

Implications of the findings from the ESMO study of regulatory barriers, cost and availability of anti-cancer agents for European oncologists and patients Preliminary Findings

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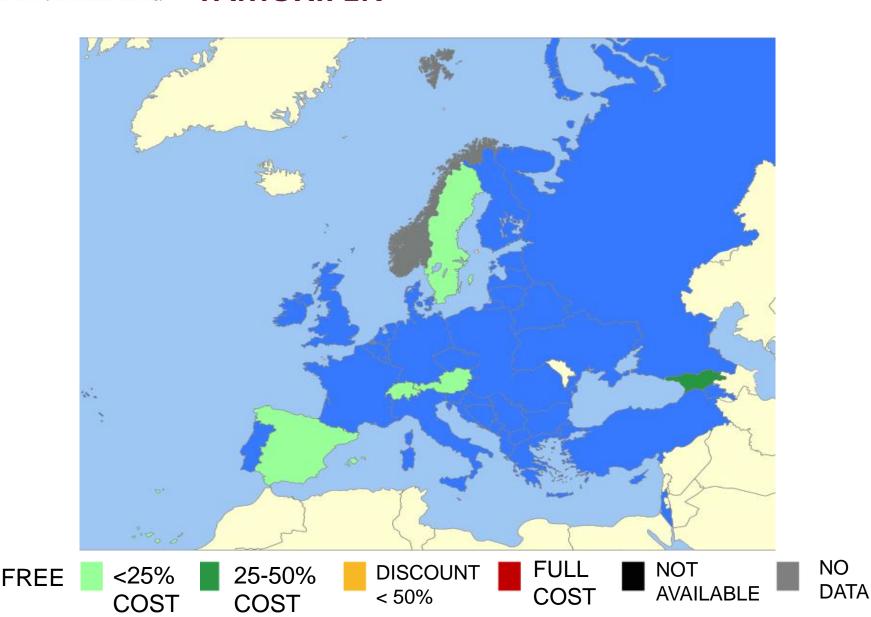


What information did we get?

- Approval status (yes/no) across Europe
 - Informative for new drugs
- Reimbursement (yes/no)
 - Highlight differences in cancer policies
 - Residual (out of pocket) cost to patients
 - Delays in access due to special authorization
- Actual availability
 - Drug shortage for old drugs
 - Unavailability in the pharmacy (parallel export) for expensive drugs

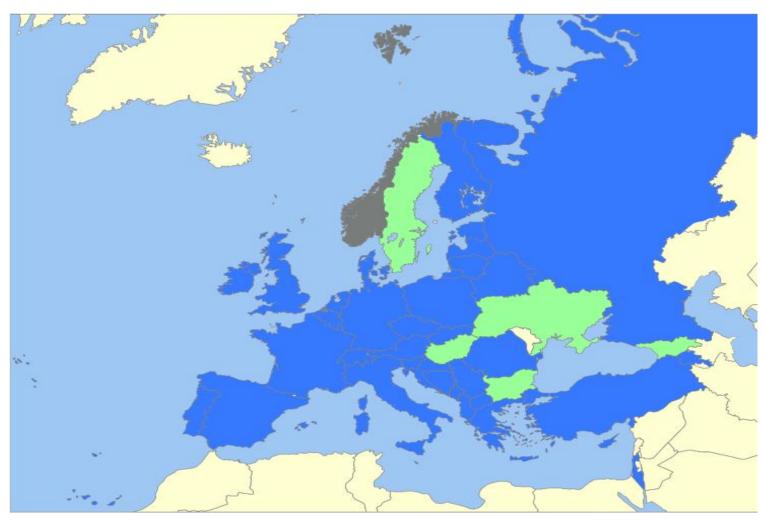


Adjuvant breast cancer: formulary and cost: TAMOXIFEN





Adjuvant breast cancer: availability: TAMOXIFEN











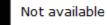








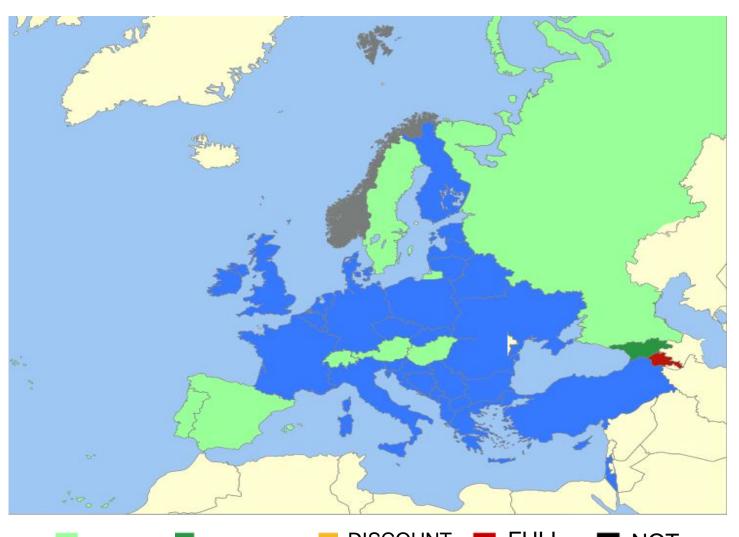








Adjuvant breast cancer: formulary and cost: ANASTROZOL













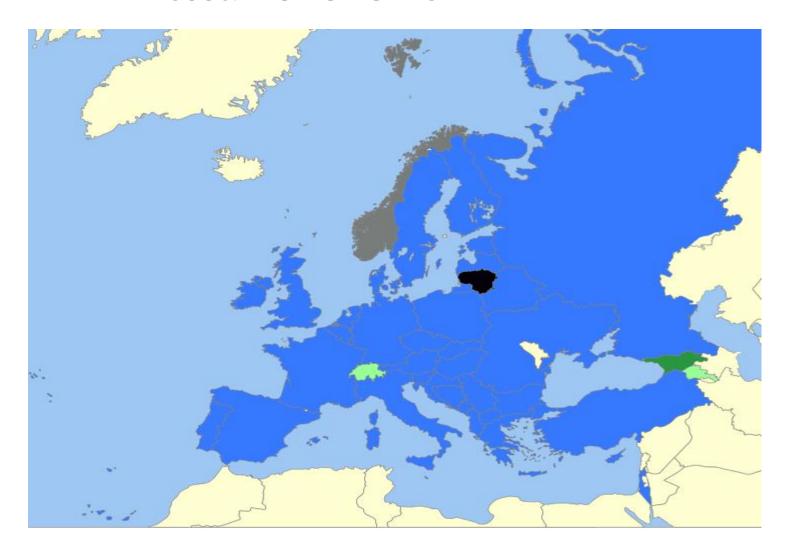








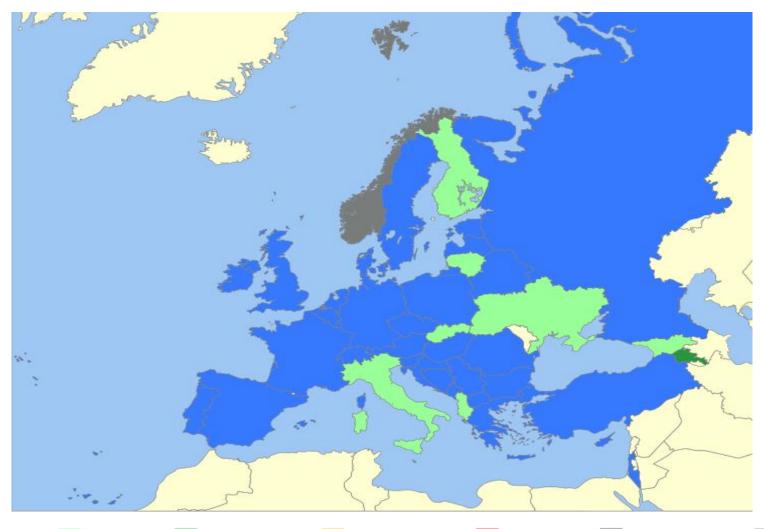
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Adjuvant breast cancer: availability: DOXORUBICIN









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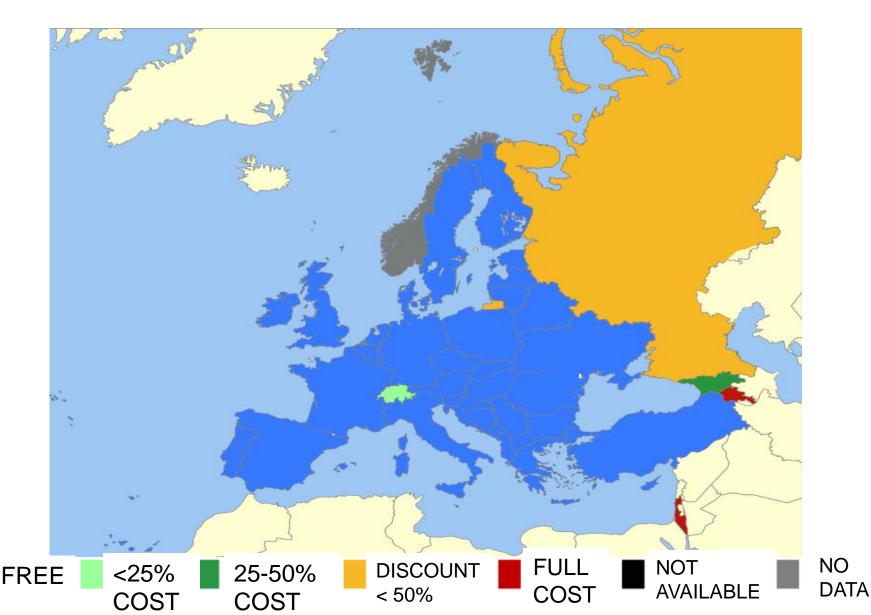
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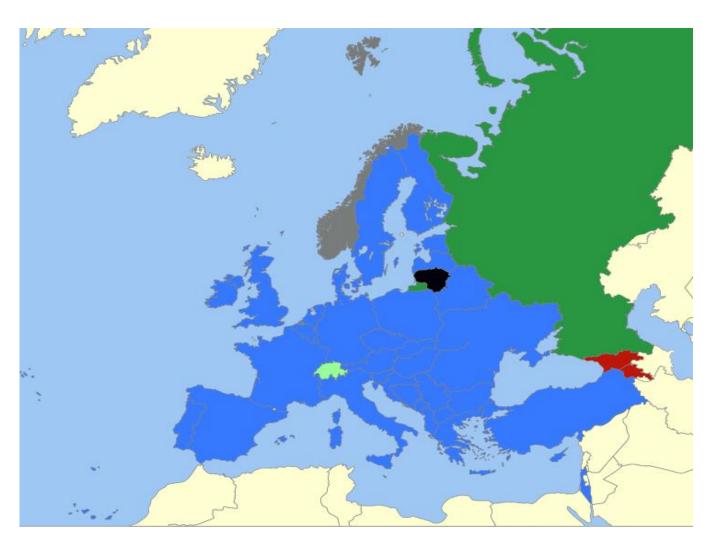


Adjuvant breast cancer: formulary and cost: DOCETAXEL





Adjuvant breast cancer: formulary and cost: TRASTUZUMAB













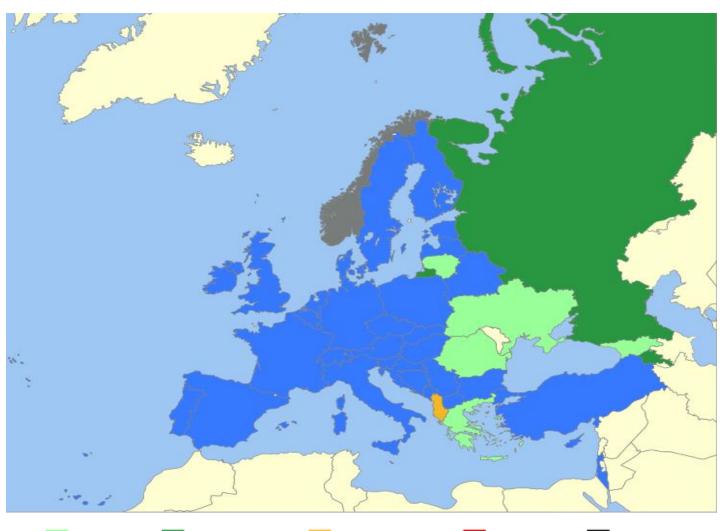






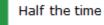


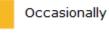
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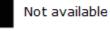








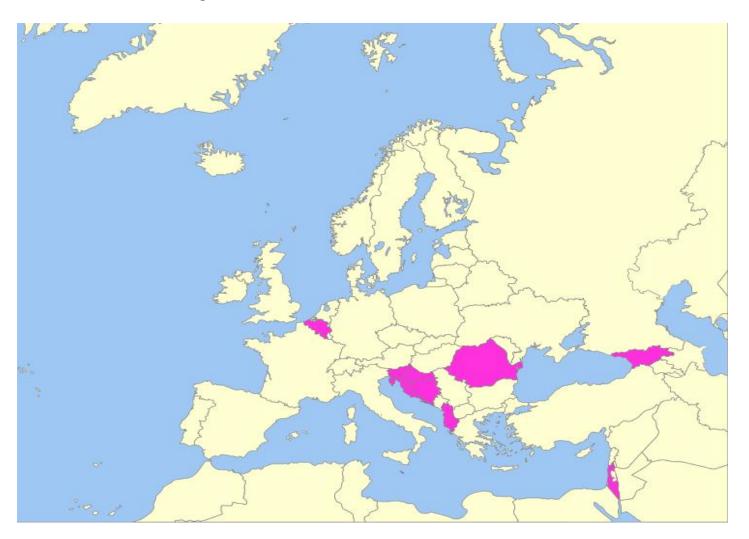




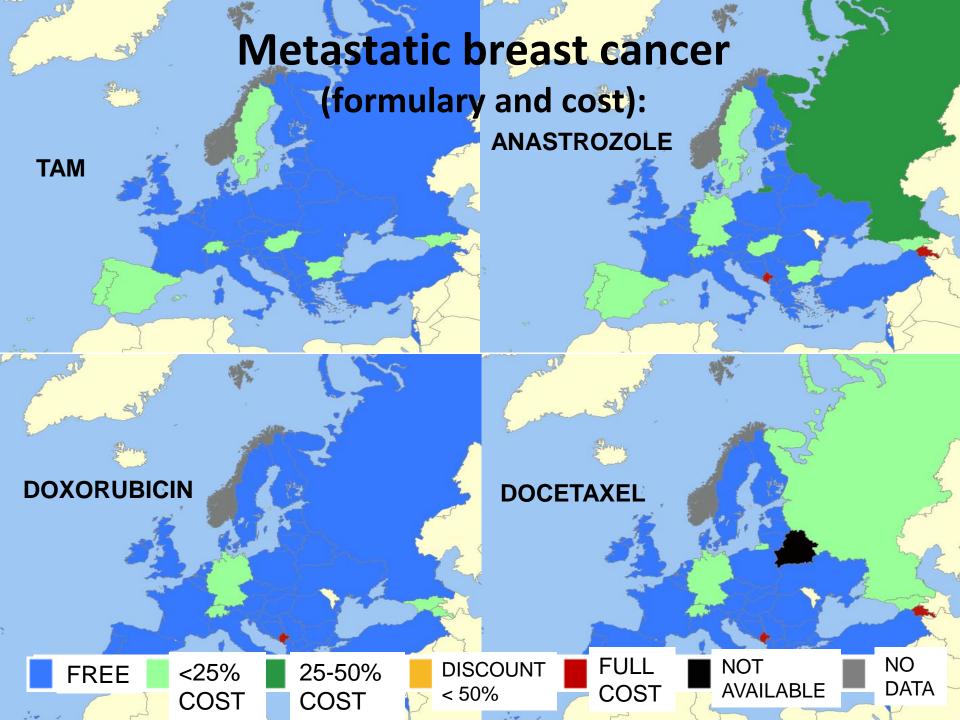




Adjuvant breast cancer: preapproval required: TRASTUZUMAB

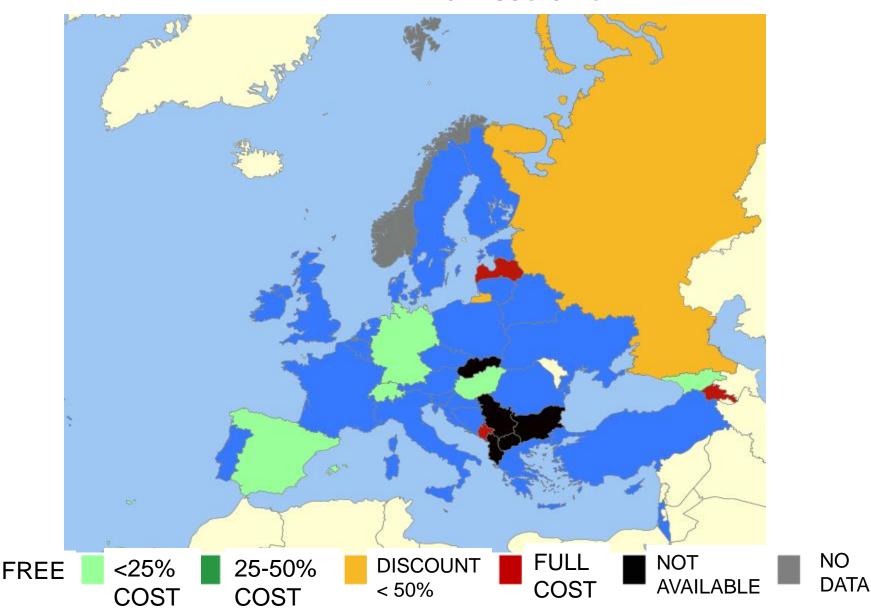


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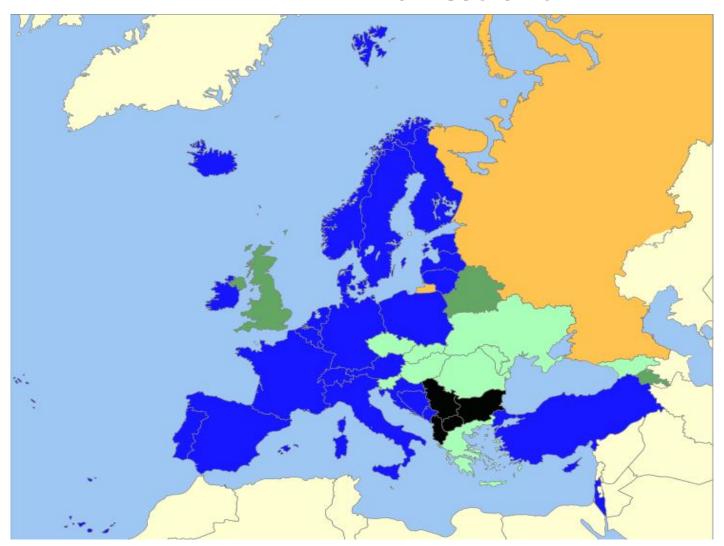


Metastatic breast cancer (formulary and cost): Fulvestrant





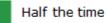
Metastatic breast cancer (availability): Fulvestrant

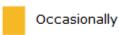






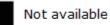




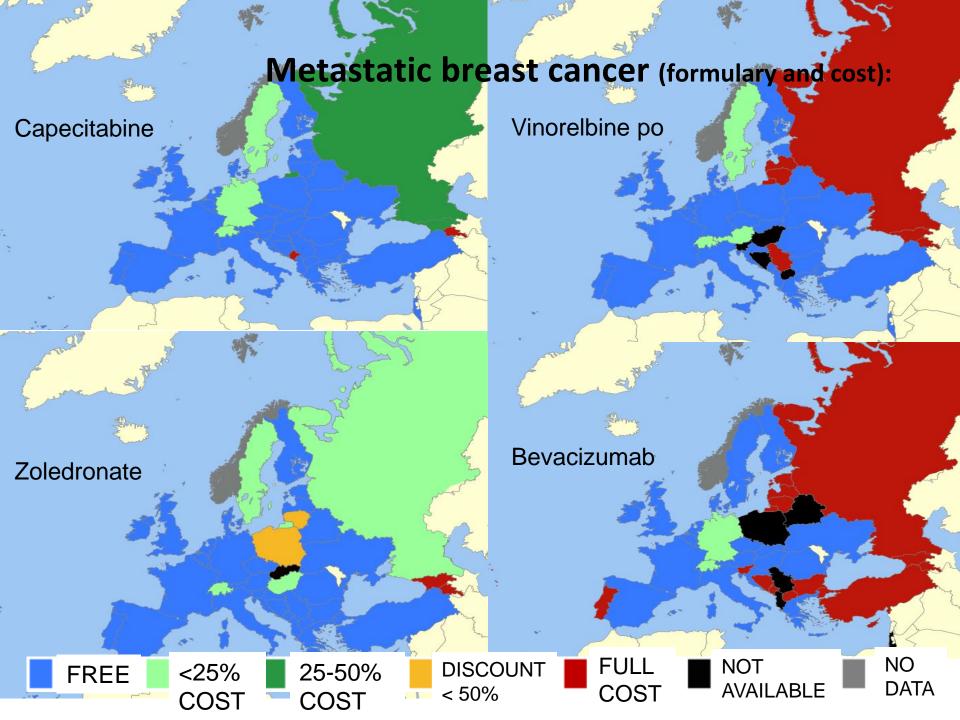


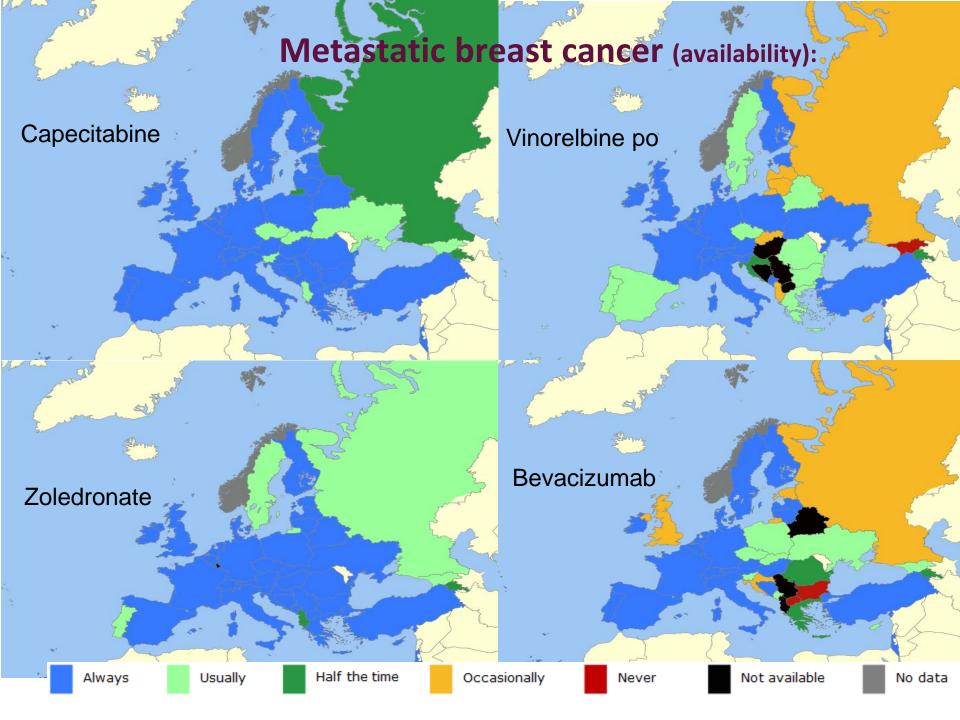


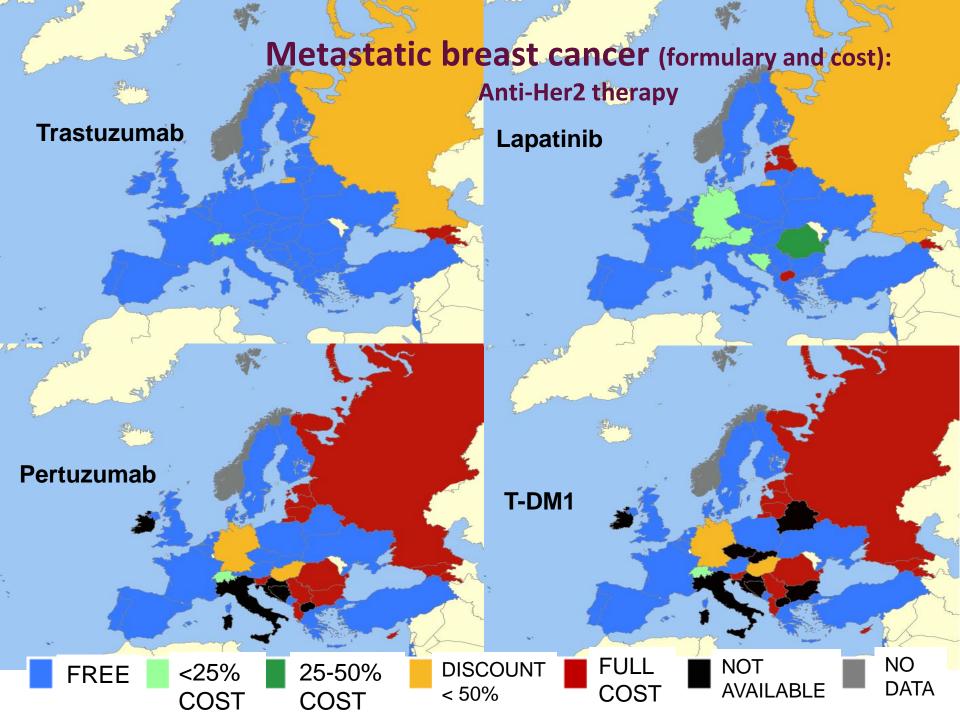








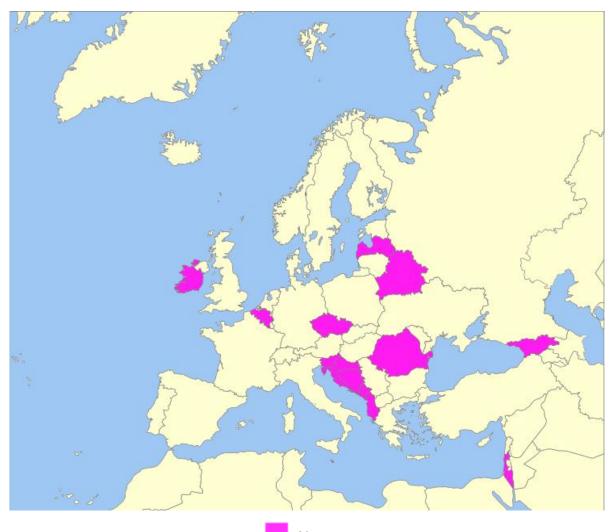


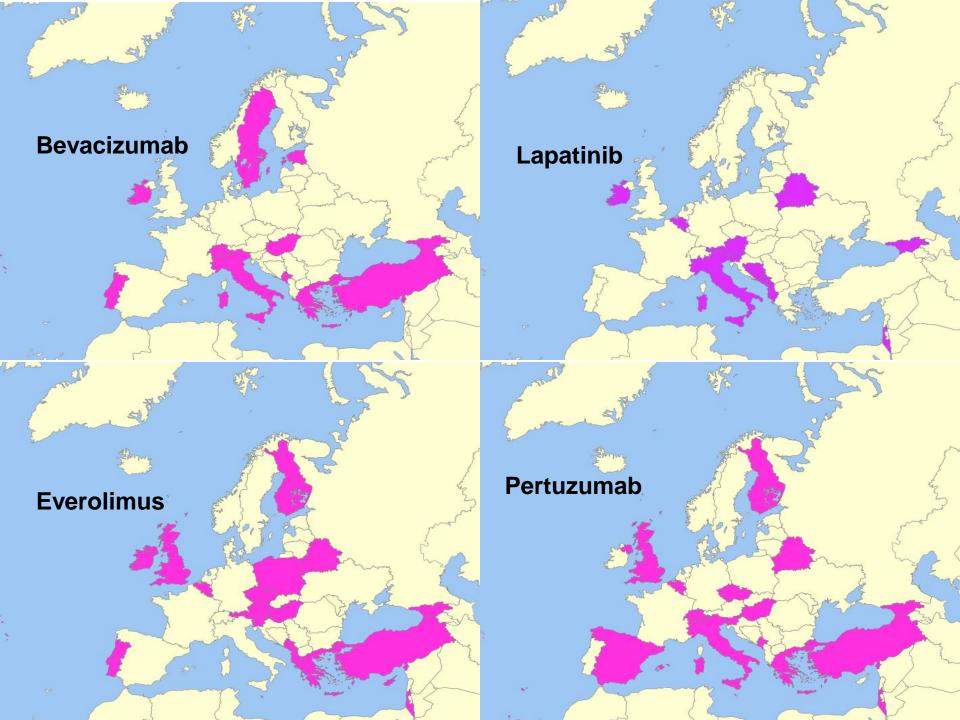




Metastatic breast cancer (Pre-approval

required): Trastuzumab







How will the ESMO Magnitude of Clinica Benefit Scale potentially be used?

- When a new anticancer drug is EMA approved, its benefit will be «scaled» by a dedicated ESMO committee
- Drugs which obtain the highest 4 and 5 score:

- 1. will be highlighted in the ESMO guidelines
- represent the highest priority for rapid endorsement by national bodies across Europe

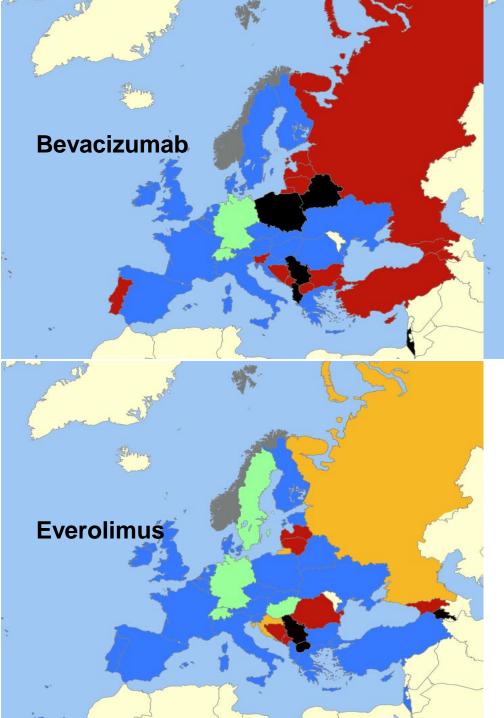


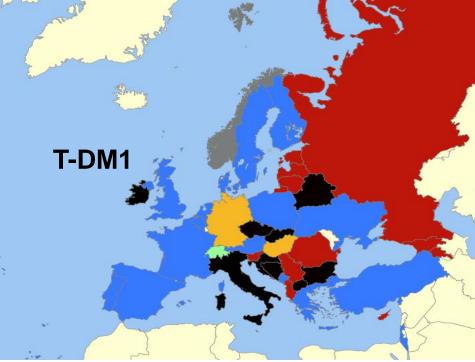
ESMO Magnitude of Clinical Benefit Scale examples applied to Breast

Cancer Trials:

Non curative setting

Drug	Clinical trial	Endpoint	Magnitude of benefit	Toxicity concerns	Final « grade »
TDM1 vs Lapatinib + capecitabine	EMILIA	PFS/OS no crossover	HR 0.68 (95%CI 0.55-0.85) gain 5.8 mo: 25.1 vs 30.9	-	4
Bevacizumab + paclitaxel vs paclitaxel	E2100	PFS no crossover OS control arm: Median 25 mo	PFS HR 0.6 (95%CI 0.51–0.70) + 5.8 mo HR 0.88, +1.5 mo (p 0.16) 3 year survival <1%	Cerebro vascular ischemia 1.9% vs 0% (p 0.02)	2
Exemestane + everolimus vs Exemestane	BOLERO-2	PFS no crossover	PFS HR 0.43 (95%CI 0.35-0.54) + 6.5 months	No QoL impact ↑ toxicity	2: for PFS







Implication of the findings: Adjuvant Breast Cancer

- Adjuvant hormonal therapy is reimbursed across Europe
- Aromatase inhibitors such as anastrozole are available, but in some countries are associated with out of pocket costs (25%)- an issue over 5 years
- Anthrayclines and taxanes are usually reimbursed in the adjuvant setting
- Even essential drugs, old and inexpensive as Tamoxifen and anthracyclines are not always available!
- Adjuvant trastuzumab is reimbursed, but there are issues of availability and pre-approval delays, mainly in Eastern Europe, Israel and Belgium

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Implication of the findings: Metastatic Breast Cancer

- First line hormonal therapy (AI/TAM) is reimbursed across Europe
- First line chemotherapy (anthrayclines or taxanes) are usually reimbursed
- Further endocrine options (fulvestrant) are unavailable in several countries in Eastern Europe
- Newer chemotherapy agents (capecitabine, vinorelbine) are not universally available.
- Trastuzumab is reimbursed (...delays), but availability of further anti-Her2 therapies is severely limited in Eastern Europe
- For the metastatic breast cancer patient, options are not always available beyond first/second line of therapy



Conclusions and further steps

- Open peer review of data will take place over the next 2 months
- The ESMO Antineoplastic survey produced the first mapping of drug access in Europe
- Inequalities exist in availability and patient costs, especially for newer, more expensive drugs
- Drug shortages affect several essential, old and inexpensive drugs
- This information should allow for evaluation of approval / reimbursement priorities
- It provides WHO with availability data on the WHO Essential Medicines
- The ongoing ESMO project on Magnitude of Clinical benefit potentially offers a tool to analyze and establish priorities at national level
- The International Anti-Neoplastic Survey is planned for 2015