

PROGETTO CANOA – QUALI NOVITA' PER IL 2025?



Immunoterapia nel Carcinoma Mammario ER-Positivo: Quali novità?



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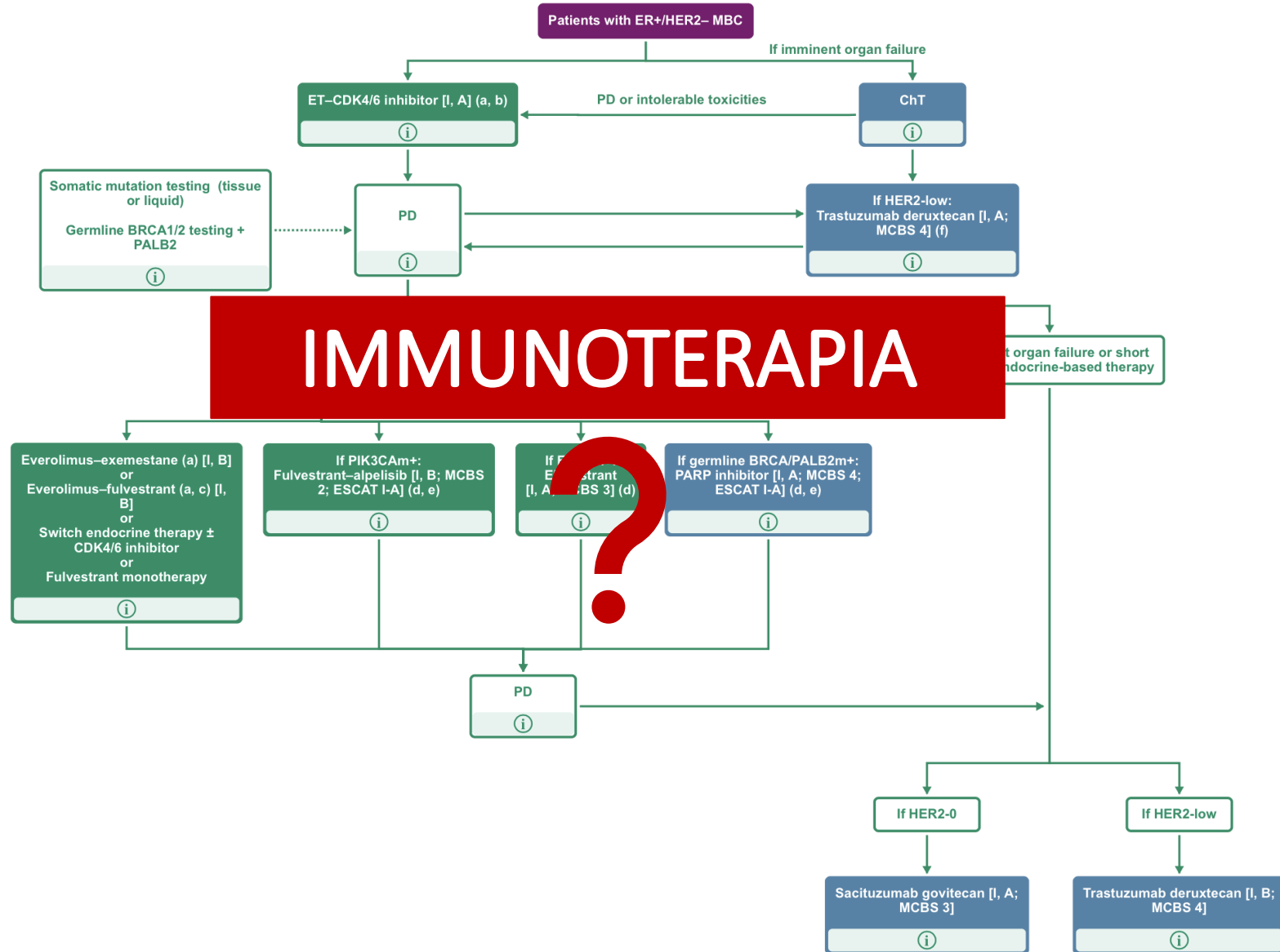
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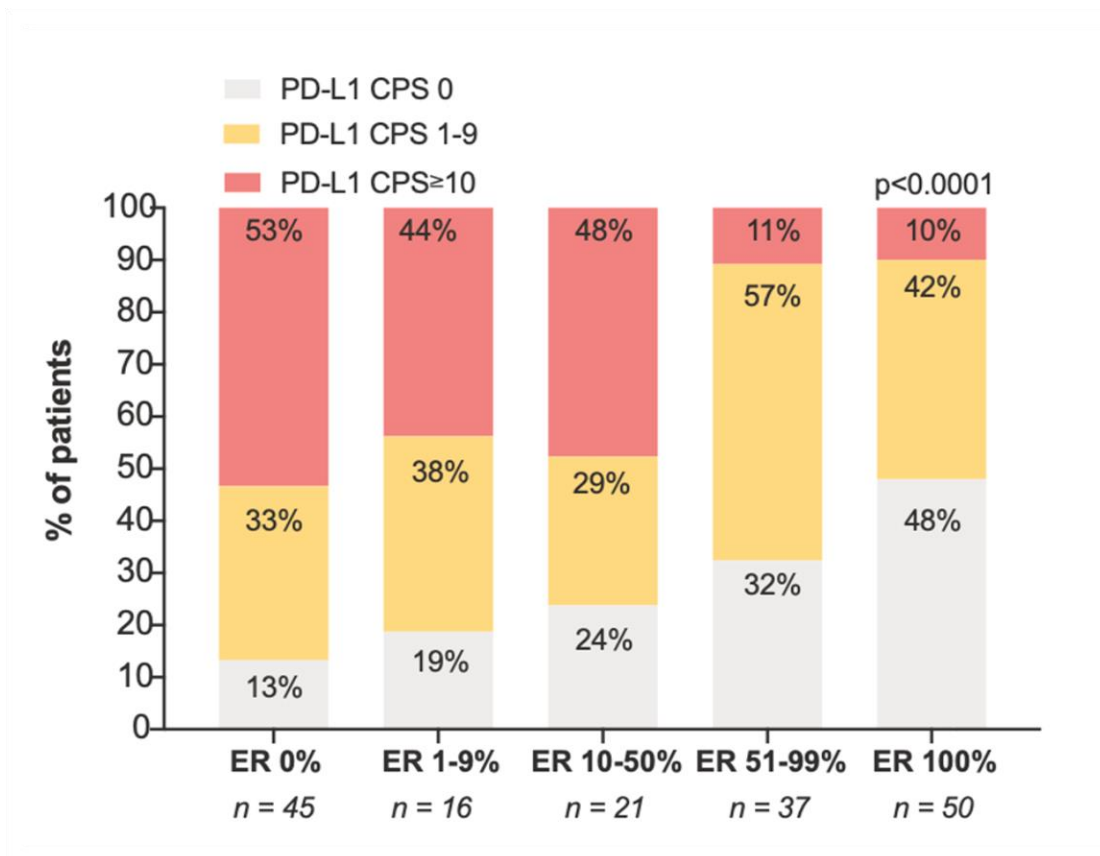
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LUMINAL-LIKE BREAST CANCER

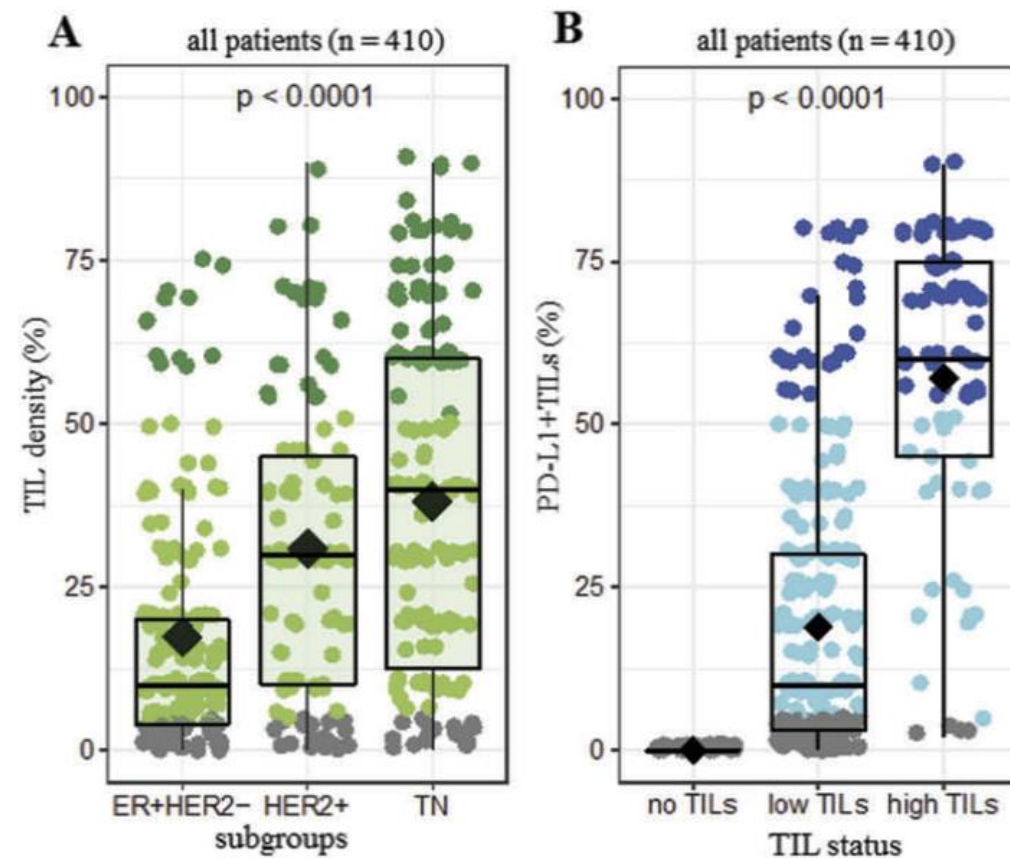


ER-POSITIVE BC NON E' UN'UNICA ENTITA'

ESPRESSIONE DI PD-L1 IN BASE AD ESPRESIONE RECETTORI ESTROGENICI



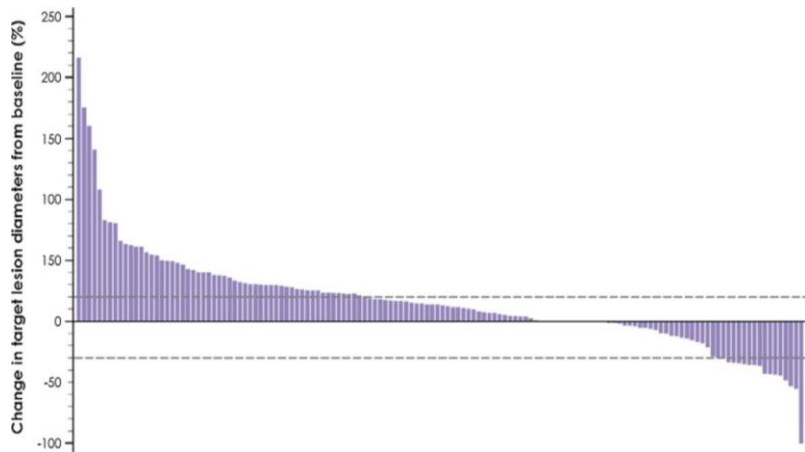
ESPRESSIONE TILS E PD-L1 IN BASE A SOTTOTIPO INTRINSECO



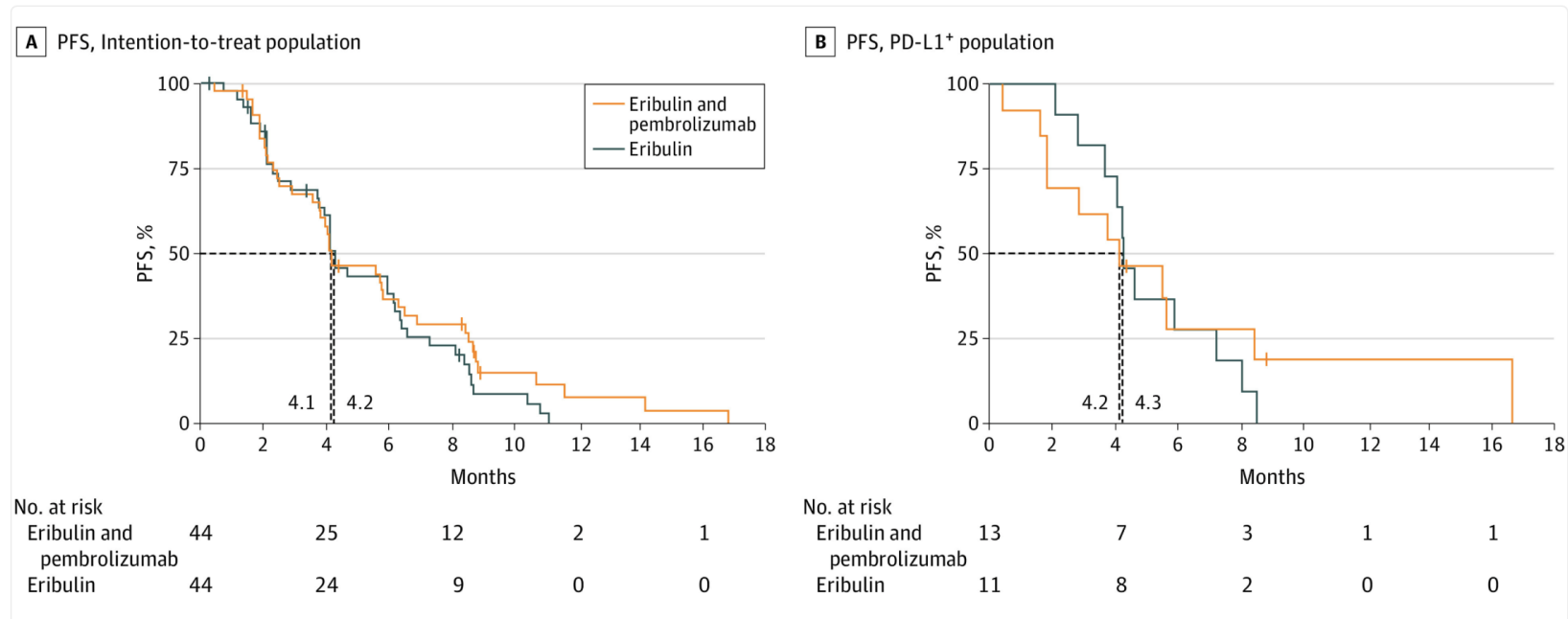
RAZIONALE PER L'IMMUNOTERAPIA NELL'ER+ BC?

- ER+ BC è un tumore “freddo” dal punto di vista immunitario (a differenza del TNBC): ↓TILs e ↓PD-L1
- L'immunoterapia non ha dimostrato efficacia in setting avanzato di malattia ER+

JAVELIN Solid Tumors (Avelumab)



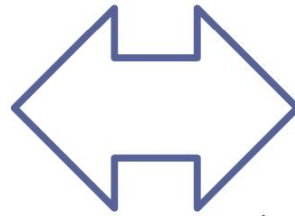
Eribulin ± Pembrolizumab



RAZIONALE PER L'IMMUNOTERAPIA NELL'ER+ BC?

- Sappiamo che i **tumori primitivi** sono spesso meno immunosoppressi rispetto ai **tumori pretrattati**
- Inoltre, la combinazione di ICIs con agenti citotossici può suscitare maggiori risposte immunitarie antitumorali

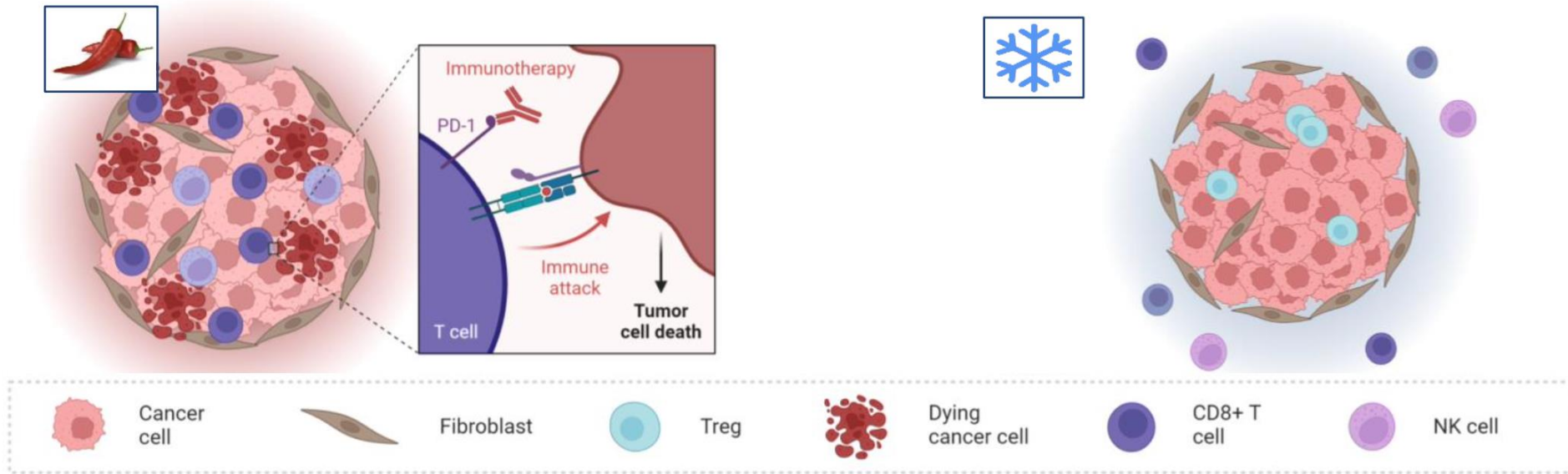
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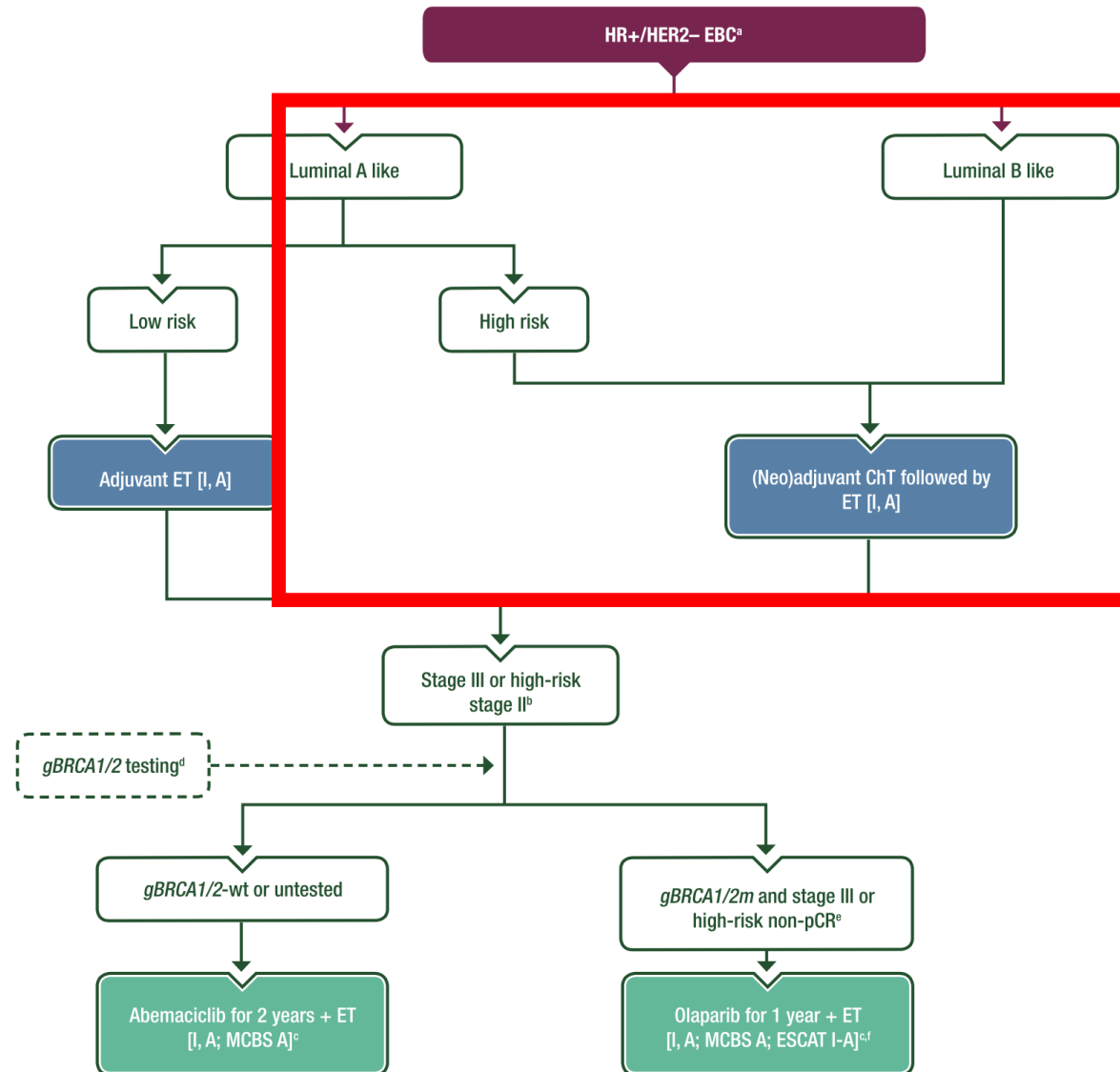
ER+

→ neo-adj immuno-chemo is standard of care

→ neo-adj immuno-chemo is NOT standard of care



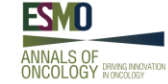
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Neoadjuvant Chemotherapy and Immunotherapy in Luminal B-like Breast Cancer: Results of the Phase II GIADA Trial

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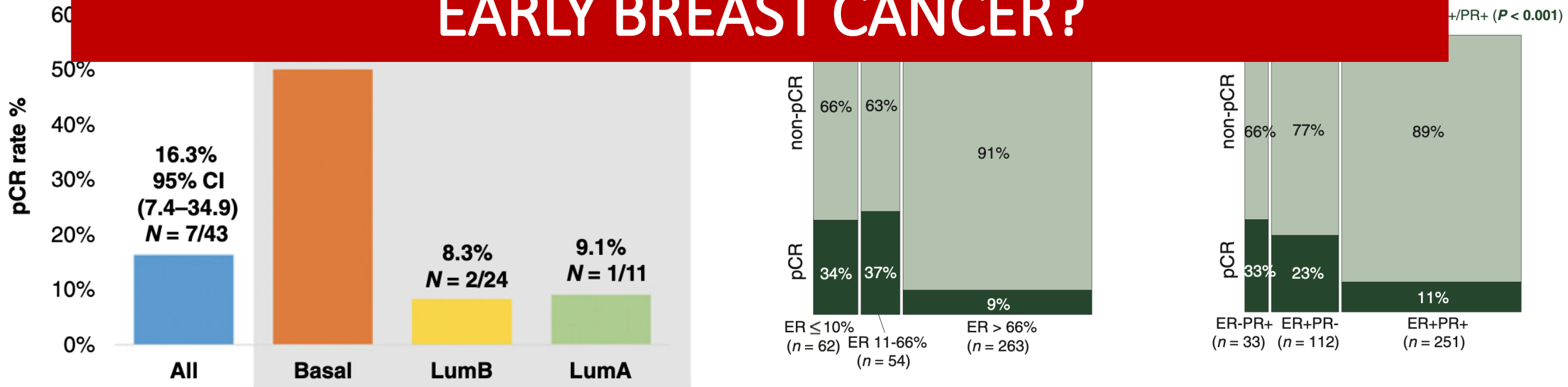
ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Pathologic complete response (pCR) rates for patients with HR+ /HER2- high-risk, early-stage breast cancer (EBC) by clinical and molecular features in the phase II I-SPY2 clinical trial

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SPAZIO PER IMMUNOTERAPIA IN ER+ EARLY BREAST CANCER?

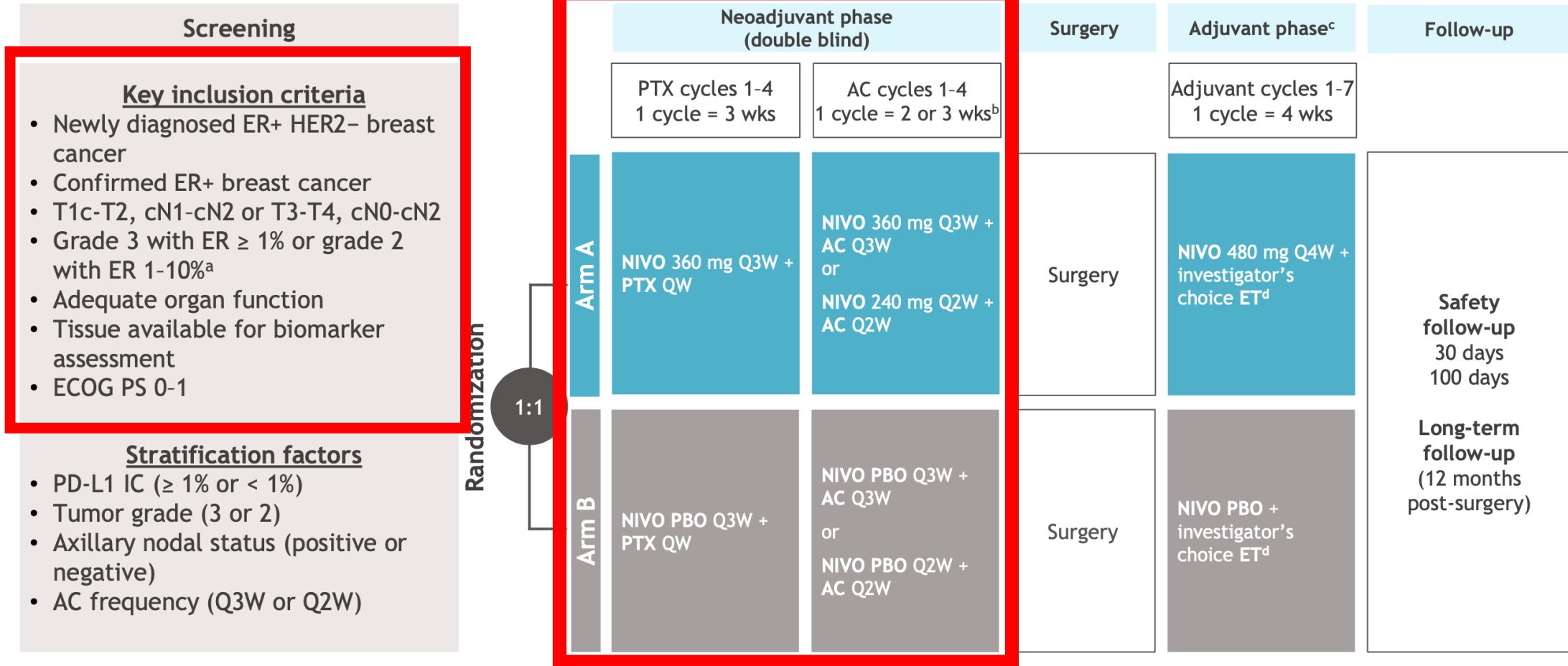


pCR rates: 13% → >30% in 40 patients with ER+/HER2- MammaPrint-high BC

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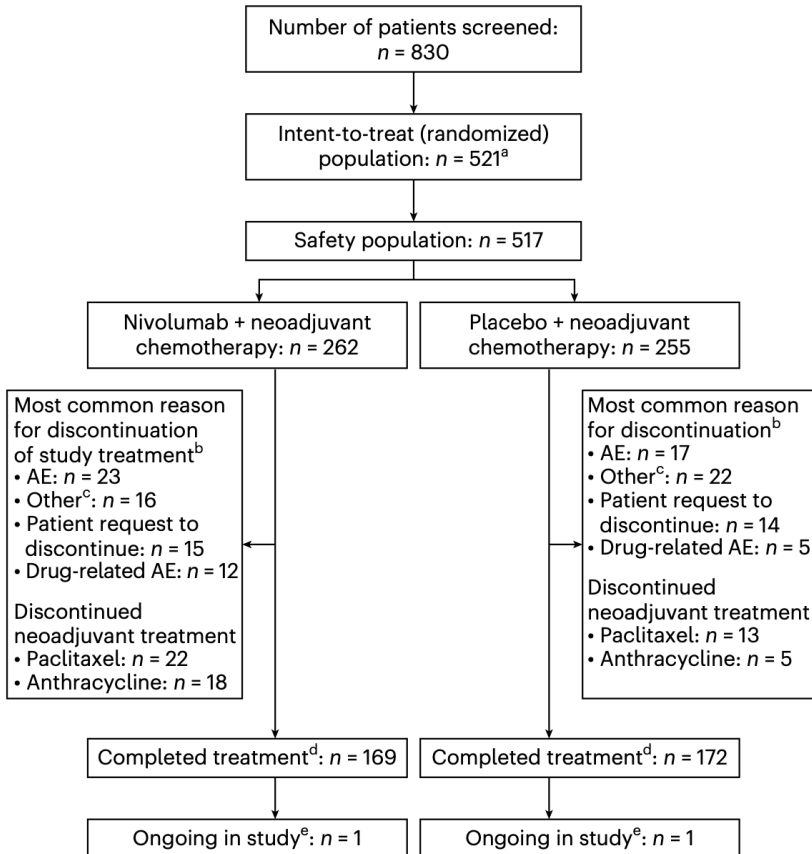
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VENTANA PD-L1 SP142 in immunoistochemica (cutoff 1%)

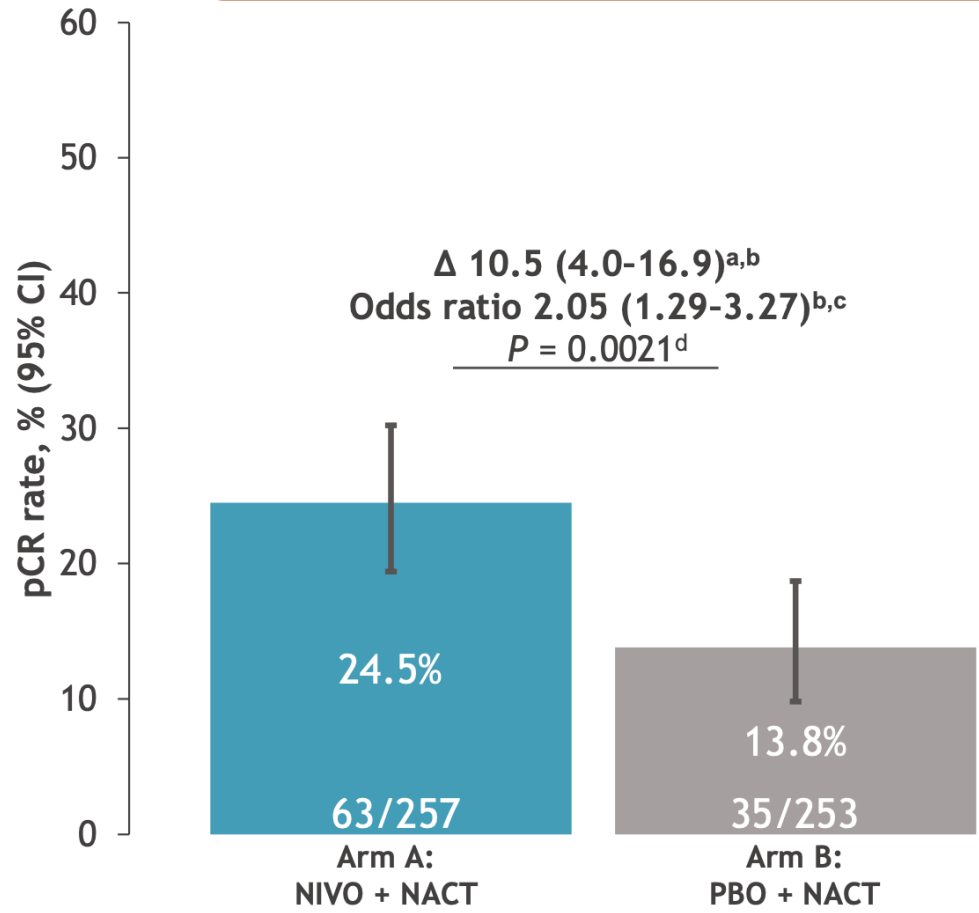
POPOLAZIONE



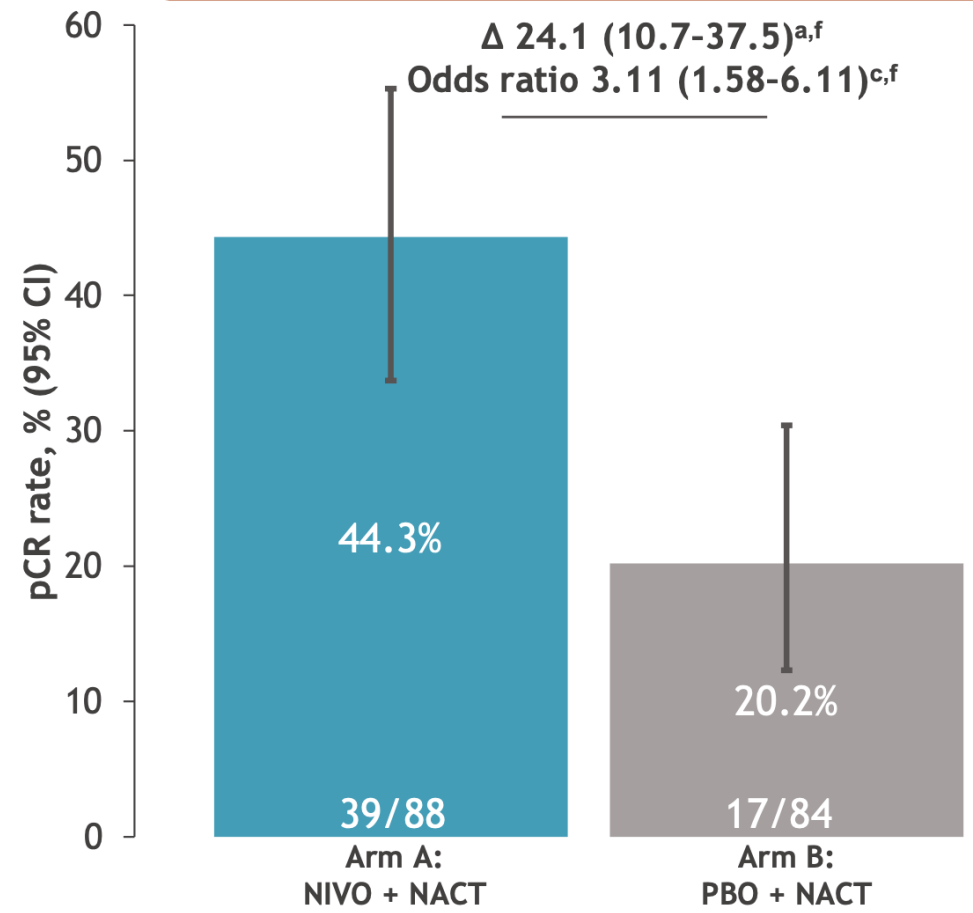
Demographic/characteristic	Nivolumab plus neoadjuvant CT			Placebo plus neoadjuvant CT		
	mITT population (n=257)	SP142 PD-L1- (n=169) ^a	SP142 PD-L1+ (n=88) ^a	mITT population (n=253)	SP142 PD-L1- (n=169) ^a	SP142 PD-L1+ (n=84) ^a
Female	257 (100)	169 (100)	88 (100)	252 (99.6)	168 (99.4)	84 (100)
Median age, years (range)	50 (24-78)	51 (24-77)	49 (28-78)	51 (23-79)	51 (23-79)	51 (27-78)
ECOG PS						
0	221 (86)	144 (85)	77 (88)	222 (88)	146 (86)	76 (91)
1	36 (14)	25 (15)	11 (13)	31 (12)	23 (14)	8 (10)
Tumor grade ^b						
Grade 2	6 (2)	2 (1)	4 (5)	1 (<1)	1 (1)	0 (0)
Grade 3	251 (98)	167 (99)	84 (96)	252 (>99)	168 (99)	84 (100)
Stage ^c (cTNM classification ^d)						
Stage II	135 (53)	88 (52)	47 (53)	138 (55)	94 (56)	44 (52)
Stage III	118 (46)	77 (46)	41 (47)	105 (42)	67 (40)	38 (45)
Not assigned/reported	4 (2)	4 (2)	0 (0)	7 (3)	6 (4)	1 (1)
PD-L1 ^b						
<1%	169 (66)	-	-	169 (67)	-	-
≥1%	88 (34)			84 (33)		
Axillary nodal status						
Positive	205 (80)	135 (80)	70 (80)	201 (79)	134 (79)	67 (80)
Negative	52 (20)	34 (20)	18 (21)	52 (21)	35 (21)	17 (20)
AC dose-frequency CT regimen ^e						
Q2W	132 (51)	85 (50)	47 (53)	134 (53)	88 (52)	46 (55)
Q3W	125 (49)	84 (50)	41 (47)	119 (47)	81 (48)	38 (45)

PCR RATES

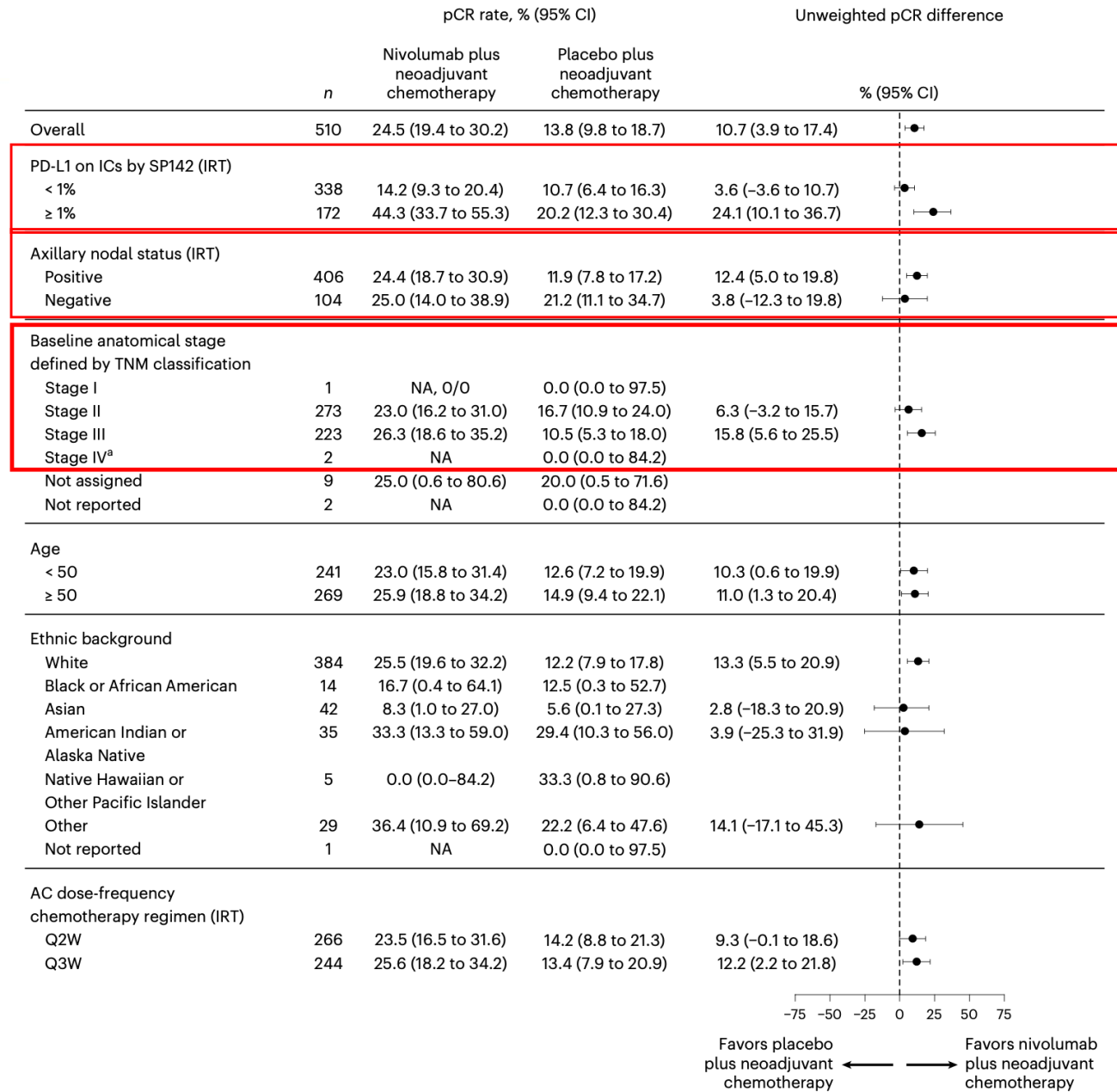
mITT population (primary endpoint)



PD-L1 IC \geq 1%^e (secondary endpoint)




RESULTS



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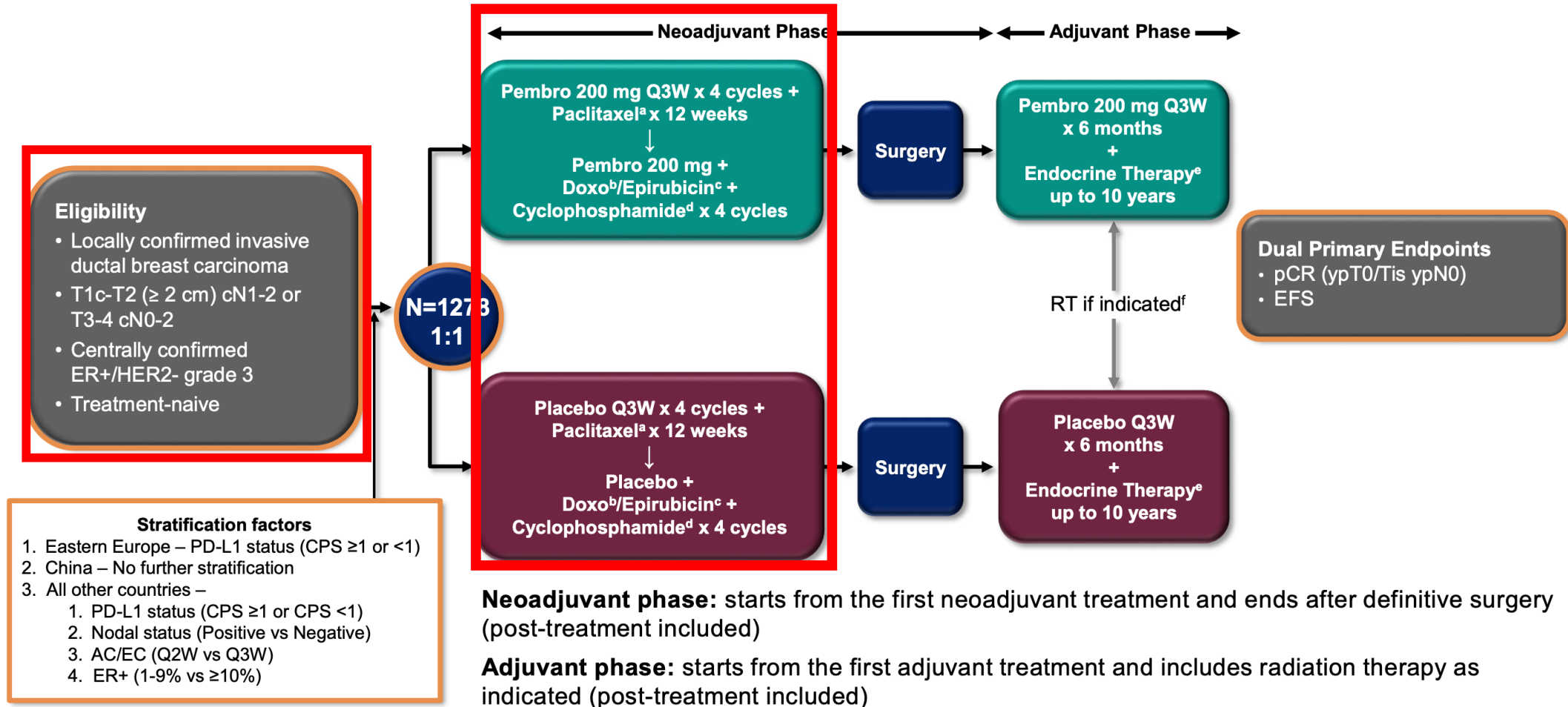
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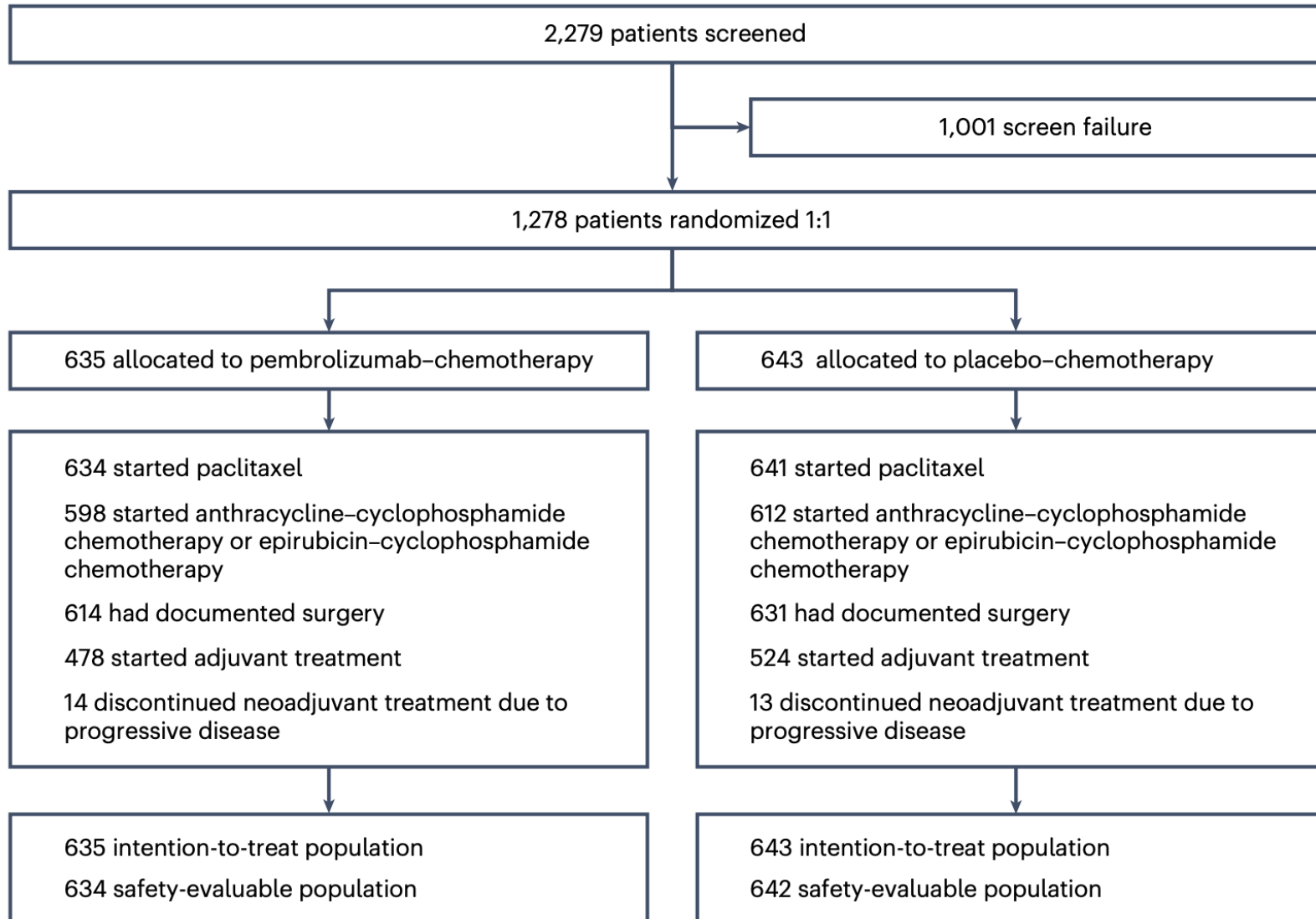
Article <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41591-024-03415-7>

Pembrolizumab and chemotherapy in high-risk, early-stage, ER⁺/HER2⁻ breast cancer: a randomized phase 3 trial



PD-L1 CPS ≥ 1 tumor

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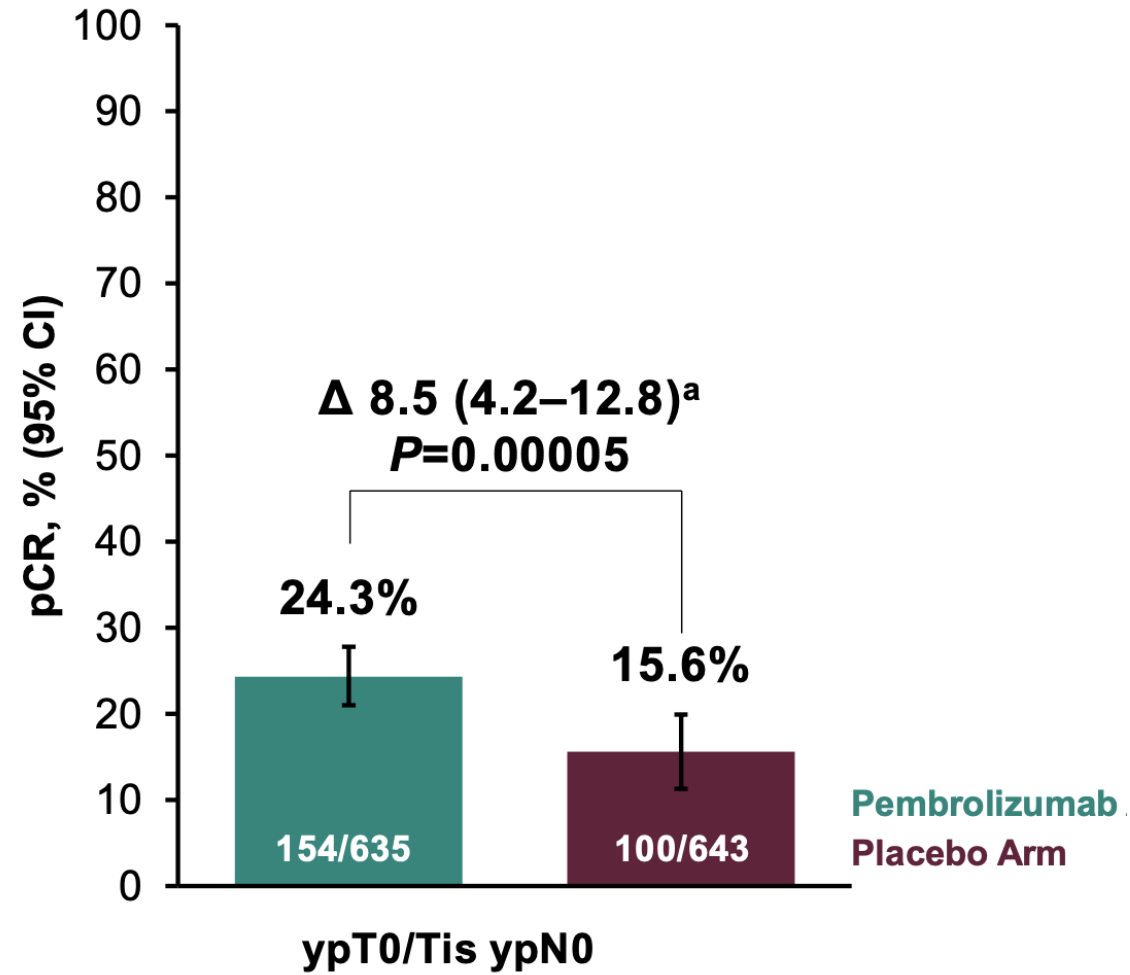


BASELINE CHARACTERISTICS

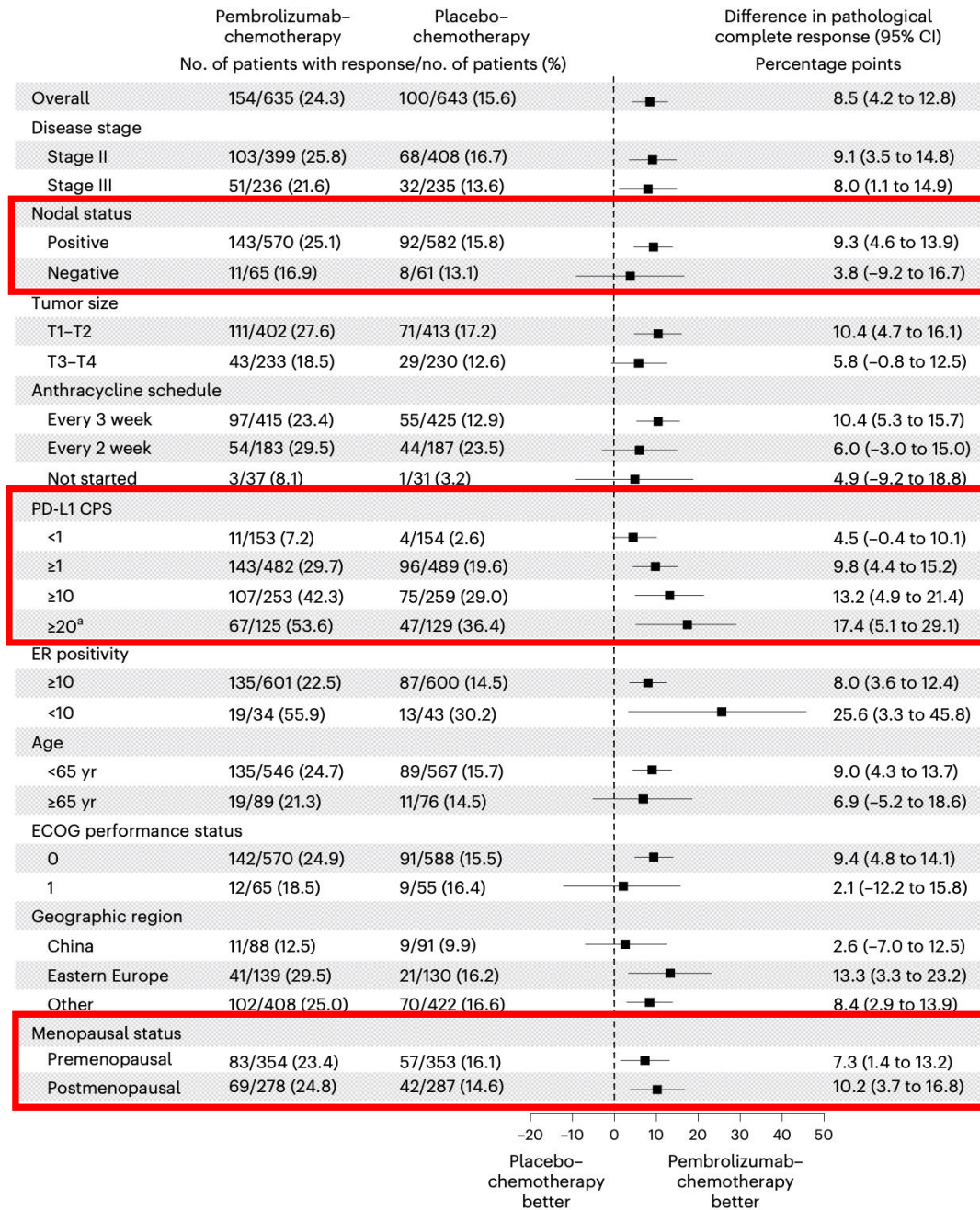
Characteristic	Pembrolizumab- chemotherapy (n=635)	Placebo- chemotherapy (n=643)
Age (year)		
Median (range)	49 (24–82)	49 (19–78)
≥65—no. (%)	89 (14.0)	76 (11.8)
Country/region—no. (%)		
China	88 (13.9)	91 (14.2)
Eastern Europe	139 (21.9)	130 (20.2)
Other	408 (64.3)	422 (65.6)
PD-L1 CPS—no. (%) ^b		
<1	153 (24.1)	154 (24.0)
≥1	482 (75.9)	489 (76.0)
≥10	253 (39.8)	259 (40.3)
≥20	125 (19.7)	129 (20.1)
ECOG performance status—no. (%) ^c		
0	570 (89.8)	588 (91.4)
1	65 (10.2)	55 (8.6)
Anthracycline schedule—no. (%)		
Every 3 weeks	415 (65.4)	425 (66.1)
Every 2 weeks	183 (28.8)	187 (29.1)
Not started	37 (5.8)	31 (4.8)

Tumor classification—no. (%)		
T1–T2	402 (63.3)	413 (64.2)
T3–T4	233 (36.7)	230 (35.8)
Nodal involvement—no. (%)		
Positive	570 (89.8)	582 (90.5)
Negative	65 (10.2)	61 (9.5)
Overall disease stage—no. (%)		
Stage II	399 (62.8)	408 (63.5)
Stage III	236 (37.2)	235 (36.5)
Tumor grade—no. (%)		
Grade 3	635 (100)	642 (99.8)
Grade 2	0	1 (0.2) ^d
ER positivity—no. (%)		
≥10%	601 (94.6)	600 (93.3)
<10%	34 (5.4)	43 (6.7)
Menopausal status—no. (%)		
Premenopausal	354 (55.7)	353 (54.9)
Postmenopausal	278 (43.8)	287 (44.6)
Not applicable	3 (0.5)	3 (0.5)

Primary Endpoint



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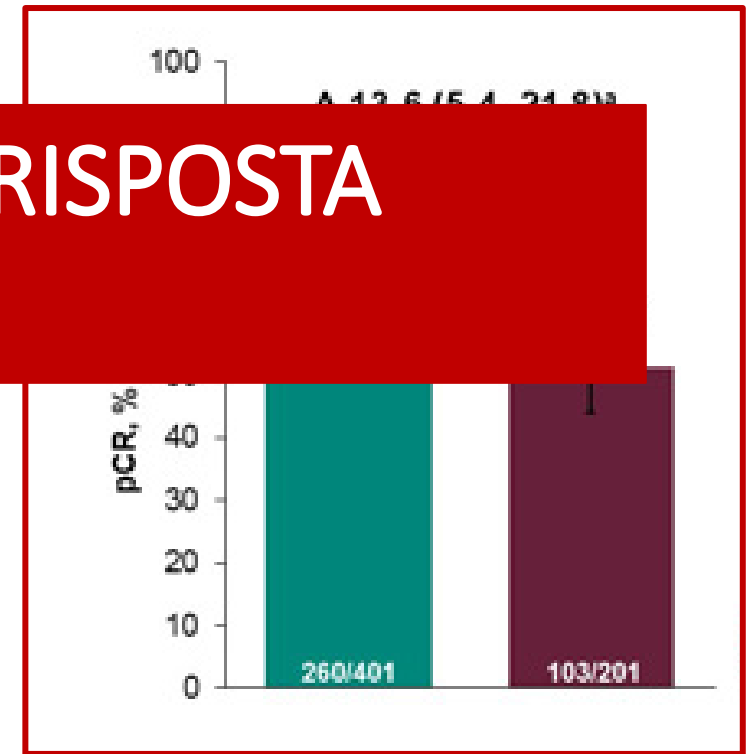
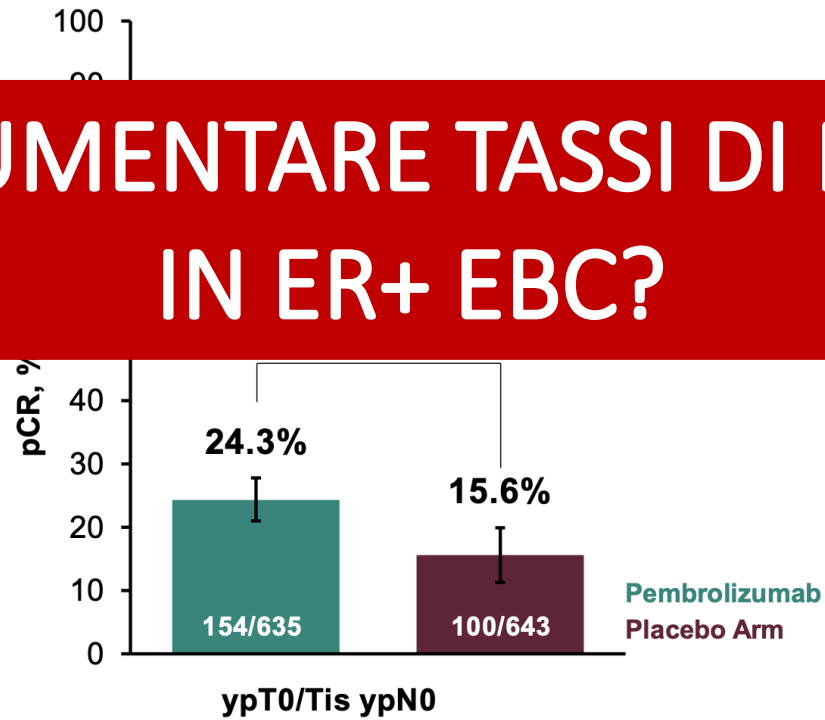
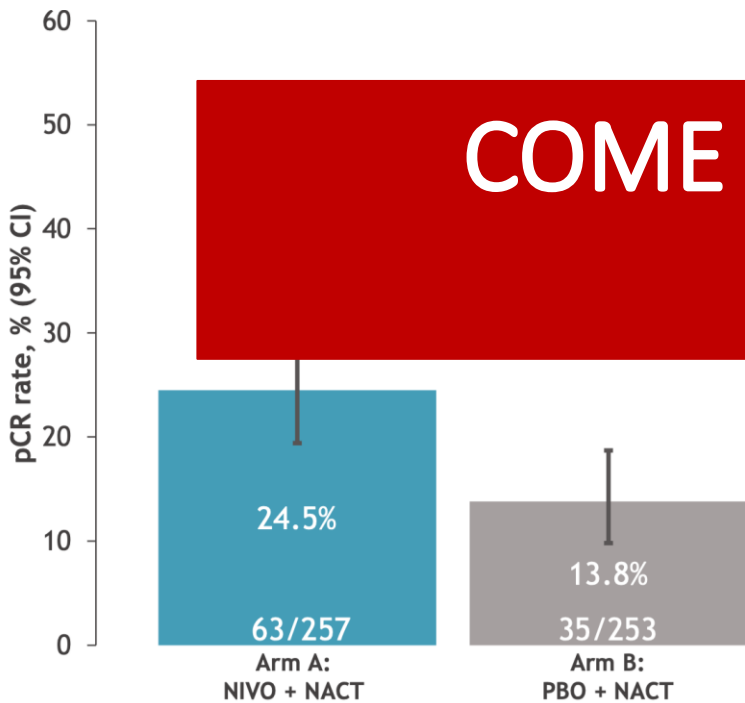


CONFRONTO IN TASSI DI PCR

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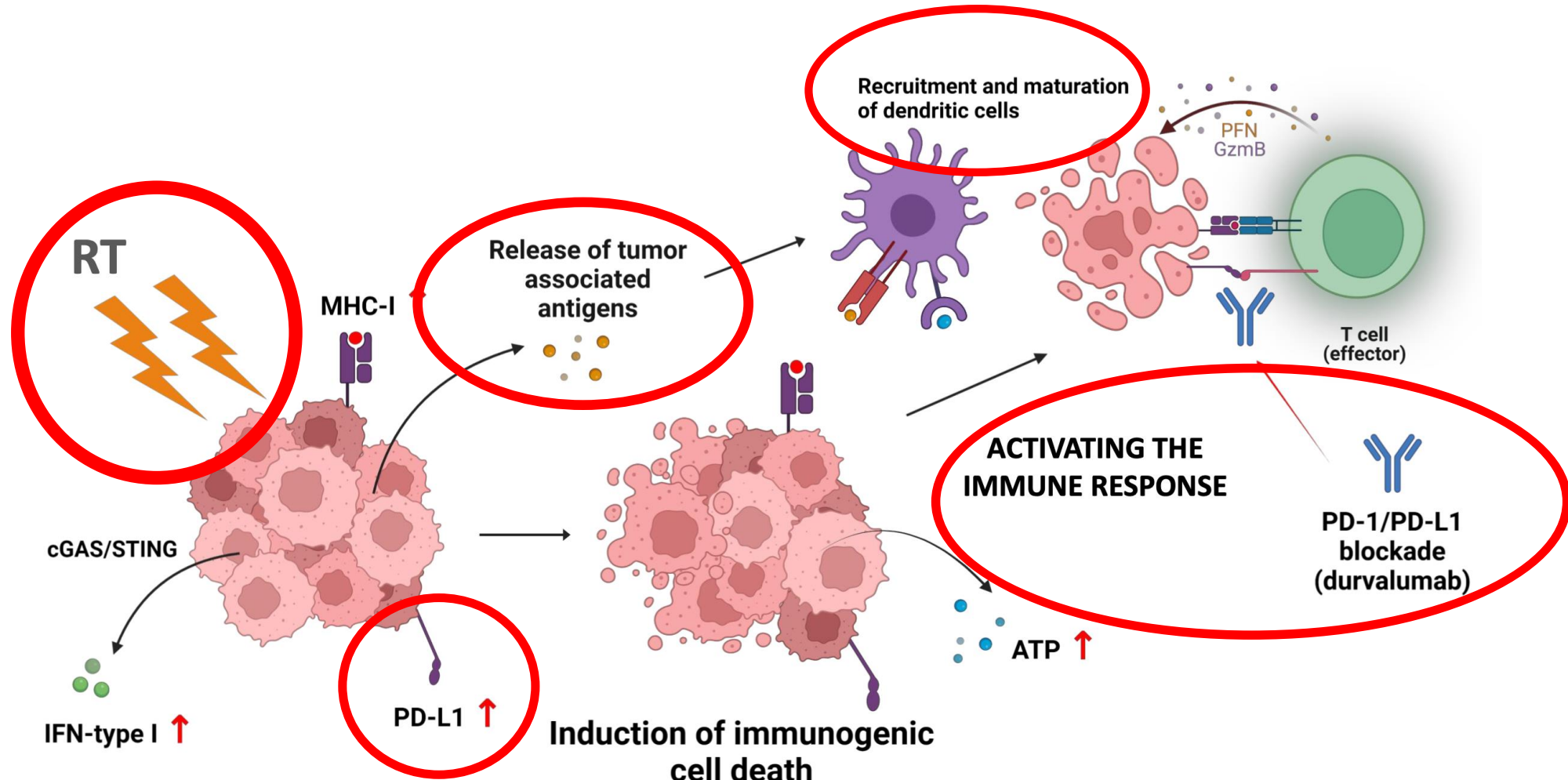
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COME AUMENTARE TASSI DI RISPOSTA IN ER+ EBC?

COME AUMENTARE L'ATTIVAZIONE IMMUNITARIA?

LA RADIOTERAPIA PUÒ STIMOLARE LA RISPOSTA IMMUNITARIA



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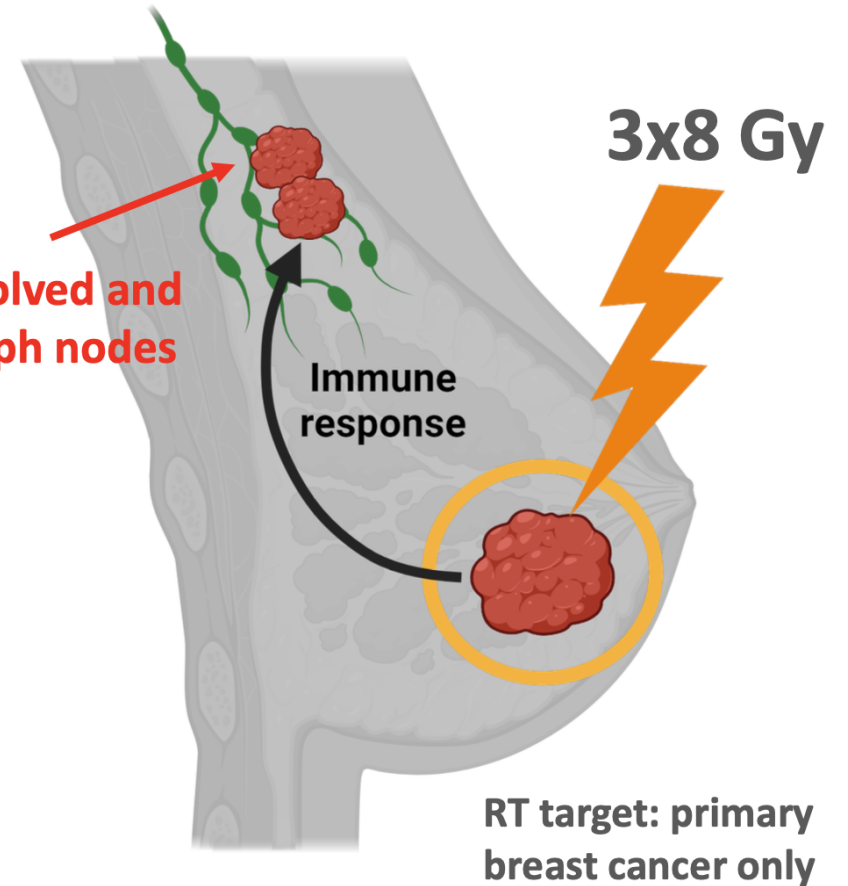
COME SPOSTARE LA RADIOTERAPIA NEL SETTING NEO-ADIUVANTE?



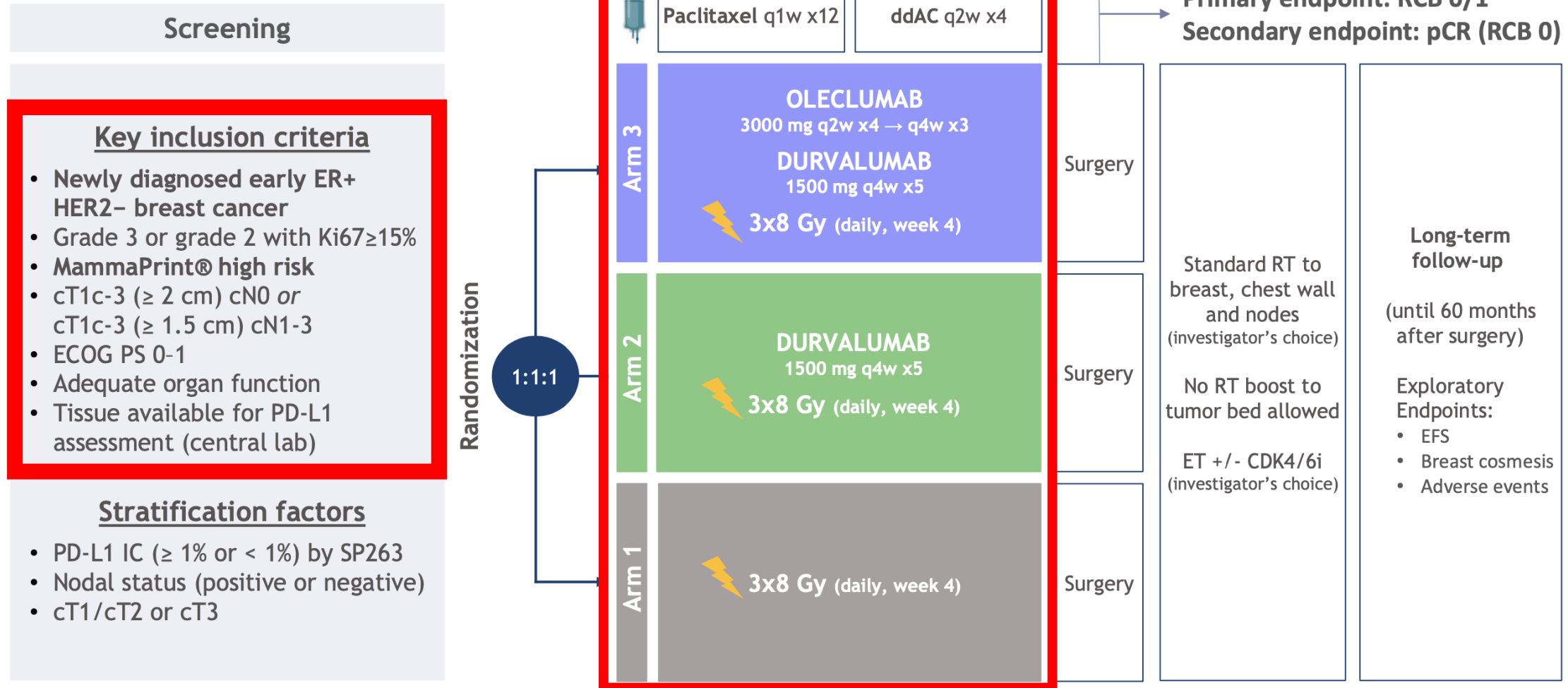
No RT to involved and draining lymph nodes

What radiation dose?

Immune modulating SBRT = iSBRT	
RT Intent	Immunomodulation Non-ablative intent of RT
RT dose	3 daily fraction of 8 Gy
When?	Shortly <u>before</u> the second cycle of durvalumab

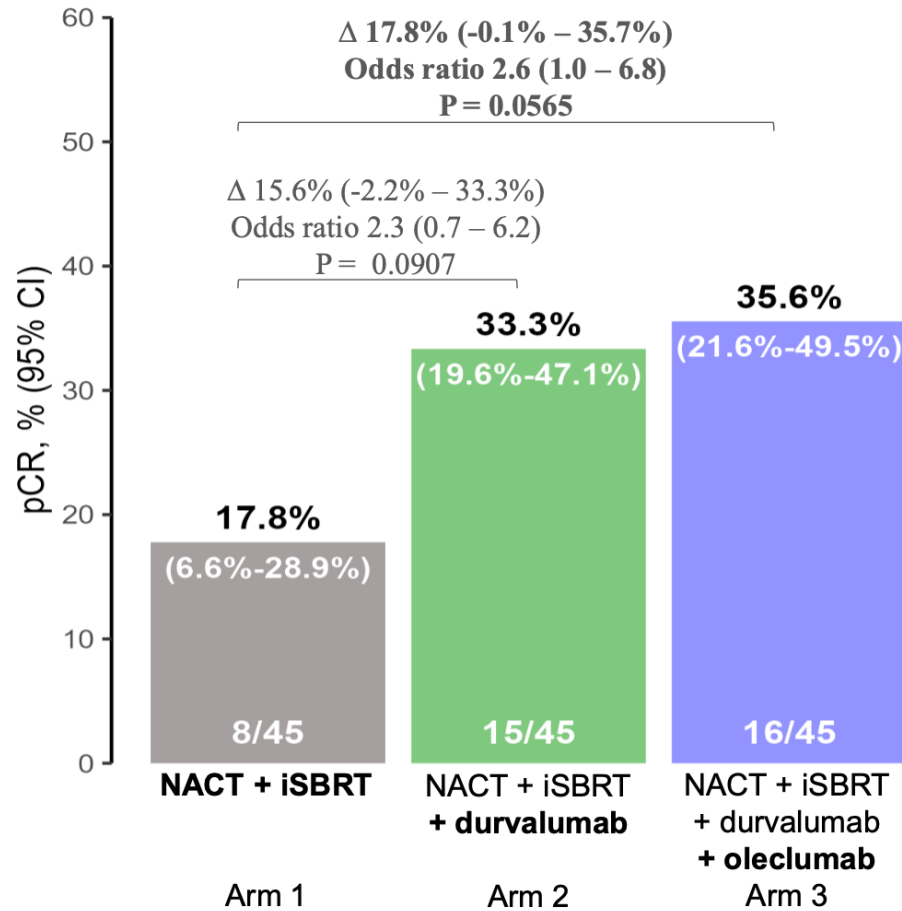


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The Immune Cell score (IC score) is defined as the % of tumor area occupied by PD-L1 stained immune cells. RCB, residual cancer burden; RCB-0: no residual disease; RCB-1: minimal residual disease.

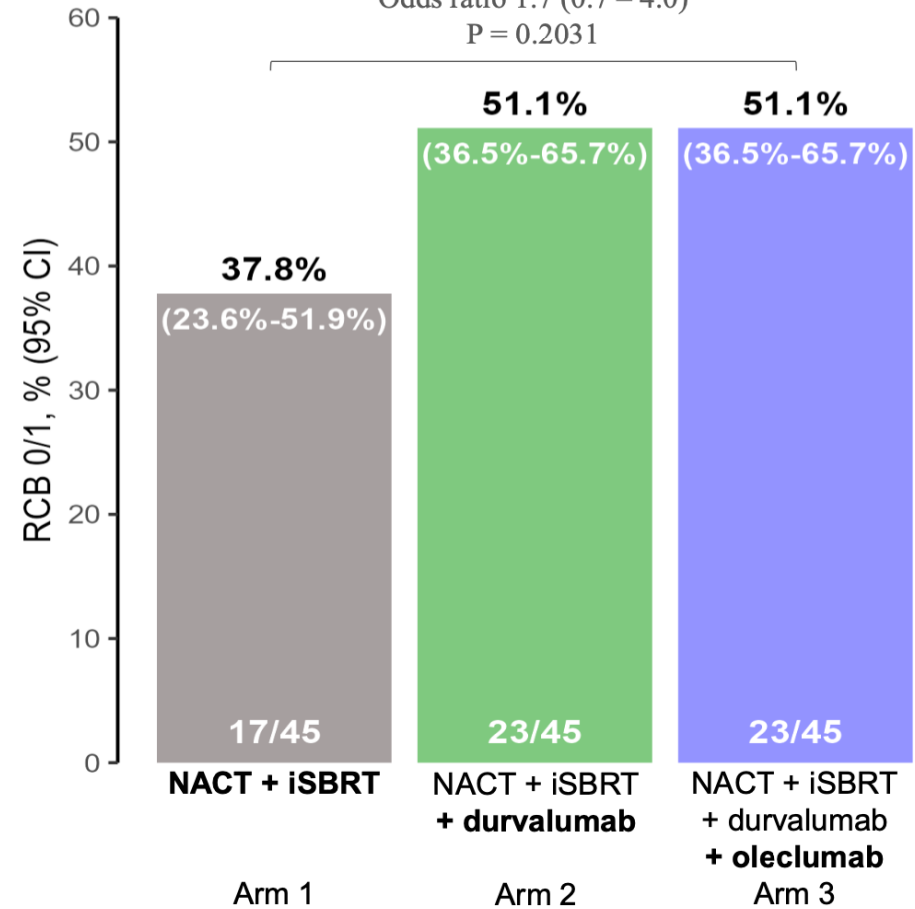
pCR (ypT0/TisypN0) (secondary endpoint)



RCB 0/1

(primary endpoint)

Δ 13.3% (-7.0% – 33.7%)
 Odds ratio 1.7 (0.7 – 4.0)
 P = 0.2031



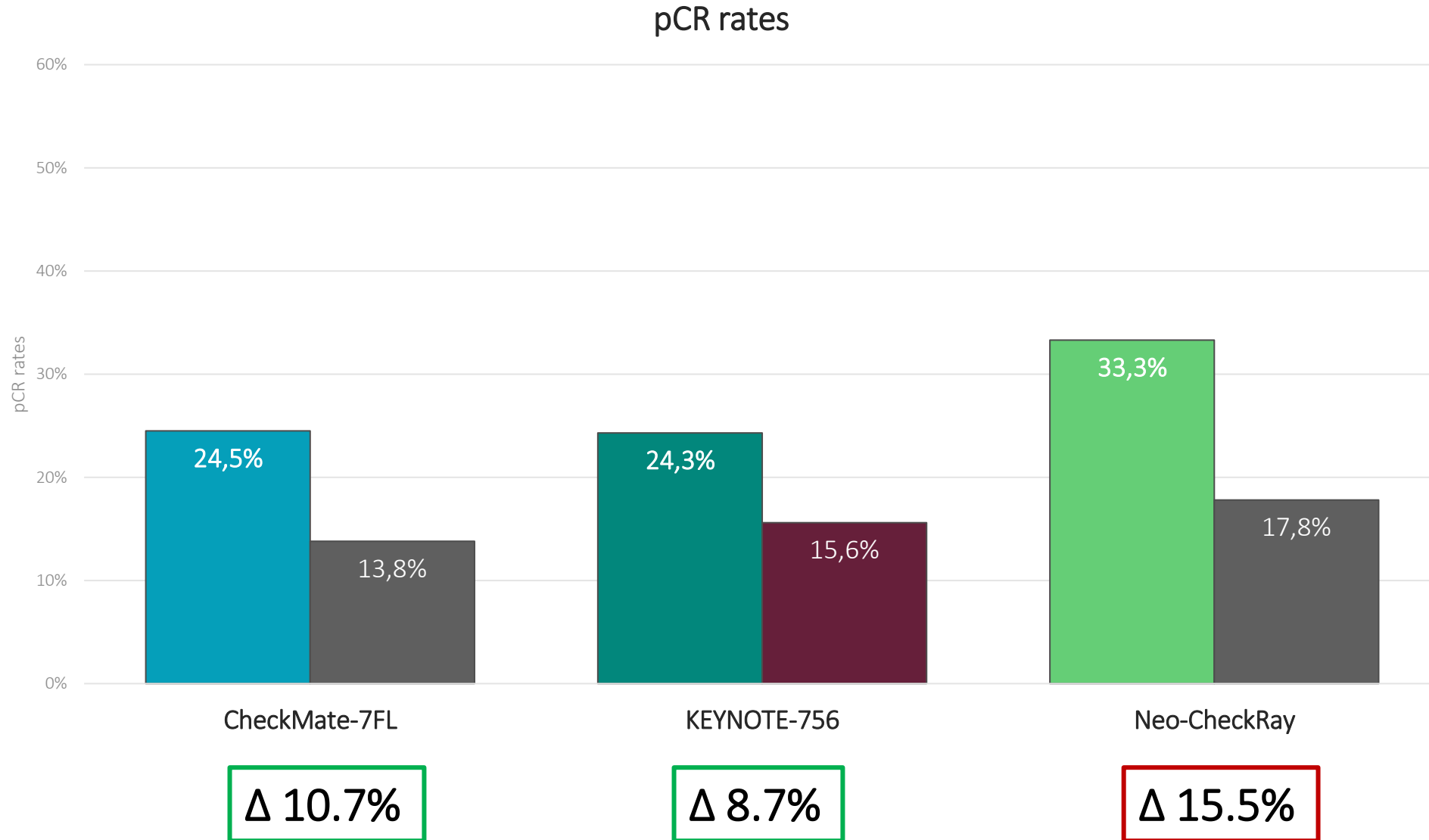
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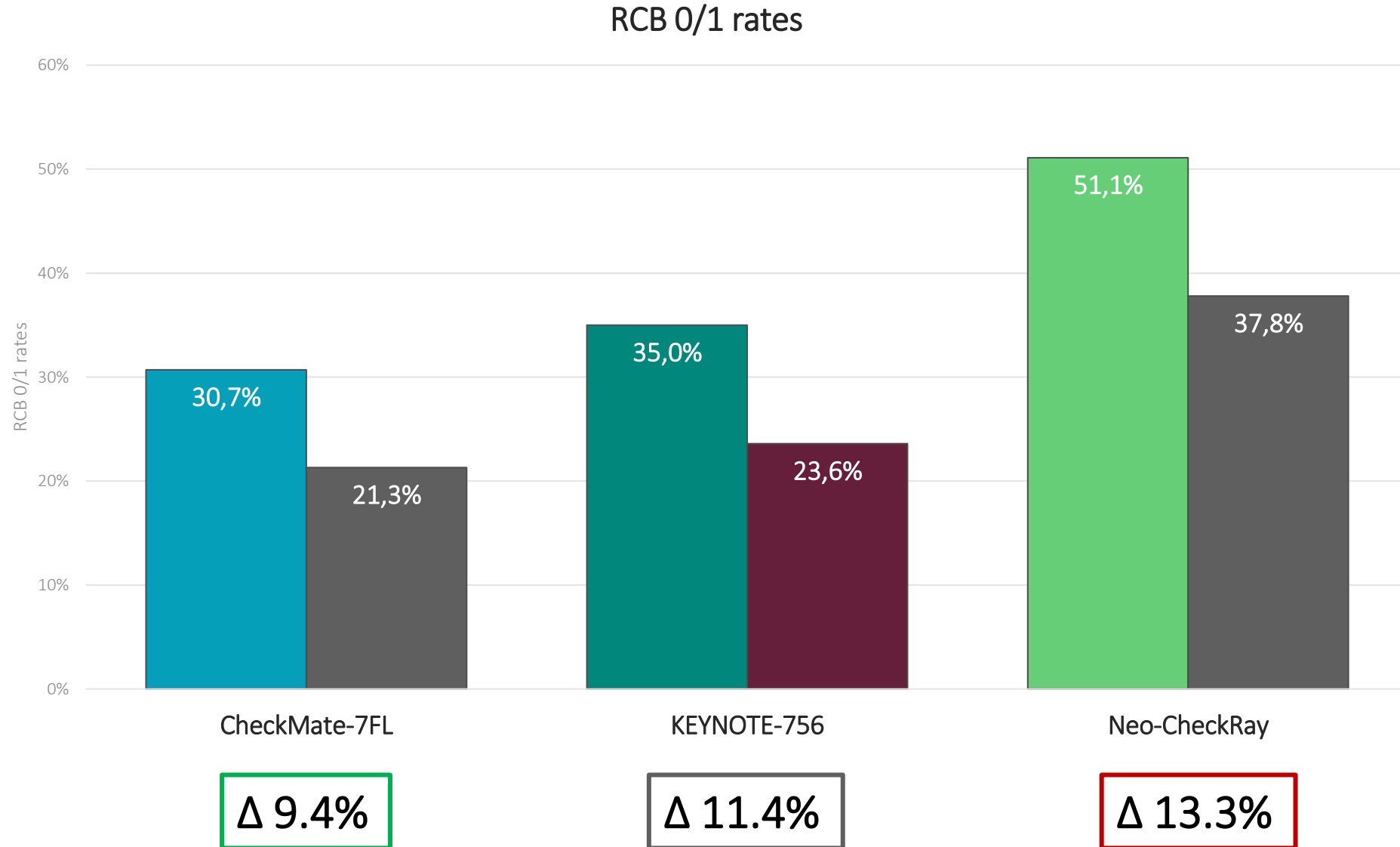
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Study	CheckMate-7FL	CheckMate-7A8	GIADA	KEYNOTE-756	Neo-CheckRay	I-SPY2
Phase and design	III RCT (1:1)	Ib/II RT noncomparative	II single arm, open label	III RCT (1:1)	Ib/II RT (1:1:1)	II adaptively randomized platform trial
Stage	T1c or T2 N1-2 T3-T4 N0-2	≥T1c	T0-1 N1-N2 T2 N0-2 T3 N0-2	T1c or T2 N1-2 T3-T4 N0-2	T1c (≥15 mm) N1-3 T1c (=20 mm) N0-3 T2-T3-T4 N0-3	T2 (≥25 mm) N0-3 T3-T4 N0-3
ICI agent	Nivolumab (PD-1)	Nivolumab	Nivolumab	Pembrolizumab (PD-1)	Durvalumab (PD-L1) ± Oleclumab	Pembrolizumab and Durvalumab
Key biological inclusion criteria (ER+, PD-L1, other)	G3 and ER ≥1% (+/- PR positive) G2 and ER 1-10% (+/-PR positive) Ductal histology Men allowed	Postmenopausal ER-positive Men allowed	Premenopausal ER ≥ 10% and/or PgR ≥10% G3 and/or Ki67 >20% Men not allowed	ER ≥1% (+/-PR positive) G3 Ductal histology Men allowed	ER ≥1% (+/-PR positive) G3 or G2 and Ki67 ≥ 15% MP high risk OR MP NA at time of randomization if Ki67 ≥ 20% or G3 and Age <50 yo+cN0 OR Age ≥ 50 yo + cN+	MP high risk any ER/HER2 status MP low and ER <5%, any HER2 status MP Low, ER and HER2 positive Men allowed
Key biological exclusion criteria	HER2-positive	Inflammatory BC (T4d) HER2-positive	Inflammatory BC (T4d) HER2-positive	HER2-positive	Inflammatory BC (T4d) HER2-positive	
Stratification factors	PD-L1 Grading Nodal status Dose frequency of anthracycline	NR	NR	PD-L1 ER (≥10% vs < 10%) Nodal pathological status Dose frequency of anthracycline	PD-L1 T size Nodal status	NR
Adjuvant regimen (sperimental arm)	Nivolumab 480 mg q4w with ET by IC	Not planned	Not planned	Pembrolizumab 200 mg q3w for 9 cycles with ET by IC	Not planned	Not planned
Primary Endpoint	pCR (ypT0/is, ypN0)	DLTs within 4 weeks of treatment initiation	pCR (ypT0, ypN0)	pCR rate (ypT0/Tis ypN0) and EFS.	RCB 0-1 rates	pCR (ypT0/is, ypN0)

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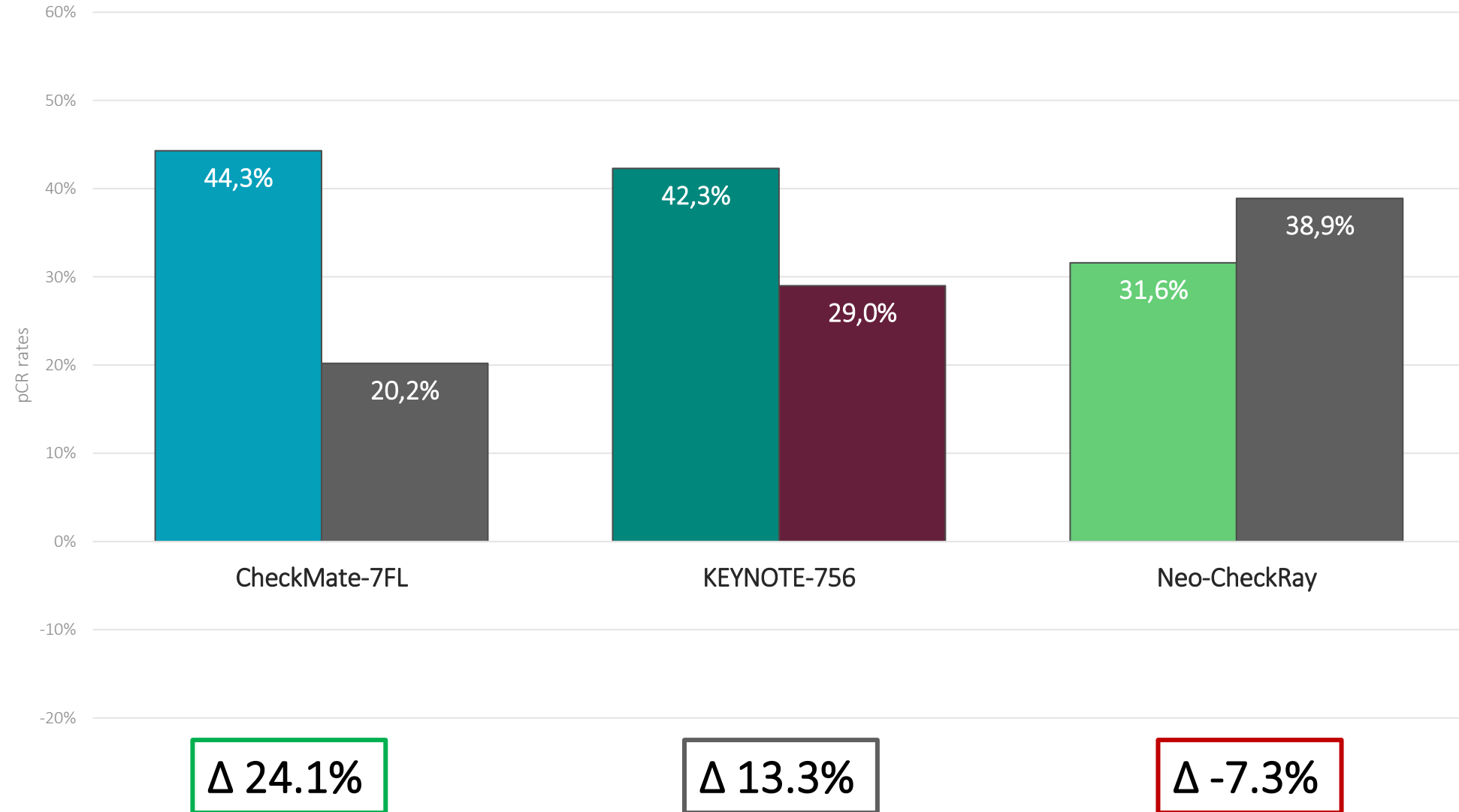


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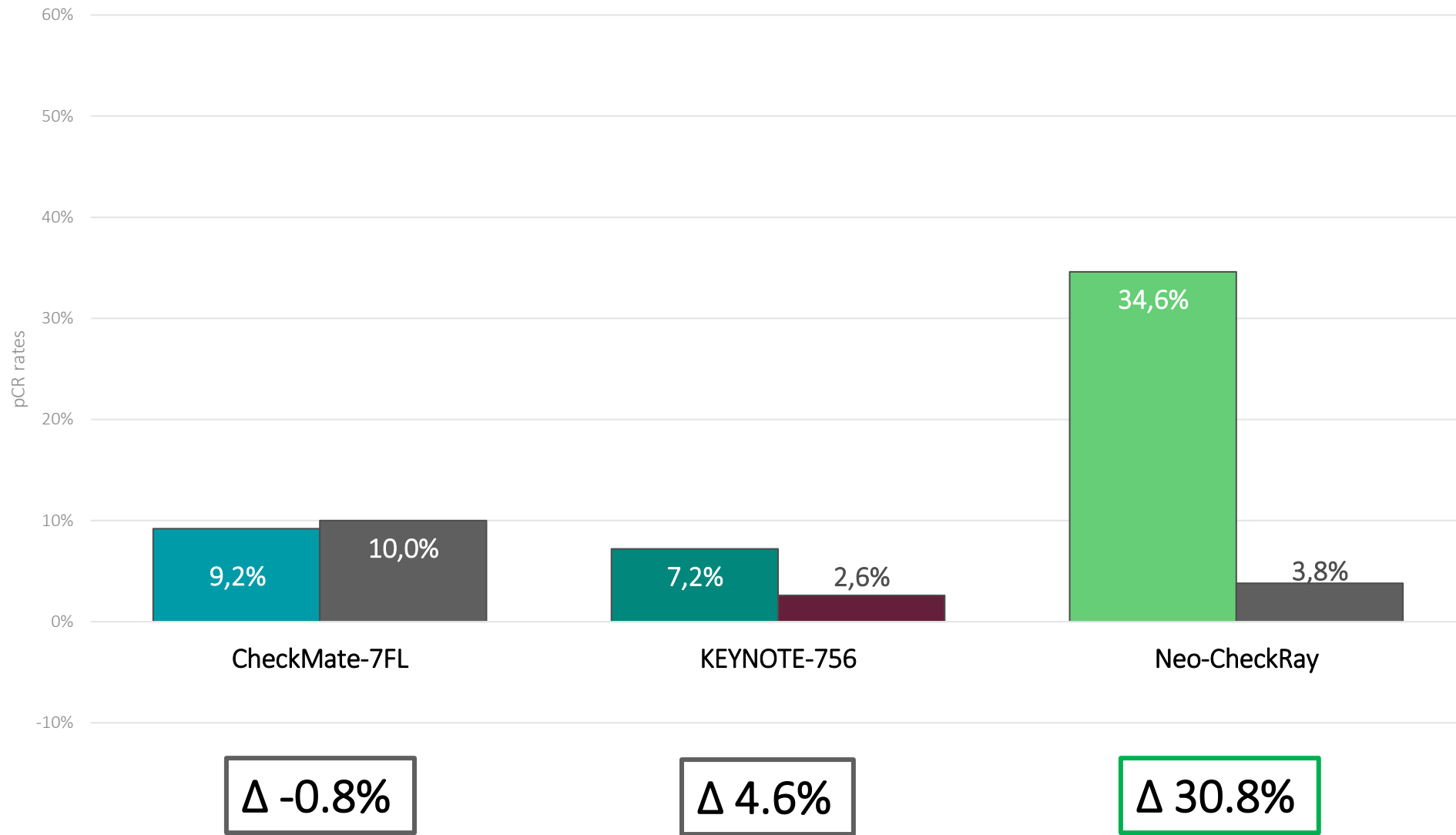
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pCR rates in PD-L1 positive

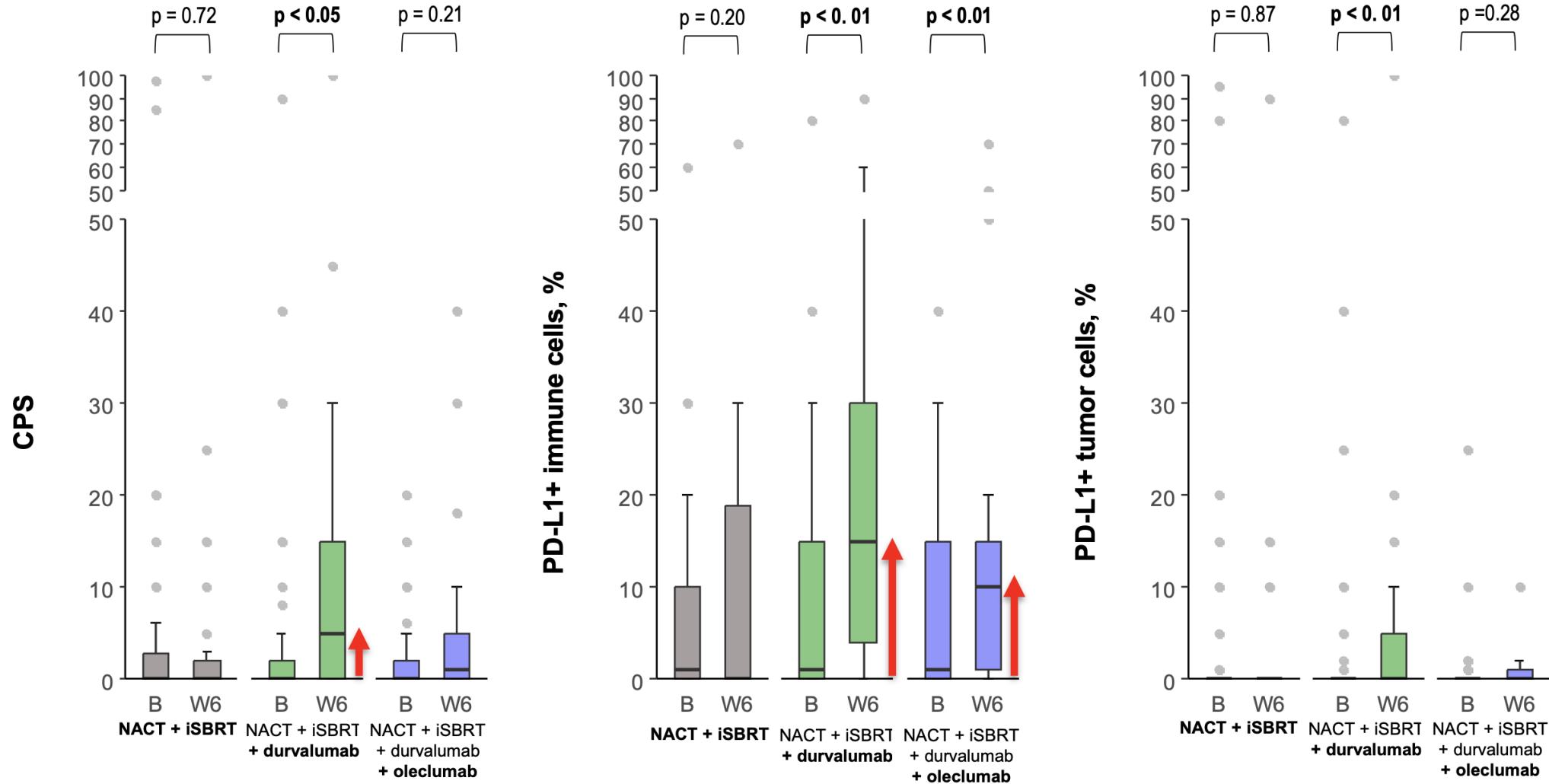


RISULTATI IN BASE ALL'ESPRESSIONE DI PDL1

pCR rates in PD-L1 negative



ANDAMENTO PD-L1: BASELINE VS WEEK 6



- Il ruolo dell'immunoterapia sta diventando sempre più importante nel trattamento neoadiuvante dell'eBC
- Gli ICIs hanno dimostrato efficacia in pazienti con malattia luminal-like ad alto rischio di recidiva, ma questo si tradurrà in un beneficio in sopravvivenza?
- Il beneficio ad oggi sembra essere pronunciato in particolari sottogruppi:
 - PD-L1 positivi
 - Rischio clinicamente più elevato (node-positive, stadio più elevato)
- Altre strategie possono aumentare la risposta all'immunoterapia, rendendo i tumori più **“caldi”** e aumentare ulteriormente i tassi di risposta
- Ruolo dell'immunoterapia adiuvante? Beneficio nelle pazienti candidate a CDK4/6i?

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