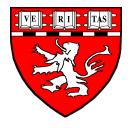
### **Novel Investigational Agents and Strategies**

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- Understand mechanism of action of the next-generation selective estrogen receptor degraders (SERDs)
- Review completed and ongoing studies of oral SERDs as monotherapy as well as combination therapy for patients with ER-positive mBC
- Evaluate ongoing investigations of other novel agents and future directions in ER-positive mBC

### Patient story: Endocrine Therapy for HR+ Cancer

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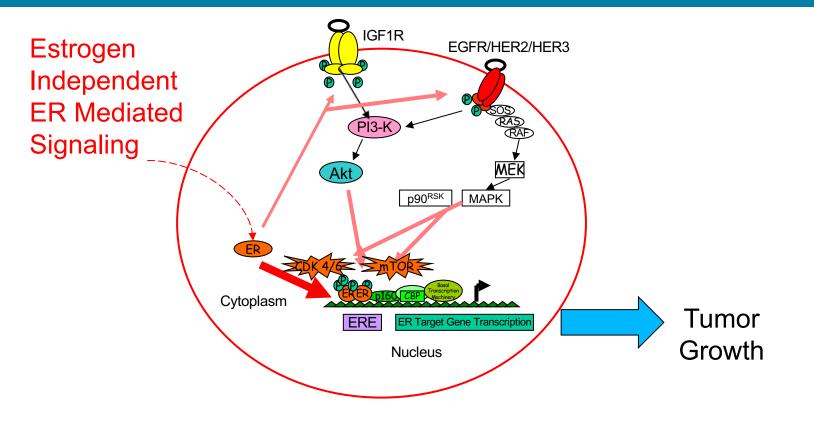
- 2005: HR+/HER2- breast cancer (localized)
- 2010: Completed adjuvant tamoxifen
- 2015: Disease recurrence (bone): Started Letrozole with CDK 4/6 inhibitor
- 2017: Disease progression (bone)

Which therapy would you consider next?

- Fulvestrant
- Fulvestrant + CDK 4/6 inhibitor
- Exemestane + everolimus
- Clinical Trial

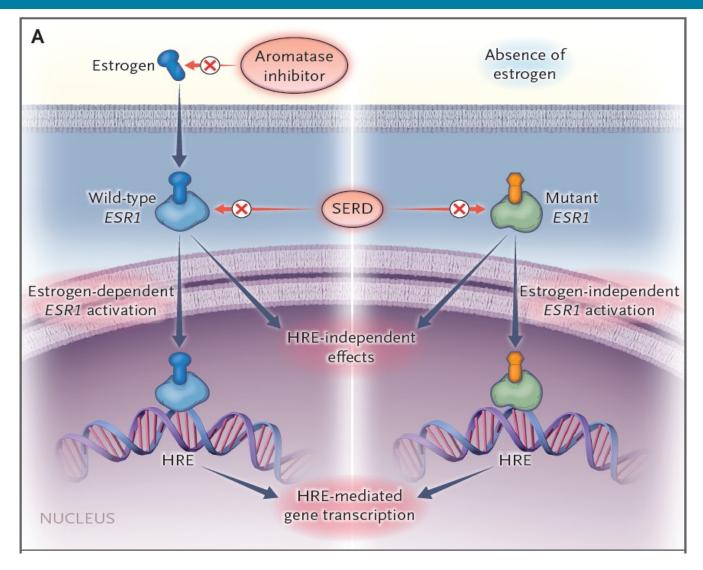
ctDNA analysis revealed ESR1 mutation

## **Endocrine Therapy Resistance: Potential Factors to Consider**



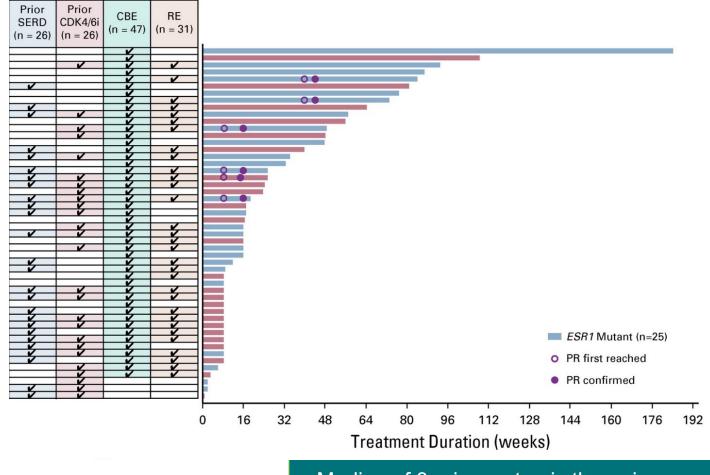
• ER pathway is still active and disease progression due to estrogenindependent but estrogen-receptor mediated signaling....*ESR1* mutations...

### ESR1 (Acquired) Mutations: Resistance to Al



Bardia A et al. NEJM. 2018.

### Elacestrant Clinical Activity: CBR at 24 weeks 42.6%



• Median of 3 prior systemic therapies

- 52% had previously received prior SERD
- 52% had previously received CDK4/6 inhibitor therapy
- 50% had ESR1 mutation

Bardia A et al. JCO. 2021.

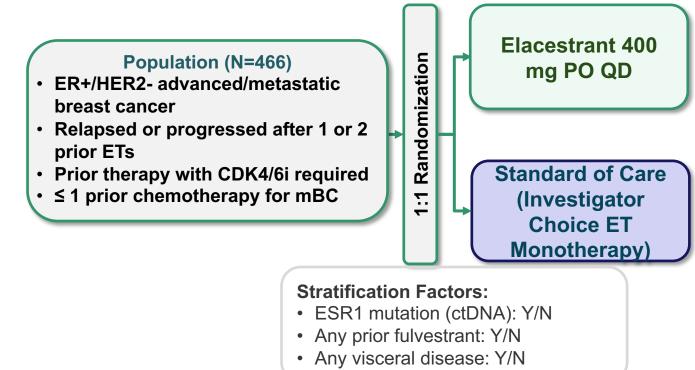
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### Phase 3 Study design (EMERALD)

**Indication:** 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> adv/mBC (postmenopausal women and men) with PD on CDK4/6 inhibitor **Study:** Randomized, open label, pivotal study in patients with ER+/HER2- advanced/metastatic breast cancer **Primary endpoint:** Progression free survival (PFS)

• Tested in 2 populations\*: All subjects and subset of subjects with ESR1 mutation

**Comparator arm:** Investigator choice of ET monotherapy with fulvestrant or an aromatase inhibitor (anastrozole, letrozole or exemestane)



### **Hot off the Press**

### 10/20/21

Positive Phase 3 Topline Results from the EMERALD Trial Evaluating Elacestrant in Breast Cancer

- Study met both primary endpoints in patients with ER+/HER2- advanced or mBC
- Elacestrant becomes the first oral SERD with positive topline results in pivotal study as a monotherapy versus SoC for the treatment of ER+/HER2- advanced or mBC
- Elacestrant extended PFS in the overall population and the ESR1 mutation subgroup
- Plans for regulatory submissions in both the United States and Europe in 2022
- Data planned to be presented at the San Antonio Breast Cancer Symposium in December, 2021

The study was designed to evaluate elacestrant as a monotherapy versus the standard of care (SoC) for the treatment of ER+/HER2- advanced or metastatic breast cancer (mBC). There were two primary endpoints: progression-free survival (PFS) in the overall population and PFS in patients with tumors harboring estrogen receptor 1 (ESR1) mutations.

Results to be presented on Dec 8<sup>th</sup>, SABCS.

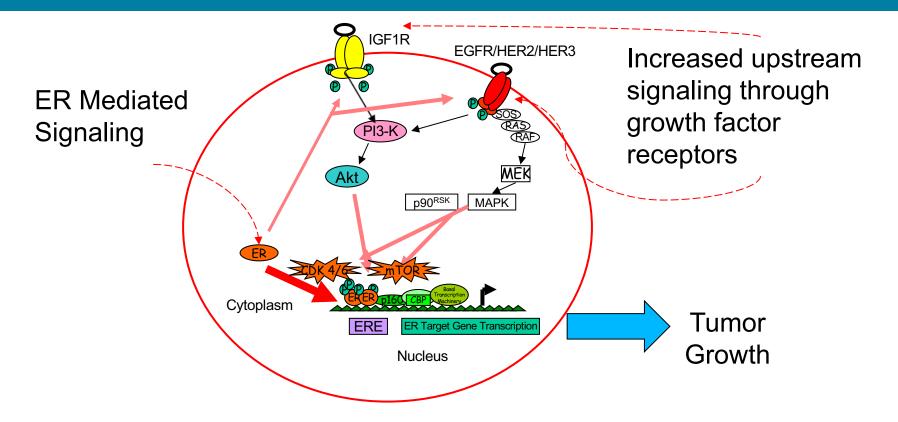
### Oral SERD in ER+ MBC: Current Development Status

| Company                         | Drug name                   | Current Development<br>Status |  |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| Radius Health<br>Menarini Group | Elacestrant<br>(RAD-1901)   | Phase 3                       |  |
| Genentech                       | Giredestrant<br>(GDC-9545)  | Phase 2/3                     |  |
| Sanofi                          | Amcenestrant<br>(SAR439859) | Phase 2/3                     |  |
| G1 Therapeutics                 | Rintodestrant<br>(G1T48)    | Phase 2                       |  |
| Astra Zeneca                    | Camizestrant<br>(AZD9833)   | Phase 2/3                     |  |

### Need to be careful with cross-study comparisons –

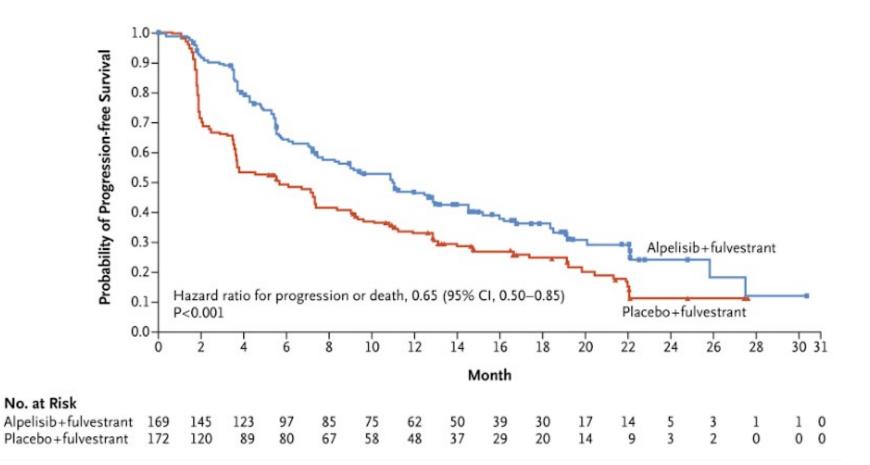
Differences in prior lines of Rx, endocrine sensitivity, tumor biology

### Optimal Biological Effect Does Not Guarantee Clinical Efficacy



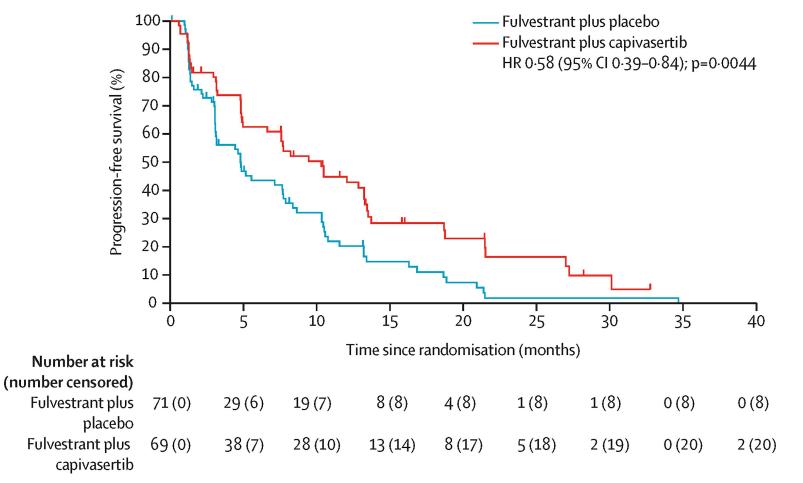
### Endocrine Therapy with 100% ER Pathway Inhibition would have limited impact on a tumor that is ER-pathway independent

### Fulvestrant and Alpelisib: SOLAR-1



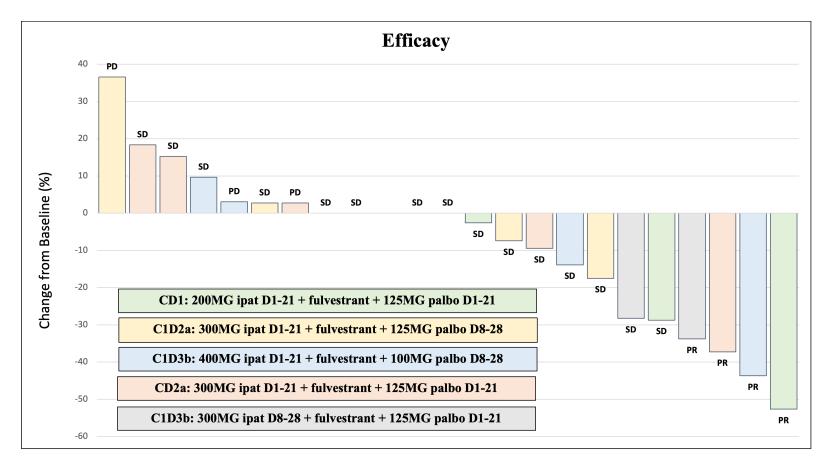
### Improvement in PFS with PI3K Inhibitor for PIK3CA mutant MBC → FDA Approved

## Fulvestrant and AKT inhibitor: FAKTION



### Improvement in PFS with AKT Inhibitor for HR+ MBC → Phase 3 Trial Ongoing

## Fulvestrant and AKTi and CDK 4/6i: TAKTIC



# Triplet therapy feasible with preliminary evidence of clinical activity → Further eval needed

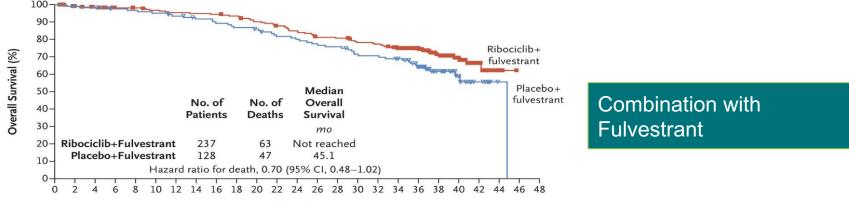
## How about 1<sup>st</sup> line?

### CDK4/6i Combination Studies in 1st Line

|   | MONALEESA-3 <sup>1</sup><br>(N = 483)  | PALOMA- 2 <sup>2</sup><br>(N = 230)  | MONALEESA-2 <sup>3</sup><br>(N = 334)   | MONARCH-3 <sup>4</sup><br>(N = 328)                                 | MONALEESA-7 <sup>5</sup><br>(N = 672)   |
|---|--|--|---|---|---|
| Menopausal Status                                   | Postmenopausal   | Postmenopausal   | Postmenopausal  | Postmenopausal  | Premenopausal   |
| Treatment<br>Lines                                  | <i>De novo</i><br><b>1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> line</b><br>Relapse or progression to<br>ET | <i>De novo</i><br>1 <sup>st</sup> line   | <i>De novo</i><br>1 <sup>st</sup> line  | <i>De novo</i><br>1 <sup>st</sup> line                              | <i>De novo</i><br>1 <sup>st</sup> line  |
| Patient Selection<br>(as per previous<br>treatment) | De novo  | De novo  | De novo   | De novo   | De novo   |
|   | Recurrence >12 m after<br>(neo) adj <b>ET</b> completion<br>w/o ABC treatment                      | Recurrence >12 m after<br>(neo) adj <b>NSAI</b><br>completion w/o ABC<br>treatment | Recurrence >12 m after<br>(neo) adj <b>NSAI</b> completion<br>w/o ABC treatment | Recurrence >12 m<br>after (neo) adj <b>ET</b><br>completion         | Recurrence >12 m after (neo) adj <b>ET</b> completion   |
|   | Recurrence on (neo)<br>adjuvant ET or ≤12 m of<br>adj w/o ABC treatment                            |  | Recurrence on (neo)<br>adjuvant tamoxifen or<br>≤12 m of adj tamoxifen          |   | Recurrence on (neo)<br>adjuvant ET or ≤12 m   |
| Prior Treatment                                     | No Chemo for ABC allowed   | No Chemo for ABC allowed   | No Chemo for ABC allowed  | No Chemo for ABC allowed  | ≤1L Chemo allowed for<br>ABC  |
| Randomization                                       | 2:1  | 2:1  | 1:1   | 2:1   | 1:1   |
| PS  | 0-1  | 0-2  | 0-1   | 0-1   | 0-1   |
| Stratification                                      | Liver and/or lung<br>Prior endocrine therapy<br>(treatment naive vs up<br>to 1 line)               | Visceral disease<br>DFI (de novo, ≤12m<br>and >12 m)<br>Prior neo-adj ET (Y/N)     | Lung and/or liver (Y/N)   | Visceral; bone only;<br>other Prior neo/adj<br>(Al; no ET or other) | Liver or lung (Y/N)<br>Previous CT for ABC<br>(Y/N)<br>Endocrine combination<br>partner (TAM or NSAI) |

Slamon D et al. New Engl J Med 2019; Finn RS et al. N Engl J Med 2016; Hortobagyi GN et al. N Engl J Med 2016; Goetz MP et al. J Clin Oncol. 2017; Tripathy D et al. Lancet Oncol. 2018.

## Endocrine therapy + CDK 4/6i: OS improvement

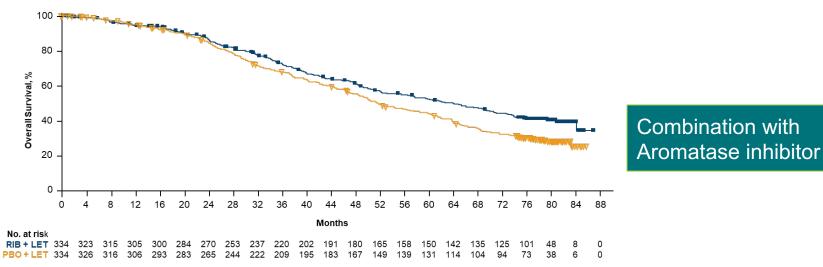


Months

#### No. at Risk

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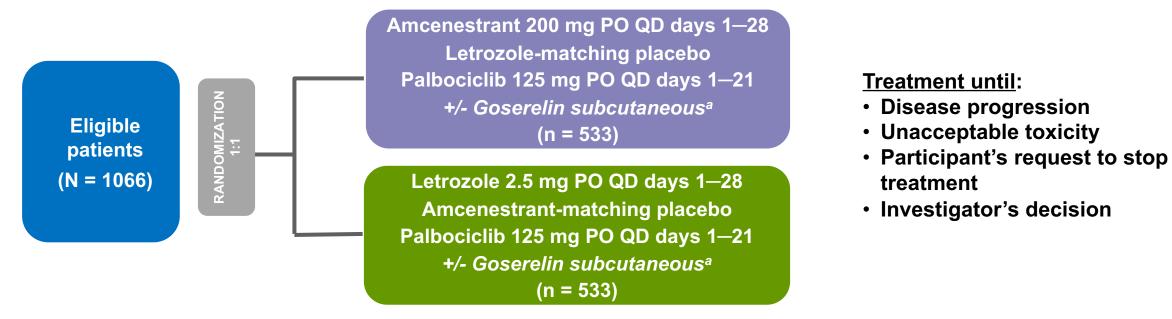
 Placebo+fulvestrant
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What is the best endocrine therapy backbone?

Slamon D et al. NEJM. 2019; Hortobagyi G et al ESMO 2021.

# Al vs oral SERD (with CDK 4/6i): AMEERA-05



#### **Stratification factors:**

- De novo metastatic disease: Yes or No
- Postmenopausal woman: Yes or No
- Visceral metastasis defined by at least 1 liver, lung, brain metastasis, pleural, or peritoneal involvement: Yes or No

<sup>a</sup> + for men and pre-/peri-menopausal women PO, oral administration; QD, once daily.

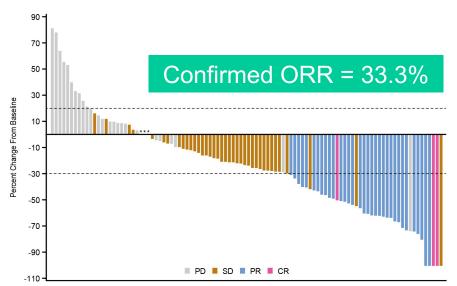
Similar trials with:

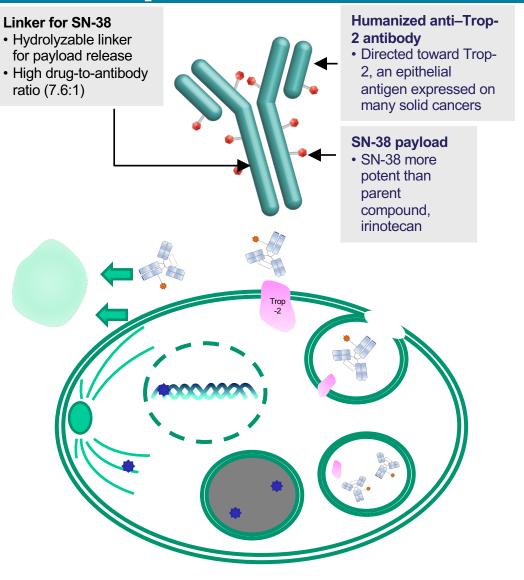
- Giredestrant
- Camizestrant

How about other drugs?

### Sacituzumab Govitecan: First-in-class trop2 ADC

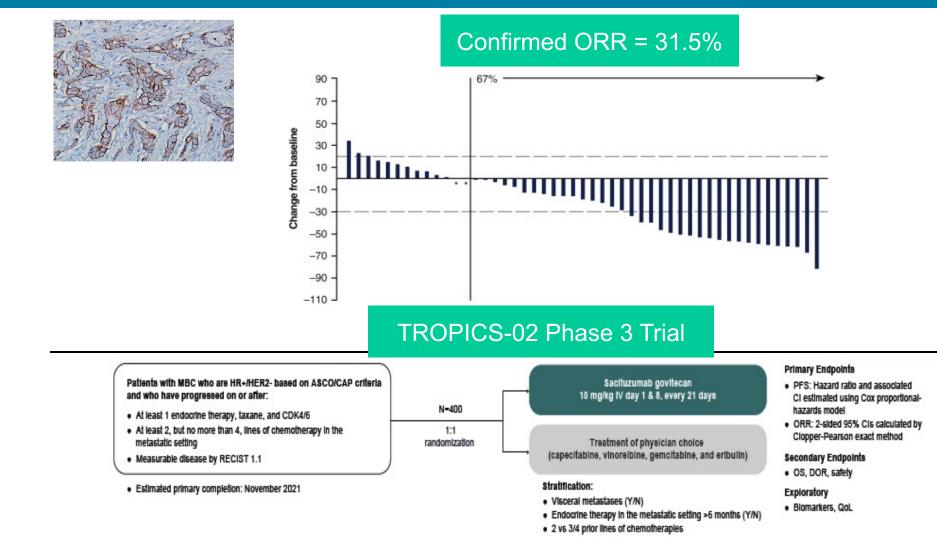
- SG is distinct from other ADCs
  - Antibody highly specific for Trop-2
  - High drug-to-antibody ratio (7.6:1)
  - Internalization and enzymatic cleavage by tumor cell not required for the liberation of SN-38 from the antibody
  - Hydrolysis of the linker also releases the SN-38 cytotoxic extracellularly in the tumor microenvironment, providing a bystander effect
- Granted accelerated approval by the FDA for metastatic TNBC





Bardia A et al. NEJM. 2019; Nagayama, A, et al. Target Oncol. 2017

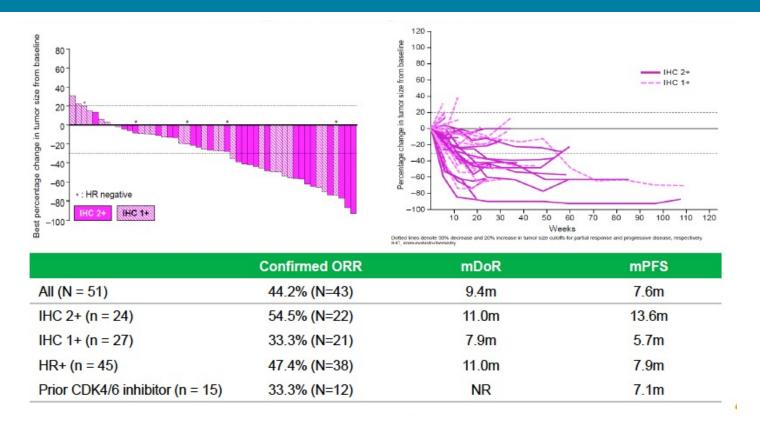
## Clinical activity not restricted to TNBC: HR+ MBC



Similarly, enrollment in TROPION-PanTumor01: Dato-DXd HR+ Breast Cancer Cohort

Kalinsky K et al. Ann Oncol. 2020 Rugo H et al. ASCO 2020.

### Trastuzumab Deruxtecan (T-DXd): HER2 Low Tumors



# Ongoing phase 3 trials evaluating trastuzumab deruxtecan for HR+/HER2 low MBC

### ADCs to target MBC: Multiple Agents in Development

| Drug                              | Target   |  |  |
|-----------------------------------|----------|--|--|
| Ladiratuzumab vedotin (SGN-LIV1a) | LIV-1    |  |  |
| Patritumab deruxtecan (U3-1402)   | HER3     |  |  |
| Datopotamab deruxtecan (DS-1062)  | Trop-2   |  |  |
| AVID100                           | EGFR     |  |  |
| BA3021                            | ROR2     |  |  |
| SAR6658                           | CA6      |  |  |
| SAR408701                         | CEA-CAM5 |  |  |

### Conclusions

- Endocrine therapy is the mainstay of management of patients with HR+ MBC.
- > Tumor progression in HR+ MBC could be due to:
  - Sector estrogen-independent estrogen-receptor mediated signaling due to genomic alterations such as ESR1 mutations – could respond to additional ER-directed therapy such as SERDs.
  - strogen-independent and estrogen-receptor independent signaling – need for combination therapy.

### Conclusions

- There are several oral SERDs in clinical development for HR+ metastatic breast cancer, alone and in combination therapy with other targeted therapies, including CDK 4/6, PI3K, and AKT inhibitors.
- There are multiple ADCs in development to target antigens overexpressed in MBC, including ER+ disease, including trastuzumab deruxtecan and sacituzumab govitecan.
- Additional studies evaluating efficacy of ADCs alone and in combination with other targeted therapies as well as other indications in breast cancer could redefine the molecular classification of breast cancer

Thank you for your attention