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## Late Stage Breast Cancer, Including SABCS Updates

*Advances in Treatment of MBC: NCCN Update & SABCS 2015 Review*

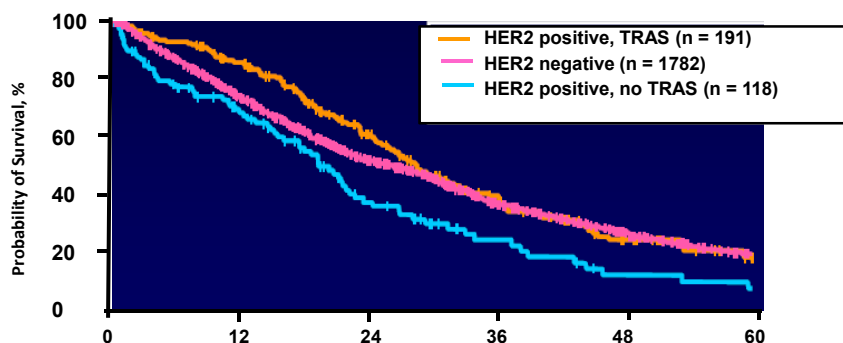
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# OUTLINE

- The HER2 Algorithm
  - Theresa update
  - Marianne
- TNBC
  - No evidence based standard, still chemo
  - Emerging data with checkpoint inhibitors
- ER+
  - New partners?
  - Molecular clues for resistance providing insights to Precision Medicine

## Trastuzumab Has Changed the Natural History of HER2-Positive Breast Cancer

- Patients with HER2-positive metastatic breast cancer (MBC) now have comparable outcomes with HER2-negative MBC



TRAS, trastuzumab

Dawood S, et al. *J Clin Oncol*. 2010;28(1):92-98.



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## NCCN Guidelines Version 1.2016 Invasive Breast Cancer

### CHEMOTHERAPY REGIMENS FOR RECURRENT OR METASTATIC BREAST CANCER

#### Preferred first-line agents for HER2-positive disease:

- Pertuzumab + trastuzumab + docetaxel (category 1)
- Pertuzumab + trastuzumab + paclitaxel

#### Other agents for HER2-positive disease:

- Ado-trastuzumab emtansine (T-DM1)
- Trastuzumab + paclitaxel ± carboplatin
- Trastuzumab + docetaxel
- Trastuzumab + vinorelbine
- Trastuzumab + capecitabine

#### Agents for trastuzumab-exposed HER2-positive disease:

- Lapatinib + capecitabine
- Trastuzumab + capecitabine
- Trastuzumab + lapatinib (without cytotoxic therapy)
- Trastuzumab + other agents

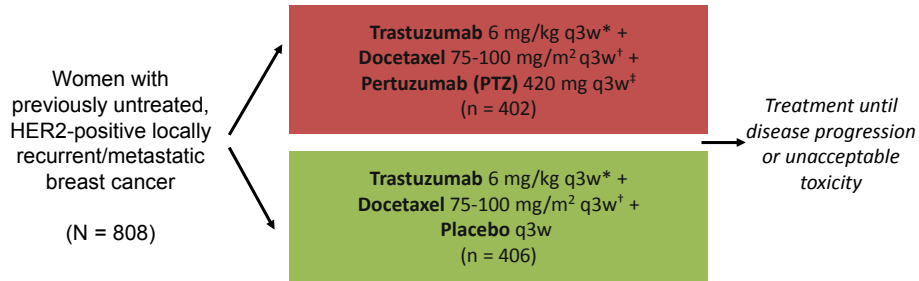
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# First-Line Setting

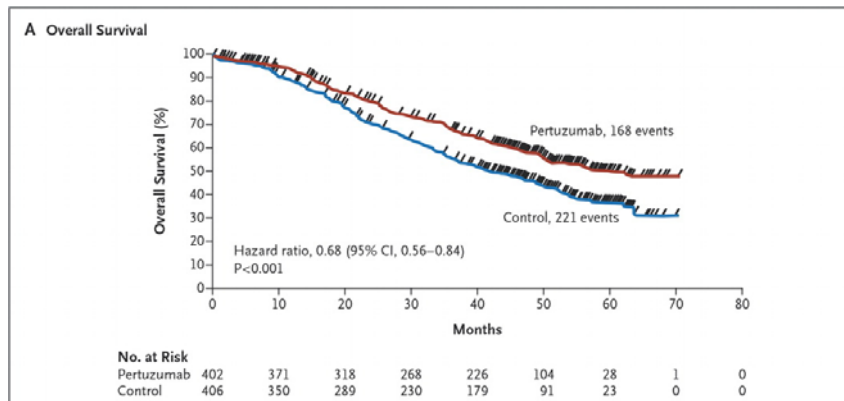
## CLEOPATRA: Study Design

- Primary endpoint: PFS (independently assessed)
- Secondary endpoints: PFS (investigator assessment), ORR, OS, Safety



Baselga J, et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2012;366(2):109-119. Swain S, et al. *Lancet Oncol.* 2013;14(6):461-471.

## CLEOPATRA Overall Survival



PTZ + TRAS + DOC	Placebo + TRAS + DOC	
56.5 months	40.8 months	HR = 0.68, P = .0002

Swain SM et al. *N Engl J Med* 2015;372:724-734.

## Hormonal Therapy in HER2-Positive Metastatic Breast Cancer

Regimen	ORR, %	Median PFS, months
Trastuzumab (N = 114; HER2 positive, n = 79) <sup>1</sup>	26	3.5-3.8
Anastrozole/trastuzumab (n = 103) <sup>2</sup>	20	4.8
Anastrozole (n = 104) <sup>2</sup>	7	2.4
Lapatinib/letrozole (n = 642) <sup>3</sup>	28	8.2
Letrozole (n = 644) <sup>3</sup>	15	3.0
Lapatinib (N = 138) <sup>4</sup>	24	NA

## Summary: Optimal Choice First-Line Setting 2016

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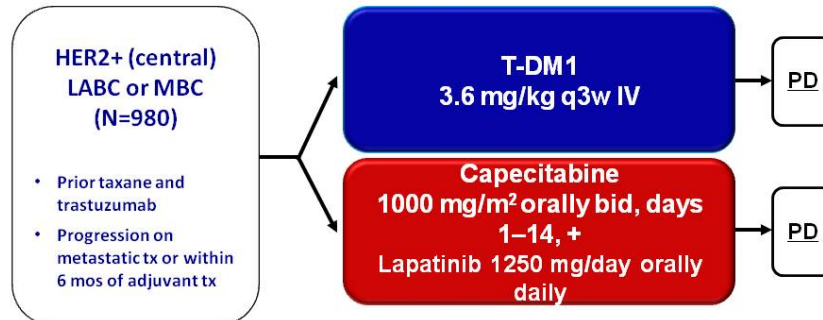
### Systemic Therapy for Patients With Advanced Human Epidermal Growth Factor Receptor 2–Positive Breast Cancer: American Society of Clinical Oncology Clinical Practice Guideline

Sharon H. Giordano, Sarah Temin, Jeffrey J. Kirshner, Sarat Chandralapaty, Jennie R. Crews, Nancy E. Davidson, Francisco J. Esteva, Ana M. Gonzalez-Angulo, Ian Krop, Jennifer Levinson, Nancy U. Lin, Shanu Modi, Debra A. Patt, Edith A. Perez, Jane Perlmutter, Naren Ramakrishna, and Eric P. Winer

- **Clinicians should recommend combination of trastuzumab, pertuzumab and a taxane for first-line treatment, unless contraindication to taxane use**
- **If ER+, can consider endocrine therapy + trastuzumab or lapatinib in selected cases**

Giordano SH, et al. *J Clin Oncol*. 2014;32(19):2078-2099.

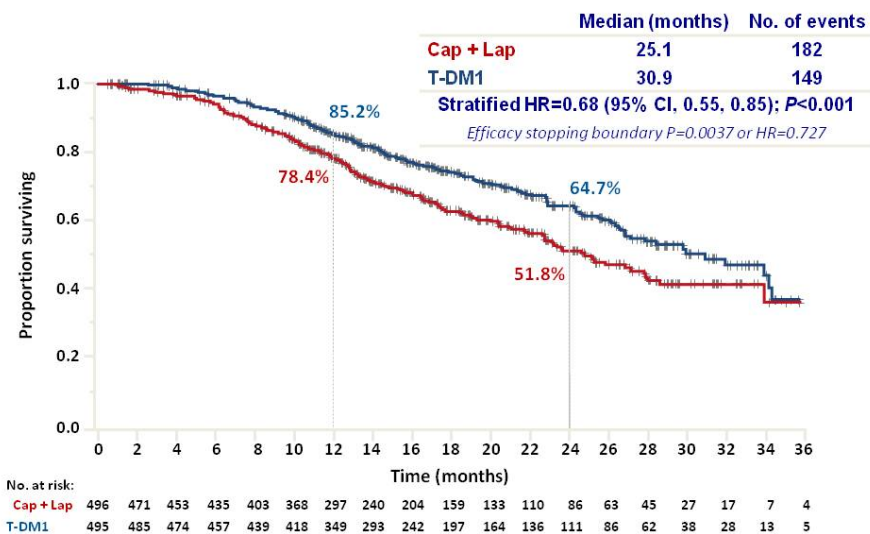
## EMILIA Study Design



- **Stratification factors:** World region, number of prior chemo regimens for MBC or unresectable LABC, presence of visceral disease
- **Primary end points:** PFS by independent review, OS, and safety
- **Key secondary end points:** PFS by investigator, ORR, duration of response, time to symptom progression

Blackwell et al, ASCO 2012  
Verma et al, NEJM 2012

## EMILIA: Overall Survival



Verma et al. *NEJM*, 2012.

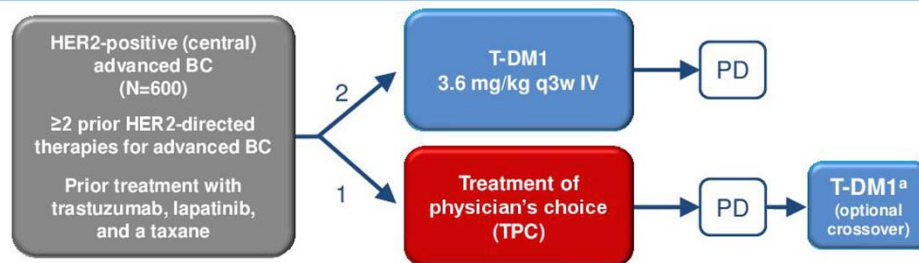
Trastuzumab emtansine (T-DM1) improves overall survival versus treatment of physician's choice in patients with previously treated HER2-positive metastatic breast cancer: final overall survival results from the phase 3 TH3RESA study

Hans Wildiers,<sup>1</sup> Sung-Bae Kim,<sup>2</sup> Antonio Gonzalez Martin,<sup>3</sup> Patricia M. LoRusso,<sup>4</sup> Jean-Marc Ferrero,<sup>5</sup> Tanja Badovinac-Crnjevic,<sup>6</sup> Ron Yu,<sup>7</sup> Melanie Smitt,<sup>7</sup> Ian E. Krop<sup>8</sup>

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TH3RESA Study Schema



**Stratification factors:** World region, number of prior regimens for advanced BC, presence of visceral disease

**Co-primary endpoints:** PFS by investigator and OS

**Key secondary endpoints:** ORR by investigator and safety

<sup>a</sup>First patient in: Sept. 2011. Study amended: Sept. 2012 following EMILIA 2nd interim OS results to allow patients in the TPC arm to receive T-DM1 after documented PD.

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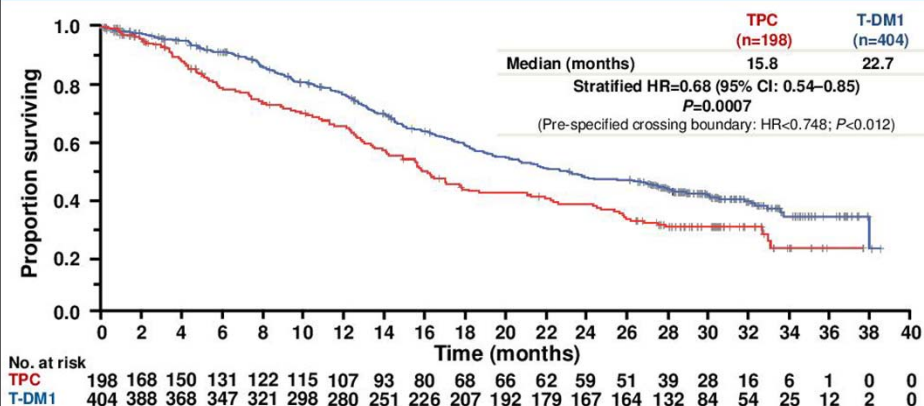
## Treatment of Physician's Choice Regimen

TPC treatment regimen	TPC (n=184 <sup>a</sup> )
<b>Combination with HER2-directed agent, %</b>	<b>83.2</b>
Chemotherapy <sup>b</sup> + trastuzumab	68.5
Lapatinib + trastuzumab	10.3
Hormonal therapy + trastuzumab	1.6
Chemotherapy <sup>b</sup> + lapatinib	2.7
<b>Single-agent chemotherapy,<sup>b</sup> %</b>	<b>16.8</b>

<sup>a</sup>Includes patients who received study treatment. Excludes one patient who was randomized to the TPC arm but received two cycles of T-DM1 by mistake.

<sup>b</sup>The most common chemotherapy agents used were vinorelbine, gemcitabine, eribulin, paclitaxel, and docetaxel.

## Final OS Analysis



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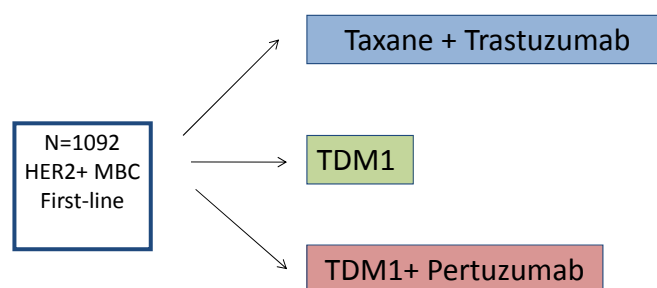


## Grade $\geq 3$ AEs With Incidence $\geq 2\%$ in Either Arm

	TPC (n=184)		T-DM1 (n=403)	
	Any grade	Grade $\geq 3$	Any grade	Grade $\geq 3$
<b>Nonhematologic AEs, %</b>				
Diarrhea	22.3	<b>4.3</b>	12.7	0.7
Dyspnea	13.0	3.8	11.7	2.5
Asthenia	17.9	3.3	19.1	1.0
Abdominal pain	12.5	2.7	7.4	1.2
AST increased	7.1	2.7	12.4	2.5
Fatigue	26.1	2.7	30.8	2.2
ALT increased	5.4	2.2	9.2	1.5
Cellulitis	3.8	2.2	1.7	0.5
Pulmonary embolism	2.2	2.2	0.5	0.5
<b>Hematologic AEs, %</b>				
Neutropenia	21.7	<b>15.8</b>	7.7	2.5
Febrile neutropenia	3.8	<b>3.8</b>	0.2	0.2
Anemia	11.4	3.3	11.4	3.5
Leukopenia	6.0	2.7	2.2	0.5
Thrombocytopenia <sup>a</sup>	3.8	2.7	20.6	<b>6.0</b>

Shading indicates grade  $\geq 3$  AEs with  $>3\%$  difference between the TPC and T-DM1 arms.<sup>a</sup>The incidence of grade  $\geq 3$  hemorrhage of any type (basket term) was 4.2% (T-DM1) and 0.5% (TPC).

## MARIANNE Phase III



- 1° Endpoint: PFS  
 2° Endpoints: OS, TTF, DOR, ORR, CBR

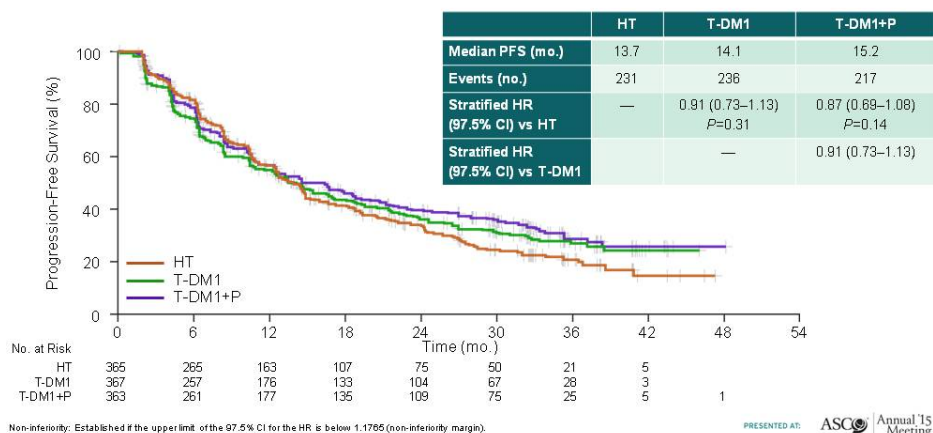
T= paclitaxel 80 m/m weekly or docetaxel at 75-100 m/m q 3 w

H=trastuzumab 2 mg/kg q w or 6 mg/kg q 3 w

P=pertuzumab at 840 mg load → 420mg q 3 w

TDM= trastuzumab/DM1 at 3.6 mg/kg q 3 w

## Progression-Free Survival by IRF



## Key Differences Between CLEOPATRA and MARIANNE

### MARIANNE

- Poorer prognosis population
  - Shorter DFI required: > 6m
  - Less *de novo* MBC
  - More patients have prior taxane exposure
  - More patients have previous trastuzumab exposure

### CLEOPATRA

- Better prognosis population
  - Longer DFI required: > 12m
  - More *de novo* MBC
  - Fewer patients have prior taxane exposure
  - Fewer patients have previous trastuzumab exposure

DFI = disease free interval from neoadjuvant or adjuvant setting



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#### Preferred single agents:

##### ***Anthracyclines***

- Doxorubicin
- Pegylated liposomal doxorubicin

##### ***Taxanes***

- Paclitaxel

##### ***Anti-metabolites***

- Capecitabine
- Gemcitabine

##### ***Other microtubule inhibitors***

- Vinorelbine
- Eribulin

#### Other single agents:

- Cyclophosphamide
- Carboplatin
- Docetaxel
- Albumin-bound paclitaxel
- Cisplatin
- Epirubicin
- Ixabepilone

#### Chemotherapy combinations:

- CAF/FAC (cyclophosphamide/doxorubicin/fluorouracil)
- FEC (fluorouracil/epirubicin/cyclophosphamide)
- AC (doxorubicin/cyclophosphamide)
- EC (epirubicin/cyclophosphamide)
- CMF (cyclophosphamide/methotrexate/fluorouracil)
- Docetaxel/capecitabine
- GT (gemcitabine/paclitaxel)
- Gemcitabine/carboplatin
- Paclitaxel/bevacizumab

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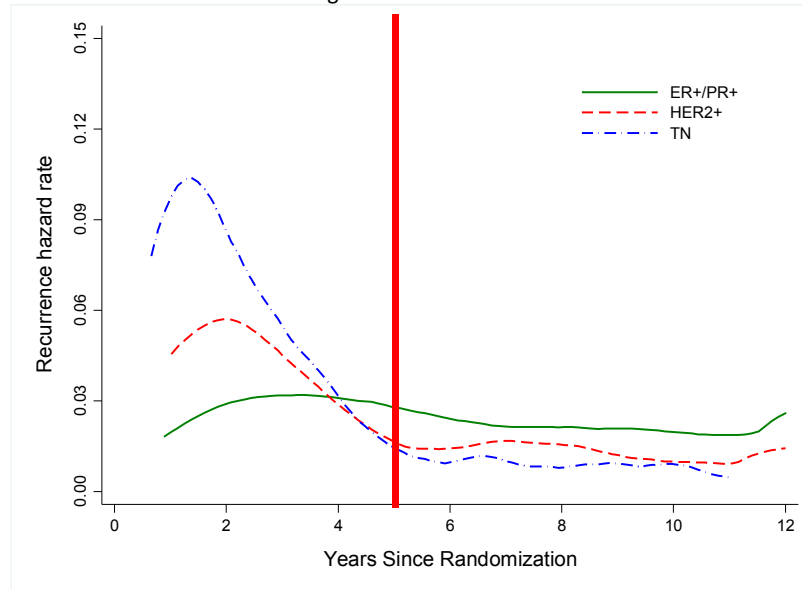
### Triple-Negative Disease Compared with Other Phenotypes in the California Cancer Registry Study

*Bauer et al. Cancer 2007: 109; 721*

*Parise et al. The Breast Journal 2009: 15: 593*

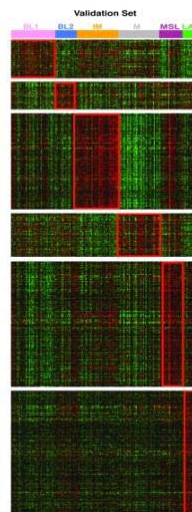
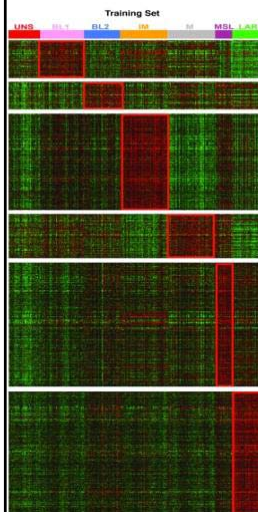
- Population-based study
  - 6370 with “triple-negative” disease compared with 44,704 “other” cases (12% of all cases)
- TNBC more likely to be associated with
  - Younger age (<40): OR 1.53
  - Non-Hispanic black race (OR 1.77) or Hispanic ethnicity (OR 1.23)
  - Higher grade (72% grade 3)
  - More advanced stage (66% ≥ stage II vs. 50% ER+HER2-)
  - Poorer 5 year RFI irrespective of stage
    - TNBC: 76% (similar to 76% for HER2-Pos)
    - HR-Pos, HER2-Neg: 94%
  - Greater propensity for lung and brain mets

Annual Hazard Rate of Recurrence by Breast Cancer Subtype in E1199: Node-Positive & High-Risk Node Negative Breast Cancer Treated with



## TNBC Subtypes

21 publicly available gene expression breast cancer datasets, 587 TNBCs



**Basal-like 1 (BL1):** Cell-cycle, proliferation and DNA damage response genes

**Basal-like 2 (BL2):** Growth factor signaling (EGF, MET, Wnt/ $\beta$ -catenin, IGF1R)

**Immunomodulatory (IM):** Immune cell & cytokine signaling (overlap with medullary signature)

**Mesenchymal (M):** Cell motility and differentiation (Wnt, ALK, TGF- $\beta$ )

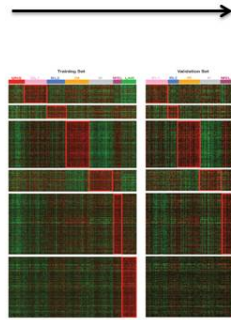
**Mesenchymal stem-like (MSL):** Similar to M, but increased growth factors signaling, low proliferation, enrichment of stem cell genes

**Luminal androgen receptor (LAR):** Enriched in hormonally-regulated pathways, androgen receptor signaling. Displays luminal expression patterns (molecular apocrine carcinomas)

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**Lehmann BD, et al. Journal of Clinical Investigation, 2011**

## Exploitation of the Heterogeneity of TNBC:



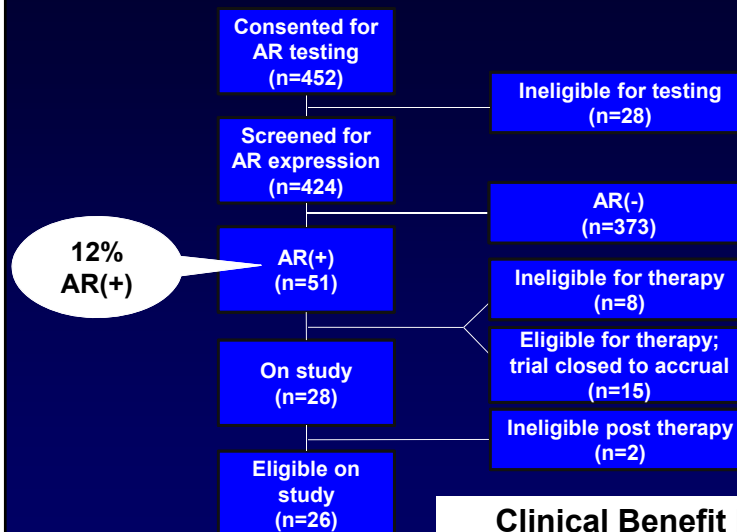
## Therapeutic Strategies

- DNA damage and repair
- Hormone receptor modulation
- Immune modulation
- Signaling pathway inhibition
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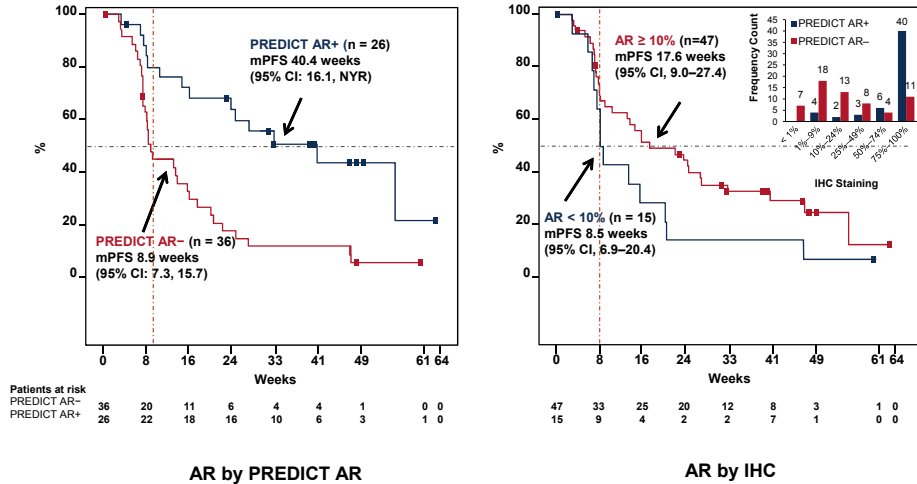
## TBCRC 011: Bicalutamide in AR+ TNBC



**Clinical Benefit Rate = 21%**  
(95% CI 7.1-42.1%)

Gucalp et al, ASCO 2012

## MDV3100-11: PFS Is Driven by AR Genomic Signature, Not IHC, in Patients with 0–1 Prior aTNBC Treatment Enzalutamide in AR+ Metastatic TNBC Patients



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## TNT Trial design Tutt et al

**ER-, PgR-/unknown & HER2- or known *BRCA1/2***  
Metastatic or recurrent locally advanced

Exclusions include:

- Adjuvant taxane in ≤12 months
- Previous platinum treatment
- Non-anthracyclines for MBC

*A Priori* subgroup analyses:

- *BRCA1/2* mutation
- Basal-like subgroups (PAM50 and IHC)
- Biomarkers of HRD

**Carboplatin (C)**  
AUC 6 q3w, 6 cycles

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**Docetaxel (D)**  
100mg/m<sup>2</sup> q3w, 6 cycles

On progression,  
crossover if appropriate

*BRCA1/2* =  
9%/12%

On progression,  
crossover if appropriate

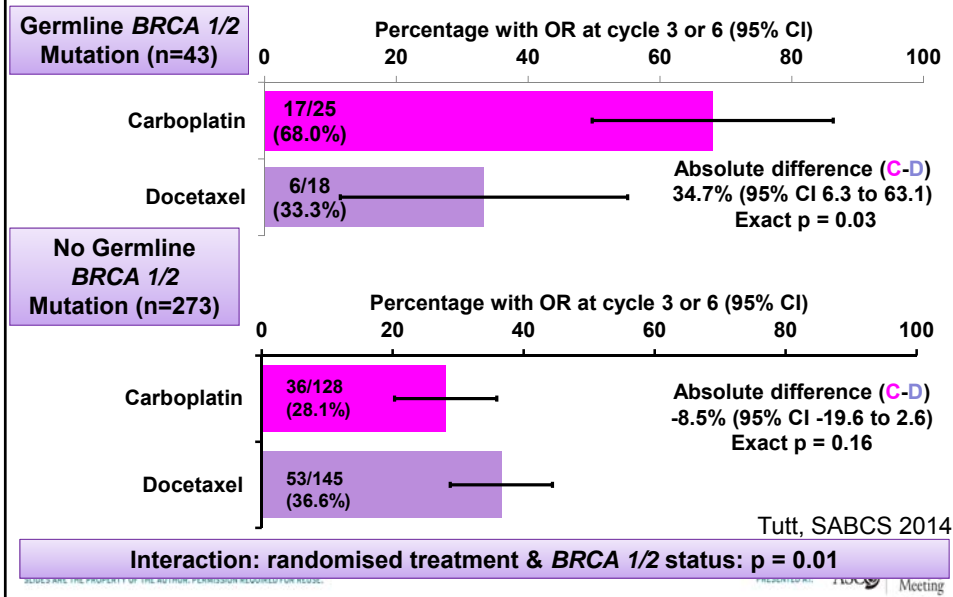
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## Objective response – *BRCA* 1/2 status

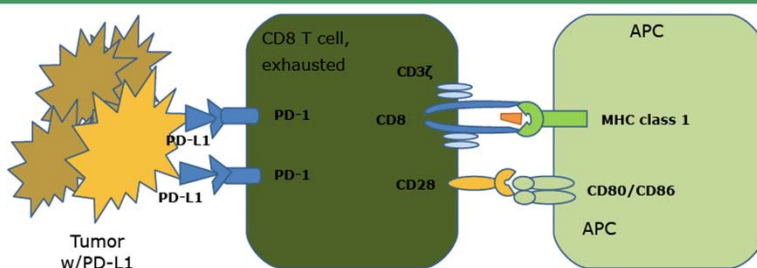


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# PD-1/PD-L1

## PD-1-PD-L1 binding leads to peripheral CD8+ T cell "exhaustion" phenotype

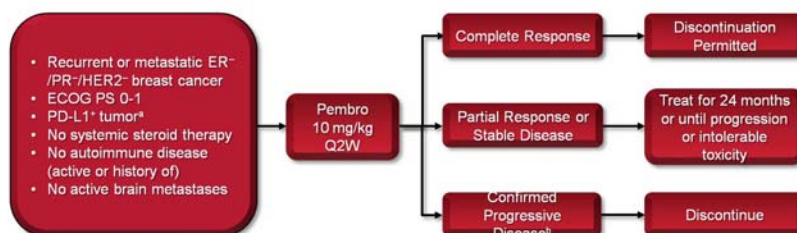


In a state of chronic antigen presentation, such as malignancy, the chronic presence of antigen or pro-inflammatory cytokines (IL-12, IFN $\gamma$ , etc) can upregulate PD-1 expression on the T cell; tumor clones can also select for PD-L1 expression. With PD-1-PD-L1 binding, even in the presence of the costimulatory molecule, "peripheral exhaustion" can occur.

PD-L1: programmed death-ligand 1; CD: cluster of differentiation; PD-1: programmed cell death-1; APC: antigen-presenting cells; MHC: major histocompatibility complex; IL: interleukin; IFN $\gamma$ : interferon gamma.

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## A Phase Ib Study of Pembrolizumab (MK-3475) in Patients With Advanced TNBC KEYNOTE-012: Triple-Negative Breast Cancer Cohort



- **PD-L1 positivity:** 58% of all patients screened had PD-L1-positive tumors
- **Treatment:** 10 mg/kg IV Q2W
- **Response assessment:** Performed every 8 weeks per RECIST v1.1

\*PD-L1 expression was assessed in archival tumor samples using a prototype IHC assay and the 22C3 antibody. Only patients with PD-L1 staining in the stroma or in  $\geq 1\%$  of tumor cells were eligible for enrollment.

\*If clinically stable, patients are permitted to remain on pembrolizumab until progressive disease is confirmed on a second scan performed  $\geq 4$  weeks later. If progressive disease is confirmed, pembrolizumab is discontinued. An exception may be granted for patients with clinical stability or improvement after consultation with the sponsor.

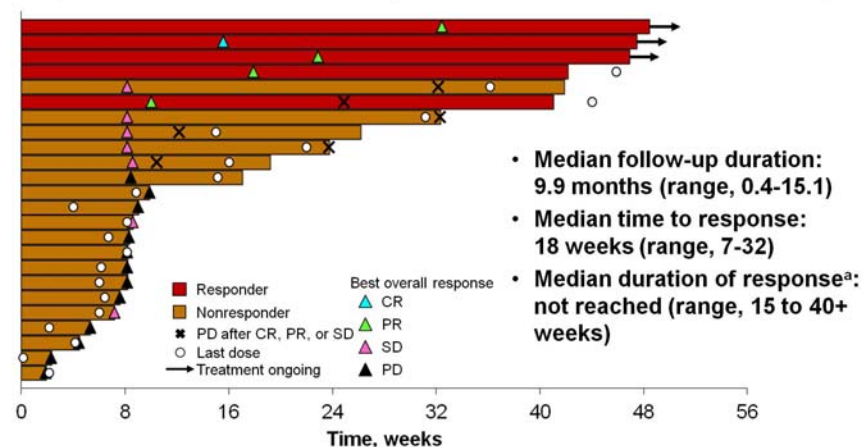
courtesy: Rita Nanda, MD

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## PD-1 & Breast Cancer

- SABCS 2014 presentation<sup>7</sup>
  - Phase IB study
  - 27 patients with heavily pretreated metastatic TNBC treated with the humanized IgG4κ isotype mAb against PD-1, pembrolizumab
    - 18.5% response rate (1 CR, 4 PR)
    - 7 patients had stable disease
    - Median PFS “just under 2 months”
    - 3 pts remained on treatment for at least 11 months
    - 1 pt died of treatment-related DIC

### Time to and Durability of Response (RECIST v1.1, Central Review)



\*Kaplan-Meier estimate.  
 Analysis cut-off date: November 10, 2014.  
 courtesy: Rita Nanda, MD

**Inhibition of PD-L1 by MPDL3280A leads to clinical activity in TNBC**  
**Emens et al. AACR 2015 Abst. 2859**

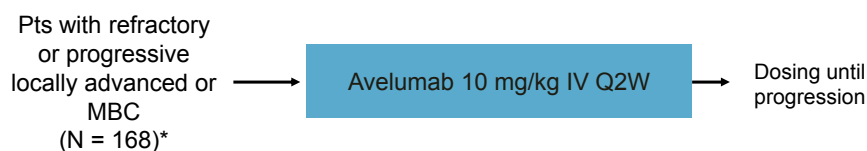
- Metastatic TNBC expansion cohort as part of Phase Ia study
- N =27
- ORR =24% (3 PR; 2 CR)
- 24 week PFS = 33%
- Toxicity tolerable
- 0.1-41.6 week duration; median duration not reached

**Avelumab (MSB0010718C), an anti-PD-L1 Antibody, in Patients with Locally Advanced or Metastatic Breast Cancer: a Phase IB JAVELIN Solid Tumor Trial**

Dirix LY, Takacs I, Nikolinakos P, Jerusalem G, Arkenau H-T, Hamilton EP, von Heydebreck A, Grote H-J, Chin K, Lippman ME

Courtesy of Dirix et al. SABCS 2015 abs S1-04

## JAVELIN: Phase Ib Study Design



- Primary endpoint: DLT
- Secondary endpoints: clinical activity, immune response, safety
- PD-L1 expression assessed by IHC

\*Pts eligible if ≤ 3 previous cytotoxic regimens, previous treatment with taxane + anthracycline, biopsy/tissue sample taken within 90 days of avelumab initial dose, ECOG PS 1 or 2, ≥ 1 quantifiable lesion, life expectancy ≥ 3 mos.

Pts unselected for PD-L1 expression, HER2/ER/PR subtype.

Courtesy of Dirix et al. SABCS 2015 abs S1-04

## JAVELIN: Baseline Characteristics

Characteristic	All Pts (N = 168)	Pts With TNBC (n = 58)
Median age, yrs (range)	55 (31-81)	52.5 (31-80)
Female, %	99.4	100
ECOG PS, %		
▪ 0	49.4	56.9
▪ 1	50.6	43.1
Molecular subtype, %		
▪ TNBC	34.5	100
▪ HER2-/ER+ or HER2-/PgR+	42.9	--
▪ HER2+	15.5	--
▪ Unknown	7.1	--
Previous regimens,* %		
▪ ≥ 3	52.4	22.4
▪ 2	20.8	27.6
▪ ≤ 1	26.8	50.0
Median time since Dx of MBC, mos (range) <sup>†</sup>	21.6 (0.7-176.8)	13.2 (0.7-176.8)

\*Excluding neoadjuvants. <sup>†</sup>Missing data in 8 pts.

Dirix LY, et al. SABCS 2015. Abstract S1-04.

Courtesy of Dirix et al. SABCS 2015 abs S1-04

## Grade 5 treatment-related TEAEs and discontinuation

- Discontinuation related to treatment with avelumab occurred in 8 patients (4.8%)
  - Treatment-related TEAEs that were potentially immune-related led to permanent discontinuation in 3 patients: autoimmune hepatitis (2) and pemphigoid (1)
  - Other events leading to discontinuation were GGT increase (2), AST increase (1), CPK increase (1), and respiratory distress (1)
- Treatment-related death occurred in 2 patients (1.2%)
  - Acute liver failure in patient with liver metastases
  - Respiratory distress in patient with metastatic lesions of liver, lung, and soft tissues; prior/ongoing history of respiratory disorder (cough, dyspnea, pneumonia)
- At the time of data cut-off, 9 patients remained on treatment with avelumab

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## JAVELIN: Antitumor Activity

Best Overall Response, %	All Pts (N = 168)	Pts With TNBC (n = 58)
CR	0.6	0
PR	4.2	8.6
SD*	23.2	22.4
PD	63.1	65.5
Not evaluable	8.9	3.4
ORR	4.8 (95% CI: 2.1-9.2)	8.6 (95% CI: 2.9-19.0)
DCR†	28.0	31.0

\*Defined as SD at first assessment after 6 wks.

†Defined as response plus SD.

Dirix LY, et al. SABCS 2015. Abstract S1-04.

Courtesy of Dirix et al. SABCS 2015 abs S1-04

## JAVELIN: ORR According to PD-L1 Expression

- ORR increased in pts with PD-L1–positive tumors
  - Pts with PD-L1 expression by immune cells showed greater response than pts with PD-L1–negative immune cells (33.3% [4/12] vs 2.4% [3/124])
  - PD-L1 expression also appeared associated with ORR in subgroup with TNBC (4 of 9 PD-L1 positive vs 1/39 PD-L1 negative)

Dirix LY, et al. SABCS 2015. Abstract S1-04.

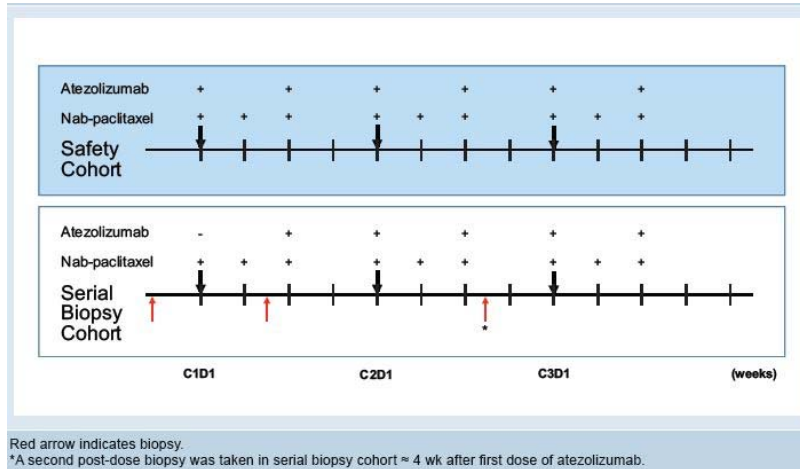
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## Safety and Clinical Activity of Atezolizumab (anti-PDL1) in Combination with nab-Paclitaxel in Patients with Metastatic Triple-Negative Breast Cancer

Adams S, Diamond J, Hamilton E, Pohlmann P,  
Tolaney S, Molinero L, Zou W, Liu B, Waterkamp D,  
Funke R, Powderly J

Courtesy of Adams et al. SABCS 2015 P2-11-06

# Treatment & Biopsy Schedule



Courtesy of Adams et al. SABCS 2015 P2-11-06

**Table 3. Summary of Best Overall Responses by RECIST v1.1**

Best Overall Response	1L (n = 9)	2L (n = 8)	3L+ (n = 7)	All Patients N = 24
Confirmed ORR (95% CI) <sup>a</sup>	66.7% (29.9, 92.5)	25% (3.2, 65.1)	28.6% (3.7, 71.0)	41.7% (22.1, 63.4)
ORR (95% CI) <sup>b</sup>	88.9% (51.7, 99.7)	75.0% (34.9, 96.8)	42.9% (9.9, 81.6)	70.8% (48.9, 87.4)
CR	11.1%	0	0	4.2%
PR	77.8%	75.0%	42.9%	66.7%
SD	11.1%	25.0%	28.6%	20.8%
PD	0	0	28.6%	8.3%

<sup>a</sup> Confirmed ORR defined as at least 2 consecutive assessments of complete or partial response.

<sup>b</sup> Including investigator-assessed unconfirmed responses.

Courtesy of Adams et al. SABCS 2015 P2-11-06



**Table 5. Objective Response Rate by PD-L1 Expression Level<sup>a</sup>**

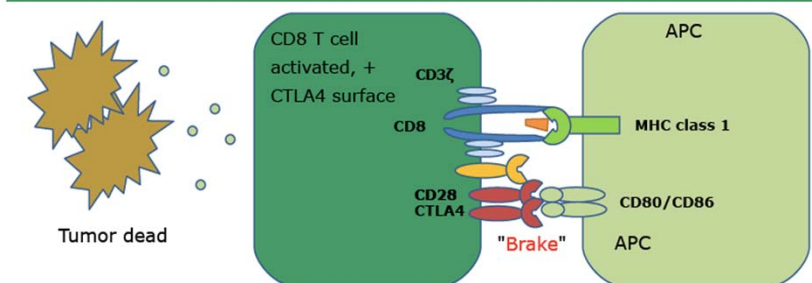
	IC0 (n = 7)	IC1/2/3 (n = 9)	Unknown (n = 8)
ORR (95% CI)	57.1% (18.4, 90.1)	77.8% (40.0, 97.2)	75% (34.9, 96.8)
CR	0	0	12.5%
PR	57.1%	77.8%	62.5%
SD	42.9%	22.2%	0
PD	0	0	25%

<sup>a</sup>Including investigator-assessed unconfirmed responses.

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## CTLA-4

### CTLA-4 acting as physiologic "brake" on costimulation of CD8+ T cell



CTLA4 outcompetes CD28 for CD80 and CD86, and the costimulatory signal ceases as the target is eliminated, reducing the release of pro-effector cytokines such as IL-12 and cytotoxic enzymes such as perforin and granzyme B. Homeostasis is restored.

CD: cluster of differentiation; CTLA-4: cytotoxic T-lymphocyte-associated protein 4; APC: antigen-presenting cells; MHC: major histocompatibility complex; IL: interleukin.

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## NU 15B01

### PI: Cesar Santa-Maria

- Non-randomized, open-label, pilot phase II clinical trial of the PD-L1 inhibitor, durvalumab (MEDI4736), in combination with the CTLA-4 inhibitor, tremelimumab, in patients with stage IV HER2-negative breast cancer (hormone-refractory & TNBC)

## NU 15B01

- Durvalumab (MEDI4736)
  - Human IgG1k monoclonal antibody directed against human PD-L1
  - Currently being evaluated in three phase I clinical trials
- Tremelimumab
  - IgG2k isotype mAb directed against the cytotoxic T-lymphocyte-associated protein 4 (CTLA-4) aka CD152
  - 10 clinical studies
  - Response rates generally low (~10%)
  - Responses are durable, lasting months to years even in subjects with aggressive tumors, such as refractory metastatic melanoma

## Key Inclusion Criteria

- Stage IV HER2-negative breast cancer
- TNBC: must have progressed through at least 1 prior chemotherapy regimen in the metastatic setting or within 12 months of last adjuvant systemic tx
- ER positive disease: must have received prior therapy with palbociclib (in addition to 1 line of chemotherapy and standard hormone therapy options) prior to enrollment in the study
- ECOG PS 0-2
- Willing to provide fresh biopsies prior to enrollment & after 2 cycles of treatment

## Big Questions in ER+ MBC

- Overcoming endocrine resistance
- Role for endocrine monotherapy
- New partners for endocrine therapy
- Challenges in certain subsets (ER+/HER+)

## Estimated Cancer Deaths From ER+ Breast Cancer

*ER+ Breast Cancer  
Is Responsible For  
Approximately 30,000  
Deaths Each Year*

Women  
270,290



26% Lung & bronchus

10-11% Breast Luminal

9% Colon & rectum

7% Pancreas

5% Ovary

4-5% Breast TNBC

4% Non-Hodgkin  
lymphoma

3% Leukemia

3% Uterine corpus

2% Liver & intrahepatic  
bile duct

2% Brain/Other nervous  
system

24% All other sites

O'Brien et al. CCR. 2010



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#### FOLLOW-UP THERAPY FOR ENDOCRINE TREATMENT OF RECURRENT OR STAGE IV DISEASE



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### ENDOCRINE THERAPY FOR RECURRENT OR STAGE IV DISEASE

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

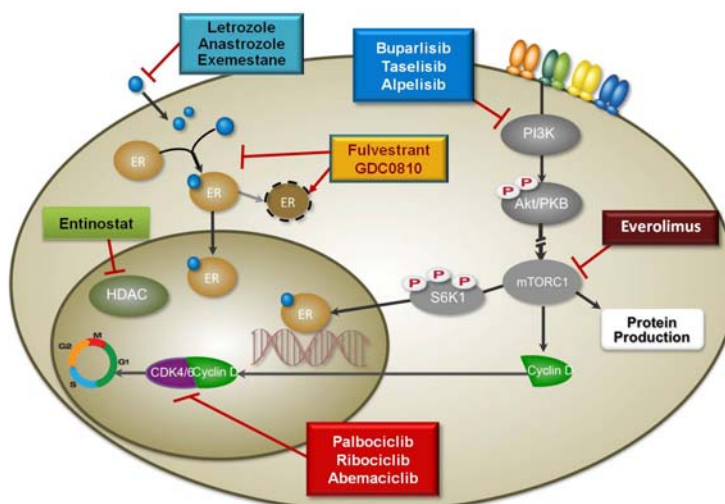
#### Postmenopausal Patients

- Non-steroidal aromatase inhibitor (anastrozole, letrozole)
- Steroidal aromatase inactivator (exemestane)
- Exemestane + everolimus
- Palbociclib + letrozole
- Palbociclib + fulvestrant (category 1)
- Fulvestrant
- Tamoxifen or toremifene
- Megestrol acetate
- Flouxymesterone
- Ethinyl estradiol

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### The Future (and Present!) Treatment In ER+ MBC



Yamamoto-Ibrusaki, M, et al. BMC Medicine. 2015;12:137.

# TCGA: Comprehensive Molecular Portraits of Human Breast Tumors

**TCGA: Comprehensive Molecular Portraits of Human Breast Tumors**

**Subtype**

**Predicted somatic non-silent mutations**

■ Truncation mutation ■ Missense mutation

**Clinical data**

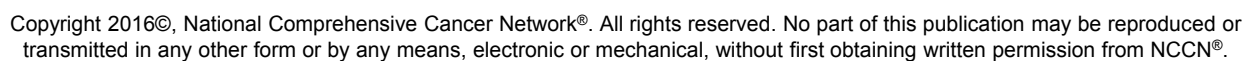
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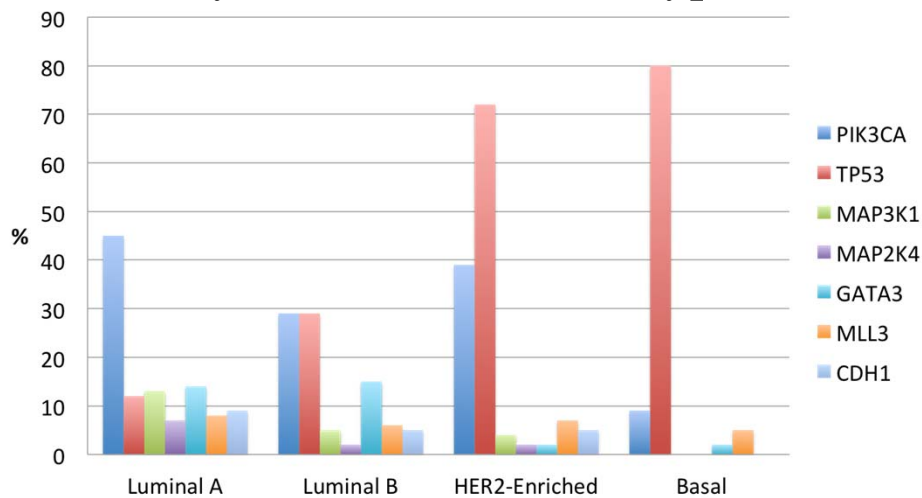
**Amplification** **Deletion**

**Percentages of cases with mutation by expression subtype**

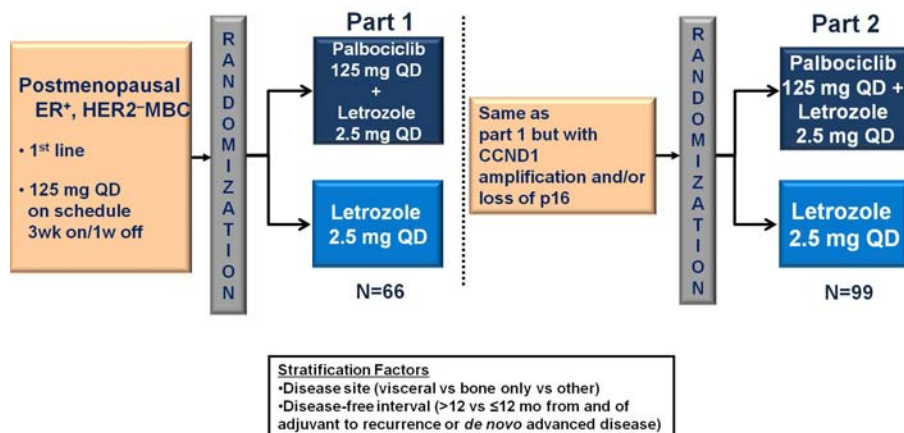
Subtype	PKCα	TP53	MAPK1	MAPK4	GAT3	CDH1	PTEN	PIK3R1	AKT1	RLN1	CAPB	TBR1	NCOR1	CTCF	FOXA1	SRB1	CDKN1B	RBI	ATF2	NF1	PTPRB2	PTPRB1	
Luminal A	36%	37%	8%	4%	11%	7%	7%	3%	3%	2%	4%	2%	3%	3%	2%	2%	1%	2%	3%	3%	1%	2%	
Luminal B	45%	12%	13%	7%	14%	8%	9%	4%	0.4%	4%	5%	2%	3%	5%	4%	2%	3%	1%	0.4%	1%	2%	0.4%	2%
HER2-enriched	20%	20%	5%	2%	15%	6%	5%	4%	2%	2%	2%	4%	2%	2%	2%	0%	1%	3%	2%	4%	2%	4%	
Basal-like	30%	72%	4%	2%	2%	7%	5%	2%	4%	2%	4%	2%	0%	0%	2%	2%	4%	2%	0%	5%	0%	5%	4%
All	9%	80%	0%	0%	2%	5%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	2%	1%	0%	0%	4%	4%	2%	0%	1%	



## Distribution of Mutations in TCGA by Breast Cancer Subtype



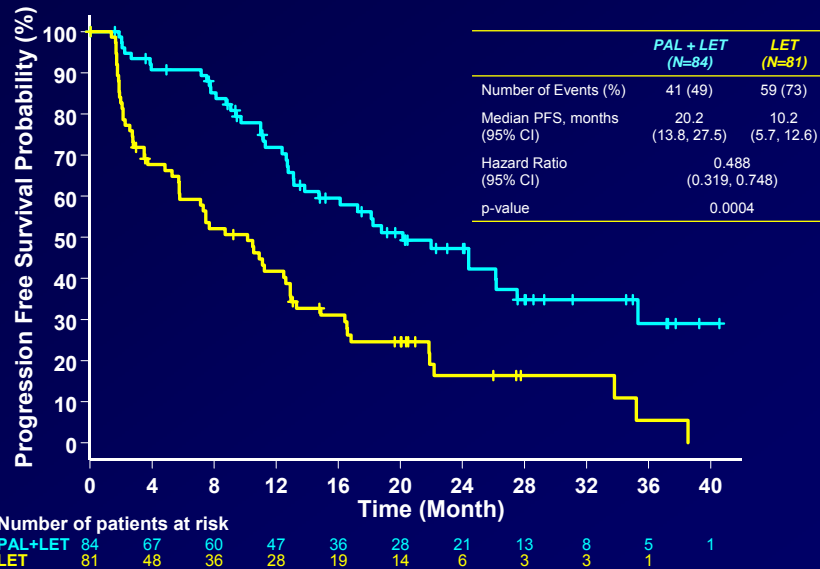
## Phase II PALOMA-1/TRIO-18: Let +/- Palbociclib 1<sup>st</sup> line ER<sup>+</sup> MBC



Finn et al. The Lancet Oncology, Volume 16, Issue 1, 2015, 25 - 35



## Progression-Free Survival (ITT) PALOMA-1



PALOMA3: A Double-Blind, Phase III Trial of Fulvestrant with or without Palbociclib in Pre- and Post-Menopausal Women with Hormone Receptor-Positive, HER2-Negative Metastatic Breast Cancer that Progressed on Prior Endocrine Therapy

Turner NC et al. *Proc ASCO 2015*;Abstract LBA502.

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### Palbociclib in Hormone-Receptor-Positive Advanced Breast Cancer

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Sunil Verma, M.D., Hiroji Iwata, M.D., Nadia Harbeck, M.D., Sibylle Loibl, M.D., Cynthia Huang Bartlett, M.D.,  
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and Massimo Cristofanilli, M.D.

## Phase III PALOMA-3: Fulvestrant +/- Palbociclib 2<sup>nd</sup> line ER+ MBC

- HR+, HER2- ABC
- Pre-/peri-\* or post-menopausal
- Progressed on prior endocrine therapy:
  - On or within 12 mo adjuvant
  - On therapy for ABC
- ≤1 prior chemotherapy regimen for advanced cancer

\*All received goserelin.

2:1 Randomization  
N=521

### Stratification:

- Visceral metastases
- Sensitivity to prior hormonal therapy
- Pre-/peri- vs Post-menopausal

n=347

Palbociclib  
(125 mg QD;  
3 wks on/1 wk off)  
+  
Fulvestrant†  
(500 mg IM q4w)

n=174

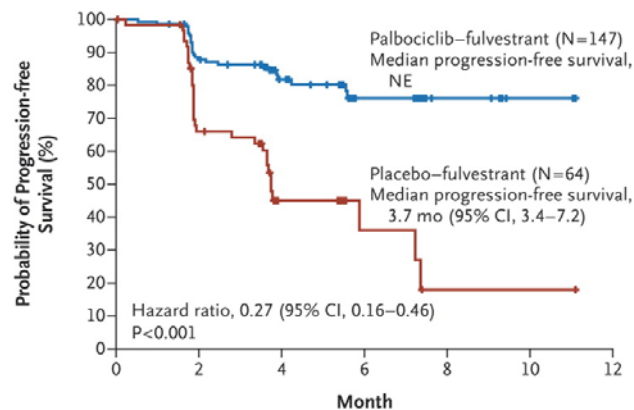
Placebo  
(3 wks on/ 1wk off)  
+  
Fulvestrant†  
(500 mg IM q4w)

\* Post-menopausal patients must have progressed on prior aromatase inhibitor therapy.

Nicholas Turner at 2015 ASCO Annual Meeting

## Progression-free Survival.

### B Central Assessment



### No. at Risk

Palbociclib-  
fulvestrant

147

118

53

24

7

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Placebo-  
fulvestrant

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Turner NC et al. N Engl J Med 2015. DOI: 10.1056/NEJMoa1505270



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## Summary of Key Secondary Efficacy Endpoints

	Palbociclib + Fulvestrant (n=347), % of patients	Placebo + Fulvestrant (n=174), % of patients	P value
<b>ORR</b>	10.4	6.3	0.1582
<b>CBR*</b>	34.0	19.0	0.0004

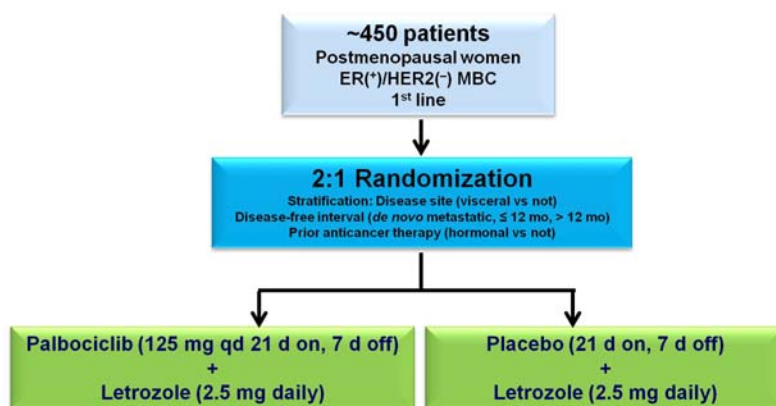
\* CBR is underestimated.

36% of palbociclib and 24% of placebo pts remain on study treatment with <24 weeks of follow up.

At the time of the interim analysis, OS data was immature with 28 deaths.

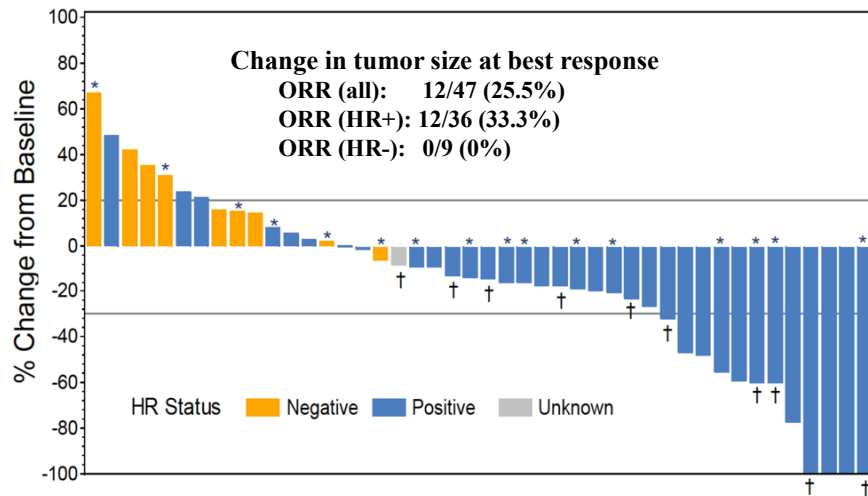
CBR=clinical benefit rate (CR+PR+SD≥24 wk); CR=complete response; ORR=objective response (CR+PR); OS=overall survival; PR=partial response; SD=stable disease.

## Phase III PALOMA-2: Letrozole +/- Palbociclib 1<sup>st</sup> Line ER+ MBC



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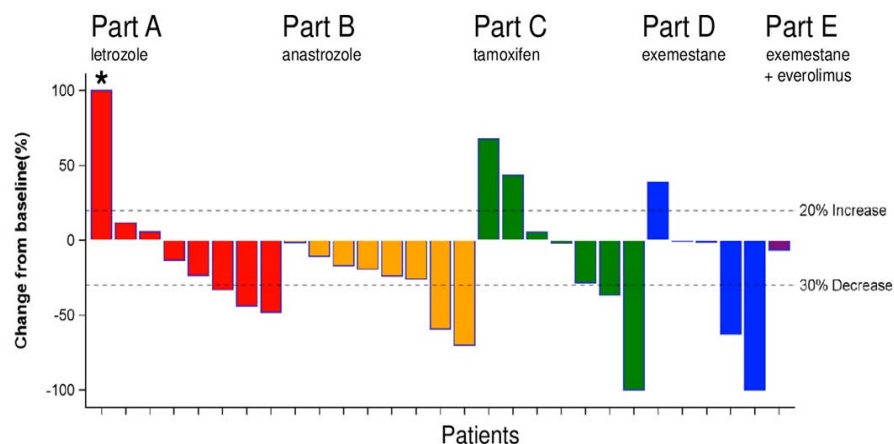
## Abemaciclib Monotherapy in Advanced or Metastatic Breast Cancer



<sup>a</sup>3 non-evaluable patients are not shown. All patients were required to have measurable disease.  
 † Patient progressing on endocrine therapy before study entry and continued on that specific therapy  
 \* Indicates HER2+

Tolaney SM et al. SABCS 2014; Abstract 763.

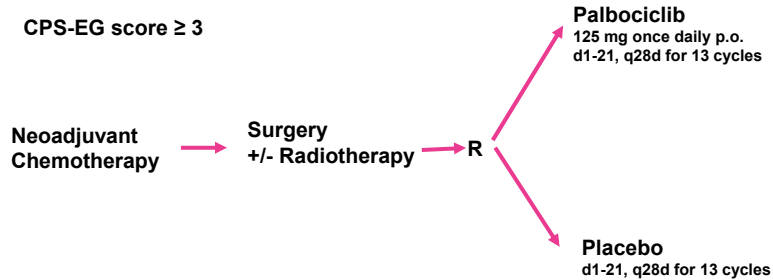
## Best Change in Tumor Size from Baseline with Abemaciclib Combined with Other Therapies



Tolaney SM et al. Proc ASCO 2015; Abstract 522.

# PENELOPE-B Phase III Trial

N = 800 pts. with  
HR+/HER2- breast cancer  
no PCR and  
CPS-EG score  $\geq 3$



All patients will receive concomitantly endocrine therapy according to local standards



NCT01864746

# PALLAS Phase III Trial

## Patient Population

- N = 4600
- Inclusion Criteria:
  - HR+ and HER2-
  - Stage II or III

Diagnosis, Surgery +/-  
Neo/Adjuvant  
Chemotherapy

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Arm A  
Palbociclib (2 yrs)  
+  
Endocrine Treatment  
(5+ yrs)

Arm B  
Endocrine treatment  
(5+ yrs)

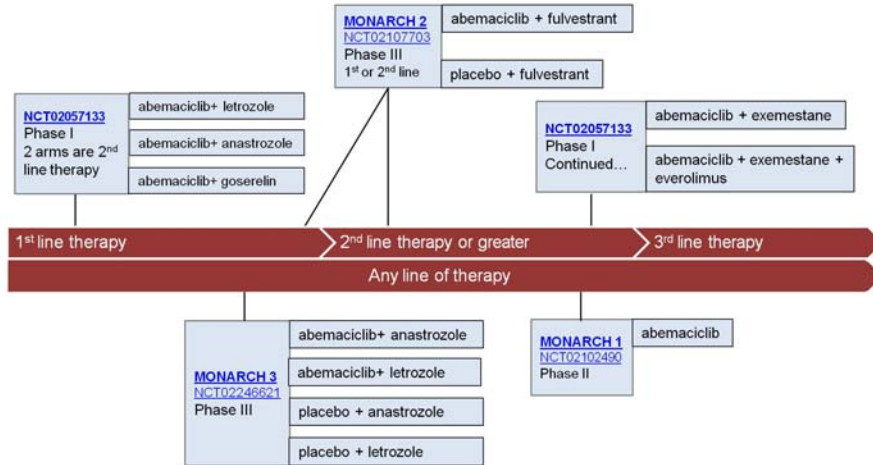
FFPE Tissue sample  
received at central  
biorepository

Arm A: palbociclib at a dose of 125 mg once daily, Day 1-21 in a 28-day cycle for total duration of 2 years, in addition to standard adjuvant endocrine therapy  
Arm B: standard adjuvant endocrine therapy (AI, tamoxifen, LHRH agonist)

Stratification Factors:  
• Pathologic stage (IIA vs IIB/III)  
• Neo/adjuvant chemotherapy (yes vs no),  
• Age (< 50 vs > 50 years),  
• Geographic region ( North America vs Europe vs Asia)

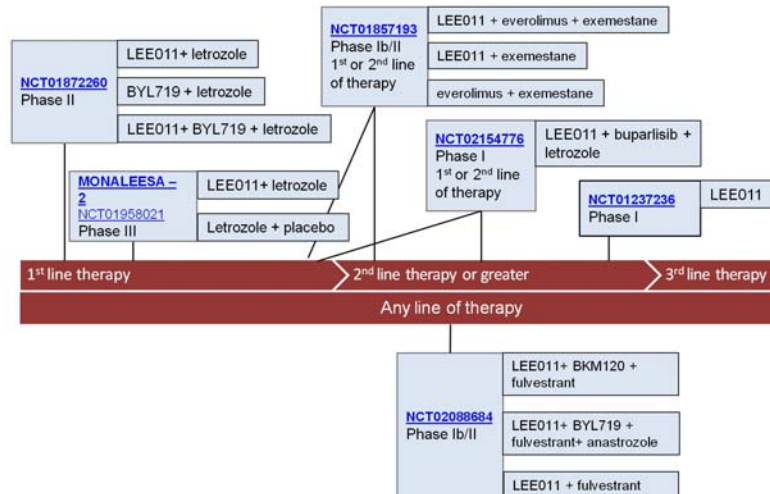
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## CDK 4/6 Inhibitor Abemaciclib: Ongoing trials



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## CDK 4/6 Inhibitor Ribociclib (LEE011): Ongoing trials



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# cfDNA Analysis From BOLERO-2 Plasma Samples Identifies a High Rate of *ESR1* Mutations: Exploratory Analysis For Prognostic And Predictive Correlation of Mutations Reveals Different Efficacy Outcomes of Endocrine Therapy–based Regimens

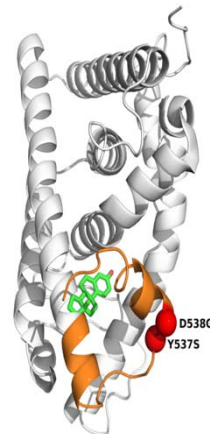
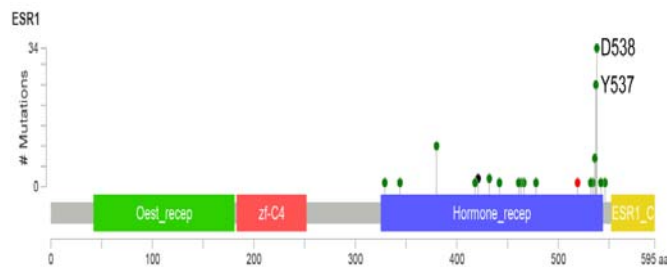
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## Introduction And Rationale

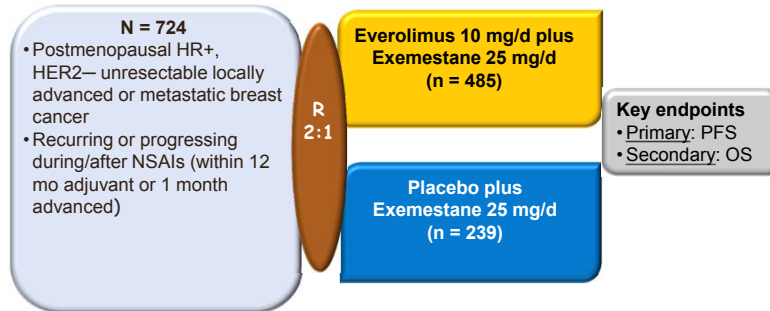


- Y537S and D538G mutations in Estrogen Receptor (*ESR1*) are observed in metastatic breast cancer (MBC) and promote ligand-independent receptor activation
- *ESR1* mutation could be a predictive marker for early patient selection for endocrine based therapies

mTOR, mammalian target of rapamycin.



## BOLERO-2: Study Design and Primary Results

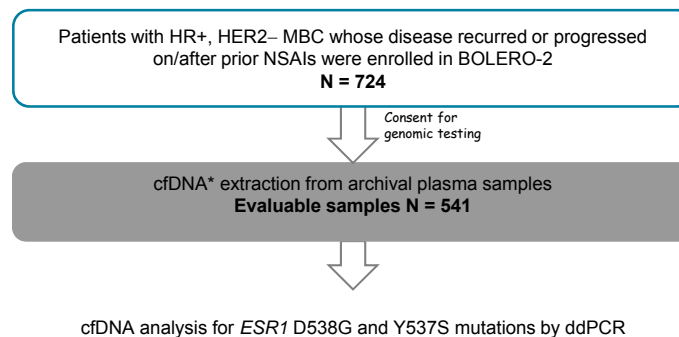


HR+, hormone receptor-positive; HER2-, human epidermal growth factor receptor-negative; NSAIs, non-steroidal aromatase inhibitors; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression-free survival.

Assessment	Arms	Events/N	PFS (mo)	HR (95% CI)	P-value
Local	EVE + EXE	310/485	7.8	0.45 (0.38-0.54)	P < 0.0001
	PBO + EXE	200/239	3.2		

Yardley et al. Adv Ther. 2013;30(10):870-84.

## Methodology and Statistical Analysis

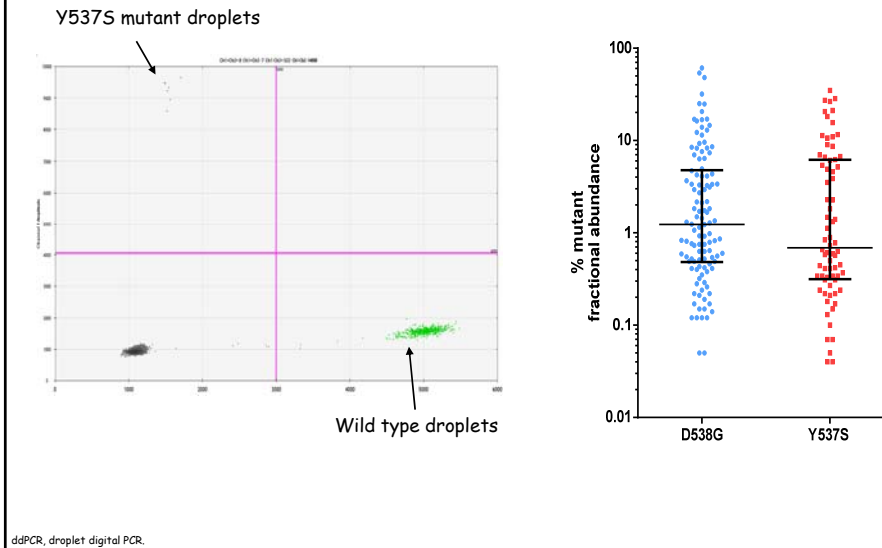


### Statistical Analysis:

- Cox-proportional hazards model was used to assess
  - Prognostic effect on OS in patient subgroups defined by *ESR1* mutation or specific mutations
  - Predictive effect on PFS in patient subgroups defined by *ESR1* mutation or specific mutations

cfDNA, cell free DNA; ddPCR, droplet digital PCR; HR+, hormone receptor-positive; HER2-, human epidermal growth factor receptor-negative; MBC, metastatic breast cancer; NSAIs, non-steroidal aromatase inhibitors; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression free survival.

## Detection and Quantification of ESR1 Mutations by ddPCR



## Frequency of *ESR1* Mutations

- High *ESR1* mutation frequency in cfDNA samples
  - Some double mutations were detected

	D538G and/or Y537S mutation	D538G mutation	Y537S mutation	Double mutation
Overall, N = 541 (74.7% of ITT)	156 (28.8%)	83 (15.3%)	42 (7.8%)	30 (5.5%)

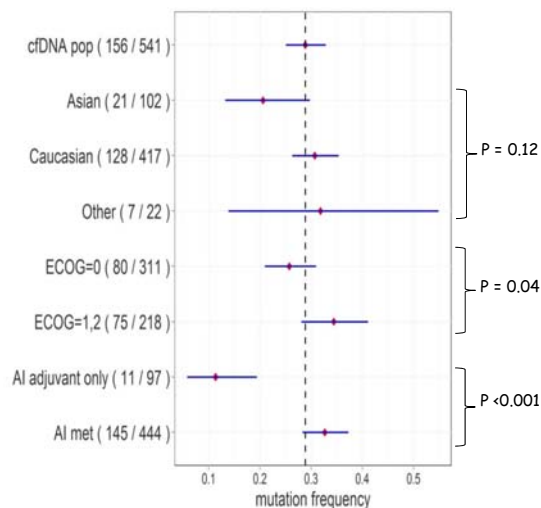
cfDNA, cell free DNA; ITT, intention to treat.

## ddPCR on cfDNA vs NGS on Archival Tumor DNA

- 541 cfDNA were analyzed by ddPCR and 302 archival tumor DNA by next generation sequencing (NGS)
- 236 paired samples with assessment of Y537S and D538G mutations in *ESR1*
  - 3 (1.3%) archival tumor samples had one of the two mutations
  - 67 (28.4%) cfDNA samples had one of the two mutations
- 247 paired samples with assessment of H1047R, E545K, E542K mutations in *PIK3CA*
  - 85 (34.4%) tumor samples had at least one of the three mutations
  - 114 (46.2%) cfDNA samples had at least one of the three mutations

cfDNA, cell free DNA; ddPCR, droplet digital PCR.

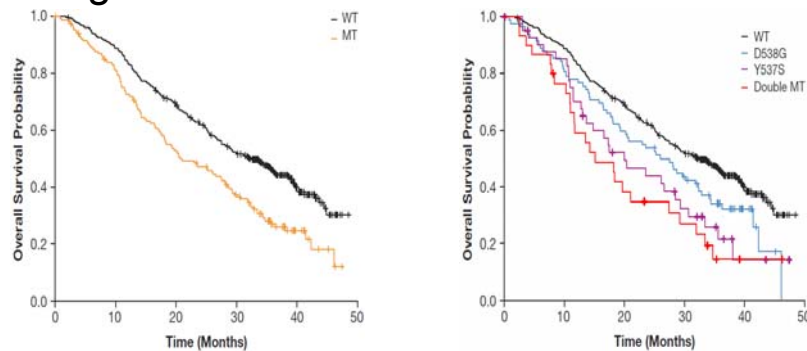
## *ESR1* Mutation Frequency by Clinical Covariates



- *ESR1* mutation frequency is not significantly different based on race or patient age or site of disease (visceral vs soft tissue/bone-only)

AI, aromatase inhibitor; cfDNA, cell free DNA; ECOG, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group.

## Prognostic Effect of *ESR1* Mutation on OS



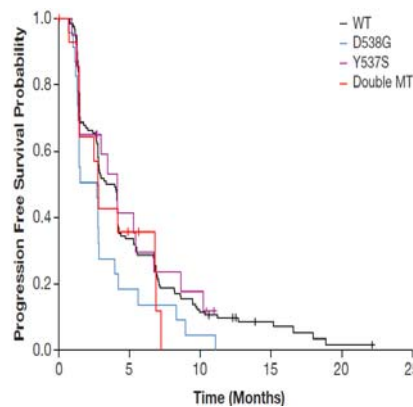
Mutations	N	Events	Median OS (95%CI) (months)	HR (95%CI)	P-value*
WT	385	217	32.1 (28.1-36.4)		
MT	156	112	20.7 (17.7 - 28.1)	1.40 (1.2 - 1.65)	0.000037
D538G	83	57	26.0 (19.2-32.4)	1.25 (1.02-1.54)	0.033
Y537S	42	30	20.0 (13.0-29.3)	2.31 (1.34-3.97)	0.0024
Double MT	30	24	15.2 (10.9-27.4)	1.77 (1.31-2.39)	0.00018

- Both D538G and Y537S mutations were poor prognostic factors associated with shorter OS
- In a multivariate analysis adjusting for sensitivity to prior hormonal therapy, visceral disease and ECOG status, the effect of *ESR1* mutation (compared to wild-type) on OS remained significant

CI, confidence interval; HR, hazard ratio; MT, mutation; OS, overall survival; WT, wild-type.

\*All p-values were unadjusted for multiple testing

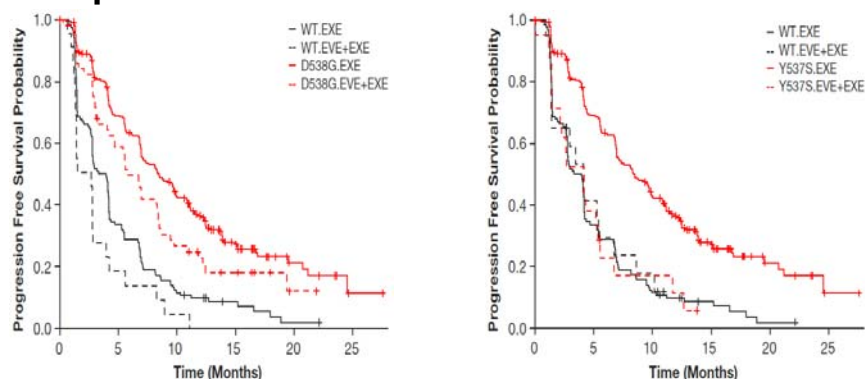
## Impact of *ESR1* Mutations on EXE Treatment



Alteration	N	Events	Median PFS (95%CI) (months)	HR (95%CI)	P-value*
WT	128	116	3.94 (2.76-4.17)		
MT	61	51	2.76 (1.41-4.14)	1.18 (0.94-1.5)	0.16
<b>D538G</b>	24	22	2.69 (1.35-2.83)	1.44 (1.04-1.99)	<b>0.029</b>
Y537S	21	16	4.14 (1.38-6.7)	0.92 (0.44-1.93)	0.83
Double MT	15	12	2.78 (1.41-6.87)	1.15 (0.75-1.75)	0.82

CI, confidence interval; EXE, exemestane; HR, hazard ratio; MT, mutation; PFS, progression free survival; WT, wild-type.

## Impact of *ESR1* Mutations on EVE treatment



Alteration	Group	N	Events	Median PFS (95%CI) (months)	HR (95%CI)	P-value*
WT	EXE	128	116	3.9 (2.8-4.2)	0.4 (0.31-0.51)	<0.0001
	EVE + EXE	257	172	8.5 (6.9-9.9)		
D538G	EXE	24	22	2.7 (1.4-2.8)	0.34 (0.2-0.57)	0.0006
	EVE + EXE	59	45	5.8 (4.2-8.4)		
Y537S	EXE	21	16	4.1 (1.4-6.7)	0.98 (0.49-1.94)	0.95
	EVE + EXE	21	19	4.2 (1.4-5.4)		
Double MT	EXE	15	12	2.78 (1.41-6.87)	0.53 (0.23-1.25)	0.15
	EVE + EXE	15	14	5.42 (2.46-7.82)		

CI, confidence interval; EXE, exemestane; HR, hazard ratio; MT, mutation; PFS, progression free survival; WT, wild-type.

## Conclusions

- cfDNA analysis of archival plasma samples is feasible for mutation detection
- *ESR1* mutation frequency in cfDNA samples is higher than identified with tumor sequencing
  - The 28% mutation frequency for D538G and Y537S *ESR1* mutations assayed likely underestimates the frequency for all activating *ESR1* mutations
  - The occurrence of multiple *ESR1* mutations is not uncommon
- *ESR1* mutations are identified in HR+ MBC prior to first-line therapy; frequency markedly increases in patients treated with AIs in the metastatic setting
- D538G and Y537S mutations appear to be associated with a more aggressive disease biology as demonstrated by a shorter OS
- Differential effects of the Y537S and D538G mutations on treatment
  - In the EXE only arm, patients with D538G mutation had a shorter PFS as compared to wild-type
  - Patients with D538G mutation demonstrate PFS benefit with the addition of EVE, whereas those with Y537S mutation did not

AIs, aromatase inhibitors; cfDNA, cell free DNA; EVE, everolimus; HR+, hormone receptor-positive; MBC, metastatic breast cancer; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression-free survival.

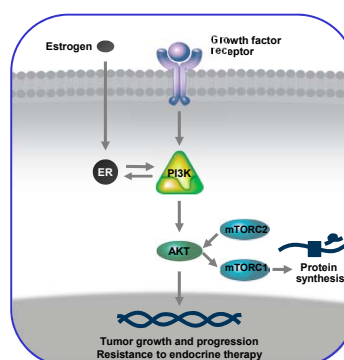
# ***PIK3CA* Status in Circulating Tumor DNA Predicts Efficacy of Buparlisib Plus Fulvestrant in Postmenopausal Women With Endocrine-Resistant HR+/HER2– Advanced Breast Cancer: First Results From the Randomized, Phase III BELLE-2 Trial**

## **Abstract #S6-01**

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## **Rationale for Combination of Fulvestrant With Buparlisib**

- The PI3K/mTOR pathway is the most frequently altered oncogenic pathway in ER+ breast cancer. PIK3CA mutations present in approximately 35% of ER+ breast cancer<sup>1</sup>
- PI3K/mTOR pathway activation is a hallmark of HR+/HER2– breast cancer cells that have developed resistance to endocrine therapy<sup>2,3</sup>
- PI3K inhibitors upregulate ER expression and transcriptional activity<sup>3</sup>
- Therefore, dual blockade of the PI3K/mTOR and ER pathways may act synergistically and help overcome resistance to endocrine therapies<sup>2,4,5</sup>



ER, estrogen receptor; HER2–, human epidermal growth factor receptor 2 negative; HR+, hormone receptor-positive; mTOR, mammalian target of rapamycin; mTORC, mammalian target of rapamycin complex; PI3K, phosphatidylinositol 3-kinase.

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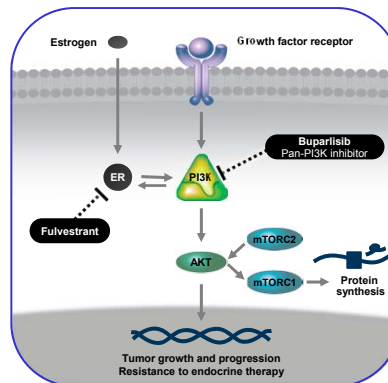
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# Rationale for Combination of Fulvestrant With Buparlisib

- Buparlisib (BKM120) is an oral pan-class I PI3K inhibitor that targets all four isoforms of PI3K ( $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma$ ,  $\delta$ )<sup>1</sup>

PI3K Isoform	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	$\delta$
IC <sub>50</sub> nM	52	166	262	116

- Buparlisib has demonstrated preliminary clinical activity in combination with fulvestrant<sup>2</sup>
- BELLE-2 is the first randomized Phase III study to assess the safety and efficacy of a pan-PI3K inhibitor combined with fulvestrant in HR+/HER2- advanced breast cancer**



ER, estrogen receptor; HER2-, human epidermal growth factor receptor 2 negative; HR+, hormone receptor-positive; mTOR, mammalian target of rapamycin; mTORC, mammalian target of rapamycin complex; PI3K, phosphatidylinositol 3-kinase.

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## BELLE-2 Study Design and Endpoints

Postmenopausal women with HR+/HER2- locally advanced or metastatic breast cancer that progressed on/after AI therapy  
N = 1147

Randomization (1:1)

Stratification by PI3K pathway\* and visceral disease status

Buparlisib (100 mg/day)  
+ fulvestrant (500 mg)  
n = 576

Placebo  
+ fulvestrant (500 mg)  
n = 571

BELLE-2: ClinicalTrials.gov NCT01610284.

\*PI3K pathway activation (activated, non-activated, unknown) was assessed in archival tumor tissue provided at screening, defined as *PIK3CA* mutation by Sanger sequencing (any mutations in exons 1, 7, 9, or 20) and/or loss of PTEN expression by immunohistochemistry (1+ expression in <10% of cells); ctDNA *PIK3CA* status was assessed by BEAMing technology.

### Primary Endpoints

- PFS in the full population
- PFS in the main population (PI3K activated and non-activated, excluding status unknown\*)
- PFS in the PI3K activated group\* (*PIK3CA* mutation and/or PTEN loss)

### Key Secondary Endpoint

- Overall survival

### Other Secondary Endpoints

- Overall response rate
- Clinical benefit rate
- Safety, pharmacokinetics, quality of life

### Exploratory Endpoint

- PFS by ctDNA *PIK3CA* mutation status†

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## BELLE-2 Key Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria

### Key Inclusion Criteria

- Postmenopausal women with ER+ and/or PgR+ and HER2– inoperable locally advanced or metastatic breast cancer
- Disease progression on/after AI therapy:
  - Recurrence during or  $\leq 12$  months from end of adjuvant AI therapy
  - Progression on AI therapy for advanced/metastatic disease
- Measurable disease or non-measurable lytic or mixed bone lesions (RECIST v1.1)
- Tumor tissue for analysis of PI3K-related biomarkers

### Key Exclusion Criteria

- Prior therapy with a PI3K, AKT, or mTOR inhibitor, or fulvestrant
- More than one prior chemotherapy line for metastatic disease
- History of, or active, anxiety, depression, or other major psychiatric disorders (measured using validated questionnaires)

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## BELLE-2 Statistical Assumptions

Population	Assumed median PFS improvement, months	One-sided alpha*	Power
Full population	7.5 vs 5.0	0.014	99.9%
Main population	7.5 vs 5.0	0.02	91.8%
PI3K activated group	8.33 vs 5.0	0.01	93.6%

Statistical significance would be achieved if hazard ratio is  $< 0.86$  in the full population

\*Alpha allocation was split using a graphical gate-keeping approach to test the multiple primary endpoints, conserving the overall type-1 error at one-sided  $\alpha = 0.025$

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## Patient Demographics and Disease Characteristics

Characteristic	Buparlisib + fulvestrant (n = 576)	Placebo + fulvestrant (n = 571)
<b>Median age, years (range)</b>	62 (29–90)	61 (31–90)
<b>ECOG performance status, %</b>		
0	57.8	60.2
1	40.1	37.0
<b>Hormone receptor status, %</b>		
ER+	99.1	98.6
PgR+	74.8	74.1
<b>PI3K pathway activation status, %</b>		
Activated	32.6	32.2
Non-activated	41.5	42.0
Unknown	25.9	25.7
<b>Visceral disease present, %</b>	59.2	59.0
<b>Prior therapy in metastatic setting, %</b>		
Any hormonal therapy	72.6	75.1
Any aromatase inhibitors	69.4	71.5
Any chemotherapy	24.5	31.0
<b>Prior lines of hormonal therapy in metastatic setting, %</b>		
0	27.4	24.9
1	53.1	52.7
≥2	19.4	22.4

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## BELLE-2 Patient Disposition and Exposure to Study Treatment

Patient disposition, %	Buparlisib + fulvestrant (n = 576)	Placebo + fulvestrant (n = 571)
<b>Treatment phase ongoing</b>	16.1	16.5
<b>Treatment discontinued</b>	83.5	83.2
<b>Primary reason for treatment discontinuation</b>		
Progressive disease	54.3	73.0
Adverse event	13.2	1.8
Patient decision	8.9	3.2
Physician decision	4.0	3.7
Death	1.2	0.9
Other	1.9	0.7
<b>Exposure to study treatment</b>	<b>Buparlisib + fulvestrant (n = 573)</b>	<b>Placebo + fulvestrant (n = 570)</b>
<b>Median duration of treatment exposure, months</b>	4.2	5.0
<b>Buparlisib/placebo median relative dose intensity, %</b>	93.2	100
<b>Buparlisib/placebo dose adjustments, %</b>		
Dose reduction	46.4	7.0
Dose interruption	55.8	31.4

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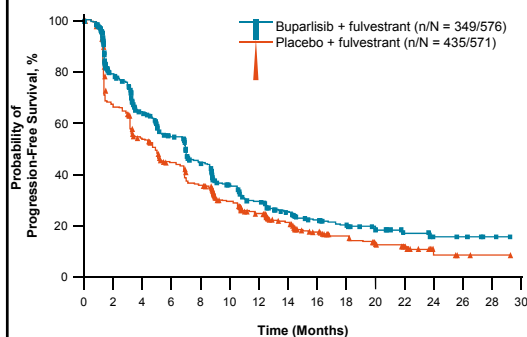
# BELLE-2 Safety Profile Was Characterized by Transaminitis, Hyperglycemia, Rash, and Mood Disorders

Adverse event, %	Buparlisib + fulvestrant n = 573			Placebo + fulvestrant n = 570		
	All grades	Grade 3	Grade 4	All grades	Grade 3	Grade 4
<b>Total</b>	<b>99.5</b>	<b>63.2</b>	<b>14.1</b>	<b>93.0</b>	<b>27.4</b>	<b>4.6</b>
Increased ALT	40.1	18.7	6.8	6.8	1.1	0
Increased AST	37.3	15.0	3.0	9.3	2.8	0
Hyperglycemia	43.1	15.2	0.2	7.7	0.2	0
Rash	32.1	7.7	0.2	6.3	0	0
Anxiety	22.3	5.2	0.2	8.2	0.9	0
Fatigue	31.9	4.9	0	23.9	1.6	0
Depression	26.2	3.7	0.7	8.9	0.4	0
Diarrhea	34.2	3.7	0	14.6	1.1	0
Asthenia	20.1	2.8	0	10.5	1.1	0
Stomatitis	21.6	2.1	0	6.5	0.5	0
Nausea	38.7	1.7	0	23.2	1.4	0
Decreased appetite	29.8	1.6	0	11.1	0.2	0

- Serious adverse events occurred in 23.4% of patients in the buparlisib arm vs 15.8% in the placebo arm
- 12 on-treatment deaths (2.1%) were reported in each arm in the full population, the majority due to disease progression

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## BELLE-2 Met the Primary Endpoint for PFS Improvement in the Full Population

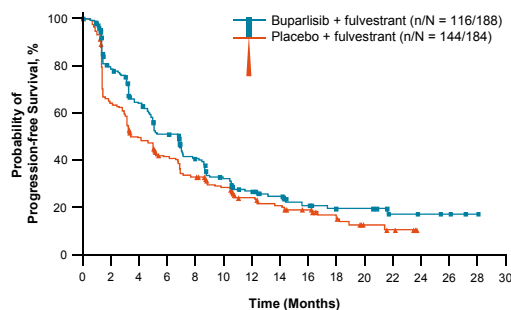


Full population (N = 1047)	Buparlisib + fulvestrant n = 576	Placebo + fulvestrant n = 571
Median PFS, months (95% CI)	6.9 (6.8–7.8)	5.0 (4.0–5.2)
HR (95% CI)	0.78 (0.67–0.89)	
One-sided P value	<.001	

- A similar PFS improvement was observed in the main population (HR 0.80 [95% CI: 0.68–0.94]; one-sided *P* value .003)
- Follow-up for OS analysis is ongoing, with a pre-specified target of 588 deaths in the full population
- At the time of primary PFS analysis, OS data were immature (281 deaths in the full population), with a trend in favor of the buparlisib arm

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## PFS Improvement in the PI3K Activated Group Was Not Statistically Significant



PI3K activated group (N = 372)	Buparlisib + fulvestrant n = 188	Placebo + fulvestrant n = 184
Median PFS, months (95% CI)	6.8 (4.9–7.1)	4.0 (3.1–5.2)
HR (95% CI)	0.76 (0.60–0.97)	
One-sided P value*	.014	

\*PFS in the PI3K activated group was tested at a one-sided  $\alpha = 0.01$  level of significance.

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## BELLE-2 Prospectively Evaluated *PIK3CA* Mutation Status in ctDNA

- There are substantial limitations in utilizing archival tumor tissue for PI3K testing in patients with metastatic disease, including tumor evolution under selective pressure, sample bias, and tumor heterogeneity
  - Approximately 80% of archival tissue biopsy samples were obtained from the primary tumor
- ctDNA obtained from blood samples has emerged as a sensitive, reliable, and minimally invasive way to measure current *PIK3CA* mutation status<sup>1-4</sup>
- In BELLE-2, ctDNA from 587 patients was analyzed for *PIK3CA* mutations by BEAMing technology<sup>4</sup>
  - Baseline patient characteristics were generally balanced in the full and ctDNA populations; based on sensitivity analyses, any imbalances did not influence the efficacy outcome

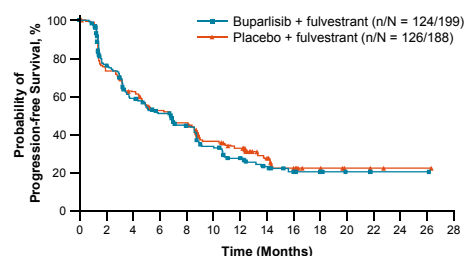
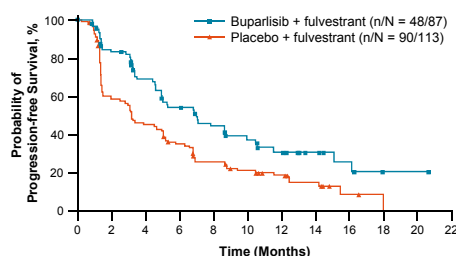
BEAMing, beads, emulsification, amplification, and magnetics; ctDNA, circulating tumor DNA.

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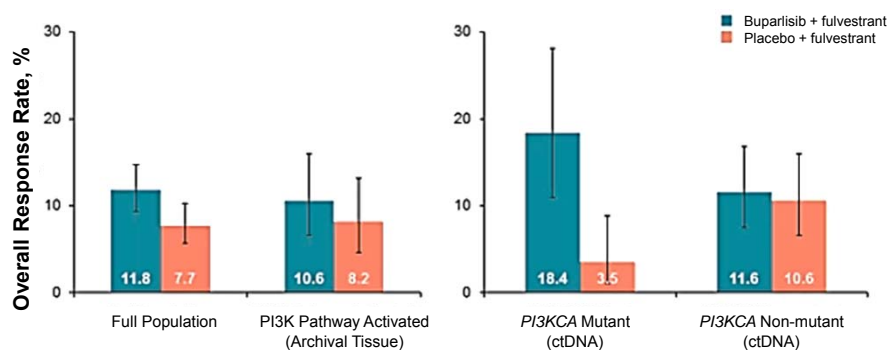
## Buparlisib Plus Fulvestrant Produced A Clinically Meaningful PFS Improvement in Patients With ctDNA *PIK3CA* Mutations

ctDNA <i>PIK3CA</i> Mutant n = 200	Buparlisib + fulvestrant n = 87	Placebo + fulvestrant n = 113	ctDNA <i>PIK3CA</i> Non-mutant n = 387	Buparlisib + Fulvestrant n = 199	Placebo + Fulvestrant n = 188
Median PFS, months (95% CI)	7.0 (5.0–10.0)	3.2 (2.0–5.1)	6.8 (4.7–8.5)	6.8 (4.7–8.5)	6.8 (4.7–8.6)
HR (95% CI)	0.56 (0.39–0.80)		1.05 (0.82–1.34)		
One-sided nominal <i>P</i> value	<.001		.642		



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## Buparlisib Plus Fulvestrant Resulted in Higher Response Rates in Patients With ctDNA *PIK3CA* Mutations



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## Conclusions

- The BELLE-2 study met its primary endpoint, demonstrating a modest PFS improvement for combined buparlisib and fulvestrant in postmenopausal women with HR+/HER2– advanced breast cancer that had progressed after prior AI therapy
- Frequent discontinuations due to adverse events reduced treatment duration in the buparlisib arm, potentially limiting the efficacy of combination therapy
- Patients with tumors harboring *PIK3CA* mutations in ctDNA performed poorly on fulvestrant monotherapy, achieving a clinically meaningful PFS improvement with the combination
  - 3.8 month PFS improvement was supported by higher response rates (18.4% vs 3.5%) in this patient population
- The BELLE-2 study suggests that assessment of *PIK3CA* mutations in ctDNA may help select patients who would benefit from adding a PI3K inhibitor to endocrine therapy
- Phase III studies with PI3K $\alpha$ -selective inhibitors are underway to confirm the predictive value of *PIK3CA* mutations detected in ctDNA and tumor tissue

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## Conclusions: SABCS 2015/NCCN 2016

- Significant progress in HER2 + disease with new agents under evaluation
- TNBC remains a huge challenge, molecular interrogation of the tumor may lead to better options; Immunologic strategies in their infancy
- Monotherapy for ER+ disease is now losing to a strategy of combining with novel agents