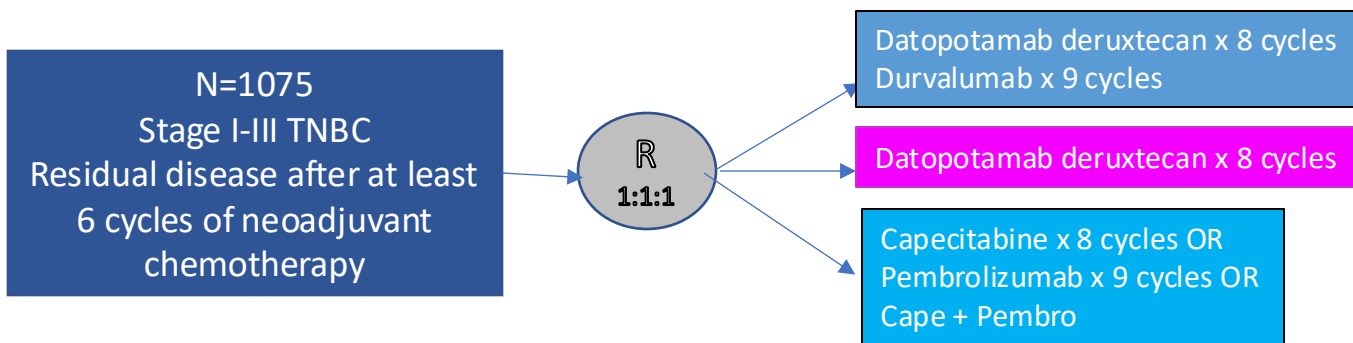


\*Capecitabine (8 cycles) or platinum-based chemotherapy (8 cycles) or observation.  
Background therapy: in patients with HR-positive breast cancer, endocrine-based therapy will be administered according to local guidelines.

**Challenge combining ER+ and TNBC pts**

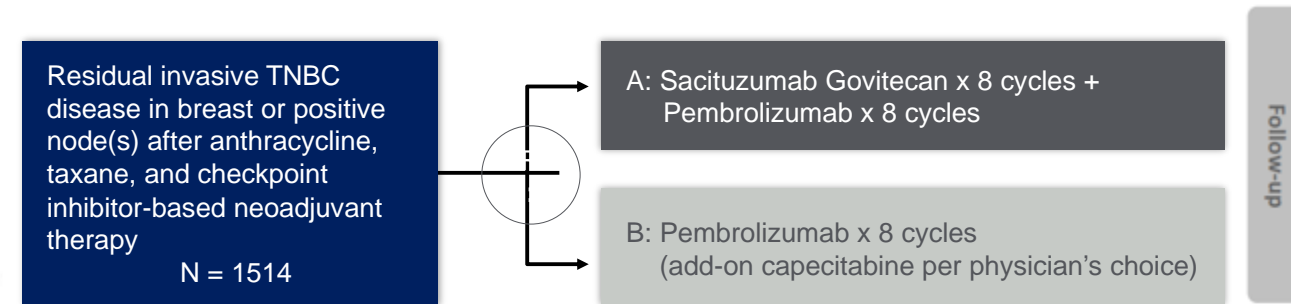
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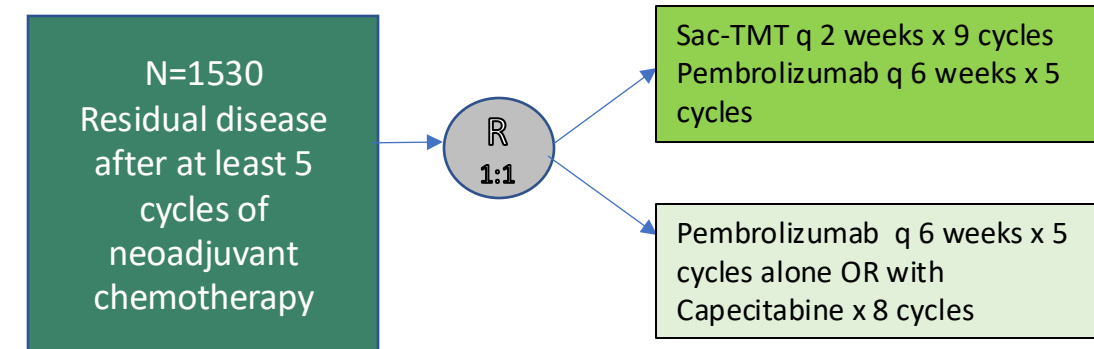
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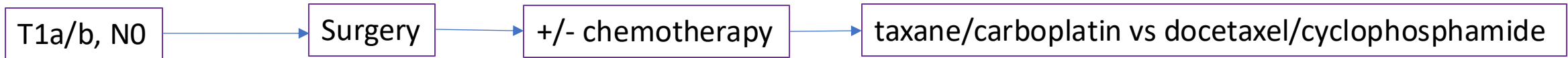
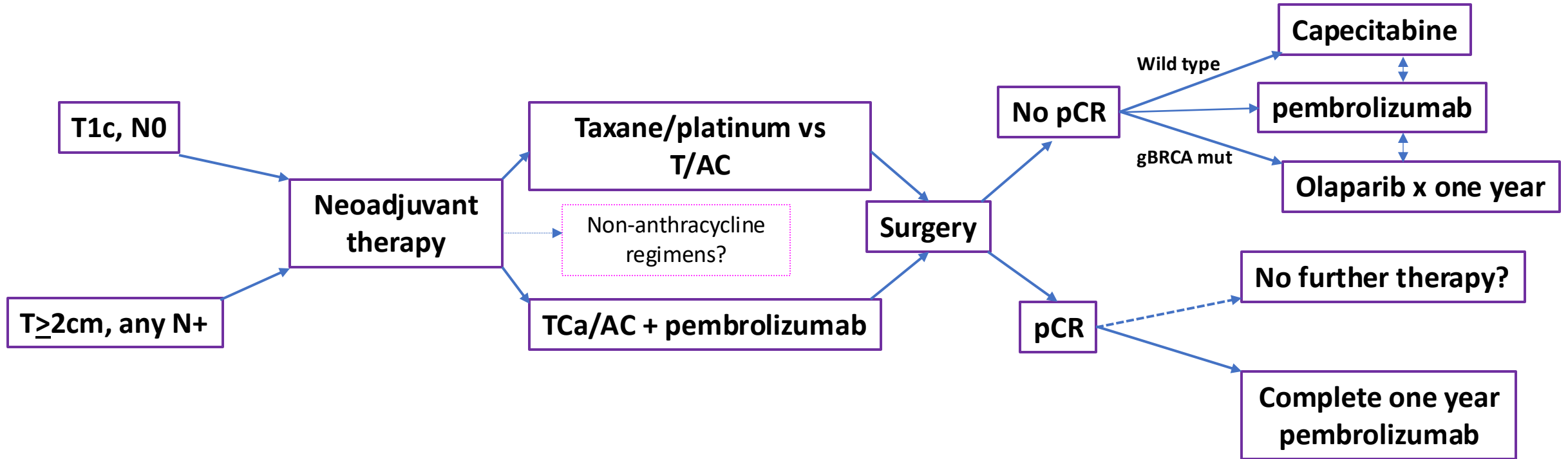
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# Today's Roadmap for Early TNBC



AC: anthracycline/cyclophosphamide; Ca: carboplatin

gBRCA mutation: neoadjuvant PARP inhibitors?

# TNBC: Early-Stage Disease

- Significant progress!
- Neoadjuvant therapy preferred for all but the smallest tumors
  - pCR (no invasive disease in breast or node) associated with a markedly improved outcome
  - Allows individualization of therapy to response
- Immunotherapy approved for early-stage high risk TNBC
  - Understanding who needs immunotherapy and managing toxicity are critical issues
- Optimal post-neoadjuvant therapy
  - A work in progress
  - Escalation is clearly needed
- The next step: therapy directed to biologic subsets and tailoring therapy to response



Thank you!

