

**EGFR inhibitors are the best choice for first line treatment of EGFR mutated lung adenocarcinoma patients**

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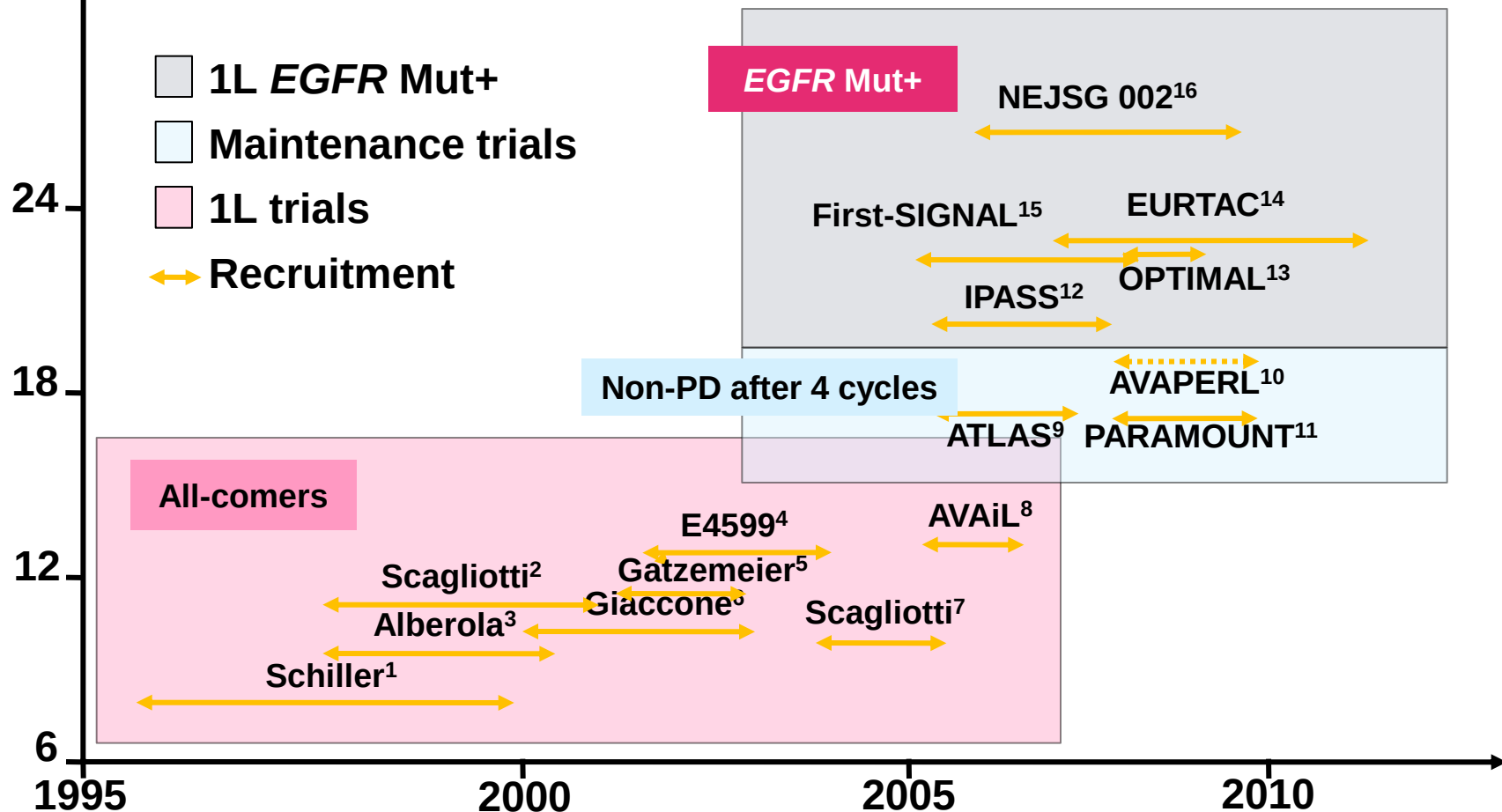






→ Who are the EGFR Mut patients ?

## → OS in NSCLC patients

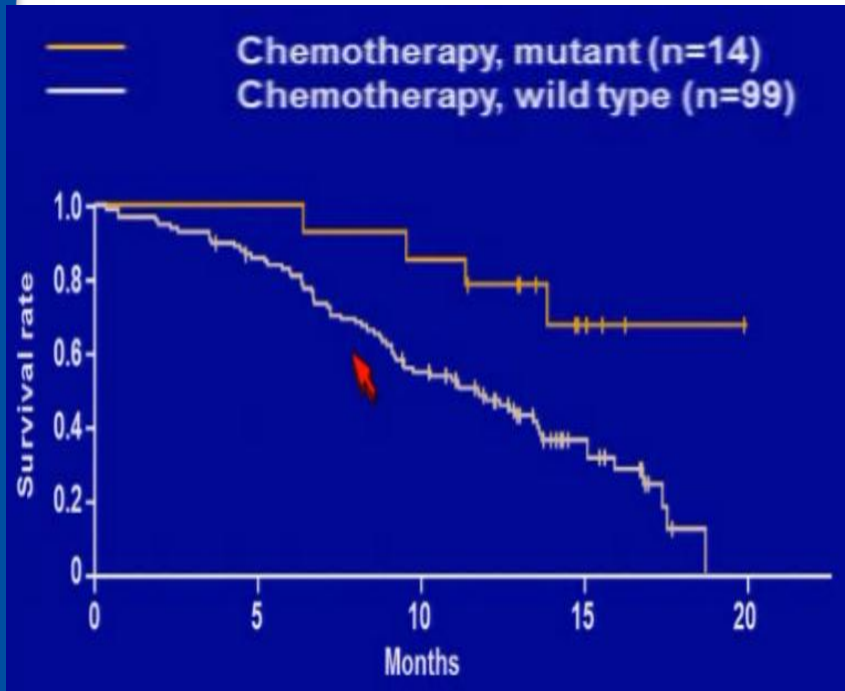


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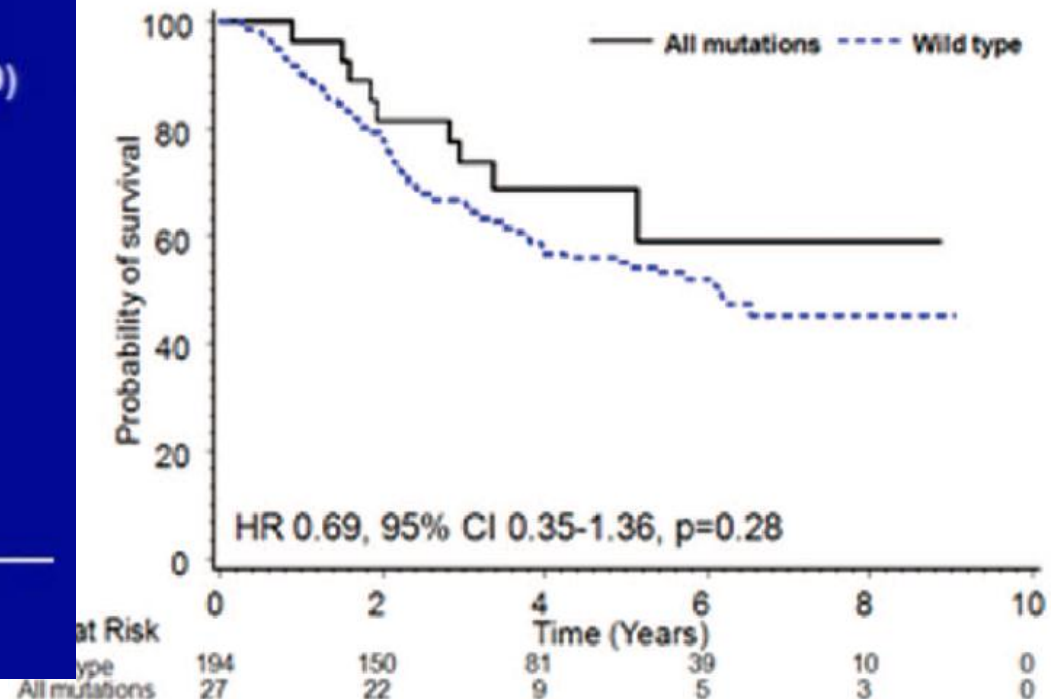
# → EGFR mutation : a good news ! *Positive prognostic factor*

## STAGE IIIB/IV



Inclusion period : Jul 2001 – Aug 2002

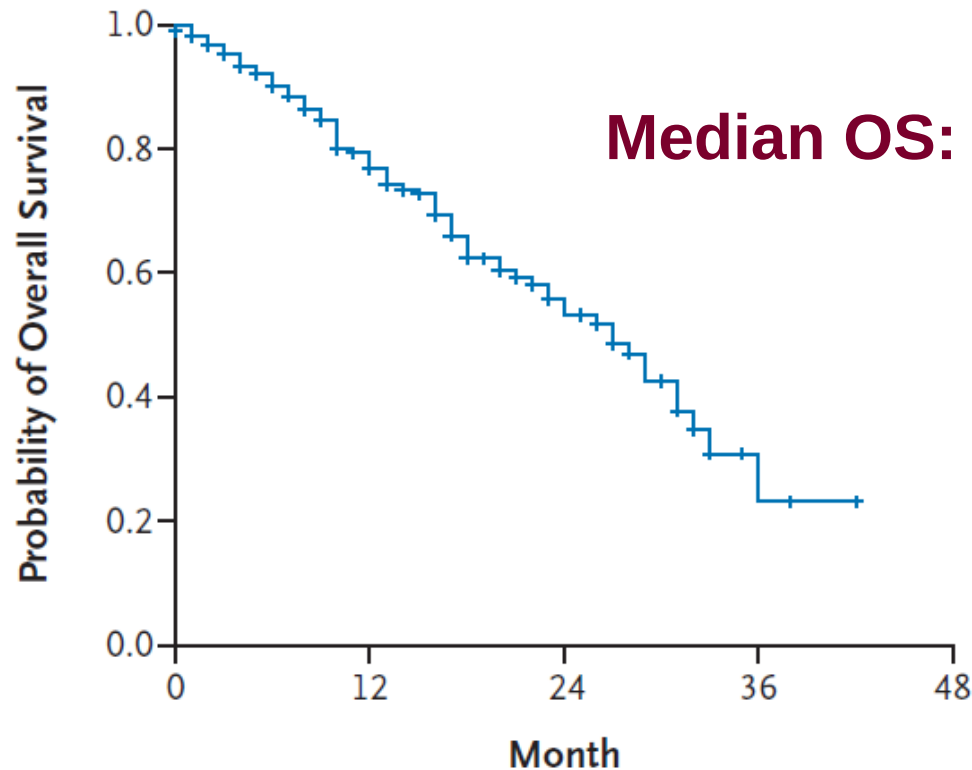
## STAGE IB/II (resected)





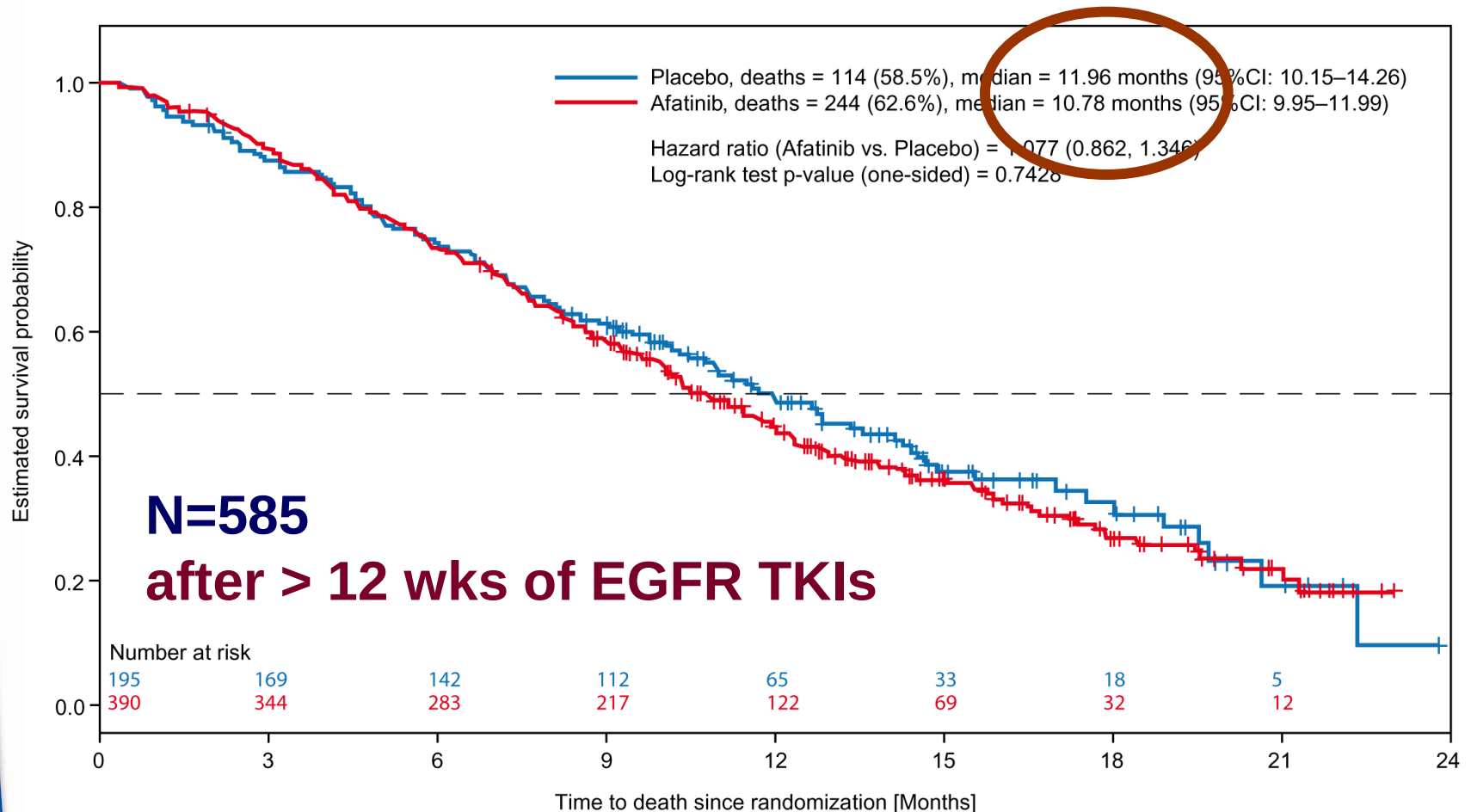
## → A unique disease history

Overall Survival in All Patients



|               |     |     |    |    |    |
|---------------|-----|-----|----|----|----|
| No. at Risk   | 217 | 123 | 42 | 3  | 1  |
| No. of Events | 0   | 40  | 68 | 80 | 80 |

## → Afatinib vs placebo in 3rd/4th line



## → Post treatment (4/5th lines and more)

| Anticancer therapy       | Afatinib (%) | Placebo (%) |
|--------------------------|--------------|-------------|
| <b>Any</b>               | <b>68</b>    | <b>79</b>   |
| <b>Chemotherapy</b>      | <b>61</b>    | <b>70</b>   |
| Pemetrexed               | 36           | 47          |
| Docetaxel                | 21           | 26          |
| Vinorelbine              | 15           | 19          |
| Other                    | 18           | 20          |
| <b>EGFR TKI</b>          | <b>12</b>    | <b>24</b>   |
| <b>Anti-angiogenesis</b> | <b>4</b>     | <b>6</b>    |
| <b>Radiotherapy</b>      | <b>9</b>     | <b>14</b>   |



sensual, intense, unique ...

The hero,  
of course is ...

*TKIs. What else ?*

## → The phase III trials

## → IPASS PFS in EGFRmut patients

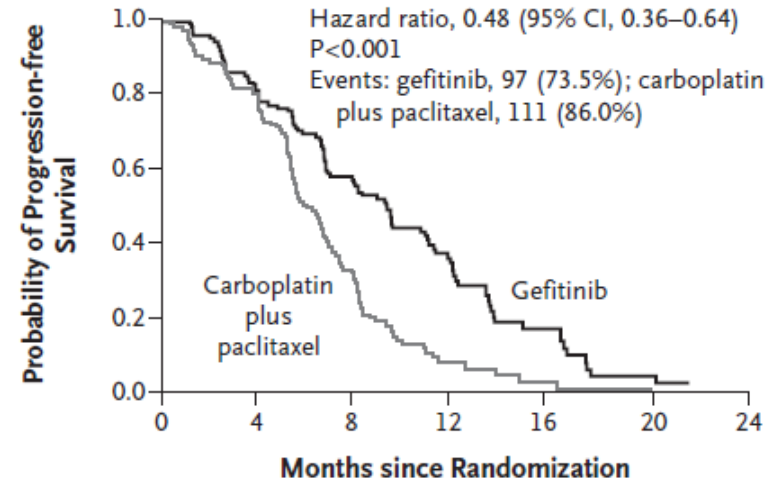
### Patients

- Chemonaïve
- Age  $\geq 18$  years
- Adenocarcinoma histology
- Never or light ex-smokers\*
- Life expectancy  $\geq 12$  weeks
- PS 0-2
- Measurable stage IIIB / IV disease

Gefitinib  
(250 mg / day)

1:1 randomisation

Carboplatin  
(AUC 5 or 6) /  
paclitaxel  
(200 mg / m<sup>2</sup>)  
3 weekly cycle  
6 cycles

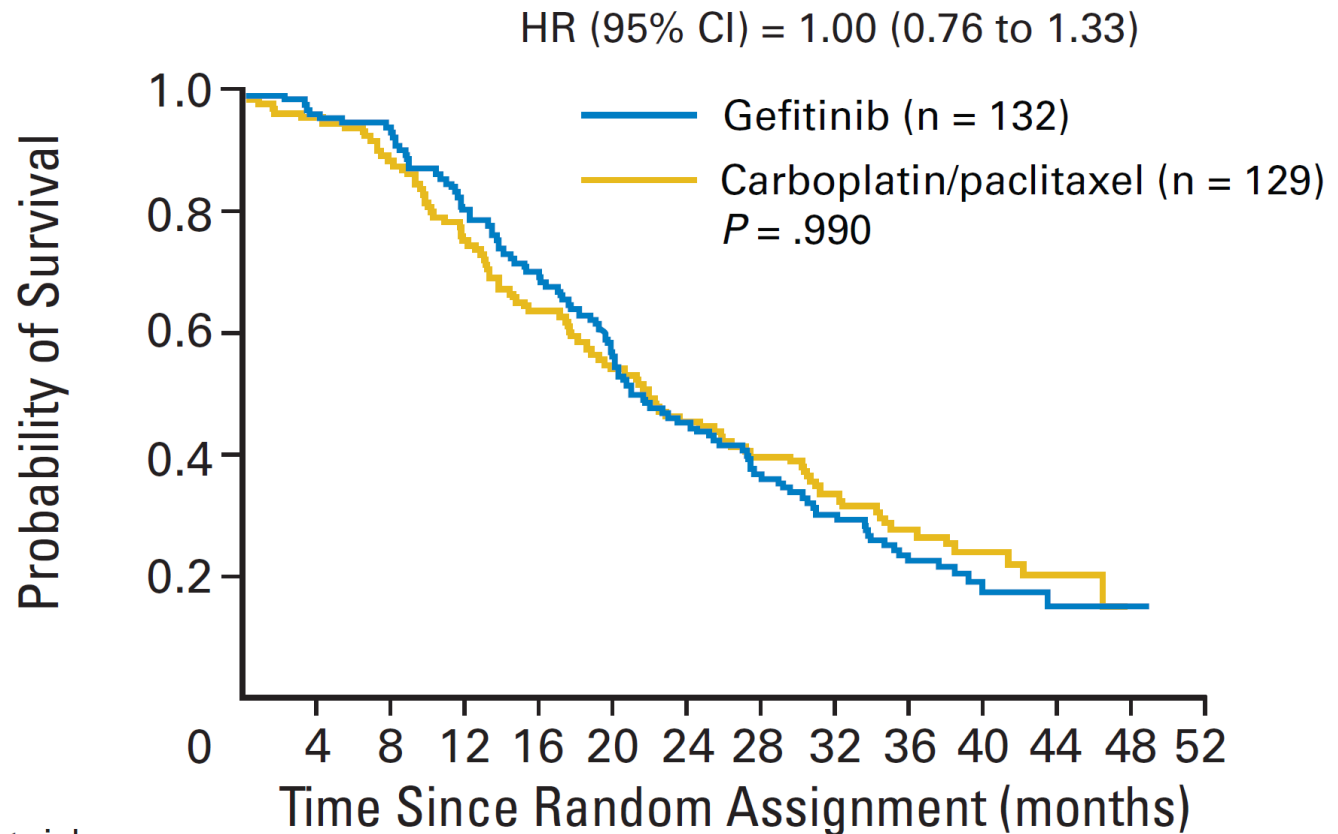


### No. at Risk

|                             |     |     |    |    |    |   |   |
|-----------------------------|-----|-----|----|----|----|---|---|
| Gefitinib                   | 132 | 108 | 71 | 31 | 11 | 3 | 0 |
| Carboplatin plus paclitaxel | 129 | 103 | 37 | 7  | 2  | 1 | 0 |

**EGFR mut patients (60%)**  
**HR = 0.48**  
**p<0.001**

## → IPASS OS in EGFRmut patients



No. of patients at risk:

|                        |     |     |     |     |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |   |   |   |
|------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|---|---|---|
| Gefitinib              | 132 | 126 | 121 | 103 | 88 | 70 | 58 | 46 | 38 | 24 | 11 | 6 | 3 | 0 |
| Carboplatin/paclitaxel | 129 | 123 | 112 | 95  | 80 | 68 | 55 | 48 | 40 | 26 | 15 | 7 | 0 | 0 |



## → WJTOG3405 - PFS

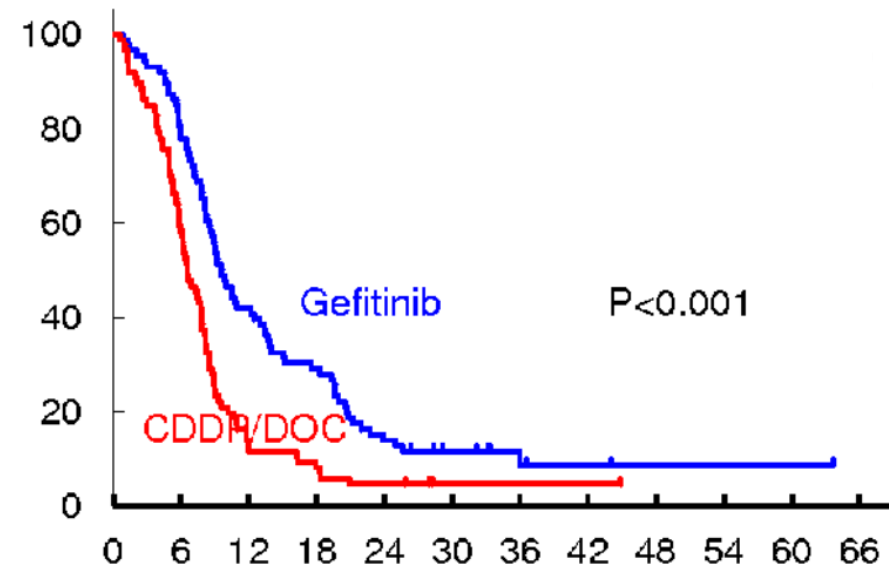
### Patients

- Chemonaïve
- Measurable stage IIIB / IV disease
- were aged 75 years or
- WHO performance status 0–1
- **EGFR mutated (either exon 19 deletion or L858R in exon 21)**

Gefitinib  
(250 mg / day)

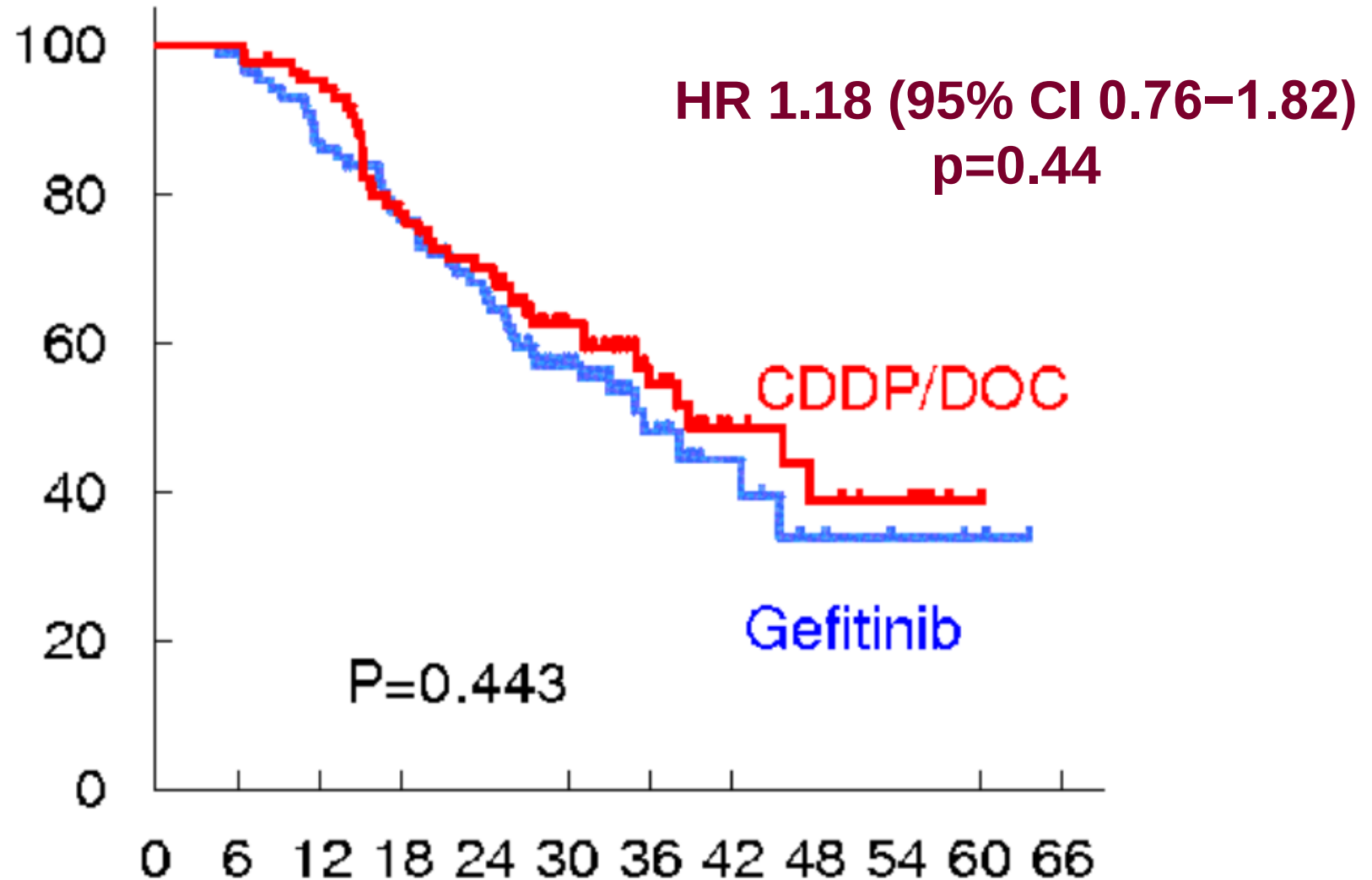
1:1 randomisation

Cisplatin  
(80 mg/m<sup>2</sup>) /  
docetaxel  
(60 mg / m<sup>2</sup>)  
3 weekly  
3 to 6 cycles



**Primary objective : PFS**  
**HR 0.52 (95% CI 0.37-0.71)**  
**p<0.0001**

## → WJTOG3405 - OS



## → SIGNAL - PFS in EGFR mut

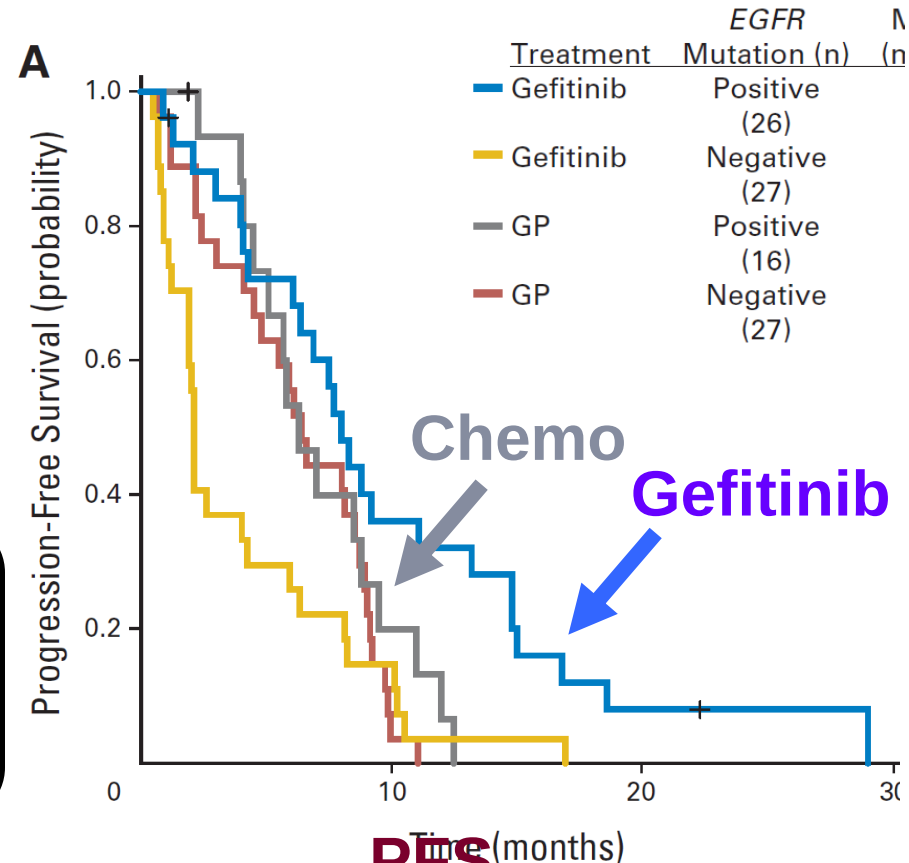
### Patients (Korean)

- Chemonaïve
- Measurable or not stage IIIB / IV disease
- WHO performance status 0–2
- **Never smokers**

**Gefitinib  
(250 mg / day)**

**1:1 randomisation**

**Cisplatin  
(75 mg/m<sup>2</sup>) /  
Gemcitabine  
(1250 mg / m<sup>2</sup>)  
d1,8 - 3 weekly  
Up to 9 cycles**



**HR=0.54 (95% CI 0.26-1.10)**  
**p=0.086**

## → SIGNAL - OS

Chemo



Gefitinib



**Primary objective : OS**  
**All patients**

**OS**  
**EGFR patients (arrows)**

## → EURTAC - PFS

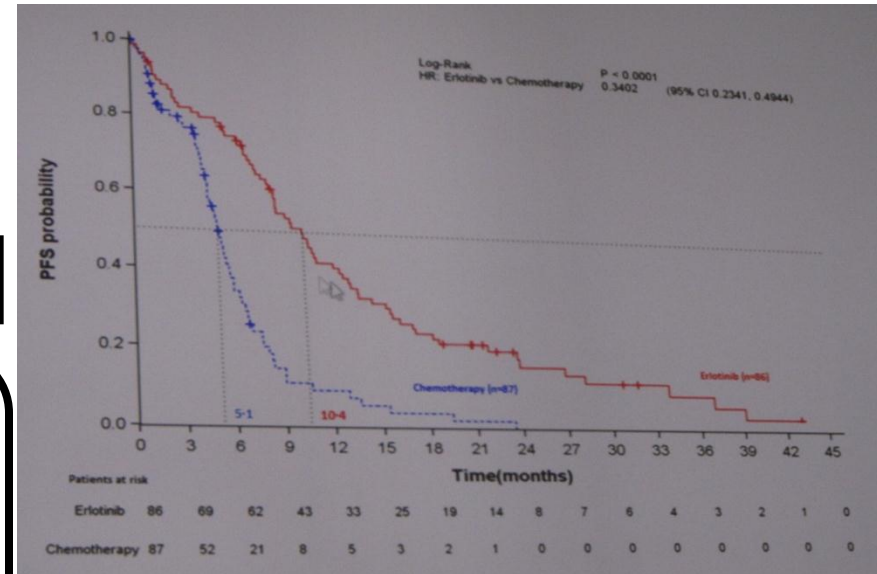
### Patients (European)

- Chemonaïve
- Measurable stage IIIB / IV disease
- WHO performance status 0–2
- **activating EGFR mutations**

Erlotinib  
(150 mg / day)

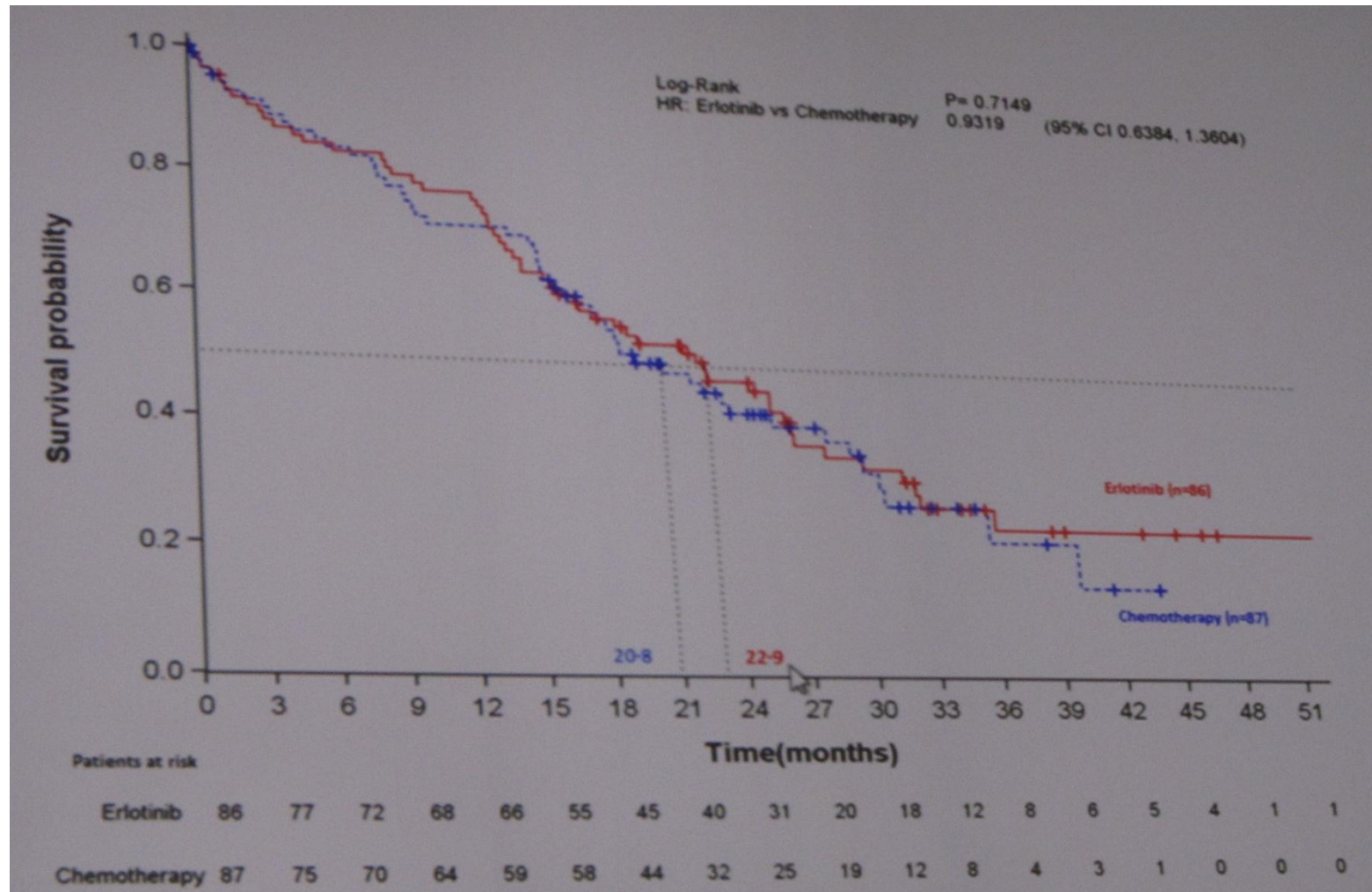
1:1 randomisation

Cisplatin  
(75 mg/m<sup>2</sup>) or  
Carboplatine  
(AUC 5-6) /  
Docetaxel (75  
mg/m<sup>2</sup>) or  
Gemcitabine  
(1000-1250 mg /  
m<sup>2</sup>)  
d1,8 - 3 weekly  
4 cycles



**Primary objective : PFS**  
**HR 0.34 (95% CI 0.23–0.49)**  
**p<00001**

## → EURTAC - OS



## → NEJ 002 - PFS

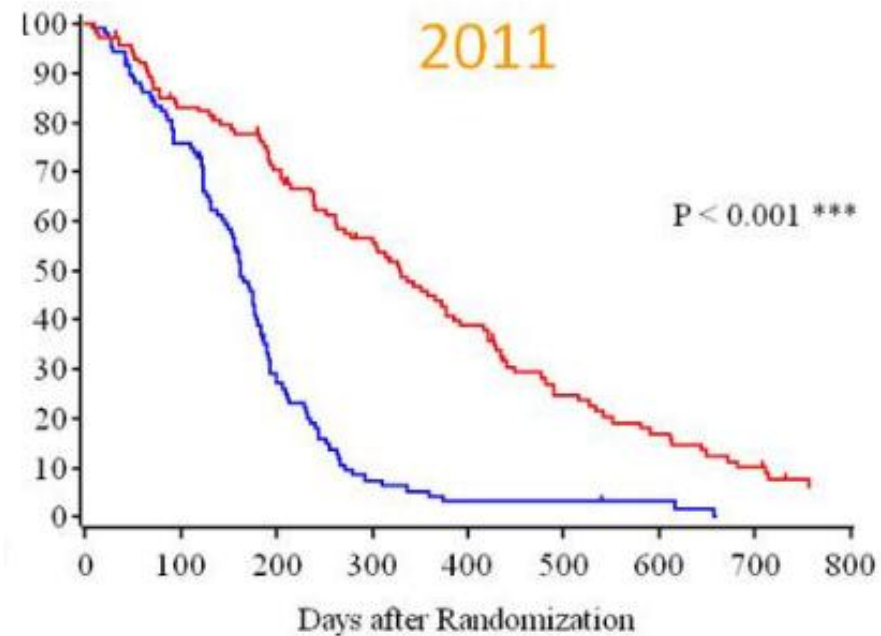
### Patients (Japan)

- Chemonaïve
- Measurable stage IIIB / IV disease
- WHO performance status 0–1
- **activating EGFR mutations**

Gefitinib  
(250 mg / day)

1:1 randomisation

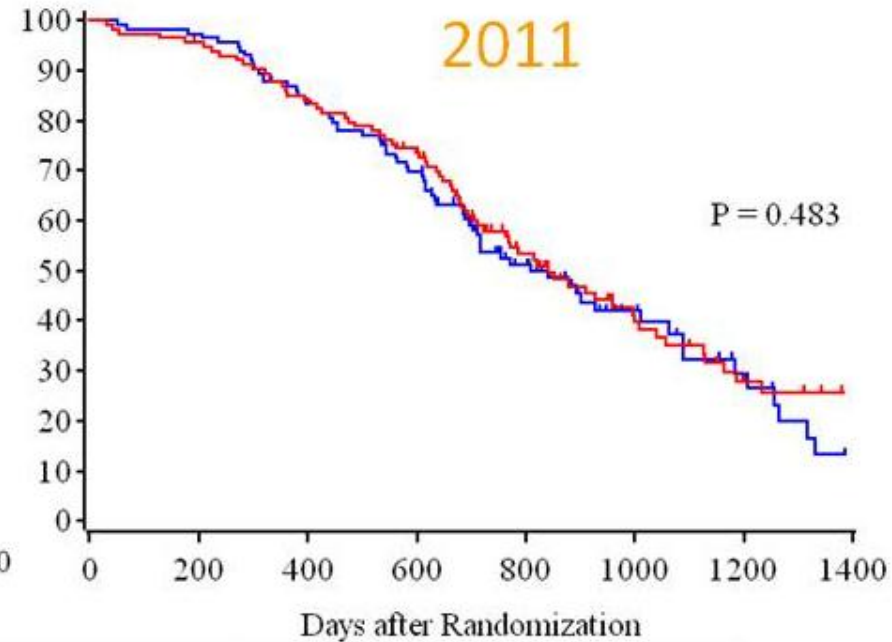
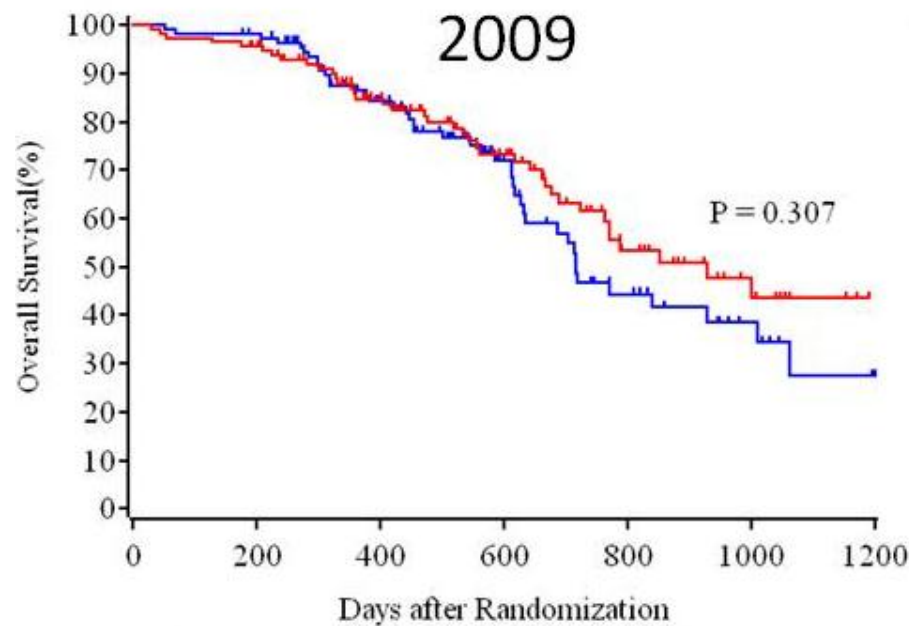
Carboplatin  
(AUC6) /  
Paclitaxel (200  
mg/m<sup>2</sup>) - 3  
weekly  
Cycles  
At least 3 cycles



**Primary objective : PFS**  
**HR 0.322 (95% CI 0.236–0.438)**  
**p<0.001**



## → NEJ 002 - OS



|                      | <b>2009</b>         |                  | <b>2011</b>         |                  |
|----------------------|---------------------|------------------|---------------------|------------------|
|                      | <b>Gefitinib</b>    | <b>CBDCA/PTX</b> | <b>Gefitinib</b>    | <b>CBDCA/PTX</b> |
| Median OS (mo)       | 30.5                | 23.6             | 27.7                | 26.6             |
| Hazard ratio (95%CI) | 0.798 (0.517-1.232) |                  | 0.887 (0.634-1.241) |                  |



## → PFS and OS in EGFRmut patients

| Study         | n            | Drugs                             | HR PFS (95% CI)                       |
|---------------|--------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
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| WJTOG<br>3505 | 177          | Gefitinib<br>Doc/Cis              | <b>0.52</b><br>(0.37-0.71) ; p<0.0001 |
| iPass         | 261/<br>1217 | Gefitinib<br>Pacli/carbo          | <b>0.48</b><br>(0.36-0.64) ; p<0.001  |
| OPTIMAL       | 165          | Erlotinib<br>Gem/carbo            | <b>0.16</b><br>(0.10-0.26) ; p<0.0001 |
| Lux Lung 3    | 345          | Afatinib<br>Pem/Cis               | <b>0.58</b><br>(0.43-0.78) : p=0.0004 |

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| EURTAC        | 173          | Erlotinib<br>Gem-doc<br>Cis-carbo | <b>0.34</b><br>(0.23-0.49); p<0.0001  | <b>1.36</b><br>(0.73-1.36) ; p=0.71  |
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| iPass         | 261/<br>1217 | Gefitinib<br>Pacli/carbo          | <b>0.48</b><br>(0.36-0.64) ; p<0.001  | <b>1.00</b><br>(0.76- 1.33) ; p=0.99 |
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# → Cross over

| Study         | n            | Drugs                             | TKI ->platinum-based chemo | platinum-based CT arm -> TKI |
|---------------|--------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|
| NEJ 002       | 228          | Gefitinib<br>Pacli/Carbo          | 64%                        | 98%                          |
| SIGNAL        | 96/<br>309   | Gefitinib<br>Gem/Cis              | 65%                        | 75%                          |
| EURTAC        | 173          | Erlotinib<br>Gem-doc<br>Cis-carbo | Not presented              |                              |
| WJTOG<br>3505 | 177          | Gefitinib<br>Doc/Cis              | 68%                        | 64%                          |
| iPass         | 261/<br>1217 | Gefitinib<br>Pacli/carbo          | 60%                        | 91%                          |
| OPTIMAL       | 165          | Erlotinib<br>Gem/carbo            | Not mature                 |                              |
| Lux Lung 3    | 345          | Afatinib<br>Pem/Cis               | Not Mature                 |                              |

## → NEJ 002 - OS

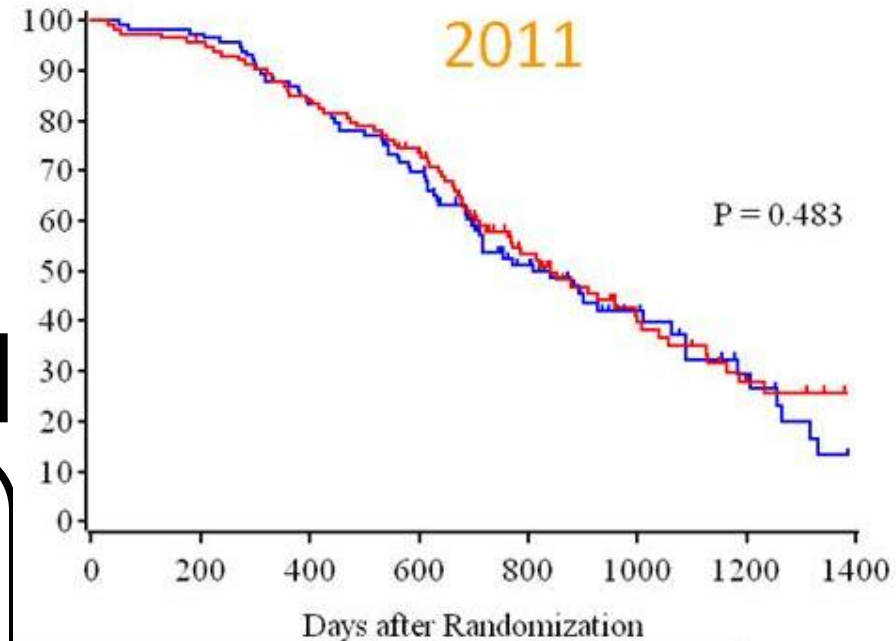
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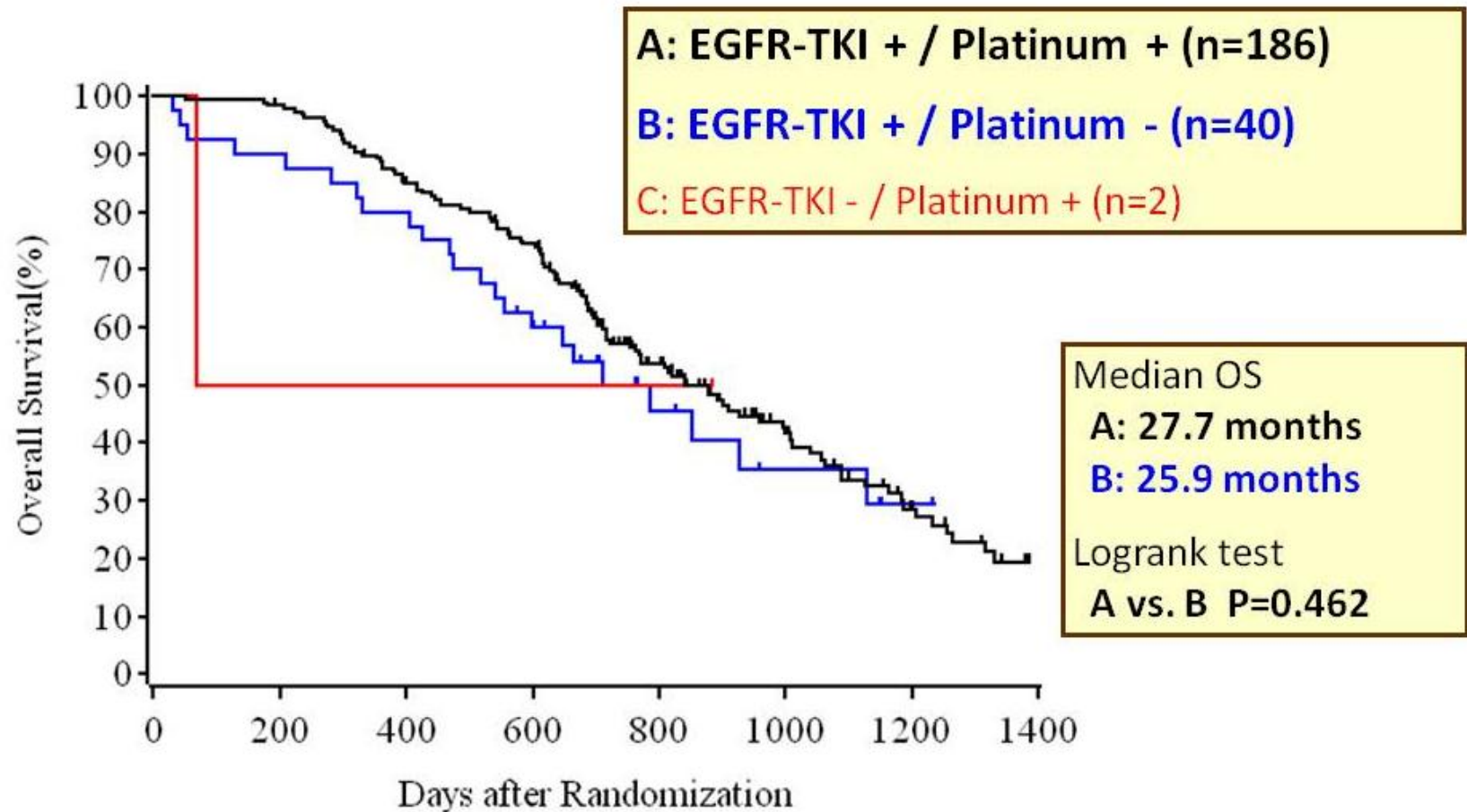


**OS**

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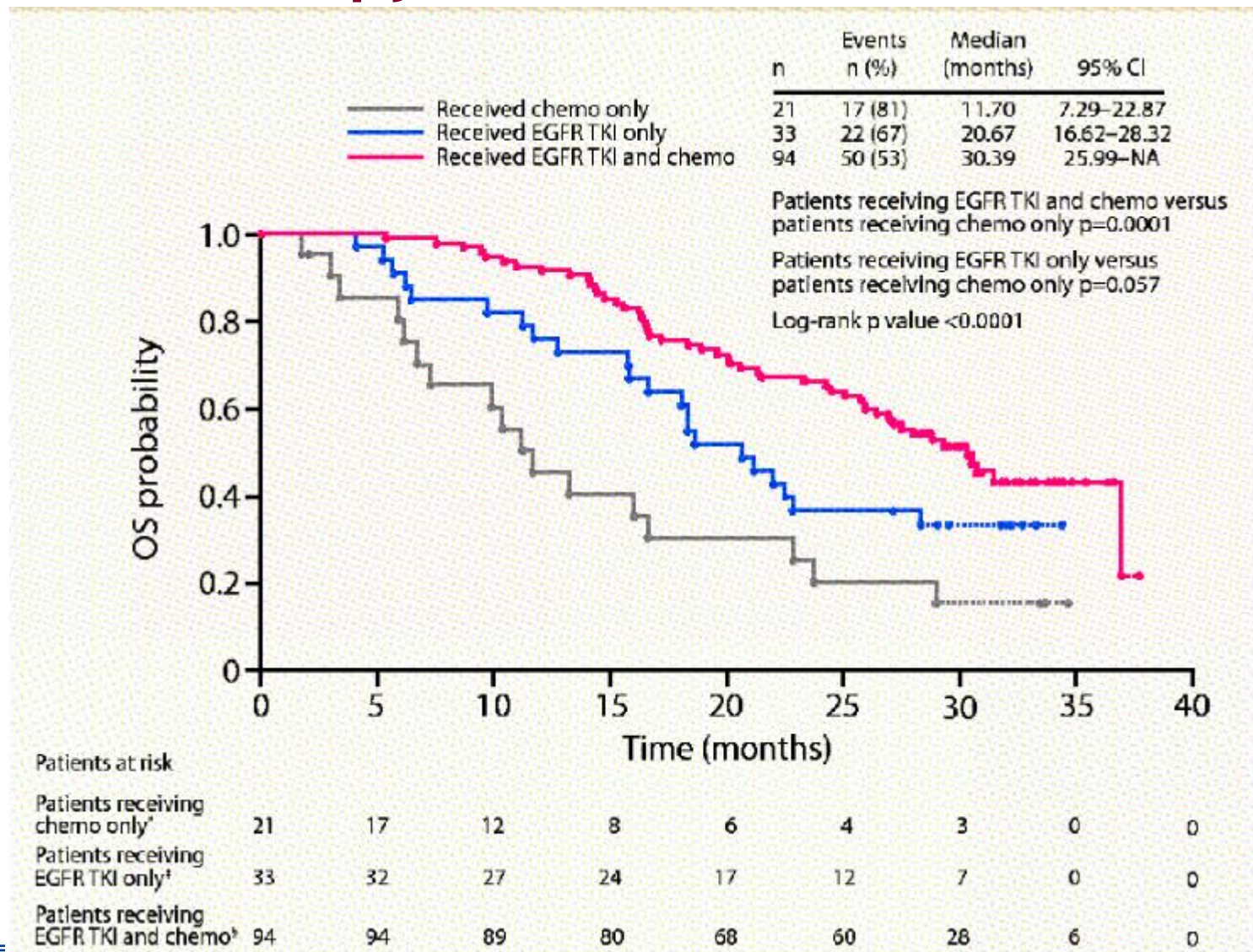
**p=0.483**

## → Influence of Platinum regimen on OS





## → Chemotherapy does matter





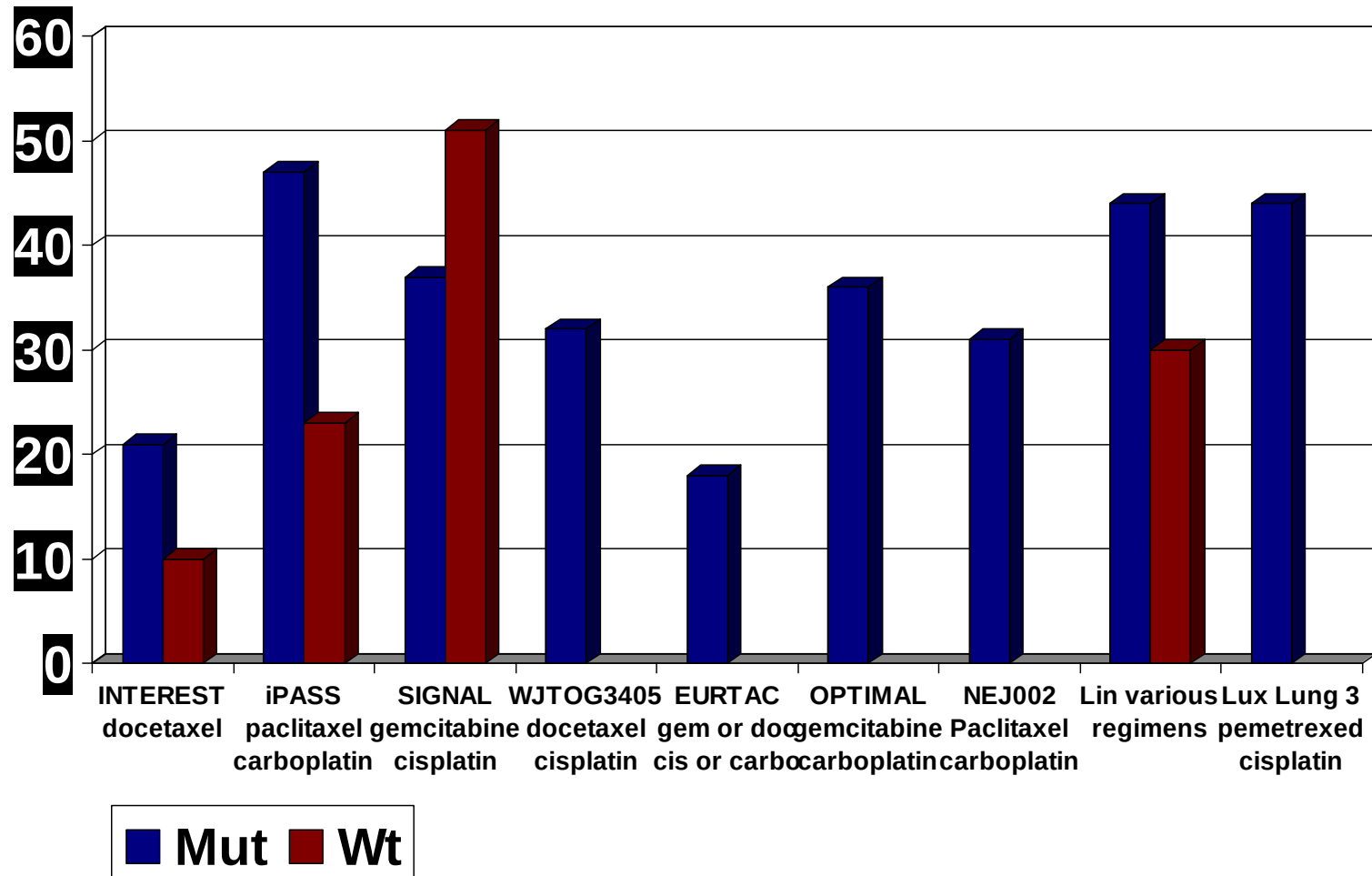
**EGFR are only one piece of the puzzle,  
not the whole picture !**

→ Are the control arms adequate ?



## → EGFRmut and response to CT

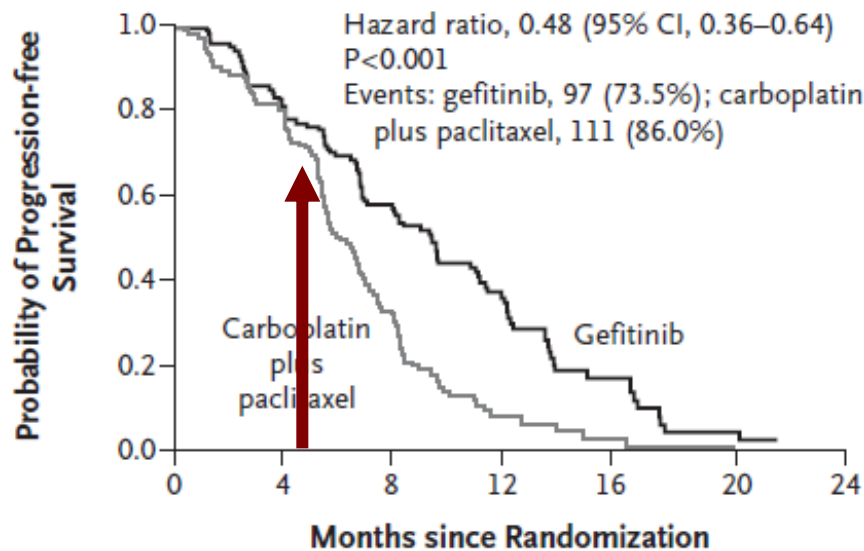
ORR %



## → Duration of chemotherapy

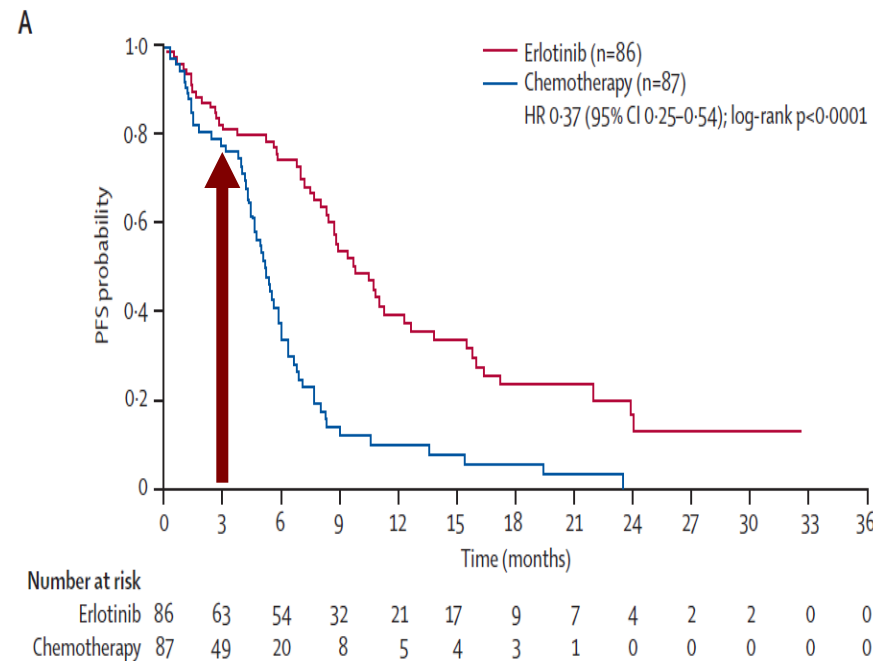
### • iPASS

- 6X 3 weeks-cycles = 4.5 m



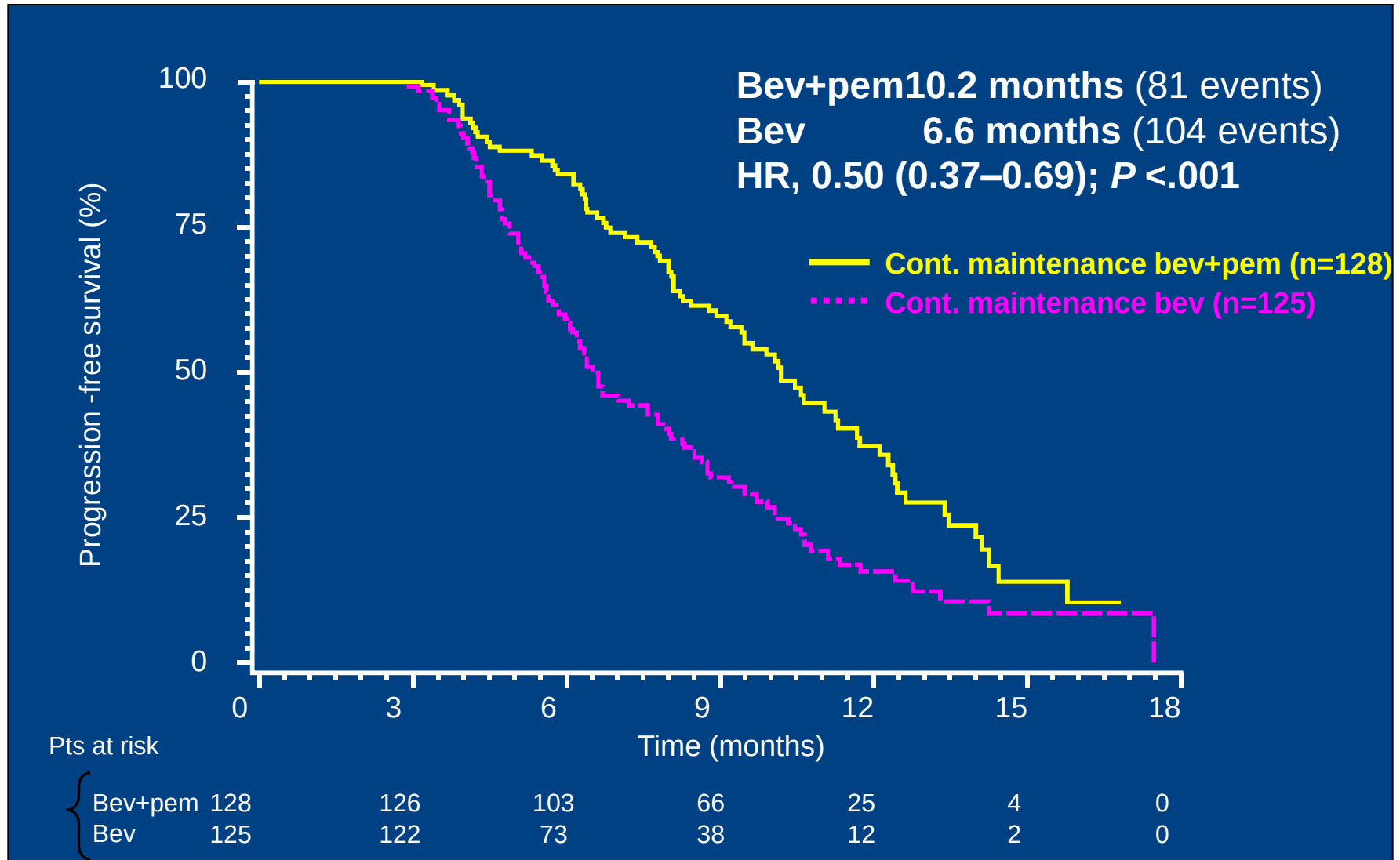
### • EURTAC

- 4X 3 weeks-cycles = 3 m



Continuation maintenance chemotherapy ?

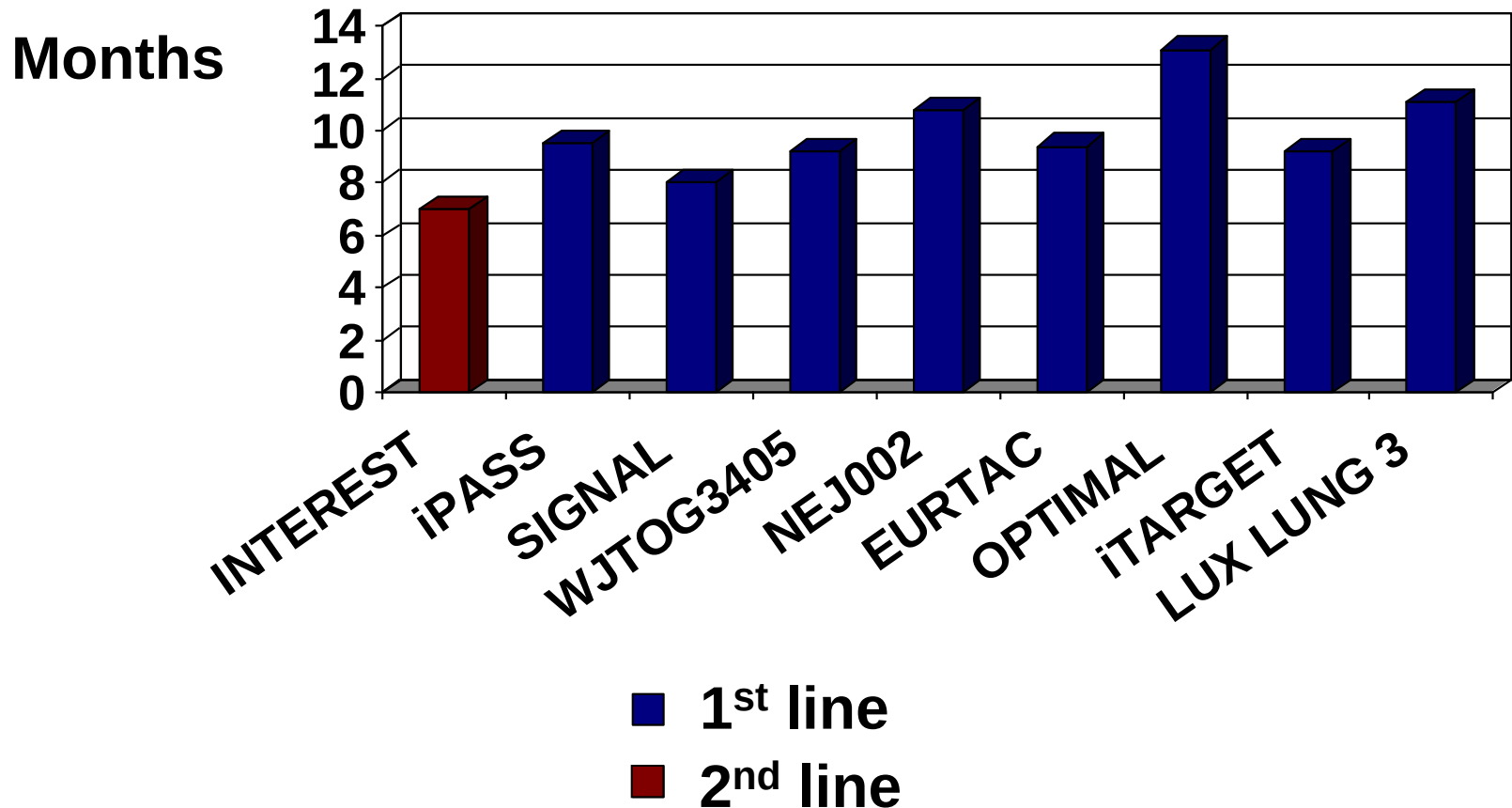
# Pemetrexed/Cisplatin/bevacizumab X 4



\* Randomized pts, Intent-to-treat population

Bev, bevacizumab; HR, hazard ratio; Pem, pemetrexed; pts, patients.

## → EGFR TKIs : PFS in EGFR mut patients



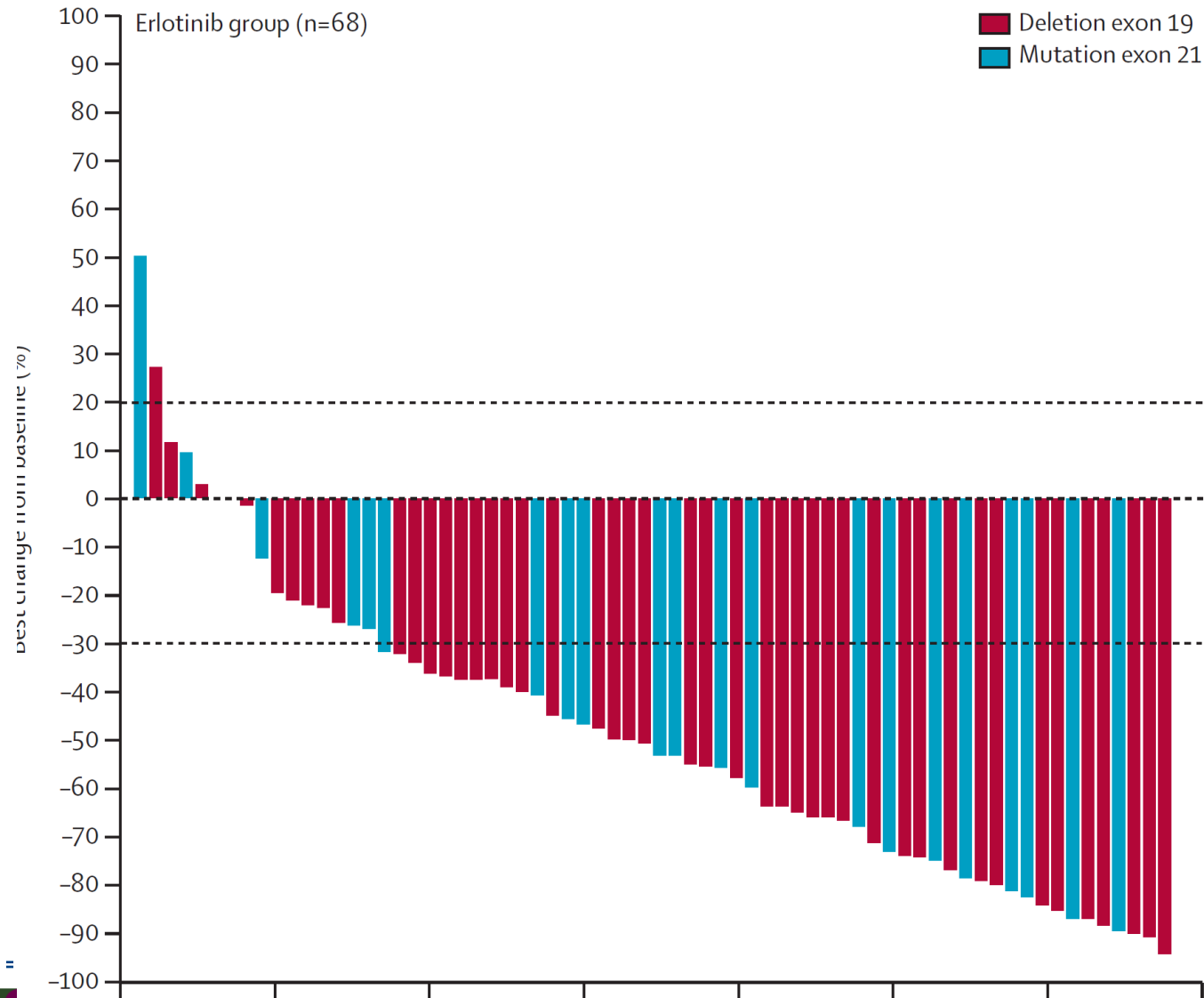
## → EGFR mutation in plasma (n=264) Before and after chemotherapy

| Before -> after | n   | PR  | SD  | PD  |
|-----------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Mut -> WT       | 54  | 39% | 48% | 13% |
| No change       | 186 | 30% | 46% | 24% |
| WT -> mut       | 24  | 21% | 54% | 25% |

**Chemotherapy induces EGFR mut ??**

→ Oncogenic addition field: think new !

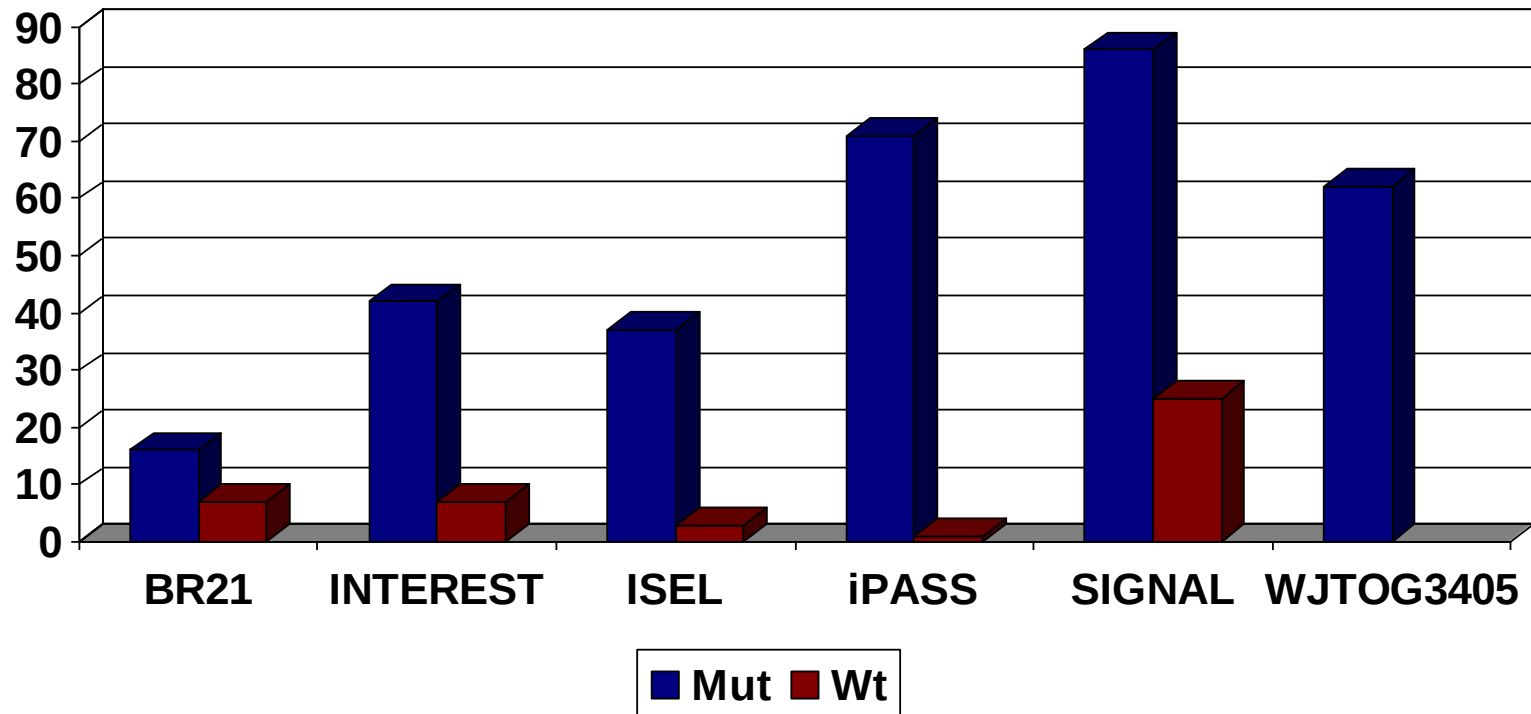
## → EURTAC - erlotinib arm





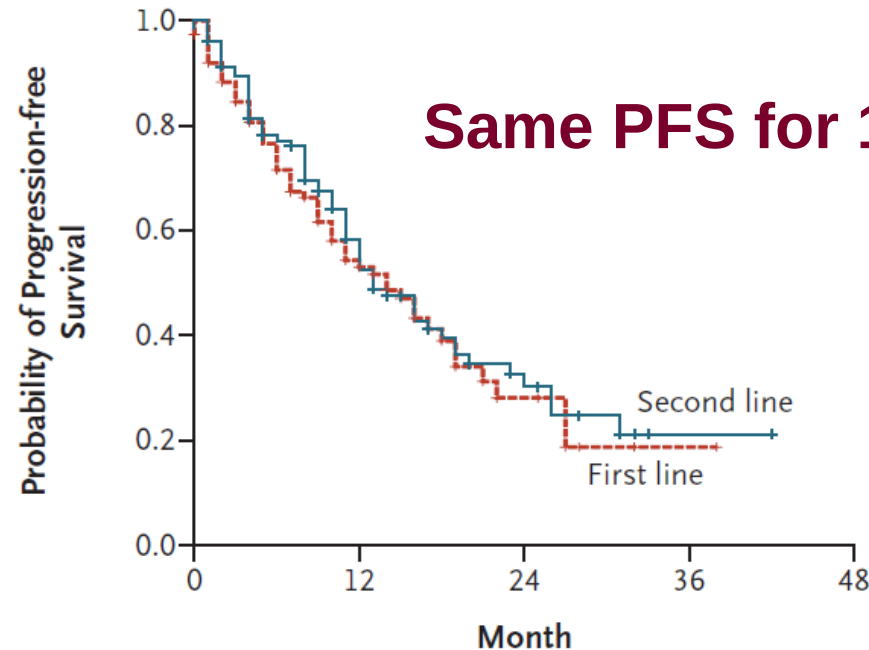
## → EGFR mut and response to EGFR TKIs

ORR %



## → EGFR TKIs in EGFR mutated patients

Progression-free Survival According to Therapy



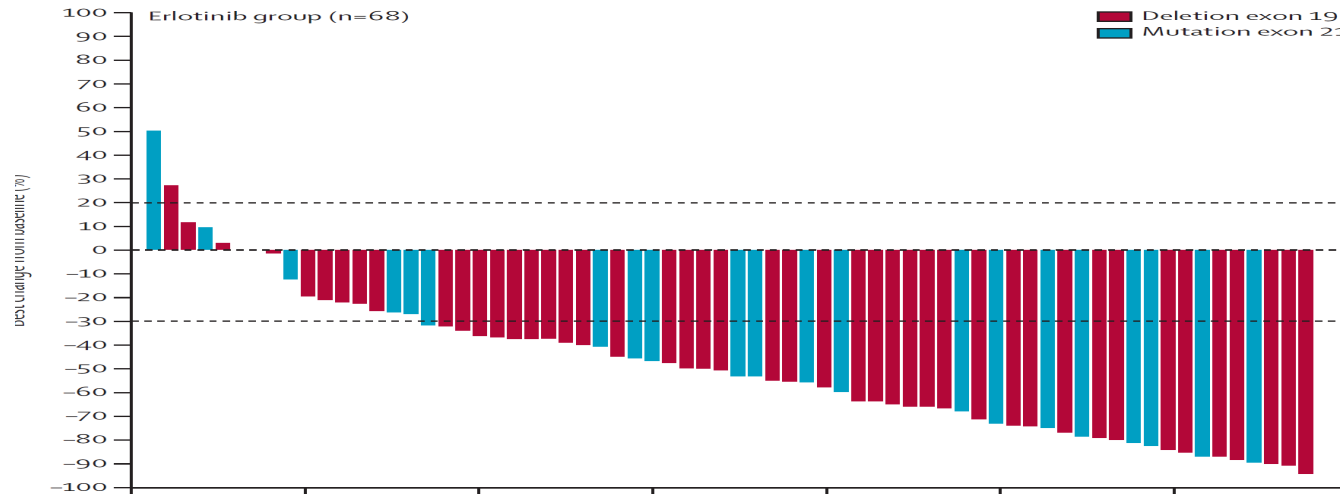
### First Line

|               |     |    |    |    |    |
|---------------|-----|----|----|----|----|
| No. at risk   | 113 | 41 | 9  | 1  | 0  |
| No. of events | 0   | 46 | 58 | 60 | 60 |

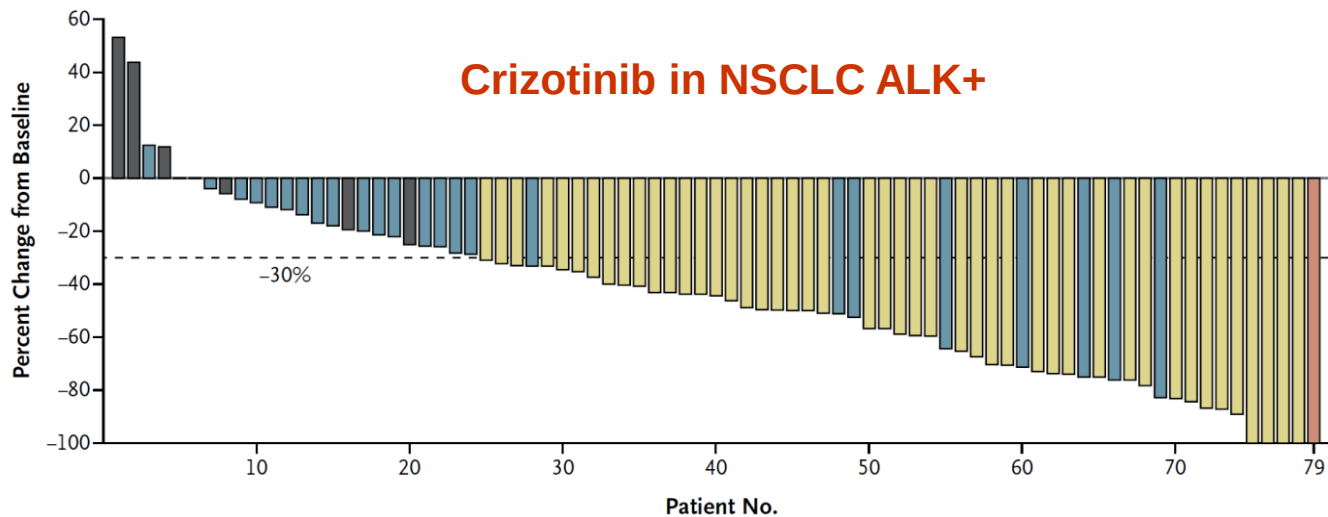
### Second Line

|               |     |    |    |    |    |
|---------------|-----|----|----|----|----|
| No. at risk   | 104 | 48 | 12 | 1  | 1  |
| No. of events | 0   | 41 | 59 | 62 | 62 |

## → EURTAC - erlotinib arm



Percent Change in Tumor Burden



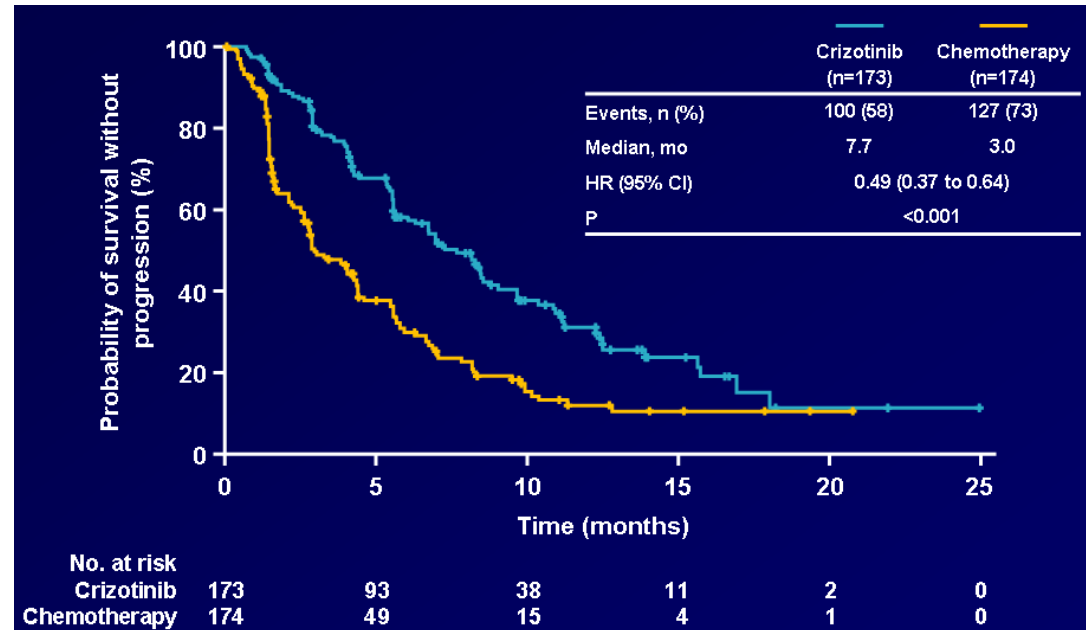
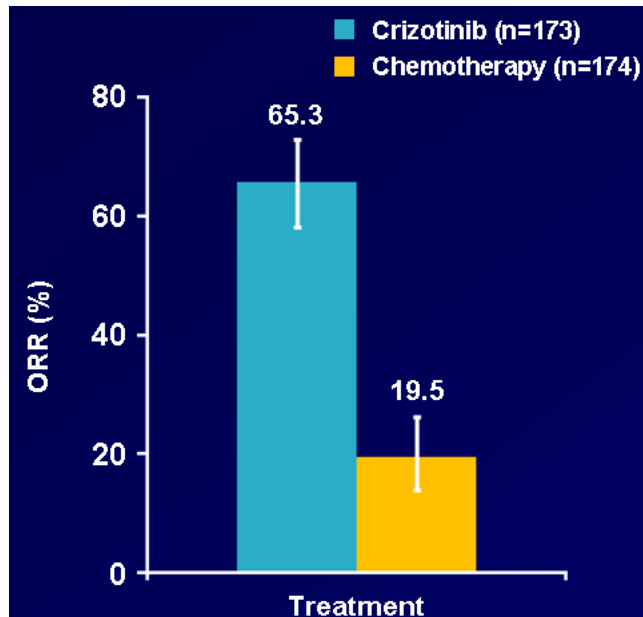
## → Response by subgroup

| No. of prior regimens* | Objective Response Rate % (n/N) |         |
|------------------------|---------------------------------|---------|
| 0                      | 50                              | (3/6)   |
| 1                      | 60                              | (18/30) |
| 2                      | 56                              | (10/18) |
| 3                      | 62                              | (10/16) |
| > 3                    | 53                              | (18/34) |
| Performance status     |                                 |         |
| 0                      | 50                              | (17/34) |
| 1                      | 54                              | (30/56) |
| 2                      | 80                              | (12/15) |
| Age                    |                                 |         |
| < 65 years             | 59                              | (53/90) |
| ≥ 65 years             | 40                              | (6/15)  |
| Gender                 |                                 |         |
| Male                   | 60                              | (31/52) |
| Female                 | 53                              | (28/53) |

- Median response duration was 36.3 weeks (95% CI: 32.1, 72.9) in patients with an objective response (n=59)

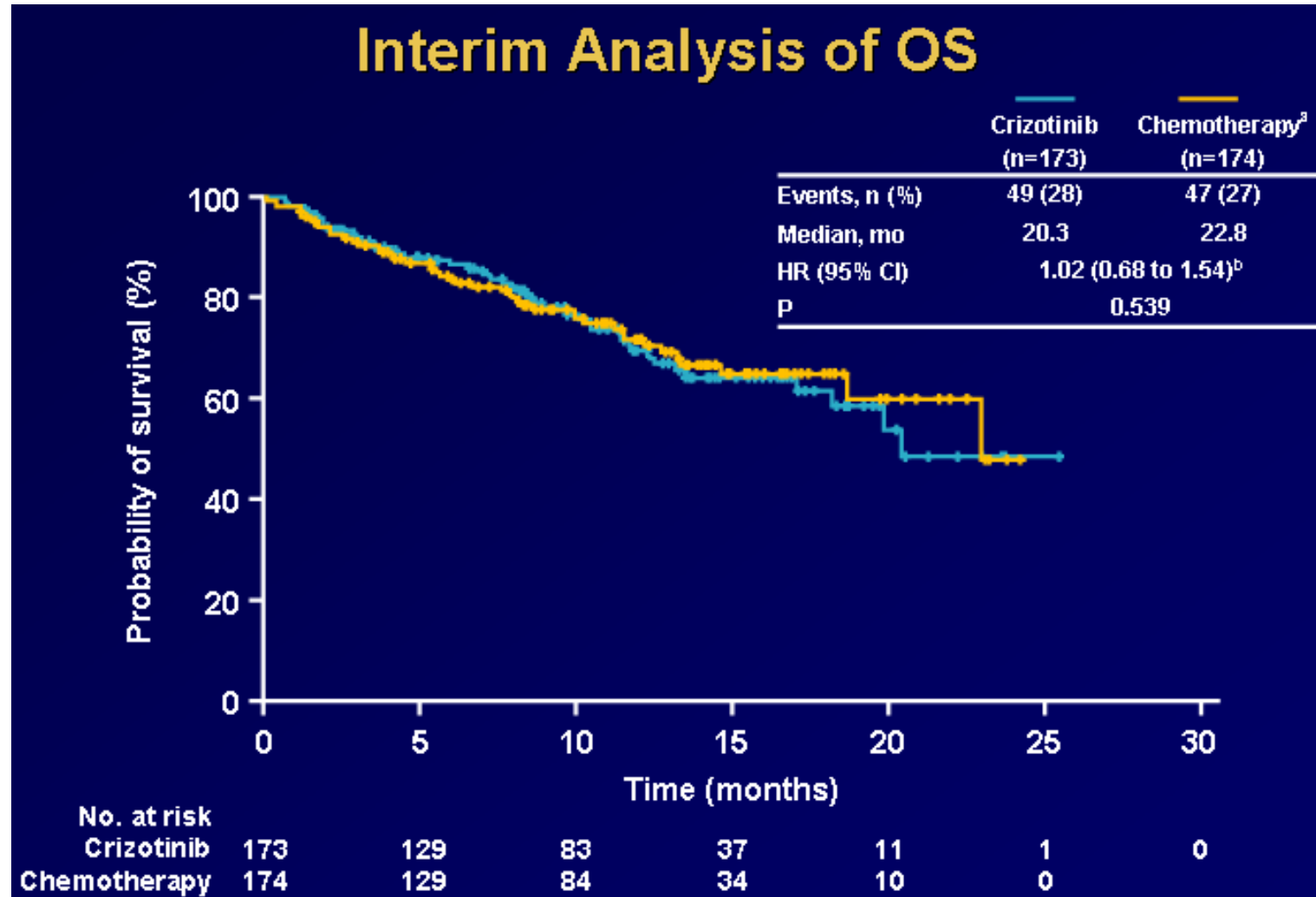
\* Unknown for 1 patient

## → **PROFILE 1007** **Pemetrexed vs. pemetrexed/docetaxel**



- PFS is improved by 4,7 months (HR of 0,49)

## → PROFILE 1005 : OS



# → PFS and OS in EGFRmut/ALK+ pts

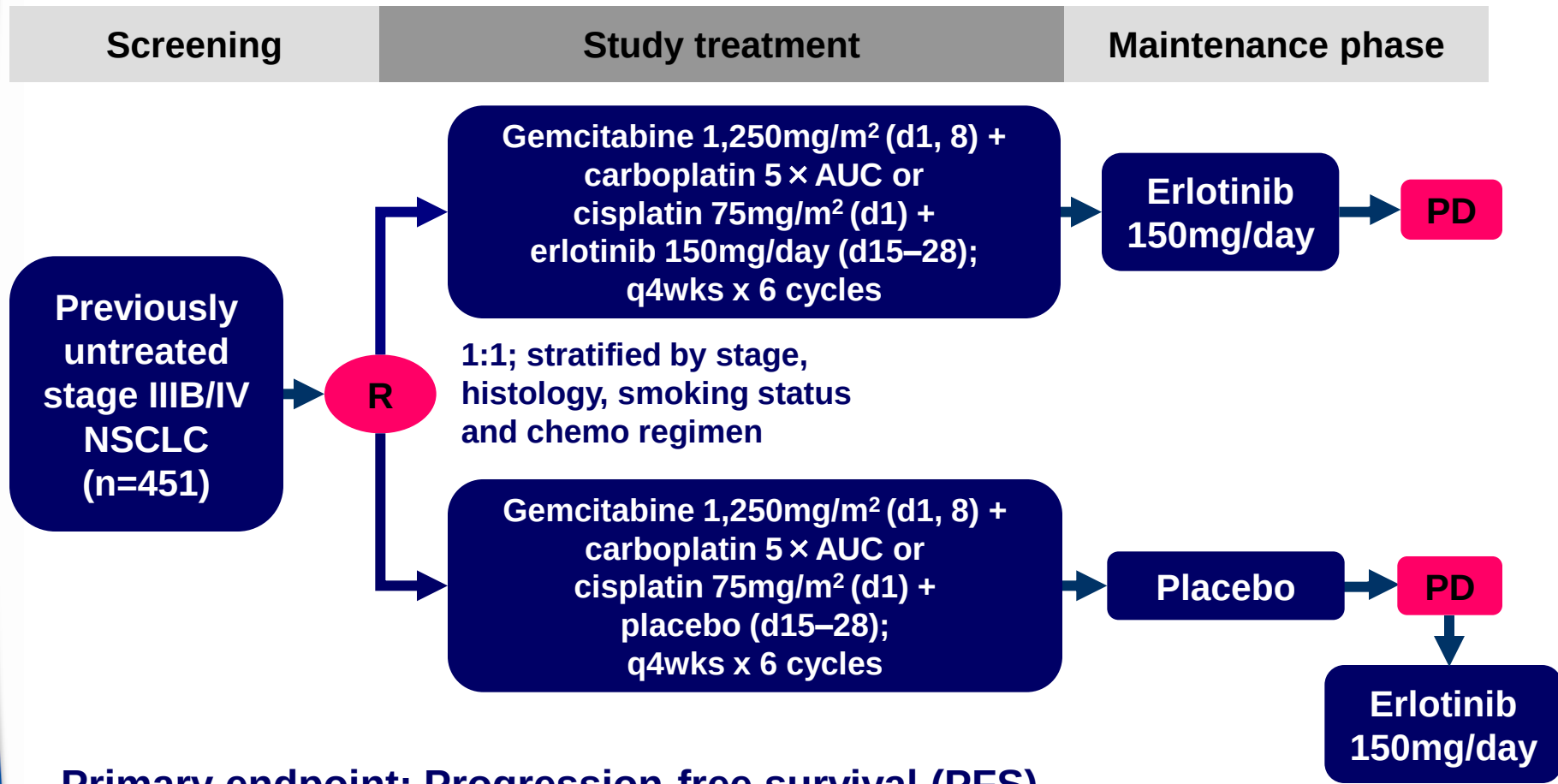
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| PROFILE 5     | 347          | Crizotinib<br>Pem & Doc           | <b>0.49</b><br>(0.37-0.64) : p<0.001  | <b>1.02</b><br>(0.68- 1.54) ; p=0.53 |

→ **We do not use RECIST  
when treating our patients**





## → FASTACT-II study design



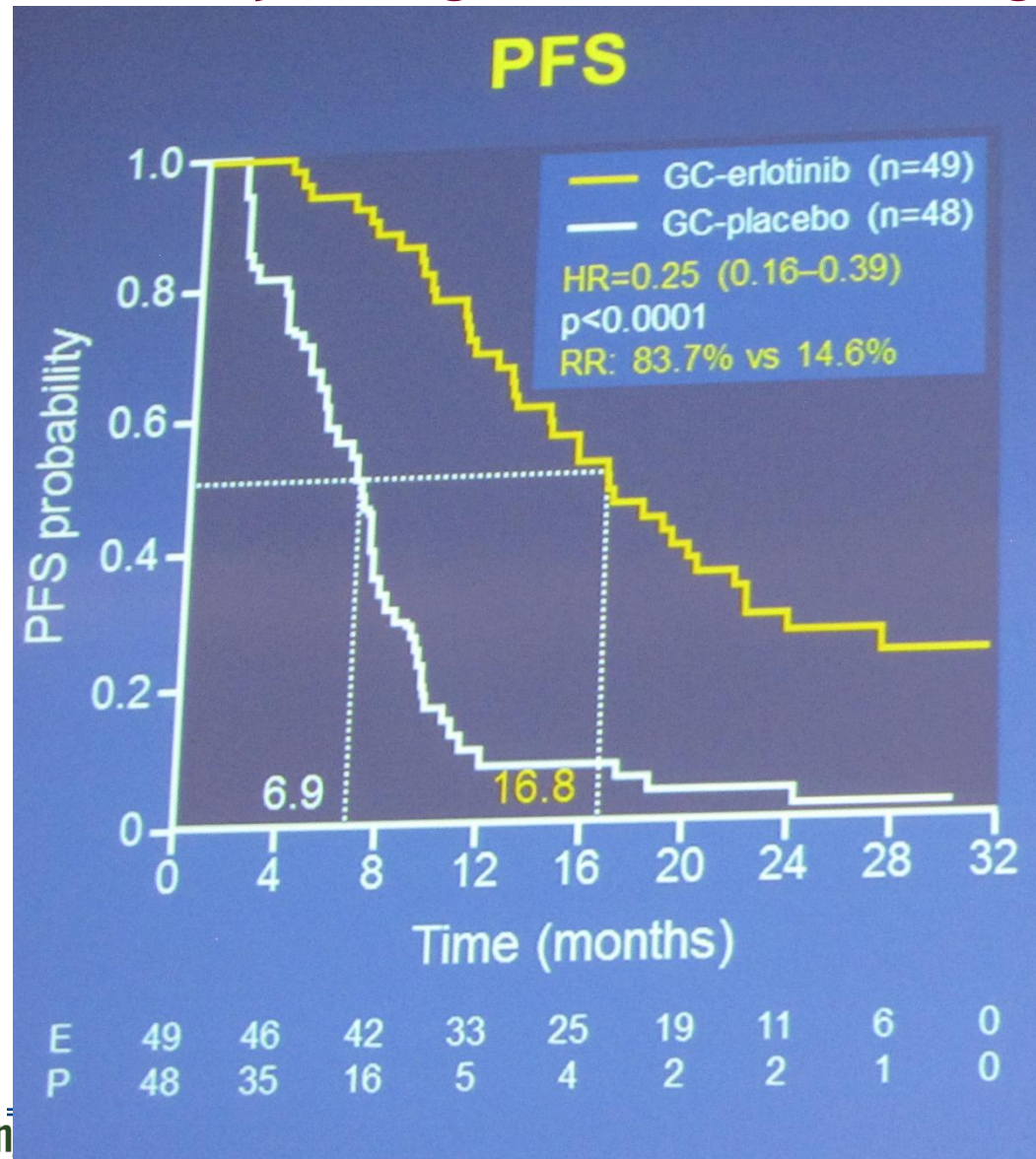
Primary endpoint: Progression-free survival (PFS)





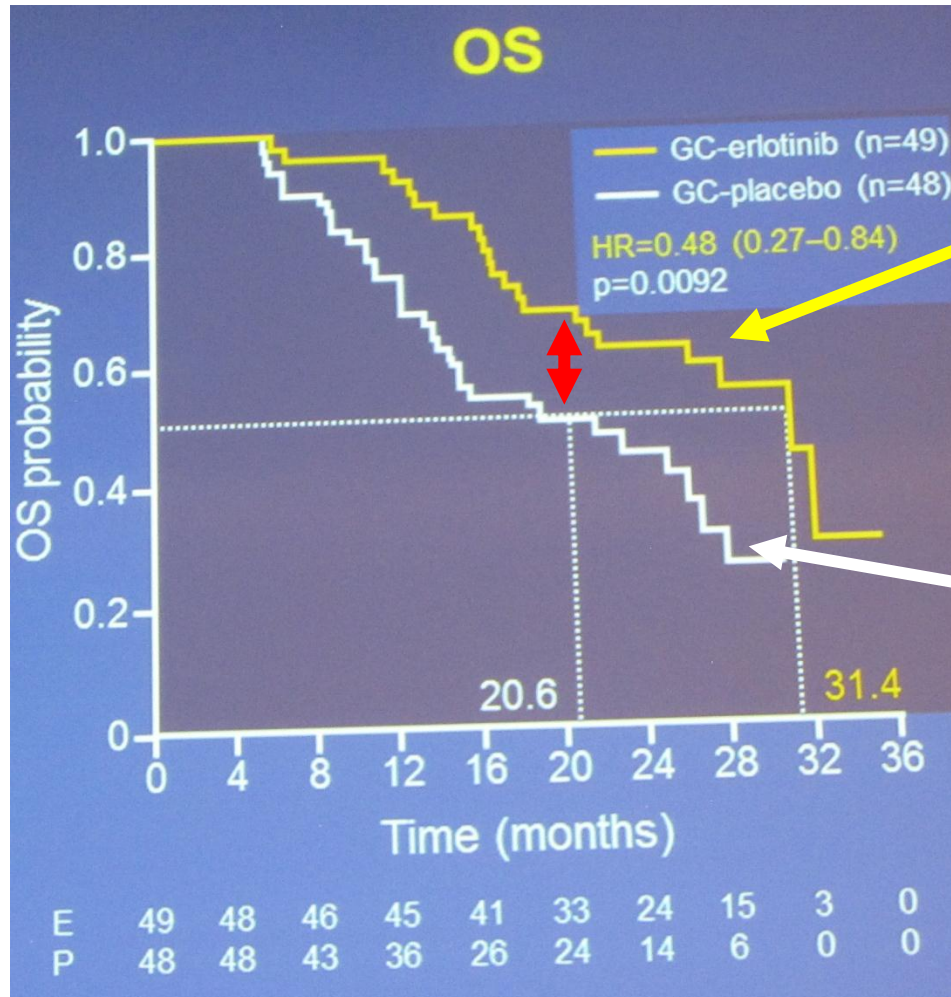


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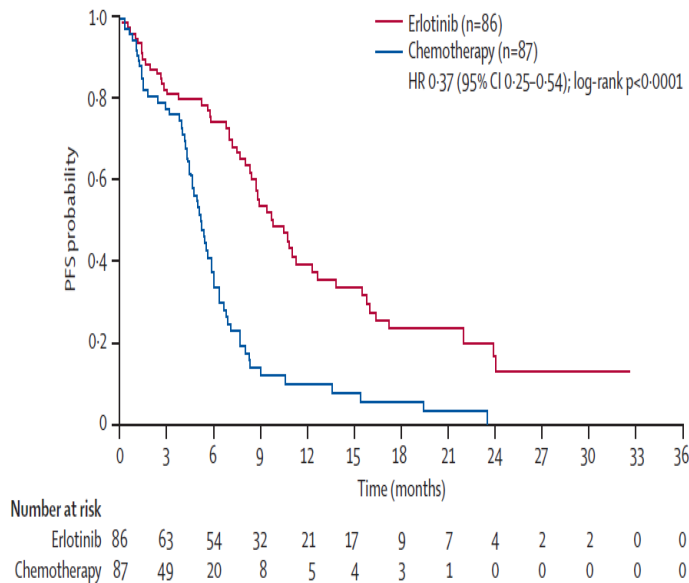


100% received TKIs

11 patients !!

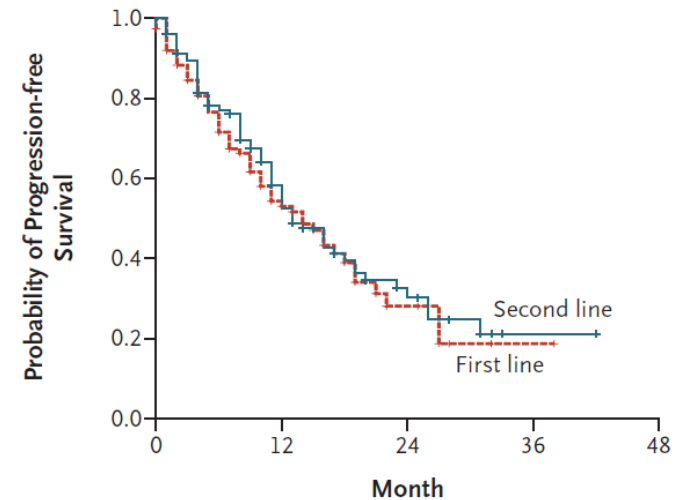
85% received TKIs

## → PFS EURTAC VS Rosell's cohort



**PFS = 9.7 months**

Progression-free Survival According to Therapy



|                    |     |    |    |    |    |
|--------------------|-----|----|----|----|----|
| <b>First Line</b>  |     |    |    |    |    |
| No. at risk        | 113 | 41 | 9  | 1  | 0  |
| No. of events      | 0   | 46 | 58 | 60 | 60 |
| <b>Second Line</b> |     |    |    |    |    |
| No. at risk        | 104 | 48 | 12 | 1  | 1  |
| No. of events      | 0   | 41 | 59 | 62 | 62 |

**PFS = 14 months**

## → Conclusion in EGFRmut patients

- Same OS with upfront TKI or upfront chemo
- Platinum-based therapy is beneficial
- Patients have to received both sequentially
- CT toxicity > TKI toxicity
- I start with the more toxic treatment



EGFR

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Think different.