



Breast Cancer in Older Patients

What is new?

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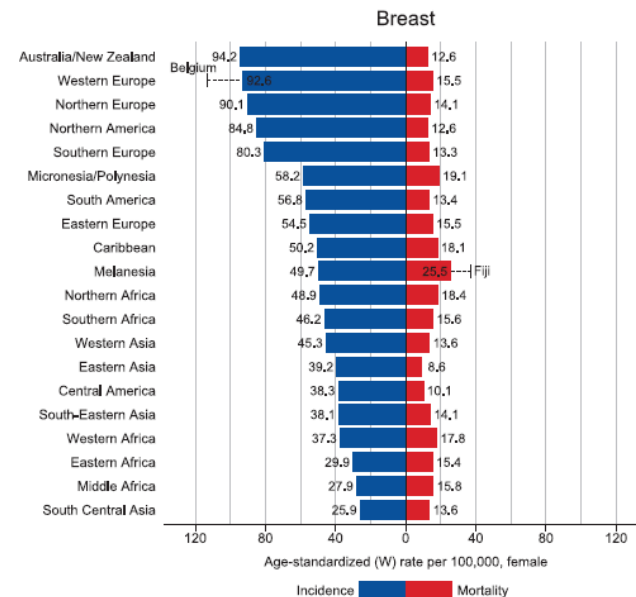
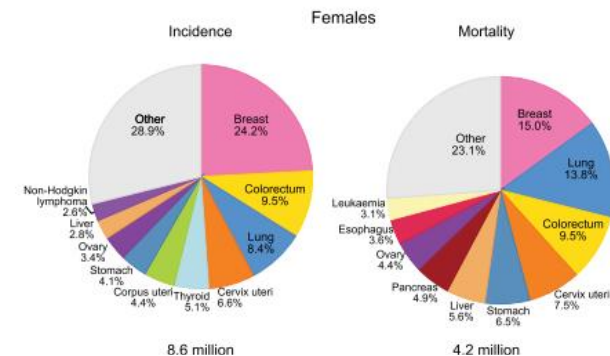
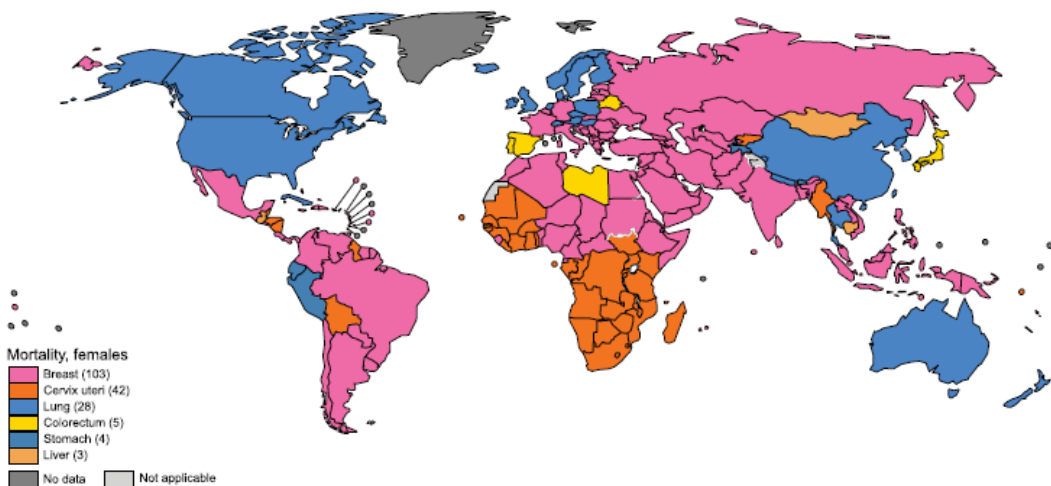
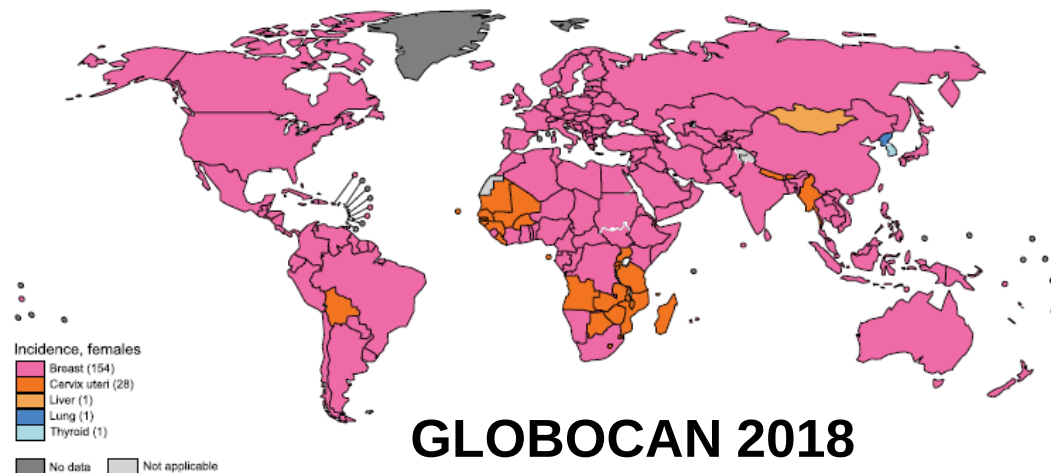


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- Receipt of grants/research supports
 - TEVA (Cephalon), HalioDX (Qiagen/Ipsogen), Amgen
- Receipt of honoraria or consultation fees
 - AstraZeneca, BMS, Celgene, Clinigen, Hospira, Janssen, Mylan, OBI Pharma, Pfizer, Puma, Roche, Samsung

Highlights since 2017

- Numbers and factfulness!
- Targeted treatments
- Prediction
- Some thoughts



- *Most common shortcut in statistics*

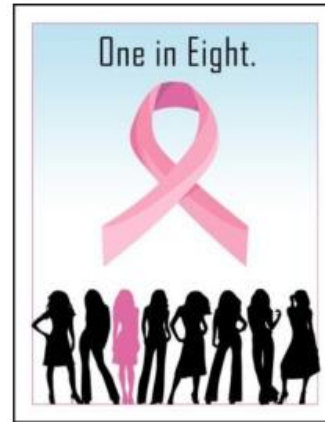
“1 in 8 women will develop BC in their lifetime”

instead of

“If everyone lived beyond the age of 70, 1 in 8 of those women would get or have had BC”

- *Since BC risk increases w/ age, lifetime risk changes depending on age*

- Age 20-29 1 in 2,000
- Age 30-39 1 in 229
- Age 40-49 1 in 68
- Age 50-59 1 in 37
- Age 60-69 1 in 26
- Ever 1 in 8



not correct



more correct

Table 2. Estimated Number of US Cancer Survivors as of January 1, 2014, by Sex and Age at Prevalance

	Male and Female			Male			Female		
	Number	Percent	Cumulative Percent	Number	Percent	Cumulative Percent	Number	Percent	Cumulative Percent
All ages	14,483,830			6,876,600			7,607,230		
0-14	60,620	<1%	<1%	38,210	1%	1%	22,410	<1%	<1%
15-19	48,690	<1%	1%	24,950	<1%	1%	23,740	<1%	1%
20-29	185,500	1%	2%	77,470	1%	2%	108,030	1%	2%
30-39	399,720	3%	5%	140,770	2%	4%	258,950	3%	5%
40-49	985,470	7%	12%	347,780	5%	9%	637,690	8%	14%
50-59	2,388,540	16%	28%	971,660	14%	23%	1,416,880	19%	32%
60-69	3,811,640	26%	54%	1,858,250	27%	50%	1,953,390	26%	58%
70-79	3,762,310	26%	80%	2,026,380	29%	80%	1,735,930	23%	81%
80+	2,841,340	20%	100%	1,391,130	20%	100%	1,450,210	19%	100%

Note: Percentages do not sum to 100% due to rounding.

Source: Data Modeling Branch, Division of Cancer Control and Population Sciences, National Cancer Institute.

46% of cancer survivors are ≥ 70 yo

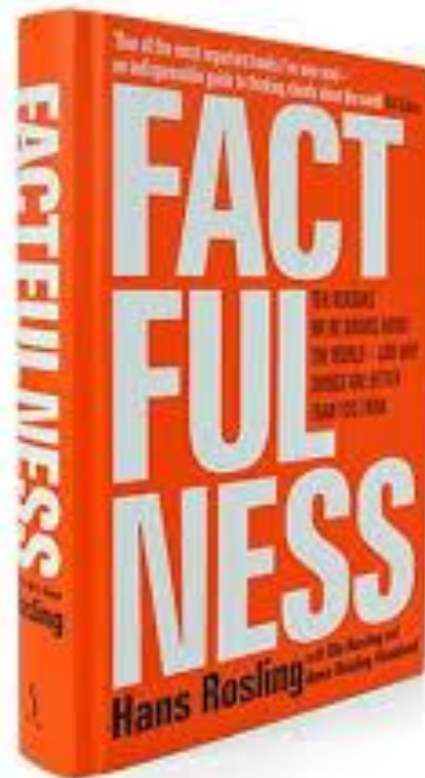
**All adult oncologists
are geriatric oncologists..**

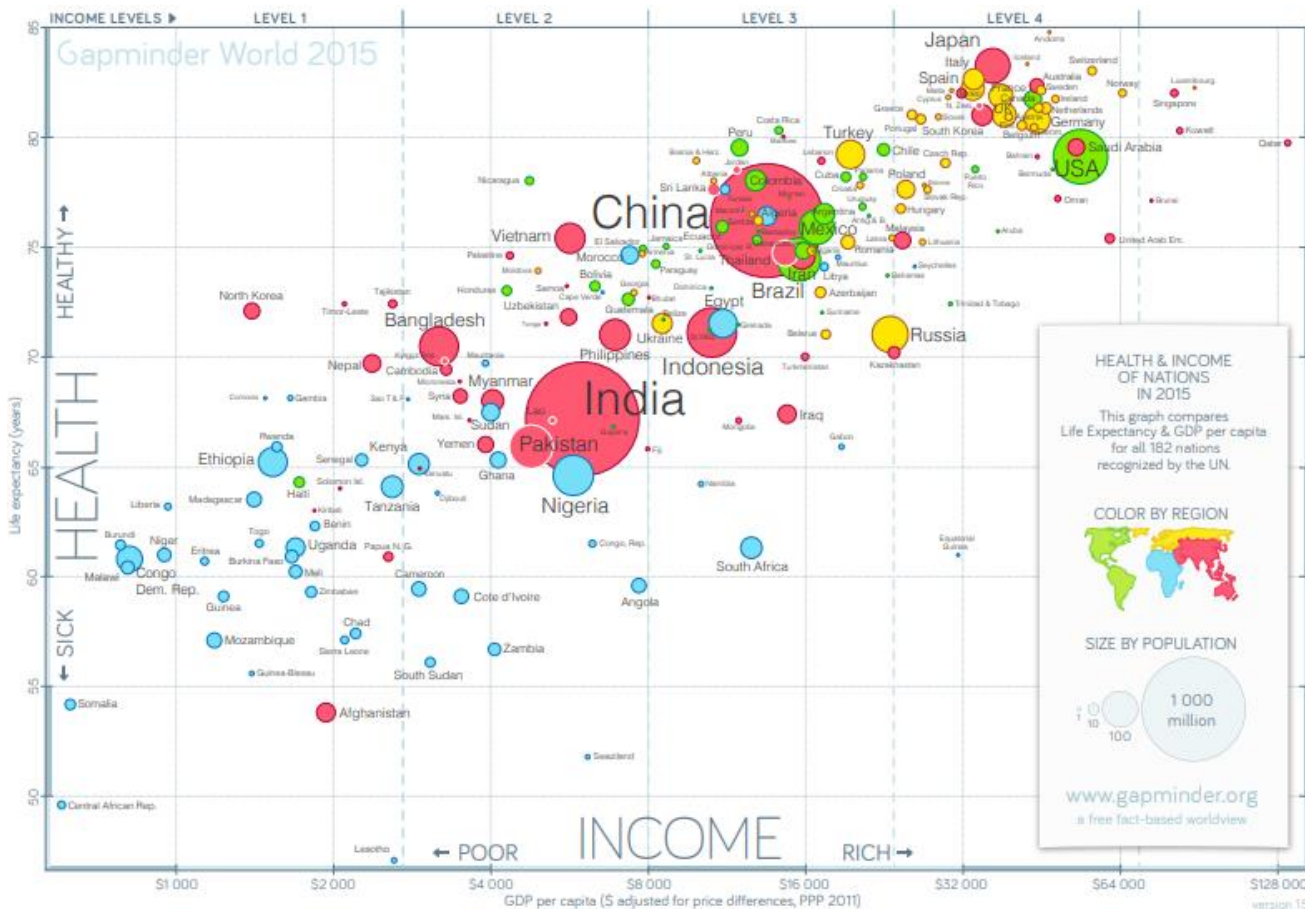


They just do not know it yet!



Trendalyzer





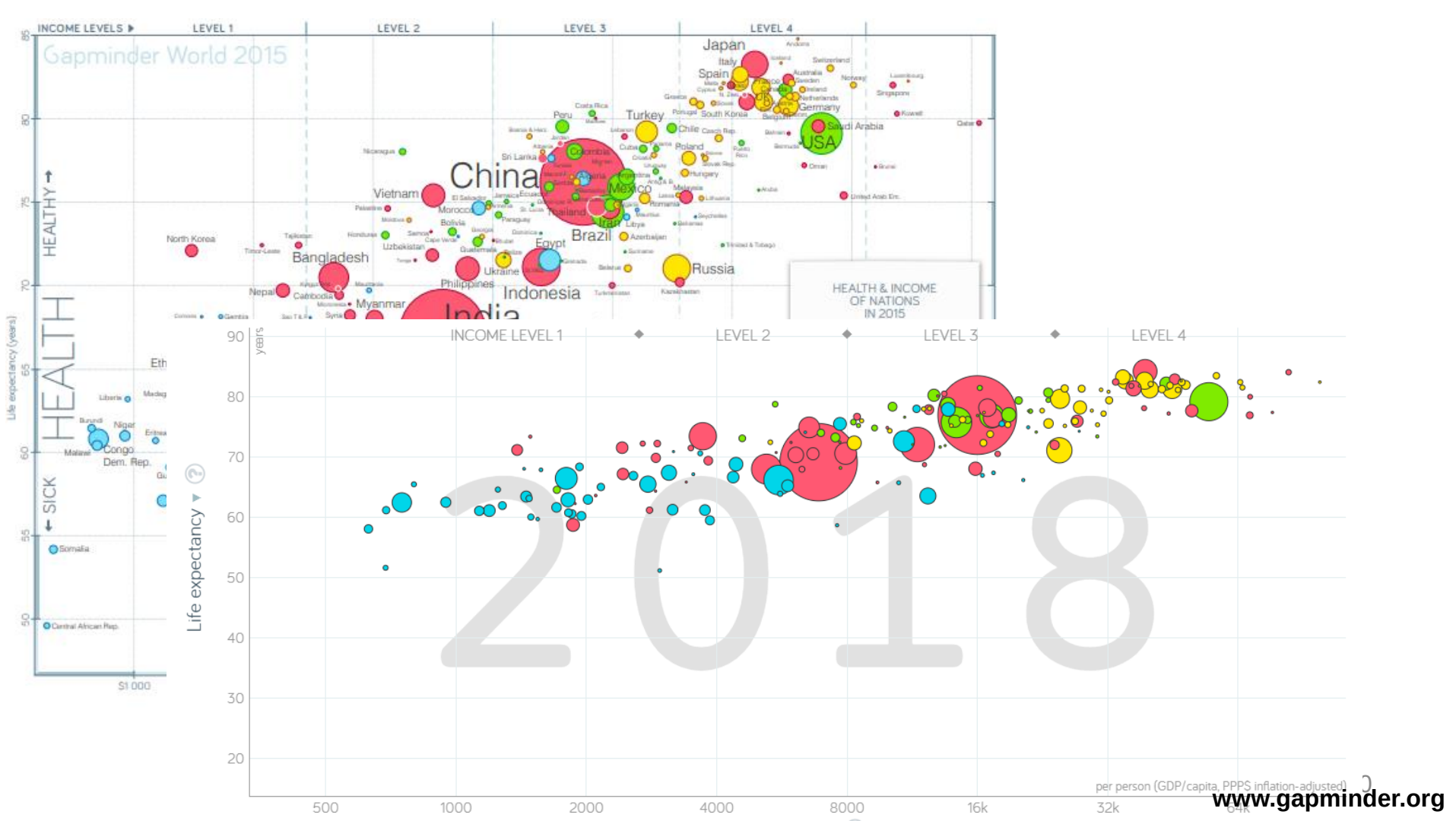
2015
Life Expectancy
& Income
182 nations
bubble/country
size/population
color/region

www.gapminder.org

No simple dichotomy but 4 income levels

No country on level 4 has really short LE nor on level 1 has long LE

Most people in the middle, on levels 2 and 3 w/ huge $\neq$ in LE, depending on how income is used



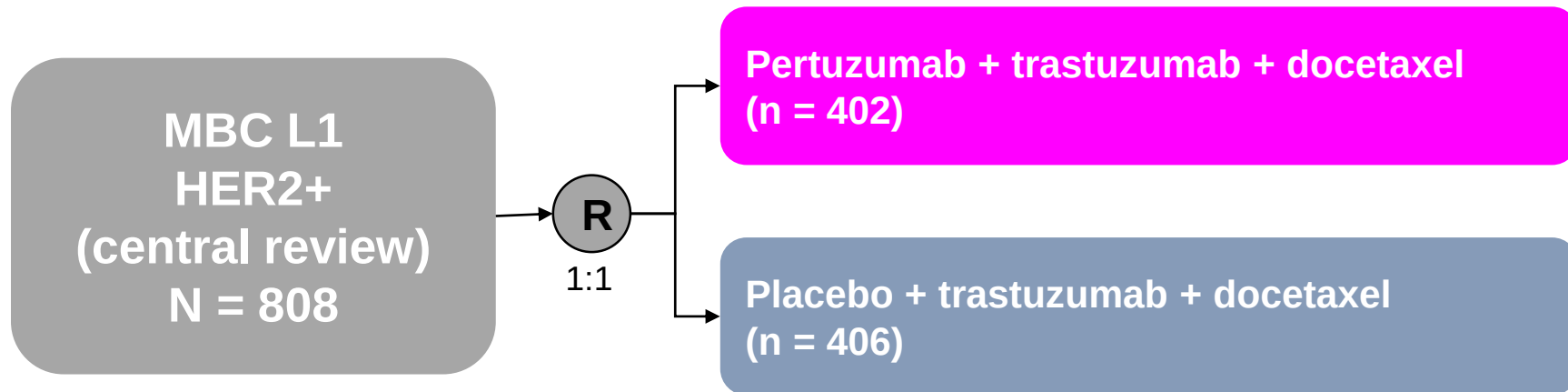
Few older adults included in registration studies!

Breast cancer as an example

Agent Name	Approval	N	Age ≥ 65	N	Age ≥ 75
Palbociclib	2/2015	37	44%	8	10%
		86	25%		--
Everolimus	7/2012	290	40%	109	15%
Pertuzumab	6/2012	60	15%	5	1%
Eribulin mesylate	11/2010	121	15%	17	2%
Lapatinib	1/2010	34	17%	2	1%
		282	44%	77	12%
Ixabepilone	10/2007	45	10%	3	<1%
		32	13%	6	2.5%

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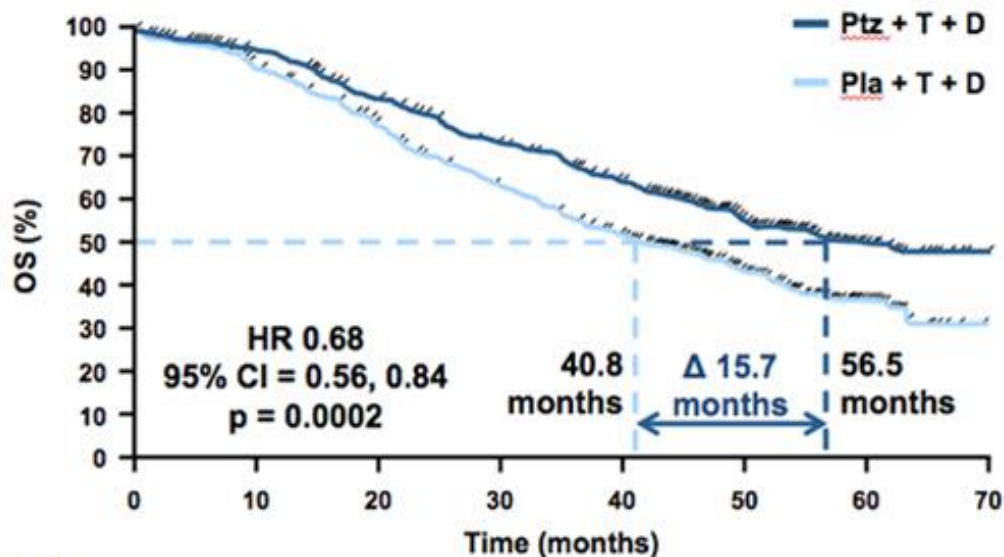
Cleopatra double-blinded phase III trial



- Pertuzumab: 840 mg loading dose → 420 mg
- Trastuzumab: 8 mg/kg loading dose → 6 mg/kg
- Docetaxel: 75 mg/m² → 100 mg/m² depending on tolerance
- Primary objective: PFS
- Secondary objectives: OS, ORR, tolerance
- Stratification: geography, (neo)adjuvant treatment

Final OS Analysis

Median follow-up 50 months (range 0–70 months)

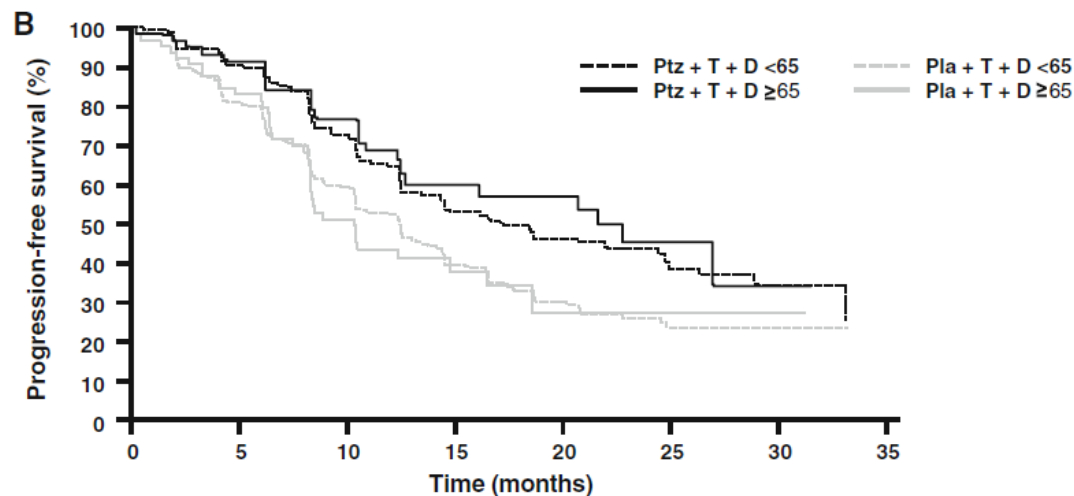
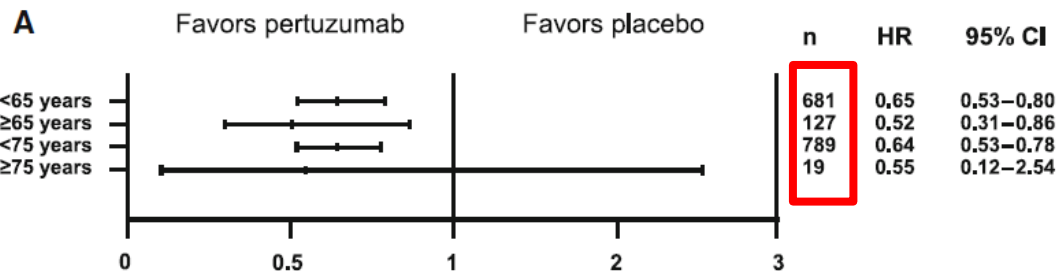


n at risk								
Ptz + T + D	402	371	318	268	226	104	28	1
Pla + T + D	406	350	289	230	179	91	23	0

ITT population. Stratified by geographic region and neo/adjuvant chemotherapy.

CI, confidence interval; D, docetaxel; HR, hazard ratio; OS, overall survival; Pla, placebo; Ptz, pertuzumab; T, trastuzumab.

Pertuzumab



CLEOPATRA

808 patients

→ 127 (16%) 65+

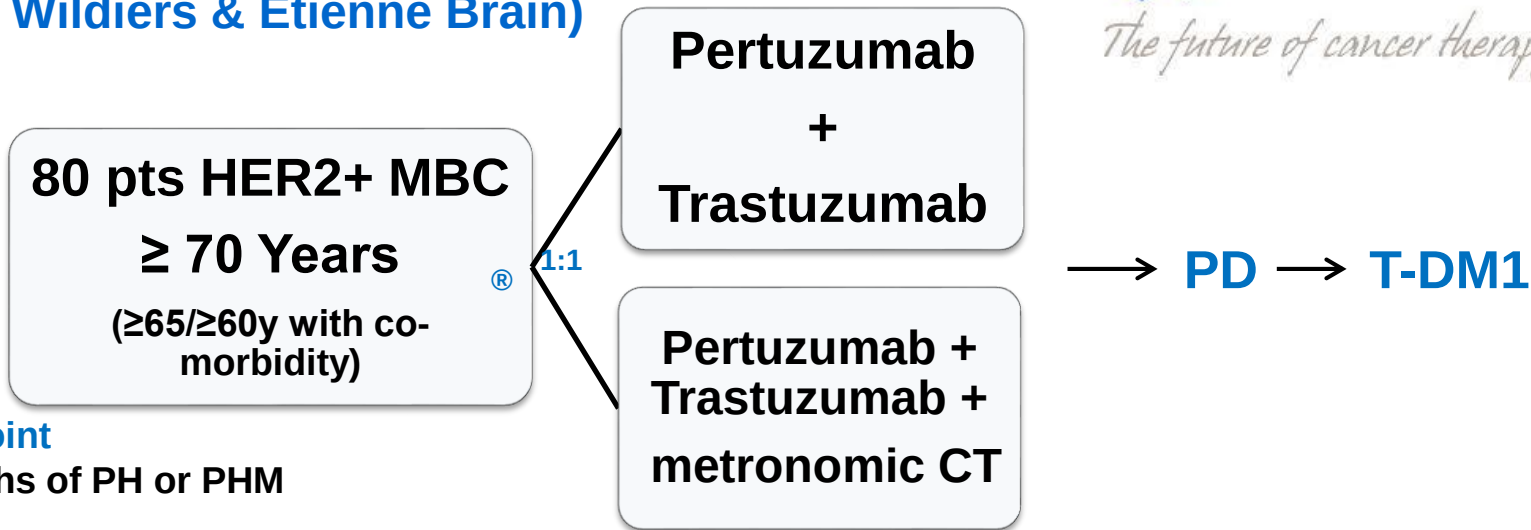
→ 19 (2%) 75+

More frequent in elderly patients

- **Any grade:** diarrhea, asthenia, fatigue, anorexia, vomiting and dysgueusia
- **Grade 3:** diarrhea, peripheral neuropathy
- **Dose intensity:** 12% dose escalation, 31% dose reduction, 20-30% G-CSF

EORTC 75111-10114

(Co-PI Hans Wildiers & Etienne Brain)



Primary endpoint

PFS at 6 months of PH or PHM

Secondary endpoints

OS, BCSS, toxicity, RR (RECIST v1.1),
HRQoL, evolution of GA during treatment

Stratification: ER/PgR, previous HER2 treatment, G8

Pertuzumab

840 mg loading dose, further 420 mg q3w iv

Trastuzumab

8 mg/kg loading dose, further 6 mg/kg q3w iv

Chemotherapy

Metronomic chemotherapy: cyclophosphamide 50 mg/d po continuously

On progression

Option to have T-DM1 (3.6 mg/kg iv q3w) till progression

Pertuzumab and trastuzumab with or without metronomic chemotherapy for older patients with HER2-positive metastatic breast cancer (EORTC 75111-10114): an open-label, randomised, phase 2 trial from the Elderly Task Force/Breast Cancer Group

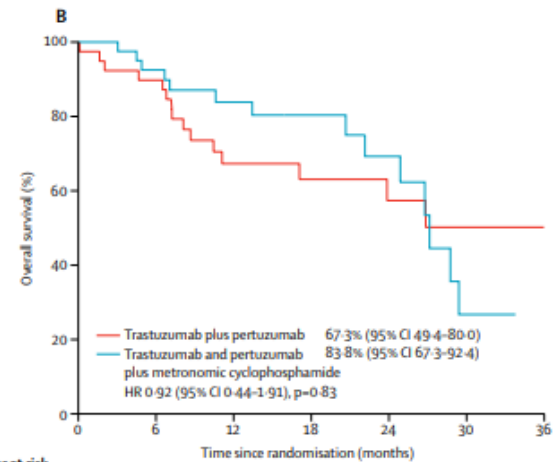
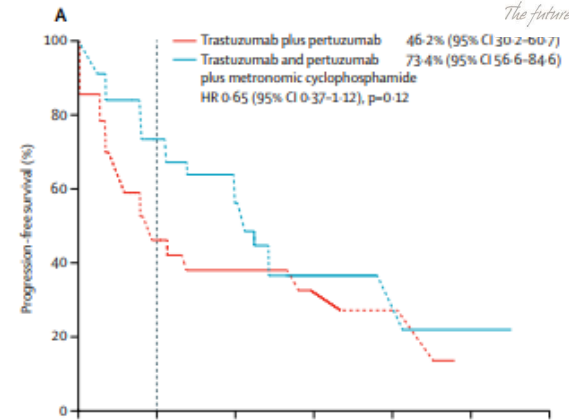
Hans Wildiers, Konstantinos Tryfonidis, Lissandra Dal Lago, Peter Vuytsteke, Giuseppe Curigliano, Simon Waters, Barbara Brouwers, Sevilay Altintas, Nathan Touati, Fatima Cardoso, Etienne Brain

Elderly/frail HER2+ MBC population

*TP + metronomic CT > TP
(7-month longer median PFS: 12.7 vs 5.6)*

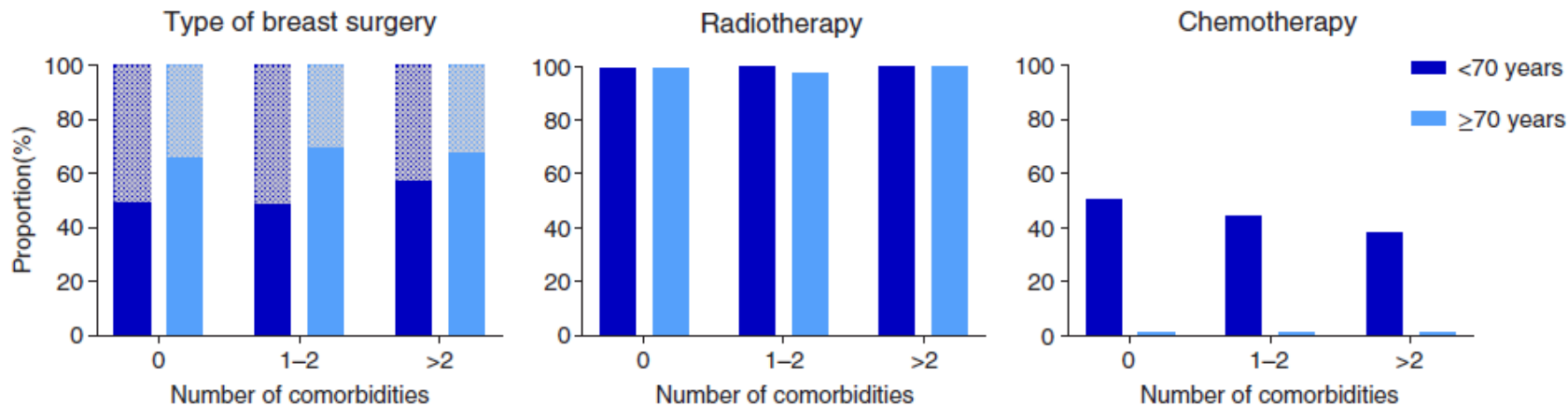
Acceptable safety profile

T-DM1 at progression active



	Number at risk (number censored)						
Trastuzumab plus pertuzumab	39 (0)	35 (7)	20 (11)	15 (15)	10 (18)	6 (23)	1 (24)
Trastuzumab and pertuzumab plus metronomic cyclophosphamide	41 (0)	35 (3)	26 (9)	16 (18)	11 (21)	3 (24)	0 (27)

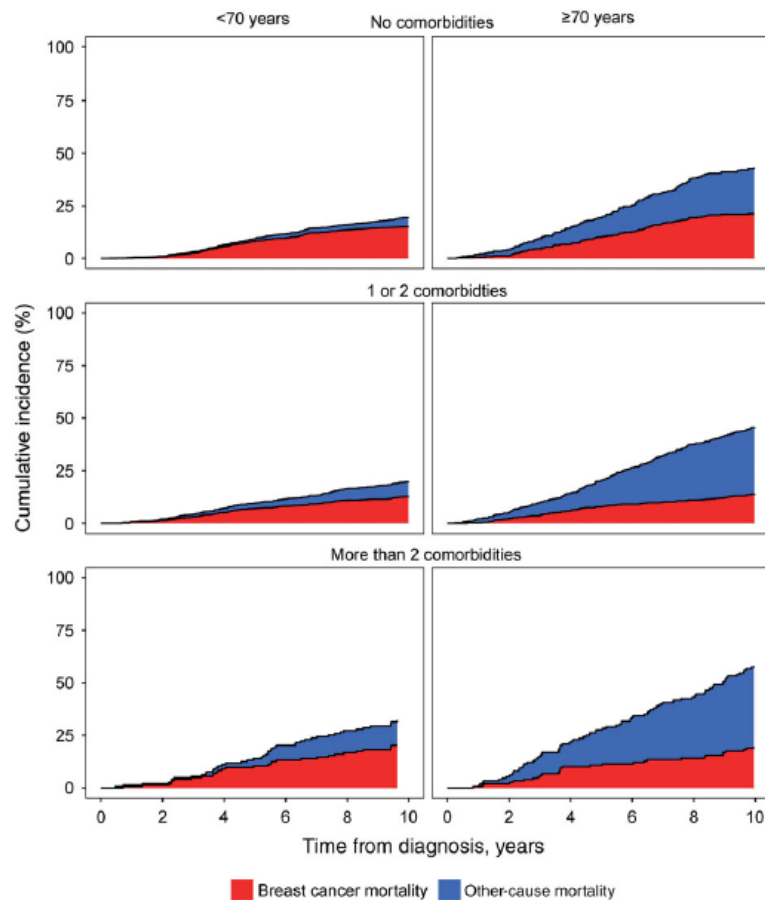
Competing risks for mortality



Dutch & Belgian postmenopausal pts w/ EBC ER+ in the TEAM trial (2001-2006)
exemestane vs sequential tamoxifen → exemestane 5 yr

3,159 pts (70% <70 yr); median FU 10 yr; cumulative incidence of BC mortality

Competing risks for mortality

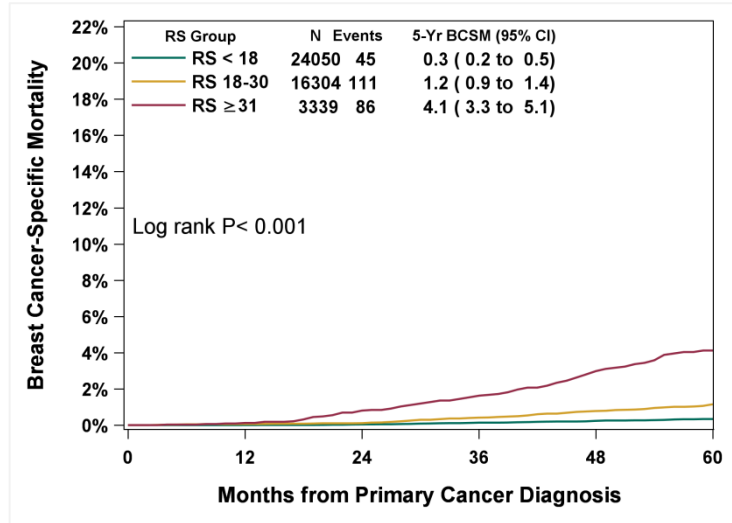


≥70 yr & no comorbidity (33%)
→ higher BC mortality

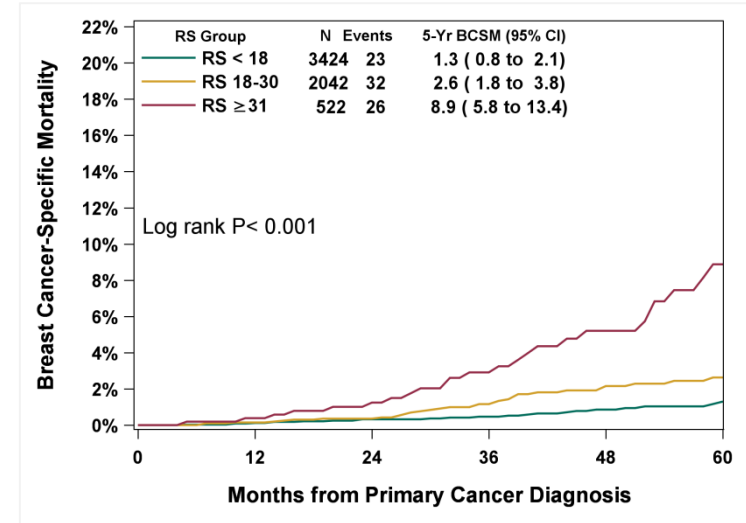
22.2%, 95% CI, 17.5–26.9 vs 15.6%, 95% CI, 13.6–17.7
sHR 1.49, 95% CI, 1.12–1.97, $p = .005$

5-year BCSM by Age and RS Group

Age <70 y



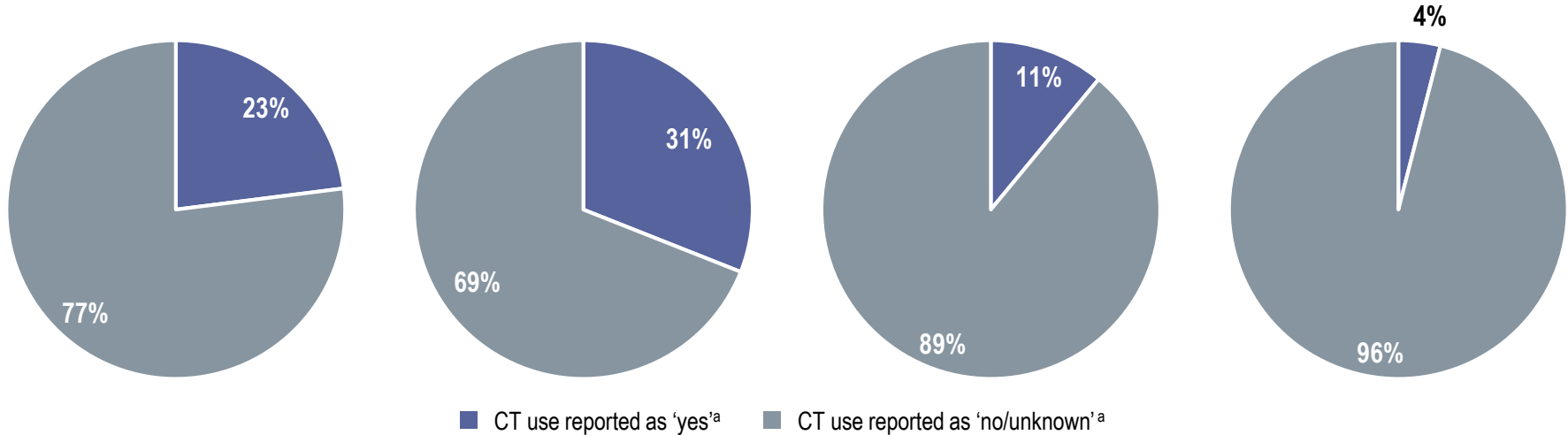
Age ≥70 y



- RS predicts BCSM in both age groups ($p < 0.001$)
- Low 5-y BCSM was observed with RS <18 in both age groups
- Higher 5-y BCSM was observed with RS 18-30 and RS ≥31 in older patients

Reported Chemotherapy (CT) Use

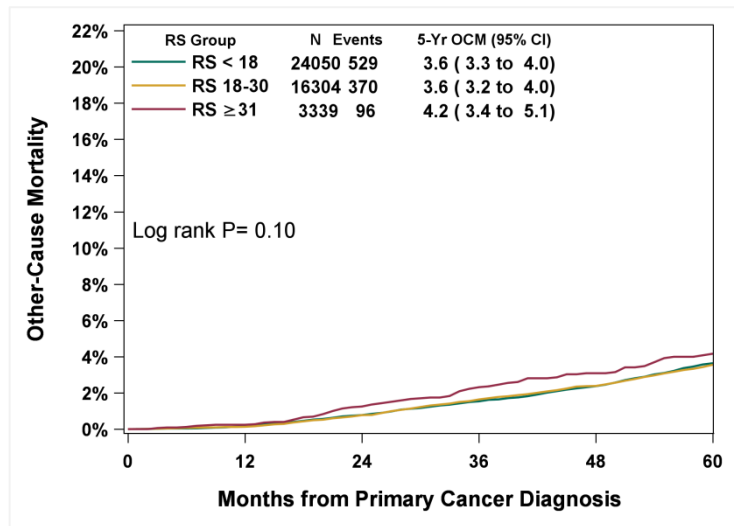
Age <70 years		Age ≥70 years	
Tested (N=43,693)	Not Tested (N=100,519)	Tested (N=5,988)	Not Tested (N=57,120)



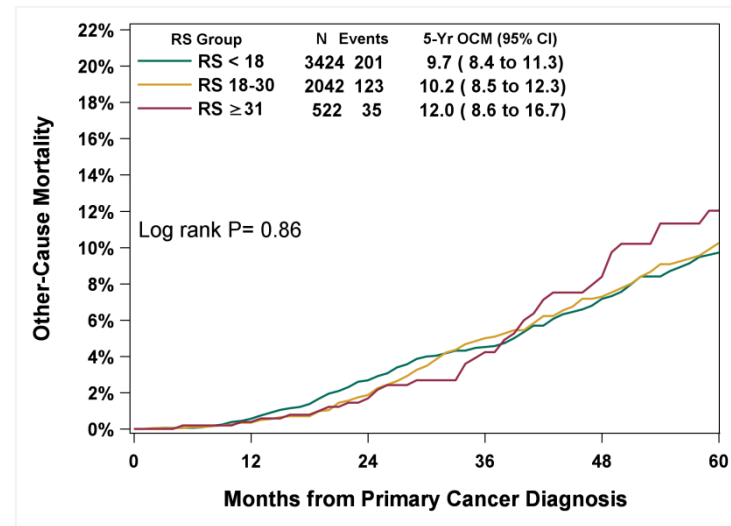
- CT use was lower in patients ≥70 years, in both RS-tested and untested cohorts

5-year Other-Cause Mortality by Age and RS Group

Age <70 y



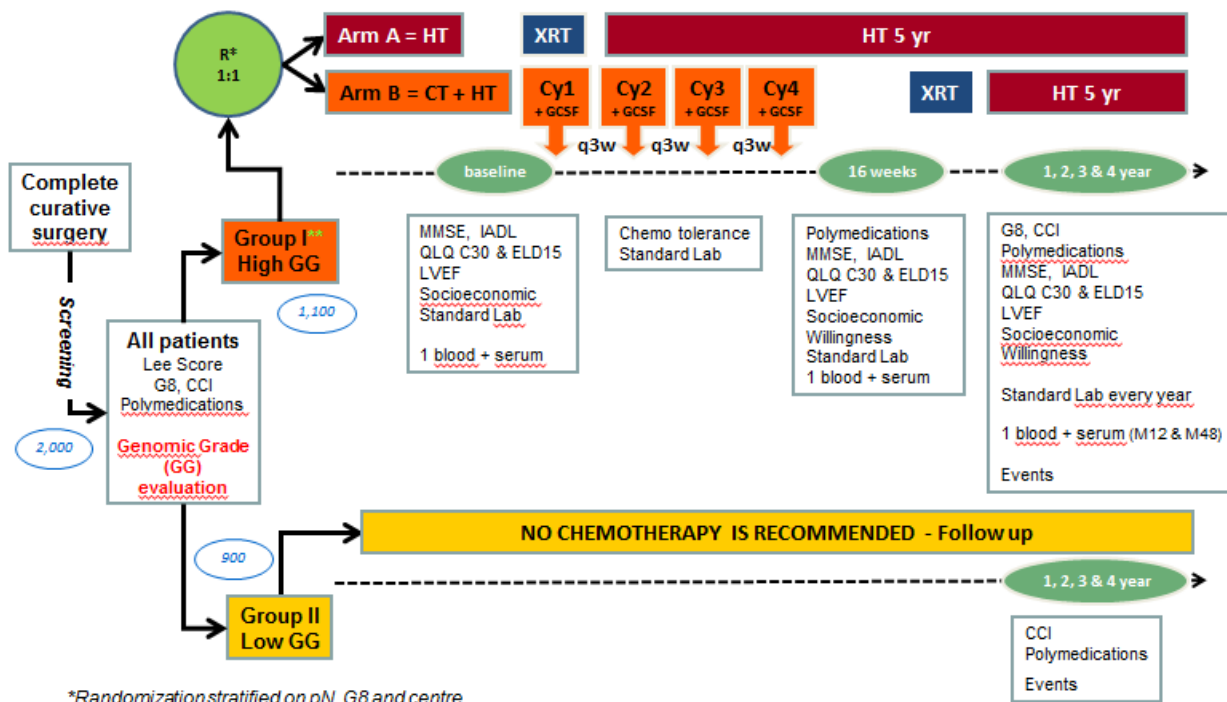
Age ≥70 y



- As expected, RS group does not predict other-cause mortality (p=NS)
- As expected, higher other-cause mortality was observed in older patients

ASTER 70s (EUDRACT N° 2011-004744-22, PHRC national 2011, NCT01564056)

Adjuvant chemotherapy for ER+ HER2- BC in 70+ patients

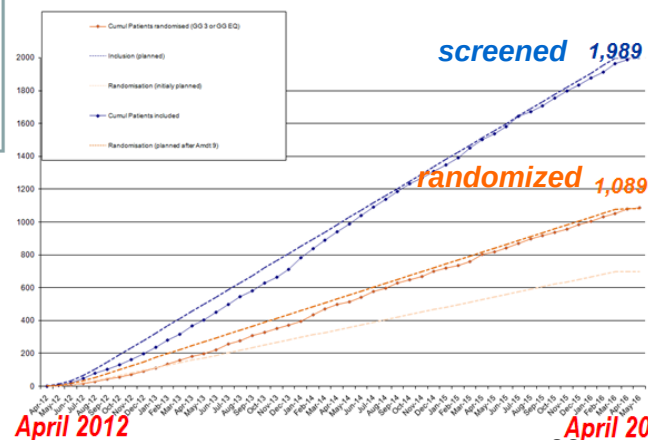
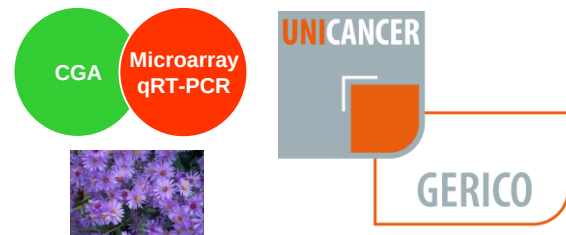


*Randomization stratified on pN, G8 and centre

**Group I include both high and equivocal GG cases

Chemo = 4 TC or 4 AC or 4 MC

Hypothesis $B > A \Delta +7.5\%$ (A 80% vs B 87.5%) HR 0.60 $\alpha 5\% \beta 10\%$
4-yr OS



Validation of a Prediction Tool for Chemotherapy Toxicity in Older Adults With Cancer

Aarti Hurria, Sagriva Mohile, Ajay Gujra, Heidi Klepin, Hyman Mias, Andrew Chapman, Tao Feng, David Smith, Con-Lan Sun, Nienke De Glas, Harvey Joy Cohen, Vani Katheria, Caroline Dean, Laura Zanella, Abraham Levi, Chie Akiba, and William E. Barlow



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PREDICTION TOOL

Gender:

Patient's Age:

Patient's Height:

Patient's Weight:

Cancer Type:

Dosage:

Number of chemotherapy agents:

Hemoglobin:

How is your hearing (with a hearing aid, if needed)?

Number of falls in the past 6 months:

Can you take your own medicines?

Does your health limit you in walking one block?

During the past 4 weeks, how much of the time has your physical health or emotional problems interfered with your social activities (like visiting with friends, relatives, etc.)?

Select Serum Creatinine:

Creatinine Clearance:

Toxicity Score:

Risk of Chemotherapy Toxicity:

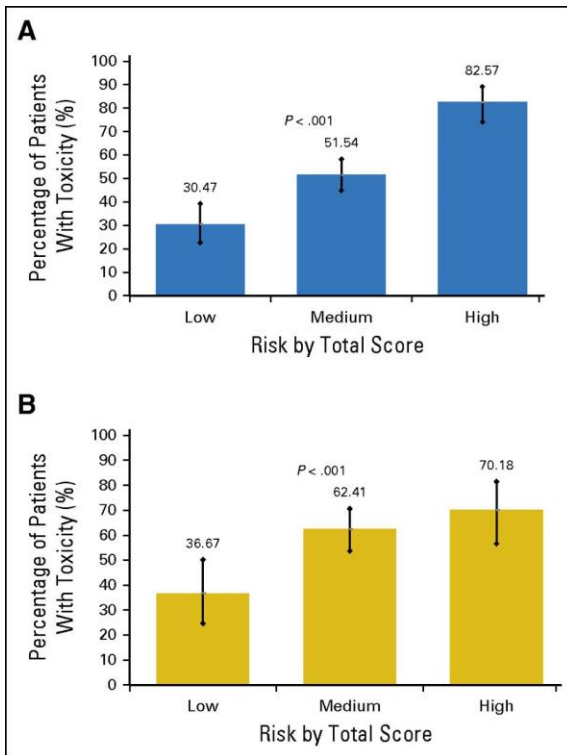
What does this mean?

* Dose delivered with first dose for chemotherapy

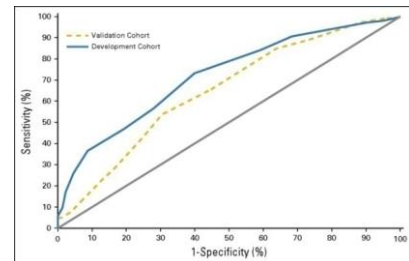
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A true predictive model for chemo-related grade 3-5 toxicity



- 58% grade ≥ 3 toxicity
- Risk increased w/ increasing risk score
- AUC/ROC 0.65 (95%CI 0.58-0.71) ~ development cohort 0.72 (95%CI 0.68-0.77) ($P = .09$)
- No association between PS and chemo toxicity ($P = .25$)



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CARG-BC

473 pts evaluable/501

- 283 development

- 190 validation

Median age 70 (65-85)

Stage I/II/III 39%/41%/20%

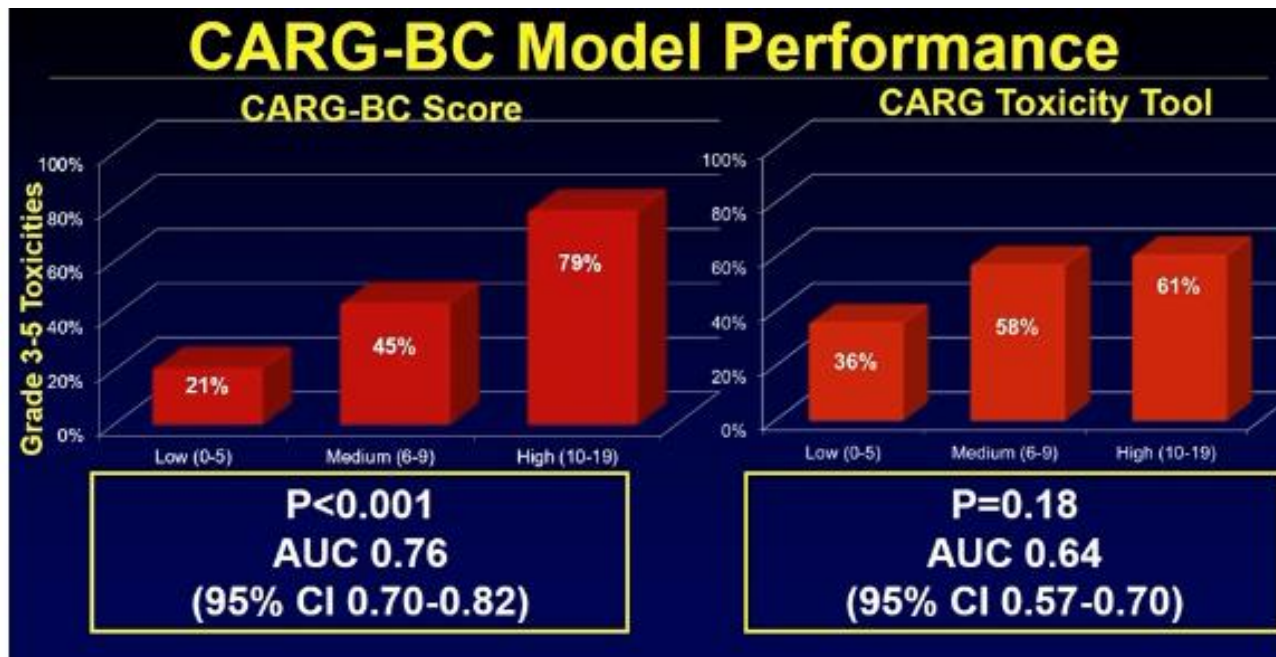
TNBC/ER+/HER2+ER+/HER2+ER- 24%/48%/10%/17%

Grade 3-5 AEs 46% (Heme 25%/Non-Heme 36%)

CARG-BC Risk Score

Risk factors for Gr. 3-5 Toxicity	OR (95% CI)	Score
CARG Score: Medium Risk High Risk	2.47 (1.35-4.51) 2.26 (0.70-7.35)	3
Anthracycline	1.37 (0.65-2.85)	1
Stage II/III	1.79 (1.00-3.23)	2
Duration of tx > 3 months	2.98 (1.46-6.09)	4
Abnormal liver function	2.21 (0.90-5.47)	3
Limited in walking a mile	2.22 (1.21-4.05)	3
Lack of someone to provide advice	2.34 (0.99-5.58)	3

CARG-BC



CARG-BC score → prediction of grade 3-5 toxicity better than CARG or KPS

But also: dose reduction, delay, reduced RDI, hospitalization

Adjuvant palbociclib as an alternative to chemotherapy for older patients with high risk luminal early breast cancer

EORTC–ETF-BCG Study 1745 (APPALACHES)

Hans Wildiers & Etienne Brain

Non-comparative randomized (2:1) phase II study

70+, surgery for stage II-III
EBC ER pos, HER2 neg
adjuvant chemotherapy
required according to
treating physician and
patient

Stratification for clinical frailty
(G8 >14 vs ≤ 14) and stage

Adjuvant chemo choice:

- 4 TC + G-CSF
- 4 EC or AC + G-CSF
- 12 taxol weekly

1

Adjuvant chemo -> AI

2

AI + Palbo 1y

Primary endpoint

3y DRFI (*distant metastases or death from breast cancer*) for AI+Palbo arm

- 3-year DRFI of <88% is unacceptable.
- 3-year DRFI of ≥93% is success

366 patients required (244:122)
Accrual 2y
80 centres required

Pros:

- Easy endpoint, clinically relevant
- Feasible numbers
- Similar endpoint in 1 arm was used in Mindact and Tolaney study (both NEJM)
- If study is + (88% not included in CI), the conclusion and consequences can be similar as for Mindact and Tolaney study: new standard
- QoL and OS/BCSS can be compared to chemo as secondary

Cons:

- No formal comparison w/ chemo group for primary endpoint
- Less data on QoL/OS/BCSS versus chemo

Tumour extent

TNM

Tumour biology

Luminal A/B

HER2 & TNBC

Gene expression profile



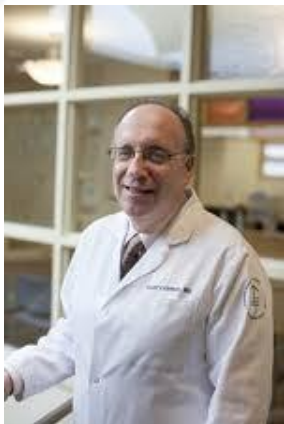
General health status

Geriatric assessment

Life expectancy

Treatment toxicity

Patient preference & acceptability



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