

# Post San Antonio 2011

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### Essai clinique avec bisphosphonate

- Gnant M et al: **ABCSG-12**
- Paterson AHG et al: **NSABP protocol B-34**
- Mobus V et al: **GAIN study**
- De Boer R et al: **ZO-FAST**

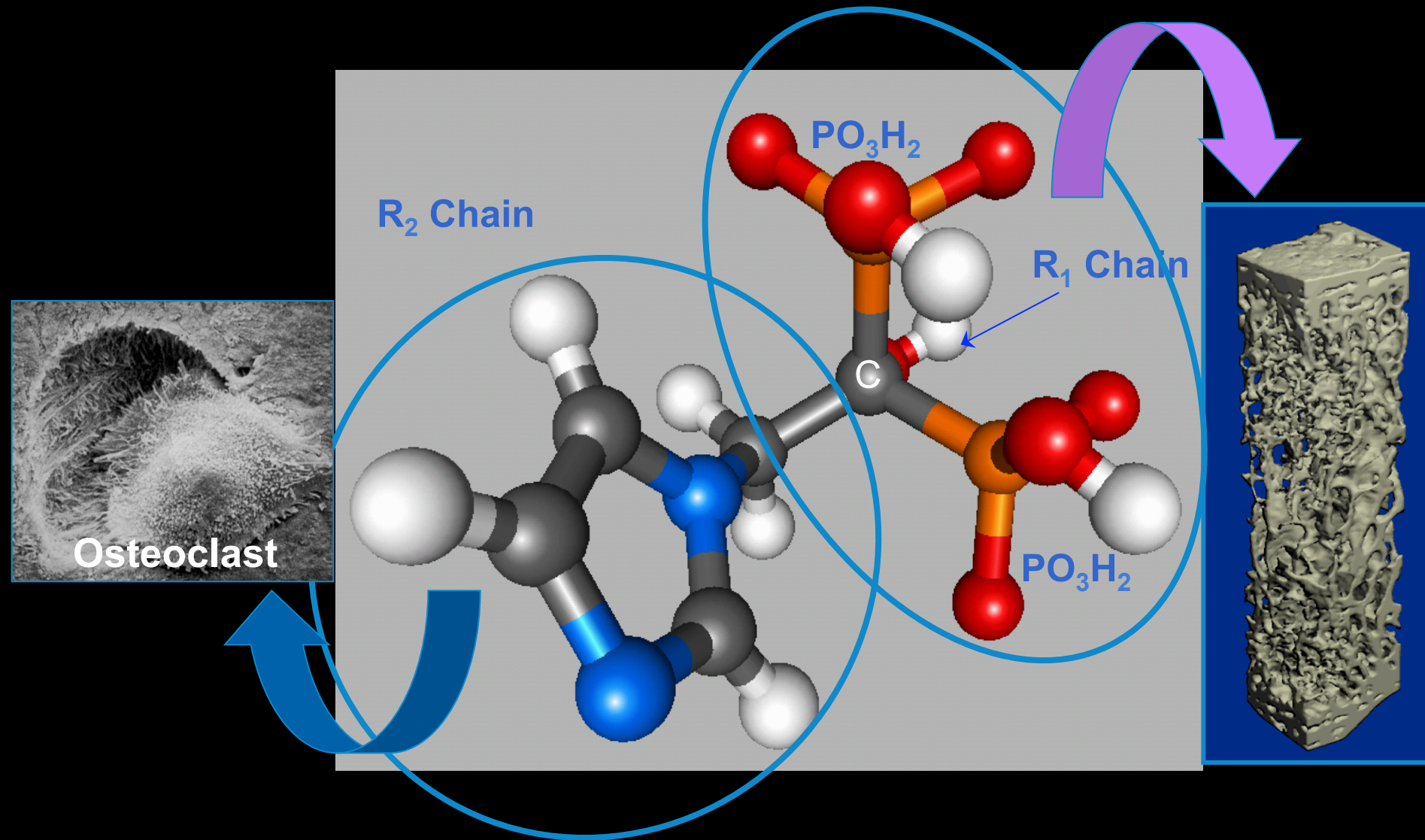
### Thérapie néoadjuvante: Relation entre pCR et devenir chez les patientes Her2- et Her2+

- Minckwitz G et al: **GeparTrio Trial**
- Loibl S et al: **Metanalysis of the German Oncology Group**

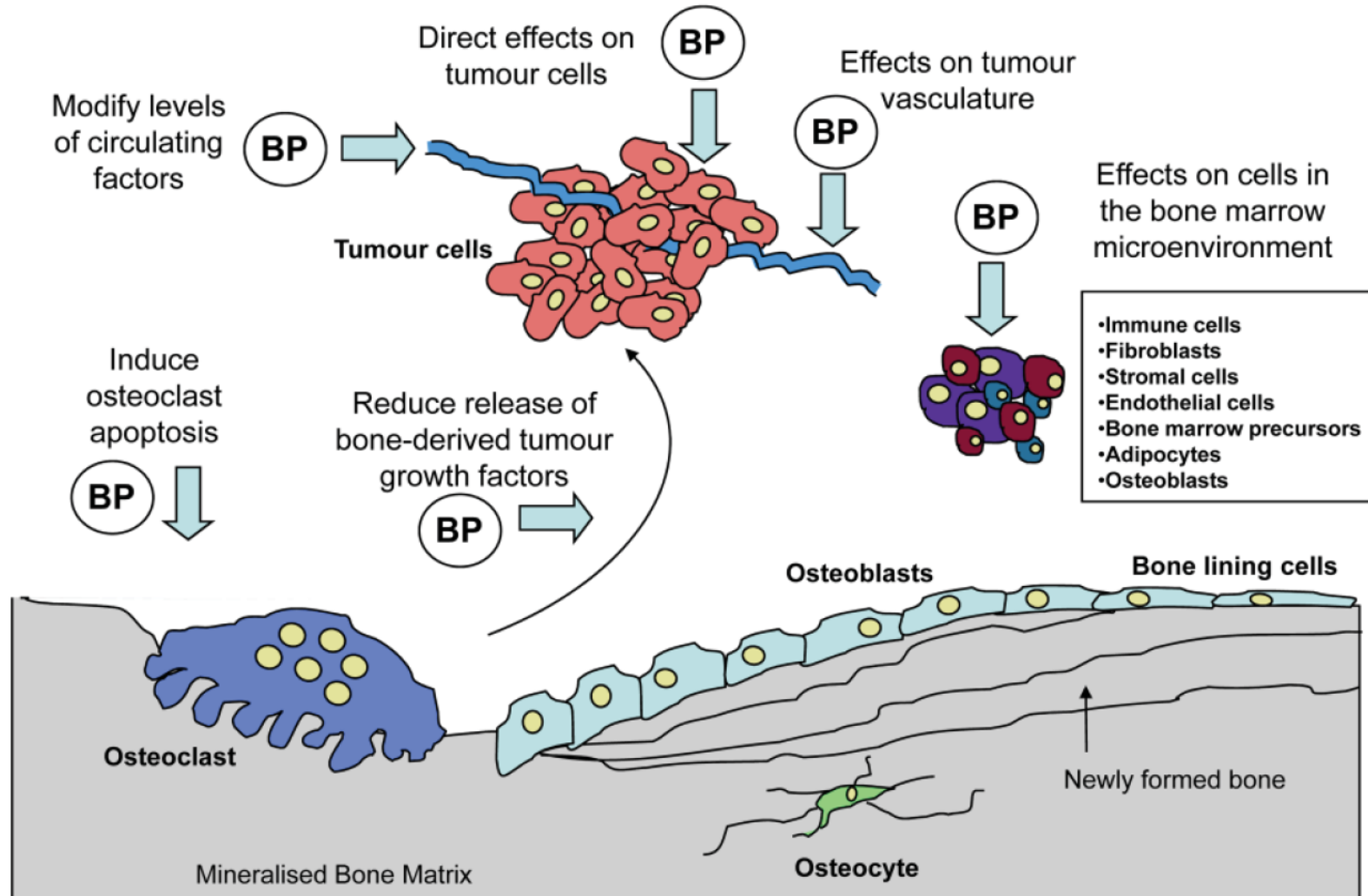
### Oncotype Dx: DCIS recurrence score

- Solin LJ et al: DCIS recurrence score based on the results of ECOG5194

# Overall Structure of Bisphosphonates

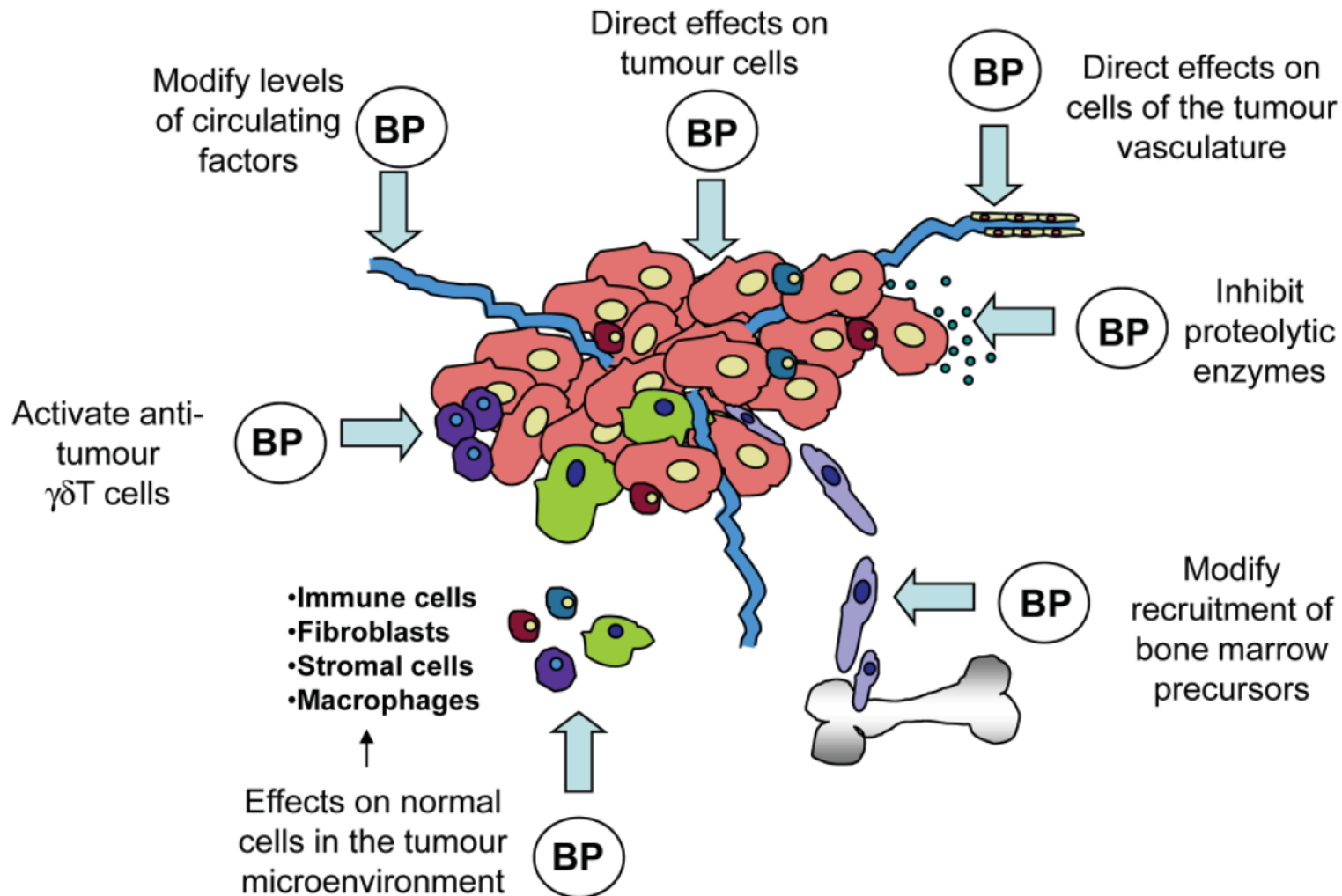


# Multiple Potential Anti-tumor Effects of Bisphosphonates in Bone



Holan and Coleman, Breast Cancer Res 2010;12:214

# Potential Anti-tumor Effects of Bisphosphonates Outside the Skeleton

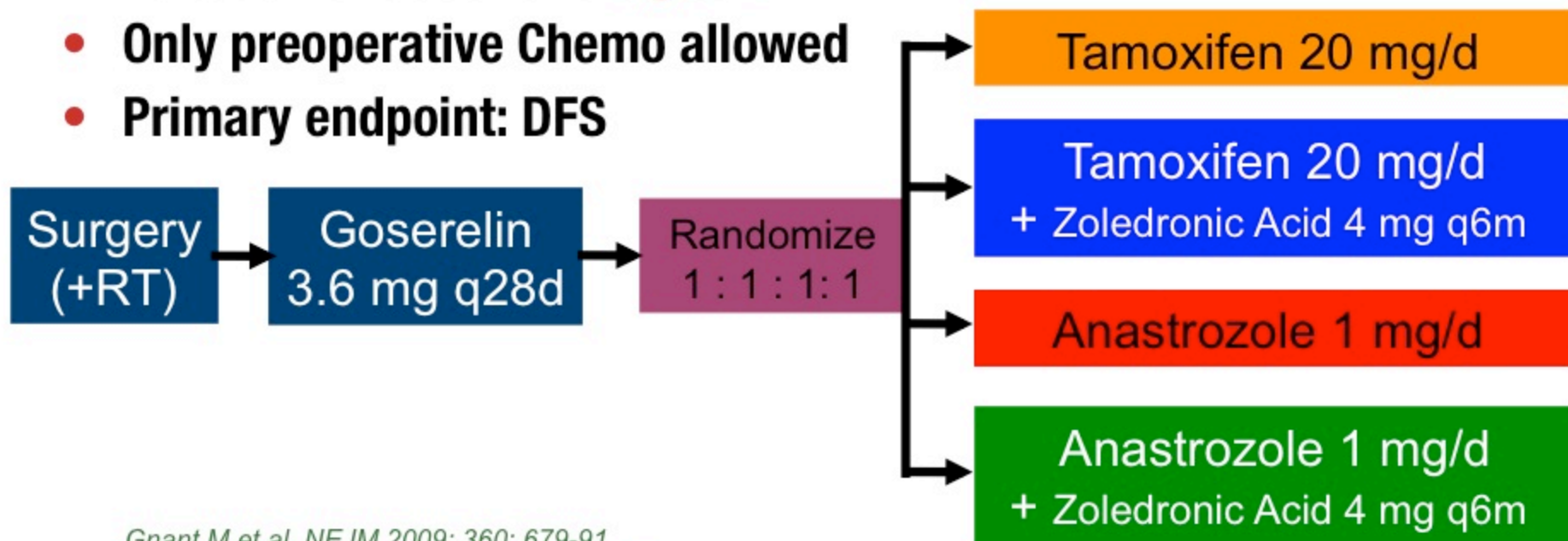


Holan and Coleman Breast Cancer Res 2010;12:214



# ABCSG-12 Trial Design

- Recruitment 1999-2006
- 1,803 premenopausal patients
- Stage I&II, ER+ and/or PgR+
- Duration of treatment: **3 years**
- Only preoperative Chemo allowed
- Primary endpoint: DFS



Gnant M et al. NEJM 2009; 360: 679-91

Gnant M et al. Lancet Oncol 2008; 9: 840-9

Gnant M et al. ASCO 2010 Proceedings; abs #533

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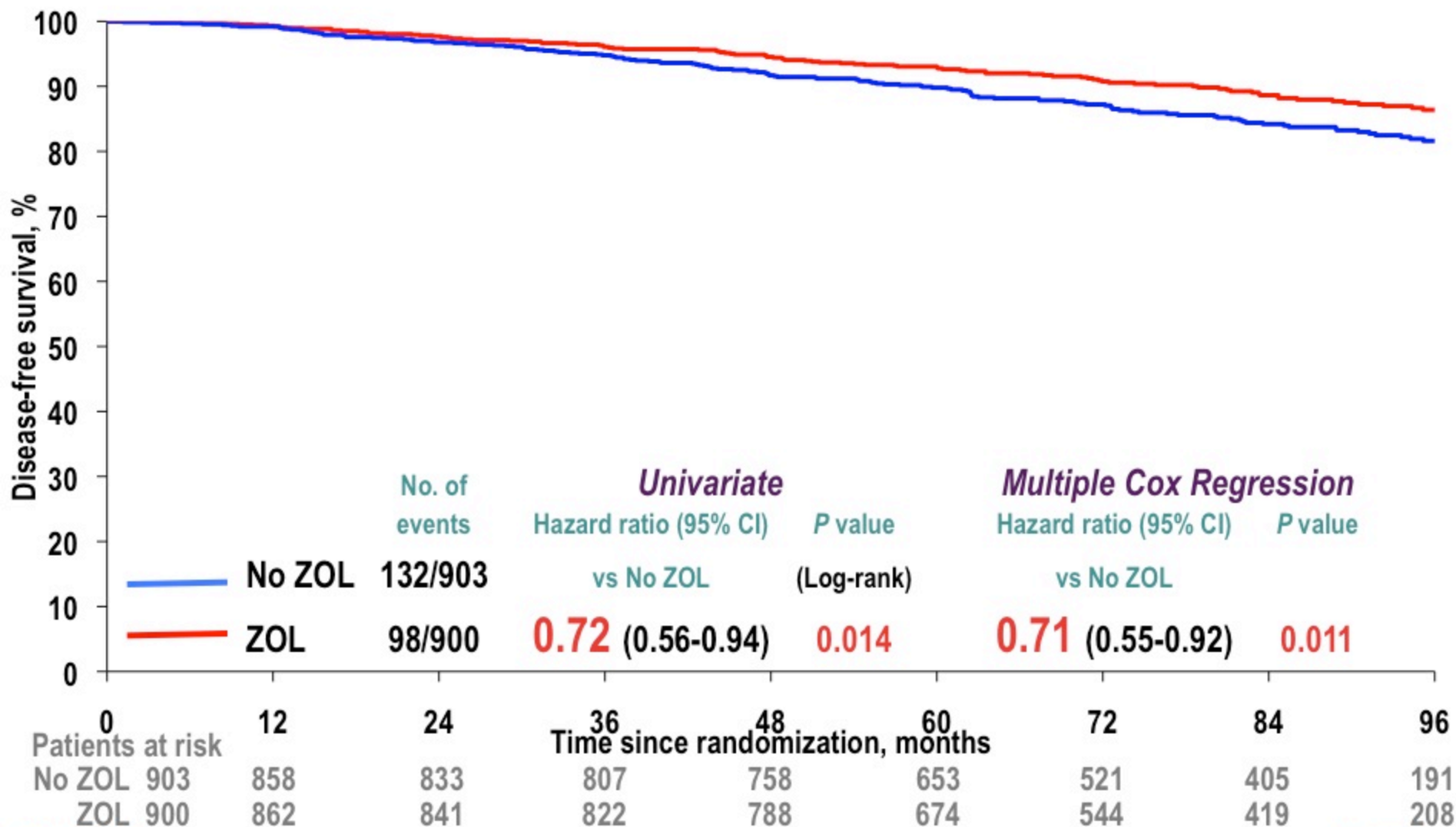
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# Patients

	All patients (n = 1,803)	TAM (n = 450)	TAM+ZOL (n = 450)	ANA (n = 453)	ANA+ZOL (n = 450)
Median age, y (range)	45 (25-58)	45 (27-56)	45 (27-54)	44 (25-58)	44 (28-56)
≤ 40 y, n (%)	413 (22.9)	101 (22.4)	84 (18.7)	112 (24.7)	116 (25.8)
> 40 y, n (%)	1390 (77.1)	349 (77.6)	366 (81.3)	341 (75.3)	334 (74.2)
Tumor stage, n (%)					
T1	1375 (76.3)	341 (75.8)	339 (75.3)	352 (77.7)	343 (76.2)
≥T2	386 (21.4)	98 (21.8)	97 (21.6)	93 (20.5)	98 (21.8)
Nodal status, n (%)					
Negative	1211 (67.2)	305 (67.8)	298 (66.2)	304 (67.1)	304 (67.6)
Positive	550 (30.5)	134 (29.8)	138 (30.7)	141 (31.1)	137 (30.4)
Histological grading, n (%)					
1,2,x	1381 (76.6)	346 (76.9)	347 (77.1)	347 (76.6)	341 (75.8)
3	352 (19.5)	85 (18.9)	85 (18.9)	89 (19.6)	93 (20.7)
Estrogen receptor, n (%)					
Negative	67 (3.7)	16 (3.6)	20 (4.4)	14 (3.1)	17 (3.8)
+	223 (12.4)	50 (11.1)	62 (13.8)	54 (11.9)	57 (12.7)
++	645 (35.8)	169 (37.6)	151 (33.6)	170 (37.5)	155 (34.4)
+++	826 (45.8)	204 (45.3)	203 (45.1)	207 (45.7)	212 (47.1)

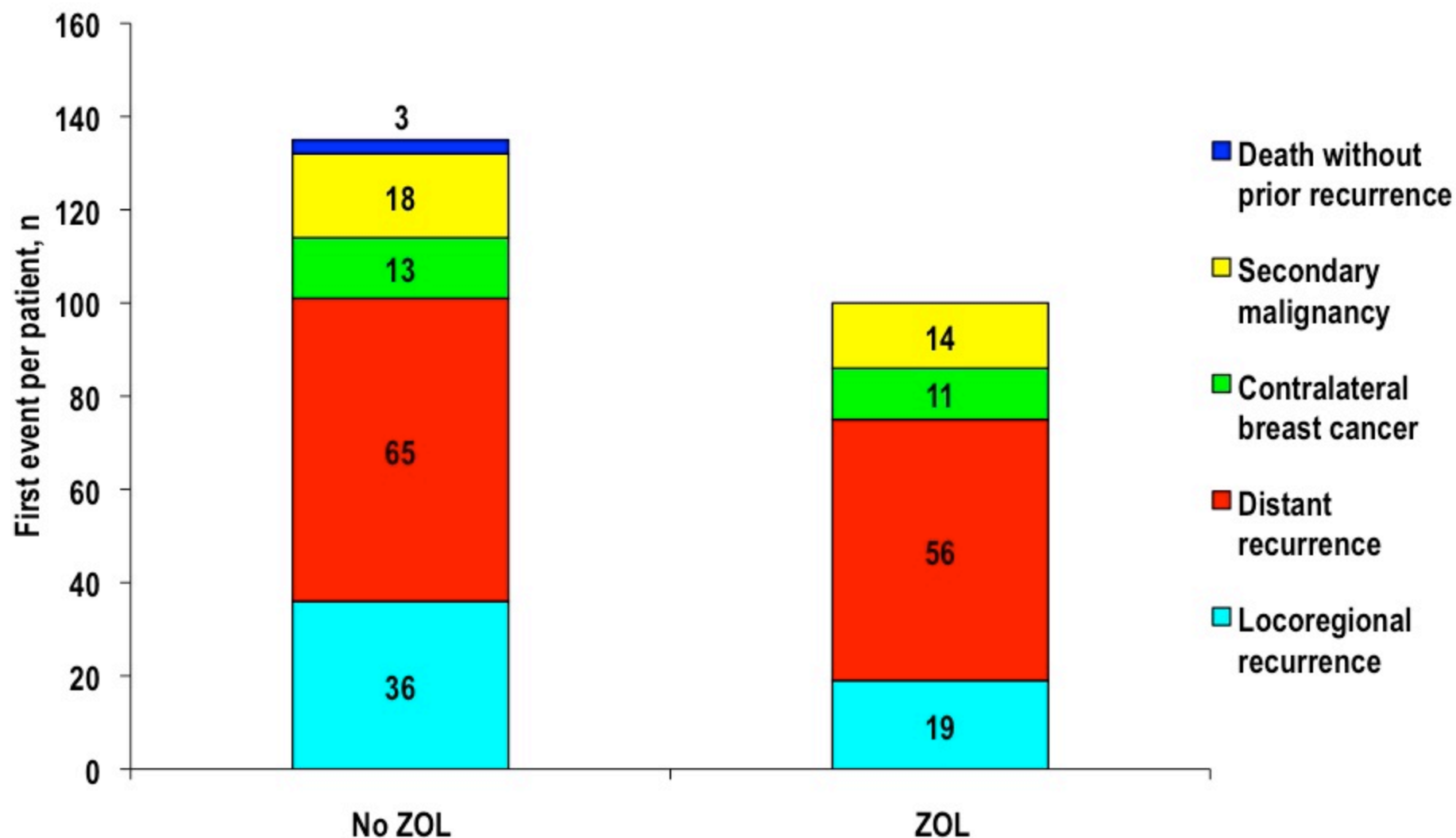
# Primary Endpoint: Disease-Free Survival

Zoledronic Acid Significantly Improves DFS Compared With Endocrine Therapy Alone



# First DFS Events (ITT Population)

Zoledronic acid reduced disease recurrence at all sites





# ABCSG-12 @ 48, 62, 76, and 84 months:

**ZOL Significantly Improved DFS vs. no ZOL in All Analyses**



Shown are Kaplan-Meier analyses of DFS at median follow-up of 48, 62, 76, and 84 months, respectively. Abbreviations: CI, confidence interval; DFS, disease-free survival; ZOL, zoledronic acid.

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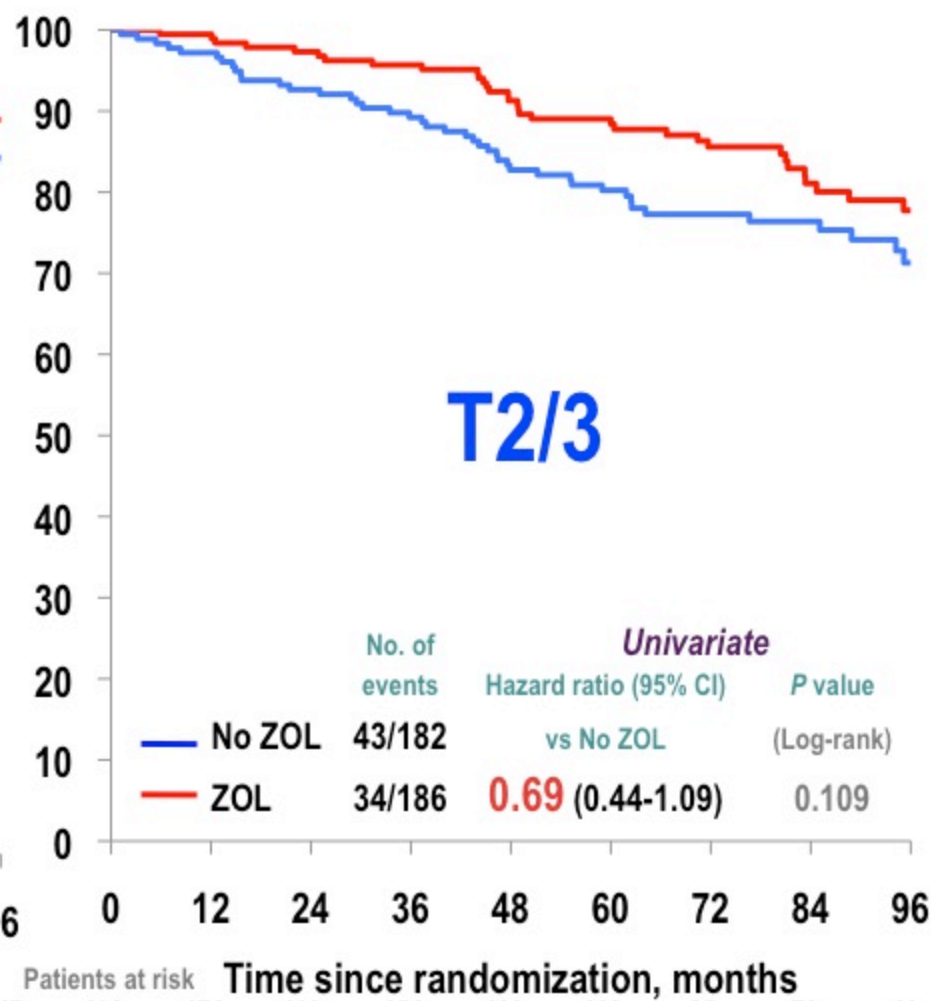
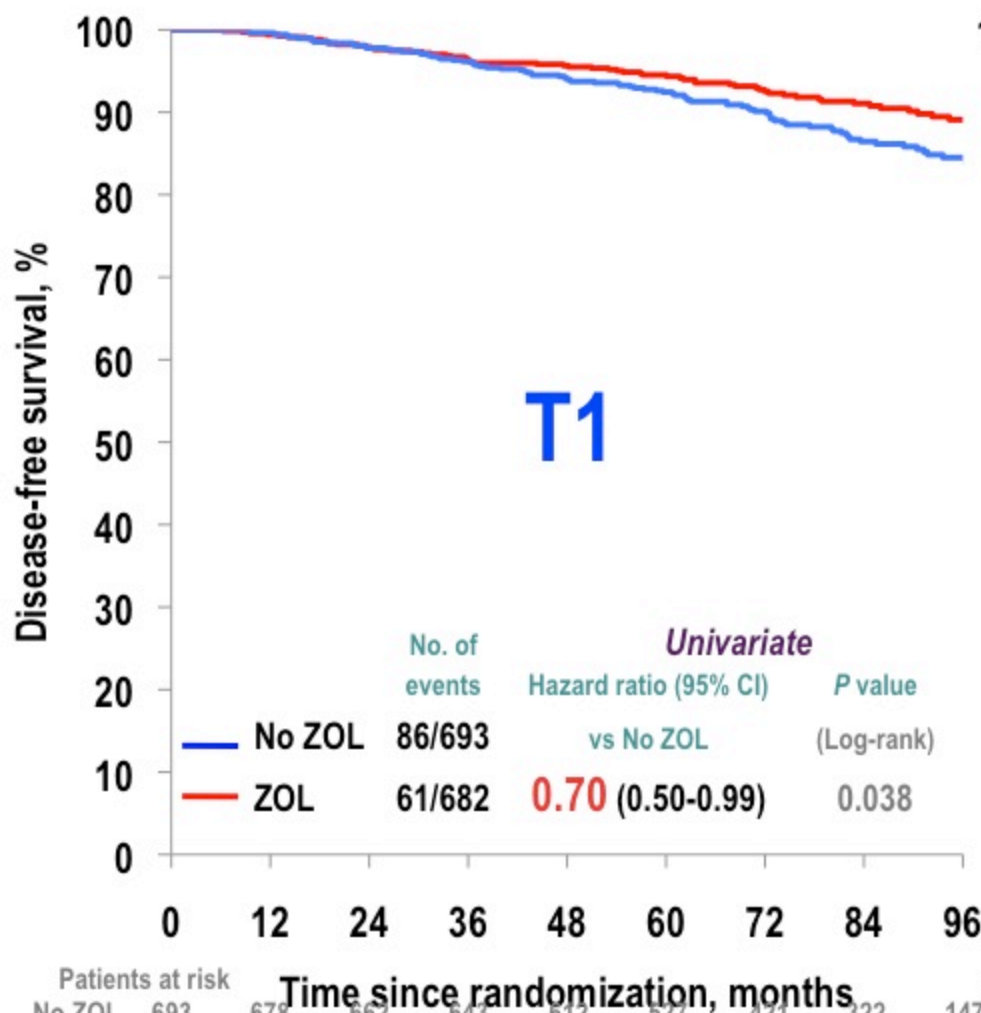
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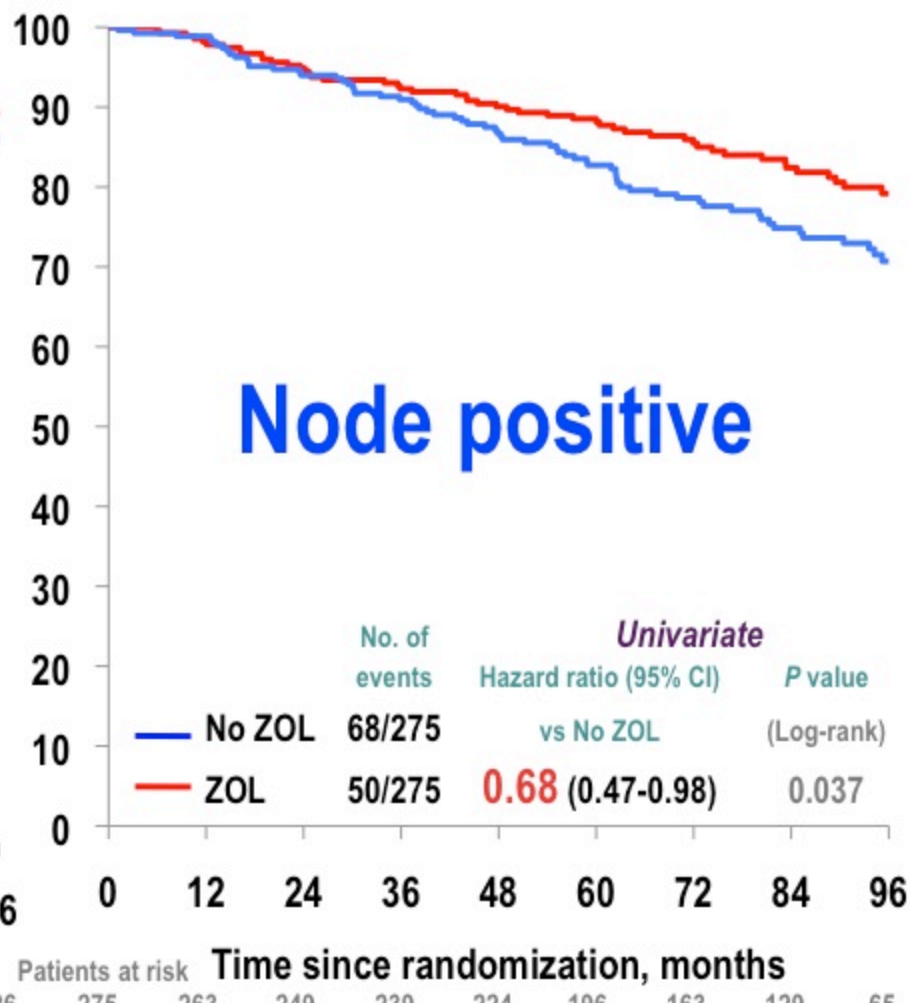
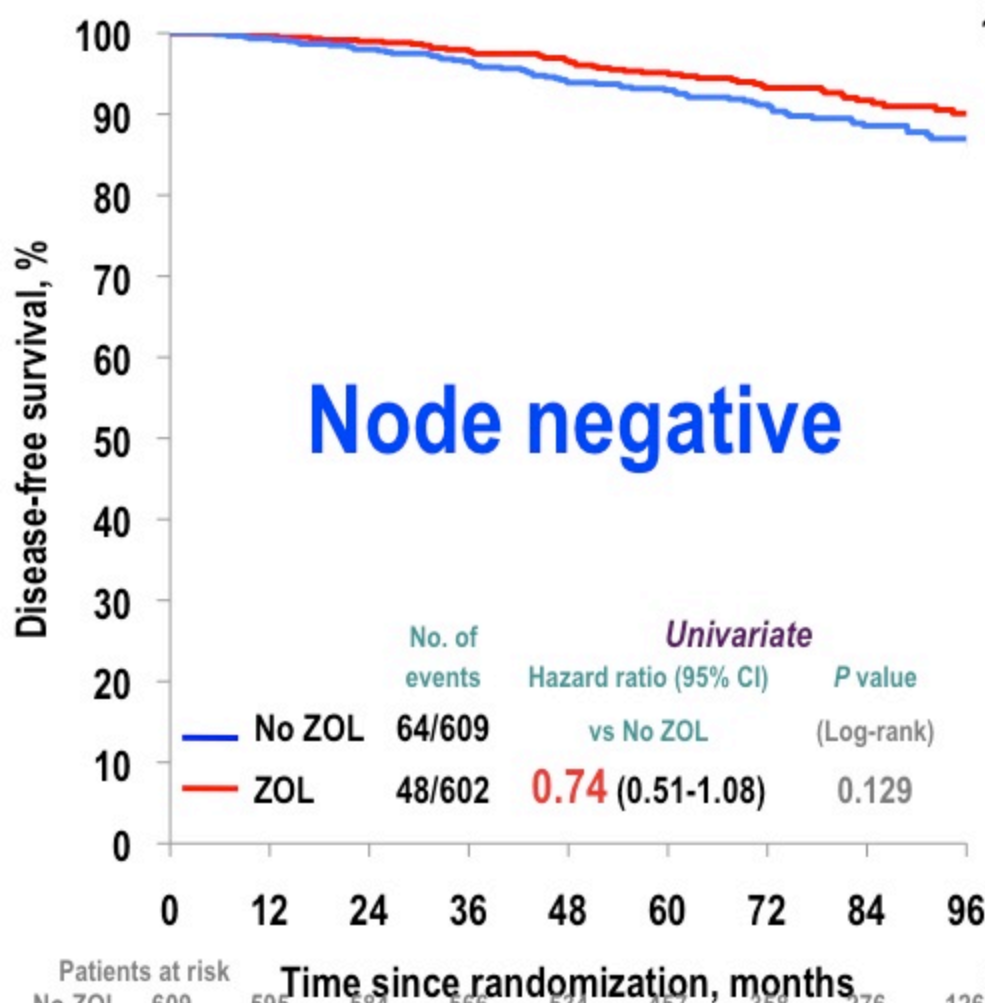
# ZOL vs. No ZOL in T1 and T2/3

## Disease-Free Survival



# ZOL vs. No ZOL in N- and N+ Cohorts

## Disease-Free Survival



Patients at risk

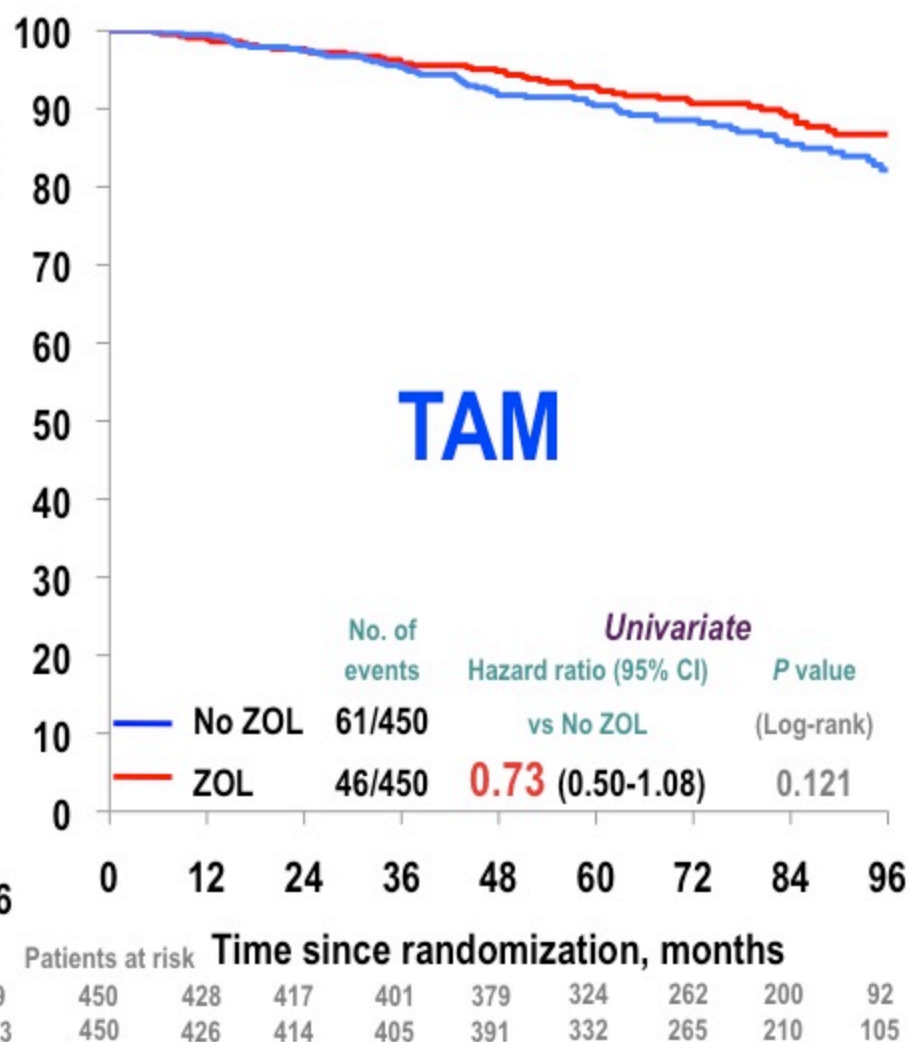
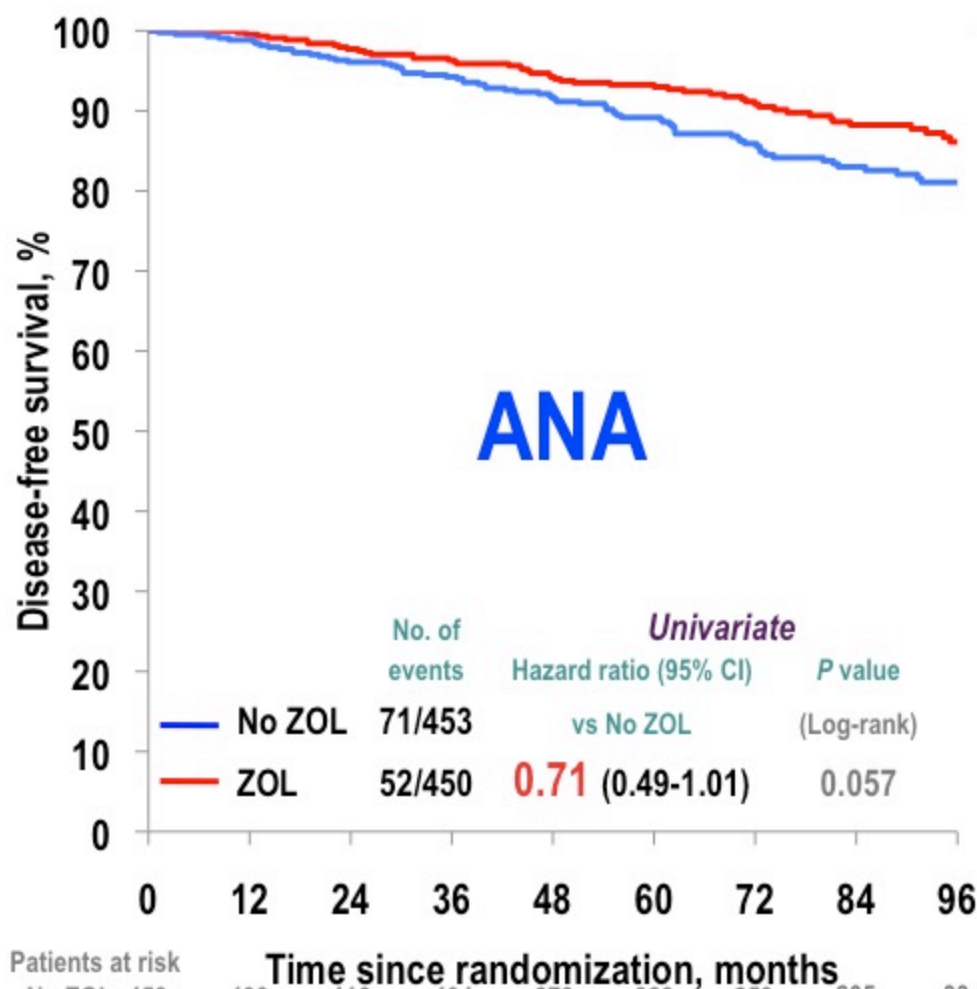
No ZOL	609	595	584	566	534	457	358	276
ZOL	602	594	584	572	546	457	362	272

Patients at risk

No ZOL	275	263	249	239	224	196	163	129	65
ZOL	275	268	257	250	242	217	182	147	80

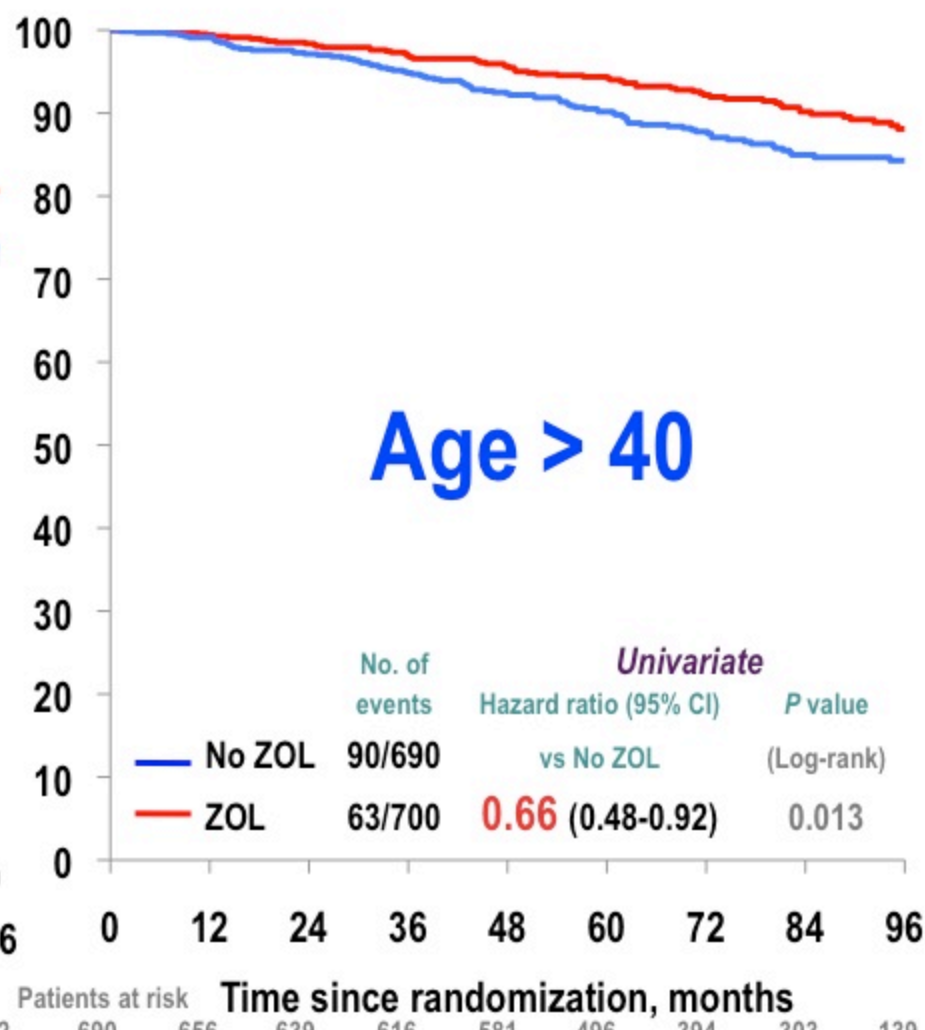
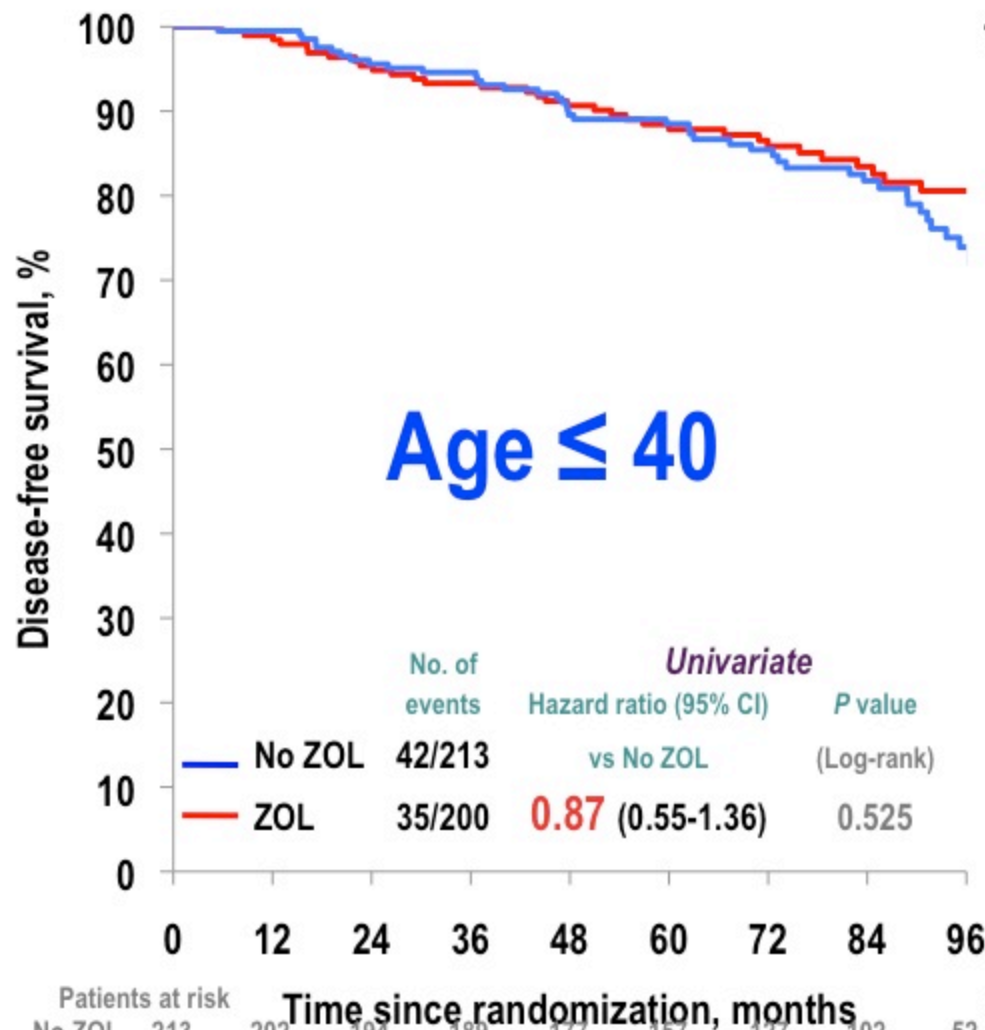
# ZOL vs. No ZOL in ANA and TAM Cohorts

## Disease-Free Survival



# ZOL vs. No ZOL by Age ( $\leq 40$ and $>40$ )

## Disease-Free Survival



Patients at risk

No ZOL	213	202	194	189	177	157	127	102	52
ZOL	200	192	185	180	169	148	125	94	48

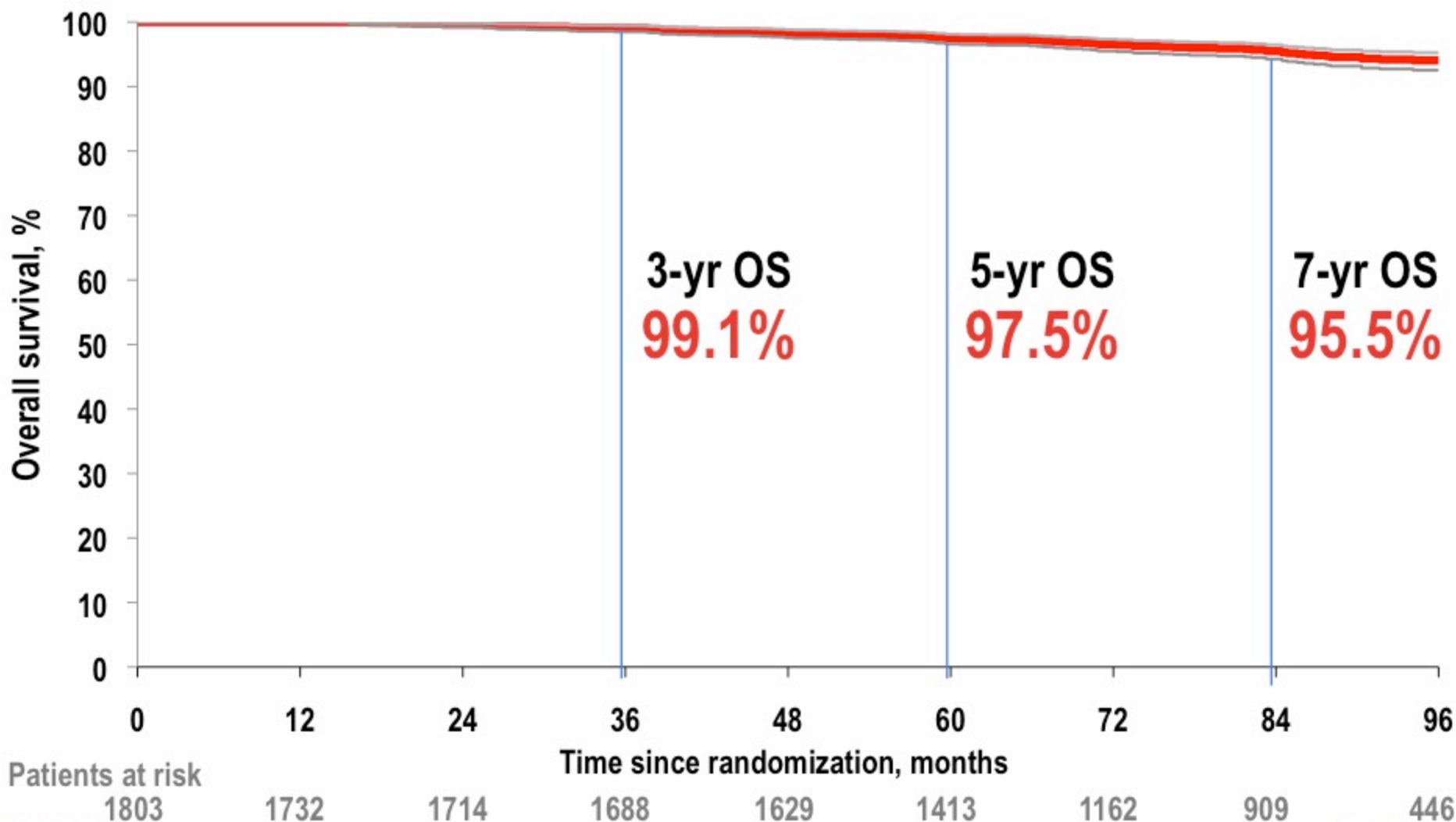
Patients at risk

No ZOL	690	656	639	616	581	496	394	303	139
ZOL	700	670	656	642	619	526	419	325	160



# Overall Survival: All Patients

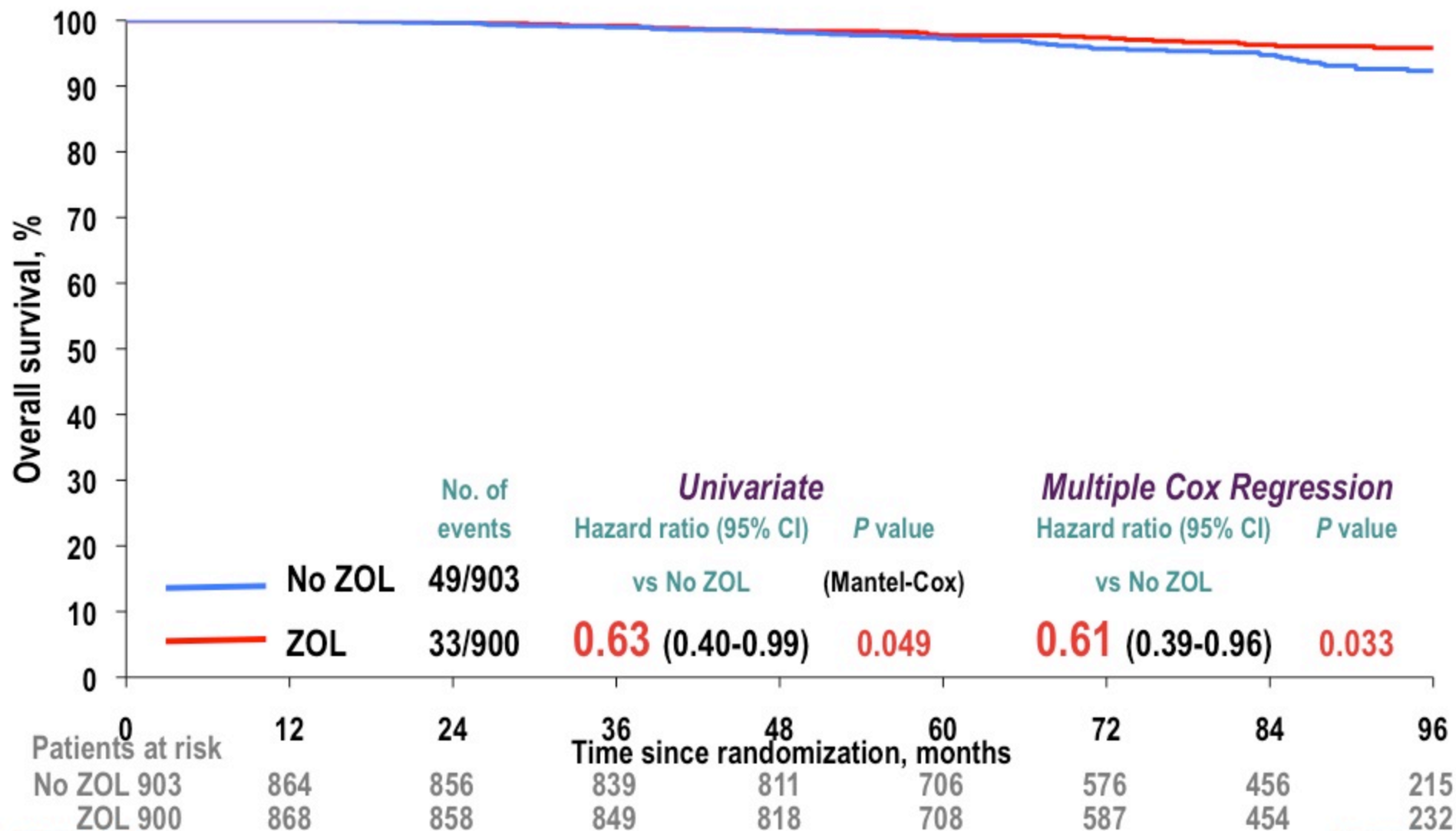
Adjuvant endocrine therapy based on ovarian function suppression yields excellent results in premenopausal patients with HR-positive breast cancer





# Overall Survival: Zol vs No ZOL

Zoledronic Acid Improves OS Compared With Endocrine Therapy Alone



# Summary

- **Overall survival >95% at 7 years of median follow-up supports the efficacy of endocrine therapy (without chemotherapy) in this premenopausal patient population**
- **DFS benefits of adjuvant ZOL, first observed at 48 months, are maintained ( $\uparrow$  28%) at 84 months (up to 4-5 years posttreatment) and now extend to OS ( $\uparrow$  37%), suggesting a sustained anticancer effect**
  - Reassuring tolerability of ZOL in this study
- **DFS and OS benefits are driven by patients >40 years old, suggesting that anticancer effects may be greatest in patients achieving maximal estrogen blockade**

# B-34 Study Design

## STRATIFICATION

- Age ( $< 50$ ,  $\geq 50$ )
- Number of Positive Nodes (0, 1-3, 4+)
- ER / PgR Status

## RANDOMIZATION

### GROUP 1

Clodronate\*  
1600 mg/day  
x 3 years

### GROUP 2

Placebo\*  
x 3 years

\*At the discretion of the investigator, patients may receive adjuvant systemic chemotherapy and/or tamoxifen, or no adjuvant therapy

# Study Population

## 3323 Patients Randomized

Characteristic	Placebo	Clodronate
Number randomized	1661	1662
Number ineligible	31	23
Number without follow-up	5	7
Number with follow-up	1656	1655
Median time on study (years)	8.41	8.41



# Patient Characteristics (%)

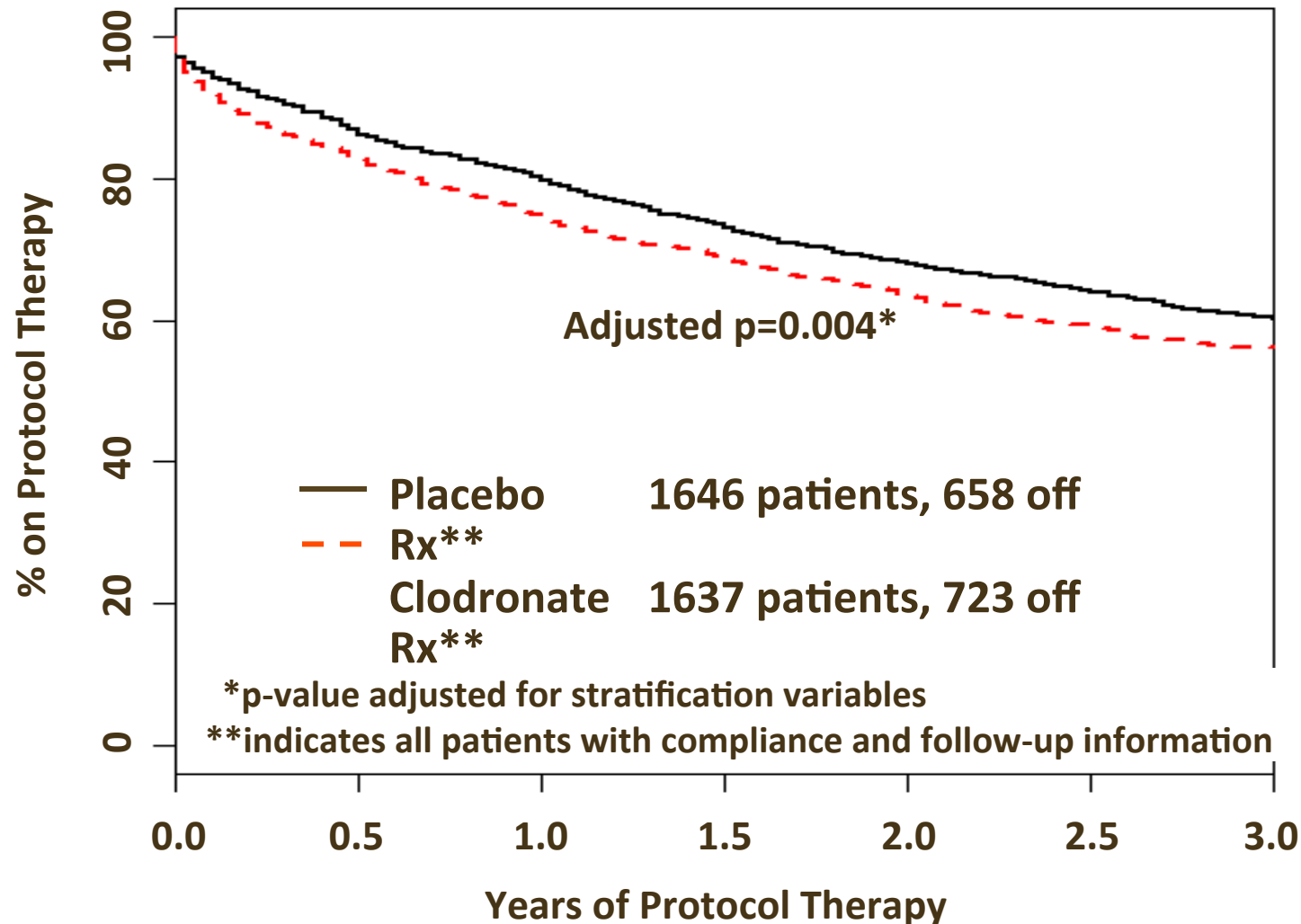
Characteristic*	Placebo N=1661	Clodronate N=1662
<u>Age at entry (years)†</u>		
≤49	35.5	35.7
≥50	64.5	64.3
<u>Race</u>		
White	82.8	83.1
Black	7.6	7.0
Hispanic	5.4	5.8
Other	4.2	4.1
<u>Number of positive nodes†</u>		
Negative	75.4	75.7
1 – 3	17.8	17.8
4 or more	6.9	6.5
<u>ER/PgR status†</u>		
Both Negative	22.2	22.1
ER and/or PgR Positive	77.8	77.9
<u>Adjuvant Therapy</u>		
No adjuvant therapy	3.2	3.2
Chemotherapy only	21.0	20.7
Endocrine therapy only	31.9	31.6
Chemo and endocrine therapy	43.9	44.5

\* Values are based on all patients entered into the study unless otherwise specified

† As reported at the time of randomization.



# % on Protocol Therapy by Time



# Toxicities and Side Effects (%)

	Clodronate N=1612			Placebo N=1623		
Toxicity Grades	3	4	5	3	4	5
Overall Toxicity	15	5	<1	14	7	1
Diarrhea	2	<1	0	1	0	0
SGOT/SGPT	<1	<1	0	<1	<1	0
Hypocalcemia	<1	0	0	<1	0	0
Creatinine	<1	<1	0	0	0	0
Thrombosis/Embolism	1	<1	0	1	1	0
Pancreatitis	<1	0	0	<1	0	0
<i>Osteonecrosis of jaw</i>	1 case			0 cases		
Death (cause unknown)	1 case			5 cases		

# Time to Event Endpoints

ENDPOINT	ENDPOINT Abbrev.	Definition of Event
Disease free survival*	DFS	All recurrences, deaths and 2 <sup>nd</sup> primary cancers
Overall survival**	OS	All deaths
Recurrence free interval**	RFI	All recurrences
Bone metastasis free interval**	BMFI	All skeletal metastases
Non-bone metastasis free interval**	NBMFI	All non-skeletal metastases

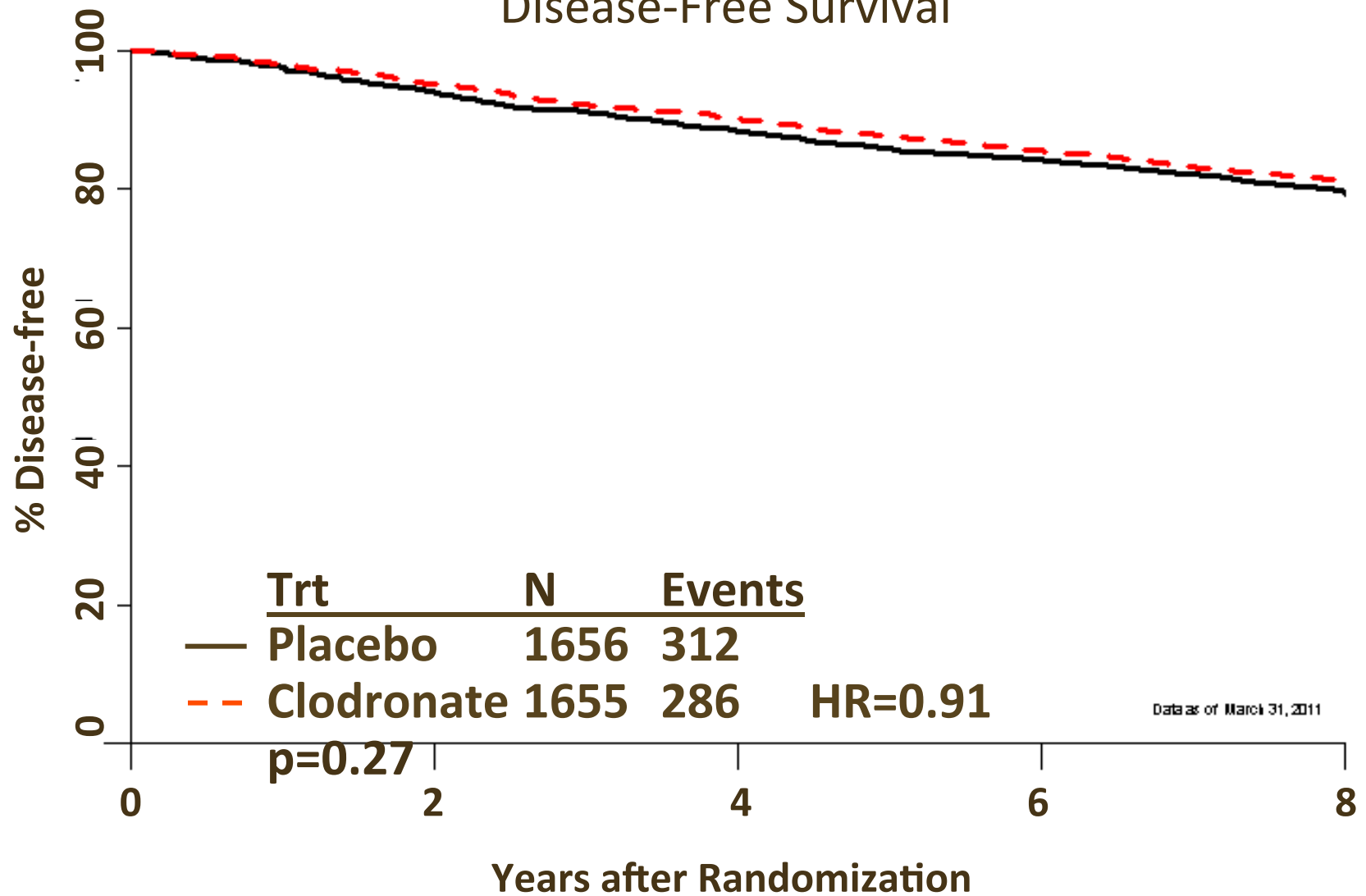
\*Primary endpoint

\*\*Specified secondary endpoints



## NSABP Protocol B-34

### Disease-Free Survival



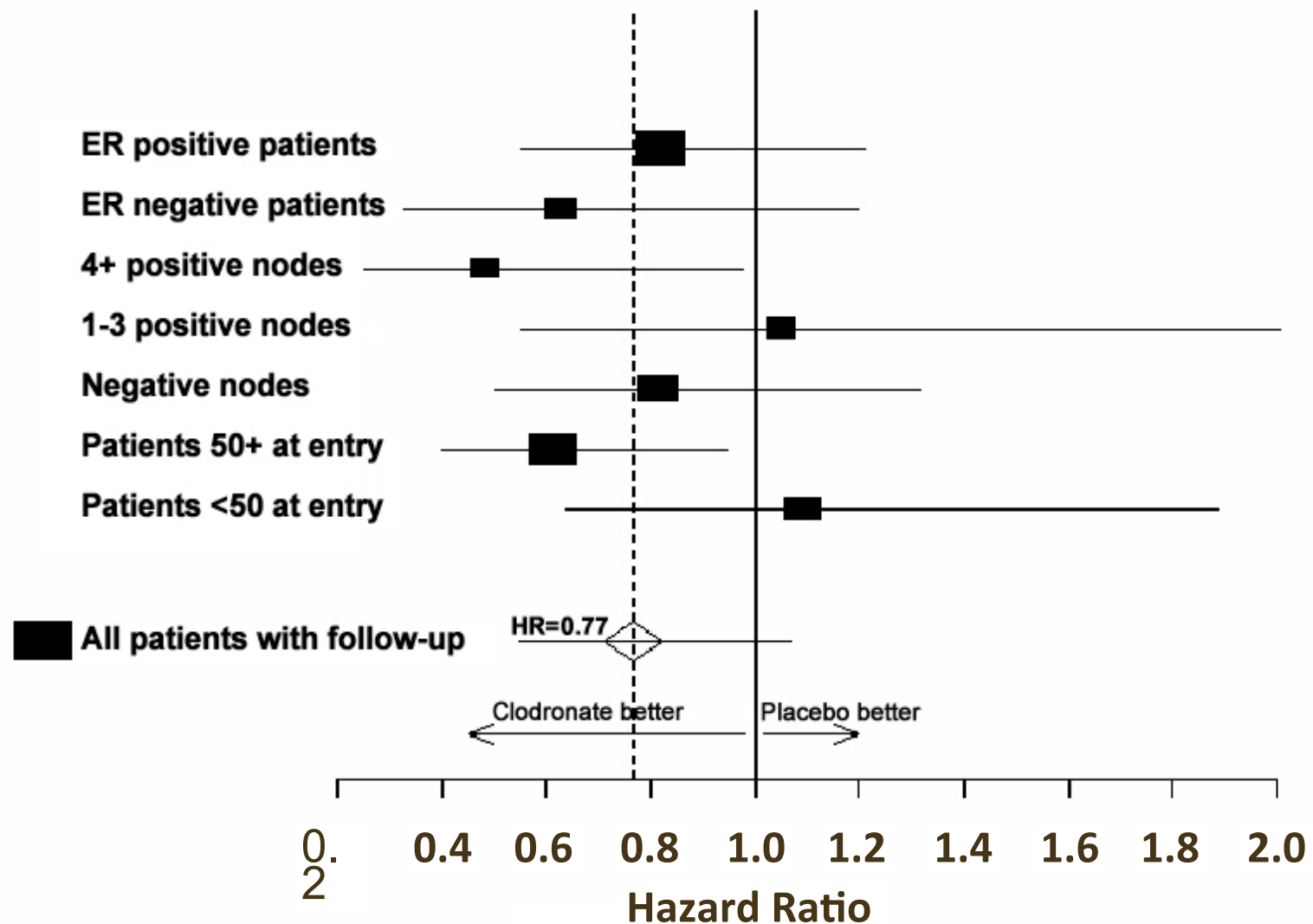
# Analyses of Specified Endpoints

ENDPOINT	Hazard Ratio (HR)	95% confidence interval	p-value
DFS	0.913	0.778 – 1.072	0.266
OS	0.842	0.672 – 1.054	0.131
RFI	0.834	0.671 – 1.038	0.101
BMFI	0.765	0.548 – 1.068	0.114
<b>NBMFI</b>	<b>0.743</b>	<b>0.554 – 0.996</b>	<b>0.046</b>



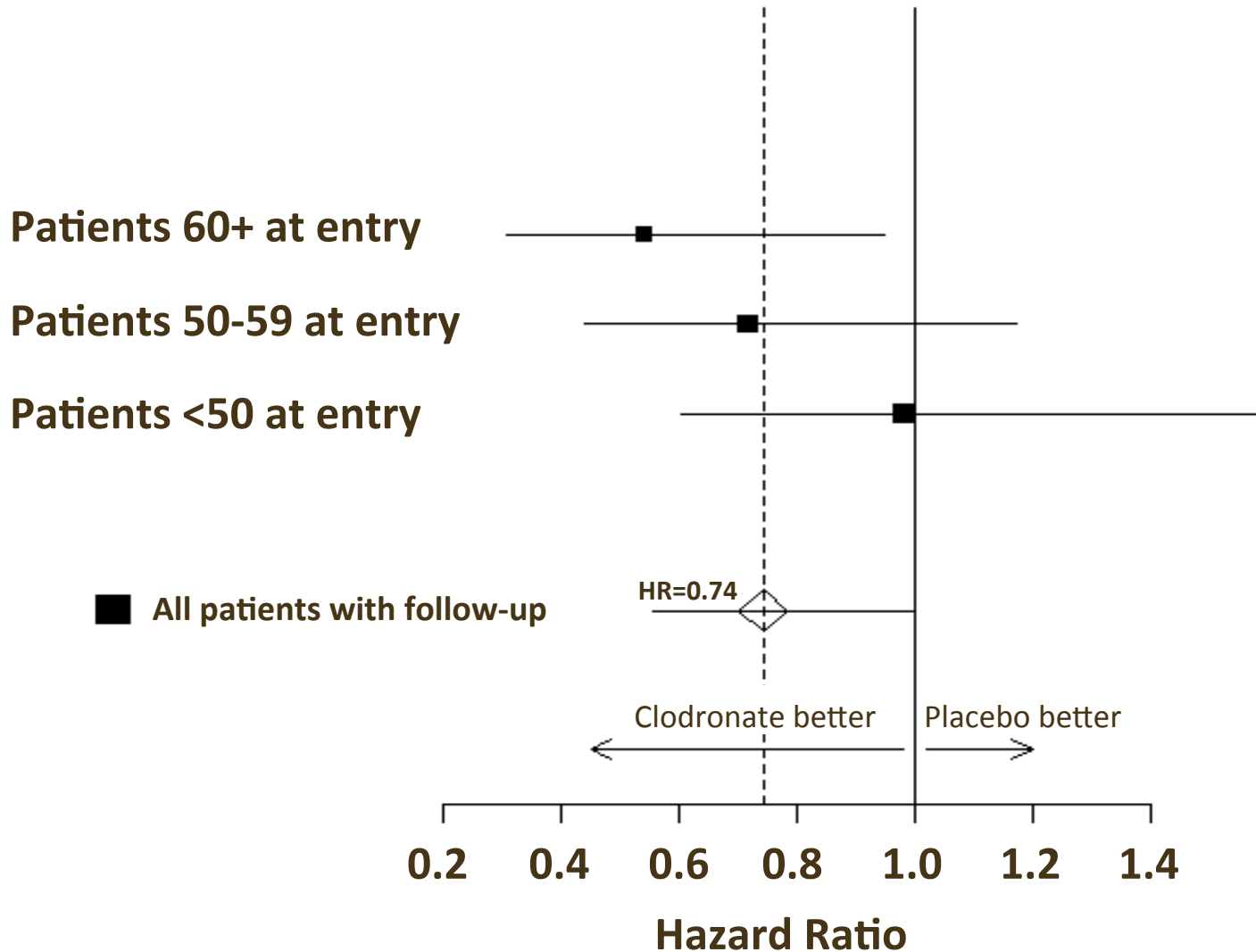


# NSABP B-34 Hazard Ratios of Bone Metastasis Free Interval between Groups According to Stratification Variables

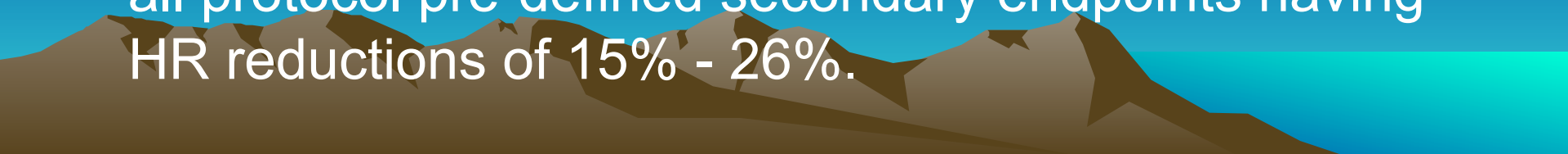


# B-34 Post-hoc Analysis

## Hazard Ratios of Non-Skeletal Metastases between Groups by Age Categories (<50, 50-59, 60+)



## Conclusions (1)

- The primary objective of DFS was not met in this low event rate population.
  - The DFS benefit was attenuated due to the equivalent event rates for 2nd primary cancers, contra-lateral cancers and local/regional relapses.
  - 40% of patients did not complete 3 years of study therapy
  - Side-effects/toxicity in the clodronate and placebo groups were low and similar. One case of possible ONJ.
  - Clodronate provided benefit for distant metastases in all protocol pre-defined secondary endpoints having HR reductions of 15% - 26%.
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## Conclusions (2)

- Secondary protocol pre-defined endpoint reductions observed in women 50 years and older were even greater [20% - 39%]:
  - Breast cancer RFI - ages  $\geq 50$ : HR=0.76 (p = 0.05)
  - Bone metastasis-free interval - ages  $\geq 50$ : HR=0.61 (p = 0.024)
  - Non-bone metastasis-free interval - ages  $\geq 50$ : HR=0.63 (p = 0.015)
  - Overall survival - ages  $\geq 50$ : HR = 0.80 (p = 0.1)
- 125 deaths in placebo arm vs. 101 deaths in clodronate arm



**GAIN STUDY: A PHASE III TRIAL TO COMPARE ETC VS. EC-TX AND  
IBANDRONATE VS. OBSERVATION IN PATIENTS WITH NODE-  
POSITIVE PRIMARY BREAST CANCER –  
1<sup>ST</sup> INTERIM EFFICACY ANALYSIS**

**Möbus V, Diel IJ, Elling D, Harbeck N, Jackisch C, Thomssen C, Untch M, Conrad  
B, Schneeweiss A, Kreienberg R, Huober J, Müller V, Lück HJ, Bauerfeind I,  
Loibl S, Nekljudova V, von Minckwitz G  
for the AGO-B/GBG/NOGGO study groups**





# Rationale

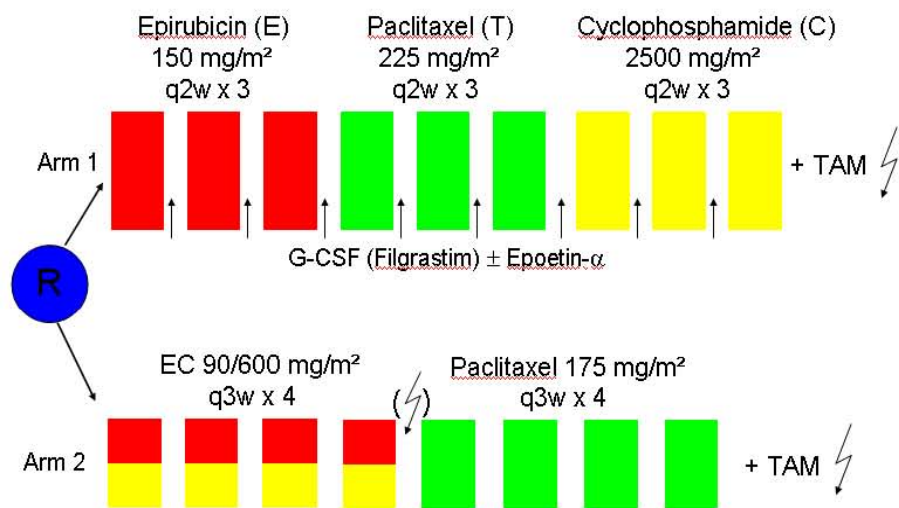
- **Dose-dense chemotherapy results in a superior DFS and OS compared to conventionally dosed EC-T in patients with early breast cancer <sup>1,2</sup>**
- **Intense dose-dense (IDD) chemotherapy with epirubicin (E), paclitaxel (T), cyclophosphamide (C) (ETC) might be able to further improve outcome in high-risk, node positive breast cancer patients<sup>1</sup>**
- **Bisphosphonates might be of additional benefit in the treatment of primary breast cancer patients<sup>3</sup>**

<sup>1</sup>Möbus V et al. J Clin Oncol 2010; <sup>2</sup>Citron M et al. J Clin Oncol 2003; <sup>3</sup>Diel I et al. New Engl J Med 1998

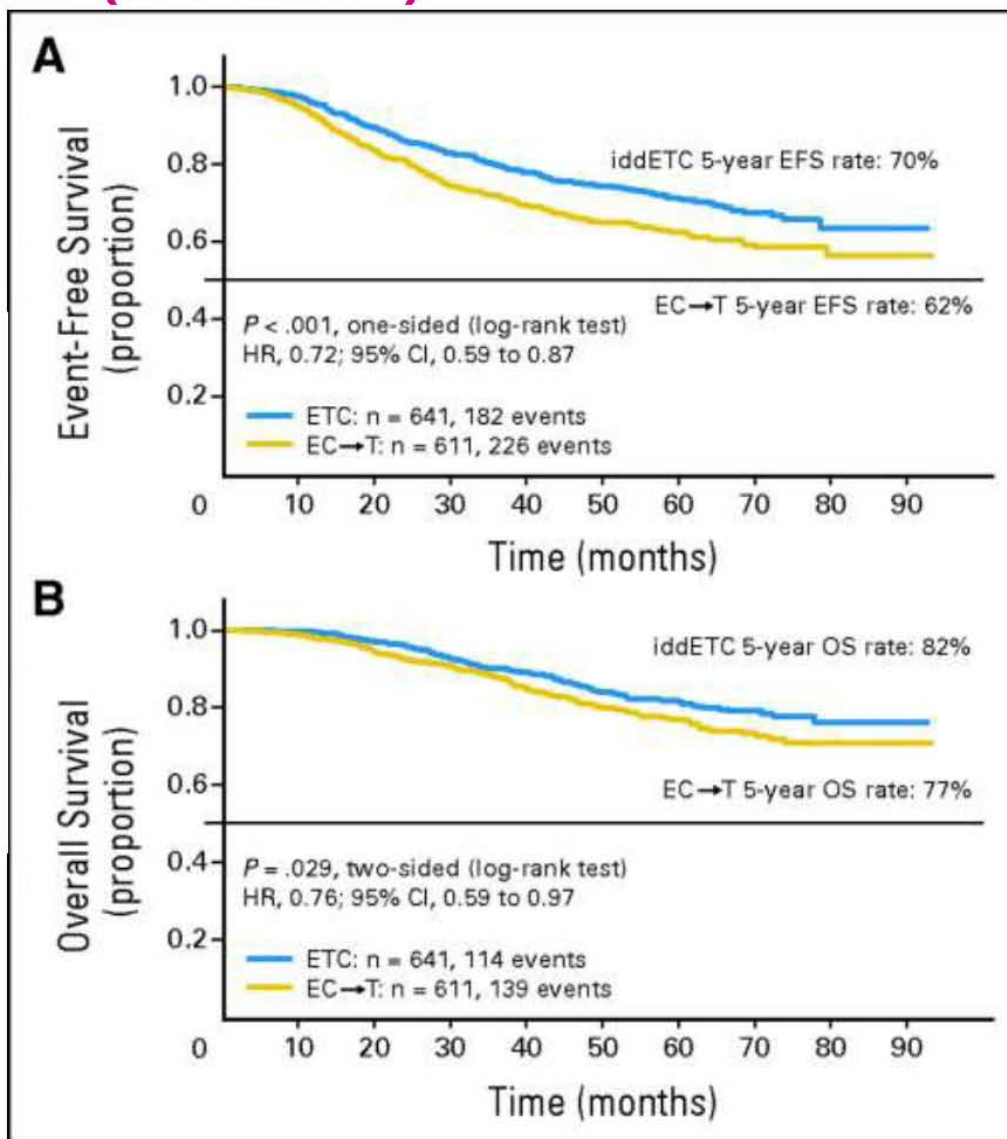




# ETC Trial ( $\geq 4$ LN+)



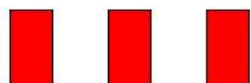
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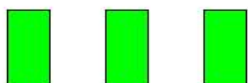
# Trial Design

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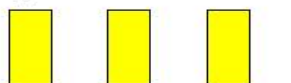
Epirubicin  
150 mg/m<sup>2</sup>  
q 2w



Paclitaxel  
225 mg/m<sup>2</sup>  
q 2w



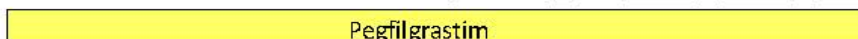
Cyclophosphamide  
2000 mg/m<sup>2</sup>  
q 2w



Ciprofloxacin



Pegfilgrastim



Darbepoetin alfa or Epoetin beta



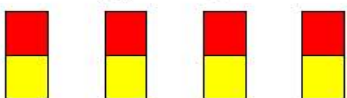
## Arm B1:

Ibandronate  
50 mg daily p.q.  
2 yrs.

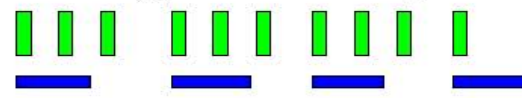


## Arm A2:

Epirubicin  
112.5 mg/m<sup>2</sup>  
Cyclophosphamide  
600 mg/m<sup>2</sup> q 2w



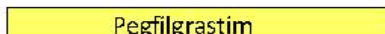
Paclitaxel  
67.5 mg/m<sup>2</sup> weekly  
Capecitabine  
2000 mg/m<sup>2</sup> d1 – d14 q3w



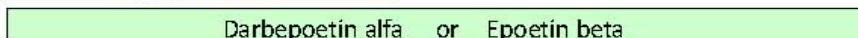
Ciprofloxacin



Pegfilgrastim



Darbepoetin alfa or Epoetin beta



## Arm B2:

Observation



# Objectives

## Primary

- **Disease-free survival**
  - ETC vs EC-TX
  - Ibandronate vs observation

## Secondary

- **Overall survival for chemotherapy and ibandronate**
- **Compliance and side effects**
- **Incidence of secondary malignancies**
- **Efficacy in HR (+/- ) and different nodal risk groups (1-3, 4-9, ≥10) for chemotherapy and ibandronate**





## Main Eligibility Criteria\*

- **untreated, uni- / bilateral, primary breast cancer**
- **Node positive disease**
- **Biological age  $\leq$  65 years**
- **No distant metastases**
- **Normal organ function (incl. LVEF  $\geq$  55%)**
- **ECOG status  $<2$**
- **Life expectancy  $\geq$  10 years**





# Flow of Patients

(N=3023)

	Ibandronate	Observation
	N	N
<b>Randomized</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>1008</b>
<b>Started chemotherapy</b>	<b>1996</b>	<b>998</b>
<b>Started ibandronate</b>	<b>1870</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Discontinued ibandronate</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>n.a.</b>
➤ Relapse or death	6.1%	n.a.
➤ AE	2.3%	n.a.
➤ Patient's wish	3.2%	n.a.
➤ Lost to FU	1.5%	n.a.
➤ Other	4.4%	n.a.

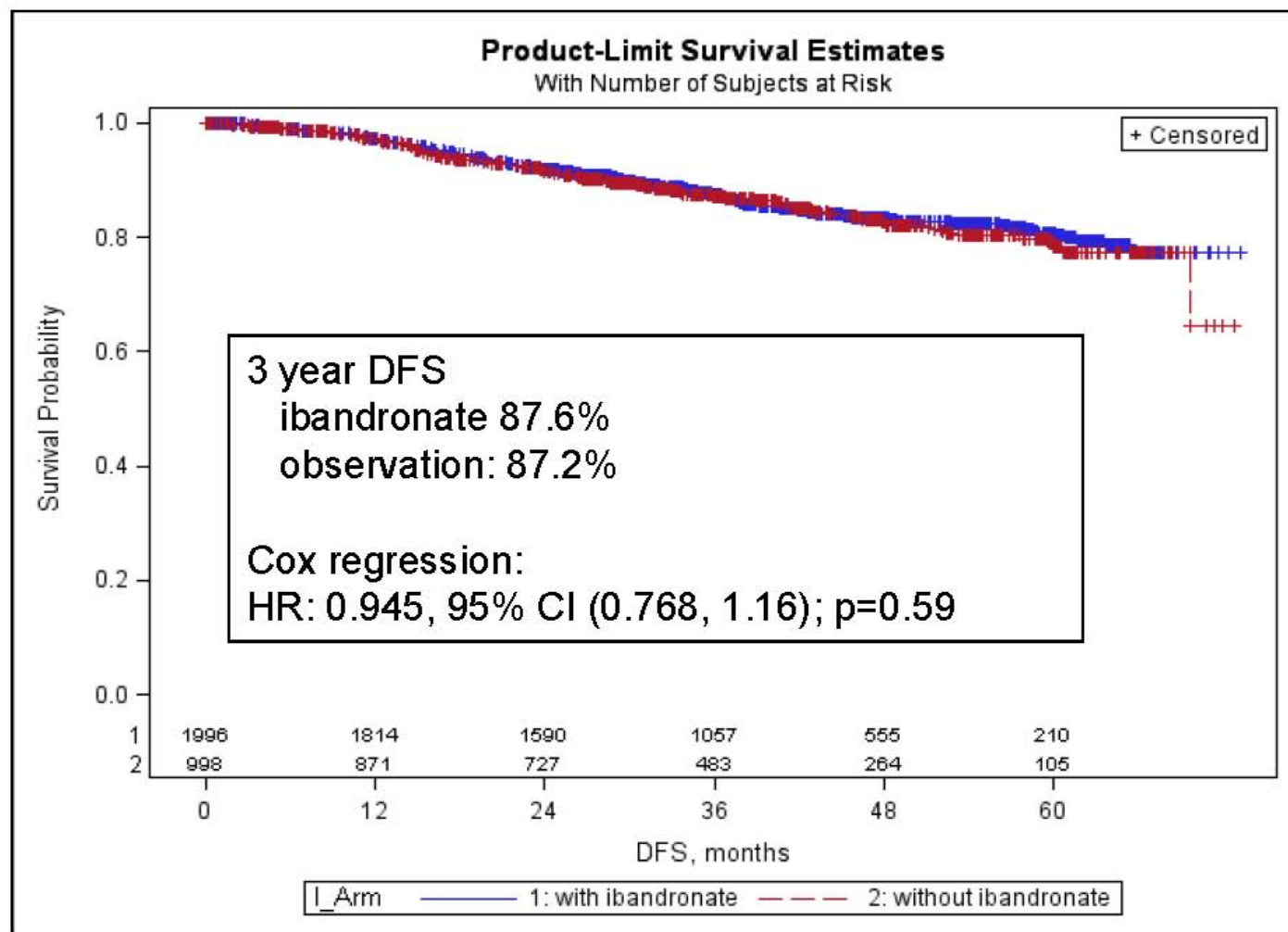


# Patients & Tumor Characteristics

	<b>Ibandronate n=1996</b>	<b>Observation n=998</b>
<b>age (median yrs)</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>50</b>
<b>premenopausal</b>	<b>48.4%</b>	<b>47.2%</b>
<b>pT 4</b>	<b>2.1%</b>	<b>1.4%</b>
<b>pN1</b>	<b>38.1%</b>	<b>37.1%</b>
<b>pN2</b>	<b>34.9%</b>	<b>36.3%</b>
<b>pN3</b>	<b>27.0%</b>	<b>26.7%</b>
<b>mastectomy</b>	<b>44.5%</b>	<b>43.3%</b>
<b>ductal invasive</b>	<b>77.4%</b>	<b>77.1%</b>
<b>grade 3</b>	<b>47.3%</b>	<b>44.3%</b>
<b>hormone receptor positive</b>	<b>76.5%</b>	<b>77.7%</b>
<b>HER2 positive</b>	<b>22.1%</b>	<b>21.8%</b>

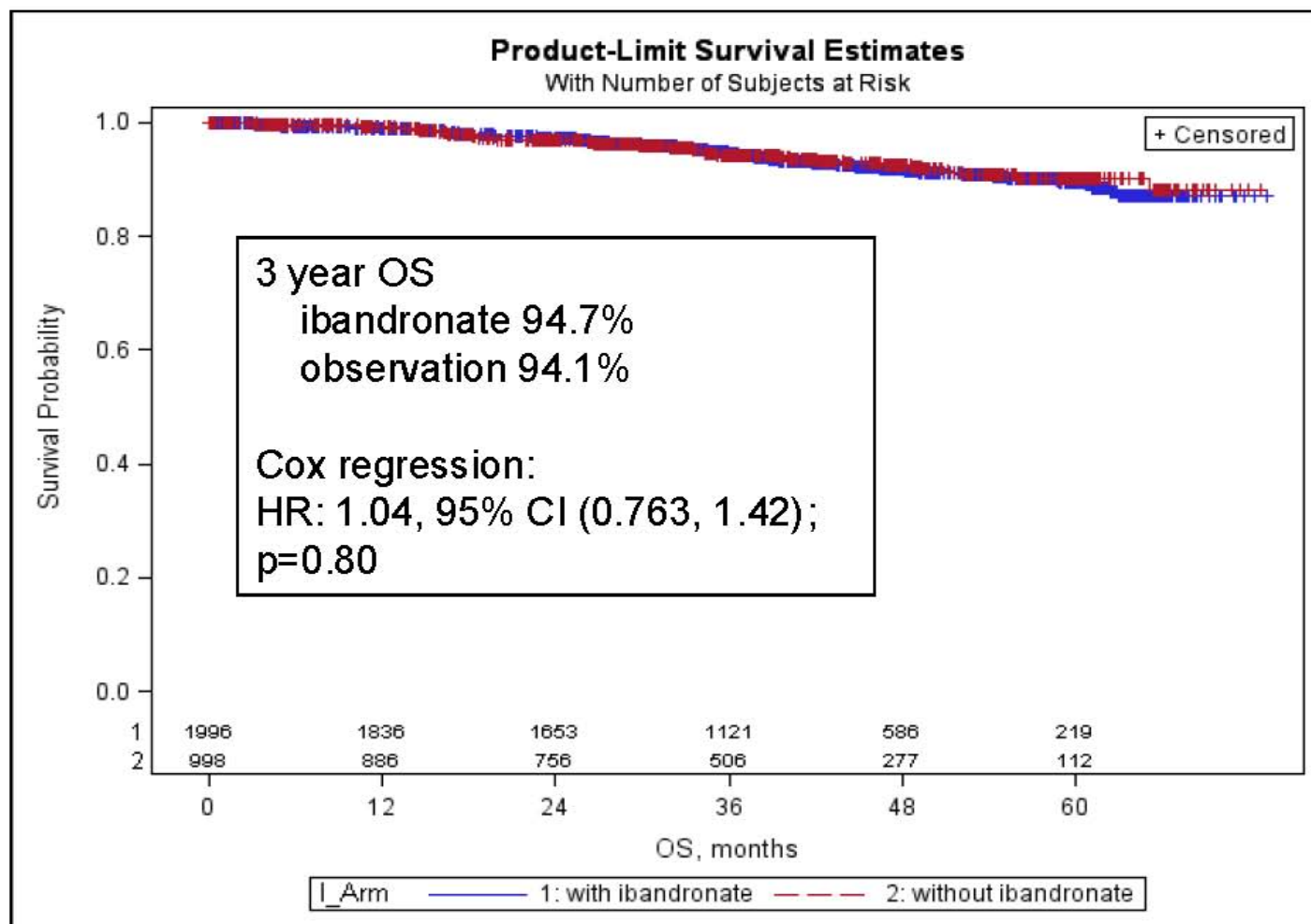


# DFS Ibandronate vs. Observation





# OS Ibandronate vs. Observation







## Summary and Conclusions

- **The interim futility boundary for chemotherapy was not crossed**
- **For the ibandronate question the futility boundary was reached**
- **There was no difference in DFS ( $p=0.59$ ) and OS ( $p=0.80$ ) between patients with ibandronate and observation**
- **There was no difference within subgroups**
- **The GAIN study demonstrated that adjuvant ibandronate does neither improve DFS nor OS in node positive early breast cancer after treatment with dose-dense chemotherapy**



# **Long-term Survival Outcomes Among Postmenopausal Women With Hormone Receptor-Positive Early Breast Cancer Receiving Adjuvant Letrozole and Zoledronic Acid: 5-year Follow-up of ZO-FAST**

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Minckwitz,<sup>5</sup> N. Martin,<sup>6</sup> A. Modi,<sup>6</sup> R. Coleman<sup>7</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Royal Melbourne Hospital, Victoria, Australia; <sup>2</sup>South Manchester University Hospital, Academic Surgery, Education and Research Center, Manchester, UK; <sup>3</sup>Universitäts Frauenklinik Kiel, Germany;

<sup>4</sup>Breast Clinic, UZ Gasthuisberg, Leuven, Belgium; <sup>5</sup>German Breast Group, Frankfurt, Germany;

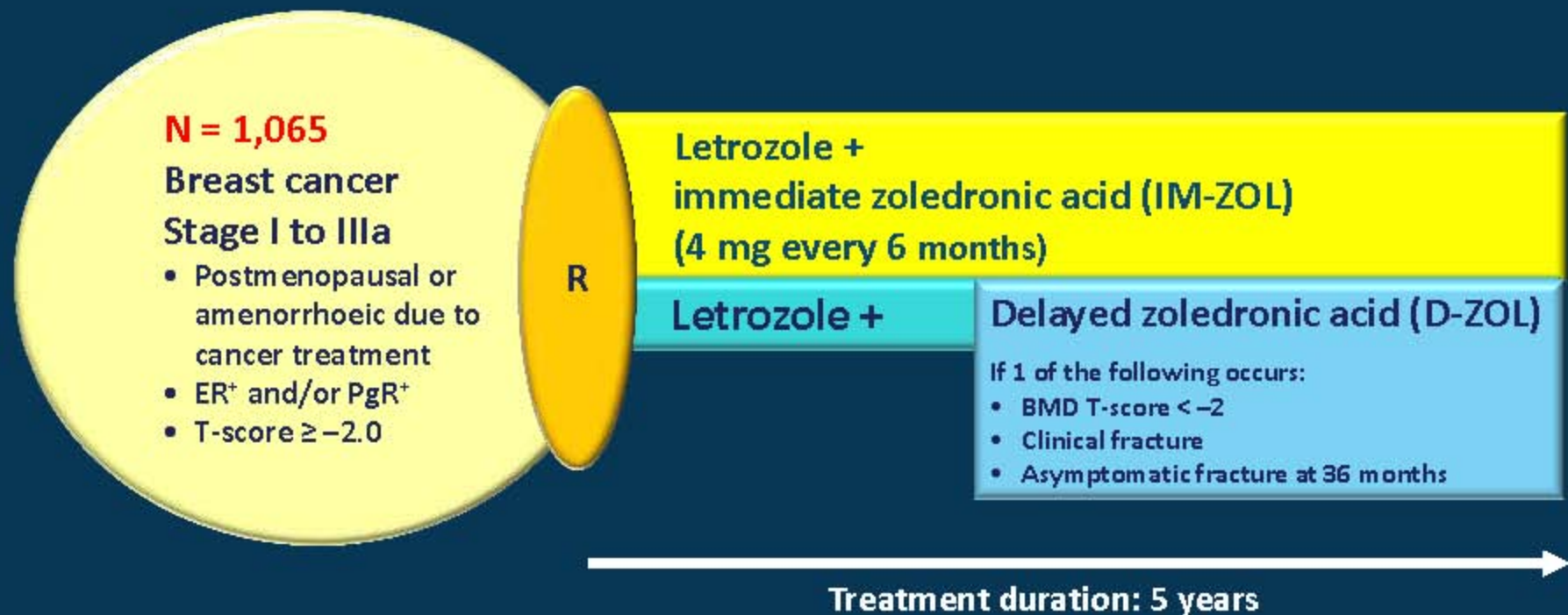
<sup>6</sup>Novartis Pharma AG, Basel, Switzerland; <sup>7</sup>Academic Unit of Clinical Oncology, Weston Park Hospital, Sheffield, UK

# ZO-FAST: Trial Design

## Key endpoints

Primary: Bone mineral density (BMD) at 12 months

Secondary: BMD at 36 and 60 months, disease recurrence, fractures, safety



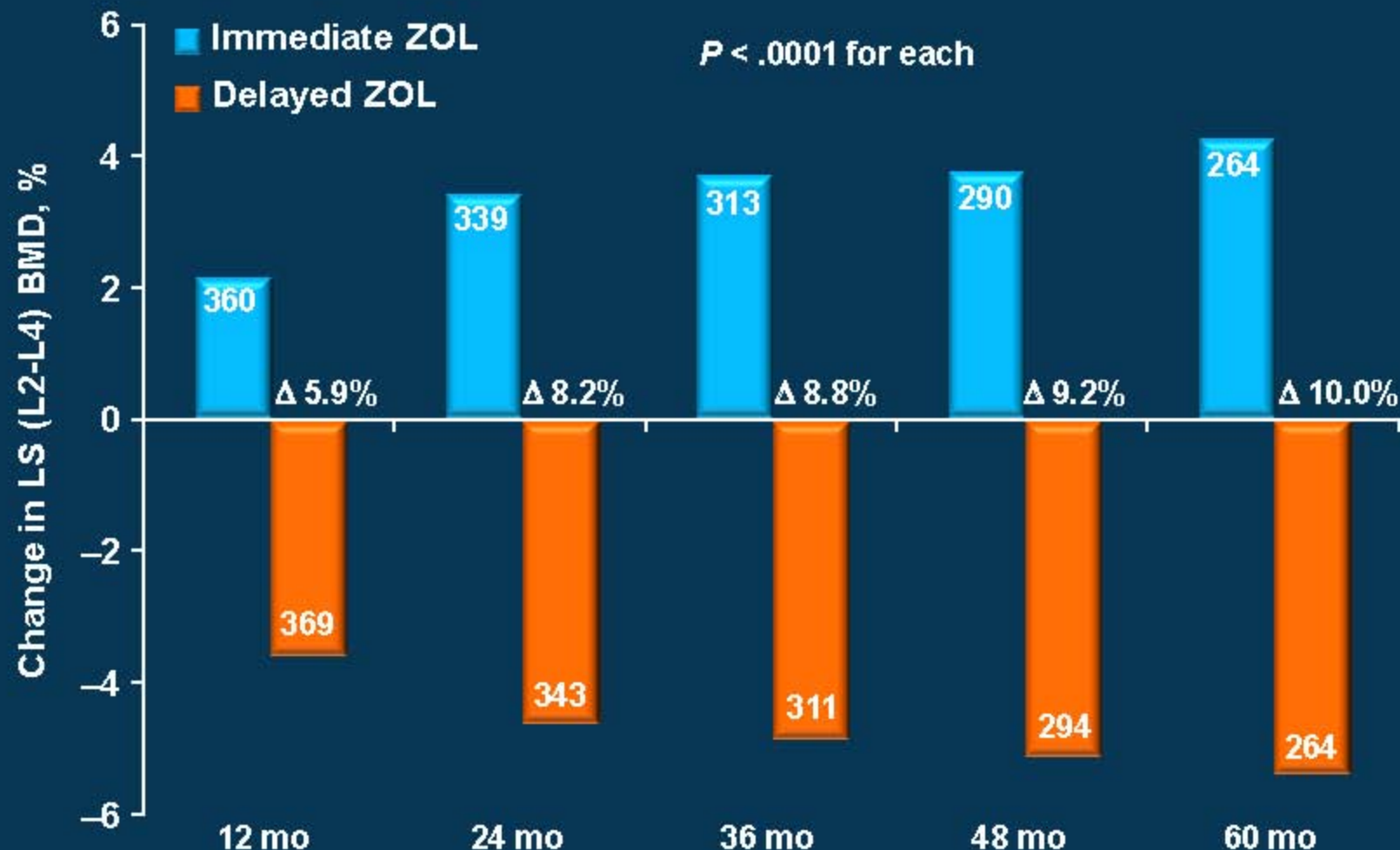


# ZO-FAST: Demographics and Baseline Disease Characteristics (All Randomized Patients)

Characteristic	IM-ZOL (n = 532)	D-ZOL (n = 533)
Median age, years (range)	57 (36 - 87)	58 (37 - 81)
Median BMI, kg/cm <sup>2</sup> (range)	26.6 (18.2 - 48.5)	26.7 (16.7 - 65.8)
ECOG PS, n (%)		
0	477 (89.7)	479 (89.9)
1	51 (9.6)	48 (9.0)
2	3 (0.6)	4 (0.8)
Unknown	1 (0.2)	2 (0.4)
Primary tumour size, n (%)		
T0 or T1	311 (58.5)	311 (58.3)
≥ T2	218 (41.0)	220 (41.3)
Not available	3 (0.6)	2 (0.4)
Regional lymph node involvement, n (%)		
N0	228 (42.9)	216 (40.5)
N1-3	302 (56.8)	315 (59.1)
Not available	2 (0.4)	2 (0.4)

Abbreviations: BMI, Body Mass Index; D-ZOL, delayed zoledronic acid; ECOG PS, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group performance status; IM-ZOL, immediate zoledronic acid.

# ZO-FAST: Primary Endpoint—Median Change in LS BMD

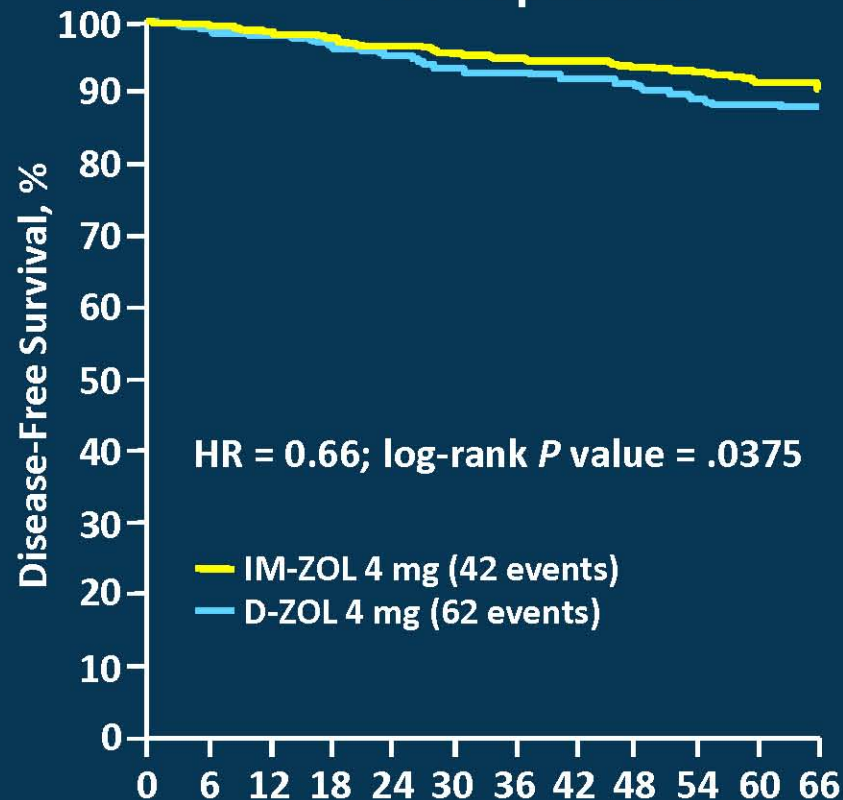


Abbreviations: BMD, bone mineral density; LS, lumbar spine; ZOL, zoledronic acid.

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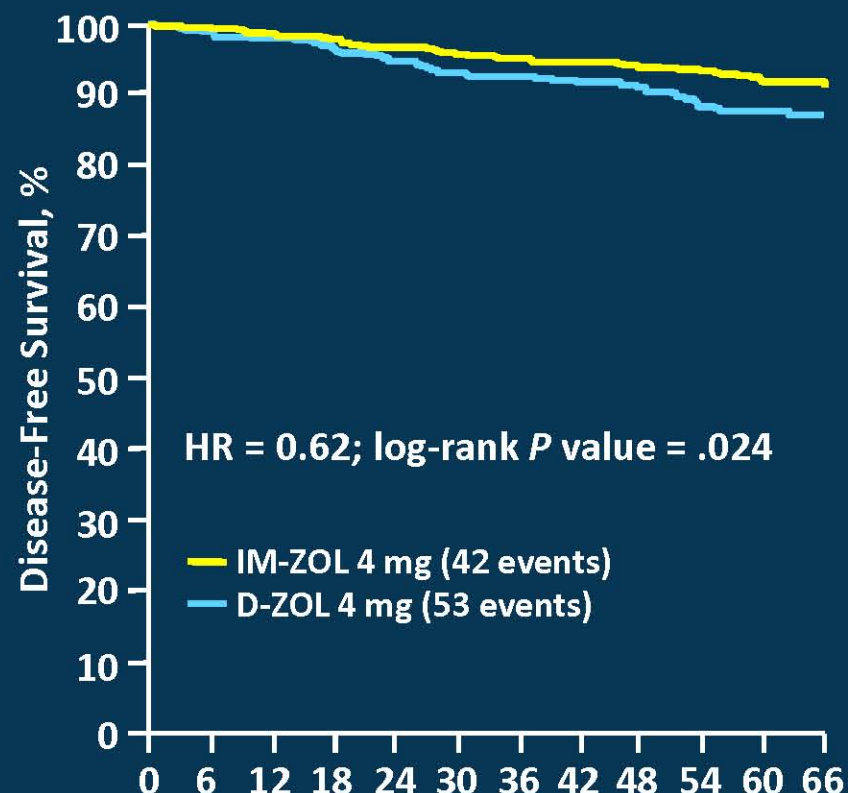
# ZO-FAST: Disease-Free Survival

**ITT Population**



	Time on Study, months					
Number at risk	0	6	12	18	24	30
IM-ZOL	532	518	500	488	475	376
D-ZOL	533	511	491	475	463	368

**Censored Analysis<sup>a</sup>**



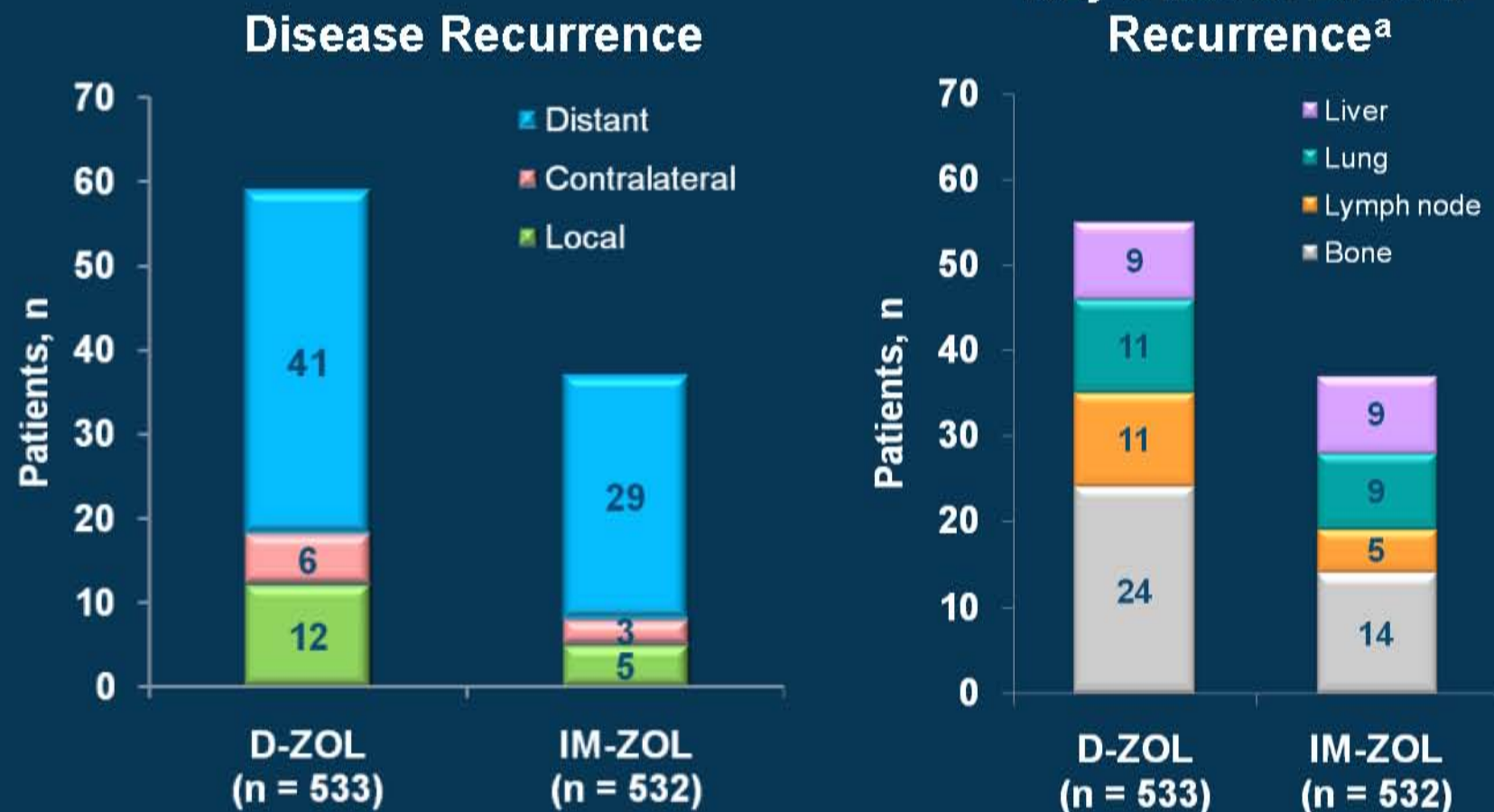
	Time on Study, months					
Number at risk	0	6	12	18	24	30
IM-ZOL	532	518	500	488	475	376
D-ZOL	533	459	402	376	350	267

<sup>a</sup> Censored patients at initiation of delayed ZOL (n=144).

Abbreviations: DFS, disease-free survival; D-ZOL, delayed zoledronic acid; HR, hazard ratio; IM-ZOL, immediate zoledronic acid.



# ZO-FAST: Disease Recurrence (ITT Population)

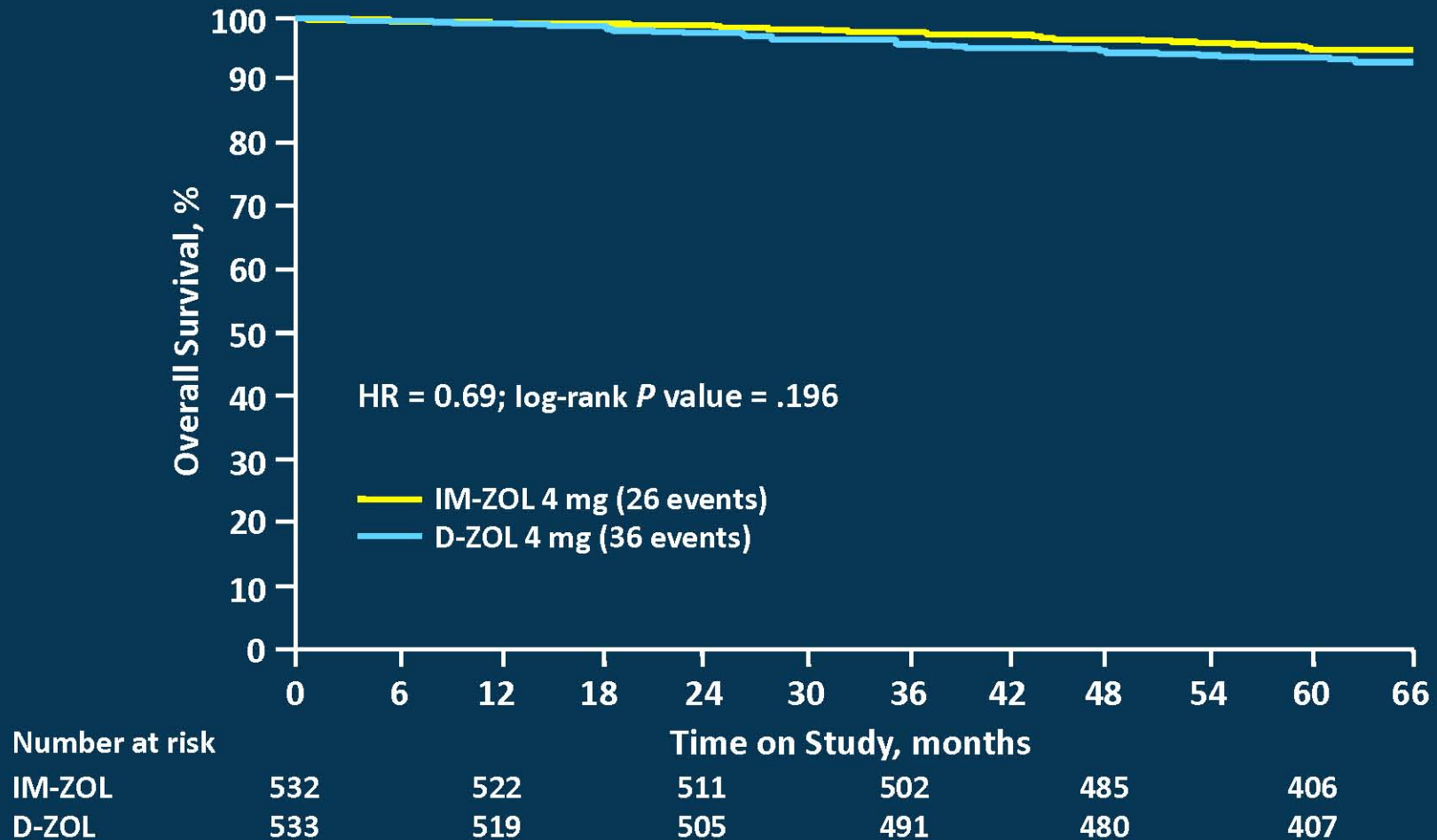


Abbreviations: DFS, disease-free survival; D-ZOL, delayed zoledronic acid; IM-ZOL, immediate zoledronic acid.

<sup>a</sup> Multiple sites may be reported for the same patient. Distant metastases include bone, brain, liver, lung, skin, lymph node, and other.



# ZO-FAST: Overall Survival (ITT Population)



Abbreviations: D-ZOL, delayed zoledronic acid; HR, hazard ratio; IM-ZOL, immediate zoledronic acid.

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# ZO-FAST: Stratification Factors

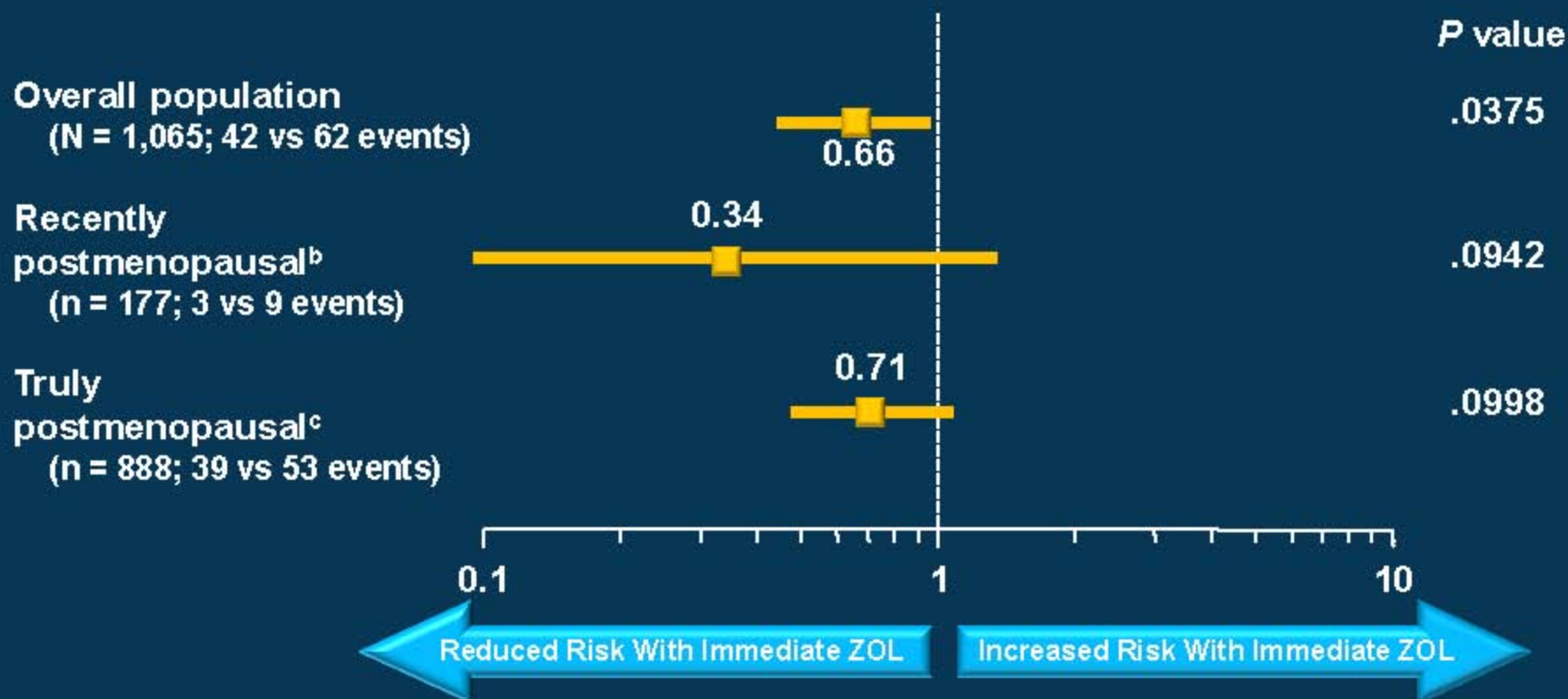
- Protocol-defined
  - Recently postmenopausal (n=177)<sup>a</sup>
  - Truly postmenopausal (n=888)<sup>b</sup>
- Exploratory
  - Delayed Zoledronic acid initiation (n= 144/533 [27%])
    - (Coleman et al. Poster P2-17-01)

<sup>a</sup> Defined as chemotherapy- or ovarian suppression-induced premature menopause; standard biochemical criteria for menopause

<sup>b</sup> Defined as naturally occurring menopause prior to diagnosis

# ZO-FAST: DFS Exploratory Analyses<sup>a</sup>

Hazard Ratio (95% Confidence Interval)



Among women who were postmenopausal for >5 years or >60 years old at study entry (n=670), IMZOL prolonged DFS (HR=0.63; 95% CI, 0.39-1.01; P=.052) vs DZOL

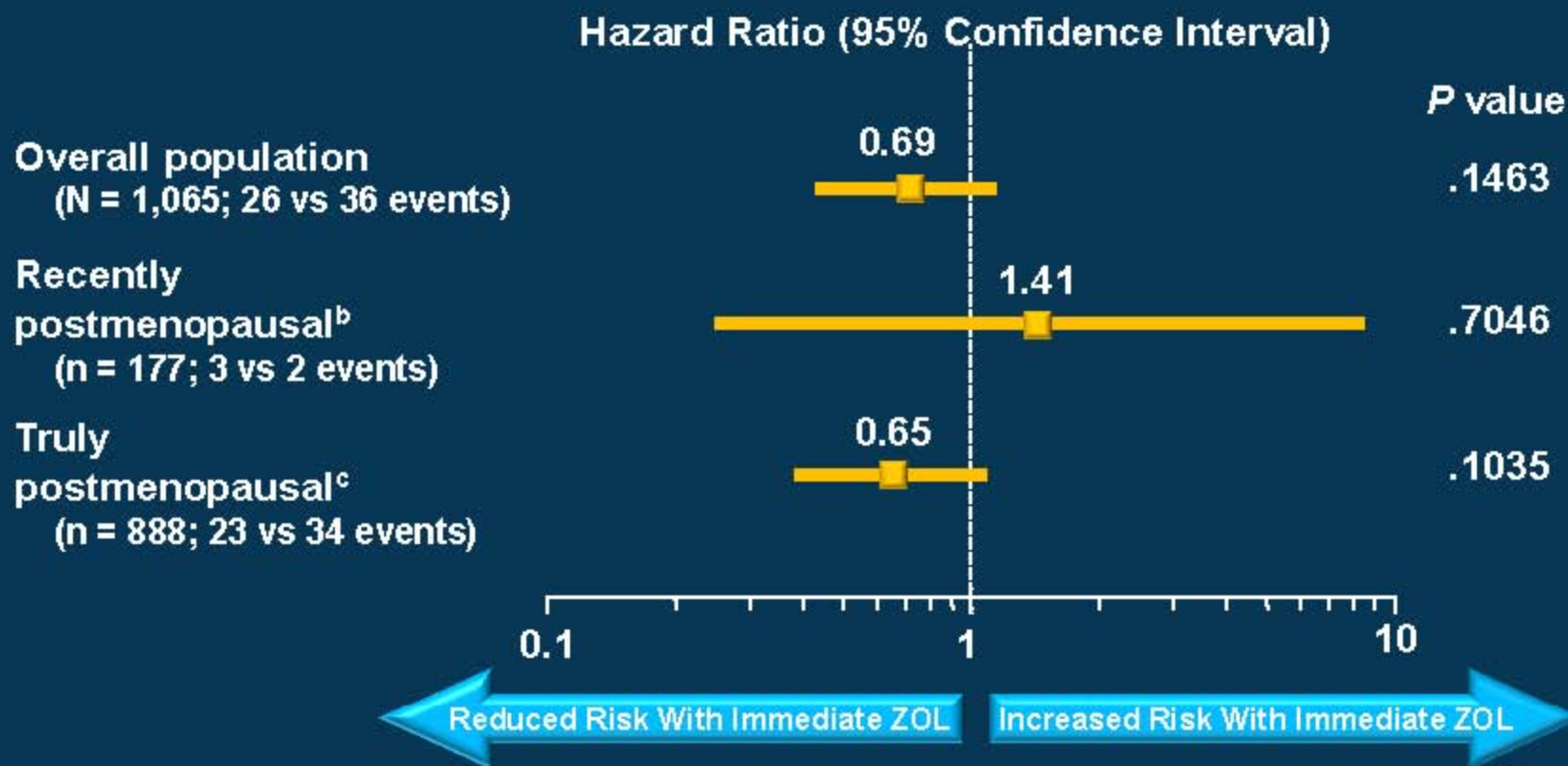
<sup>a</sup> Cox regression analyses.

<sup>b</sup> Defined as chemotherapy- or ovarian suppression-induced premature menopause.

<sup>c</sup> Defined as naturally occurring menopause prior to diagnosis.



# ZO-FAST: OS Exploratory Analyses<sup>a</sup>



Among women who were postmenopausal for >5 years or >60 years old at study entry (n=670), IMZOL significantly prolonged OS (HR=0.50; 95% CI, 0.27-0.92; P=.022) vs DZOL

<sup>a</sup> Cox regression analyses.

<sup>b</sup> Defined as chemotherapy- or ovarian suppression-induced premature menopause.

<sup>c</sup> Defined as naturally occurring menopause prior to diagnosis

# ZO-FAST: Osteonecrosis of the Jaw

- **ZO-FAST** (N = 1,065; 5-year follow-up)
  - 3 confirmed cases (0.56%)<sup>a</sup>
- Other adjuvant ZOL trials
  - **Z-FAST** (N = 601; 5-year follow-up)<sup>1</sup>
    - No confirmed cases
  - **E-ZO-FAST** (N = 527; 3-year follow-up)<sup>2</sup>
    - 1 confirmed case (0.19%)
  - **ABCSG-12** (N = 1,803; > 5-year follow-up)<sup>3</sup>
    - No confirmed cases
  - **AZURE** (N = 3,360; 5-year follow-up)<sup>4</sup>
    - 17 confirmed cases (1.1%)

<sup>a</sup> A total of 9 potential ONJ events from 7 patients were reported and independently adjudicated by an external panel; 3 were confirmed, 2 had insufficient data, the remaining events were excluded.

1. Brufsky A, et al. SABCS 2009. Abstract 4083; 2. Llombart A, et al. ASCO-BC 2009. Abstract 213; 3. Gnant M, et al. ASCO 2011. Abstract 520; 4. Coleman RE, et al. *N Engl J Med*. 2011;365:1396-1405.



# Conclusions

- The 60-month follow-up of ZO-FAST trial confirms and extends the BMD improvement seen with immediate zoledronic acid as reported at earlier time points
- There is a 34% improvement in DFS at 5 years between the immediate and delayed zoledronic acid groups, with a 3.6% absolute difference (91.9% vs 88.3%, respectively)
- As per the improved DFS results seen in the ABCSG-12 and AZURE trials (> 5 years postmenopausal subset), the data support the hypothesis that the anticancer potential of zoledronic acid might be best realized in a low-estrogen environment





# **Neoadjuvant chemotherapy adapted by interim response improves overall survival of primary breast cancer patients – Results of the GeparTrio trial.**

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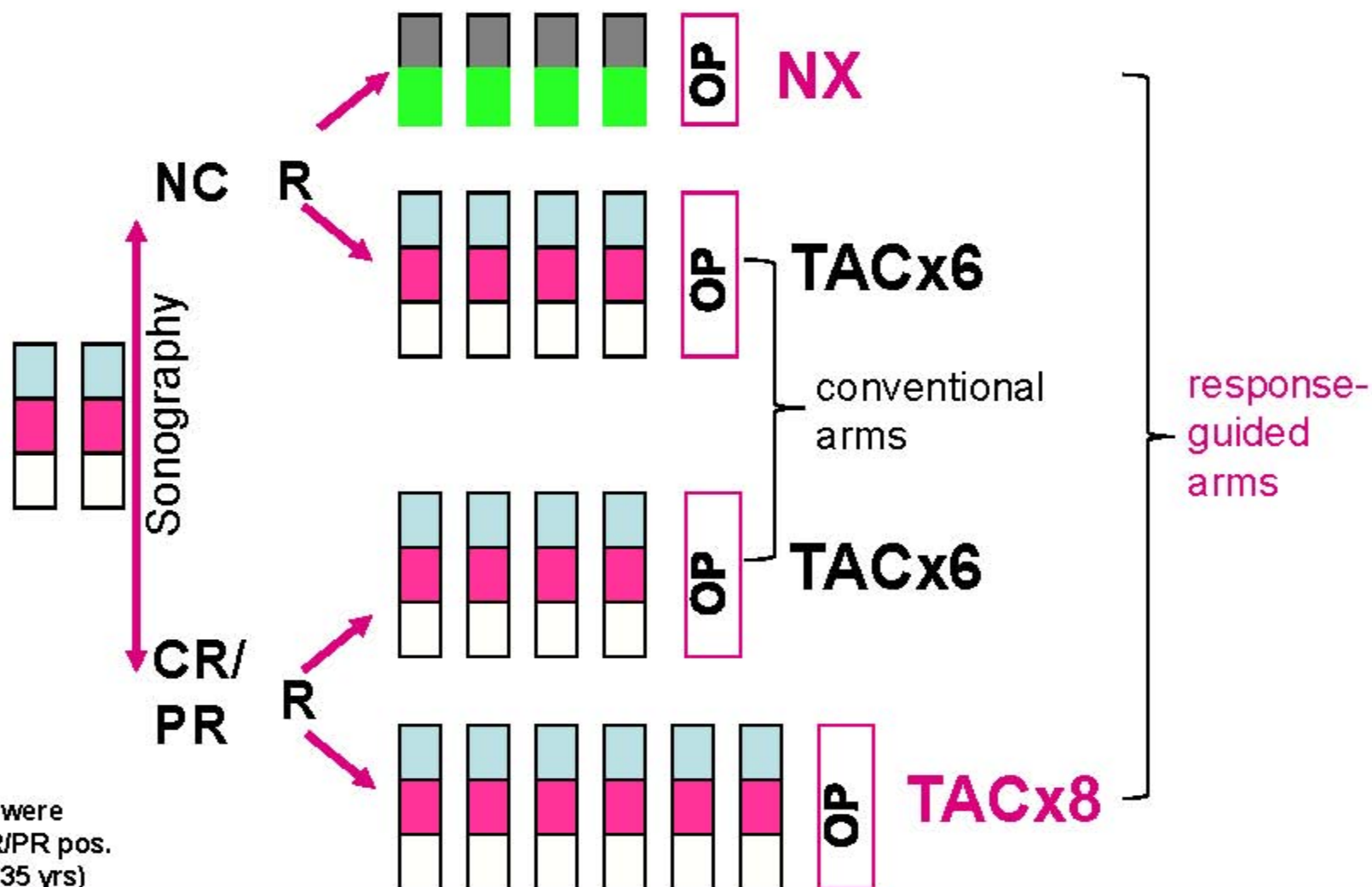
# Aims

- **To take advantage from the *in vivo* chemosensitivity test situation of neoadjuvant treatment**
- **To develop specific treatment strategies for patients with or without response to 2 cycles TAC:**
  - **Responding patients:**
    - **treatment intensification by increased cycle number**
  - **Non-responding patients:**
    - **switch to non-cross resistant treatment**

# GeparTrio Trial Design

**N=2072**

Core biopsy:  
uni/bilateral  
cT2-4a-d  
cN0-3  
size  $\geq 2$  cm\*



\*low risk patients were excluded (T2 + ER/PR pos. + cN0 + G1/2 + > 35 yrs)

von Minckwitz et al, JNCI 100: 542, 2008

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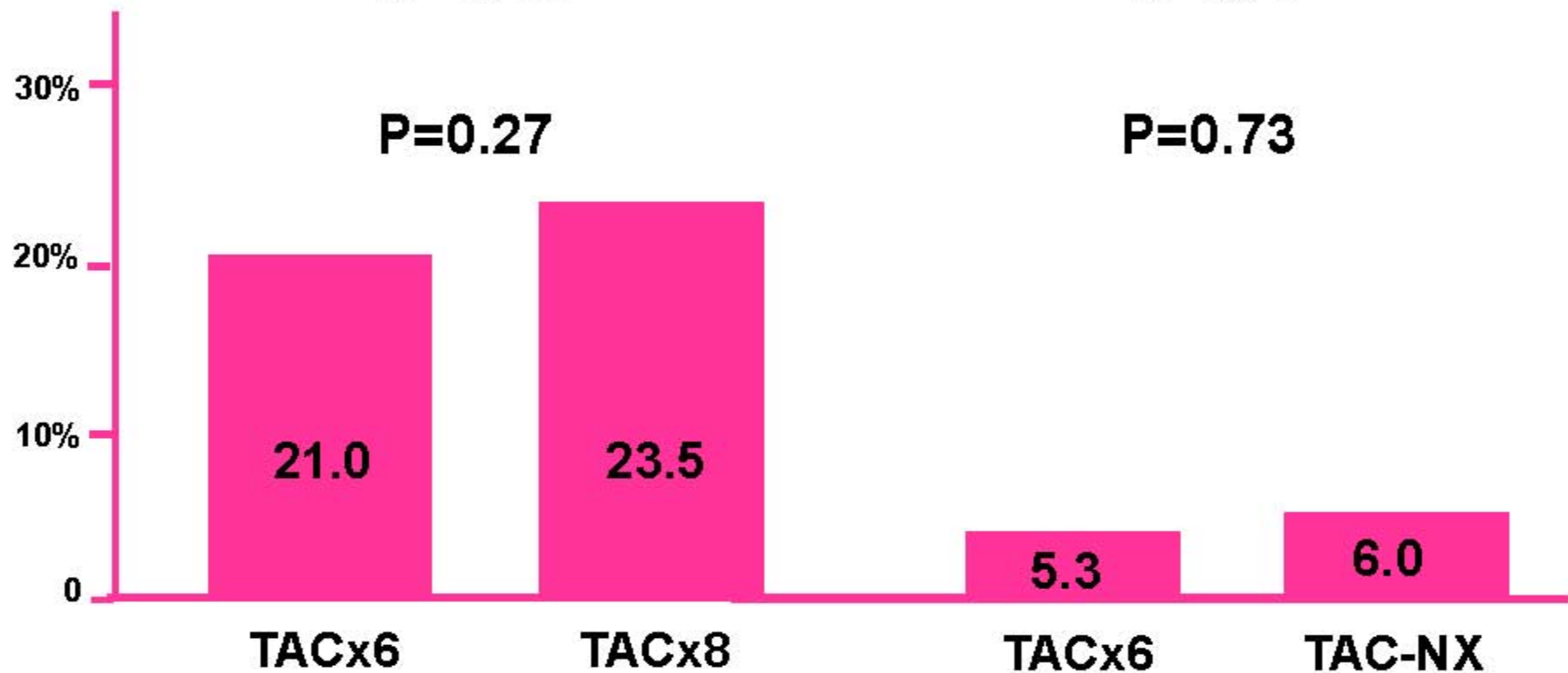
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# Short Term Efficacy (pCR = ypT0 ypN0)

**Responder  
N=1344**

**Non-Responder  
N=604**



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# Objectives

## Primary:

- Pathologic response (responder)
- Sonographic response (non-responder)

## Secondary (actual with median follow up of 62 months):

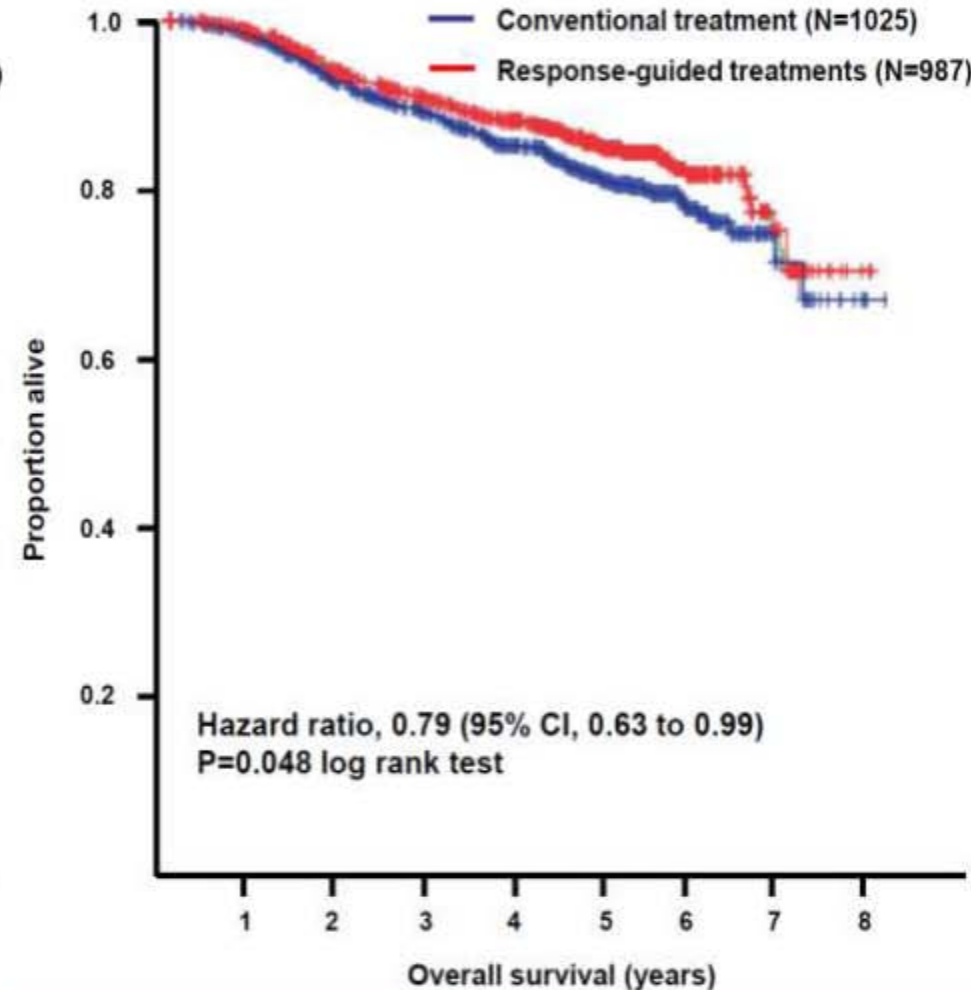
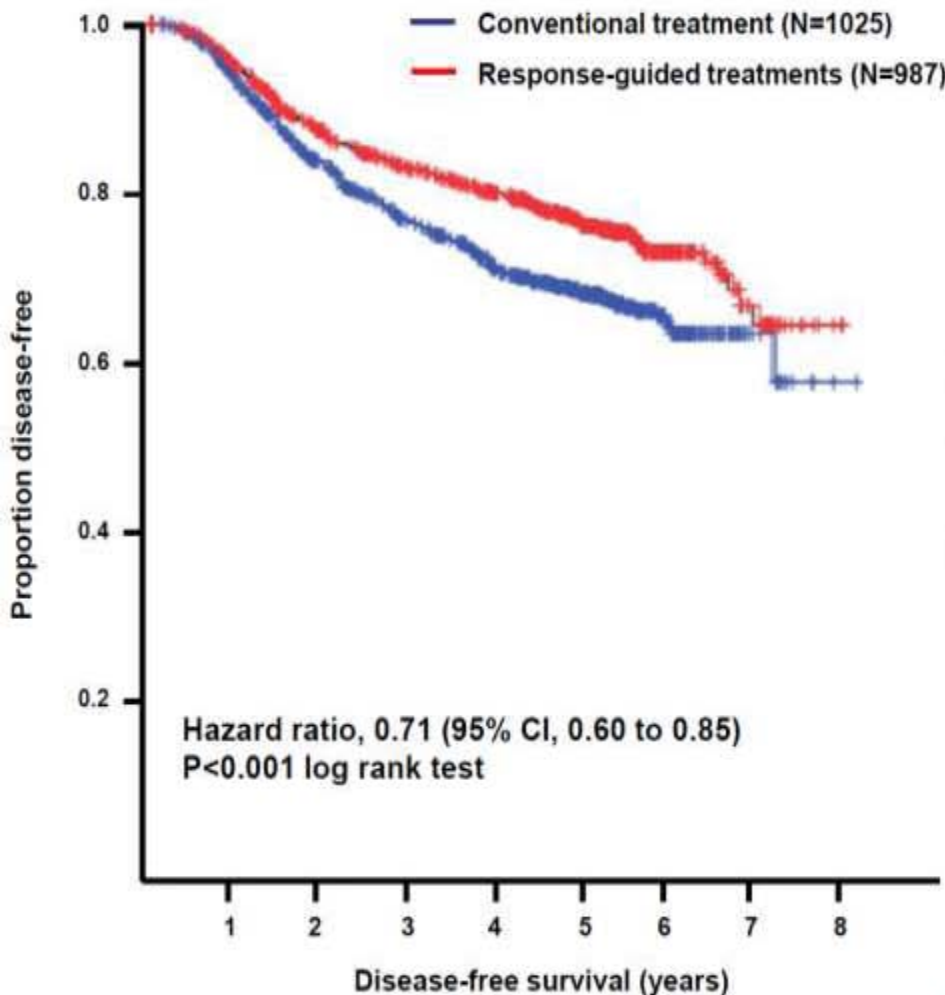
- To determine 5-year DFS and OS
- To examine treatment effects by breast cancer phenotype (post-hoc analysis)

# Study Population

Characteristic	Conventional	Response-guided
	TACx6 N=1025 %	TACx8 or TAC-NX N=987 %
Age < 40 years	16.9	18.2
cT> 40 mm	60.5	61.5
cT4a-c	9.0	8.7
cT4d	4.6	4.3
cN +	55.3	54.7
Lobular type	13.8	13.1
Grade 3	41.0	35.1
HR-negative	36.8	34.4
HER2-positive	30.5	29.1



# DFS and OS after conventional (TACx6) vs. response-guided (TACx8/TAC-NX) treatment



Median follow up 62 months

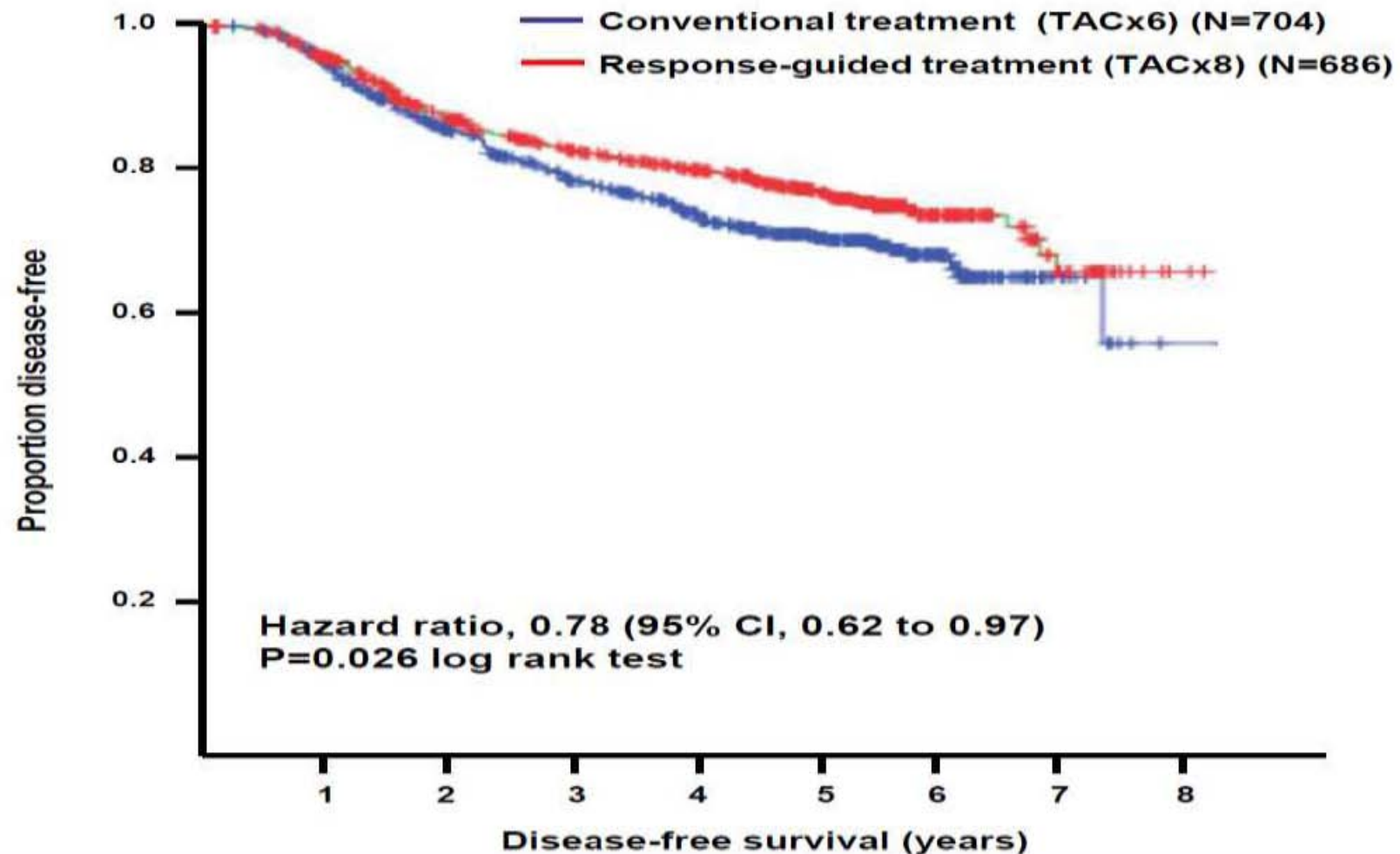
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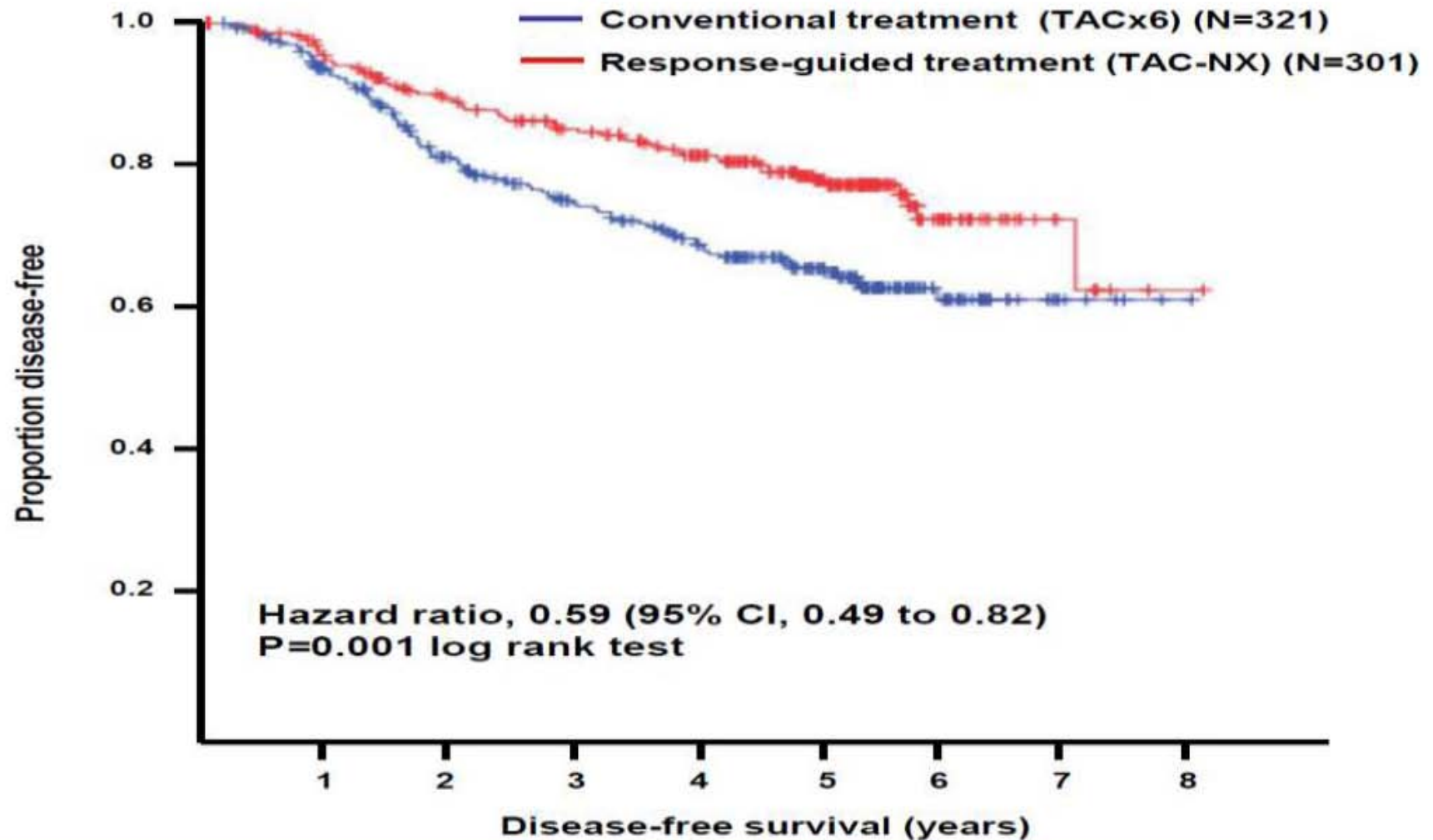
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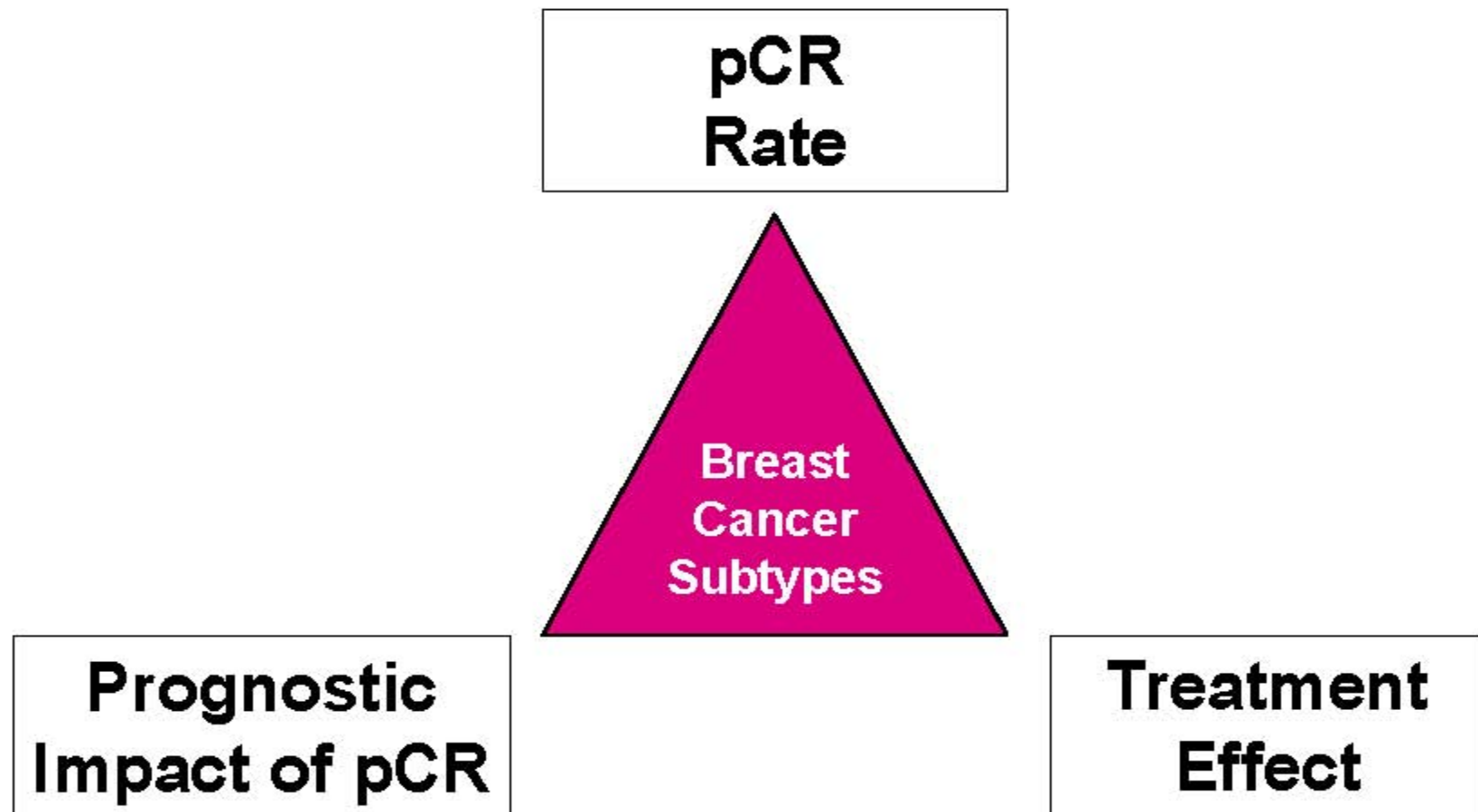
# DFS after TACx6 vs TACx8 in responding patients



# DFS after TACx6 vs TAC-NX in non-responding patients



# The Magic Triangle





# Breast Cancer phenotypes (St. Gallen definition\*)

Phenotype	Definition	Conventional %	Response-guided %
Luminal A	HR+, HER2-, G1/2	34.4	37.1
Luminal B (HER2-)	HR+, HER2-, G3	13.5	12.8
Luminal B (HER2+)	HR+, HER2+	17.3	17.8
HER2+ (non-luminal)	HR-, HER2+	11.7	10.4
Triple-negative	HR-, HER2-	23.1	22.0
Missing		N=181	N=227

\*Goldhirsch A, Ann Oncol 2011

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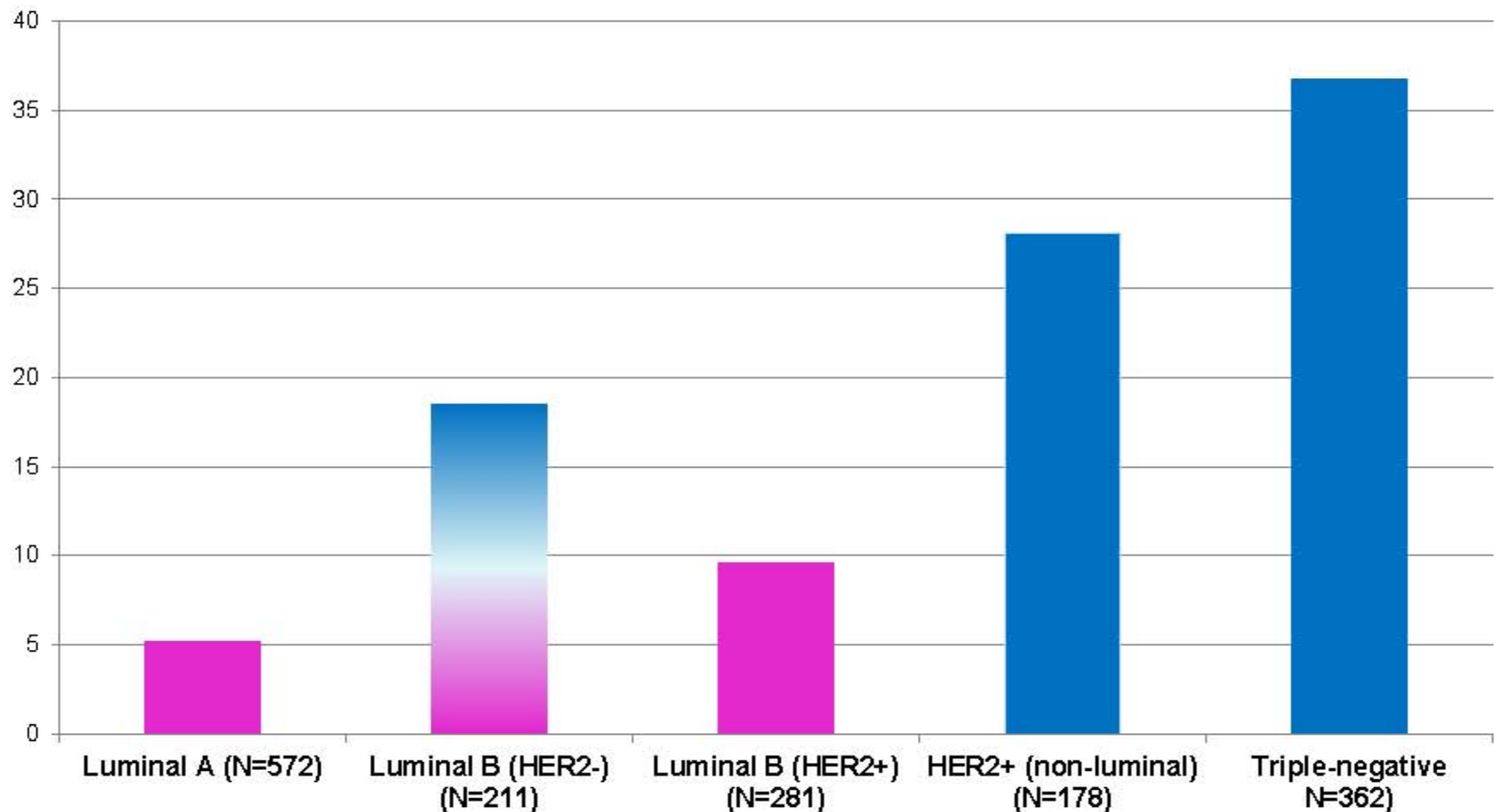
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# pCR Rates by Subtype

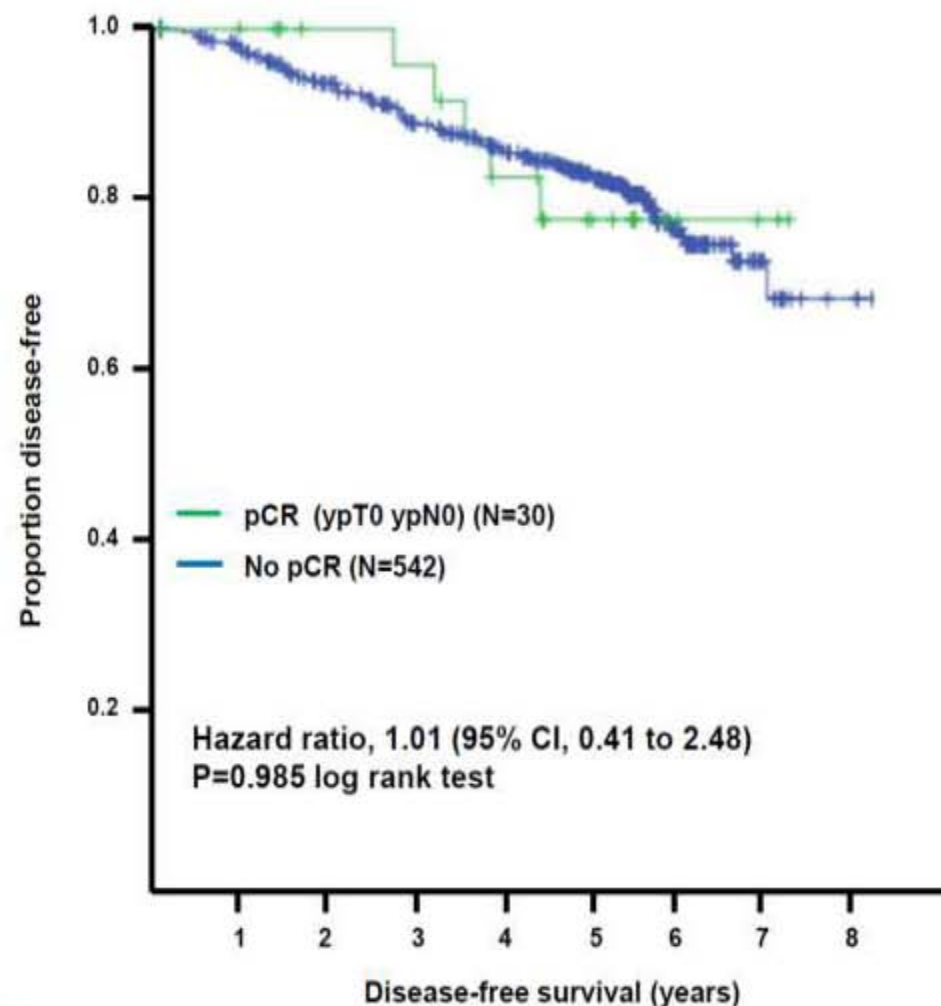
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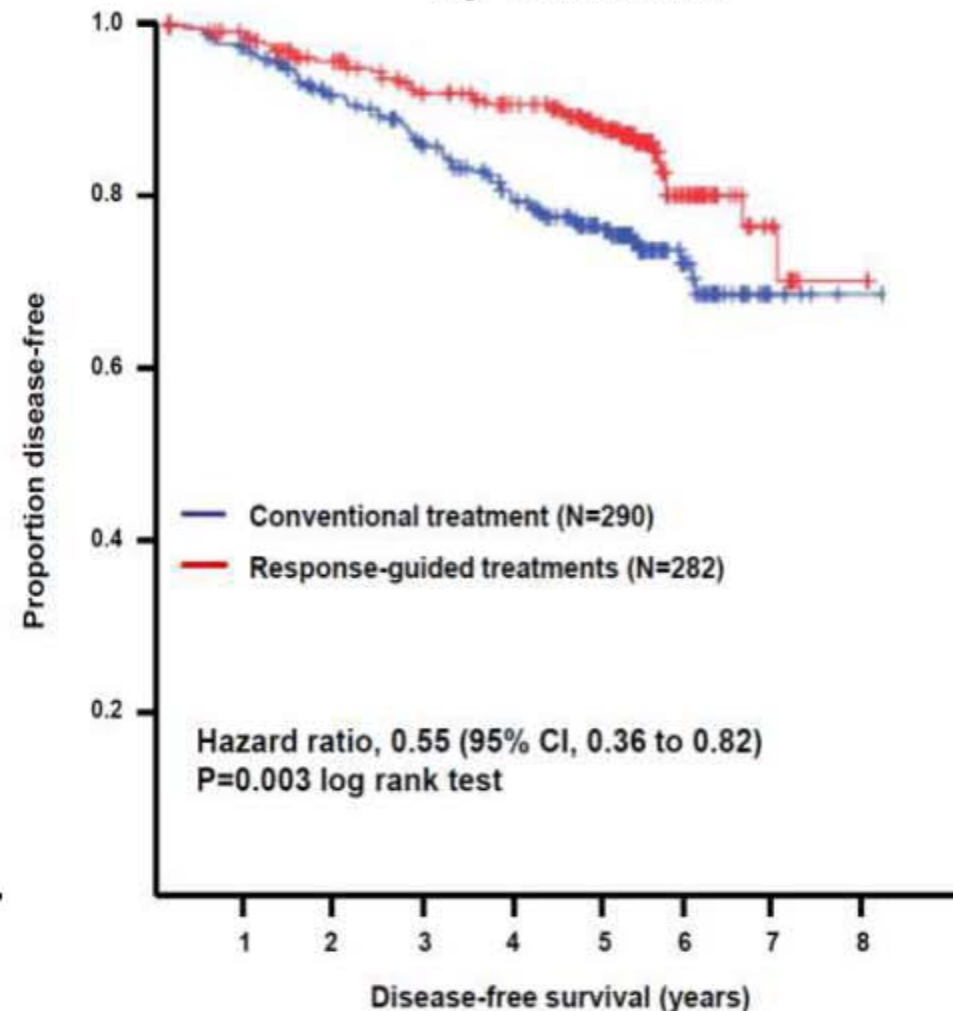


# DFS in Luminal A tumors

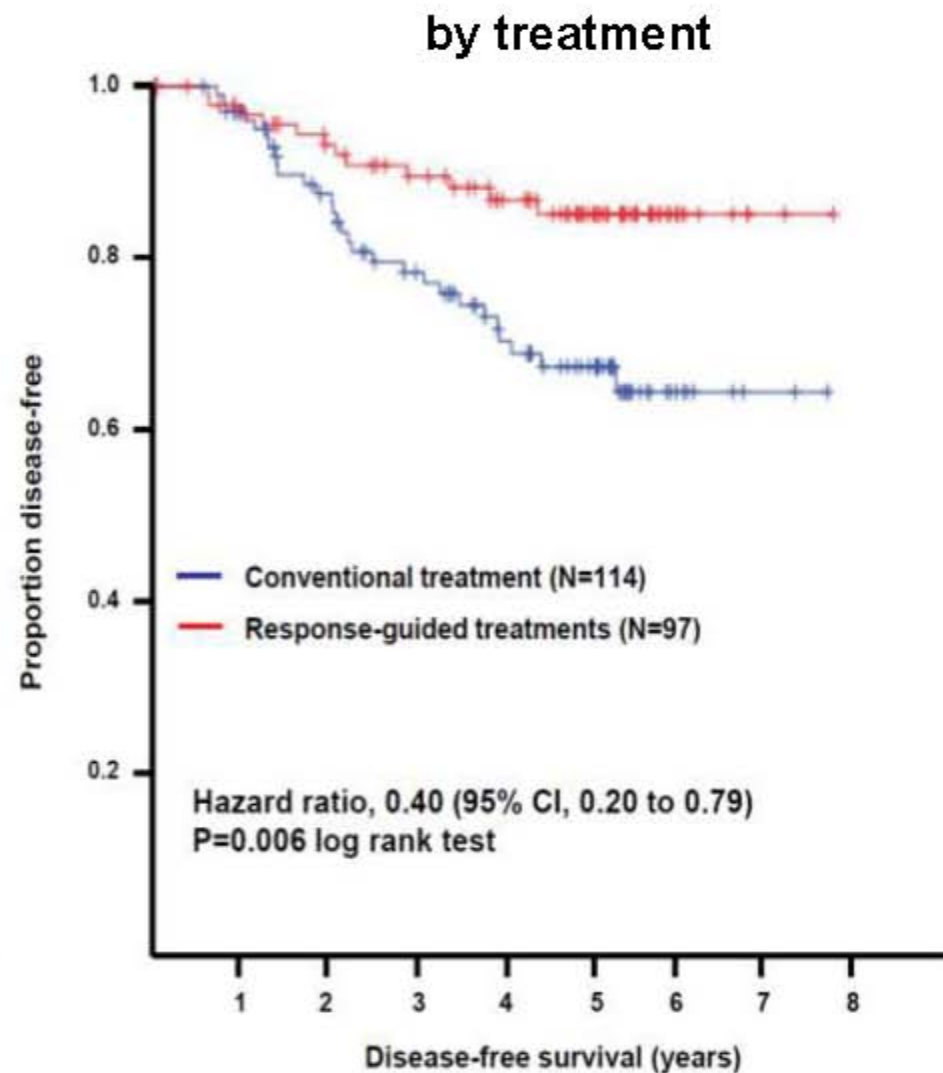
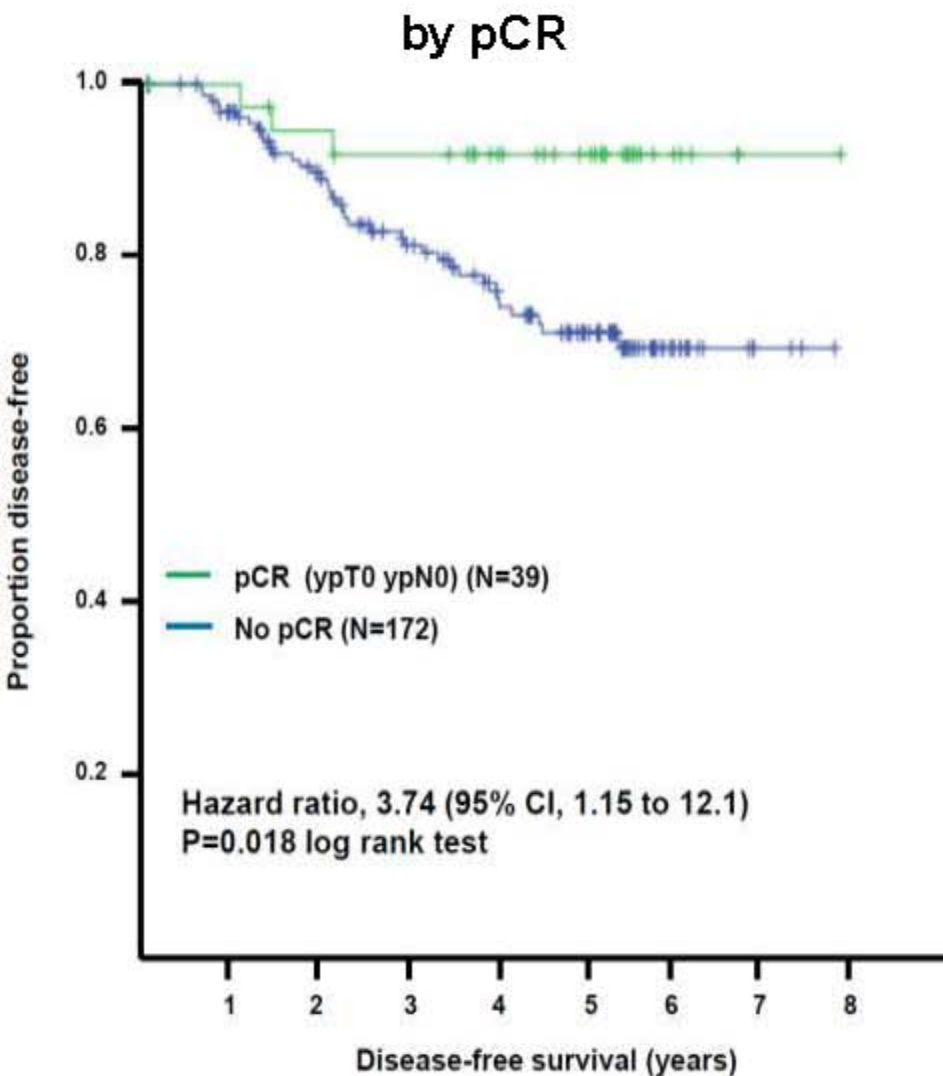
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by treatment

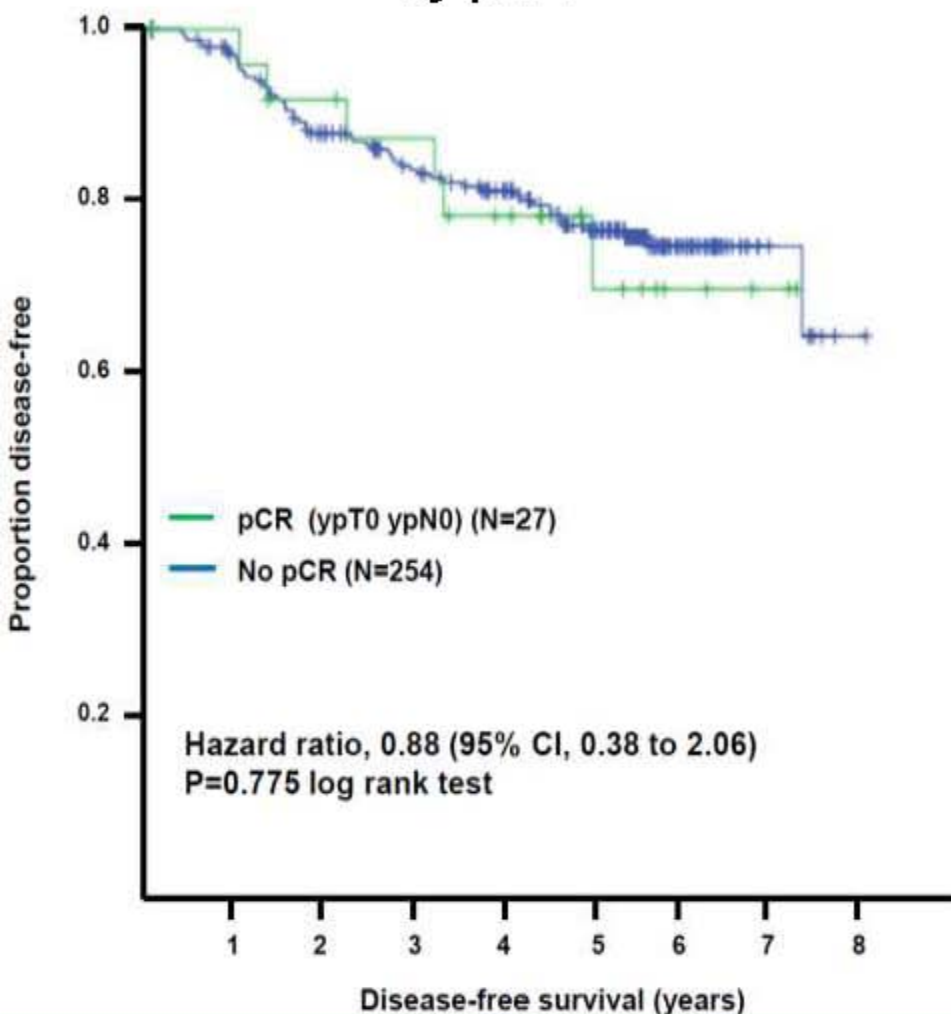


# DFS in Luminal B (HER2-)

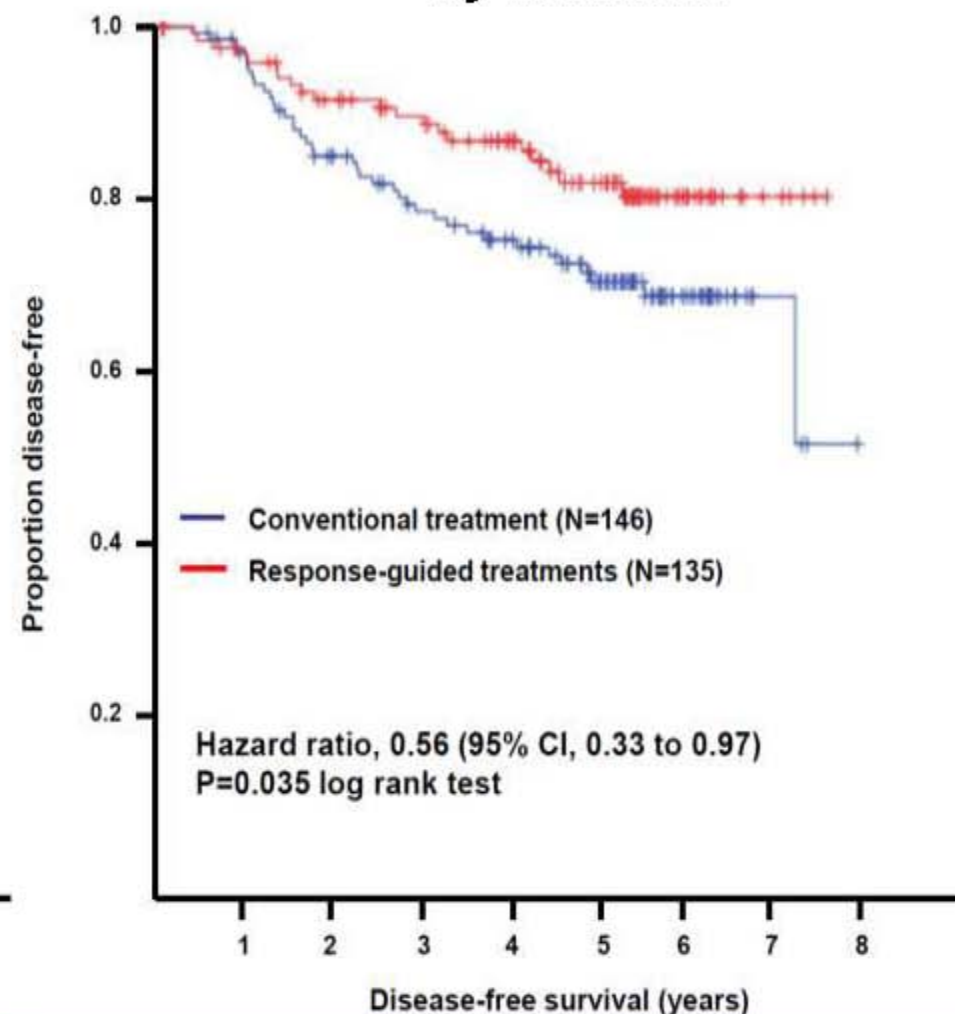


# DFS in Luminal B (HER2+) tumors

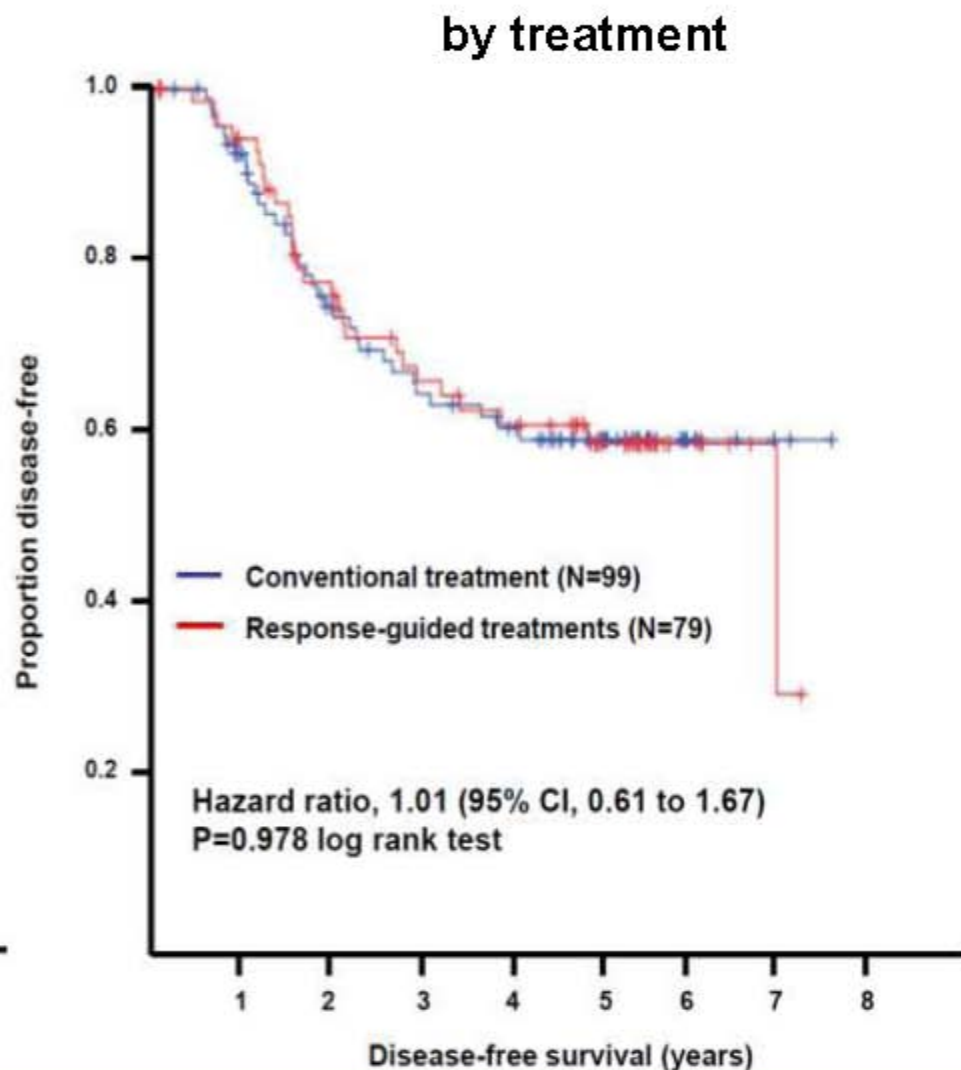
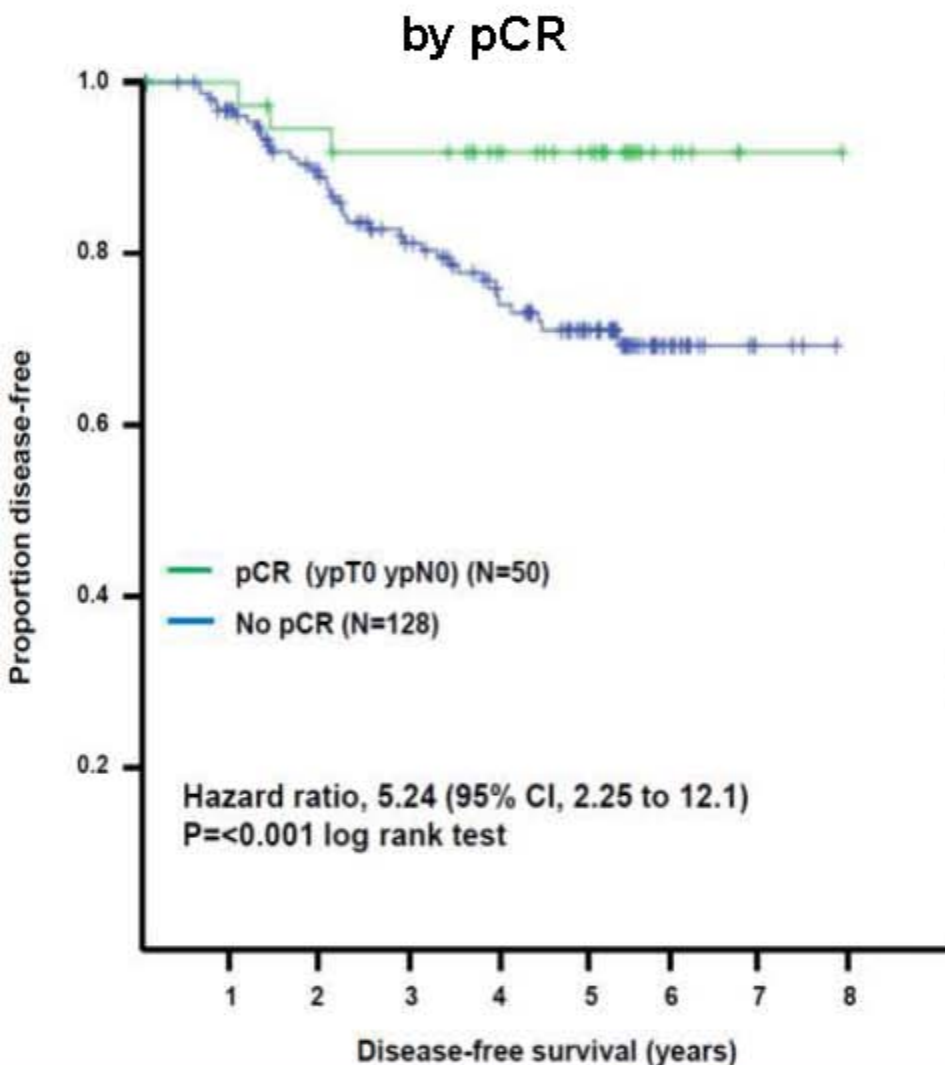
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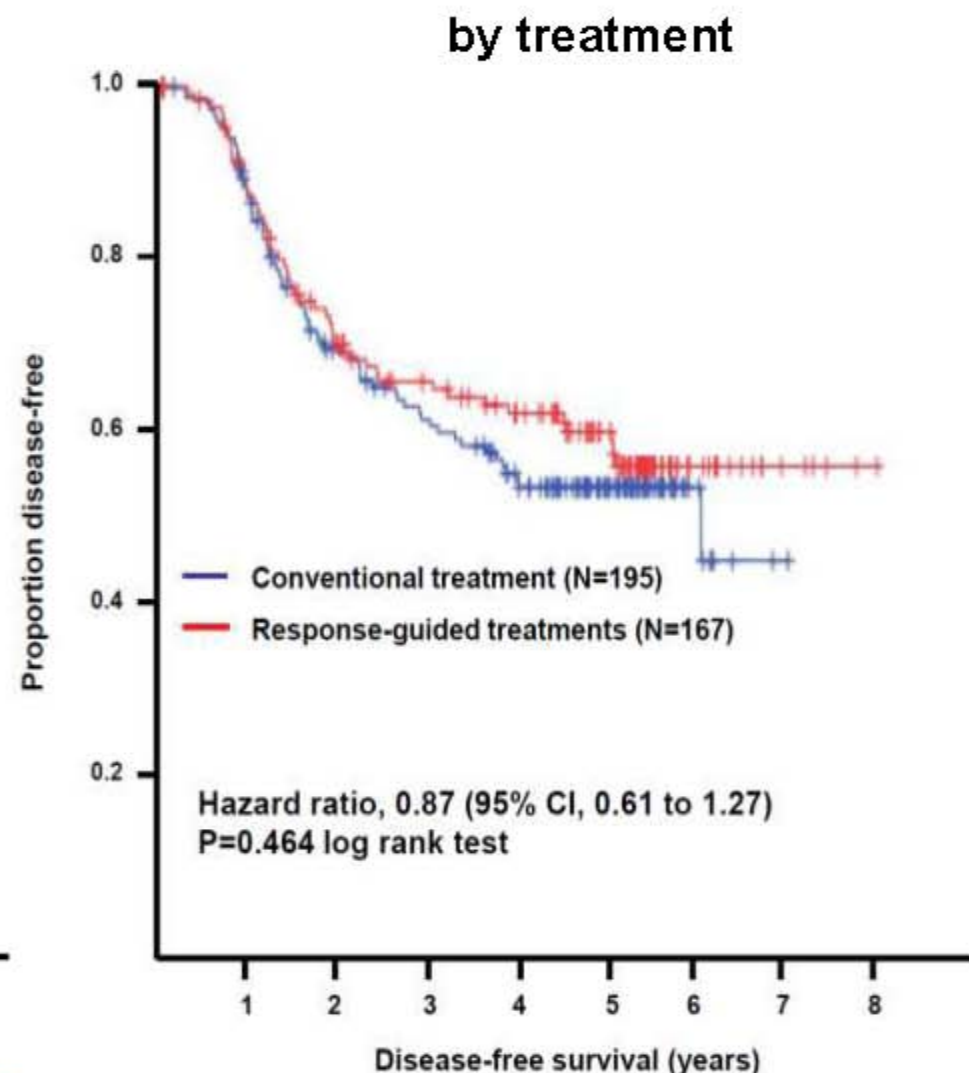
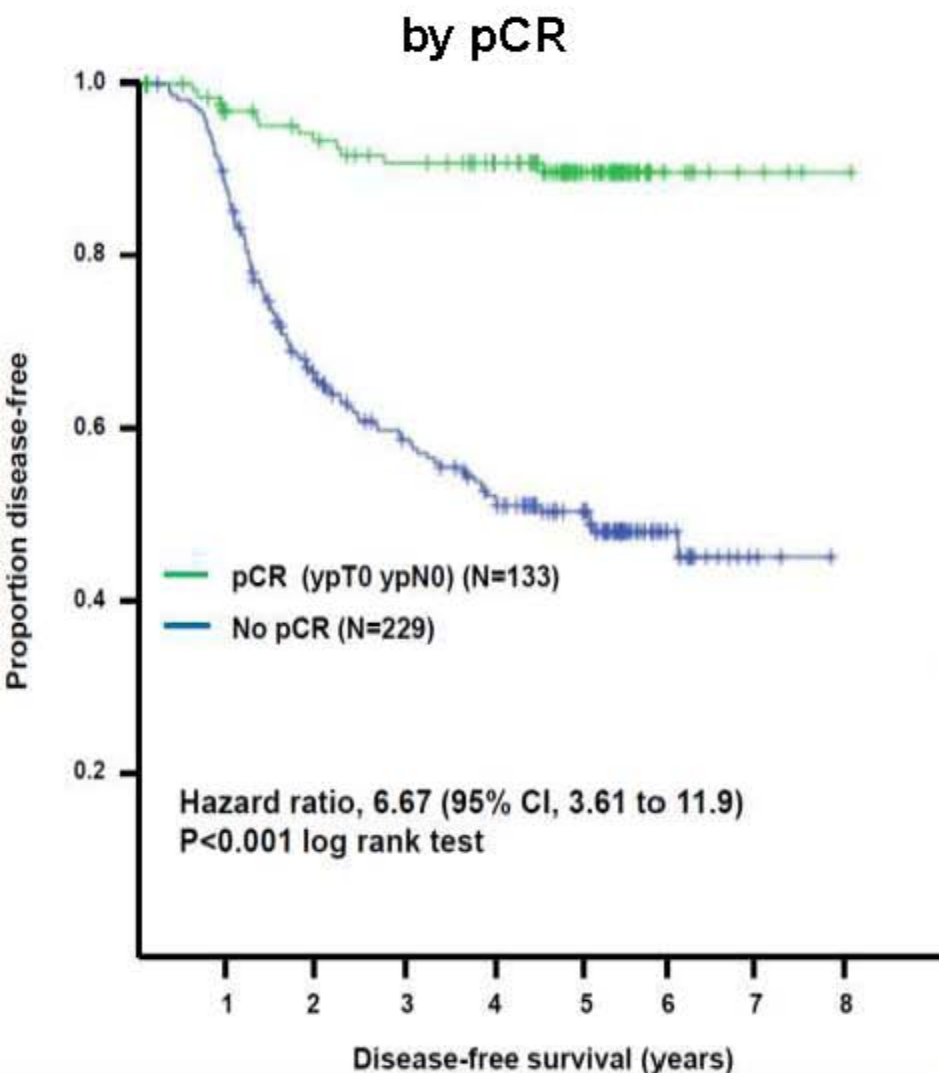


# DFS in HER2+(non-luminal) tumors





# DFS in Triple Negative Tumors





# Conclusion

- **Interim response-guided (longer or sequential) neoadjuvant chemotherapy improved survival.**
- **Treatment effects on survival derived from luminal-type tumors.**
  - This treatment effect could not be predicted by pCR as these tumors have lower pCR rates and their prognosis does not depend on pCR.
- **Patients with HER2+ or triple-negative tumors did not benefit from response-guided treatment.**
  - pCR is highly prognostic in these subgroups.
  - Lack of treatment effect on pCR rate corresponds to lack of long term treatment.

# Comparison of survival according to pathological complete response (pCR) in patients with HER2-positive breast cancer receiving neoadjuvant chemotherapy with and w/o trastuzumab compared to patients with HER2-negative tumors

Loibl S, von Minckwitz G, Blohmer JU, Costa SD, Eidtmann H, Fasching P, Gerber B, Hilfrich J, Huober J, Jackisch C, Kaufmann M, Konecny G, Denkert C, Nekljudova V, Mehta K, Untch M

for the GBG and AGO-B study groups

# Objectives

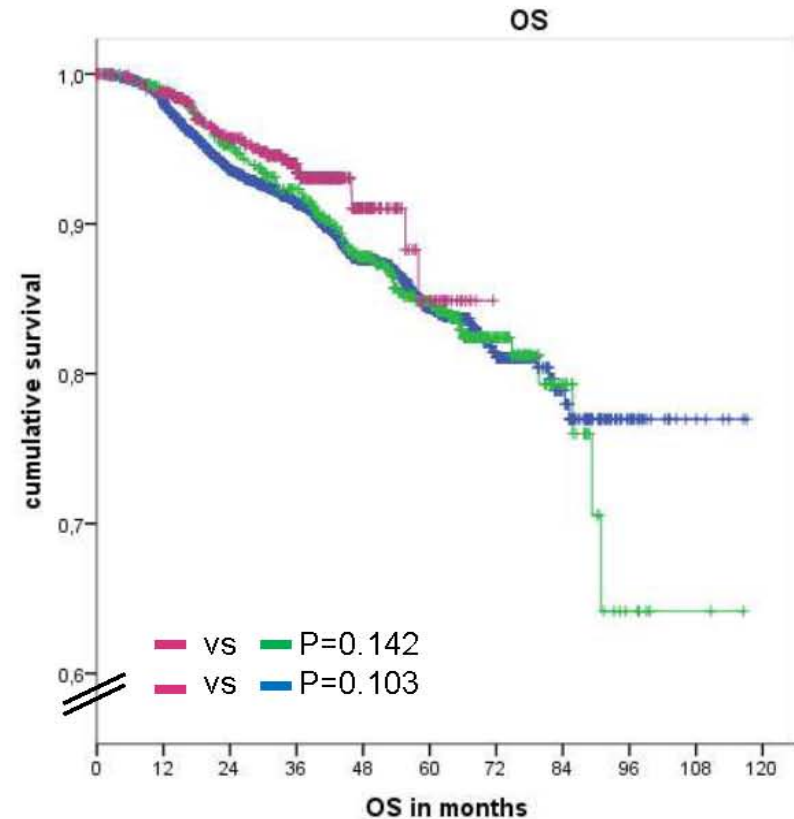
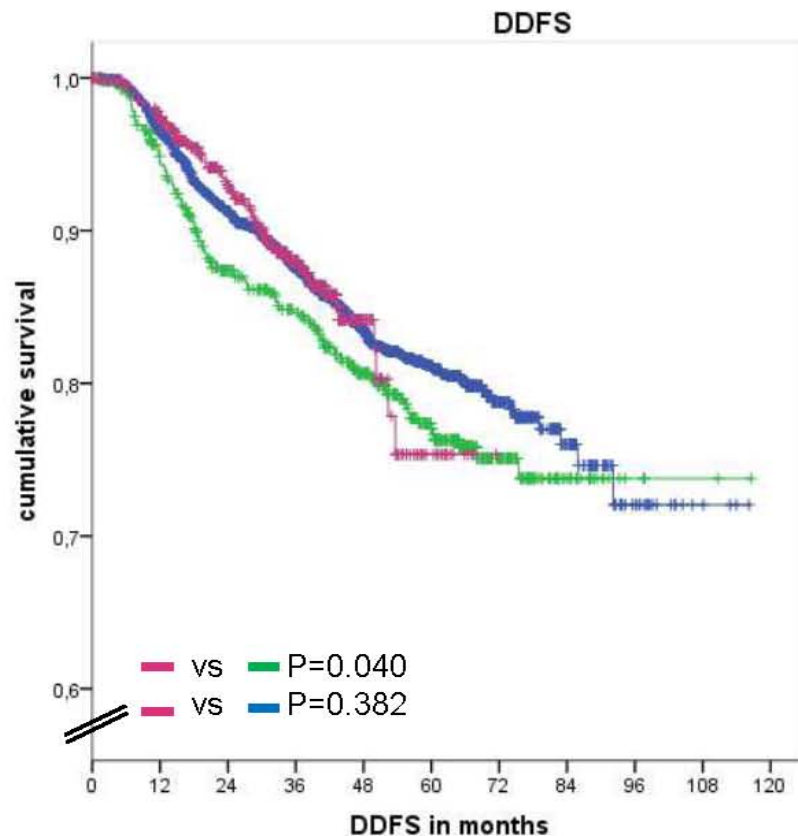
## Definition of three subgroups:

- **HER2-positive with trastuzumab**
- **HER2-positive without trastuzumab**
- **HER2-negative**

## Compare DDFS and OS in these subgroups:

- **pCR vs. no pCR**
- **hormone receptor positive and -negative tumors**

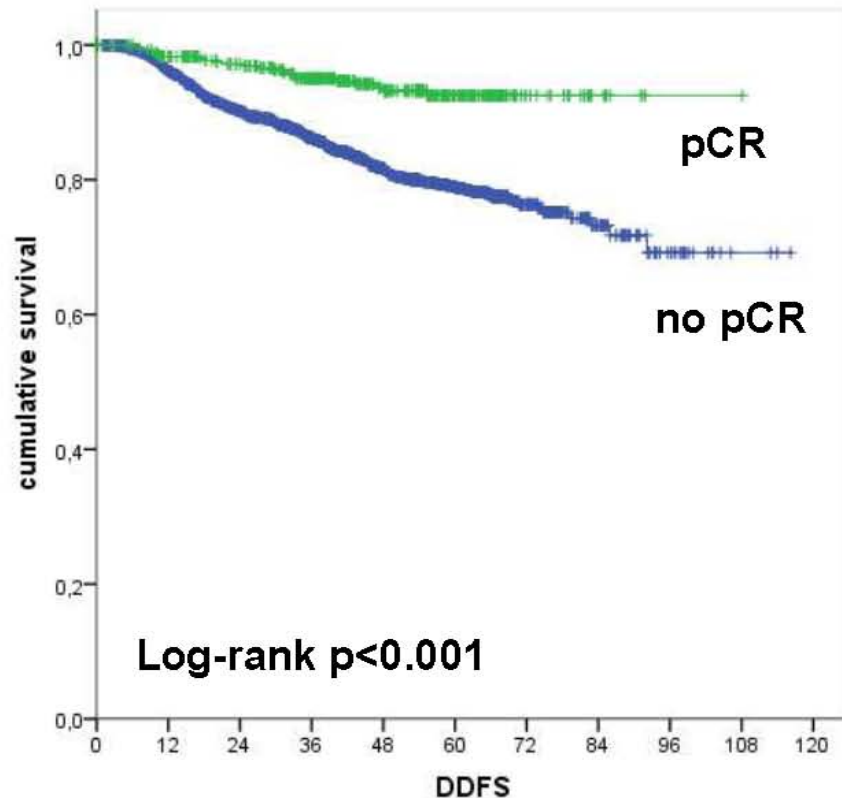
# DDFS and OS in the three subgroups



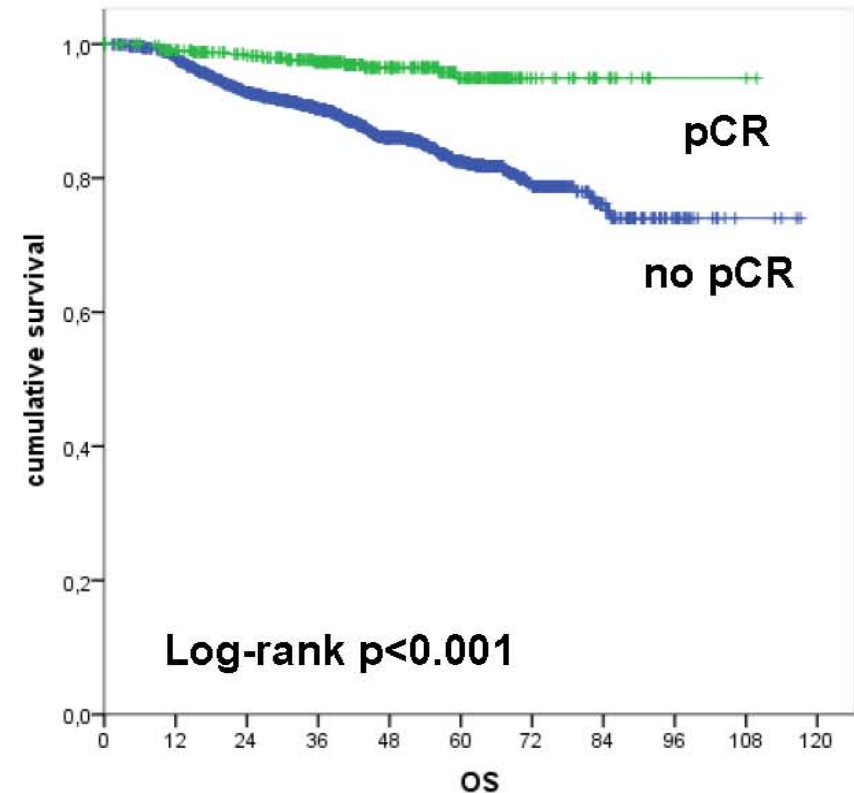
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— n= 3060 HER2 negative  
— n= 665 HER2+; no trastuzumab

## DDFS and OS by pCR – HER2-negative

HER2-negative



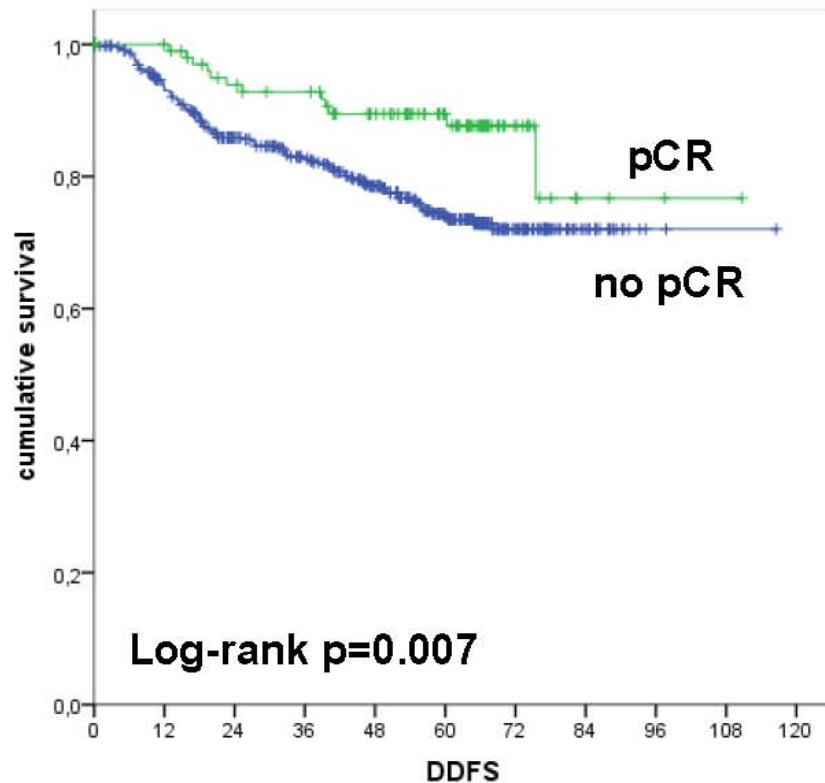
HER2-negative



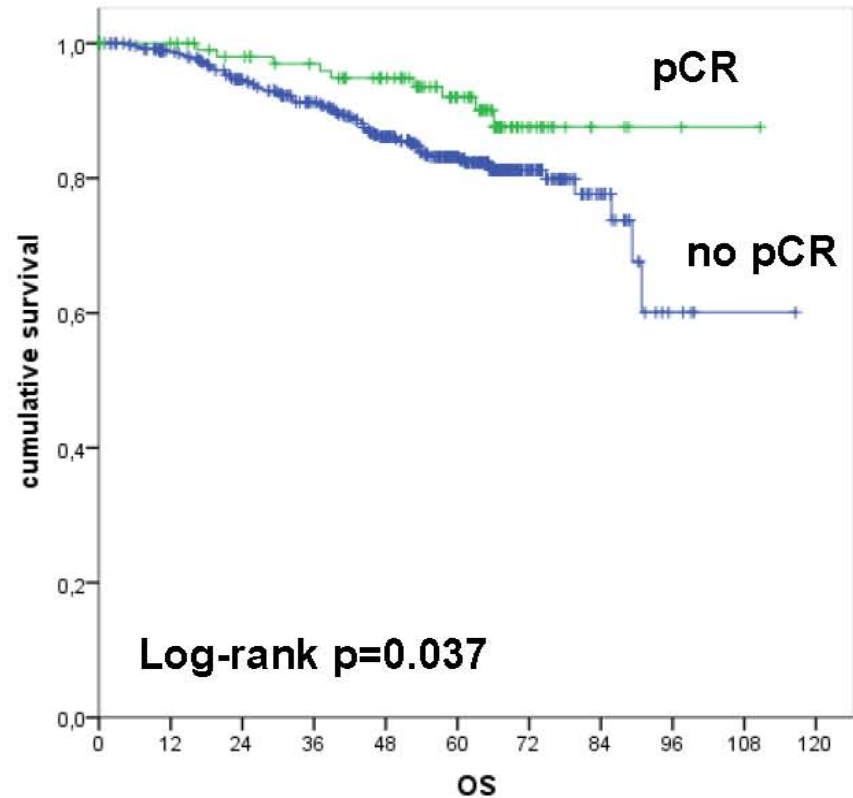


# DDFS and OS by pCR – HER2-positive Without Trastuzumab

HER2-positive without trastuzumab

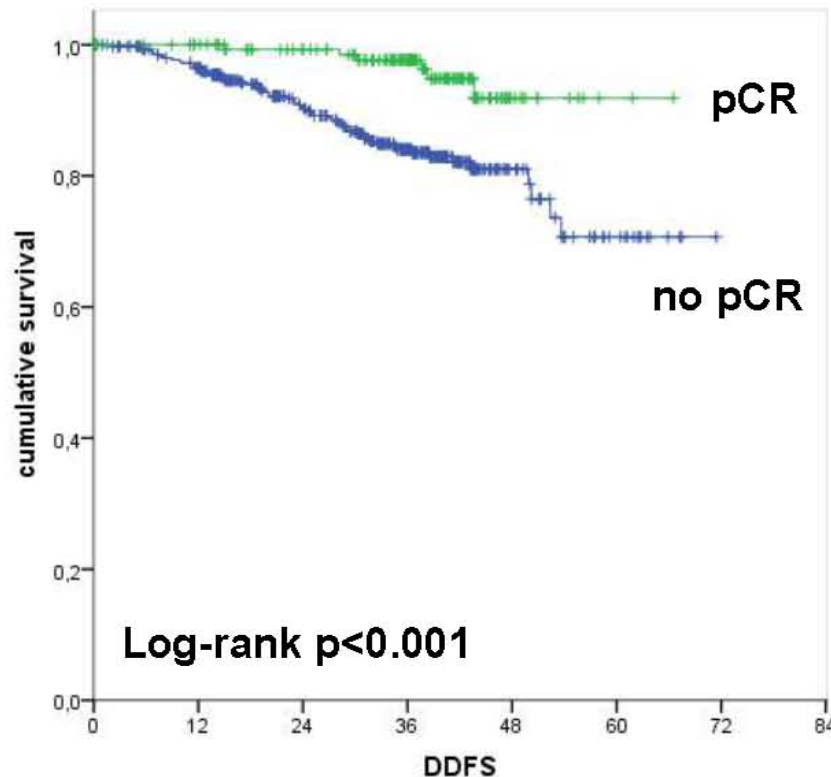


HER2-positive without trastuzumab

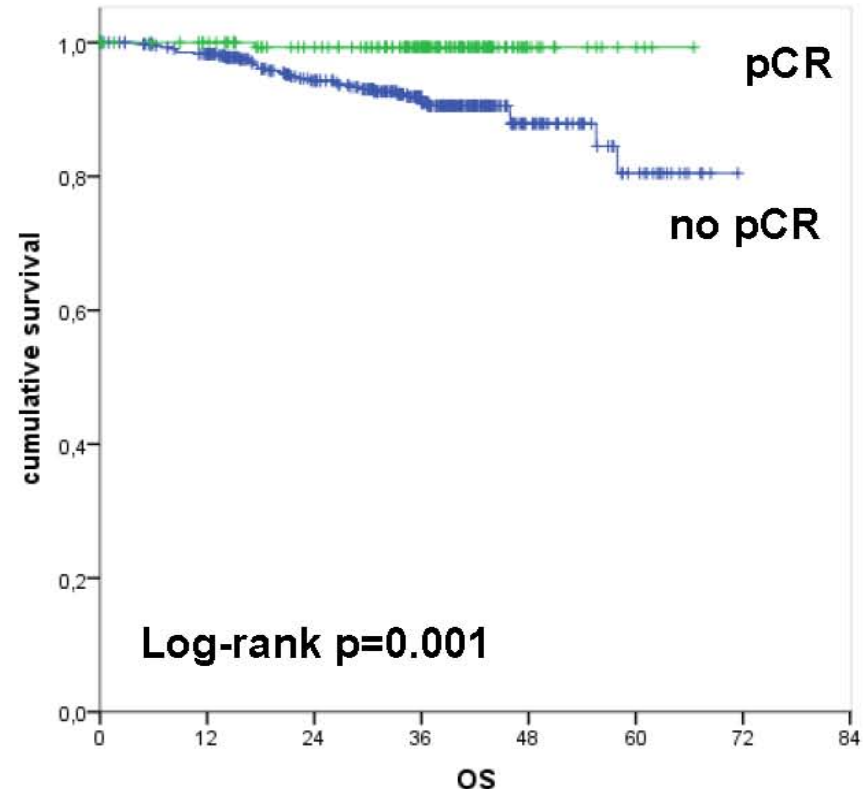


# DDFS and OS by pCR – HER2-positive with Trastuzumab

HER2-positive with trastuzumab

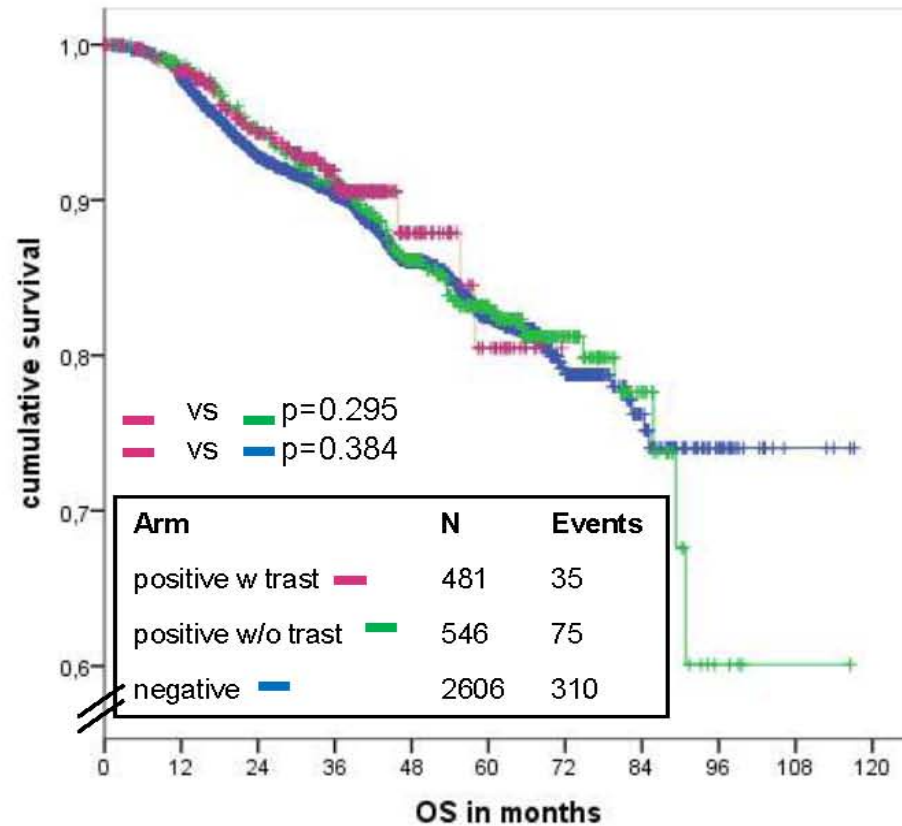


HER2-positive with trastuzumab

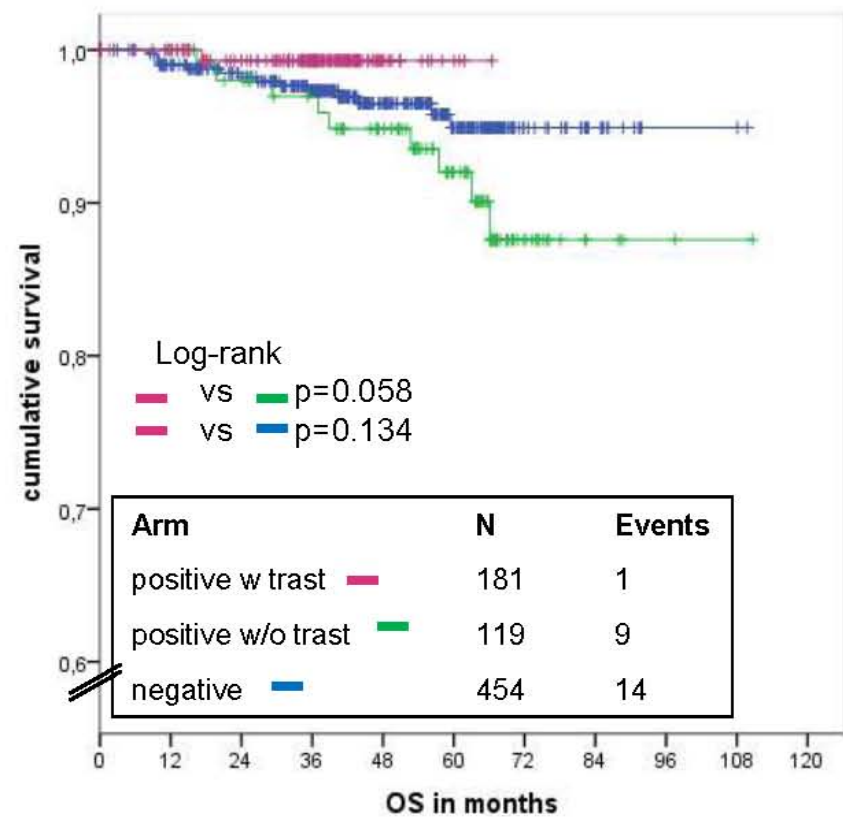


# OS analysis by pCR

No pCR



pCR



■ n= 662 HER2+ with trastuzumab  
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■ n= 665 HER2+; no trastuzumab

# Summary

- **Patients with HER2-positive primary breast cancer treated with trastuzumab and chemotherapy achieve a higher pCR rate**
- **DDFS and OS was significantly better with pCR in HER2-negative, HER2-positive non- trastuzumab and HER2-positive trastuzumab patients**
- **In pCR patients OS tended to be superior with trastuzumab compared to HER2-positive, non-trastuzumab and HER2-negative patients**
- **In particular HER2-positive, hormone receptor negative patients have a better DDFS and OS compared to HER2-positive, non-trastuzumab and HER2-negative patients**

# **The Present and Future of Genomics in DCIS**

On Demand Post-SABCS 2011  
Update

Steve Shak, MD  
Chief Medical Officer



# Key Radiation Trials in DCIS

Year code, study name (reference)	Entry dates	No. of women randomized	No. of women eligible for analysis†	Median follow- up (yr)	Mammo- graphic detection (%)	Breast and axillary surgery	Negative surgical margins required	Central pathological review	Breast radiotherapy
<b>Data available for overview</b>									
NSABP B-17 (3, 4, 5)	1985–1990	818	798	16.5	80	Local excision (37% axillary dissection)	Yes (13% involved or unknown)‡	623 (76%)	50 Gy (2 Gy/f) 9% with boost
EORTC 10853 (6, 7, 8, 9)	1986–1996	1010	918	10.4	72	Local excision (20% axillary dissection)	Yes (16% “not free,” <1mm, involved or unknown)‡	824 (82%)	50 Gy (2 Gy/f) 5% with boost
SweDCIS (10, 11, 12)	1987–1999	1067	1011	8.4	79	Sector resection (17% axillary dissection)	No (11% positive, 9% unknown)‡	271 (25%)	50 Gy (2 Gy/f) (80%) or 48 Gy (2.4 Gy/f) (13%) or 54 Gy (2 Gy/f) then 2 wk gap (7%) Boost not recommended
UK/ANZ DCIS§(13)	1990–1998	1030	1002	4.8	100	Local excision (No axillary dissection)	Yes	0 (0%)	50 Gy (2 Gy/f) Boost not recommended
<b>Data not yet available</b>									
RTOG 9804	1999–2006	636	–	–	ns	Local excision (No axillary dissection)	Yes	0 (0%)	50.4 Gy (1.8 Gy/f) or 50 Gy (2 Gy/f) or 42.5 Gy (2.7 Gy/f) Boost not recommended

# Unmet Need

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- Reliable methods for making treatment decisions based upon patient specific tumor biology in DCIS have not been previously established
- There is a need to quantitatively assess the risk of invasive breast cancer recurrence in newly-diagnosed patients with DCIS
- There is a significant unmet need for validated tests that identify:
  - low risk disease which may be treated with surgery alone, avoiding toxicities and costs associated with radiation
  - high risk disease for which the addition of radiation may be considered

# DCIS Score™: Gene Selection

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## Proliferation

Ki-67  
STK15  
Survivin  
Cyclin B1  
MYBL2

## Hormone Receptor Group

PR

GSTM1

## Reference

Beta-actin  
GAPDH  
RPLPO  
GUS  
TFRC

DCIS Score:

- Continuous variable
- Number between 0 – 100

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# **A QUANTITATIVE MULTIGENE RT-PCR ASSAY FOR PREDICTING RECURRENCE RISK AFTER SURGICAL EXCISION ALONE WITHOUT IRRADIATION FOR DUCTAL CARCINOMA IN SITU (DCIS): A PROSPECTIVE VALIDATION STUDY OF THE DCIS SCORE FROM ECOG E5194**

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# ECOG E5194 (PARENT STUDY)

**Prospective multicenter study 1997-2000 (n = 670)**

**Cohort 1: Low/intermediate grade, size  $\leq$  2.5 cm**

**Cohort 2: High grade, size  $\leq$  1 cm**

## **Study treatment**

- Surgical excision**
- Minimum 3 mm negative margin width**
- No radiation**
- Tamoxifen option beginning May 2000**

**Reported outcomes at 5 and 7 years (Hughes, JCO, 2009)**

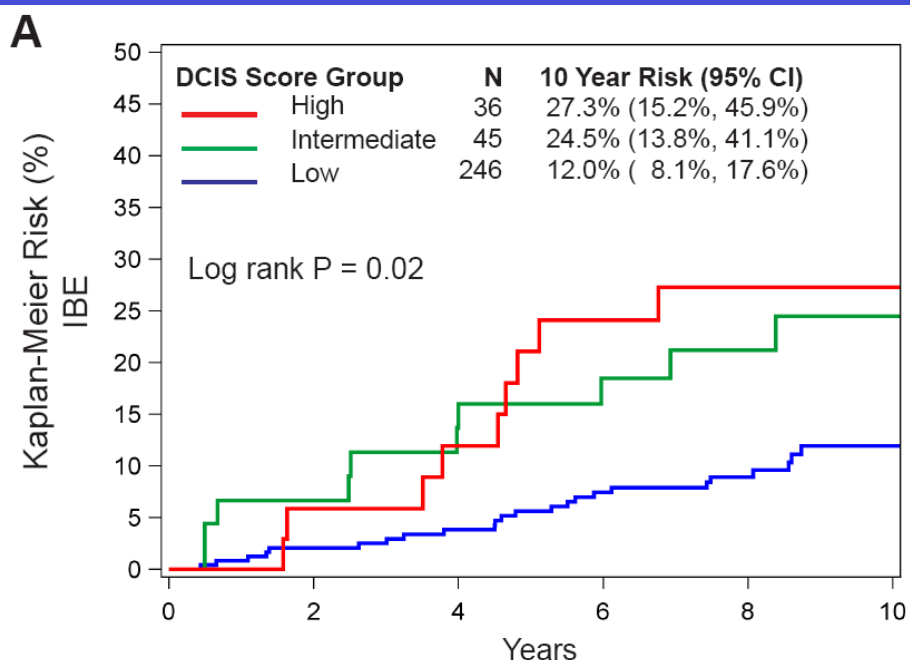
- Currently 10-year outcomes**

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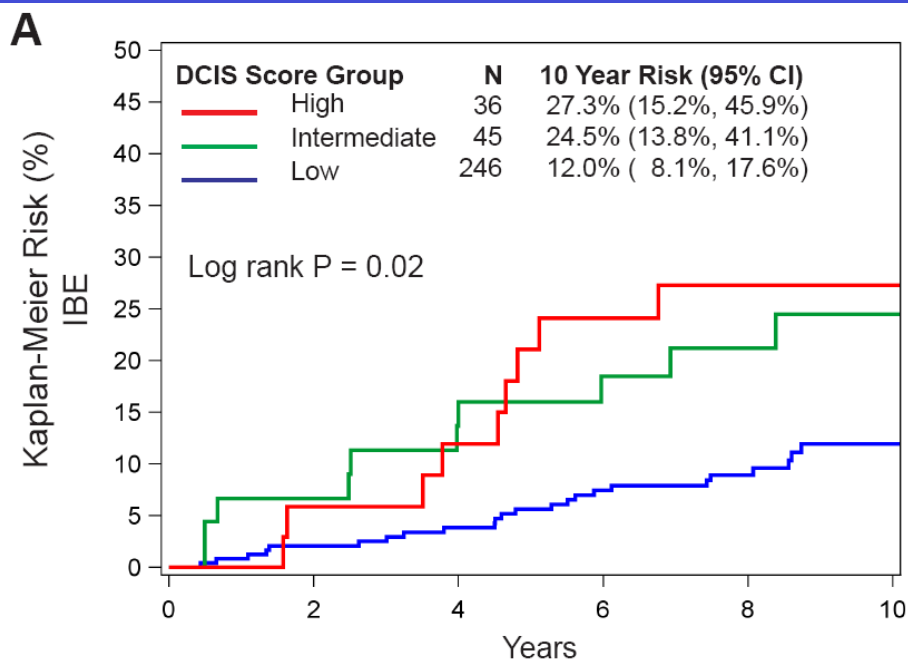
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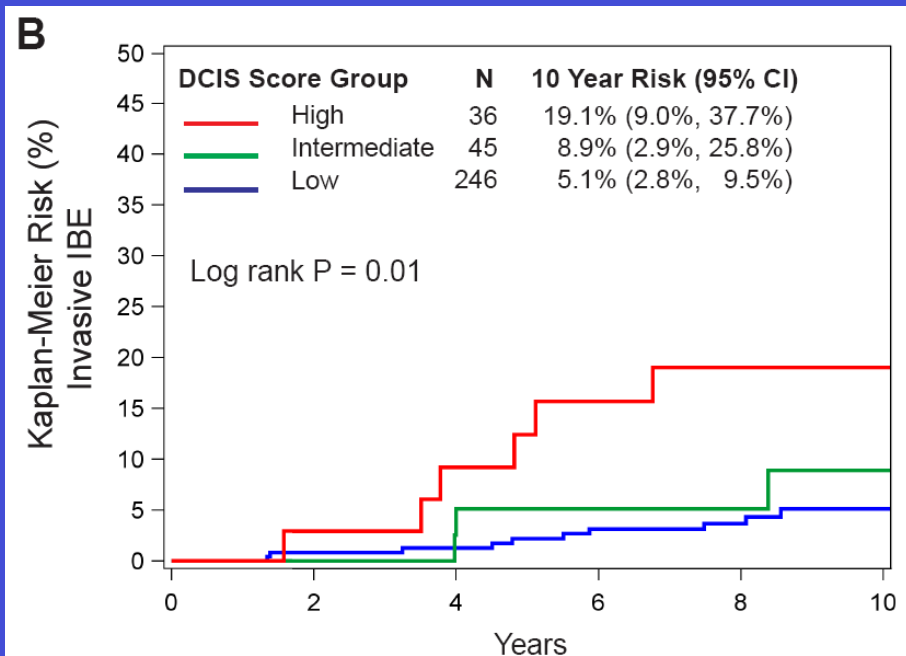
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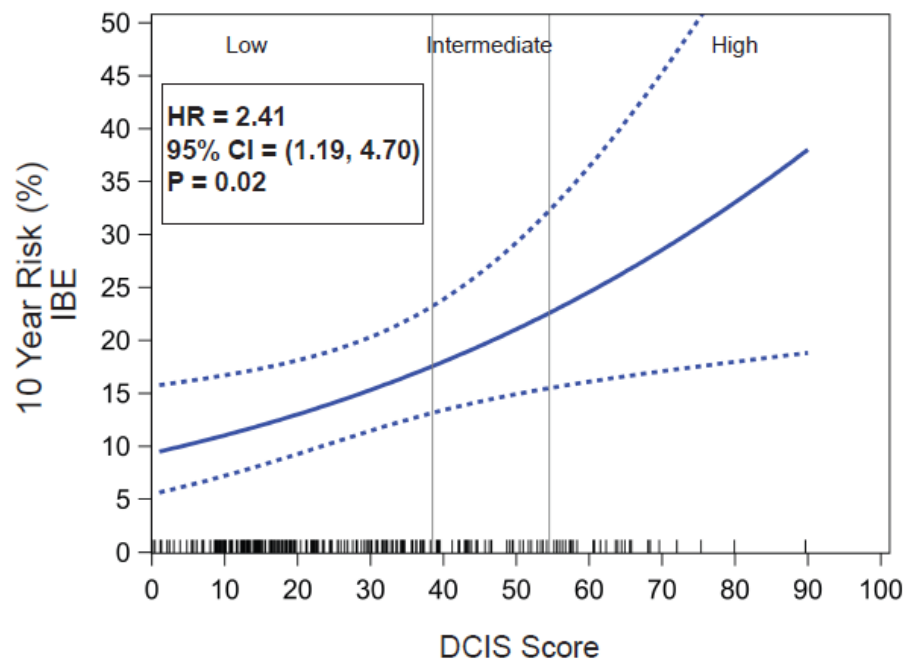
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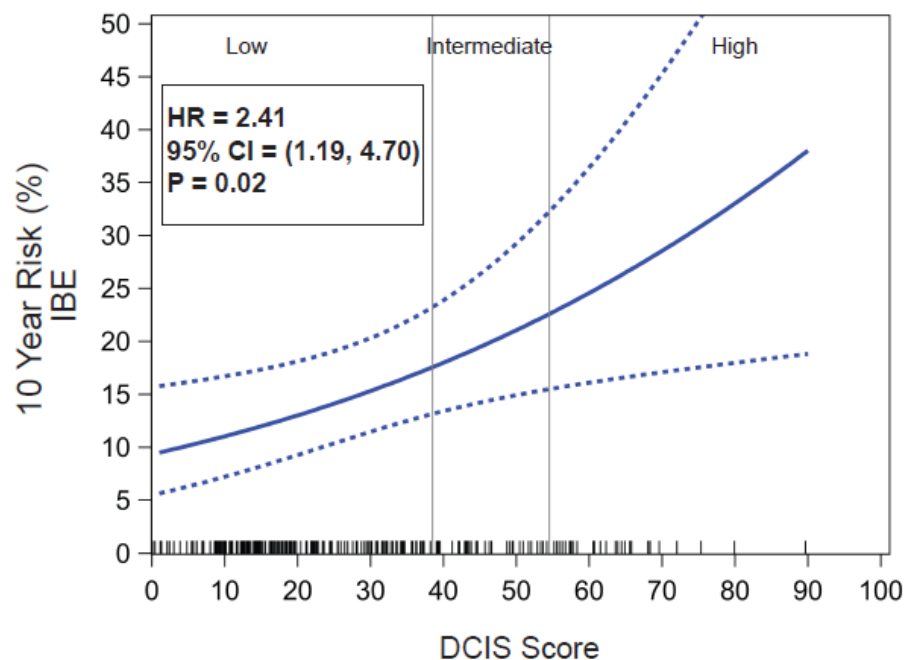
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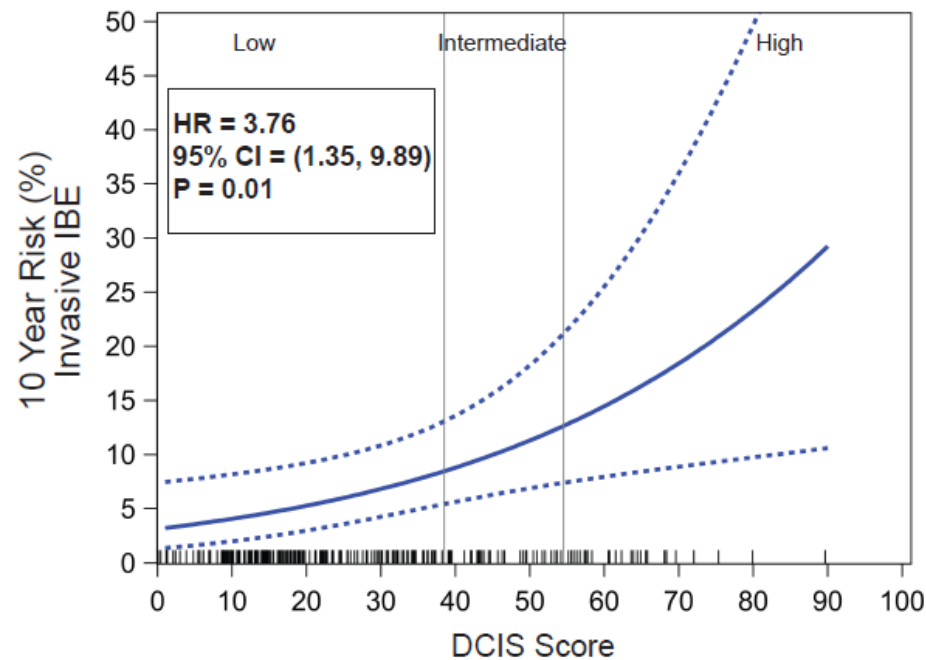
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- Design: étude de AZ (4mg q 6 mo pour 3 ans) ou non (et tamoxifen vs anastrozole)
- Objectif: comparé DFS: objectif principal  
OS: objectif secondaire
- Éligibilité: stage I, II, ER+ et/ou PGR+, prémenopausées recevant goserelin, pas de chimio adjuvante

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- Plusieurs analyses de sous groupes manque de puissance et sujet à plusieurs controverses :
  - Âge 40 ans?



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- ABCGS-12: données probantes de niveau 1 sur la valeur ajoutée de AZ comme traitement adjuvant chez les patientes préménopausées
- ABCGS-12 a rencontré ses objectifs primaires et secondaires
- Résultats de SOFT en attente
- Questions: impact de l'âge (ex: <40 ans), degré de suppression ovarienne, chimio adjuvante et durée optimale

# Conclusion concernant ZO-FAST et bisphosphonate chez les patientes ménopausées

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- Résultats de ZO-FAST sont en ligne avec d'autres études récentes sur AZ:
  - ZO-FAST: 3.6% ↑ de DFS à 5 ans
  - ABCGS-12: 4% ↑ de DFS à 7 ans
  - AZURE: 7.1% ↑ de DFS à 5 ans
- B-34: 24% ↑ de RFI à 8 ans (HR: 0.76 pour âge > 50)
- NB: bénéfiques dans le même ordre que traitement endocrinien:
  - MA-17: 4.6% ↑ DFS à 4 ans
  - EBTCG: 2.9% ↓ des récives avec un IA vs tamoxifene à 5 ans (méta-analyse)

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*Perhaps but not necessarily; cannot directly extrapolate ABCSG-12 results to postmenopausal women*

# Comments Regarding ZA Trials

## -Postmenopausal-

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Numerous questions remain: e.g.,

- type of bisphosphonate
- schedule and duration of therapy
- impact of chemotherapy

Other studies will provide data, e.g.,

- B-34 (clodronate vs placebo, for 3 yrs)
- GAIN (ibandronate vs observation, for 2 yrs)
- S0307 (ZA vs clodronate vs ibandronate, for 3 yrs), future



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Mounting evidence suggests that bisphosphonates will become established as efficacious in adjuvant therapy of postmenopausal women with early stage breast cancer.

# Chimiothérapie néoadjuvante: Relation entre pCR et devenir des patientes

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- HER2 négatif
  - Changement de pratique?
  - Ré-évaluation de réponse par echo aux 2 cycles
  - Changement de traitement ami-parcours
  - 8 cycles de chimio de routine?
- HER2+
  - Traitement anti-HER2 précoce est préférable
  - Marqueurs ER/PR et HER2 sur biopsie de principe
  - Cancer invasif HER2+ seront les premiers guéris

# DCIS score

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- Premier outil prédicteur de façon objective de la récurrence locale dans le DCIS
  - Variable continue
- Applications?
  - Valeur prédictive du bénéfice de la radiothérapie indéterminée
- Recherche additionnelle nécessaire:
  - DCIS HER2+
  - Gènes prédicteurs des bénéfices de la radiothérapie
  - Gènes prédicteurs de la récurrence sous forme invasive