

# Where are we with chemotherapy?

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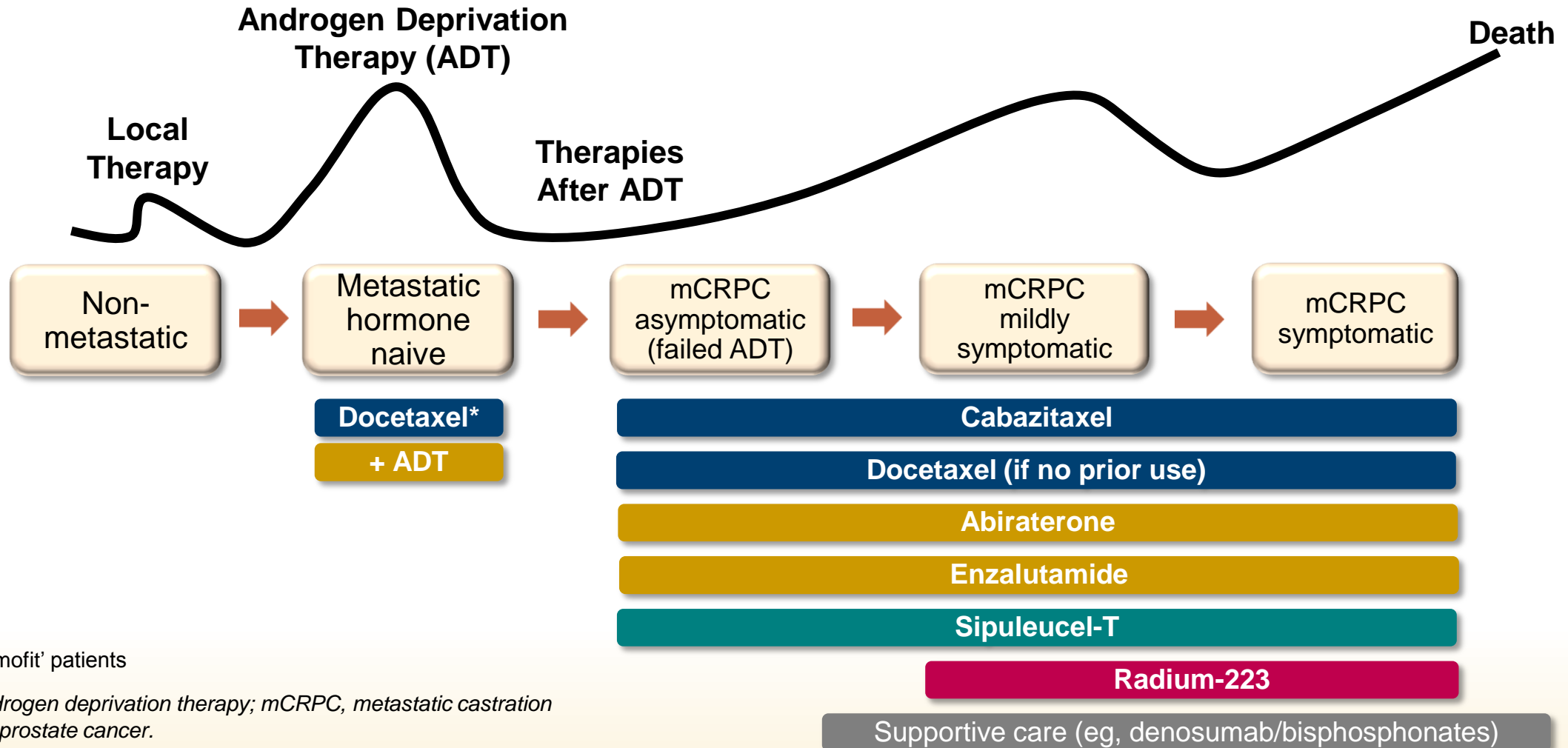
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# Advanced Prostate Cancer: Treatment Paradigm in 2017

## Mainly Sequential Therapy



Docetaxel + prednisone is only registered for the treatment of patients with hormone-refractory metastatic prostate cancer

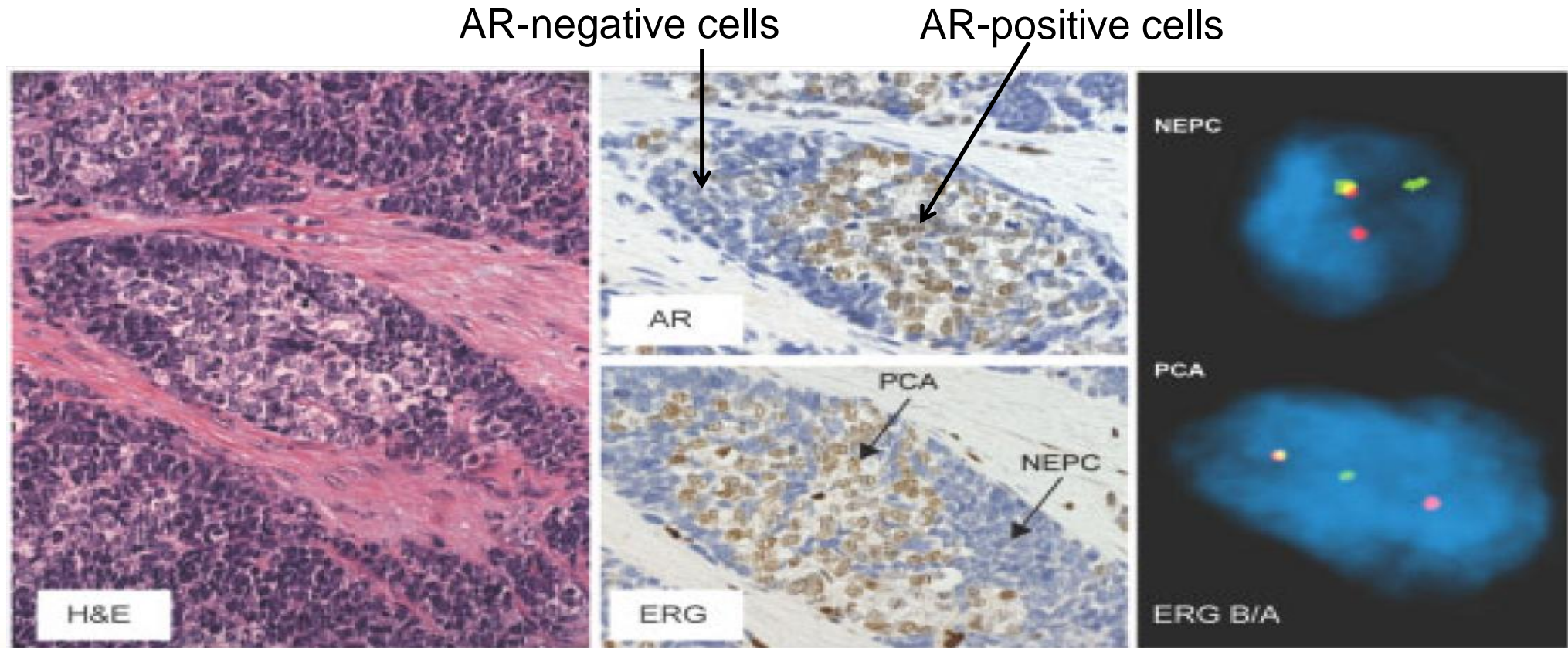
# Phase III Trials With Life-Prolonging Therapies in Advanced Prostate Cancer

	Study	Agents	N	Indication	HR (95% CI)	ΔOS (mo)
2017	STAMPEDE <sup>1</sup>	ABI/P/SOC vs SOC	1,917	Metastatic hormone-naïve	0.63 (0.52-0.76)	NR
2017	LATITUDE <sup>2</sup>	ABI/P/ADT vs ADT	1,199	Metastatic hormone-naïve	0.62 (0.51-0.76)	NR
2016	STAMPEDE <sup>3</sup>	DOC/SOC vs SOC	1,086	Metastatic hormone-naïve	0.73 (0.59-0.89)	+22.0
2015	CHAARTED <sup>4</sup>	DOC/ADT vs ADT	790	Metastatic hormone-naïve	0.61 (0.47-0.80)	+13.6
2017	PREVAIL <sup>5</sup>	ENZA vs pbo	1,717	mCRPC (pre-DOC) mild/no symptoms , 11% visceral mets	0.71 (0.60-0.84)	+4.0
2012	AFFIRM <sup>6</sup>	ENZA vs pbo (or P)	1,199	mCRPC (post-DOC)	0.63 (0.53-0.75)	+4.8
2015	COU-AA-302 <sup>7</sup>	ABI/P vs P	1,088	mCRPC (pre-DOC), mild/no symptoms - No visceral mets	0.81 (0.70-0.93)	+4.4
2012	COU-AA-301 <sup>8</sup>	ABI/P vs P	1,195	mCRPC (post-DOC)	0.74 (0.64-0.86)	+4.6
2013	ALSYMPCA <sup>9</sup>	Radium-223 vs pbo	921	mCRPC (post-DOC or unfit for DOC)	0.70 (0.55-0.88)	+2.8
2010	TROPIC <sup>10</sup>	CABA/P vs mito/P	755	mCRPC (post-DOC)	0.70 (0.59-0.83)	+2.4
2010	IMPACT <sup>11</sup>	Sipuleucel-T vs pbo	512	mCRPC (pre-DOC) mild/no symptoms - No visceral mets	0.78 (0.61-0.98)	+4.1
2004	TAX-327 <sup>12</sup>	DOC/P vs mito/P	1,006	mCRPC, symptomatic or not	0.76 (0.62-0.94)	+2.9

ABI, abiraterone; ADT, androgen deprivation therapy; CABA, cabazitaxel; DOC, docetaxel; ENZA, enzalutamide; mCRPC, metastatic castration resistant prostate cancer; mito, mitoxantrone; P, prednisone; Pbo, placebo; SOC, standard of care.

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# Prostate Cancer Is Heterogeneous With Co-Existence of AR-Dependent & AR-Independent Tumors Cells in the Same Patient



Tumor with mixed features of neuroendocrine PCa and prostate adenocarcinoma

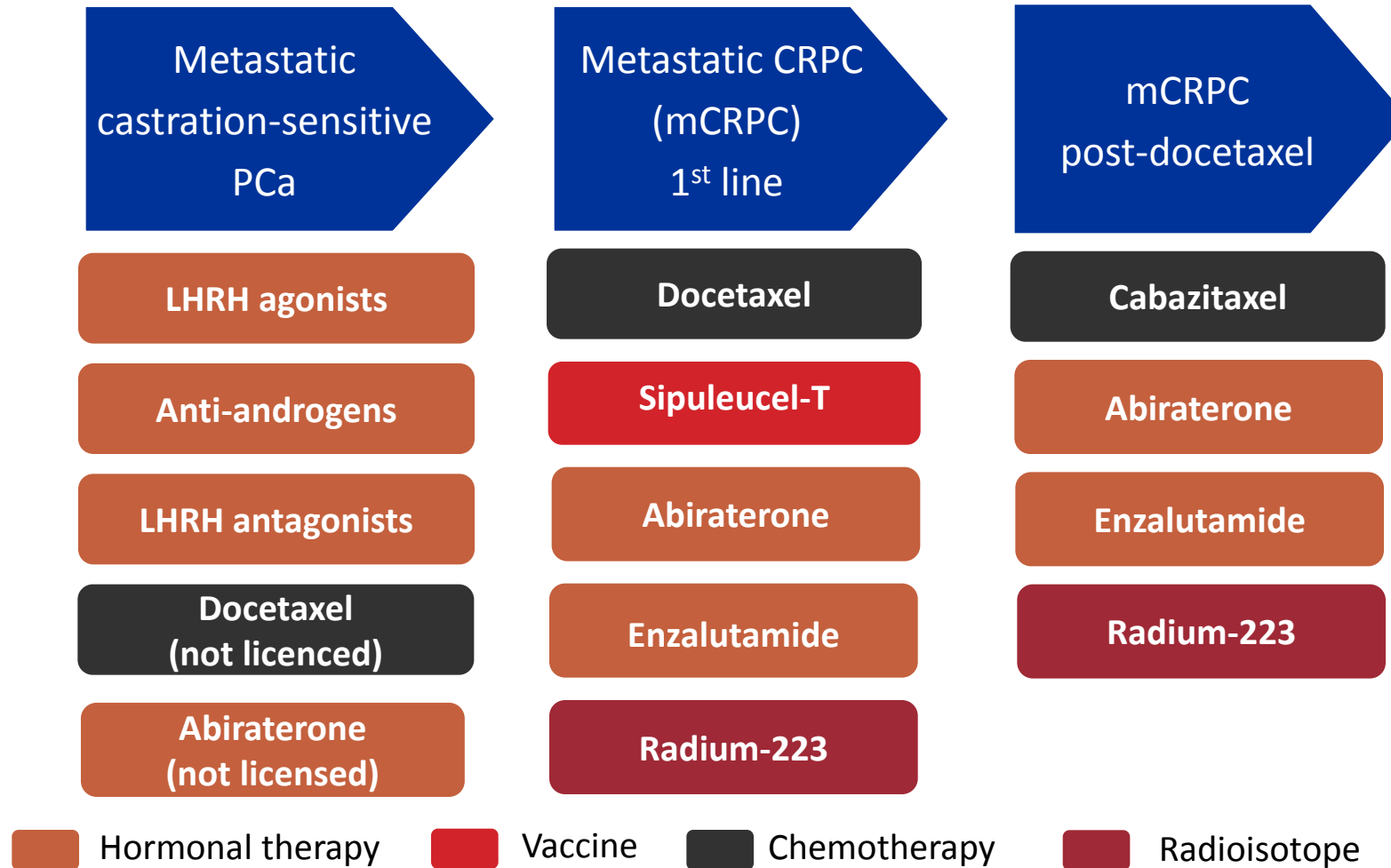
# Median OS in Advanced Prostate Cancer

1990s	Prednisone (P) alone (mCRPC):	12.6 mo <sup>1</sup>
2004	TAX327 (DOC/P – mCRPC):	18.9 mo <sup>2</sup>
2010	TROPIC (DOC/P → CAB/P – mCRPC)*:	29.4 mo <sup>3-4</sup>
2011	COU-AA-301 (DOC/P → ABI/P – mCRPC)*:	32.6 mo <sup>5</sup>
2013	COU-AA-302 (ABI/P pre-DOC – mCRPC):	34.7 mo <sup>6</sup>
2014	PREVAIL (ENZA pre-DOC – mCRPC):	35.3 mo <sup>7</sup>
2015	STAMPEDE – M1 (DOC/P + ADT – mHSPC):	65.0 mo <sup>8</sup>
2016	CHAARTED – M1 (DOC/P + ADT – mHSPC):	57.6 mo <sup>9</sup>

\*Median OS calculated from first DOC cycle

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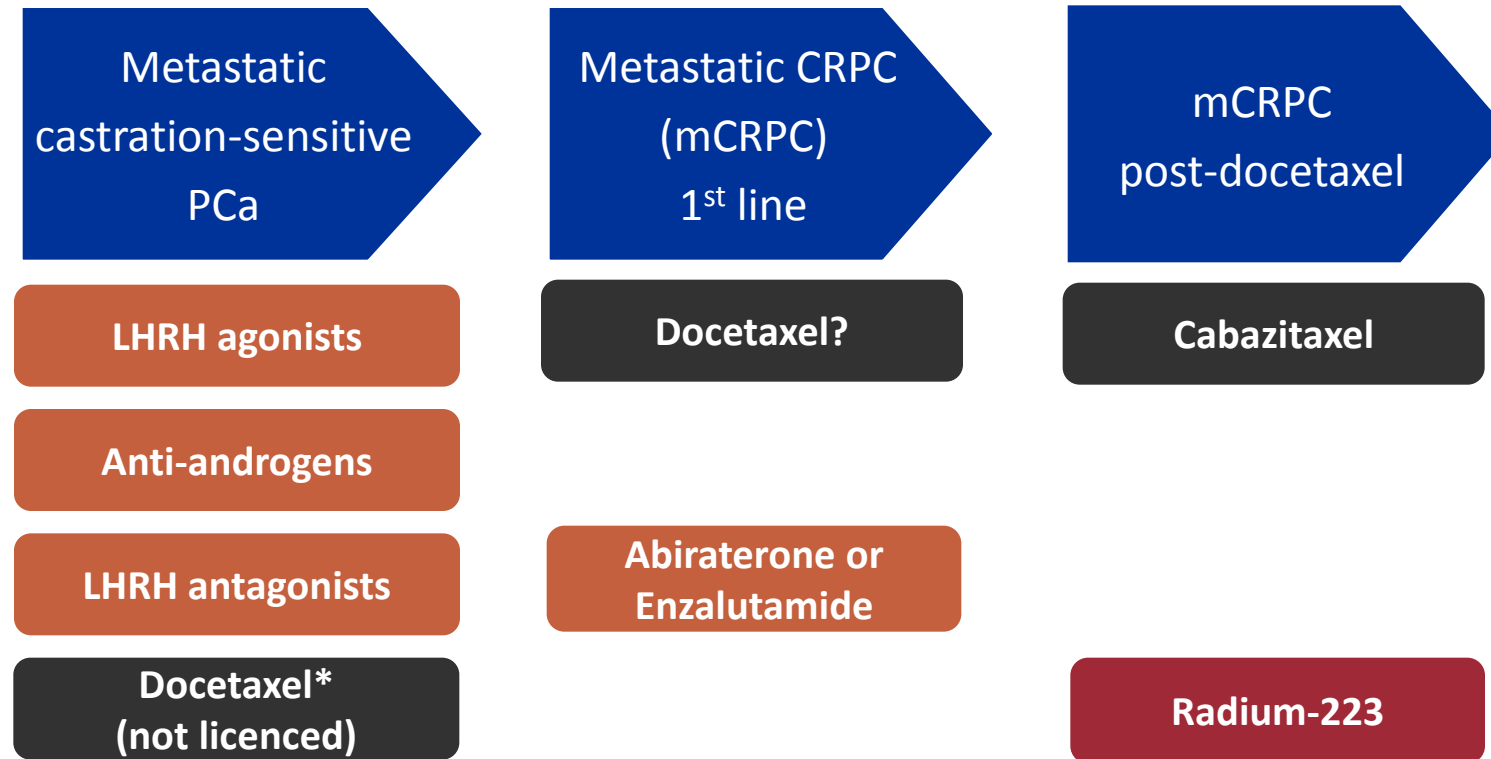
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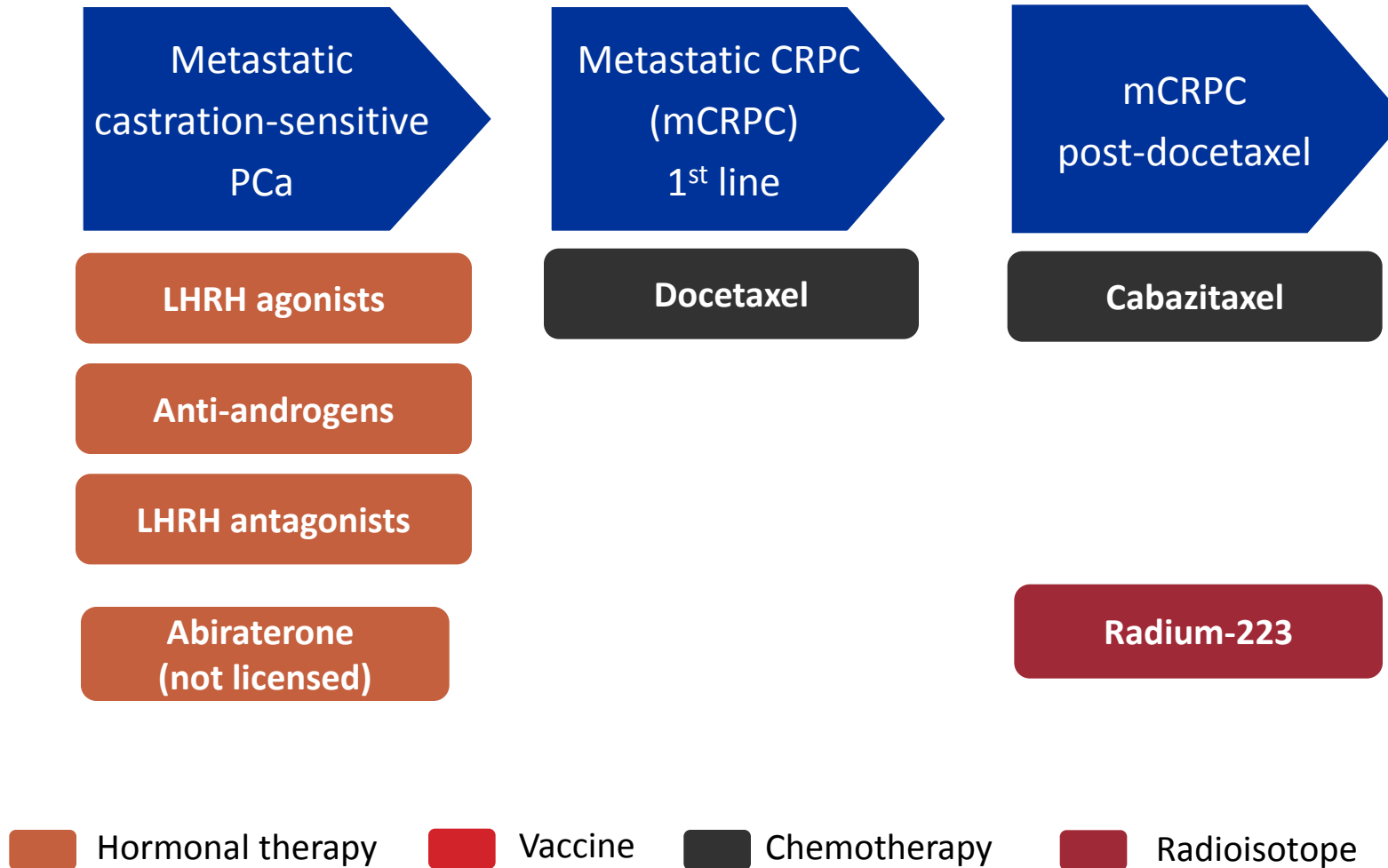


Hormonal therapy    Vaccine    Chemotherapy    Radioisotope

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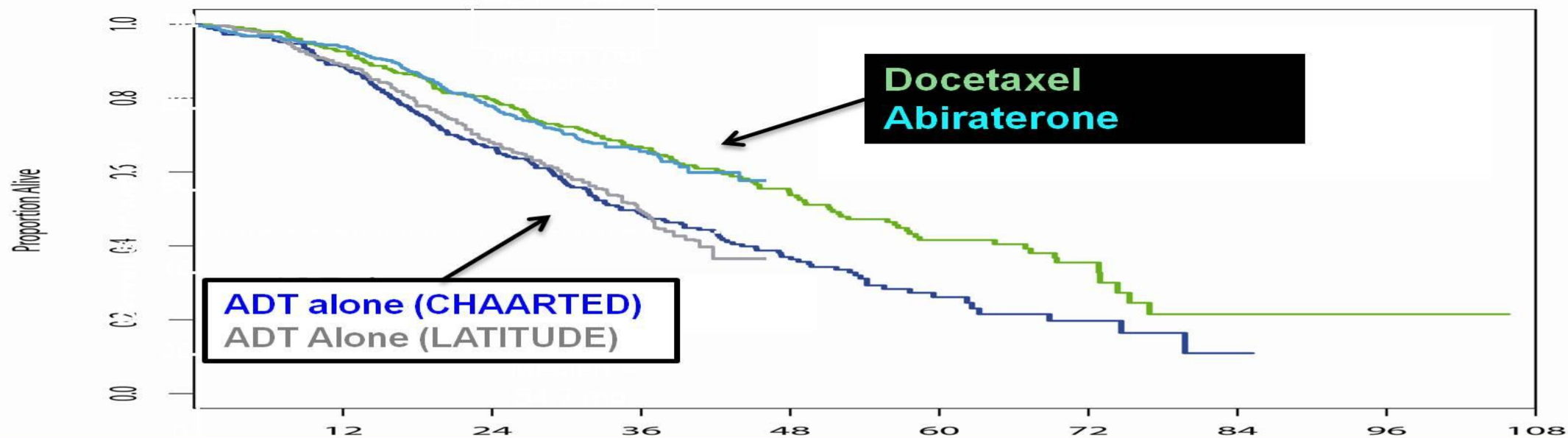
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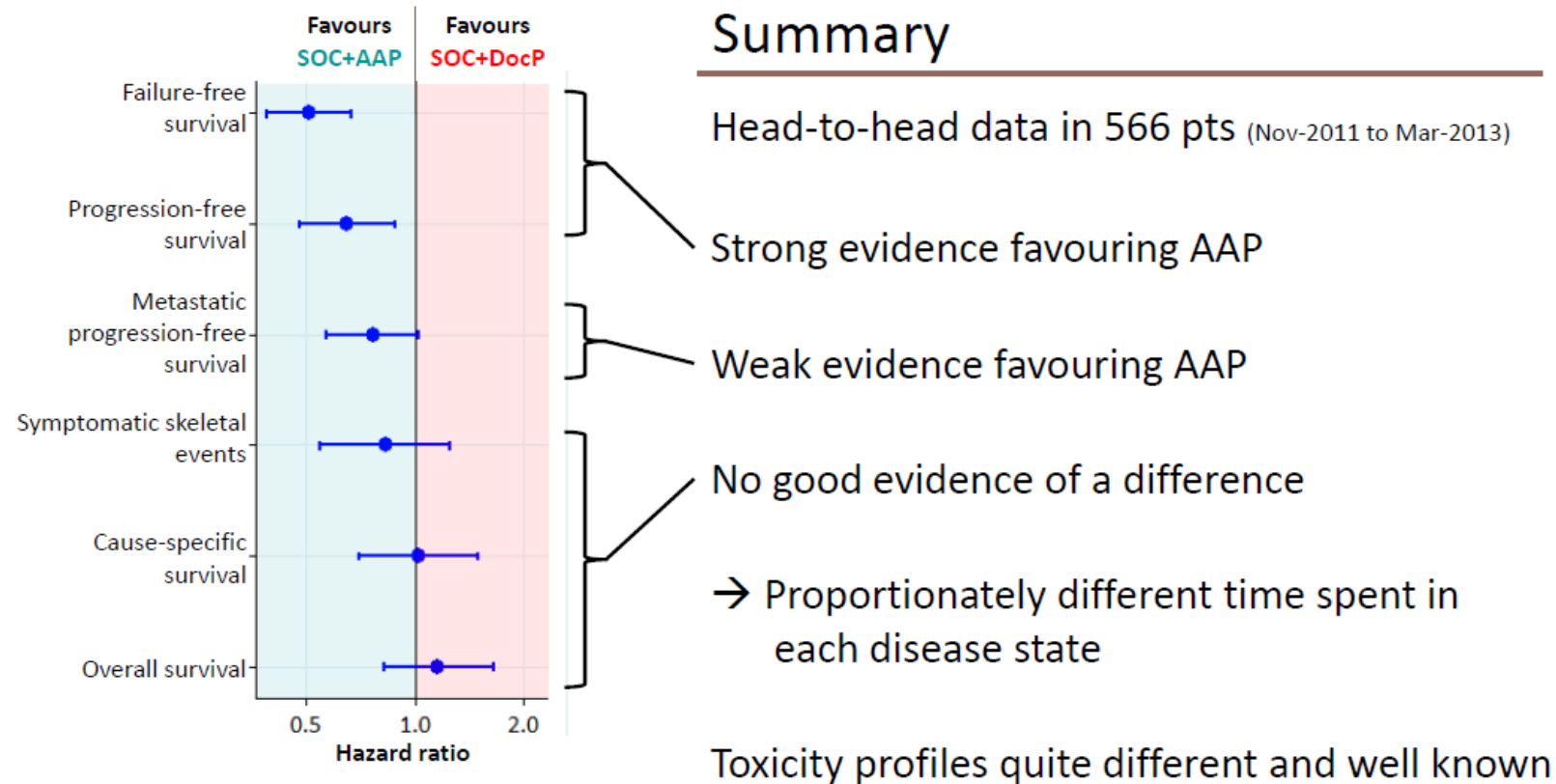
# In MHSPC, for a patient who is fit to receive docetaxel chemotherapy

- If there was approval and funding available to treat an eligible MHSPC individual with either ADT+Docetaxel or ADT+Abiraterone
- What would you choose?



## Overlay of LATITUDE KM Plot on CHAARTED (high volume) KM Plot

# Adding abiraterone acetate plus prednisolone (AAP) or docetaxel for patients (pts) with high-risk prostate cancer (PCa) starting long-term androgen deprivation therapy (ADT): directly randomised data from STAMPEDE



# Changing paradigm of MHSPC treatment will result in two new scenarios

- Progression post upfront Docetaxel
- Progression post upfront Abiraterone

# Progression Post-Upfront Docetaxel

- No reliable evidence available
- New area of disease based on recent changes with upfront docetaxel being incorporated
- Pragmatic decision making
  - Based on time to progression
  - Trajectory of disease
  - Patient fitness
- Overall prognosis is unfortunately not good

# Progression Post-Upfront Docetaxel

- Pragmatic decision making
  - Based on time to progression
  - Trajectory of disease
  - Patient fitness
- My treatment strategy:
  - If progression <6 months post-upfront docetaxel- Cabazitaxel
  - If progression between 6-12 months then cabazitaxel preferred and individual case based strategy
  - If progression > 1 year then the same aspects as mCRPC treatment strategy



# Progression Post-Upfront Abiraterone

- No robust data available
- It is likely treatment paradigm will involve earlier use of Docetaxel for MCRPC and subsequent post-docetaxel therapies
  - Potentially earlier use of Doc-Cabazitaxel
  - Further ART would probably not be meaningfully beneficial
  - Rad223 would probably have the same role as now

# Switching Treatment Scenarios in MCRPC

Progression on ART (abiraterone/Enzalutamide)

Progression on Docetaxel

# Cross-Resistance Between AR-Targeted Agents

- Poor response to Enza if progression on Abi
- Poor response to Abi if progression on Enza
- NICE (UK) does not permit use of sequential ART if there is progression on first ART

# Cross-Resistance Between AR-Targeted Agents

Table 3. Completed retrospective studies of sequencing abiraterone acetate and enzalutamide (Enza) in patients with metastatic castration-resistant prostate cancer in the post-chemotherapy setting.

Authors	Year published	Number of patients	Duration of second treatment	≥ 50% decline in PSA	Median PFS
<b>Enzalutamide → Abiraterone Acetate</b>					
Loriot <i>et al.</i>	2013	38	3 months	3%	2.7 months
Noonan <i>et al.</i>	2013	30	13 weeks	3%	3.8 months
<b>Abiraterone Acetate → Enzalutamide</b>					
Schrader <i>et al.</i>	2013	35	4.9 months	29%	
Badrising <i>et al.</i>	2014	61	3 months	21%	
Bianchini <i>et al.</i>	2014	39	2.9 months	23%	
Schmid <i>et al.</i>	2014	35	2.8 months	10%	
Brasso <i>et al.</i>	2014	137	3.2 months	18%	

AA: Abiraterone acetate; PFS: Progression-free survival; PSA: Prostate-specific antigen.

Retrospective trials based on a small number of patients

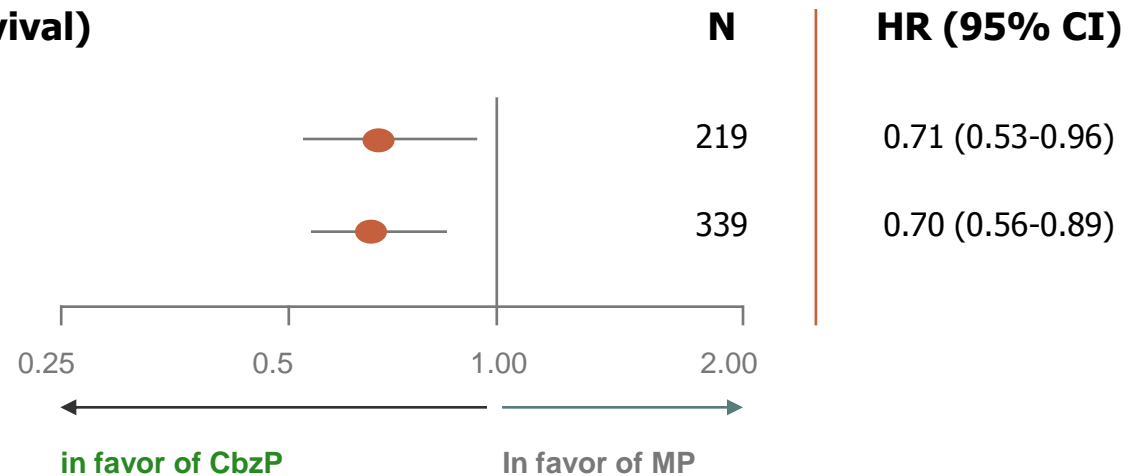
# Cabazitaxel is effective in patients with rapid progression during or just after treatment with docetaxel

- Cabazitaxel also acts in cases of resistance to docetaxel

## Sub-groups analysis of the TROPIC trial (overall survival)

Progression during treatment with docetaxel

Progression < 3 months after the last docetaxel cycle

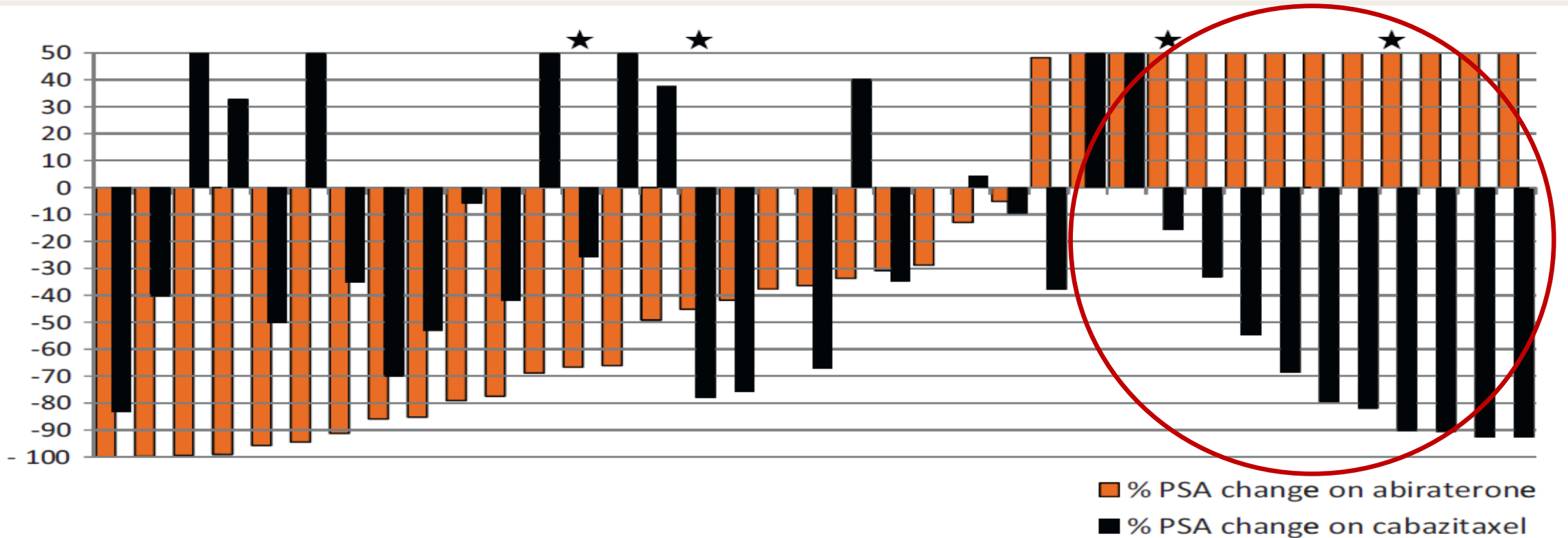


• HR = Hazard Ratio,  
CbzP = Cabazitaxel + prednisone/prednisolone,  
MP = Mitoxantrone + prednisone/prednisolone



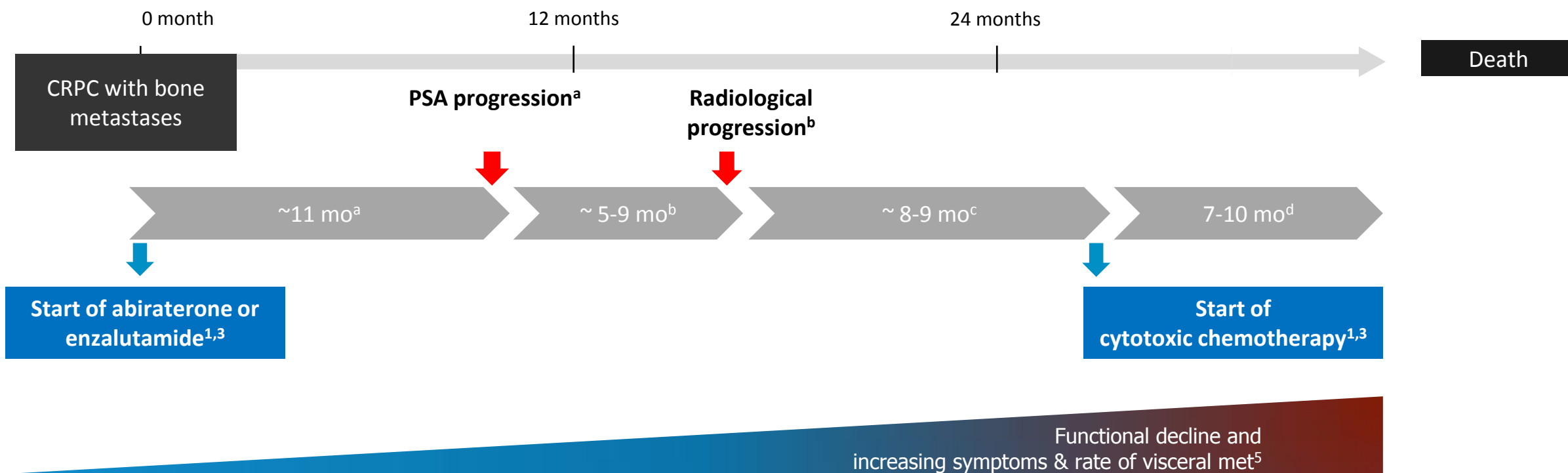
Cabazitaxel overcomes resistance to chemotherapy in patients with mCRPC that have progressed during or < 3 months following treatment with docetaxel.

# PSA response with cabazitaxel does not seem influenced by prior AR-targeted agents



- 59 men with progressing mCRPC treated with cabazitaxel,
  - 37 of whom had received prior abiraterone
  - 9 of whom had received prior enzalutamide

## A closer look at time to events in the COU-AA-302<sup>1,2</sup> and PREVAIL<sup>3,4</sup> studies

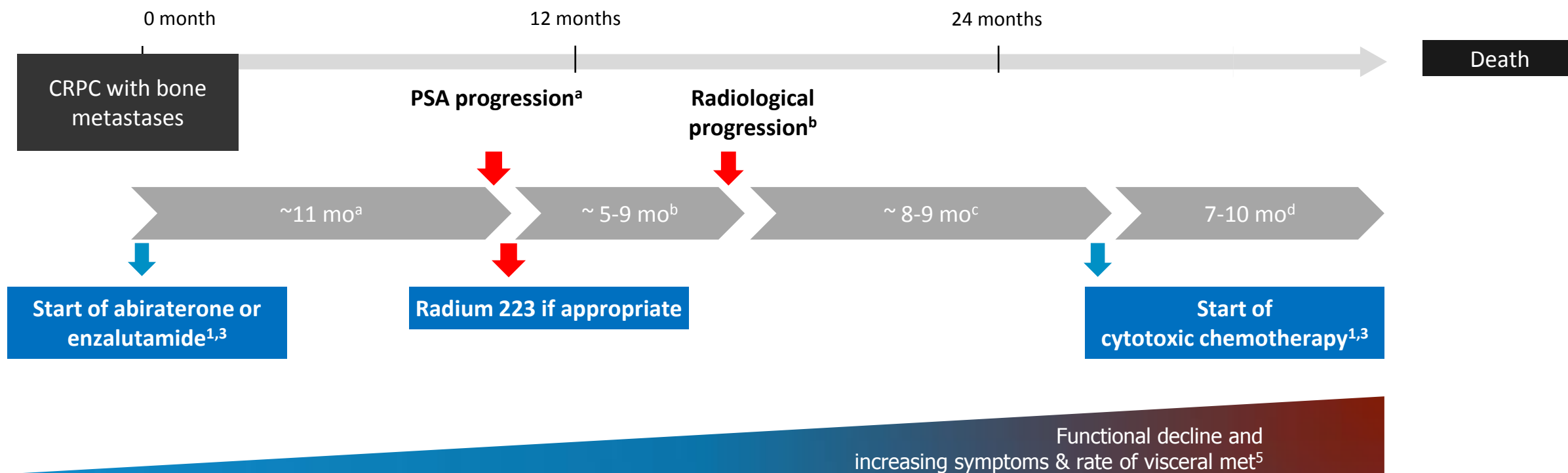


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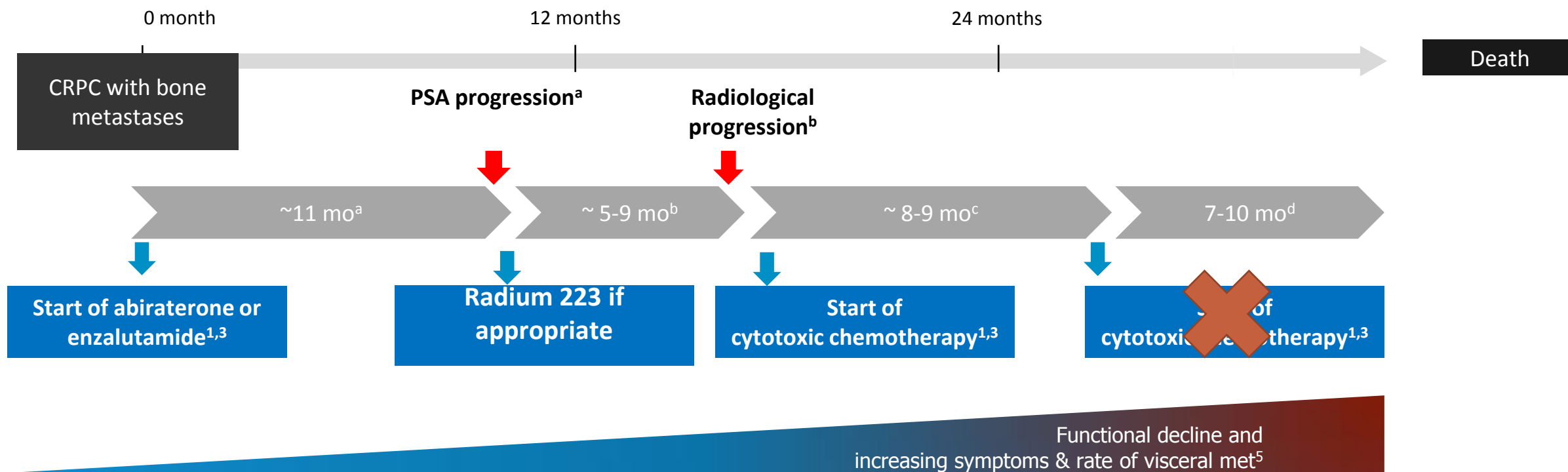


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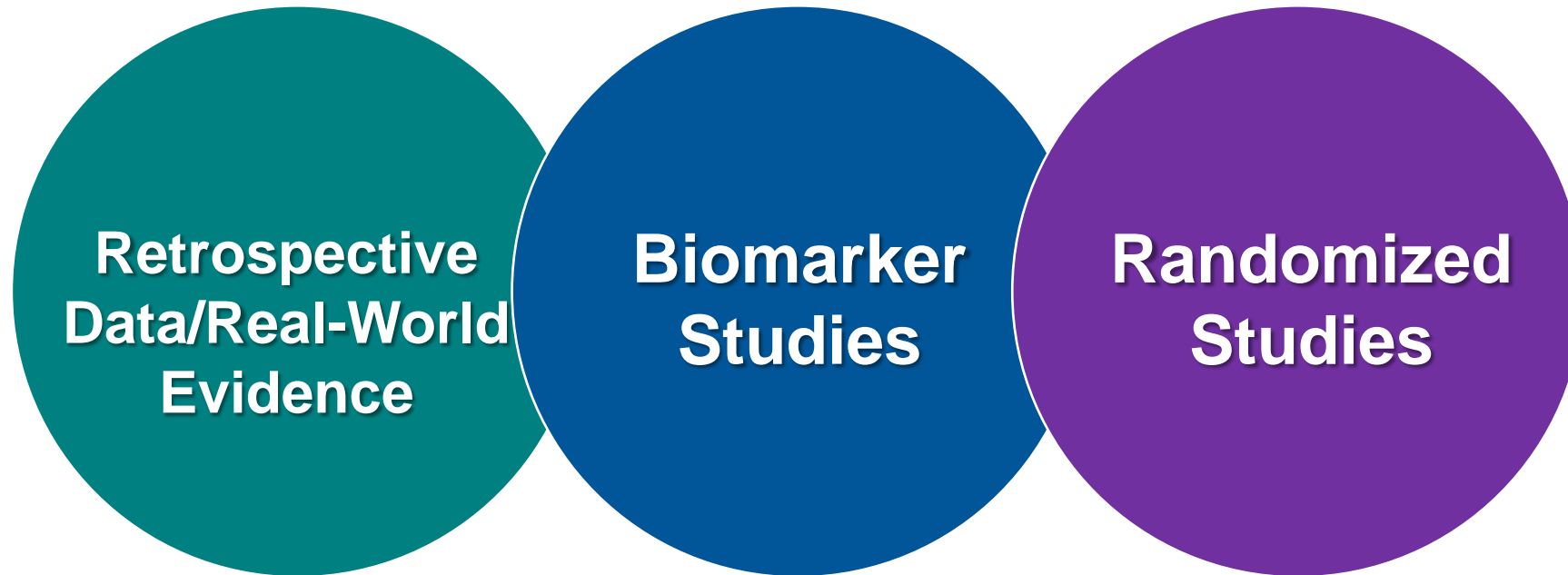
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# Evidence to Help Determine Optimal Sequence


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*...until results of a randomized trial  
answering the question are available...*

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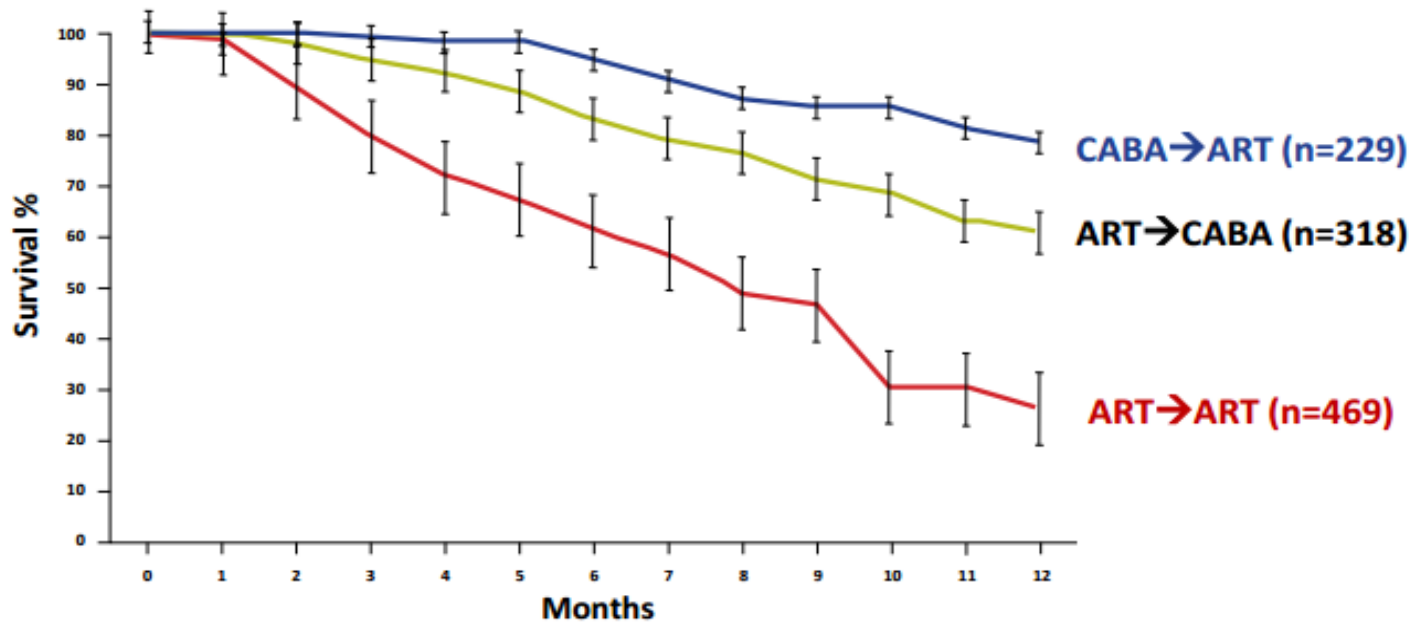


**Retrospective  
Data/Real-World  
Evidence**

# Is There an Optimal Sequence of Life-Extending Therapies Post-Docetaxel?

Systematic Review of 13 Published Retrospective Studies in mCRPC  
(n=1016)

12-month OS rate by sequence in post-Docetaxel



2 chemotherapy and  
1 ART seem to give  
better overall  
survival than  
2 ART and 1  
chemotherapy

.....despite this  
majority of MCRPC  
cases get maximum  
of 1 chemotherapy

Poor outcome when ART are prescribed in sequence

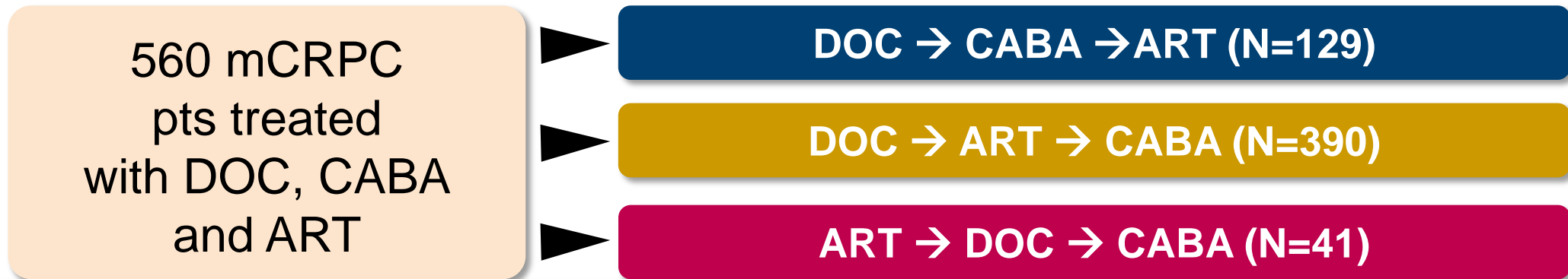
ART: Androgen receptor targeted agents; CABA: cabazitaxel  
Mayne F et al. Crit Rev Hematol Oncol 2015; 96: 498-506

ART=androgen receptor therapy; CABA=cabazitaxel; mCRPC=metastatic castrate-resistant prostate cancer.

# CATS International Database

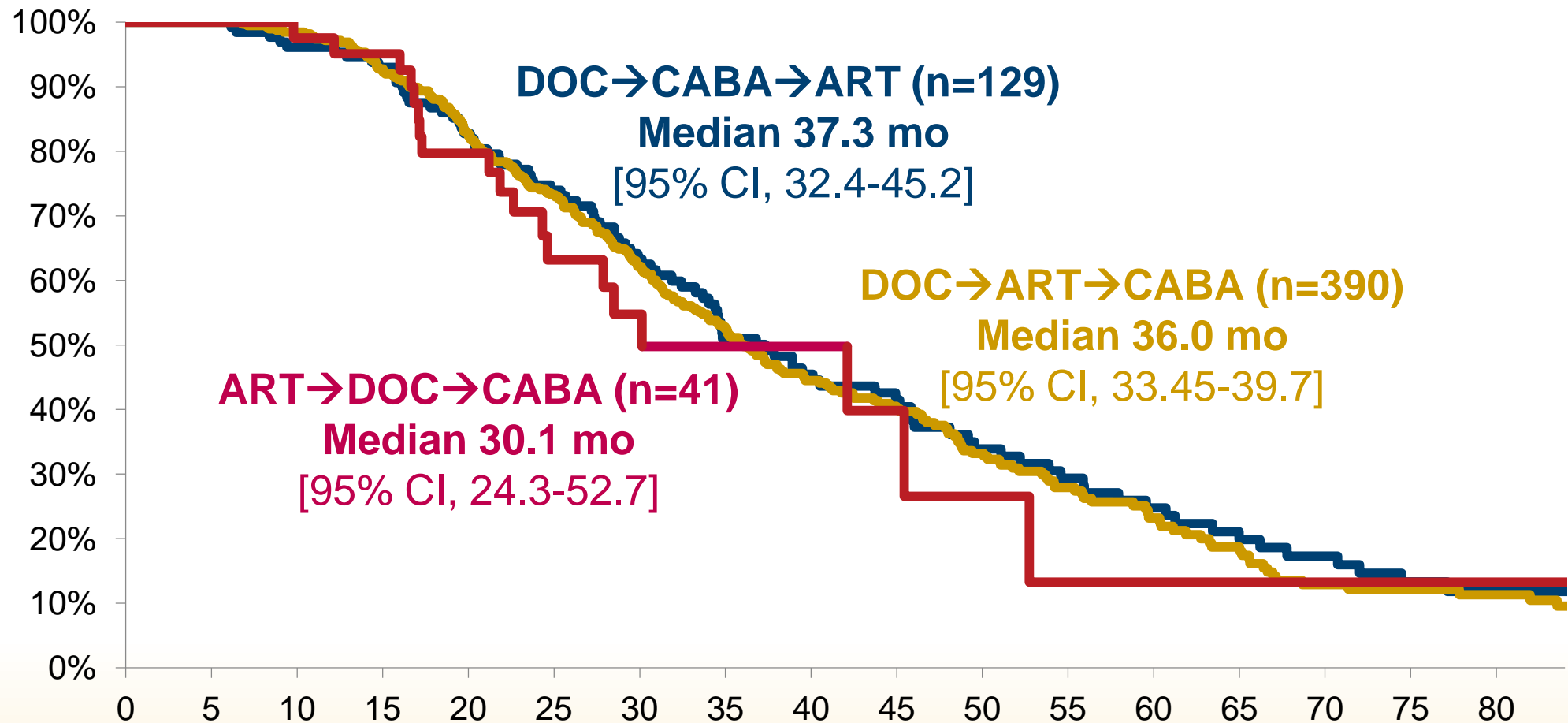
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- Retrospective analysis of 560 consecutive patients treated with DOC, CABA and one ART in 31 centers in 7 countries (France, Austria, Greece, Italy, Israel, Spain, UK)





# CATS: OS from First Life-Extending Therapy Initiation by Sequence (n=560)



# CATS: Conclusions and Considerations

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- Retrospective analysis
- No significant difference in OS between the 3 sequences
- Limitations: (1) patients were 'fit' enough to receive 3 life-extending therapies; (2) ART→DOC→CABA arm underpowered & may reflect patients progressing rapidly with novel ART

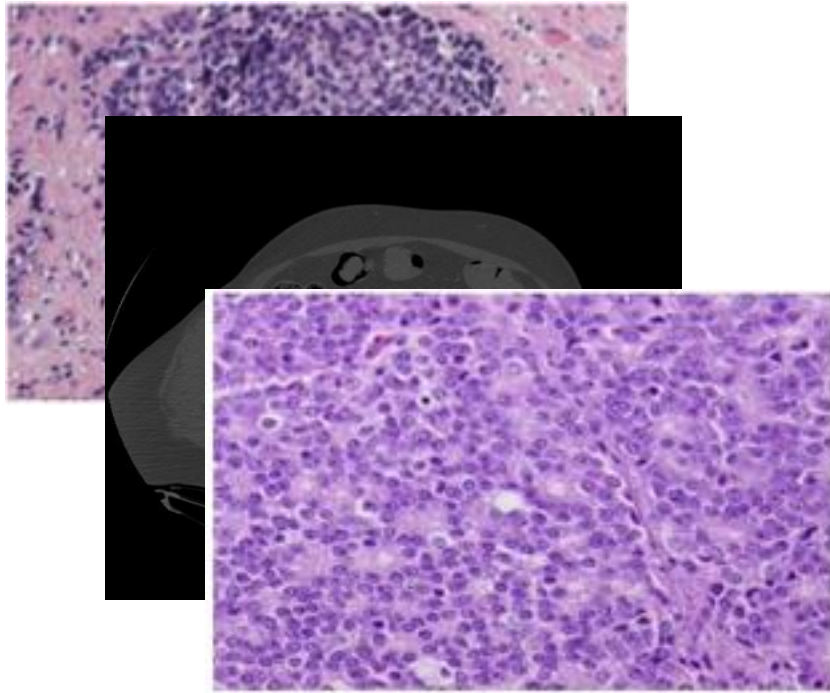
# Is There an Optimal Sequence of Therapies for Metastatic Castration Resistant Prostate Cancer?

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- Retrospective registries suggest that OS increases with the number of life-extending therapies
  - Best outcome with 3 therapies (DOC, CABA and an AR-targeted agent)
  - Worse outcome with 2 AR-targeted agents in sequence
- More biomarker data are required
- Randomized prospective trials needed to confirm these data
- The window of opportunity for chemotherapy should not be missed

# Aggressive Variant Prostate Cancers (AVPC): *Shared Clinical Features With Small Cell Prostate Carcinomas*

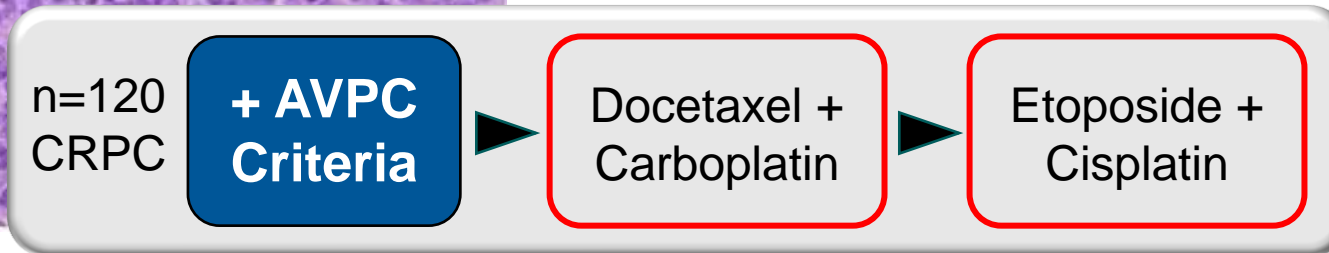
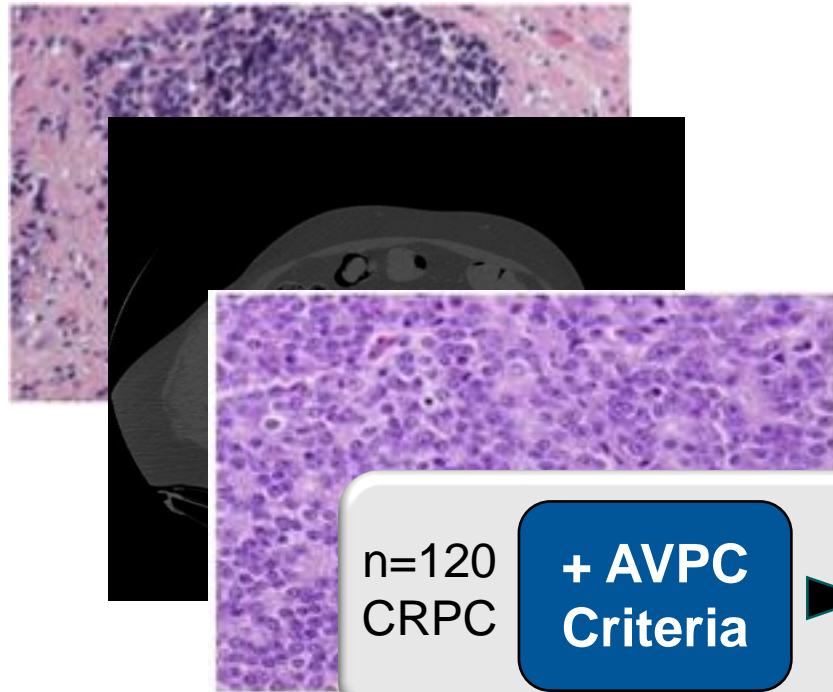
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## AVPC Criteria:

- 1) Small cell prostate carcinoma
- 2) Visceral metastases only
- 3) Lytic bone metastases
- 4) Bulky nodes or prostate mass
- 5) Low PSA relative to volume
- 6) NE markers & serum CEA or LDH
- 7) *Early castration-resistance*

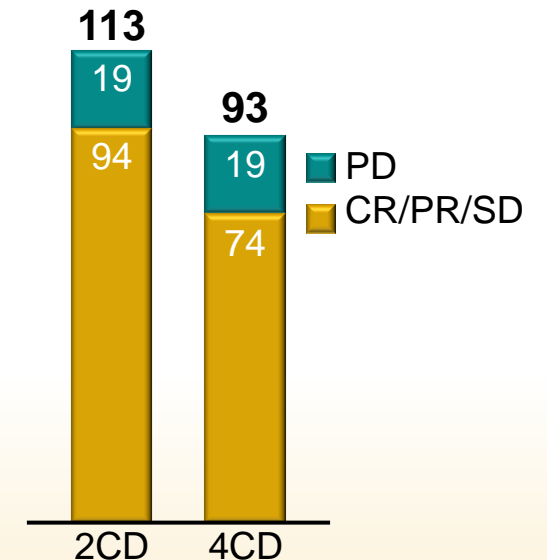
# Aggressive Variant Prostate Cancers (AVPC): *Shared Chemotherapy Sensitivity with the Small Cell Prostate Carcinomas*



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- 7) Early castration-resistance.

**Response to 1<sup>st</sup>-Line  
Carboplatin and Docetaxel**  
(Number of Patients)



# The 'Laws' of Sequencing: My Adaptation of Newton's Laws

- Every selection has a reason
- Every selection impacts on further selection
- Based on the concept that more treatments = increased survival
  - It is likely that 2nd treatment will be less effective than 1st treatment
  - and 3rd treatment will be less effective than 2nd treatment
  - (Irrespective of the type of treatment unless we have specific biomarker related therapy)
- 2 philosophical approaches
  - Give the potentially less toxic agent first
  - Give the potentially more toxic agent first

Caution: To stimulate discussion only!

# Philosophical approach

- Would you give the potentially less toxic agent first ?
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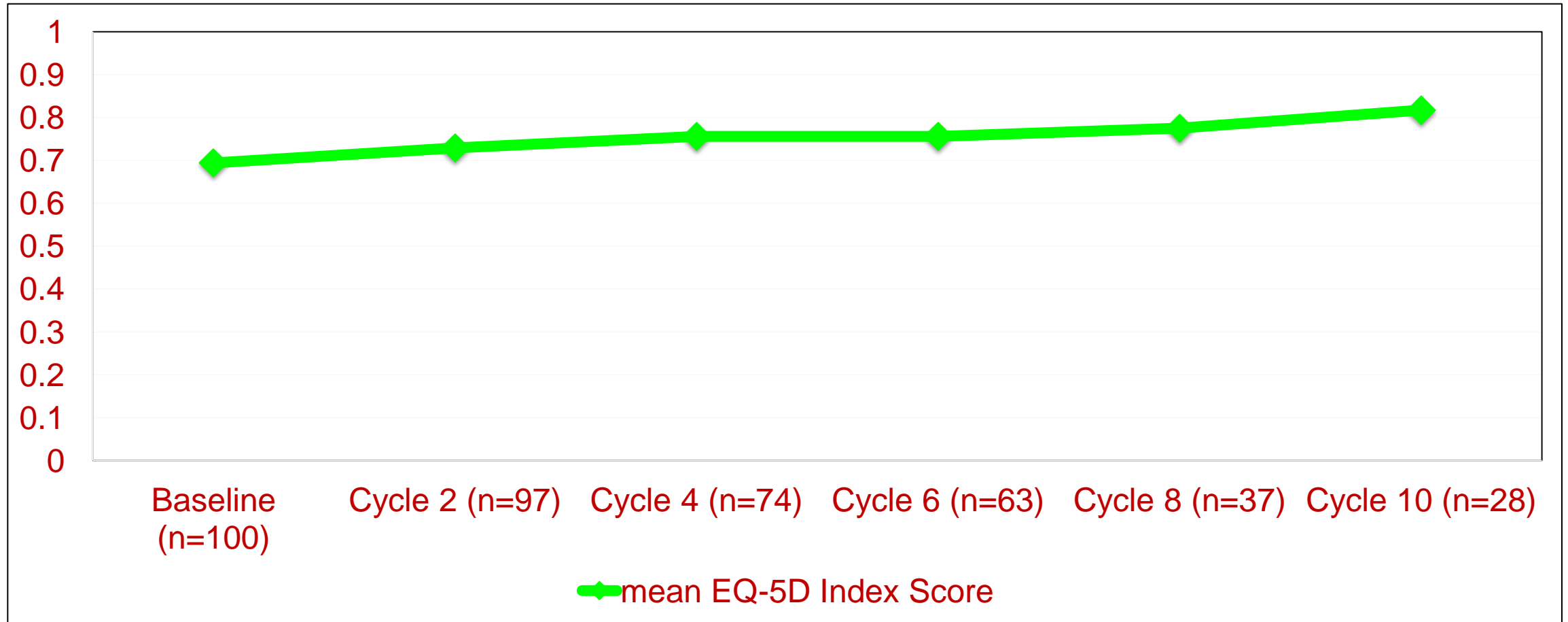
# The 'Concern Factors' With Chemotherapy

- Impact on Quality of Life
- Impact on Survival
- Elderly Patient
- Patient acceptance

# The 'Concern Factor' With Chemotherapy: QOL

- Impact on Quality of Life
- Pain control improved in comparison to Mitoxantrone
  - In MCRPC – 1st line chemotherapy with Docetaxel (TAX327 study)
  - In MCRPC- post-docetaxel chemotherapy with Cabazitaxel (TROPIC study)
- QOL improved with chemotherapy:
  - In MHSPC by Docetaxel (CHAARTED study)
  - In MCRPC – 1st line Docetaxel chemotherapy (TAX327 study)
  - In MCRPC- 2nd line post-docetaxel Cabazitaxel chemotherapy (Global EAP including UK EAP)

# QOL Data on Cabazitaxel in MCRPC: UK EAP Study



# The 'Concern Factor' With Chemotherapy: Impact on Survival

- Overall Survival improved in Phase III RCT:
  - In MHSPC- CHAARTED and STAMPEDE
  - In MCRPC- 1st line chemotherapy with Docetaxel (TAX327 and SWOG trials)
  - In MCRPC- post docetaxel 2nd line Cabazitaxel chemotherapy (TROPIC trial)

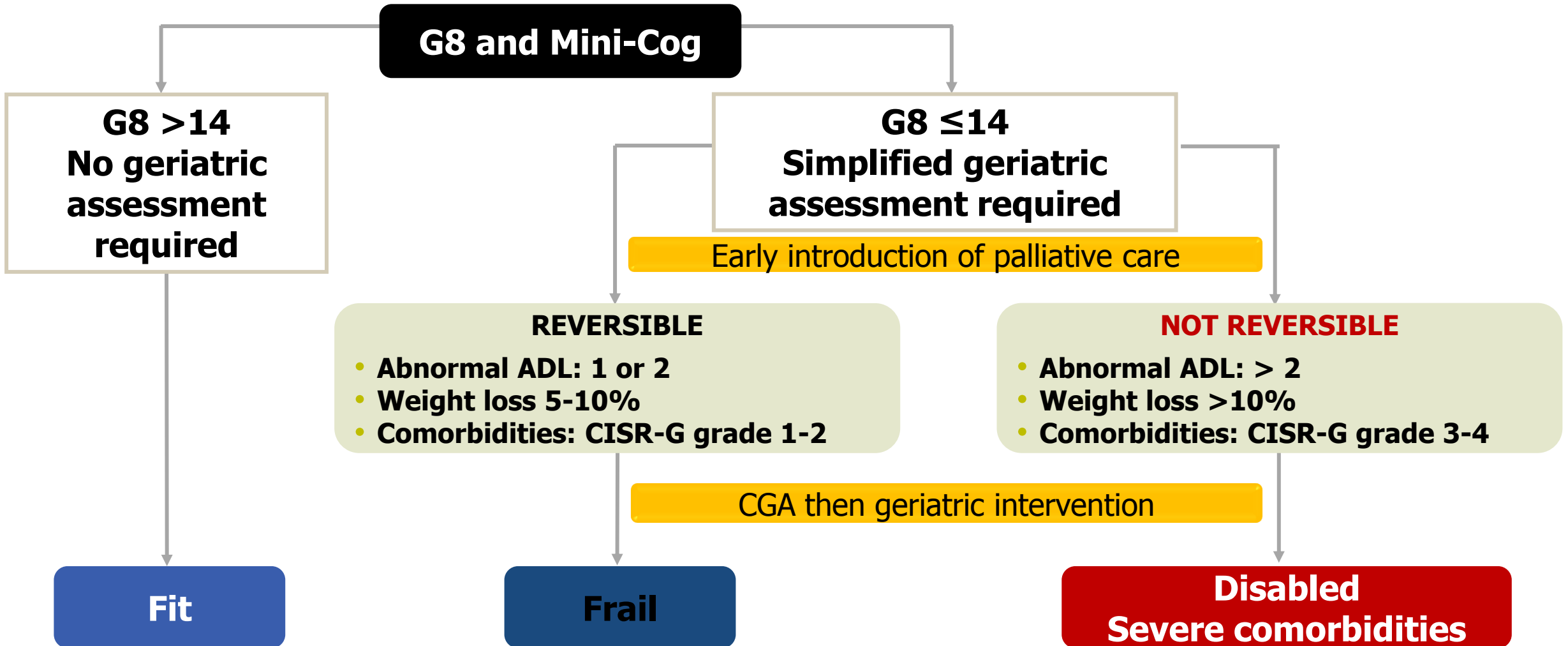
# The Concern Factor With Chemotherapy: Elderly Patient

- Patient selection is critical
- Patient education is critical
- Screening with G8 and mini-COG or equivalent validated tool

# G8 Screening Tool

	Items	Possible responses (score)
A	Has food intake declined over the past 3 months due to loss of appetite, digestive problems, chewing, or swallowing difficulties?	0 = severe decrease in food intake
		1 = moderate decrease in food intake
		2 = no decrease in food intake
B	Weight loss during the last 3 months?	0 = weight loss > 3 kg
		1 = does not know
		2 = weight loss between 1 and 3 kg
		3 = no weight loss
C	Mobility?	0 = bed or chair bound
		1 = able to get out of bed/chair but does not go out
		2 = goes out
E	Neuropsychological problems?	0 = severe dementia or depression
		1 = mild dementia
		2 = no psychological problems
F	BMI? (weight in kg)/(height in m <sup>2</sup> )	0 = BMI < 19
		1 = BMI 19 to < 21
		2 = BMI 21 to < 23
		3 = BMI ≥ 23
H	Takes more than three prescription drugs per day?	0 = yes
P	In comparison with other people of the same age, how does the patient consider his/her health status?	1 = no
		0.0 = not as good
		0.5 = does not know
		1.0 = as good
		2.0 = better
	Age	0: > 85
		1: 80-85
		2: < 80
	Total score	0-17

# Health status evaluation



# The 'Concern Factor' With Chemotherapy: Patient Acceptance

- Important to establish the goals for long term
- Remember it is NOT '**one OR the other**' it is '**one AFTER the other**'
- It appears that earlier use of chemotherapy will be potentially advantageous
  - Also likely to be better tolerated
  - Two basic questions to consider
    - 1. Is the patient likely to die from his Metastatic Prostate Cancer?
    - 2. Is the patient fit and willing to have chemotherapy?

## ***My View:***

***If the answer to both these questions is 'YES' then preferable to use chemotherapy earlier rather than as a last resort***



# The Challenge For The Uro-Oncology Teams in mCRPC

- **To identify mCRPC patients with poor response to enzalutamide or abiraterone**  
*... and to offer them first-line chemotherapy*
- **To identify disease progression on first-line treatment at an early time point**  
*... and to offer subsequent therapy before performance status deteriorates*
- **To pro-actively manage adverse events of new treatment options**  
*... to optimize treatment outcomes (QoL, survival)*
- **Multidisciplinary care a key to success!!**

- *My Personal View and Hope...*

**'All Eligible Patients should avail the benefits of all proven and effective treatments.....To MAXIMISE SURVIVAL WITH PRESERVED/IMPROVED QOL'**

**THANK YOU**