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## Progetto CANOA

# CARCINOMA MAMMARIO:

QUALI NOVITA' PER IL 2017?

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

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### 3- QUESITO CLINICO

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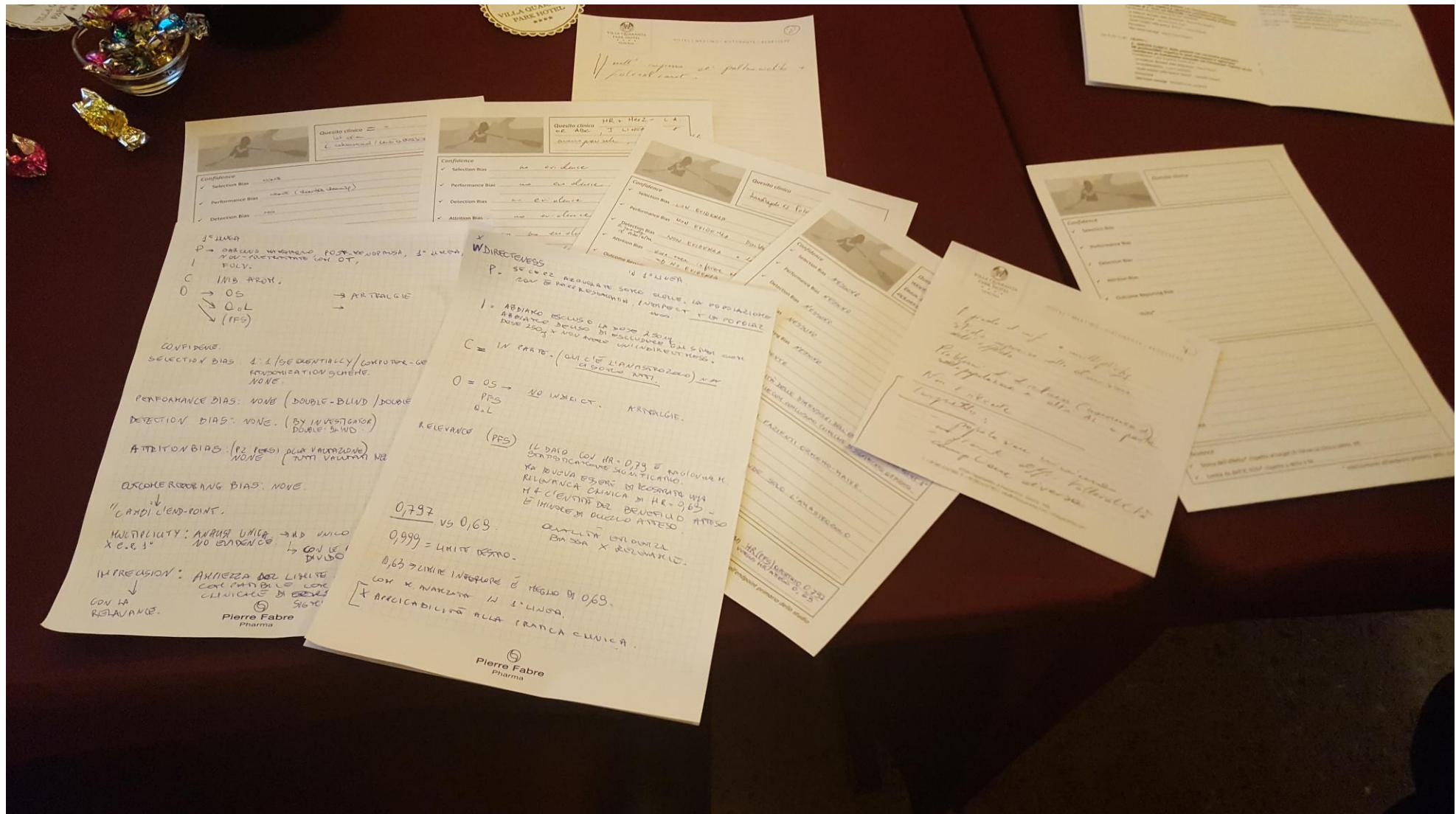
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-Le problematiche – Luisa Carbognin

-Quale impatto nella pratica clinica? – Gabriele Zoppoli

# Lavoro di gruppo....prima



# Lavoro di gruppo...dopo!



Quesito clinico NELLE PAZIENTI CON CARCINOMA MAMMARIO HR POSITIVO/HER2 NEGATIVO IN POST-TERAPIA È PROSPETTICO CONSIDERARE UN TRATTAMENTO ORTOPRALE CON FOLVESTRANT RISPEZIO A.D. A.I.?

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# Grade e Pico

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Pz in post-menopausa affette da ca. mammario HR+/HER2 – *localmente avanzato o metastatico*

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Fulvestrant HD

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Inibitori delle aromatasi

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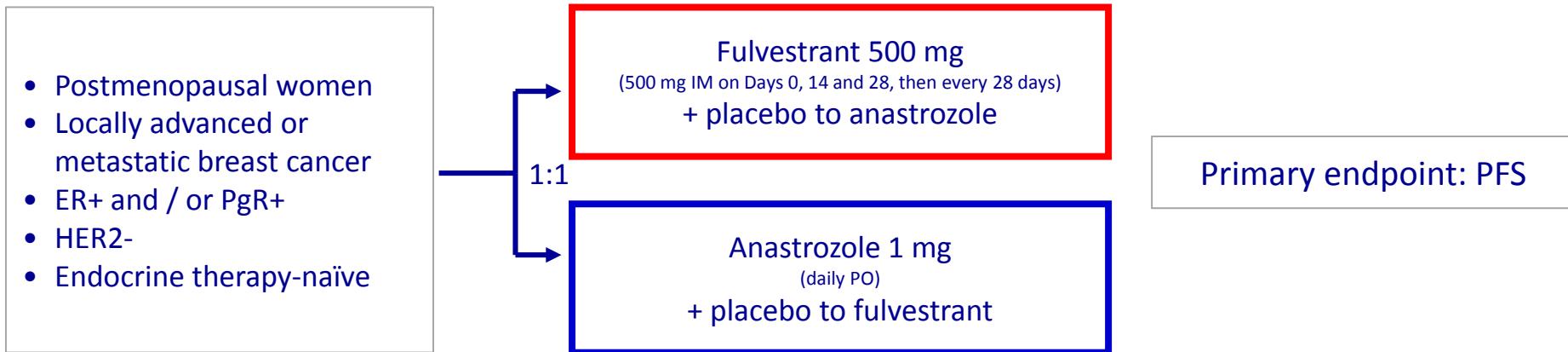
OS, PFS, QoL

# Relevant studies addressing our question

Study	Phase	Setting	Comparator	Primary end-point
0025# JCO 2004	III	First line for post-m HR+ ABC pts	Tamoxifen	TPP 6.8 vs 8.3 m (HR: 1.18; 95% CI, 0.98 - 1.44; P 0 .088)
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EFECT# JCO 2008	III	post-m HR+ mBC pts progressing or recurring after nonsteroidal AI	Exemestane	TPP Median TPP was 3.7 m for F and E (HR: 0.96; 95% CI, 0.82 -1.13; P = .6)
FIRST* JCO 2009	II	First line for post-m HR+ ABC pts	Anastrazole	CBR 72.5% v 67.0% (odds ratio, 1.30; 95% CI, 0.72 to 2.38; P= .386)
FALCON* Lancet 2016	III	Hormonal treatment naïve post-m HR+ mBC pts	Anastrazole	PFS

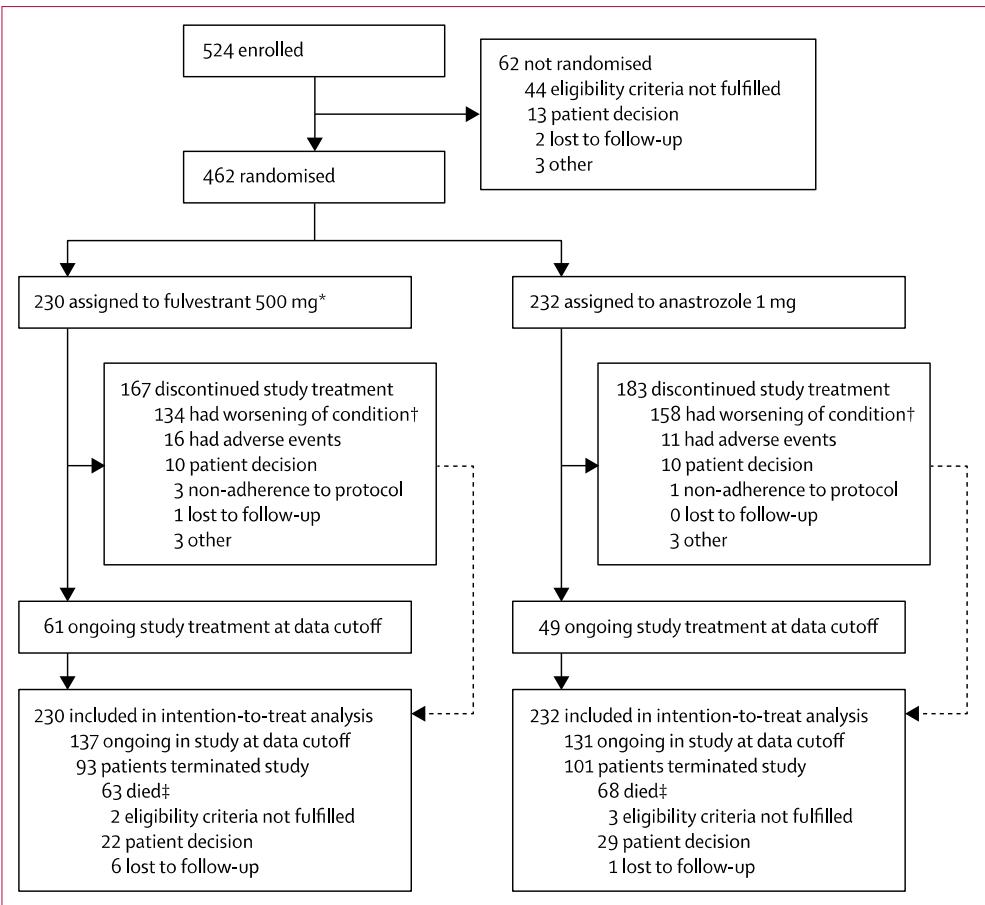
#LD Fulvestrant; \*HD Fulvestrant

# FALCON trial



- Randomised, double-blind, double-dummy, international, multicentre phase III study
- Follow-up for disease progression and survival
- Randomisation of 450 patients was planned to achieve 306 progression events; if the true PFS HR was 0.69 this would provide 90% power for statistical significance at the 5% two-sided level (log-rank test). A progression-free survival HR of 0.80 would deliver a statistically significant difference for the primary outcome.
- Stratification factors: prior chemotherapy for advanced disease (yes / no); measurable vs. non-measurable disease (at baseline); locally advanced vs. metastatic disease
- Subgroup analysis of PFS for pre-defined baseline covariates

# Consort Diagram and patient characteristics



	Fulvestrant 500 mg (n=230)	Anastrozole 1 mg (n=232)
Age (years)	64.0 (38–87)	62.0 (36–90)
Patients aged ≥65 years	108 (47%)	91 (39%)
Race		
White	175 (76%)	174 (75%)
Asian	36 (16%)	34 (15%)
Black or other	19 (8%)	24 (10%)
Time from diagnosis of breast cancer to randomisation		
≤2 months	102 (44%)	99 (43%)
>2 months to ≤1 year	58 (25%)	66 (28%)
>1 year	70 (30%)	67 (29%)
Receptor status		
Oestrogen receptor positive, progesterone receptor positive	175 (76%)	179 (77%)
Oestrogen receptor positive, progesterone receptor negative	44 (19%)	43 (19%)
Oestrogen receptor positive, progesterone receptor unknown	10 (4%)	7 (3%)
Oestrogen receptor negative, progesterone receptor positive	1 (<1%)	3 (1%)
Oestrogen receptor negative, progesterone receptor negative	0	0
Human epidermal growth factor receptor status		
Positive	0	1 (<1%)
Negative	230 (100%)	231 (100%)
WHO performance status*		
0	117 (51%)	115 (50%)
1	106 (46%)	105 (45%)
2	7 (3%)	12 (5%)

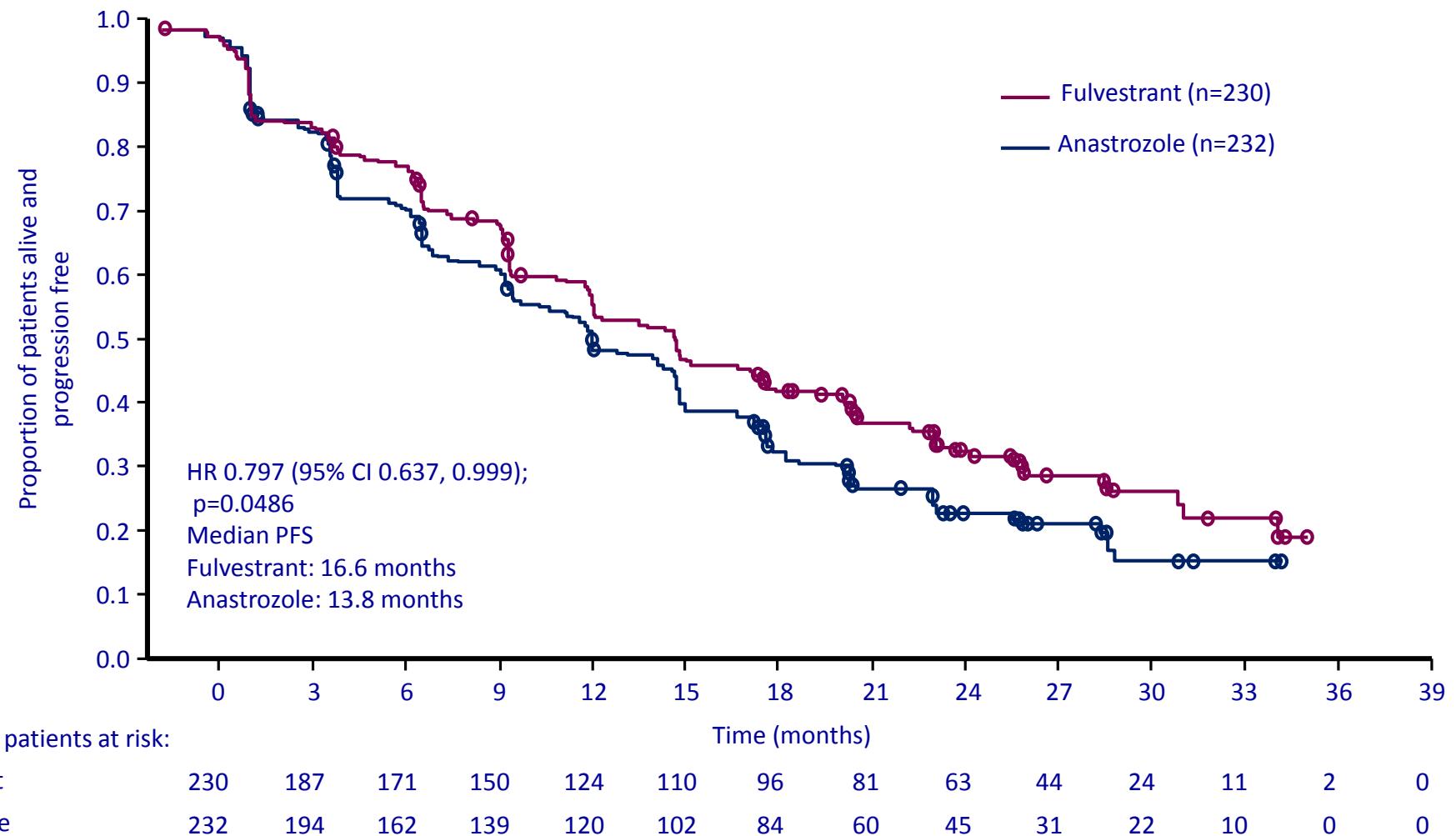
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	Fulvestrant 500 mg (n=230)	Anastrozole 1 mg (n=232)
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Disease stage		
Locally advanced	28 (12%)	32 (14%)
Metastatic	202 (88%)	200 (86%)
Site of disease		
Visceral disease†	135 (59%)	119 (51%)
Bone or musculoskeletal only	24 (10%)	24 (10%)
Breast only	3 (1%)	2 (1%)
Skin or soft tissue only	8 (3%)	6 (3%)
Other non-visceral	60 (26%)	81 (35%)
Measurable disease	193 (84%)	196 (84%)
Previous treatment‡		
Chemotherapy		
Locally advanced or metastatic breast cancers§	36 (16%)	43 (19%)
Adjuvant	35 (15%)	27 (12%)
Neoadjuvant	11 (5%)	16 (7%)
Radiotherapy	53 (23%)	50 (22%)
Immunotherapy	0	0
Hormonal therapy	2 (1%)	1 (<1%)

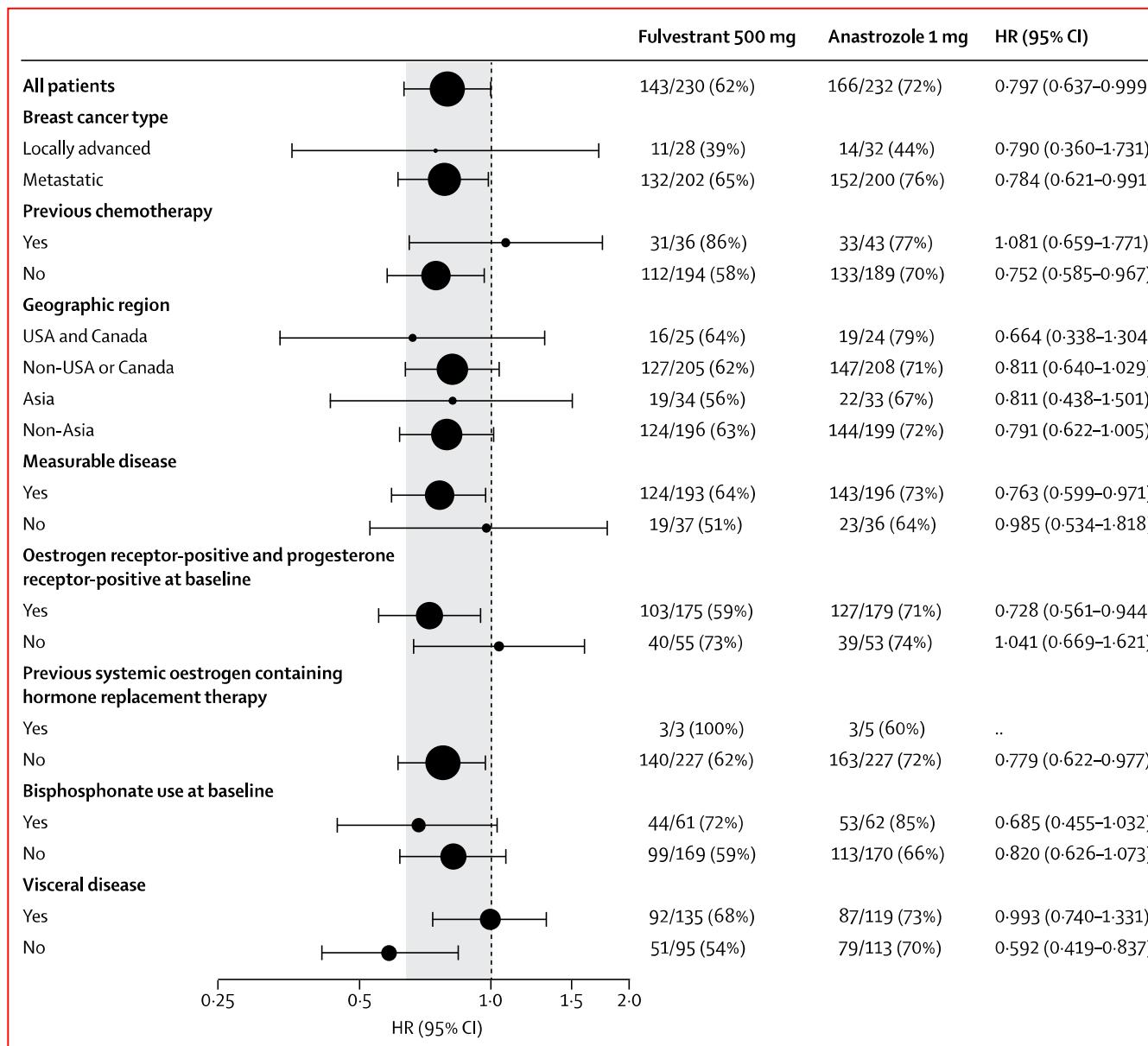
Data are median (range) and n (%). \*For WHO performance status, 0 represents normal activity, 1 represents restricted activity, and 2 represents being in bed 50% of the time or less. †Includes patients with site of baseline disease as any of the following: adrenal, bladder, CNS, oesophagus, liver, lung, peritoneum, pleura, renal, small bowel, stomach, pancreas, thyroid, colon, rectal, ovary, biliary tract, ascites, pericardial effusion, spleen, or pleural effusion. ‡Previous enrolment categories are not mutually exclusive. §Includes first-line, second-line, third-line, metastatic, and palliative chemotherapies (two patients were reported as deviations for having received second-line chemotherapy and one patient was reported in error to have received three previous lines of chemotherapy).

Table 1: Patient baseline demographics and disease characteristics of the intention-to-treat population

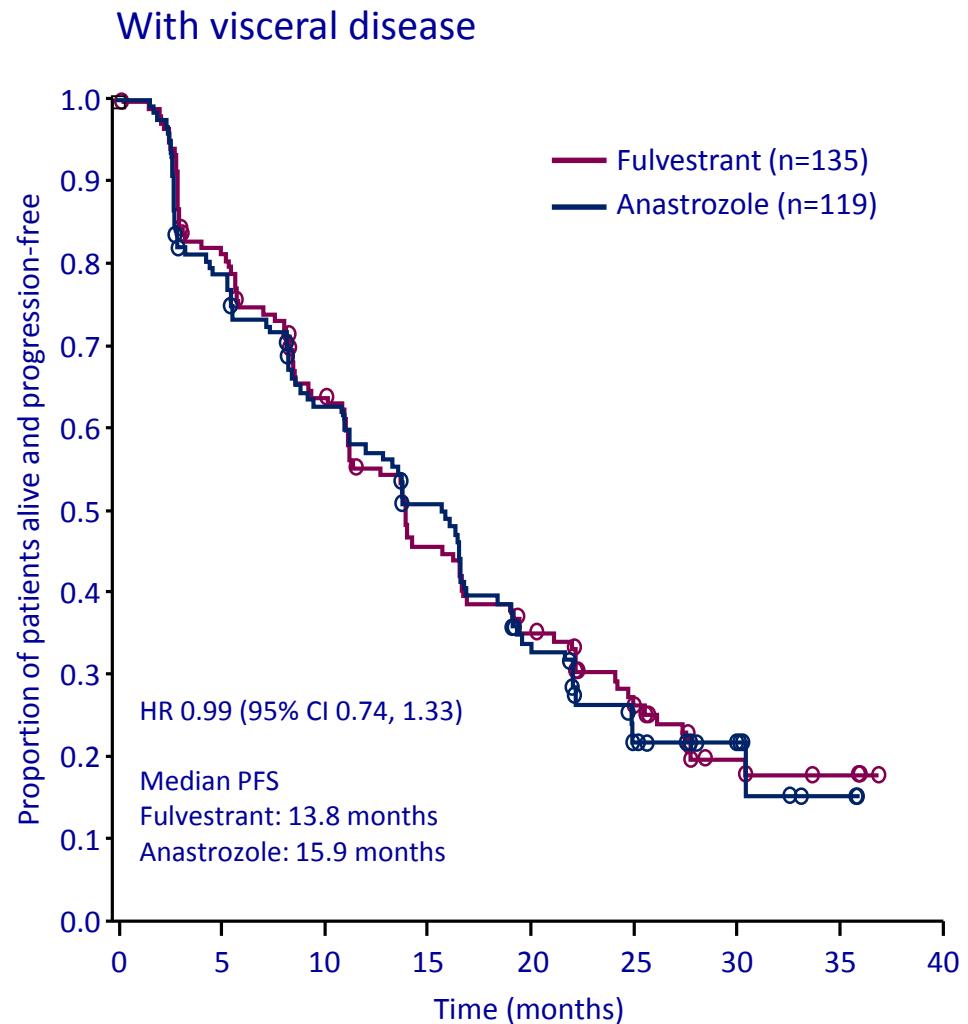
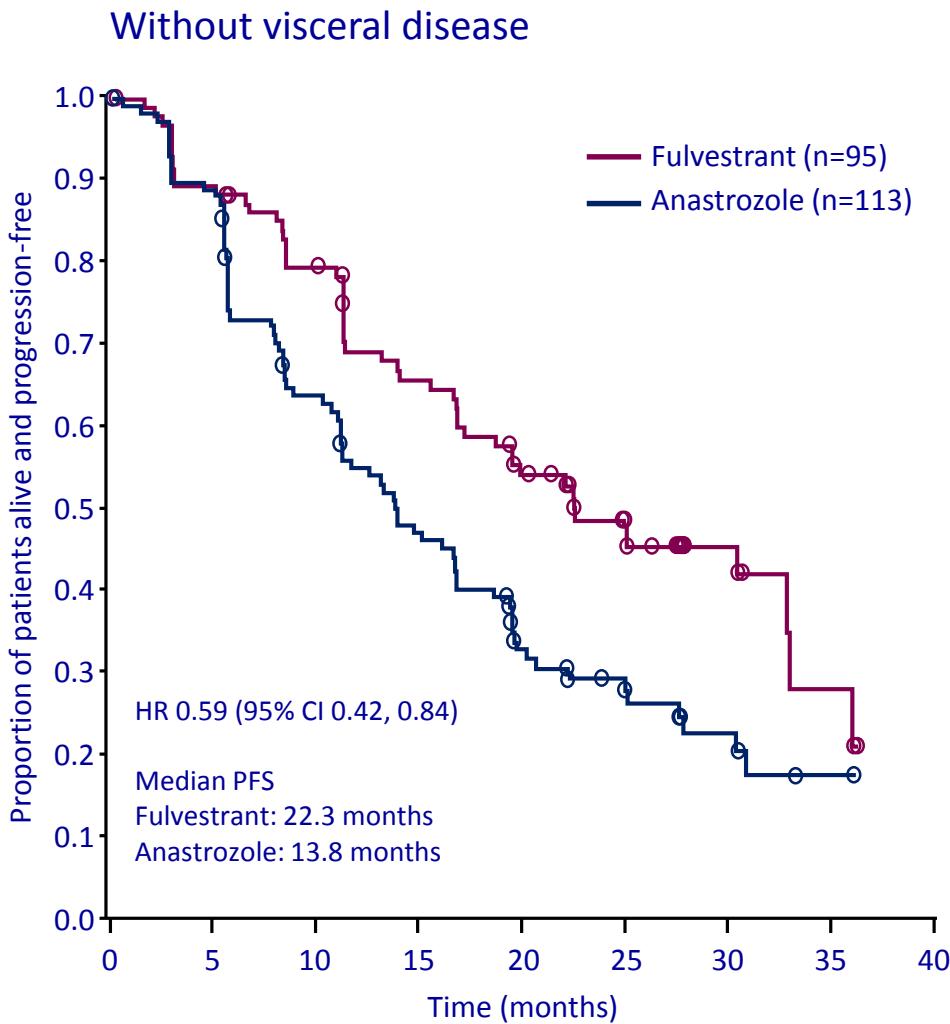
# The Falcon trial: PFS results



# Forest plot of PFS in patient subgroups



# The Falcon trial: PFS results by visceral status



# The Falcon trial: adverse events and QoL

	Fulvestrant 500 mg (n=228)	Anastrozole 1 mg (n=232)
Patients with any adverse event	166 (73%)	173 (75%)
Arthralgia	38 (17%)	24 (10%)
Hot flush	26 (11%)	24 (10%)
Fatigue	26 (11%)	16 (7%)
Nausea	24 (11%)	24 (10%)
Back pain	21 (9%)	14 (6%)
Alanine aminotransferase increased	16 (7%)	7 (3%)
Myalgia	16 (7%)	8 (3%)
Hypertension	15 (7%)	21 (9%)
Insomnia	15 (7%)	13 (6%)
Diarrhoea	14 (6%)	13 (6%)
Constipation	13 (6%)	11 (5%)
Pain in extremity	13 (6%)	10 (4%)
Aspartate aminotransferase increased	12 (5%)	8 (3%)
Cough	12 (5%)	8 (3%)
Anaemia	9 (4%)	20 (9%)
Dyspnoea	9 (4%)	13 (6%)
Oedema peripheral	9 (4%)	13 (6%)

Data are n (%). Adverse events were graded according to Common Terminology Criteria for Adverse Events version 4.0.

**Table 3:** Adverse events with a frequency of more than 5% in any treatment group irrespective of causality in the safety analysis population

- Mean FACT-B and Trial Outcome Index scores were maintained and similar in both treatment groups
- Time to deterioration did not differ significantly between treatment groups for both TOI score and FACT-B total score

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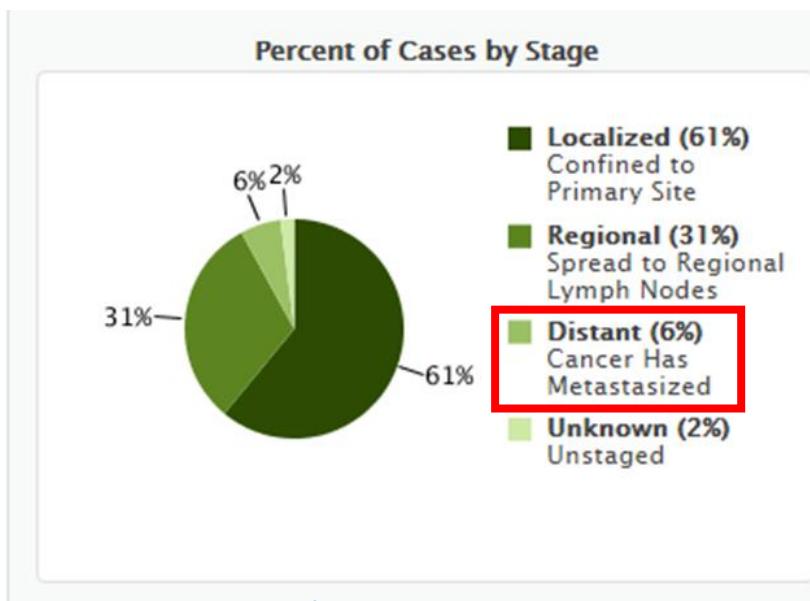
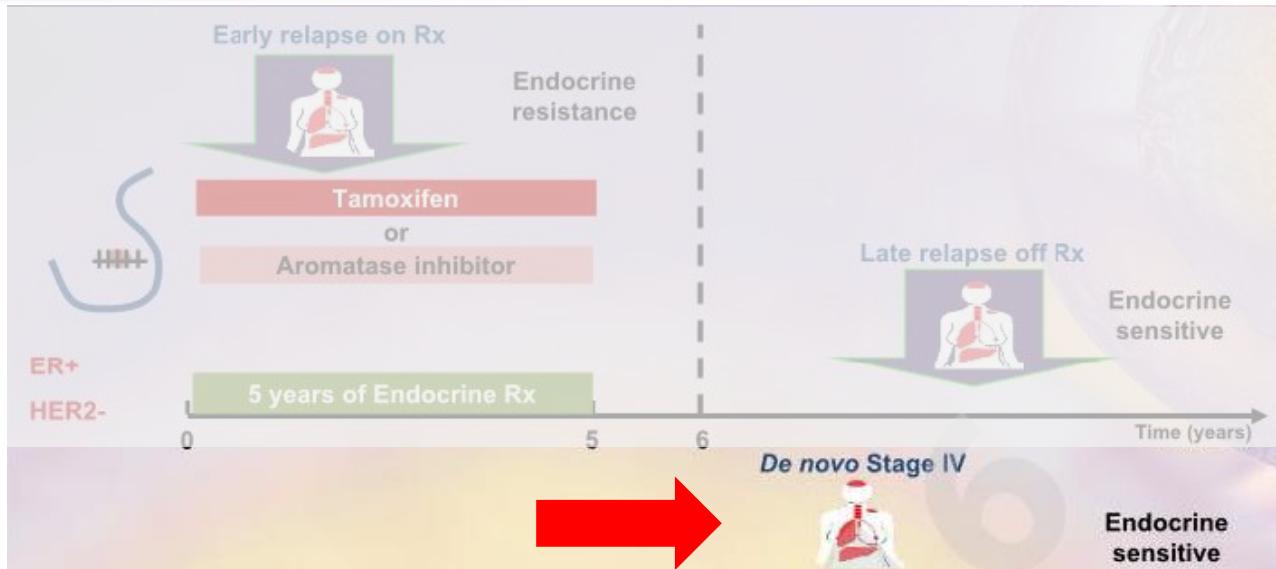
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# *De Novo Stage IV* in real life



SEER 2006-2012<sup>[1]</sup>:

~6% *De Novo Stage IV*  
AIOM-AIRTUM 2016<sup>[2]</sup>:

~ 20,000 new *De Novo Stage IV* cases in 2016

<sup>1</sup>National Cancer Institute. SEER stat fact sheet. Accessed March 26, 2017

<sup>2</sup>AIOM-AIRTUM: i numeri del cancro in Italia 2016

# *De Novo Stage IV in recent 1<sup>st</sup>-Line Phase III Trials*

	MONALEESA-2 (n=668)	PALOMA-2 (n=666)	SWOG-0226 (n=707)	FALCON (n=462)
<b>Disease Free Interval</b>				
De Novo MBC	34 %	34 %	39%	LABC 18 %
< 12 mo	2 %	22 %	nil	MBC 87 %
> 12 mo	64 %	42 %	(> 10 yr) 28%	
<b>Prior Treatment</b>				
Adjuvant Endocrine Rx	52 %	56 %	40 %	nil
Adjuvant Chemotherapy	37 %	NR	33 %	19 %
Chemotherapy for MBC	nil	nil	nil	17 %
<b>Site of Disease</b>				
Visceral	59 %	49 %	54 %	55 %
Bone only	22 %	22 %	22 %	NR
Median PFS for AI (control arm) (95 % CI)	14.7 mo (13.0 – 16.5)	14.5 mo (12.9 - 17.1)	13.5 mo (12.1 – 15.1)	13.8 mo (NR)

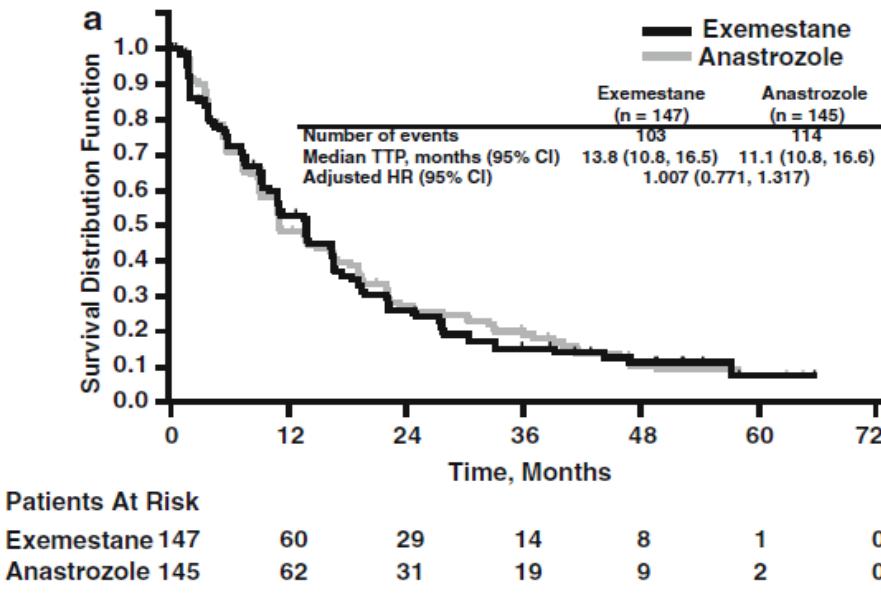
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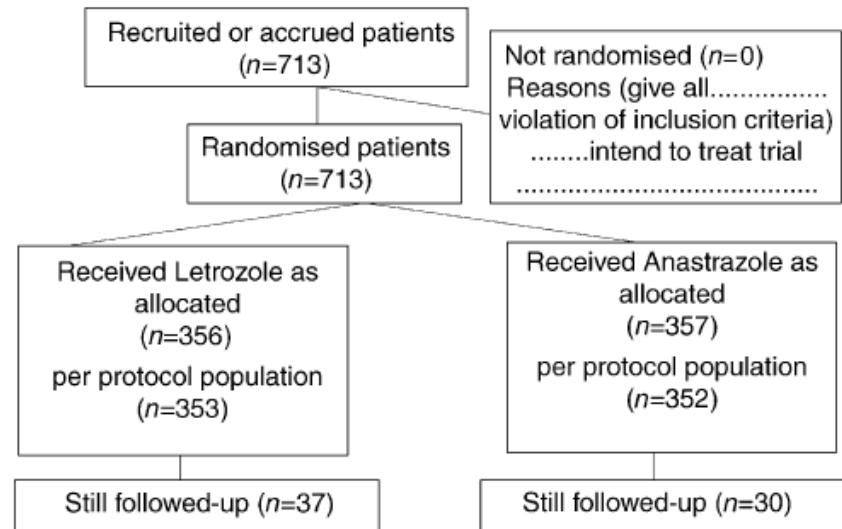
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# Anastrozole vs. other A.I.

## Anastrozole vs. Exemestane [1<sup>st</sup> Line]



## Anastrozole vs. Letrozole [1<sup>st</sup>&2<sup>nd</sup> Line]



	Patients, n (%)	
	Exemestane (n = 132)	Anastrozole (n = 128)
Complete response	2 (1.5)	3 (2.3)
Partial response	56 (42.4)	47 (36.7)
Stable disease	55 (41.7)	70 (54.7)
Stable disease ≥24 weeks	41 (31.1)	49 (38.3)
Stable disease <24 weeks	14 (10.6)	21 (16.4)
Progressive disease	16 (12.1)	8 (6.3)

Efficacy parameter	Letrozole (n=356)	Anastrozole (n = 357)	Adjusted P value
Median TTP, months (90% CI)	5.7 (5.1–6.0)	5.7 (4.6–6.1)	0.92
ORR, no. (%)	68 (19.1) <sup>a</sup>	44 (12.3) <sup>b</sup>	0.013
CR	24 (6.7)	13 (3.6)	
PR	44 (12.4)	31 (8.7)	
NC ≥ 6 months	28 (7.9)	38 (10.6)	
PD	203 (57.0)	222 (62.2)	
NE	57 (16.0)	53 (14.8)	
Median DOR, months	22	25	0.645

Iwata H et al, BCRT 2013

Rose C et al, EJC 2003

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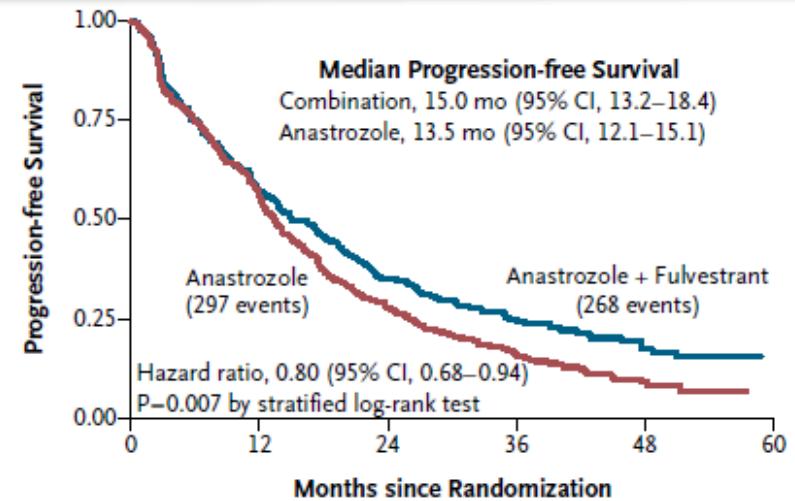
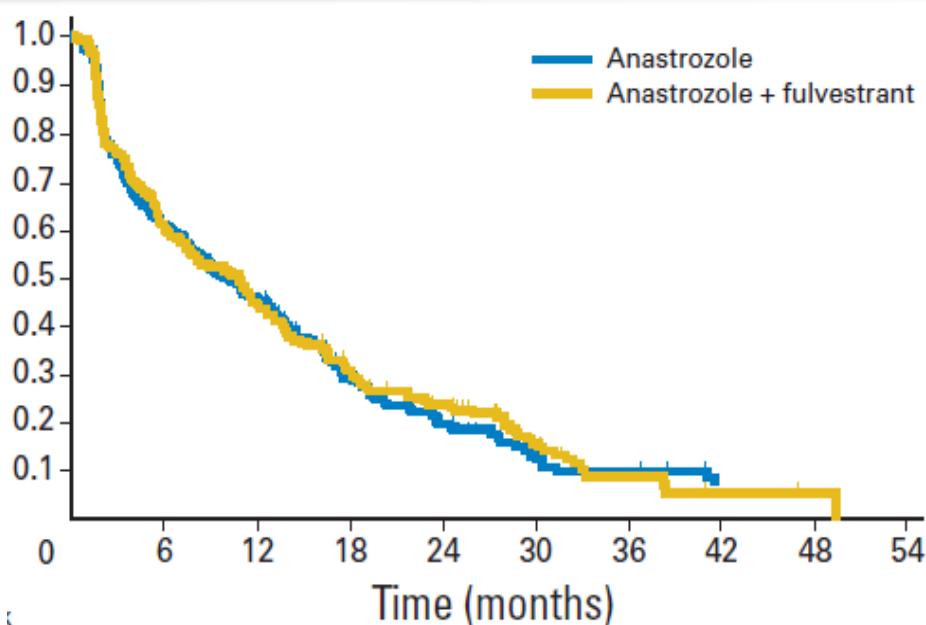
# A.I. as comparator

## PFS / TTP of AIs as 1<sup>st</sup>-line endocrine therapy trials in HR+ MBC

Trial	Date	AI (months)	Tamoxifen (months)	AI + fulvestrant 250mg (months)	Hazard Ratio
Nabholtz et al <i>Anastrozole vs tamoxifen</i>	2000	11.1	5.6	-	0.81
Bonneterre et al <i>Anastrozole vs tamoxifen</i>	2001	8.2	8.3	-	0.99
Mouridsen et al <i>Letrozole vs tamoxifen</i>	2001	9.4	6.0	-	0.72
Chernozemsky et al <i>Exemestane vs tamoxifen</i>	2007	12.0	8.3	-	-
Paridaens et al <i>Exemestane vs tamoxifen</i>	2008	9.9	5.8	-	0.84
Mehta et al <i>Anastrozole vs anastrozole + fulvestrant 250mg</i>	2012	13.5	-	15.0	0.80
Bergh et al <i>Anastrozole vs anastrozole + fulvestrant 250mg</i>	2012	10.2	-	10.8	0.99
Range		8–13	6–8	10–15	

Johnston S, SABCS 2016

# Fulvestrant [250 mg]+ Anastrozole [Poly-endocrine Therapy]



	No. at Risk	Anastrozole + fulvestrant	Anastrozole	
Anastrozole + fulvestrant	349	199	114	53
Anastrozole	345	193	92	39

Previous treatment*	180	69.8	168	65.6
AET	180	69.8	168	65.6
Endocrine therapy type*				
Antiestrogens	178	69.0	165	64.5
Enzyme inhibitors	5	1.9	3	1.2
GnRH agonists	8	3.1	7	2.7
Other hormone antagonists and related	0		1	0.4
Progestogens	1	0.4	0	
Recurrence‡				
During AET	69	26.7	59	23.0
0-12 months after stopping AET	14	5.4	18	7.0
> 12 months after stopping AET	85	32.9	78	30.5
Other	12	4.7	11	4.3

Characteristic	Anastrozole Alone (N=345)	Anastrozole and Fulvestrant (N=349)	Total (N=694)
Age — yr			
Median	65	65	65
Range	36–91	27–92	27–92
Prior adjuvant tamoxifen — no. (%)			
Yes	139 (40.3)	141 (40.4)	280 (40.3)
No	206 (59.7)	208 (59.6)	414 (59.7)
Prior adjuvant chemotherapy — no. (%)			
Yes	103 (29.9)	129 (37.0)	232 (33.4)
No	242 (70.1)	220 (63.0)	462 (66.6)

Bergh J et al, JCO 2012

Mehta RS et al, NEJM 2012

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# Quale impatto nella pratica clinica?

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Studio su una sottopopolazione relativamente piccola

Risultati significativi (ma clinicamente?)

Considerazioni sulla compliance delle pazienti

Ingresso sul mercato di un verosimile “nuovo standard” nel setting

Sottopopolazione con lesioni non viscerali (HR .59, 95%CI .42-.84, PFS 22.3 m)