



-) **L'interpretazione delle curve di sopravvivenza negli studi clinici**
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L'interpretazione delle curve di sopravvivenza negli studi clinici: le domande del clinico

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Goals of Clinical Trials in Patients with Metastatic Breast Cancer

- Improve treatment options for women with advanced disease to:
 - Prolong survival
 - Maximize QOL by minimizing disease and treatment-related symptoms
- “Testing ground” for adjuvant setting

VARIABILE DI RISPOSTA



- di tipo **quantitativo**
 - assume uno spettro continuo di valori e viene misurata in riferimento a una scala a intervalli costanti.
- di tipo **qualitativo**
 - esprime categorie di risposta del tipo successo / insuccesso (di un trattamento somministrato).
- del tipo “**tempo a evento**”
 - rappresenta il tempo trascorso fino al verificarsi (o meno) di un evento.

VARIABILE “TEMPO A EVENTO”



- **Apparentemente assimilabile a una variabile di tipo quantitativo (intervallare).**
- **Ma il verificarsi o meno di un evento la rende assimilabile a una variabile di tipo qualitativo (nominale)**
- **In alcuni soggetti inoltre l'evento di interesse potrebbe non essersi ancora verificato al momento della analisi**
- **Tali risultati vengono quindi meglio rappresentati come stima della funzione di sopravvivenza:**
 - **probabilità di sopravvivere oltre un determinato tempo, misurato dalla data di inizio dell'osservazione.**

Analisi della sopravvivenza in sperimentazioni cliniche controllate e nelle osservazioni pianificate

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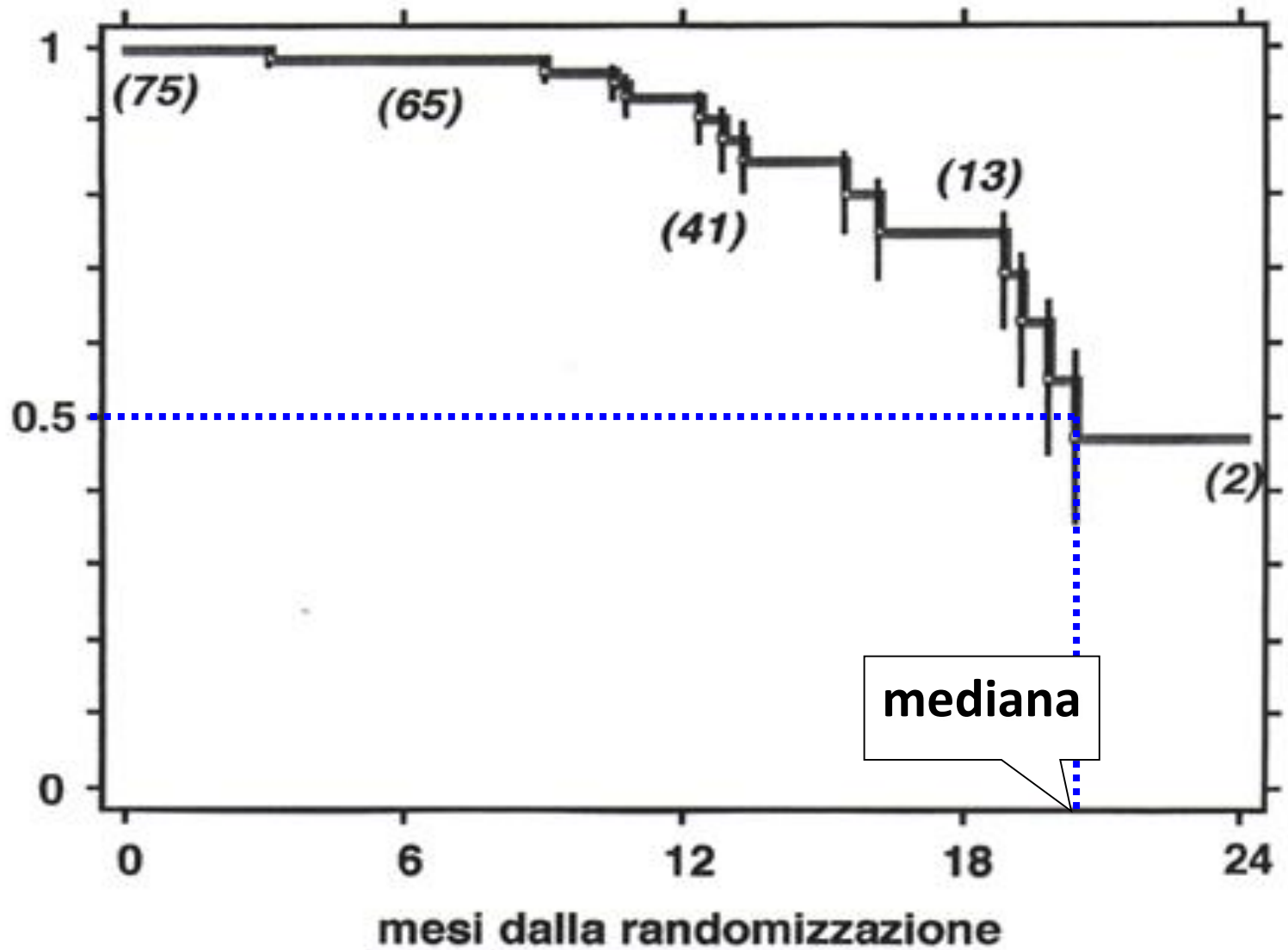
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Tempi di risposta $t_{(j)}$	Tempi troncati* t^*	N° soggetti esposti a rischio n_j	N° eventi terminali d_j	Rischio istantaneo di "morte" $\hat{\lambda}(t_{(j)})$	Probabilità cumulativa di sopravvivere $t_{(j)}$ \hat{P}_j
9		20	1	$1/20 = .050$	$(1 - 1/20) \times 1 = .9500$
13		19	1	$1/19 = .053$	$(1 - 1/19) \times .9500 = .8996$
20		18	1	$1/18 = .055$	$(1 - 1/18) \times .8996 = .8501$
26		17	1	$1/17 = .059$	$(1 - 1/17) \times .8501 = .7999$
27		16	1	$1/16 = .062$	$(1 - 1/16) \times .7999 = .7503$
28		15	1	$1/15 = .067$	$(1 - 1/15) \times .7503 = .7000$
30		14	1	$1/14 = .071$	$(1 - 1/14) \times .7000 = .6503$
32		13	2	$2/13 = .154$	$(1 - 2/13) \times .6503 = .5502$
75		11	1	$1/11 = .091$	$(1 - 1/11) \times .5502 = .5001$
79		10	1	$1/10 = .100$	$(1 - 1/10) \times .5001 = .4501$
91		9	1	$1/9 = .111$	$(1 - 1/9) \times .4501 = .4001$
	177*	8	0	$0/8 = .0$	$(1 - 0/8) \times .4001 = .4001$
193		7	1	$1/7 = .143$	$(1 - 1/7) \times .4001 = .3429$
541		6	1	$1/6 = .167$	$(1 - 1/6) \times .3429 = .2856$
1129		5	1	$1/5 = .200$	$(1 - 1/5) \times .2856 = .2285$
	1499*	4	0	$0/4 = .0$	$(1 - 0/4) \times .2285 = .2285$
1585		3	1	$1/3 = .333$	$(1 - 1/3) \times .2285 = .1524$

TABELLA 10.

Calcolo secondo Kaplan e Meier della curva di sopravvivenza del rene trapiantato nei pazienti di tabella 6.

CURVA DI SOPRAVVIVENZA





Indicatori riassuntivi di effetto di variabili tempo-a-evento

- **Differenza tra stime della mediana di sopravvivenza (KM)**
- **Differenza media di sopravvivenza (*restricted means*)**
- **Differenza tra stime di sopravvivenza (KM) al tempo x**
- **Hazard Ratio (KM+Cox)**

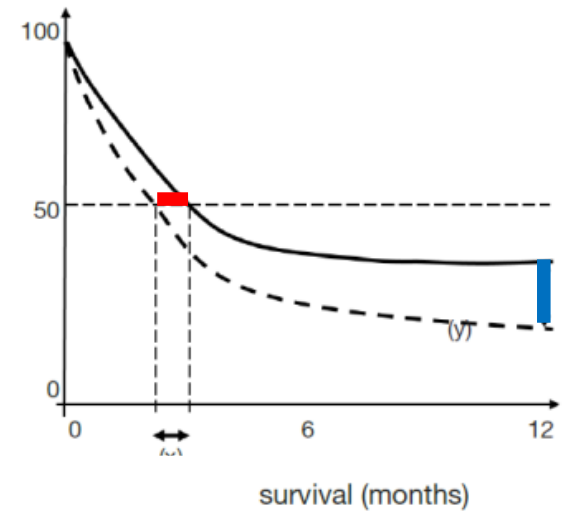
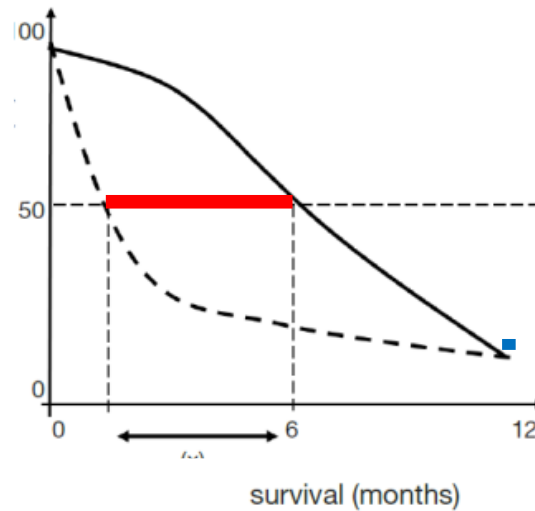
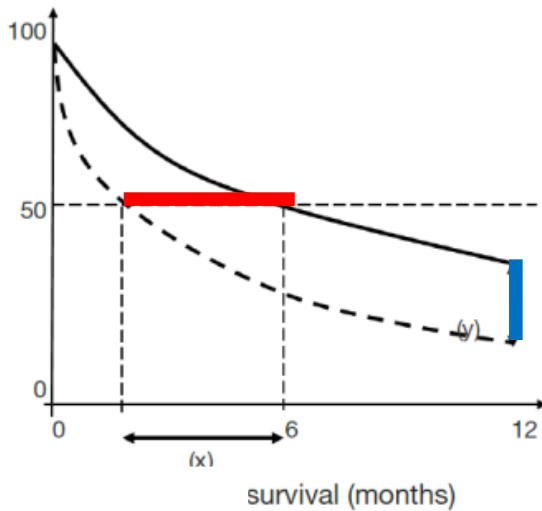
DOMANDA n.1

Le curve di OS negli studi clinici: cosa devo prendere in considerazione?

Le curve di OS nei trials clinici

Typical survival curves (Kaplan-Meier model)
observed in clinical trials

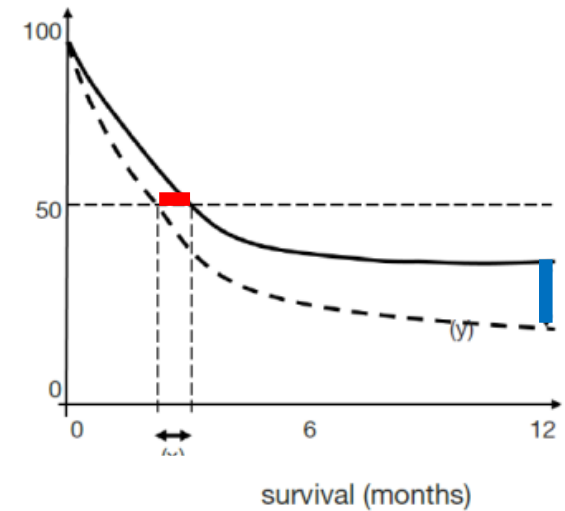
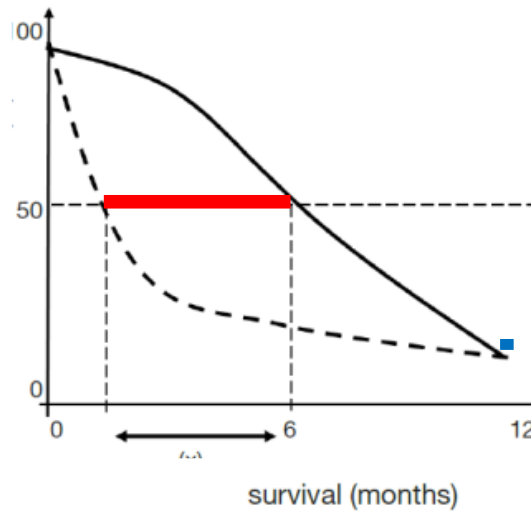
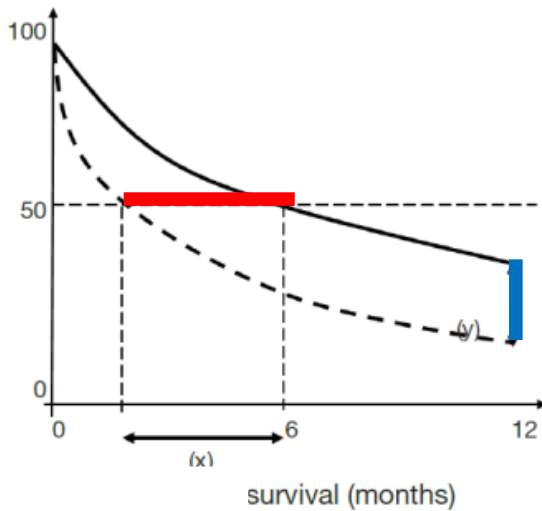
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(y) 12-month difference in survival rate.



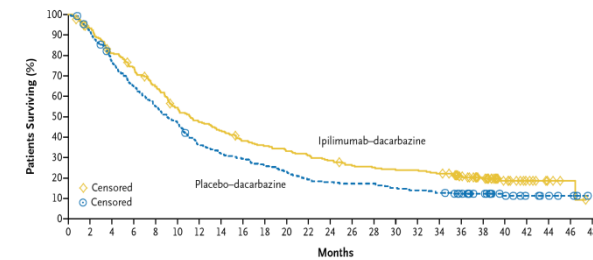
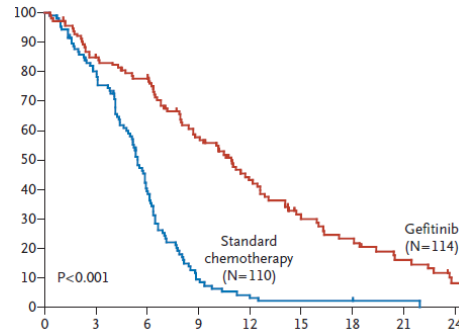
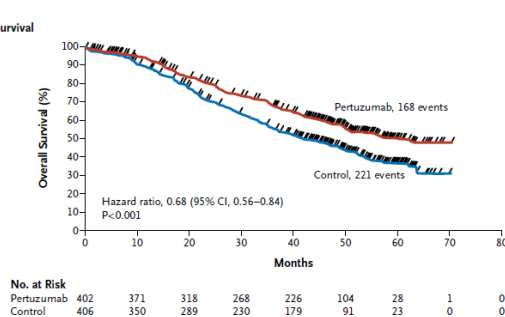
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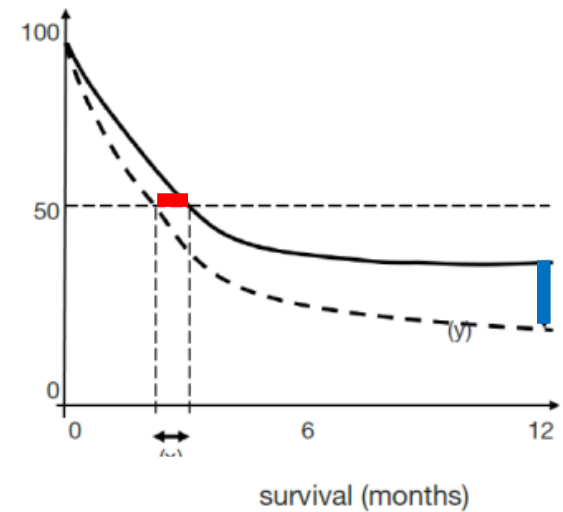
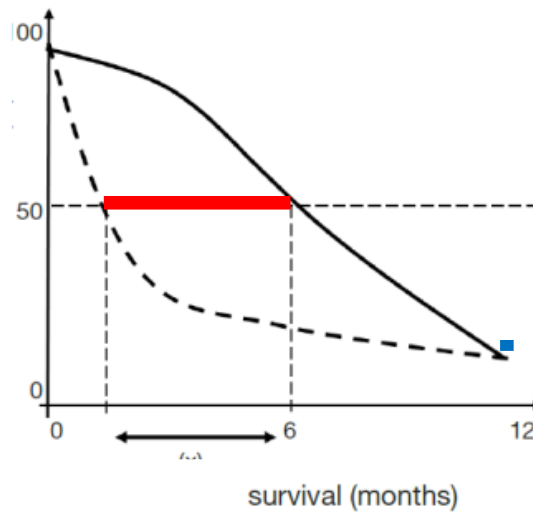
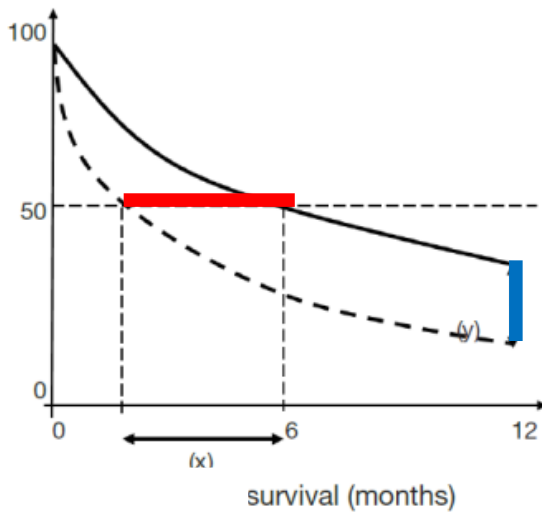
A Overall Survival



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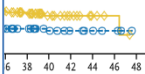
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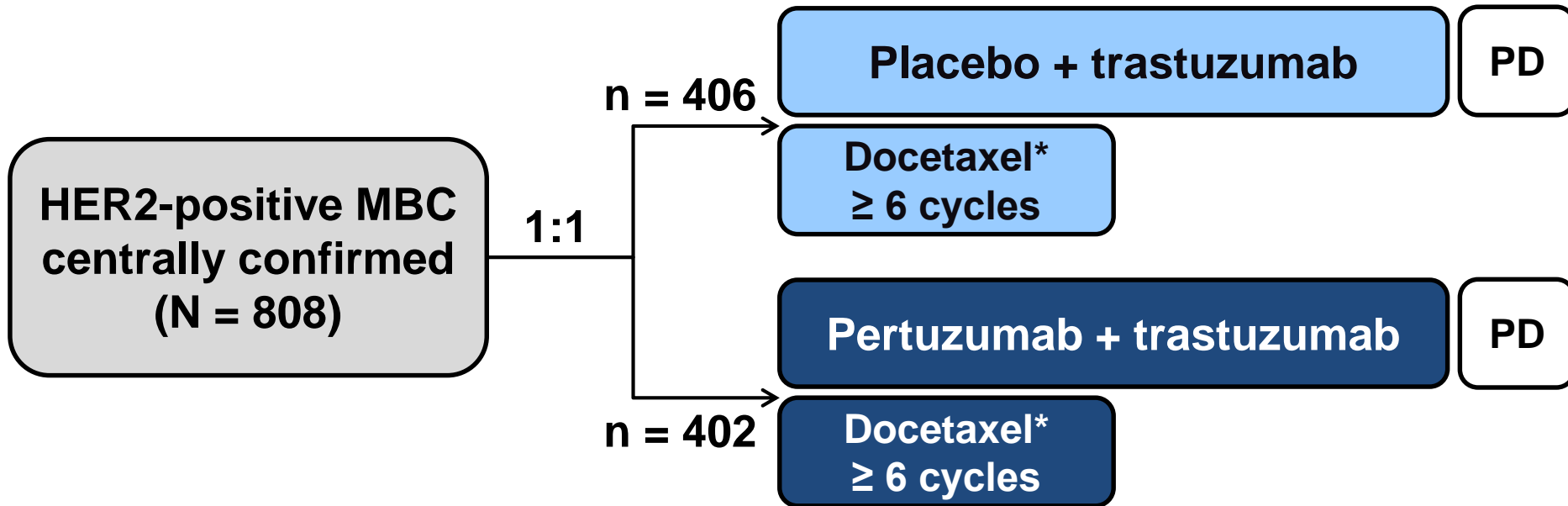
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Mediana o differenza a 12 mesi?

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CLEOPATRA Study Design



- Randomization stratified by geographic region and neo/adjuvant chemotherapy
- Study dosing q3w:
 - Pertuzumab/placebo: 840 mg loading → 420 mg maintenance
 - Trastuzumab: 8 mg/kg loading → 6 mg/kg maintenance
 - Docetaxel: 75 mg/m² → 100 mg/m² escalation if tolerated

* < 6 cycles allowed for unacceptable toxicity or PD; > 6 cycles allowed at investigator discretion.

HER2, human epidermal growth factor receptor 2;

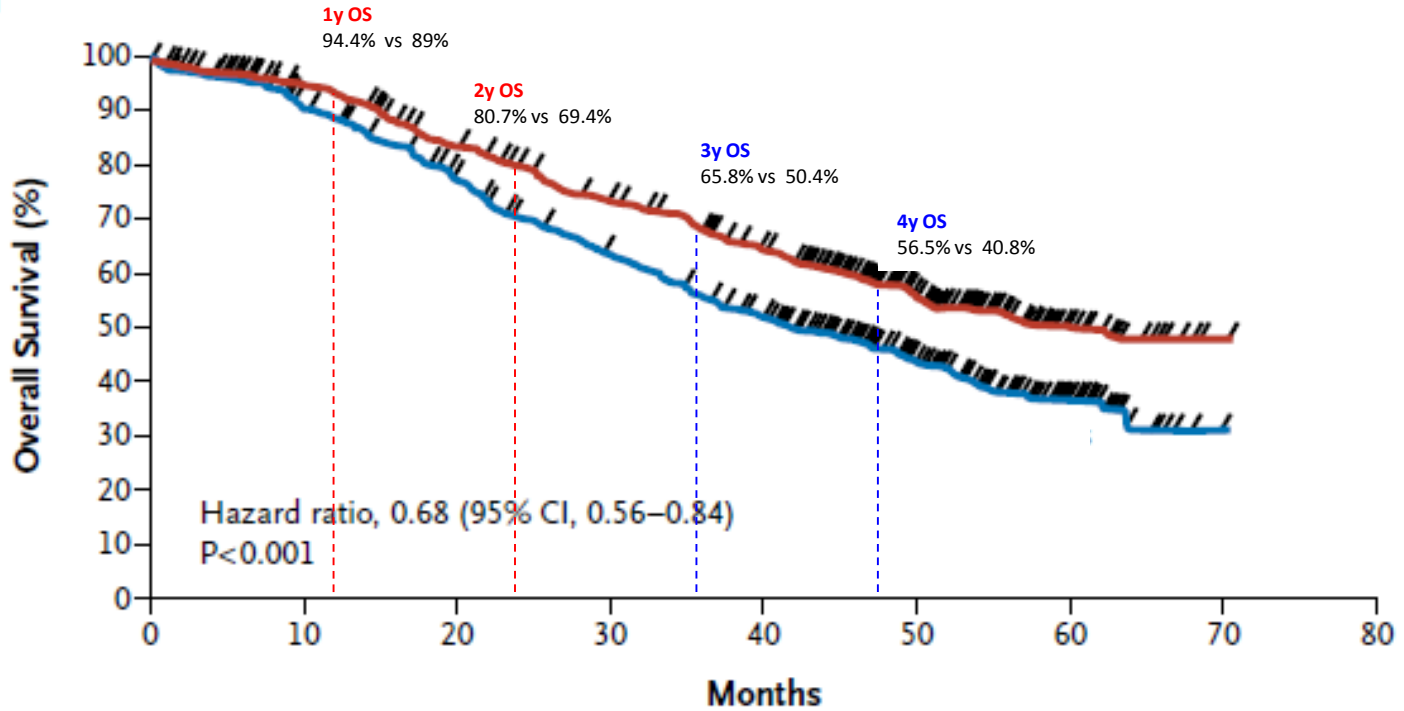
MBC, metastatic breast cancer;

PD, progressive disease.

Final OS Analysis

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

A Overall Survival



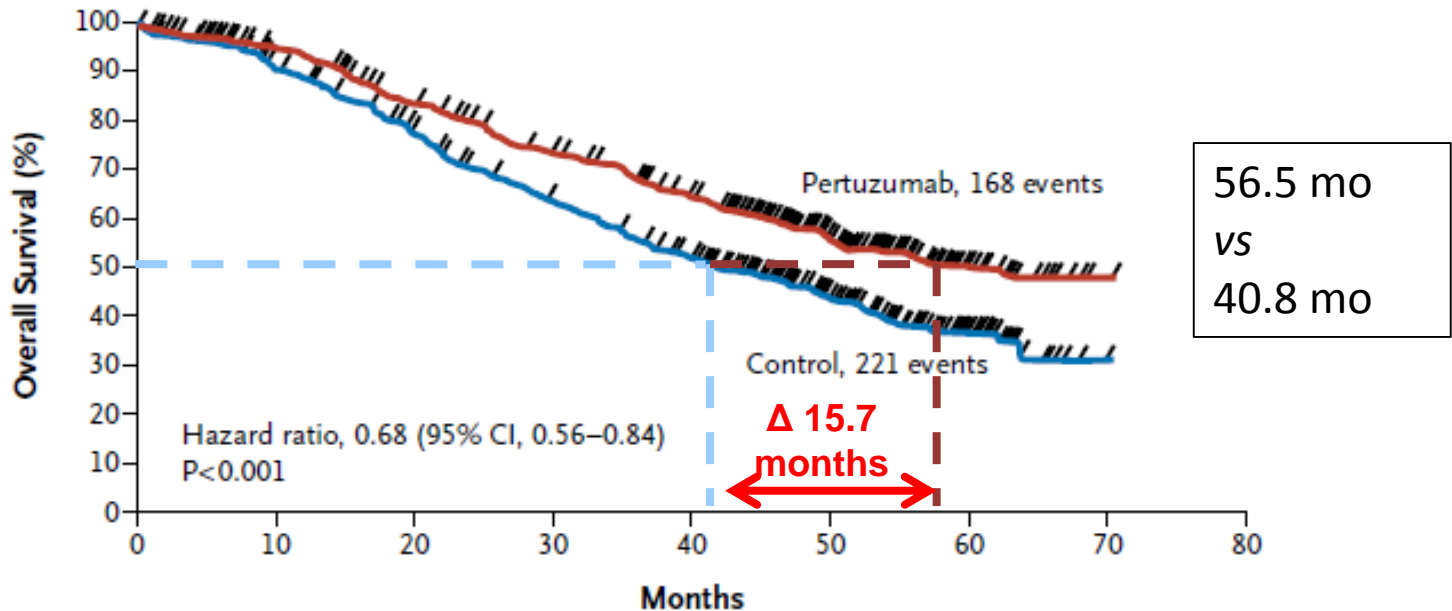
No. at Risk

	0	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80
Pertuzumab	402	371	318	268	226	104	28	1	0
Control	406	350	289	230	179	91	23	0	0

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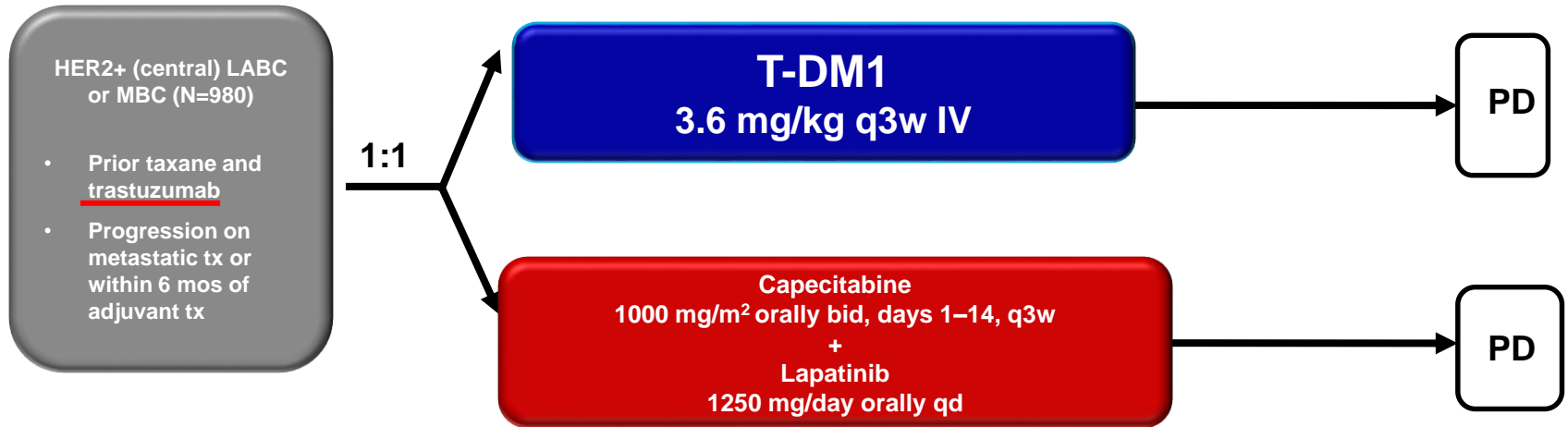


- Valuto la mediana?
- Valuto la % di pts vive ad 1 anno, 2 anni, 3 anni, 4 anni?
- Valuto l'HR?

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

EMILIA: T-DM1 after disease progression

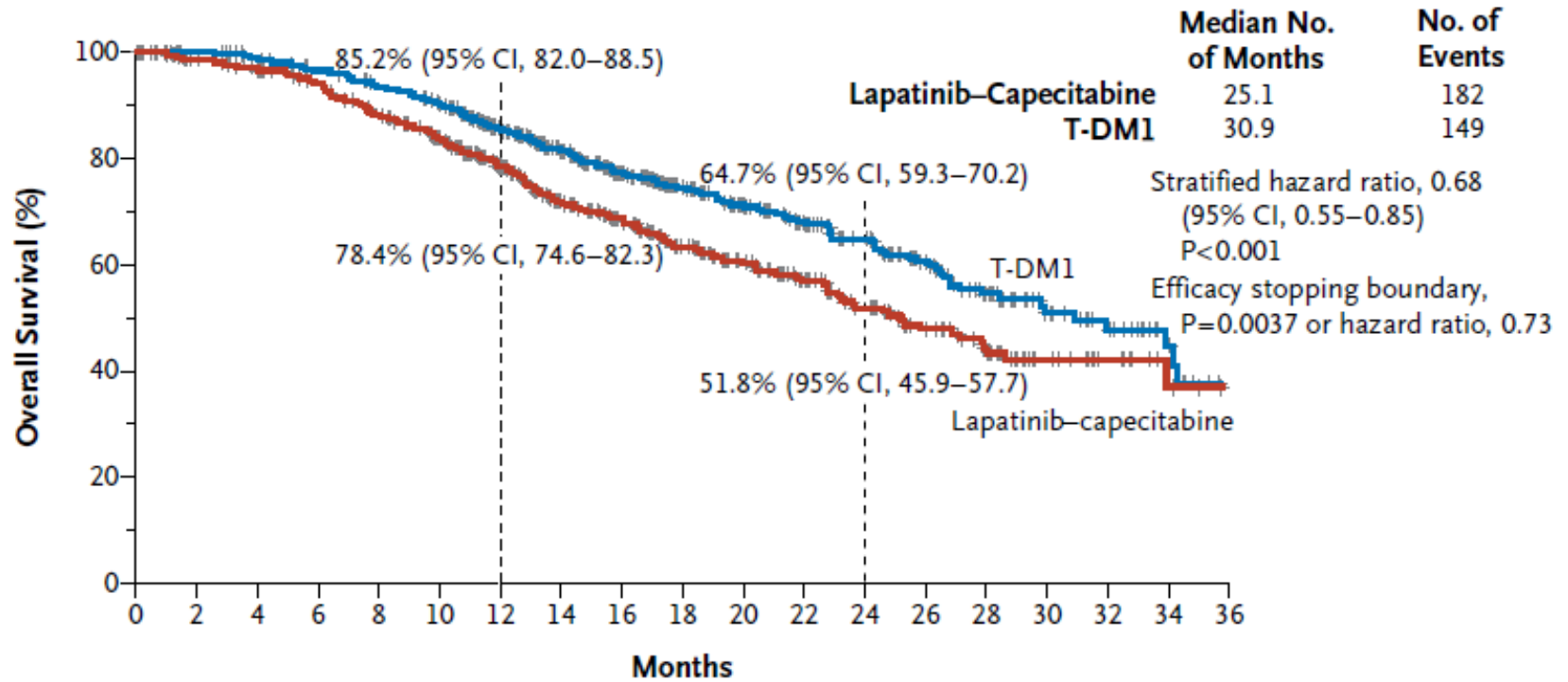
EMILIA Study Design



Primary endpoints: PFS by independent review, OS, and safety

Outcome	T-DM1	Lap +Cap	HR (95%CI); p value
Median PFS	9.6 mo	6.4 mo	0.65 (0.55-0.77); p <.001
Median OS	30.9 mo	25.1 mo	0.68 (0.55-0.85); p <.001

Rate of grade 3-4 AEs lower with T-DM1 vs Lapatinib+Capecitabine (41% vs 57%)



No. at Risk

Lapatinib-capecitabine	496	471	453	435	403	368	297	240	204	159	133	110	86	63	45	27	17	7	4
T-DM1	495	485	474	457	439	418	349	293	242	197	164	136	111	86	62	38	28	13	5

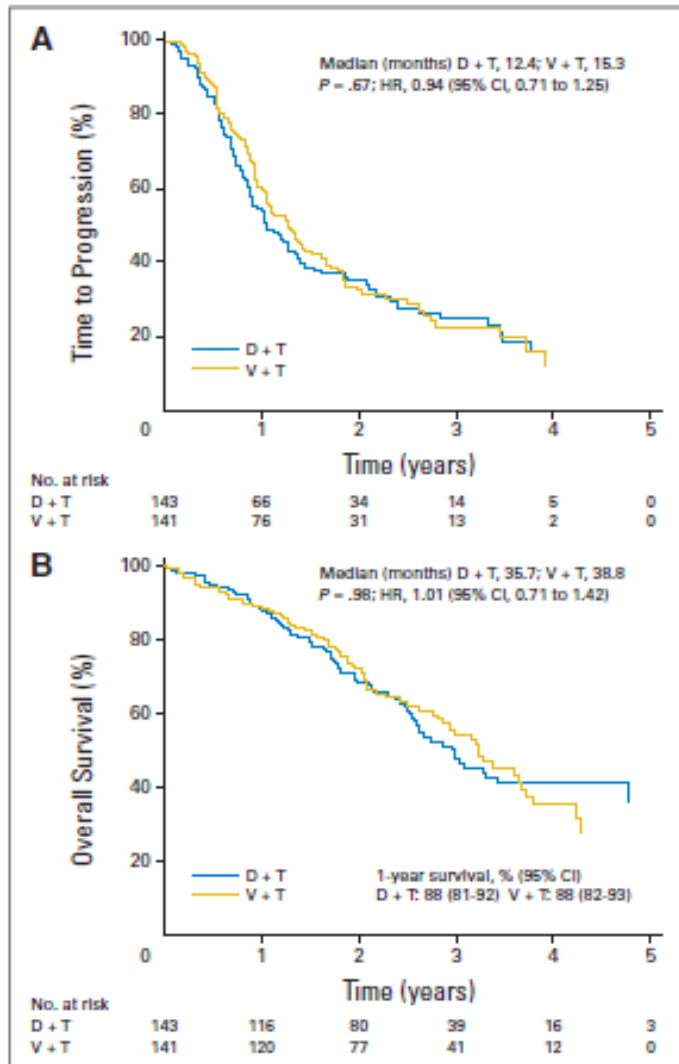
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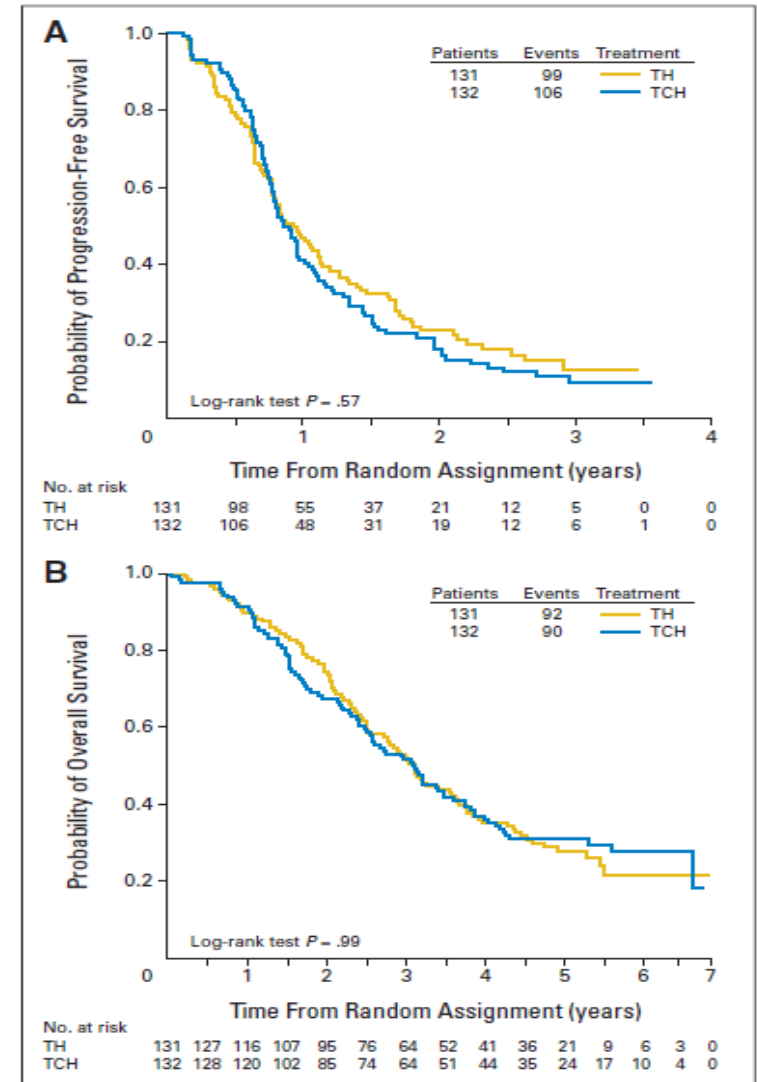
**HR, mediana o differenza a 12/24 mesi?
... e le curve che si incrociano alla fine?**

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Le curve di sopravvivenza che si toccano e alla fine..si incrociano...(??)

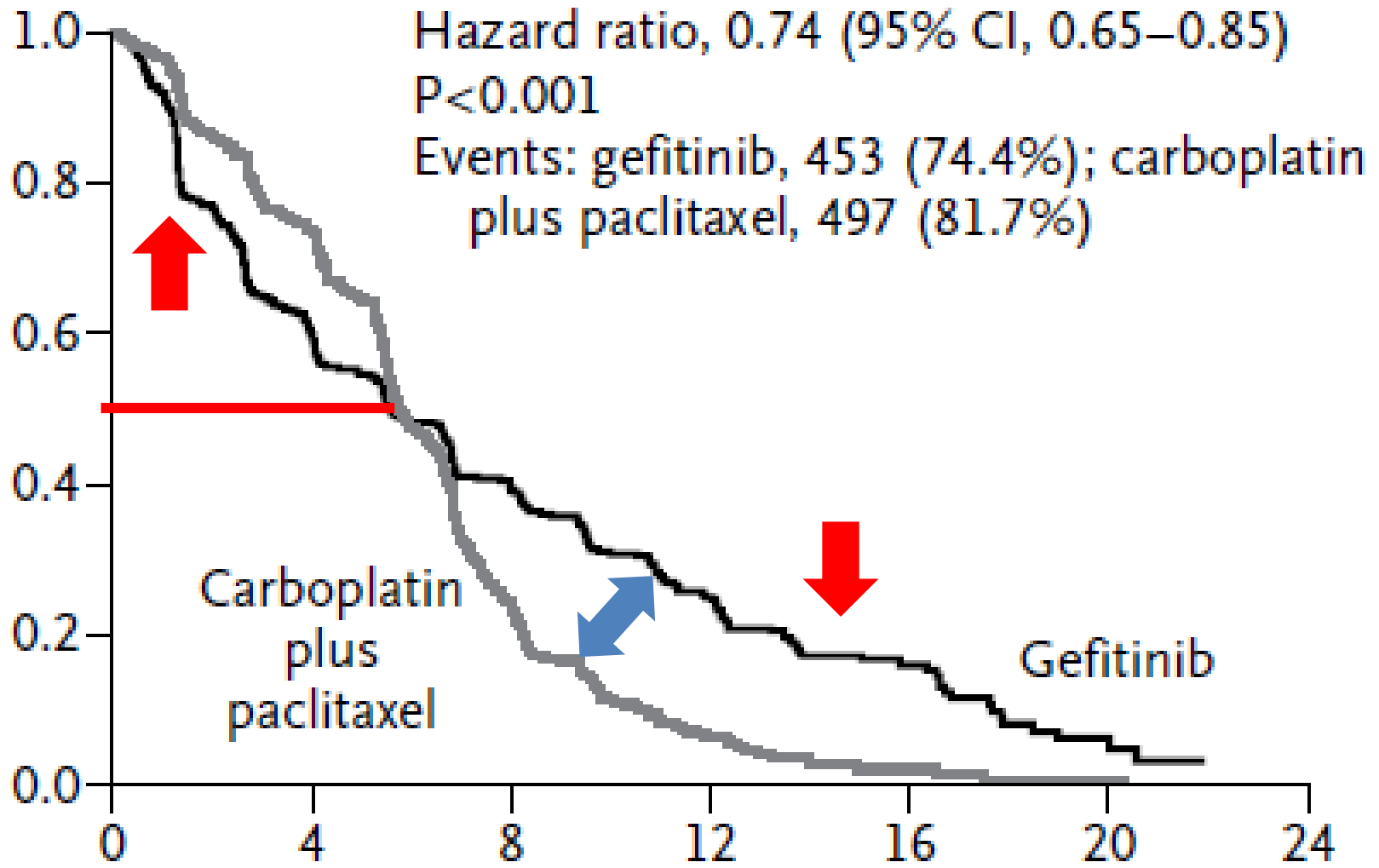


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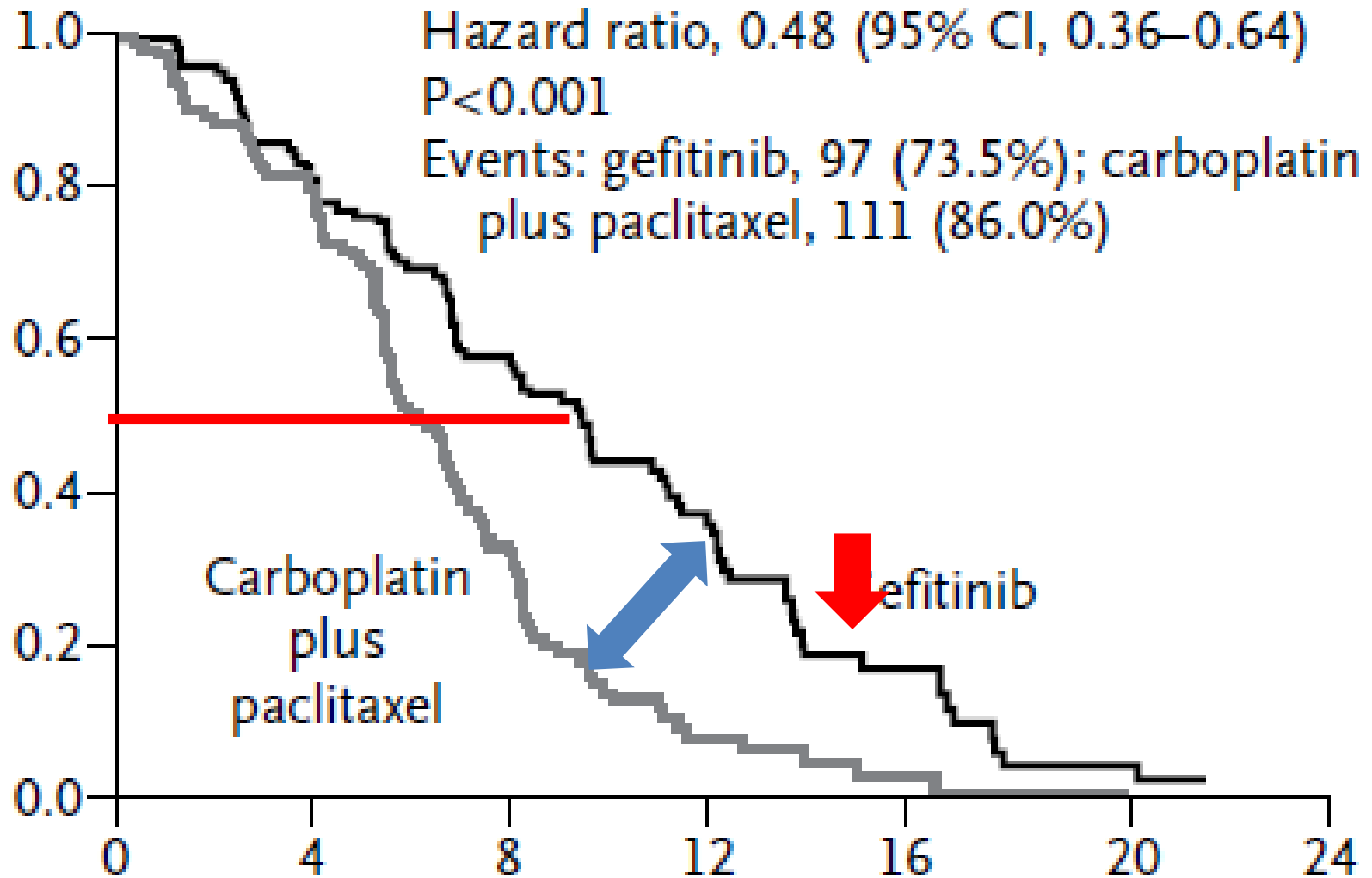
Curves' Crossing



Overall population

Source: Mok et al, NEJM 2009

Curves' Crossing... *anymore*



EGFR-Mutant

Source: Mok et al, NEJM 2009



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- The HR compares the slope of the survival curve in two treatment groups
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Indicatori riassuntivi di variabili tempo-a-evento

- Differenza tra stime della mediana di

• Appropriato quando il rapporto tra gli *hazard* dei due gruppi si mantiene (relativamente) costante

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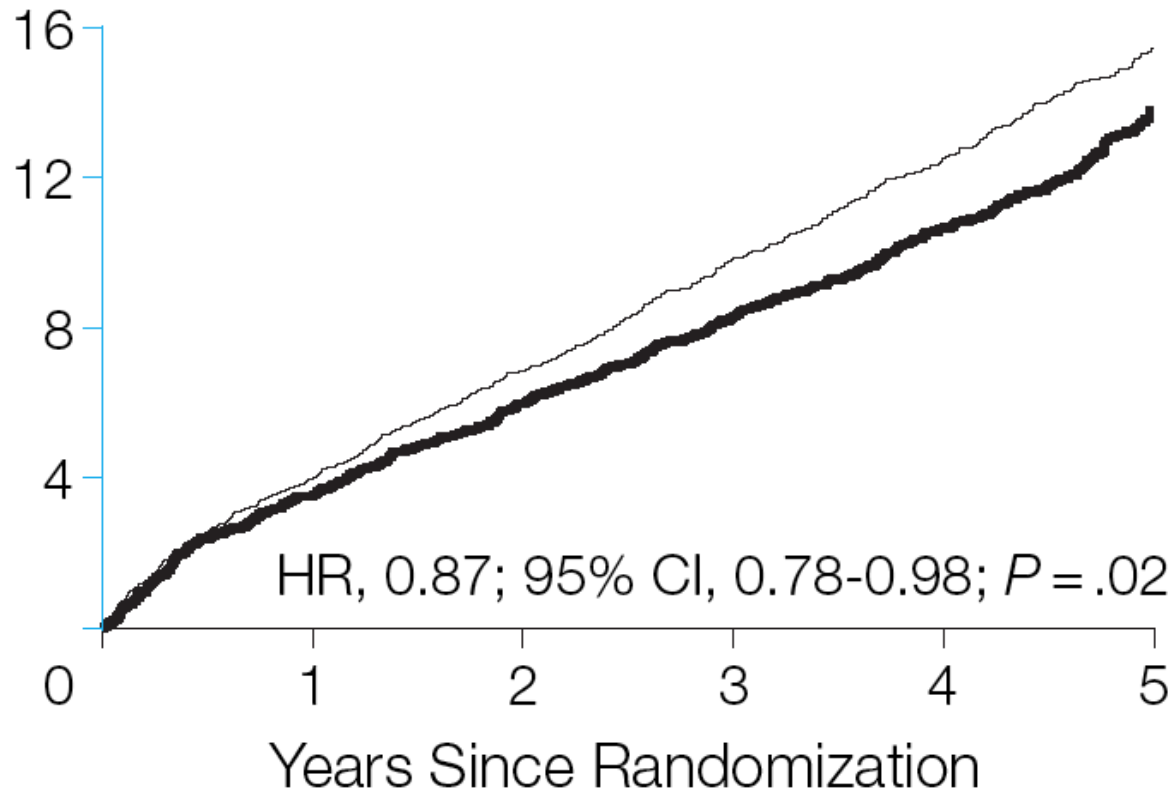
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- **Hazard Ratio (KM+Cox)**

Rapporto tra gli *hazard* dei due gruppi costante nel tempo

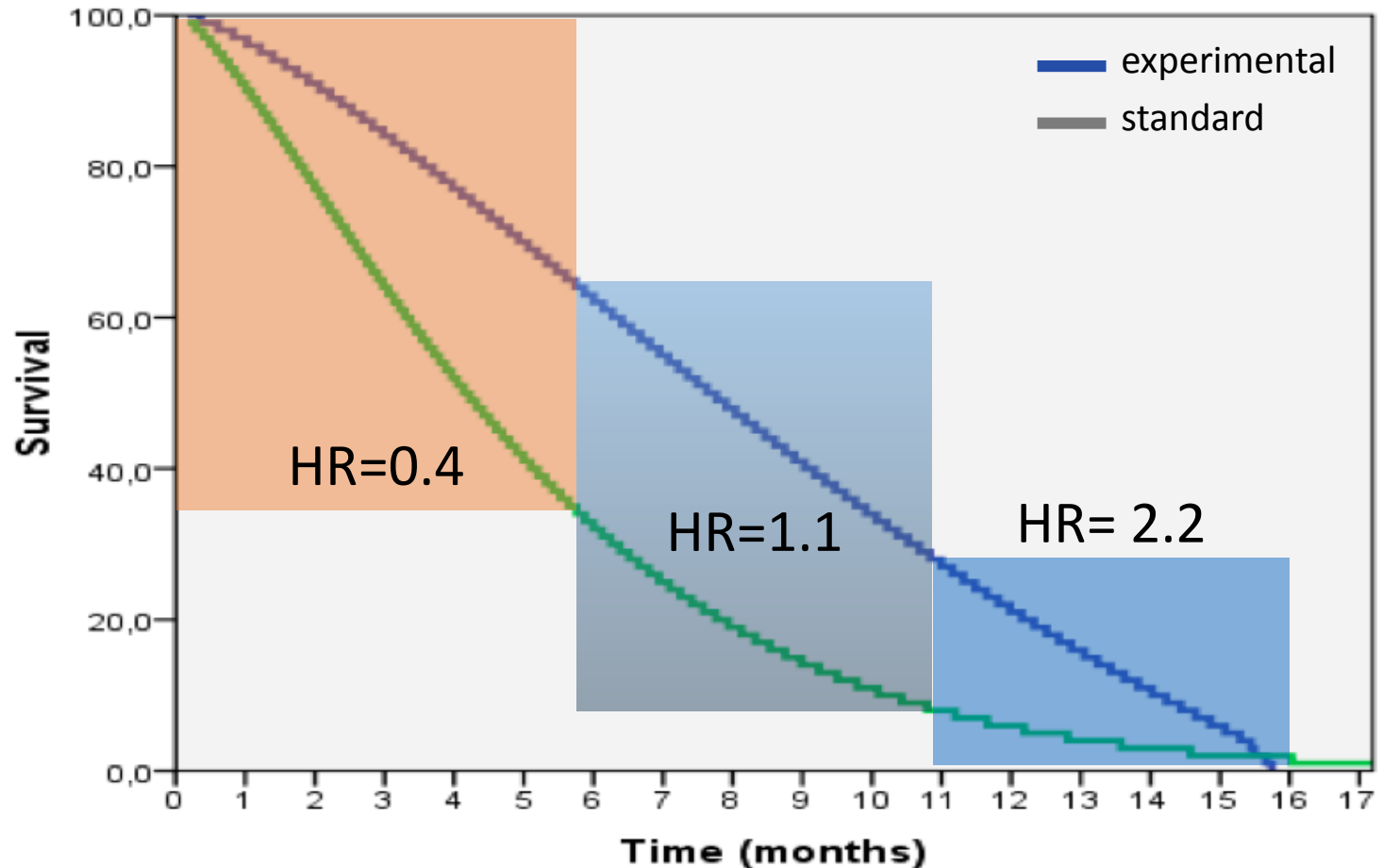


Major Cardiovascular Disease



Hazard Ratio è la misura di effetto più appropriata

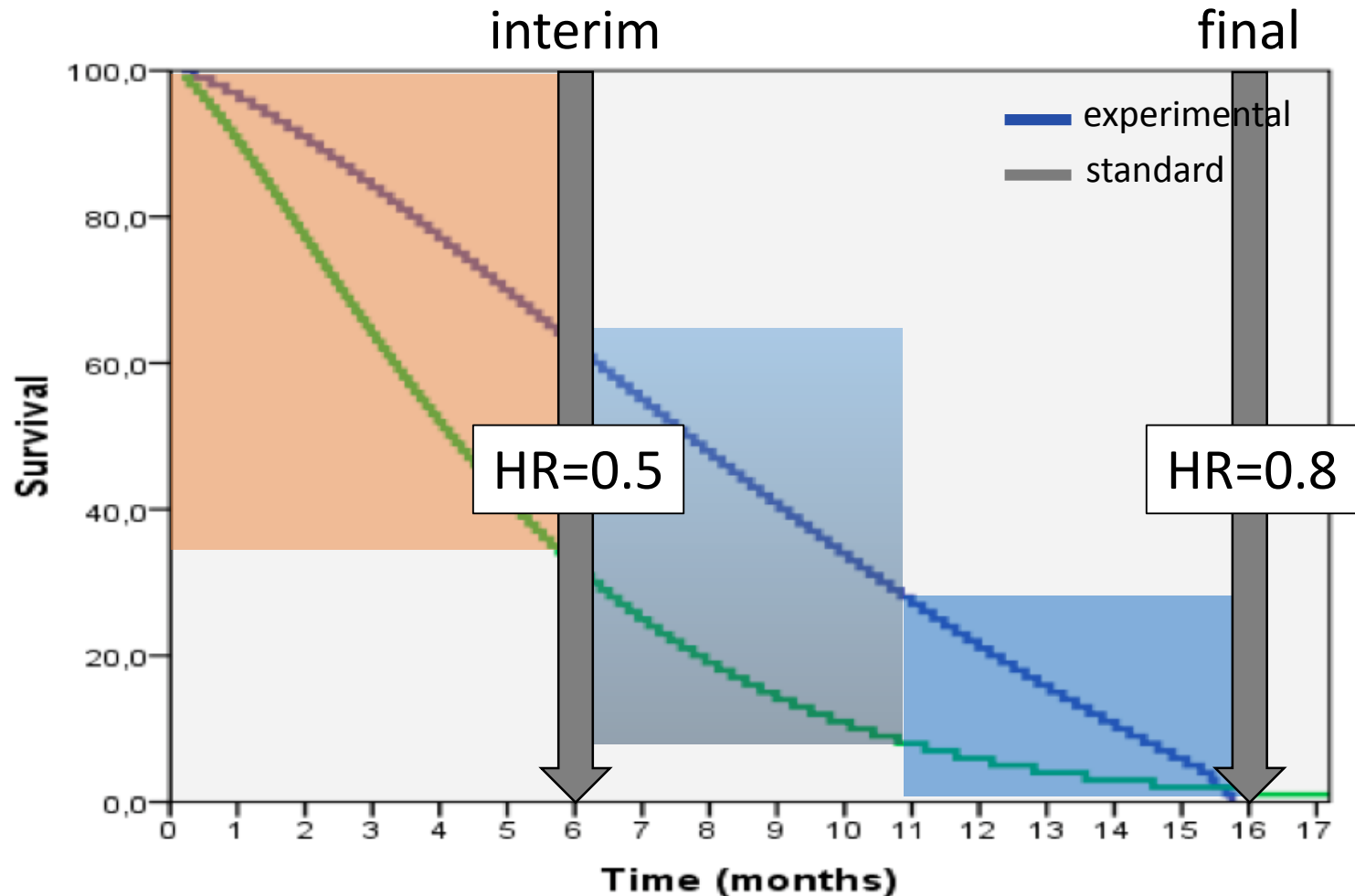
Rapporto tra gli *hazard* dei due gruppi non costante nel tempo – non (pochi) lungo-sopravvivenenti



Hazard Ratio “globale” =
media pesata degli HR ‘tempo-specifici’ (pesi = eventi)

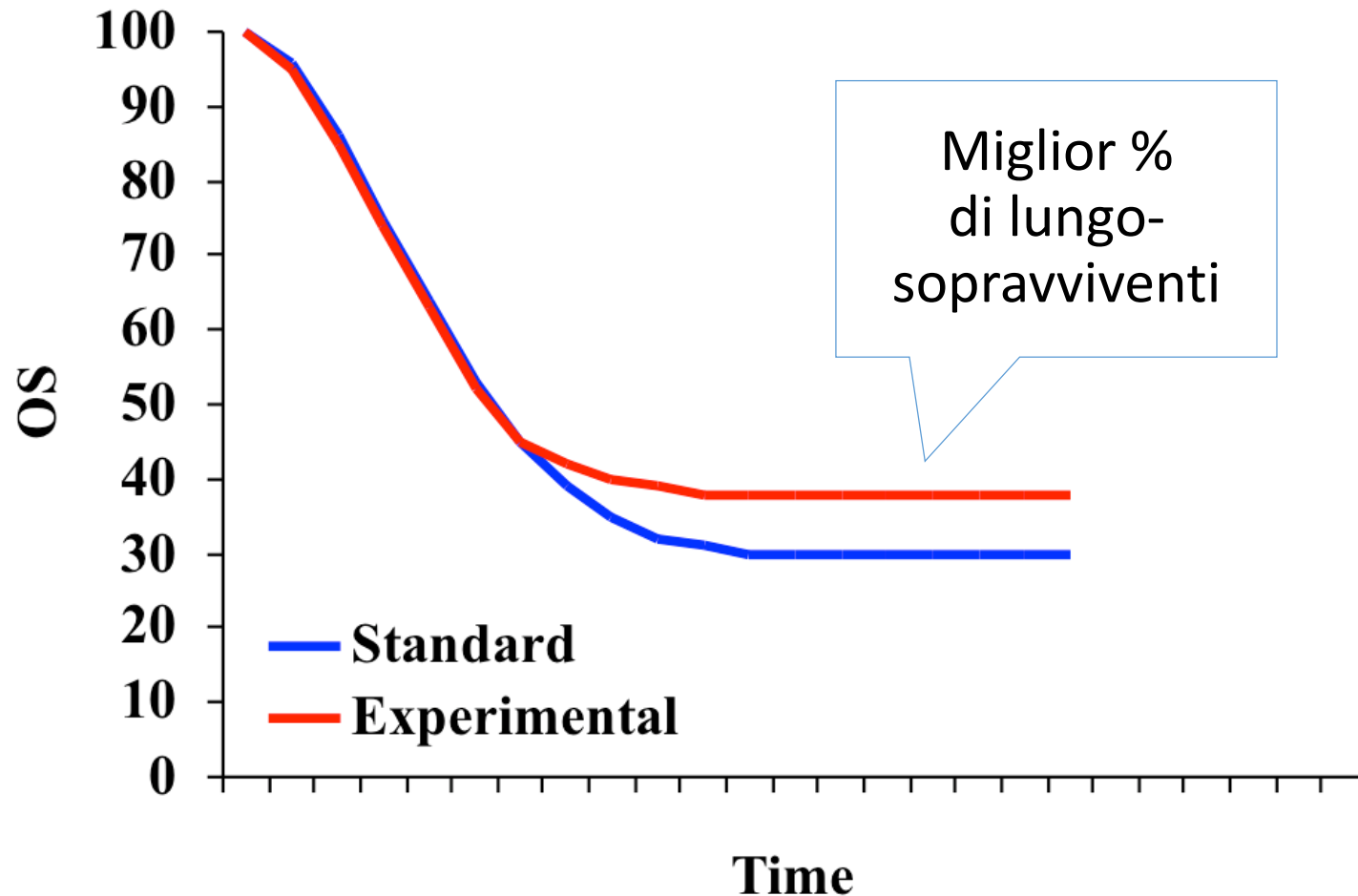


Rapporto tra gli *hazard* dei due gruppi non costante nel tempo – non (pochi) lungo-sopravvivenenti



Se analisi precoce, i pazienti sono troncati (*censored*) nel periodo di inversione del HR, che così va a pesare di meno: HR sovrastimato

Rapporto tra gli *hazard* dei due gruppi non costante nel tempo – presenza di lungo-sopravvivenenti



Hazard Ratio "globale" = 0.9 (NS)





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Restricted mean survival time

Patrick Royston

- RMST = area under the survival curve up to t^*

Choice of t^*

- t^* should be chosen to cover the follow-up period of clinical interest
- Usually take t^* close to the last observed event time
- In a randomized trial, t^* needs to be pre-specified in the statistical analysis plan



Restricted mean survival time: an alternative to the hazard ratio for the design and analysis of randomized trials with a time-to-event outcome

Patrick Royston* and Mahesh KB Parmar
BMC Medical Research Methodology 2013, **13**:152

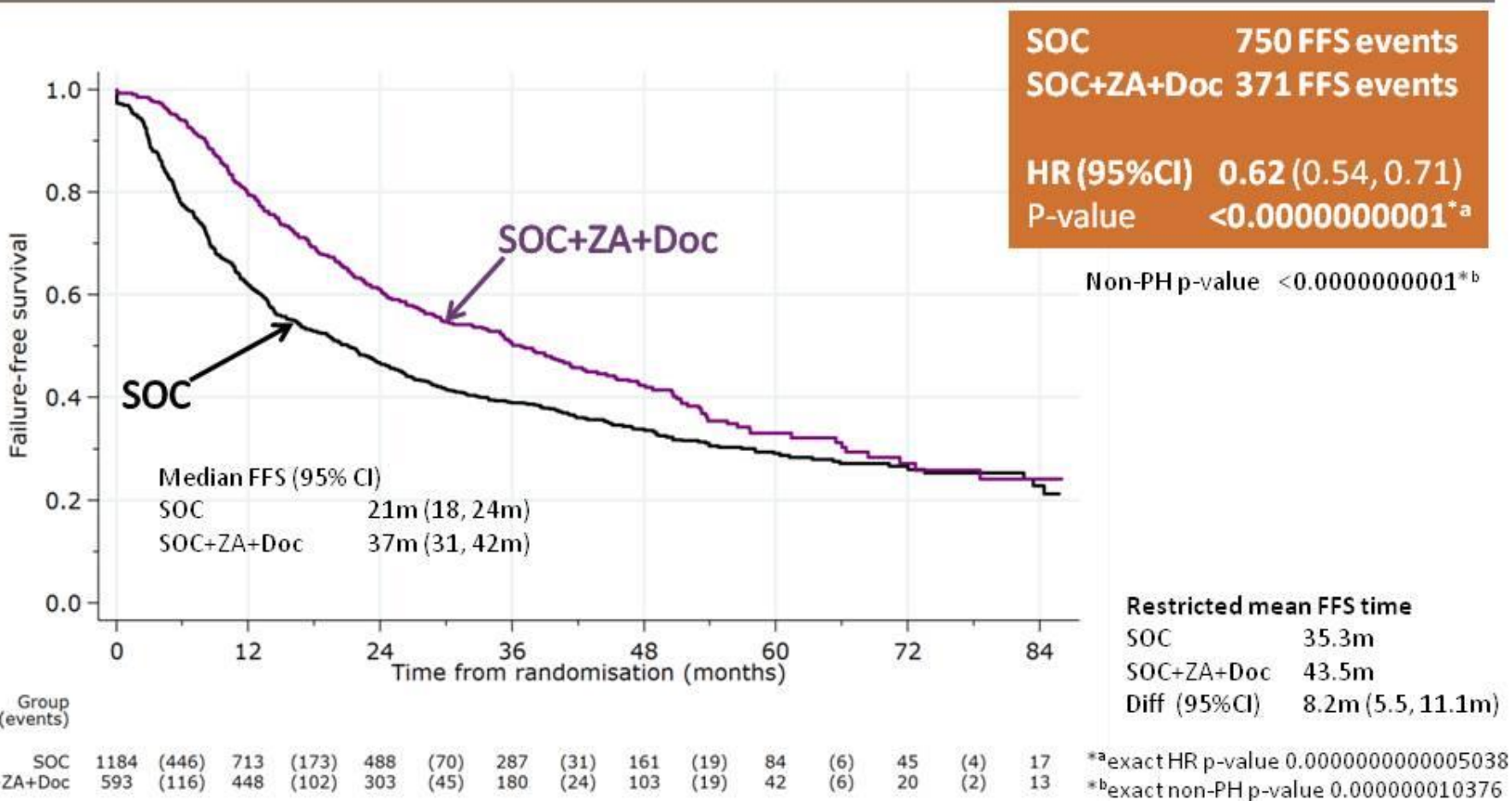


The restricted mean is a measure of average survival from time 0 to a specified time point, and may be estimated as the area under the survival curve up to that point.

Criterion	Measure		
	log HR	Median ^a	RMST ^a
1. Is easily interpreted	no	yes	yes
2. Does not assume proportional hazards	no	yes	yes
3. Reflects entire survival history	yes	no	yes
4. Is a measure of survival time	no	yes	yes
5. Can be used with all models	no	yes	yes
6. Can be calculated in any dataset	yes	no	yes
7. Does not require a time point to be specified	yes	yes	no
8. Does not change with extended follow-up	no	yes	yes
9. Is routinely associated with a clinically meaningful time point	no	no	yes

^aThe measure is the difference in the given statistic between trial arms.

Zoledronic acid + docetaxel: Failure-free survival



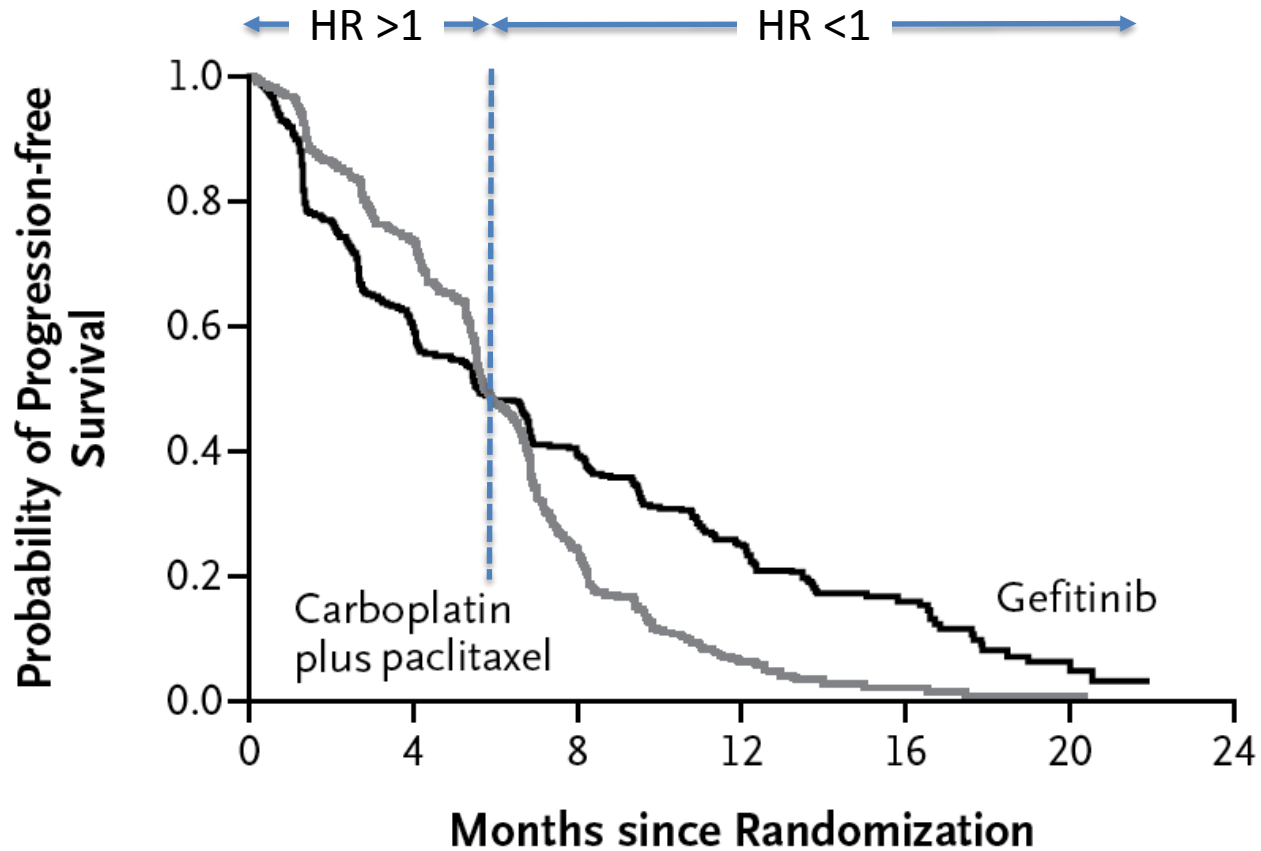
Gefitinib or Carboplatin–Paclitaxel in Pulmonary Adenocarcinoma

Tony S. Mok, M.D., Yi-Long Wu, M.D., F.A.C.S., Sumitra Thongprasert, M.D., Chih-Hsin Yang, M.D., Ph.D., Da-Tong Chu, M.D., Nagahiro Saijo, M.D., Ph.D., Patrapim Sunpaweravong, M.D., Baohui Han, M.D., Benjamin Margono, M.D., Ph.D., F.C.C.P., Yukito Ichinose, M.D., Yutaka Nishiwaki, M.D., Ph.D., Yuichiro Ohe, M.D., Ph.D., Jin-Ji Yang, M.D., Busyamas Chewaskulyong, M.D., Haiyi Jiang, M.D., Emma L. Duffield, M.Sc., Claire L. Watkins, M.Sc., Alison A. Armour, F.R.C.R., and Masahiro Fukuoka, M.D., Ph.D.

N Engl J Med 2009;361:947-57.



Hazard ratio, 0.74 (95% CI, 0.65–0.85)





The use of restricted mean survival time to estimate the treatment effect in randomized clinical trials when the proportional hazards assumption is in doubt

Patrick Royston^{*†} and Mahesh K. B. Parmar

Statist. Med. 2011, 30 2409–2421

Restricted mean survival time has great potential as a meaningful and sensitive outcome measure in the analysis of trial data with a time-to-event outcome. We recommend it as the primary outcome measure when we cannot be confident that the PH assumption holds and therefore doubt that a single HR is appropriate.

Trial	HR	95 per cent CI	t^*	Restricted mean survival time	
				Diff.	95 per cent CI
IPASS	0.73	(0.65, 0.82)	18 months	0.90	(0.38, 1.42)

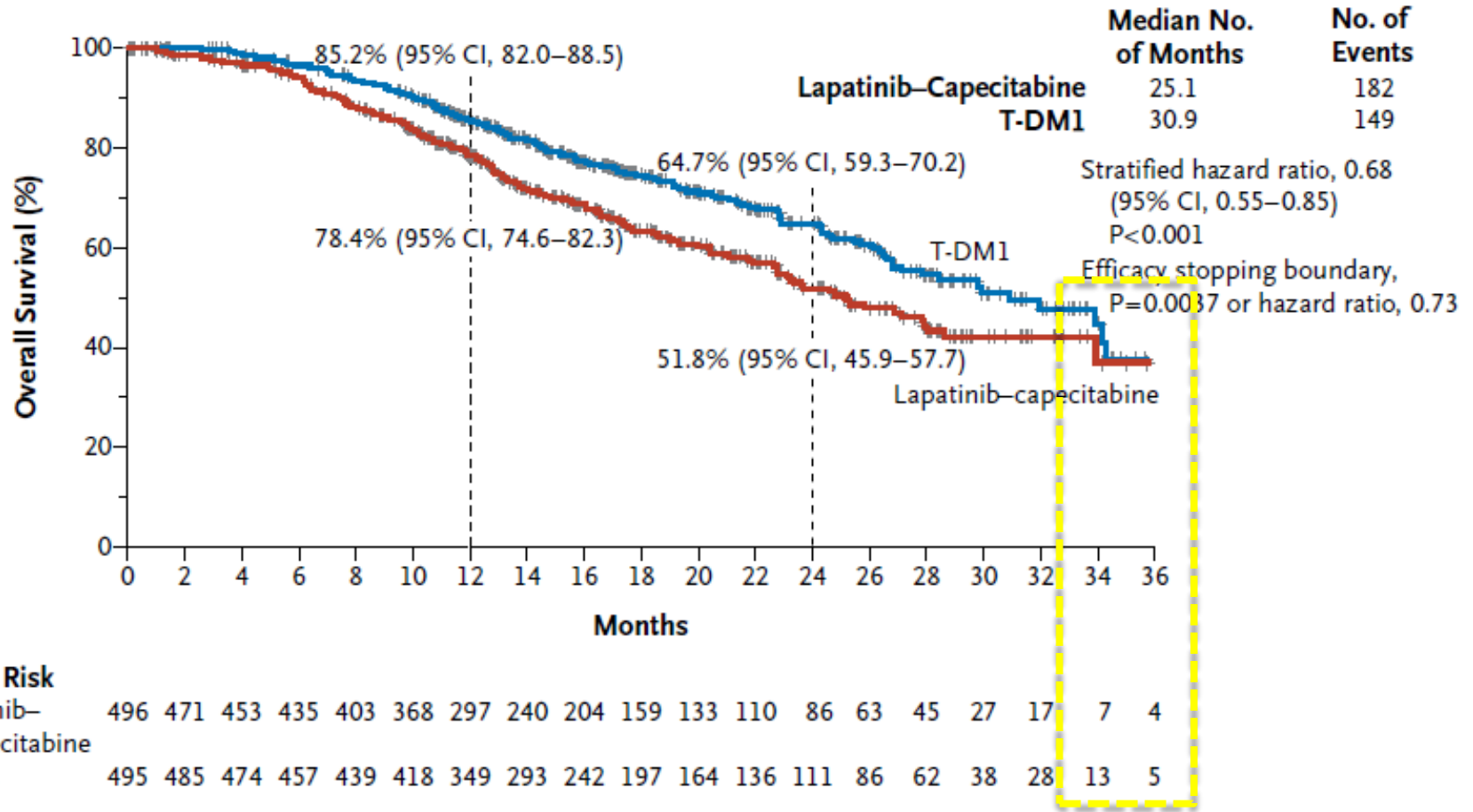


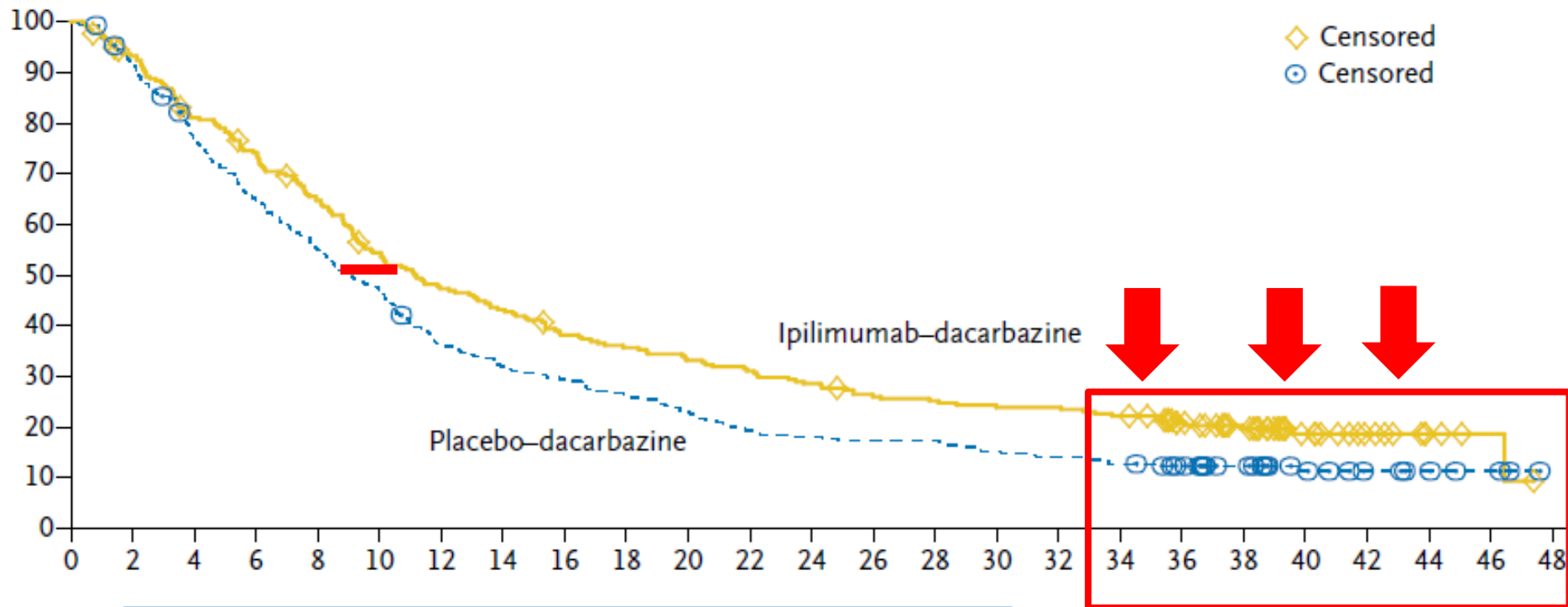
Figure 2. Second Interim Analysis of Overall Survival

... l'incrocio delle curve avviene quando i pazienti (ancora) a rischio di evento sono in numero molto basso

DOMANDA n. 2

Le code delle curve

Ipilimumab plus Dacarbazine for Previously Untreated Metastatic Melanoma

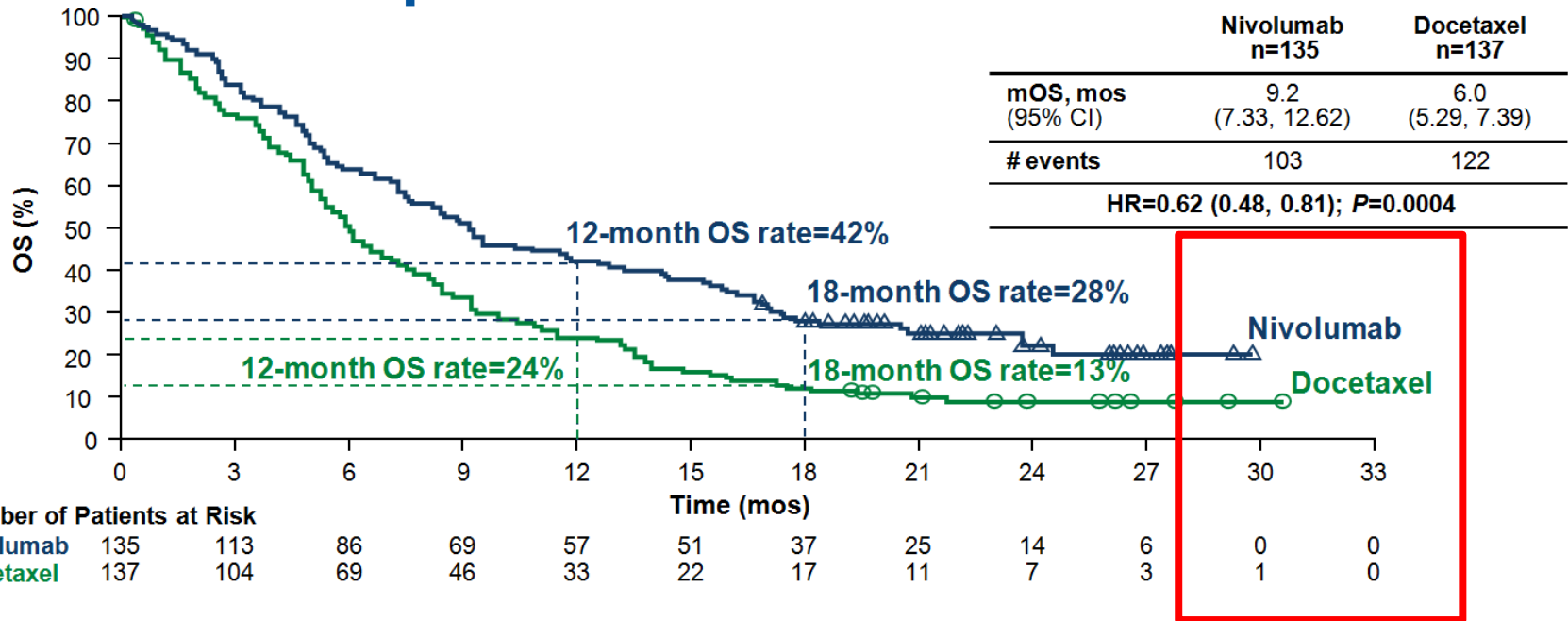


Domanda:

- quale significato dare alle code delle curve?

CheckMate 017: Updated OS Data

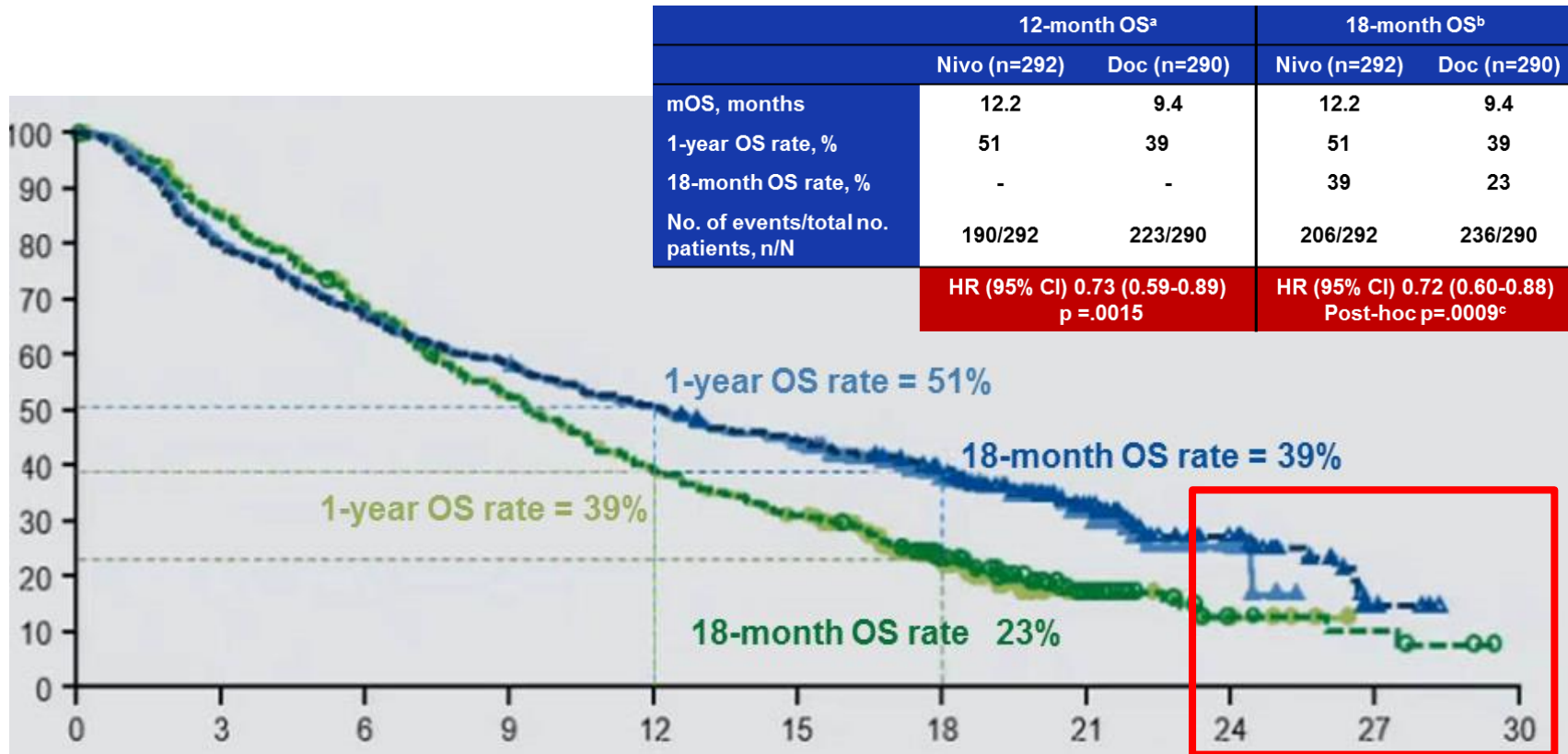
Updated Overall Survival



Minimum follow-up for survival: 18 months

Based on August 2015 DBL.
Symbols refer to censored observations.

CheckMate 057: Updated OS Data



No. at risk (12-month OS)^a

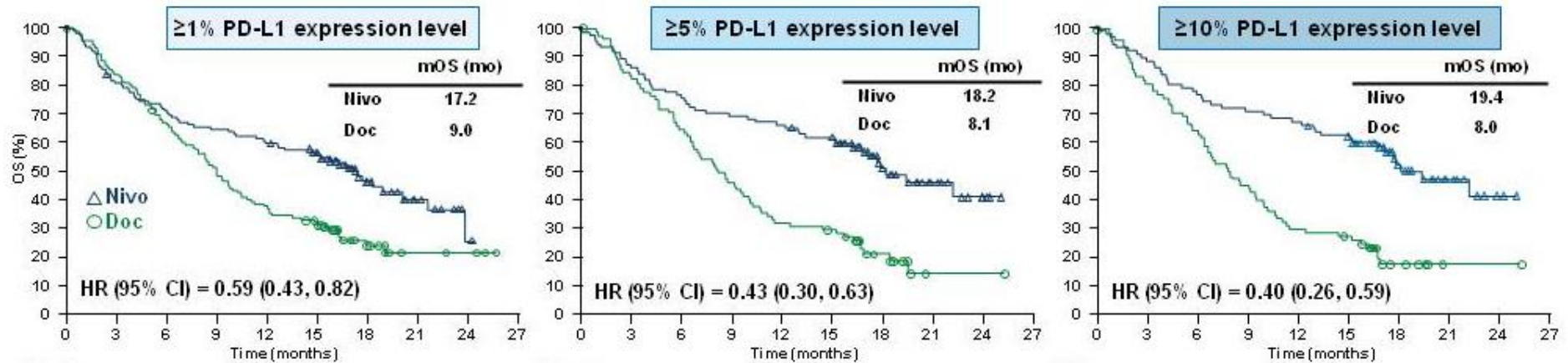
Nivolumab	292	232	194	169	146	123	62	32	9	0	0
Docetaxel	290	244	194	150	111	88	34	10	5	0	0

No. at risk (18-month OS)^b

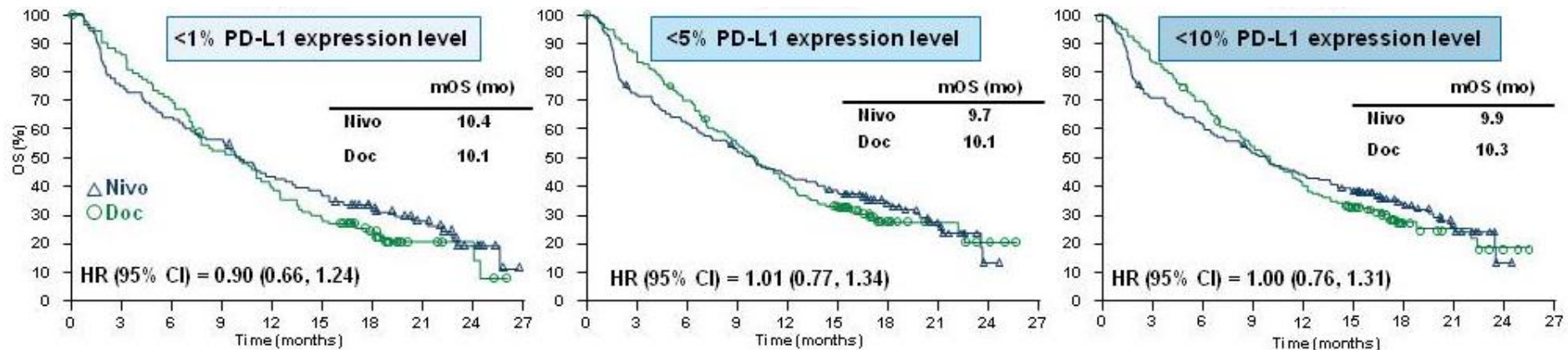
Nivolumab	292	233	195	171	148	128	107	55	27	4	0
Docetaxel	290	244	194	150	111	89	61	23	6	4	0

Minimum F.U. for 12-month OS rate, 13.2 months; for 18-month OS rate, 17.1 months

CheckMate 057: OS According to PD-L1



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HR 0.59
HR 0.43
HR 0.40



HR 0.90
HR 1.01
HR 1.00

DOMANDA n.3

La maturità dei dati

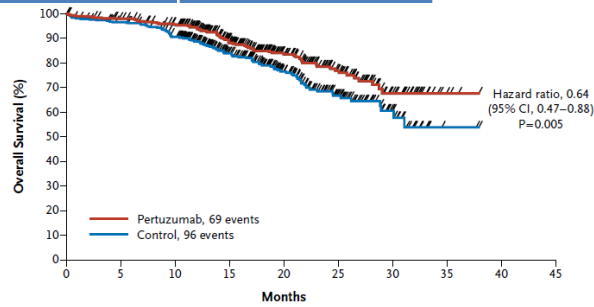
Curve di sopravvivenza e maturità dei dati

	Median F. up	Events (deaths)	HR (95%CI) p	Median OS
Baselga NEJM 2012	19 mo	165 (=43% of the 385 prespecified)	0.64 (0.47–0.88) p=0.005	The hazard ratio was 0.64 (95% CI, 0.47 to 0.88; P = 0.005), which did not meet the O'Brien–Fleming stopping boundary of the Lan–DeMets alpha spending function for this interim analysis of overall survival (hazard ratio, ≤ 0.603 ; $P \leq 0.0012$) and was therefore not significant.
Swain Lancet Oncol 2013	30 mo	267 (=69%)	0.66 (0.52–0.84) p=0.0008	NR vs 37.6 mo
Swain NEJM 2015	50 mo	389 (>100%)	0.68 (0.56–0.84) p< 0.01	56.5 mo vs 40.8 mo

Curve di sopravvivenza e maturità dei dati

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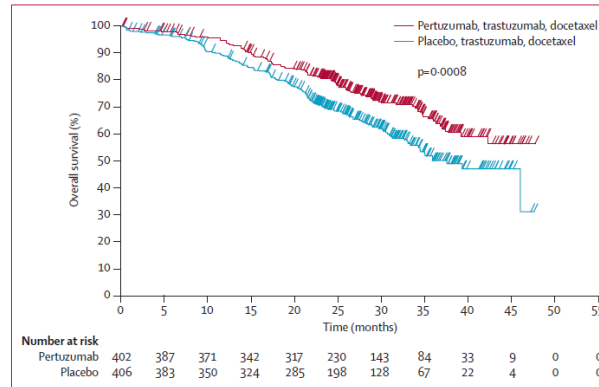
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This HR value did not cross the O'Brien-Fleming stopping boundary threshold; therefore, the interim result is not statistically significant and is deemed exploratory

No. at Risk	0	5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45
Pertuzumab	402	387	367	251	161	87	31	4	0	0
Control	406	383	347	228	143	67	24	2	0	0

Swain Lancet Oncol 2013	30 mo	267 (=69%)		
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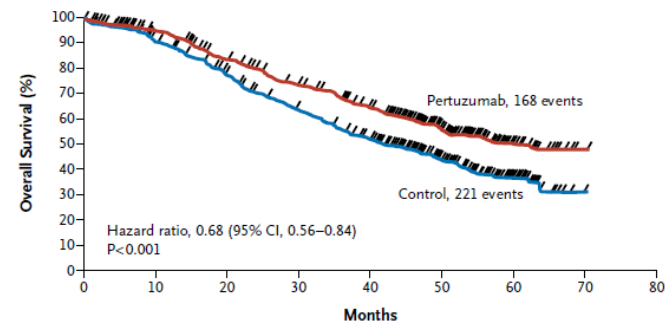


This HR value crossed the O'Brien-Fleming stopping boundary for this **second interim analysis** (HR≤0.739 and p value ≤0.0138). **This benefit in OS must be considered statistically significant.**

Number at risk	0	5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55
Pertuzumab	402	387	371	342	317	230	143	84	33	9	0	0
Placebo	406	383	350	324	285	198	128	67	22	4	0	0

Swain NEJM 2015	50 mo	389 (>100%)		
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A Overall Survival



No. at Risk	0	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80
Pertuzumab	402	371	318	268	226	104	28	1	0
Control	406	350	289	230	179	91	23	0	0



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A Randomized Phase III Trial of Paclitaxel
versus Paclitaxel plus Bevacizumab as First-
Line Therapy for Locally Recurrent or
Metastatic Breast Cancer

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Vancouver Cancer Center, Johns Hopkins Oncology Center

Study Design

Stratify:

- DFI \leq 24 mos. vs. $>$ 24 mos.
- $<$ 3 vs. \geq 3 metastatic sites
- Adjuvant chemotherapy yes vs. no
- ER+ vs. ER- vs. ER unknown

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Paclitaxel + Bevacizumab

Paclitaxel

28-day cycle:

Paclitaxel 90 mg/m² D1, 8 and 15

Bevacizumab 10 mg/kg D1 and 15

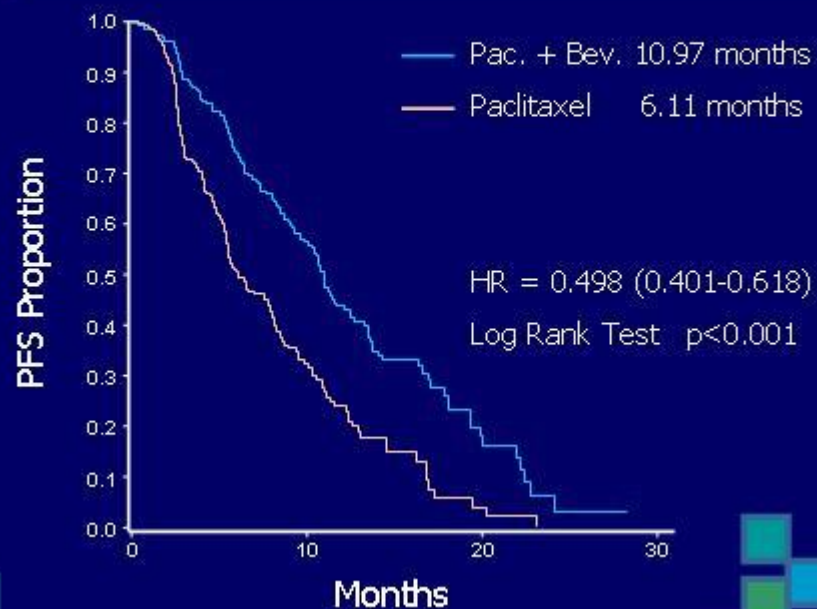
Statistical Design - Efficacy

- Primary endpoint: Progression-Free Survival
 - 85% power for a 33% improvement
 - 6 vs. 8 months
 - One-sided type I error \cong 2.5%
 - Requires 650 eligible patients
- Final analysis after 546 PFS events
 - Interim analyses after 270 and 425 events
 - Asymmetric boundaries to stop early either for demonstrated benefit or for lack of benefit
 - O'Brien-Fleming boundaries and repeated confidence interval analyses at each interim

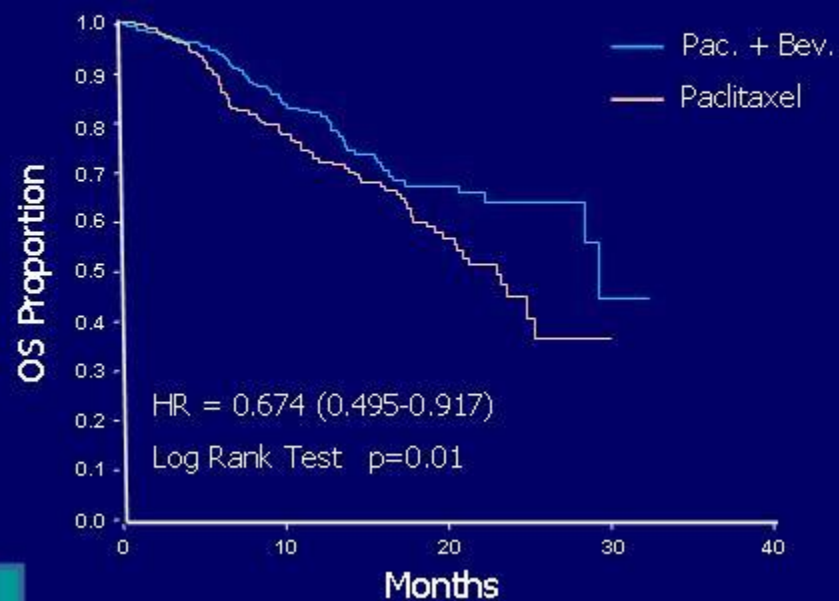
Current Analysis

- Study activated Dec 21, 2001
- Closed March 24, 2004
 - 715 eligible patients
- First planned interim analysis
- Data cut-off February 9, 2005
- 355 events
 - Progression – 291
 - Death without documented progression - 64

Progression Free Survival



Overall Survival



Paclitaxel plus Bevacizumab versus Paclitaxel Alone for Metastatic Breast Cancer

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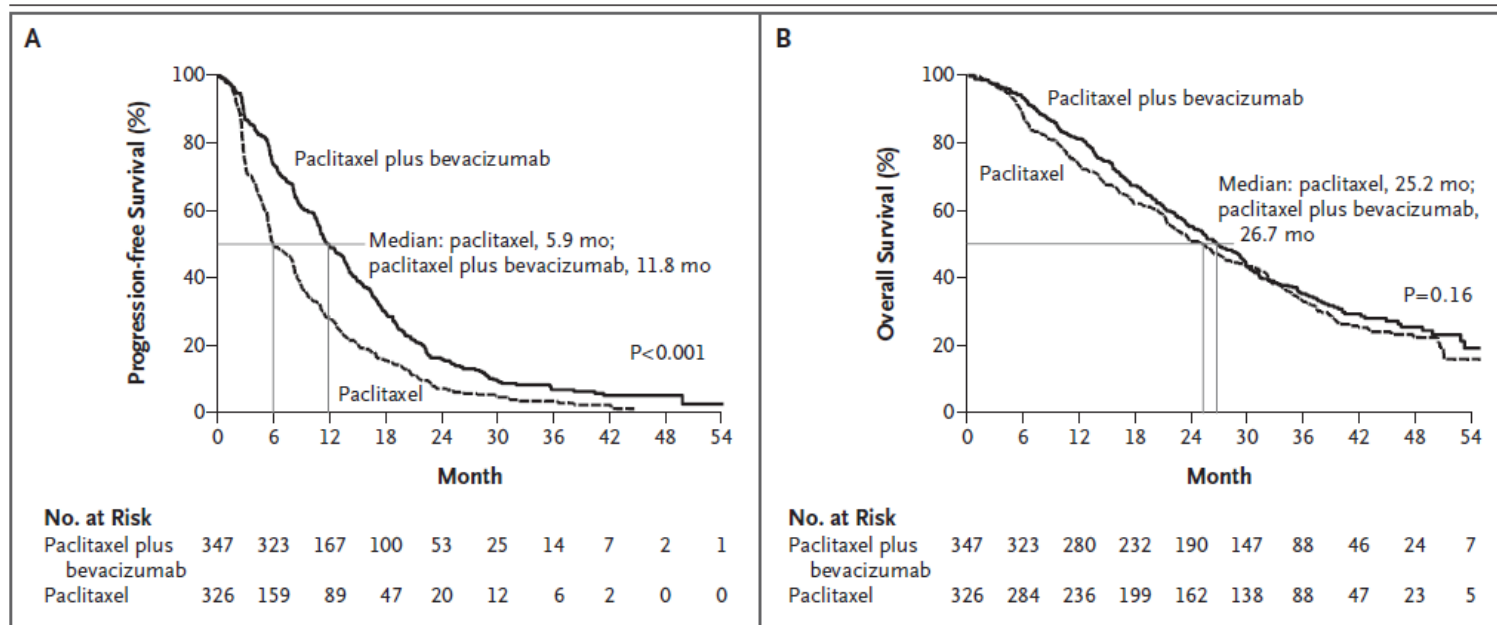


Figure 2. Survival Analyses.

Progression-free survival (Panel A) and overall survival (Panel B) in all eligible patients were analyzed with the use of the Kaplan–Meier method. Analyses including all patients assigned to treatment yielded similar results (data not shown).

DOMANDA n.4

Il crossover



USE OF CHEMOTHERAPY PLUS A MONOCLONAL ANTIBODY AGAINST HER2 FOR METASTATIC BREAST CANCER THAT OVEREXPRESSES HER2

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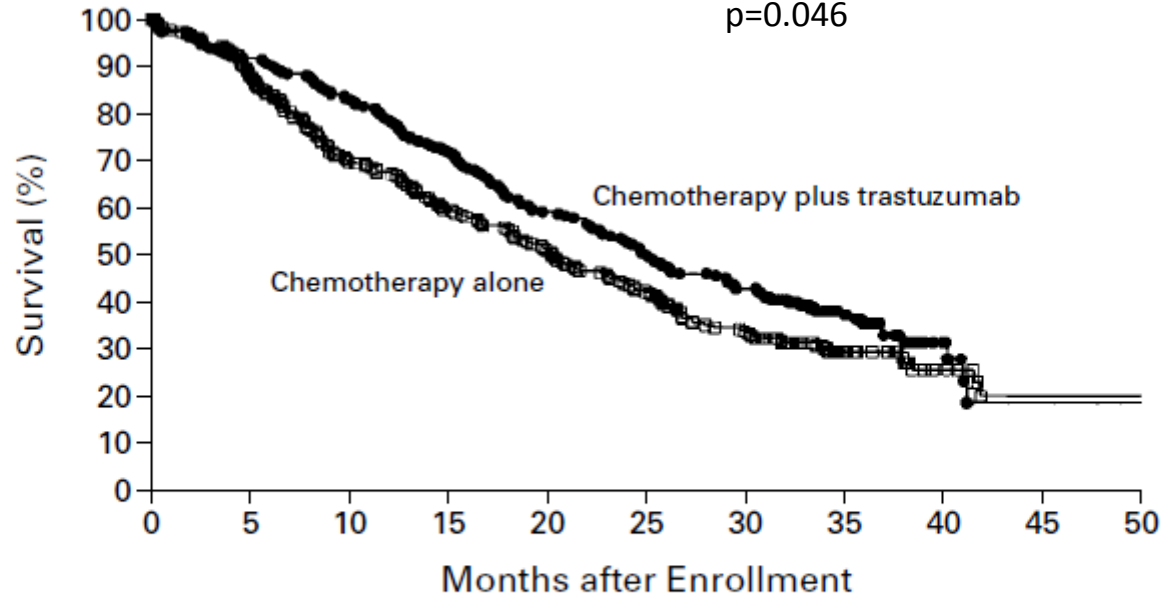
Median OS:

25.1 mo vs 20.3 mo

HR=...

p=0.046

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No. AT RISK

Chemotherapy plus trastuzumab	235	214	192	165	134	114	96	47	11
Chemotherapy alone	234	205	160	136	116	97	76	37	13

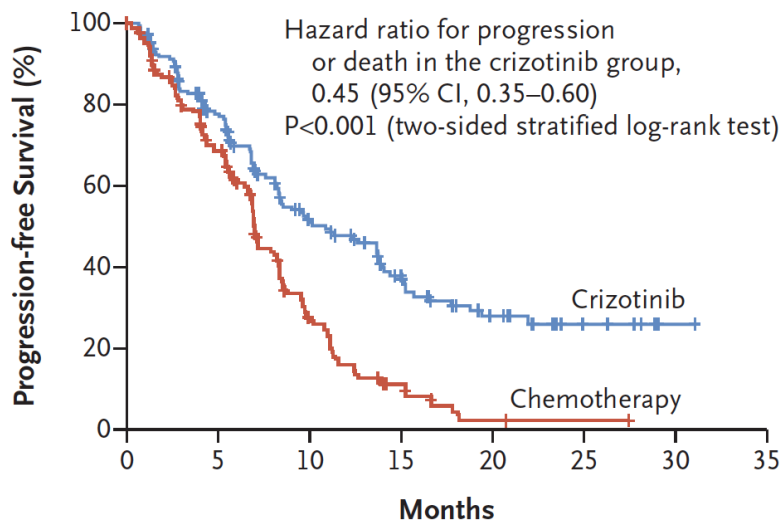
Upfront crizotinib: PROFILE 1014

Median follow up: ~ 17 mo

Table 2. Response to Treatment in the Intention-to-Treat Population.*

Response	Crizotinib (N = 172)	Chemotherapy (N = 171)
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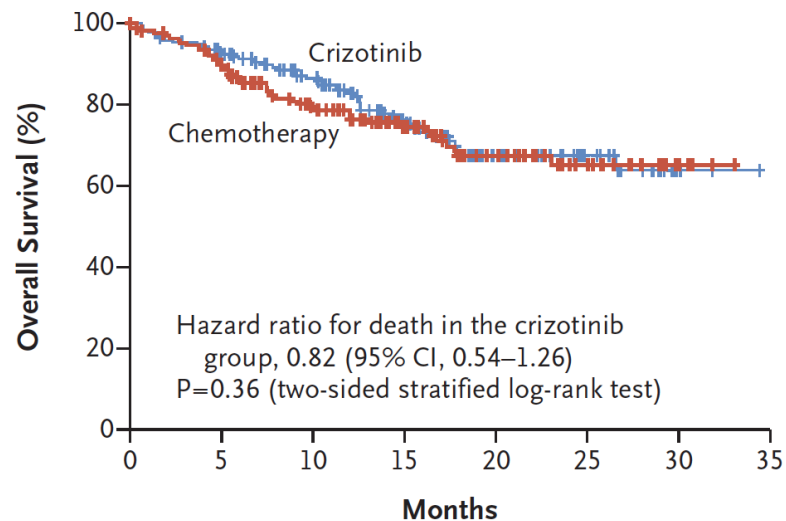
A Progression-free Survival



No. at Risk

	0	5	10	15	20	25	30	35
Crizotinib	172	120	65	38	19	7	1	0
Chemotherapy	171	105	36	12	2	1	0	0

B Overall Survival



No. at Risk

	0	5	10	15	20	25	30	35
Crizotinib	172	152	123	80	44	24	3	0
Chemotherapy	171	146	112	74	47	21	4	0

Duration of response — mo ||

	Crizotinib	Chemotherapy
Median	11.3	5.3
95% CI	8.1–13.8	4.1–5.8

Table S2. Summary of Systemic Anticancer Therapies at Follow-Up Among Patients with Progressive Disease.*

Therapy	Crizotinib (n=89)	Chemotherapy (n=132)
	<i>no. of patients (%)</i>	
Any systemic therapy	38 (43)	118 (89)†
Alectinib	1 (1)	3 (2)
Bevacizumab	2 (2)	0
Carboplatin	15 (17)	3 (2)
Ceritinib	6 (7)	2 (2)
Cisplatin	13 (15)	1 (1)
<u>Crizotinib</u>	<u>1 (1)</u>	<u>114 (86)†</u>
Cyclophosphamide	0	1 (1)
Denosumab	0	1 (1)
Docetaxel	3 (3)	6 (5)
Doxorubicin	0	1 (1)
Gefitinib	1 (1)	1 (1)
Gemcitabine	6 (7)	1 (1)
Icotinib	1 (1)	0
Investigational drug (unspecified)	3 (3)	3 (2)
Paclitaxel	1 (1)	2 (2)
Pemetrexed	25 (28)	3 (2)
Tegafur/gimeracil/oteracil	1 (1)	0
Vinblastine	0	1 (1)
Vinorelbine	3 (3)	0
Other therapeutic products	1 (1)	0

* By independent radiologic review; patients may have received more than one therapy.

† Including crizotinib taken by crossover patients on study or outside of the study.

- Il cross over può determinare una mancata differenza in OS: devo quindi leggere con attenzione i risultati degli studi clinici?



BIG 1-98 Monotherapy Update

- 2005 results of Let superiority led to unblinding of Tam-alone arm
- 619 (25.2%) patients selectively crossed over to Let
 - Mostly in years 3-5
 - Median duration Let after crossover 18 mos.
- This complicates comparisons with Tam alone
- The comparison of Tam vs. Let was done by
 - Intent-to-treat (ITT)
 - Censoring at crossover



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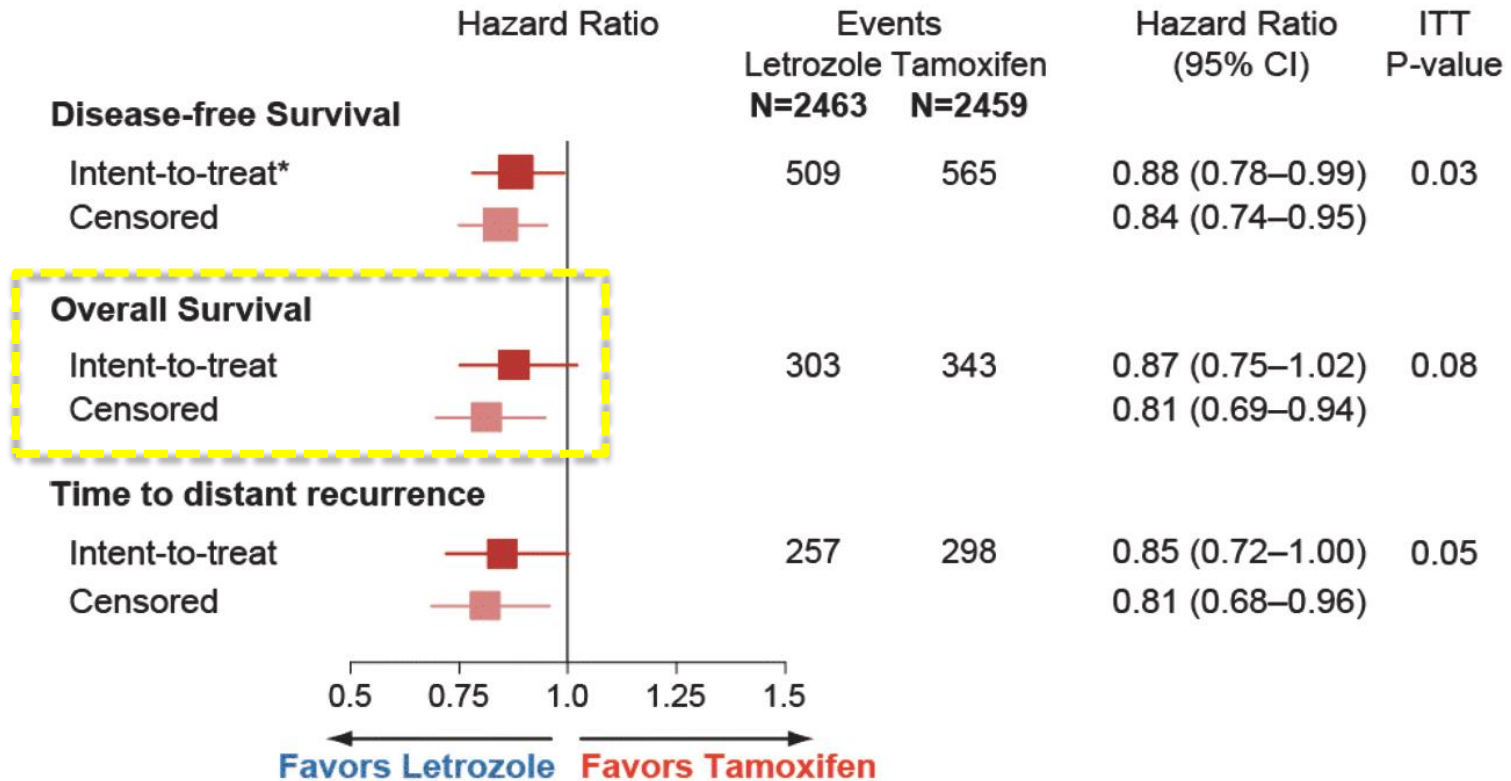
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BIG 1-98 Monotherapy Update

Median Follow-up 76 months



*Let:Tam: breast cancer events, 321:363
second (non breast) malignancy, 101:115
deaths without prior cancer event, 87:87



Adjusting overall survival for treatment switches: commonly used methods and practical application

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Pharmaceut. Statist. **2013**, 12 348–357

There are several statistical methods available to adjust long-term time-to-event endpoints for treatment switch. **None is universally suitable in all situations, and different methods make different assumptions.**

Inverse Probability of Censoring Weighting. The IPCW method assign weights to individuals that do not drop out. Weights recreate the population you would have seen with no drop-out.

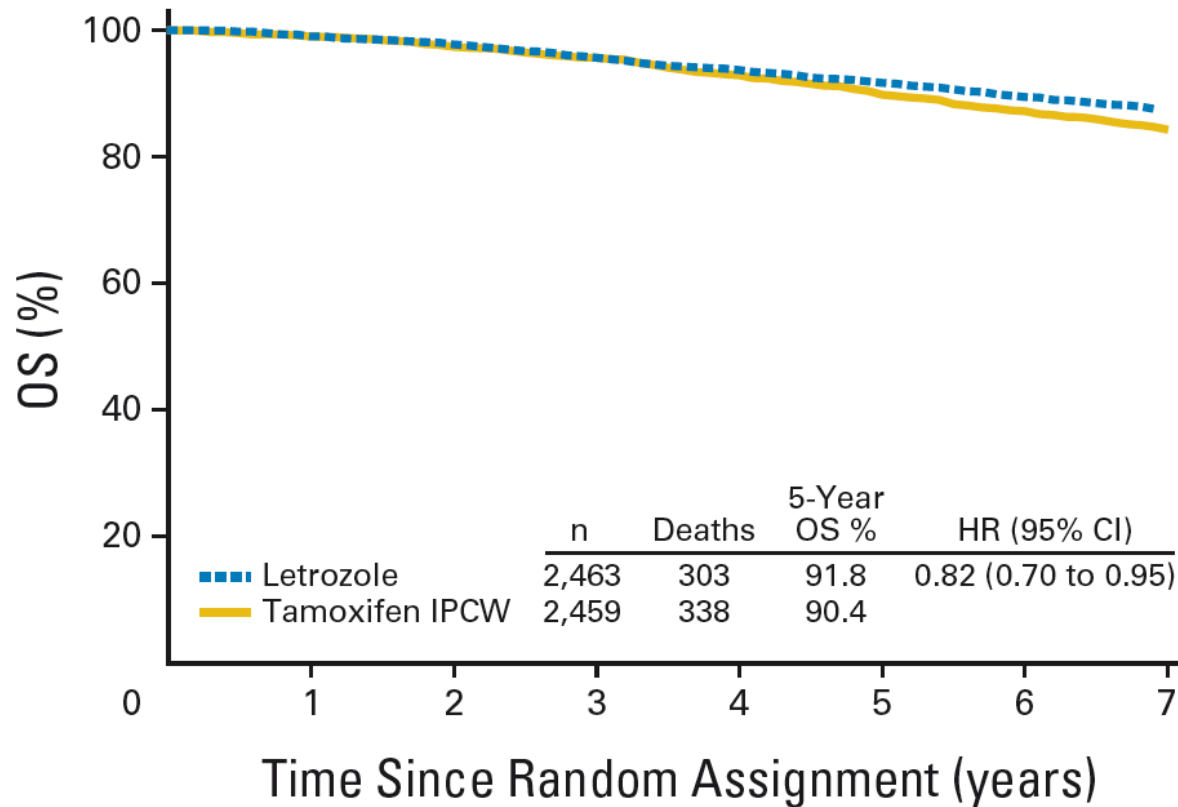
Rank-Preserving Structural Failure Time / Iterative Parameter Estimation. The RPSFT and IPE methods maintain the original randomised group definition and thus preserve the validity of between-group comparisons.



Analyses Adjusting for Selective Crossover Show Improved Overall Survival With Adjuvant Letrozole Compared With Tamoxifen in the BIG 1-98 Study

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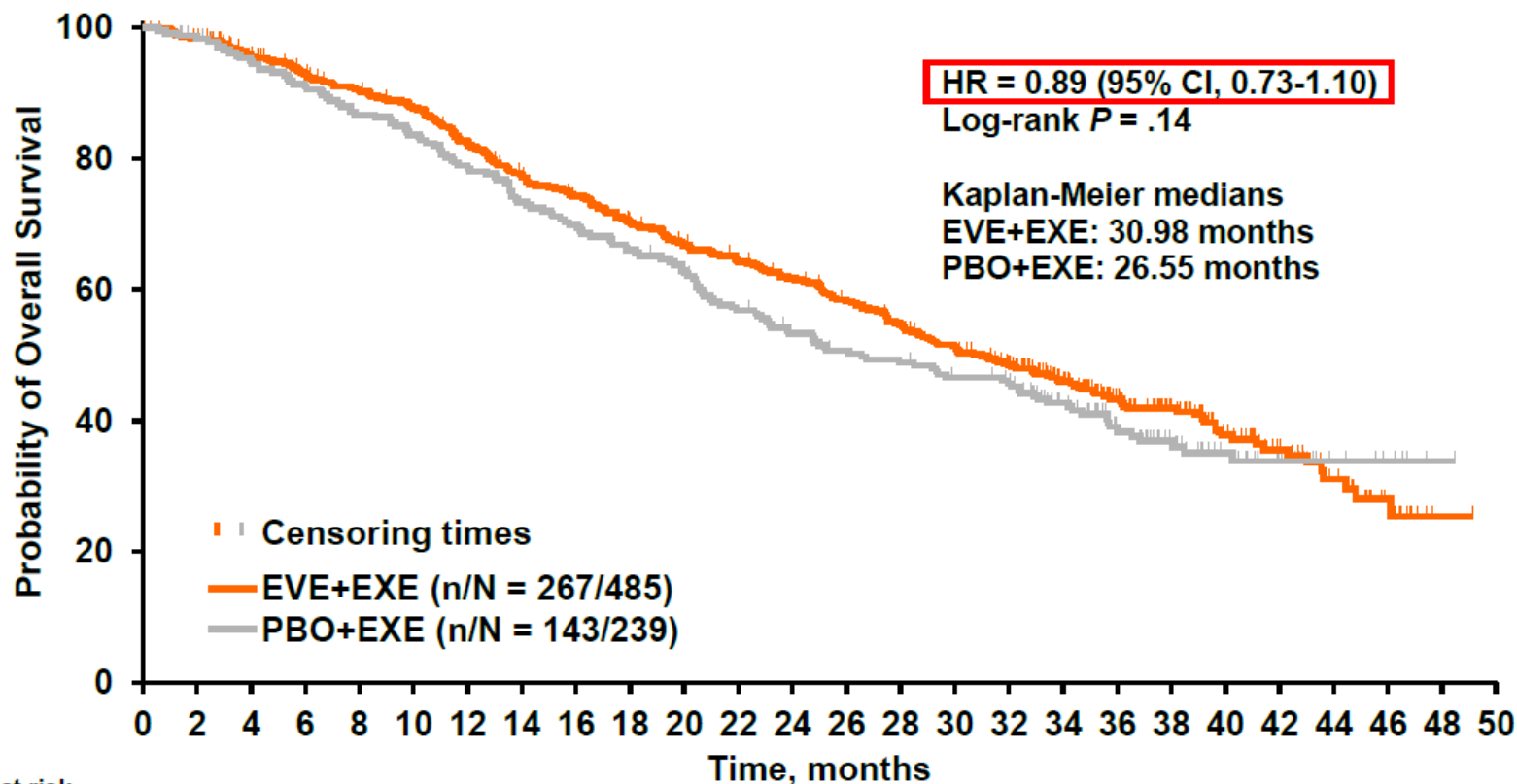
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DOMANDA n.5

**Differenza statisticamente NON
significativa ...ma clinicamente
interessante**

BOLERO-2 (39-mo): Final OS Analysis

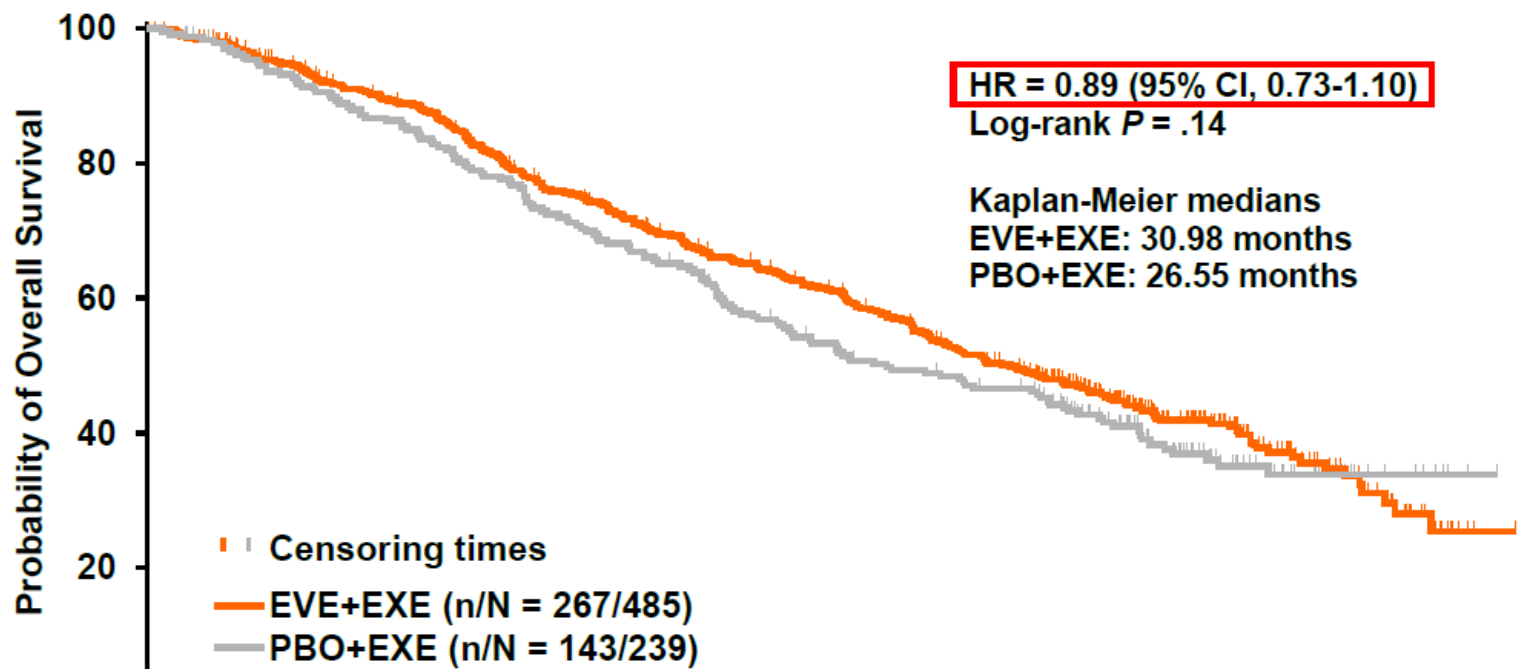


No. at risk

EVE+EXE	485	471	448	429	414	399	373	347	330	311	292	279	266	248	232	216	196	154	118	91	58	39	23	11	1	0
PBO+EXE	239	232	220	211	201	194	182	170	162	153	145	130	120	113	109	102	98	77	56	41	28	18	8	5	1	0

- At 39 months' median follow-up, 410 deaths had occurred (data cutoff date: 03 October 2013)
 - 55% deaths (n = 267) in the EVE+EXE arm vs 60% deaths (n = 143) in the PBO+EXE arm

BOLERO-2 (39-mo): Final OS Analysis



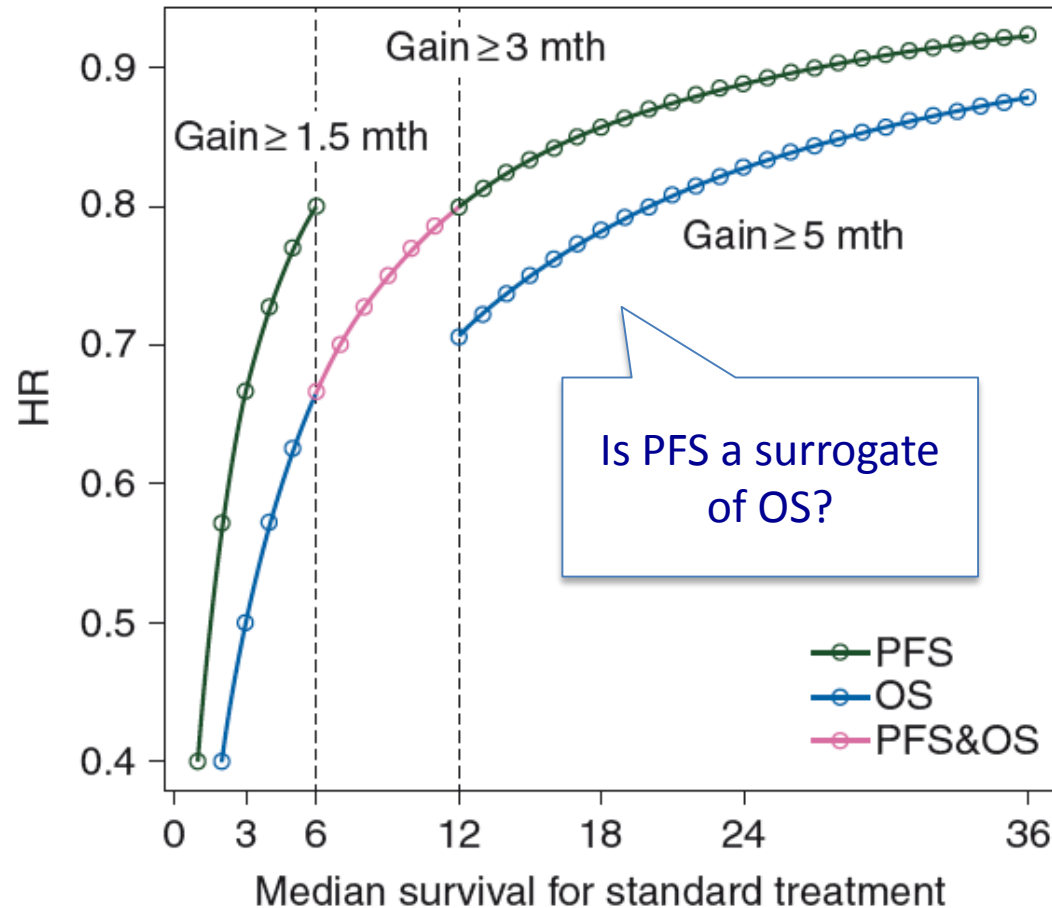
- Non c'è differenza statisticamente significativa ma clinicamente è una differenza importante: come valutare questo dato?



A standardised, generic, validated approach to stratify the magnitude of clinical benefit that can be anticipated from anti-cancer therapies: the European Society for Medical Oncology Magnitude of Clinical Benefit Scale (ESMO-MCBS)

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The correspondence between an HR value and the minimum absolute gain in months considered as beneficial according to the ESMO-MCBS by median survival (OS or PFS) for control

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