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## "SOSTENIBILITÀ E INNOVAZIONE DEL SISTEMA DELLE CURE ONCOLOGICHE IN SICILIA: ASPETTI SCIENTIFICI, REGOLATORI E CLINICI"

**Anticorpi monoclonali: la scelta, la sicurezza, la vigilanza**

## Il clinico tra presente e futuro

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# Biologia molecolare Consente lo studio

La differente espressione di  
geni coinvolti in neoplasie  
*(Genomica)*

E le proteine da essi  
prodotte  
*(Proteomica)*



**Al fine di determinare un  
dettagliato profilo  
molecolare neoplastico  
su cui agire**

# Le “Bombe Intelligenti”



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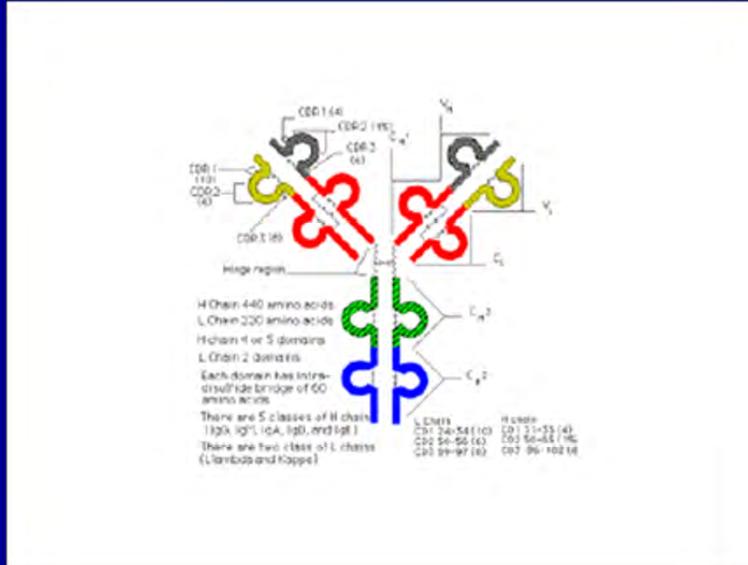
## Anticorpi Monoclonali

# Types of monoclonal antibodies

Derived from mouse	Derived from human
100% mouse 	100% human 
ca. 33% mouse 	humanised MAb
5 - 10% mouse 	fully human

Advantages of fully human antibodies:

- Minimized immunogenicity
- Multiple treatments possible
- Improved serum half-life



*Il primo anticorpo monoclonale ad essere utilizzato negli ospedali è stato il rituximab, nato dodici anni fa, e' capace di reagire contro il CD20 un antigene presente sulla superficie delle cellule in oltre il 95% dei linfomi del tipo non-Hodgkin.*

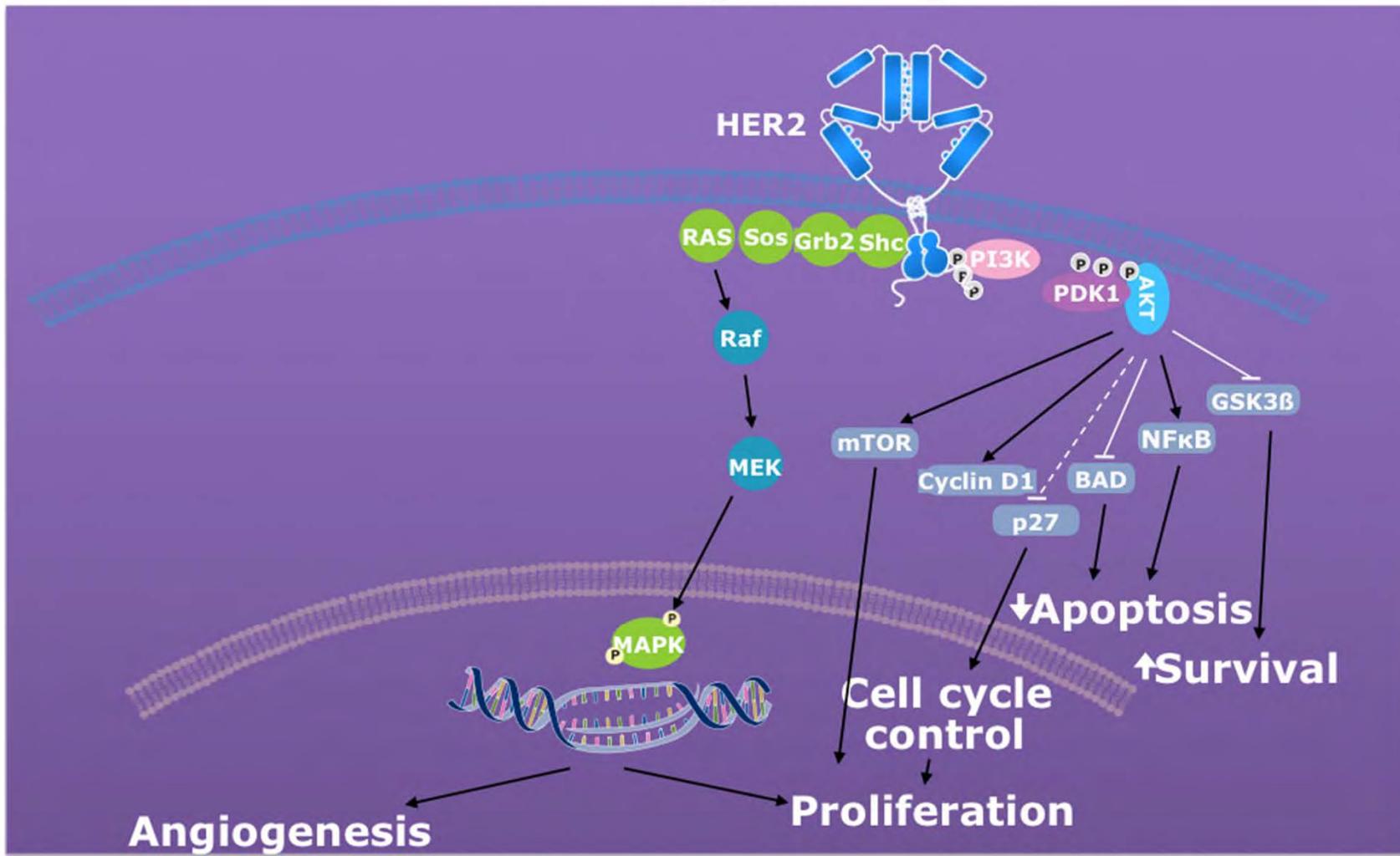
## DISCOVERY MEDICINE

**Table 1. FDA Approved Monoclonal Antibodies Used to Treat Cancer.**

<b>Drug</b>	<b>Trade Name</b>	<b>Target</b>	<b>Cancer Type</b>
Trastuzumab	Herceptin	HER2	Breast, gastric
Pertuzumab	Parjeta	HER2	Breast
Cetuximab	Erbitux	HER1	Squamous cell carcinoma
Panitumumab	Vectibix	HER1	Colon
Bevacizumab	Avastin	VEGF	Glioblastoma, NSCLC, colorectal, kidney
Rituximab	Rituxan	CD20	B-cell non-Hodgkin lymphoma, chronic lymphocytic leukemia
Alemtuzumab	Campath	CD52	B-cell chronic lymphocytic leukemia
Ofatumumab	Arzerra	CD20	Chronic lymphocytic leukemia
Ipilimumab	Yervoy	CTLA-4	Melanoma

*Abbreviations:* HER, human epidermal growth factor receptor; VEGF, vascular endothelial growth factor; CD, cluster of differentiation; CTLA, cytotoxic T-lymphocyte antigen.

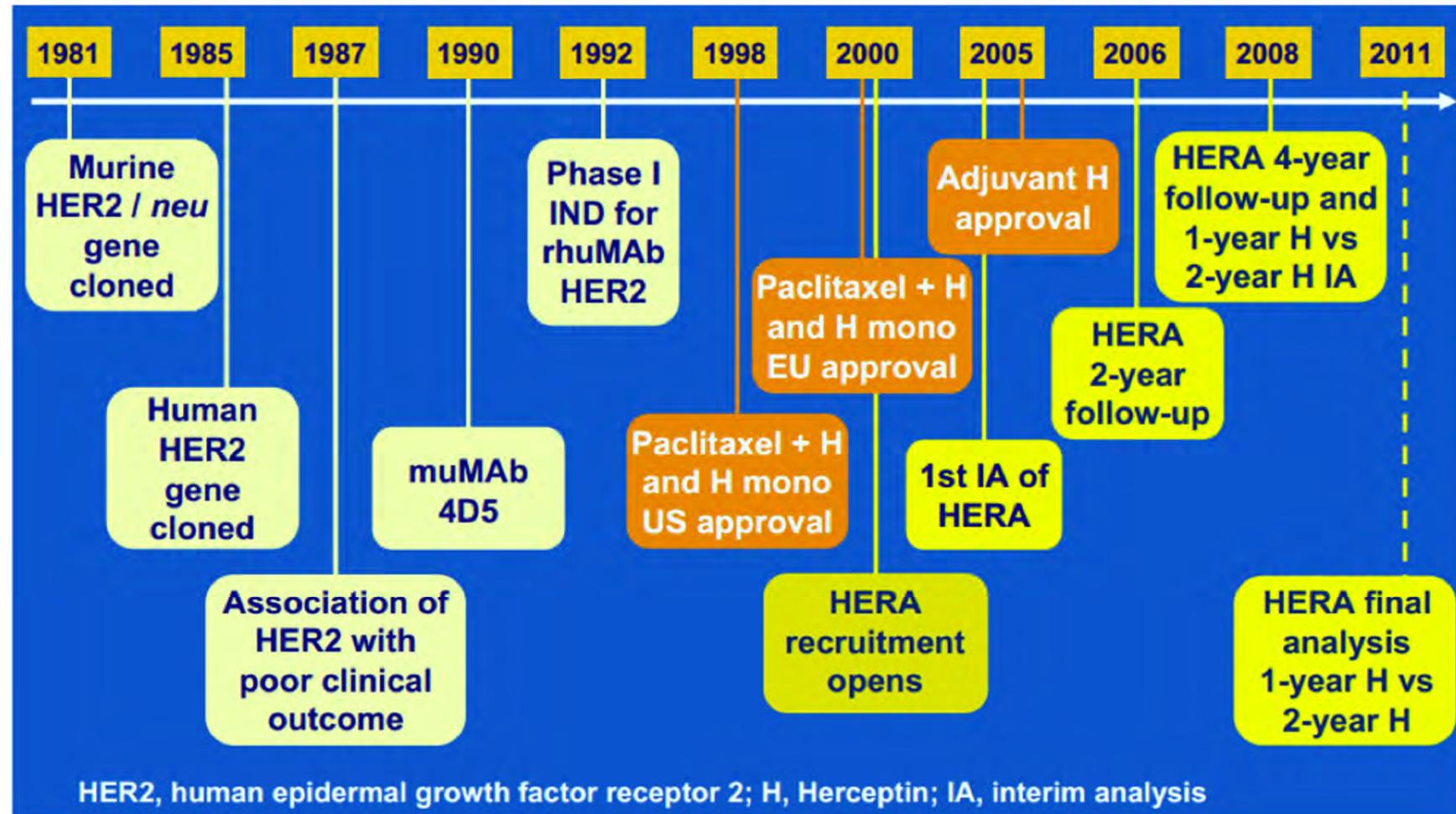
# HER2 signalling



Graphical elaboration from text data

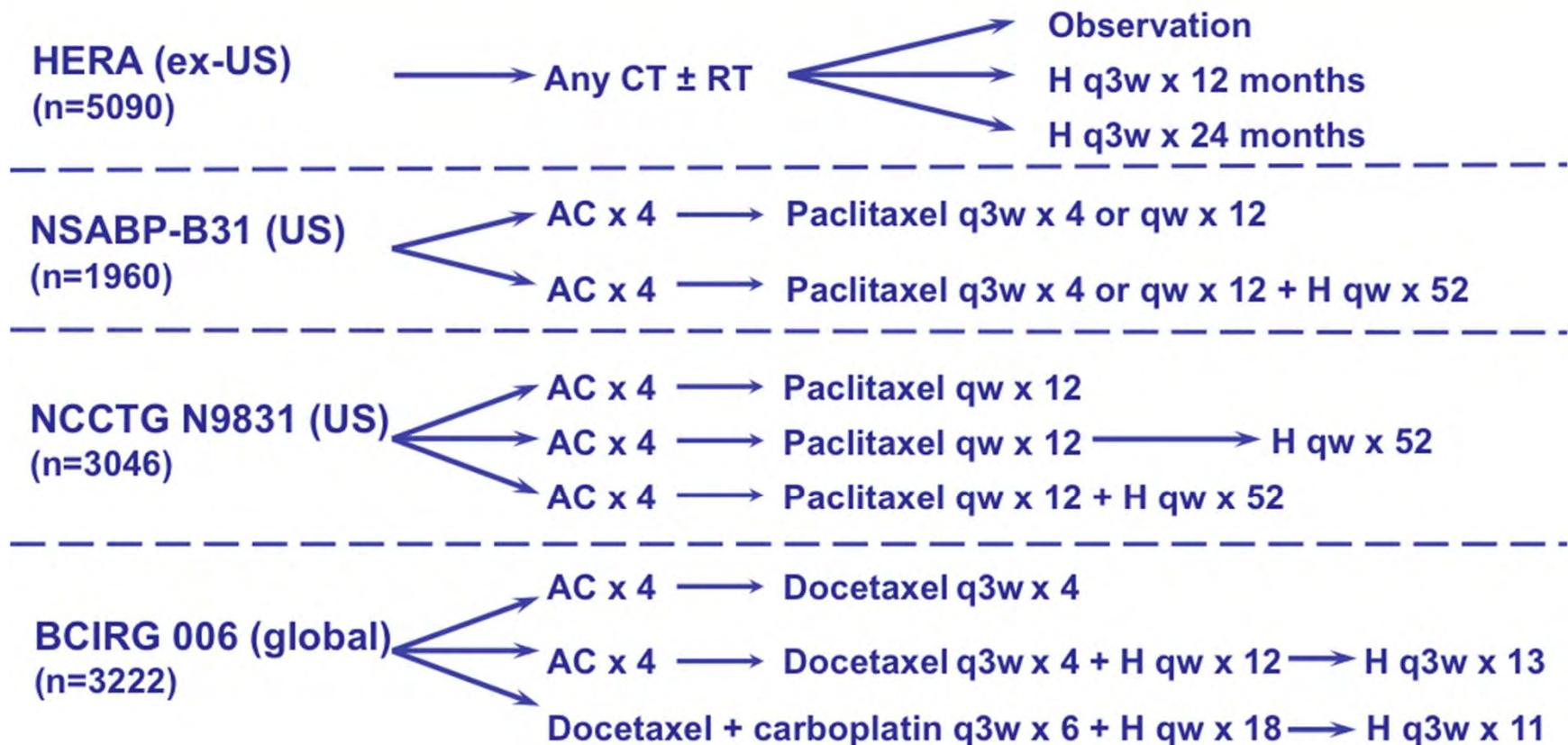
Olayioye et al. EMBO J 2000;19:3159–3167;  
Rowinsky et al. Annu Rev Med 2004;55:433–457

# The slow history of trastuzumab<sup>1</sup>



Baselga J. Pros and Cons of Neoadjuvant Trials to Support Drug Approval  
<http://www.fda.gov/downloads/Drugs/NewsEvents/UCM344989.pdf> last accessed on August 2013

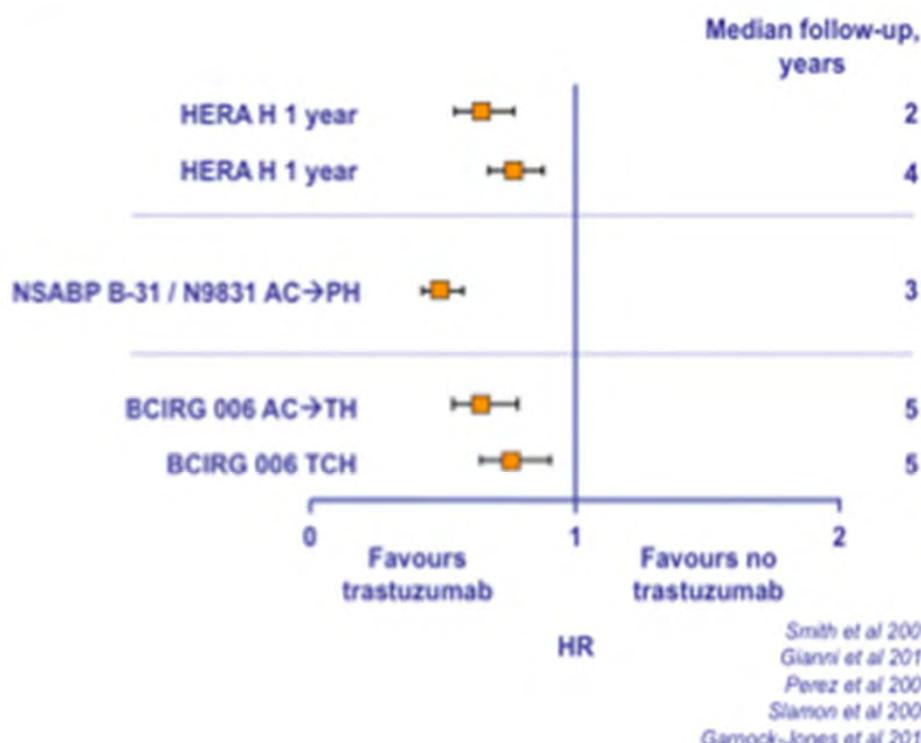
# Trastuzumab adjuvant programme: >14,000 patients



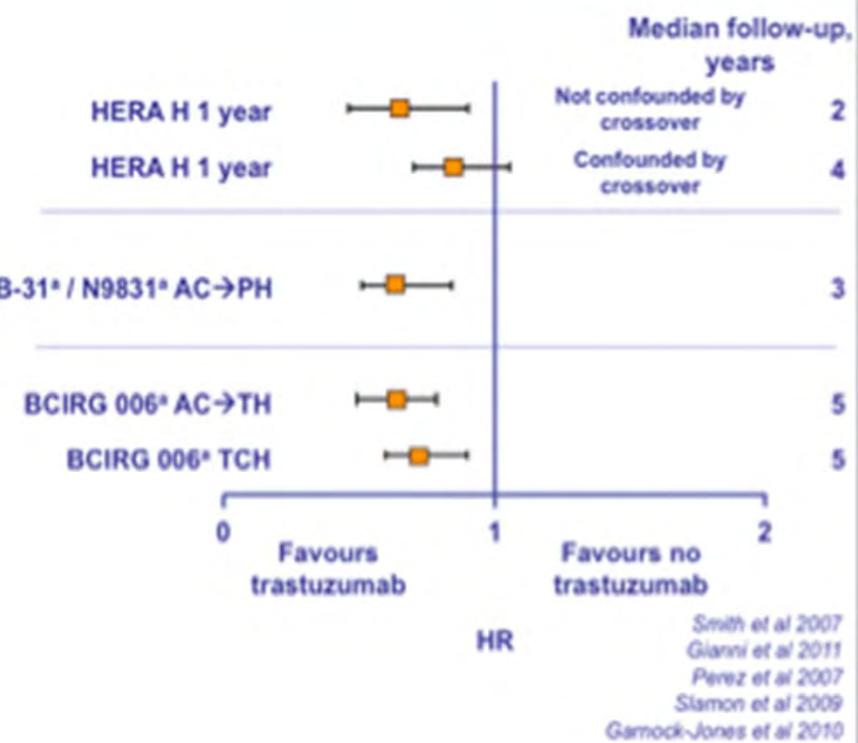
CT, chemotherapy (as approved by the HERA protocol)

RT, radiotherapy; H, Trastuzumab; AC, doxorubicin + cyclophosphamide

## Adjuvant trastuzumab in EBC: reported overall survival

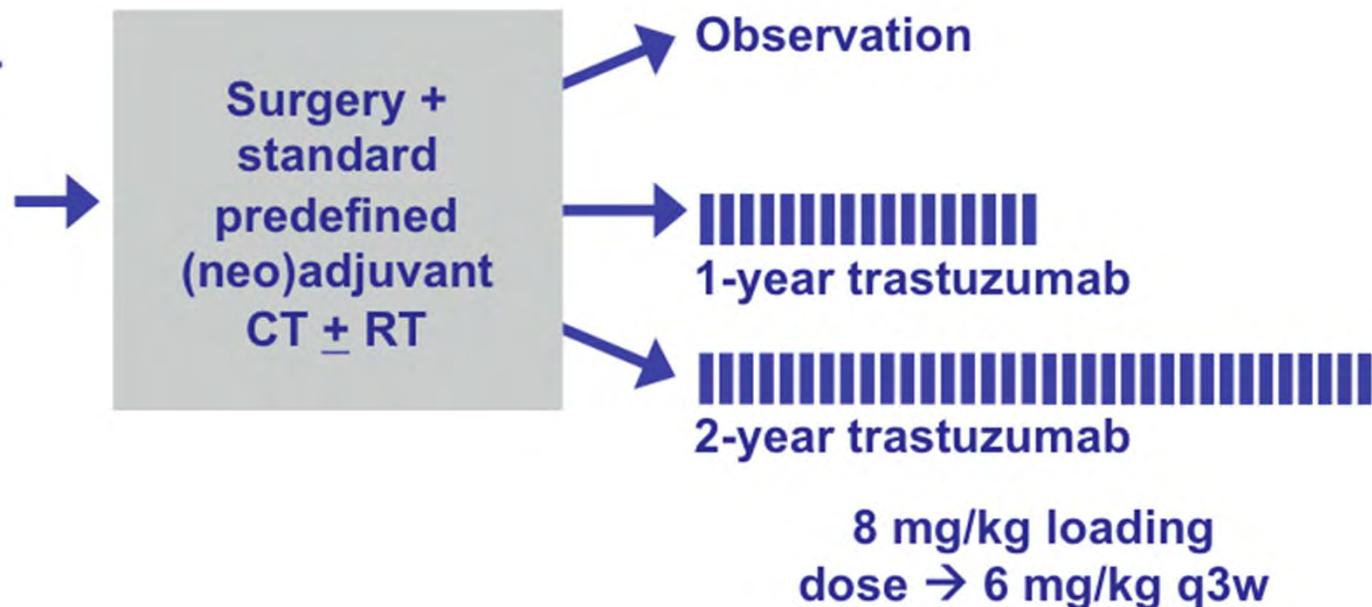


## Adjuvant trastuzumab in EBC: reported DFS



IHC 3+ or FISH+  
Node-positive  
and high-risk  
node-negative  
EBC

n=5102



- Trastuzumab q3w after standard adjuvant therapy
- 1 vs. 2 years of treatment
- Crossover permitted after 1st interim efficacy analysis

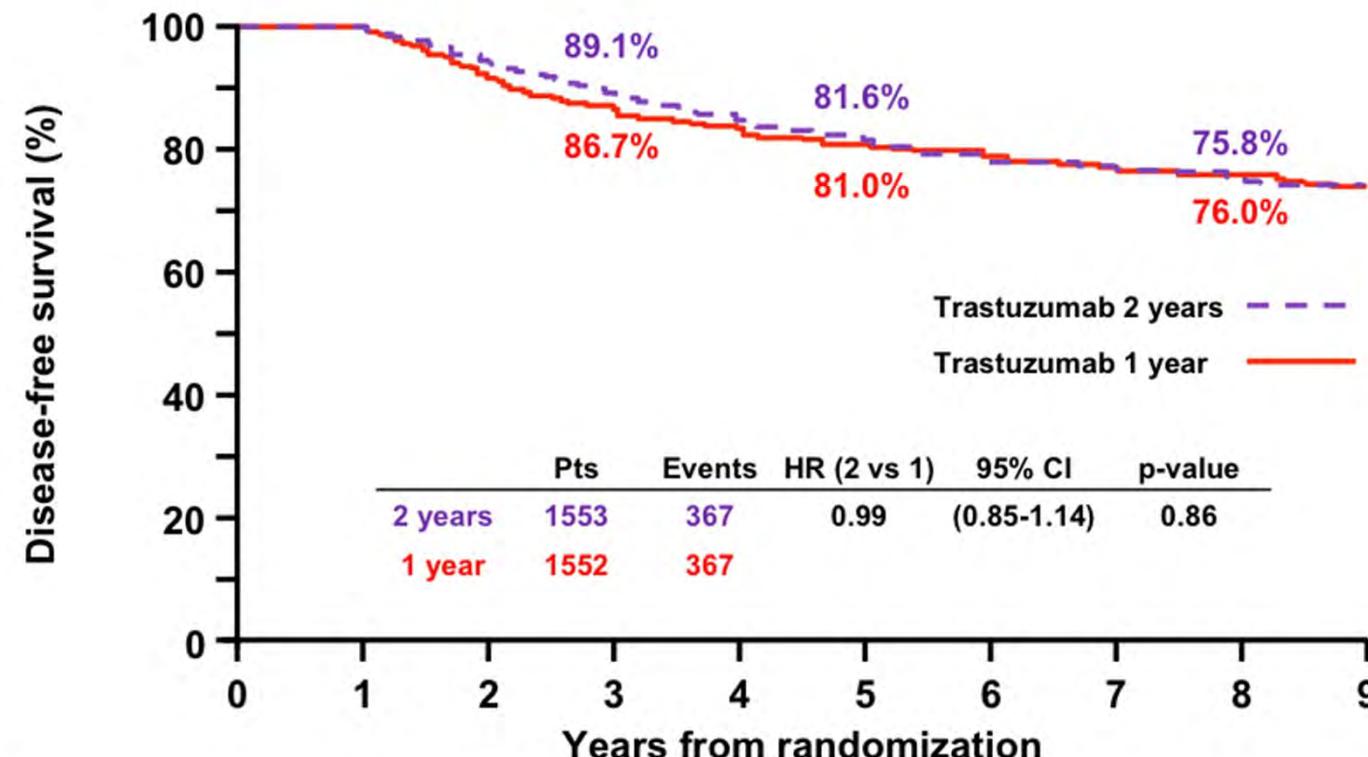
EBC, early breast cancer; CT, chemotherapy;  
RT, radiotherapy; q3w, every 3 weeks

Piccart-Gebhart et al 2005

# **HERA TRIAL: 2 years versus 1 year of trastuzumab after adjuvant chemotherapy in women with HER2-positive early breast cancer at 8 years of median follow up**

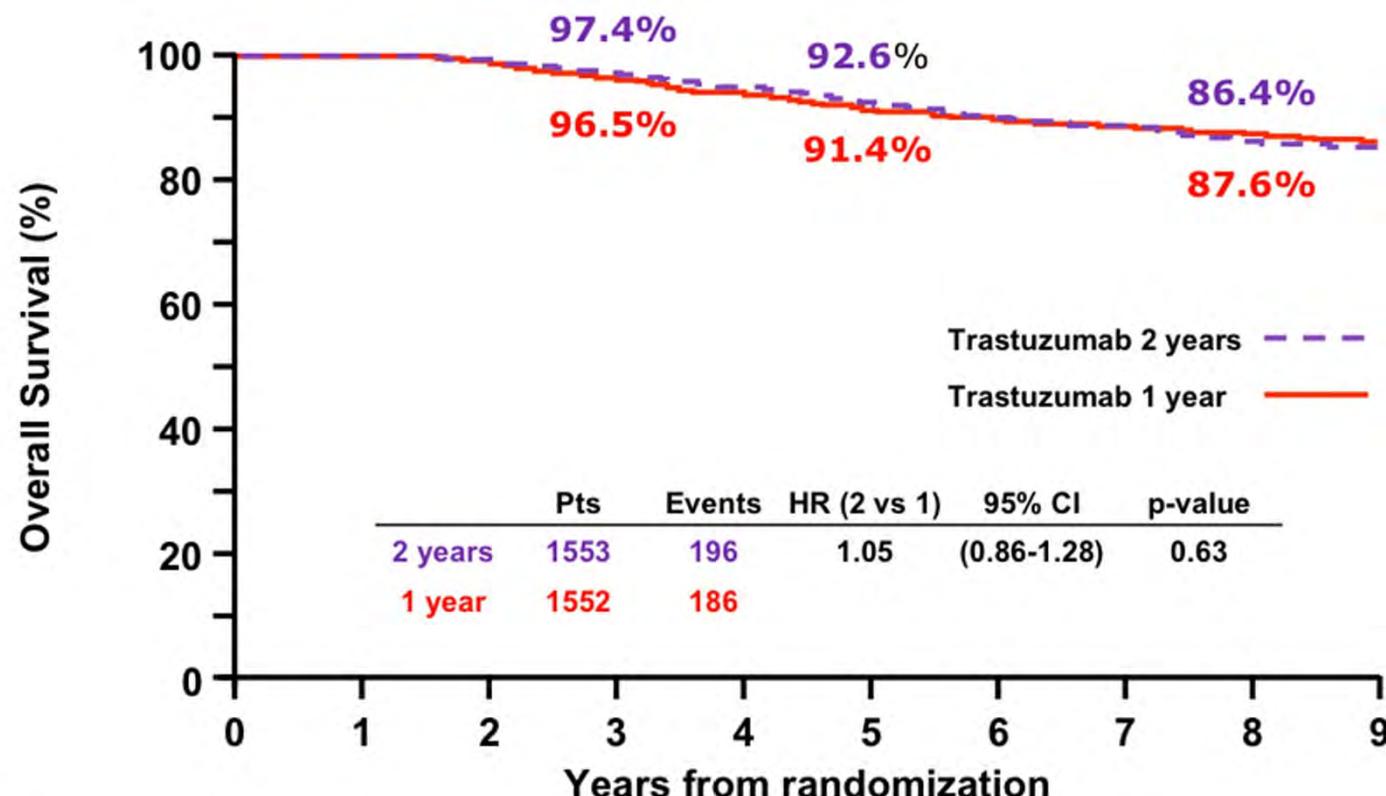
ESMO Congress, Vienna – 1 October 2012

# DFS FOR 2 YEARS VS. 1 YEAR TRASTUZUMAB AT 8 YRS MFU



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# OS FOR 2 YEARS VS. 1 YEAR TRASTUZUMAB AT 8 YRS MFU



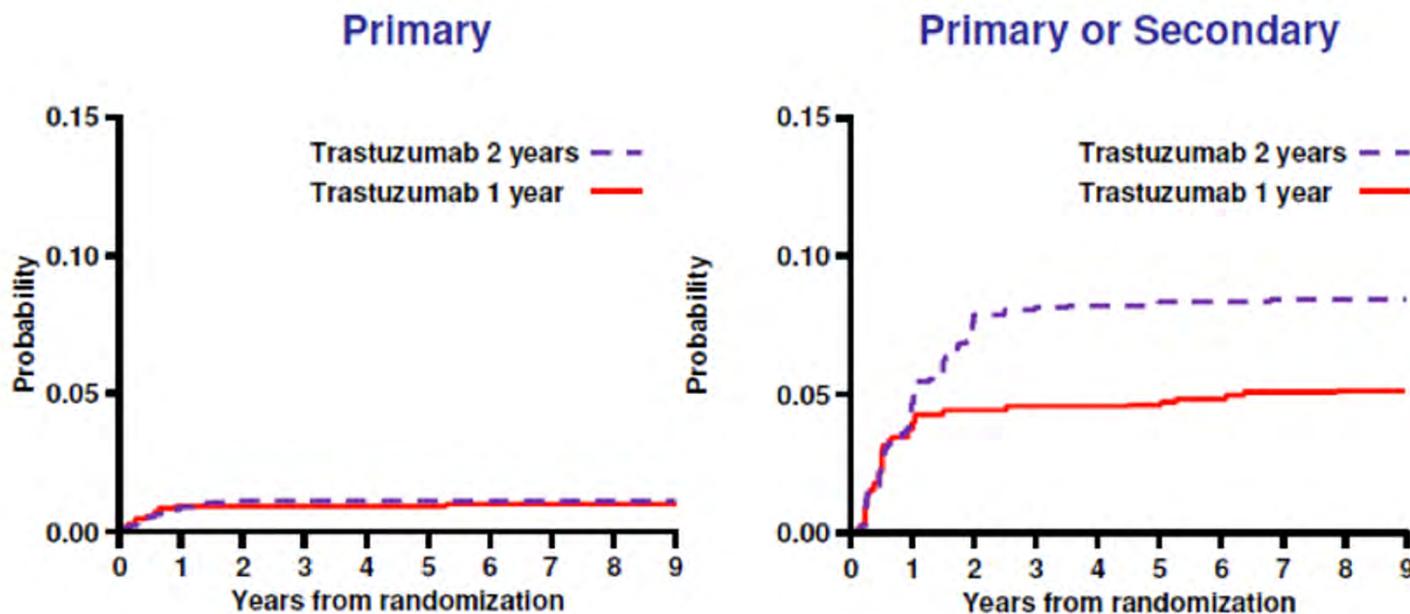
## No. at risk

Trastuzumab 2 years	1553	1553	1525	1485	1438	1382	1317	1193	708	208
Trastuzumab 1 year	1552	1552	1513	1461	1413	1364	1329	1218	732	225

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# CUMULATIVE INCIDENCE OF CARDIAC ENDPOINTS\*



## No. at risk

Trastuzumab 2 years 1673 1533 1423 1345 1276 1207 1137 1038 637 186

1673 1466 1323 1248 1182 1116 1047 952 589 171

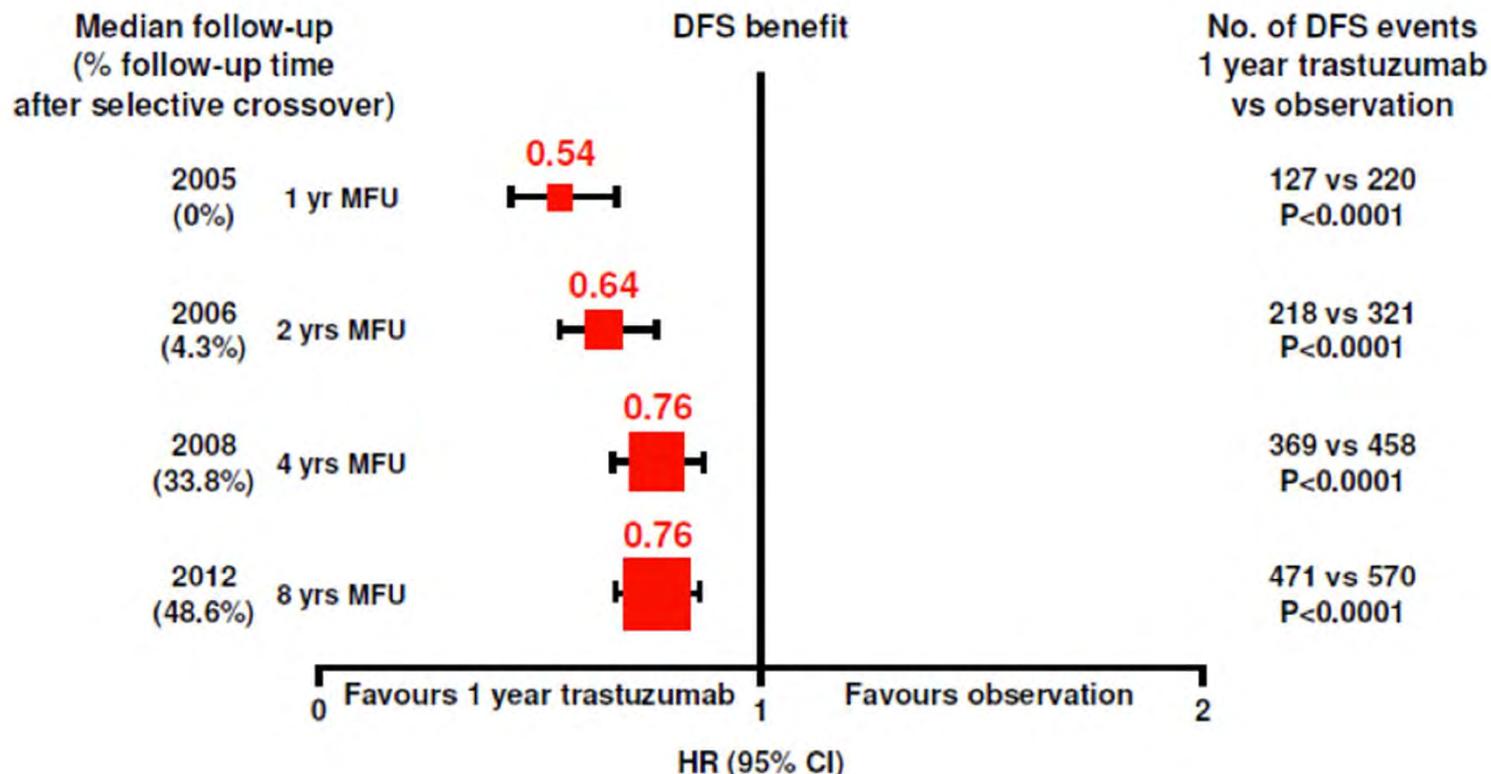
Trastuzumab 1 year 1682 1536 1399 1306 1254 1203 1169 1063 659 203

1682 1488 1350 1257 1206 1158 1125 1017 629 190

\* Competing risk analysis with disease-free survival events considered as competing risks  
The majority of cardiac events are reversible (Procter et al. JCO 2010)

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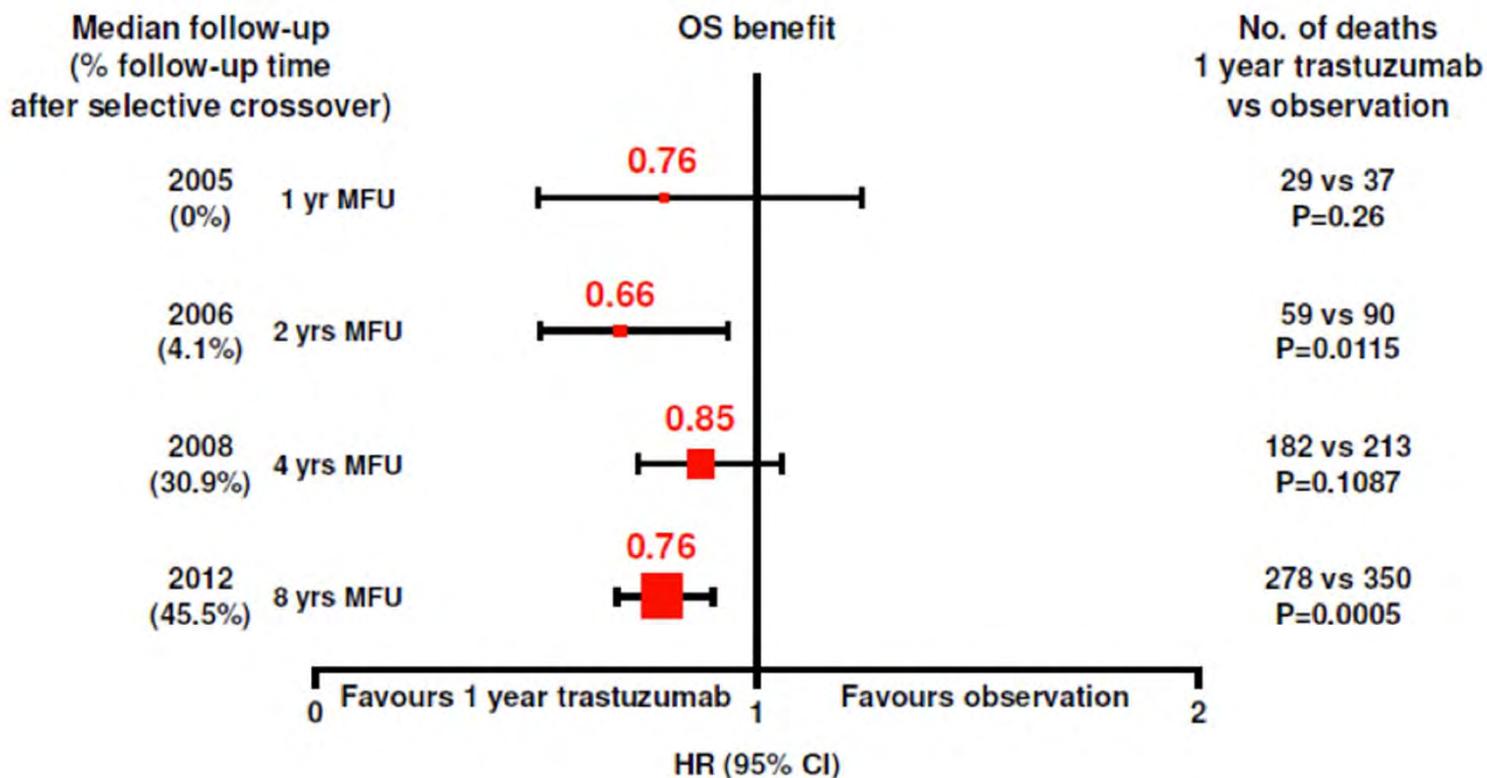
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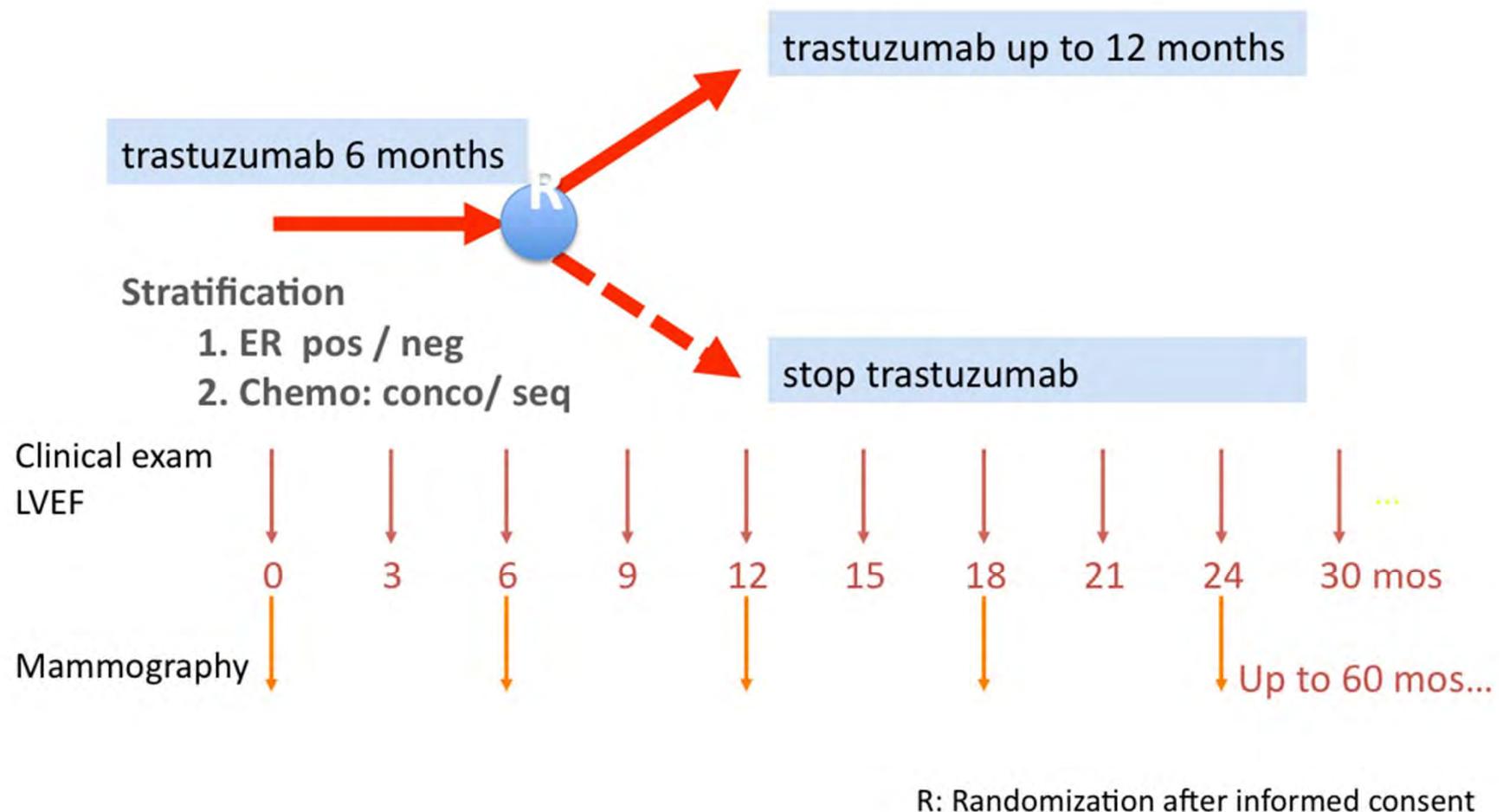
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## **SUMMARY: ANALYSIS OF DFS AND OS FOR 1 YEAR TRASTUZUMAB VS. OBSERVATION AT 8 YRS MFU**

- HERA results at 8 yrs MFU show sustained and statistically significant DFS and OS benefit for 1 year trastuzumab versus observation in ITT analyses despite selective crossover.
- 1 year of trastuzumab remains the standard of care as part of an adjuvant therapy for patients with HER2-positive early breast cancer.

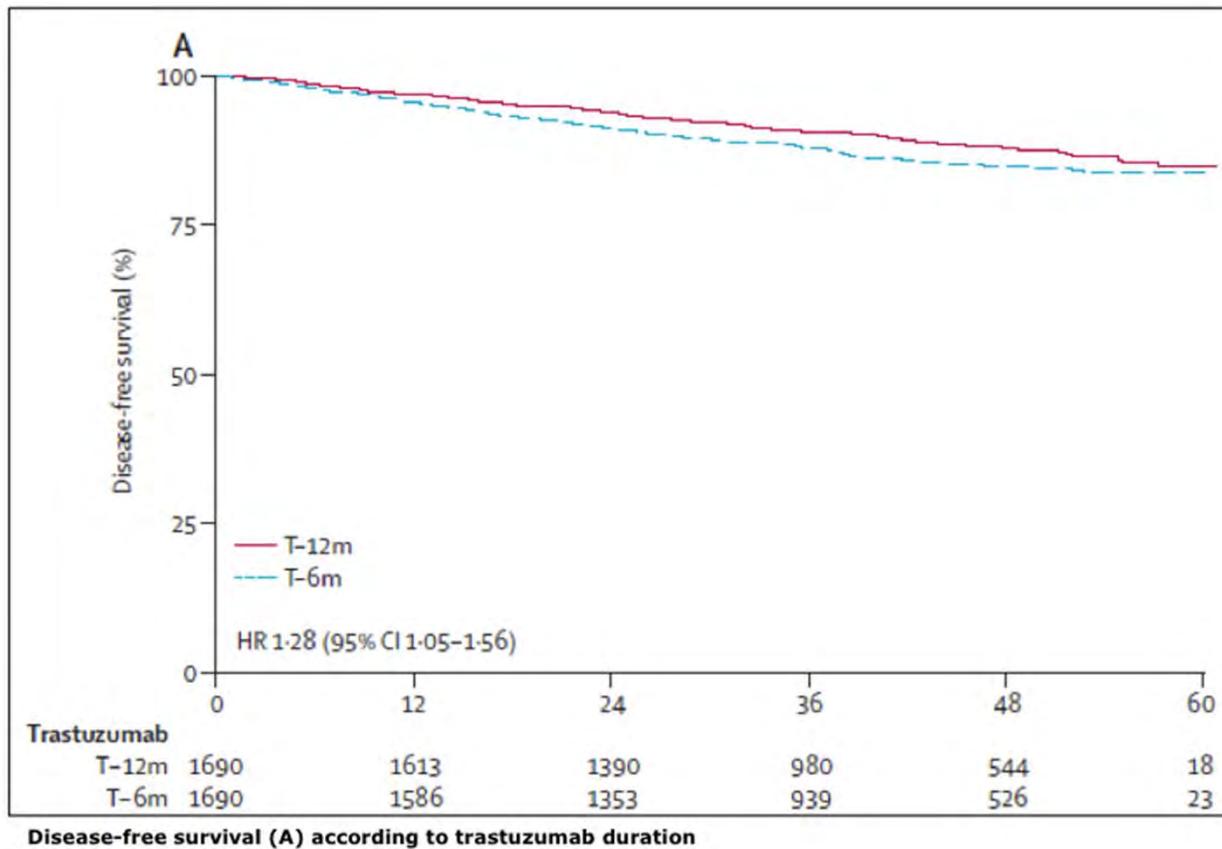
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# PHARE: Study design



1. Pivot X., Oral presentation – SABCS 2012  
Available free online at <http://sabcs12.m2usa.com/sabcsds.html> Last access September 2013  
2. Pivot X. Lancet Oncol 2013; 14:741-48

# Disease Free Survival



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## International Consensus Panel: 2011 St. Gallen

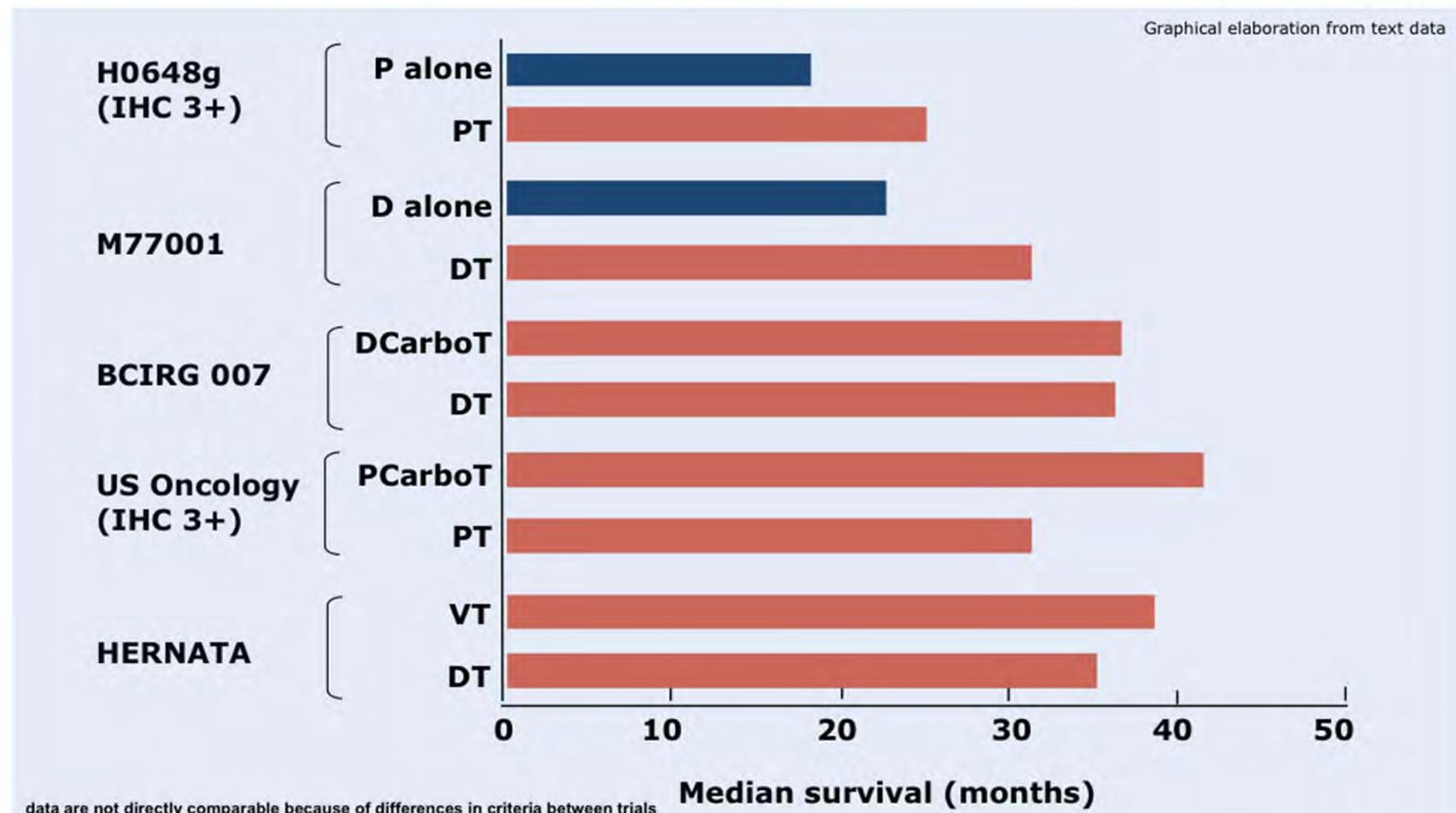
### Panelists' Answers

- Is trastuzumab for 1 year, with concurrent chemotherapy (usually a taxane) or following chemotherapy (HERA-like), a standard adjuvant treatment for:

(i) HER2-positive phenotype?

a) Yes: 100%, b) No: 0%

# Trastuzumab results in 1°- line MBC



IHC, immunohistochemistry; P, paclitaxel  
T, Trastuzumab; D, docetaxel; Carbo, carboplatin

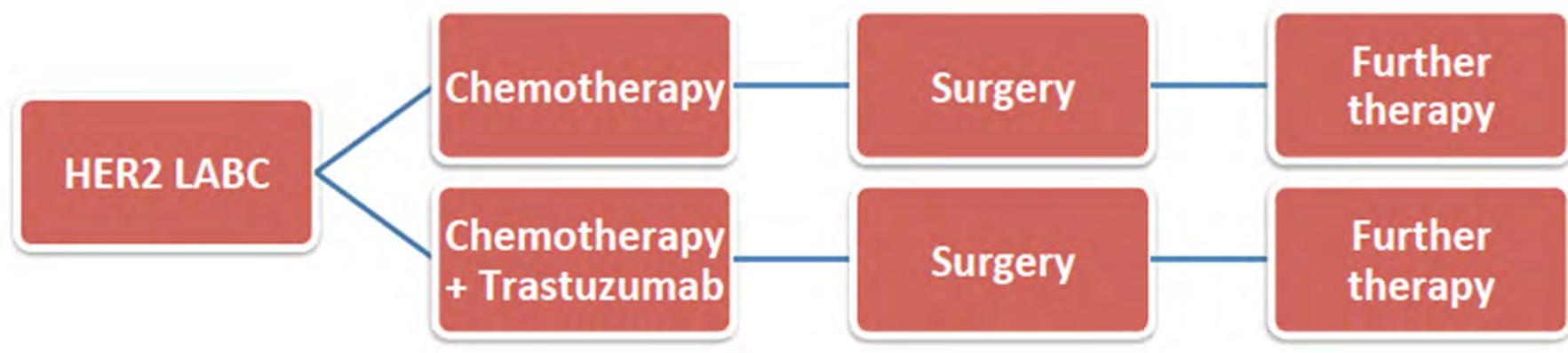
Smith et al Anti-Cancer Drugs 2001 12:SUPPL. 4 (S3-S10);  
Marty et al J Clin Oncol 2005; 23:4265-4274;  
Valero et al J Clin Oncol. 2011;29:149-56;  
Robert et al J Clin Oncol. 2006;24:2786-92;  
Andersson M. et al J Clin Oncol. 2011;29:264-71

# pCR Rates

- Anthracyclines 4% to 20%
- Taxanes -30%
- Trastuzumab -40%
- Endocrine 0% to 5%

Gonzalez-Angulo AM, et al. *Adv Exp Med Biol*. 2007;608:1-22.

# Trastuzumab Based Neoadjuvant Therapy

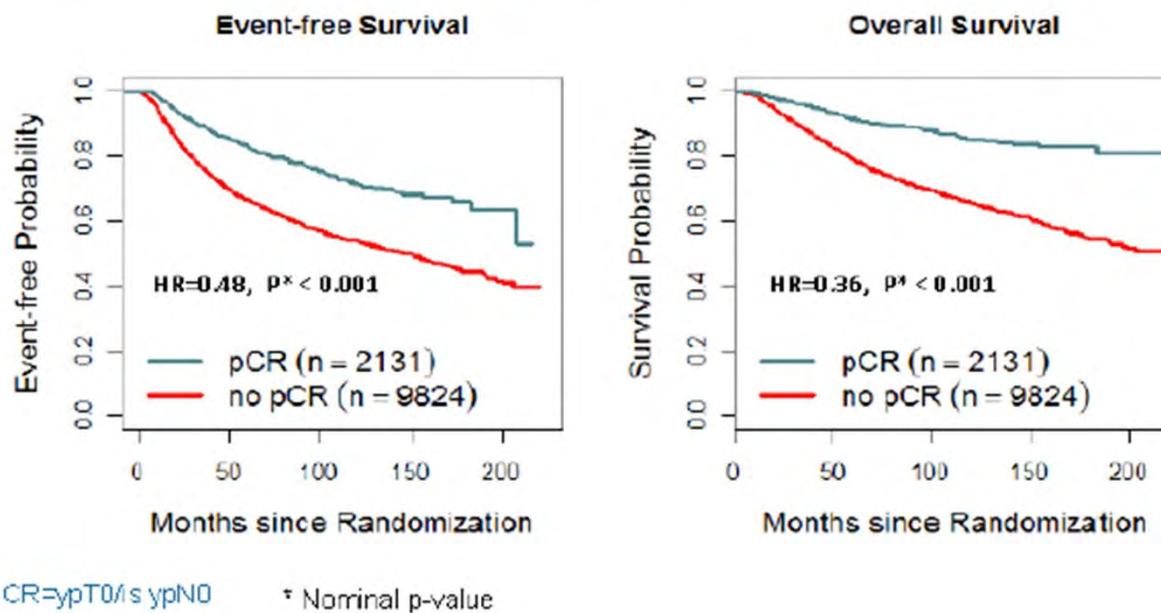


# Trastuzumab Based Neoadjuvant Trials

Study	N	Chemo Backbone	pCR Chemo	pCR Chemo + T	Notes
MDACC	42	P-FEC	(26%)	(65%)	<2% T4
NOAH	235	APx3-Px4-CMFx3	22% (19%)	43% (38%)	43% T4
GeparQuattro	445	EC-D(X)	16%	32%	19% T4

Buzdar et al, JCO 2005  
Gianni et al, Lancet 2010  
Untch et al, Lancet 2010

## Association of pCR on EFS and OS



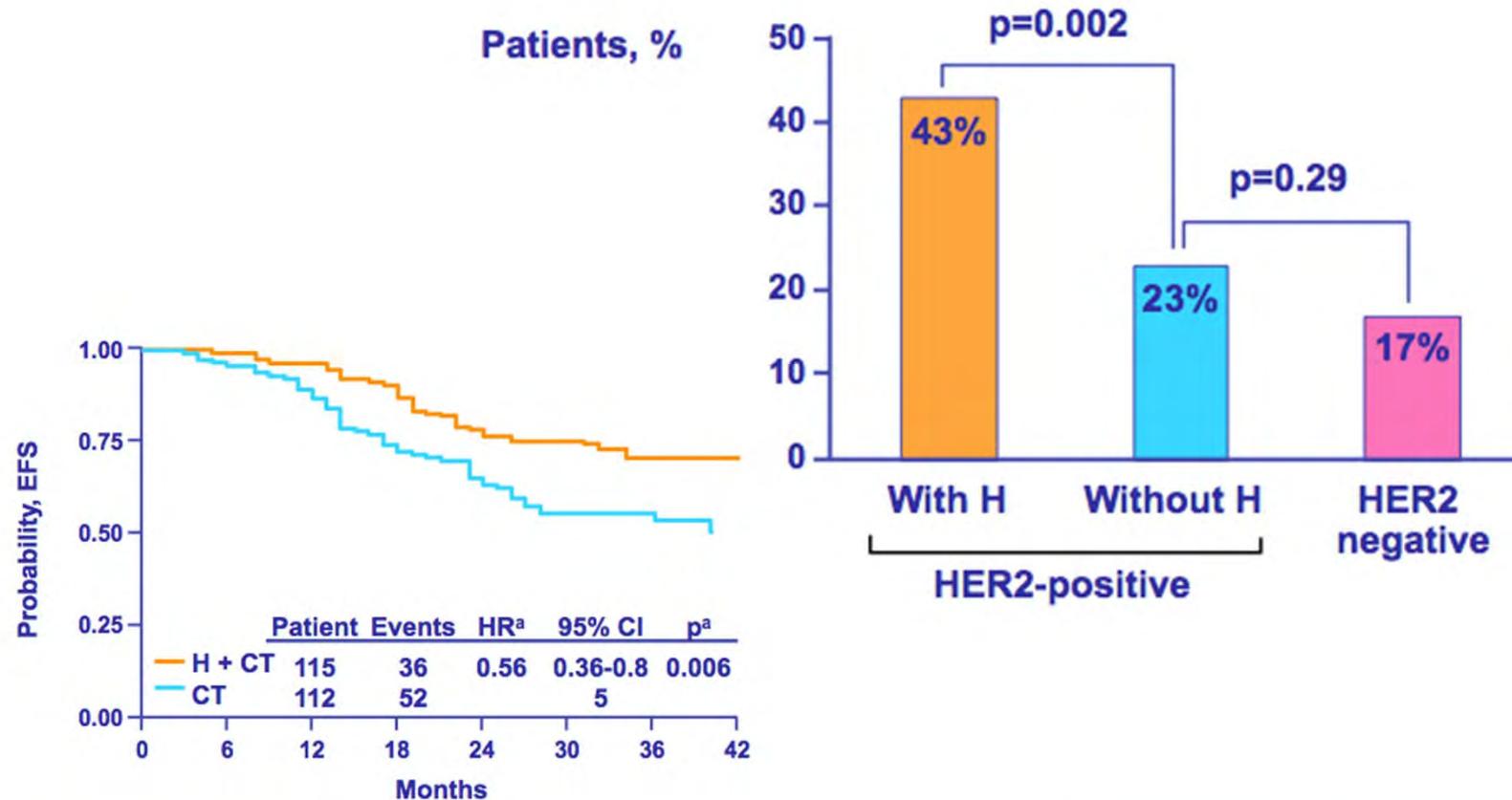
### pCR association with long term outcomes (EFS and OS):

- Individual patients who attain a pCR have a more favorable long-term outcome.

Cortazar P et al; SABCS 2012; S1-11

## Neoadjuvant Herceptin significantly improves pCR rates in the NOAH trial

### pCR of primary tumour: intent-to-treat population



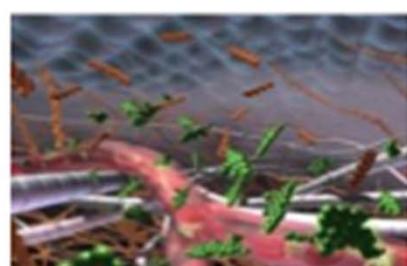
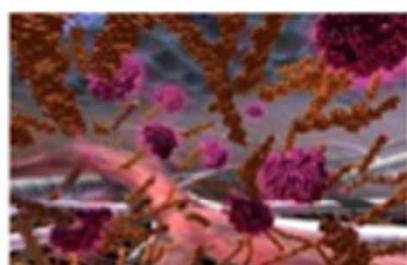
Baselga et al 2007; Gianni et al 2007

# Development of a subcutaneous formulation of trastuzumab

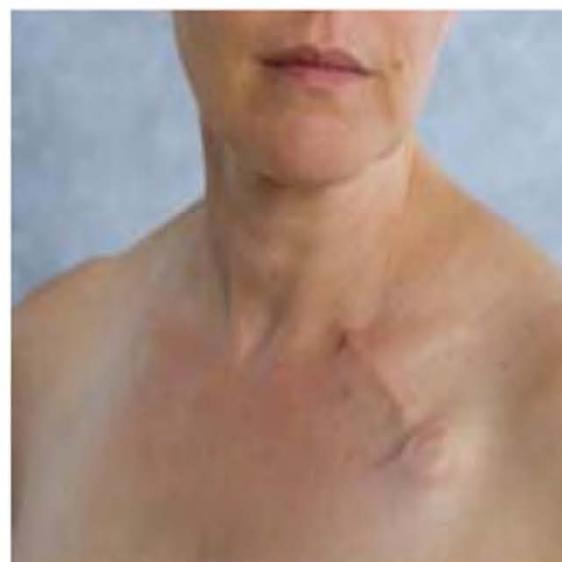
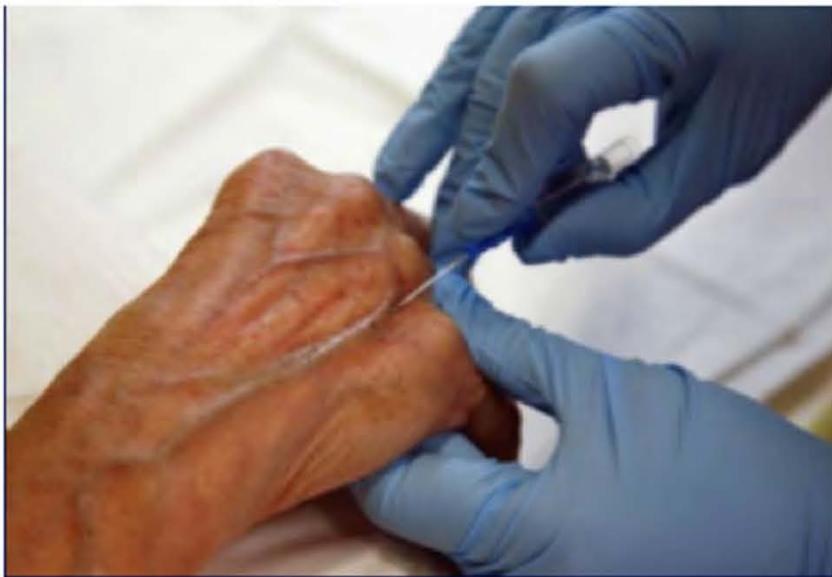
Subcutaneous administration of trastuzumab has been made possible by the use of recombinant human hyaluronidase as an excipient



- Subcutaneous administration of large volumes is restricted by the structure and physiology of the subcutaneous layer
  - Contains a matrix of hyaluronan fibres and collagen fibres, which limits subcutaneous administration to <1 mL
- Hyaluronan is broken down by the naturally occurring enzyme, hyaluronidase, on a daily basis
- Recombinant human hyaluronidase (rHuPH20) causes temporary and local degradation of hyaluronan
  - Results in a temporary increase in the local subcutaneous dispersion area, enabling large volumes of fluids to be administered
- After subcutaneous administration, skin returns to normal



Haller MF. *Pharm Tech* 2007; 10:861-864



- **Spiacevole (ripetute)**
- **Danno vene periferiche**
- **Spesso necessita Porth**

**Lavaggi ripetuti  
Limitazione attività**

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# EV: Stravaso e Necrosi



PICC Line  
(paclitaxel)



Incannulazioni  
ripetute



Port  
(Trabectidina)



Stravaso di Antracicline

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## Potenziali vantaggi di Trastuzumab SC

Siringa tradizionale



Single injectable device



- Dose fissa
- Non necessario accesso venoso permanente
- Tempo di somministrazione più breve
- Meno invasivo per la vita quotidiana
- Potenzialmente domiciliare
- Autosomministrabile  
**(Pazienti selezionati)**

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## Trial BP22023: Phase I dose finding/dose confirmation of trastuzumab SC

- ◆ Open-label, 2-part, phase I/Ib dose-finding and dose confirmation study
- ◆ 2 centers in New Zealand and 1 in Australia
- ◆ Patient population
  - ◆ 24 healthy male volunteers and 42 female patients with HER2-positive breast cancer

### Primary objective

- ◆ To select the dose of trastuzumab SC that results in comparable exposure to trastuzumab IV at 6 mg/kg in healthy male volunteers and in patients with HER2-positive EBC
  - ◆ Evaluated by analyzing the area under the serum concentration–time curve (AUC)

### Secondary objective

- ◆ To assess the safety and tolerability of IV and SC trastuzumab in healthy male volunteers and patients with HER2-positive EBC

Wynne C, et al. J Clin Pharmacol. 2013;53:192-201

# HannaH (BO22227)

## Phase III study

**Randomised, open-label, Phase III,  
Neoadj Doce x 3 → FEC x 3  
Plus Trastuzumab IV or SC**

non-inferiority study  
to compare:  
PK, efficacy and safety  
of trastuzumab SC and IV in HER2-positive EBC

## HannaH: First co-primary endpoint met (pharmacokinetics)

	trastuzumab IV n=235	trastuzumab SC n=234
<b>Primary endpoint: Observed <math>C_{trough}</math> pre-dose Cycle 8</b>		
<b>Geometric mean (<math>\mu\text{g/mL}</math>)</b>	<b>51.8</b>	<b>69.0</b>
<b>Geometric mean ratio (GMR) SC vs. IV (90% CI)</b>		<b>1.33 (1.24; 1.44)</b>

	Intravenous trastuzumab (n=235)	Subcutaneous trastuzumab (n=234)
Primary pharmacokinetic endpoint		
$C_{trough}$ , predose cycle 8		
Mean ( $\mu\text{g/mL}$ ; SD)	57.8 (30.3)	78.7 (43.9)
Geometric mean ( $\mu\text{g/mL}$ ; percentage coefficient of variation)*	51.8 (52.5%)	69.0 (55.8%)
Secondary pharmacokinetic endpoints		
Patients >20 $\mu\text{g/mL}$ at predose cycle 8	232 (98.7%)	227 (97.0%)
Mean (SD) $C_{max}$ at cycle 7 ( $\mu\text{g/mL}$ )†	221 (118.0)	149 (64.8)
Mean (SD) $T_{max}$ at cycle 7 (days)‡	0.05 (0.04)	4.12 (2.91)
Mean (SD) $AUC_{0-21\text{ days}}$ ( $\mu\text{g/mL}\times\text{day}$ )	2056 (598)	2268 (875)
Geometric mean $AUC_{0-21\text{ days}}$ ( $\mu\text{g/mL}\times\text{day}$ ; percentage coefficient of variation)§	1978 (29.1%)	2108 (38.5%)

$AUC_{0-21\text{ days}}$ =area under the serum concentration-time curve from 0-21 days;  $C_{max}$ =maximum serum concentration.  
 $T_{max}$ =time to  $C_{max}$ . \*Geometric mean ratio 1.33 (90% CI 1.24-1.44). †Geometric mean ratio 0.67 (90% CI 0.63-0.71).  
‡n=233 in subcutaneous trastuzumab group. §Geometric mean ratio 1.07 (90% CI 1.01-1.12).

Table 2: Trastuzumab pharmacokinetic parameters before surgery in the per-protocol pharmacokinetic population

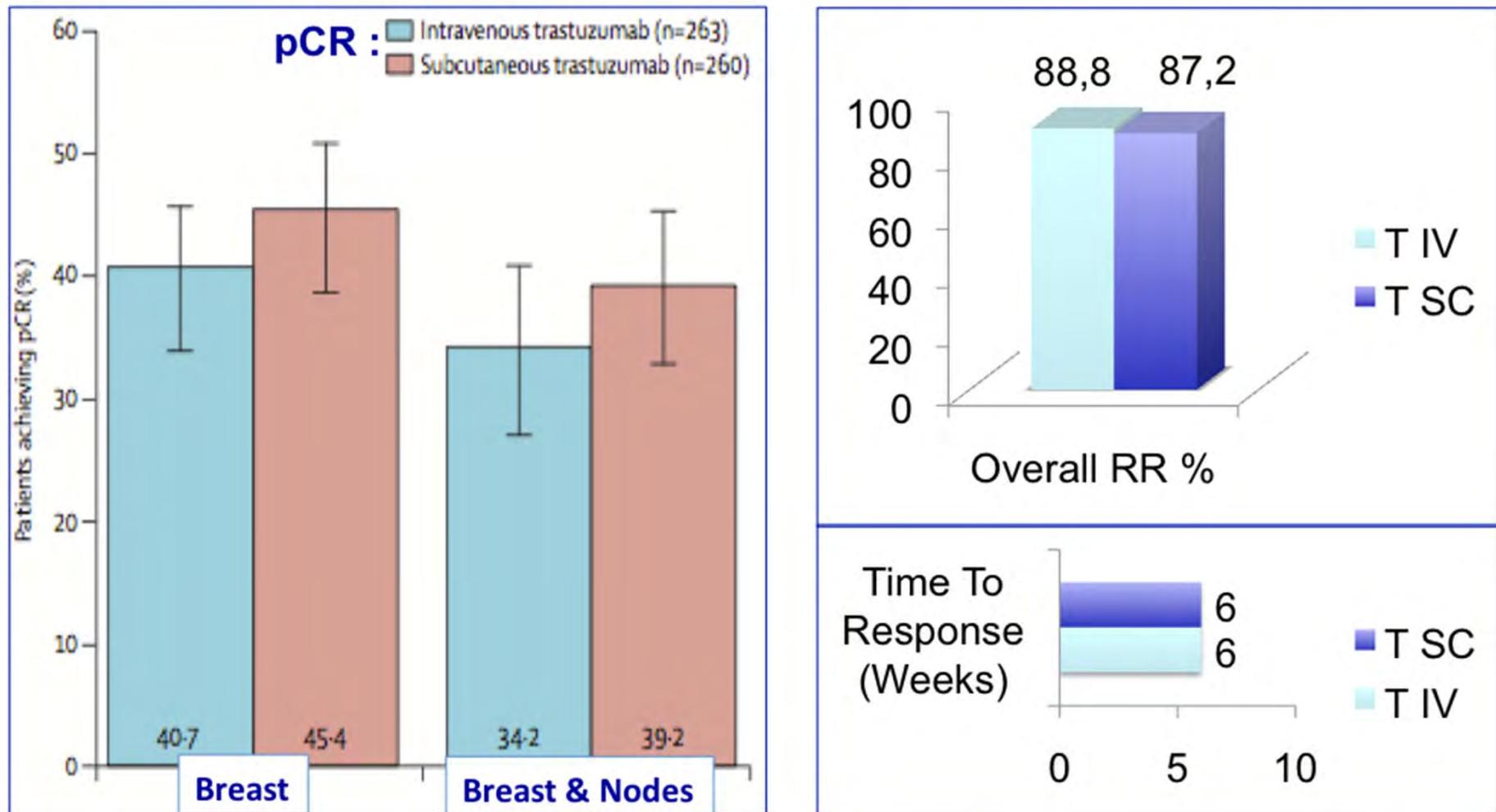
**Non-inferiority of SC vs. IV demonstrated:**

lower bound  
of 90% CI greater than  
pre-specified non-inferiority margin  
for geometric mean ratio  
SC vs. IV of 0.8

Pharmacokinetic per protocol population

Ismael G, et al. Lancet Oncol. 2012;13:869-78

# HannaH:Response Rate



Ismael G, Lancet Oncol 2012; 13:869–878

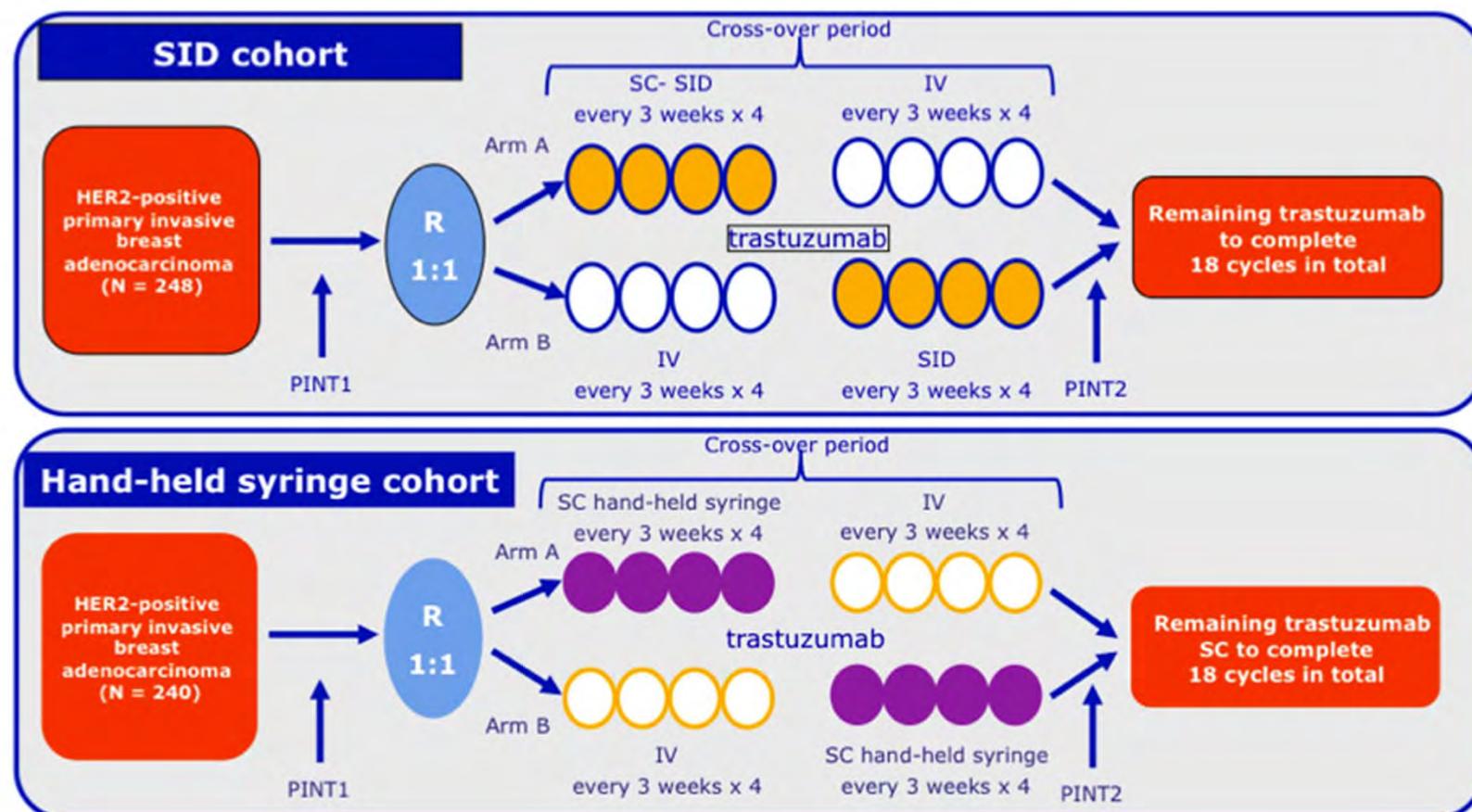
Jackisch C, EBCC Abst 1BA - Eur J of Cancer 2012, 48 :  
SUPPL. 1 (S37)

# PrefHer (MO22982) study

A global, randomised, two-cohort cross-over preference study

**Neoadjuvant Chemo + IV Trastuzumab → Surgery  
RANDOM to  
Trastuzumab  
SC vs Iv or Viceversa**

# PrefHer: Study Design



Stratification factor: *de novo* vs. non-*de novo* trastuzumab (to balance the sequence groups for the proportion of patients with prior trastuzumab IV treatment).  
IV, intravenous; PINT, Patient Interview; R, randomised; SC, subcutaneous; SID, single-use injection device

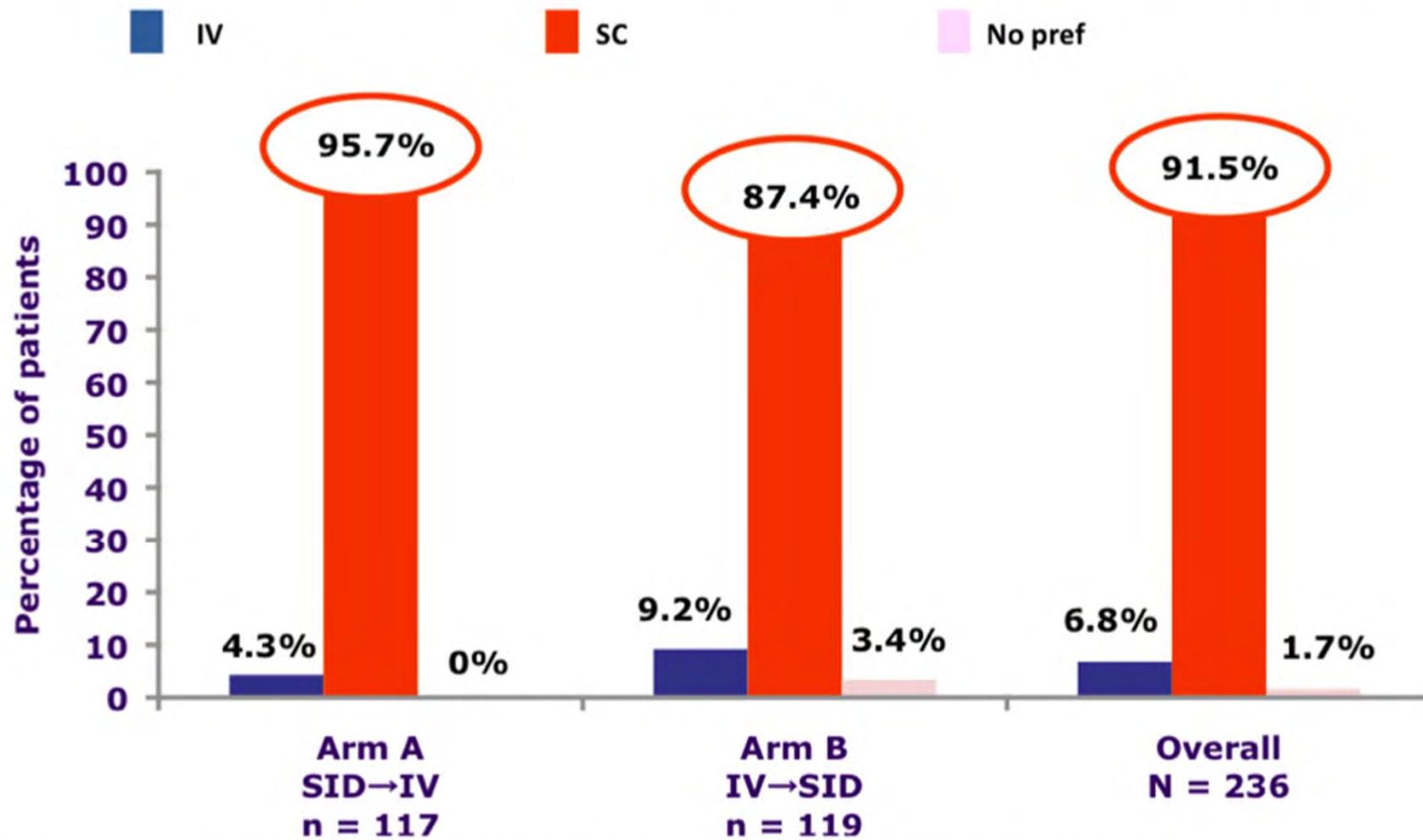
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# PrefHer: Endpoints

- Primary
  - Overall preference for the SC or IV route of trastuzumab administration
    - Assessed by a single direct question:  
“All things considered, which method of administration did you prefer?”
- Secondary
  - Safety and tolerability
  - Event-free survival
  - Immunogenicity (anti-trastuzumab and rHuPH20 antibodies in the blood) (Cohort 1 only)
  - Healthcare professional (HCP) satisfaction/perceived time savings with trastuzumab SC
- Exploratory
  - Factors that influence patients' preferences for SC or IV administration
  - Patient satisfaction with SID self-administration (Cohort 1 only)
- TaM sub-study
  - To assess medical care utilisation, including collection of time of administration and resource use data, at selected sites in both cohorts

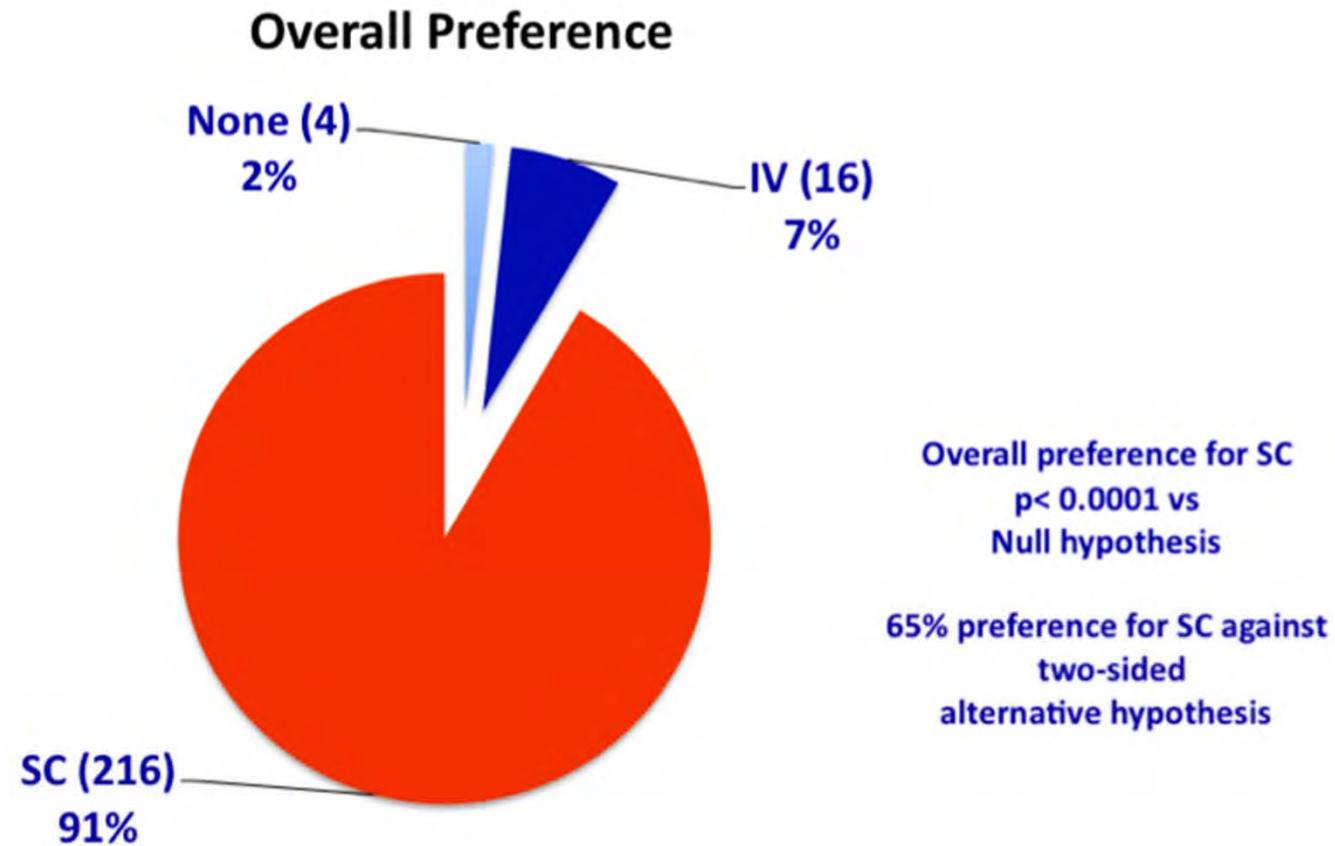
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## PrefHer: Preferred trastuzumab SC over IV, irrespective of study arm (*evaluable ITT population*)



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# “All things considered, which method of administration did you prefer?”

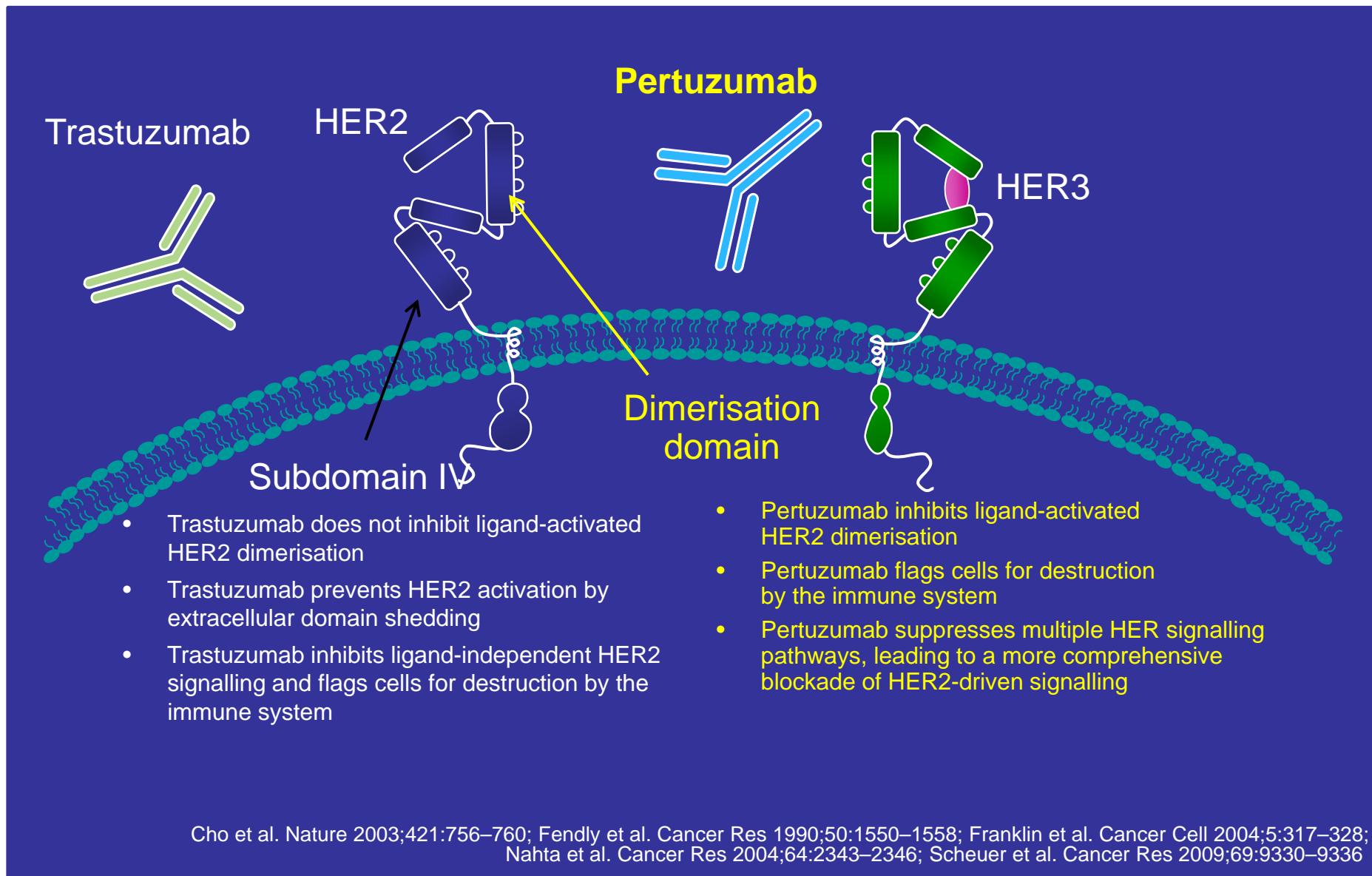


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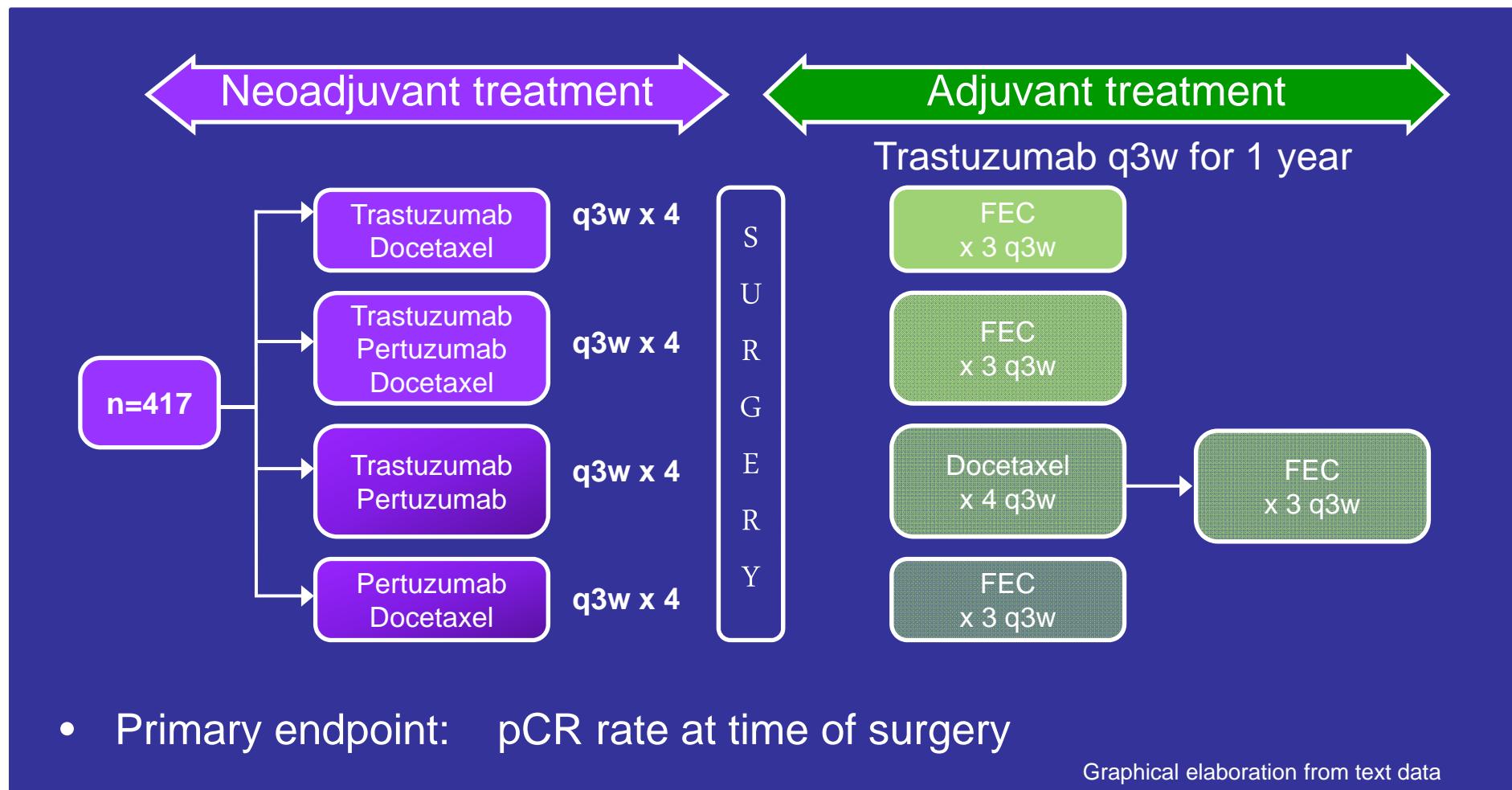
# Pertuzumab

**First HER2 Dimerization Inhibitor, synergistic and  
complementary  
activity with trastuzumab**

# Pertuzumab: Mechanism of Action

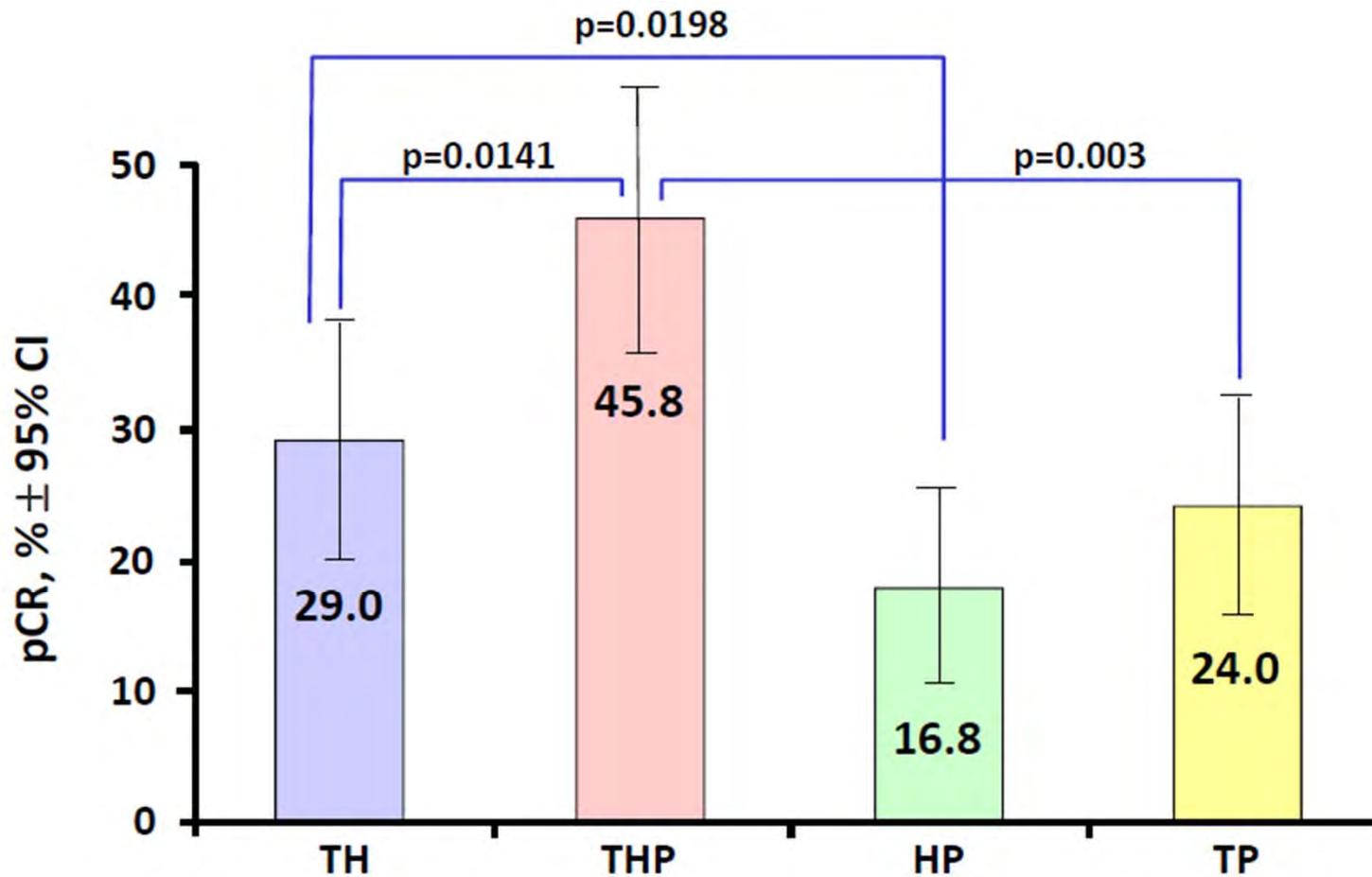


# NEOSPHERE: neoadjuvant trastuzumab and pertuzumab in HER2-positive EBC



EBC = early-stage breast cancer; FEC = 5-fluorouracil, epirubicin, cyclophosphamide;  
pCR = pathological complete response; q3w = every 3 weeks

# NEOSPHERE: pCR rates, ITT population

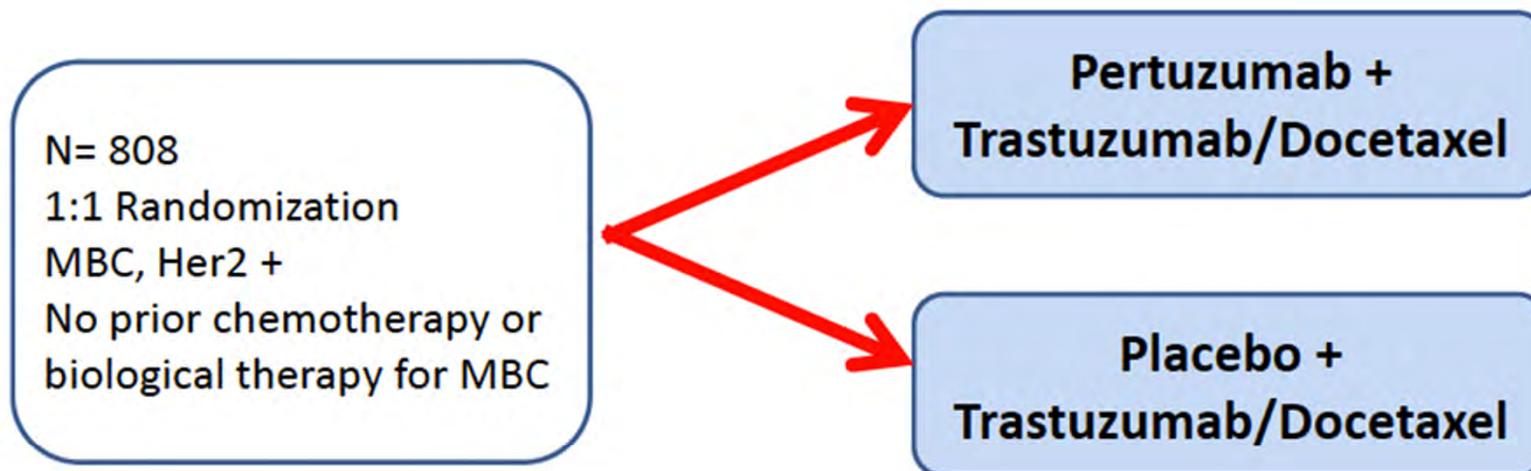


H, trastuzumab; P, pertuzumab; T, docetaxel

p values from Cochran-Mantel-Haenszel test and adjusted for multiplicity

1. Gianni et al. Oral presentation SABCS 2011  
Cancer Res December 15, 2011; 71(24 Supplement): S5-1
2. Gianni et al. Lancet Oncol. 2012; 13:25-32

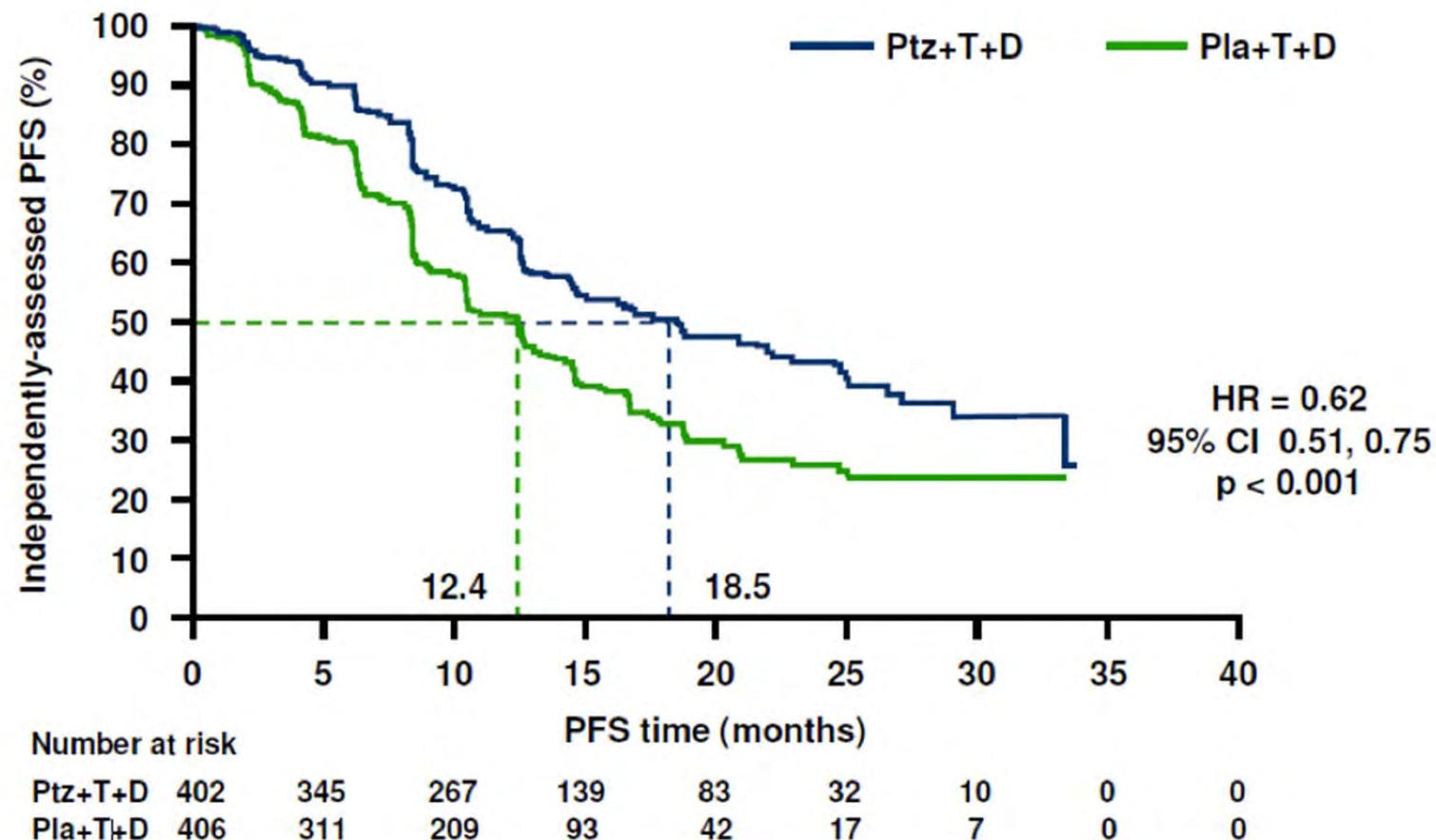
## Cleopatra: Phase III Trial of Pertuzumab In Combination of Trastuzumab/Docetaxel



Trastuzumab (8 mg /kg LD then 6 mg / kg Q3W and Docetaxel 75 mg/m<sup>2</sup> Q3W  
Pertuzumab 840 mg LD then 420 mg Q3W

Baselga; N Engl J Med 2012;366:109-119.

# CLEOPATRA: PFS, independently assessed (n = 433 PFS events)

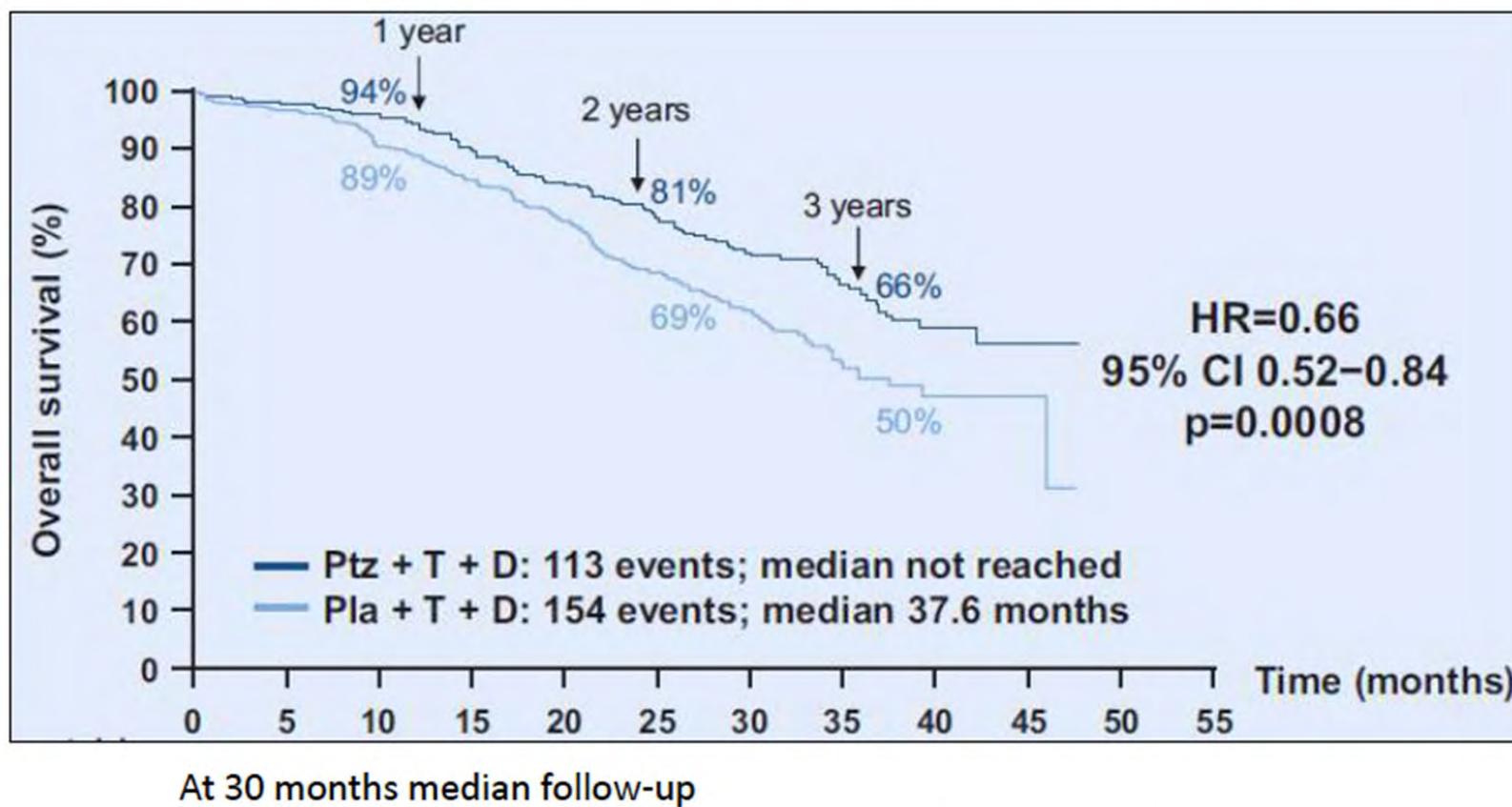


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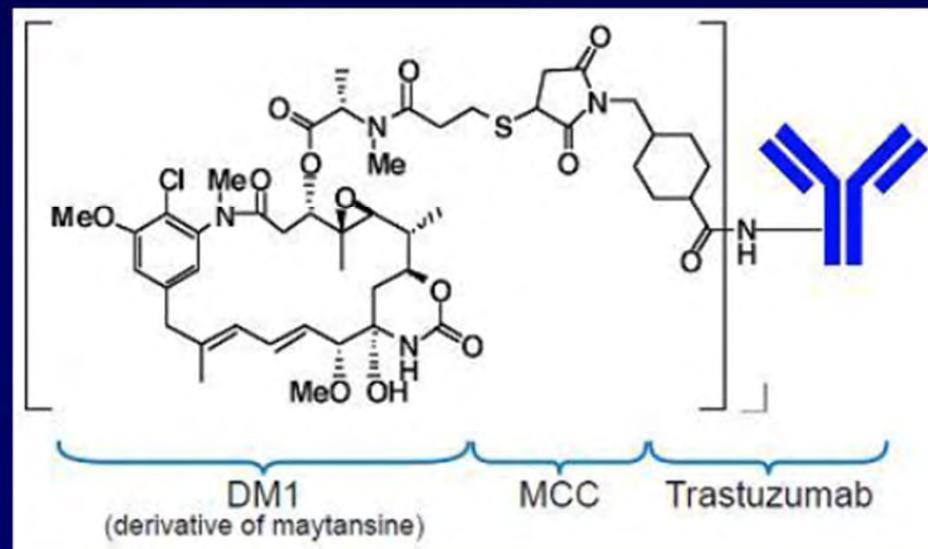
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# T-DM1 Introduction

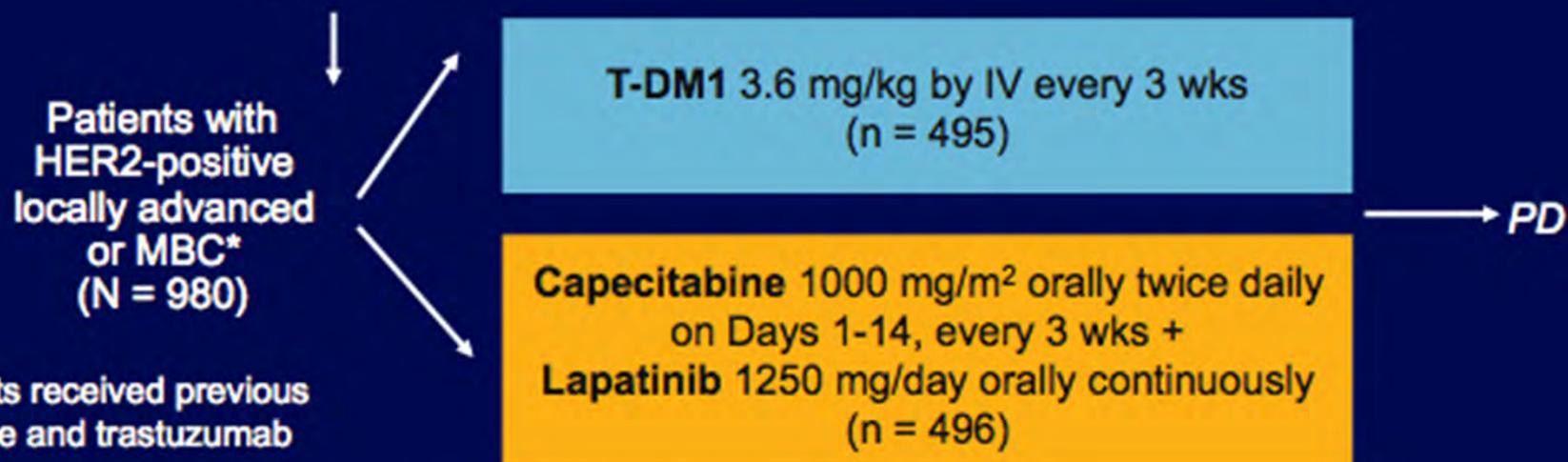
- Trastuzumab-DM1 (T-DM1): anti-HER2 antibody drug-conjugate
  - Combines the HER2-targeting properties of trastuzumab with targeted delivery of a highly potent anti-microtubule derivative, DM1
  - After binding to HER2, T-DM1 undergoes receptor-mediated internalization, resulting in intracellular release of DM1
  - Will it allow omission of separate systemic cytotoxic?



Adapted from Perez et al, ESMO 2010

# EMILIA Phase III Study: T-DM1 vs Lapatinib/Capecitabine in HER2+ MBC

*Stratified by world region, number of previous chemotherapy regimens for MBC or unresectable locally advanced breast cancer, presence of visceral disease*



\*All pts received previous taxane and trastuzumab

- Primary endpoint: PFS by IRF, OS, safety
- Secondary endpoints: QoL (FACT B), DOR, PFS by investigator assessment

Blackwell KL, et al. ASCO 2012. Abstract LBA1.