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# LESSONS LEARNED FROM THE RE-ARRANGE TRIAL

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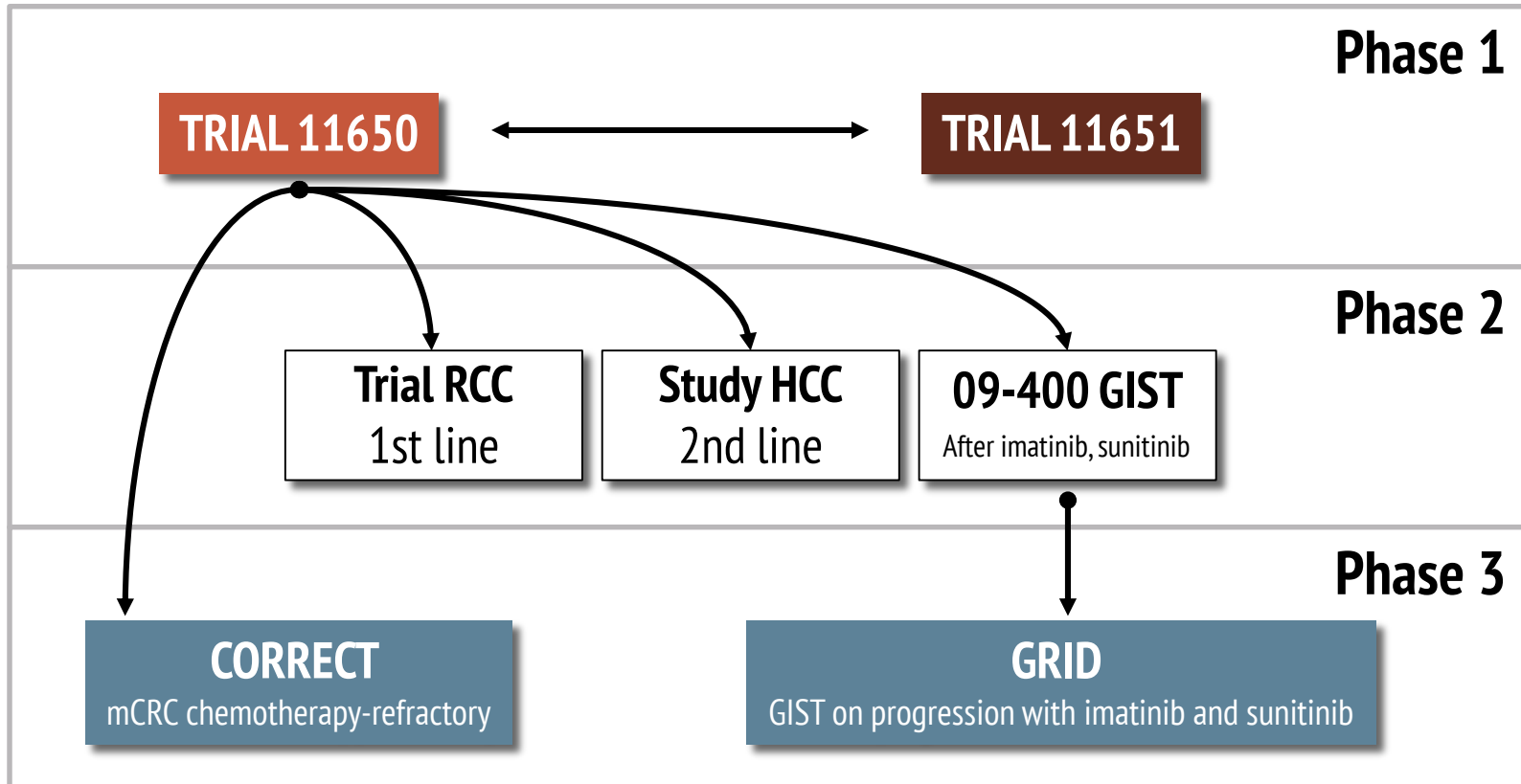
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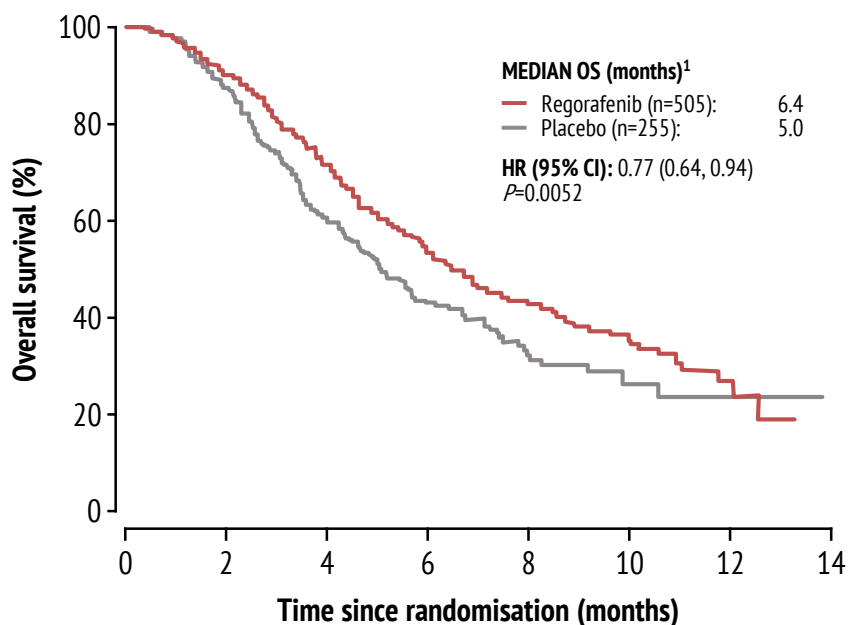
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# REGORAFENIB EARLY DEVELOPMENT PATHWAY



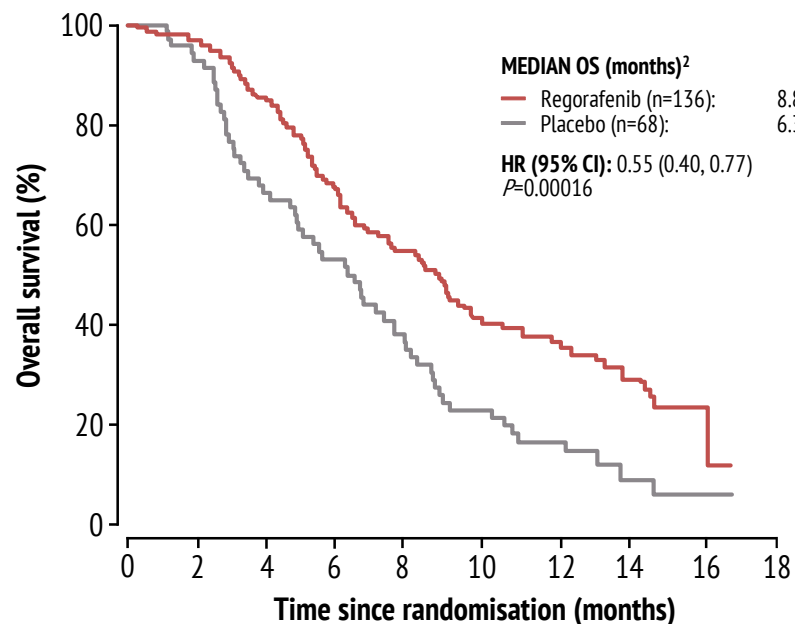
# REGORAFENIB SIGNIFICANTLY IMPROVED OS IN PHASE 3 RCTs

## CORRECT<sup>1</sup>



Number at risk	0	2	4	6	8	10	12	14
Regorafenib	452	352	187	93	33	7		
Placebo	221	150	75	32	9	3		

## CONCUR<sup>2</sup>



Number at risk	0	2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18
Regorafenib	136	131	113	88	72	52	42	24	4	-
Placebo	68	63	45	35	23	15	11	4	1	-

CI, confidence interval; HR, hazard ratio; OS, overall survival; RCT, randomised clinical trial

1. Grothey A, et al. Lancet. 2013;381:303-12; 2. Li J, et al. Lancet Oncol. 2015;16:619-29

# COMMON AEs REPORTED BY PATIENTS ON REGORAFENIB

Drug-related AEs, %	CORRECT <sup>1</sup>				CONCUR <sup>2</sup>			
	Regorafenib (n=500)		Placebo (n=253)		Regorafenib (n=136)		Placebo (n=68)	
	All grades	Grade 3/4	All grades	Grade 3/4	All grades	Grade 3/4	All grades	Grade 3/4
HFSR	47	17	8	<1	74	16	4	0
Fatigue	47	10	28	5	17	3	7	1
Hypertension	28	7	6	1	23	11	4	3
Diarrhoea	34	7	8	1	18	1	3	1
Rash/desquamation <sup>a</sup>	26	6	4	0	9	4	1	0
Anorexia	30	3	15	3	7	1	4	0
Mucositis, oral	27	3	4	0	NR	NR	NR	NR
Hyperbilirubinemia	9	2	2	1	37	7	7	1
ALT increased	NR	NR	NR	NR	24	7	7	0
AST increased	NR	NR	NR	NR	24	6	9	0
Thrombocytopenia	13	3	2	<1	10	3	1	0
Fever	10	1	3	0	NR	NR	NR	NR
Nausea	14	<1	11	0	NR	NR	NR	NR
Voice changes <sup>b</sup>	29	<1	6	0	21	1	0	0
Weight loss	14	0	2	0	NR	NR	NR	NR

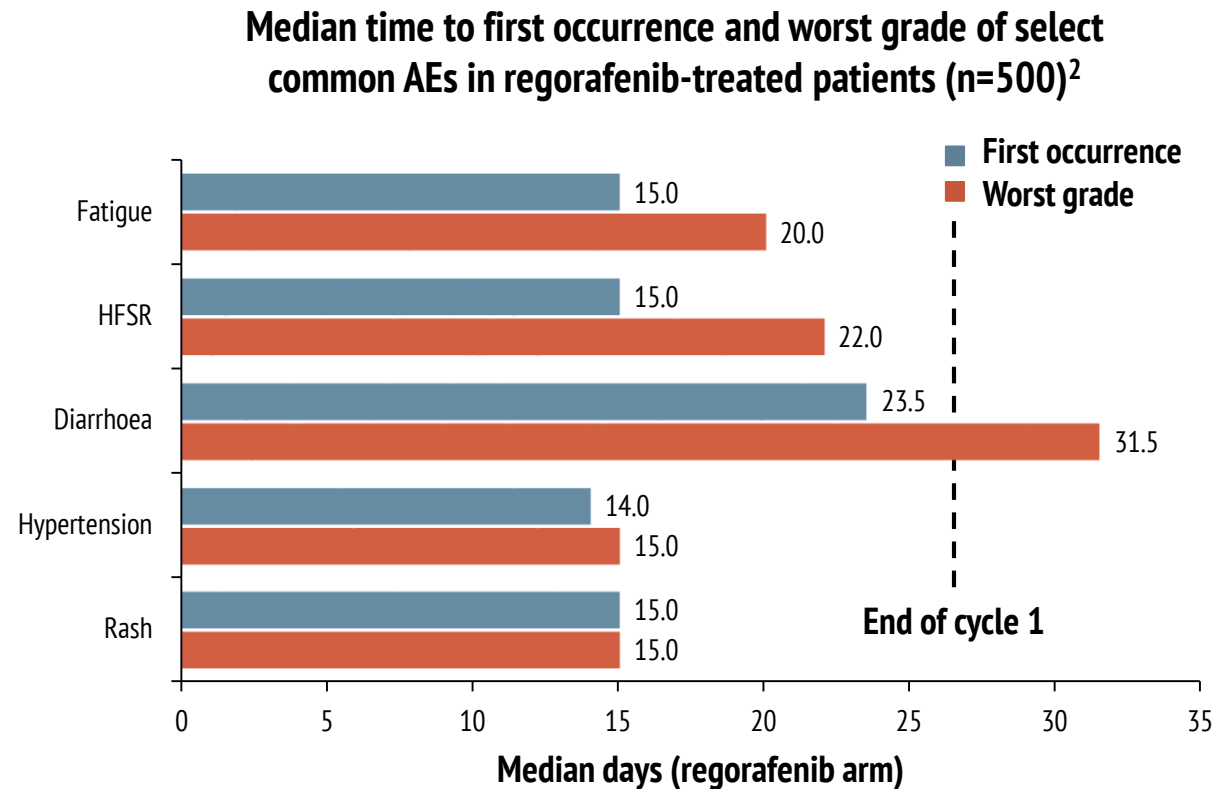
<sup>a</sup>Maculopapular rash in CONCUR; <sup>b</sup>Hoarseness in CONCUR. Adverse events were graded using the NCI-CTCAE version 3.0 (CORRECT) and version 4.0 (CONCUR).

AE, adverse event; ALT, alanine aminotransferase; AST, aspartate aminotransferase; HFSR, hand-foot skin reaction; NCI-CTCAE, National Cancer Institute-Common Terminology Criteria for Adverse Events; NR, not reported

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# AE MANAGEMENT EXPERIENCE MATTERS: REGORAFENIB AEs FREQUENTLY OCCUR EARLY IN TREATMENT AND ARE NONCUMULATIVE<sup>1,2</sup>

- The incidence and severity of HFSR, hypertension, liver abnormalities, fatigue, diarrhoea, and oral mucositis did not increase over time<sup>2</sup>



AE, adverse event; HFSR, hand-foot skin reaction

1. Grothey A, et al. *Oncologist*. 2014;19(6):669-80; 2. Grothey A, et al. ASCO 2013: Poster 3637



# AE MANAGEMENT EXPERIENCE MATTERS: REGORAFENIB AEs CAN BE MANAGED WITH DOSE MODIFICATIONS, WITH A LOW RATE OF TREATMENT DISCONTINUATION DUE TO AEs<sup>1-4</sup>

Patients with an AE, %	CORRECT <sup>1</sup>		CONCUR <sup>4</sup>	
	Regorafenib (n=500)	Placebo (n=253)	Regorafenib (n=136)	Placebo (n=68)
Leading to dose modification	67	23	71	16
Leading to dose reduction	38	3	40	0
Leading to dose interruption	61	22	63	16
Leading to treatment discontinuation	17	12	14	6

AE, adverse event

1. Grothey A, et al. Lancet. 2013;381:303-12; 2. Grothey A, et al. ASCO 2013: Poster 467; 3. Grothey A, et al. ASCO 2013: Poster 3637;  
4. Li J, et al. Lancet Oncol. 2015;16:619-29

# AE MANAGEMENT EXPERIENCE MATTERS: REAL-WORLD EVIDENCE SUPPORTS AN EXTENSIVE AND CONSISTENT REGORAFENIB SAFETY PROFILE IN mCRC<sup>1-7</sup>

Most common drug-related adverse events, %	Randomised controlled phase III trials						Open-label real-world studies									
	CORRECT <sup>1</sup>		CONCUR <sup>2</sup>		IMblaze370 <sup>3</sup>		REBECCA <sup>4</sup>		CONSIGN <sup>5</sup>		Japanese PM <sup>6</sup>		CORRELATE <sup>7</sup>		CORECT <sup>8</sup>	
	Regorafenib (N = 500)		Regorafenib (N = 136)		Regorafenib (N = 80)		Regorafenib (N = 654)		Regorafenib (N = 2864)		Regorafenib (N = 1227)		Regorafenib (N = 1037)		Regorafenib (N = 148)	
	All grades	Grade 3/4	All grades	Grade 3/4	All grades	Grade 3/4	All grades	Grade 3/4	All grades	Grade 3/4	All grades	Grade 3/4	All grades	Gkgrade ≥3	All grades	Grade ≥3
HFSR	47	17	74	16			29	9	42	14	58	19	26	7		
Fatigue	47	10	17	3	46	9	41	15	46	13	15	2	41	9	2.0	
Hypertension	28	7	23	11	31	13	11	5	30	15	29	16	14	6		0.7
Diarrhoea	34	7	18	1	40	6	19	4	25	5			19	3		0.7
Rash/desquamation/skin toxicity <sup>†</sup>	26	6	9	4	24	3	4	1	10	3						0.7
Anorexia	30	3	7	1			15	3	24	2			13	2		0.7
Mucositis, oral	27	3	NR	NR			11	1	25	2			15	2		
Hyperbilirubinemia	9	2	37	7	4	1	1	0	15*	4*						
ALT increased	5 <sup>†</sup>	2 <sup>†</sup>	24	7									31 <sup>†</sup>	11 <sup>†</sup>		
AST increased	7 <sup>†</sup>	2 <sup>†</sup>	24	6					7*	2*						
Thrombocytopenia	13	3	10	3			3	<1					15	5		
Fever	10	1	NR	NR					7	<1	12	1	3	<1		
Nausea	14	<1	NR	NR	14	0			11	1						
Voice changes	29	<1							12	<1	10	0				
Weight loss	14	0	NR	NR	21	0	5	<1	13	1						

\*In CONSIGN, hyperbilirubinemia, AST and ALT were reported as treatment-emergent laboratory toxicities.

<sup>†</sup>Not reported as drug-related AEs. <sup>‡</sup>Reported as “liver dysfunction.” <sup>¶</sup>Reported as “maculopapular rash” in CONCUR and CONSIGN

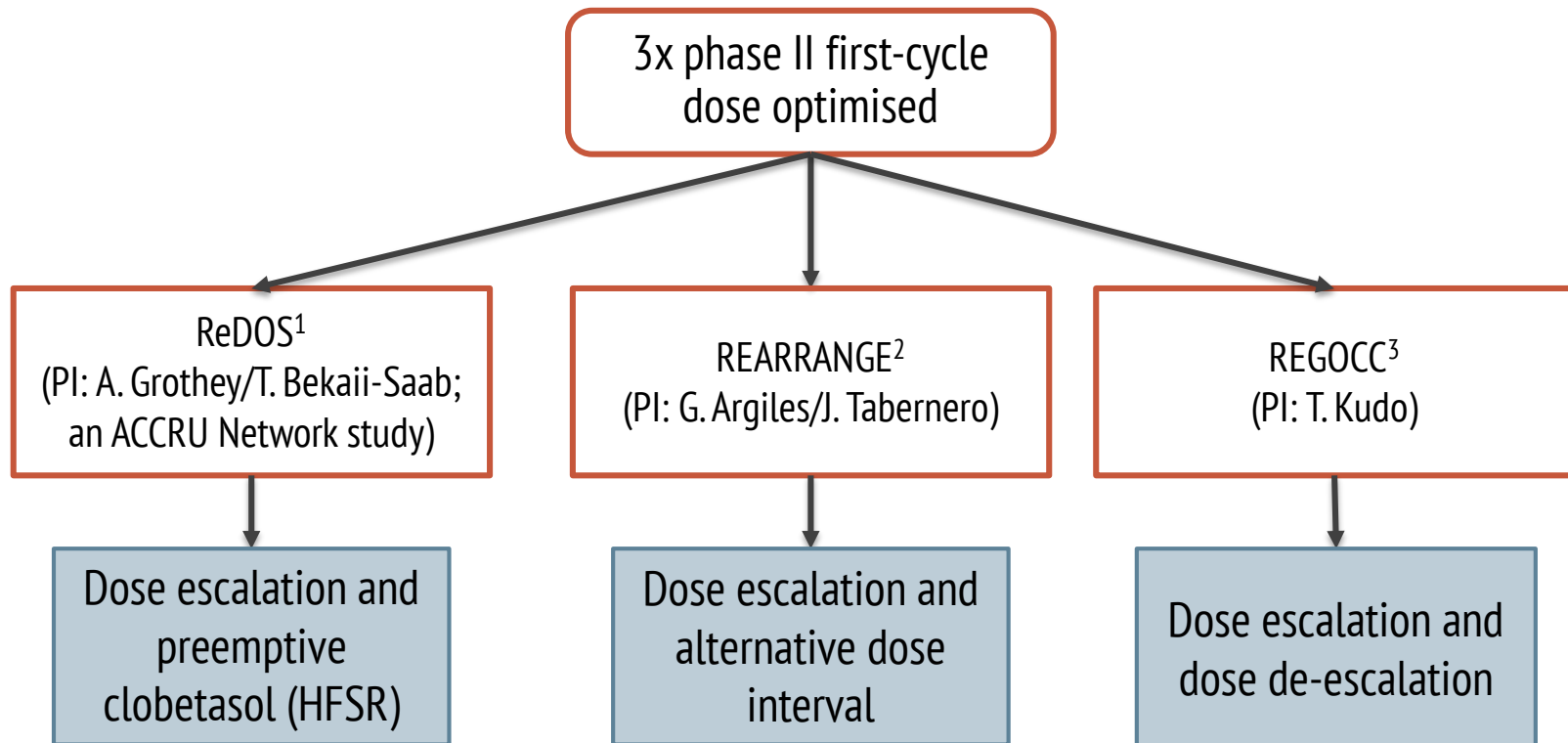
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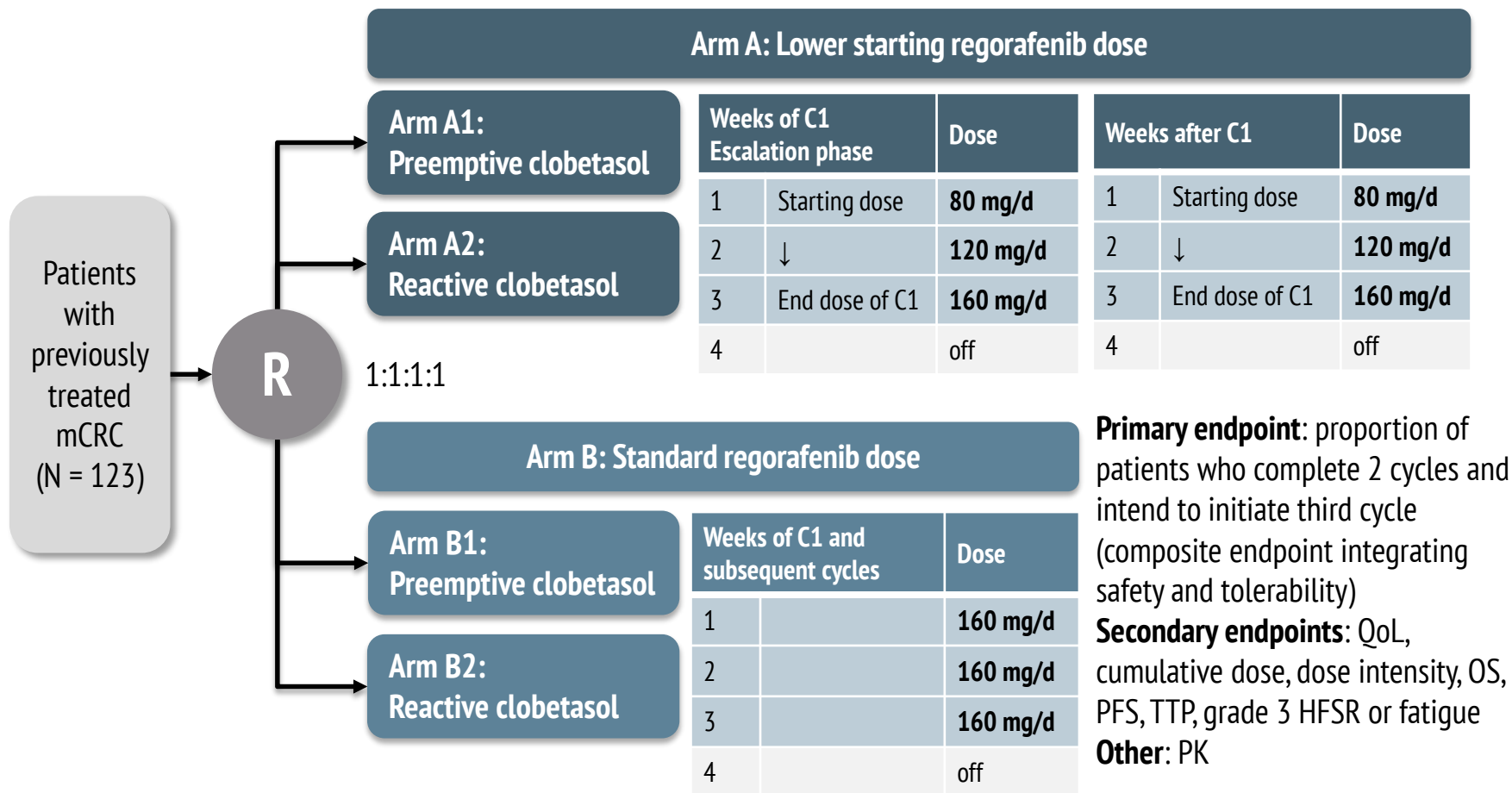
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# CAN TOLERABILITY WITH REGORAFENIB BE IMPROVED WITH FLEXIBLE FIRST-CYCLE DOSE-OPTIMISATION STRATEGIES?



# ReDOS: REGORAFENIB DOSE-OPTIMIZATION STUDY COMPARING FIRST-CYCLE DOSE OPTIMISATION WITH STANDARD DOSE IN PATIENTS WITH REFRACTORY mCRC – A RANDOMISED PHASE II TRIAL<sup>1</sup>

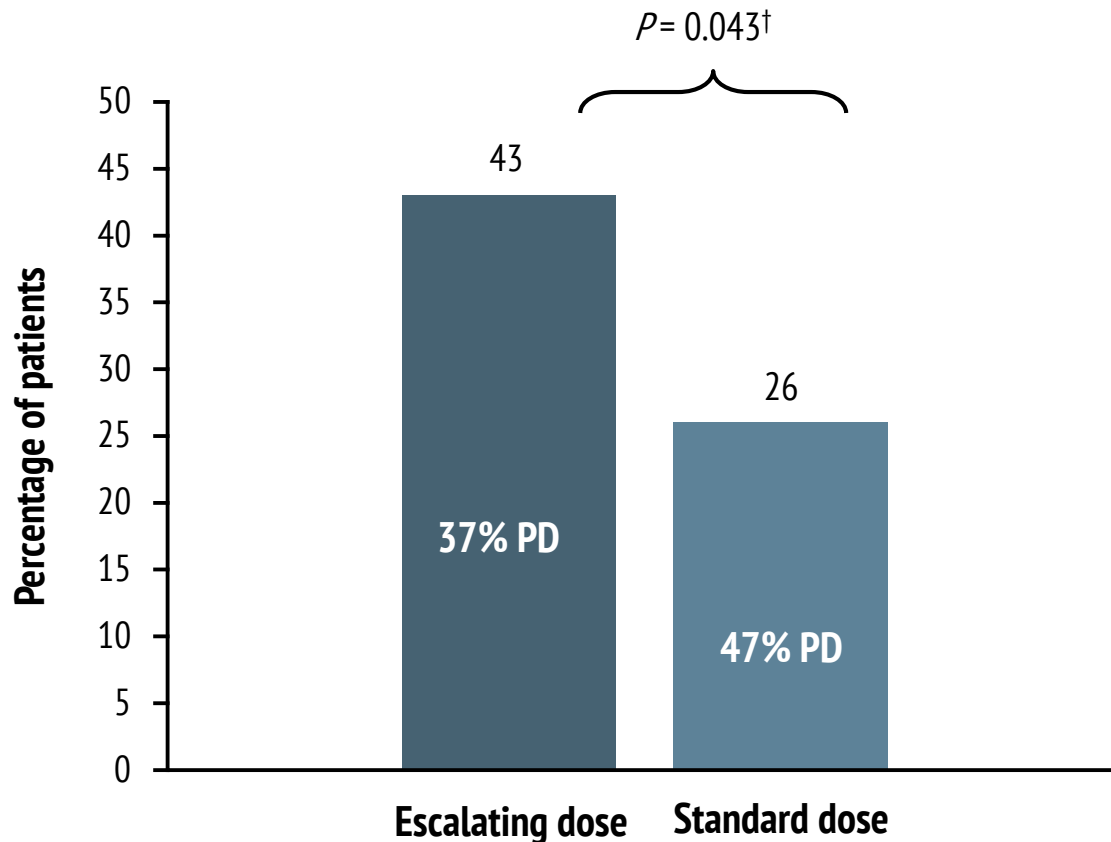


Clobetasol is a steroid cream used to treat skin conditions and may help prevent HFSR in patients receiving regorafenib. C1, cycle 1; HFSR, hand-foot skin reaction; mCRC, metastatic colorectal cancer; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression-free survival; PK, pharmacokinetic; QoL, quality of life;

R, randomisation; TTP, time to progression

1. Bekaii-Saab T, et al. Lancet Oncol. 2019;20:1070-82

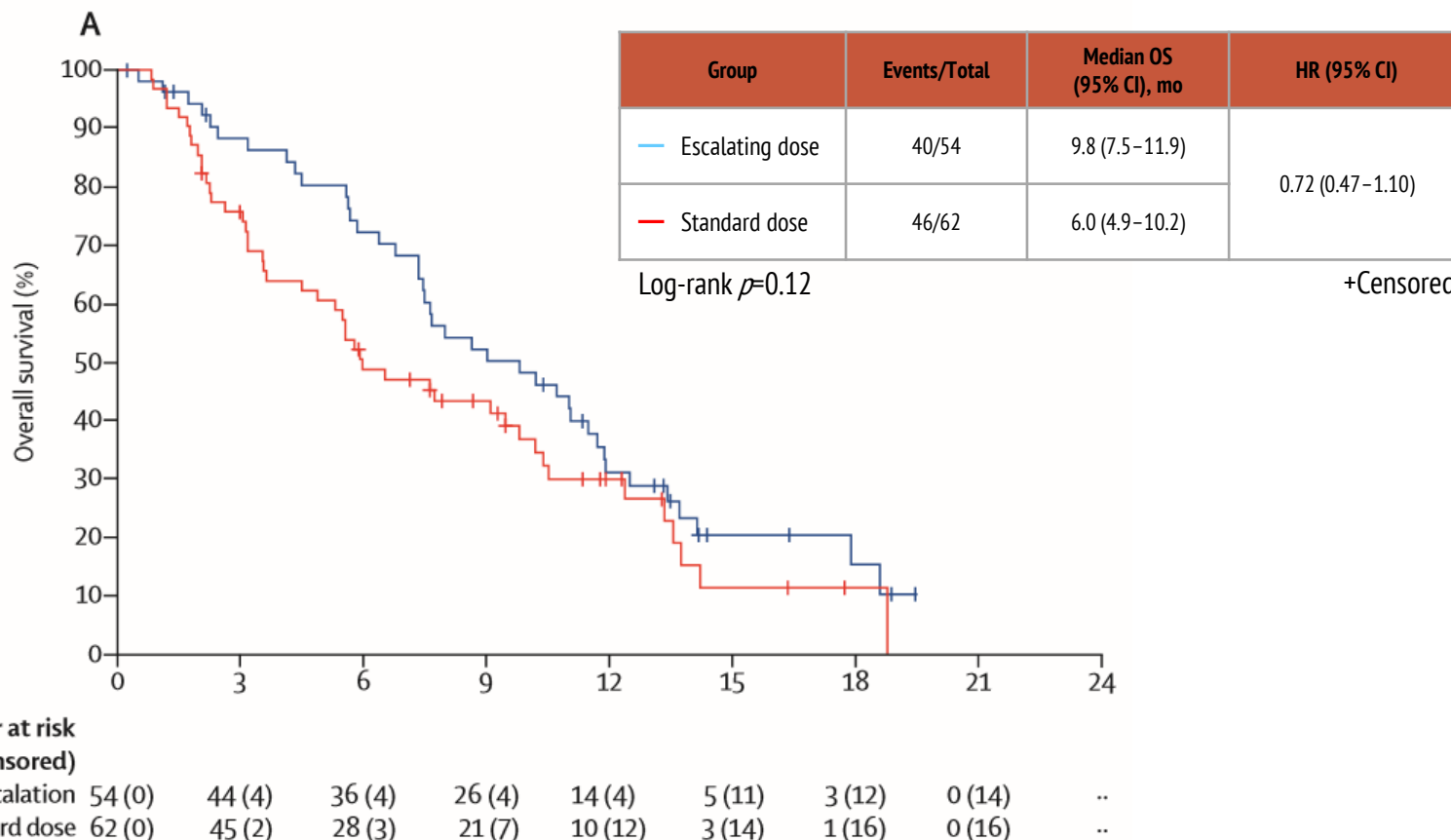
# ReDOS: 43% OF PATIENTS ON THE FIRST-CYCLE DOSE OPTIMISATION ARM STARTED CYCLE 3 OF THERAPY, VS 26% OF PATIENTS ON STANDARD DOSE<sup>1</sup>



The primary endpoint is a composite endpoint integrating efficacy (patients needed to have at least stable disease at the planned disease evaluation) and safety (patients needed to tolerate the drug with no unacceptable toxicity issues); †Fisher's exact test (1-sided). PD, progressive disease

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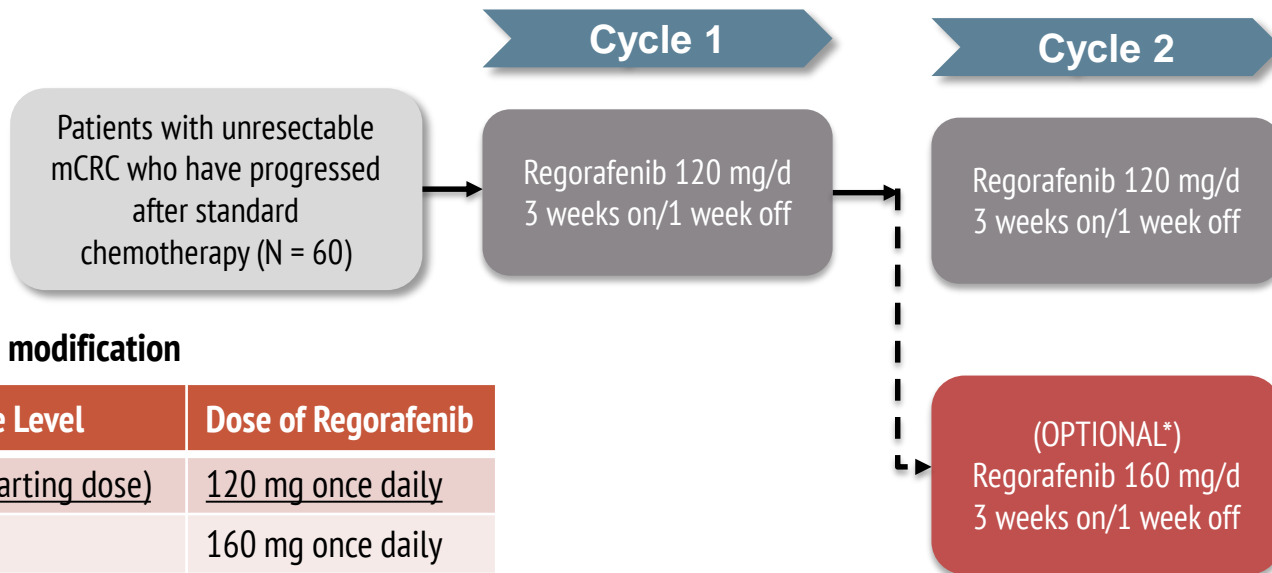
# ReDOS OS CONFIRMS SURVIVAL SEEN IN OTHER TRIALS WITH REGORAFENIB<sup>1</sup>



CI, confidence interval; HR, hazard ratio; Mo, month; OS, overall survival

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# REGOCC: PHASE II DOSE-TITRATION STUDY OF REGORAFENIB IN JAPANESE PATIENTS WITH UNRESECTABLE METASTATIC COLORECTAL CANCER WHO PROGRESSED AFTER STANDARD CHEMOTHERAPY<sup>1</sup>



**Primary endpoint:**  
DCR

**Secondary endpoints:**  
OS, PFS, response rate, safety, and drug adherence

## Dose modification

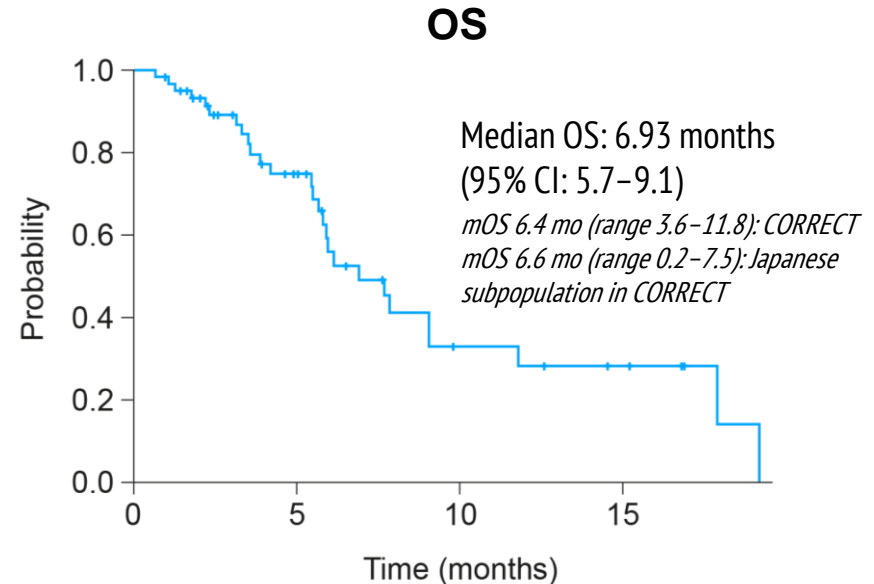
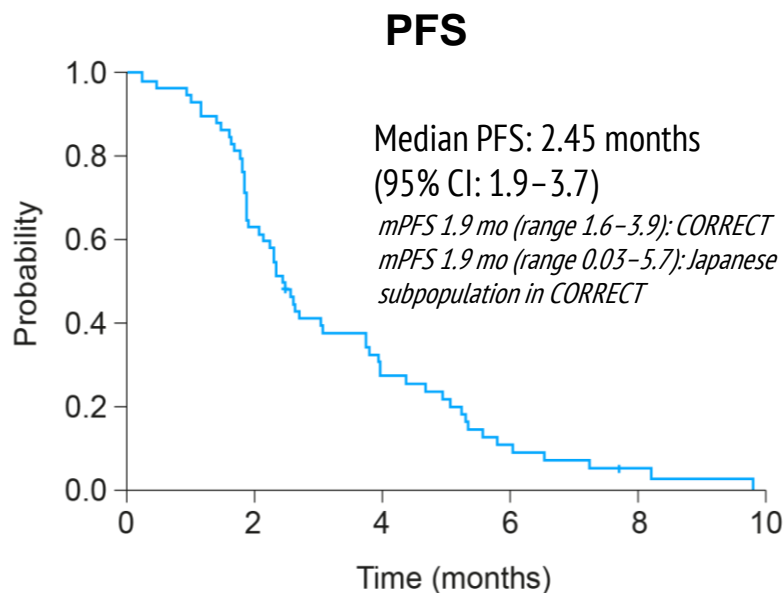
Dose Level	Dose of Regorafenib
0 (starting dose)	120 mg once daily
+1	160 mg once daily
-1	80 mg once daily
-2	40 mg once daily
-3	Discontinued

\*When grade  $\geq 2$  AEs are not observed in cycle 1, an increase to 160 mg/day in cycle 2 and later is allowed. However, for liver dysfunction (ALT, AST, or bilirubin increased), even if the observed AE is grade 1, increase in dose of the drug is not allowed.

AE, adverse event; ALT, alanine aminotransferase; AST, aspartate aminotransferase; DCR, disease control rate; mCRC, metastatic colorectal cancer; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression-free survival. 1. Kudo T, et al. ASCO 2018: Poster 821

# REGOCC DCR OF 38.3% SUGGESTS AN ALTERNATIVE DOSE SCHEDULE FOR PATIENTS IN JAPAN<sup>1</sup>

- DCR was 38.3% (90% CI: 28.0–48.7)
- The lower limit of the DCR exceeded the pre-specified threshold of 27%



CI, confidence interval; DCR, disease control rate; m, median; Mo, month; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression-free survival

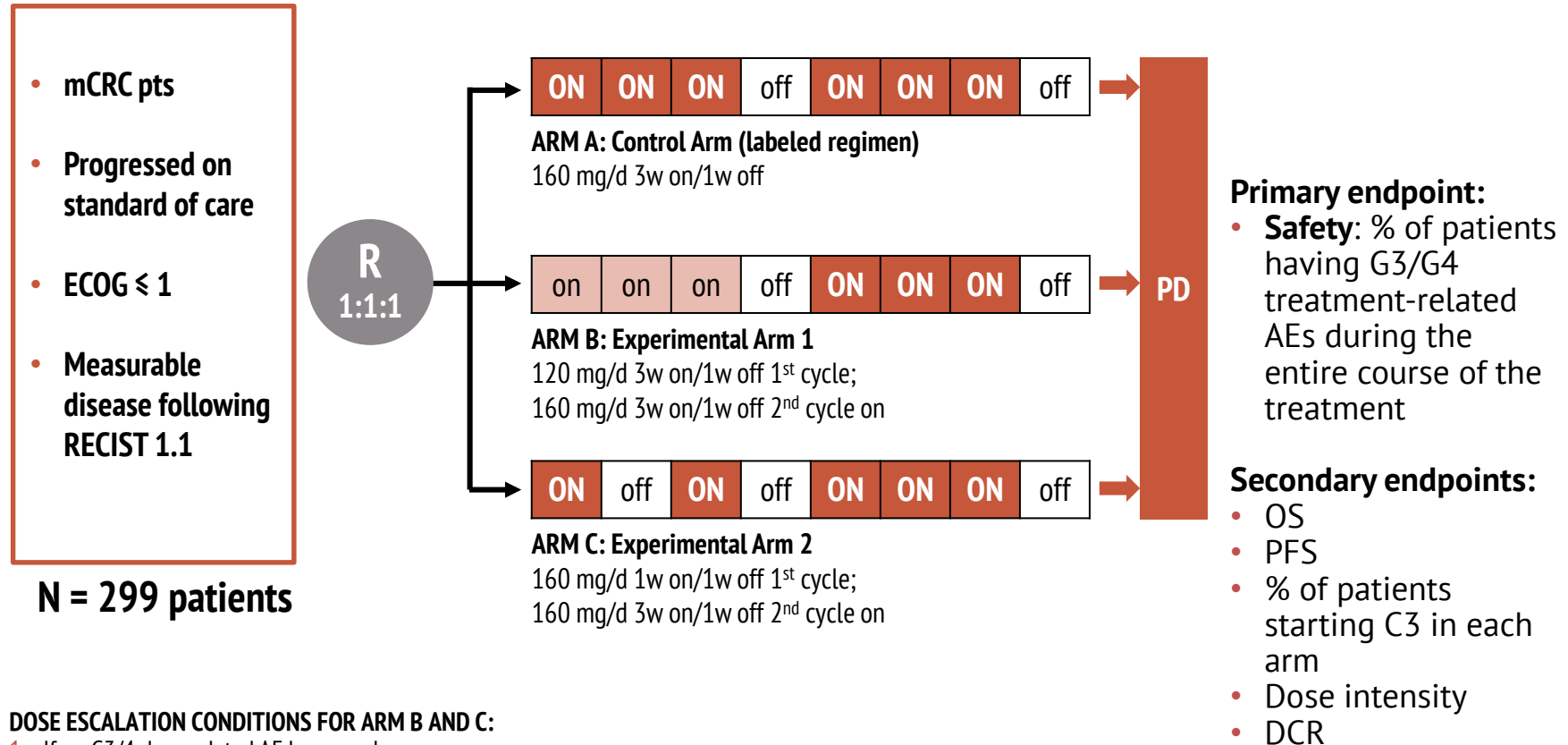


# RESULTS OF REARRANGE TRIAL: A RANDOMIZED PHASE 2 STUDY COMPARING DIFFERENT DOSING APPROACHES FOR REGORAFENIB DURING THE FIRST CYCLE OF TREATMENT IN PATIENTS WITH METASTATIC COLORECTAL CANCER

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16. University Hospital Of Nantes, Digestive Oncology, Nantes, France; 17. Università Della Campania L. Vanvitelli, Italy.

# REARRANGE STUDY DESIGN<sup>1</sup>



## DOSE ESCALATION CONDITIONS FOR ARM B AND C:

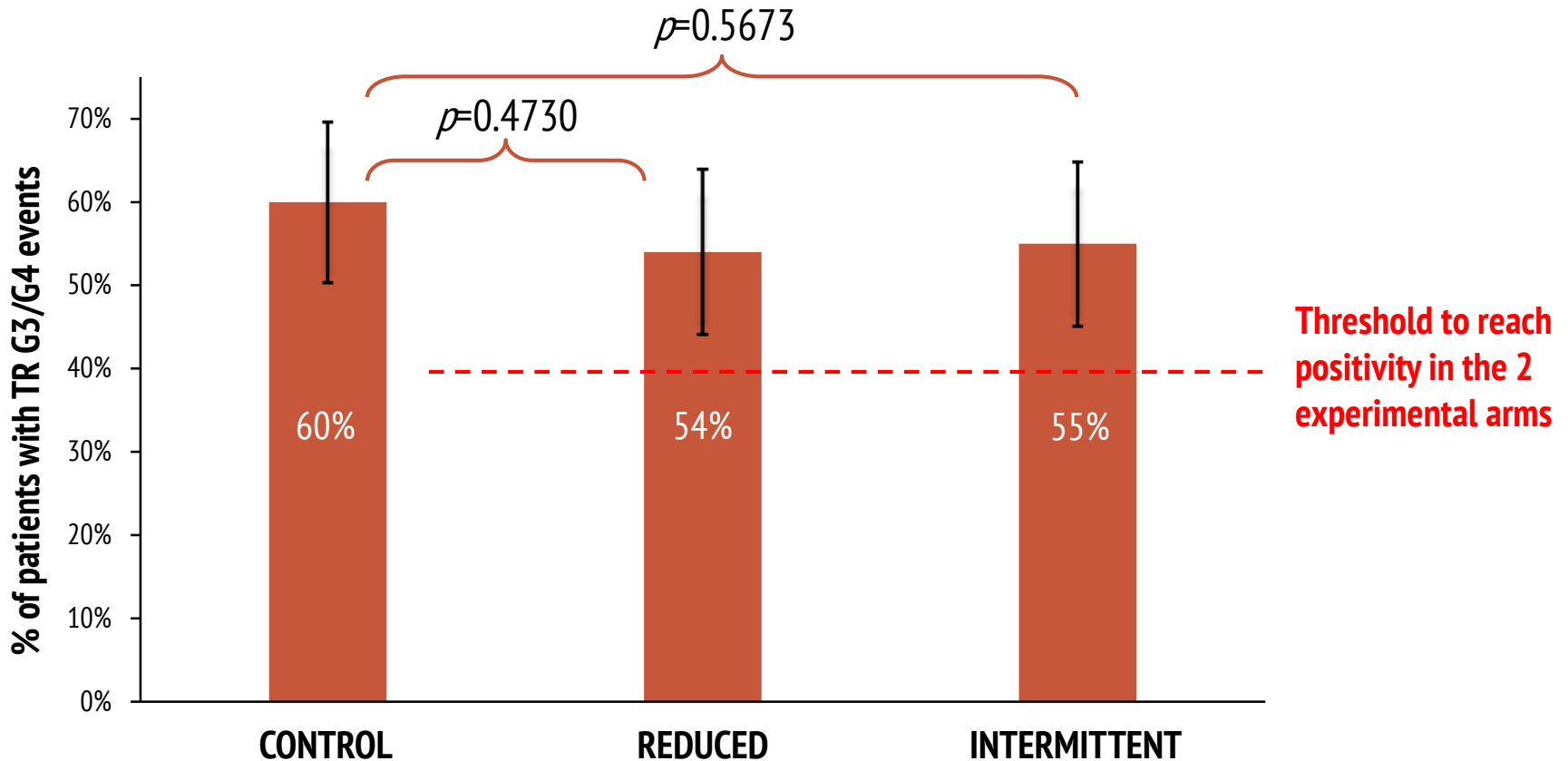
1. If no G3/4 drug-related AE happened
2. Any G2 AE of especial relevance happened:
  - a. G2 diarrhoea lasting more than 3 days despite optimal treatment (guidelines for diarrhoea management according to local practice.)
  - b. G2 vomiting (not nausea) lasting more than 3 days despite optimal treatment (guidelines for vomiting management according to local practice.)
  - c. G2 HFSR lasting more than 7 days despite optimal treatment (guidelines for HFSR management according to local practice.)

# PATIENTS CHARACTERISTICS<sup>1</sup>

		CONTROL ARM (n=101)	REDUCED ARM (n=99)	INTERMITTENT ARM (n=99)	P Value
Age	Median [Q1-Q3]	65.0 [56.0, 70.0]	63.0 [56.0, 70.0]	63.0 [56.0, 69.0]	0.8791
	> 70 years n (%)	21 (21)	18 (18)	19 (19)	0.8950
Gender	Male n (%)	59 (58)	53 (54)	52 (53)	0.6691
ECOG PS	0 n (%)	36 (36)	33 (33)	35 (35)	0.9329
Number of metastatic sites	1	23 (23)	15 (15)	14 (14)	0.4465
	2	35 (35)	35 (35)	33 (33)	
	3+	43 (43)	49 (49)	52 (53)	
Liver mets	Yes n (%)	79 (78)	73 (74)	75 (76)	0.7592
Tumour location	Left-sided n (%)	69 (68)	78 (79)	79 (80)	0.1038
	Right-sided n (%)	31 (31)	19 (19)	20 (20)	
Primary tumour resection		83 (82)	81 (82)	79 (80)	0.8980
Time from diagnosis of metastases	< 18 months	29 (29)	19 (19)	35 (35)	0.0385
	≥ 18 months	72 (71)	80 (81)	64 (65)	
Prior treat. lines	Mean (SD)	4.1 (1.8)	4.2 (1.7)	3.9 (1.6)	0.2992
RAS	Mutant n (%)	72 (71)	59 (60)	60 (61)	0.1613
BRAF	Mutant n (%)	2 (2)	3 (3)	3 (3)	0.9977

ECOG PS, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group Performance Status; mets, metastases; Q, quartile; SD, standard deviation

# PRIMARY ENDPOINT: PATIENTS WITH G3/G4 AEs DURING TREATMENT COURSE<sup>1</sup>



# TOLERABILITY PROFILE DURING THE WHOLE STUDY<sup>1</sup>

G3/4 AEs in > 4% of pts (%)	CONTROL	REDUCED	INTERMITTENT
<b>Total G3–G5</b>	61%	57%	55%
<b>Asthenia + Fatigue</b>	20%	14%	15%
<b>Hypertension</b>	19%	12%	20%
<b>Hypokalaemia</b>	11%	7%	10%
<b>HFSR</b>	8%	7%	3%
<b>GGT increased</b>	2%	7%	2%
<b>Proteinuria</b>	6%	3%	1%
<b>Rash</b>	1%	4%	2%
<b>AST increased</b>	1%	4%	1%
<b>Decreased appetite</b>	2%	4%	2%

AE, adverse event; AST, aspartate aminotransferase; G, grade; GGT, gamma-glutamyl transferase; HFSR, hand-foot skin reaction; pts, patients

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# TOLERABILITY CYCLE 1+2 VS. CYCLE 3+<sup>1</sup>

G3/4 AEs in > 4% of pts (%)	CONTROL		REDUCED		INTERMITTENT	
	Cycle 1+2	Cycle 3+	Cycle 1+2	Cycle 3+	Cycle 1+2	Cycle 3+
<b>Total G3–G5</b>	55%	15%	55%	8%	45%	14%
<b>Asthenia + Fatigue</b>	16%	4%	14%	1%	11%	4%
<b>Hypertension</b>	17%	4%	12%	0%	18%	2%
<b>Hypokalaemia</b>	10%	4%	7%	1%	7%	6%
<b>HFSR</b>	6%	2%	4%	3%	3%	0%
<b>GGT increased</b>	2%	0%	7%	0%	2%	0%
<b>Proteinuria</b>	6%	0%	3%	0%	1%	0%
<b>Rash</b>	1%	0%	3%	1%	2%	0%
<b>AST increased</b>	0%	1%	4%	0%	1%	0%
<b>Decreased appetite</b>	2%	0%	4%	0%	2%	0%

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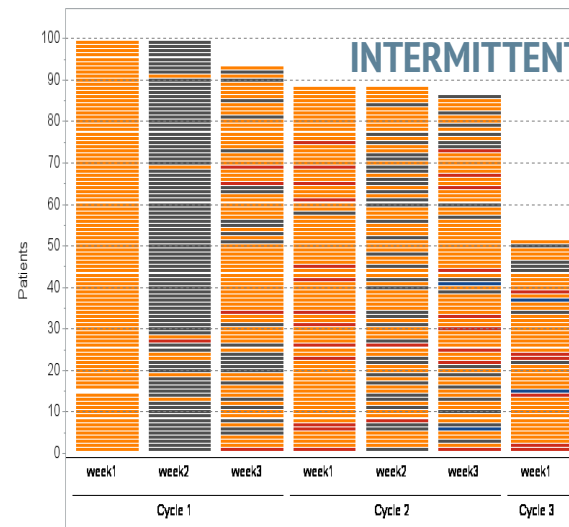
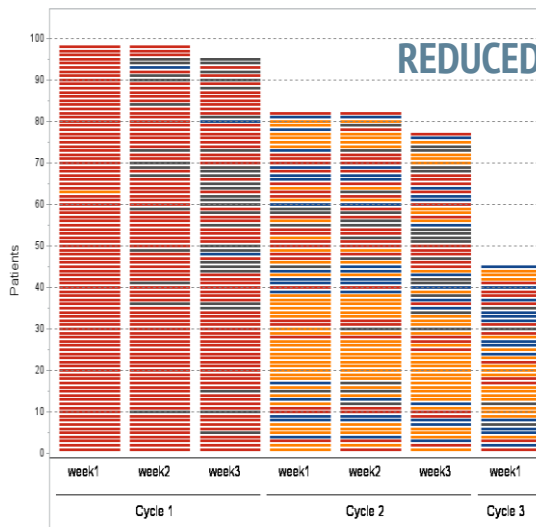
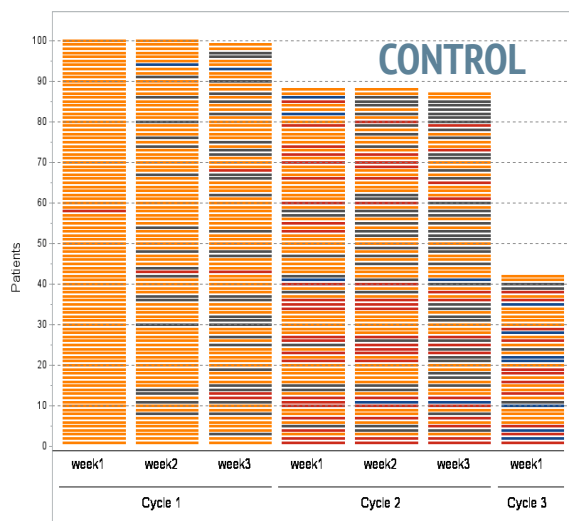
G3/4 AEs in > 4% of pts (%)	CONTROL		REDUCED		INTERMITTENT	
	Cycle 1+2	Cycle 3+	Cycle 1+2	Cycle 3+	Cycle 1+2	Cycle 3+
<b>Total G3–G5</b>	55%	15%	55%	8%	45%	14%
<b>Asthenia + Fatigue</b>	16%	4%	14%	1%	11%	4%
<b>Hypertension</b>	17%	4%	12%	0%	18%	2%
<b>Hypokalaemia</b>	10%	4%	7%	1%	7%	6%
<b>HFSR</b>	6%	2%	4%	3%	3%	0%
<b>GGT increased</b>	2%	0%	7%	0%	2%	0%
<b>Proteinuria</b>	6%	0%	3%	0%	1%	0%
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# HEATMAP<sup>1</sup>

0 mg 80 mg 120 mg 160 mg



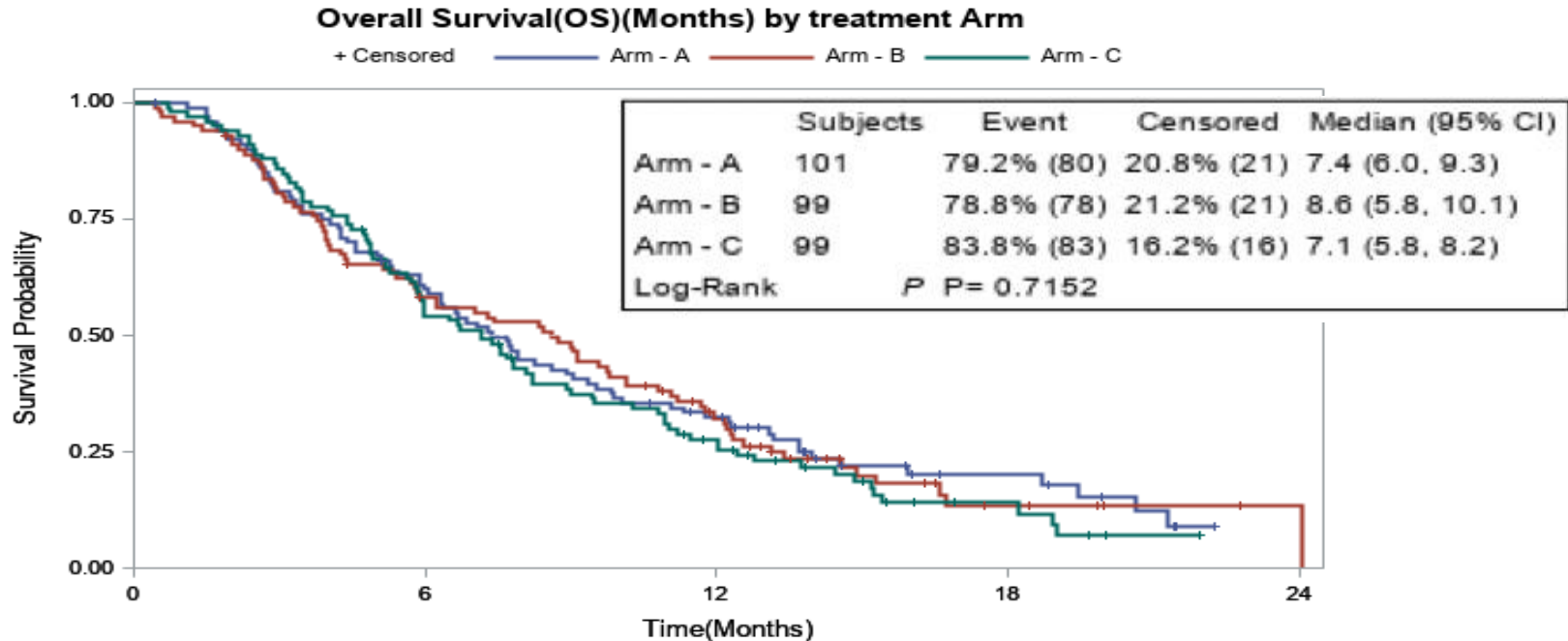
		CONTROL	REDUCED	INTERMITTENT
Treatment exposure	Mean (SD)	3.0 (2.3)	3.7 (3.4)	3.8 (3.3)
	Median [Q1-Q3]	2.2 [1.8, 3.7]	2.3 [1.8, 4.6]	2.5 [1.8, 4.6]
At least one dose delay (%)		35%	34%	29%
At least one dose reduction (%)		39%	39%	25%
At least one dose interruption (%)		81%	79%	70%
Dose escalation (%)		0	45%	64%

Q, quartile; SD, standard deviation

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# SECONDARY ENDPOINT: OS<sup>1</sup>

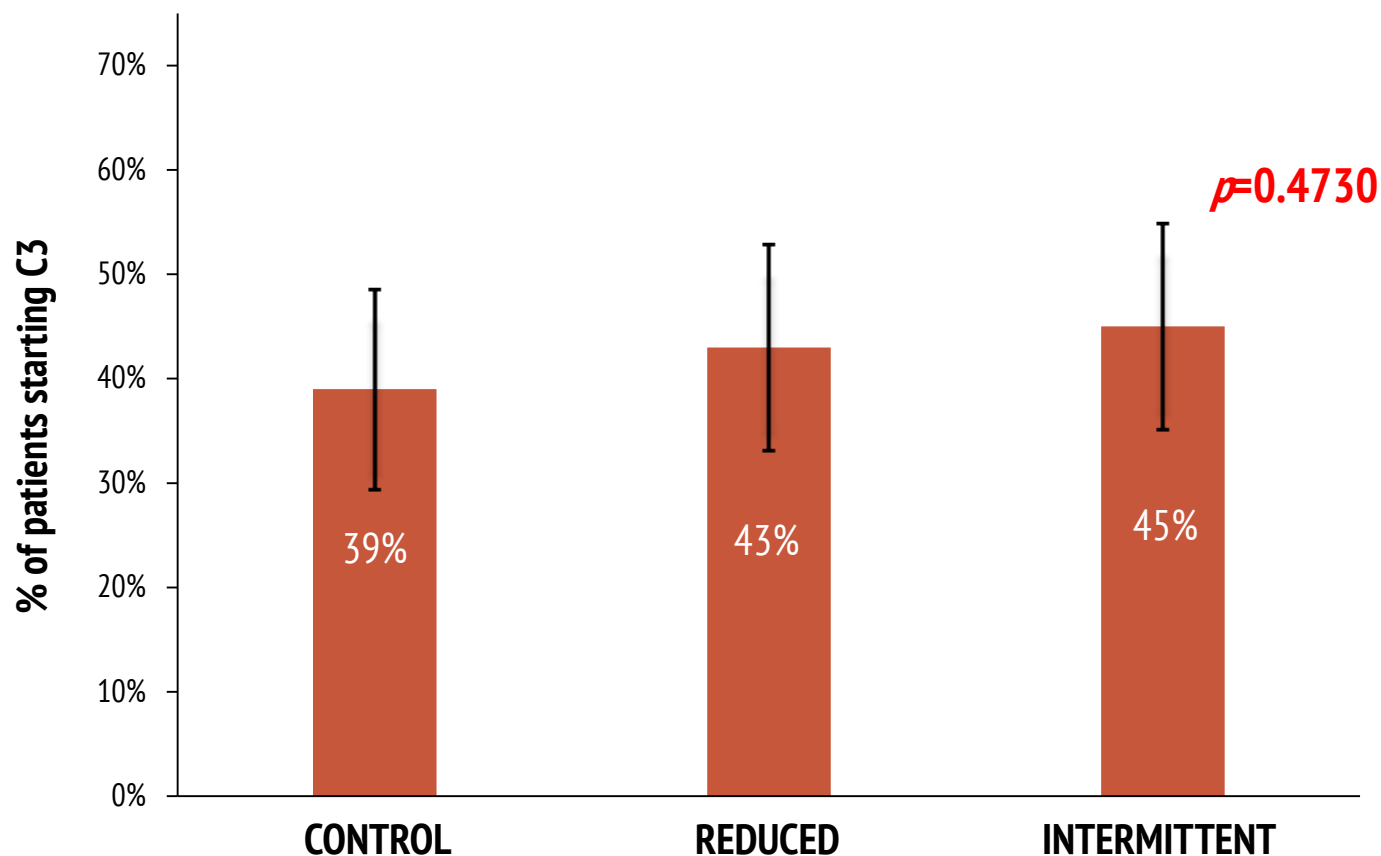


Patients at Risk

	0	6	12	18	24
Arm - A 101	101	59	30	9	0
Arm - B 99	99	55	27	5	1
Arm - C 99	99	53	24	6	0

OS rate	CONTROL	REDUCED	INTERMITTENT
12 mo	32.4%	32.3%	27.8%

# SECONDARY ENDPOINT: PERCENTAGE OF PATIENTS STARTING C3<sup>1</sup>



# STUDY CONCLUSIONS<sup>1</sup>

- REARRANGE did not show a statistically significant improvement of regorafenib tolerability in either the reduced or intermittent dosing arms
- However, experimental arms showed a numerical improvement in relevant AEs, like fatigue and hypertension without jeopardizing efficacy
- These results in the context of other available data, support the use of a initial regorafenib-reduced dosing during the first cycle
- The observed OS data is in line with the most recent reports of regorafenib

# HOW WILL TRIBE-2 DATA IMPACT YOUR SEQUENTIAL CLINICAL PRACTICE IN 2019?

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# DO YOU USE FOLFOXIRI/BEV AS 1<sup>ST</sup>-LINE TX OF mCRC IN YOUR CLINICAL PRACTICE?

- A. Never
- B. A few times (5-10% of my patients)
- C. Sometimes (10-30% of my patients)
- D. Often (>30% of my patients)

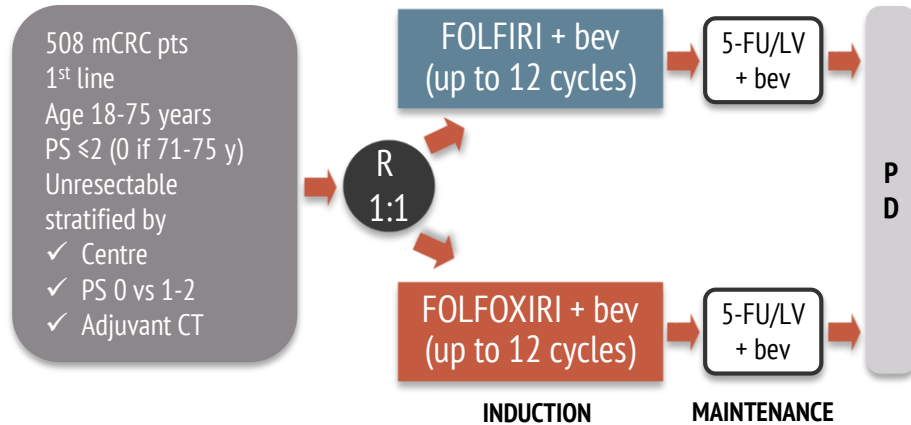
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# IF YES, IN WHICH PATIENTS (AMONG THOSE <75 AND IN GOOD GENERAL CONDITION)?

- A. *BRAF* mutant
- B. *RAS* or *BRAF* mutant, potentially resectable metastases
- C. Right sided and/or *RAS* or *BRAF* mutant, potentially resectable metastases
- D. Right sided and/or *RAS* or *BRAF* mutant, independently of the tumour burden

# ONE STEP BACK: THE TRIBE STUDY

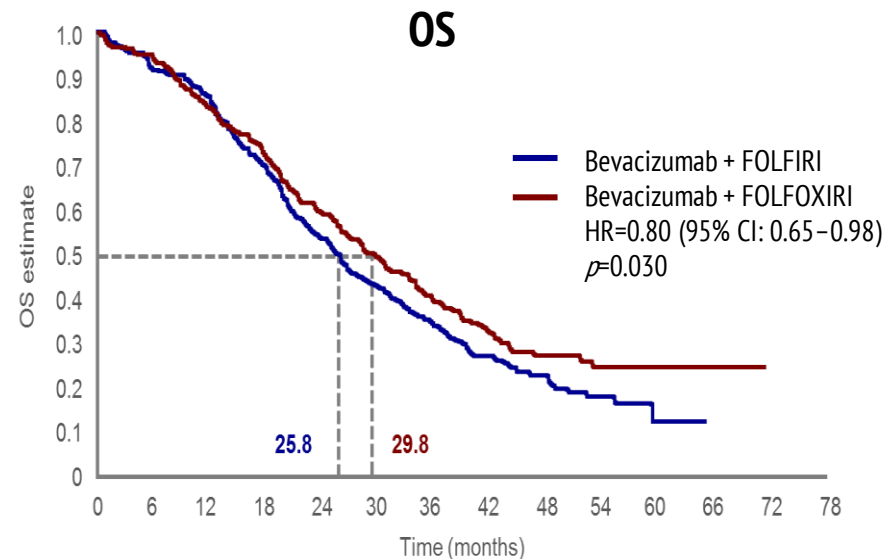
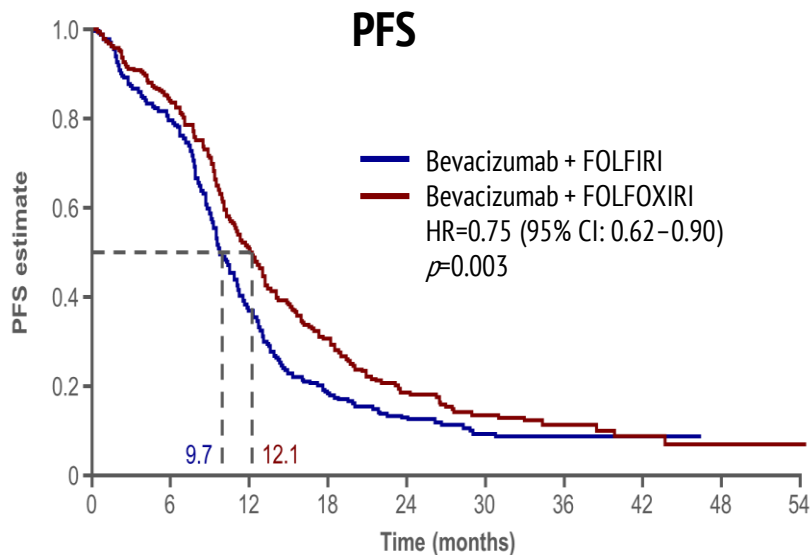


## Phase III, randomised, TRIBE study

Jul 2008 – May 2011

**Primary endpoint: PFS**

**ORR: 53% vs 65%;  $p=0.006$**



# FAQS ABOUT FOLFOXIRI/BEV



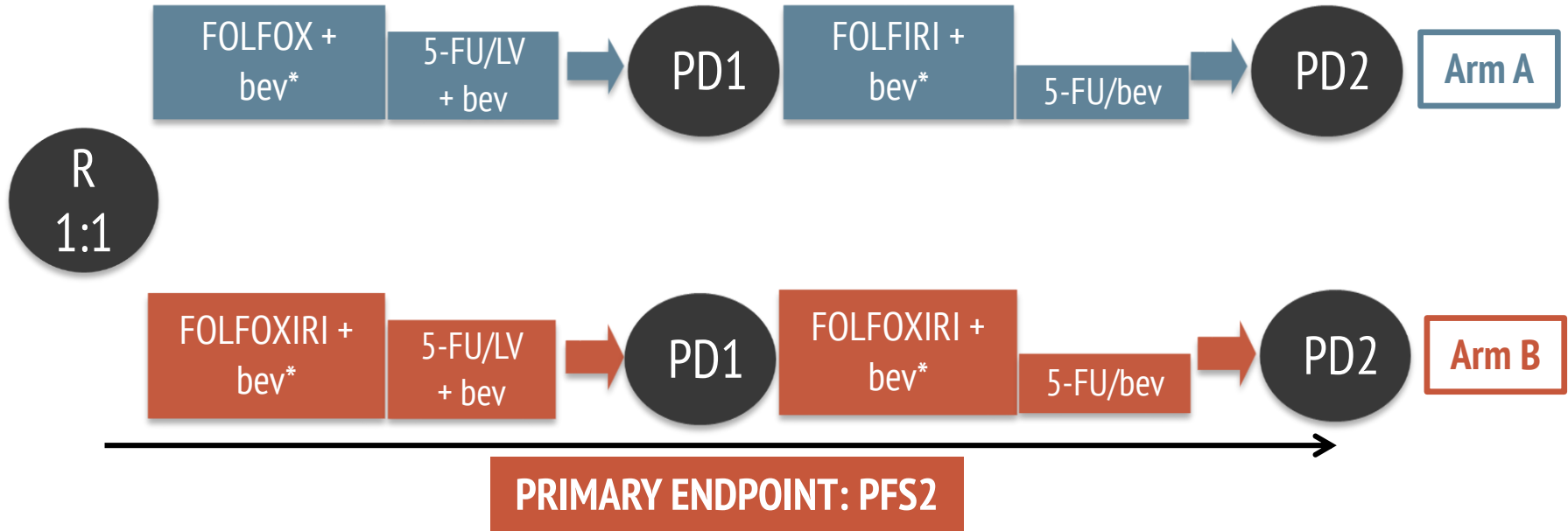
**Is FOLFOXIRI/bev better than the pre-planned sequential exposure to the same agents (FOLFOX→FOLFIRI)?**

**Are treatments after progression feasible and efficacious?**

**Due to the higher toxicity, is it feasible in every oncology unit?**



# TRIBE2: STUDY DESIGN



**679 pts in 58 Italian sites**

\* Up to 8 cycles.

5-FU, fluorouracil; bev, bevacizumab; FOLFIRI, fluorouracil, leucovorin, and irinotecan; FOLFOX, fluorouracil, leucovorin, and oxaliplatin; FOLFOXIRI, fluorouracil, leucovorin, oxaliplatin, and irinotecan; PD, progressive disease; PFS2, progression-free survival 2; R, randomised  
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# TRIBE2: KEY ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Histologically proven adenocarcinoma
- Unresectable (locally assessed) mCRC, not pretreated for metastases
- Measurable disease according to RECIST v1.1 criteria
- Age 18-75
- ECOG PS  $\leq 2$  (ECOG PS 0 if age = 71-75 years)
- Previous adjuvant oxaliplatin-containing chemotherapy NOT allowed
- Adjuvant fluoropyrimidine monotherapy allowed if >6 months elapsed between the end of adjuvant therapy and first relapse
- Adequate bone marrow, liver and renal functions

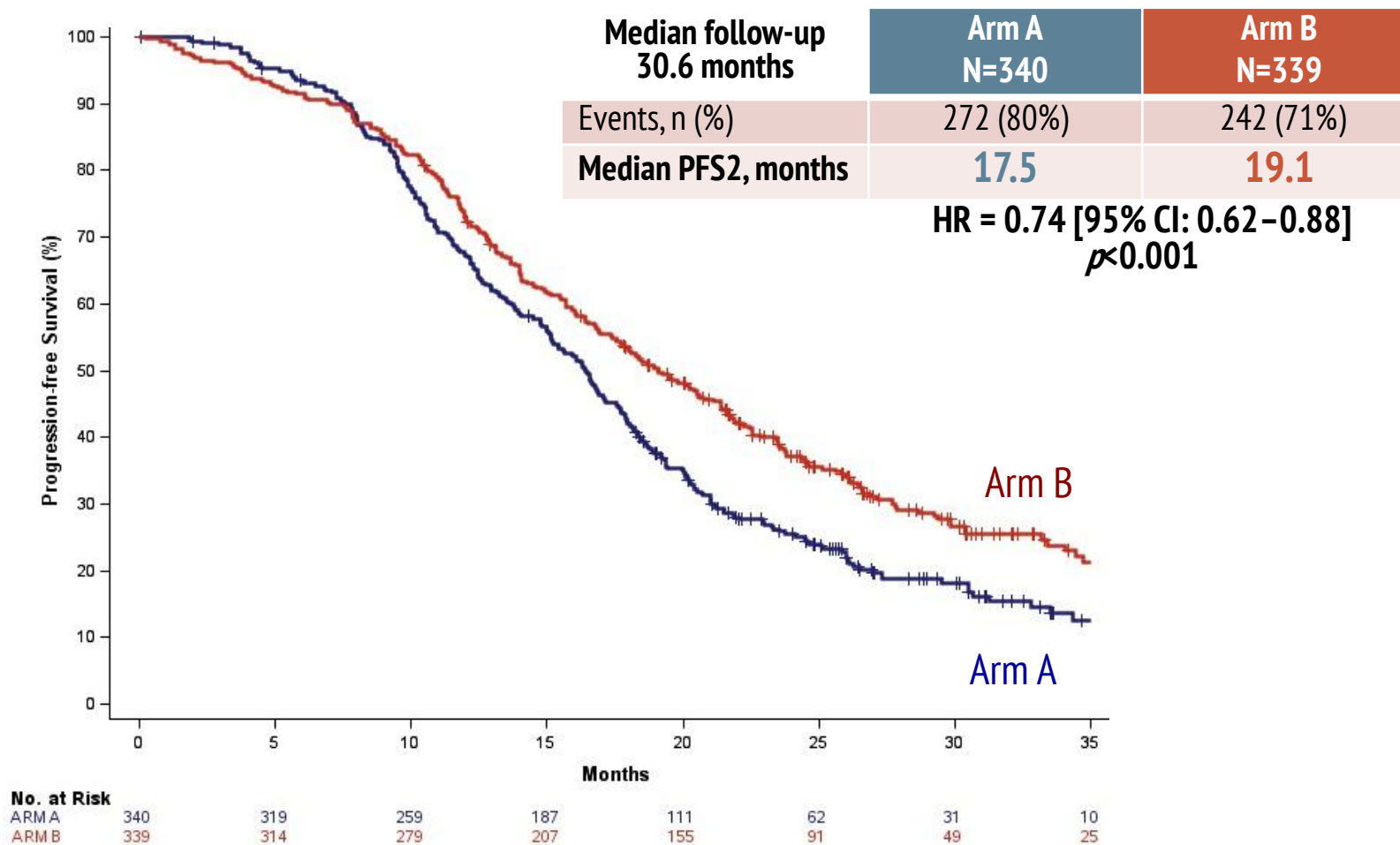
# PATIENTS CHARACTERISTICS – ITT POPULATION

	N=679	
<i>Characteristic, % patients</i>	Arm A N=340	Arm B N=339
Sex (M / F)	61 / 39	54 / 46
Median Age (range)	61 (30–75)	60 (33–75)
ECOG PS (0 / 1 or 2)	85 / 15	86 / 14
Synchronous Metastases (Y / N)	89 / 11	89 / 11
Prior Adjuvant CT (Y / N)	2 / 98	2 / 98
Number Metastatic Sites (1 / >1)	38 / 62	45 / 55
Liver-Only Disease (Y / N)	29 / 71	32 / 68
Primary Tumour Side (right / left)	38 / 62	38 / 62
<i>RAS/BRAF Mutation Status (RAS mutant / BRAF mutant / wt / NE)</i>	65 / 10 / 20 / 5	63 / 10 / 22 / 5
<b>Right AND/OR RAS/BRAF mutant / Left AND RAS/BRAFwt / NE</b>	<b>79</b> / 16 / 5	<b>78</b> / 17 / 5

CT, chemotherapy; ECOG PS, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group Performance Status; ITT, intention-to-treat; NA, not available; NE, not evaluable; wt, wild type

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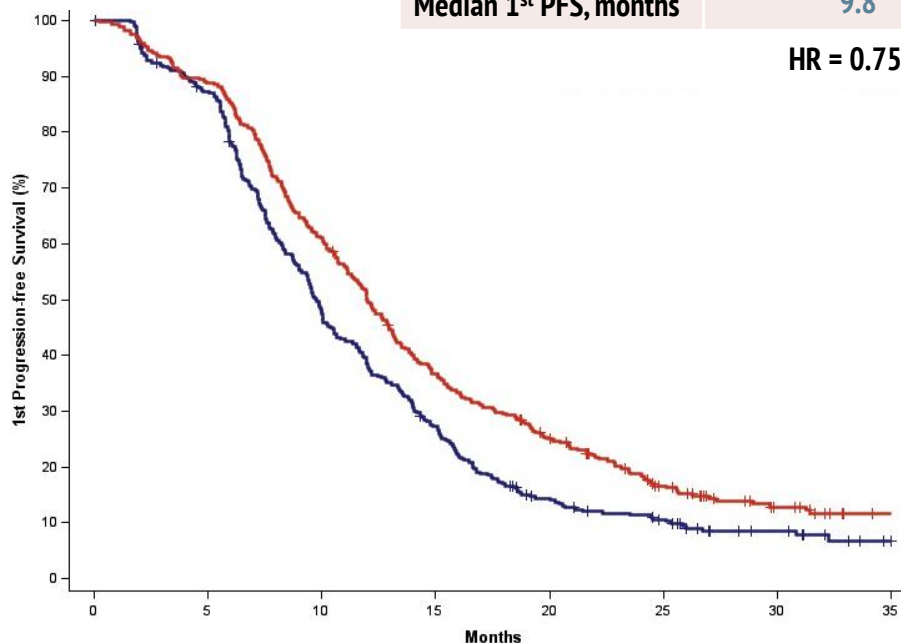
# PRIMARY ENDPOINT: PROGRESSION-FREE SURVIVAL 2



# 1<sup>ST</sup>-LINE FOLFOXIRI/BEV VS FOLFOX/BEV

Median follow-up 30.6 months	FOLFOX + bev N=340	FOLFOXIRI + bev N=339
Events, n (%)	303 (89%)	291 (86%)
Median 1 <sup>st</sup> PFS, months	9.8	12.0

HR = 0.75 [95% CI: 0.63–0.88];  $p < 0.001$



No. at Risk	0	5	10	15	20	25	30	35
ARM A	340	292	160	90	43	28	13	4
ARM B	339	301	207	123	81	45	24	13

	FOLFOX + bev N=340	FOLFOXIRI + bev N=339	<i>p</i>
Response Rate	50%	62%	$p=0.002$
R0 Resection Rate	12%	17%	$p=0.047$

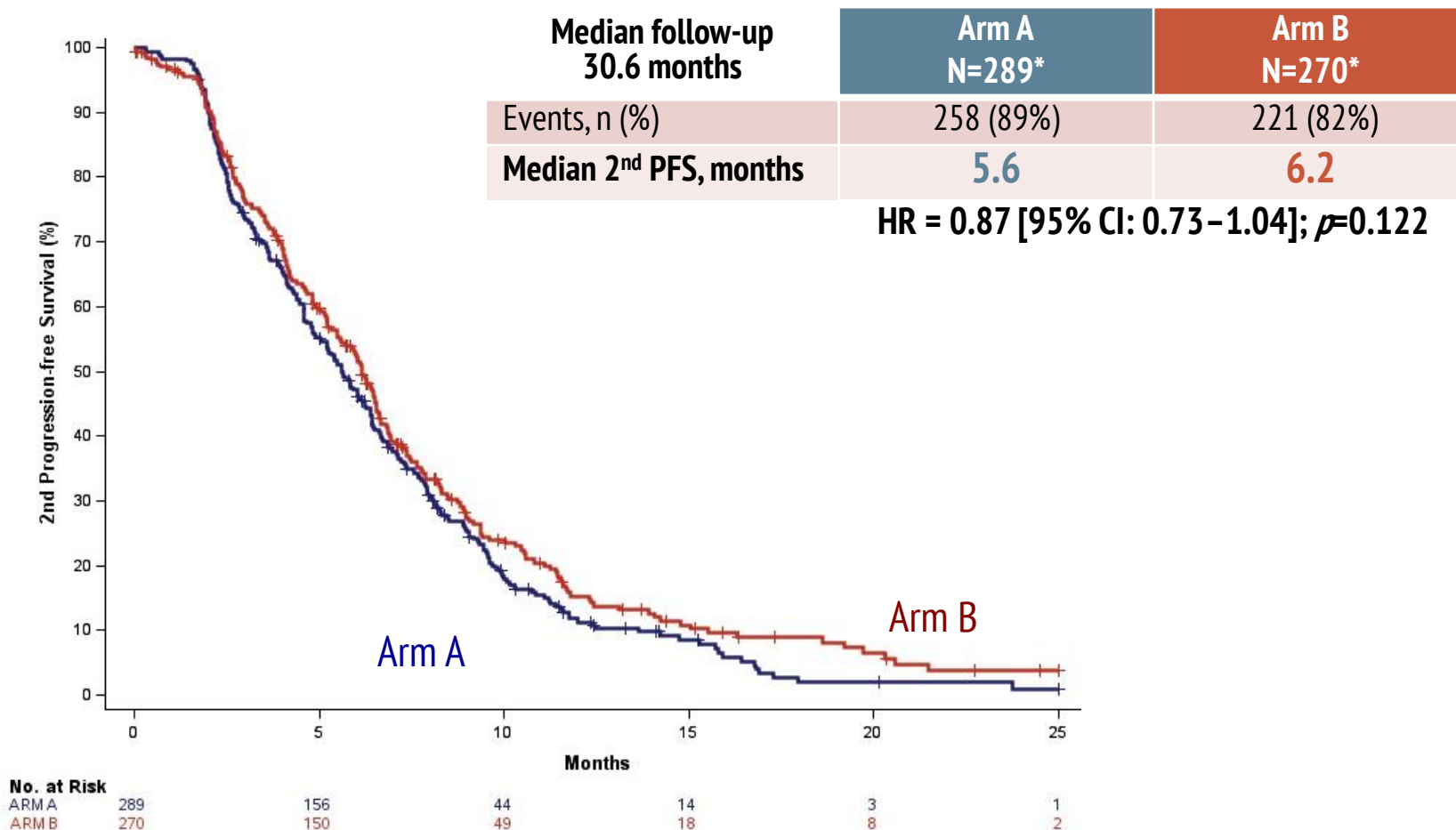
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# 2<sup>ND</sup>-LINE THERAPY

	Arm A N=340	Arm B N=339
<b>PD events</b>	291 (86%)	272 (80%)
<b>Death before PD</b>	12 (4%)	19 (6%)
<b>Any 2<sup>nd</sup>-line therapy</b>	<b>86%</b> (251/291)	<b>81%</b> (219/272)

# 2<sup>ND</sup>-LINE – PROGRESSION-FREE SURVIVAL (PATIENTS ALIVE AT THE TIME OF PD1)



\* 2 patients in arm A and 2 patients in arm B died on the same day of PD1 and were not included in the 2nd PFS analysis.

CI, confidence interval; HR, hazard ratio; PD, progressive disease; PFS, progression-free survival

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FOLFIRI + bev, %	<b>195 (78%)</b>	16 (7%)
FOLFIRI, %	<b>26 (10%)</b>	6 (3%)
FOLFOXIRI + bev, %	1 (0%)	<b>129 (59%)</b>
FOLFOXIRI, %	0 (0%)	<b>20 (9%)</b>
FOLFOX +/- bev, %	6 (2%)	16 (7%)
Anti-EGFR +/- chemotherapy, %	4 (2%)	9 (4%)
Other, %	19 (8%)	23 (11%)

Bev, bevacizumab; EGFR, epidermal growth factor receptor; FOLFIRI, fluorouracil, leucovorin, and irinotecan; FOLFOX, fluorouracil, leucovorin, and oxaliplatin; FOLFOXIRI, fluorouracil, leucovorin, oxaliplatin, and irinotecan; PD, progressive disease; PFS, progression-free survival

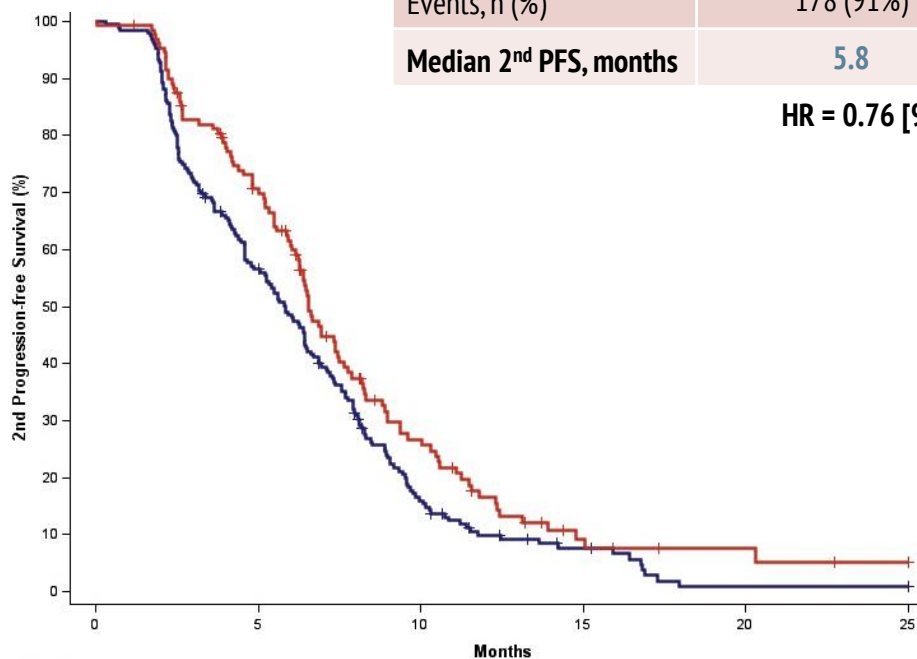
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# PER-PROTOCOL 2<sup>ND</sup>-LINE – PROGRESSION FREE SURVIVAL

Median follow-up 30.6 months	FOLFIRI + bev N=195	FOLFOXIRI + bev N=129
Events, n (%)	178 (91%)	104 (81%)
Median 2 <sup>nd</sup> PFS, months	5.8	6.5

HR = 0.76 [95% CI: 0.60–0.97];  $p=0.025$



No. at Risk	0	5	10	15	20	25
ARMA	195	107	28	9	1	1
ARMB	129	86	27	6	3	1

	FOLFIRI + bev N=195	FOLFOXIRI + bev N=129	<i>p</i>
Response Rate	12%	19%	$p=0.057$
Disease Control Rate	64%	77%	$p=0.037$

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# SAFETY PROFILES

G3/4 adverse events, % patients	1 <sup>st</sup> line		<i>p</i>
	FOLFOX + bev N=336	FOLFOXIRI + bev N=336	
Nausea	3	6	0.140
Vomiting	2	3	0.419
Diarrhoea	5	17	<0.001
Stomatitis	3	5	0.299
Neutropenia	21	50	<0.001
Febrile neutropenia	3	7	0.050
Neurotoxicity	1	2	0.505
Asthenia	6	7	0.633
Hypertension	10	7	0.223
Venous thromboembolism	6	4	0.204

Bev, bevacizumab; FOLFOX, fluorouracil, leucovorin, and oxaliplatin; FOLFOXIRI, fluorouracil, leucovorin, oxaliplatin, and irinotecan; G, grade

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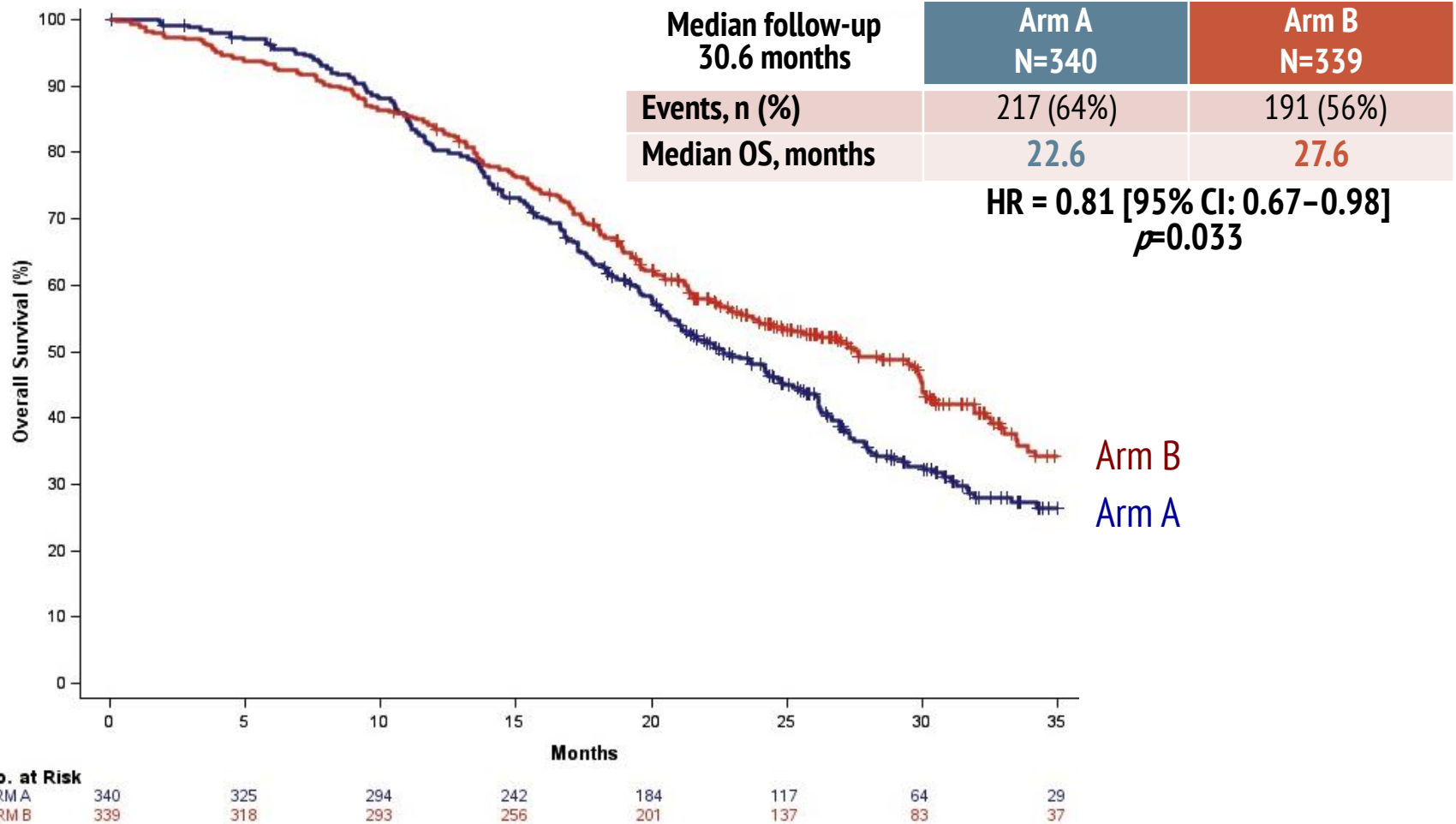
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Nausea	3	6	0.140	3	6	1.000
Vomiting	2	3	0.419	2	3	0.718
Diarrhoea	5	17	<0.001	6	6	0.269
Stomatitis	3	5	0.299	3	3	0.356
Neutropenia	21	50	<0.001	24	24	1.000
Febrile neutropenia	3	7	0.050	2	2	0.686
Neurotoxicity	1	2	0.505	1	5	0.004
Asthenia	6	7	0.637	6	8	0.654
Hypertension	10	7	0.204	2	3	0.443
Venous thromboembolism	6	4	0.204	1	1	1.000

Proper patient selection and management

Bev, bevacizumab; FOLFIRI, fluorouracil, leucovorin, and irinotecan; FOLFOX, fluorouracil, leucovorin, and oxaliplatin; FOLFOXIRI, fluorouracil, leucovorin, oxaliplatin, and irinotecan; G, grade

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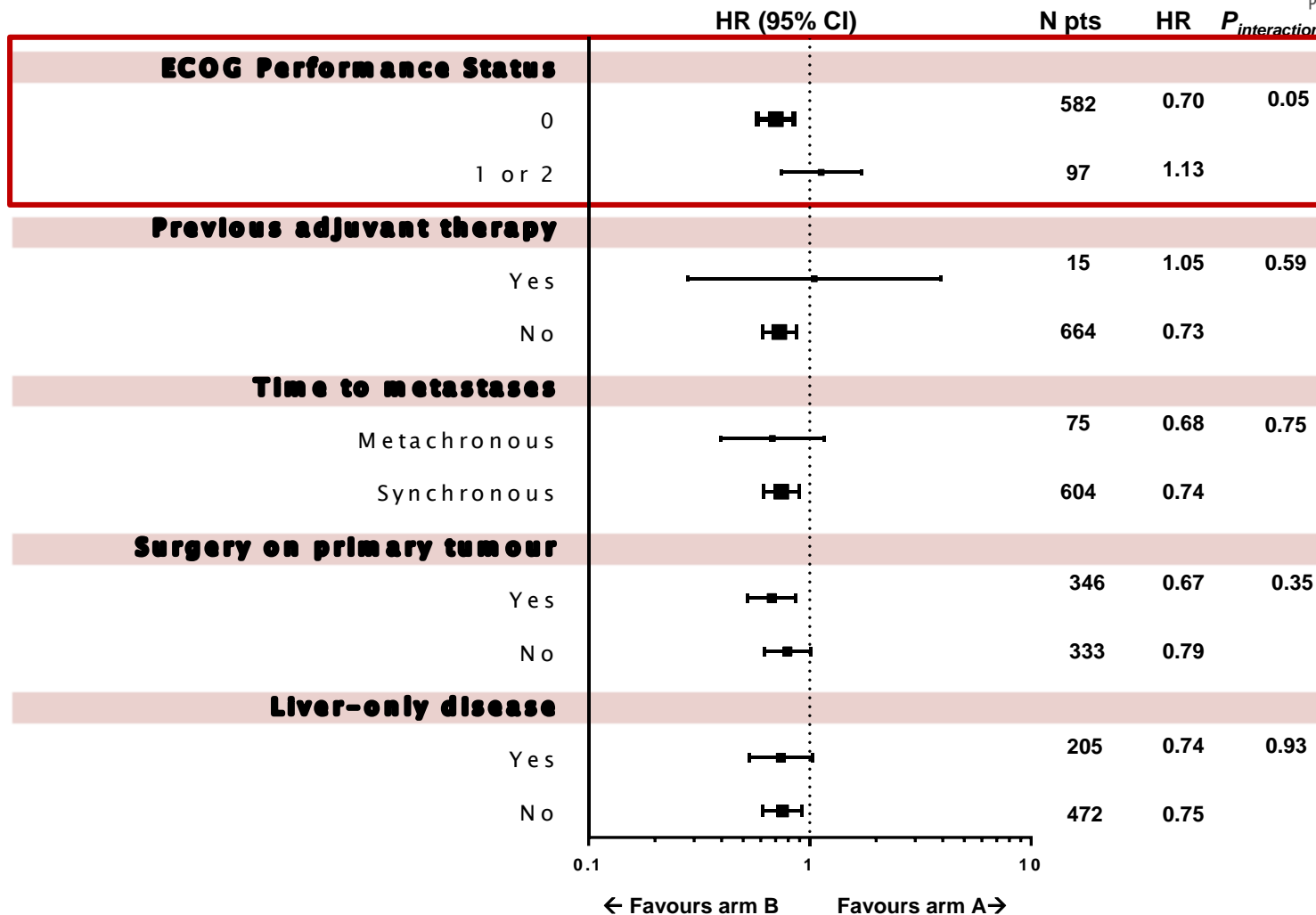
# OVERALL SURVIVAL – PRELIMINARY RESULTS



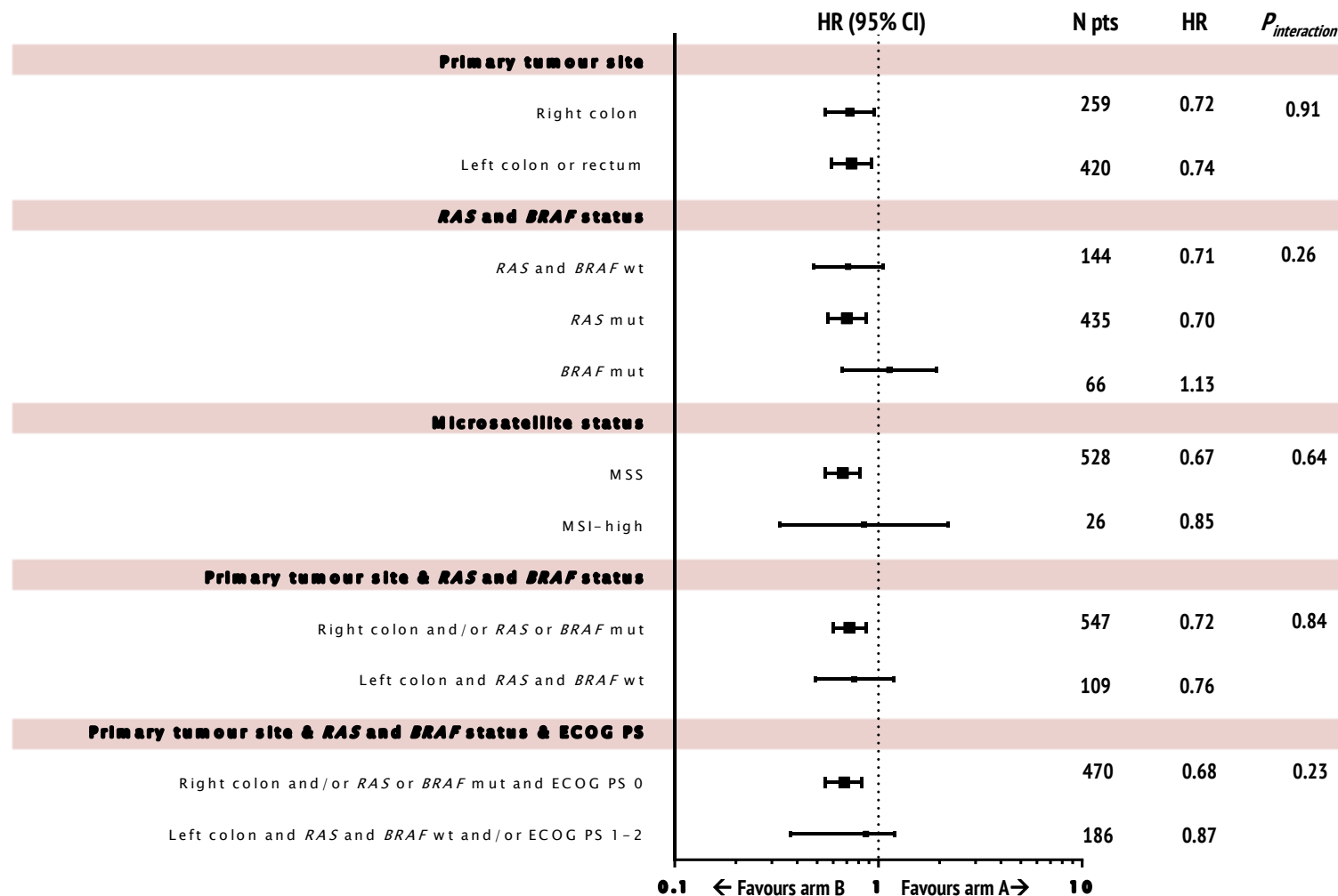
# THE IDEAL PROFILE



# SUBGROUP ANALYSES: PFS2 ACCORDING TO CLINICAL CHARACTERISTICS



# PFS2 ACCORDING TO TUMOUR SIDEDNESS AND MOLECULAR CHARACTERISTICS



CI, confidence interval; ECOG PS, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group Performance Status; HR, hazard ratio; MSI, microsatellite instability; MSS, microsatellite stable; mut, mutant; PFS2, progression-free survival 2; wt, wild type

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# CLINICAL SCENARIO 1

- 63-year old male
- ECOG PS 0
- Unresected right-sided primary tumour with multiple synchronous liver and lung metastases
- *RAS* mutant

Which is your preferred 1<sup>st</sup>-line option?

- A. FOLFOX + bev
- B. FOLFIRI + bev
- C. FOLFOXIRI + bev
- D. FOLFOXIRI
- E. FOLFOX/FOLFIRI

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# CLINICAL SCENARIO 2

- 73-year old male
- ECOG PS 1
- Resected right-sided primary tumour with synchronous lung and liver metastases
- *RAS/BRAF* wt

Which is your preferred 1<sup>st</sup>-line option?

- A. FOLFOX/FOLFIRI + bev
- B. FOLFOXIRI + bev
- C. FOLFOXIRI
- D. FOLFOX/FOLFIRI + anti-EGFR

# CLINICAL SCENARIO 3

- 66-year old male
- ECOG PS 0
- Resected rectal tumour with metachronous lung and nodal metastases (after 3 years, no prior oxaliplatin-based adjuvant)
- *RAS/BRAF* wt

Which is your preferred 1<sup>st</sup>-line option?

- A. FOLFOX/FOLFIRI + bev
- B. FOLFOXIRI + bev
- C. FOLFOXIRI
- D. FOLFOX/FOLFIRI + anti-EGFR

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# CLINICAL SCENARIO 4

- 55-year old female
- ECOG PS 0
- Resected right-sided primary tumour with synchronous peritoneal carcinomatosis
- *BRAF* mutant

Which is your preferred 1<sup>st</sup>-line option?

- A. FOLFOX/FOLFIRI + bev
- B. FOLFOXIRI + bev
- C. FOLFOXIRI
- D. FOLFOX/FOLFIRI + anti-EGFR

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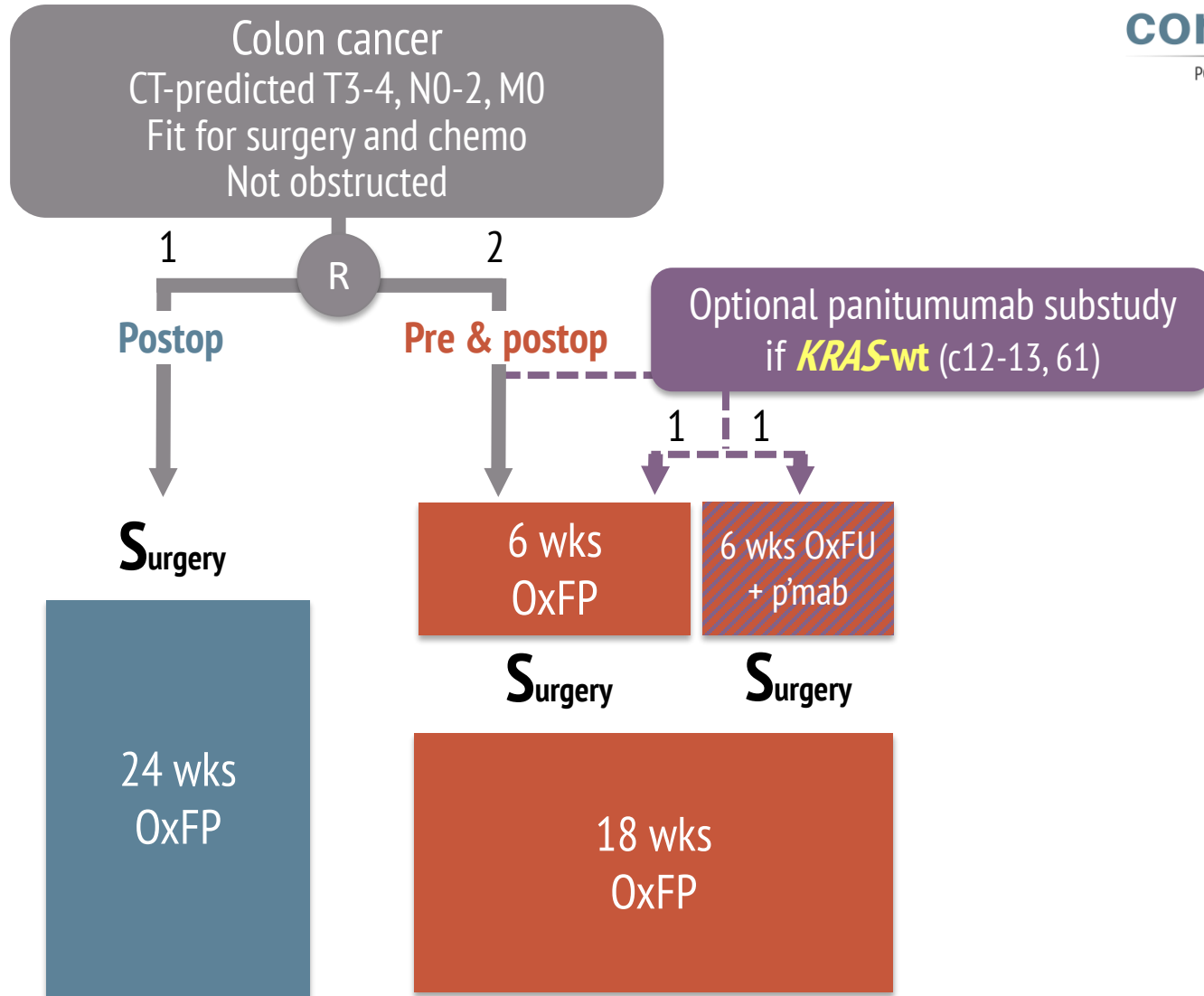
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**FoXTROT:  
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EVALUATING NEOADJUVANT  
CHEMOTHERAPY FOR COLON CANCER**

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# FoXTROT STUDY DESIGN



CT, computed tomography; M, metastasis; N, node; OxFP, oxaliplatin plus fluoropyrimidine; p'mab, panitumumab; postop, postoperative; R, randomised; T, tumour; wt, wild type

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# FOxTROT RESEARCH QUESTIONS

- **Primary question: does NAC increase the cure rate?**
  - Primary outcome: relapse/persistent disease up to 2 years
    - **Target HR=0.75** (e.g 32%→24%)
    - N=1050, for 80% power, 2-tailed  $p<0.05$
  - Secondary outcomes: complete resection; perioperative safety; downstaging; tumour regression
- **Does panitumumab increase preoperative efficacy in *KRAS*-wt?**
  - Primary outcome: histological response
    - 90% power to detect 0.38 s.d. effect size at  $p<0.01$
    - Prespecified “responder biomarker” subgroups

full analysis late  
2019

# THE PATIENTS

All baseline characteristics were well-balanced between treatment arms

	<b>N=1052</b>
Age	<b>Median 65 years (IQR 57-70); 28% ≥70 years</b>
Sex M:F	<b>64:36</b>
WHO PS 0 : 1 : 2	<b>76% : 22% : 1%</b>
Primary location in colon	<b>49% right : 51% left</b>
Predicted T-stage from CT scan	<b>75% rT4/T3<sub>≥5mm</sub> : 25% rT3<sub>&lt;5mm</sub></b>

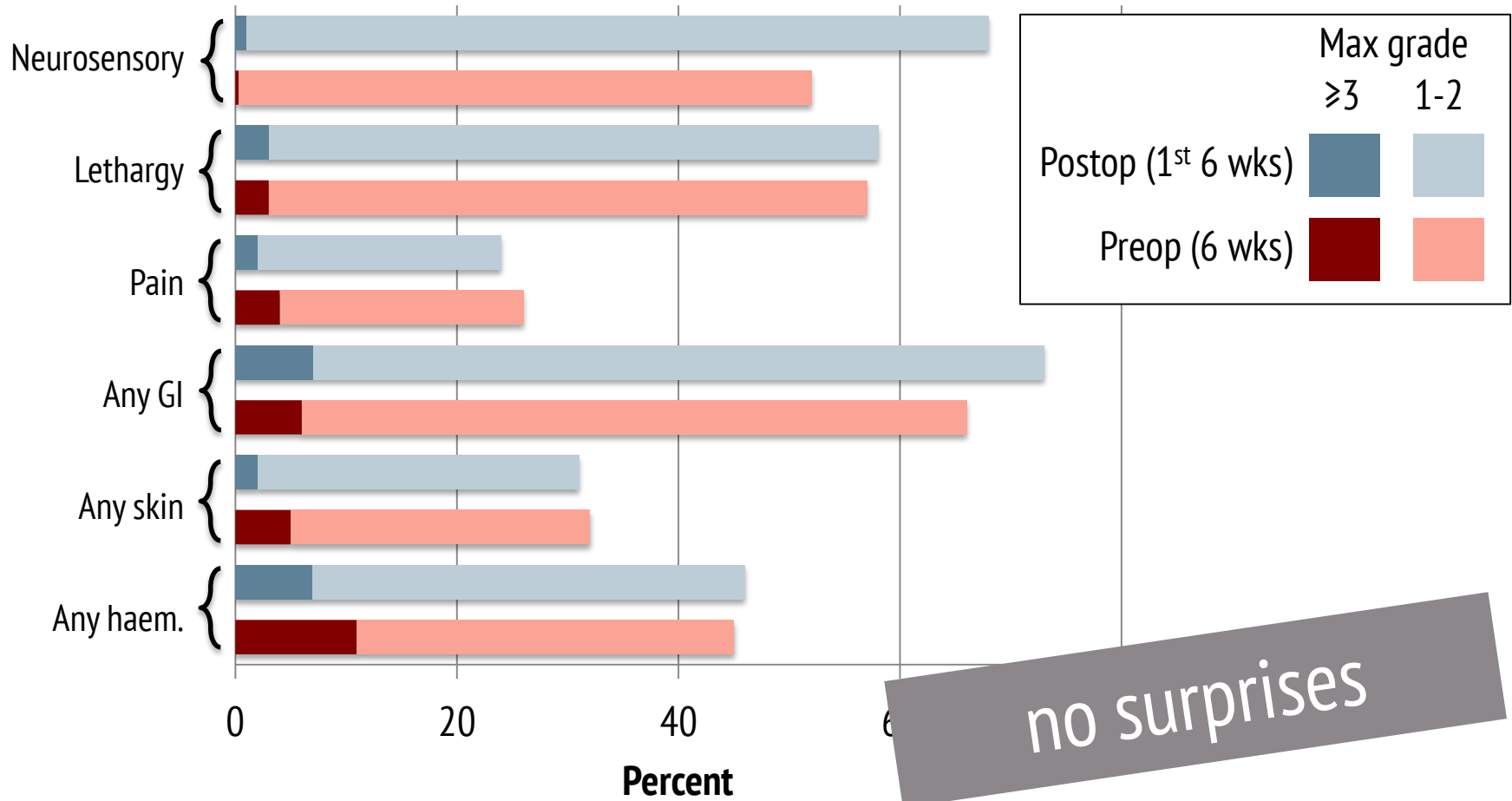
# DELIVERING THE TREATMENT PLAN

		Pre & postop n=698	Post n=354	
Attempted curative resection		98.2%	97.7%	$p=0.54$
No attempt at curative resection	Died before surgery	0.4%	0.3%	$p=0.72$
	Inoperable or metastatic disease	1.3%	2.0%	$p=0.39$
Did not receive chemotherapy		4%	27%	$p<0.0001$

11% because patient too unwell or refused chemotherapy  
16% because tumour was considered low risk



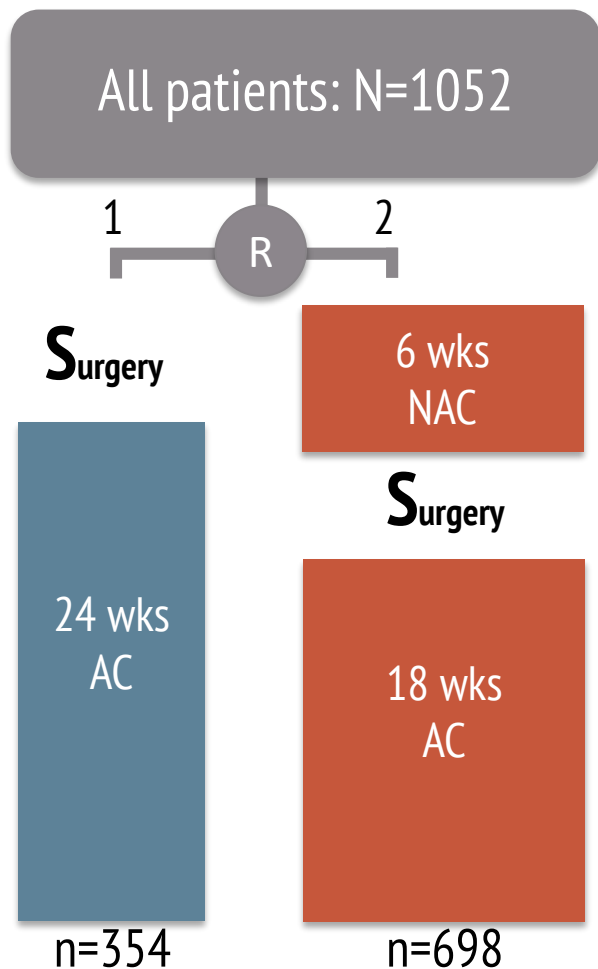
# CHEMOTHERAPY TOXICITY



# PERIOPERATIVE COMPLICATIONS

	Pre & post n=682	Post n=350	
Wound infection	8.5%	8.9%	$p=0.85$
Bronchopneumonia	1.8%	3.1%	$p=0.16$
PE $\pm$ DVT	1.6%	0.6%	$p=0.18$
Anastomotic leak or intra-abdo abscess	4.7%	7.4%	$p=0.07$
Complication requiring further surgery	4.3%	7.1%	$p=0.05$
Complication prolonging hospital stay	11.6%	14.3%	$p=0.22$
Death within 30 days	0.6%	0.6%	$p=0.98$

# EFFICACY: PRIMARY ANALYSIS



## 2-year efficacy, ITT

- Recurrence or persistent disease

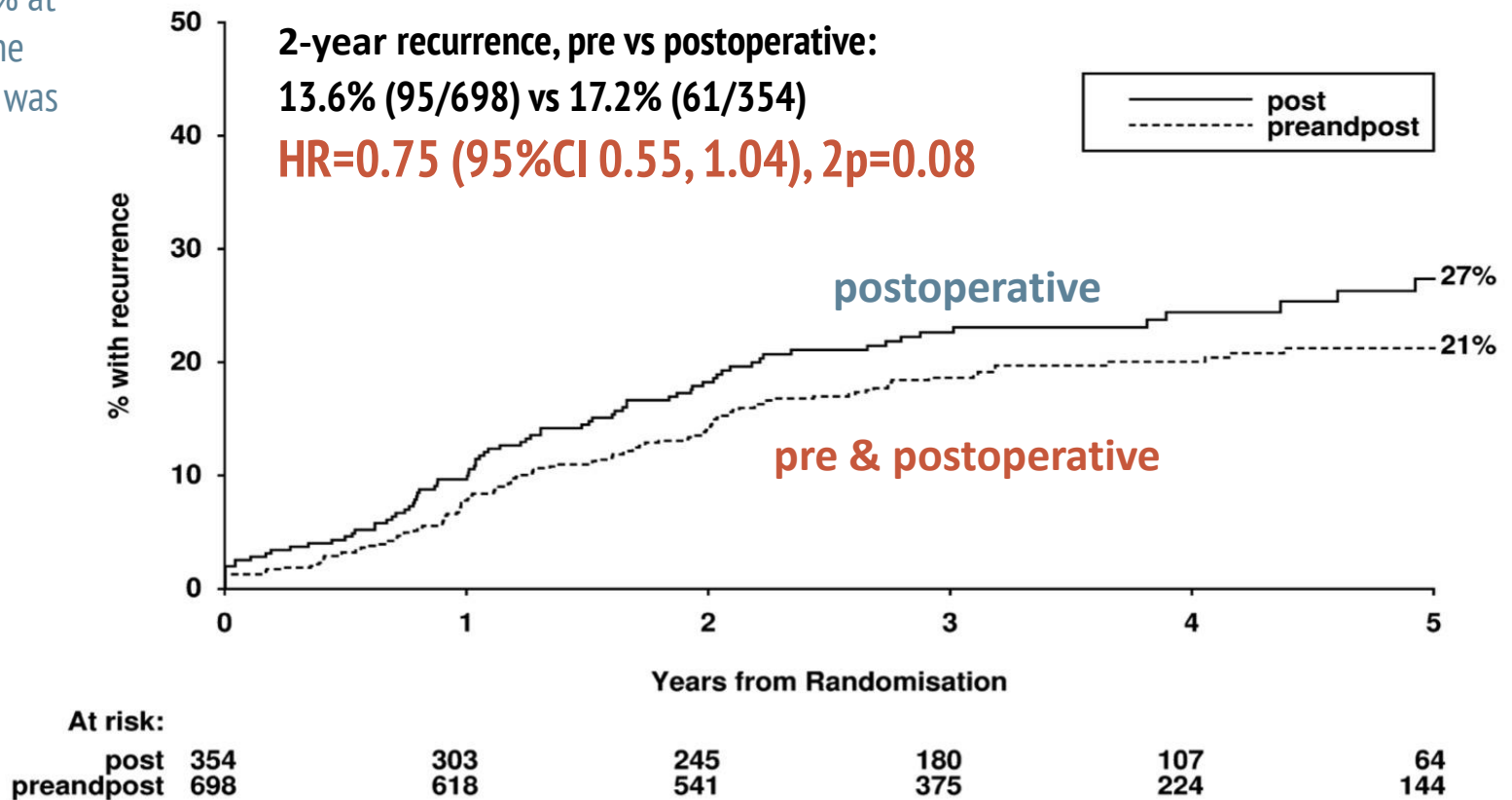
## Short-term efficacy

- Completeness of resection
- Downstaging of tumour
- Histological tumour regression grade

# PRIMARY OUTCOME: 2-YEAR EFFICACY

NB: the recurrence rate of 17.2% at 2 years in the control arm was lower than anticipated

## Recurrence – by treatment allocation



# COMPLETENESS OF RESECTION

Local pathologist score*	Neoadjuvant chemotherapy n=689	Straight to surgery n=353	
Did not proceed to surgery	0.6%	0.6%	
Surgery but no resection	0.3%	1.1%	} $p=0.001$ (MH)
R2 – macroscopically incomplete	0.3%	1.1%	
R1 – microscopically incomplete	4.2%	8.8%	
R0 – microscopically complete	93.1%	88.4%	

MH, Mantel-Haenszel test; R, residual tumour

\*Concordance of local vs central assessment of resection margins = 99% (n=904)

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Did not undergo surgery			
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Risk of undergoing surgery without achieving R0:  
R1, R2 or no resection: **4.8%** vs **11.1%**

MH, Mantel-Haenszel test; R, residual tumour

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# TUMOUR STAGE/SIZE AT SURGERY

Local pathology	Neoadj. chemo n=682	Straight to surgery n=347	
pT0	4.1%	0%	} $p < 0.0001$ (MH)
pT1 / pT2	11.7%	5.8%	
pT3	63.7%	64.5%	
pT4	20.5%	29.8%	
Max tumour diameter – median	35mm	50mm	$p < 0.0001$
Spread beyond muscularis – median	4mm	5mm	$p = 0.005$
Extramural vascular invasion (EMVI+)	32.3%	44.8%	$p < 0.0001$

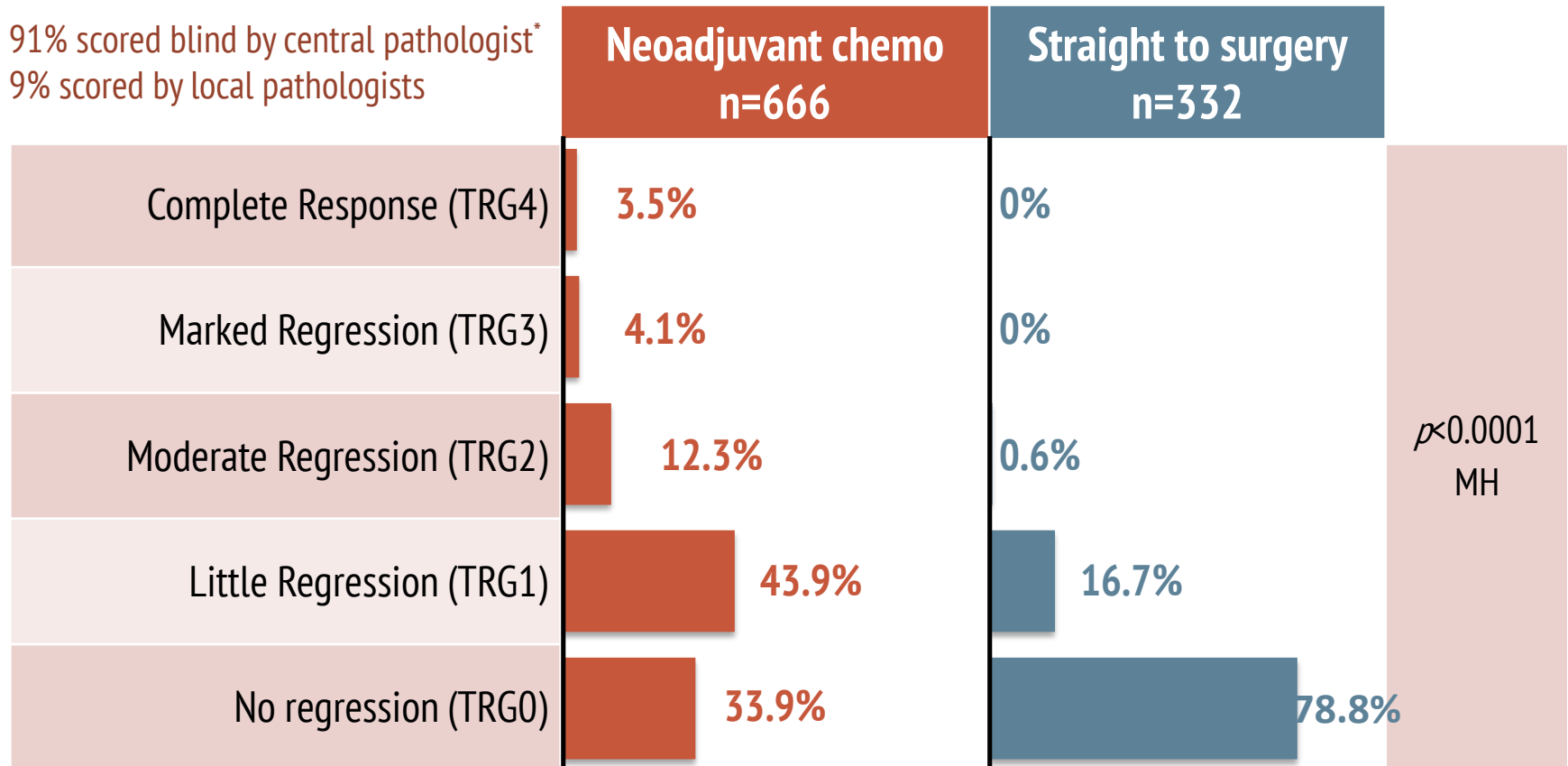
# NODAL STAGE AT SURGERY

Local pathology	Neoadjuvant chemotherapy n=682	Straight to surgery n=346	
pN0	59.4%	48.8%	$p < 0.0001$ (MH)
pN1 (1-3 nodes)	25.4%	25.1%	
pN2 ( $\geq 4$ nodes)	15.2%	25.9%	
Apical node positive	3.8%	7.5%	$p = 0.013$



# TUMOUR REGRESSION GRADE<sup>1</sup> AT SURGERY

91% scored blind by central pathologist\*  
9% scored by local pathologists

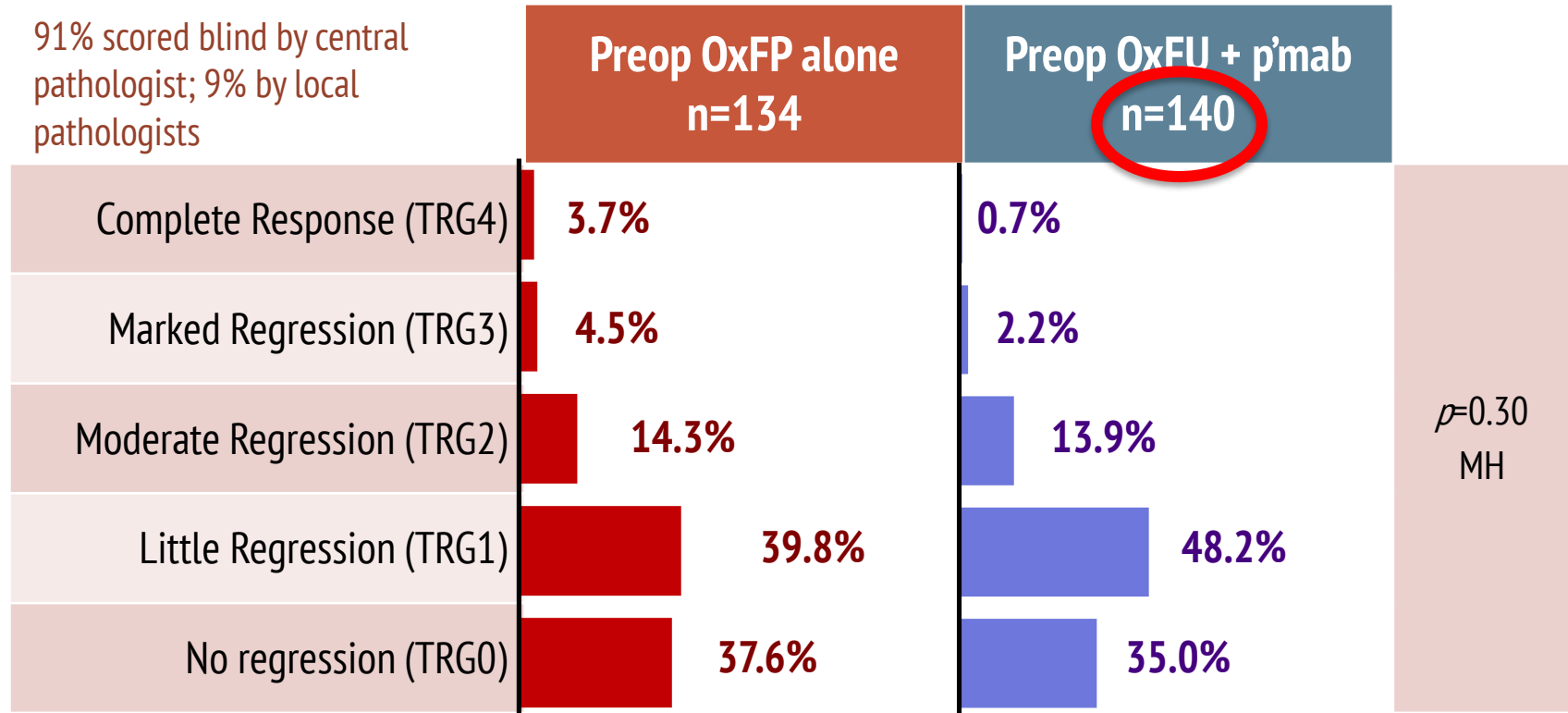


\*<https://www.virtualpathology.leeds.ac.uk/clinical/colorectal/foxtrot/>

MH, Mantel-Haenszel test; TRG, tumour regression grade

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# EFFECT OF PANITUMUMAB



MH, Mantel-Haenszel test; OxFU, oxaliplatin plus fluoropyrimidine; p'mab, panitumumab; preop, preoperative; TRG, tumour regression grade

# EFFECT OF PANITUMUMAB

91% scored by pathologist; 9 pathologists

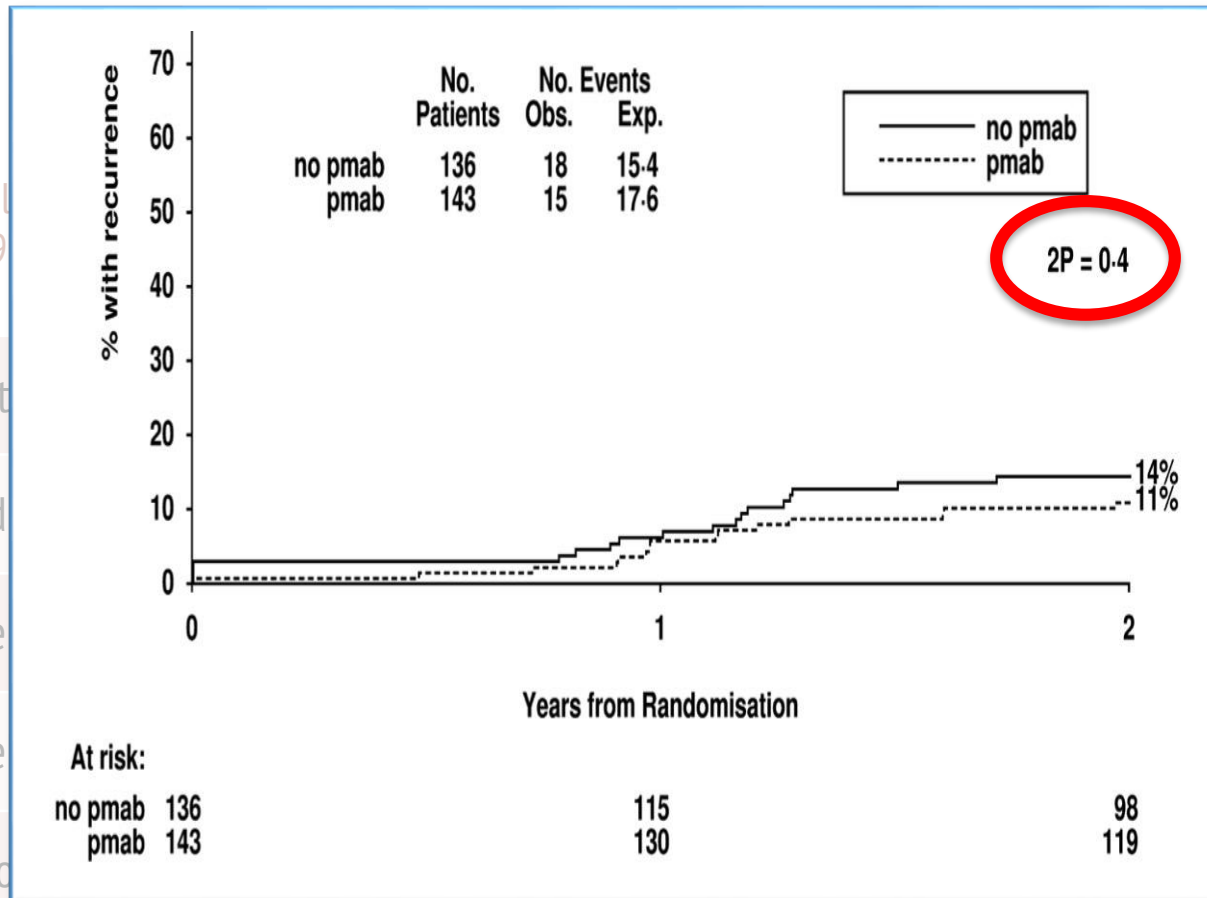
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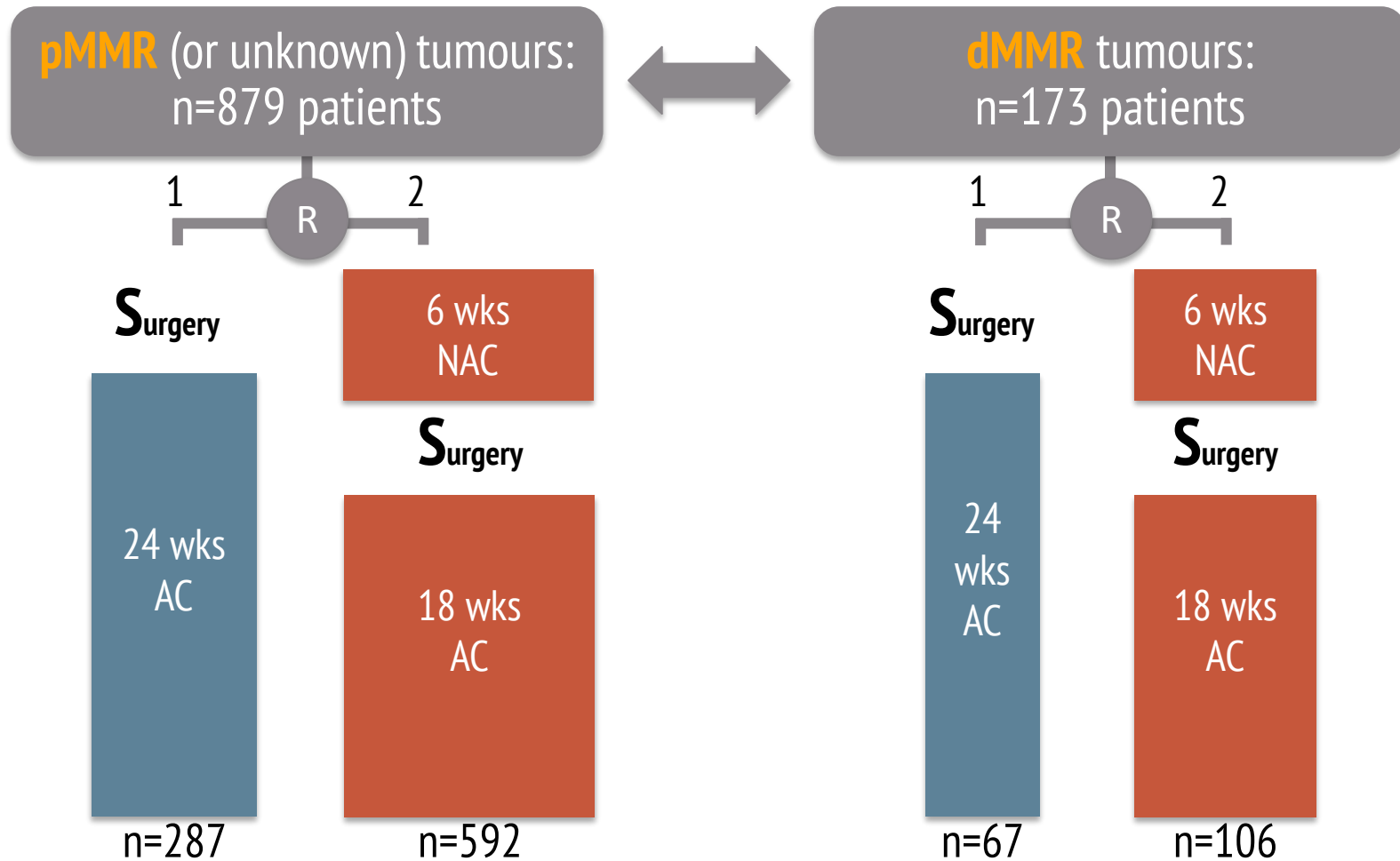
$p=0.30$   
MH

"P, 2-tailed p value; Exp, events expected; MH, Mantel-Haenszel test; obs, events observed; OxFU, oxaliplatin plus fluoropyrimidine; p'mab, panitumumab; preop, preoperative; TRG, tumour regression grade

## Sensitivity Analysis conclusion:

The overall effect seen in the primary analysis is not explained by the use of panitumumab

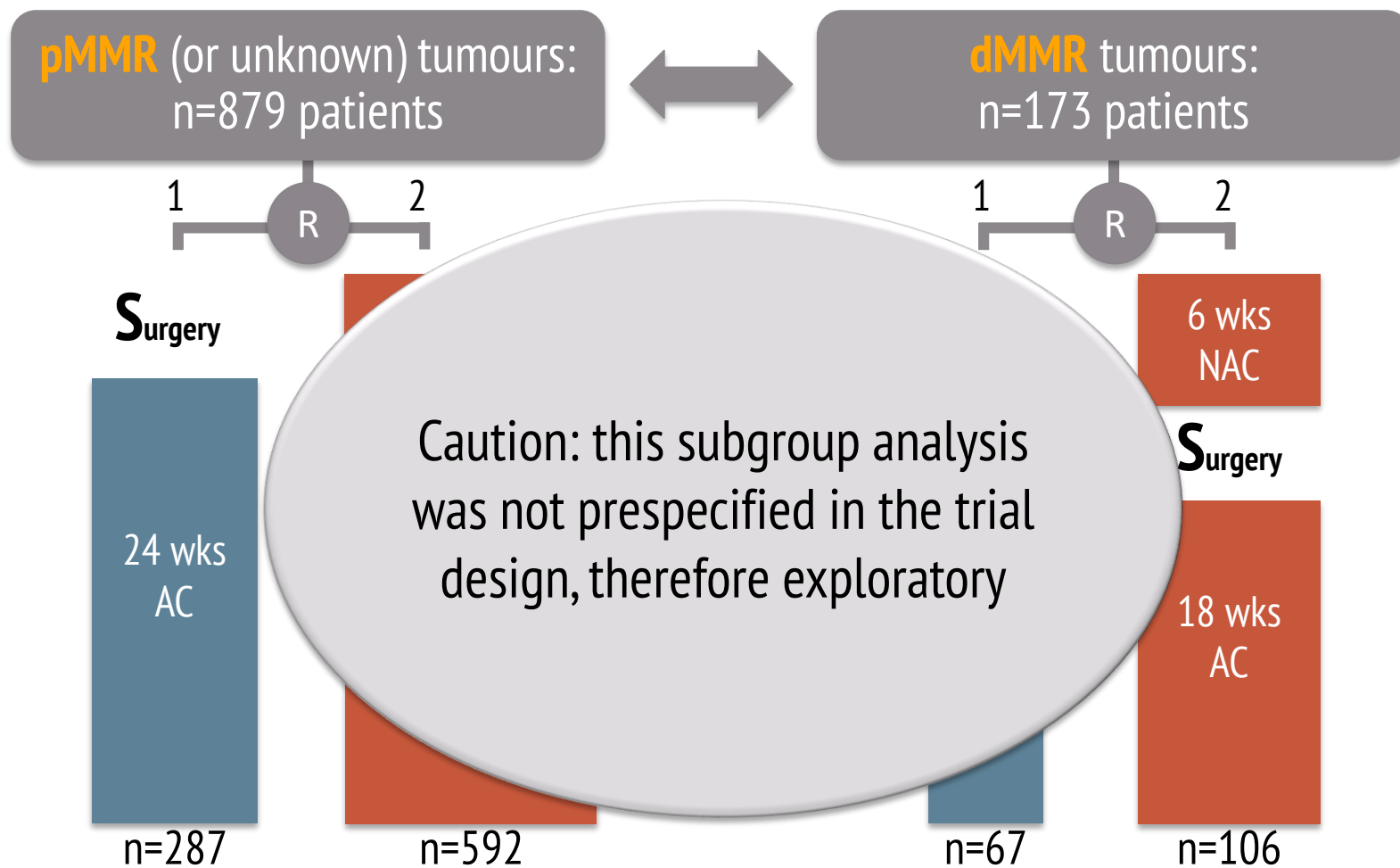
# KEY SUBGROUP ANALYSIS: MMR



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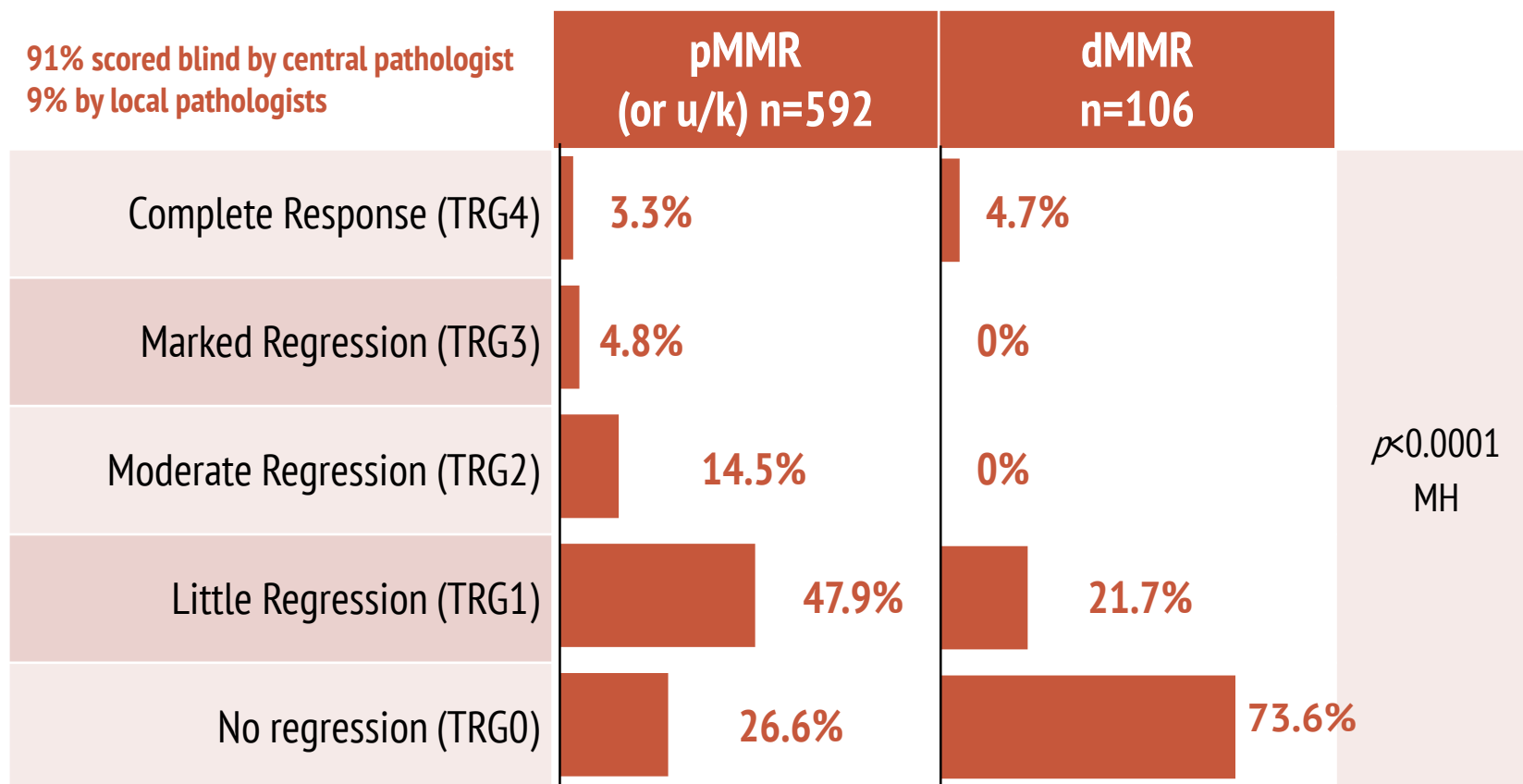
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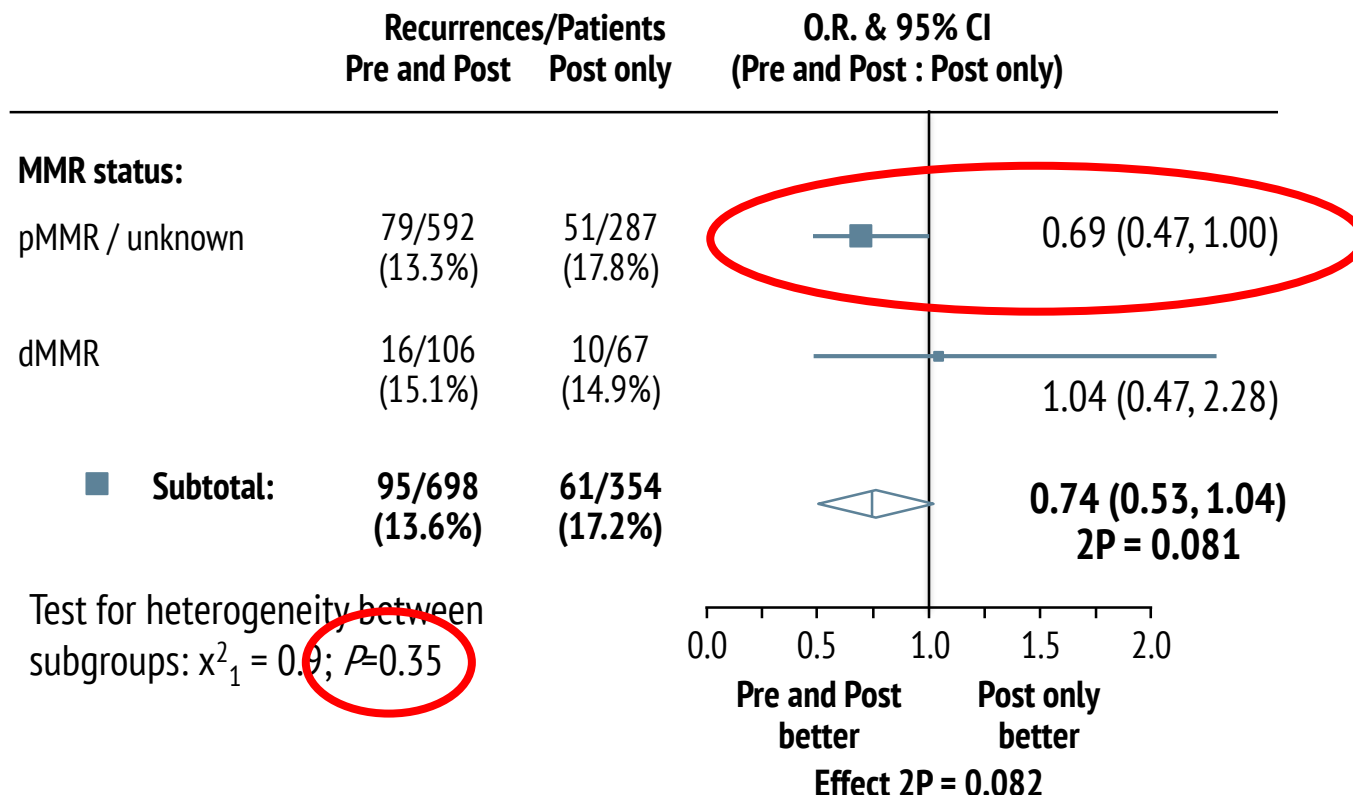
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## RATE OF TUMOUR REGRESSION AFTER NAC MARKEDLY REDUCED IN dMMR TUMOURS



dMMR, deficient MMR; MH, Mantel-Haenszel test; MMR, mismatch repair; NAC, neoadjuvant chemotherapy; pMMR, proficient MMR; TRG, tumour regression grade; u/k, unknown

# EFFECT OF NAC ON 2-YEAR RELAPSE BY MMR STATUS





# FoXTROT – MAIN CONCLUSIONS

FOxTROT did not reach target significance for its primary endpoint

**But:** moving 6 weeks of chemotherapy ahead of surgery,  
*without major addition to the cost or patient burden of treatment...*

- was safe, with less major postoperative morbidity
- significantly downstaged tumours and reduced incomplete resections
- **trended** towards improved 2-year cancer control (HR=0.75;  $p=0.08$ )

**...can be considered a new therapeutic option for  
locally advanced operable colon cancer**

# FoXTROT – ADDITIONAL FINDINGS

- No response seen in most dMMR cancers
- No benefit from adding panitumumab in unselected *KRAS*-wt
  - **But:** NGS shows extended-*RAS* or *BRAF* mut in >35% patients
  - Full analysis of enriched biomarker population ongoing - results soon
- A superb opportunity to assess tumour biology and develop intelligent postop management

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