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"Saper leggere" uno studio clinico per migliorare la pratica clinica

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PROGRAMMA

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La predizione del rischio basata sui tests di espressione genica

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Precision Medicine: Prognostic and Predictive Factors

	Definition	Aim
Prognostic Factors	Prognosis: telling the future is useless unless we can modify the outcome	
Predictive Factors	Provide information on probability of benefit or toxicity from a specific therapy	To spare ineffective treatments

Adjuvant Systemic Therapy for EBC

Summary of the Evidence

Subgroup	Treatment	Comparator	Risk reduction for recurrence
HR+	TAM for 5y	No TAM	39%
	AI (upfront or sequence)	5y TAM	23-29%
	Extended adjuvant ET	5y TAM	15-43%
All	Polychemotherapy	No chemo	~ 24%
	Anthra regimens	CMF	20%
	Anthra+Taxane regimens	Anthra	12%
HER2+	Trastuzumab + Chemo	Chemo	40%

Precision Medicine: Prognostic and Predictive Factors

**Prognosis:
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Prognostic
Factors

outcome regardless of therapy

treatments

necessary

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**This is not the case !
Adjuvant therapies can reduce the
risk of relapse up to 80%**

Precision Medicine: Prognostic and Predictive Factors

**Prediction:
therapies are useless unless
we know who to treat**

Prognostic Factors	Provide information on outcome regardless of therapy	To spare unnecessary treatments
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Number of patients with EBC needed to treat with Adjuvant Therapy to prevent ONE recurrence

Comparison	Absolute reduction in Recurrence %	NNT
Tamoxifen vs. Nil ^	11.8	8
Aromatase Inhibitors vs TAM*	3- 5.3	19 - 33
Aromatase Inhibitors vs Nil°	~ 16	~ 6
Polychemo vs. Nil (< 50)^	12.3	8
Polychemo vs. Nil (50+)^	4.2	23
Anthra vs CMF^	4.0	25
Taxanes vs. Anthra§	~ 5	20
3 rd gen taxane regimen vs Nil°	~ 23	~ 4
ChemoRx + Trastuzumab vs ChemoRx	6.3 - 18	6 - 15
ChemoRx + Trastuzumab vs Nil+	13 - 35	2-3

^ 15 yrs, EBCTCG 2005

* 3-6 y from RCTs, postmenopause

° 10 yrs, estimated from Adjuvant!

§ 10 yrs, Peto, SABCS 2007

+ 3 yrs, estimated from RCTs

Breast cancer mortality ratio: any anthracycline-based regimen (eg, standard 4AC) vs no adjuvant chemotherapy, by ER STATUS and subsets of ER+

Category	Deaths/Women		Anth. deaths		Ratio of annual death rates Anth. : Control
	Allocated anth.	Allocated control	Logrank O-E	Variance of O-E	
<u>(f) ER status</u> ($\chi_1^2 = 0.1$; $2p = 0.7$; NS)					
ER-poor	403/1095 (36.8%)	464/1043 (44.5%)	-40.5	180.4	0.80 (SE 0.07)
ER+	831/3100 (26.8%)	1063/3177 (33.5%)	-84.6	328.5	0.77 (SE 0.05)
ER unknown	182/559 (32.6%)	174/513 (33.9%)	-14.9	72.3	0.81 (SE 0.11)

Adjuvant Therapy for EBC: the Price of Success

- **More effective adjuvant ET:**
AIs > TAM
10y ET > 5y TAM
- **Polychemotherapy:**
effective independently from HR status
- **Improved prognosis over time:**
more early stages
multiple effective therapies

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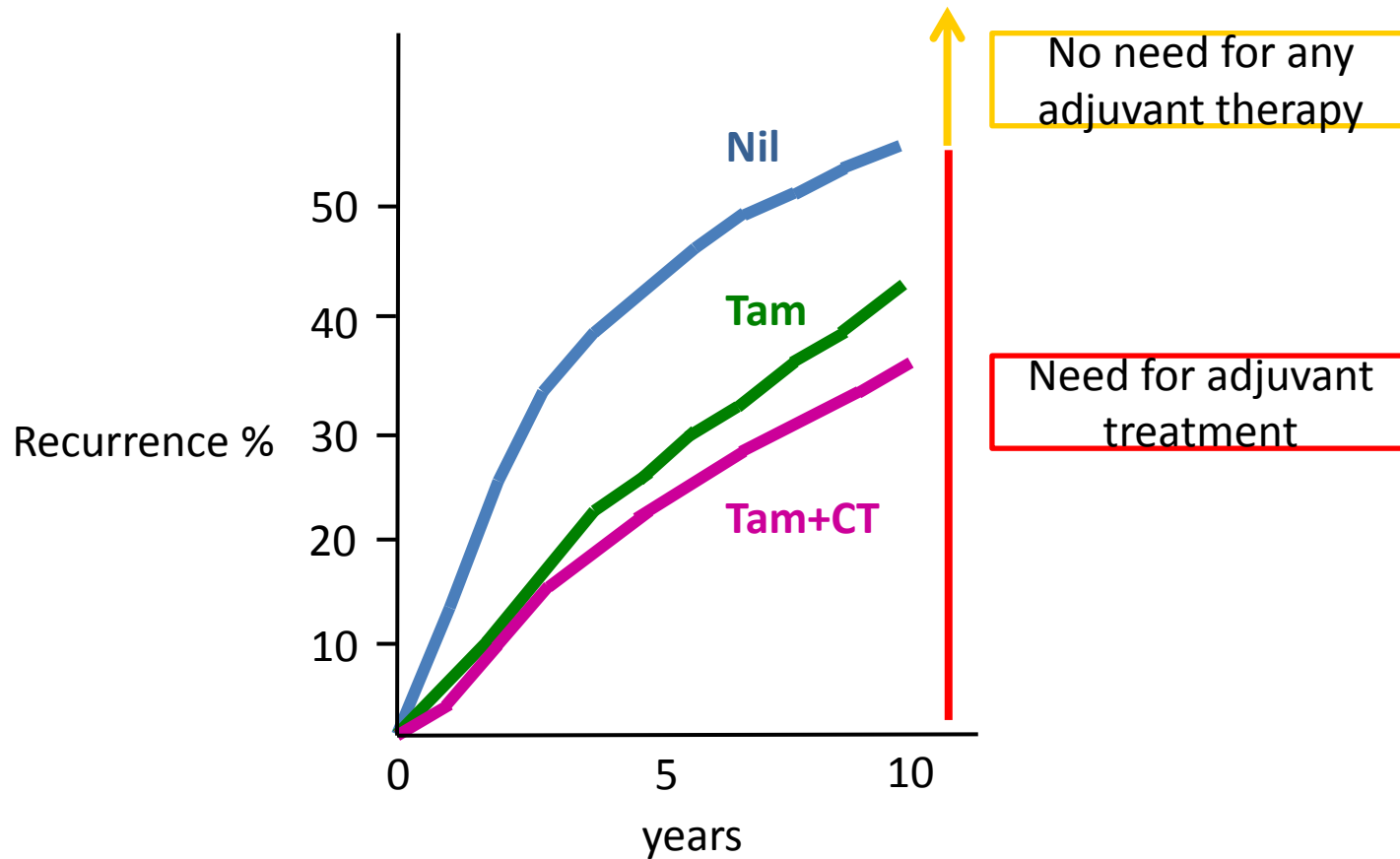
Prognostic Factors	outcome regardless of therapy	treatments	necessary
Predictive Factors			

Negative Prediction:
good enough to predict who will NOT
respond to ET and antiHER2 therapy.
No good predictor for chemotherapy.

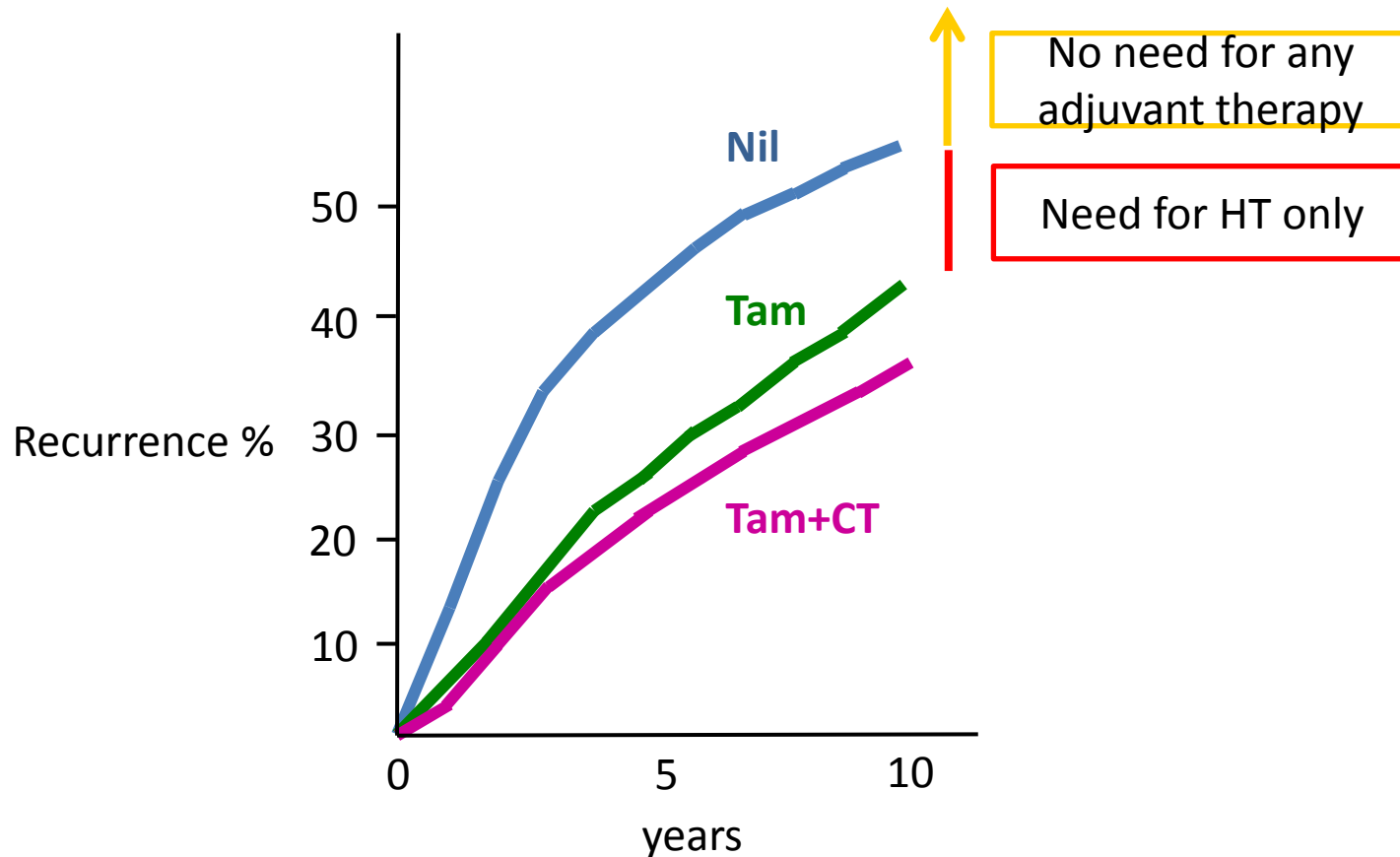
HR+ EBC: the quest for precision cancer medicine

prognosticators of distant relapses
predictors of chemotherapy benefit

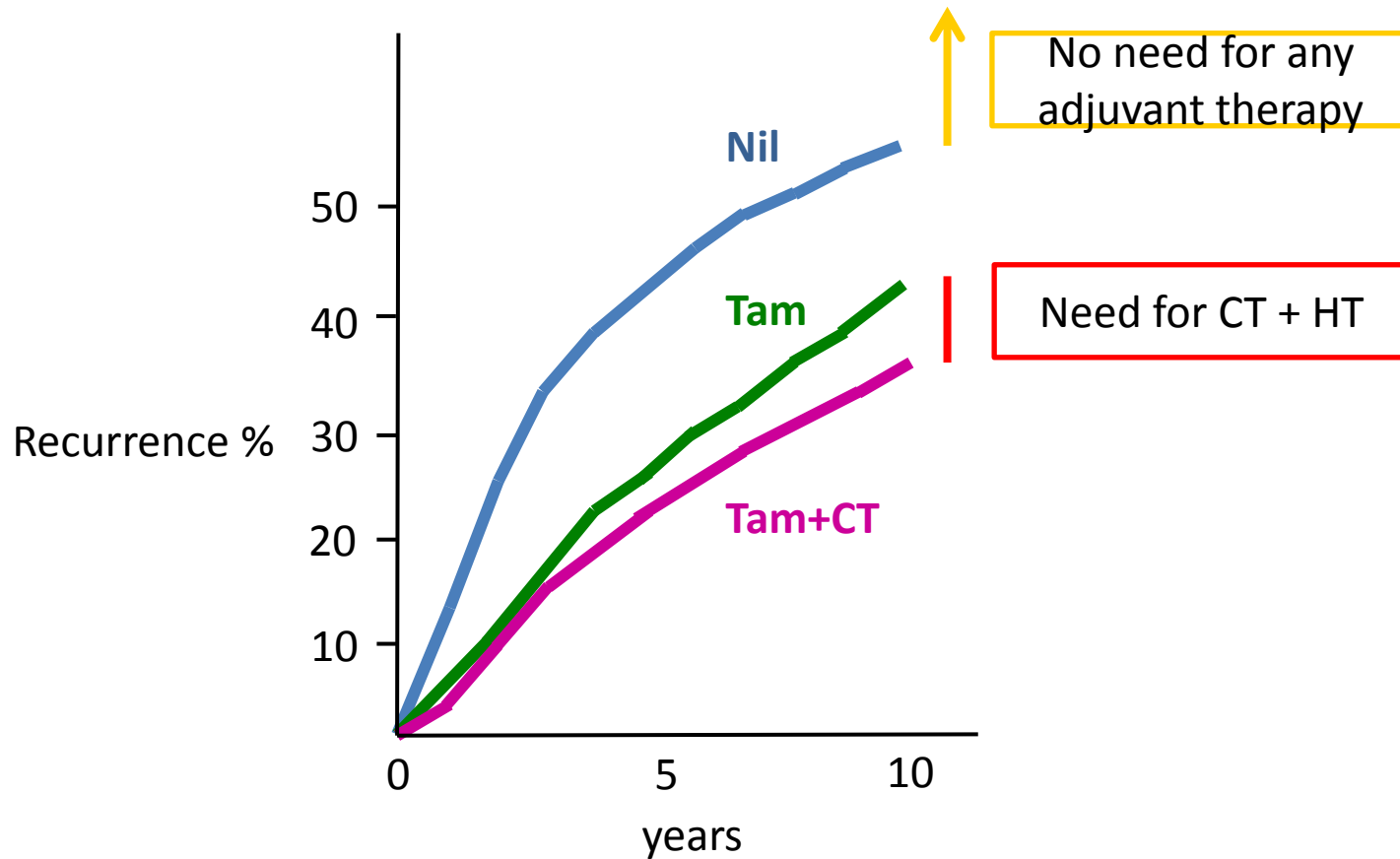
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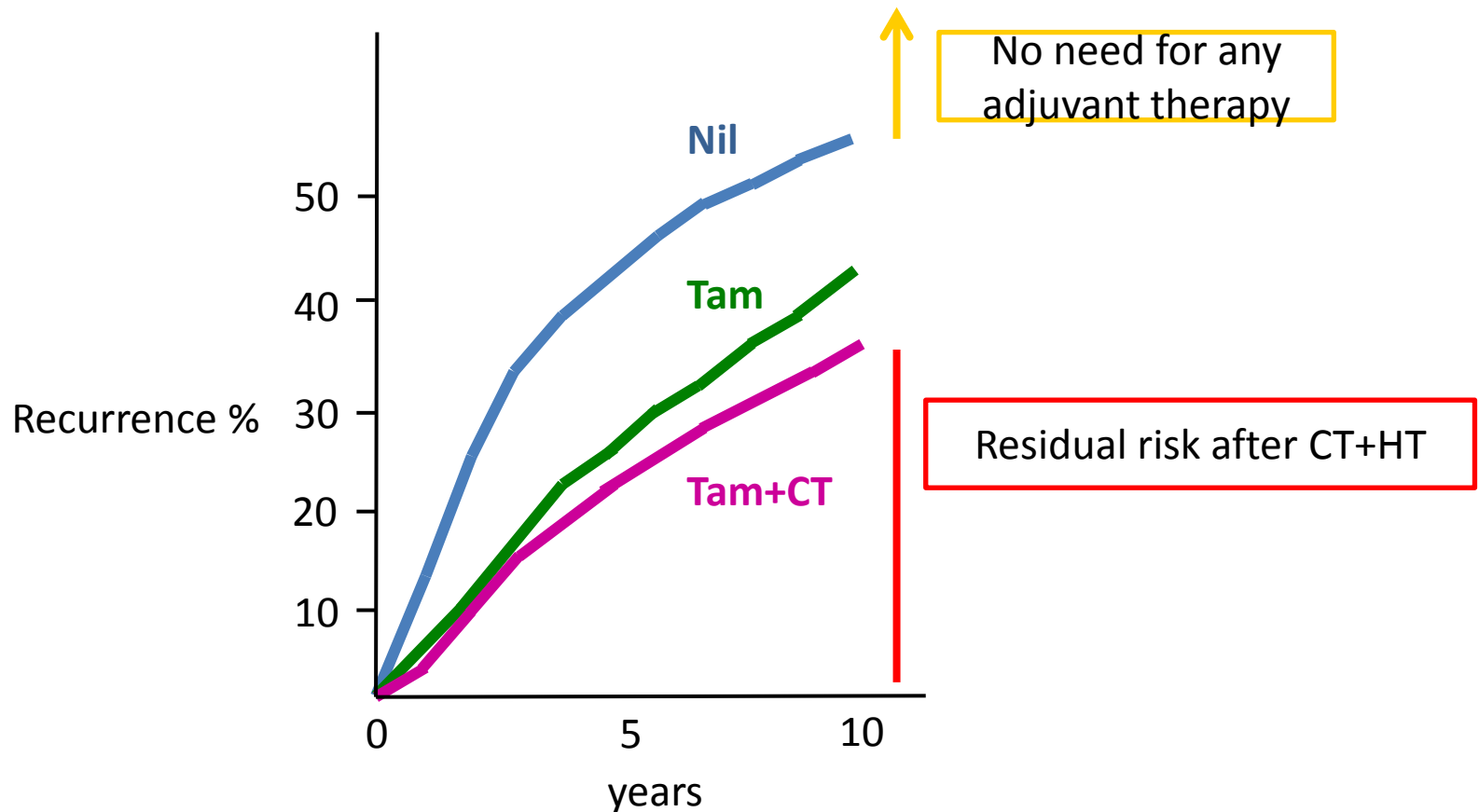
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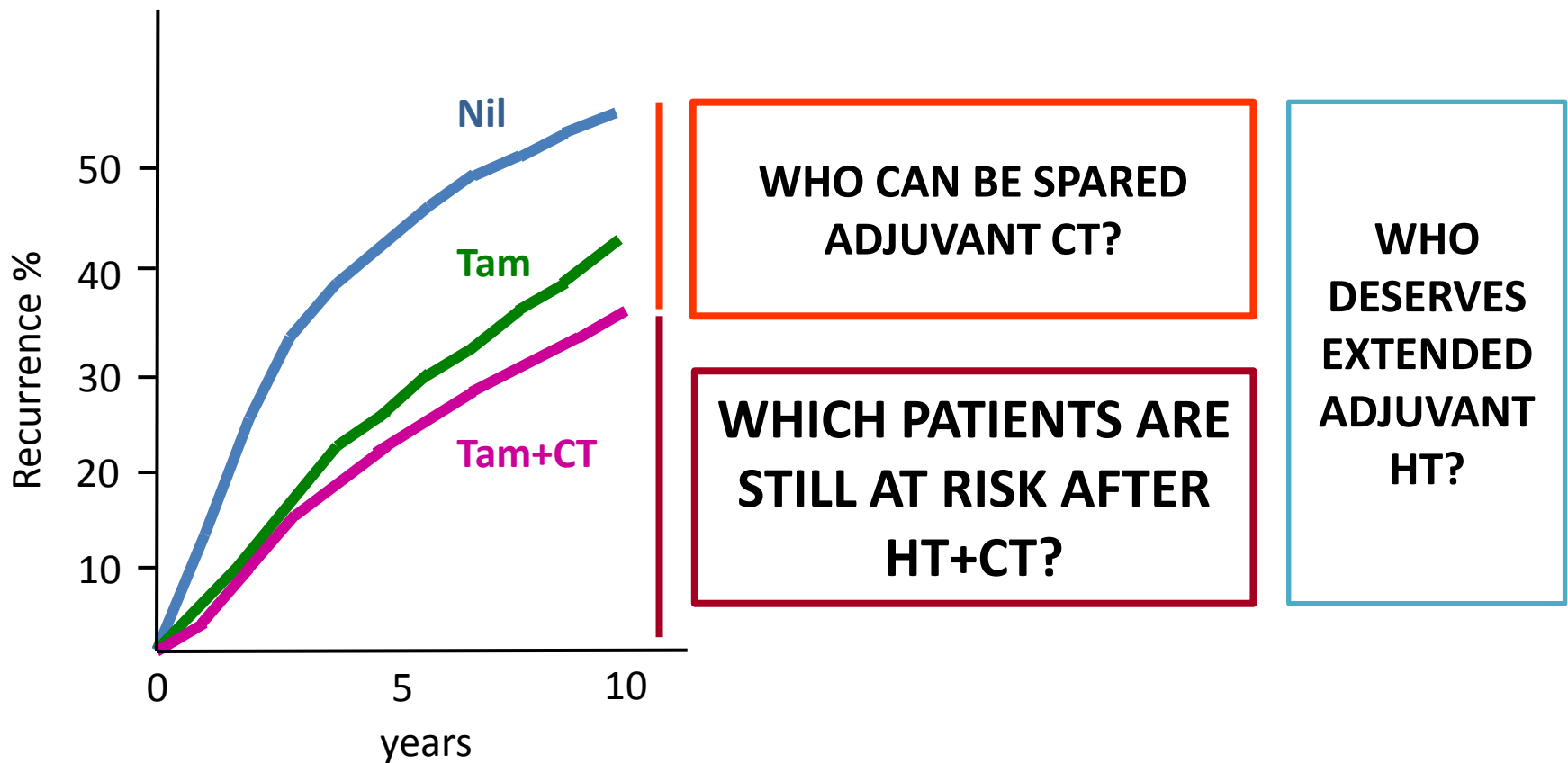
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Personalised Cancer Medicine

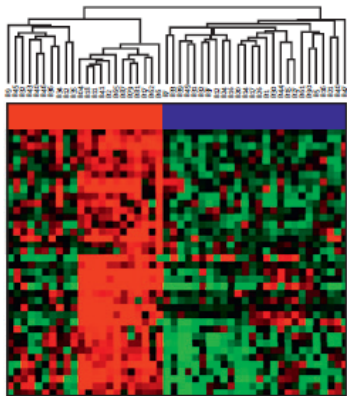
- **Understand the biology of each specific tumor**
 - Dissect tumor heterogeneity
 - Determine pathways driving cancer growth and treatment resistance
 - Identify potential targets
- **Assess the risk of recurrence**
- **Assess treatment benefit**
 - Identify patients more likely to benefit from toxic treatments
 - Identify patients who may be spared unnecessary toxicity
 - Select the most appropriate treatment

Class discovery

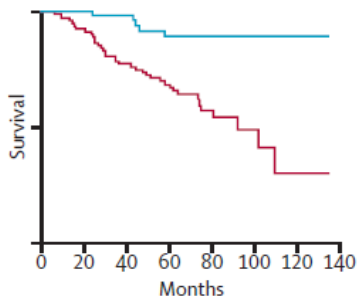
Series of tumours

Microarray analysis

Hierarchical clustering

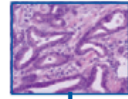


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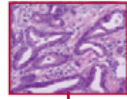
Top-Down approach

Group A
(eg, good prognosis)



Microarray profile A

Group B
(eg, poor prognosis)



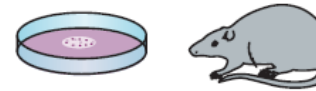
RNA extraction and microarray analysis

Microarray profile B

Mammaprint Endopredict

Bottom-up approach

In vitro or in vivo experiments
Hypothesis generation



Microarray analysis to identify genes that correlate with biological hypothesis

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Candidate gene approach

Identification of candidate genes
Literature search, previous experiments, bioinformatic analyses



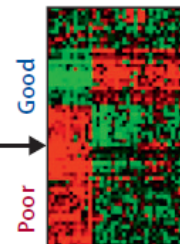
Testing of the candidate genes in a discovery dataset

OncotypeDX

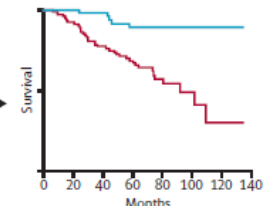
Independent validation

Independent cohort

Gene signature is applied to dataset



Validation of the association with outcome



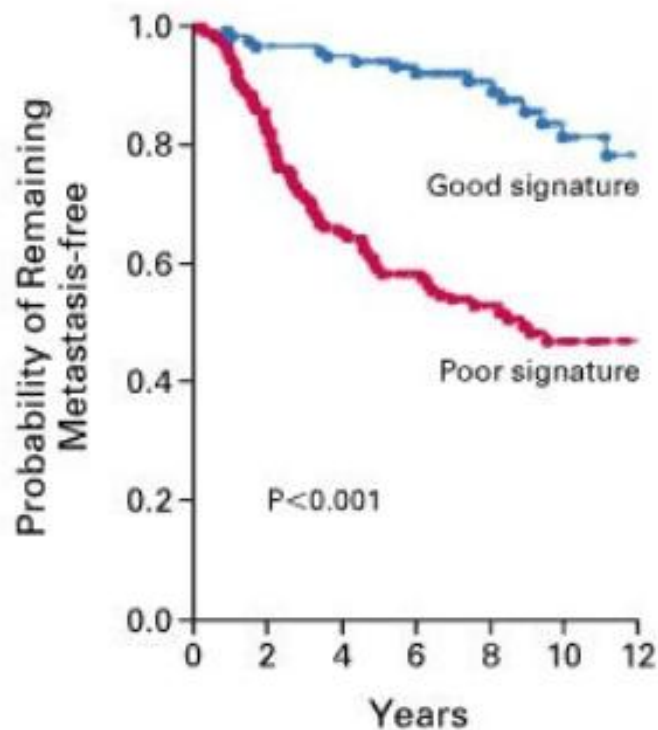
First-generation prognostic signatures: common features

- ER-related and proliferation genes are the two most powerful molecular processes associated with outcome
 - ER has a broad transcriptional footprint and cell proliferation requires the expression of hundreds of genes → large number of minimally overlapping models
- Relatively good overall concordance, however substantial discordances (20 to 30%) in risk assignment at the individual case level may be observed across multiple models
- Correlation with chemosensitivity (high proliferation)
- No molecular marker associated with stage is included
 - T and N provide INDEPENDENT prognostic information
- Prognostic information above the IHC-derived information are limited
 - in particular when IHC features are evaluated in a centralized and standardized fashion

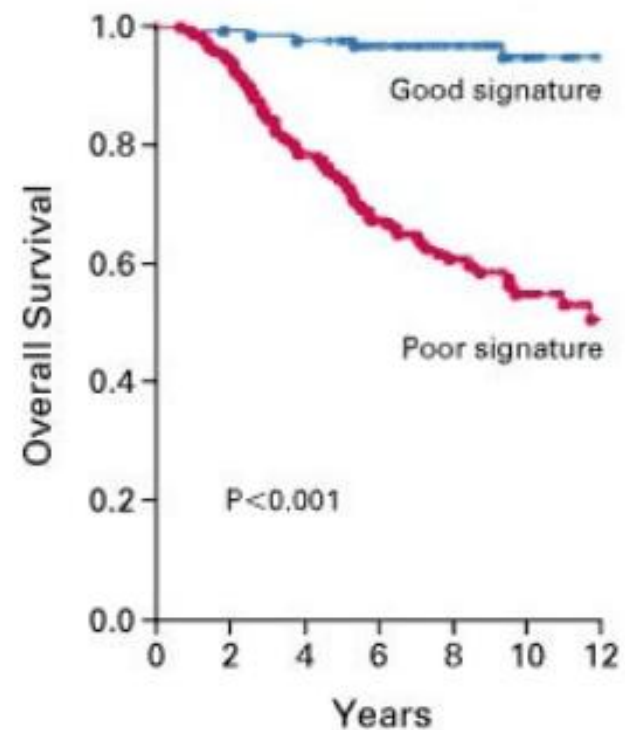
Mammaprint: independent cohort

295 consecutive patients with stage I or II breast cancer, < 53 years old; 151 had lymph-node-negative disease, and 144 had lymph-node-positive disease

A All Patients



B All Patients



Mammaprint

CONS

- General limitations of first-generation signatures can be applied
- Previously: fresh or frozen samples required

PROs

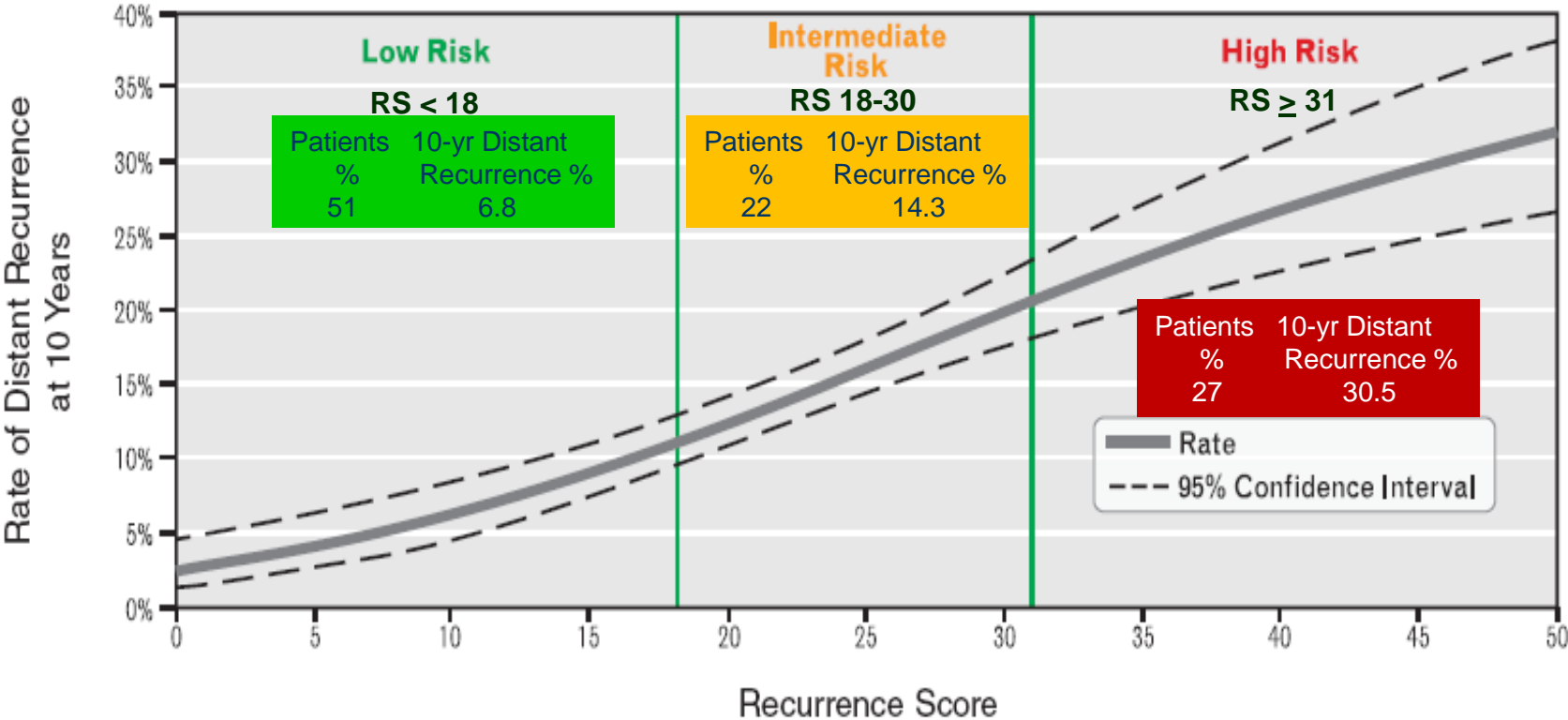
- Dichotomous, no «grey zone» (does it truly reflect the continuum of biology?)
- Recent versions of the test allow the use of FFPE samples

Oncotype DX

- **Prognostic value**
 - Is the risk of relapse low enough to avoid chemo?
- **Prediction of chemotherapy benefit**
- **Recurrence score vs «the rest of the world»**
 - Clinico-pathologic factors
 - IHC4 score
- **Decision Impact Studies**
 - The ongoing Breast-DX Italian study

The RS[®] is a Continuous Predictor of the Risk of Distant Recurrence

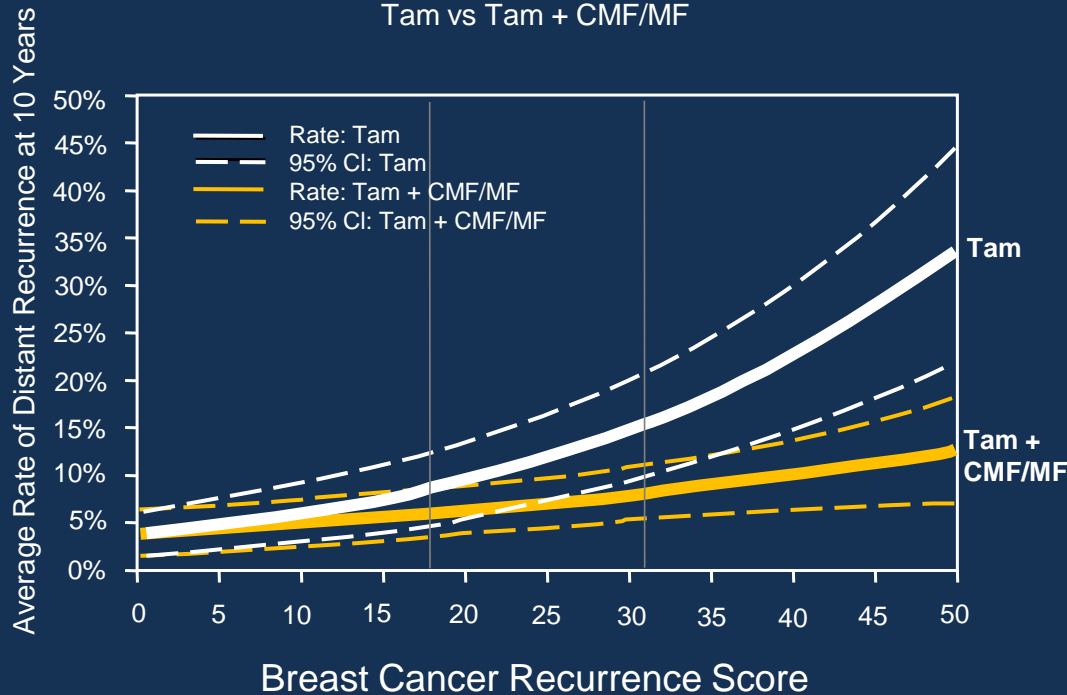
Recurrence Score as Continuous Predictor



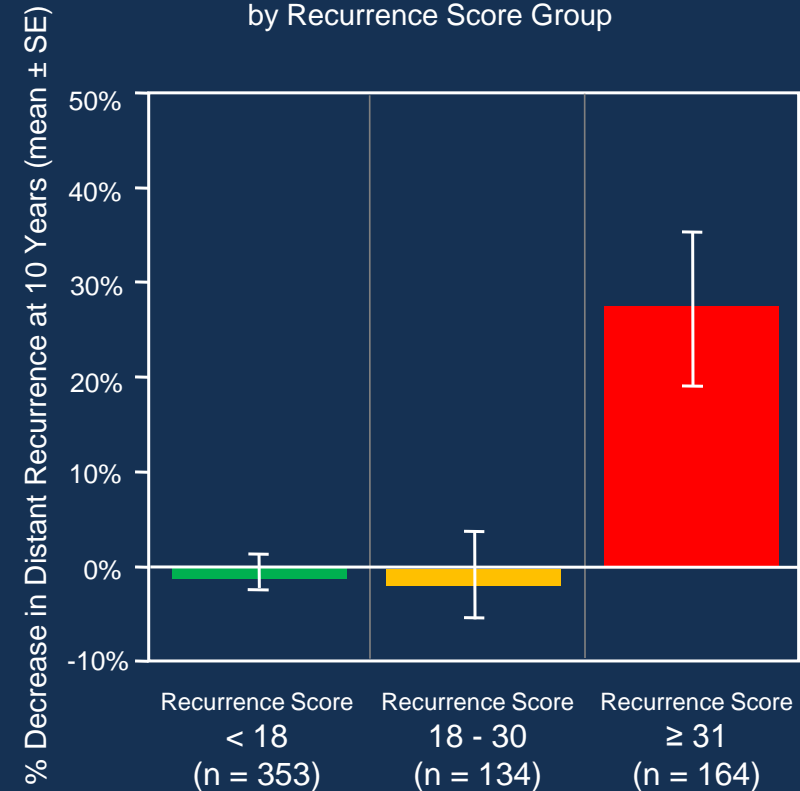
High Recurrence Score[®] Disease Is Chemo-sensitive Whereas Low Recurrence Score Disease is Not (NSABP B-20)

Node Negative, ER-Positive Breast Cancer Chemotherapy Benefit

Recurrence Score vs Distant Recurrence at 10 Years
Tam vs Tam + CMF/MF

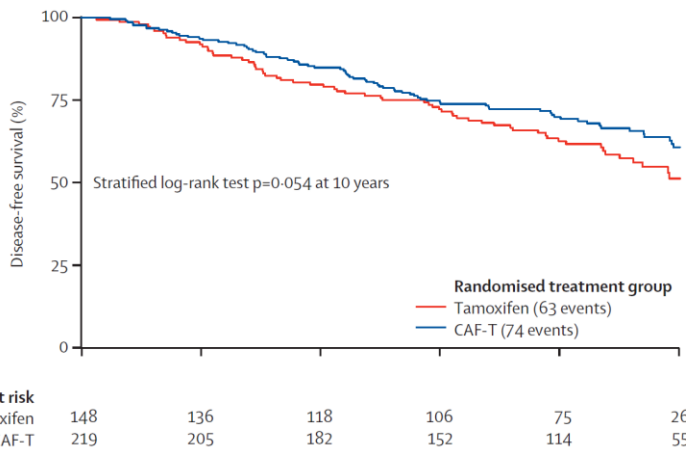


Absolute Benefit of Chemotherapy (CMF/MF) at 10 Years
by Recurrence Score Group



Recurrence Score: prediction of chemotherapy benefit in ER+ N+ patients

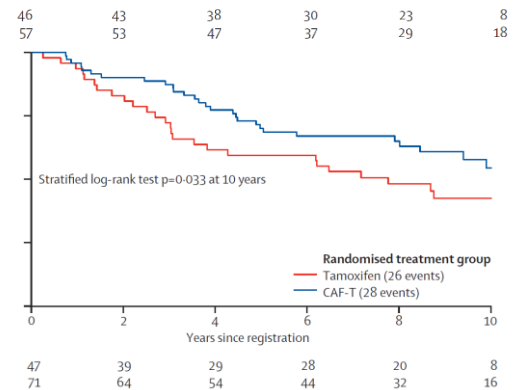
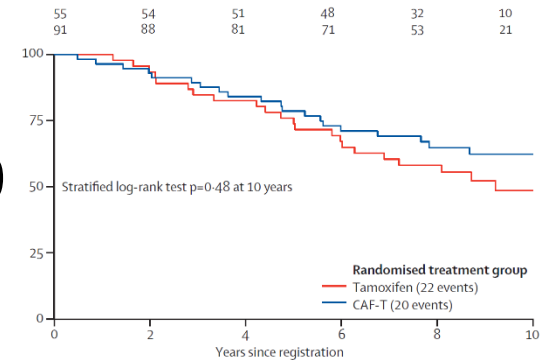
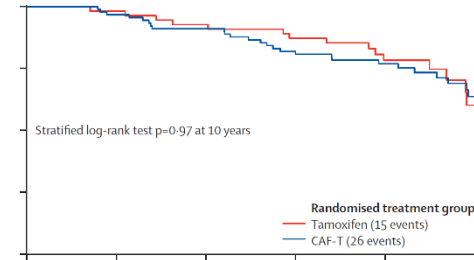
SWOG-8814 trial
(ER+, node positive)
Tamoxifen versus CAF→TAM



RS < 18

RS 18-30

RS ≥ 31



Albain KS Lancet Oncol 2010

Anatomy and Biology: two complementary sides of breast cancer prognostication

Covariate	NSABP B-14 (n = 647)		TransATAC (n = 1,088)	
	Hazard Ratio	Wald Test	Hazard Ratio	Wald Test
RS linear component	5.344*	< .001	2.766*	.02
RS nonlinear component		.004		.37
Tumor poorly differentiated	2.845	.008†	2.477	.012†
Tumor moderately differentiated	1.223	.50†	1.625	.14†
Tumor size	1.266‡	.006	1.72‡	< .001
Age at surgery	0.892§	.22	0.933§	.53
Treatment (anastrozole v tamoxifen)	—	—	0.886	.48
1-3 positive nodes (N1-3)	—	—	1.429	.083
4+ positive nodes (N4+)	—	—	4.548	< .001

- Pathologic variables (i.e. grade, tumor size and nodal status) retained an independent prognostic value which is not captured by the molecular signature

Which are the practical implications?

RSPC Assessment of Node Negative , ER Positive Distant Recurrence Risk**User Input**

Oncotype DX[®] Breast Cancer Assay Recurrence Score[®]:	22
Planned Hormonal Treatment:	Aromatase Inhibitor
Patient age at surgery:	60
Tumor size (cm):	1.5
Tumor grade (differentiation):	Grade 2 (Moderate)

Results

Risk of distant recurrence at 10 years:	9% (6%-11%)
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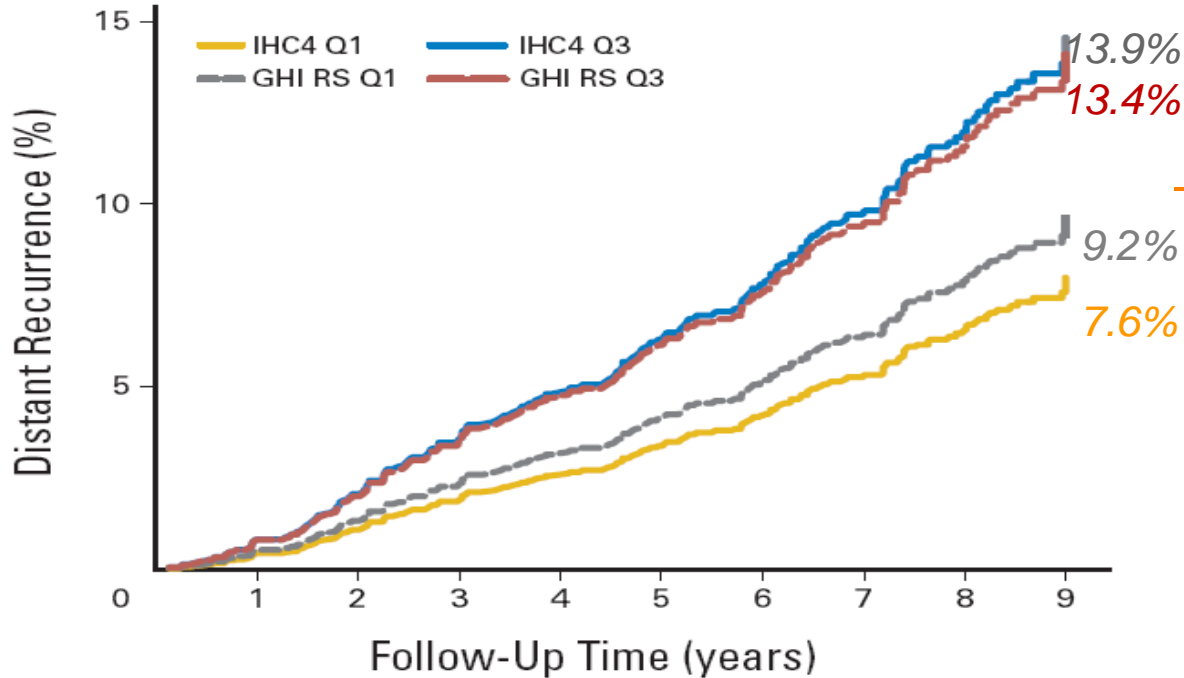
Oncotype DX[®] Breast Cancer Assay Recurrence Score[®]:	22
Planned Hormonal Treatment:	Aromatase Inhibitor
Patient age at surgery:	50
Tumor size (cm):	1.5
Tumor grade (differentiation):	Grade 3 (Poor)

Results

Risk of distant recurrence at 10 years: 18% (13%-24%)

T, N and G need to be accurately determined!!!

IHC4 score vs GHI-RS



Predicted TTDR for a ≥ 65 ys patient with node-neg, 1-2cm poorly differentiated tumor receiving anastrozole.

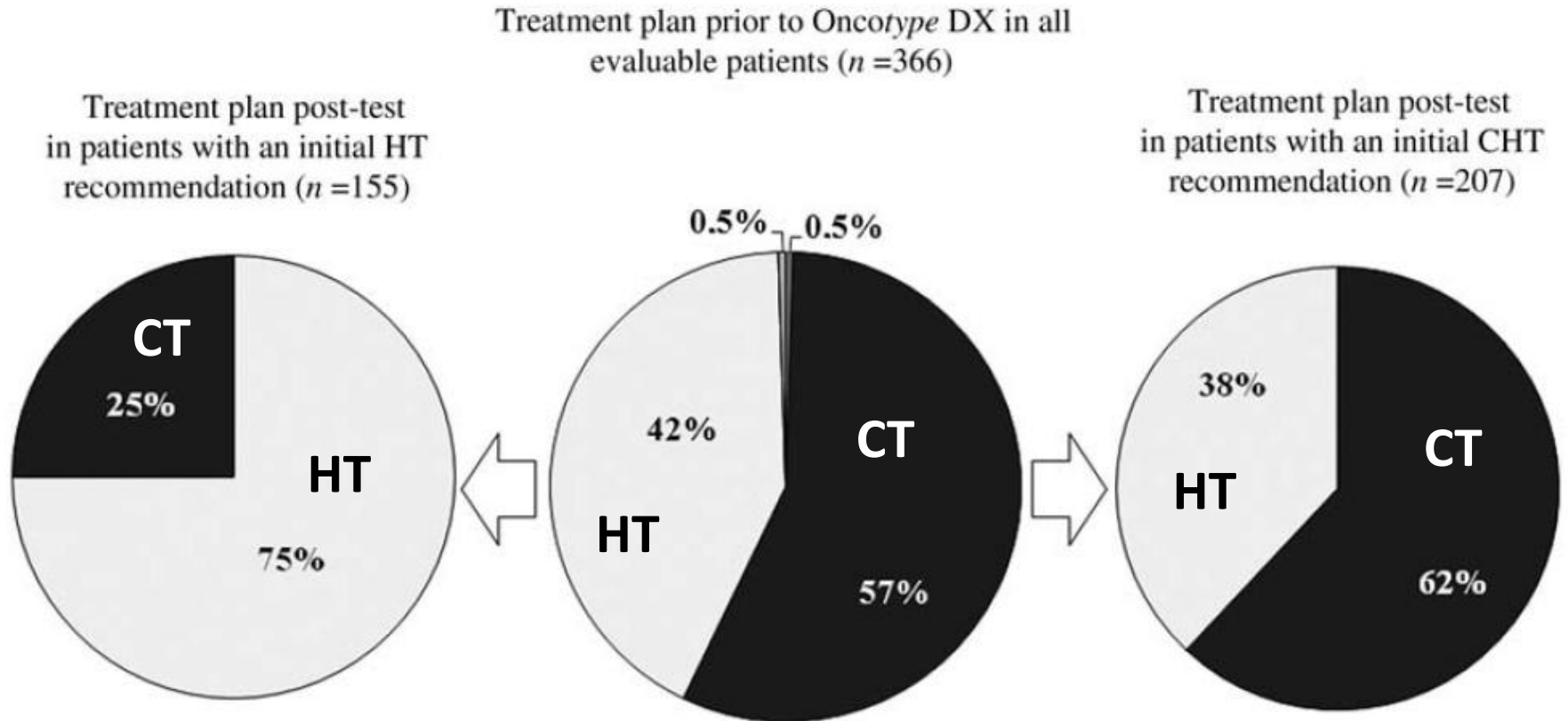
Kaplan Meyer curves for either the 25^o or 75^o percentile of each score .

The amount of prognostic information provided by the IHC4 score in addition to the clinical score is similar to that provided by the GHI-RS. Using both scores together, in addition to clinical score, provided only slightly more information than using either of the scores individually added to clinical variables.

BUT:

methodological issues, Ki67 reproducibility, no prediction on chemo efficacy

The German Decision Impact study



**Relative reduction of actual CT use:
29% for N0 and 38% for N1-3 patients**



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Breast-DX Italy

Impact of the *Oncotype DX*[®] Breast Cancer Assay on Resources Optimization and Treatment Decisions for Women with Estrogen Receptor-Positive, Node-Negative and Node-Positive Breast Carcinoma: a prospective Italian multicenter study.

PROGRAMMA PER LA RICERCA INNOVAZIONE E HTA (PRIHTA) – REGIONE DEL VENETO

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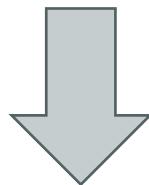
- Prospective, multicenter study (Rete Oncologica Veneta)
- To evaluate the impact of *Oncotype DX*[®] on the decision making processes of physicians in recommending adjuvant therapy and on resources optimization in an Italian setting

Both N0 and N1 patients will be included.

Breast-DX Italy

OBSERVATIONAL PHASE: ALL CONSECUTIVE ER+, HER2-, N0-3, T1-3 PATIENTS

- Data collection
- Physician's perception of Oncotype DX utility



Low-Risk at least 4
of the following:

- G1
- T1a-b
- Ki67 <15%
- N negative
- ER >80%

EXCLUDED

CLINICAL PHASE: SUBGROUP OF PTS FROM THE OBSERVATIONAL PHASE

- Pre-test Physician decision
- Test
- Post-test Physician decision + post-test perception of utility
- Treatment started

High-Risk at least 4
of the following:

- G3
- T_≥2
- Ki67 >30%
- N pos
- ER <30%

EXCLUDED

Oncotype DX Request for pts not eligible for the Clinical Phase will not be processed by GH.

Future directions:

- **Mindact, TAILORx and RxPONDER will establish the CLINICAL UTILITY of GEPs**
- **Predictive role of first-generation prognostic signatures** in patients treated with modern chemotherapy regimens
- **Second generation prognostic signatures**
 - developed in specific breast cancer subtypes
 - prognosis of ER- and/or highly proliferating ER+ BC patients (i.e. immune modules)
- **Residual risk after adjuvant treatment**
 - Patients at high risk after 5 years of adjuvant endocrine treatment to offer extended endocrine therapy
 - Patients at high risk after chemotherapy+endocrine treatment to offer clinical trials with new agents