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

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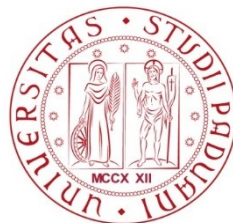
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# I test genomici nelle pazienti con EBC HR+: quali test e in quali pazienti? Quali informazioni forniscono al clinico?

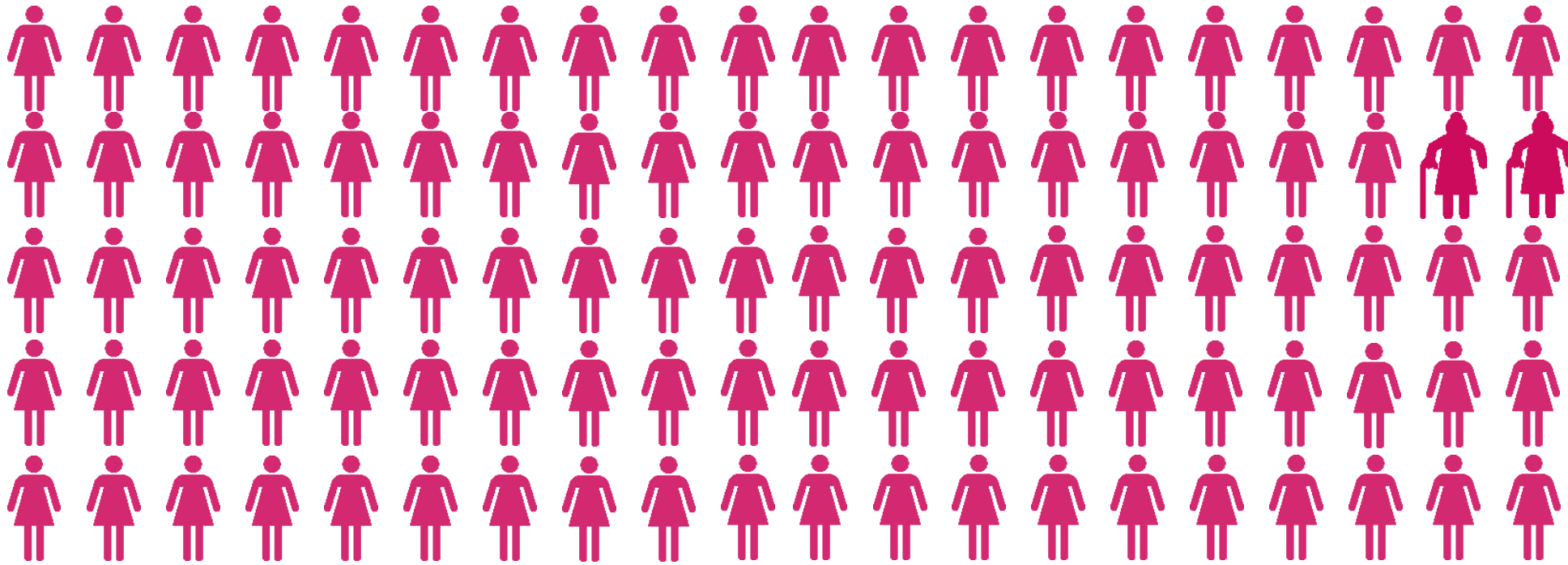
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# Rationale for treatment individualization for early HR+/HER2- BC patients



100 BC pts  
20% HER2+ BC  
15% TN BC

65 HR+/HER2- BC pts candidate to HT  
5%  $\geq 4$  Node positive  
2-3% too frail for CT

50 HR+/HER2- BC PATIENTS  
POTENTIALLY CANDIDATE TO  
ADJUVANT Ct + HT

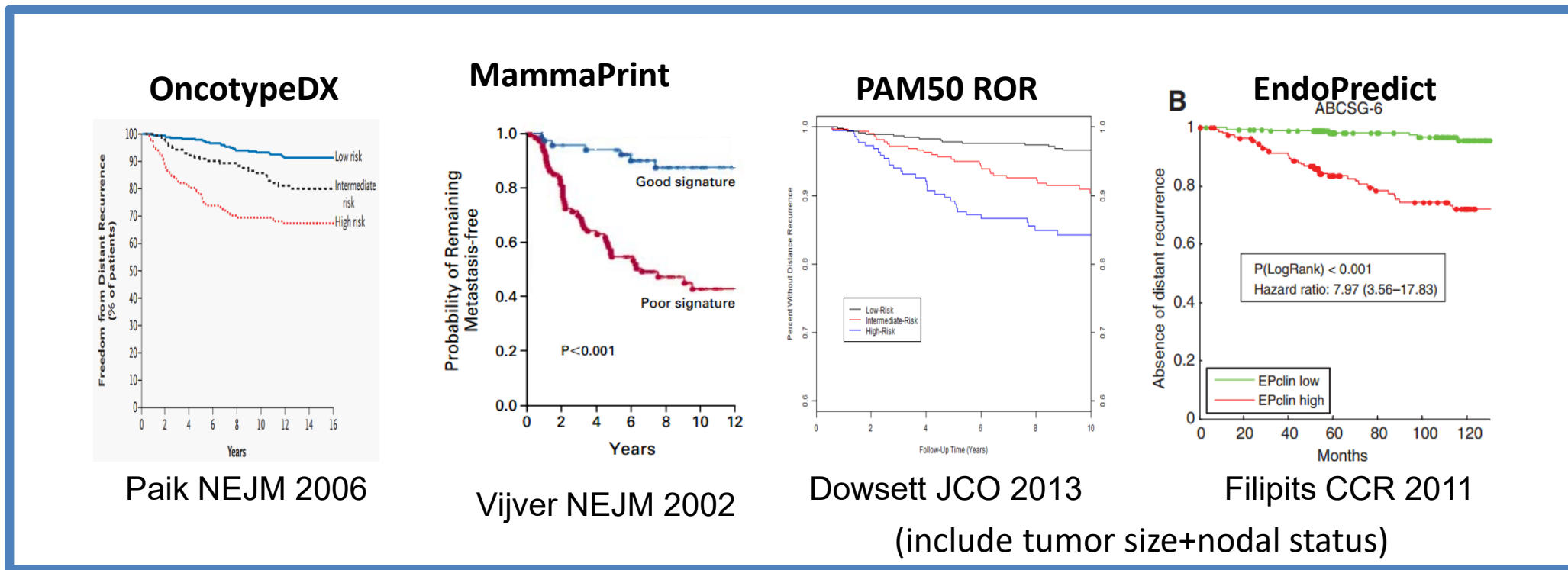
## Use of Biomarkers to Guide Decisions on Adjuvant Systemic Therapy for Women With Early-Stage Invasive Breast Cancer: American Society of Clinical Oncology Clinical Practice Guideline

*Lyndsay N. Harris, Nofisat Ismaila, Lisa M. McShane, Fabrice Andre, Deborah E. Collyar, Ana M. Gonzalez-Angulo, Elizabeth H. Hammond, Nicole M. Kuderer, Minetta C. Liu, Robert G. Menzel, Catherine Van Poznak, Robert C. Bast, and Daniel F. Hayes*

- CT produces the same proportional risk reduction in all patients (EBCTCG).
- This translates into different degrees of absolute benefit, depending on the individual estimate of absolute risk of recurrence.
- What is the threshold of absolute risk of recurrence that defines patients that can be safely spared CT?

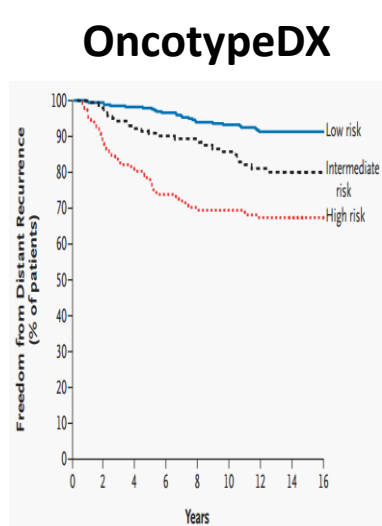
Absolute distant recurrence risk at baseline	Relative risk reduction with CT	Absolute risk reduction from CT	Risk of Fatal, life-threatening, permanent CT toxicity
50-60%	30%	15-20%	2-3%
10-15%	30%	2-3%	2-3%

# Multigene prognostic tests for HR+/HER2-

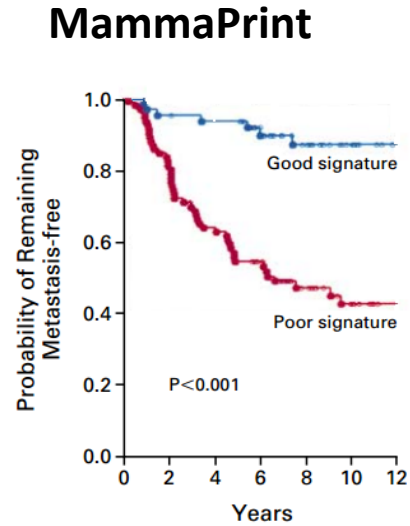


All have at least LoE1B as prognostic tests: results from  $\geq 2$  prospective trials analyzed retrospectively, not designed to test the marker

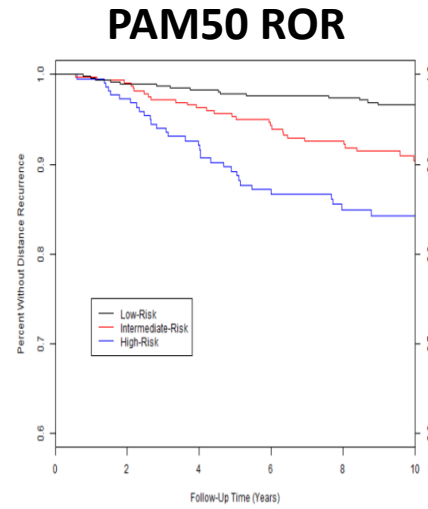
# Multigene prognostic tests for HR+/HER2-



Paik NEJM 2006

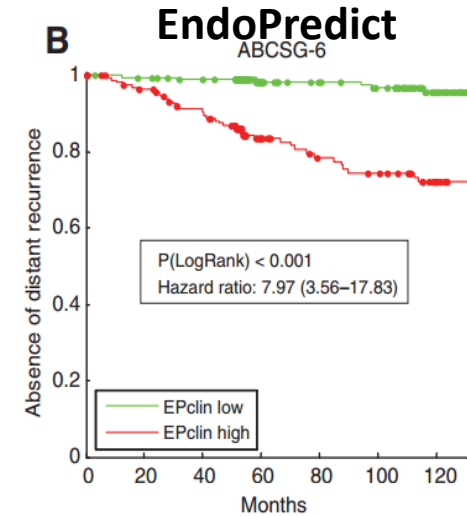


Vijver NEJM 2002



Dowsett JCO 2013

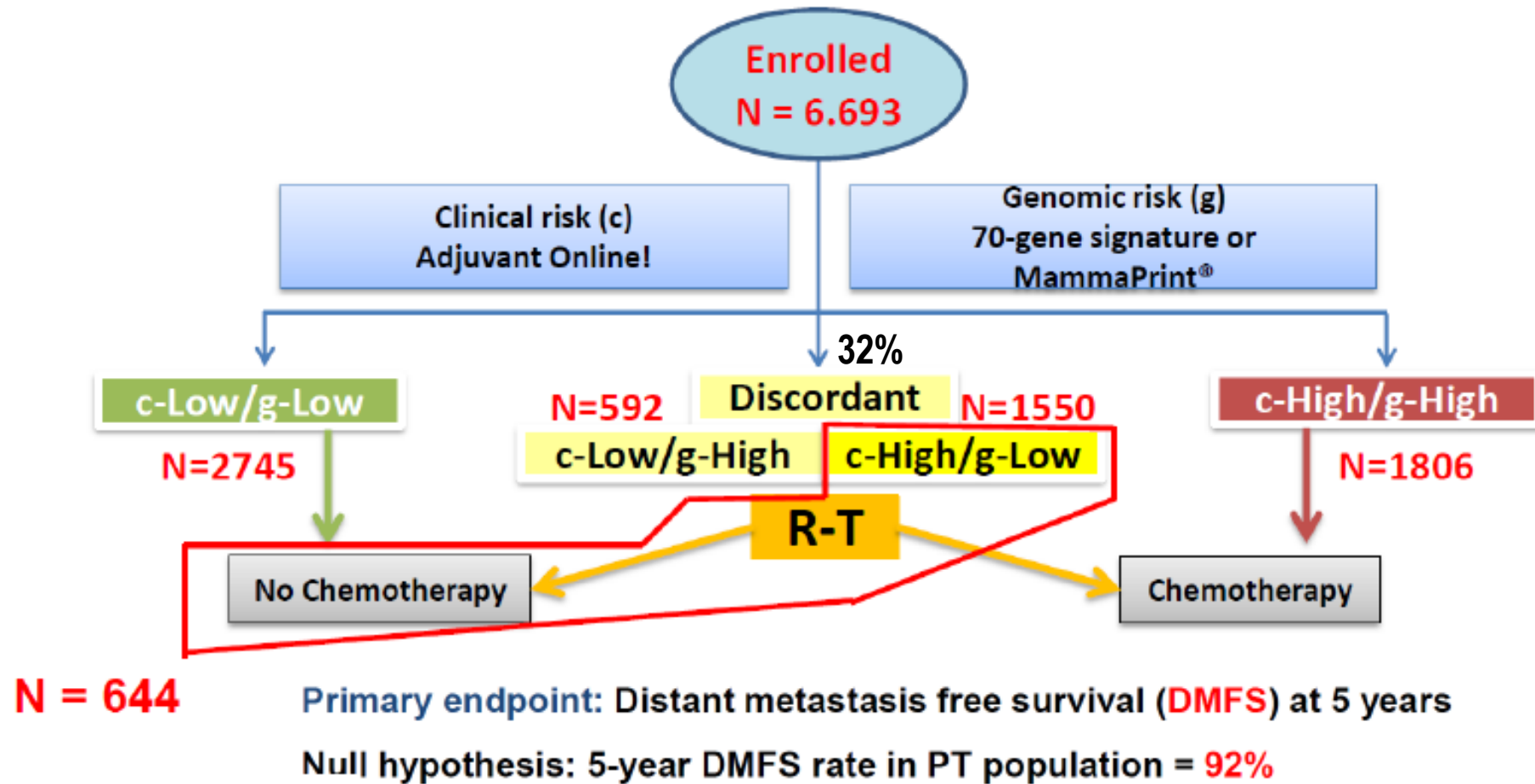
(include tumor size+nodal status)



Filipits CCR 2011

**LoE1A: results from  $\geq 1$  prospective trial specifically designed to test the marker**

# MINDACT: Study Design



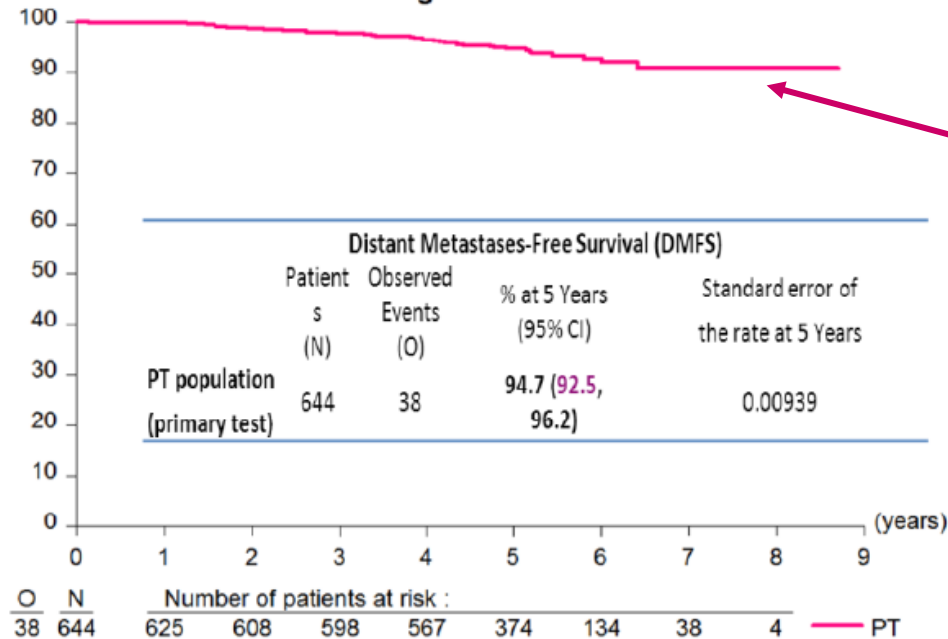
# MINDACT DISCORDANT GROUP: PRIMARY ENDPOINT

Median FU 5yrs

**The primary statistical test  
(DMFS at 5Y)**

N=1550 C-High/G-low  
90% ER+/HER2-  
52% N0  
42% T<2cm  
71% G1-2

**Distant Metastasis Free Survival  
cHgL no ACT**



N=644 no CT

**Null Hypothesis: set at 92%**

**Observed 5Y DMFS = 94.7%**

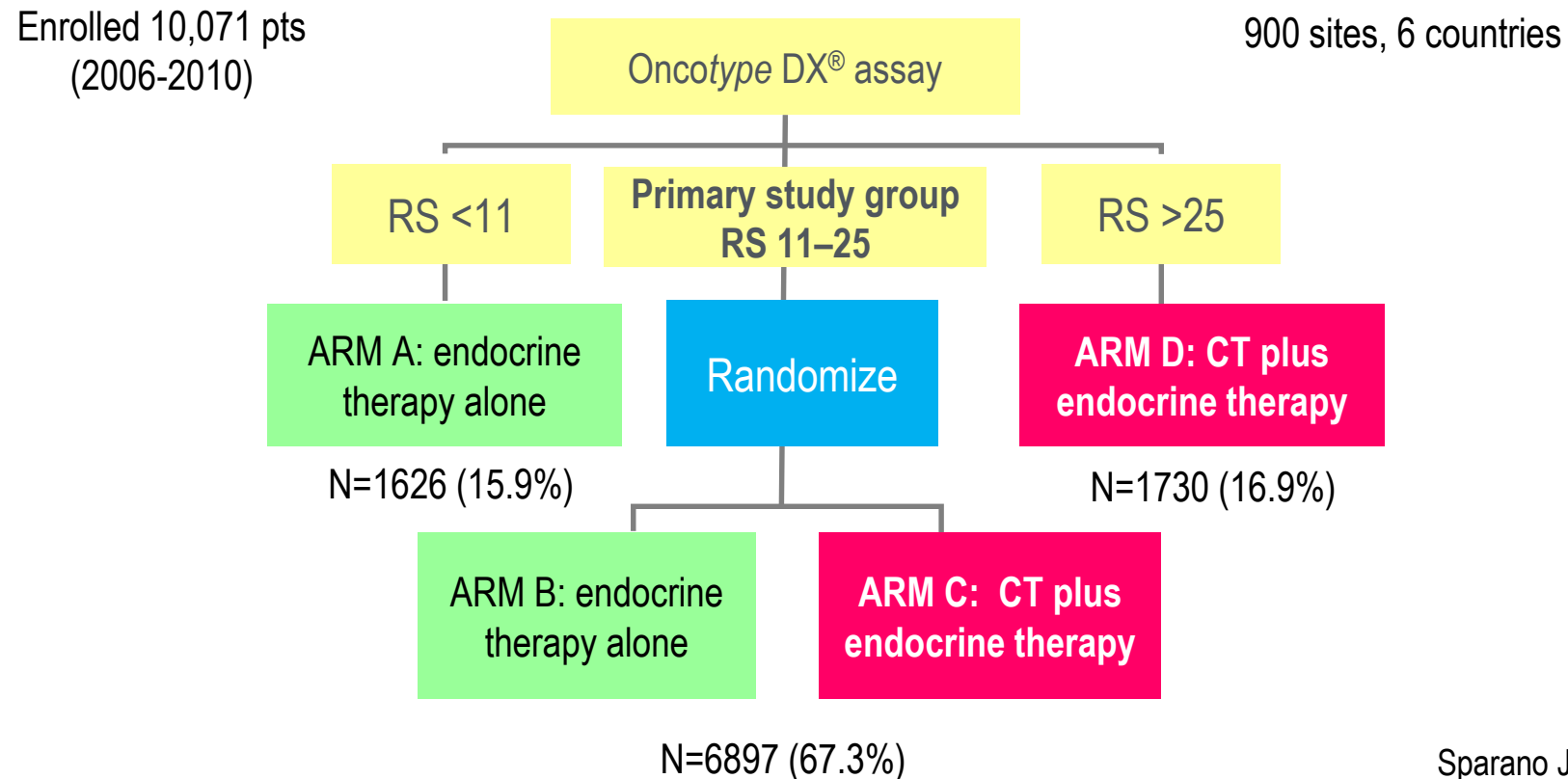
**95% CI ≈ 92.5 – 96.2% excludes 92% !!!**

**LoE 1A**

# Trial Assigning Individualized Options for Treatment (Rx) TAILORx

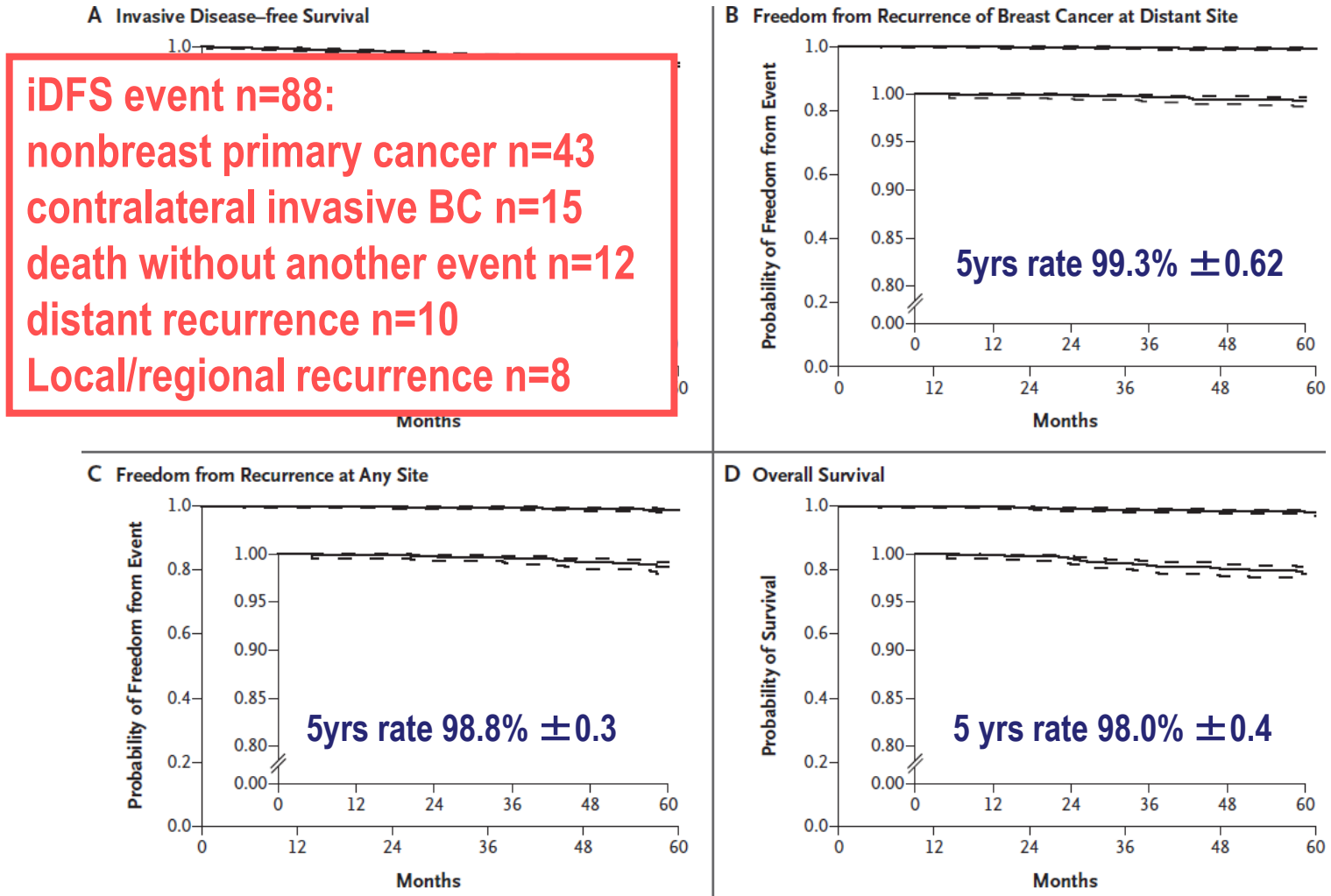
**HR+/HER2-, N-negative  
T1c-2 any grade or T1b and G2/3**

Primary analysis: non-inferiority (iDFS) of HT vs CT+HT in women in the RS 11-25 group.





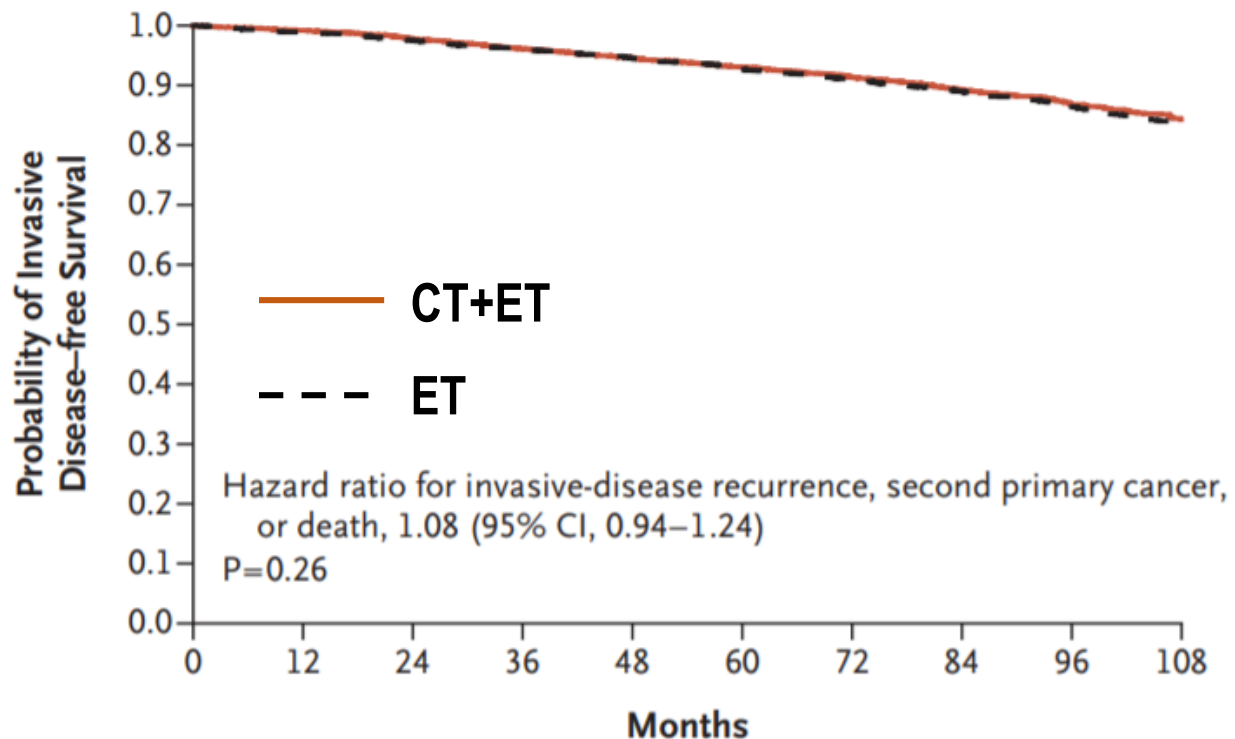
# TailorX: prognosis of RS low patients



LoE 1A for N-

# TailorX (N0): RS 11-25, primary endpoint

RS 11-25, randomized to CT+ET or ET alone n=6711



iDFS	5yrs %	9yrs %
ET	92.8 ±0.5	83.3 ±0.9
CT+ET	93.1 ±0.5	84.3 ±0.8

A 5-year rate of invasive disease-free survival of 90% with chemoendocrine therapy and of 87% or less with endocrine therapy alone, which corresponds to a 32.2% higher risk of an invasive disease recurrence, second primary cancer, or death as a result of not administering chemotherapy (hazard ratio, 1.322).

# TailorX (N0): RS 11-25, other endpoints

	ET N=3399	CT+ET N=3312
Ipsilateral breast	38 (1.1)	31 (0.9)
Other locoregional relapse	39 (1.1)	31 (0.9)
Distant relapse	107 (3.1)	92 (2.8)
Contralateral BC	44 (1.3)	48 (1.4)
Second nonBC primary	145 (4.3)	146 (4.4)
Death	63 (1.9)	52 (1.6)
Total	436 (12.8)	400 (12.1)

Endpoints	5yrs %	9yrs %	HR (95% CI)
<b>Freedom from distant relapse</b>			
ET	98.0 ±0.3	94.5 ±0.5	1.10 (0.85-1.41)
CT+ET	98.2 ±0.2	95.0 ±0.5	ref
<b>Freedom from any BC relapse</b>			
ET	96.9 ±0.3	92.2 ±0.6	1.11 (0.90-1.37)
CT+ET	97.0 ±0.3	92.9 ±0.6	ref
<b>Overall survival</b>			
ET	98.0 ±0.2	93.9 ±0.5	0.99 (0.79-1.22)
CT+ET	98.1 ±0.2	93.8 ±0.5	ref

# TAILORx: different cut-offs for young patients

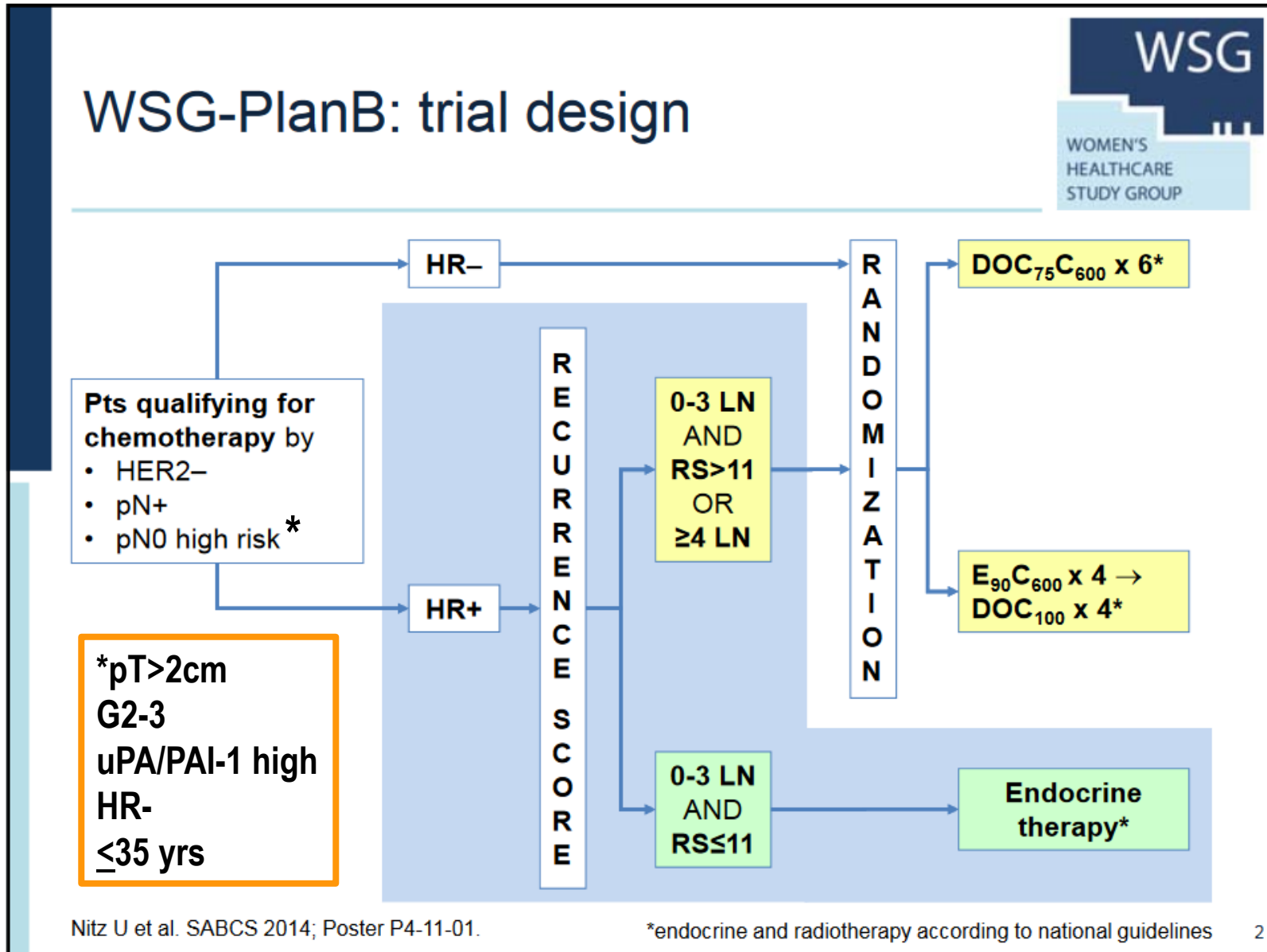
## All patients

0-11	11-25	<u>≥26</u>
Good prognosis with ET: 94.0% iDFS 5 yrs	ET: 92.8% iDFS 5 yrs CT: 93.1% iDFS 5yrs	Assigned to CT + ET

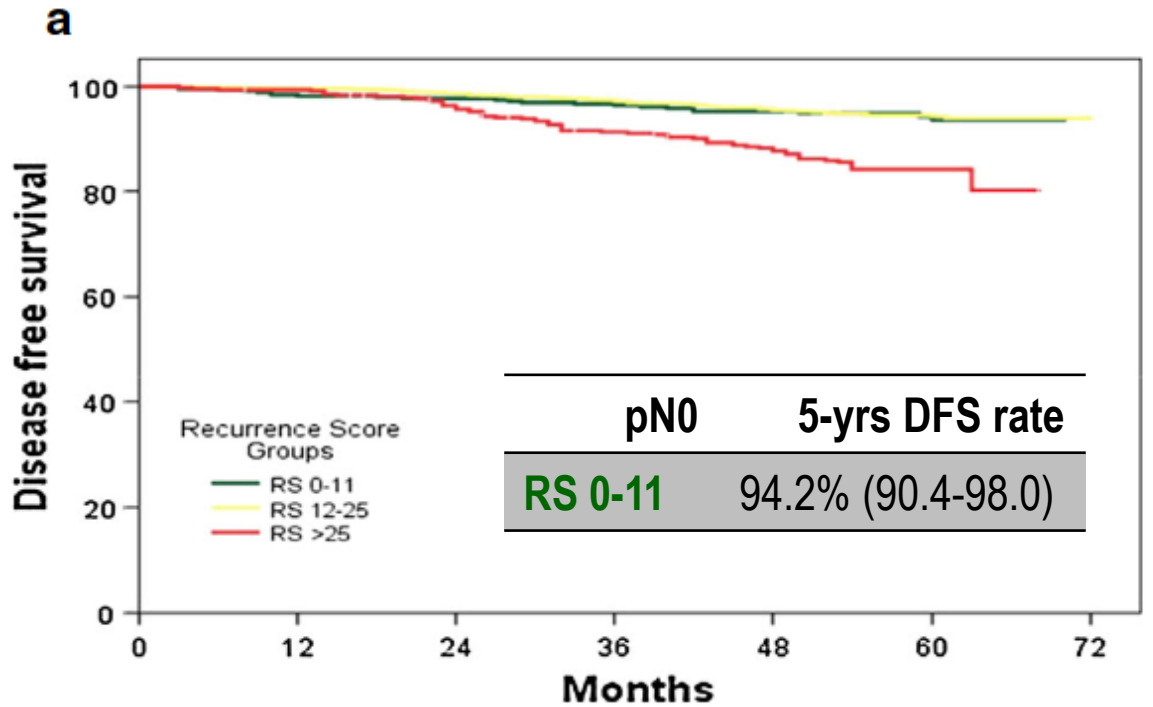
## Young patients (<=50 yrs), n=2216

0-11	11-15	16-20	21-25	<u>≥26</u>
Good prognosis with ET: 95.1% iDFS 5 yrs	ET: 95.1% iDFS 5 yrs CT: 94.3% iDFS 5yrs	ET: 92.0% iDFS 5 yrs CT: 94.7% iDFS 5yrs 9% fewer iDFS events with CT (2% distant)	ET: 93.2% iDFS 5 yrs CT: 96.4% iDFS 5yrs 6% fewer iDFS events with CT (mainly distant)	Assigned to CT+ET

# WSG planB: 5-yrs DDFS according to RS

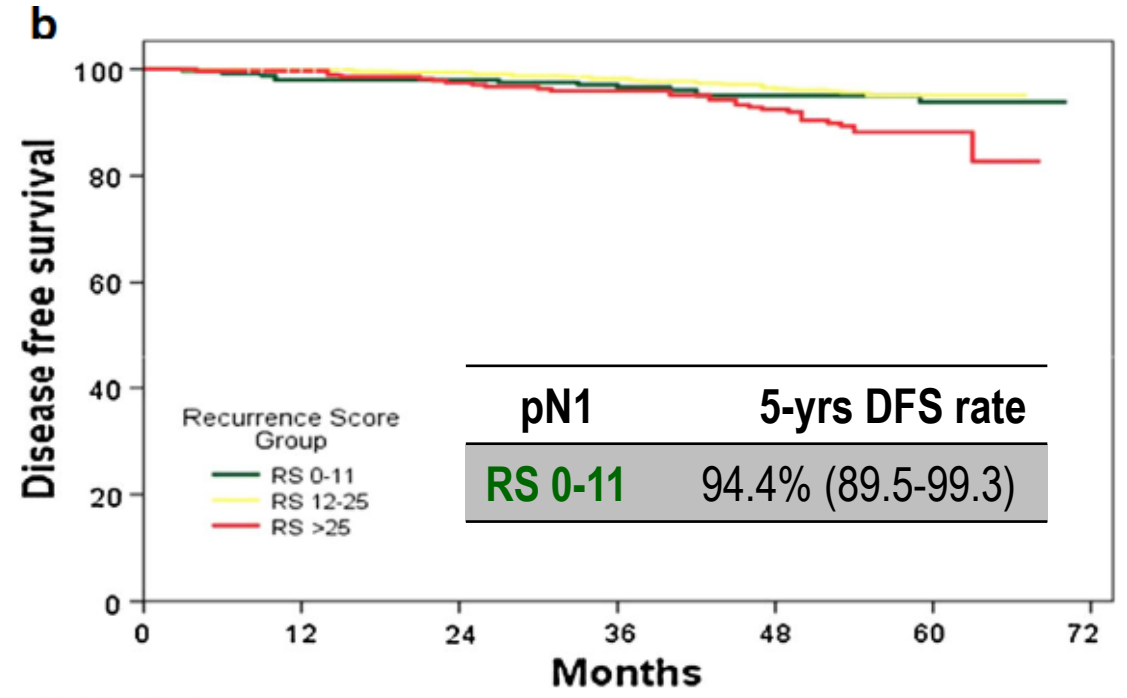


# WSG planB: 5-yrs DFS according to RS



At-risk patients

RS ≤ 11	439	429	407	353	295	134
RS 12-25	1200	1182	1182	1015	853	407
RS >25	478	472	472	380	320	142



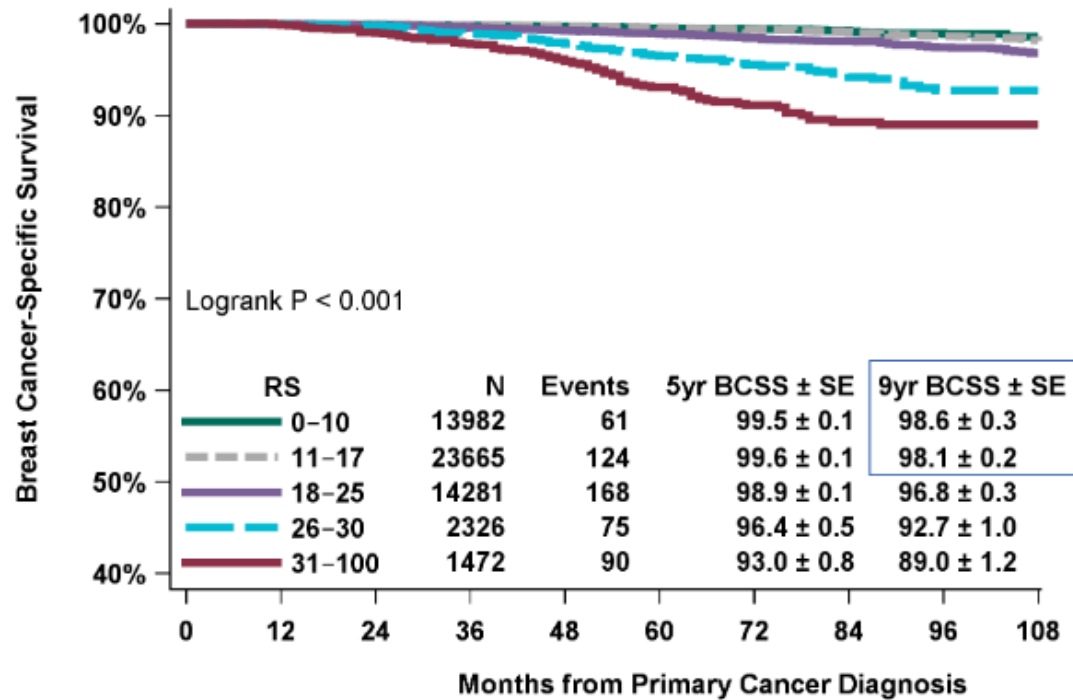
At-risk patients

RS ≤ 11	248	240	227	198	166	72
RS 12-25	661	654	615	566	471	211
RS >25	283	280	258	247	235	89

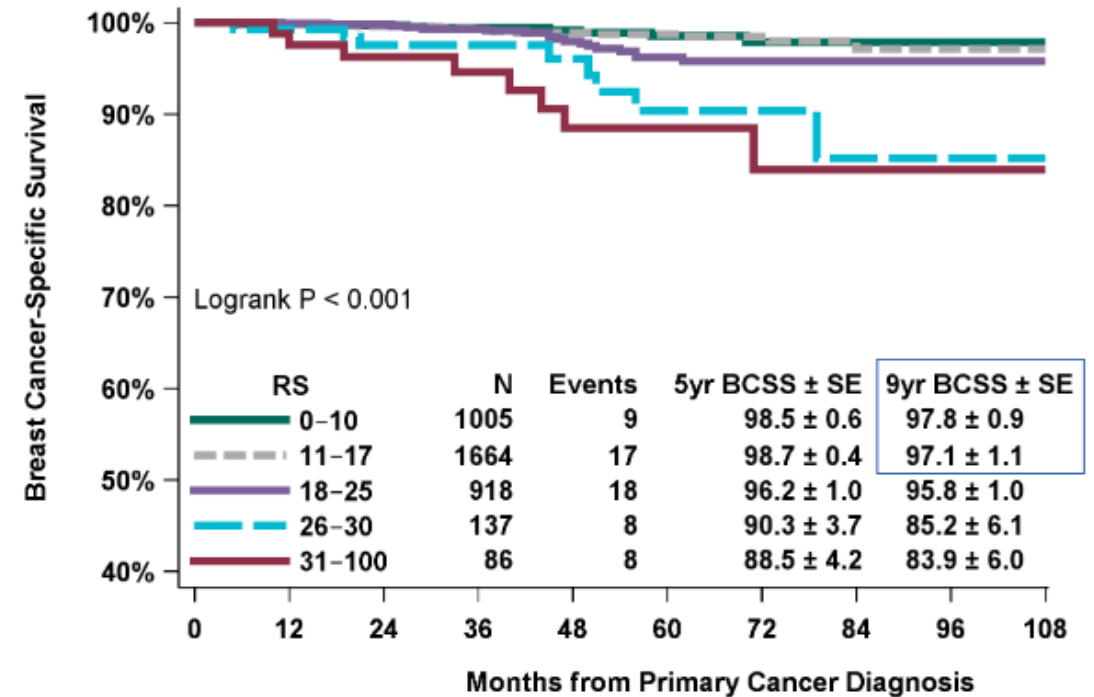
# Breast Cancer-specific Mortality in Patients With Node-negative and Node-positive Breast Cancer Guided by the 21-gene Assay: A SEER-Genomic Population-based Study

Patients treated with ET alone

(a) N0

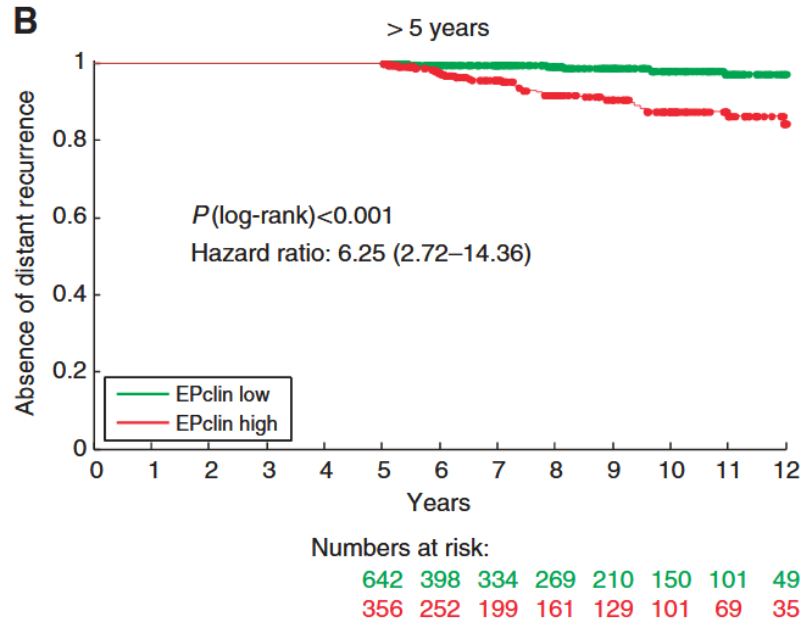


(c) N1



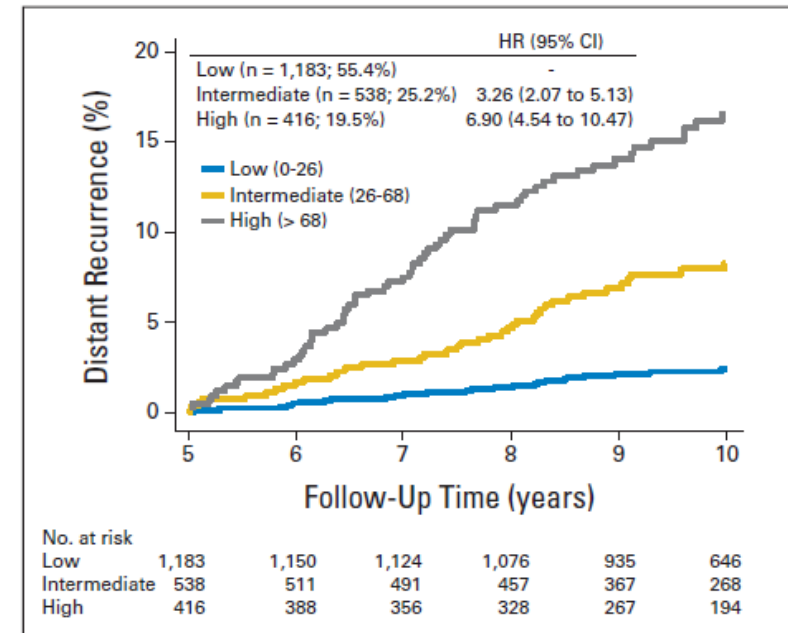
# Late recurrence prediction

## EpClin ABCSG-6/8



Dubsky P, Br J Cancer 2013

## PAM50 ROR ABCSG-8 and ATAC combined



Sestak I, J Clin Oncol 2015



# Optimizing the use of genomic prognostic tests

- ▶ **Which test to choose**
- ▶ **Genomic tests vs clinicopathological features**
- ▶ **For which patients**

# Poor agreement between tests at the individual level

Test	MammaPrint (low), Kappa statistic (95% CI)	Prosigna (low/intermediate), Kappa statistic (95% CI)	IHC4 (low/intermediate), Kappa statistic (95% CI)	IHC4-AQUA† (low/low-mid), Kappa statistic (95% CI)
Oncotype DX (recurrence score $\leq 25$ )	0.40 (0.30 to 0.49)	0.44 (0.33 to 0.54)	0.53 (0.41 to 0.65)	0.40 (0.30 to 0.51)
MammaPrint	–	0.53 (0.43 to 0.63)	0.33 (0.21 to 0.44)	0.42 (0.30 to 0.53)
Prosigna (low/intermediate)	–	–	0.39 (0.27 to 0.50)	0.43 (0.31 to 0.54)
IHC4 (low/intermediate)	–	–	–	0.60 (0.50 to 0.70)

\*Kappa statistics are for agreement between categorization into combined low and intermediate risk vs high risk. CI = confidence interval.

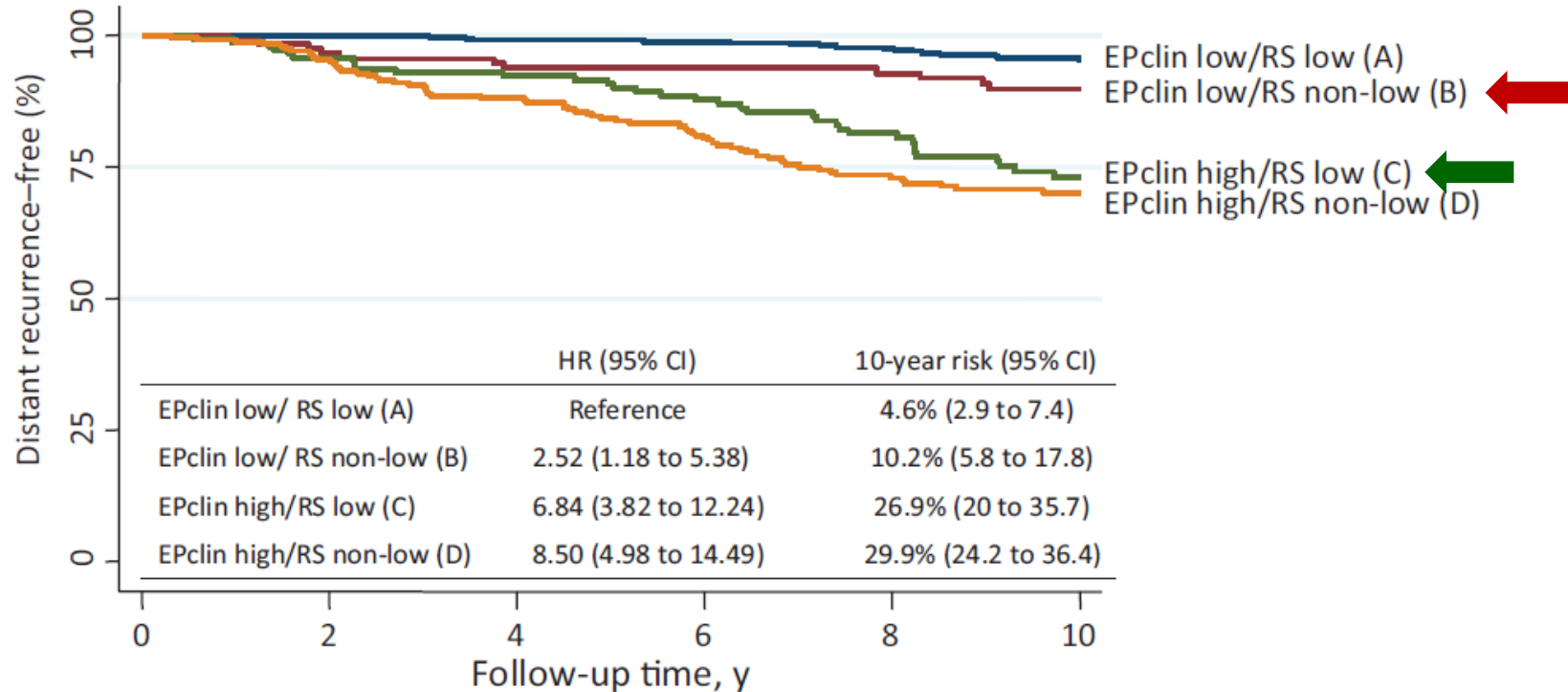
†IHC4-AQUA mid risk and high risk are combined for this analysis.

**Two distinct tests may provide different risk classification for the same patient.**

**Is this variability in prognostic classification clinically acceptable?**

**Does this mean that some tests are better than others?**

# EpCLin vs OncotypeDX in TransATAC



- ▶ Difference between tests may be related, at least in part, to: inclusion of clinicopathological features in EpClin, differing ability to predict late recurrences
- ▶ Potential selection bias can not be excluded (n=928 out of the n=9366 enrolled in ATAC)
- ▶ Comparison studies on different clinical platforms may be useful

RSPC Assessment of Node Negative , ER Positive Distant Recurrence Risk

## User Input

**OncoType DX<sup>®</sup> Breast Cancer Assay Recurrence Score<sup>®</sup>:** 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%)**

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

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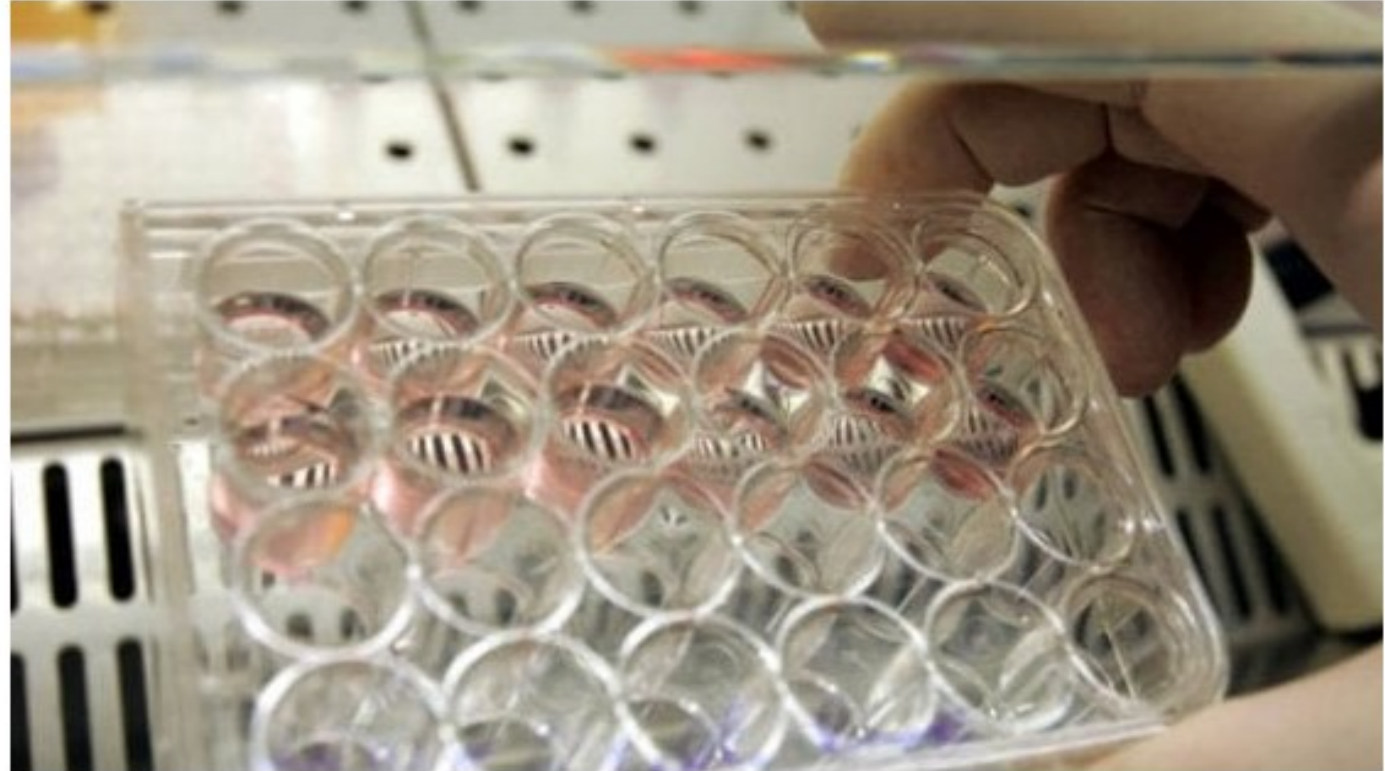
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**Planned Hormonal Treatment:** Aromatase Inhibitor  
**Patient age at surgery:** 50  
**Tumor size (cm):** 1.5  
**Tumor grade (differentiation):** Grade 3 (Poor)

## Results

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

# TAILORx: Patients' characteristics

**Tumore precoce al seno, un test per evitare la chemio nel 70% dei casi**



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*Terapia su misura per le donne con un cancro alle prime fasi grazie allo screening di 21 geni. Sette pazienti su 10 possono essere trattate solo con la terapia ormonale*

# Results of PONDx, a prospective multicenter study of the Oncotype DX<sup>®</sup> breast cancer assay: Real-life utilization and decision impact in French clinical practice

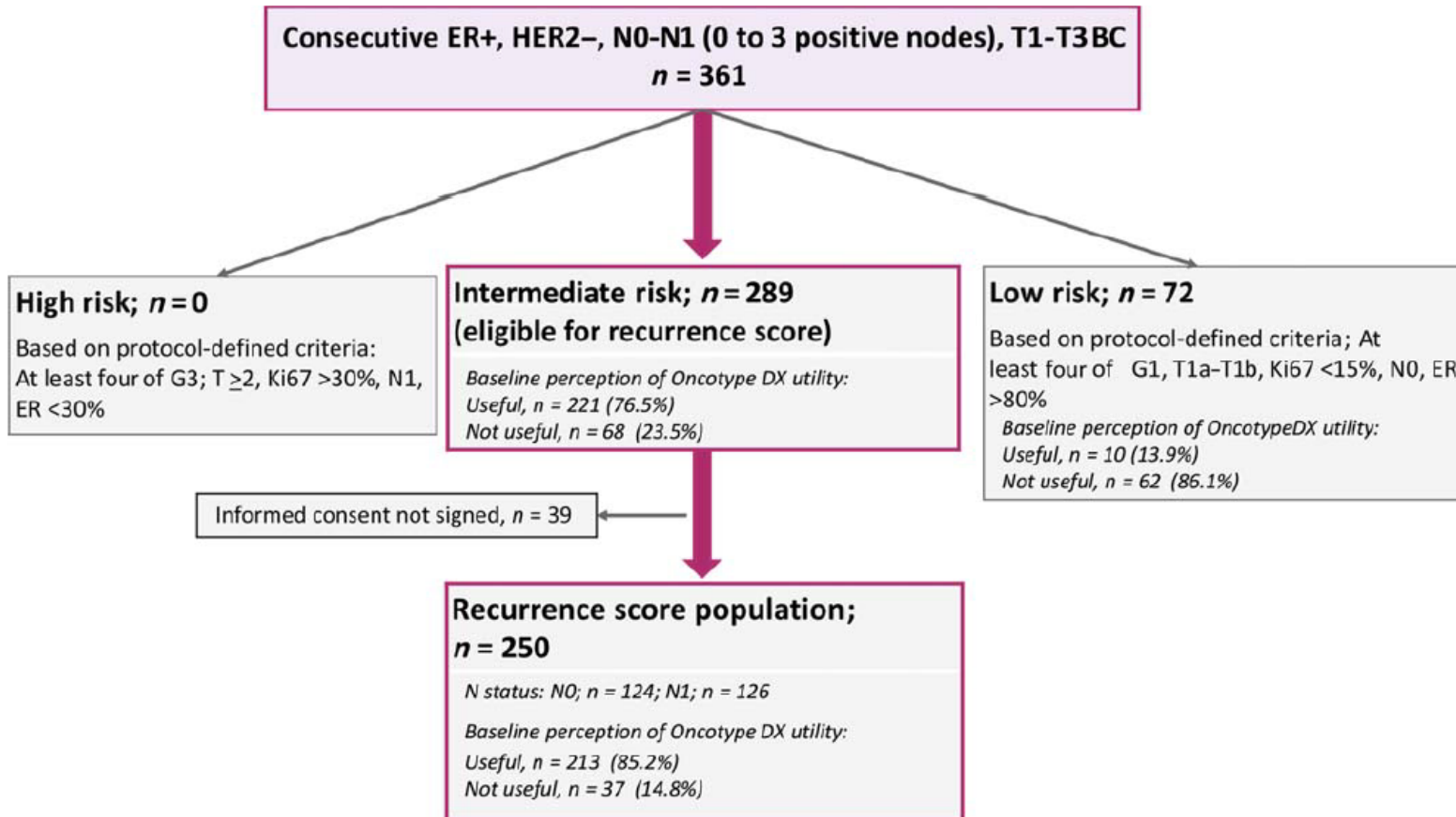
Elsa Curtit <sup>a,\*</sup>, Jean-Michel Vannetzel <sup>b</sup>, Jean-Claude Darmon <sup>c</sup>, Sophie Roche <sup>d</sup>, Hugues Bourgeois <sup>d</sup>, Sylvain Dewas <sup>e</sup>, Stéphanie Catala <sup>f</sup>, Emile Mereb <sup>g</sup>, Charlotte Furtos Fanget <sup>h</sup>, Dominique Genet <sup>i</sup>, Anne-Marie Forest <sup>j</sup>, Céline Bernier <sup>k</sup>, Xavier Pivot <sup>l</sup>

Characteristics	% (n=866)
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
T <sub>≤</sub> 2cm	66%
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
N0	71%
N1mic	8%
N1	23%
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]

- ▶ 66% rate of pre-test recommendation to CT+HT.
- ▶ 44% rate of post-test change in treatment decision.
- ▶ 37% net CT reduction.

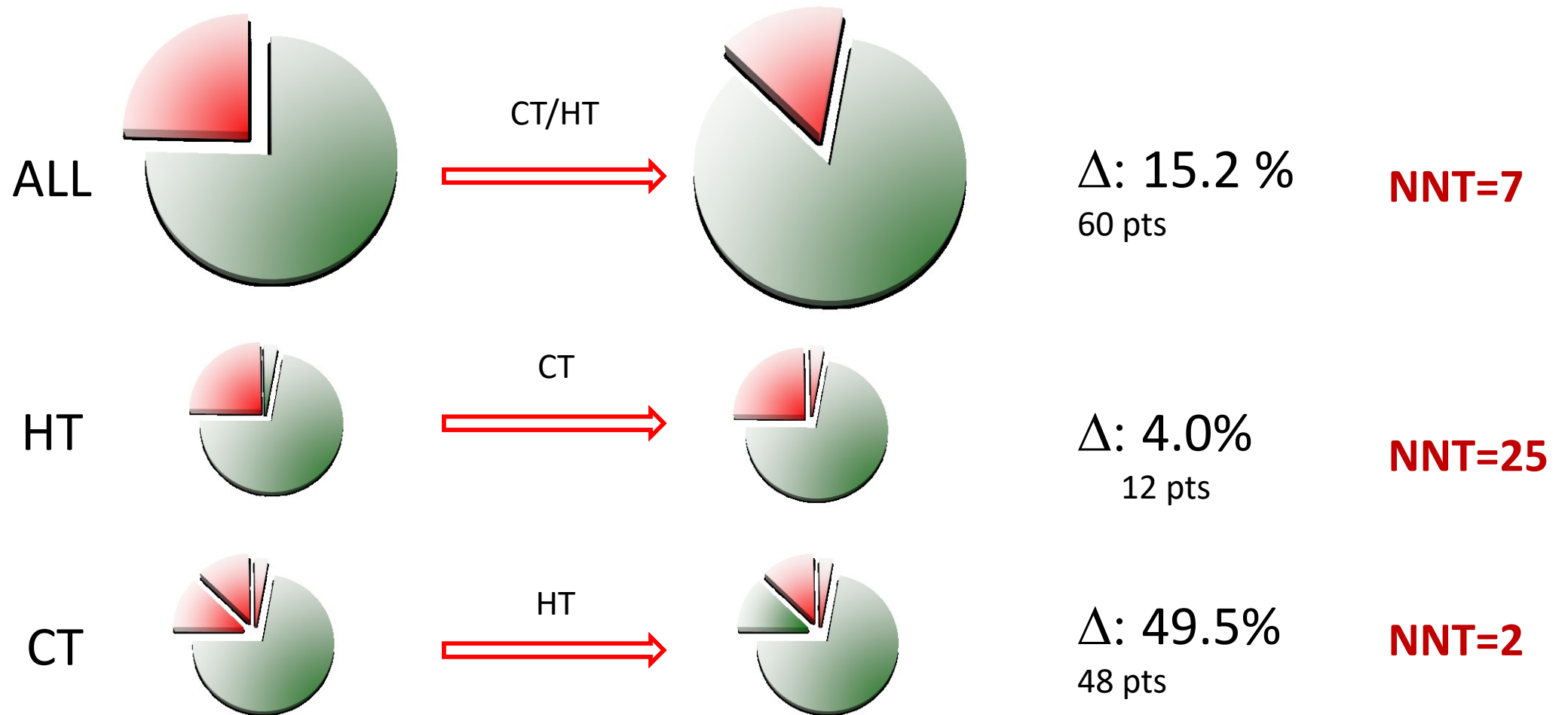
\*total of 752 with available data

# BREAST-DX Italy Study



- 52% of these patients were candidate to ET alone
- 16% rate of change in treatment recommendation
- 8% net reduction in CT recommendation

# BONDx: Change of Recommendation





# **ROXANE: PR**ospective multicenter study to assess the impact of the **On**cotype **DX**® **Bre**ast **Canc**er Assay on Resources Optimization and Treatment Decisions for Women with Estrogen Receptor-Positive, Node-Negative and Node-Positive Breast Carcinoma

Prospective observational multicentric study

Sponsor: Istituto Oncologico Veneto IRCCS, Padova

Support: Genomic Health (RS tests free of charge)

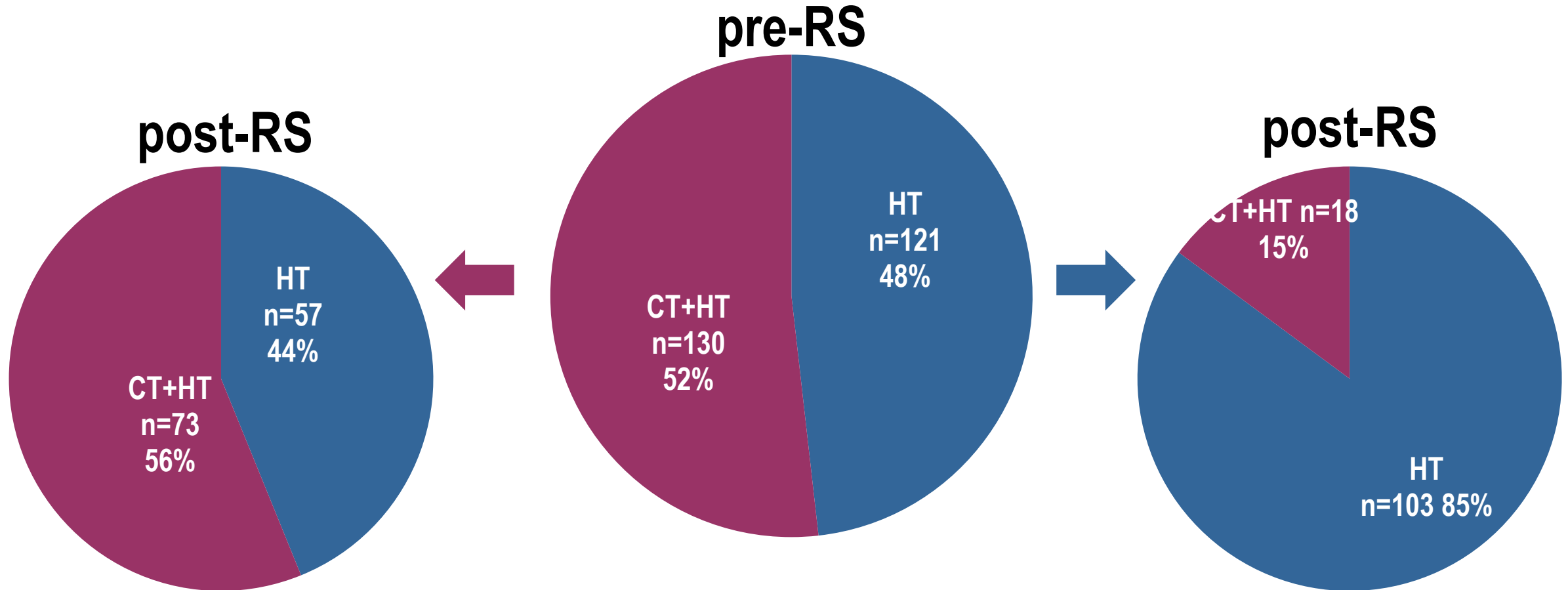
## **Rationale:**

**the impact of RS test on adjuvant treatment decisions in a scenario where, whenever physicians are unsure about treatment recommendation, the test is available**

# Patients' characteristics

	ALL (n=251), n(%)	N0 (n=152), n(%)	N1 (n=99), n(%)	P
Age >50 yrs	159 (63.3)	102 (67.1)	57 (57.6)	0.126
Age ≤50 yrs	92 (36.6)	50 (32.9)	42 (42.4)	
Premenopausal	105 (42.5)	61 (40.9)	44 (44.9)	0.538
Postmenopausal	142 (57.5)	88 (59.1)	54 (55.1)	
T ≤2cm	171 (69.0)	109 (72.2)	62 (63.9)	0.170
T >2cm	77 (31.0)	42 (27.8)	35 (36.1)	
Grade 1	17 (6.8)	8 (5.3)	9 (9.1)	<0.001
Grade 2	142 (56.6)	69 (45.4)	73 (73.7)	
Grade 3	92 (36.6)	75 (49.3)	17 (17.2)	
Ductal	214 (85.3)	130 (85.5)	84 (84.9)	0.429
Lobular	28 (11.2)	15 (9.9)	13 (13.1)	
Other	9 (3.6)	7 (4.6)	2 (2.0)	
Ki67%, median (range)	25 (2-75)	25 (2-75)	20 (2-57)	0.001
PgR pos	211 (84.1)	121 (79.6)	90 (90.9)	0.012
PgR neg	40 (15.9)	31 (20.4)	9 (9.1)	
Clin Low	73 (29.1)	67 (44.1)	6 (6.1)	<0.001
Clin high	178 (70.9)	85 (55.9)	93 (93.9)	

# Change in recommendation by pre-RS indication

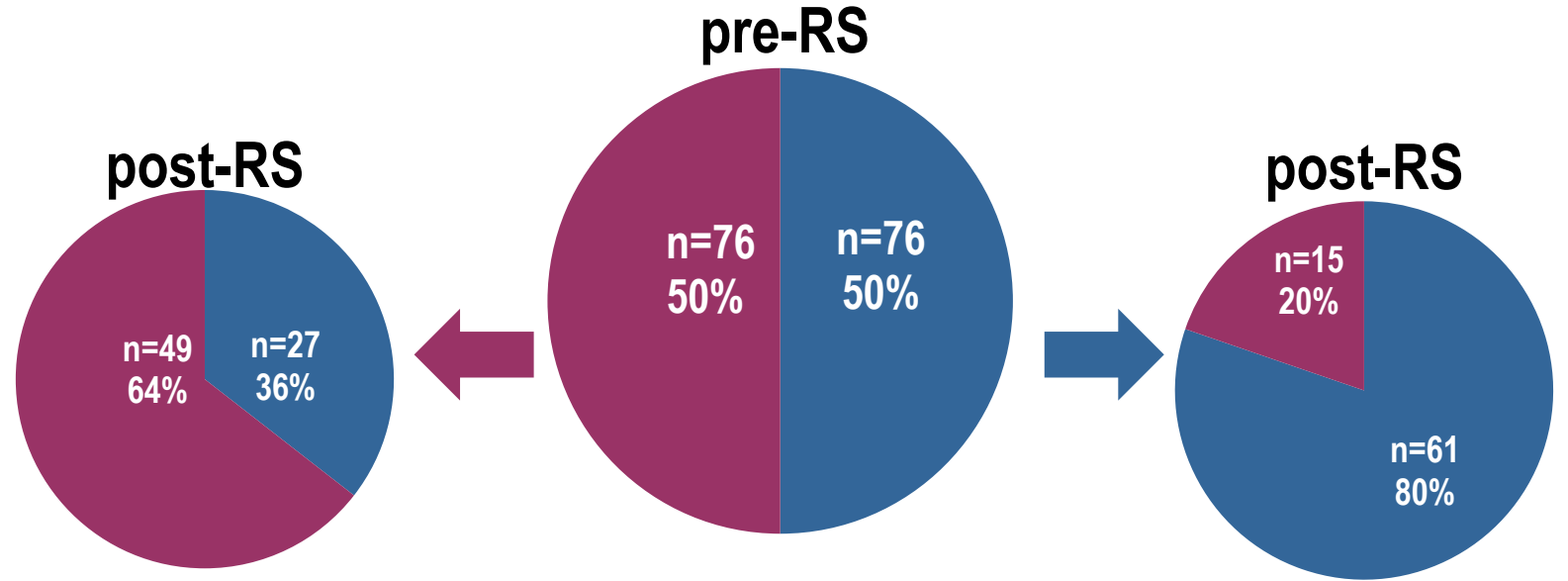


- Overall change in treatment recommendation: **30%** (75/251)
- Main change from CT+HT to HT: 77% (58/75)

# Change by pre-RS indication in N0 and N1 pts

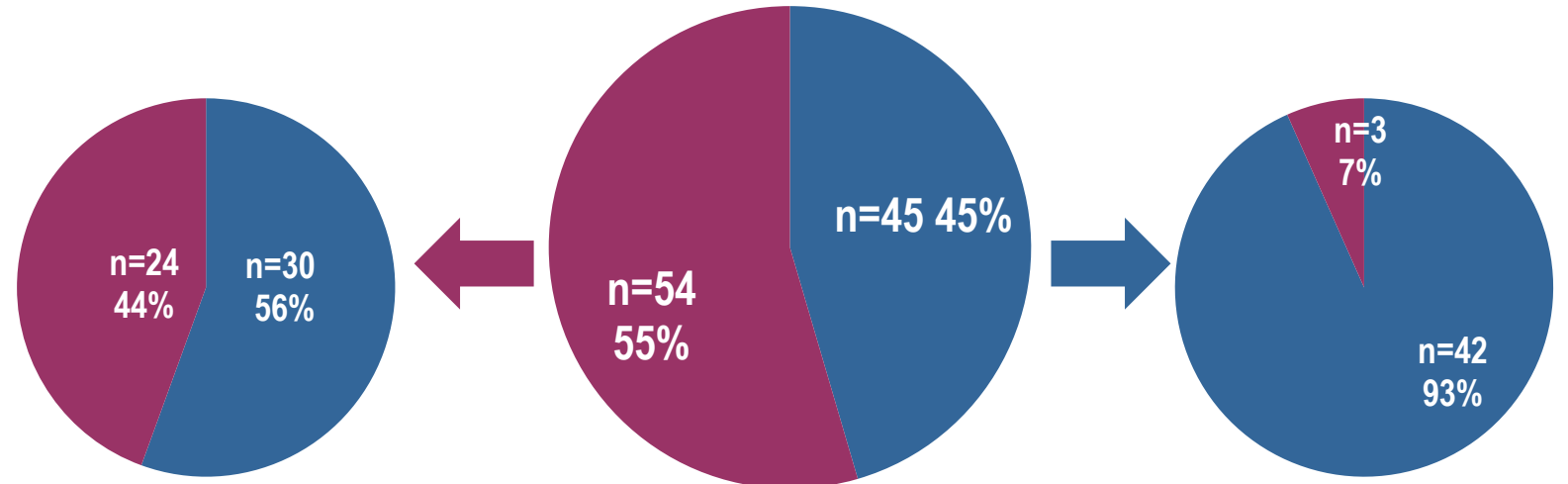
## N0

- Overall change: 28% (42/152).
- Main change from CT+HT to HT: 64% (27/42).



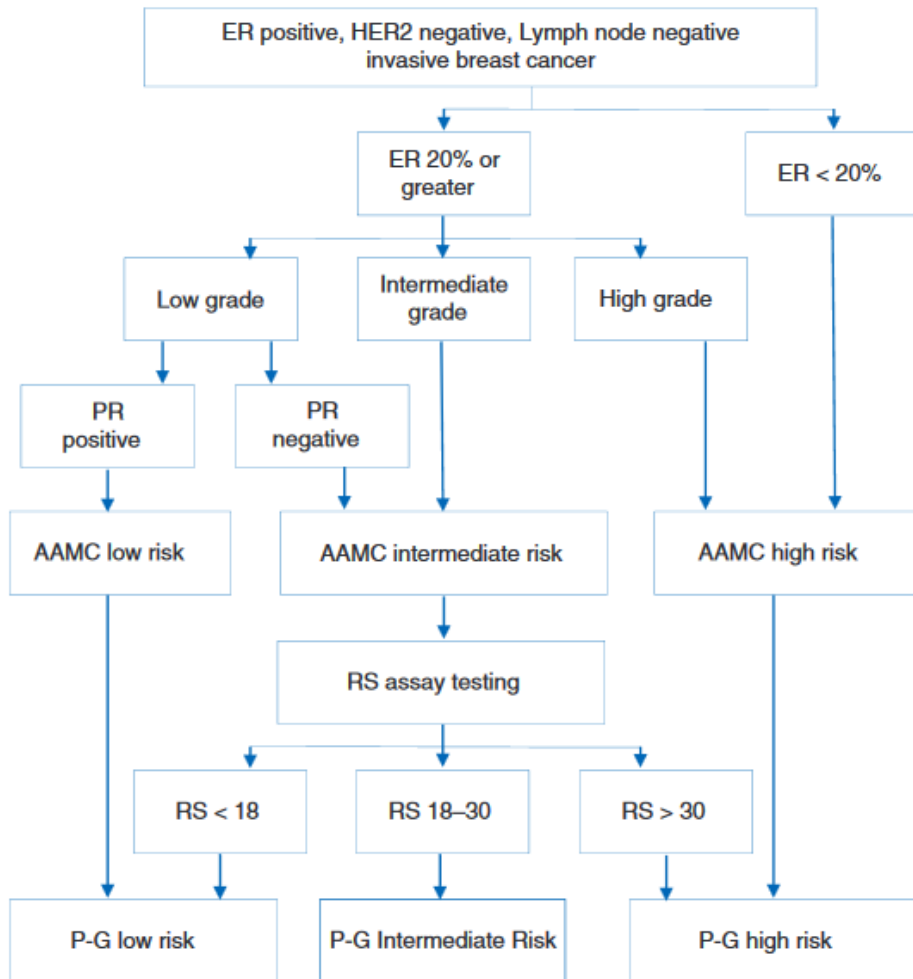
## N1

- Overall change: 33% (33/99).
- Main change from CT+HT to HT: 91% (30/33).



■ CT+HT    ■ HT

# Tools to guide RS use or predict RS results



## Breast Cancer Recurrence Score Estimator

Sample Characteristics

Percent ER:

Percent PR:

Percent Ki67:

HER2 positive

Elston Grade

Grade=1

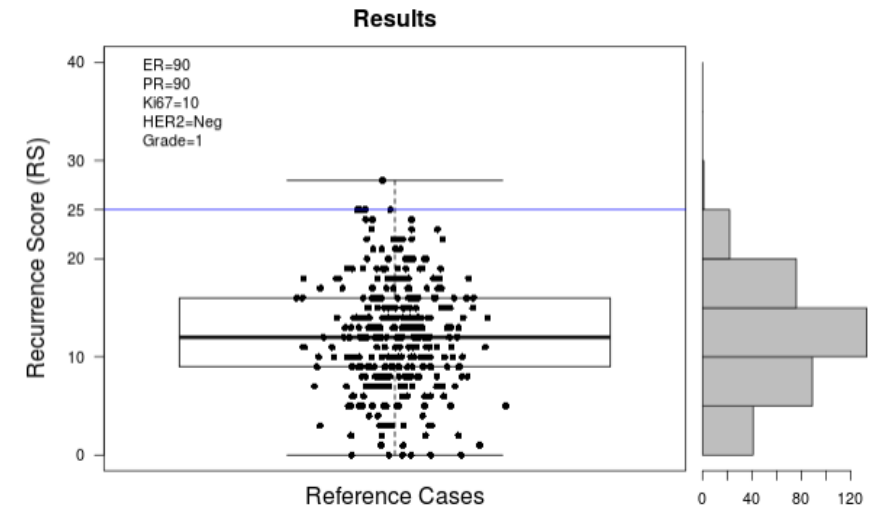
Grade=2

Grade=3

Welcome to the Breast Cancer Recurrence Score Estimator

The Breast Cancer Recurrence Score Estimator is designed to help physicians decide when the oncotypeDX® test is likely to offer information that complements, rather than replicates, what is already available from high quality pathology information. The estimator is applicable to stage 1 and 2, node-negative, ER-positive breast cancers.

Fill in the sample characteristics for your case then click the 'Update' button to update the figures below.



Our estimation is based on the characteristics of 362 similar cases selected from our reference database (N=1113). 90% of similar cases have recurrence scores between 3 and 21. There is <1% chance that the Recurrence Score will fall into the high risk range above 25. The input characteristics of the reference cases are shown below. Click on either image for a brief description of the plot

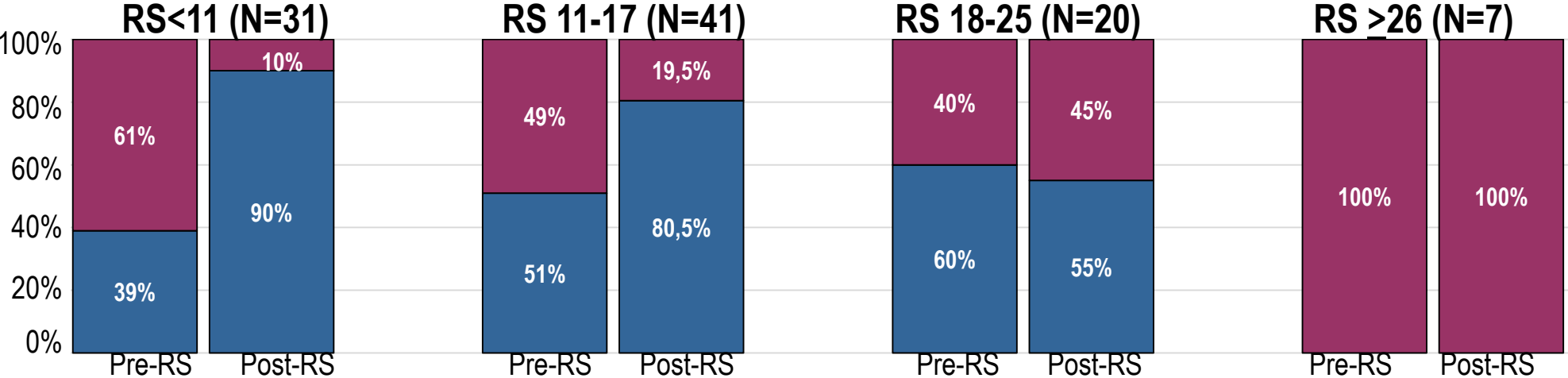
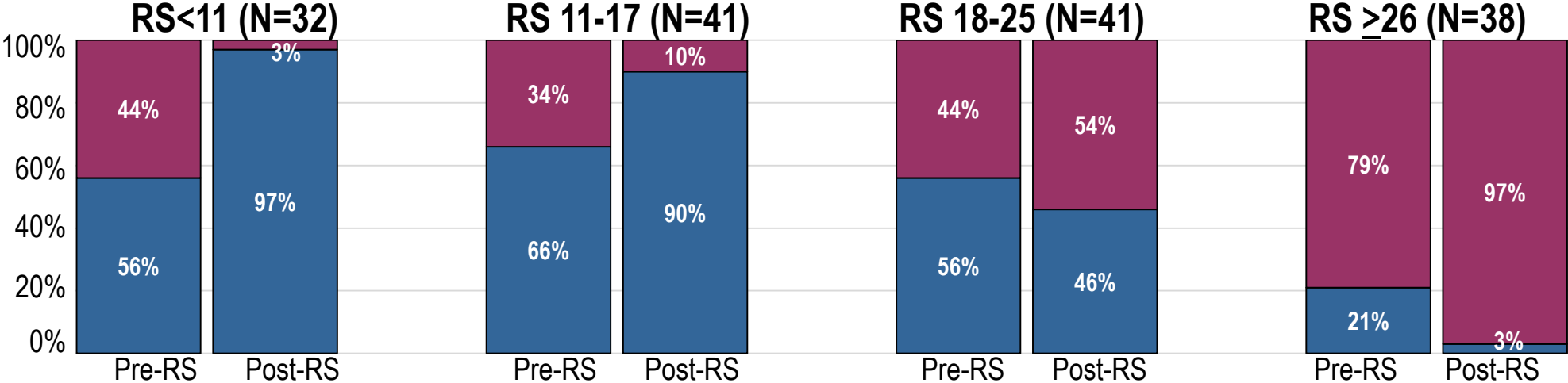
# Optimizing the use of genomic prognostic tests

- ▶ **ALWAYS** consider classical clinicopathological features
- ▶ It is challenging to provide a universally accepted definition of the patients for whom the test would be most useful:
  - ❖ Avoid offering the test to patients not suitable for chemotherapy
  - ❖ Avoid offering the test to patients at very low or very high risk for whom the decision is highly unlikely to change
  - ❖ ROXANE data show that Italian clinicians are able to identify patients for the use of tests in clinical practice
- ▶ Regulatory restrictions limit the use outside clinical studies in many countries
  - ❖ Differing Health Regulations and geographic heterogeneity influence clinical and economic impact:
    - Physician's confidence in classical clinicopathological biomarkers (i.e. Ki67)
    - Local clinical guidelines and policies
    - Chemotherapy-related costs
  - ❖ Collaboration with academia, health authorities, companies, patients on a local perspective



# Pre- and post-RS recommendation by RS category

CT+HT HT



**N0**  
 Net CT reduction:  
 8% (50% to 42%)

**N1**  
 Net CT reduction:  
 28% (55% to 27%)



# MINDACT: Clinical risk by modified Adjuvant!Online

ER status	HER2 status	Grade	Nodal status	Tumor Size	Clinical Risk in Mindact
ER positive	HER2 negative	well differentiated	N-	≤ 3 cm	C-low
				3.1-5 cm	C-high
		1-3 positive nodes	≤ 2 cm	C-low	
			2.1-5 cm	C-high	
		moderately differentiated	N-	≤ 2 cm	C-low
				2.1-5 cm	C-high
	1-3 positive nodes	Any size	C-high		
		poorly differentiated or undifferentiated	N-	≤ 1 cm	C-low
	1.1-5 cm			C-high	
	1-3 positive nodes	Any size	C-high		
		HER2 positive	well differentiated OR moderately differentiated	N-	≤ 2 cm
	2.1-5 cm				C-high
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- All N+ (1-3) C-High (except from G1 and T<sub>≤</sub>2cm)

## C-High

G1 pT 3.5 cm N0

G2 pT 2.1 cm N0

G2 T1.5cm N 1+

G3 pT 1.2 cm N0

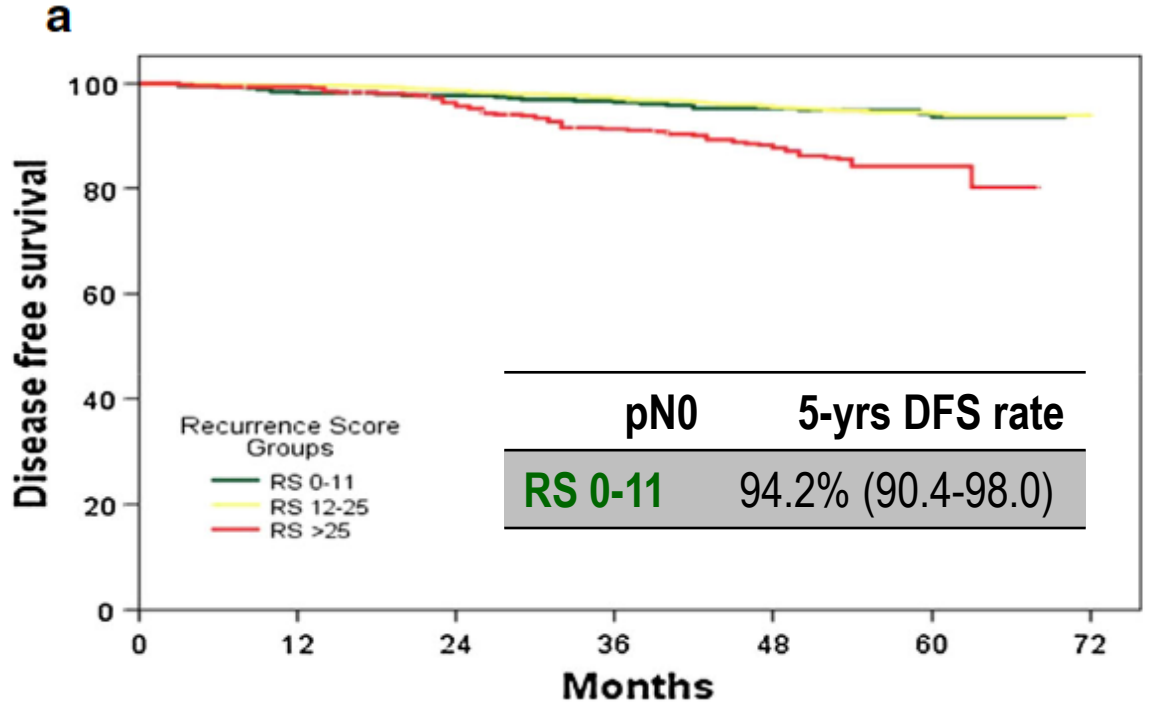
G3 T 2.5cm N 2+

# MINDACT: CT vs no CT in discordant groups

C-high/G-low Outcome	CT n=592		noCT n=636		HR	p
	Events	Survival% 5yrs	Events	Survival% 5yrs		
DMFS	22	96.7 (64.7-98)	37	94.8 (92.6-96.3)	0.65 (0.38-1.10)	0.11
DFS	39	93.3 (30.7-95.2)	66	90.3 (87.6-92.4)	0.64 (0.43-0.95)	0.03
OS	10	98.8 (97.4-99.5)	18	97.3 (95.6-98.4)	0.63 (0.29-1.37)	0.25

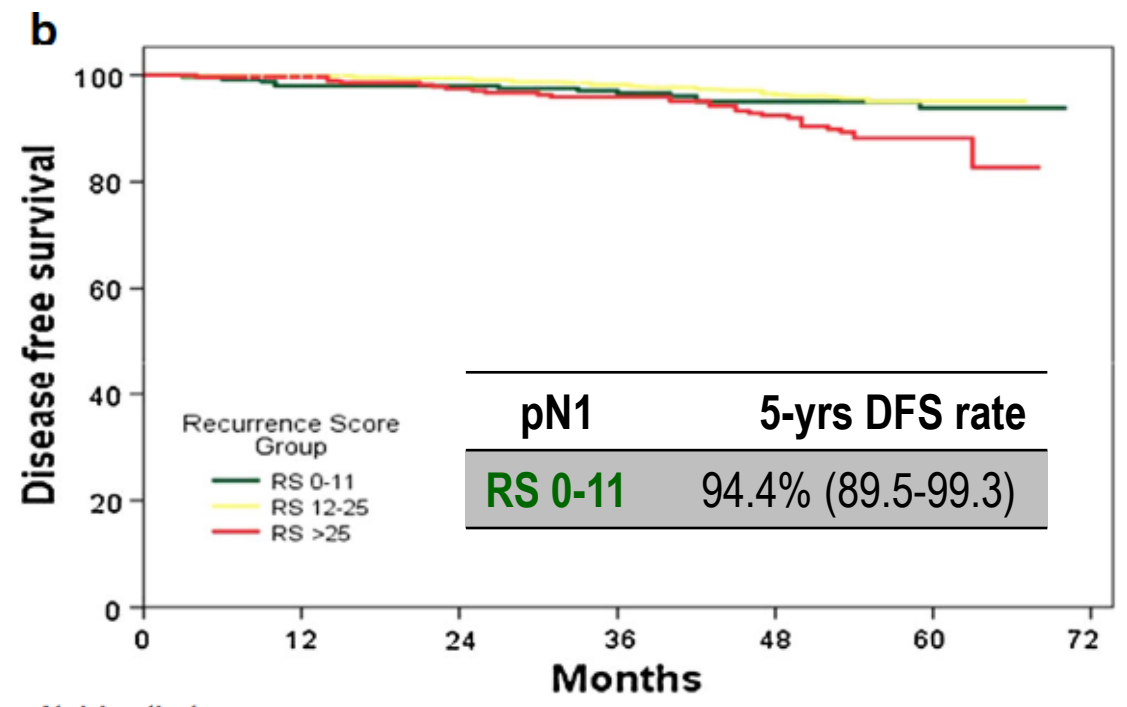
C-low/G-high Outcome	CT n=224		noCT n=254		HR	p
	Events	Survival% 5yrs	Events	Survival% 5yrs		
DMFS	11	96.1 (92.4-98.1)	14	93.9 (89.6-96.5)	0.90 (0.40-2.01)	0.80
DFS	17	92.7 (87.9-95.7)	25	90.5 (85.7-93.8)	0.74 (0.40-1.39)	0.36
OS	5	98.1 (94.9-99.3)	8	97.0 (93.8-98.6)	0.73 (0.23-2.24)	0.57

# WSG planB: 5-yrs DFS according to RS



At-risk patients

RS ≤ 11	439	429	407	353	295	134
RS 12-25	1200	1182	1182	1015	853	407
RS >25	478	472	472	380	320	142



At-risk patients

RS ≤ 11	248	240	227	198	166	72
RS 12-25	661	654	615	566	471	211
RS >25	283	280	258	247	235	89

ALL (pN0/1/2/3) – all CT treated	5-yrs DFS rate
RS 12-25	94.3% (92.8-95.8)
<b>RS &gt;25</b>	<b>84.2% (80.6-87.8)</b>

## Tumore precoce al seno, un test per evitare la chemio nel 70% dei casi



## Tumore al seno, la chemio diventa evitabile nel 70% dei casi con un nuovo test genetico

È la conclusione di un maxi studio Usa di fase III presentato a Chicago al meeting annuale dell'Asco, l'American Society of Clinical Oncology

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## Tumore del seno iniziale, la chemio evitabile nel 70% dei casi

Li individua test genetico. In Italia possibile per 3.000 pazienti l'anno

*Terapia su misura per le donne con un cancro alle prime fasi grazie allo screening di 21 geni. Sette pazienti su 10 possono essere trattate solo con la terapia ormonale*

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## Cancro al seno, con un test il 70% delle donne può evitare la chemioterapia

Grazie a un test genomico si può prevedere il rischio di recidiva per le donne con un cancro al seno nella fase iniziale della malattia. Secondo lo studio, circa il 70% delle pazienti potrebbero evitare la chemioterapia (e tutti gli effetti collaterali) e sottoporsi alla sola terapia ormonale

## Tumore seno. "Niente chemio nel 70% dei casi iniziali"

Chicago, ottimista il presidente degli oncologi americani ad Asco 2018. "Impatto positivo test su tumore chemio-free"

## Tumore seno "chemio-free", possibile nel 70% dei casi in fase iniziale

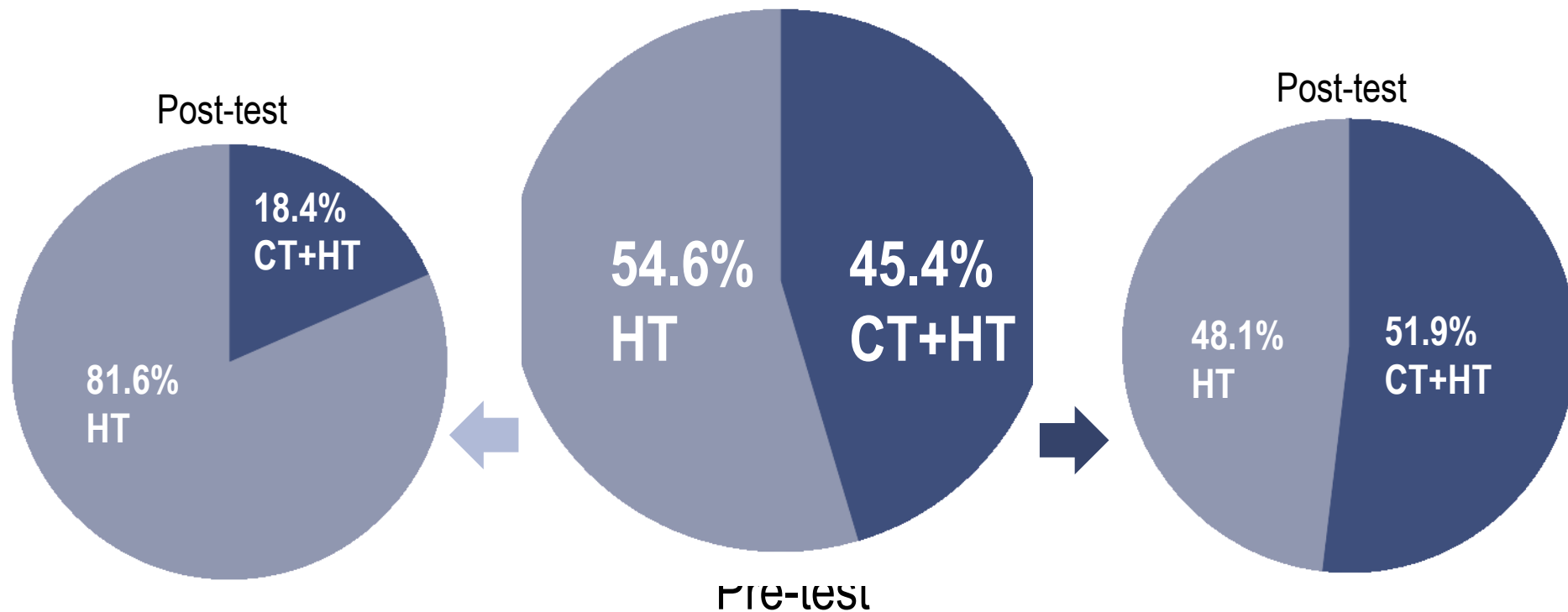
Secondo uno studio la svolta sarebbe resa possibile da un test diagnostico in grado di individuare quali siano le pazienti che non necessitano della chemio

# Pooled analysis of prospective European studies assessing the impact of using the 21-gene Recurrence Score assay on clinical decision making in women with oestrogen receptor–positive, human epidermal growth factor receptor 2–negative early-stage breast cancer



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**n=527, N-neg**  
**G3: 13%**



**31.9% had a recommendation change post-test → 26% CT net reduction**















