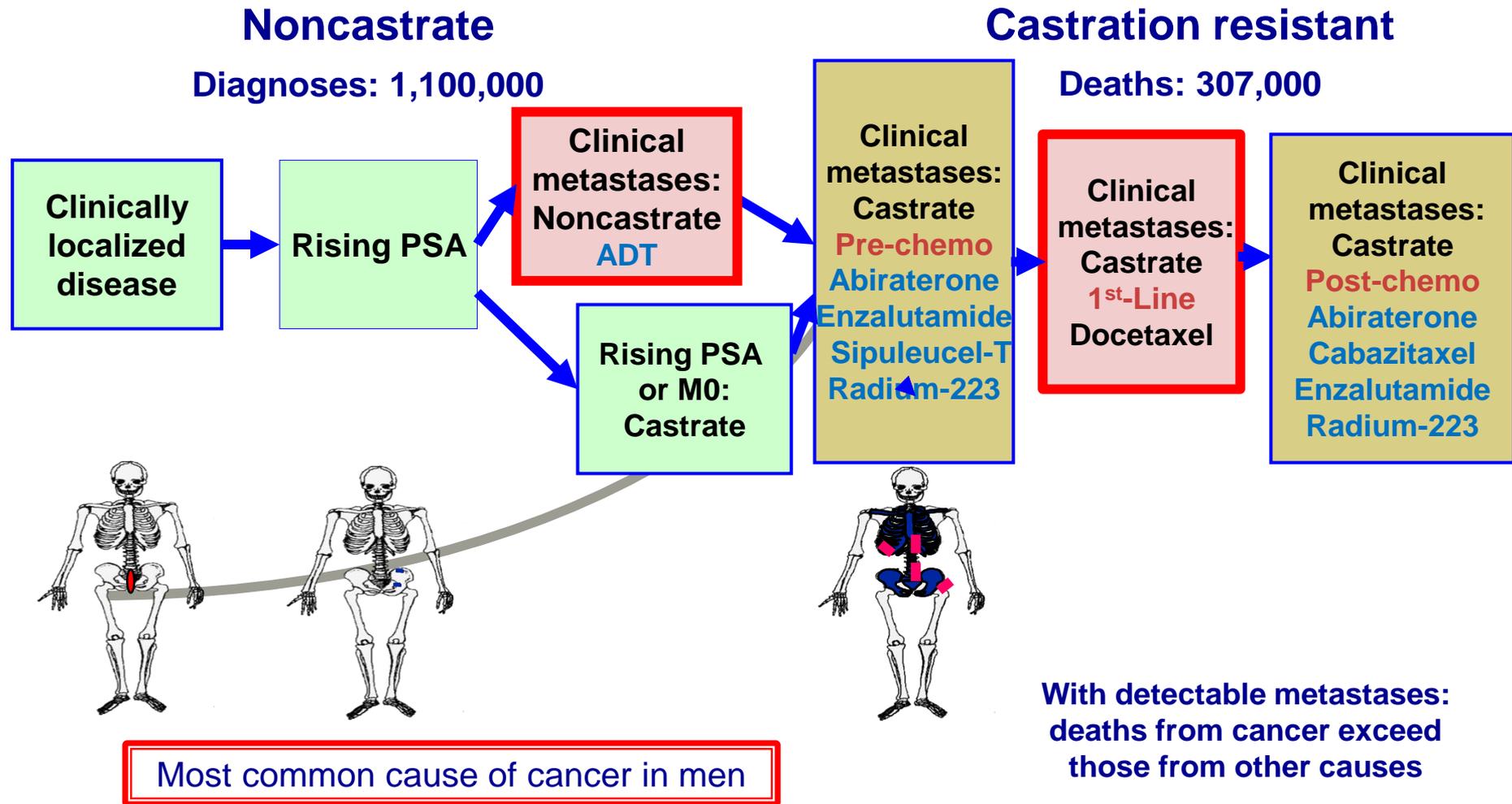




# **Optimal Sequence of Treatment for Metastatic Prostate Cancer**

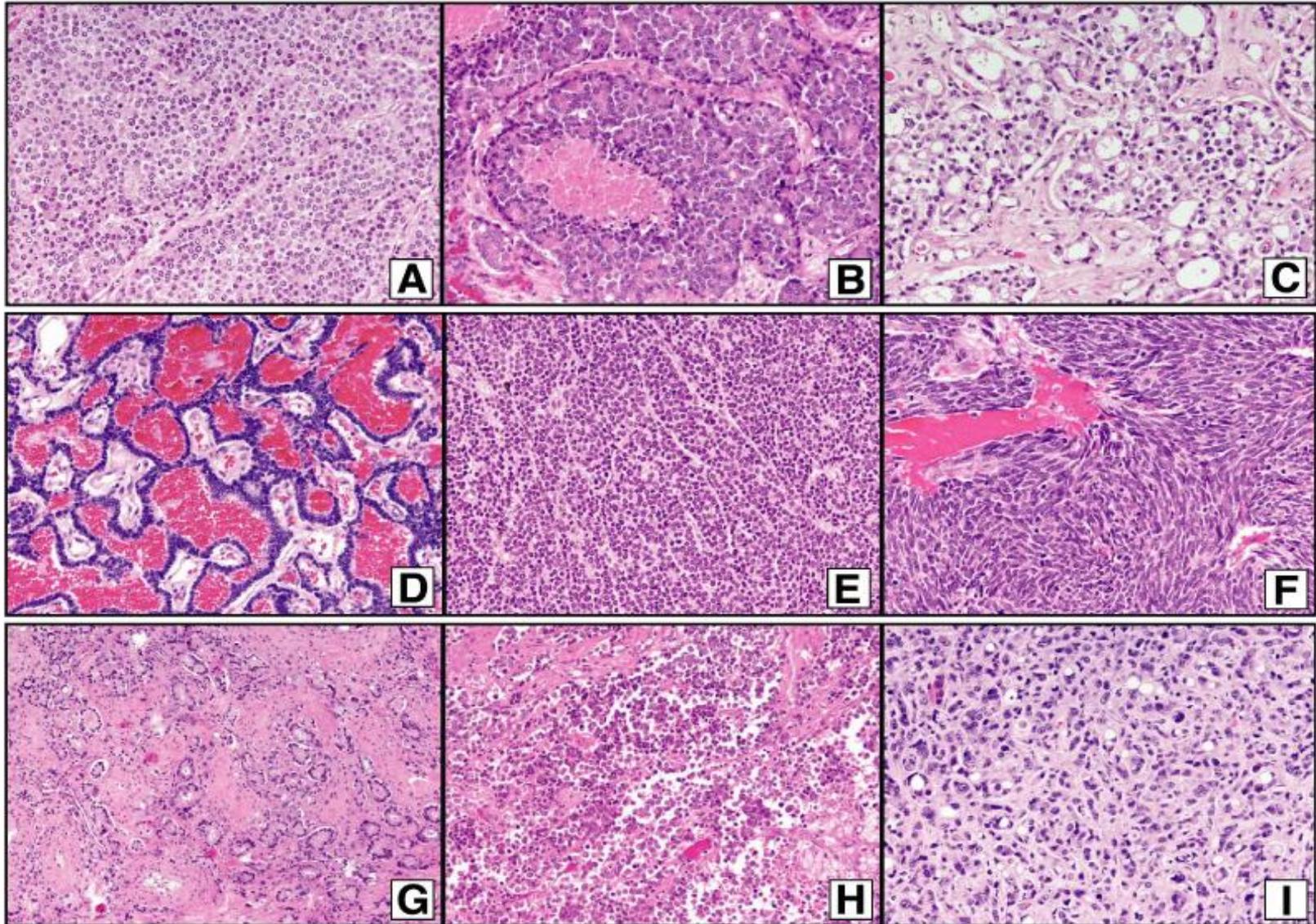
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# Prostate Cancer is a Continuum of Different Disease Stages

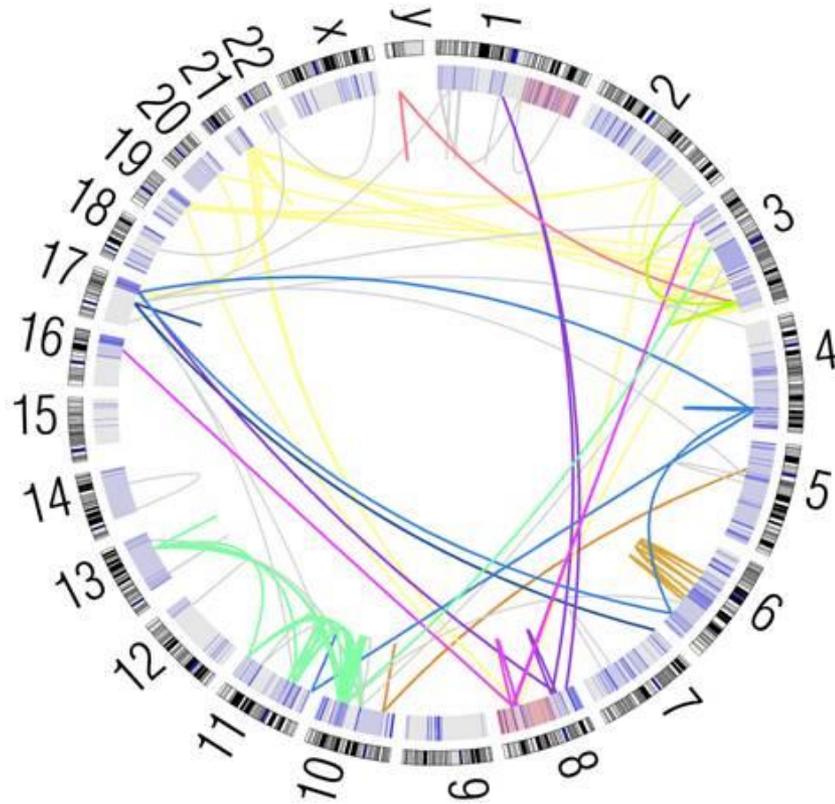


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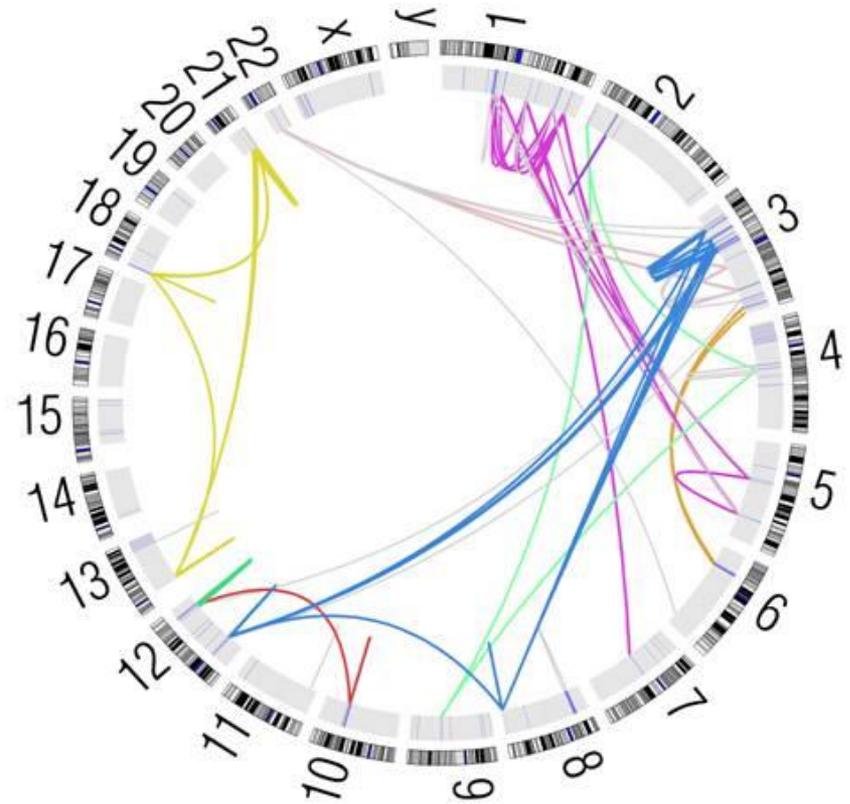
# CRPC is clinically and pathologically heterogeneous



# Chained rearrangements are common in prostate cancer (“chromoplexy”)



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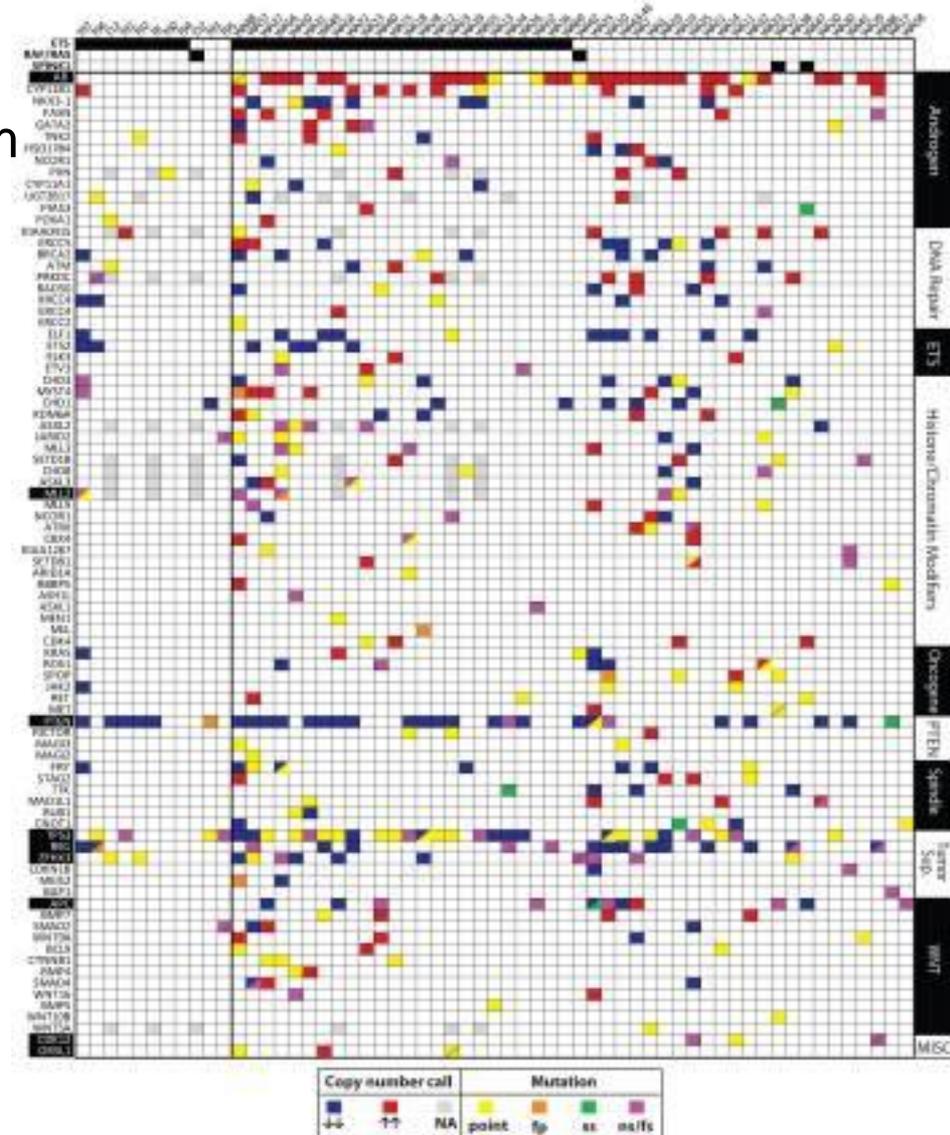
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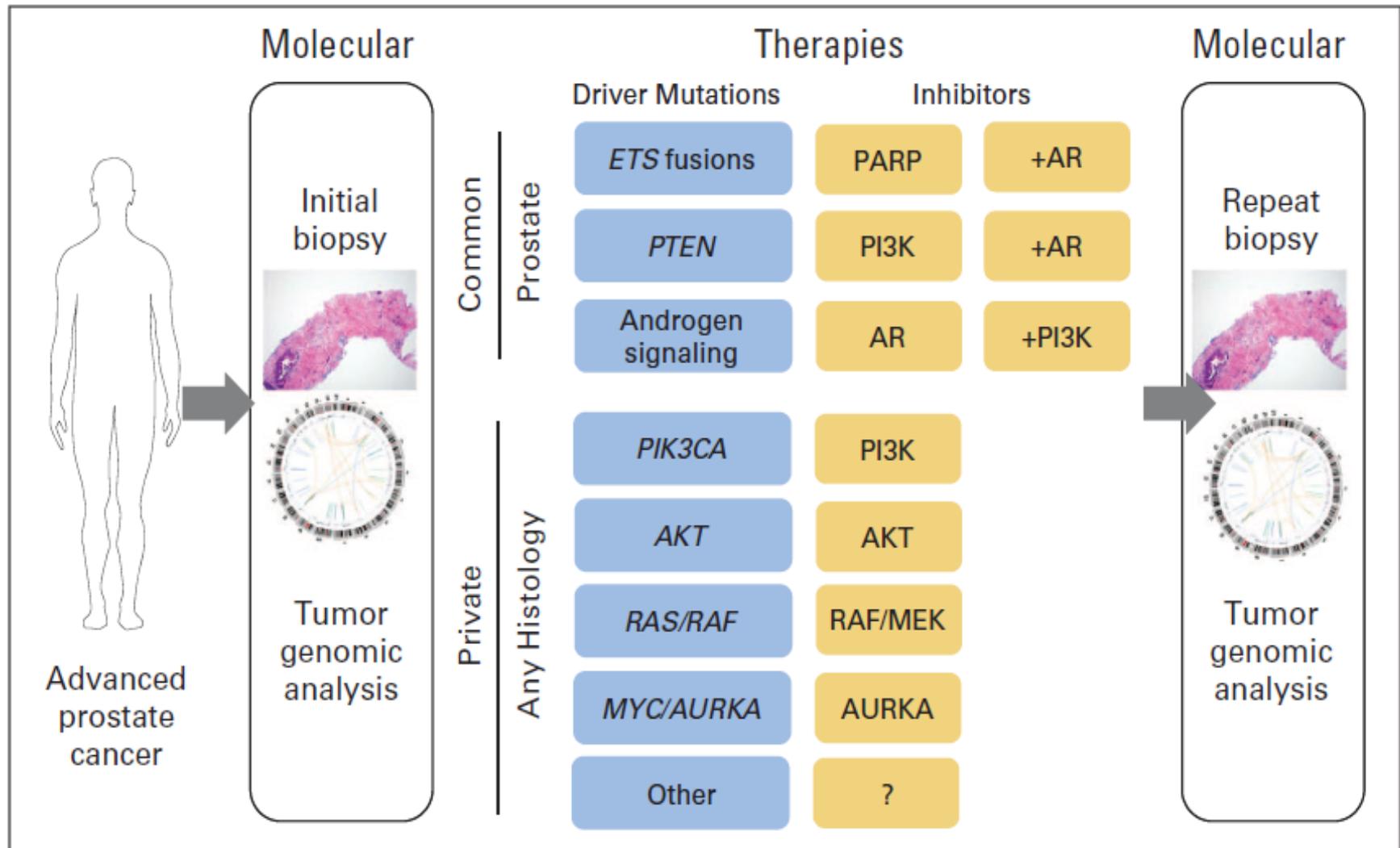
# Genomic Complexity in CRPC:

May represent a distinct set of druggable targets

- 50 patients: Rapid Autopsy Program
- Prostate carcinogenesis involves the hijacking/alteration of multiple processes/pathways.
- Next Generation Sequencing
  - DNA repair
  - AR signaling
  - ETS gene rearrangements
  - PTEN loss & PI3K/AKT  $\uparrow$
  - P53 mutation
- 9 genes significantly mutated + 3 others without described roles in prostate cancer



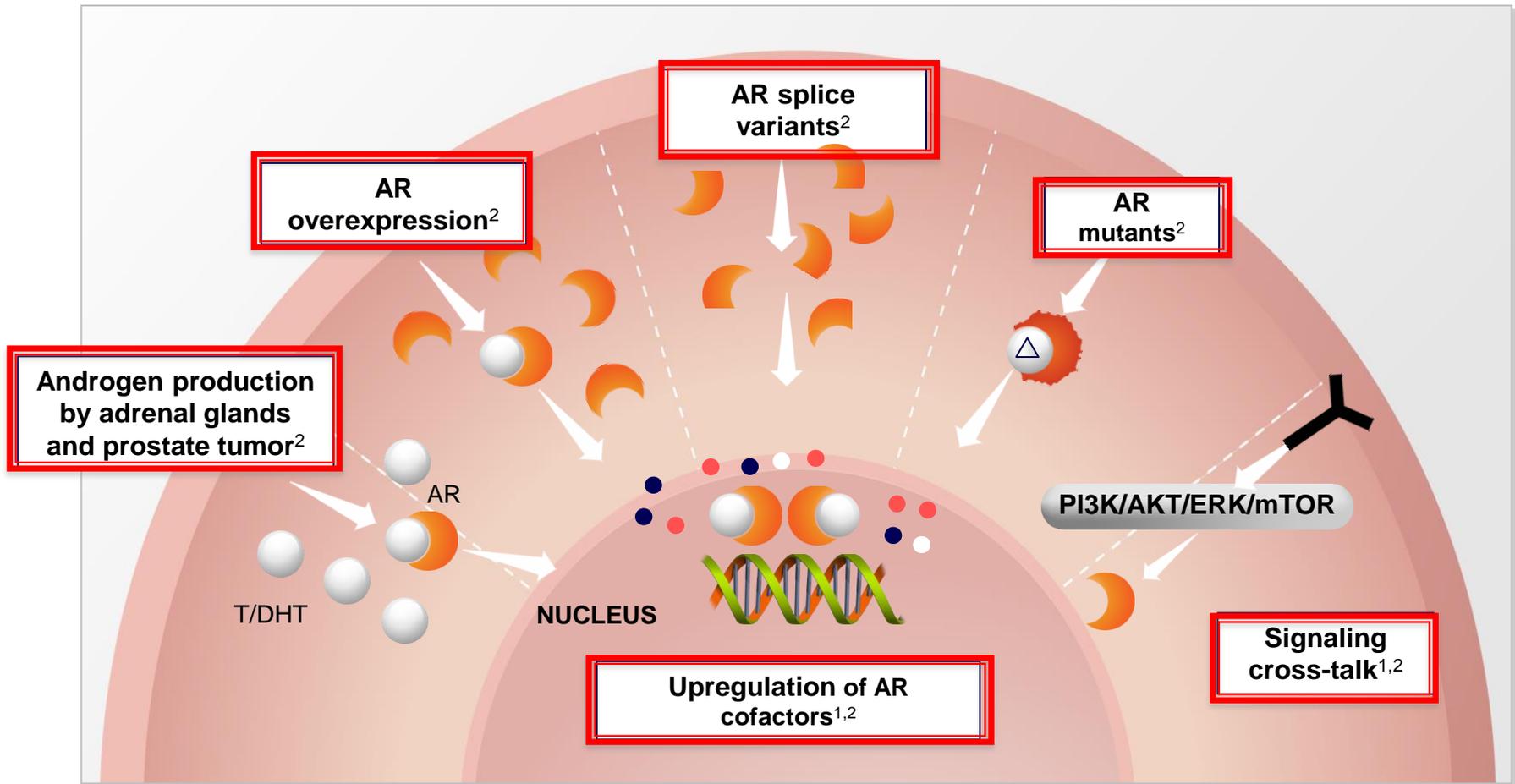
# Advancing Precision Medicine for Prostate Cancer Through Genomics



# Examples of Genomic Alterations in Prostate Cancer

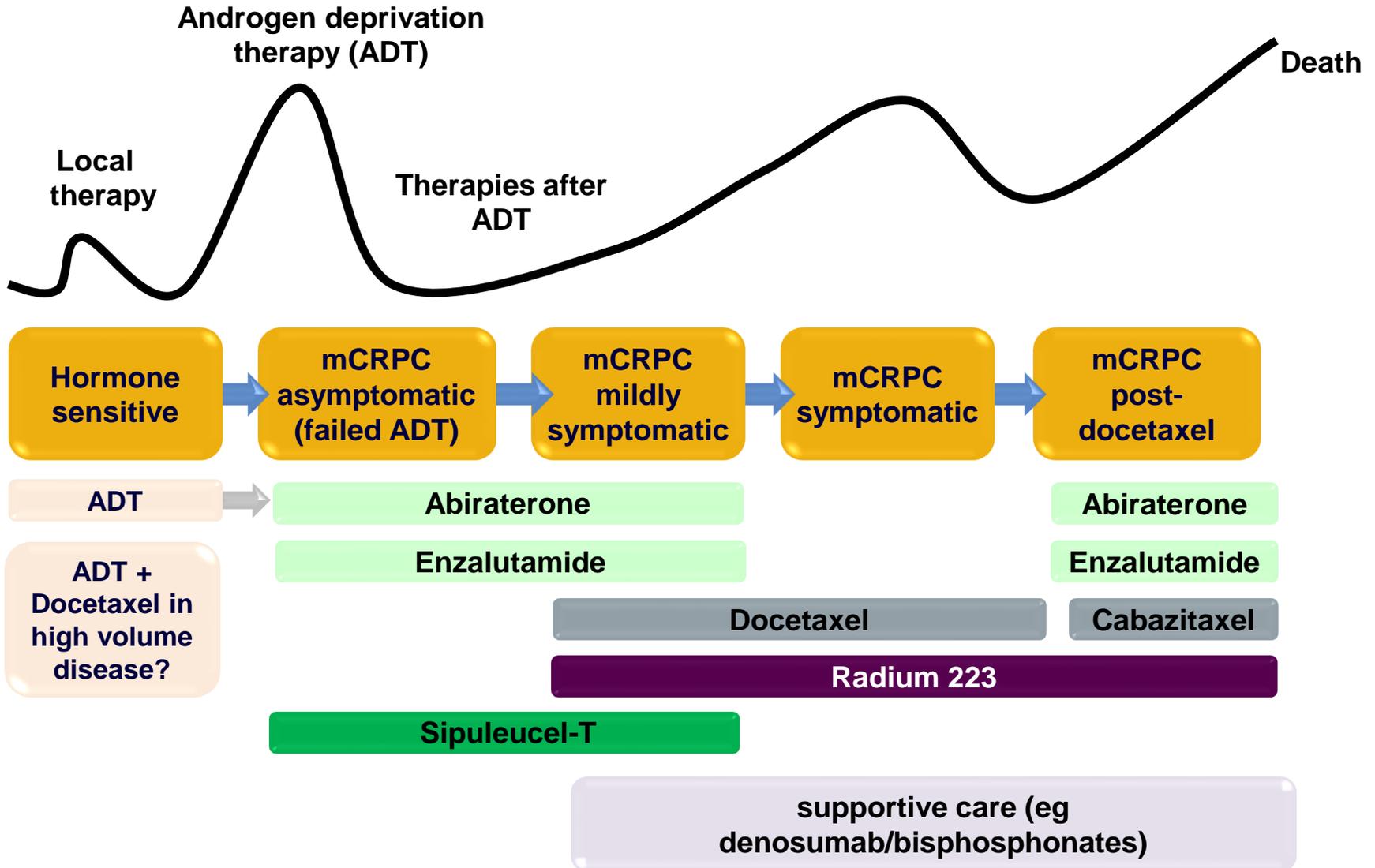
GENE	Alteration type	Frequency	Potential for treatment
PTEN	Loss	50%	PI3K inhibitors
Androgen Receptor	Mutation; Amplification	50% 50%	AR antagonists, ↓Androgen synthesis
ETS transcription factors	Rearrangement	50%	PARP inhibitors
Aurora Kinase	Amplification	5%	Neuroendocrine
MYC	Amplification	40%	Neuroendocrine
Rb	Loss	20–60%	
CDK6	Overexpression	50%	CDK4/6 inhibitors
CCND1 (cyclin D)	Amplification	–	CDK4/6 inhibitors
CDKN2A (p16)	Amplification	–	CDK4/6 inhibitors

# CRPC Remains Driven by Androgen Receptor Signalling – AR Alterations Selected During Therapy

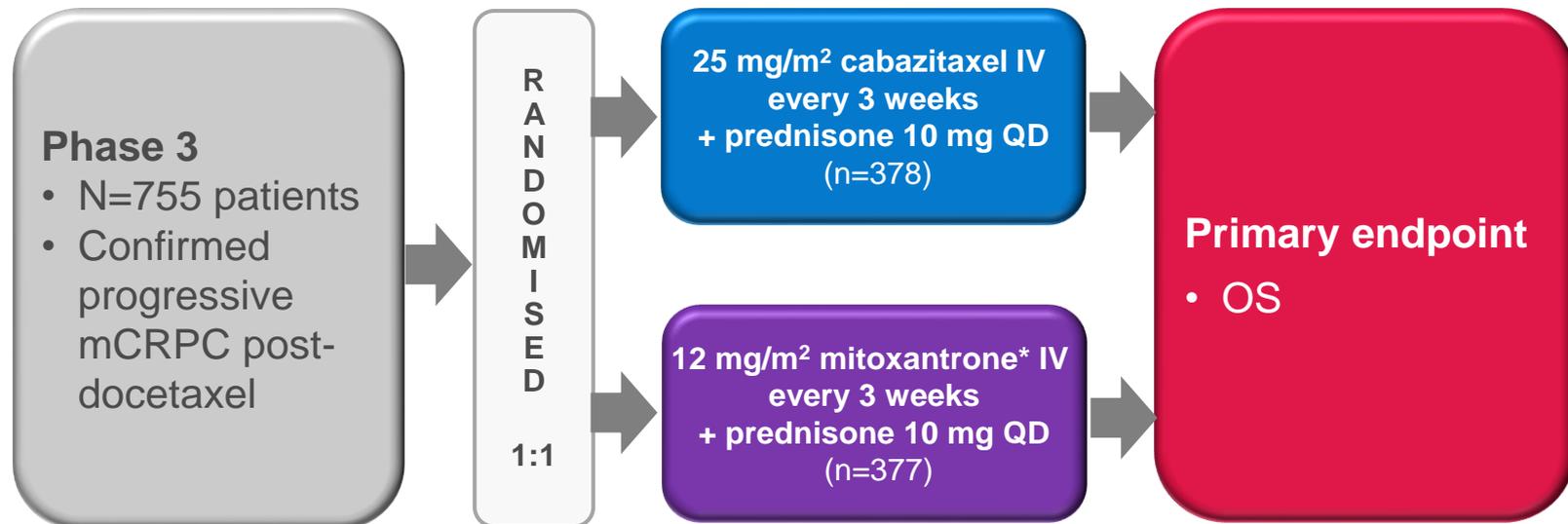


Up to 80% of CRPCs elevated AR gene copy number, 30% high-level amplification of the gene.  
AR mutations common 10-30% of the CRPC treated with antiandrogens

# Current Treatment Paradigm is Evolving

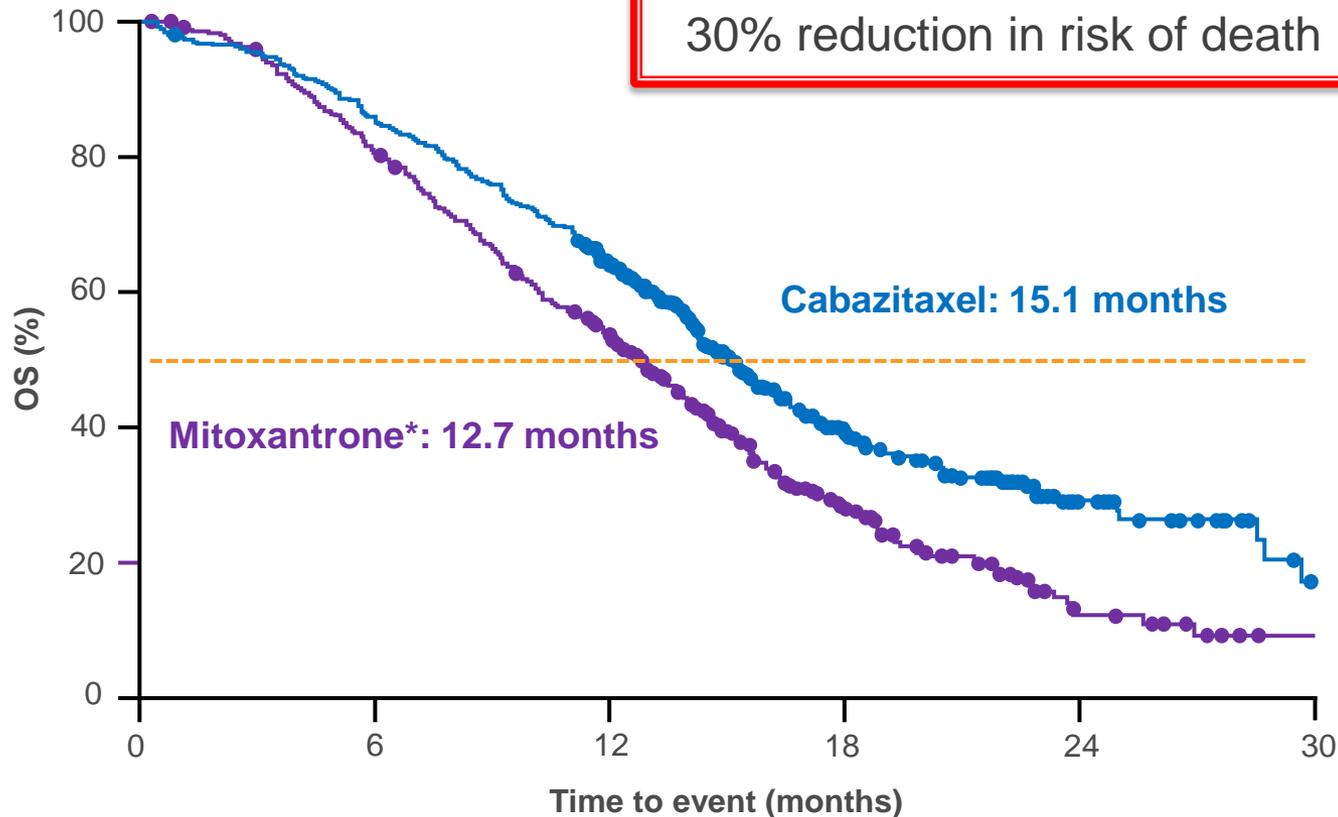


# TROPIC: Study design



# TROPIC Trial Survival (n=755)

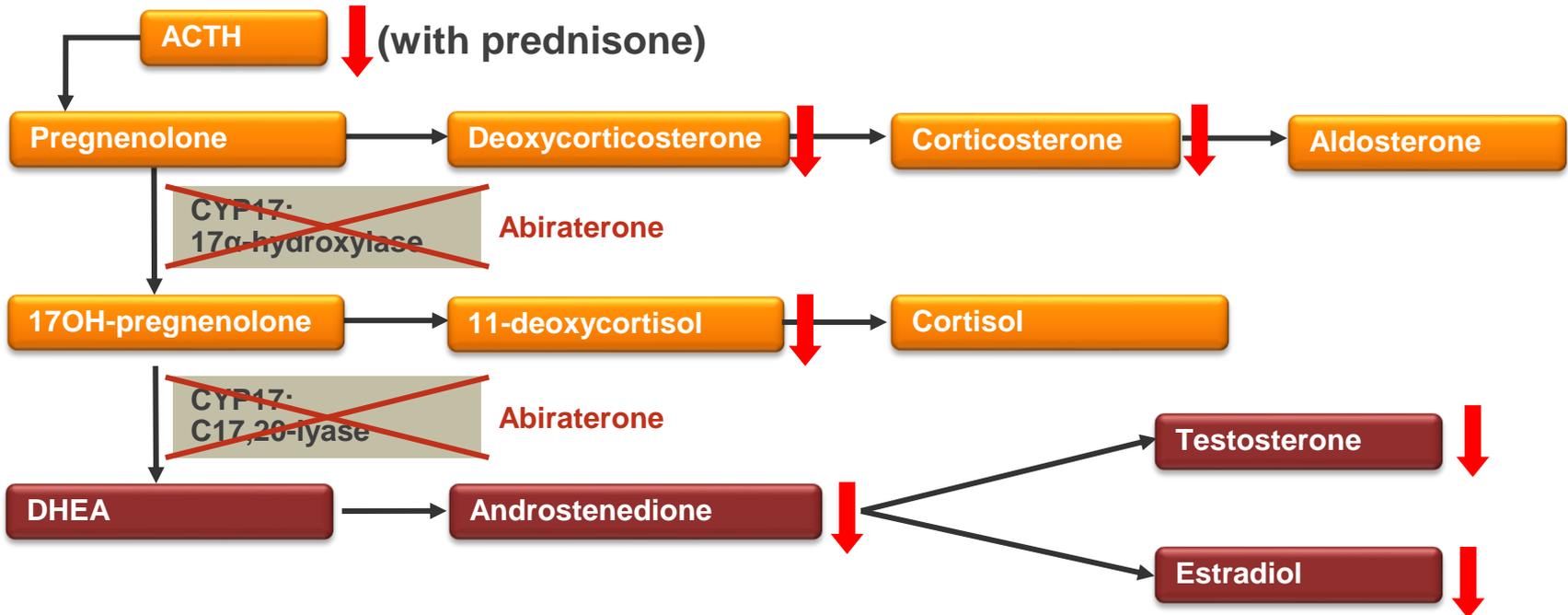
HR=0.70 (95% CI: 0.59–0.83); p<0.0001  
30% reduction in risk of death



Time to event (months)	Cabazitaxel, n	Mitoxantrone*, n
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6	321	300
12	231	188
18	90	67
24	28	11
30	4	1

Median follow-up 13.7 months

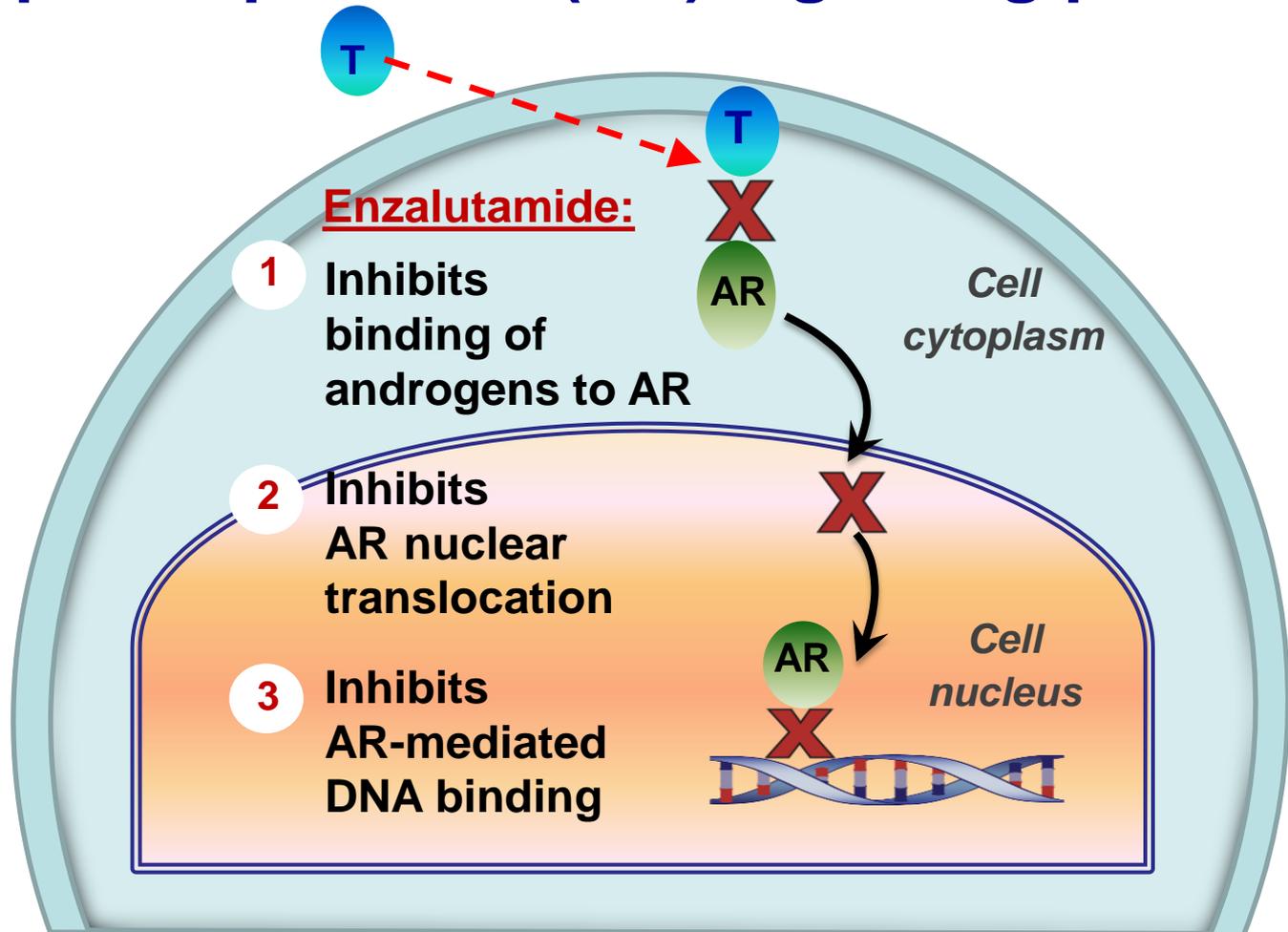
# Abiraterone inhibits CYP17: 17 $\alpha$ -hydroxylase/17,20-lyase



ACTH=adrenocorticotrophic hormone; CYP=cytochrome P450; DHEA=dehydroepiandrosterone.

Attard G, et al. *J Clin Oncol* 2008;26:4563–571

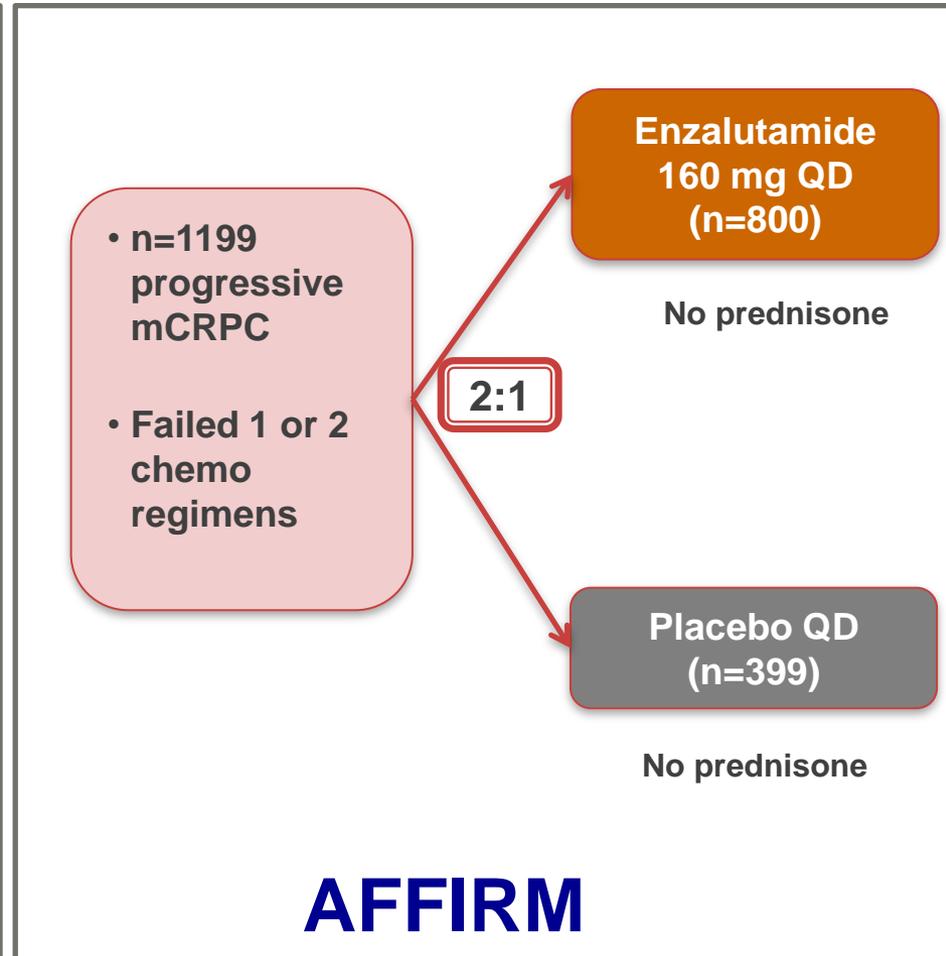
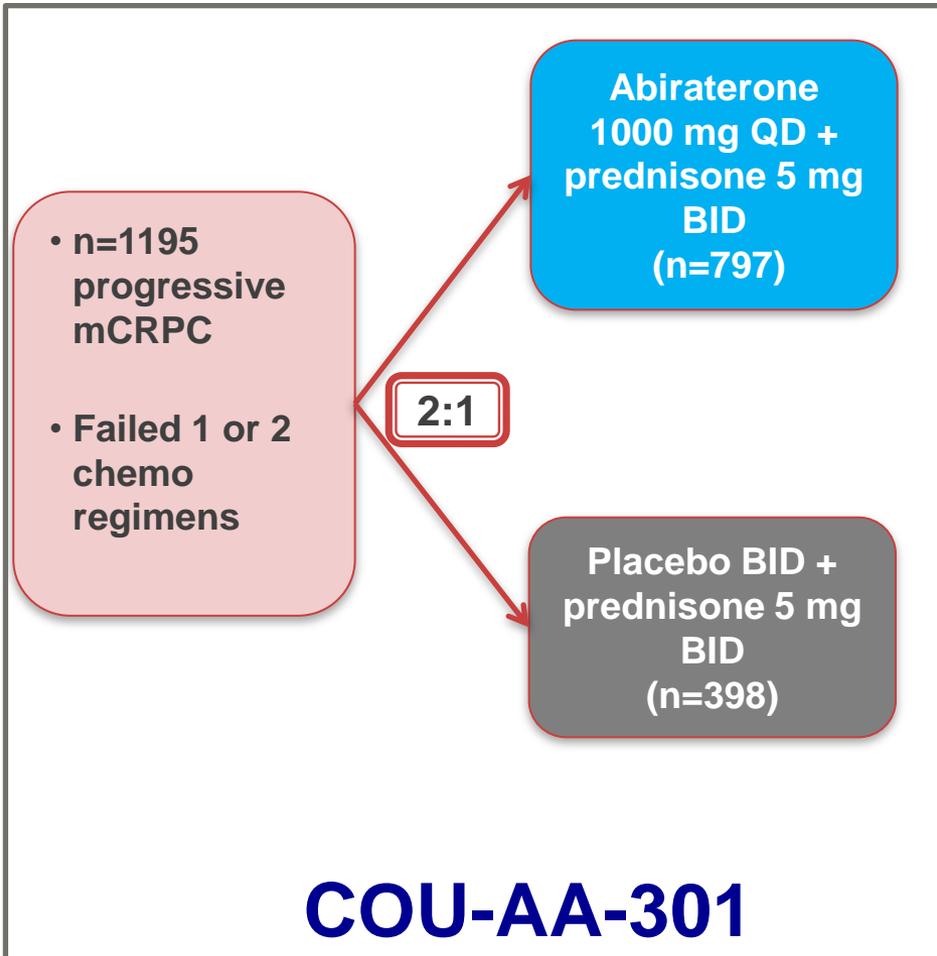
# Enzalutamide an AR signalling inhibitor: targets multiple steps in the (AR) signaling pathway



# Abiraterone and Enzalutamide in mCRPC

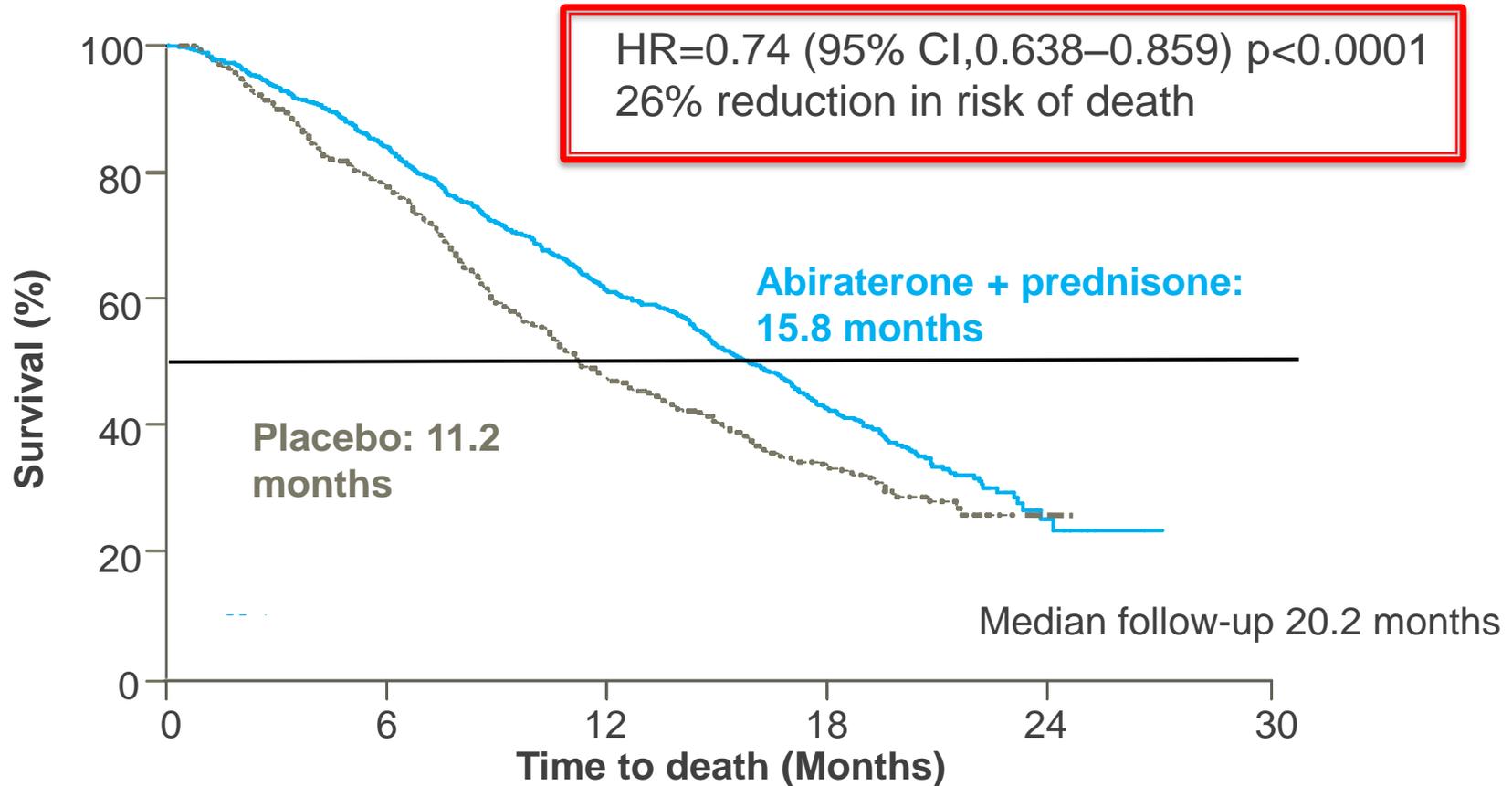
## Phase III Studies Post-docetaxel

### (Primary Endpoint: OS)



# COU-AA-301 Overall Survival

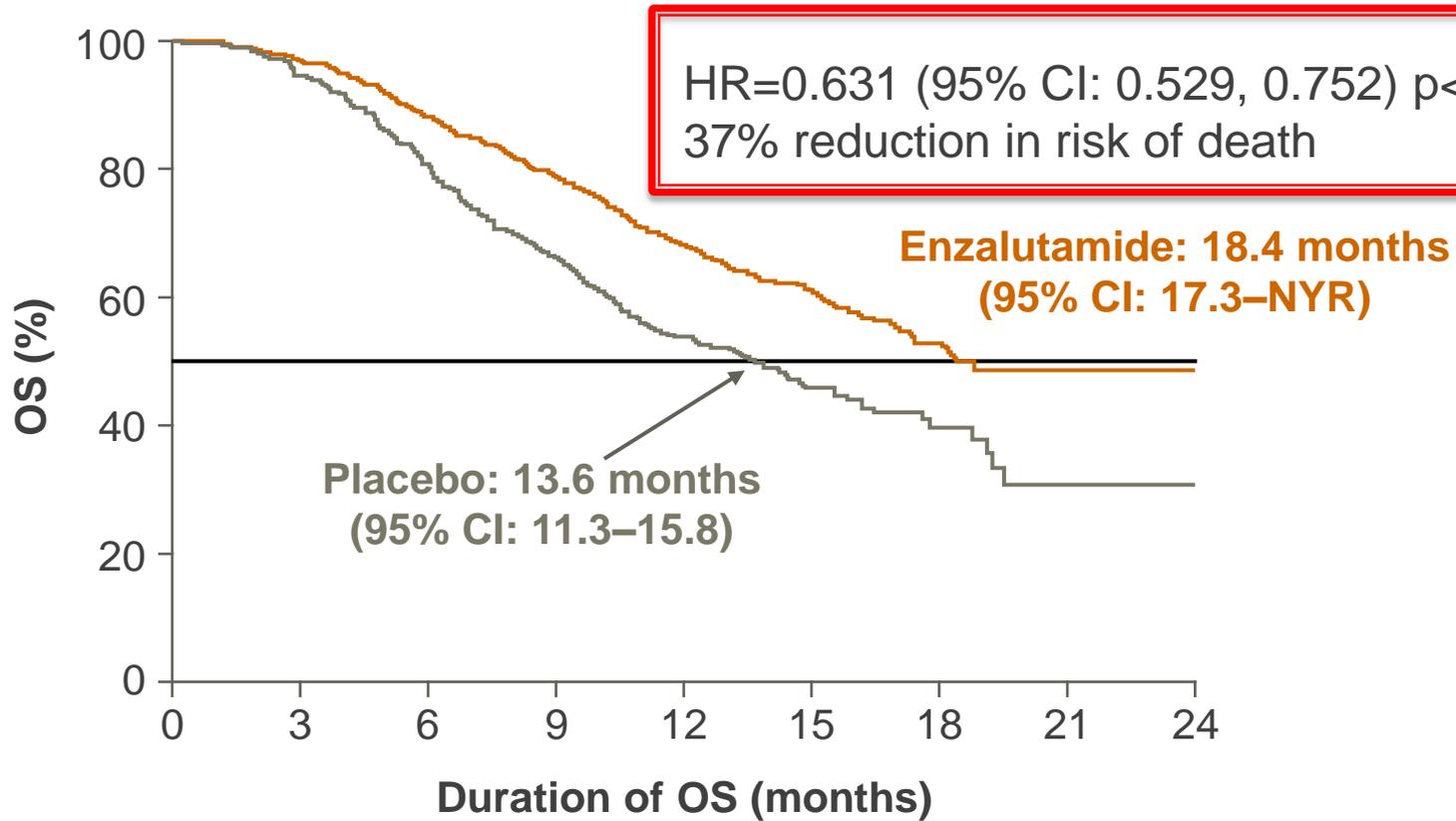
## Median Benefit 4.6 Months



Abiraterone (n)	797	657	473	273	15	0
Placebo (n)	398	306	183	100	6	0

# AFFIRM Overall Survival

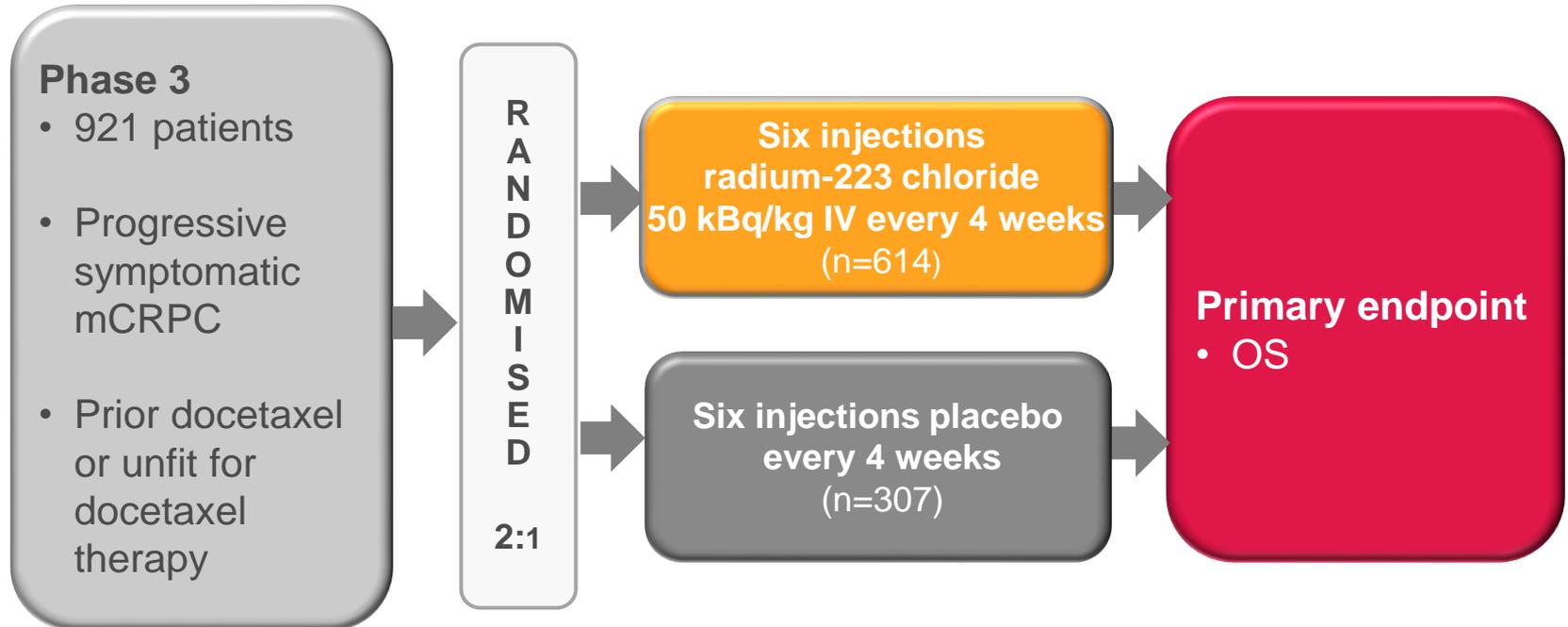
## Median Benefit 4.8 Months



No. at risk:	0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24
Enzalutamide (n)	800	775	701	627	400	211	72	7	0
Placebo (n)	399	376	317	263	167	81	33	3	0

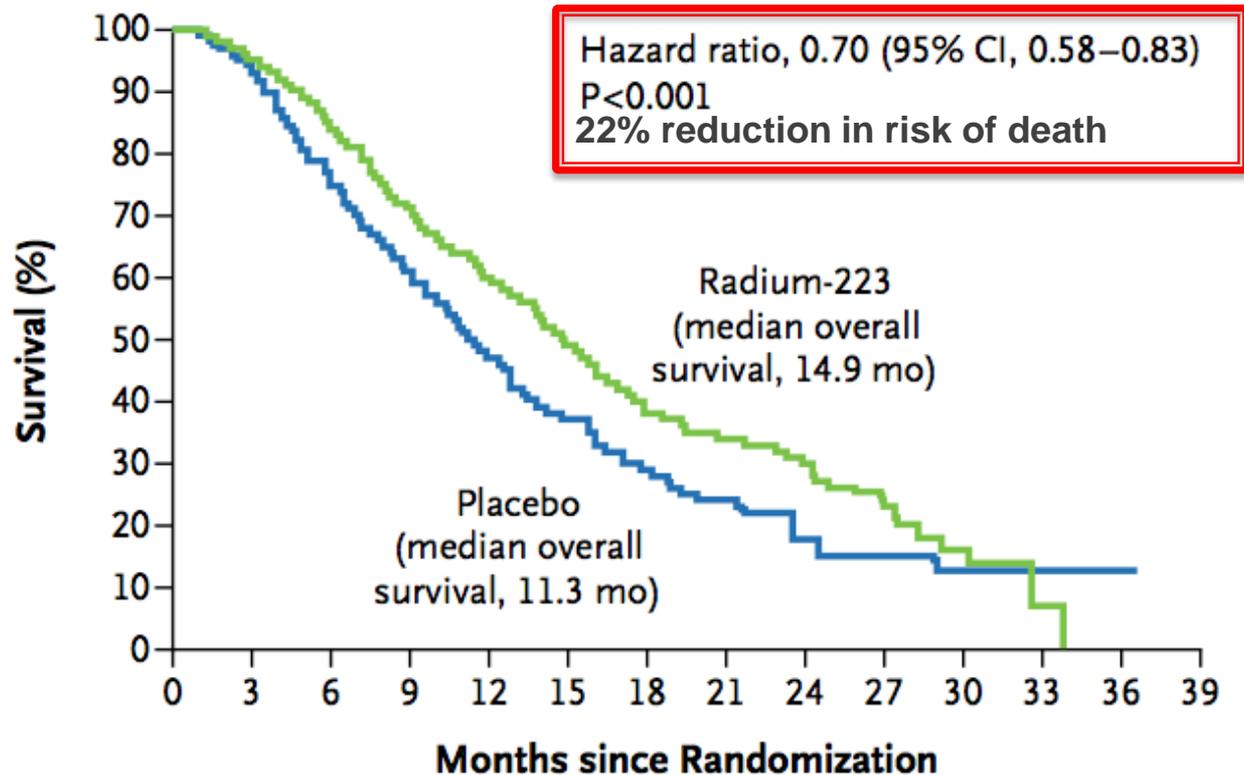


# Radium-223: ALSYMPCA trial



# ALSYMPCA: Overall Survival

## 3.6 month improvement vs placebo



### No. at Risk

Radium-223	614	578	504	369	274	178	105	60	41	18	7	1	0	0
Placebo	307	288	228	157	103	67	39	24	14	7	4	2	1	0

# Post-Doc options that improve survival

Treatment	Trial	Visceral disease allowed	HR	Survival (mos)
Cabazitaxel/prednisone vs Mitoxantrone/prednisone	TROPIC <sup>1</sup>	YES	0.70	15.1 vs 12.7
Abiraterone/prednisone vs Placebo/prednisone	COU-301 <sup>2</sup>	YES	0.74	14.8 vs 10.9
Enzalutamide vs Placebo	AFFIRM <sup>3</sup>	Yes	0.63	18.4 vs 13.6
Radium 223 vs Placebo /BSC	ALSYMCA <sup>4</sup>	No	0.70	14.1 vs 11.3

<sup>1</sup>de Bono et al. Lancet. 2010;376(9747):1147-1154

<sup>2</sup>de Bono et al. N Engl J Med 2011;346(21):1995-200

<sup>3</sup>Scher et al. NEJM 2012;367(13):1187-1197

<sup>4</sup>Parker et al. NEJM 2013;369(2):213-223

# Abiraterone and Enzalutamide in mCRPC

## Phase III Studies Pre-docetaxel

(Primary Endpoint: rPFS and OS)

- n=1088 progressive chemo-naïve patients with mCRPC
- Asymptomatic or mildly symptomatic

1:1

Abiraterone  
1000 mg QD +  
prednisone  
5 mg BID

Placebo BID +  
prednisone  
5 mg BID

**COU-AA-302**

- n=1715 progressive chemo-naïve patients with mCRPC
- Asymptomatic or mildly symptomatic
- Visceral mets permitted

1:1

Enzalutamide  
160 mg QD

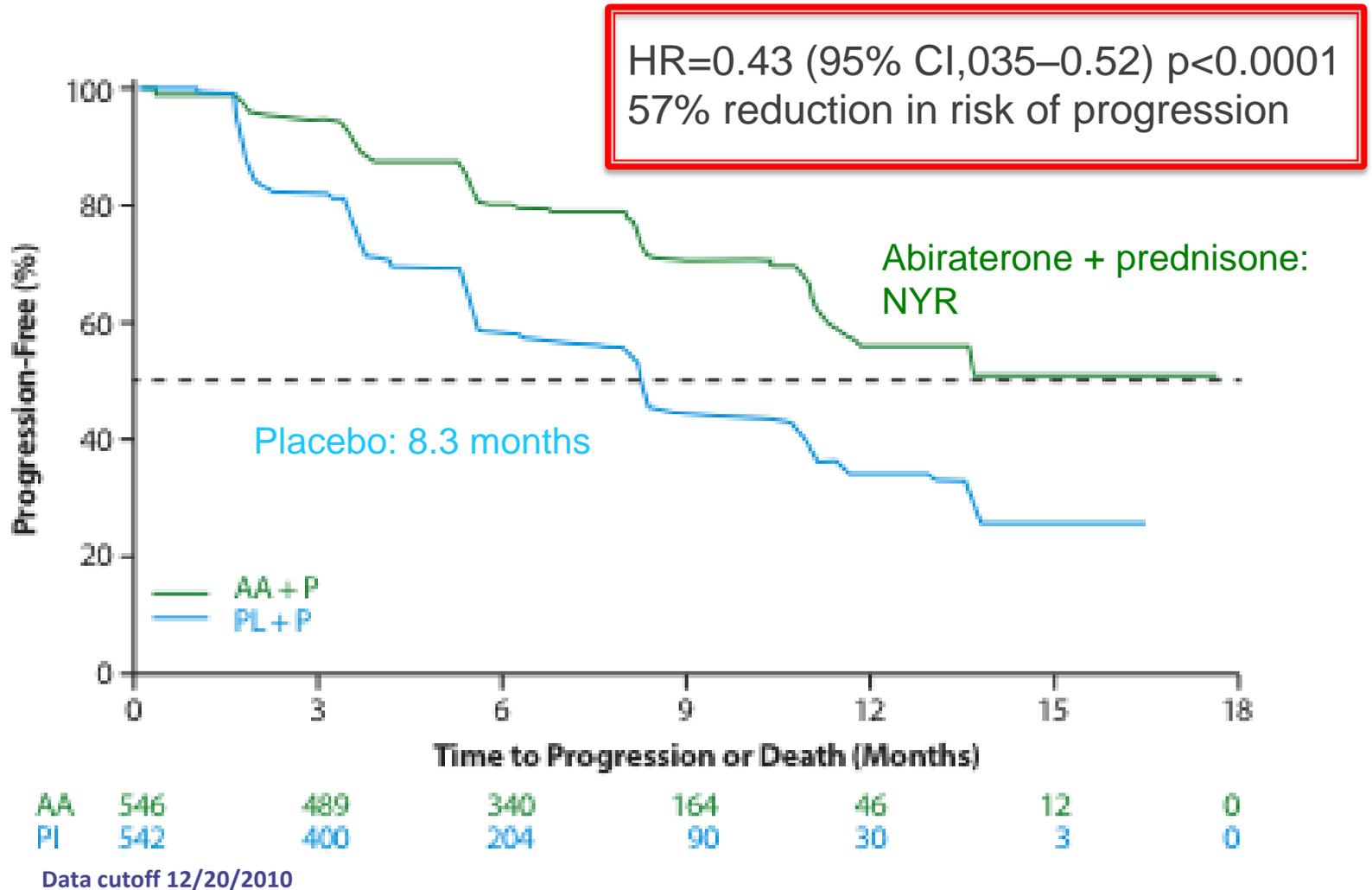
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Placebo QD

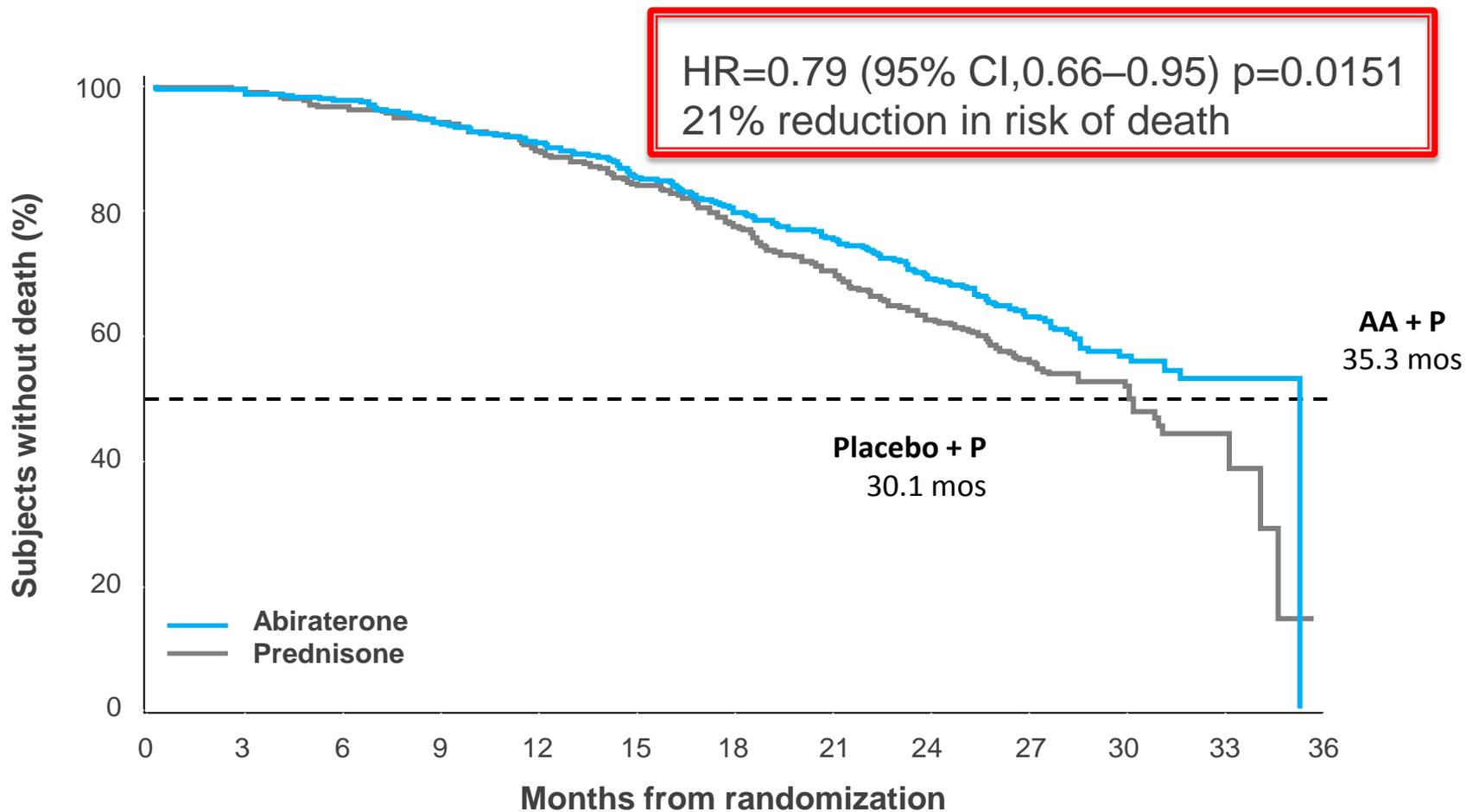
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**PREVAIL**

# COU-AA-302: Interim Analysis Results of rPFS



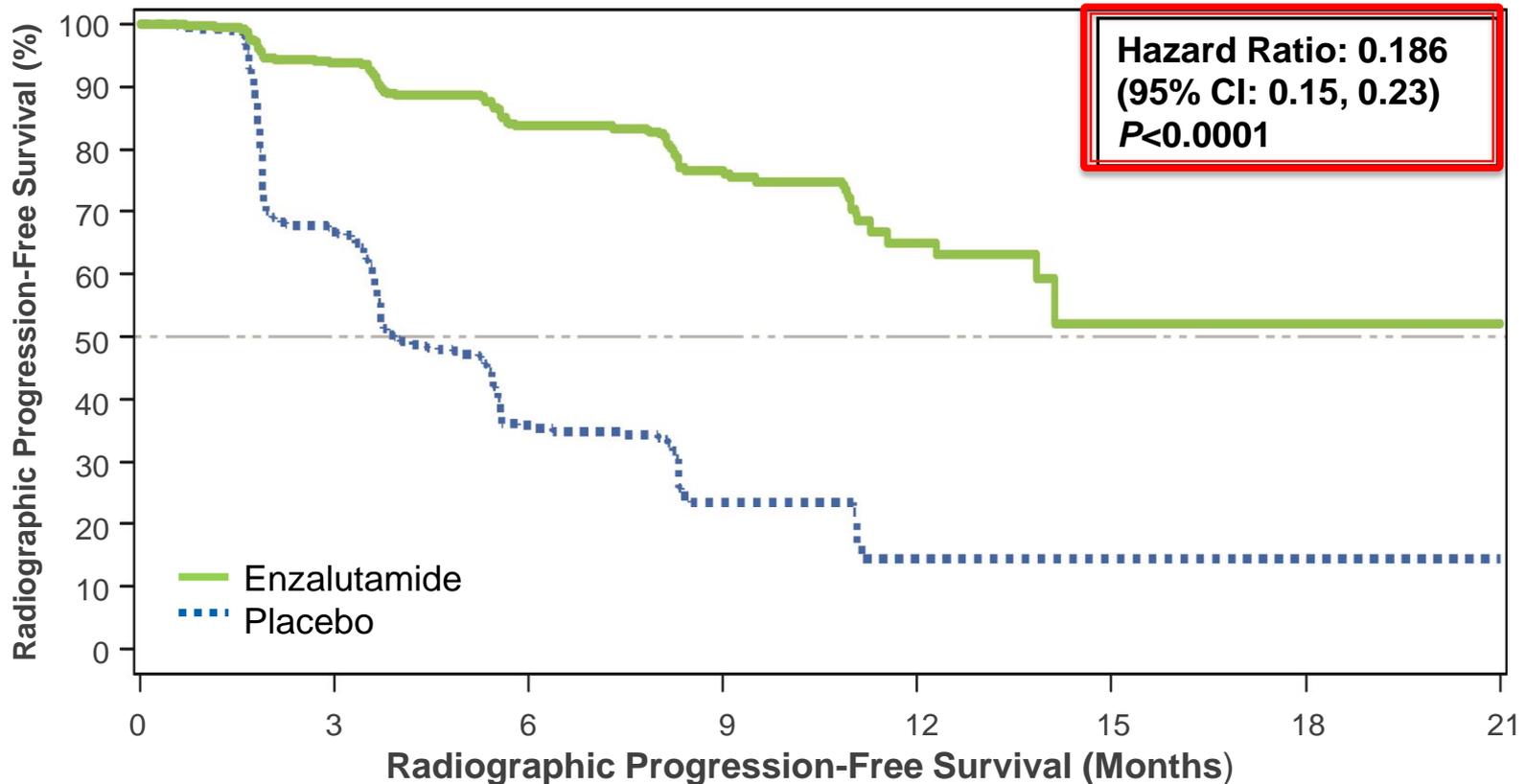
# COU-AA-302: Overall survival 3<sup>rd</sup> Interim Preplanned Analysis – Median Benefit 5.2 Months



Abiraterone	546	538	524	503	482	452	421	393	333	175	68	15	0
Prednisone	542	534	508	492	465	437	400	361	283	153	67	9	0

IA3 data : <sup>a</sup>Prespecified significance level by O' Brien-Fleming Boundary = 0.0035

# PREVAIL: Enzalutamide 81% Decrease in Risk of Progression

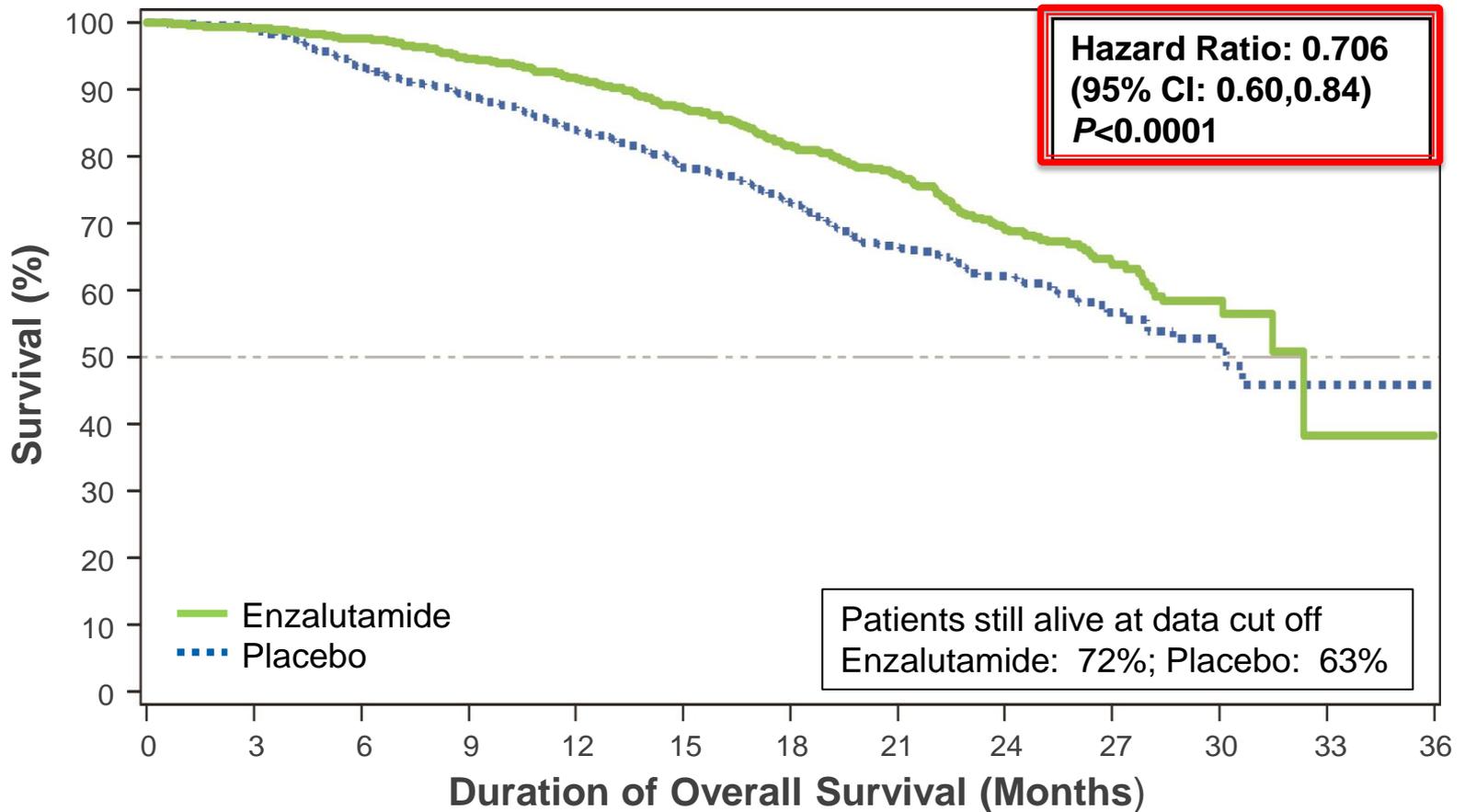


## Patients at Risk

<b>Enzalutamide</b>	832	514	256	128	34	5	1	0
<b>Placebo</b>	801	305	79	20	5	0	0	0

Estimated median rPFS, months (95% CI): Enzalutamide: NYR (13.8, NYR); Placebo: 3.9 (3.7, 5.4) NYR = Not Yet Reached

# Enzalutamide Reduced Risk of Death by 29%

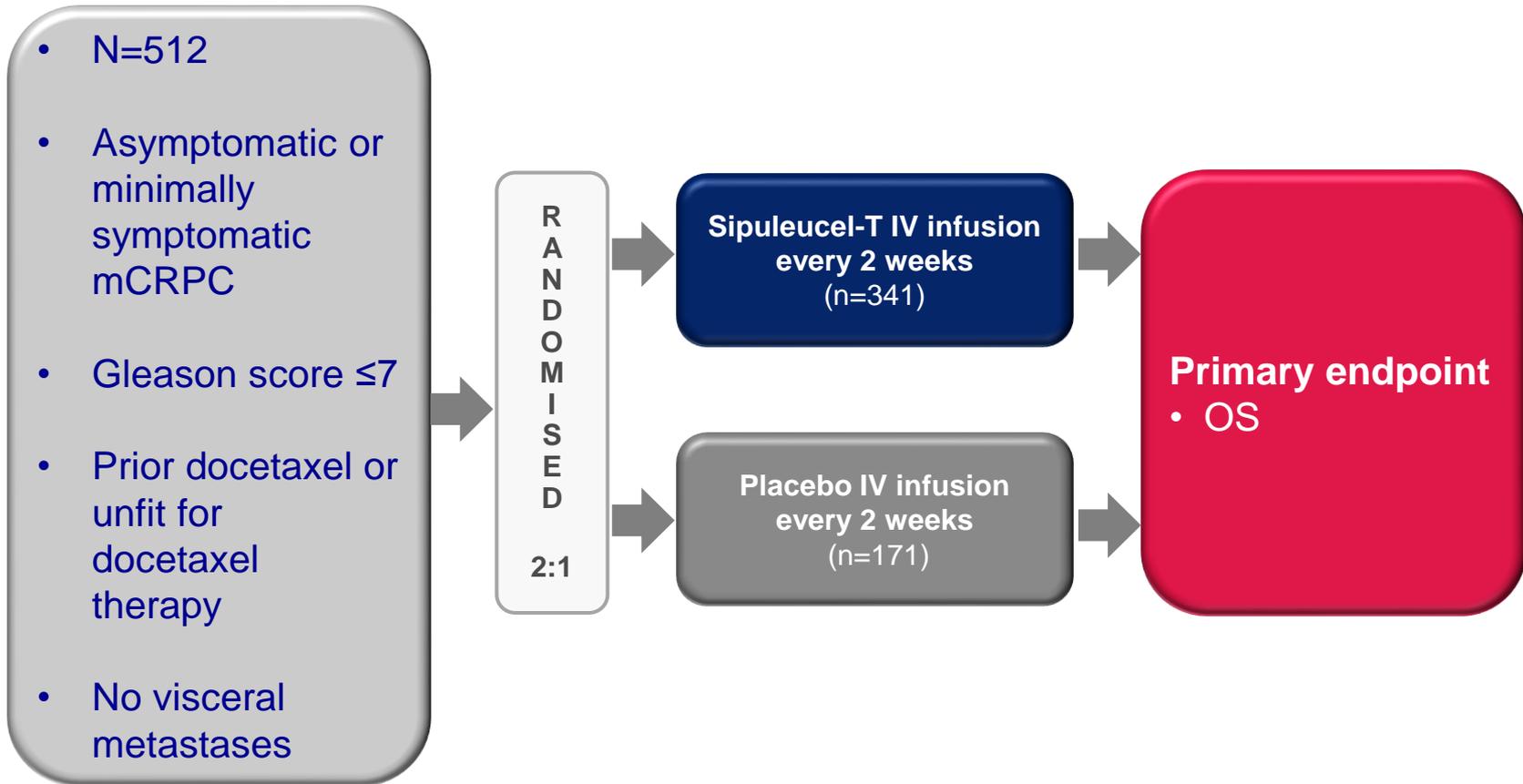


## Patients at Risk

	0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30	33	36
<b>Enzalutamide</b>	872	863	850	824	797	745	566	395	244	128	33	2	0
<b>Placebo</b>	845	835	781	744	701	644	484	328	213	102	27	2	0

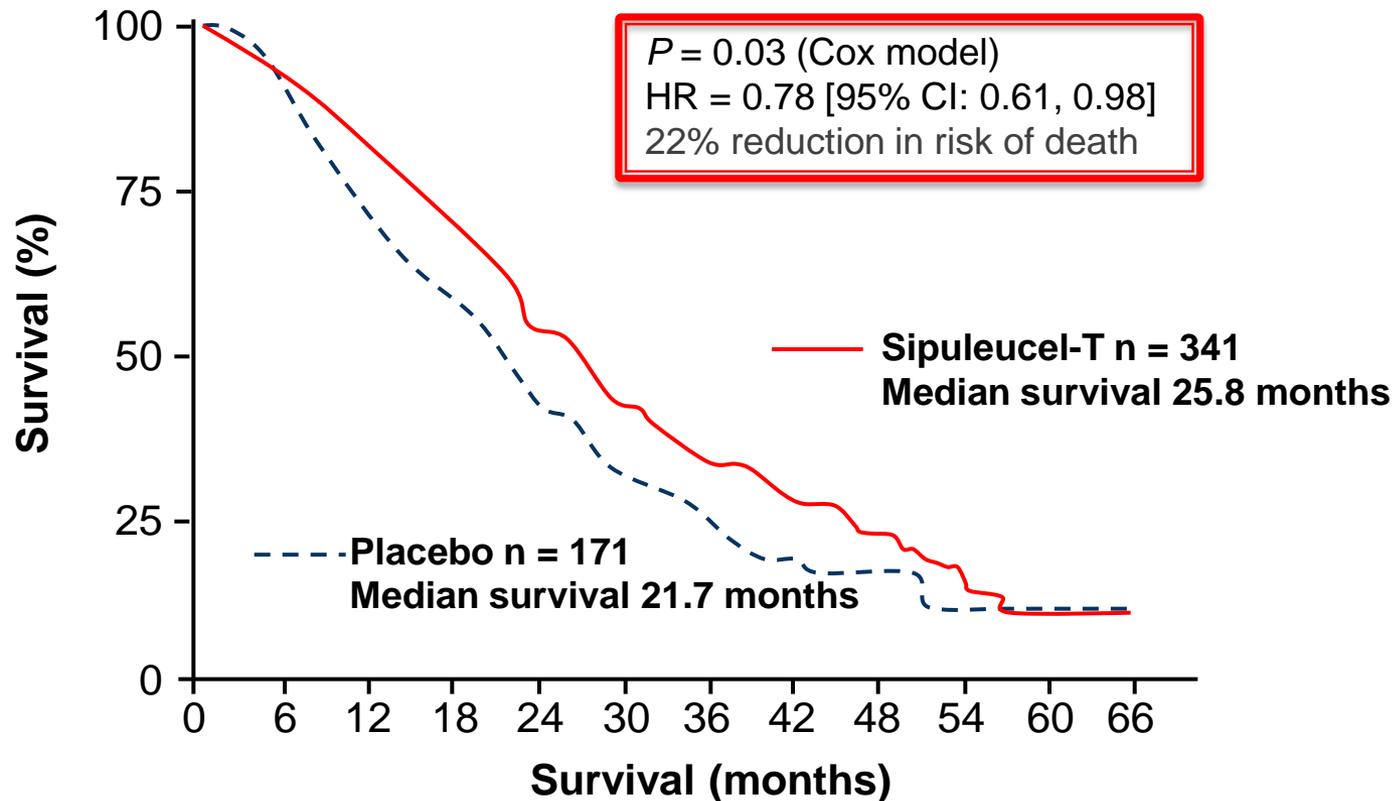
Estimated median OS, months (95% CI): Enzalutamide: 32.4 (30.1, NYR); Placebo: 30.2 (28.0, NYR) NYR = Not Yet Reached

# Sipuleucel-T: The IMPACT trial



# IMPACT: Overall Survival

## 4.1 month improvement vs placebo



IMPACT overall survival: primary endpoint  
Intent-to-treat population

# Front-line options that improve survival

Treatment	Trial	Visceral disease allowed	HR	Survival (mos)
<b>Docetaxel/prednisone vs Mitoxantrone/prednisone</b>	TAX 327 <sup>1</sup>	YES	0.79	18.9 vs 16.5
<b>Sipuleucel-T vs control</b>	IMPACT <sup>2</sup>	No	0.78	25.8 vs 21.7
<b>Abiraterone/prednisone vs Placebo/prednisone</b>	COU-302 <sup>3</sup>	No	0.75	NYR vs 27.2
<b>Enzalutamide vs Placebo</b>	PREVAIL <sup>4</sup>	Yes	0.70	32.4 vs 30.4
<b>Radium 223 vs Placebo/BSC</b>	ALSYMCA <sup>5</sup>	No	0.70	16.1 vs 11.5

<sup>1</sup>Tannock et al. *N Engl J Med* 2004;351(15):1502-1512

<sup>2</sup>Kantoff et al. *N Engl J Med* 2010;363(5):411-422

<sup>3</sup>Ryan et al. *N Eng J Med* 2013;368:138-48

<sup>4</sup>Beer et al. *N Engl J Med* 2014

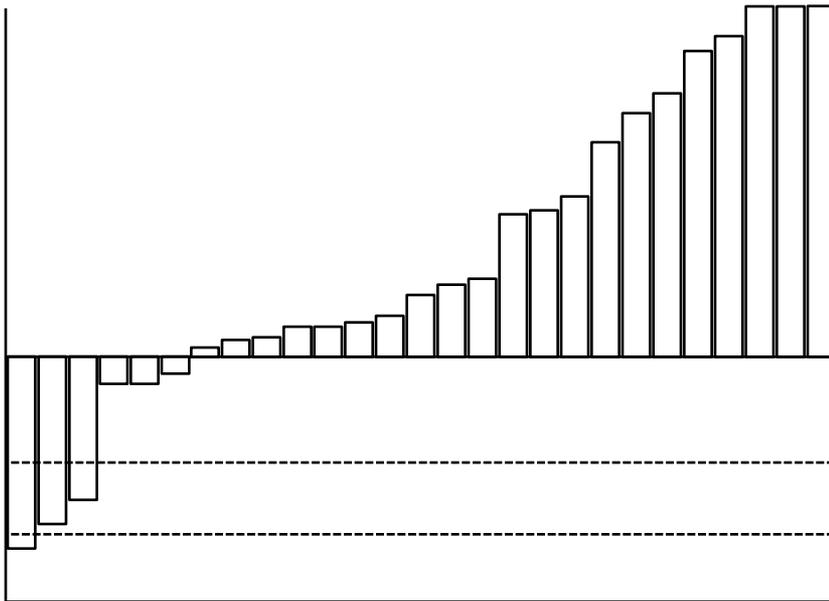
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# Which drug for which patient?

- How can therapies for mCRPC best be utilized?
- Is there an optimal sequence of therapies?
- Not all patients respond to AR-targeted agents
- Is there cross resistance among therapies?
- None of these new therapies have been directly compared to each other
- Separation of trials into pre and post docetaxel is artificial
- No prospective sequencing trials

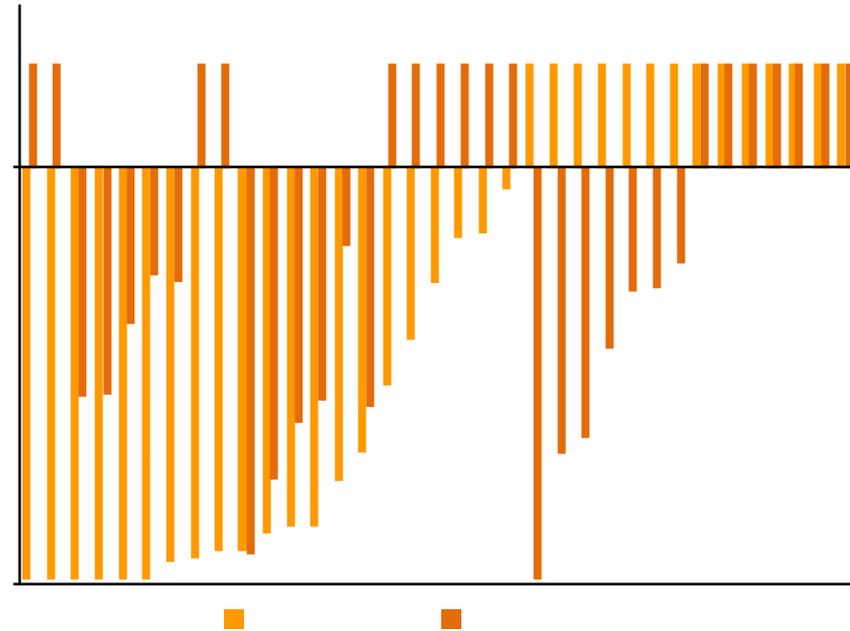
# Does Progression on Enzalutamide Decrease the Efficacy of Abiraterone, and Vice Versa?

Abiraterone after enzalutamide<sup>1</sup>



**PSA decline >50% = 3%**

Enzalutamide after abiraterone<sup>2</sup>



**PSA decline >50% = 29%**

1. Noonan KL, Ann Oncol. 2013;24(7):1802-1807.

2. Schrader AJ, et al. Eur Urol. 2014 Jan;65(1):30-6.

# Does Abiraterone Decrease the Efficacy of Docetaxel ?

	<b>TAX327<sup>1</sup></b> <b>DOC q3w</b> <b>N=1006</b>	<b>Mezynski<sup>2</sup></b> <b>ABI→ DOC q3w</b> <b>N=35</b>	<b>Schweizer<sup>3</sup></b> <b>DOC</b> <b>N=95</b>	<b>Schweizer<sup>3</sup></b> <b>ABI→ DOC</b> <b>N=24</b>
<b>PSA decrease ≥50%</b>	<b>45%</b>	<b>26%</b>	<b>63%</b>	<b>38%</b>
<b>Median PFS, months</b>	<b>7.7</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>6.7</b>	<b>4.1</b>
<b>Median OS, months</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>12.5</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>NA</b>

Small Retrospective studies

# Does Progression on Abiraterone Decreases the Efficacy of Enzalutamide ?

	AFFIRM <sup>1</sup> DOC→ENZA N=1199	Schrader <sup>2</sup> DOC→ABI→ENZ N=35
PSA decrease ≥50%	54%	29%
Median PFS, months	8.3	4.9
Median OS, months	18.4	8.4 if PSA ↓ ≥50% 6.4 if PSA ↓ <50%

Small Retrospective study

# Does Progression on Enzalutamide Decreases the Efficacy of Abiraterone ?

	COU-AA-301 <sup>1-2</sup> DOC→ABI N=1195	Loriot <sup>3</sup> DOC→ENZ→ABI N=38	Noonan <sup>4</sup> DOC→ENZ→ABI N=30
PSA decrease ≥50%	38%	8%	3%
Median PFS, months	5.6	2.7	3.5
Median OS, months	15.8	7.2	11.5

Small Retrospective studies

# Does Prior AR Targeted Agent Decrease the Efficacy of Cabazitaxel?

	TROPIC <sup>1-2</sup>	Pezaro <sup>3</sup>	Angelergues <sup>4</sup>	
Abiraterone or enzalutamide	none	Before CBx N = 89	Before CBx N = 42	After CBx N = 27
PSA decrease ≥50%	39.2%	49%	42.9%	48.1%
Partial Response RECIST	14.4%	20%		
Median PFS, months			5.1	10.5
Median OS, months	29.4		38.2	66.2

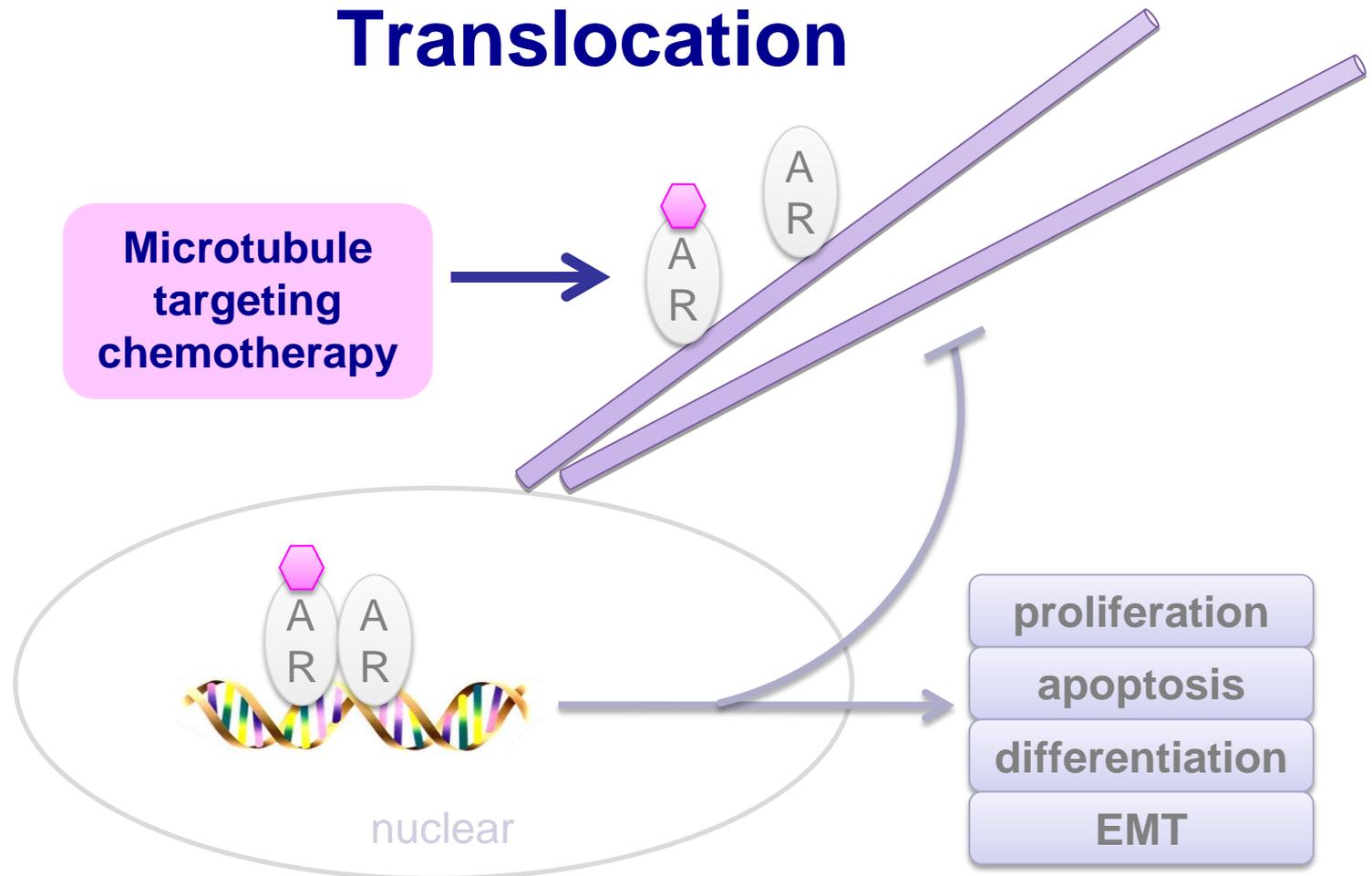
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 3. Pezaro CJ, et al. *J Clin Oncol*. 2013;31(Suppl 6): Abstract 155.  
 4. Angelergues A, et al. *J Clin Oncol*. 2013;31(Suppl 6): Abstract 5063

# Retrospective Trials on Sequential Therapy

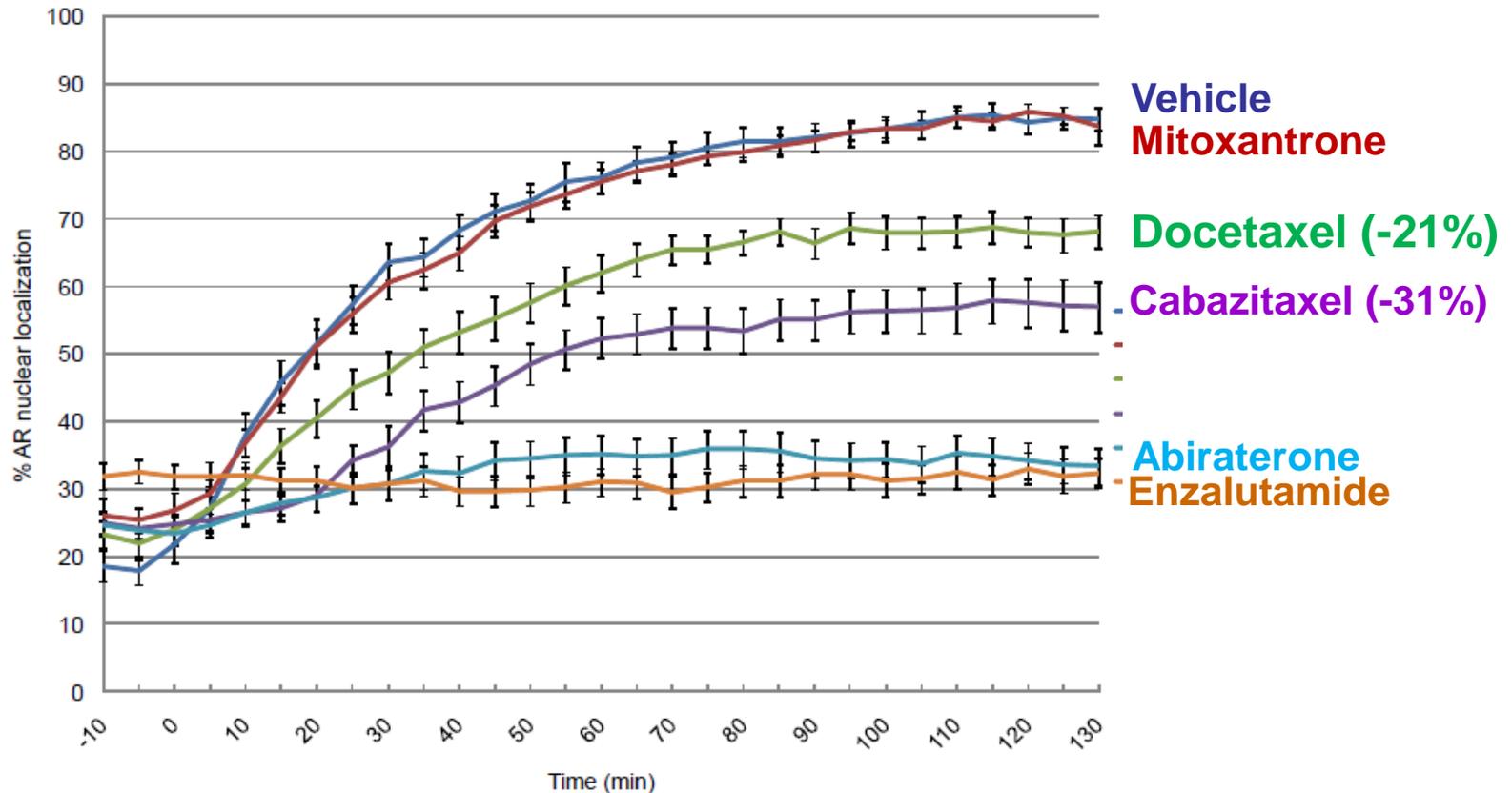
SEQUENCE	Authors	N° pts	PSA response	RR	PFS	OS
ABI → ENZA	Bianchini	39	12.8	4.3	2.8	NR
	Schrader	35	28.6	2.9	4.0	7.1
	Schmid	35	10	2.8	3.1	7.5
	Badrising	61	21	NA	3.0	7.9
	Thomsen	24	NA	NA	NA	4.8
	Thomson	23	39.1	NA	2.8	8.5
	Roeder	24	NA	NA	NA	4.8
	Vera-Badillo FE	26	27	NA	4.9	NA
	Sandhu	23	17.3	NA	2.3	NA
	Scholz	63	NA	NA	NA	NA
	Stevenson	75	NA	NA	3.96	NA
ENZA → ABI	Noonan	30	3	11	3.85	12.5
	Loriot	38	8	8	2.7	7.2
ABI → CABA	Albiges	39	56	15	NA	NA
	Sella	24	31.5	15.3	NA	8.2
	Sonpavde	36	NA	NA	7.1	11.8
CABA → ABI	Sonpavde	77	NA	NA	10.4	18.2
ABI/ENZA → CABA	Pezaro	41	39	14	4.6	15.8

# Microtubules Facilitate AR Nuclear Translocation



**Androgens Inhibit Tubulin Expression in Prostate Cancer Cells**

# Inhibition of AR Nuclear Translocation



# Response to therapy according to prior duration of ADT

## Hormonal therapy<sup>1</sup>

- Retrospective analysis in 108 patients with metastatic PCa

Duration of response	<16 months	≥16 months	p value
↓ PSA ≥50%	18%	58%	0.01
Median TTP, months	3.0	5.0	<0.043

## Docetaxel<sup>2</sup>

- 188 patients with mCRPC in two prospective databases

Duration of response	≤1 year	>1 year	p value
↓ PSA ≥50%	67%	81%	0.10
Median TTP, months	6.1	7.8	0.04

\*Including abiraterone, ketoconazole, hydrocortisone, DES and bicalutamide).

1. Lortot Y, et al. *J Clin Oncol* 2012;30(Suppl): abstract 213.  
 2. Huillard O, et al. *J Clin Oncol* 2013;31(Suppl): abstract 5075.

# Benefit with enzalutamide irrespective of duration of prior response to ADT

- *Post-hoc* analysis post-chemotherapy AFFIRM trial

Duration of response to ADT	≤12 months		12–26.9 months		>26.9 months	
	ENZ	Placebo	ENZ	Placebo	ENZ	Placebo
Time to radiographic progression, median (months)	5.7	2.8	8.3	2.8	11.0	3.0
HR (95% CI)	0.44 (0.33–0.60)		0.42 (0.31–0.58)		0.33 (0.23–0.46)	
OS, median (months)	15.4	9.1	NYR	14.7	NYR	15.5
HR (95% CI)	0.49 (0.34–0.70)		0.69 (0.47–1.01)		0.54 (0.35–0.82)	

# OS and rPFS with abiraterone according to baseline Gleason score

- *Post-hoc* analysis Phase 3 COU-AA-301 and COU-AA-302 trials

	Gleason score <8			Gleason score ≥8		
	Median (months)			Median (months)		
	AA + P	P	HR (95% CI)	AA + P	P	HR (95% CI)
<b>mCRPC post-docetaxel</b>						
n	342	161		356	189	
<b>OS</b>	16.3	13.4	0.82 (0.64–1.04)	15.5	10.3	0.61 (0.49–0.76)
<b>rPFS</b>	6.4	5.5	0.70 (0.56–0.86)	5.6	2.9	0.58 (0.48–0.72)
<b>mCRPC chemotherapy-naïve</b>						
n	225	254		263	254	
<b>OS</b>	NYR	31.0	0.72 (0.54–0.97)	31.6	30.0	0.84 (0.64–1.09)
<b>rPFS*</b>	16.5	8.2	0.44 (0.35–0.56)	13.8	8.2	0.61 (0.48–0.77)

# OS and rPFS with enzalutamide according to baseline Gleason score

- *Post-hoc* analysis Phase 3 AFFIRM and PREVAIL trials

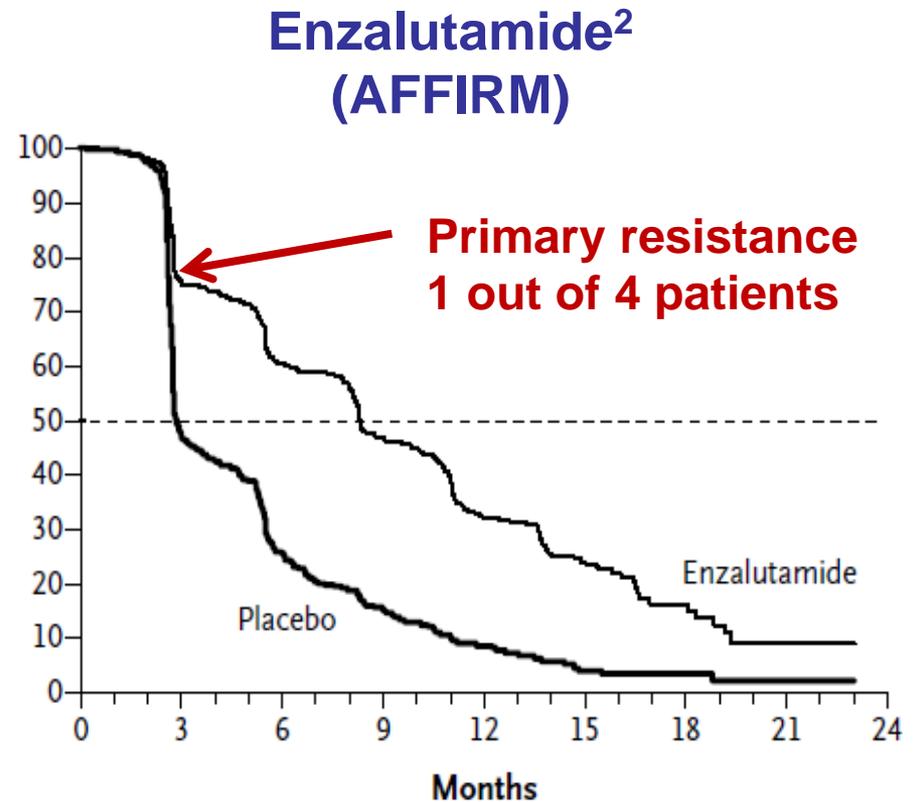
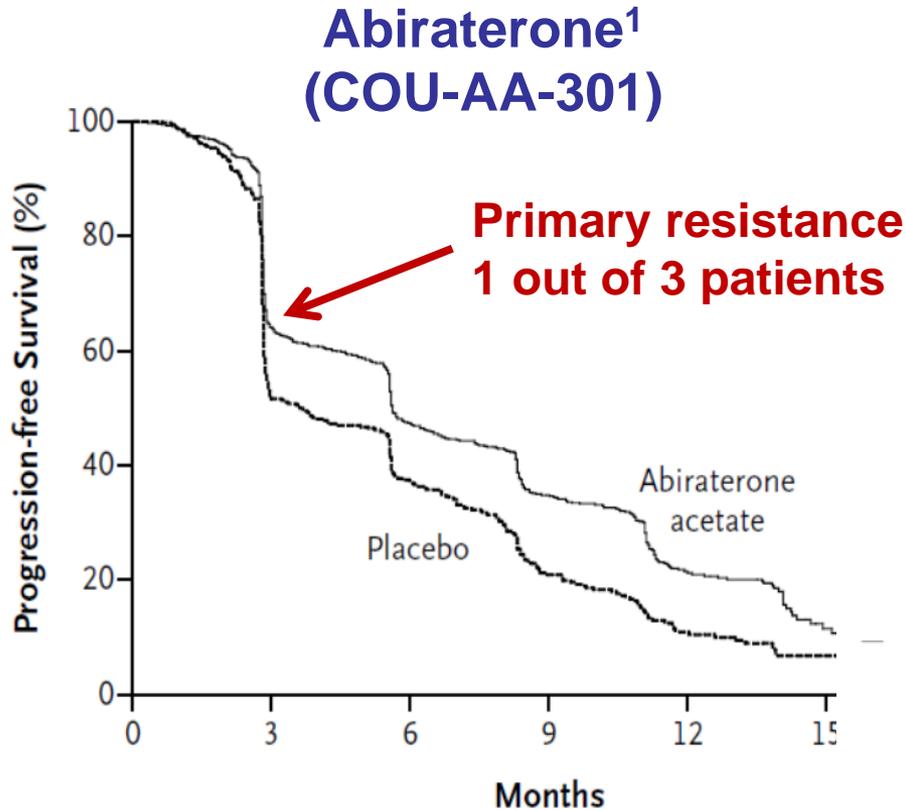
	Gleason score <8			Gleason score ≥8		
	Median (months)			Median (months)		
	ENZ	Placebo	HR (95% CI)	ENZ	Placebo	HR (95% CI)
<b>mCRPC post-docetaxel<sup>1</sup></b>						
n	360	175		366	193	
<b>OS</b>	18.4	14.8	0.67 (0.51–0.88)	18.2	11.3	0.60 (0.47–0.76)
<b>rPFS</b>	–	–	–	–	–	–
<b>mCRPC chemotherapy-naïve<sup>2</sup></b>						
n	414	385		424	423	
<b>OS</b>	NYR	30.0	0.66 (0.51–0.85)	31.5	30.2	0.77 (0.60–0.97)
<b>rPFS</b>	14.1	5.3	0.16 (0.11–0.22)	NYR	3.7	0.23 (0.17–0.31)

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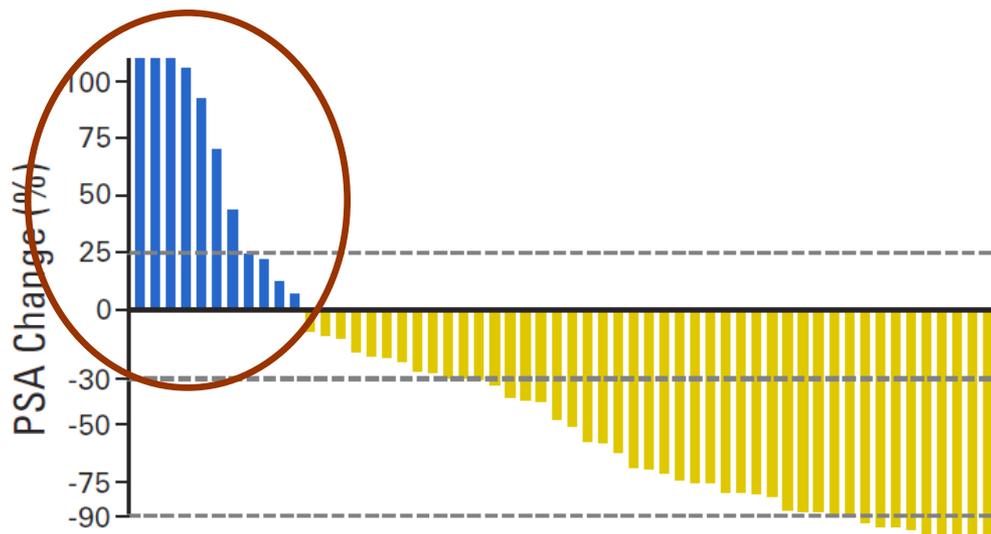
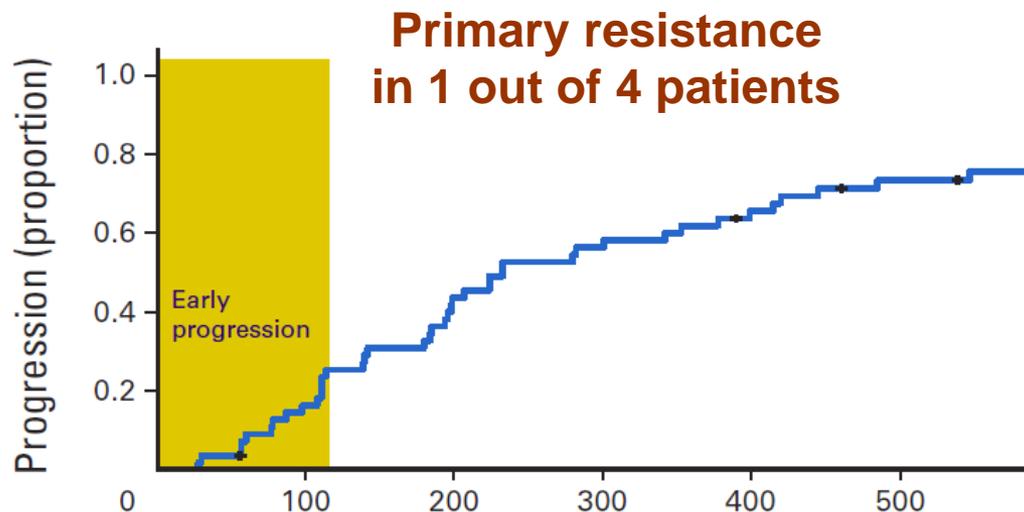
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# Primary resistance to AR-targeted agents

## Radiological progression-free survival



# Who are the non responders to abiraterone?

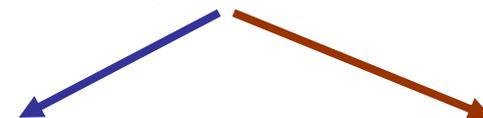


**Who are the NON responders?**  
(defined as patients treated for  $\leq 4$  months)



**Bone marrow biopsy:**

- Intense AR nuclear expression
- CYP17 expression



**YES**  
**82% responders**  
(12/13)

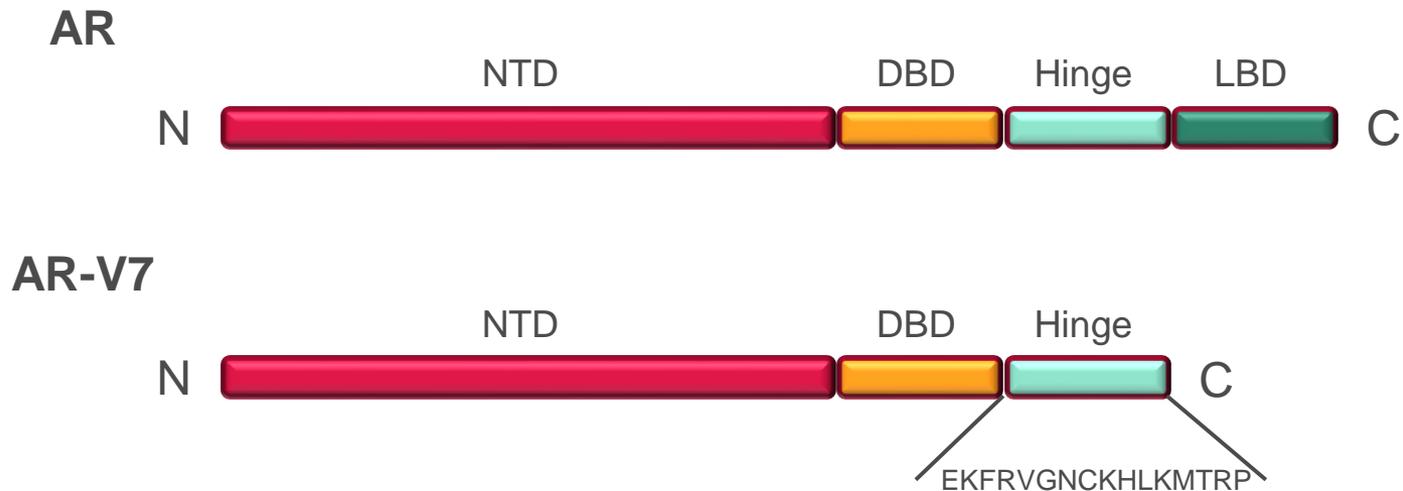
**NO**  
**18% responders**  
(2/12)

P<0.001

# AR-V7 as a predictor of treatment outcome to enzalutamide and abiraterone in mCRPC

## AR-V7 characteristics

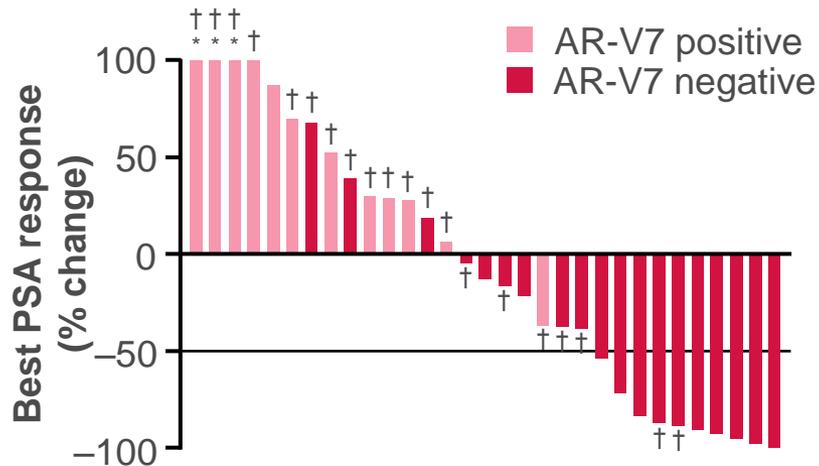
- Most abundant splice variant
- Constitutively active
- 20-fold increased expression in mCRPC
- Produces functional protein product unaffected by nonsense-mediated mRNA decay



# PSA responses according to AR-V7 status

- Patients previously receiving chemotherapy, abiraterone or enzalutamide were included

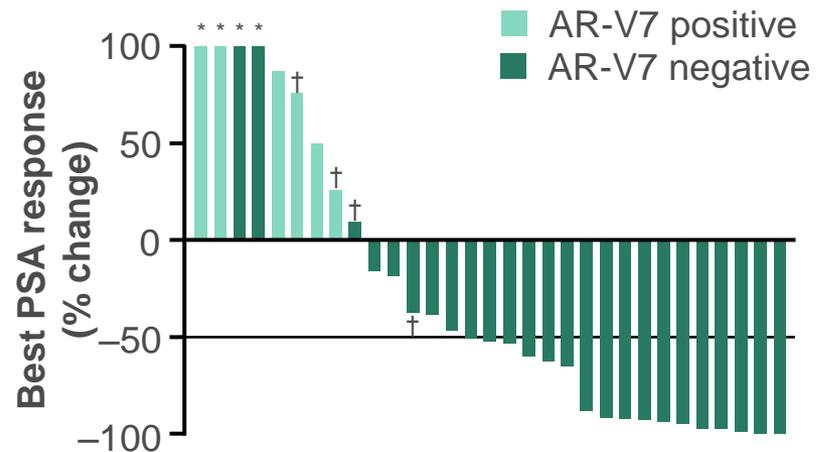
Enzalutamide



**PSA response rate**

AR-V7 positive: 0% (95% CI: 0–26%)  
 AR-V7 negative: 52.6% (95% CI: 29–76%)  
 p=0.004

Abiraterone



**PSA response rate**

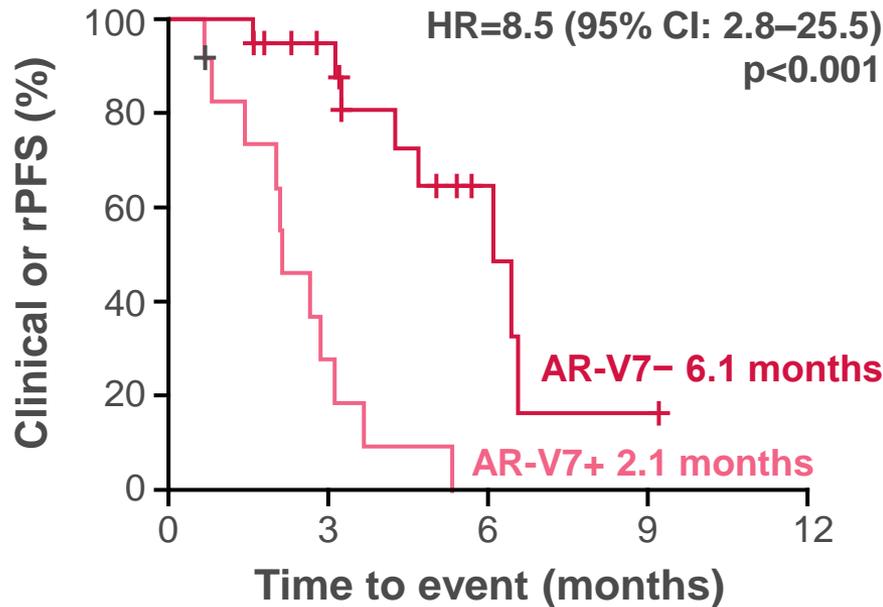
AR-V7 positive: 0% (95% CI: 0–46%)  
 AR-V7 negative: 68.0% (95% CI: 46–85%)  
 p=0.004

\*Increase of more than 100% in best PSA response. †Patients in the enzalutamide cohort who had previously received abiraterone and patients in the abiraterone cohort who had previously received enzalutamide.  
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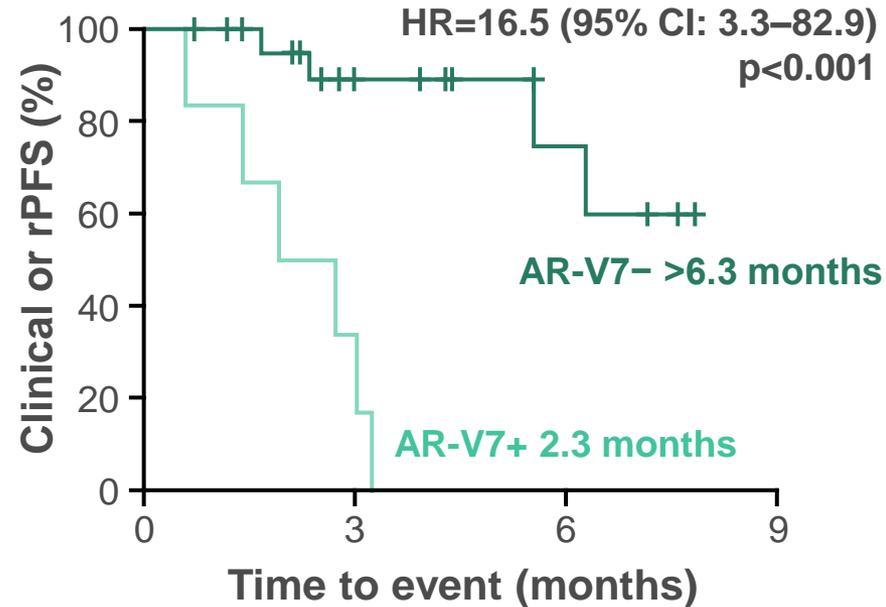
# rPFS according to AR-V7 status

- Prospective biomarker study of 62 patients receiving enzalutamide or abiraterone

**Enzalutamide**



**Abiraterone**



AR-V7-	19	14	4	1	0
AR-V7+	12	3	0	0	0

AR-V7-	25	11	5	0
AR-V7+	6	2	0	0

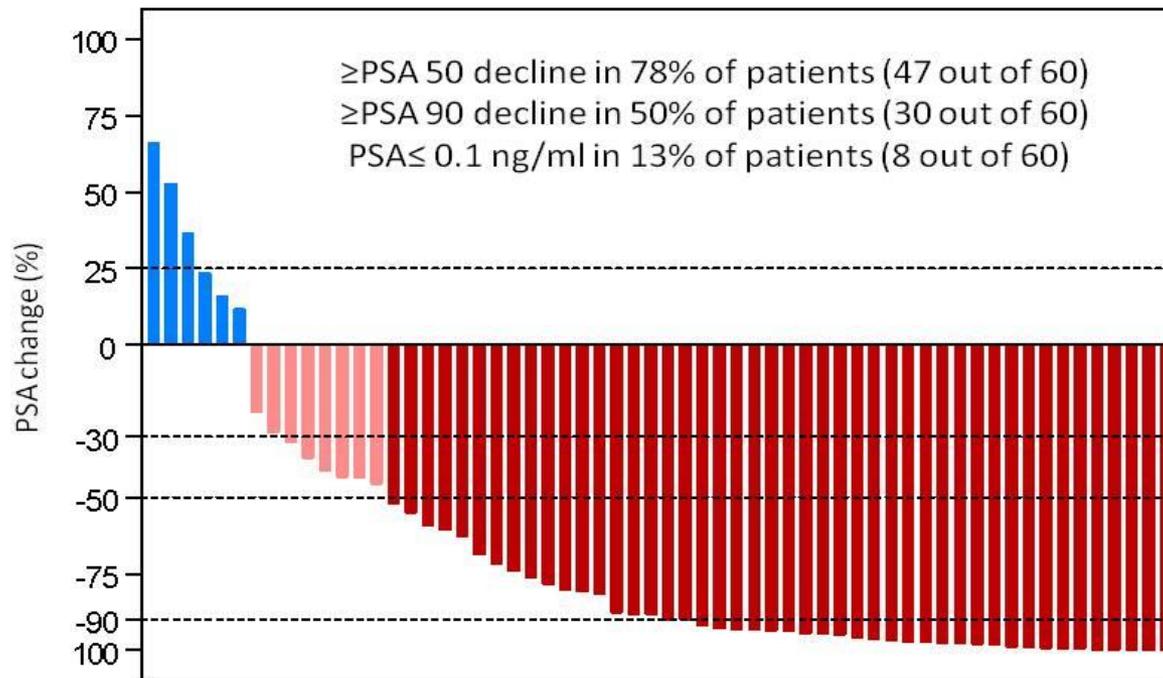
# AR-V7 associated with primary and acquired resistance to enzalutamide and abiraterone

- Prospective biomarker study of 62 patients receiving enzalutamide or abiraterone

Outcome	AR-V7(-) to AR-V7(-) (n=36)	AR-V7(-) to AR-V7(+) (n=6)	AR-V7(+) to AR-V7(+) (n=16)
PSA response, % (95% CI)	68 (52–81)	17 (4–58)	0 (0–19)
PSA PFS, months (95% CI)	6.1 (5.9–NYR)	3.0 (2.3–NYR)	1.4 (0.9–2.6)
PFS, months (95% CI)	6.5 (6.1–NYR)	3.2 (3.1–NYR)	2.1 (1.9–3.1)

# Co-Targeting Androgen Receptor and Androgen Biosynthesis

## Maximal PSA Decline

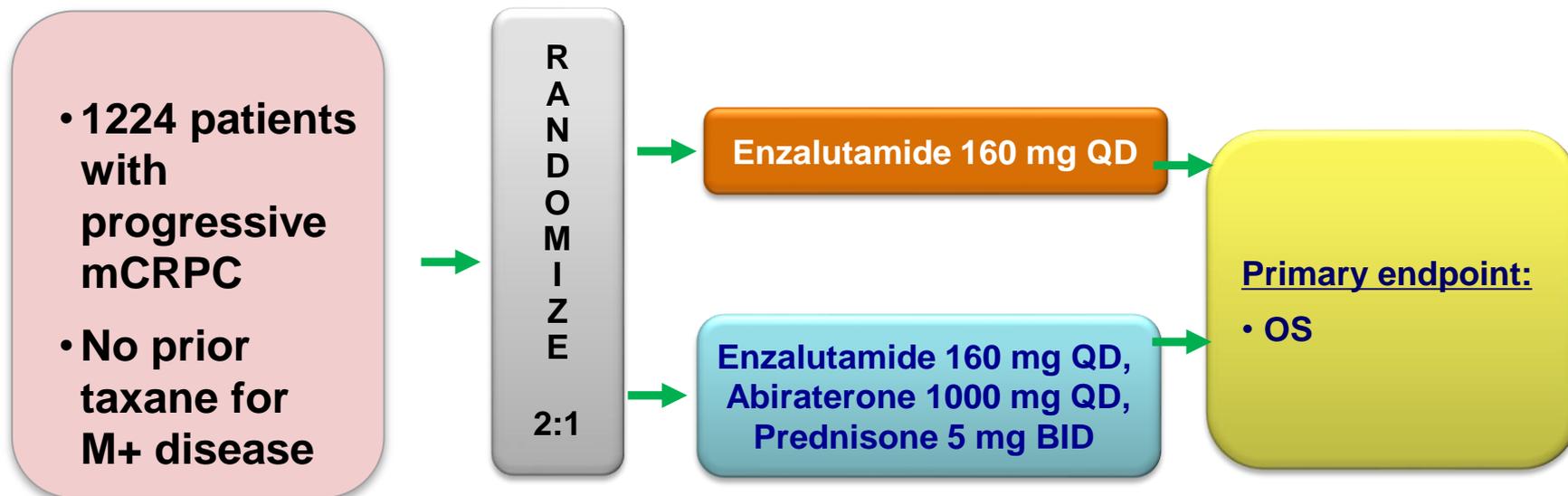


Exploratory: association of lack of PSA decline with primary resistance (p=0.008)

# ALLIANCE Study Design

## Phase III Pre-chemo

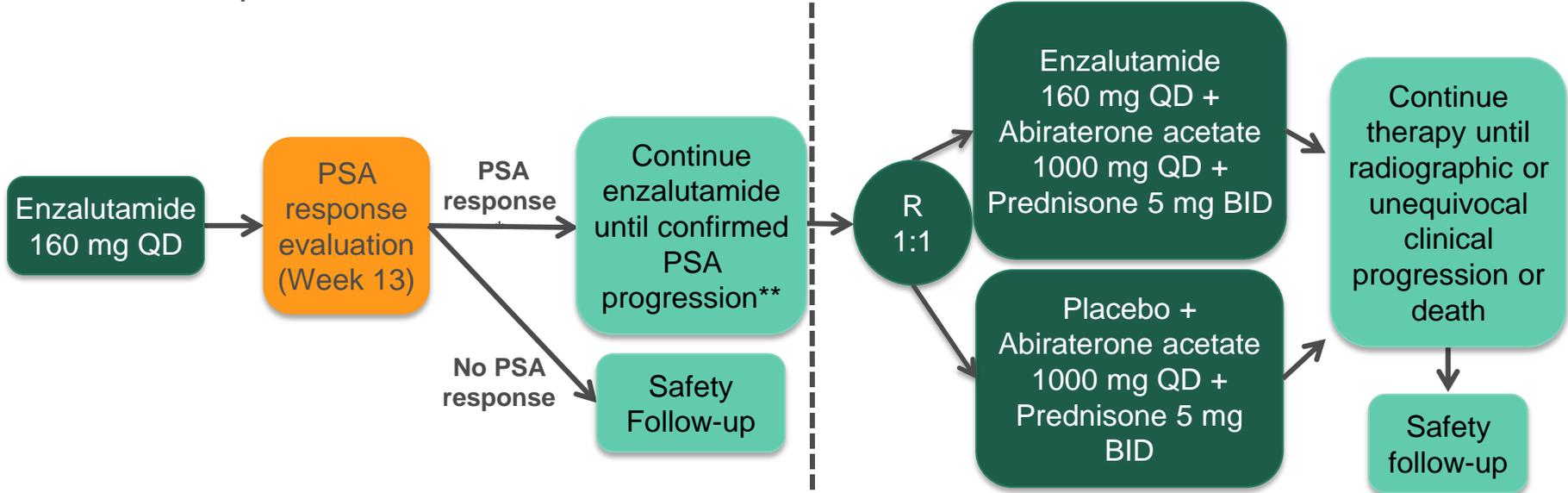
Phase 3 trial of enzalutamide versus enzalutamide, abiraterone + prednisone in mCRPC pre-chemotherapy



Total of 616 deaths, log-rank statistic 90% power (one sided type I error rate of 0.025) to detect HR of 0.77 in favor of arm B

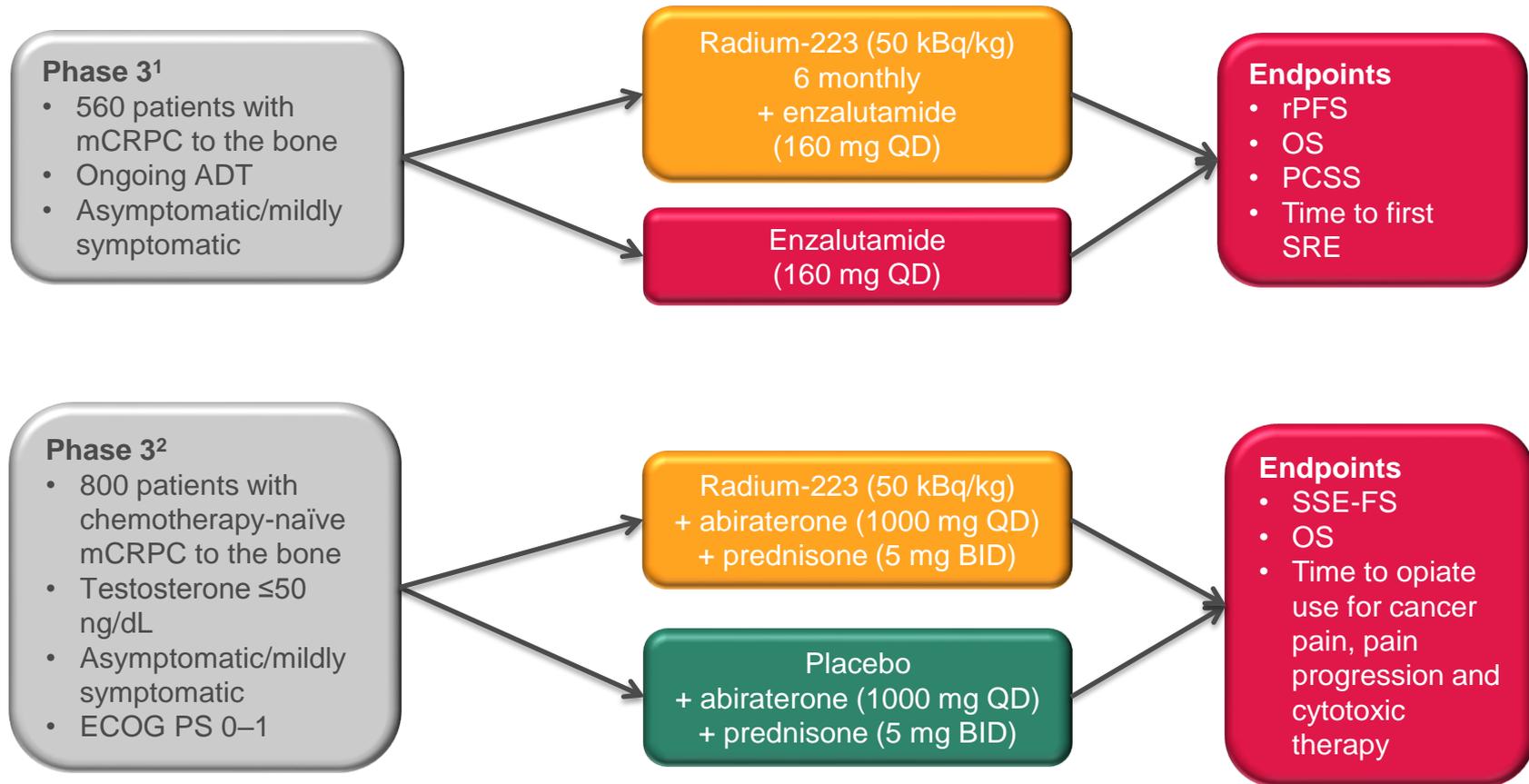
# PLATO: Continued enzalutamide treatment in prostate cancer patients

Period 1: Open-label enzalutamide



- Phase 4, randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled study
- Patients with metastatic CRPC (n=500)
  - No prior chemotherapy or prior treatment with abiraterone acetate
- Primary endpoint: progression-free survival (PFS)

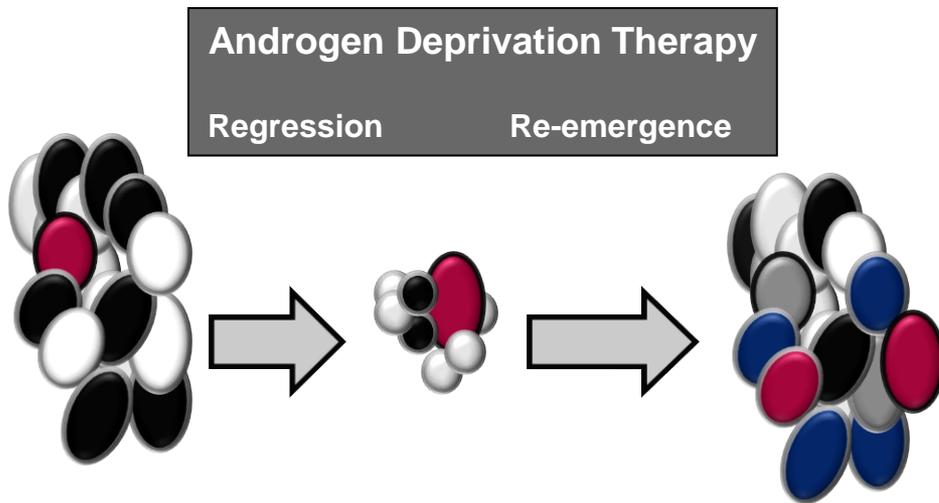
# Ongoing combination studies: Abiraterone or enzalutamide with radium-223



1. NCT02194842. Available at <http://clinicaltrials.gov>.

2. NCT02043678. Available at <http://clinicaltrials.gov>.

# Early Chemo + ADT



- **Pro**

- Attack de-novo testosterone independent clones early - allow ADT to keep PrCa in remission longer
- Some patients at the time of progression are too frail for chemo

- **Con**

- ADT will take cells out of cycle and be less responsive to cytotoxics
- Some patients respond for a long time and never need chemo

# E3805-CHAARTED Treatment

**STRATIFICATION**

**Extent of Mets**  
-High vs Low

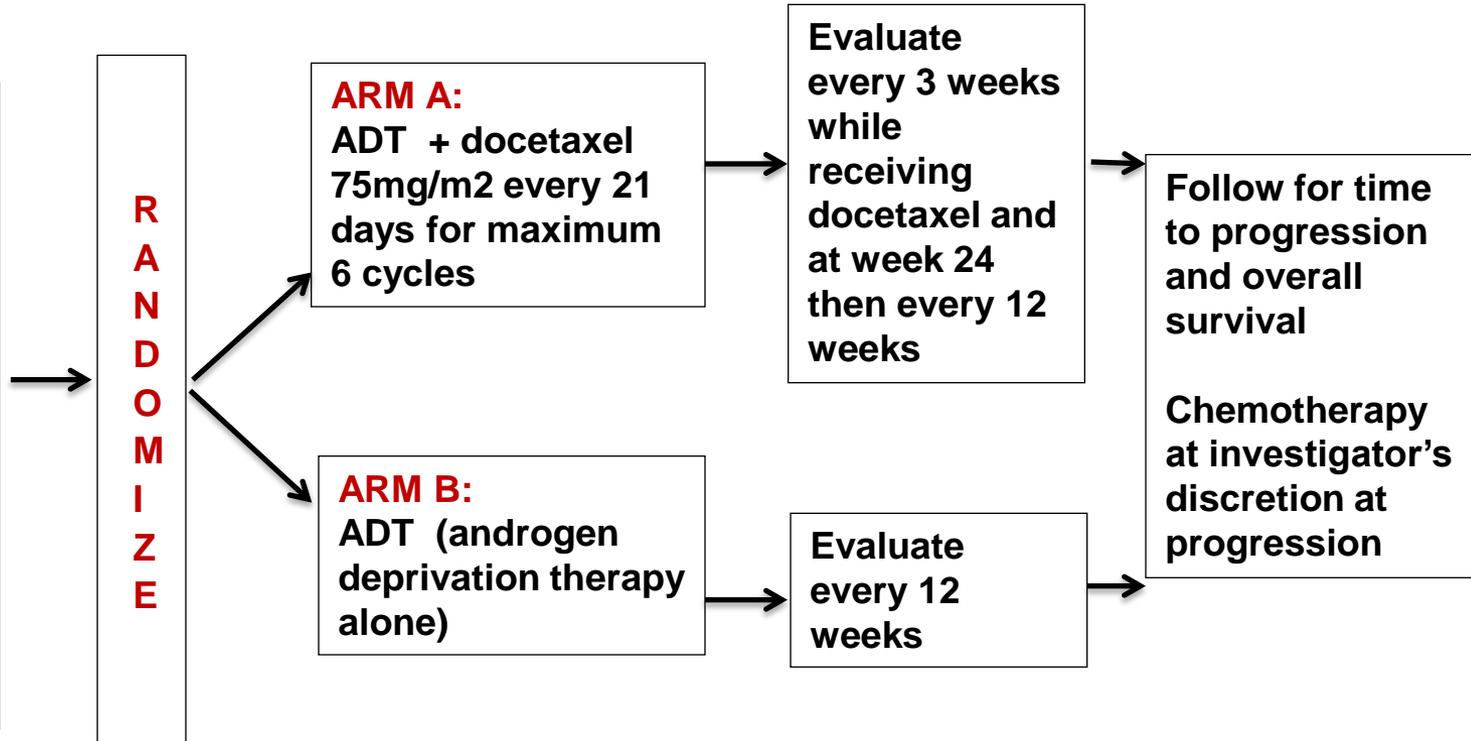
**Age**  
≥70 vs < 70yo

**ECOG PS**  
- 0-1 vs 2

**CAB > 30 days**  
-Yes vs No

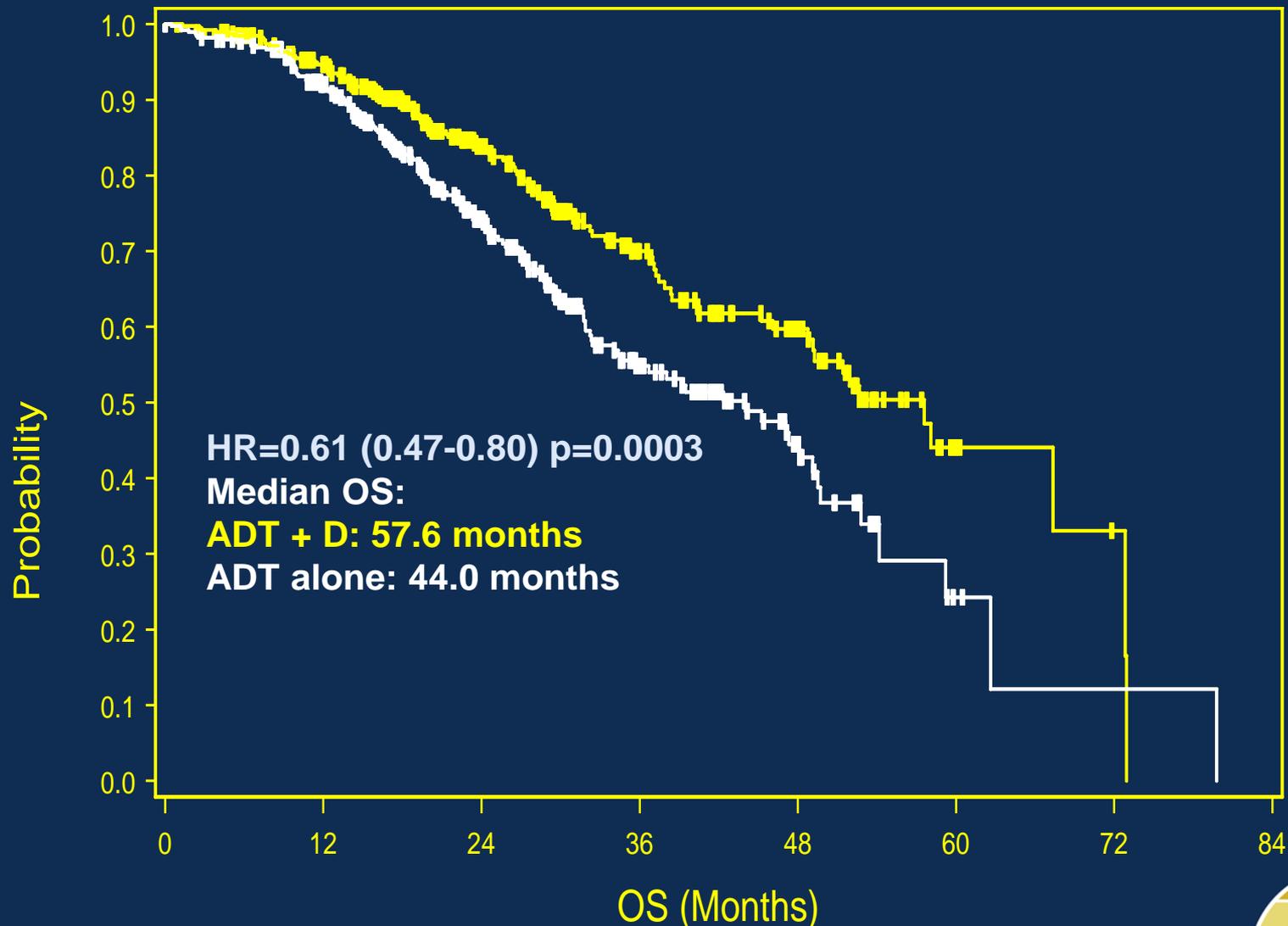
**SRE Prevention**  
-Yes vs No

**Prior Adjuvant ADT**  
≤12 vs > 12 months



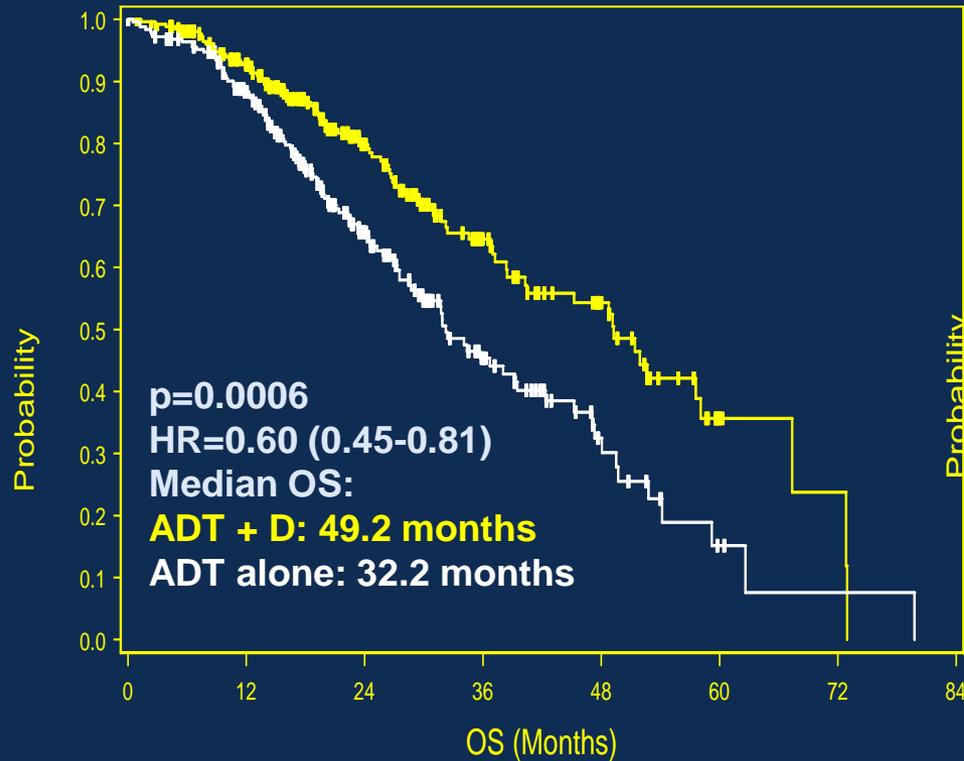
- ADT allowed up to 120 days prior to randomization
- Intermittent ADT dosing was not allowed
- Standard dexamethasone premedication but no daily prednisone

# Primary endpoint: Overall survival

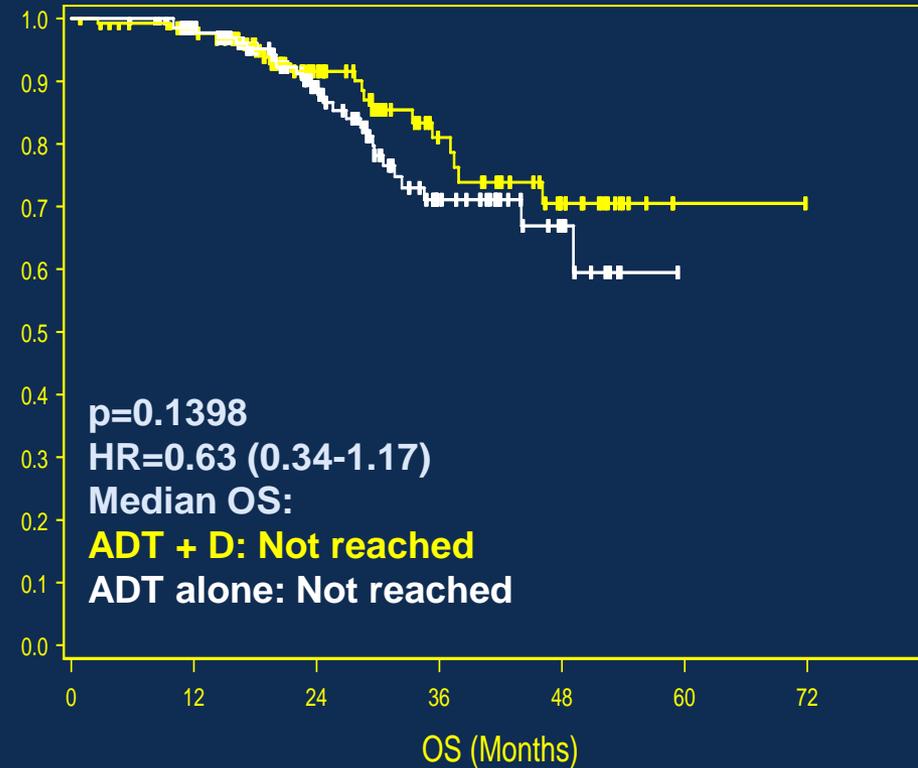


# OS by extent of metastatic disease at start of ADT

## High volume

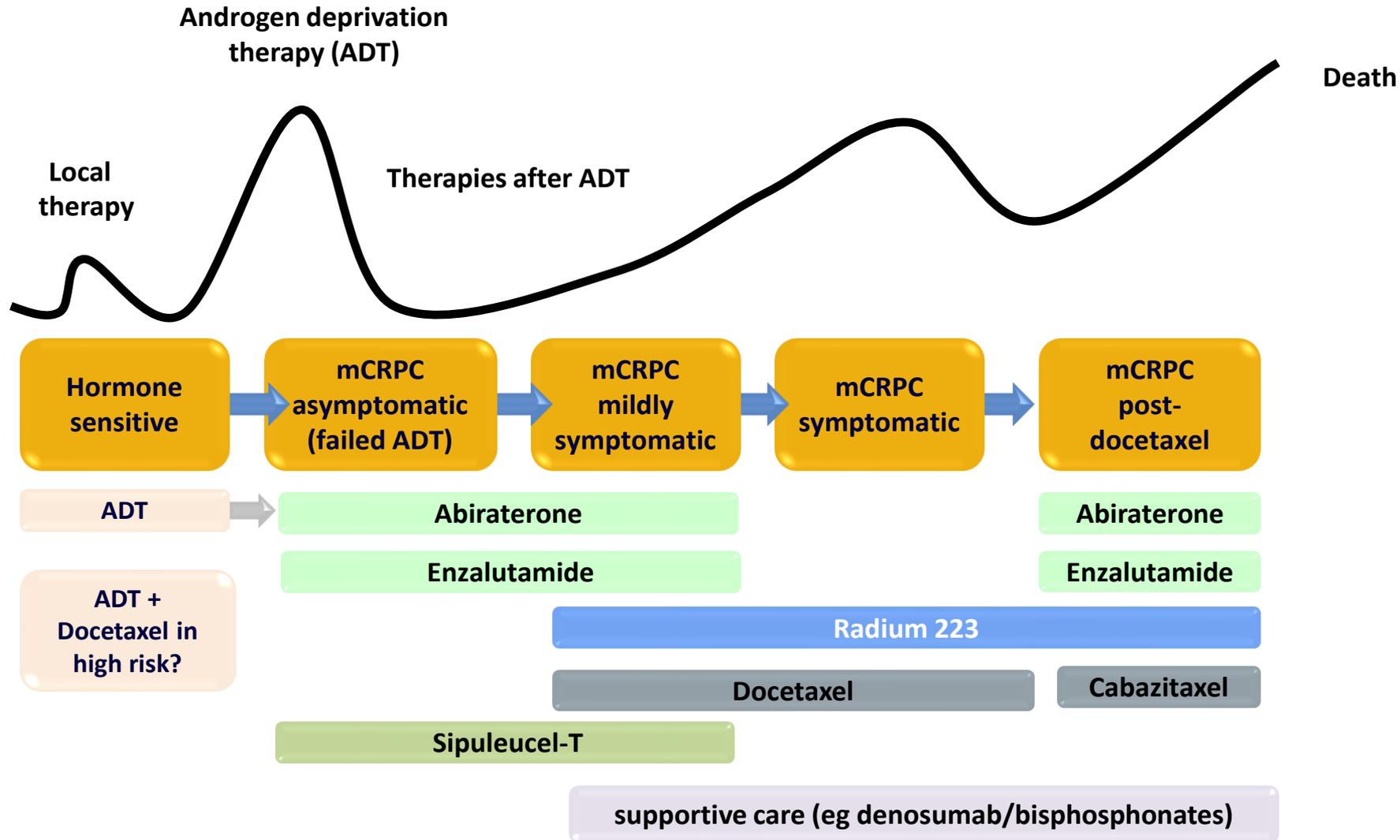


## Low volume



In patients with **high volume metastatic disease**, there is a **17 month improvement in median overall survival** from 32.2 months to 49.2 months  
We projected 33 months in ADT alone arm with collaboration of SWOG9346 team

# Current treatment paradigm is evolving



# Therapeutic strategies for metastatic CRPC

- Prostate cancer is a heterogeneous disease
- Unequivocal evidence of continued involvement of the AR signaling axis
- Multiple new treatments available with proven OS benefit
- Evidence of cross resistance among agents targeting AR
- Best sequence and combination is undefined – prospective trials
- Clinical or molecular predictive factors are urgently needed

Thank you