

NCPF: Assessing Early Signals of Efficacy to Guide Clinical Development

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Gefitinib: EGFR TKI

non-small cell lung cancer response

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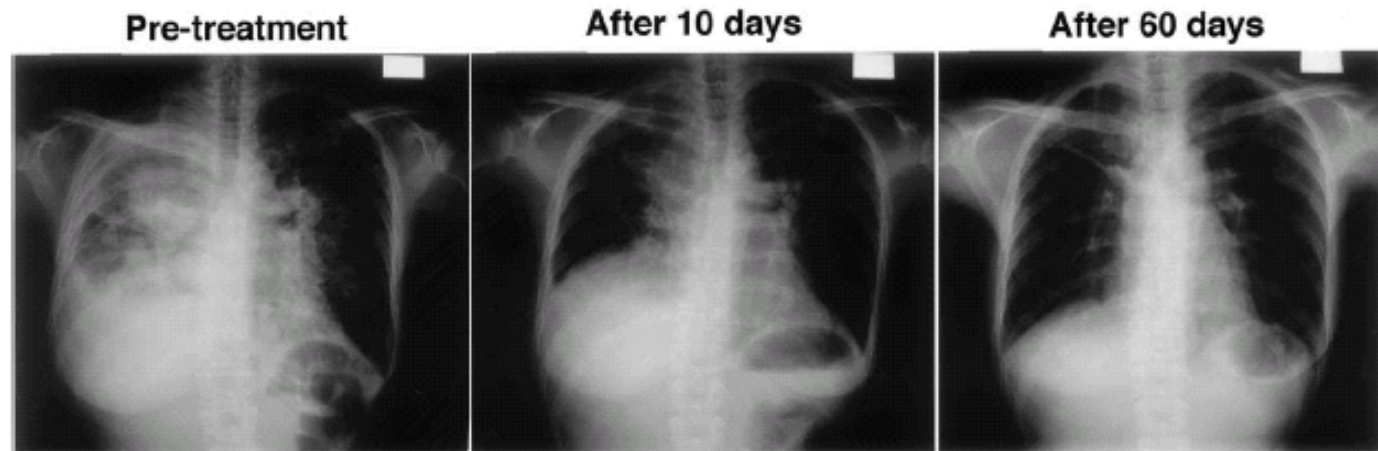
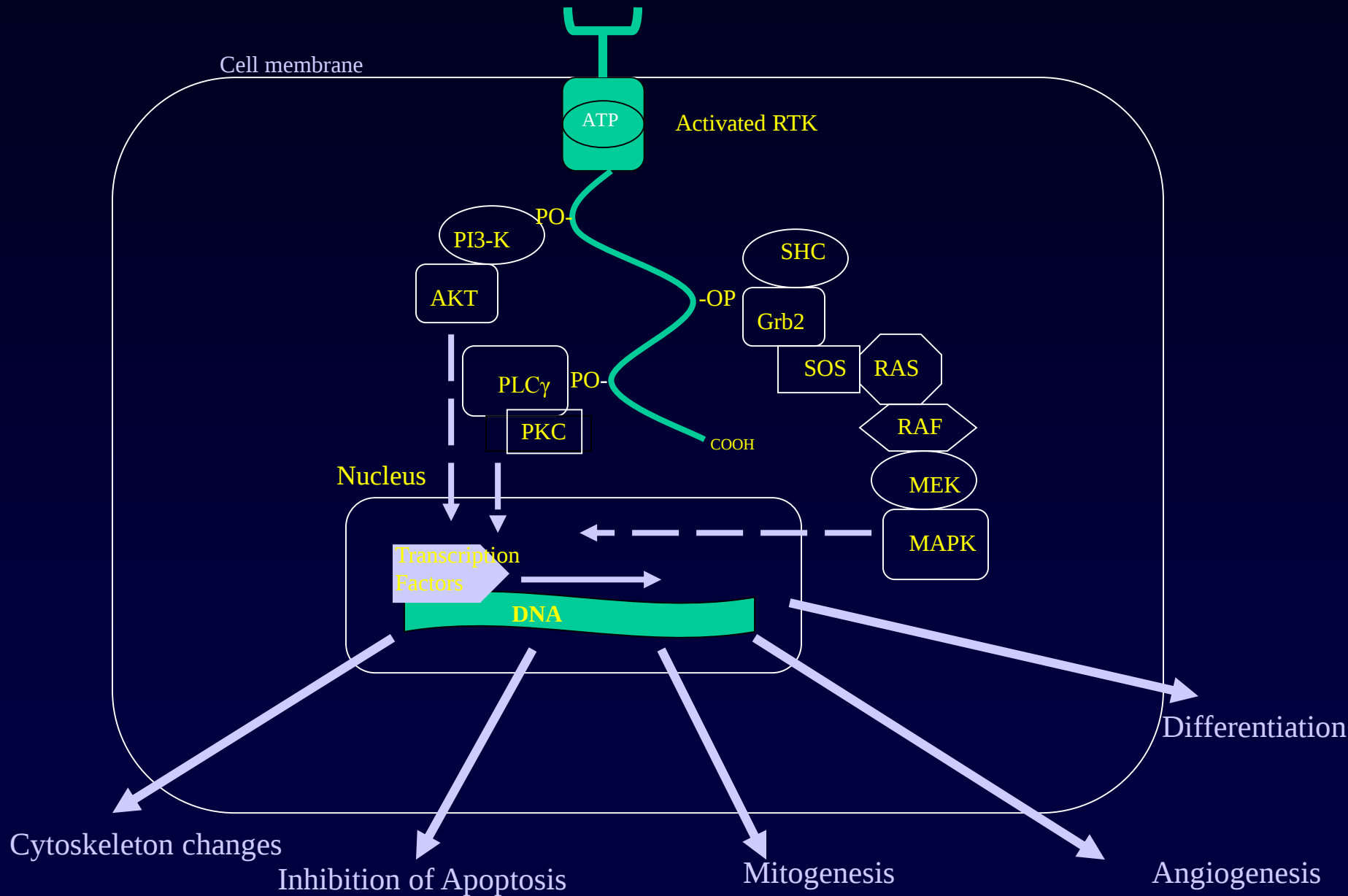
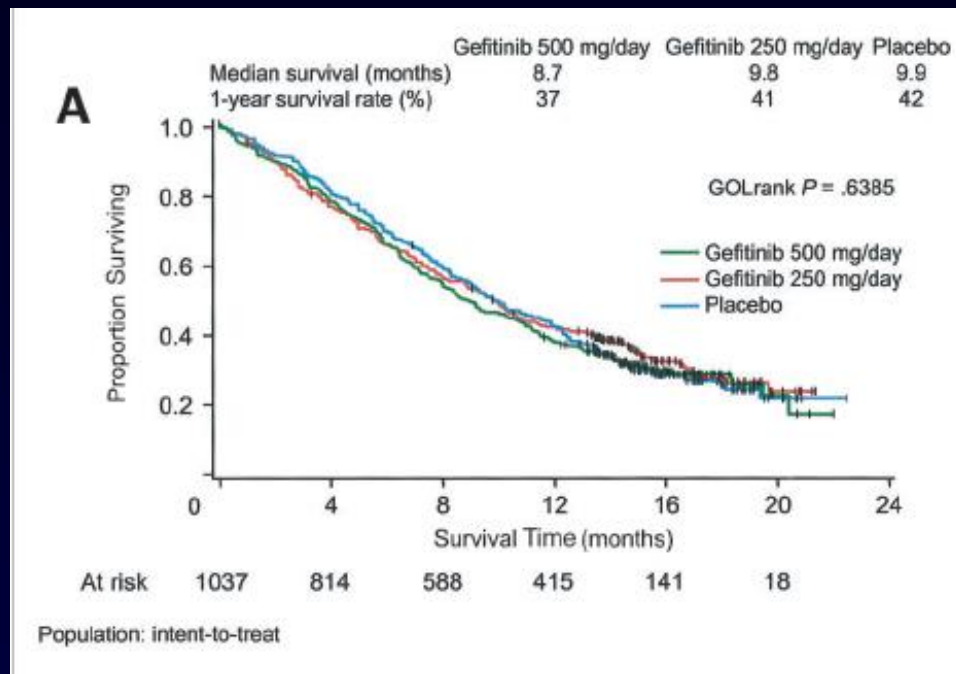


Fig. 1. Chest radiograph of a patient with adenocarcinoma of the lung, before and after treatment with ZD 1839.

Epidermal Growth Factor Receptor (EGFR)





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Activating Mutations in the Epidermal Growth Factor Receptor Underlying Responsiveness of Non-Small-Cell Lung Cancer to Gefitinib

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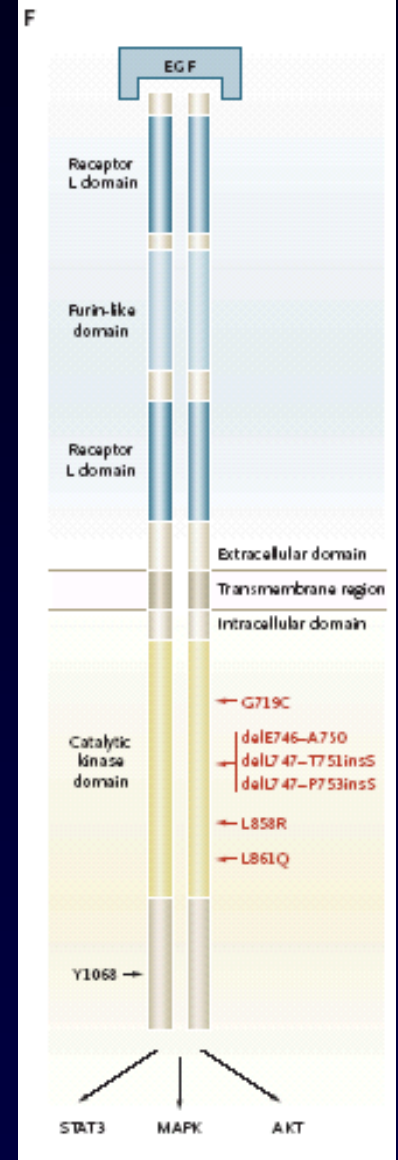
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Report

EGFR Mutations in Lung Cancer: Correlation with Clinical Response to Gefitinib Therapy

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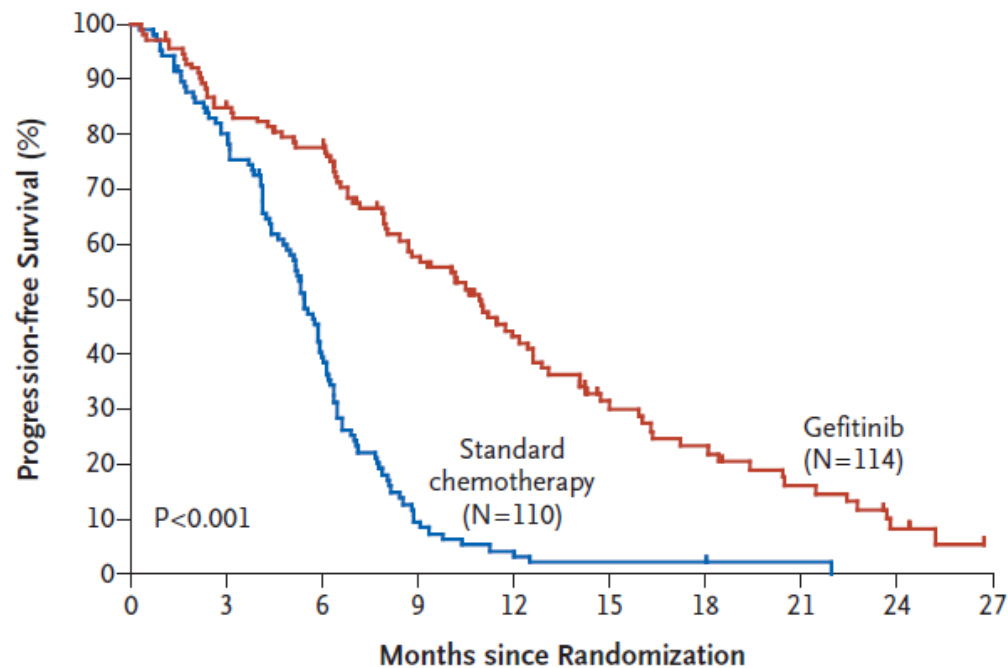


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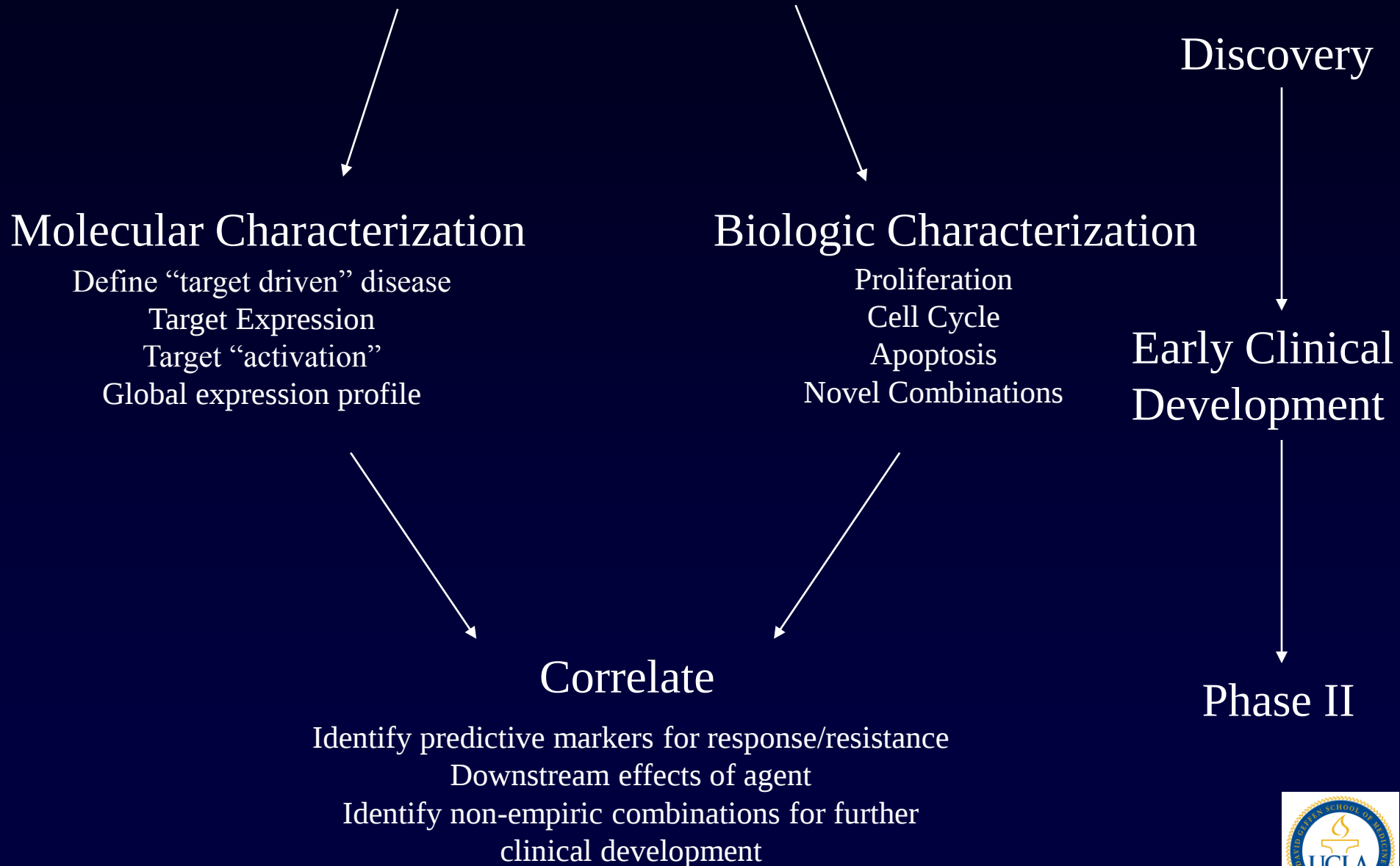
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Gefitinib or Chemotherapy for Non–Small-Cell Lung Cancer with Mutated EGFR

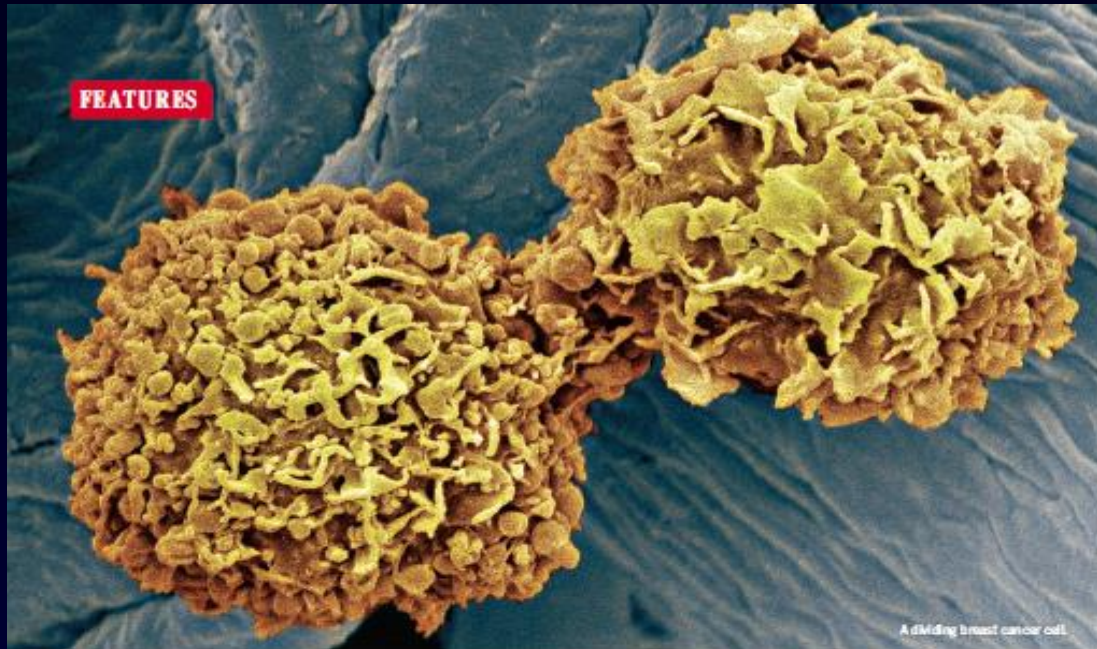
A Progression-free-Survival Population



Molecularly Characterized Human Cancer Cell Lines and Tissue Xenografts



FEATURES



A dividing breast cancer cell.

The cancer drug that almost wasn't

After years in drug development limbo, a compound that interrupts cell division has revitalized a troubled area of cancer research

By Ken Garber

Progress in cancer treatment can be frustratingly incremental. A new therapy often does no more than stall the disease by a few extra weeks. At a cancer meeting in San Diego, California, in April, however, University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) oncologist Richard Finn reported that adding a drug called palbociclib to standard therapy doubled the time that women with metastatic breast cancer experienced no new tumor growth, from a median of 10 months to 20. "No study, despite efforts, has shown this

dramatic improvement in progression-free survival, with the addition of a novel agent," Finn told the audience.

The results won't dispel all doubts about the drug—or the new treatment strategy it represents. The phase II trial Finn discussed enrolled just 165 women, and it is too early to know whether those taking the drug combination live significantly longer than women on standard therapy. But palbociclib, which is under development by pharmaceutical giant Pfizer, has captivated the cancer field nonetheless. "The ... buzz is that these are extremely impressive data that

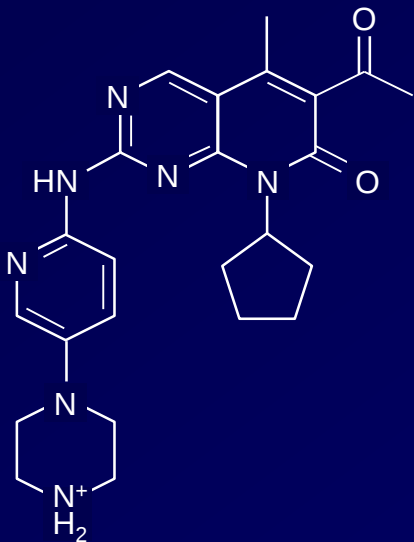
are really way beyond what anybody had expected," says Frank McCormick, a veteran cancer researcher at UC San Francisco, who played an early role in the drug's discovery.

Palbociclib has traveled a long and tortuous road. The product of a project started in 1995 by researchers at Parke-Davis, a now-vanished drug company, the compound blocks key enzymes driving the cell cycle, the ordered set of processes by which a cell divides. Mounting scientific evidence suggested its potential in breast cancer. Yet Pfizer, where the compound was ultimately synthesized by the Parke-Davis

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Palbociclib: an Oral Selective CDK 4/6 Kinase Inhibitor

- Inhibits cell proliferation and cellular DNA synthesis by preventing cell-cycle progression from G1 to S phase
- *In vitro* activity in retinoblastoma-positive tumor cell lines and primary tumors
- Low nanomolar concentrations block Rb phosphorylation, inducing G1 arrest in sensitive cell lines
- Specific cell cycle arrest in G1 phase



Palbociclib (PD-0332991)

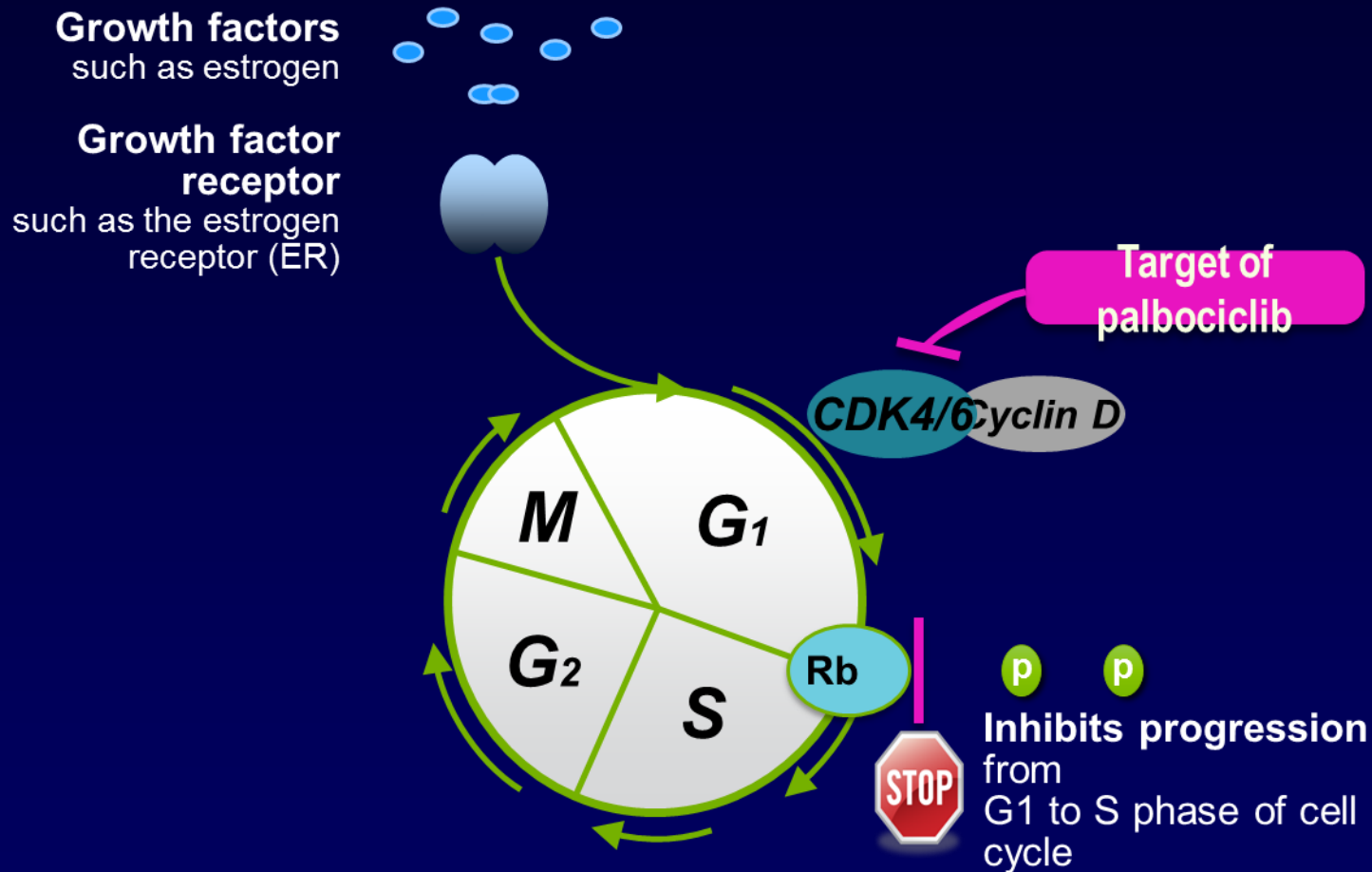
CDK (partner)	IC ₅₀ (mM)
CDK4 (cyclin D1)	0.011
CDK4 (cyclin D3)	0.009
CDK6 (cyclin D2)	0.015
CDK2 (cyclin A)	>10
CDK1 (cyclin B)	>10
CDK5 (p25)	>10

Fry DW, et al. *Mol Cancer Ther* 2004;3:1427-38

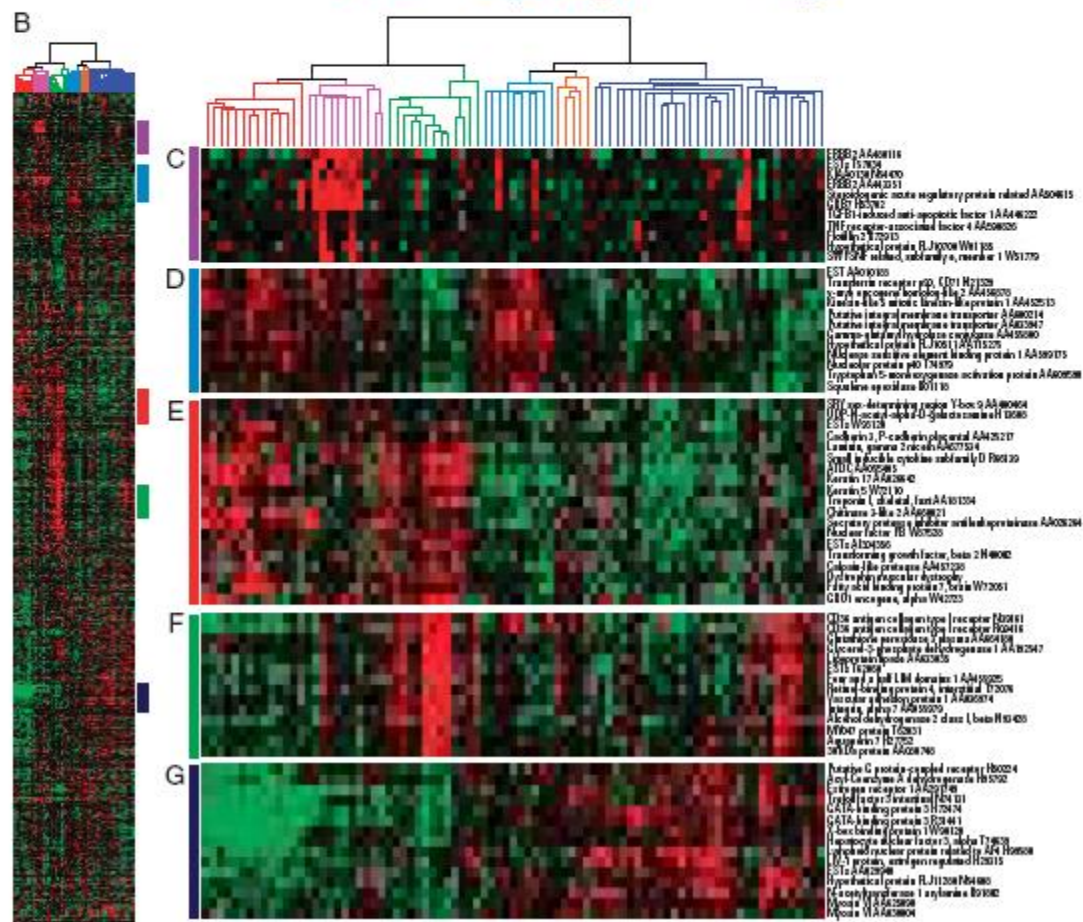
Menu E, et al. *Cancer Res* 2008;68:5519-23

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Palbociclib Mechanism of Action: *Inhibition of the Cell Cycle*



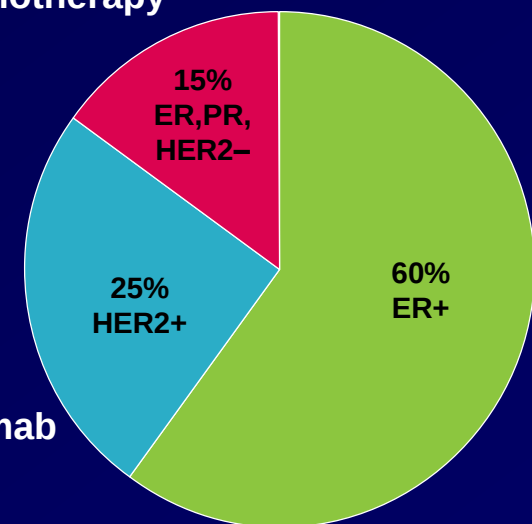
Palbociclib arrests the cell cycle at G₁ by selective inhibition of CDK4/6



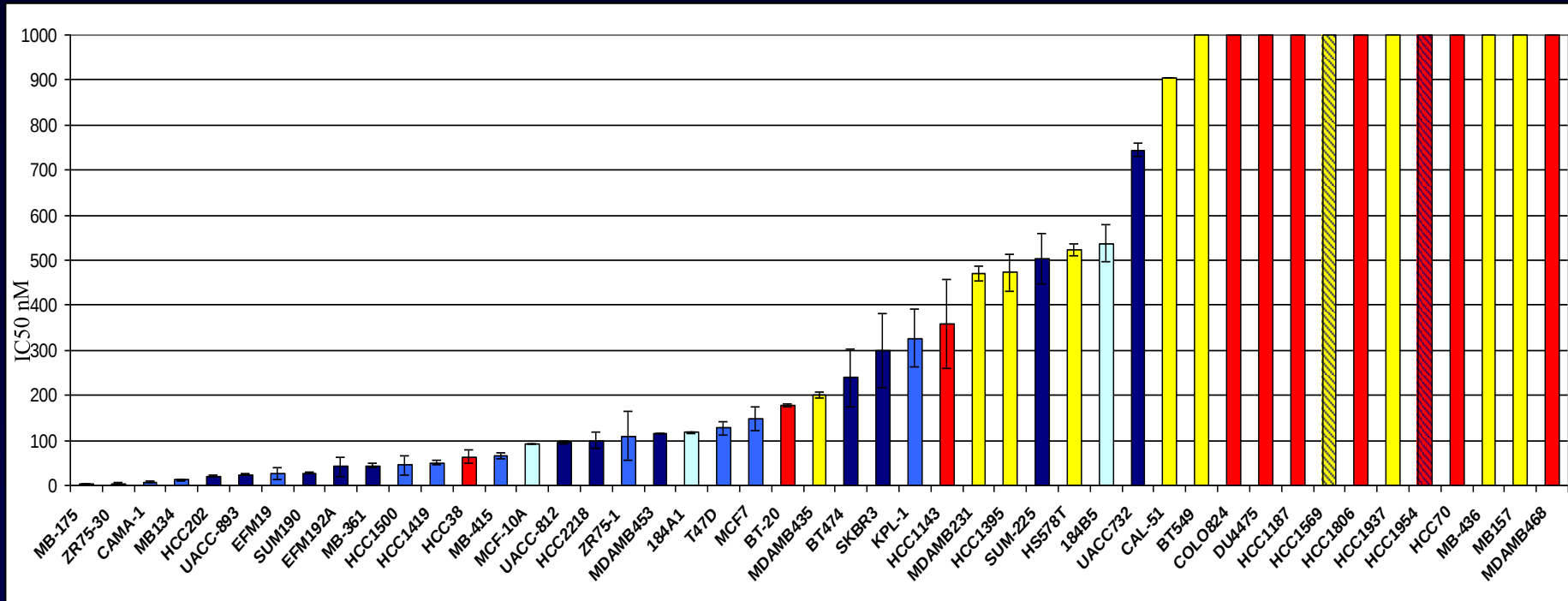
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Trastuzumab

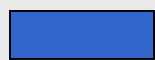
Anti-estrogens



Palbociclib: CDK 4/6 Inhibitor – Breast Panel



Subtype



Luminal



HER2 amplified



Immortalized



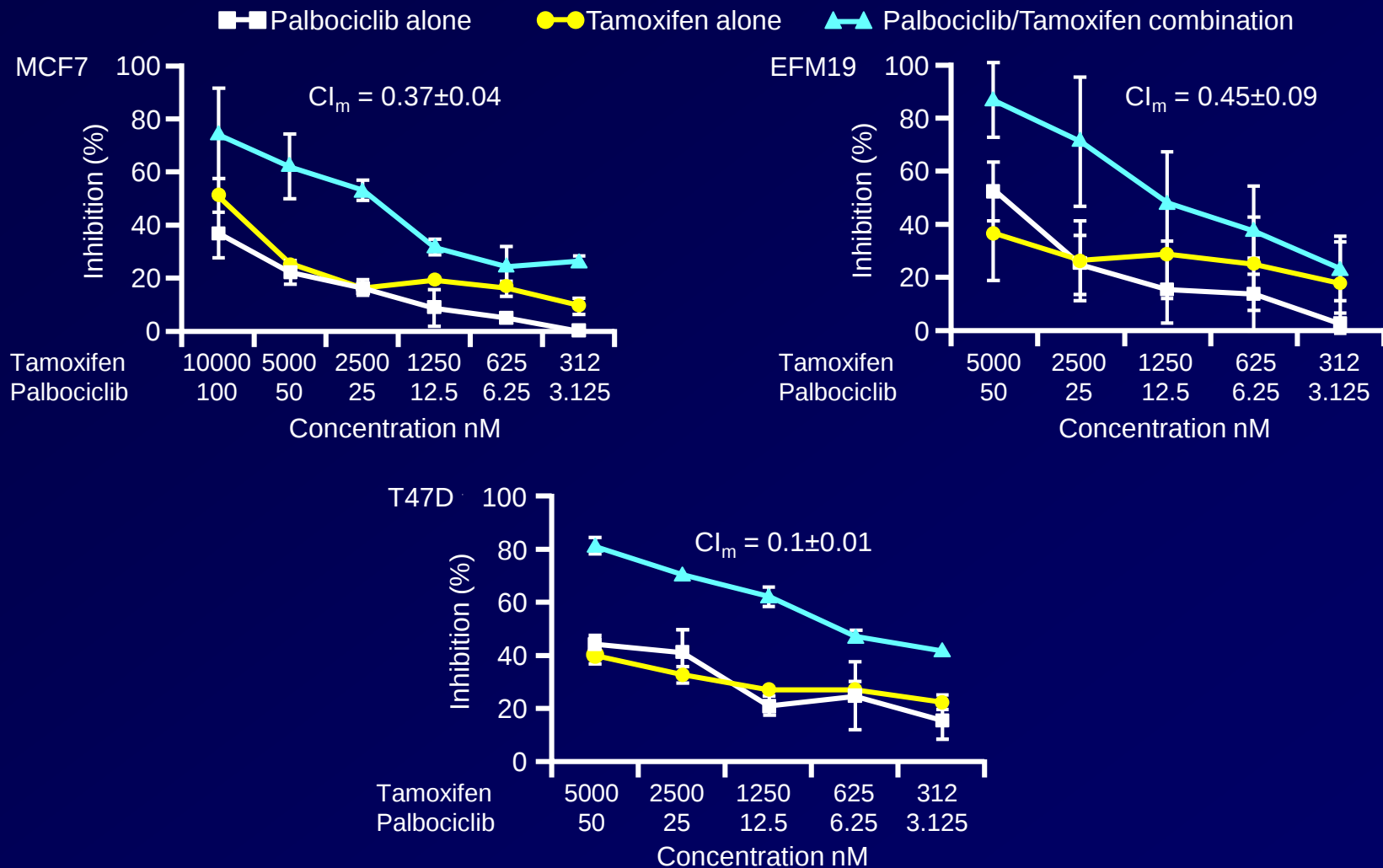
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Non-luminal

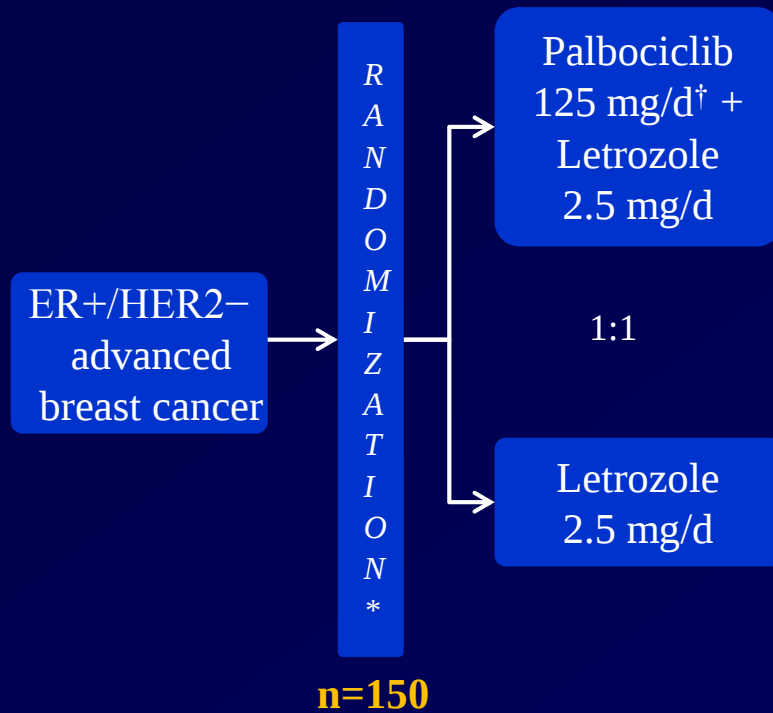


Palbociclib Acts Synergistically with Tamoxifen in ER+ Breast Cancer Cell Lines



- Mean combination index (CI_m) < 1 indicates synergy for the combinations

PALOMA-1/TRIO-18 Study Design (NCT00721409)



- Randomized phase II open-label trial involving 50 centers in 12 countries
- Key eligibility criteria: inoperable ER+/HER2- locally recurrent disease, postmenopausal status, no prior therapy for advanced breast cancer, no prior CDK inhibitors, no letrozole within 12 months, no prior/current brain metastases, measurable disease (RECIST 1.0) or bone-only disease, ECOG performance status ≤ 1 , adequate bone marrow and renal function

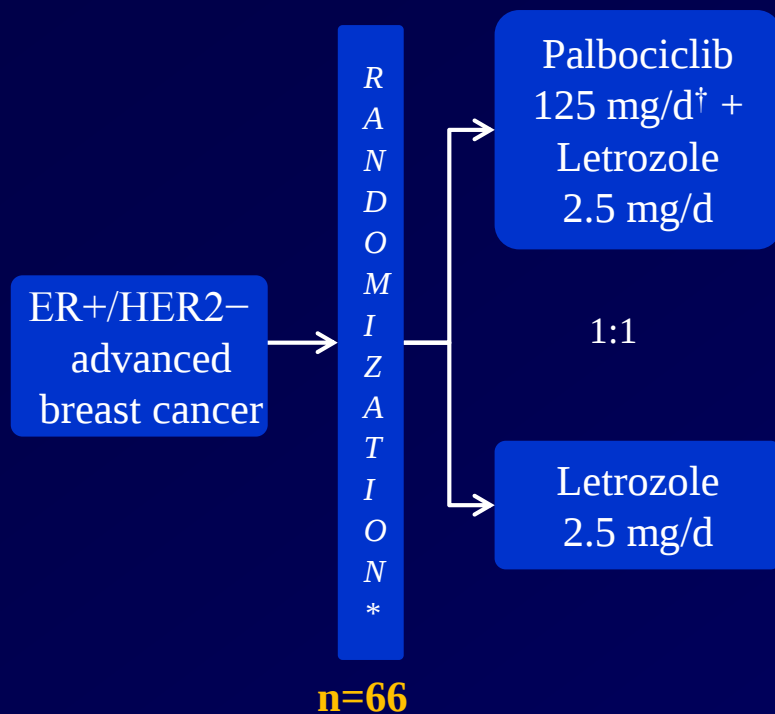
*Randomization stratified by disease site and disease-free interval.

[†] Palbociclib schedule 3/1 (28-day cycles).

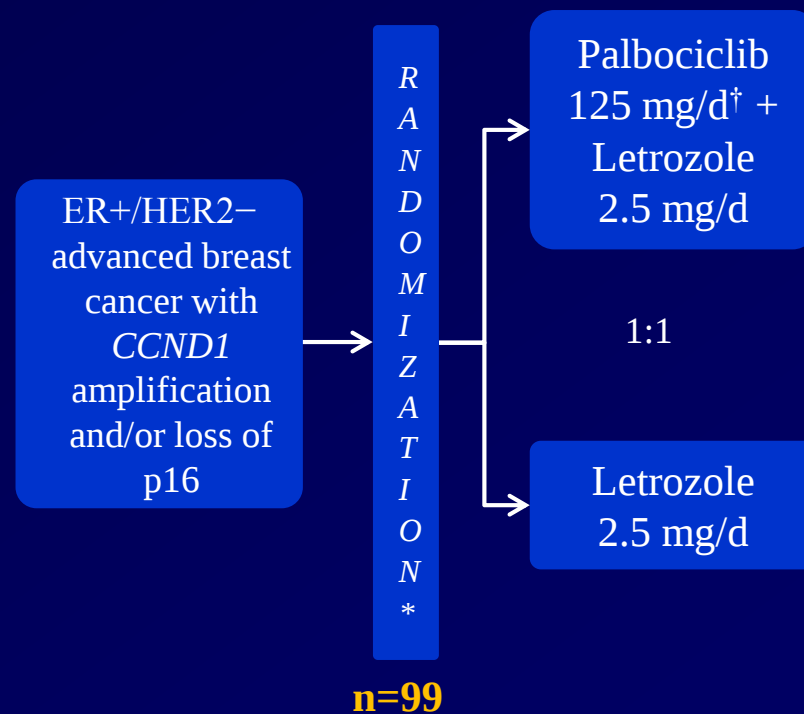
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PALOMA-1/TRIO-18 Study Design (NCT00721409)

Cohort 1



Cohort 2



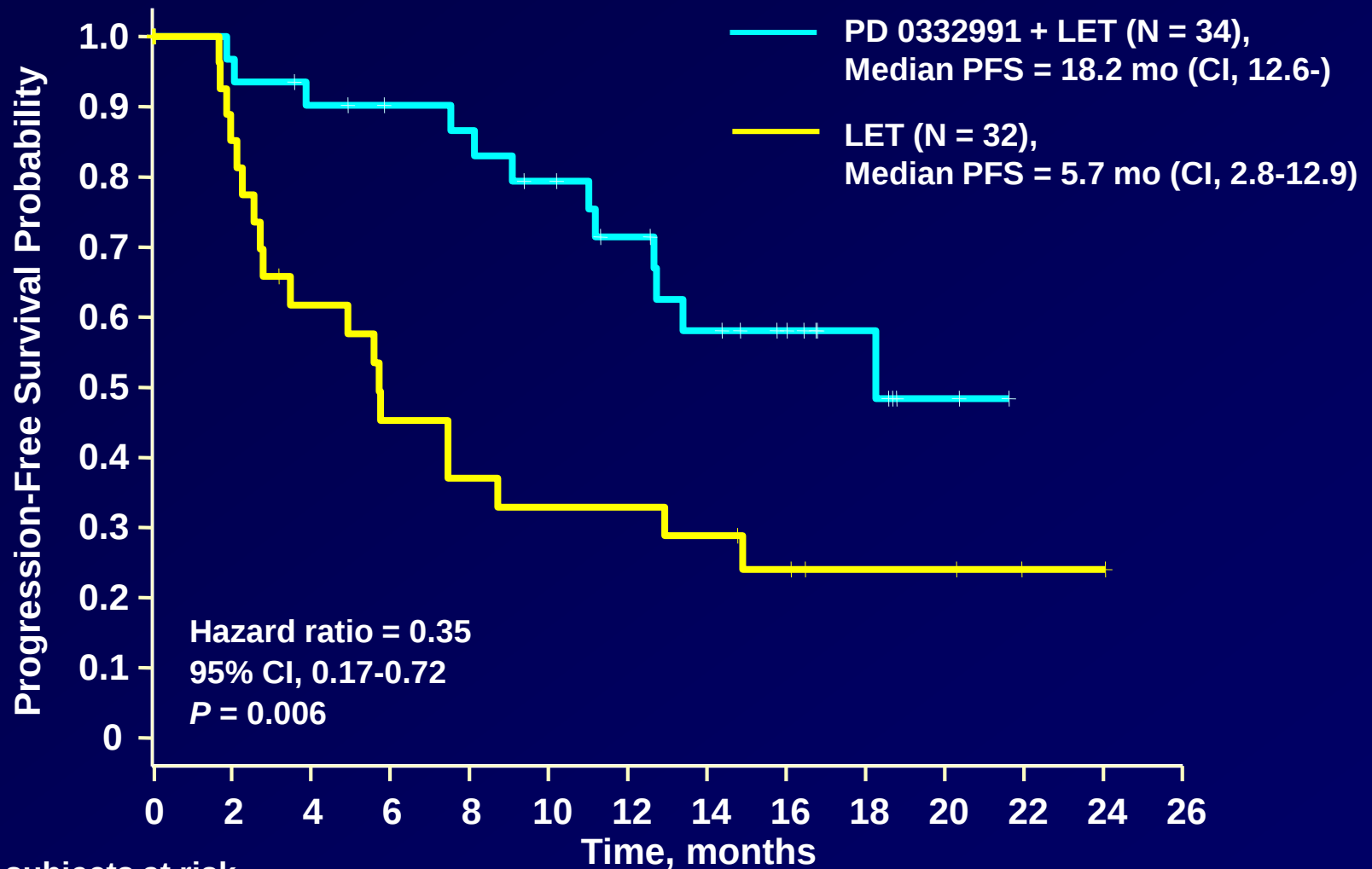
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Progression-Free Survival



Number of subjects at risk

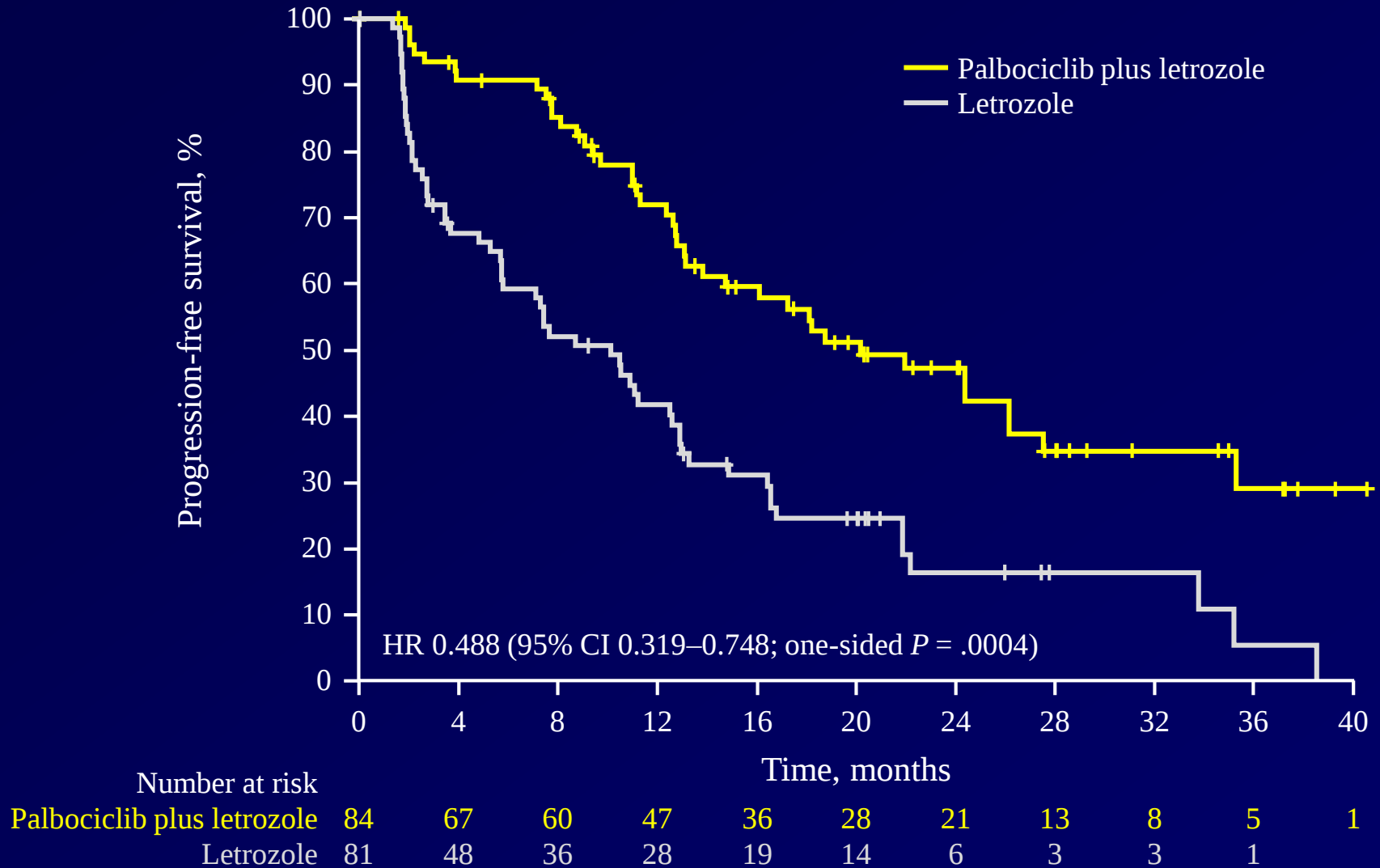
PD 0332991 + LET	34	30	27	25	24	21	17	13	10	6	2		
LET	32	22	15	11	9	8	8	7	5	3	3	1	1

Progression-Free Survival by Biomarker Status*

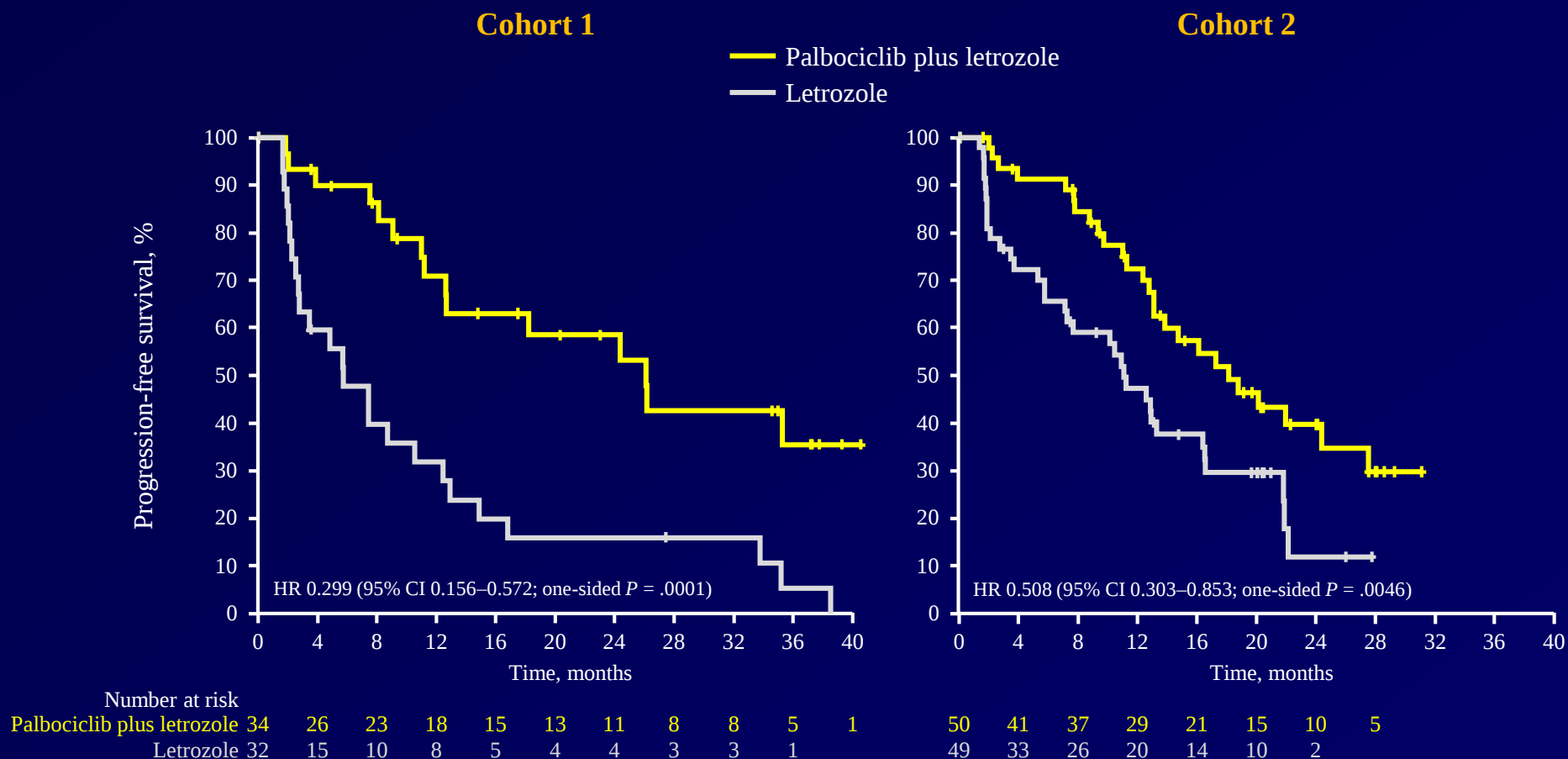
<i>Population</i>	<i>Comparison</i>	<i>Number of Patients</i>	<i>HR (95% CI) / P value</i>
<i>Biomarker Positive</i>	<i>PD 0332991 + Letrozole vs. Letrozole</i>	<i>12 9</i>	<i>0.37 (0.10, 1.40) / 0.13</i>
<i>Biomarker Negative</i>	<i>PD 0332991 + Letrozole vs. Letrozole</i>	<i>10 15</i>	<i>0.19 (0.05, 0.67) / <0.01</i>
<i>Biomarker Status Unknown</i>	<i>PD 0332991 + Letrozole vs. Letrozole</i>	<i>12 8</i>	<i>0.59 (0.11, 3.08) / 0.53</i>
<i>PD 0332991 + Letrozole</i>	<i>Biomarker Positive vs. Biomarker Negative</i>	<i>12 10</i>	<i>1.42 (0.31, 6.43) / 0.65</i>
<i>Letrozole</i>	<i>Biomarker Positive vs. Biomarker Negative</i>	<i>9 15</i>	<i>0.68 (0.24, 1.94) / 0.47</i>

* CCND1 amplification and/or loss of p16.
Finn RS et al IMPAKT 2012

PALOMA-1/TRIO-18: PFS (ITT Population)



PALOMA-1/TRIO-18: PFS (Cohorts)



February 3rd 2015

- U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) granted accelerated approval of palbociclib (IBRANCE[®])
- Indicated in combination with letrozole, for the treatment of postmenopausal women with ER+/ HER2- advanced breast cancer as initial endocrine-based therapy
- This indication is approved under accelerated approval based on progression-free survival (PFS). Continued approval for this indication may be contingent upon verification and description of clinical benefit in a confirmatory trial (PALOMA-2)

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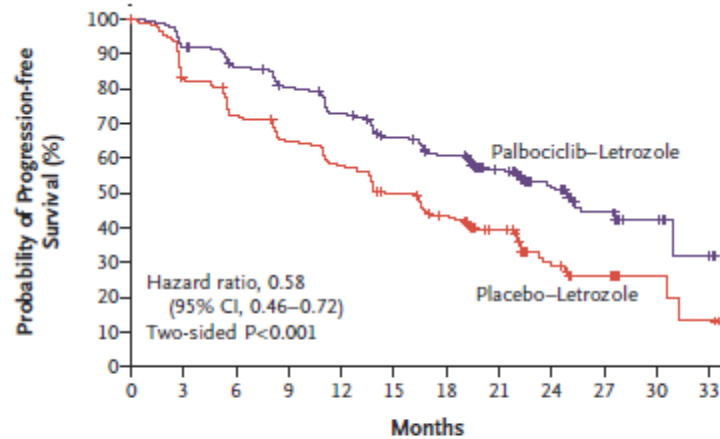
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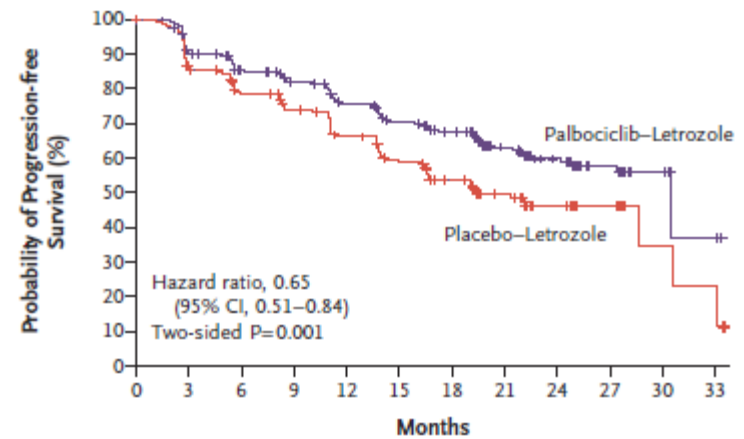
A Investigator Assessment



No. at Risk

Palbociclib– Letrozole	444	395	360	328	295	263	238	154	69	29	10	2
Placebo– Letrozole	222	171	148	131	116	98	81	54	22	12	4	2

B Central Assessment

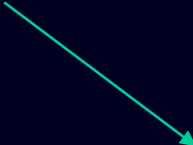


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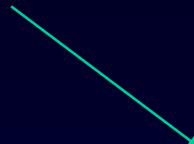
Palbociclib– Letrozole	444	384	344	319	281	252	228	149	68	31	9	2
Placebo– Letrozole	222	167	144	131	111	94	76	49	22	12	3	2

August 2007: in lab

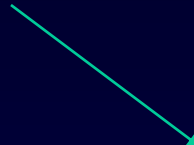
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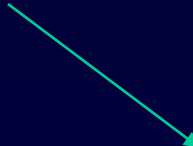
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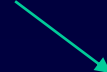
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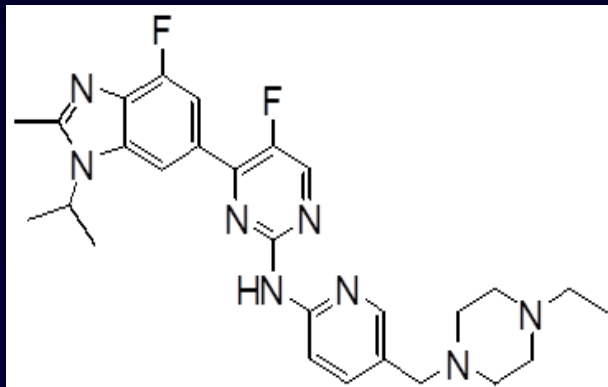
Ribociclib as First-Line Therapy for HR-Positive, Advanced Breast Cancer

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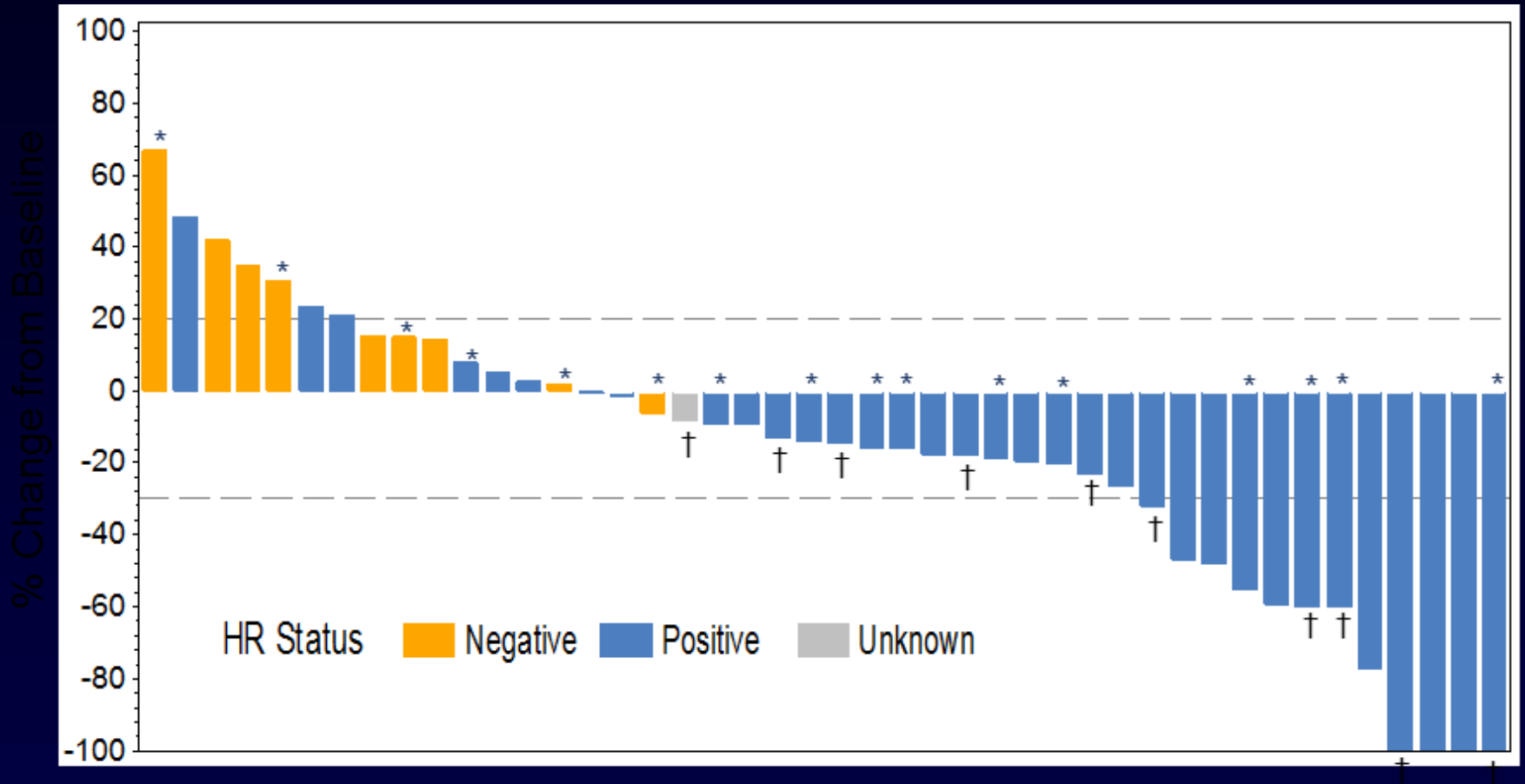
Abemaciclib (LY2835219)



Kinase	IC50 (nM)*
hCDK4 / cyclinD1	2.0
hCDK6 / cyclinD1	9.9
hCDK1 / cyclinB1	1627.0
hCDK9 / cyclinT1	57.0
hPIM1	50.0

**Abemaciclib mesylate*

Change in Tumor Size (Part D, Abemaciclib)



† Patient progressing on endocrine therapy before study entry and continued on that specific therapy

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October 8th 2015

- U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) granted “Breakthrough Therapy Designation” as monotherapy for heavily pre-treated patients with refractory hormone-receptor-positive advanced breast cancer

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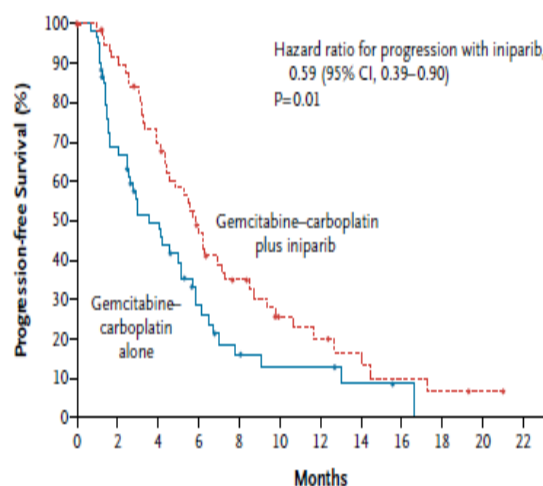
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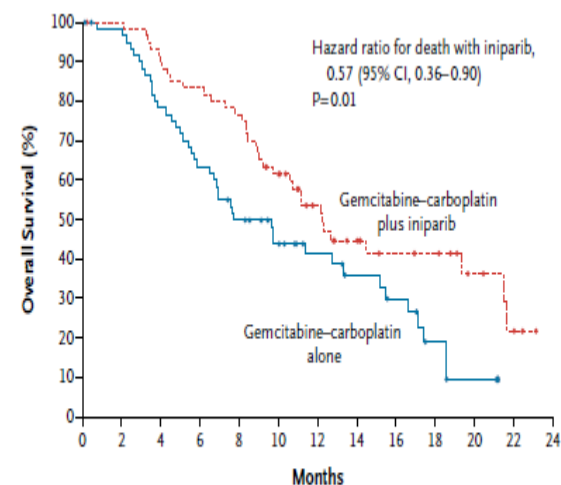
A Progression-free Survival



No. at Risk

Gemcitabine-carboplatin plus iniparib	61	51	38	25	16	9	7	5	3	2	1	0
Gemcitabine-carboplatin alone	62	38	25	12	6	4	4	2	1	0	0	0

B Overall Survival



No. at Risk

Gemcitabine-carboplatin plus iniparib	61	60	54	50	46	35	24	17	12	11	6	3	0
Gemcitabine-carboplatin alone	62	59	47	38	29	22	16	12	9	4	1	0	0

Genomic Data by Breast Subtype

Table 1 | Highlights of genomic, clinical and proteomic features of subtypes

Subtype	Luminal A	Luminal B	Basal-like	HER2E
ER ⁺ /HER2 ⁻ (%)	87	82	10	20
HER2 ⁺ (%)	7	15	2	68
TNBCs (%)	2	1	80	9
TP53 pathway	<i>TP53</i> mut (12%); gain of <i>MDM2</i> (14%)	<i>TP53</i> mut (32%); gain of <i>MDM2</i> (31%)	<i>TP53</i> mut (84%); gain of <i>MDM2</i> (14%)	<i>TP53</i> mut (75%); gain of <i>MDM2</i> (30%)
PIK3CA/PTEN pathway	<i>PIK3CA</i> mut (49%); <i>PTEN</i> mut/loss (13%); <i>INPP4B</i> loss (9%)	<i>PIK3CA</i> mut (32%) <i>PTEN</i> mut/loss (24%) <i>INPP4B</i> loss (16%)	<i>PIK3CA</i> mut (7%); <i>PTEN</i> mut/loss (35%); <i>INPP4B</i> loss (30%)	<i>PIK3CA</i> mut (42%); <i>PTEN</i> mut/loss (19%); <i>INPP4B</i> loss (30%)
RB1 pathway	Cyclin D1 amp (29%); <i>CDK4</i> gain (14%); low expression of <i>CDKN2C</i> ; high expression of <i>RB1</i>	Cyclin D1 amp (58%); <i>CDK4</i> gain (25%)	<i>RB1</i> mut/loss (20%); cyclin E1 amp (9%); high expression of <i>CDKN2A</i> ; low expression of <i>RB1</i>	Cyclin D1 amp (38%); <i>CDK4</i> gain (24%)
mRNA expression	High ER cluster; low proliferation	Lower ER cluster; high proliferation	Basal signature; high proliferation	HER2 amplicon signature; high proliferation
Copy number	Most diploid; many with quiet genomes; 1q, 8q, 8p11 gain; 8p, 16q loss; 11q13.3 amp (24%)	Most aneuploid; many with focal amp; 1q, 8q, 8p11 gain; 8p, 16q loss; 11q13.3 amp (51%); 8p11.23 amp (28%)	Most aneuploid; high genomic instability; 1q, 10p gain; 8p, 5q loss; <i>MYC</i> focal gain (40%)	Most aneuploid; high genomic instability; 1q, 8q gain; 8p loss; 17q12 focal <i>ERRB2</i> amp (71%)
DNA mutations	<i>PIK3CA</i> (49%); <i>TP53</i> (12%); <i>GATA3</i> (14%); <i>MAP3K1</i> (14%)	<i>TP53</i> (32%); <i>PIK3CA</i> (32%); <i>MAP3K1</i> (5%)	<i>TP53</i> (84%); <i>PIK3CA</i> (7%)	<i>TP53</i> (75%); <i>PIK3CA</i> (42%); <i>PIK3R1</i> (8%)
DNA methylation	–	Hypermethylated phenotype for subset	Hypomethylated	–
Protein expression	High oestrogen signalling; high MYB; RPPA reactive subtypes	Less oestrogen signalling; high FOXM1 and MYC; RPPA reactive subtypes	High expression of DNA repair proteins, PTEN and INPP4B loss signature (pAKT)	High protein and phospho-protein expression of EGFR and HER2

Percentages are based on 466 tumour overlap list. Amp, amplification; mut, mutation.

Conclusions:

- The greatest advances in patient outcomes have come from integrating biology into clinical care
- Critical use of pre-clinical models can help guide this process
- Generate hypothesis driven phase 1/2 studies

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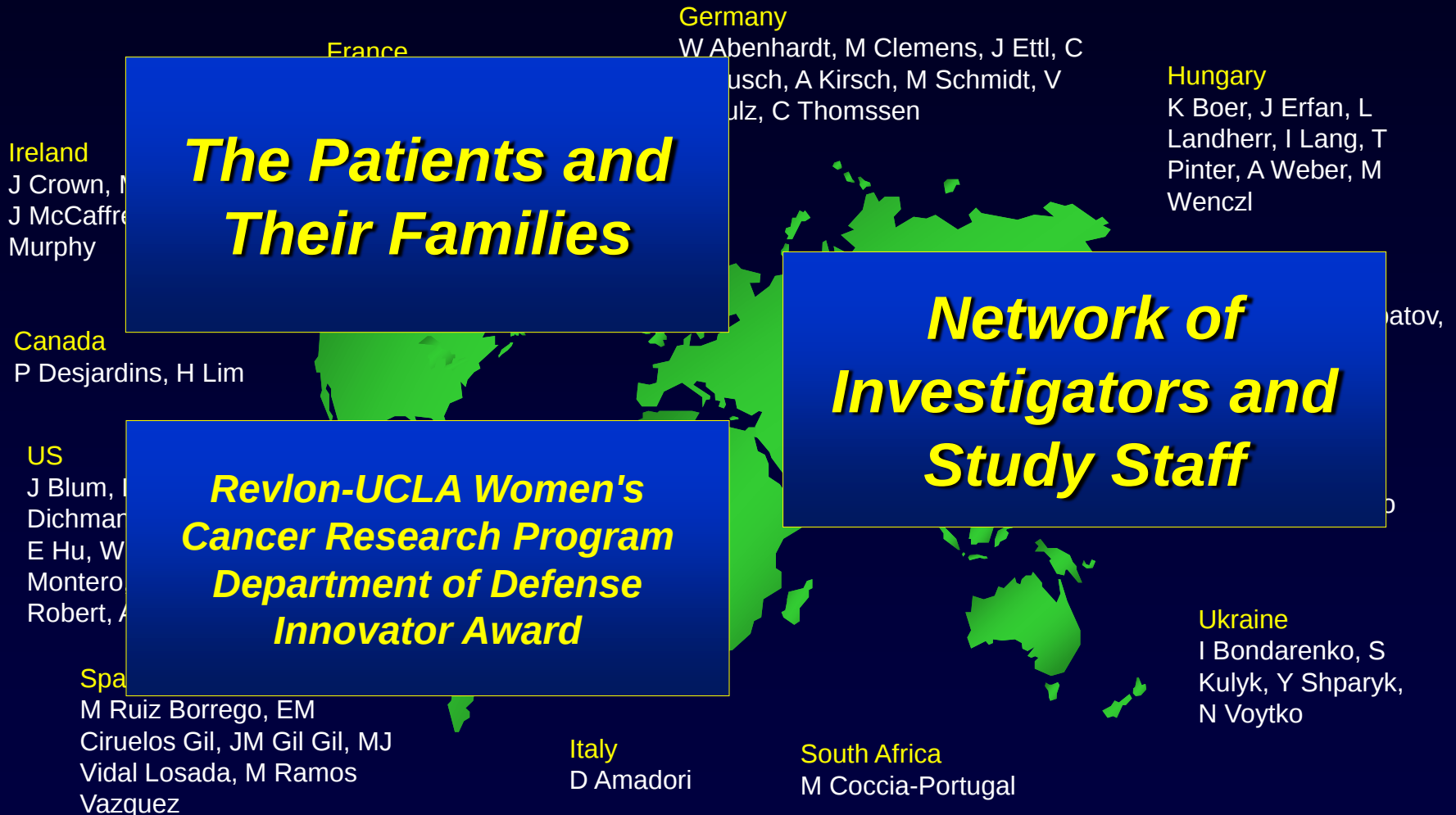
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