

Impossibile visualizzare l'immagine. La memoria del computer potrebbe essere insufficiente per aprire l'immagine oppure l'immagine potrebbe essere danneggiata. Riavviare il computer e aprire di nuovo il file. Se viene visualizzata di nuovo la x rossa, potrebbe essere necessario eliminare l'immagine e inserirla di nuovo.

## V Sessione. Problematiche legate all'impiego di terapia sistemica

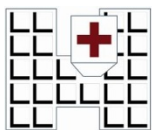
# Farmaci a bersaglio molecolare nella malattia metastatica ormonoresponsiva

*Stefania Gori*

*Medical Oncology Department*

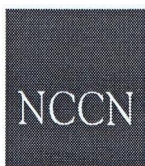
*Sacro Cuore-Don Calabria Hospital*

*Negrar-Verona*



Ospedale  
Sacro Cuore – Don Calabria

**HR+/HER2-  
metastatic breast cancer**



National  
Comprehensive  
Cancer  
Network®

# NCCN Guidelines Version 3.2013

## Invasive Breast Cancer

[NCCN Guidelines Index](#)  
[Breast Cancer Table of Contents](#)  
[Discussion](#)

### SUBSEQUENT ENDOCRINE THERAPY FOR SYSTEMIC DISEASE

**Premenopausal patients with ER-positive disease should have ovarian ablation/suppression and follow postmenopausal guidelines**

#### Postmenopausal Patients

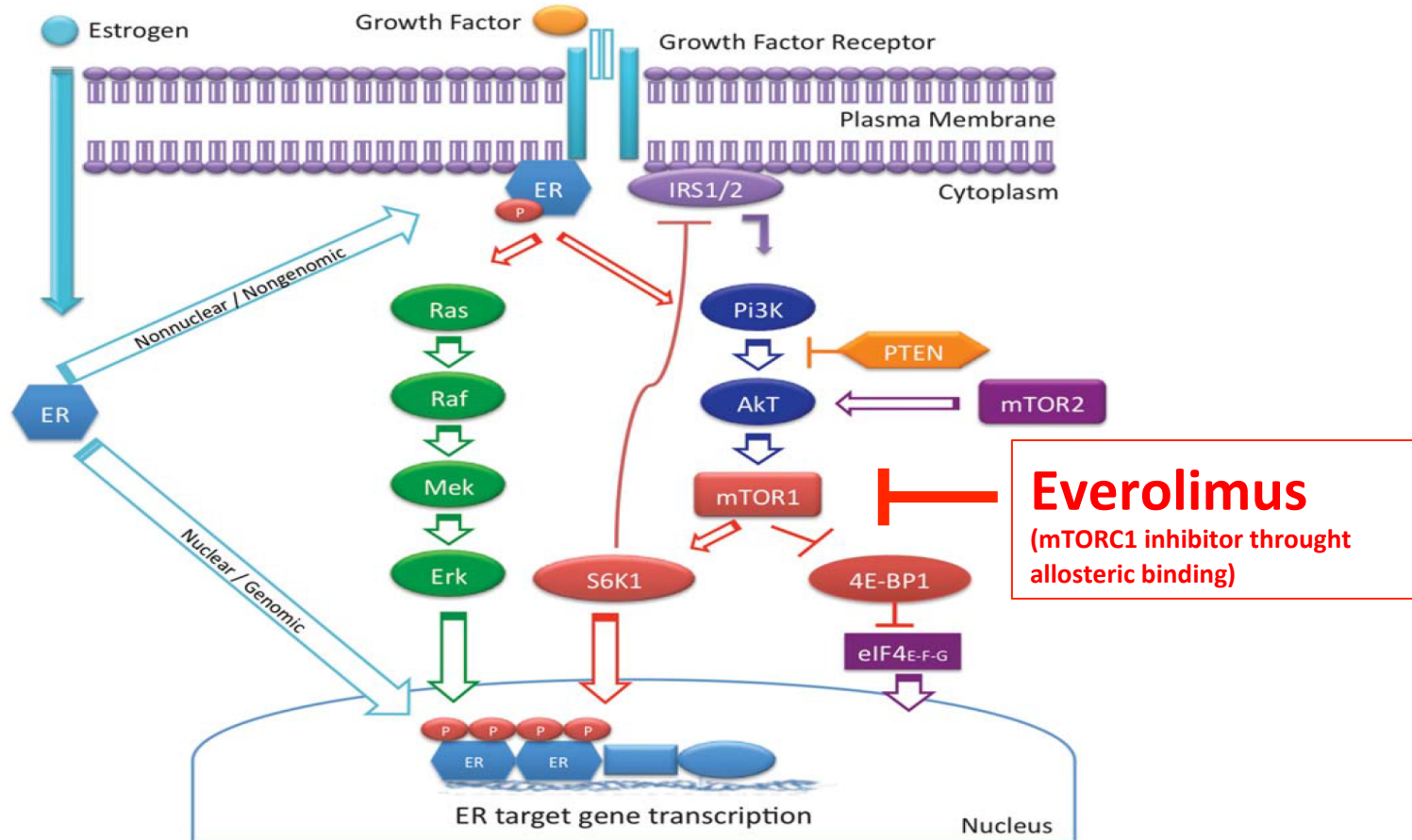
- Non-steroidal aromatase inhibitor (anastrozole, letrozole)
- Steroidal aromatase inactivator (exemestane)<sup>1</sup>
- Fulvestrant
- Tamoxifen or Toremifene
- Megestrol acetate
- Fluoxymesterone
- Ethinyl estradiol

<sup>1</sup>A single study (BOLERO-2) in women with hormone receptor-positive, HER-2 negative metastatic breast cancer and prior therapy with a nonsteroidal aromatase inhibitor demonstrated improvement in progression-free survival with the addition of everolimus (an mTOR inhibitor) to exemestane (HR 0.43; 95% CI, 0.35-0.54; log-rank  $P < 0.001$ ) and with an increase in toxicity. No survival analysis is available. Consider the addition of everolimus to exemestane in women who fulfill the eligibility criteria of BOLERO-2.

Note: All recommendations are category 2A unless otherwise indicated.

Clinical Trials: NCCN believes that the best management of any cancer patient is in a clinical trial. Participation in clinical trials is especially encouraged.

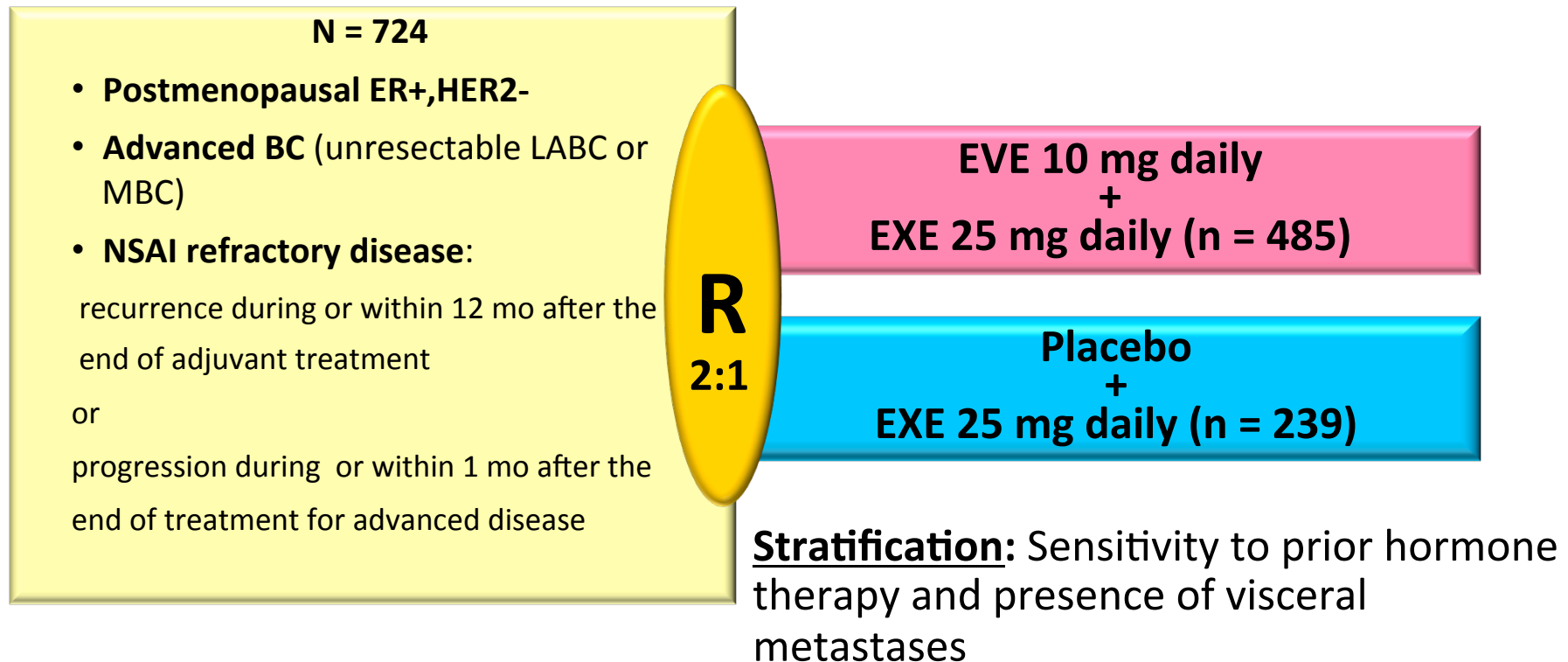
# PI3K/Akt/mTOR and endocrine pathways



**One of the mechanisms of endocrine resistance is aberrant signaling of PI3KCA-Akt-mTOR pathway.** There is a close interaction between mTOR pathway and ER. The kinase S6, a substrate of mTOR, phosphorylates the activation function domain 1 of ER, which is responsible for ligand-independent receptor activation. Everolimus in combination with letrozole in neoadjuvant setting was more active than letrozole alone (Baselga J et al, JCO 2009). Inhibition of mTOR might overcome endocrine resistance.

# BOLERO-2 (Ph III): Everolimus in Advanced BC

24 Countries, 196 sites



## Endpoints

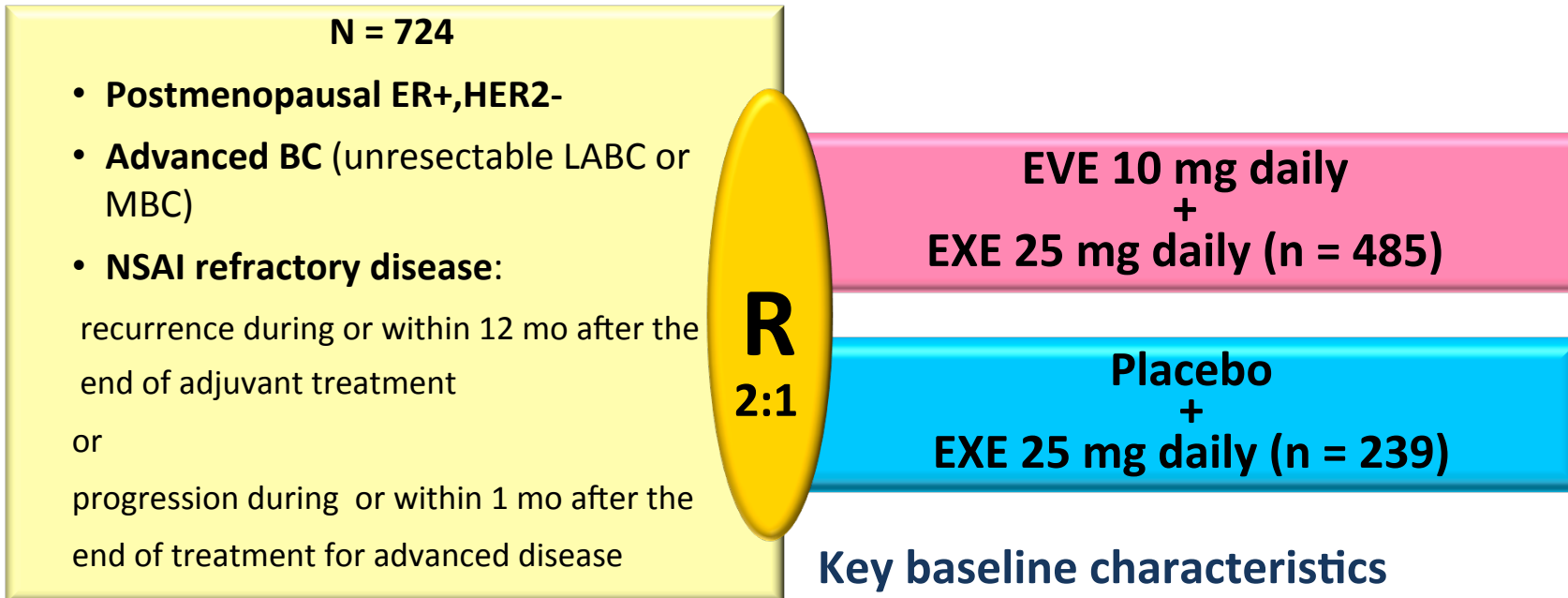
- **Primary:** PFS (local assessment)
- **Secondary:** OS, ORR, QOL, safety, bone markers, PK

Abbreviations: BC, breast cancer; ER+, estrogen receptor-positive; EVE, everolimus; EXE, exemestane; ORR, overall response rate; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression-free survival; Ph, phase; PK, pharmacokinetics; QOL, quality of life.

Baselga J, et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2012;366(6):520-529.

# BOLERO-2 (Ph III): Everolimus in Advanced BC

24 Countries, 196 sites



## Key baseline characteristics

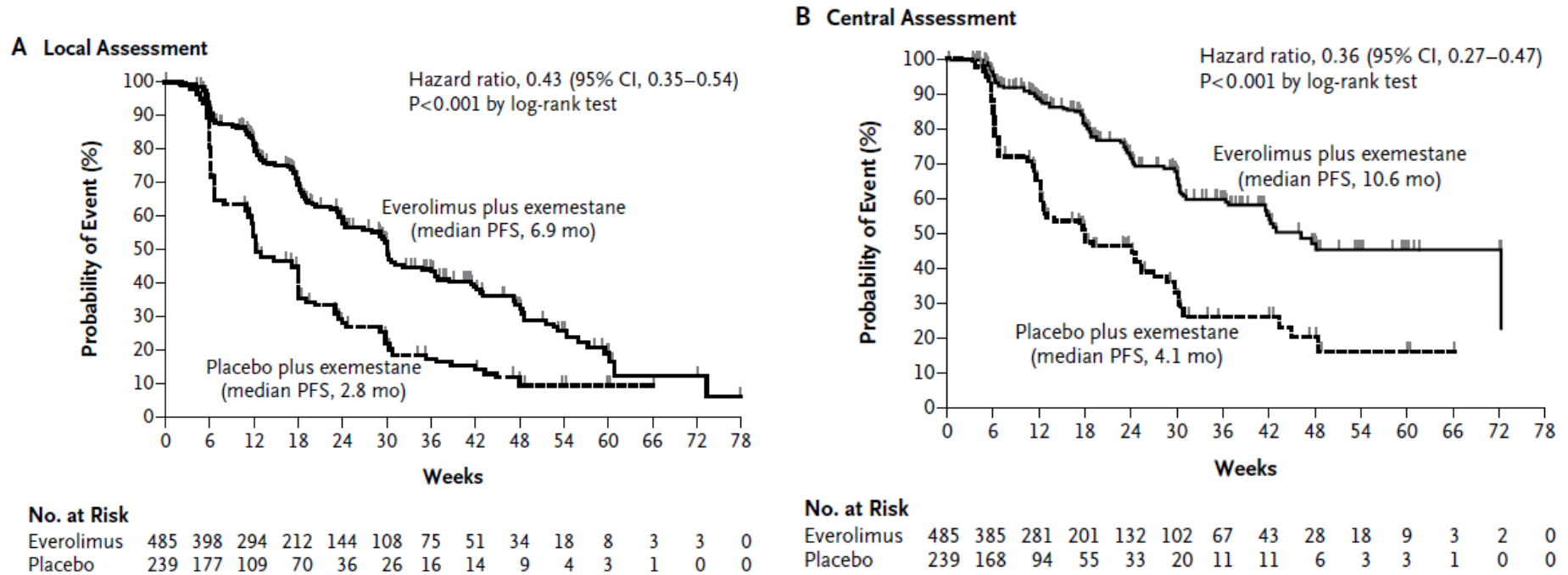
Median age	62 years
Race	
Caucasian	75%
Asian	20%
Visceral involvement	56%
Bone metastases	77%

## Endpoints

- **Primary:** PFS (local assessment)
- **Secondary:** OS, ORR, QOL, safety

Abbreviations: BC, breast cancer; ER+, estrogen receptor-positive; EVE, everolimus; EXE, exemestane; PFS, progression-free survival; Ph, phase; PK, pharmacokinetics; QOL, quality of life. Baselga J, et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2012;366(6):520-529.

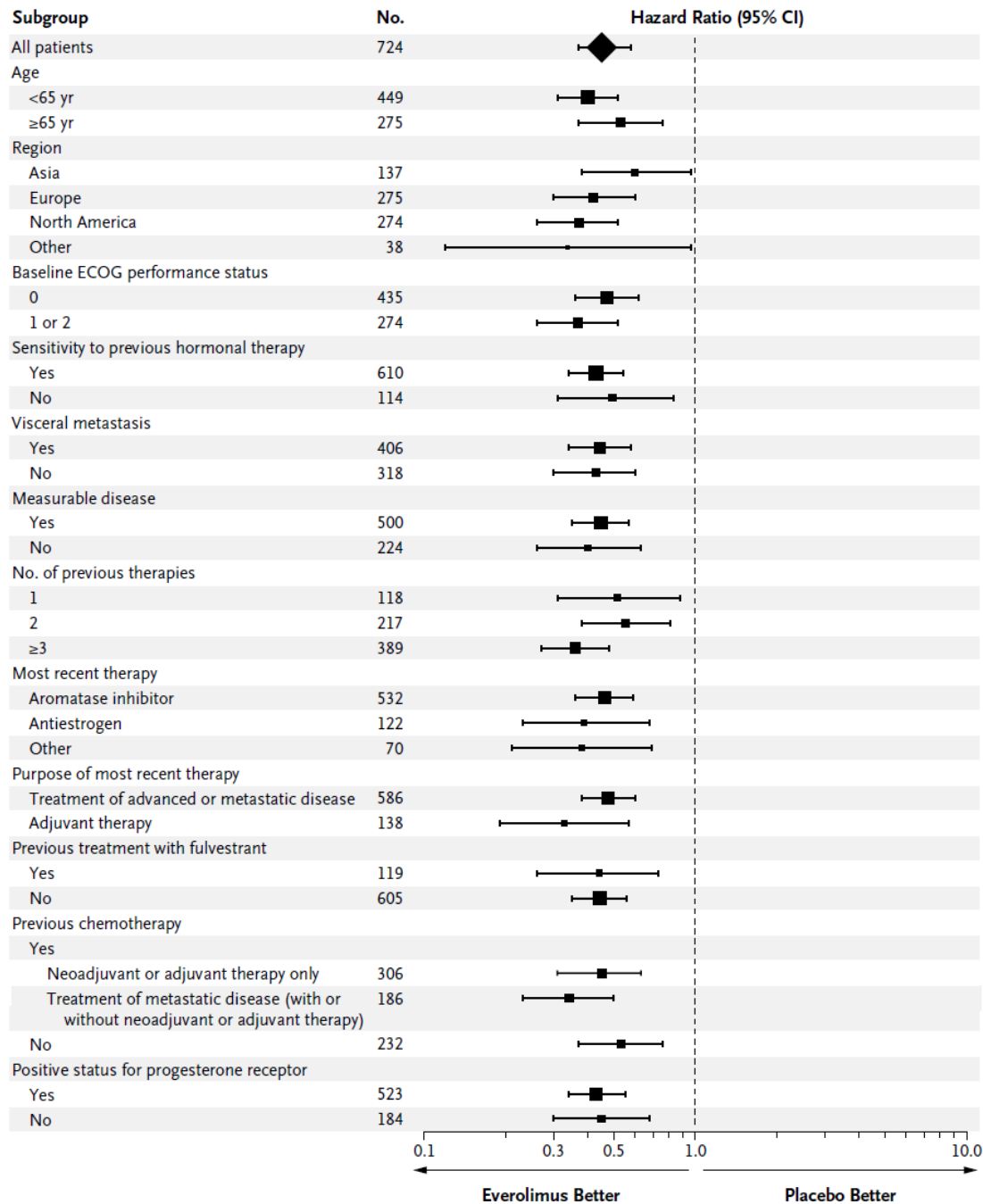
# Preplanned interim analysis after 359 PFS events



**Figure 1. Kaplan–Meier Plot of Progression-free Survival.**

Panel A shows progression-free survival on the basis of local assessment of radiographic studies, and Panel B shows central assessment. PFS denotes progression-free survival.

Both analyses crossed the prespecified thresholds for significance



PFS benefits were consistent in all subgroups

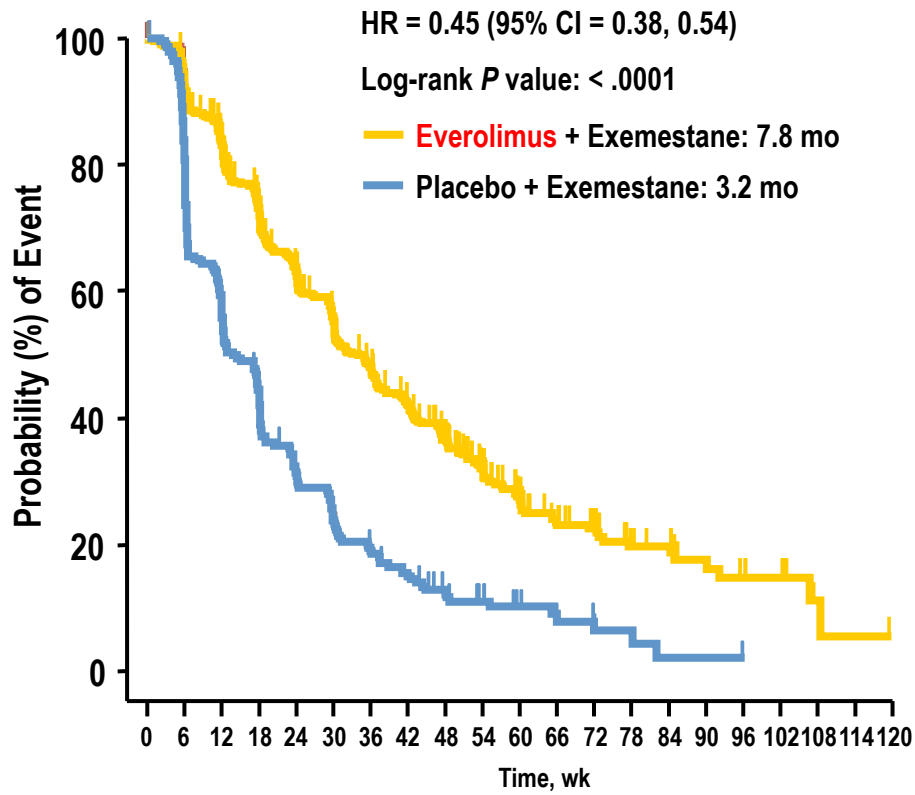


**Table 2. Adverse Events Irrespective of Relationship to Study Treatment (with at Least 10% Incidence in the Everolimus–Exemestane Group).**

Adverse Event	Everolimus and Exemestane (N = 482)			Placebo and Exemestane (N = 238)		
	Any Event	Grade 3 Event	Grade 4 Event	Any Event	Grade 3 Event	Grade 4 Event
	<i>percent</i>					
Stomatitis	56	→ 8	0	11	1	0
Rash	36	1	0	6	0	0
Fatigue	33	→ 3	<1	26	1	0
Diarrhea	30	2	<1	16	1	0
Decreased appetite	29	1	0	10	0	0
Epistaxis	15	0	0	1	0	0
Vomiting	14	<1	<1	11	<1	0
Peripheral edema	14	1	0	6	<1	0
Pyrexia	14	<1	0	6	<1	0
Aspartate aminotransferase level increased	13	→ 3	<1	6	1	0
Alanine aminotransferase level increased	11	3	<1	3	2	0
Hyperglycemia	13	→ 4	<1	2	<1	0
Pneumonitis	12	→ 3	0	0	0	0
Thrombocytopenia	12	2	1	<1	0	<1
Anemia	16	→ 5	1	4	<1	<1

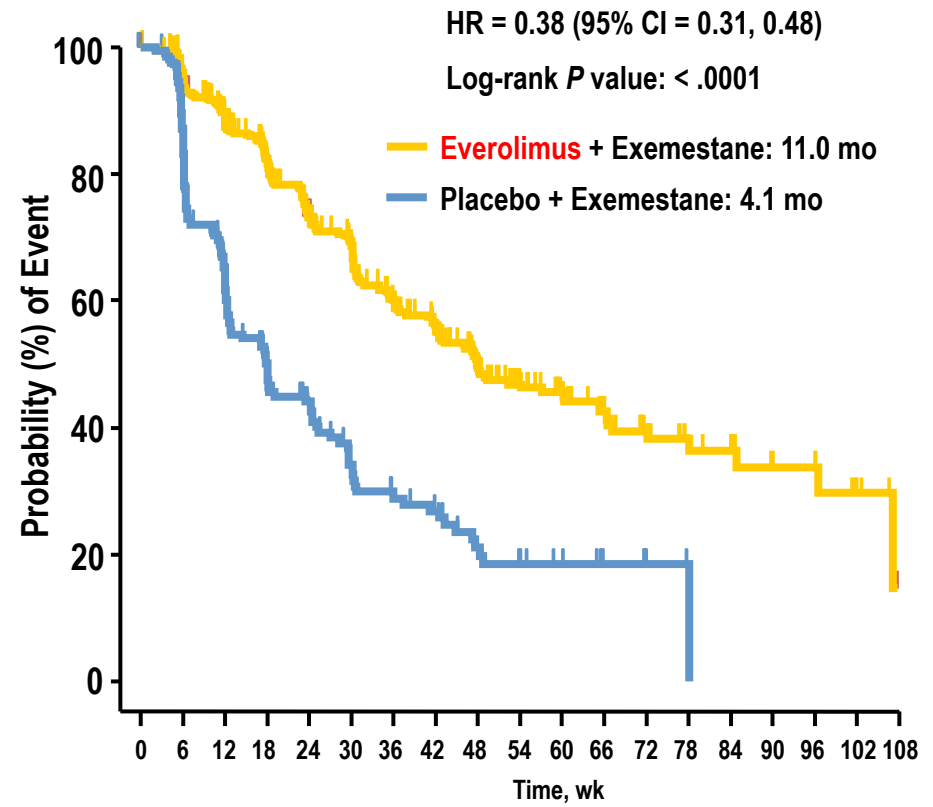
# BOLERO-2 efficacy:

**PFS** at a median follow-up of 18 months



Number of patients still at risk																					
EVE+EXE	485	436	366	304	257	221	185	158	124	91	66	50	35	24	22	13	10	8	2	1	0
PBO+EXE	239	190	132	96	67	50	39	30	21	15	10	8	5	3	1	1	1	0	0	0	0

**Local Assessment**



Number of patients still at risk																			
EVE+EXE	485	427	359	292	239	211	166	140	108	77	62	48	32	21	18	11	10	5	0
PBO+EXE	239	179	114	76	56	39	31	27	16	13	9	6	4	1	0	0	0	0	0

**Central Assessment**

Addition of Everolimus to Exemestane more than doubled median PFS

## BOLERO-2 (18 mo f/up): Overall Survival Was Numerically Better With Everolimus

	PFS Interim <sup>1</sup> (7 mo follow-up)	PFS Update <sup>2</sup> (12 mo follow-up)	PFS Final <sup>3</sup> (18 mo update)
Cut-off Date	11-Feb-2011	8-Jul-2011	15-Dec-2011
OS events (EVE vs PBO%)	83 (10.6 vs 13.0%)	137 (17.3 vs 22.7%)	200 (25.4 vs 32.2%)
<b>Δ OS events</b>	<b>2.4%</b>	<b>5.4%</b>	<b>6.8%</b>

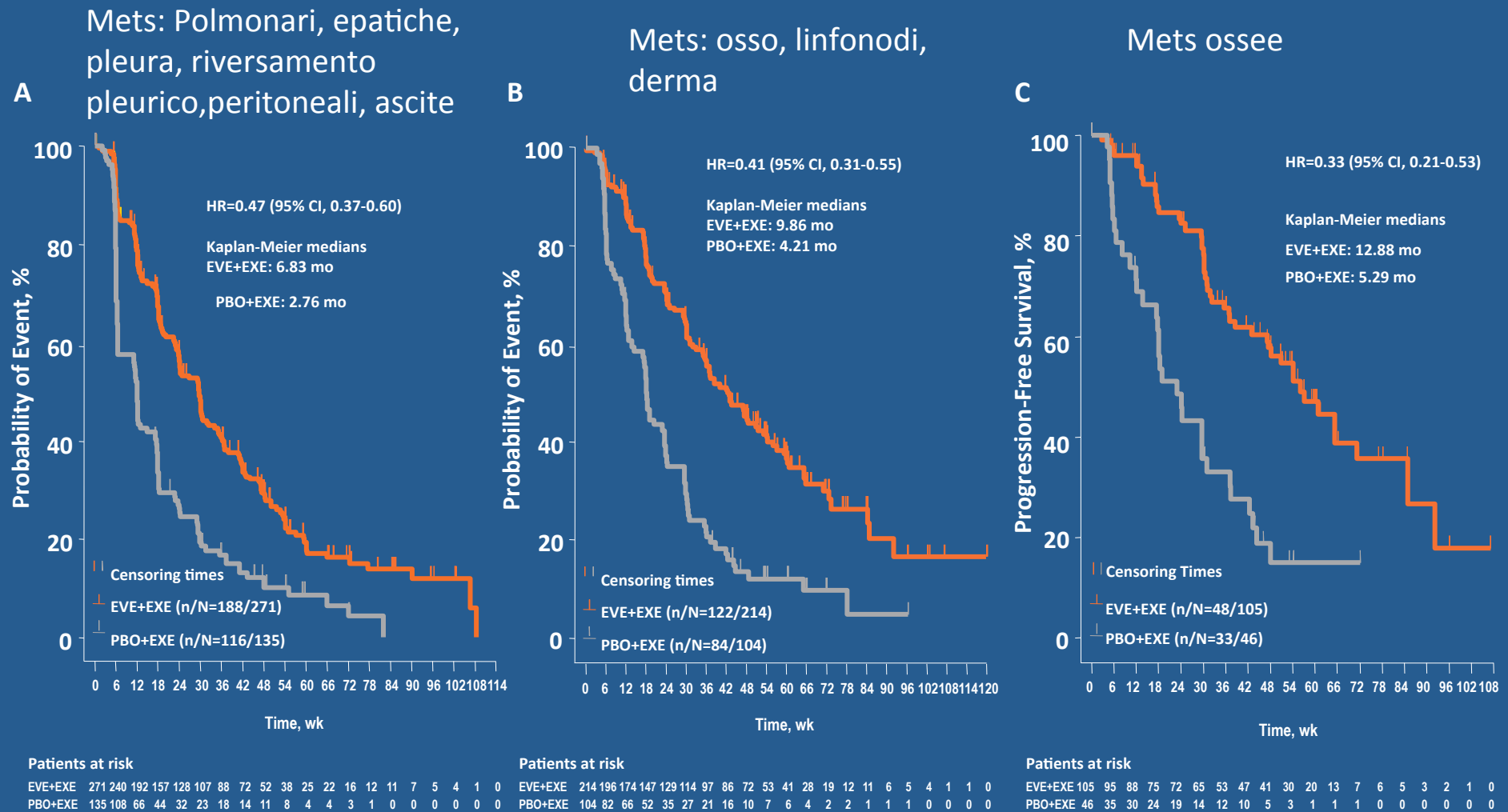
Abbreviations: EVE, everolimus; mo, month; OS, overall survival; PBO, placebo; PFS, progression-free survival; vs, versus.

1. Baselga J, et al. *N Engl J Med*. 2012;366(6):520-529.

2. Hortobagyi G, et al. SABCS 2011; abstract S3-7 (oral).

3. Piccart M, et al. ASCO 2012; abstract 559 (poster).

# BOLERO-2 (18-mo f/up): PFS Benefits Were Comparable In Patients With (A) Visceral Metastases, (B) Without Visceral Metastases, and (C) With Bone-Only Metastases



Abbreviations: CI, confidence interval; EVE, everolimus; EXE, exemestane; HR, hazard ratio; PBO, placebo; PFS, progression-free survival. Piccart M, et al. SABCS 2012; poster P6-04-02; Campone M, et al. ESMO 2012; abstract 324PD (poster discussion)

# Pts with visceral metastases

## KEY EXCLUSION CRITERIA

Patients with brain metastases, bilateral diffuse lymphangitic carcinomatosis, pts with massive lung (>50%) or liver (>1/3) involvement (i.e. disease burden that may constitute a visceral crisis)

Protocol amendment in FEB 2010 removed this exclusion criteria and appreciation of massive visceral involvement in the lung or liver was left to investigator discretion

**56% (N=406) VISCERAL DISEASE (271 EVE+EXE; 135 PB0+EXE):**

- 45% LUNG
- 51% LIVER
- 13% BOTH
- 84% 2+ SITES OF VISCERAL METASTASES

# BOLERO-2: Prior Therapy

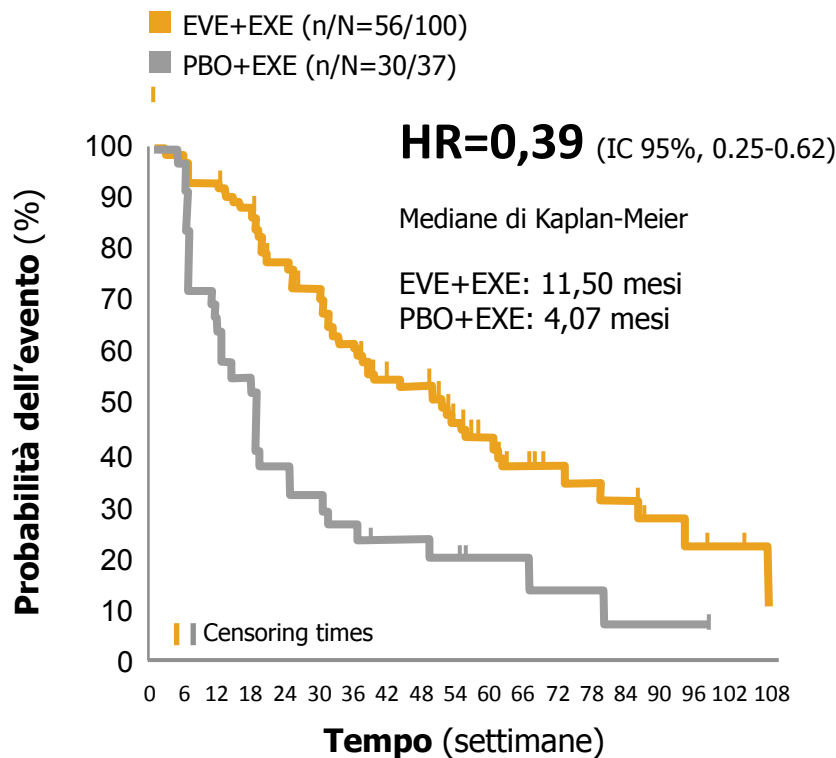
	Everolimus plus exemestane N=485 n (%)	Placebo plus exemestane N=239 n (%)	All patients N=724 n (%)
<b>Number of prior therapies in metastatic setting</b>			
None	100 (20.6)	37 (15.5)	137 (18.9)
1	192 (39.6)	112 (46.9)	304 (42.0)
2	128 (26.4)	66 (27.6)	194 (26.8)



**18.9% : first line therapy**

# Efficacia in prima linea dell'associazione everolimus+exemestane (dati a 18 mesi)

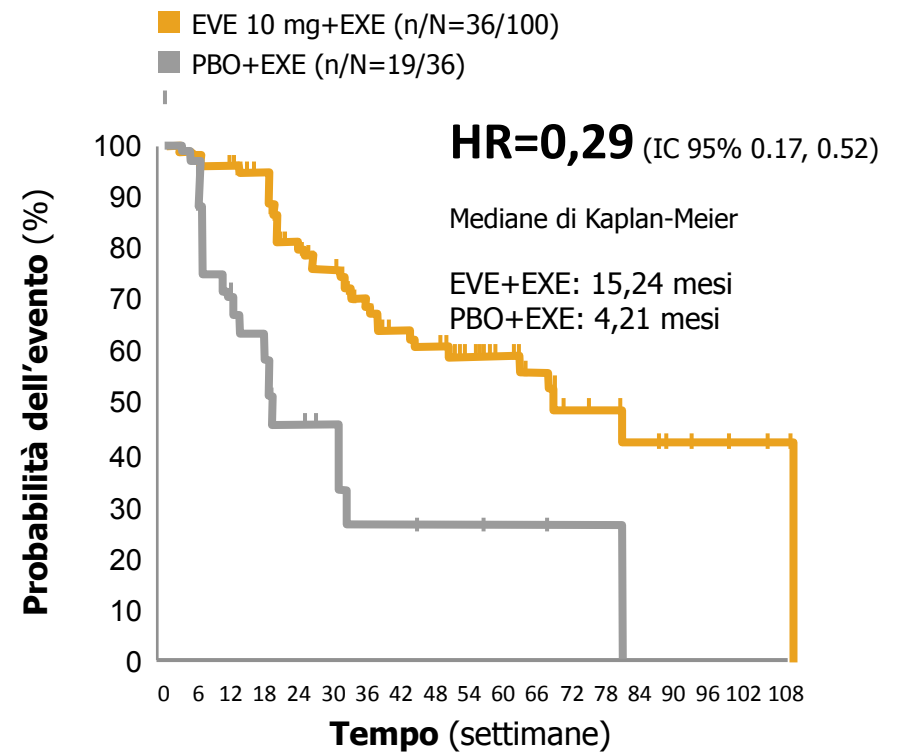
## Valutazione locale



Numero di pazienti ancora a rischio, n

EVE+EXE	100	93	86	76	66	57	50	43	41	28	21	17	10	9	5	4	3	0
PBO+EXE	37	33	22	17	11	10	8	7	7	4	3	2	2	2	1	1	1	0

## Valutazione centrale



Numero di pazienti ancora a rischio, n

EVE 10 mg+EXE	100	94	86	73	59	53	44	38	35	25	21	16	10	8	7	4	4	3	0
PBO+EXE	36	28	16	13	8	5	4	4	3	3	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0

## Trattamento in 1° linea metastatica: Profilo di sicurezza sovrapponibile a quello riscontrato nella popolazione totale dello studio

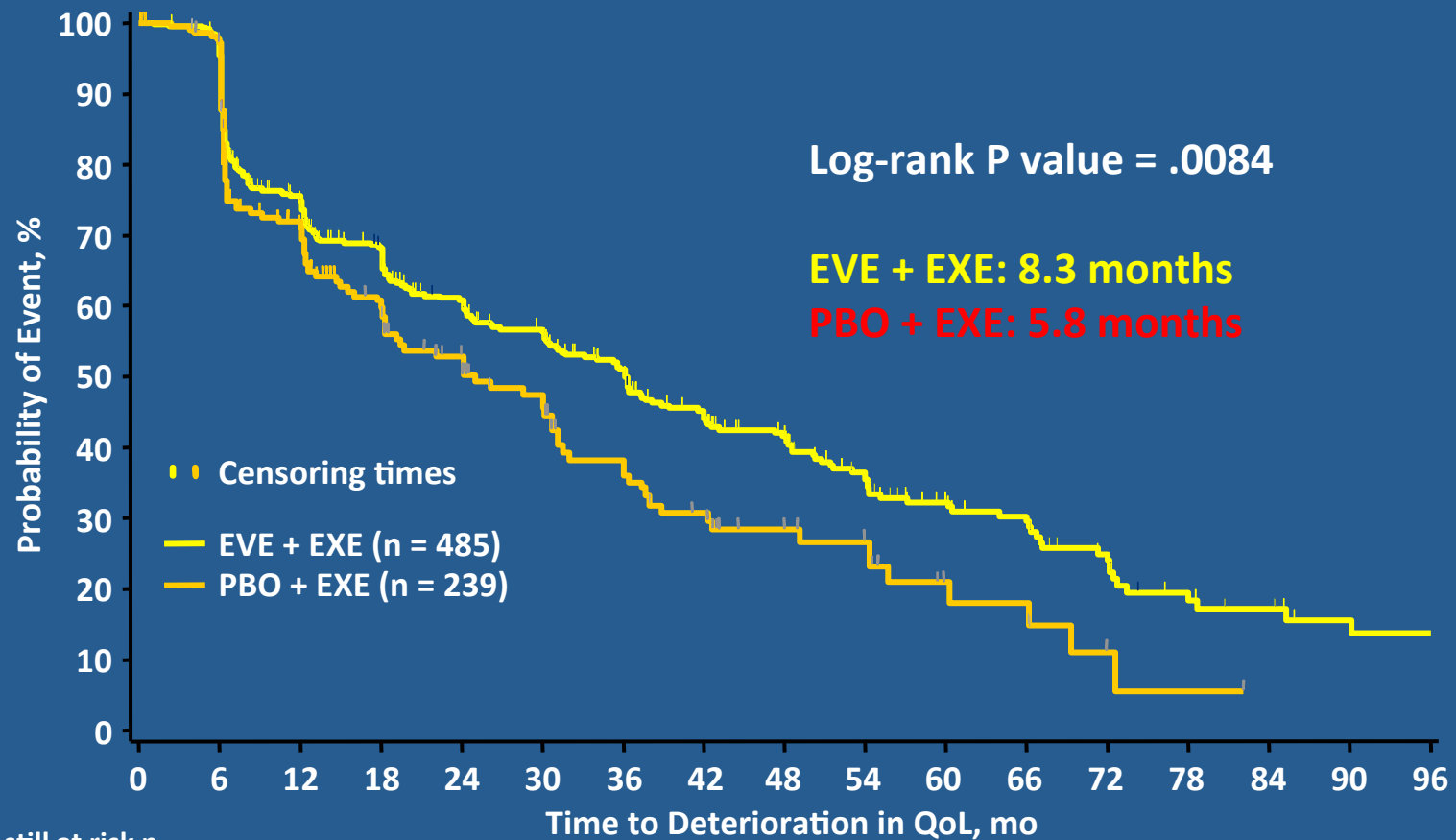
- A higher percentage of patients discontinued EVE+EXE because of AEs versus PBO+EXE (10% vs 8%, respectively)
  - Higher discontinuation rates may be attributable to the longer treatment duration of EVE versus PBO (31.1 weeks vs 15.6 weeks, respectively)
  - Pneumonitis was observed only in the EVE+EXE arm; most events were low grade and manageable using established strategies

**Table 2. Most Common Adverse Events (Reported in ≥ 25% of Patients Receiving EVE+EXE) in Patients Who Recurred During/After Adjuvant<sup>a</sup> Therapy**

Preferred Term	EVE+EXE (n = 100), %					PBO+EXE (n = 37), %				
	Grade					Grade				
	All	1	2	3	4	All	1	2	3	4
Stomatitis	68	38	26	4	0	22	16	5	0	0
Diarrhea	40	31	5	3	1	22	11	11	0	0
Rash	37	24	13	0	0	8	5	3	0	0
Fatigue	32	17	12	3	0	16	8	5	3	0
Weight decrease	30	13	16	1	0	11	3	8	0	0
Decreased appetite	28	23	5	0	0	11	8	3	0	0
Nausea	28	19	8	0	1	30	22	5	3	0
Cough	26	22	4	0	0	8	3	5	0	0
Pneumonitis <sup>b</sup>	22	11	10	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hyperglycemia <sup>b</sup>	17	5	4	7	1	3	0	0	3	0



# BOLERO-2 (18 mo f/up): Adding Everolimus to Exemestane Maintained QOL\*



Patients still at risk n

	0	6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54	60	66	72	78	84	90	96
EVE + EXE	485	427	305	245	198	176	145	119	99	71	52	43	29	18	13	9	8
PBO + EXE	239	201	116	83	62	49	36	27	19	16	7	6	3	1	0	0	0

Abbreviations: EORTC, QLQ-C30 European Organization for Research and Treatment of Cancer Core Cancer Quality of Life Questionnaire; MID, minimal important difference; QOL, quality of life.

\* QOL evaluated using the EORTC-QLQ-30 Global Health Scale with MID = 5%.

Beck JT, et al. ASCO 2012; abstract 539 (poster).

# BOLERO-2 (18 mo f/up): Summary

- Addition of everolimus to exemestane prolongs PFS in patients with ER<sup>+</sup> HER2<sup>-</sup> breast cancer refractory to initial nonsteroidal aromatase inhibitors<sup>1</sup>
  - Local Assessment: Median 7.8 vs 3.2 months (HR = 0.45,  $P < .0001$ )
  - Central Assessment: Median 11.0 vs 4.1 months (HR = 0.38,  $P < .0001$ )
  - Benefit is observed in all subgroups
- Adverse events were consistent with previous experience with everolimus<sup>1</sup>

# BOLERO-2 (18 mo f/up): Summary

- Addition of everolimus to exemestane prolongs PFS in patients with ER<sup>+</sup> HER2<sup>-</sup> breast cancer refractory to initial nonsteroidal aromatase inhibitors<sup>1</sup>
  - Local Assessment: Median 7.8 vs 3.2 months (HR = 0.45, P < .0001)
  - Central Assessment: Median 11.0 vs 4.1 months (HR = 0.38, P < .0001)
  - **Benefit is observed in all subgroups**
- Adverse events were consistent with previous experience with everolimus<sup>1</sup>

# Genetic Alterations and Everolimus Efficacy in Hormone Receptor–positive, HER-2–negative Advanced Breast Cancer: Preliminary Correlative Results From BOLERO-2

Gabriel Hortobagyi, Martine Piccart, Hope Rugo, Howard Burris III, Mario Campone, Shinzaburo Noguchi, Alejandra Perez, Ines Deleu, Mikhail Shtivelband, Louise Provencher, Norikazu Masuda, Shaker Dakhil, Ian Anderson, David Chen, Amy Damask, Alan Huang, Douglas Robinson, Rob McDonald, Adnan Derti, Tetiana Taran, Tarek Sahmoud, David Lebwohl and José Baselga

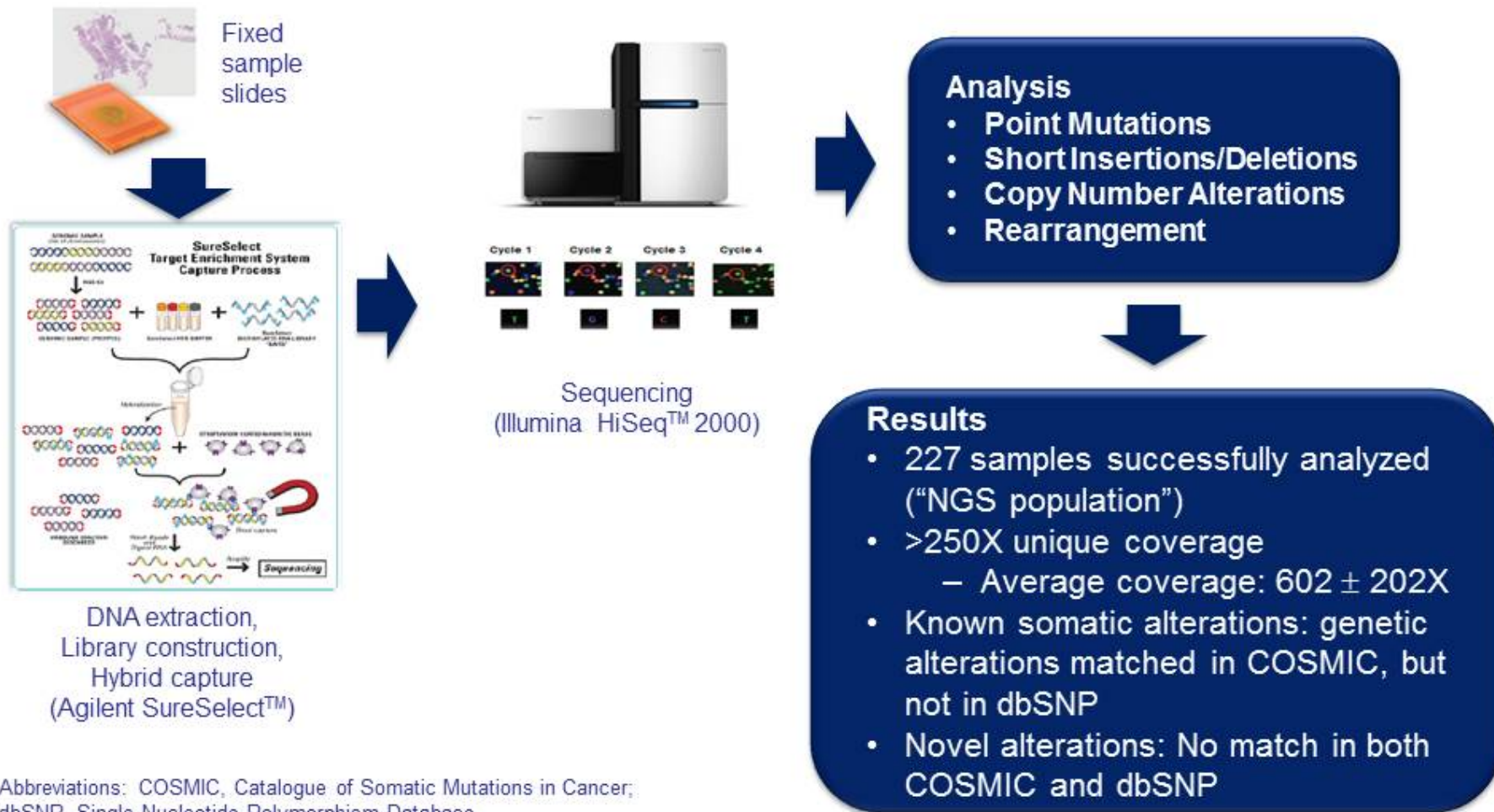


Presented at the 2013 ASCO Annual Meeting. Presented data is the property of the author.

ASCO | Annual '13 Meeting

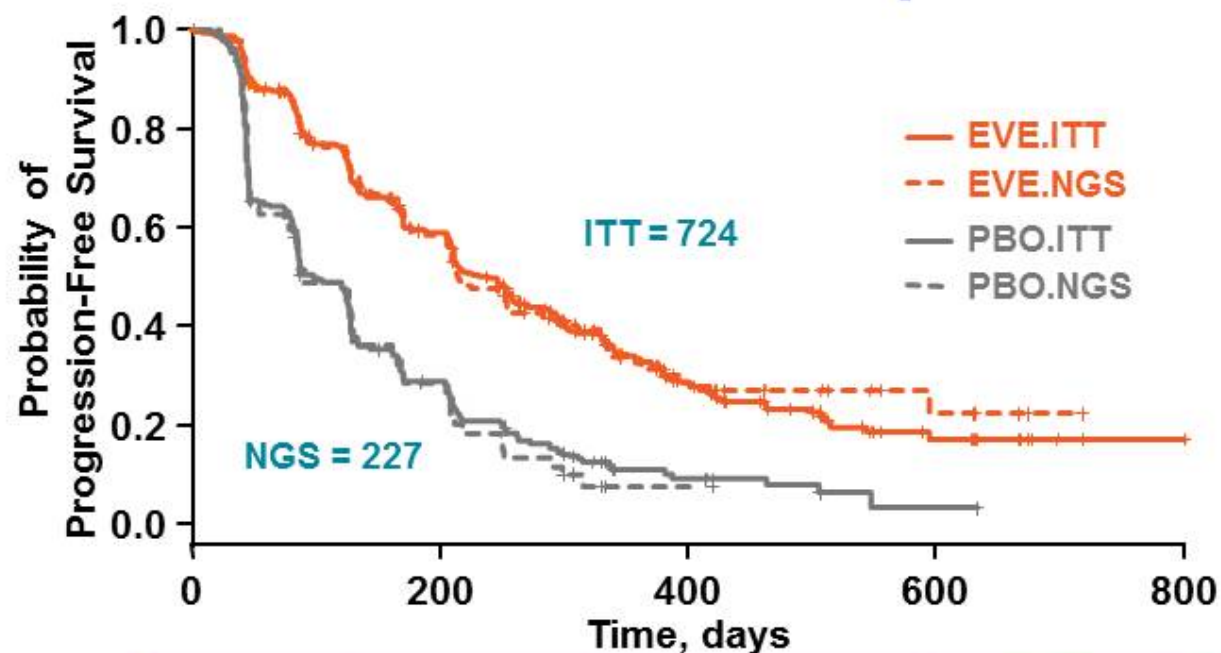
Presented By Gabriel N. Hortobagyi, MD, FACP at 2013 ASCO Annual Meeting

# Sample Analysis, Data Workflow, and Results



182 oncogenes and tumor suppressor genes were analyzed using next generation sequencing (NGS) on 227 samples (“NGS population”).

# NGS Population Is Representative of the Trial Population



- No major baseline clinical and demographic differences observed between ITT and NGS populations
- Clinical efficacies are comparable between the populations

Population	N (% ITT)	N Events (%)	PFS (months) Median (95%CI)	HR (95%CI)
ITT—EVE	485	293 (60.4%)	7.8 (6.9-8.5)	0.45 (0.38–0.54)
ITT—PBO	239	197 (82.4%)	3.2 (2.8-4.1)	
NGS—EVE	157 (32.4%)	94 (59.9%)	7.0 (6.2-9.6)	0.40 (0.28–0.55)
NGS—PBO	70 (29.3%)	59 (84.3%)	2.6 (1.7-4.2)	

Abbreviations: CI, confidence interval; EVE, everolimus; HR, hazard ratio; ITT, intent to treat; NGS, next generation sequencing; PBO, placebo; PFS, progression-free survival.

PRESENTED AT: ASCO Annual '13 Meeting

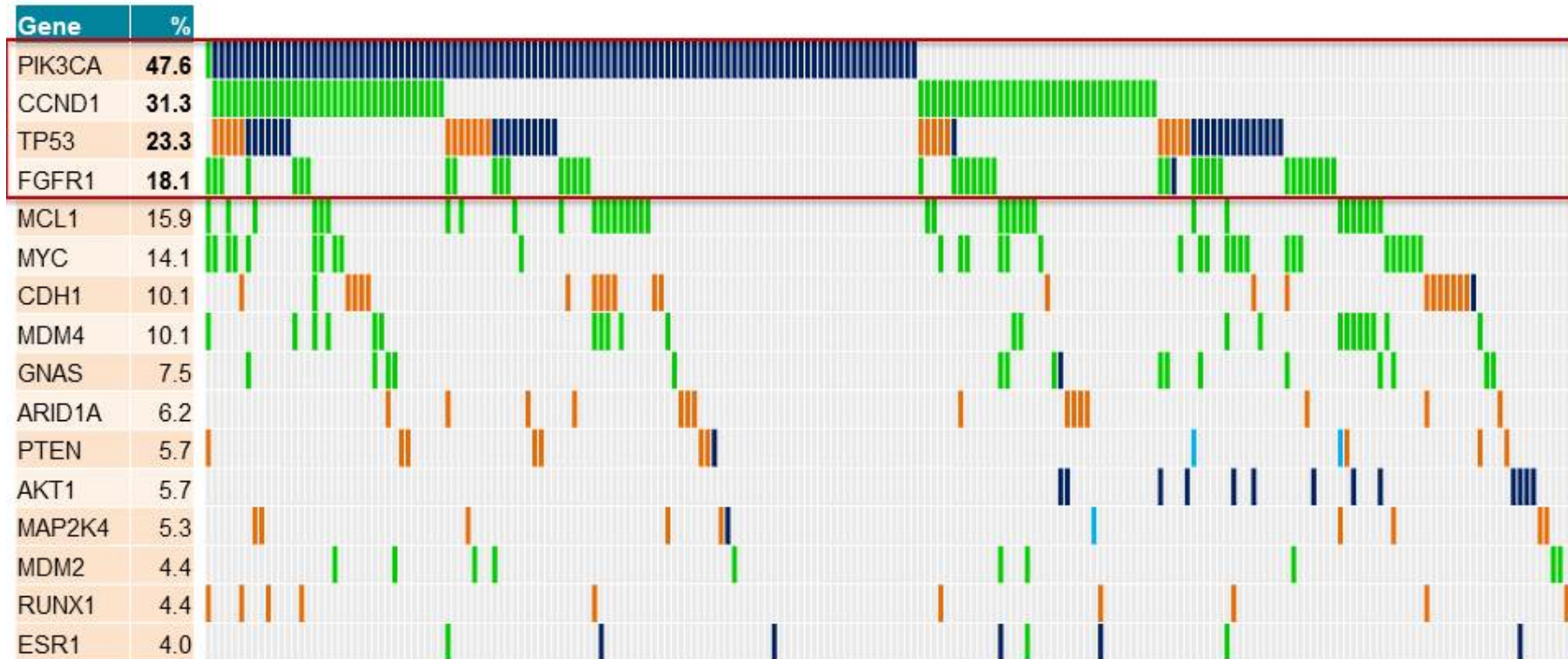
# Genetic Alterations in NGS Population

Alteration types	Sub-type	Number of alterations	Somatic alterations	Novel alterations
Sequence alteration	Missense	1,222	214	1,008
	Nonsense/Frameshift/ Splice variant/ Insertion/Deletion	254	128	126
Rearrangement		24	3	21
Copy number variations (CNV)	Amplification (≥6 copies)	522		
	Bi-allelic deletion	26		

Known somatic alterations are included in the correlative analysis.

Distribution of known genetic alterations	
Known somatic alteration/sample, mean (range)	4.1 (0-15)
→ Patients with at least one known somatic alteration, n	219
Genes with at least one known somatic alteration, n	104

# Frequency of Genetic Alterations in Key Pathways



← Tumor samples →

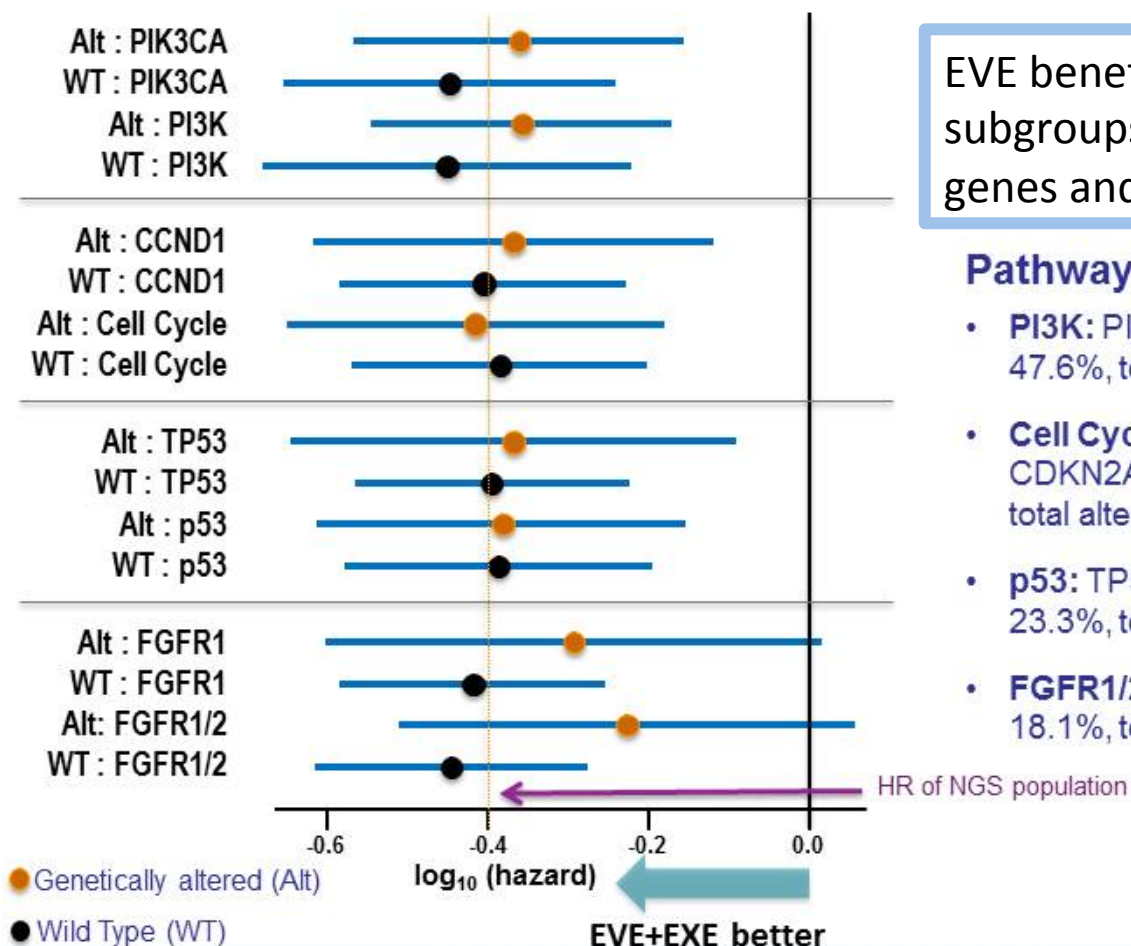
Mutation type  
■ Missense    ■ NS\_FS\_Spice\_Indel    ■ Amplification    ■ Loss

## Fibroblast growth factor receptor 1 (FGFR1)



# Impact on Treatment by Genetic Status

## The Most Frequently Altered Single Genes and Pathways



EVE benefit was present in the various subgroups based on altered single genes and pathways.

### Pathway composition

- **PI3K:** PIK3CA, PTEN, AKT (**PIK3CA** Alt: 47.6%, total alteration: 55.5%)
- **Cell Cycle:** CCND1, CDK4, CDK6, CDKN2A, CDKN2B, (**CCND1** Alt: 31.3%, total alteration: 35.7%)
- **p53:** TP53, MDM2, MDM4 (**TP53** Alt: 23.3%, total alteration: 36.1%)
- **FGFR1/2:** FGFR1, FGFR2 (**FGFR1** Alt: 18.1%, total alteration: 21.1%)

No predictive marker of EVE efficacy was identified in subgroups defined by each of the 4 most frequently altered genes/pathways when assessed individually

## Patients With No or Single Genetic Alteration in PIK3CA/PTEN/CCND1 or FGFR1/2 Derive Greater PFS Benefit With EVE

Subgroup	N	Events (%)	Median PFS (d)	HR* (95%CI)
EVE: WT	43	19 (44%)	356	0.24
PBO: WT	18	14 (78%)	203	(0.11 - 0.54)
EVE: Single	76	48 (63%)	214	0.26
PBO: Single	35	31 (89%)	77	(0.16 - 0.43)
EVE: multiple	38	27 (71%)	138	0.78
PBO: multiple	17	14 (82%)	128	(0.39 - 1.54)

\*HR adjusted with imbalanced covariates

Subgroup	Definition	Size, %	
WT	No alteration in PIK3CA AND PTEN AND FGFR1/2 AND CCND1	Minimal	27%
Single	Single alteration only in PIK3CA OR PTEN OR FGFR1/2 OR CCND1		49%
Multiple	Two or more alterations in PIK3CA OR PTEN OR FGFR1/2 OR CCND1 genes	Multiple	24%

A greater benefit from EVE derived in pts (76% of NGS population) with minimal genetic alterations in PI3KCA/PTEN/CCND1 or FGFR1-2 genes combined.

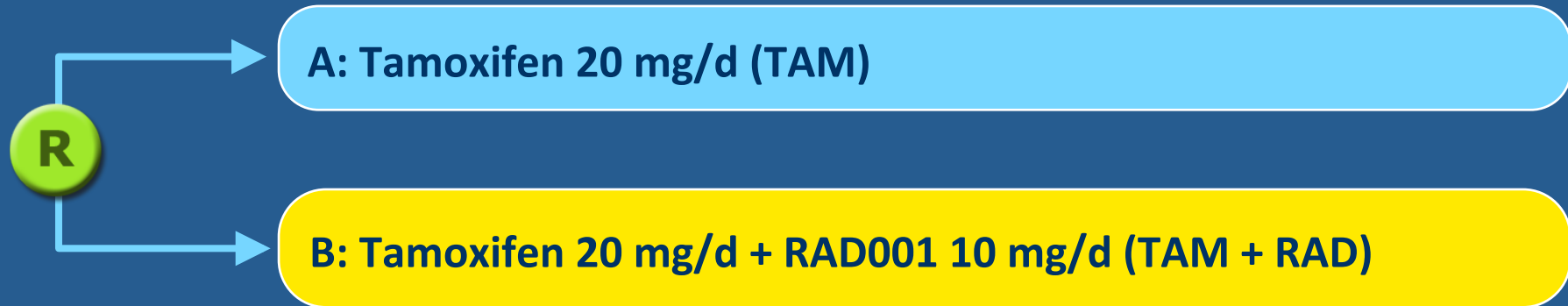
# HR+/HER2- ABC: BOLERO 2

- In post-menopausal HR+/HER2- ABC pts progressing during/after NSAI, EVEROLIMUS + exemestane resulted on significant PFS benefit (BOLERO 2)<sup>1</sup>.
- In retrospective biomarker analysis (BOLERO 2)<sup>2</sup>:
  - no predictive marker of EVE efficacy was identified in subgroups defined by each of the 4 most frequently altered genes/pathways when assessed individually;
  - a greater benefit from EVE derived in pts (76% of NGS population) with minimal genetic alterations in PI3KCA/PTEN/CCND1 or FGFR1-2 genes combined.
- **These results may only help to generate new hypotheses for combinations of novel targeted therapies for HR+/HER2- BC.**

# TAMRAD Protocol

Randomized phase 2 trial

Metastatic patients with previous exposure to AIs

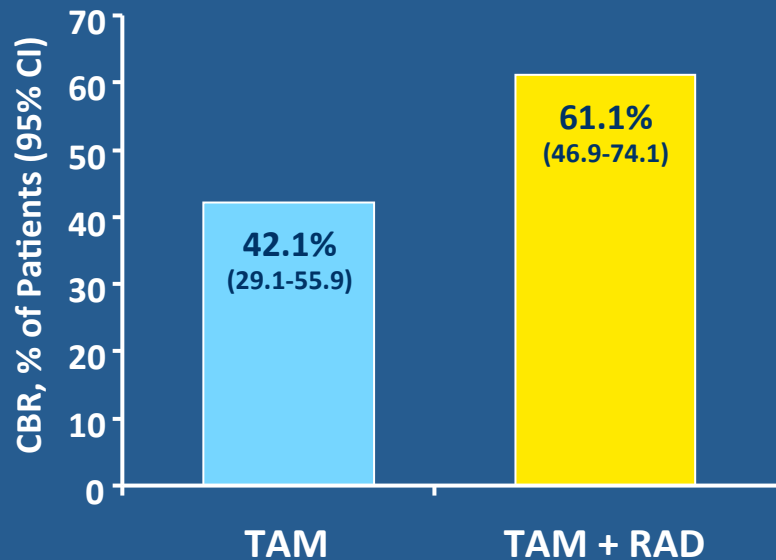


- Stratification: primary or secondary hormone resistance
  - Primary: relapse during adjuvant AI treatment; progression within 6 months of starting AI treatment in metastatic setting
  - Secondary: late relapse ( $\geq 6$  months) or previous response and subsequent progression to metastatic AI treatment
- No crossover planned

# TAMRAD: Results

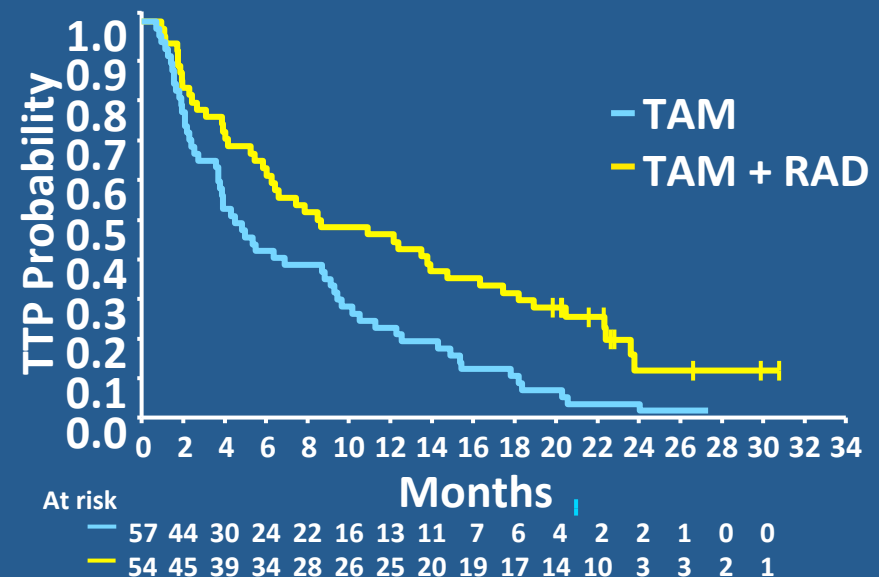
**Primary endpoint:  
Clinical benefit rate**

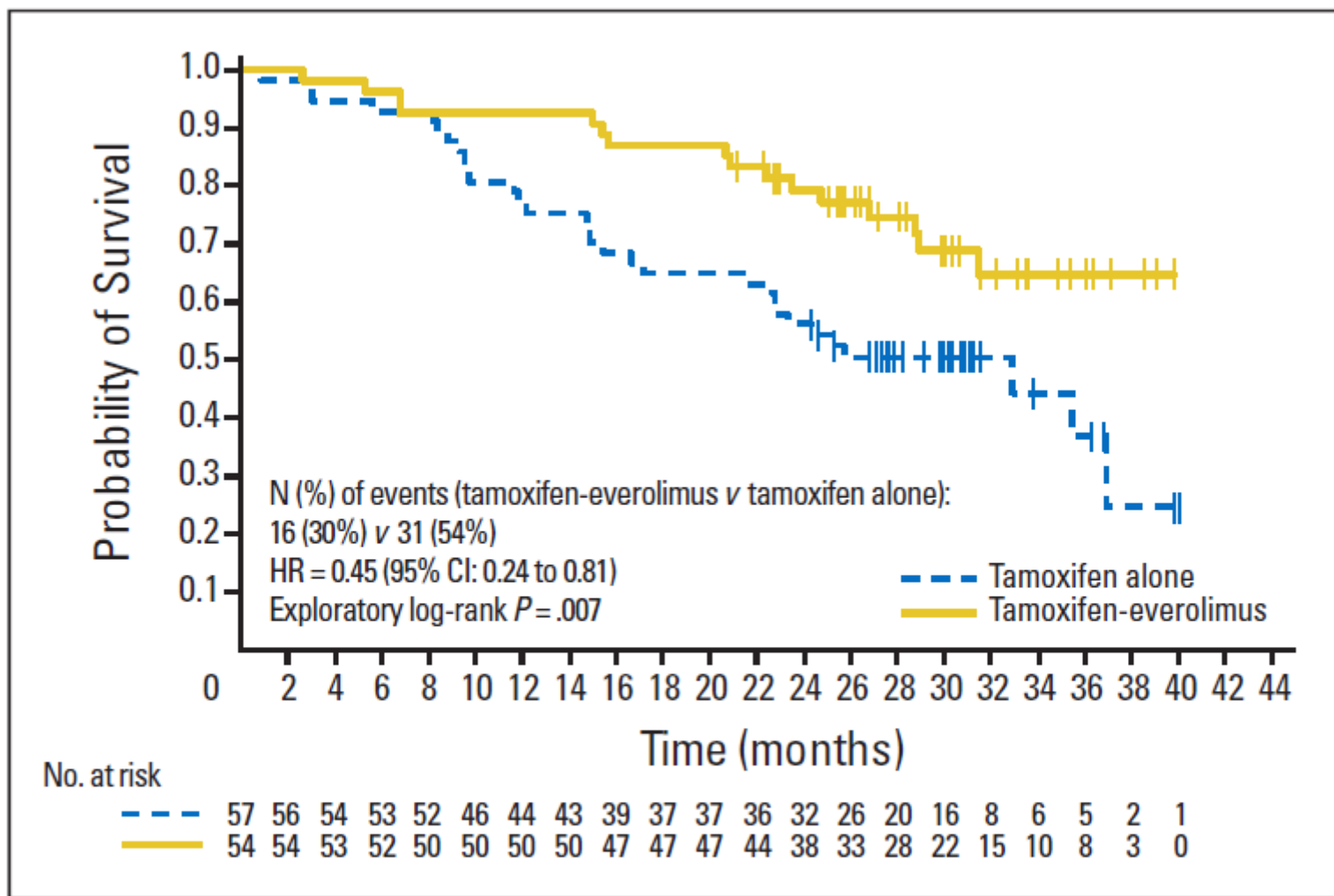
**$P = 0.045$  (exploratory analysis)**



**Time to progression**

- TAM: 4.5 months
- TAM + RAD: 8.6 months
- HR (95% CI) = 0.54 (0.36-0.81)
- $P = 0.0021$  (exploratory analysis)

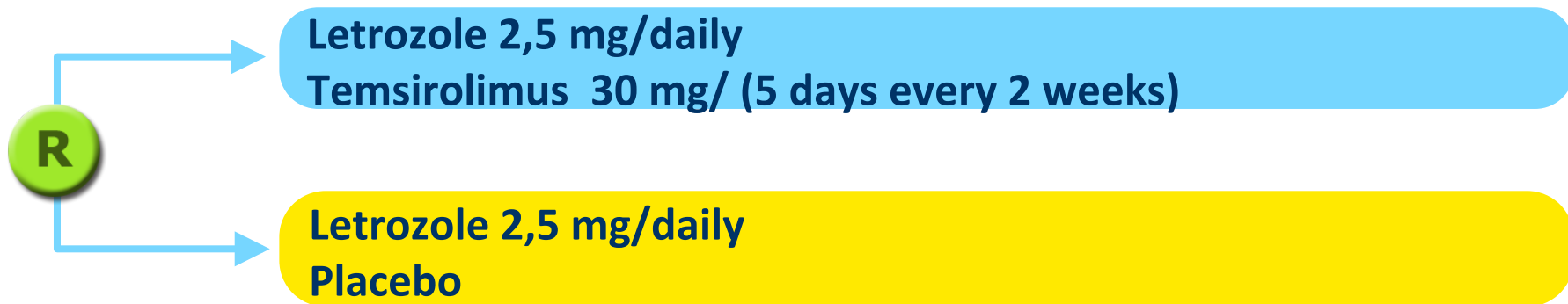




**Fig 3.** Overall survival in the intention-to-treat population for the overall patient population. HR, hazard ratio.

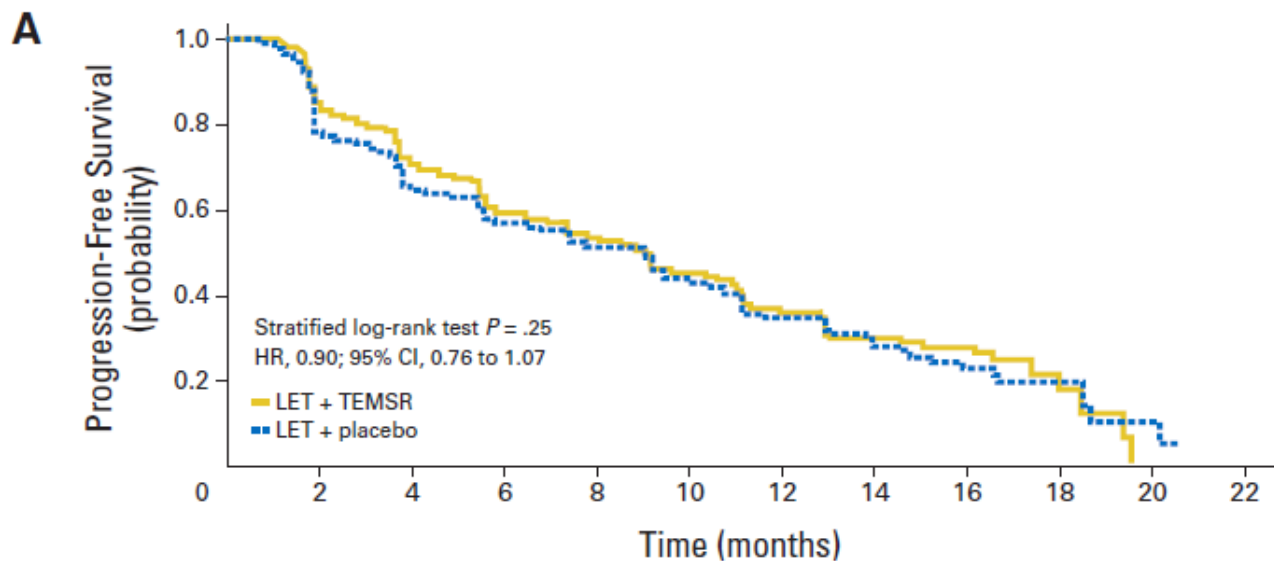
# HORIZON Trial

---

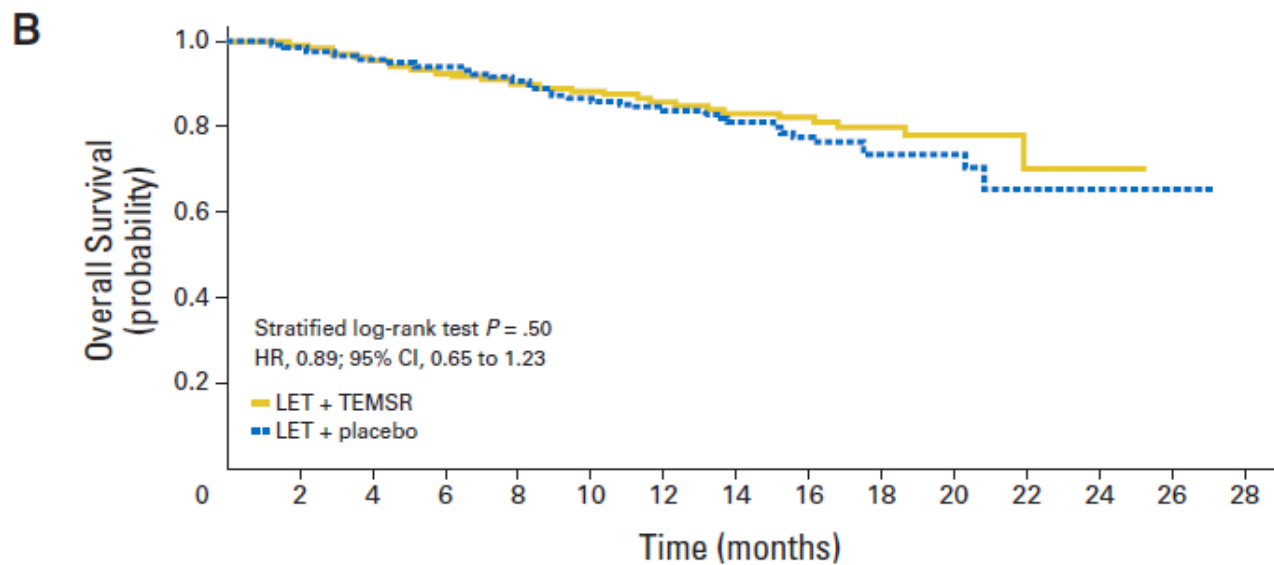


1,112 pts  
with **AI-naive**,  
HR+ ABC

An independent data monitoring committee recommended study termination for futility at the second preplanned interim analysis (382 PFS events).



No. at risk/events												
LET + TEMSR	553	387/79	278/63	193/43	149/19	102/21	61/19	40/10	22/2	5/4	0/3	0/0
LET + placebo	553	365/110	276/58	211/35	154/18	110/21	65/21	37/9	18/6	6/2	2/0	0/0



No. at risk/events															
LET + TEMSR	556	527/7	472/17	417/15	341/10	265/7	194/7	132/5	88/1	46/2	24/1	9/1	1/0	0/0	0/0
LET + placebo	556	524/10	463/15	410/7	335/12	271/15	202/5	137/7	91/5	48/3	23/0	9/2	3/0	1/0	0/0



In conclusion, despite single-agent activity when given IV in patients with advanced breast cancer, oral temsirolimus failed to improve PFS when added to letrozole in AI-naive postmenopausal patients as first-line therapy for advanced ER-positive breast cancer. This contrasts with the PFS benefit observed when everolimus was added to exemestane in patients with disease refractory/resistant to nonsteroidal AIs.<sup>19</sup> We speculate that prior exposure to AIs partly explains the different results observed in these two studies. Finally, we acknowledge the significant delay in the peer-review publication of the results of HORIZON (a study first reported in abstract/poster form in December 2006), which is a disservice to the scientific community, to all who support it, and ultimately to patients.<sup>26,27</sup>



# LG AIOM Mammella 2013

**Coordinatore** Stefania Gori

**Segreteria scientifica** Alessia Levaggi

**Estensori**

Giuseppe Canavese

Lucia Del Mastro

Antonio Frassoldati

Filippo Montemurro

Fabio Puglisi

Mimma Raffaele

Giuseppe Sanguineti

**Gruppo Metodologico**

Giovanni Pappagallo

Valter Torri

Michela Cinquini

Ivan Moschetti

**Referee AIOM**

Francesco Boccardo

Saverio Cinieri

Pierfranco Conte

Paola Papaldo

**Referee AIRO**

Marina Guenzi

Luigia Nardone

**Referee SICO**

Luciano Di Martino

Massimo Dessena

**Referee SIAPEC**

Anna Sapino



# Stadio IV Ormonoterapia

Opzioni terapeutiche in postmenopausa	
LG 2012	LG 2013
Tamoxifene AI Fulvestrant Progestinici	Tamoxifene AI Fulvestrant Progestinici Exemestane ed Everolimus

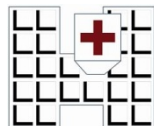
1. *Studio BOLERO 2* Baselga J et al. N Engl J Med 2011;366: 520-529.

**HR+/HER2+**  
**metastatic breast cancer**

# Post-menopausal HR+/HER2+ MBC

Author	N. pts	Regimen	PFS	HR	P value
Kaufman JCO 2009	207	Trastuzumab+Anastrozole	4.8 mo	0.53	0.0016
		Anastrozole	2.4 mo		
Johnston JCO 2009	219	Lapatinib+Letrozole	8.2 mo	0.71	0.019
		Letrozole	3.0 mo		

THANK YOU !



**OSPEDALE CLASSIFICATO  
SACRO CUORE -DON CALABRIA  
Negrar-VR**