

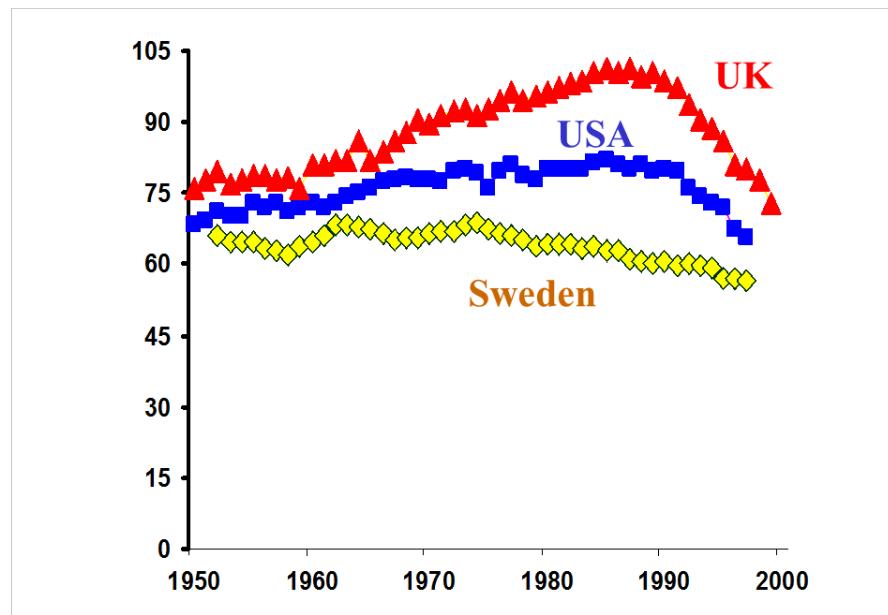
# Neoadjuvanta translationella studier

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- Bröstcancer är potentiellt en generaliserad sjukdom – redan vid diagnosen
- Kirurgi är en viktig del av behandlingen - men inte nödvändigtvis som primär åtgärd



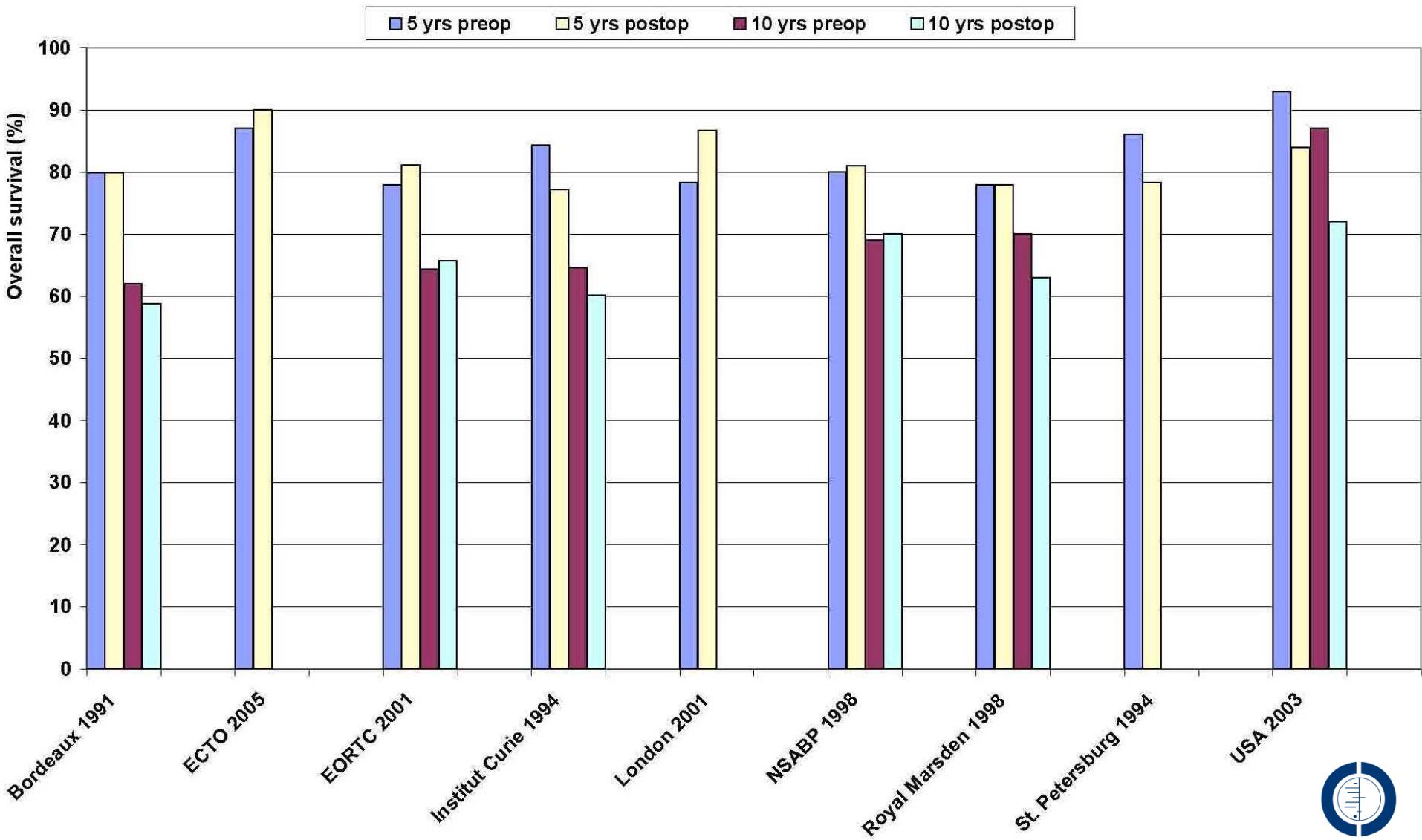
## Summary of findings

Outcome	No of Participants (No of trials)	Control group risk	Relative effect (95% CI)	Absolute effect	Quality	Comments
death	4621 (10)	(24.9%)	RR 0.98 (0.87 to 1.09)	fewer/1 000	⊕⊕⊕⊕ High	Hazard ratios were used.
loco regional recurrence (excluding trials with no surgery)	4198 (8)	(8.5%)	RR 1.12 (0.92 to 1.37)	26 more/1 000	⊕⊕⊕○ Moderate	
loco regional recurrence (studies with exclusive radiotherapy)	843 (3)	(15.9%)	RR 1.45 (1.06 to 1.97)	67 more/1 000	⊕⊕⊕○ Moderate	
mastectomy	5292 (10)	(52.9%)	RR 0.71 (0.67 to 0.75)	166 fewer/1 000	⊕⊕⊕○ Moderate	Substantial heterogeneity
mastectomy (excluding 2 studies)	3709 (8)	(43.1%)	RR 0.82 (0.76 to 0.89)	80 fewer/1 000	⊕⊕⊕⊕ High	Excluding two studies: one with intensive chemotherapy and one with no breast conservation in control arm in protocol.
Infectious complications	2799 (4)	(13.8%)	RR 0.69 (0.56 to 0.84)	42 fewer/1 000	⊕⊕⊕⊕ High	



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## Survival rates in research and control arm after 5 and 10 years median follow-up

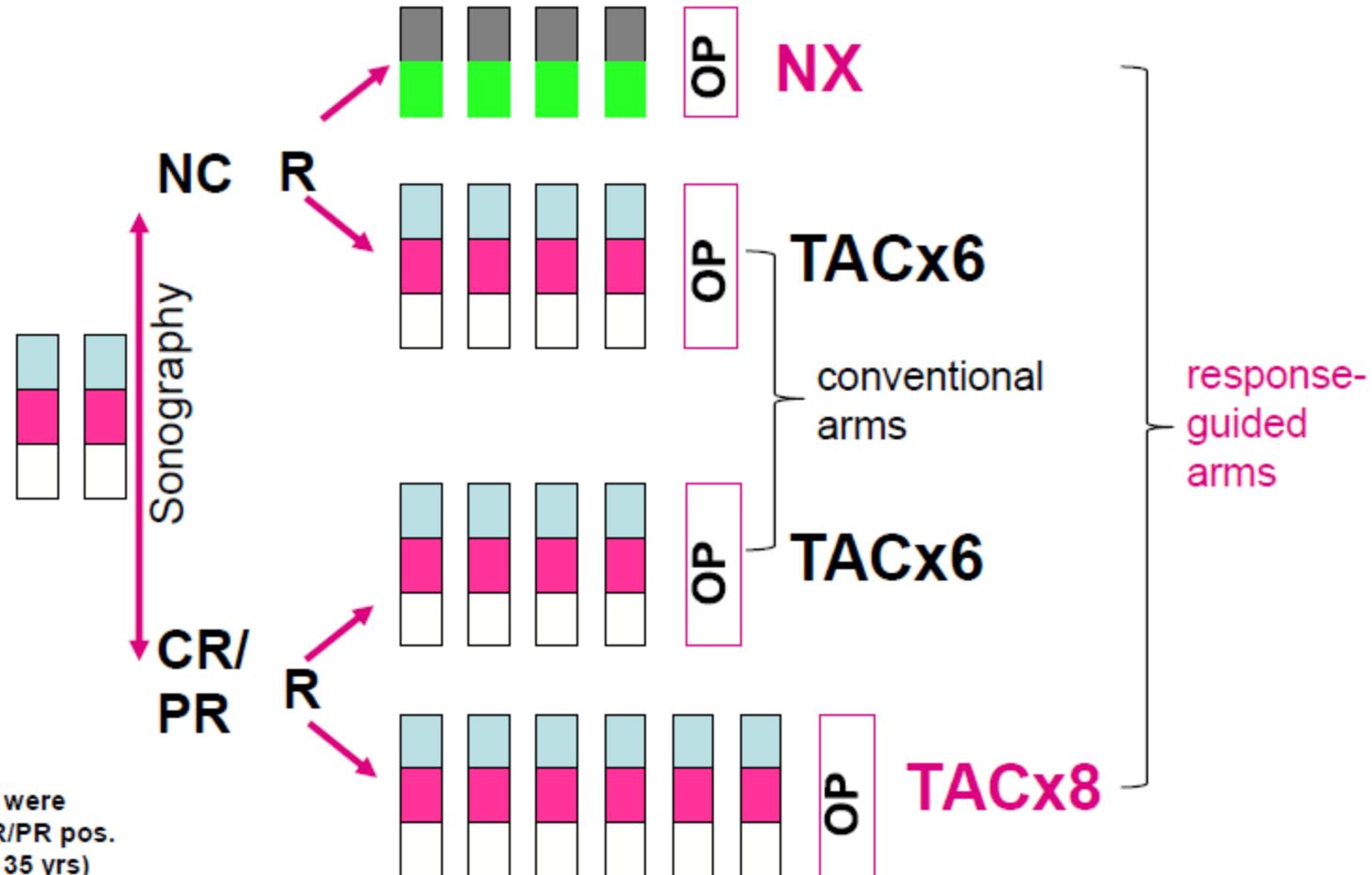


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# GeparTrio Trial Design

N=2072

Core biopsy:  
uni/bilateral  
cT2-4a-d  
cN0-3  
size  $\geq 2$  cm\*



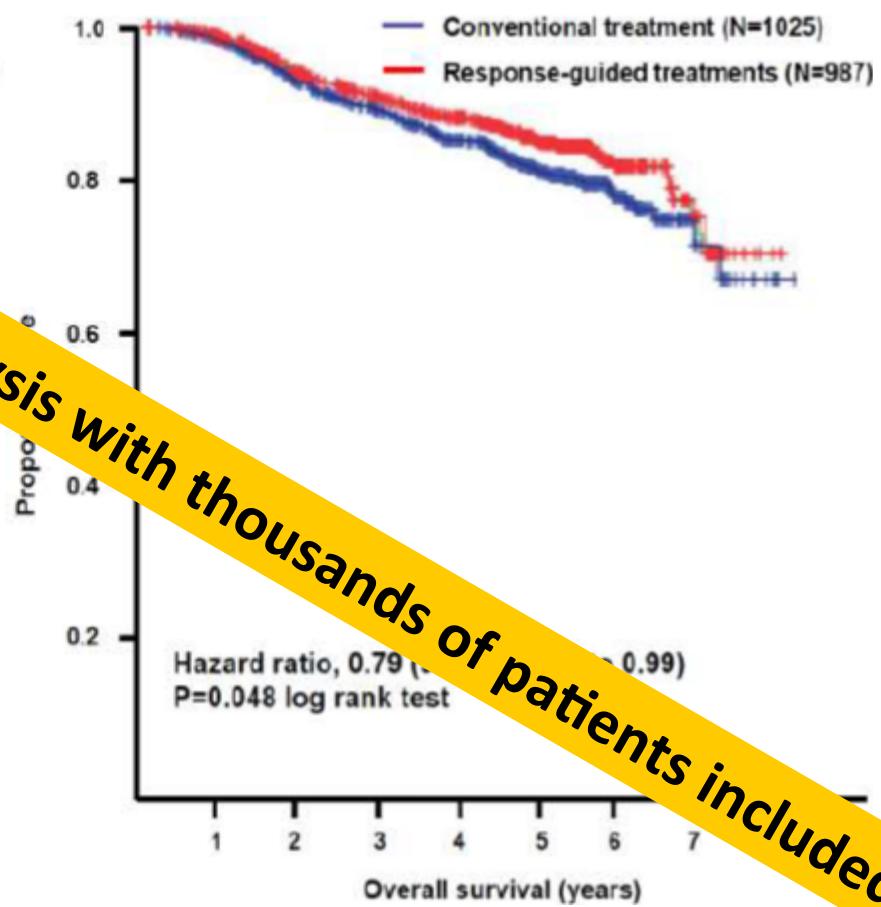
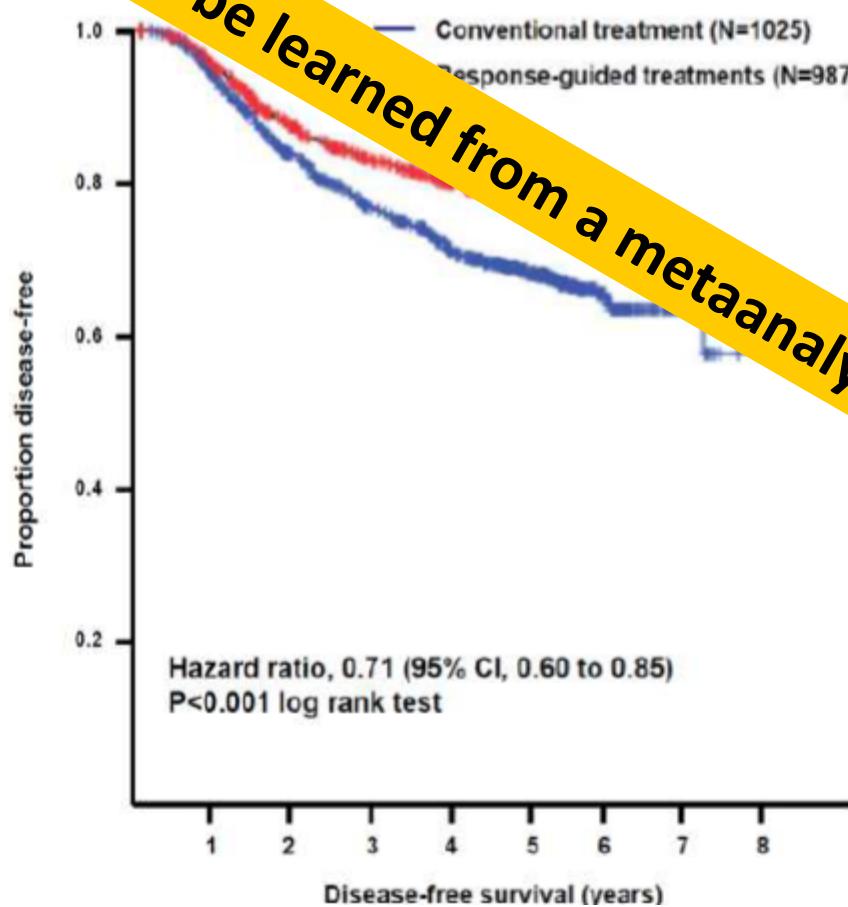
\*low risk patients were excluded (T2 + ER/PR pos. + cNO + G1/2 + > 35 yrs)

# Aims

- To take advantage from the *in vivo* chemosensitivity test situation of neoadjuvant treatment
- To develop specific treatment strategies for patients with or without response to 2 cycles TAC
  - Responding patients:
    - treatment intensification by increased cycle number
  - Non-responding patients:
    - switch to non-cross resistant treatment

## DFS and OS after

### Conventional (TACx6) vs. response-guided (TACx8/TAC-NX) treatment



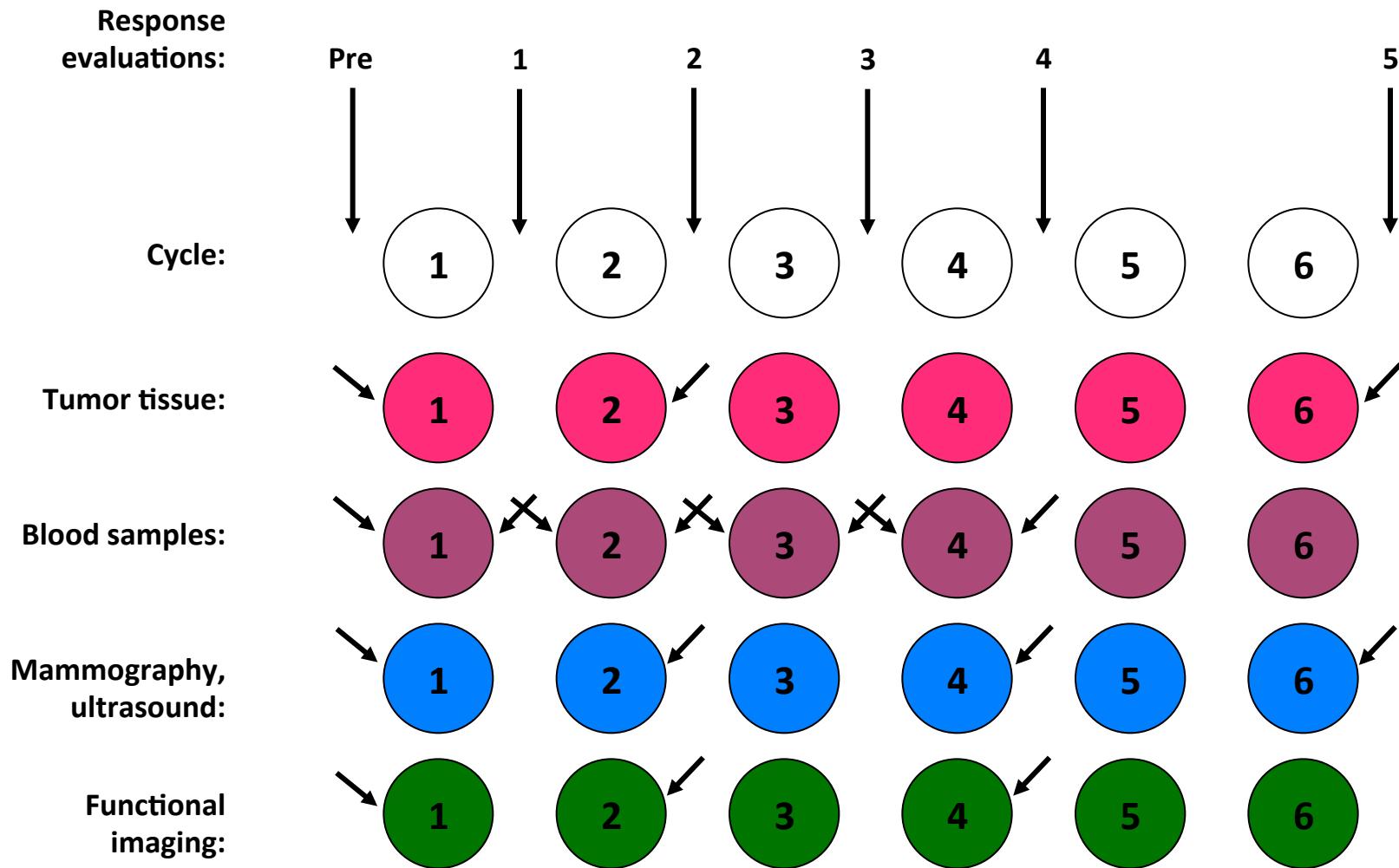
Could that be learned from a metaanalysis with thousands of patients included?

**Adjuvant Systemic Therapy is  
a “blind” procedure: It is  
administered after the only  
opportunity for monitoring for  
effectiveness has been  
eliminated**

Gabriel Hortobagyi, SA 2012

# PROMIX - Preoperative treatment of breast cancer with a combination of epirubicin, docetaxel and bevacizumab

## A translational trial on molecular markers and functional imaging to predict response early

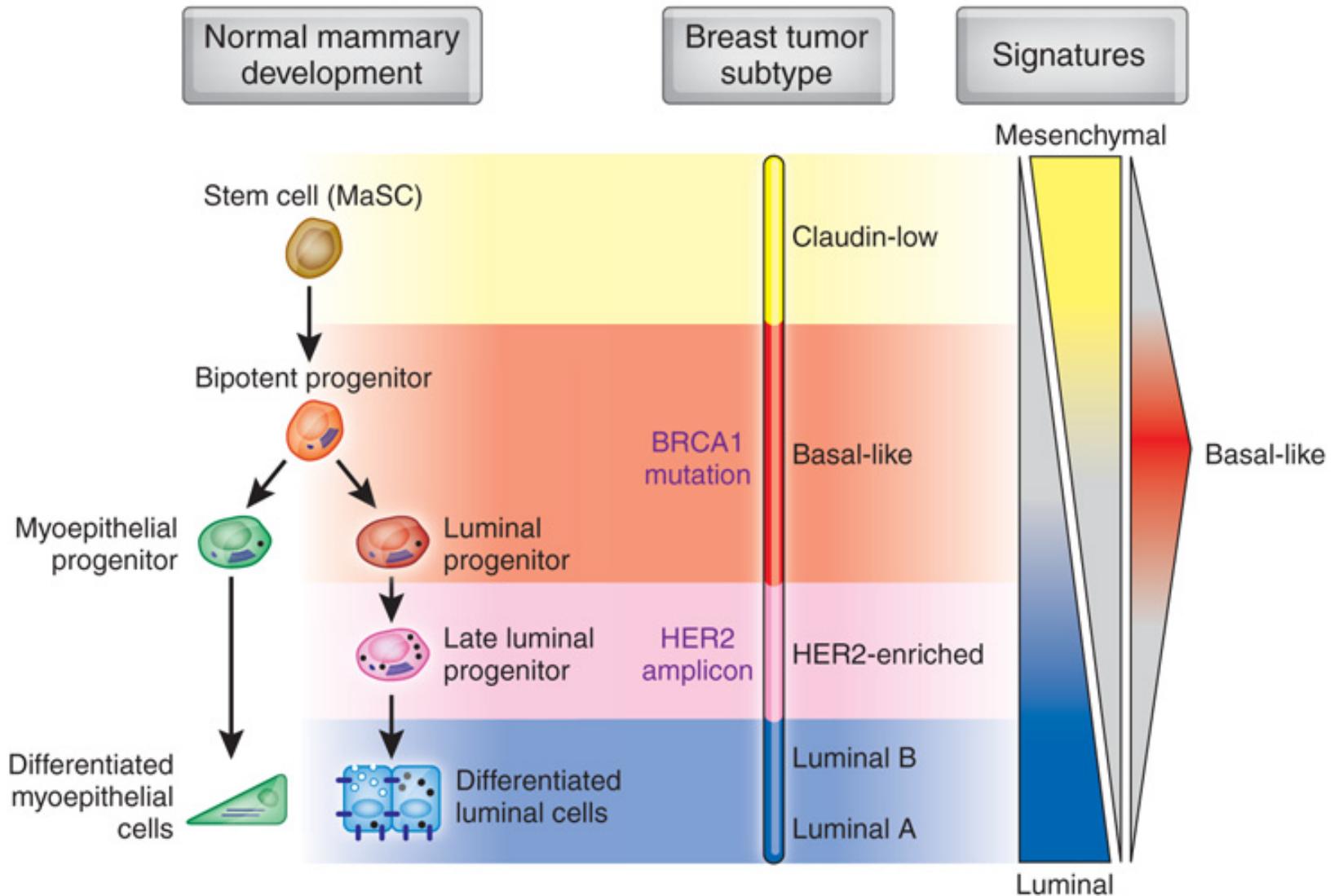




Patient and tumor characteristics		
<i>Patients (n)</i>		151
<i>Age at registration (yr)</i>		
Mean		50 (27.8-70.6)
Median		47,6
<i>Menopausal status</i>		
Premenopausal	90	60%
0-5 years postmenopausal	16	11%
More than 5 years postmenopausal	43	28%
Unknown	2	1%
<i>Tumour size (mm)</i>		
Mean		58
Median		52
≤20	4	3%
>20	138	91%
Unknown	9	6%
<i>Lymph node metastasis (axilla)</i>		
Positive	81	54%
None/Not known	70	46%

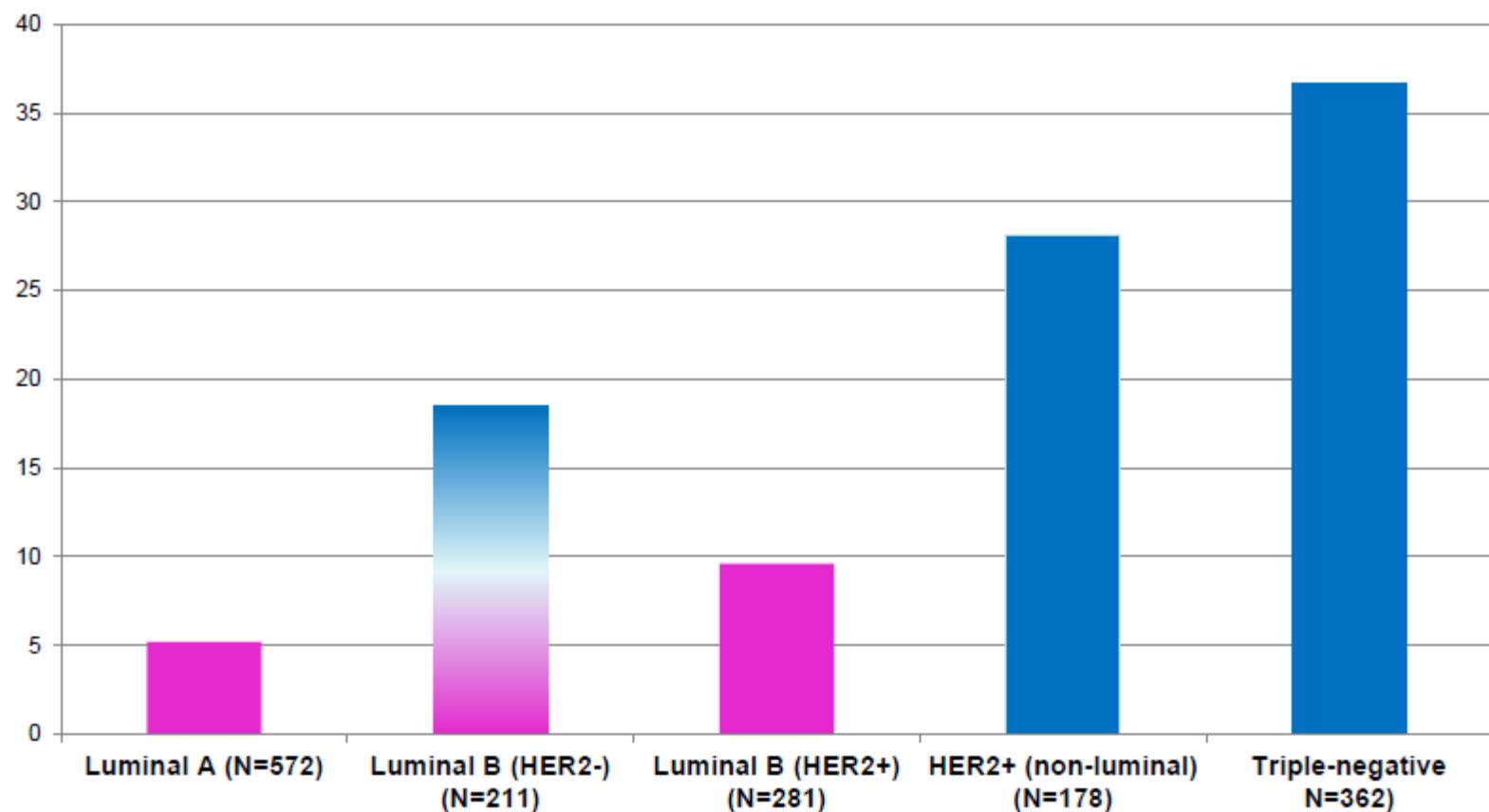


Patient and tumor characteristics		
<i>Histological grade acc. to Elston &amp; Ellis</i>		
Grade I	4	3%
Grade II	47	31%
Grade III	33	22%
Unknown	67	44%
<i>Hormone receptor status</i>		
ERα positive (%)		
<10	107	71%
>10	41	27%
Unknown	3	2%
PR positive (%)		
<10	65	43%
>10	83	55%
Unknown	3	2%
ER and/or PR positive		
Positive	111	74%
Negative	37	25%
Unclassified	3	2%



# pCR Rates by Subtype

pCR (%)





## Pathological response stratified by subtype

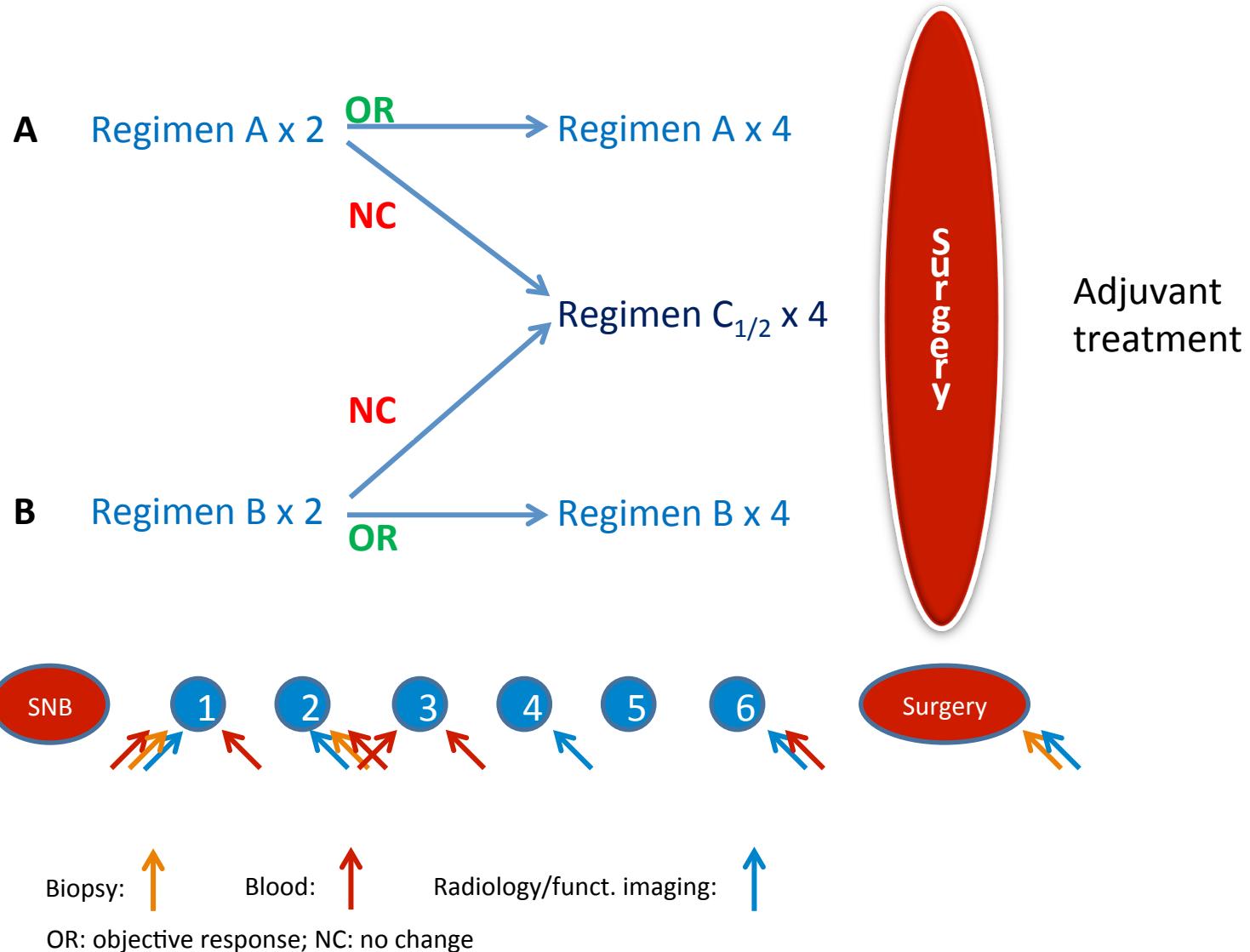
	pCR	pPR/NC	PD	Unknown	Total
Subtype					
Luminal A	0 (0%)	23 (21%)	0 (0%)	3 (33%)	26 (17%)
Luminal B	10 (50%)	55 (50%)	2 (100%)	4 (44%)	75 (50%)
TNBC	10 (50%)	24 (22%)	0 (0%)	2 (22%)	37 (25%)
Unclassified	0 (0%)	8 (7%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	13 (9%)

# Förutsättning för translationell forskning

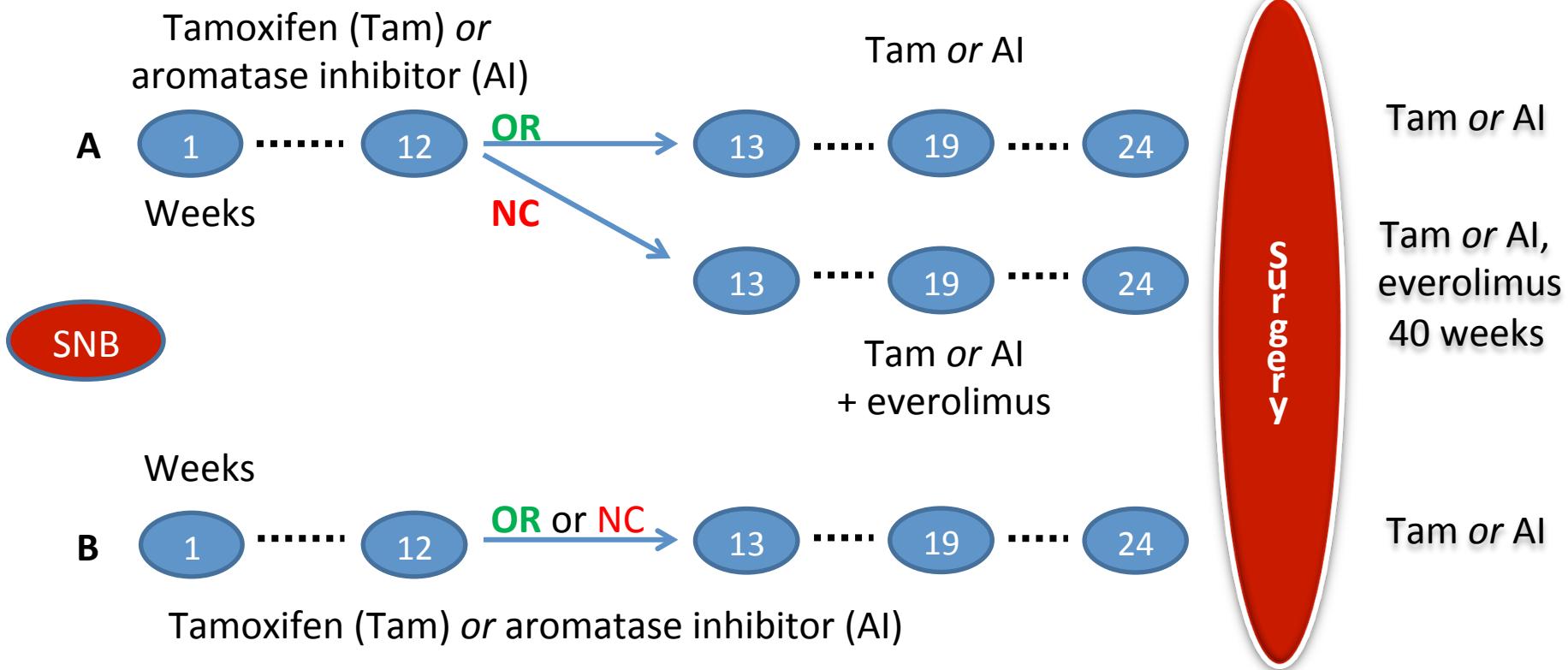
- Snabb utveckling av tumörbiologisk kunskap med avancerad teknologi
- Functional imaging ökar kunskapen om ”vad som händer” i tumören under behandling
- ”*in vivo*” tillåter test av nya målriktade droger i tidigare obehandlad tumör
- Seriella tumörbiopsier och blodprovtagningar
- Nära samarbete mellan radiolog, patolog, labforskare, kirurg och onkolog

Neoadjuvant response-guided treatment of  
breast cancer based on molecular subtypes.  
A set of exploratory translational trials

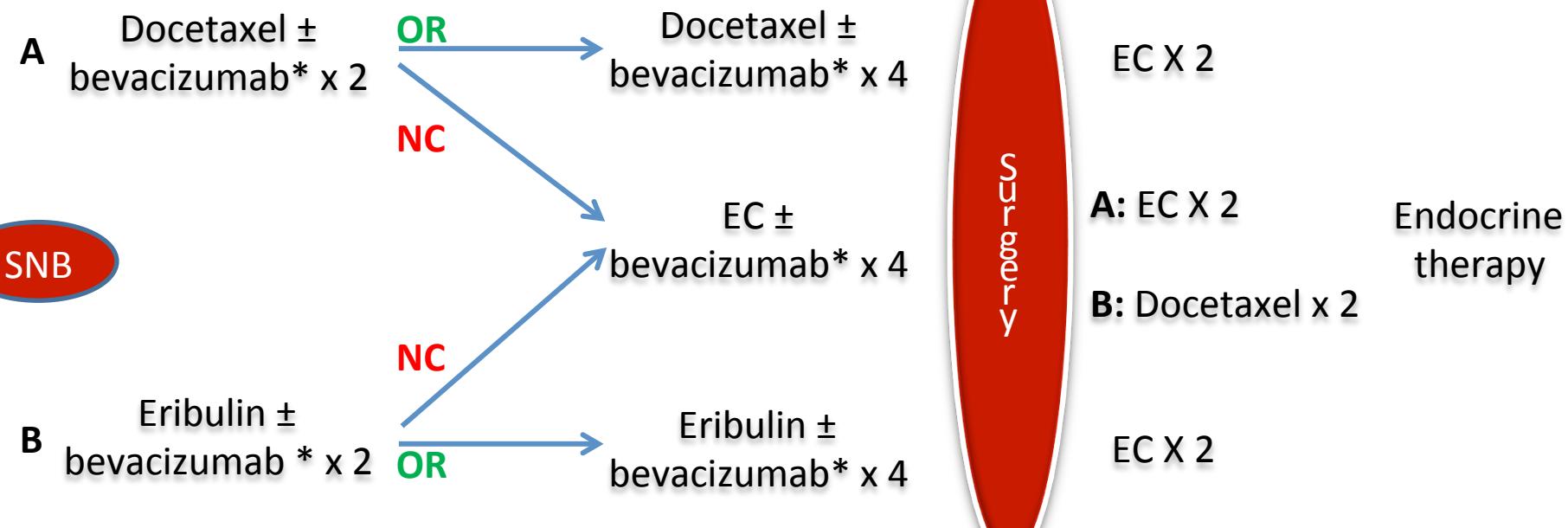




# Luminal A



# Luminal A<sub>N+</sub>, Luminal B



\*: biomarker-guided randomization

# HER2+ (ER-/PR- or luminal B)

A Docetaxel +  
trastuzumab +  
pertuzumab x 2

OR

NC

Docetaxel +  
trastuzumab +  
pertuzumab x 4

T-DM1 x 4

Docetaxel +  
trastuzumab +  
pertuzumab x 4

SNB

B T-DM1 X 2

NC

OR

T-DM1 X 4



Trastuzumab X 11

EC X 2

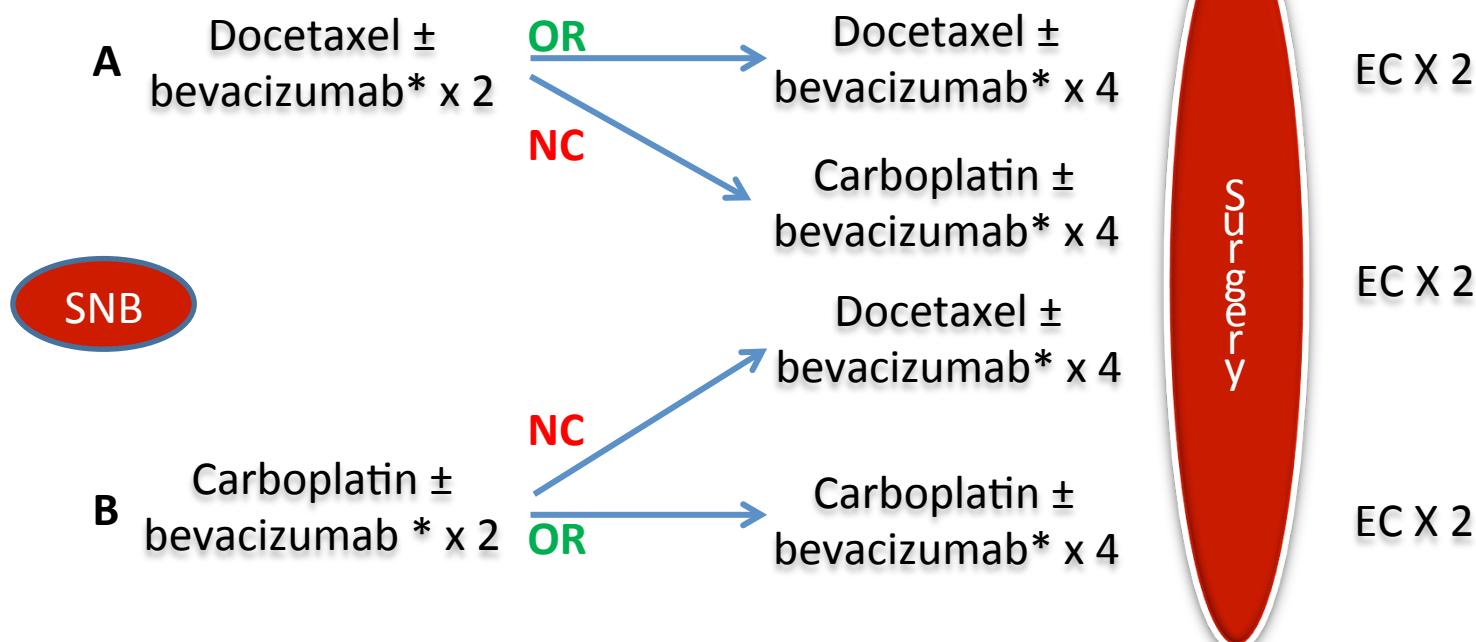
EC X 2

EC X 2

EC X 4

Luminal B:  
Endocrine  
therapy

# Triple-negative breast cancer

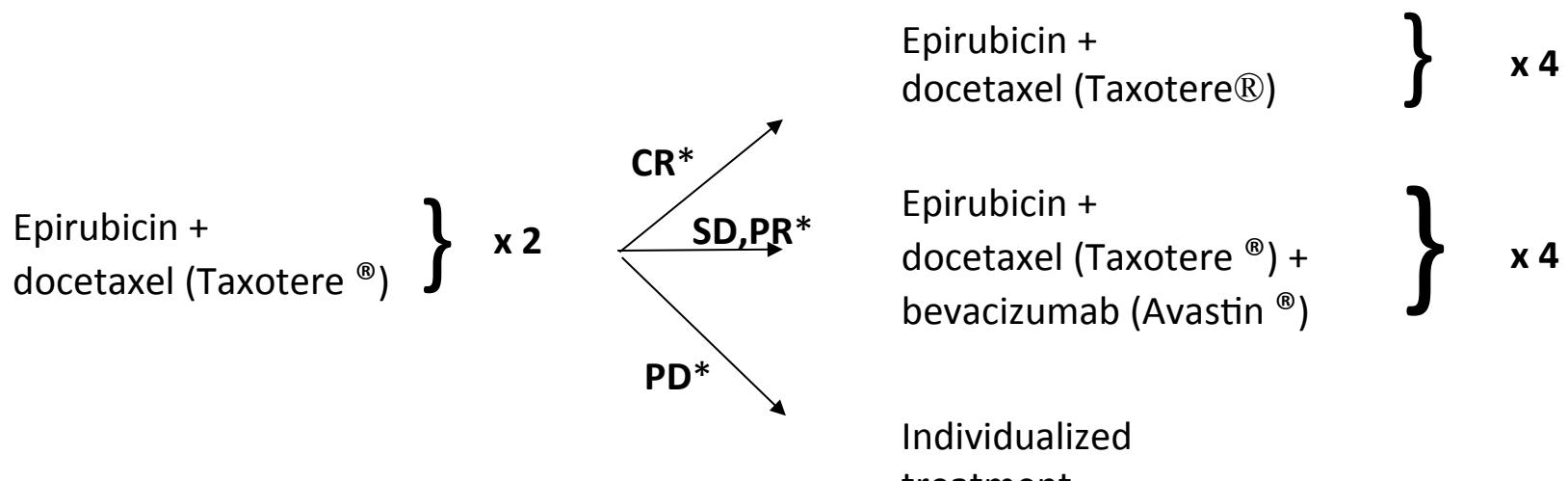


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\*: OR = Objective response; SD = Stable disease, PD = Progressive disease

# Breast Cancer Includes Several Distinct Molecularly Defined Subtypes

Molecular subtype <sup>1,2</sup>	Characteristic biomarkers	Prevalence <sup>3</sup>
Luminal A	ER+, PgR+, HER2-	28–31%
Luminal B	ER+, PgR+, HER2+	19–23%
HER2-enriched	ER-, PgR-, HER2+	12–21%
Basal-like	ER-, PgR-, HER2- Cytokeratins EGFR	11–23%
Claudin-low <sup>3</sup>	ER-, PgR-, HER2- Low/absent expression of luminal differentiation markers High enrichment for EMT markers, immune response genes and cancer stem cell-like features	7–14%

EGFR = epidermal growth factor receptor; EMT = epithelial-to-mesenchymal transition; ER = oestrogen receptor; HER2 = human epidermal growth factor receptor 2; PgR = progesterone receptor; TNBC = triple-negative breast cancer; 1. Sørlie et al. PNAS 2001; 2. Nguyen et al. J Clin Oncol 2008; 3. Prat et al. Breast Cancer Res 2010

Intrinsic subtype	Clinico-pathologic surrogate definition	Notes
Luminal A	<p>'Luminal A-like'  <i>all of</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ER and PgR positive</li> <li>HER2 negative</li> <li>Ki-67 'low'</li> </ul> <p>Recurrence risk 'low' based on multi-gene-expression assay (if available)<sup>b</sup></p>	The cut-point between 'high' and 'low' values for Ki-67 varies between laboratories. <sup>a</sup> A level of <14% best correlated with the gene-expression definition of Luminal A based on the results in a single reference laboratory [23]. Similarly, the added value of PgR in distinguishing between 'Luminal A-like' and 'Luminal B-like' subtypes derives from the work of Prat et al. which used a PgR cut-point of ≥20% to best correspond to Luminal A subtype [24]. Quality assurance programmes are essential for laboratories reporting these results.
Luminal B	<p>'Luminal B-like (HER2 negative)'</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ER positive</li> <li>HER2 negative</li> <li>and <i>at least one of</i></li> <li>Ki-67 'high'</li> <li>PgR 'negative or low'</li> </ul> <p>Recurrence risk 'high' based on multi-gene-expression assay (if available)<sup>b</sup></p> <p>'Luminal B-like (HER2 positive)'</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ER positive</li> <li>HER2 over-expressed or amplified</li> <li>Any Ki-67</li> <li>Any PgR</li> </ul>	'Luminal B-like' disease comprises those luminal cases which lack the characteristics noted above for 'Luminal A-like' disease. Thus, either a high Ki-67 <sup>a</sup> value or a low PgR value (see above) may be used to distinguish between 'Luminal A-like' and 'Luminal B-like (HER2 negative)'.
Erbb-2 overexpression	'HER2 positive (non-luminal)'	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HER2 over-expressed or amplified</li> <li>ER and PgR absent</li> </ul>	
'Basal-like'	'Triple negative (ductal)'	<p>There is an 80% overlap between 'triple-negative' and intrinsic 'basal-like' subtype. Some cases with low-positive ER staining may cluster with non-luminal subtypes on gene-expression analysis. 'Triple negative' also includes some special histological types such as adenoid cystic carcinoma.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ER and PgR absent</li> <li>HER2 negative</li> </ul>	

# Translational network

- Rapid development of tumor biology
- Functional imaging adds to "anatomical" imaging
- Trend to replace adjuvant by neoadjuvant "*in vivo*" treatment
- Early testing of new targeted drugs
- Serial biopsies and blood samples
- Close cooperation between radiologist, pathologist, laboratory scientists, surgeons and oncologists