

## Latest Advances in Breast Cancers October 30, 2012

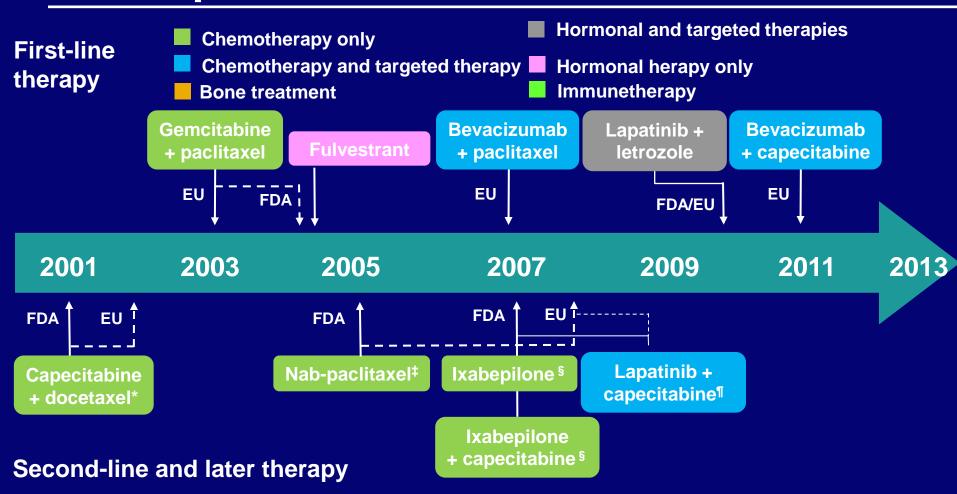
# Key Facts and New Therapies

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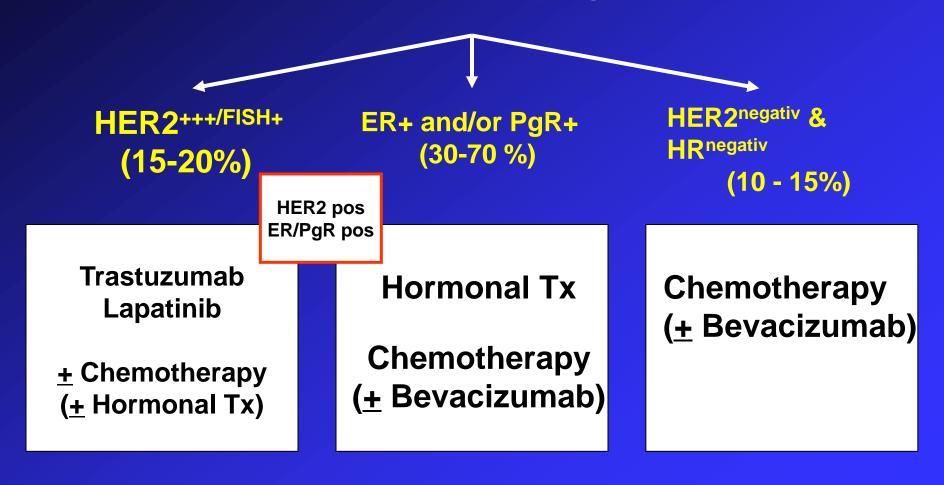
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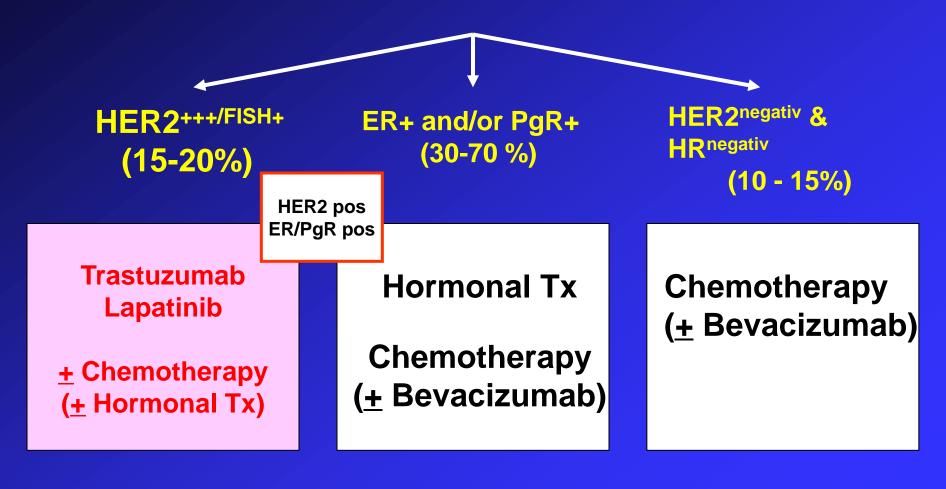
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#### **HERMINE – Study**

OS for patients who continued Herceptin after 1<sup>st</sup> progession vs Patients who stopped Herceptin. OS from start of 1st line treatment (A) or OS from first Progression (B)

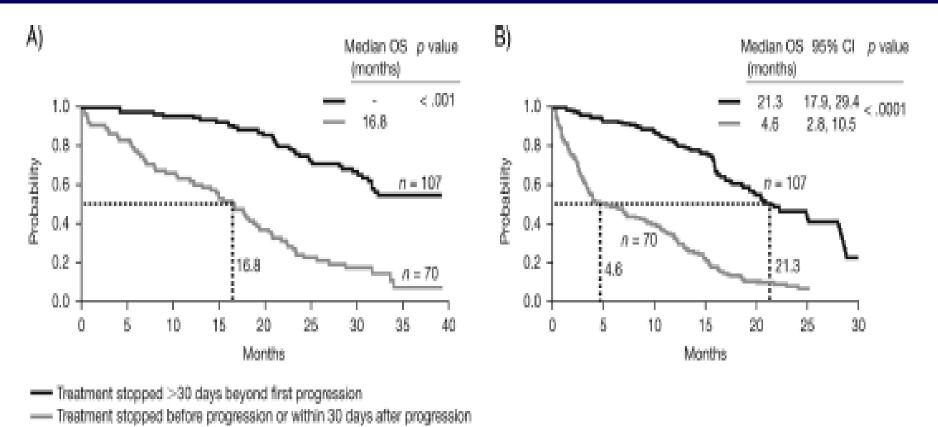
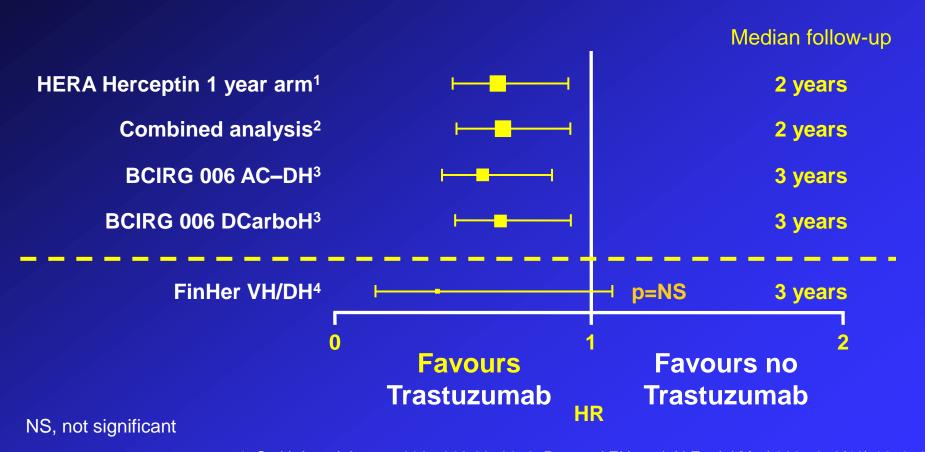


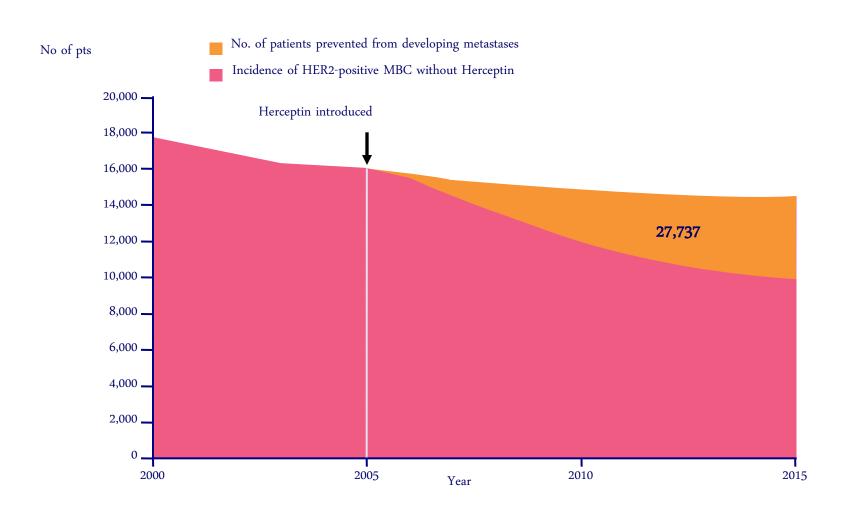
Figure 3. Kaplan-Meier plot comparing OS data from patients who continued trastuzumab beyond progression with that of patients who stopped trastuzumab treatment at or prior to progression from initiation of trastuzumab (A) and date of progression (B).

## Adjuvant trastuzumab trials: summary of OS data



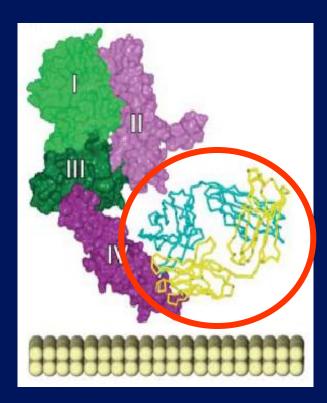
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## Adjuvant trastuzumab predicted to prevent recurrence in almost 28,000 patients over a 10-year period in the 5 major EU countries



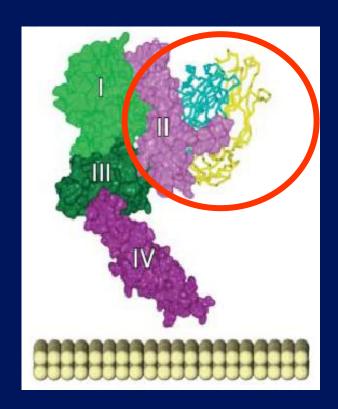
#### Trastuzumab and Pertuzumab bind to distinct epitopes on HER2 extracellular domain

#### **Trastuzumab**



- Activates antibody-dependent cellular cytotoxicity
- Inhibits HER2-mediated signalling
- Inhibits shedding and, thus, formation of new p95
- Inhibits HER2-related angiogenesis

#### **Pertuzumab**

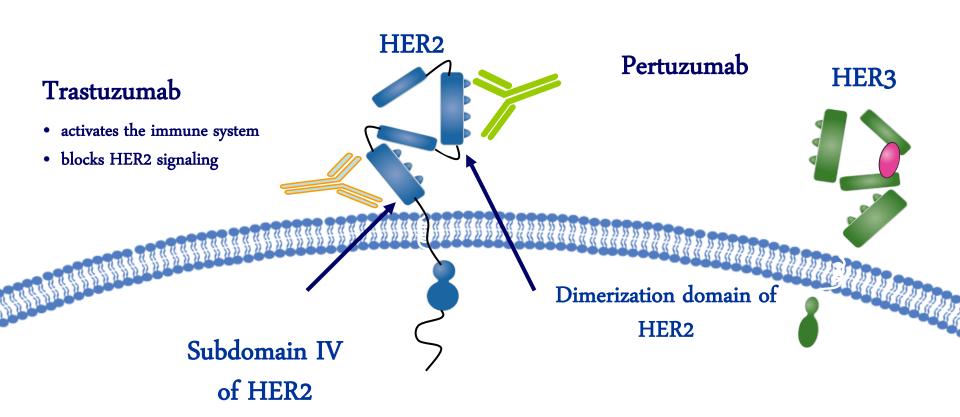


- Activates antibody-dependent cellular cytotoxicity
- Prevents receptor dimerisation
- Potent inhibitor of HER2/HER2- and HER2/HER3-mediated signalling

  pathways

  Hubbard 2005

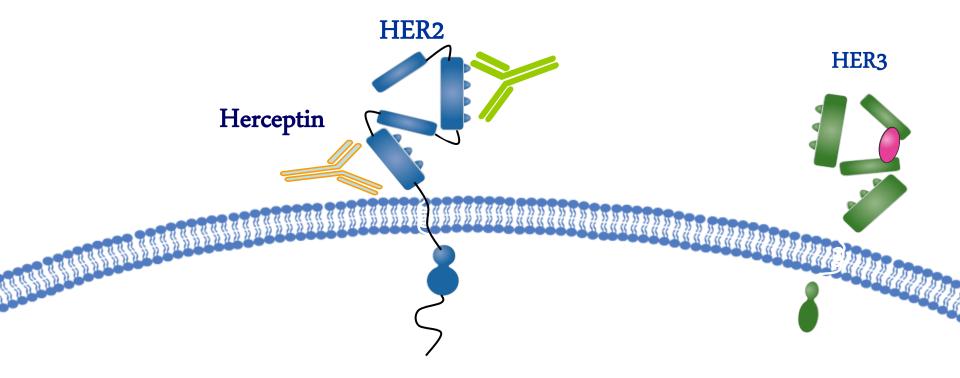
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#### Pertuzumab

• Inhibits HER2/HER3 dimerization





#### **Trastuzumab-Emtansine (T-DM1)**

#### First-in-class antibody-drug conjugate (ADC)



#### **Target expression: HER2**

Monoclonal antibody: trastuzumab



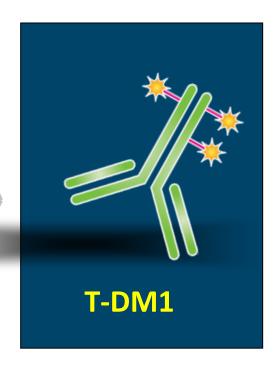
#### Cytotoxic agent: DM1

Highly potent chemotherapy (maytansine derivative)

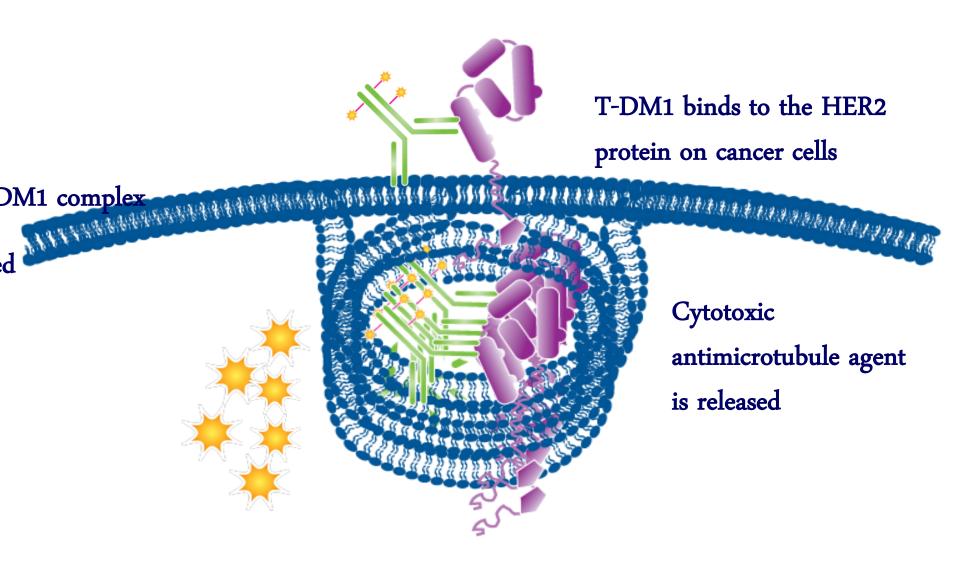


#### Linker

Systemically stable
Breaks down in target cancer cell



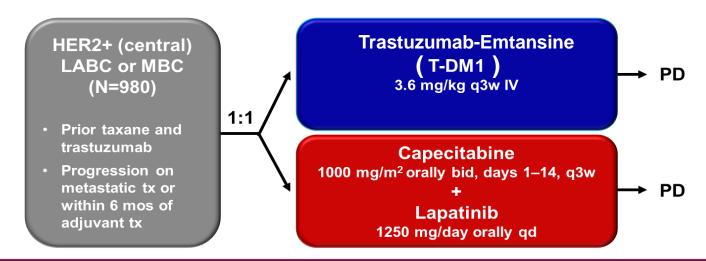
## T-DM1 selectively delivers a highly toxic payload to HER2-positive tumour cells



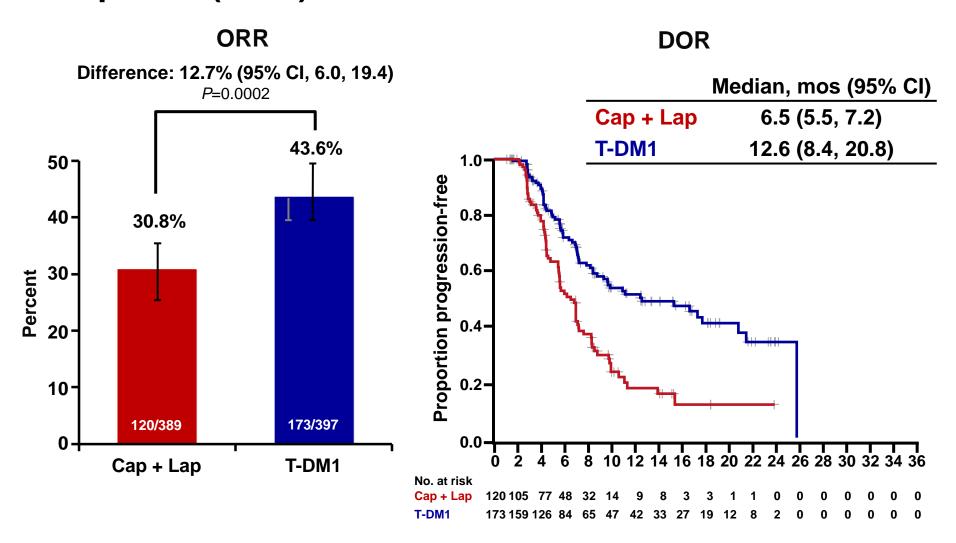
# Primary Results From EMILIA, a Phase 3 Study of Trastuzumab Emtansine (T-DM1) vs Capecitabine and Lapatinib in HER2-Positive Locally Advanced or Metastatic Breast Cancer Previously Treated With Trastuzumab and a Taxane

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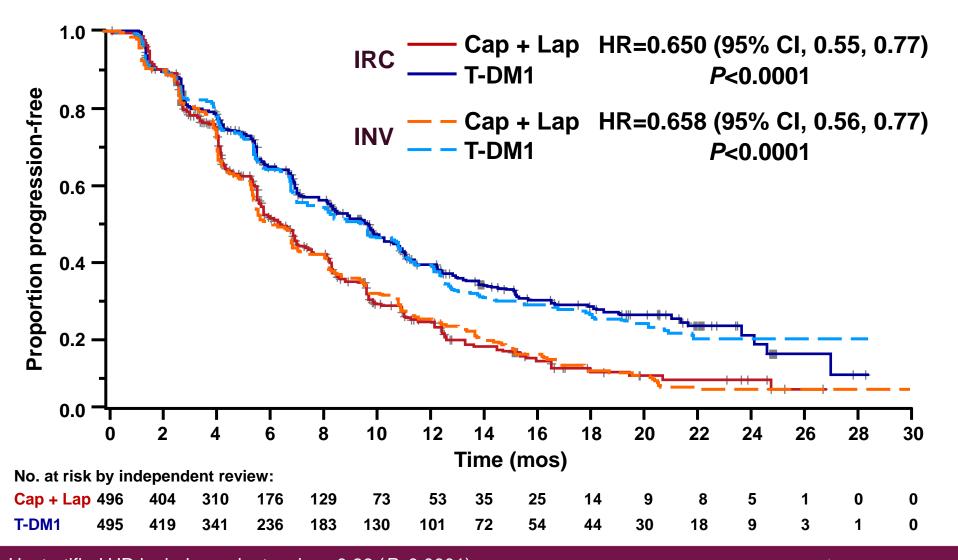
#### **EMILIA Study Design**



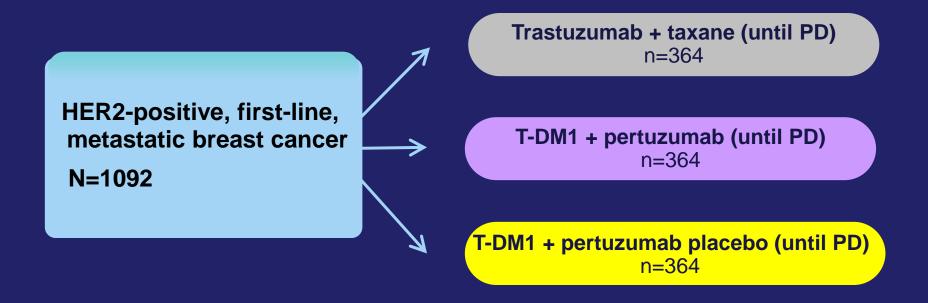
## Objective Response Rate (ORR) and Duration of Response (DOR) in Patients with Measurable Disease



## Progression-Free Survival by Independent (IRC) and Investigator (INV) Review

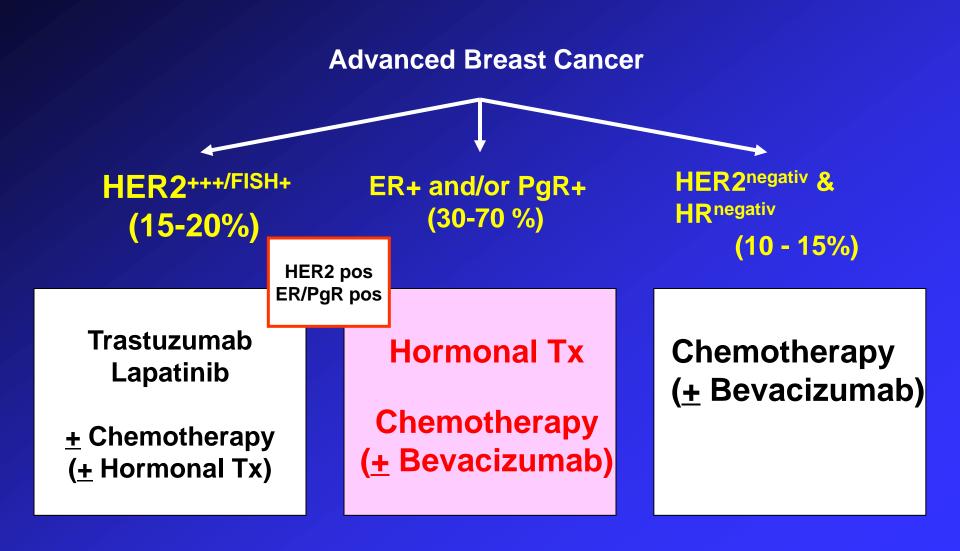


## 1st Line mBC Phase III MARIANNE Study: BO22589/TDM4788g

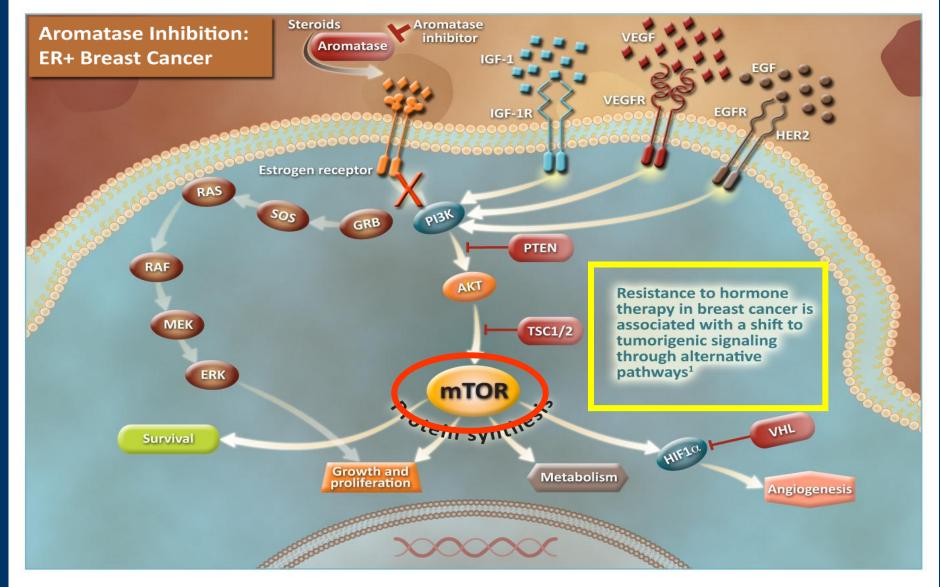


- Primary endpoints:
   PFS as assessed by IRF; Safety
- Secondary endpoints: OS; PFS by investigator; patient reported outcomes analysis; biomarkers

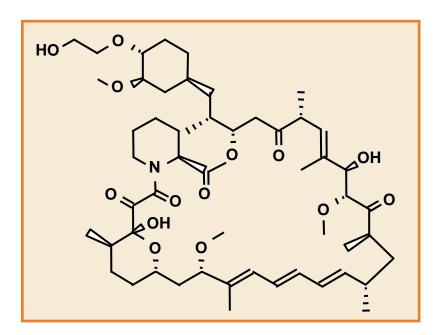
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#### **Aromatase Inhibition: ER+ Breast Cancer**



#### EVEROLIMUS/RAD001: Oral mTOR Inhibitor



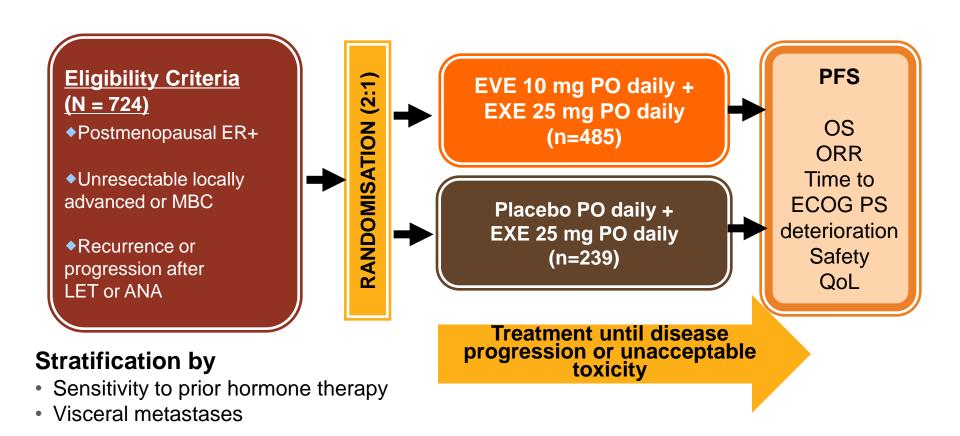
RAD001 (Everolimus)

- Active rapamycin derivative
- Orally bioavailable; T<sub>1/2</sub> ~ 30 hours;
   CYP3A4 metabolism
- Sustained inhibition of mTOR via daily administration<sup>1,2</sup>
- Crosses blood-brain barrier<sup>3</sup>
- Broad antitumor activity
  - Inhibits cell growth and angiogenesis
  - Potential synergy with chemotherapy, radiation, and other targeted agents
  - Demonstrated single-agent efficacy and safety in several pivotal phase 3 trials
- Investigated in over 4,000 cancer patients

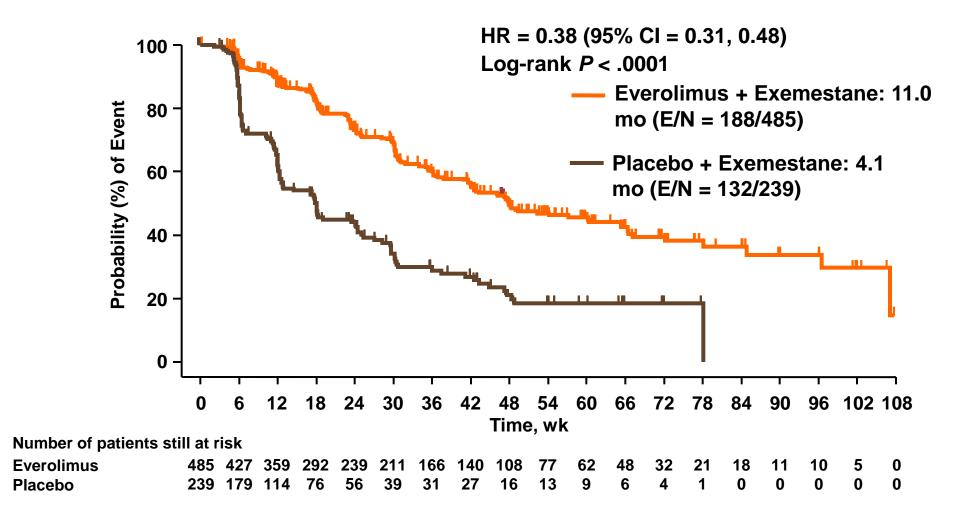
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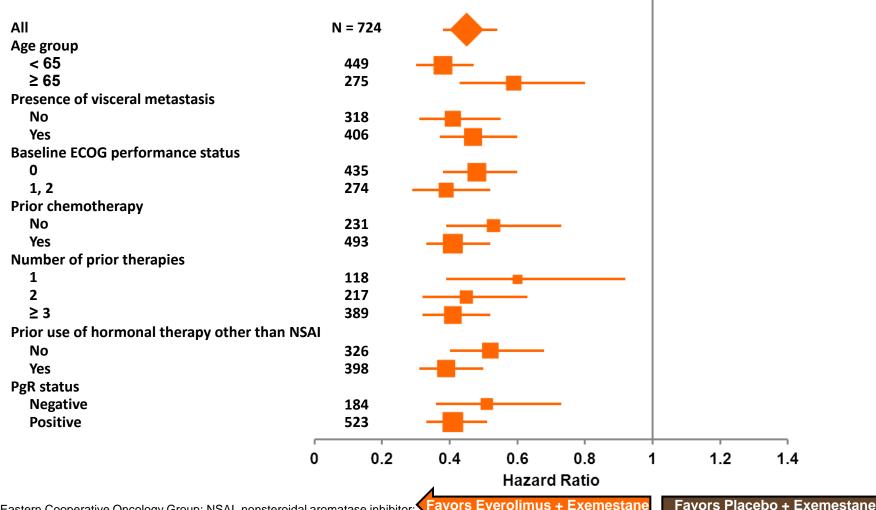
#### Phase III: Everolimus + Exemestane in mBC



## BOLERO-2: Primary Endpoint, PFS (Central Assessment)



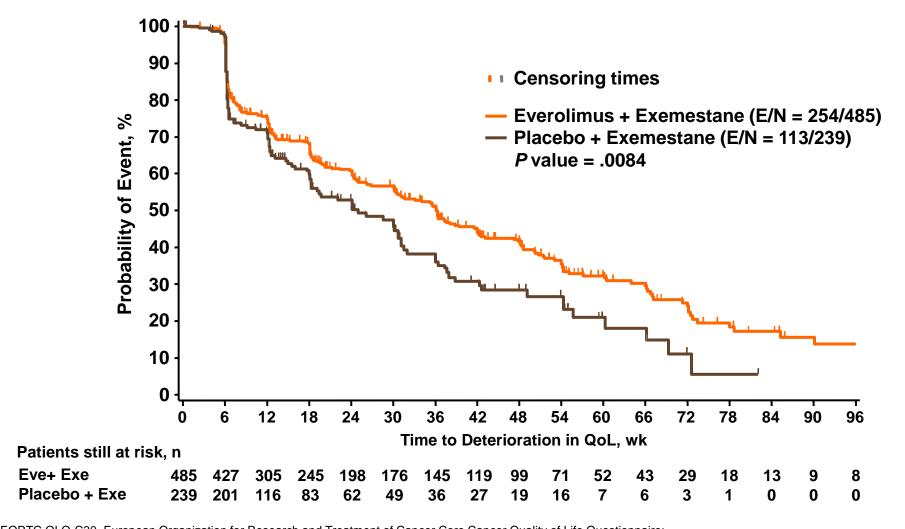
#### **BOLERO-2: PFS in Prespecified Subgroups**



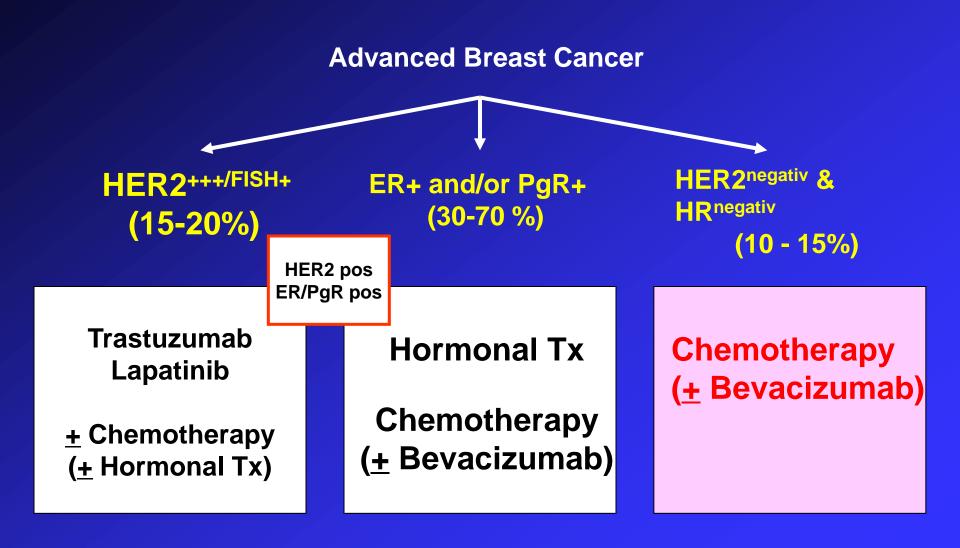
ECOG, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group; NSAI, nonsteroidal aromatase inhibitor; PgR, progesterone receptor. Piccart-Gebhart M, et al. *J Clin Oncol.* 2012;30(suppl; abstr 559)(poster).

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## BOLERO-2: Quality of Life (EORTC QLQ-C30 Global Health Score, Time to Deterioration MID=5%)

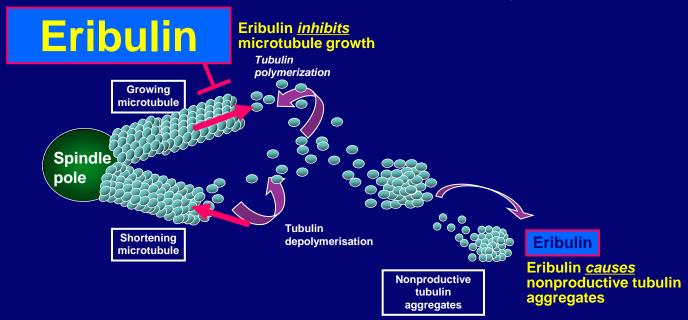


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#### **New Chemotherapy: Eribulin**

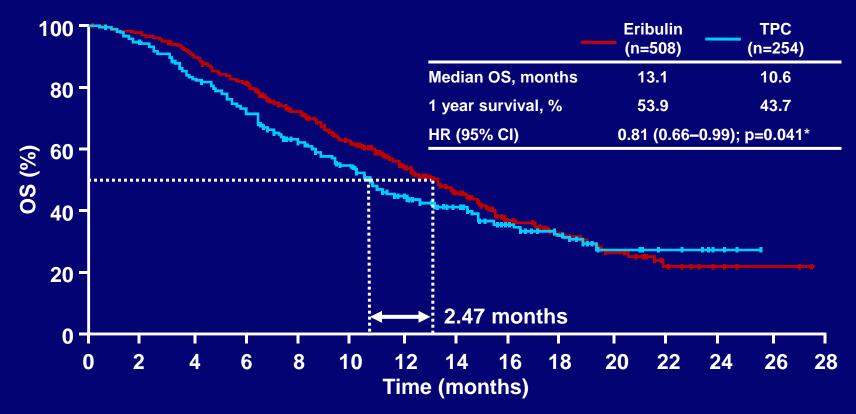
Eribulin: non-taxane microtubule dynamics inhibitor



- Inhibition of microtubule formation → irreversible block of cell division and apoptosis
- May be effective against cancer that is resistant to taxanes

## Eribulin significantly improved OS versus standard therapy (EMBRACE)

Phase III trial of eribulin compared with TPC in patients with heavily pretreated locally recurrent or mBC

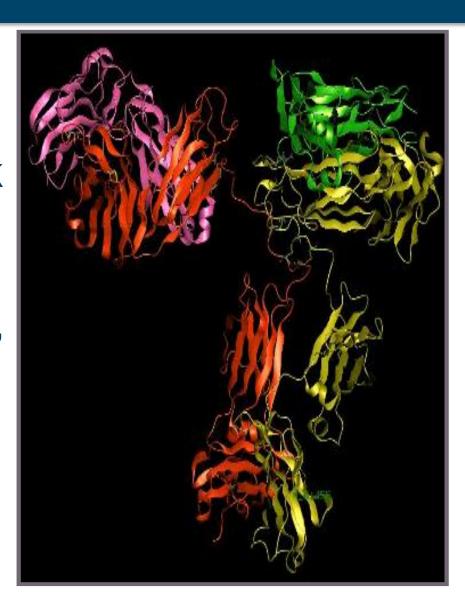


Eribulin approved by FDA and EMEA

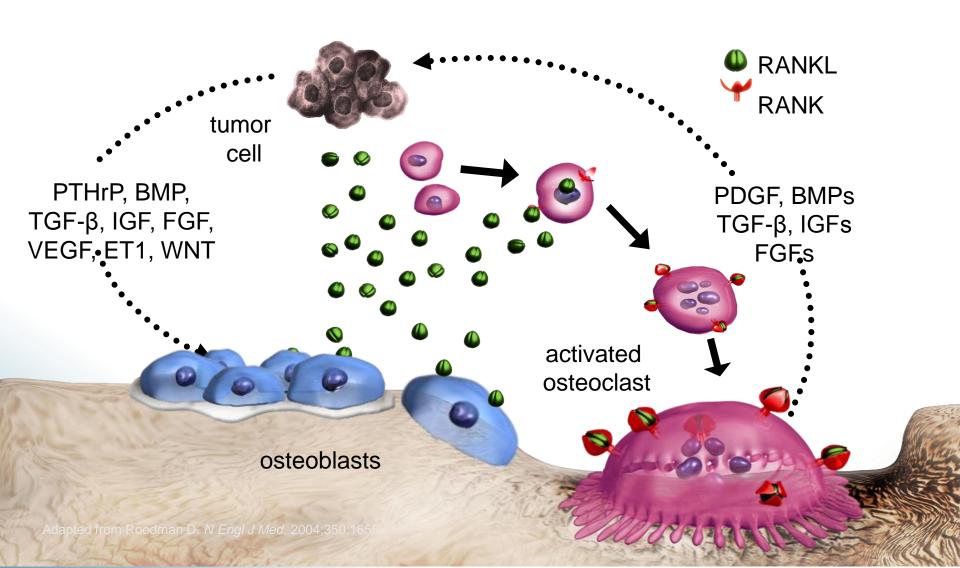


### Denosumab

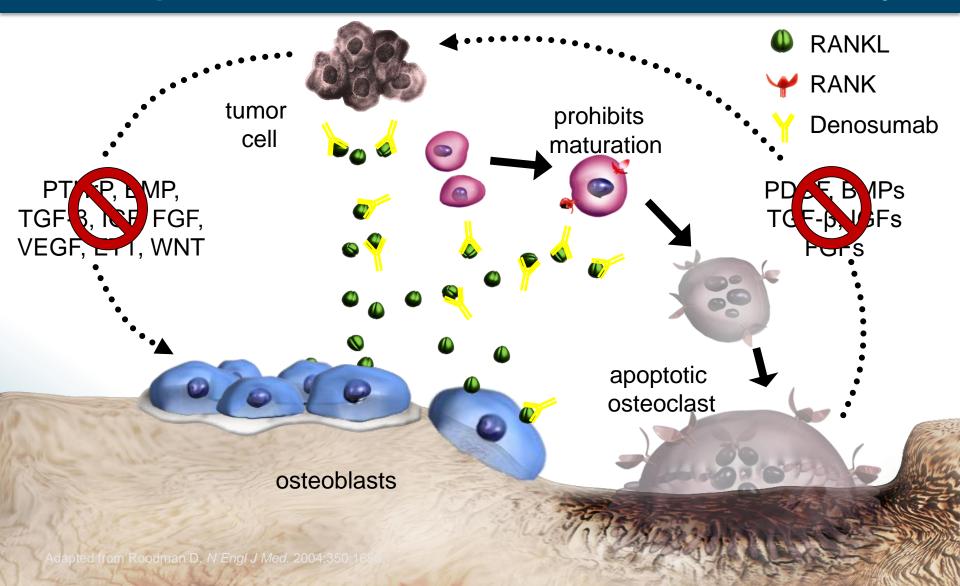
- fully human monoclonal antibody- IgG<sub>2</sub> Isotyp
- **High affinity tohuman RANK Ligand**
- \* High specificity for RANK Ligand
  - no binding to TNF- $\alpha$ , TNF- $\beta$ , TRAIL or CD40L
- no neutralizing antibodies detectable



## RANK-L: central role in the "vicious circle" of bone decay in bone metastases



## **Denosumab**Disruption of the "vicious circle" of bone decay



#### Denosumab Compared With Zoledronic Acid for the Treatment of Bone Metastases in Patients With Advanced Breast Cancer: A Randomized, Double-Blind Study

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#### ABSTRACT

#### Purpose

This randomized study compared denosumab, a fully human monoclonal antibody against receptor activator of nuclear factor  $\kappa$  B (RANK) ligand, with zoledronic acid in delaying or preventing skeletal-related events (SREs) in patients with breast cancer with bone metastases.

#### Patients and Methods

Patients were randomly assigned to receive either subcutaneous denosumab 120 mg and intravenous placebo (n=1,026) or intravenous zoledronic acid 4 mg adjusted for creatinine clearance and subcutaneous placebo (n=1,020) every 4 weeks. All patients were strongly recommended to take daily calcium and vitamin D supplements. The primary end point was time to first on-study SRE (defined as pathologic fracture, radiation or surgery to bone, or spinal cord compression).

#### Results

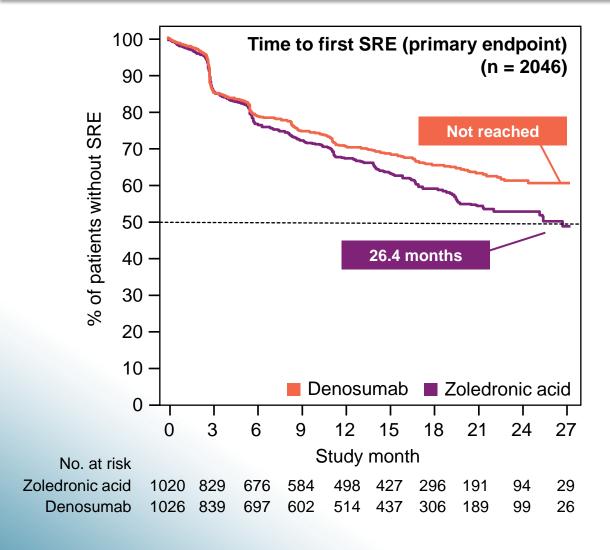
Denosumab was superior to zoledronic acid in delaying time to first on-study SRE (hazard ratio, 0.82; 95% CI, 0.71 to 0.95; P = .01 superiority) and time to first and subsequent (multiple) on-study SREs (rate ratio, 0.77; 95% CI, 0.66 to 0.89; P = .001). Reduction in bone turnover markers was greater with denosumab. Overall survival, disease progression, and rates of adverse events (AEs) and serious AEs were similar between groups. An excess of renal AEs and

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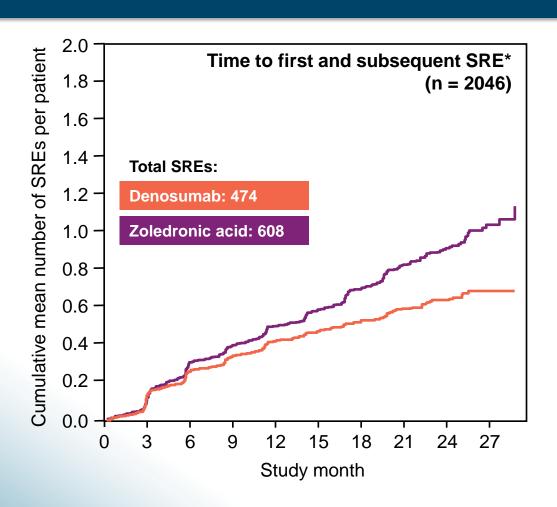
## Significantly longer time without an SRE with denosumab vs zoledronic acid



HR = 0.82 (95% CI, 0.71-0.95) P = 0.0001 (non-inferiority) P = 0.01 (superiority)



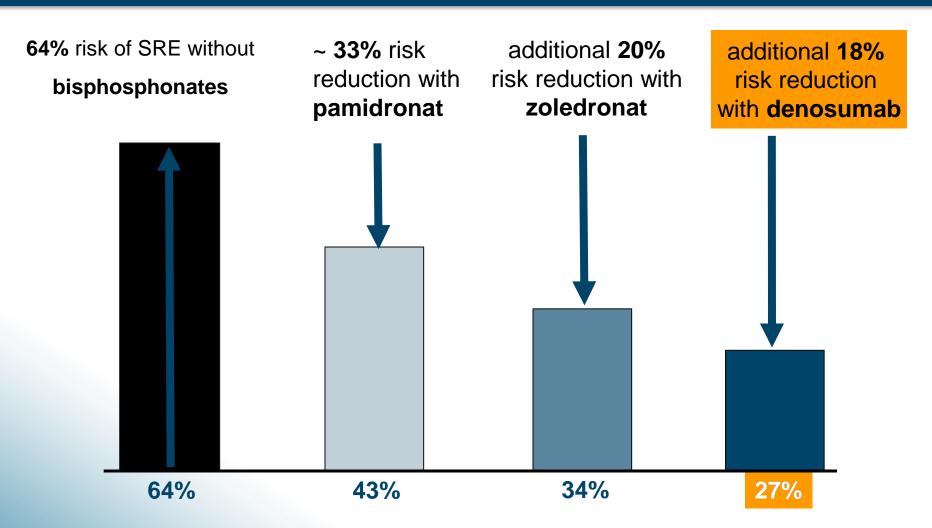
## Significantly fewer SREs with denosumab vs zoledronic acid



RR = 0.77 (95% CI, 0.66–0.89) P = 0.001 (superiority)

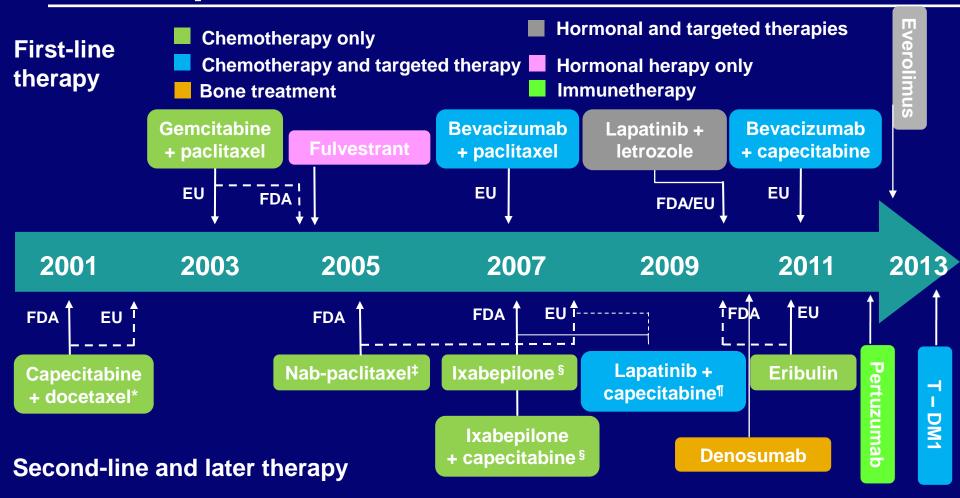


#### Placebo vs. Bisphosphonate vs. Denosumab



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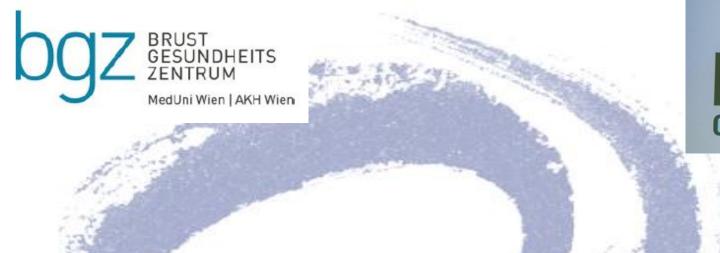
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