



# Managing Special Care Considerations in the Treatment of Advanced Prostate Cancer

**March 5, 2026  
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# Previously on ACS NPCRT...



Our September 2025 webinar discussed the current landscape of clinical care for advanced prostate cancer, setting the stage for our Summit on special considerations and barriers to care. Today's webinar shares some of the themes discussed at the Summit, which the Roundtable has integrated into its Strategic Roadmap.



<https://npcrt.org/resource/webinar-replay-recent-advances-in-the-clinical-management-of-metastatic-prostate-cancer-september-3-2025/>



## Recent Advances in the Clinical Management of Metastatic Prostate Cancer

The purpose of this webinar is to educate PCPs, Urologists, Oncologists, Oncology Nurses, and other stakeholders as to recent advances in the management of advanced or metastatic prostate cancer.

September 3, 2025  
1:30pm-2:30pm ET

**Speakers:**

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**1) Learn about best practices in treating older or frail patients with prostate cancer**

**2) Learn how systemic therapy for prostate cancer can cause cardiovascular issues in some patients, and how to manage them**

**3) Understand the effect of prostate cancer therapy on bone health and how to minimize fracture risk in patients with advanced disease**



**Learning Objectives**

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# Pre-Test Poll

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# **Special Considerations for Treating Advanced Prostate Cancer In Older Adult Populations**

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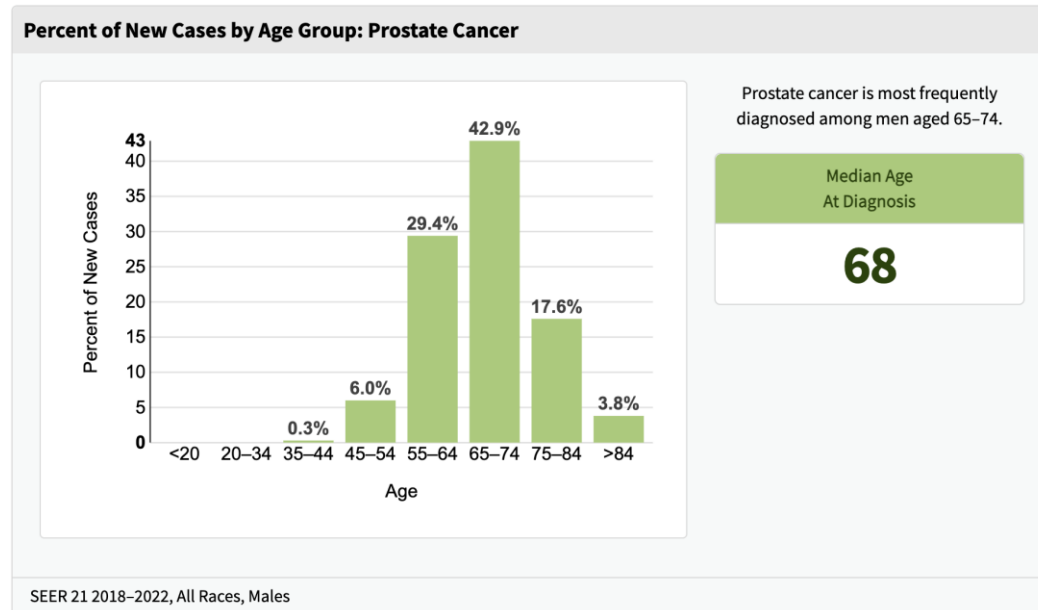
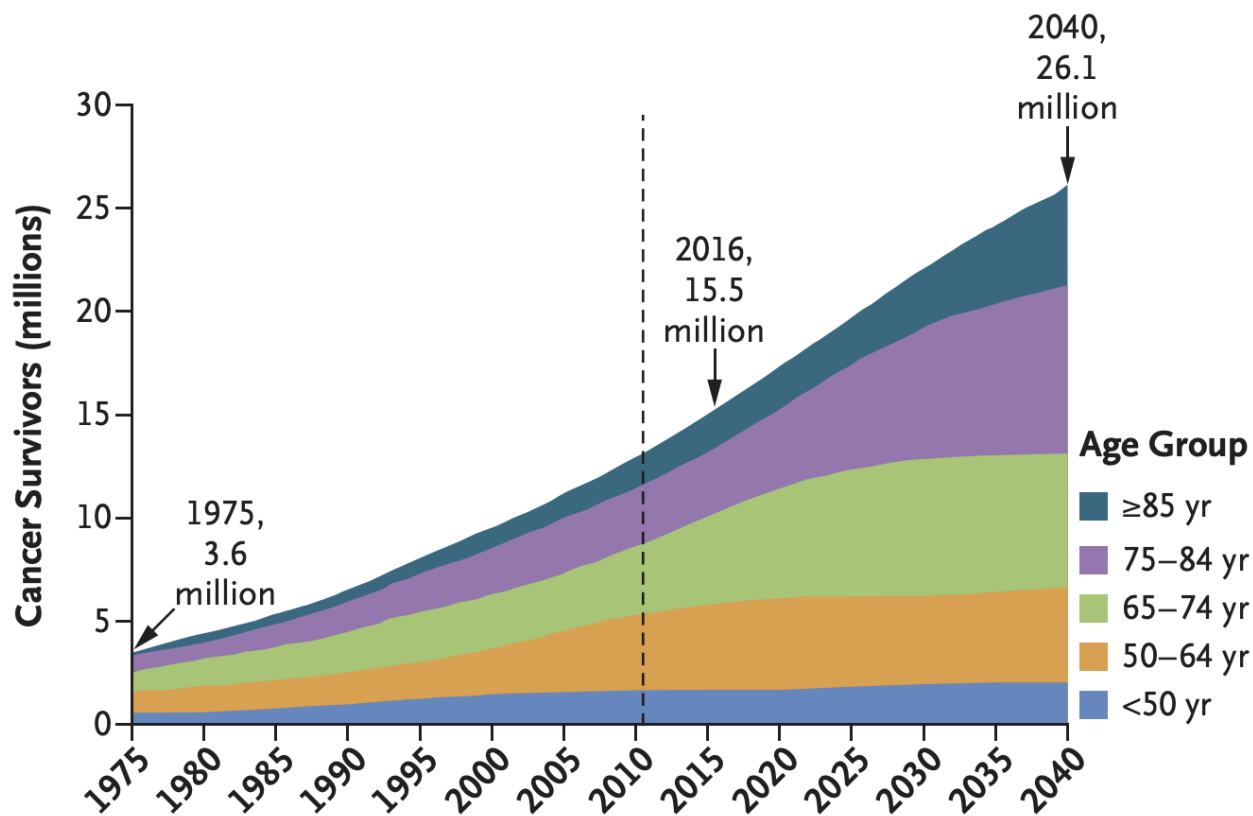
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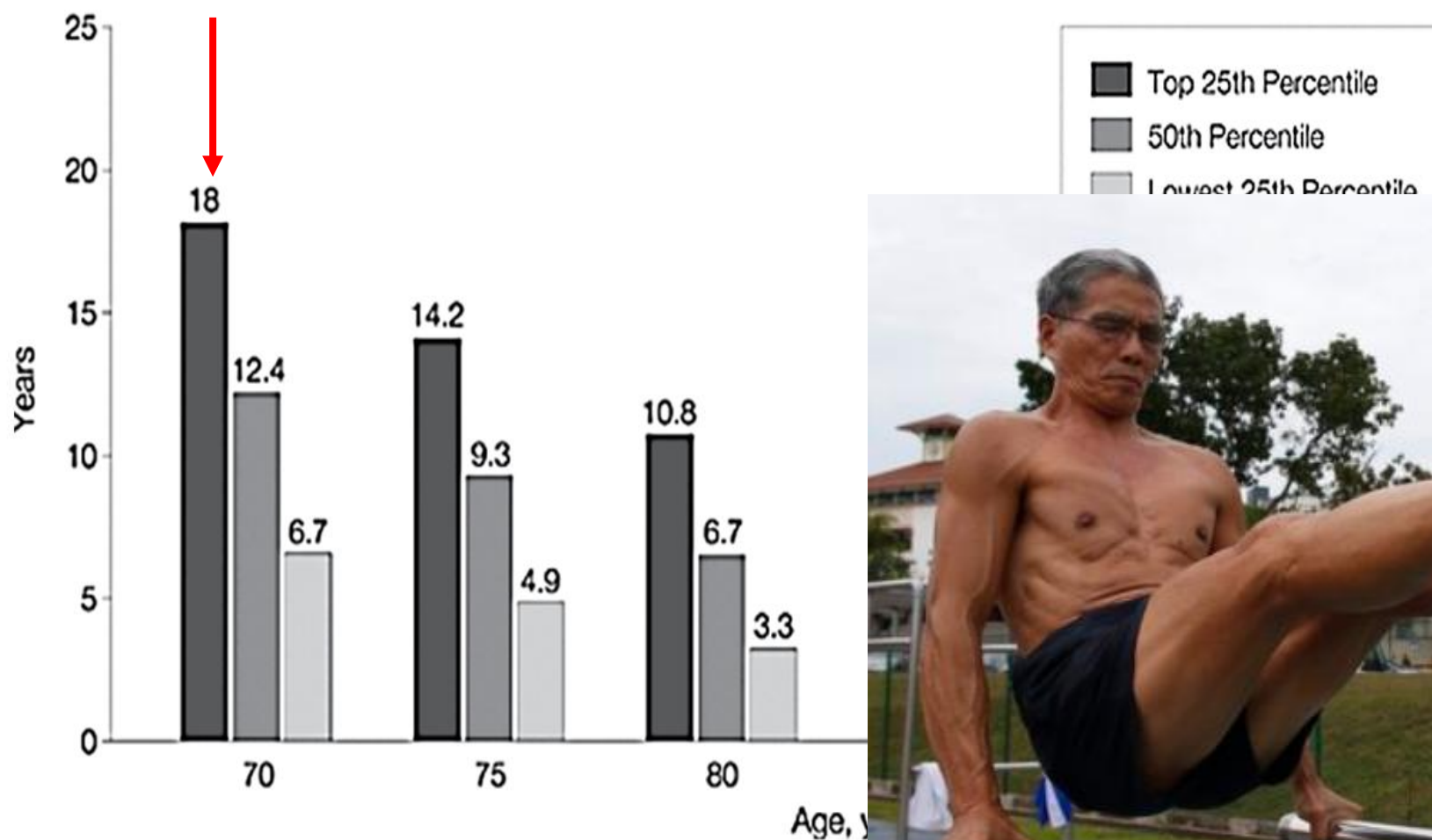
# Older Adult Cancer Survivor Population Increasing



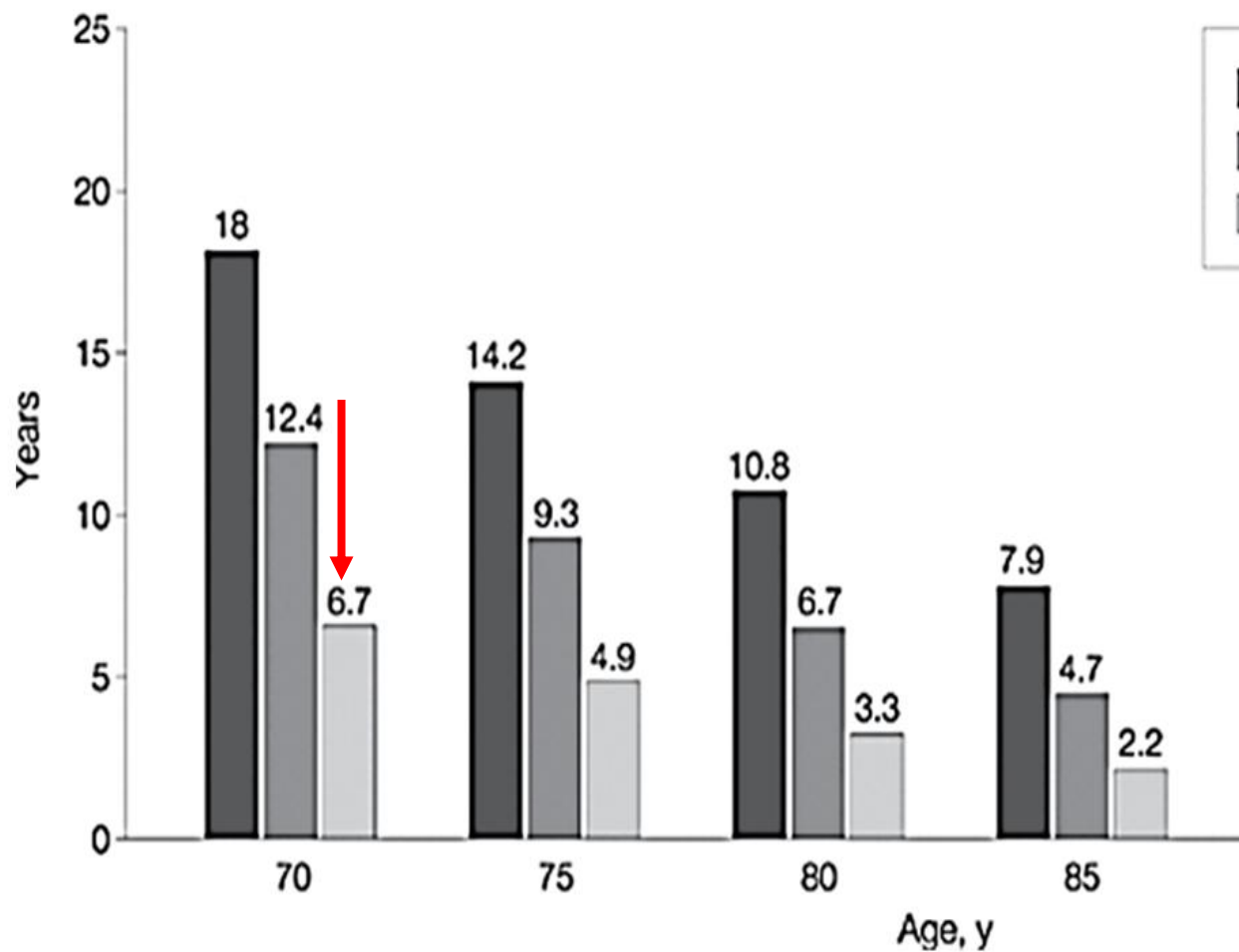
# Chronologic and Biologic Age are NOT the same



# Consider Life Expectancy When Determining Treatment

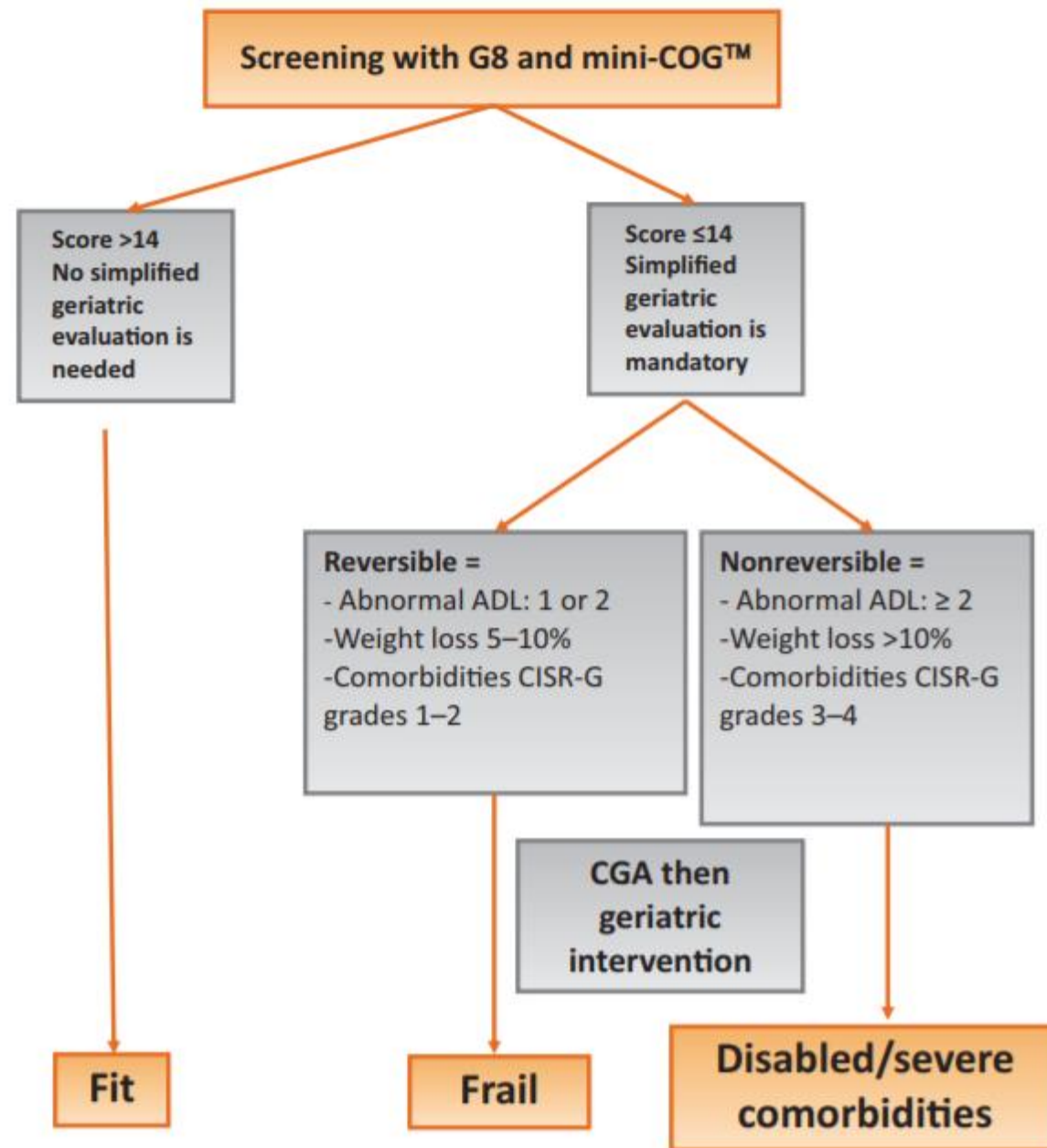


# Consider Life Expectancy When Determining Treatment



# International Society of Geriatric Oncology Guidelines

**Stratification of patient fitness** allows clinicians to **tailor supportive measures** and effectively **inform treatment decisions**



# G8 Screening Tool

Item	Score
1. Has food intake declined over the past 3 months due to loss of appetite, digestive problems, chewing, or swallowing difficulties?	0 = severe reduction in food intake 1 = moderate reduction in food intake 2 = normal food intake
2. 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
3. Mobility	0 = bed or chair bound 1 = able to get out of bed/chair but does not go out 2 = goes out
4. Neuropsychological problems	0 = severe dementia or depression 1 = mild dementia or depression 2 = no psychological problems
5. BMI (weight in kg/height in m <sup>2</sup> )	0 = BMI < 19 1 = 19 ≤ BMI < 21 2 = 21 ≤ BMI < 23 3 = BMI ≥ 23
6. Takes more than 3 medications per day	0 = yes 1 = no
7. In comparison with other people of the same age, how does the patient consider his/her health status?	0.0 = not as good 0.5 = does not know 1.0 = as good 2.0 = better
8. Age	0 = > 85 years 1 = 80-85 years 2 = < 80 years

Abbreviation: BMI, body mass index.

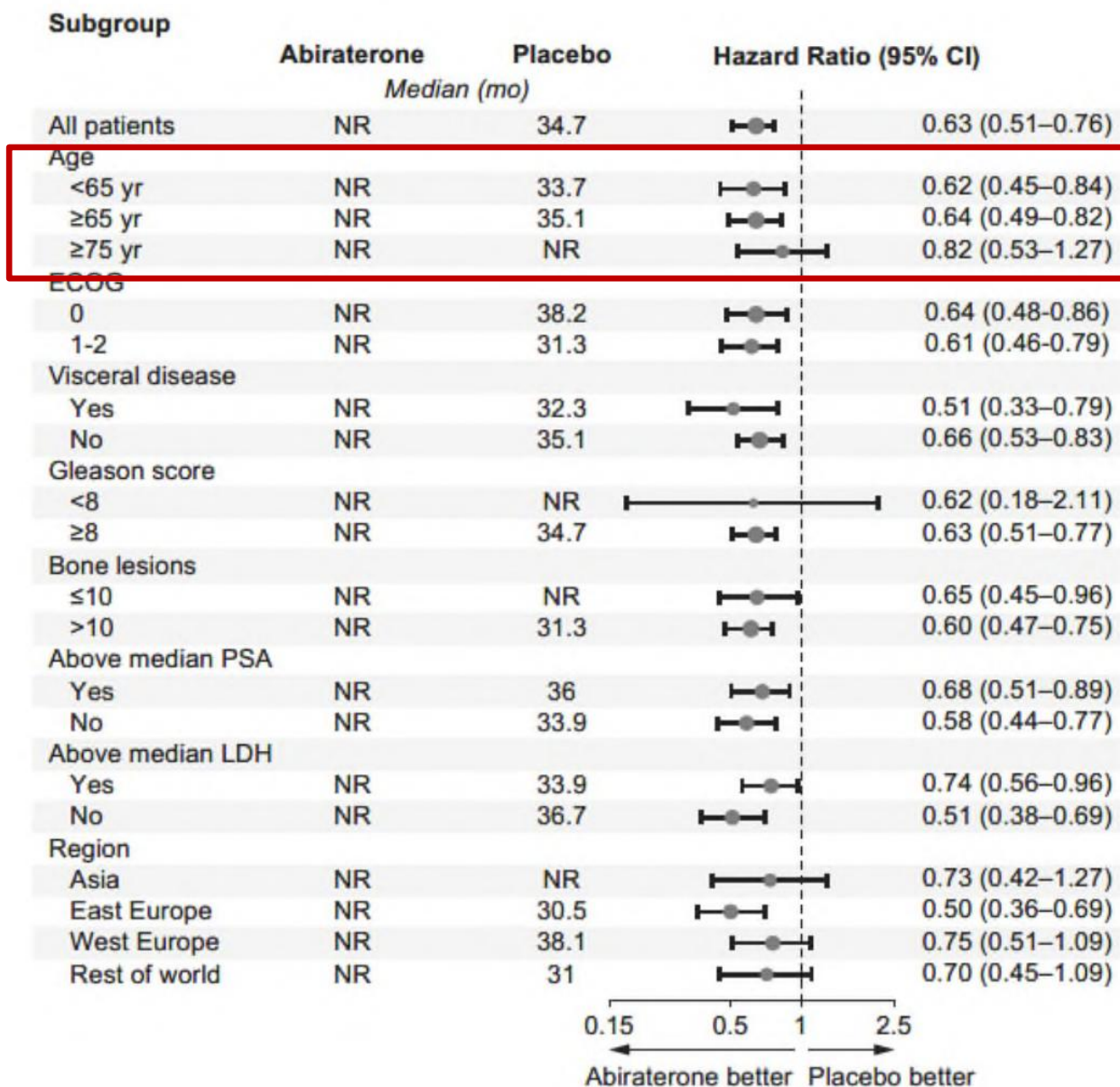


**Systemic Treatment  
Considerations –  
ARPIs Generally Work Similarly in  
Older Adults**

# Latitude Subgroup Analyses

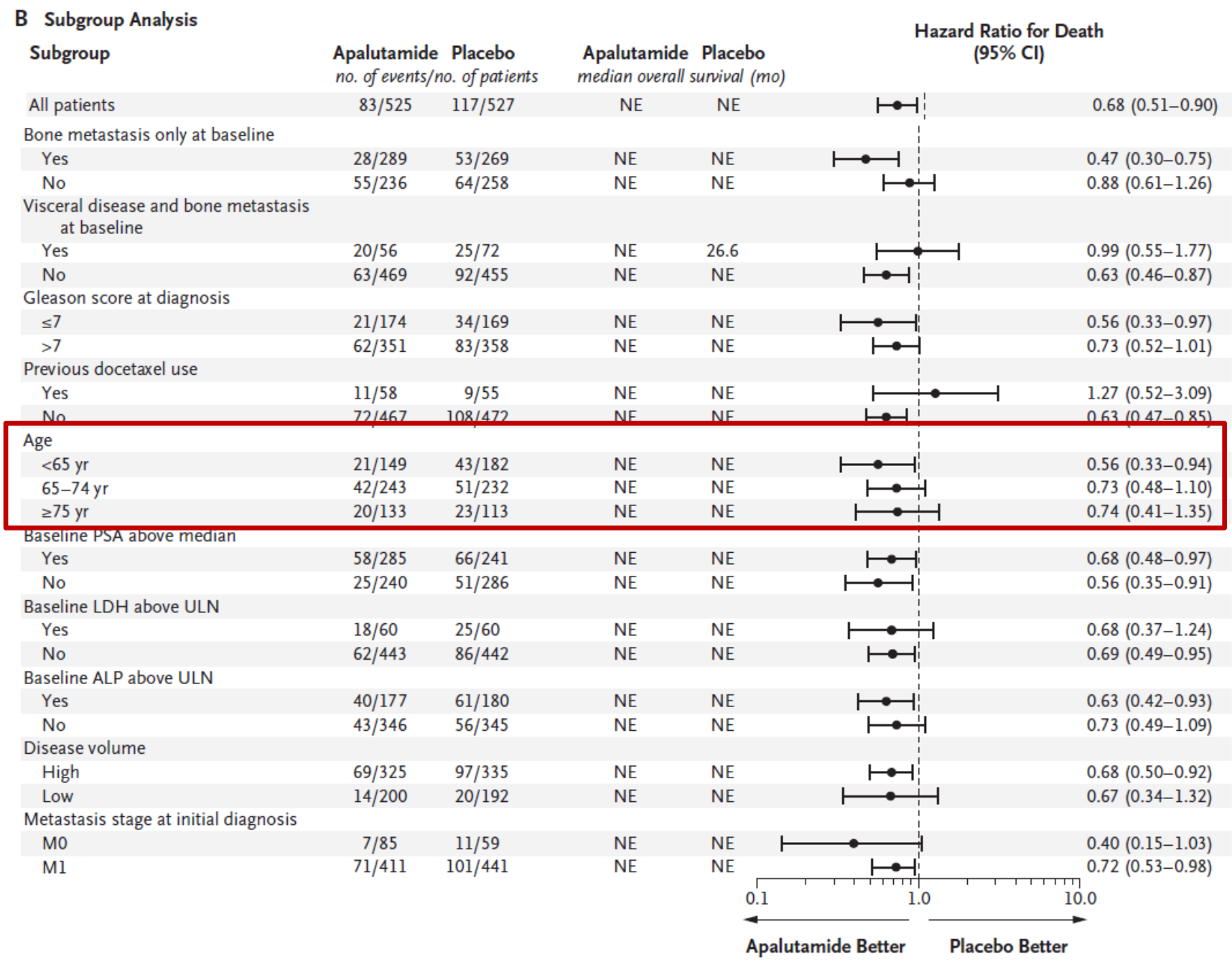
- **OS benefit similar** for abiraterone acetate when analyzed by age

Supplementary Figure S2. Overall Survival Subgroup.



# TITAN Subgroup Analyses

- OS benefit similar for apalutamide when analyzed by age





# Similar OS Benefit: Enzalutamide in mHSPC in ARCHES by Age

- **OS benefit similar** for enzalutamide when analyzed by age

Subgroup	ENZA + ADT / PBO + ADT		HR (95 % CI)
	No. (events)	Median (mo)	
All subgroups	574 (191)/576 (223)	NR/NR	0.70 (0.58–0.85)
Age < 65 years	148 (46)/152 (55)	86.4/NR	0.63 (0.42–0.93)
Age 65–74 years	256 (73)/255 (96)	NR/NR	0.65 (0.48–0.89)
Age ≥ 75 years	170 (72)/169 (72)	69.6/58.9	0.83 (0.60–1.15)
Geographic region			
Europe	341 (123)/344 (140)	86.4/75.7	0.76 (0.60–0.97)
North America	86 (28)/77 (29)	83.1/NR	0.57 (0.34–0.97)
Rest of the world	147 (40)/155 (54)	NR/NR	0.65 (0.43–0.97)
Hispanic or Latino	46 (16)/37 (17)	NR/41.0	0.47 (0.23–0.93)
Not Hispanic or Latino	504 (164)/514 (195)	86.4/NR	0.72 (0.58–0.88)
Gleason score < 8	171 (45)/187 (55)	NR/NR	0.75 (0.50–1.11)
Gleason score ≥ 8	386 (136)/373 (162)	86.4/52.7	0.65 (0.52–0.82)
ECOG PS 0	448 (139)/443 (161)	NR/NR	0.70 (0.56–0.88)
ECOG PS 1	125 (52)/133 (62)	83.1/47.7	0.73 (0.50–1.06)

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Favors ENZA + ADT      Favors PBO + ADT

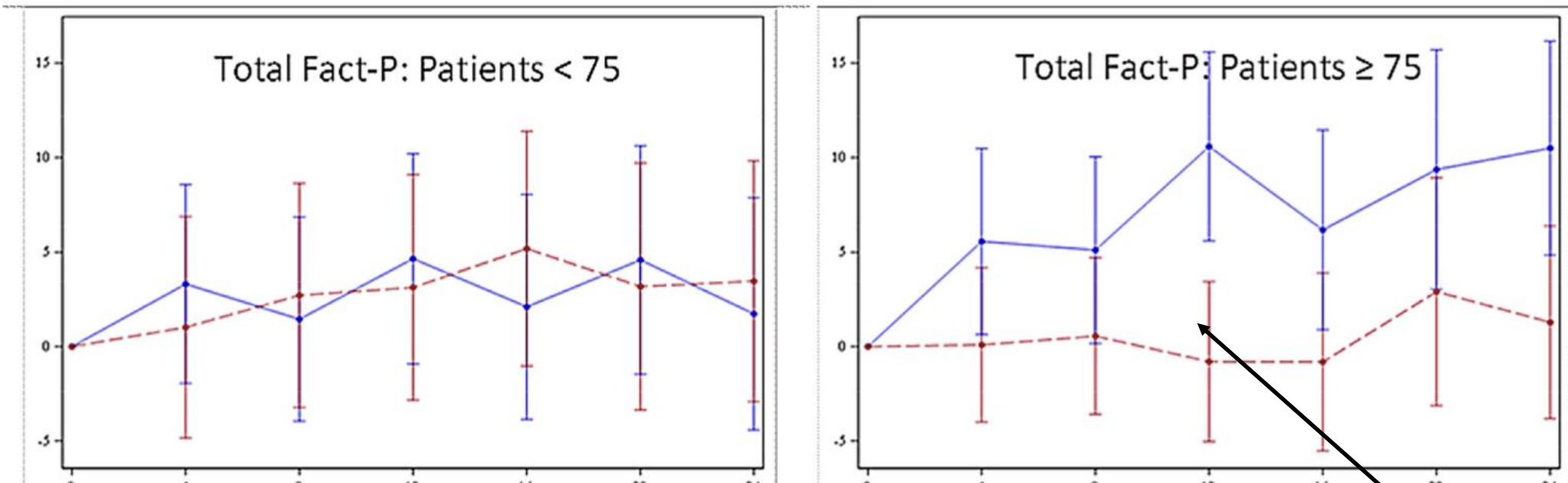
# Reduced Survival Benefit of Abiraterone in Older Adults vs AR Inhibitors?

		PFS	OS	PCSS*
Younger age groups (<75)	Abiraterone trial data	~25%	~16%	~17%
	Amide (± abi) trial data	~27%	~18%	?
Oldest age group (75+)	Abiraterone trial data	~8%	~0%	~9%
	Amide (± abi) trial data	~27%	~19%	?

\*Prostate Cancer Specific Survival

# QOL Difference? Abiraterone and Enzalutamide QOL in mCRPC

Adjusted mean change from baseline



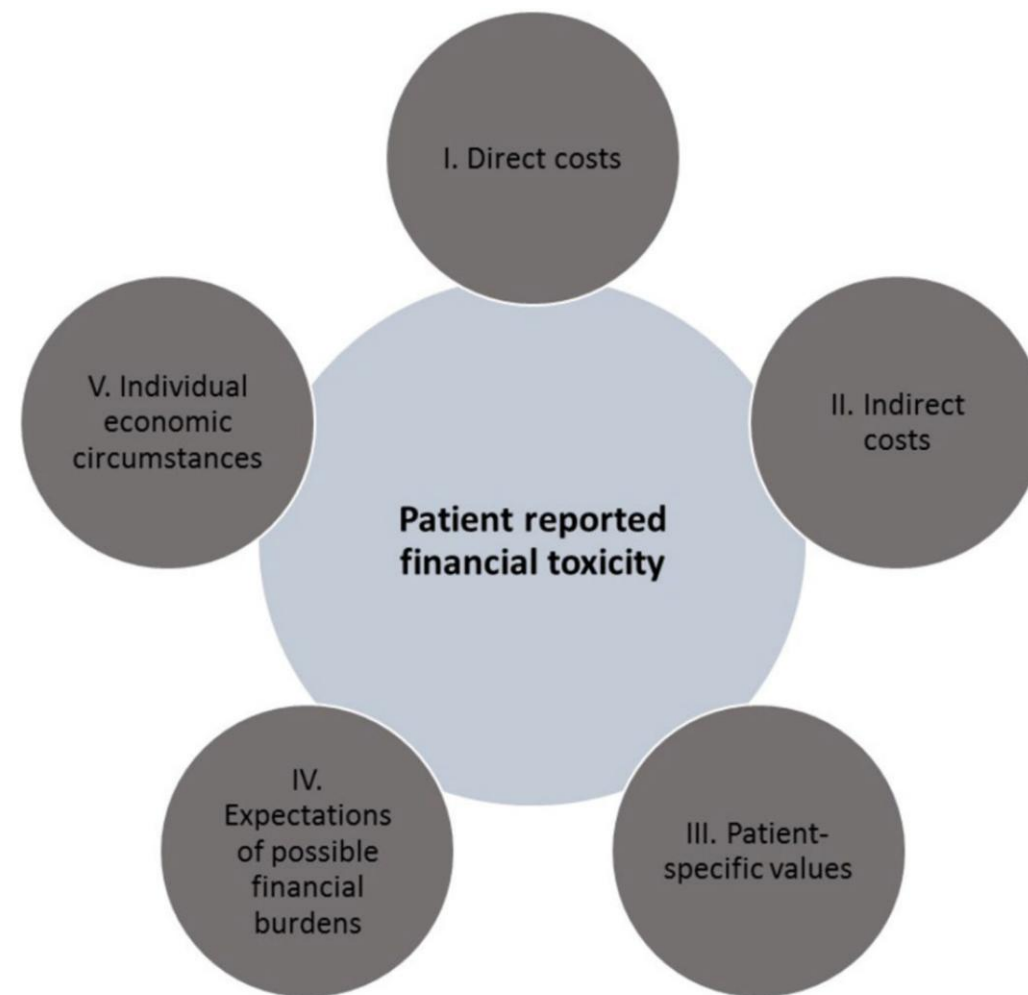
Treatment week

Treatment arm: ● Abiraterone ● Enzalutamide

Potential difference in QOL in pts ≥75 yo

# Financial Toxicity in Older Adults

- Study of 536 patients with advanced cancer  $\geq 70$  years
- 18.3% reported financial toxicity
- Financial toxicity associated with increased depression, anxiety, distress, and poorer QOL





# Summary

- Prostate cancer disproportionately affects the elderly, and the older adult cancer survivor population is growing worldwide
- Older adults should have assessments that properly define their risks of complications and **identify reversible areas for supportive interventions** that enable them to undergo effective treatment
- **Disease control** and **quality of life** outcomes suggest similar benefits for older patients if we can treat them safely
- **Financial toxicity** should be considered as a source of potential distress and opportunity for intervention

# Bone Health Unanswered Questions

- Charles J Ryan MD  
Member

- March 5, 2026



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# Bone Directed Therapies

## Why we need it....

1. Bony Morbidity → Mortality
2. Symptomatic events → loss of function and pain
3. Treatment related adverse event → Osteoporosis.
4. Prednisone and other steroid use is common
5. *We have reasonably effective treatment approaches to prevent events, preserve function and maintain QOL. We just need to make sure they are used*



## ...What we have

1. Calcium and Vitamin D Supplementation - Recommended

2. Zoledronic Acid

Zometa 4 mg IV q3-12 weeks -- SRE prevention –

Reclast ( Zoledronic Acid 5 mg IV annually) --for Osteoporosis Treatment

3. Denosumab

XGEVA - For SRE Prevention. –

Prolia – For osteoporosis treatment

For Osteoporosis Treatment. –

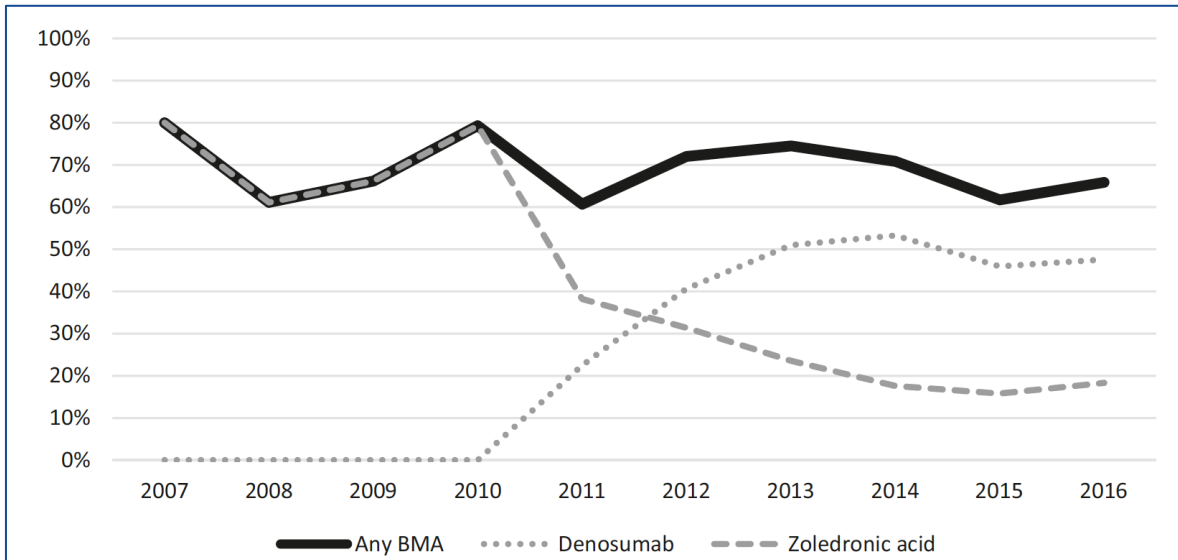
Radium 223?

Other RLT?

# BMA Use is Not Optimal

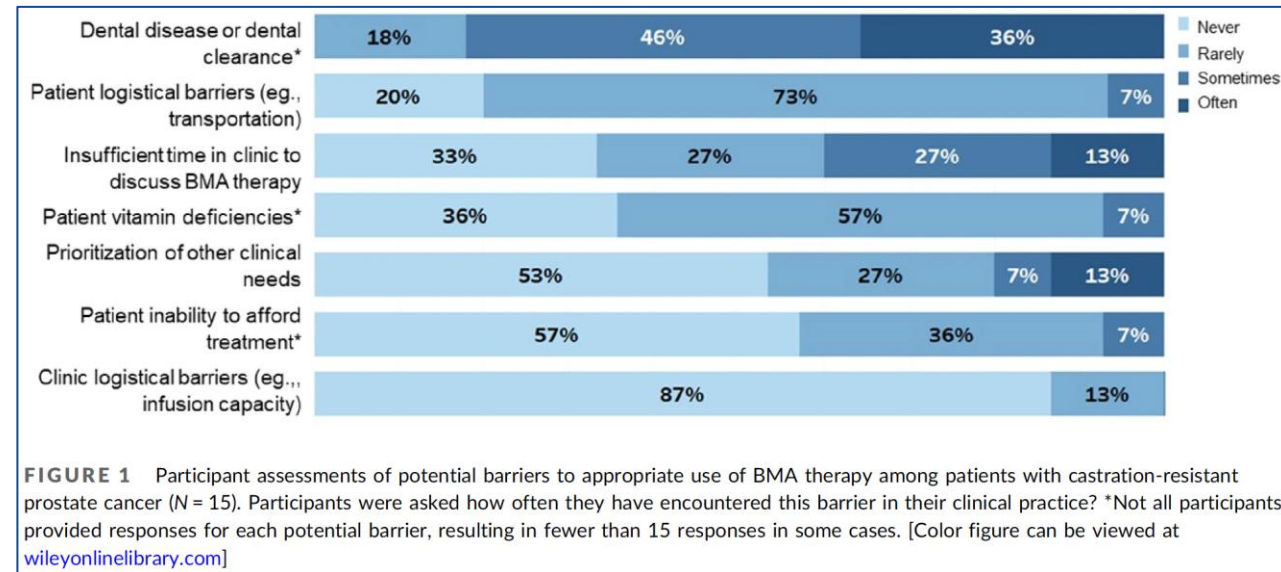
## BMA appropriate use (mCRPC)

Proportion receiving BMA within 180 days of initiating CRPC-defining therapy



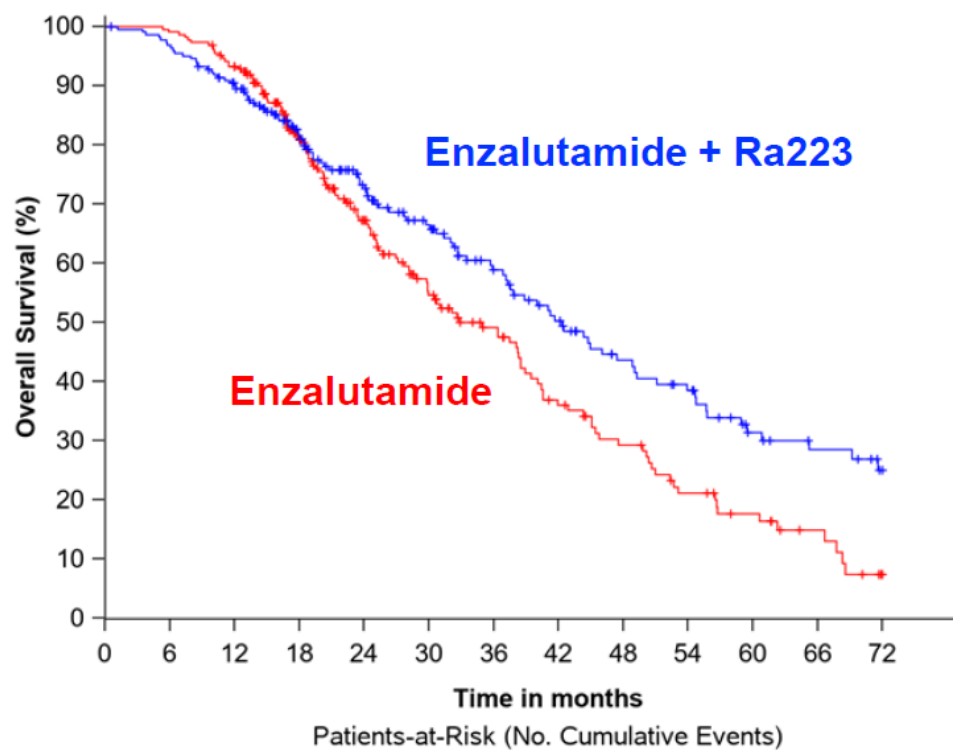
Mitchell et al, *Prostate Cancer and Prostatic Disease* 2022

## Barriers to appropriate BMA use



Mitchell et al, *The Prostate* 2023

# Anti-tumor effective BMA? - PEACE 3 – Adding Radium to Enzalutamide in CRPC improves OS

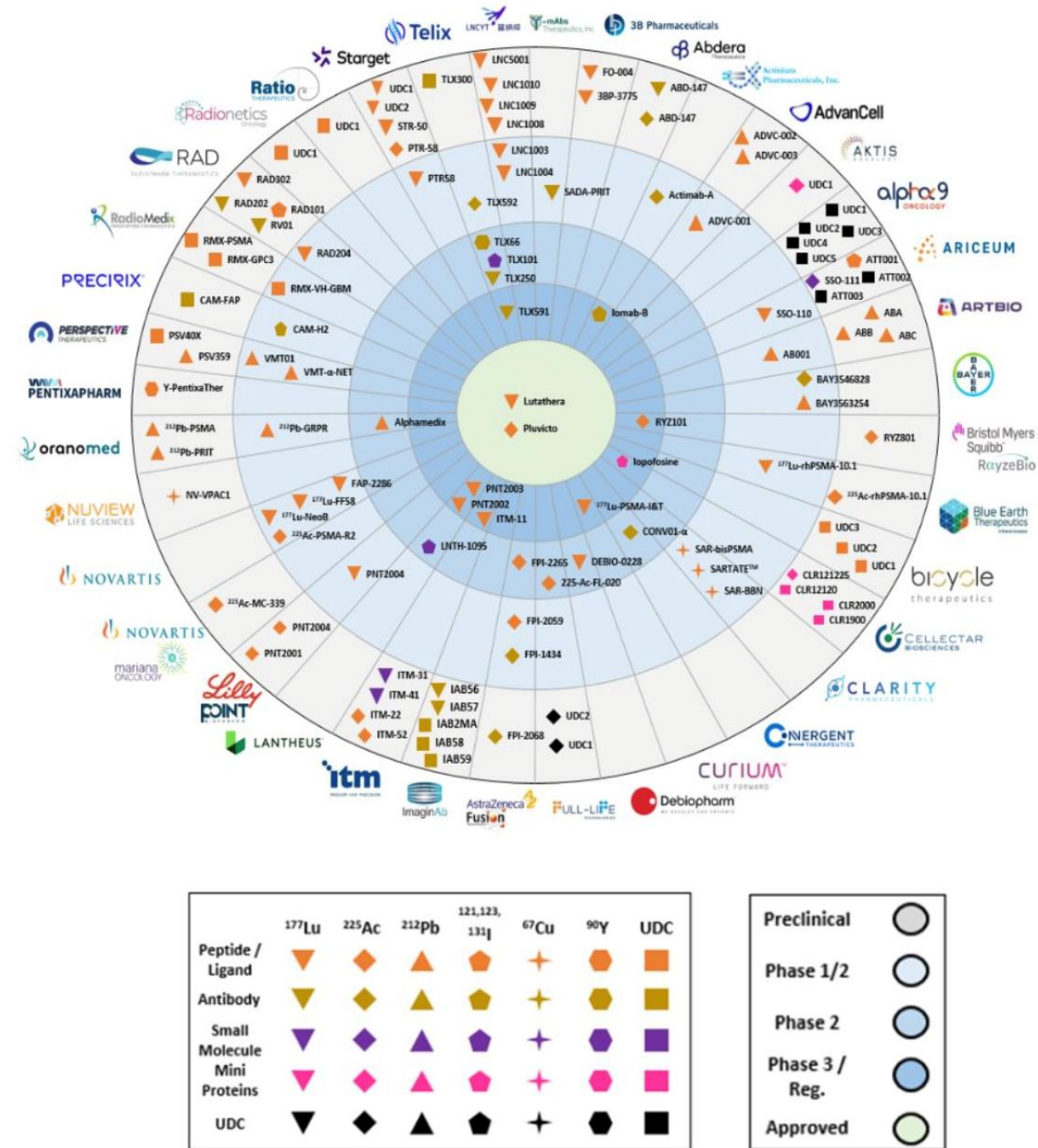


Arm	n/N	Median (95%CI)
<b>Enzalutamide + Ra223</b>	110/222	<b>42.3</b> (36.8-49.1) mo
<b>Enzalutamide</b>	129/224	<b>35.0</b> (28.8-38.9) mo
HR (95%CI)	<b>0.69</b> (0.52-0.90)	
Log-Rank p-value	<b>0.0031</b>	<b>&lt;0.0034</b>

- Pre-set level of significance for interim analysis was  $\leq 0.0034$
- Due to non-proportional hazards plus lack of unequivocal significance for RMST (restricted mean survival time) sensitivity analysis, study will continue to final OS analysis

A dizzying array of radiopharmaceuticals is coming

In prostate and other tumor types



UDC: Undisclosed. Source: Oppenheimer & Co. Research

# Address barriers to Optimal Care and Use of Bone Agents

## Education

- Awareness of potential benefits / costs of skeletal morbidity
- Integration into clinical pathways and EHR treatment plans
- Survivorship recommendations in NCCN
- Supportive care recommendations in NCCN and other guidelines
- Oncologists don't generally get granular morbidity reports on their 'cases' like surgeons do. Should we?
- Eg review all SRES in a practice over time?

## Research

Integration into clinical trials - as 'required' (like continuing ADT)

Organ dysfunction strategies.

Promote /propose strategies for assessing BTT Use in patients with low CrCL or other comorbidities.

Address the role of BTT in RLT treated patients

Educate clinicians about optimal use strategies.



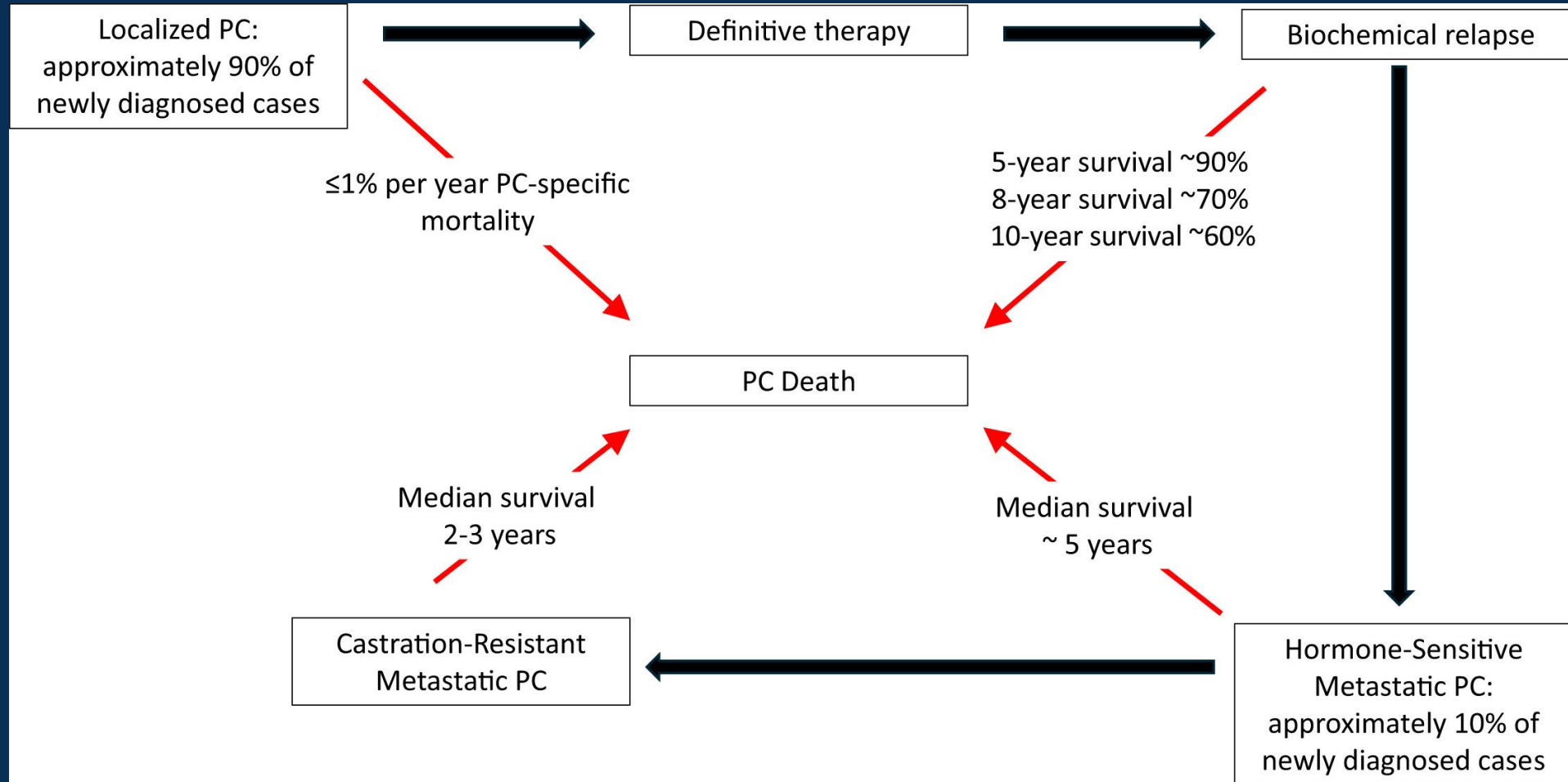
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# Cardiovascular Health in Advanced Prostate Cancer

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# Natural History of Prostate Ca



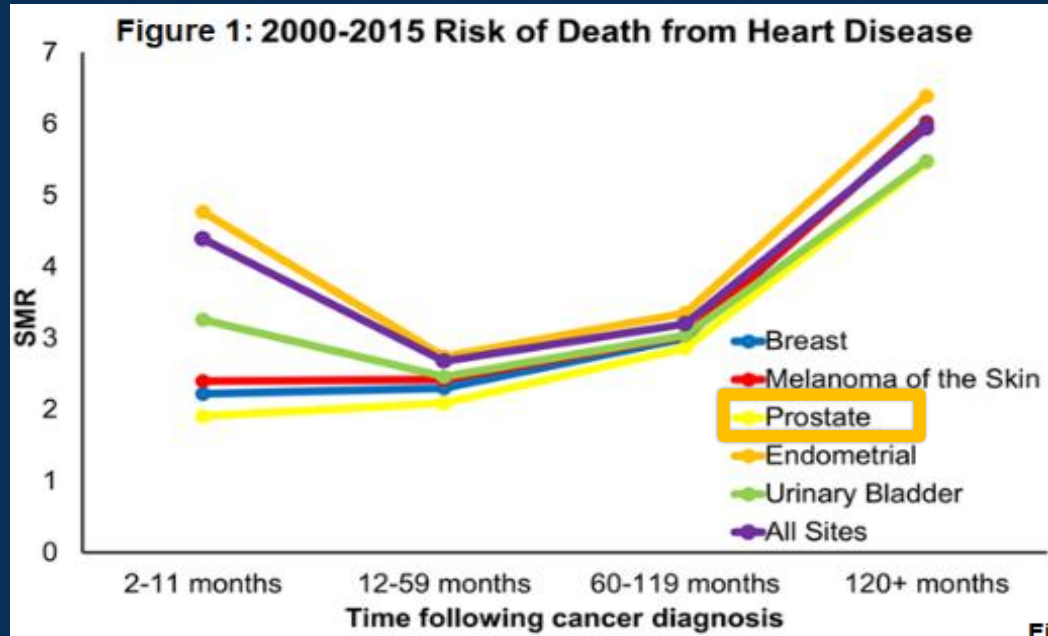
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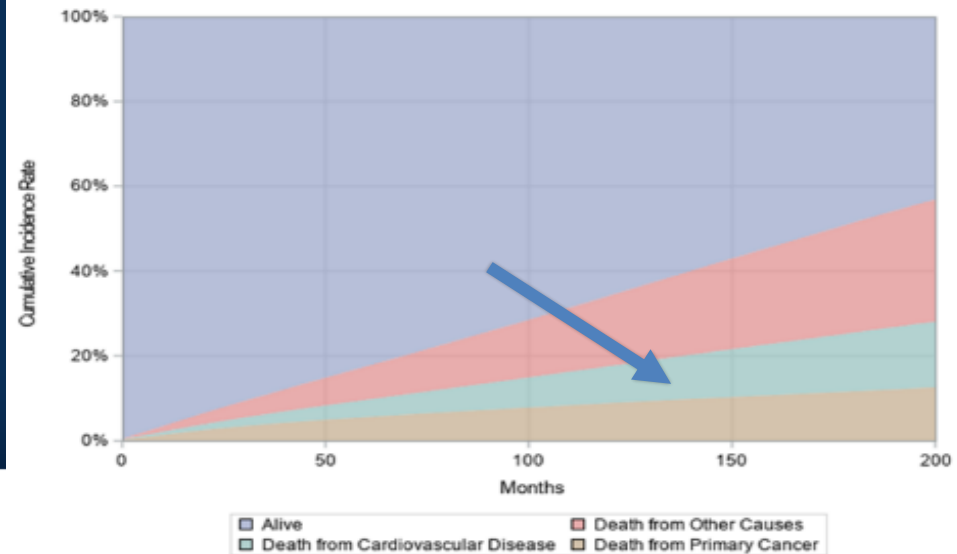
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# Death from CVD in PC

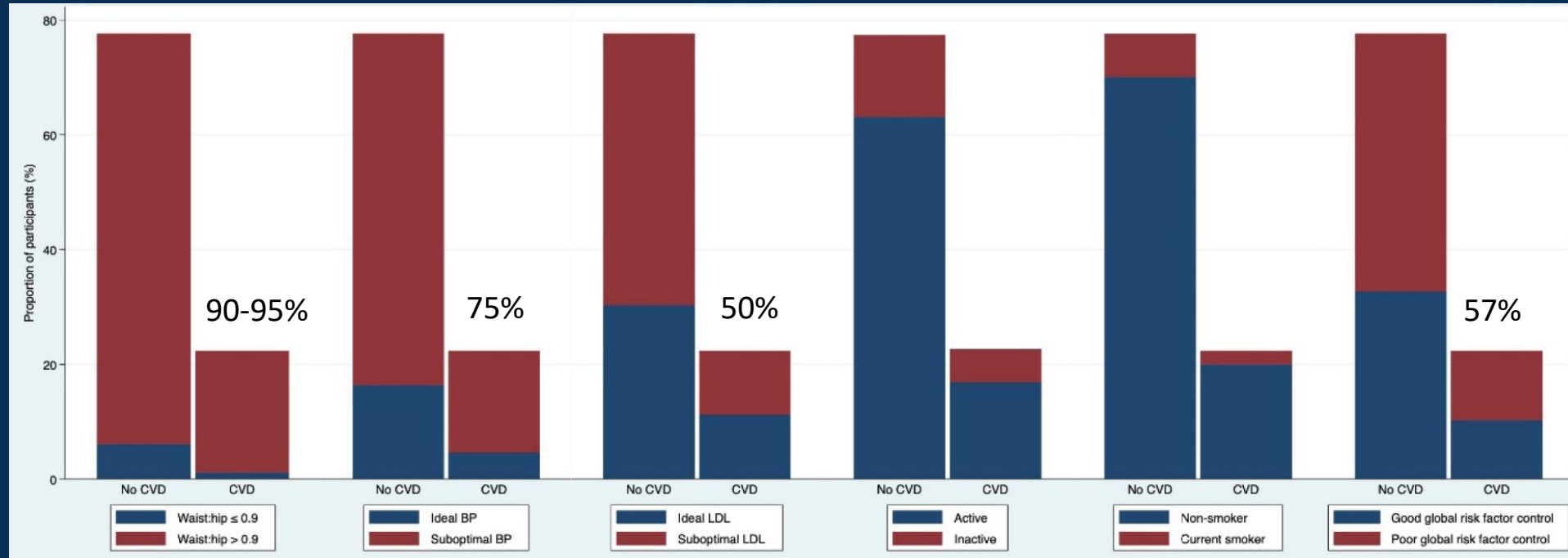


**Figure 2: Death Rate from various causes in Prostate Cancer**



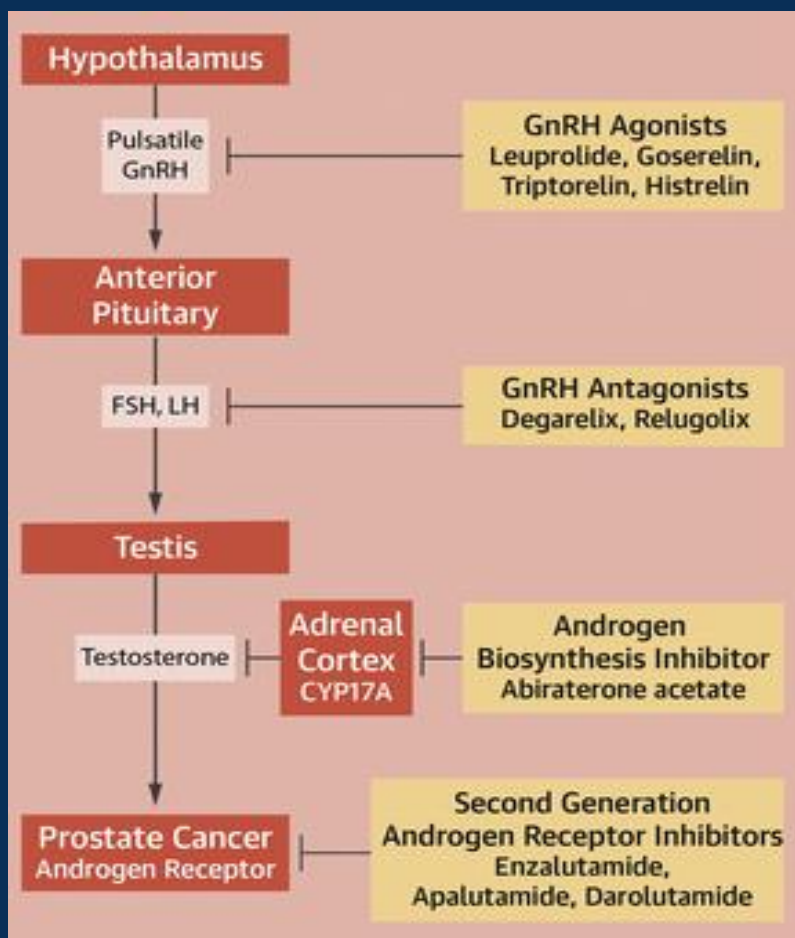
Sturgeon KM et al. European Heart Journal. 2019;40(48):3889-3897.

# CV risk factors in PC



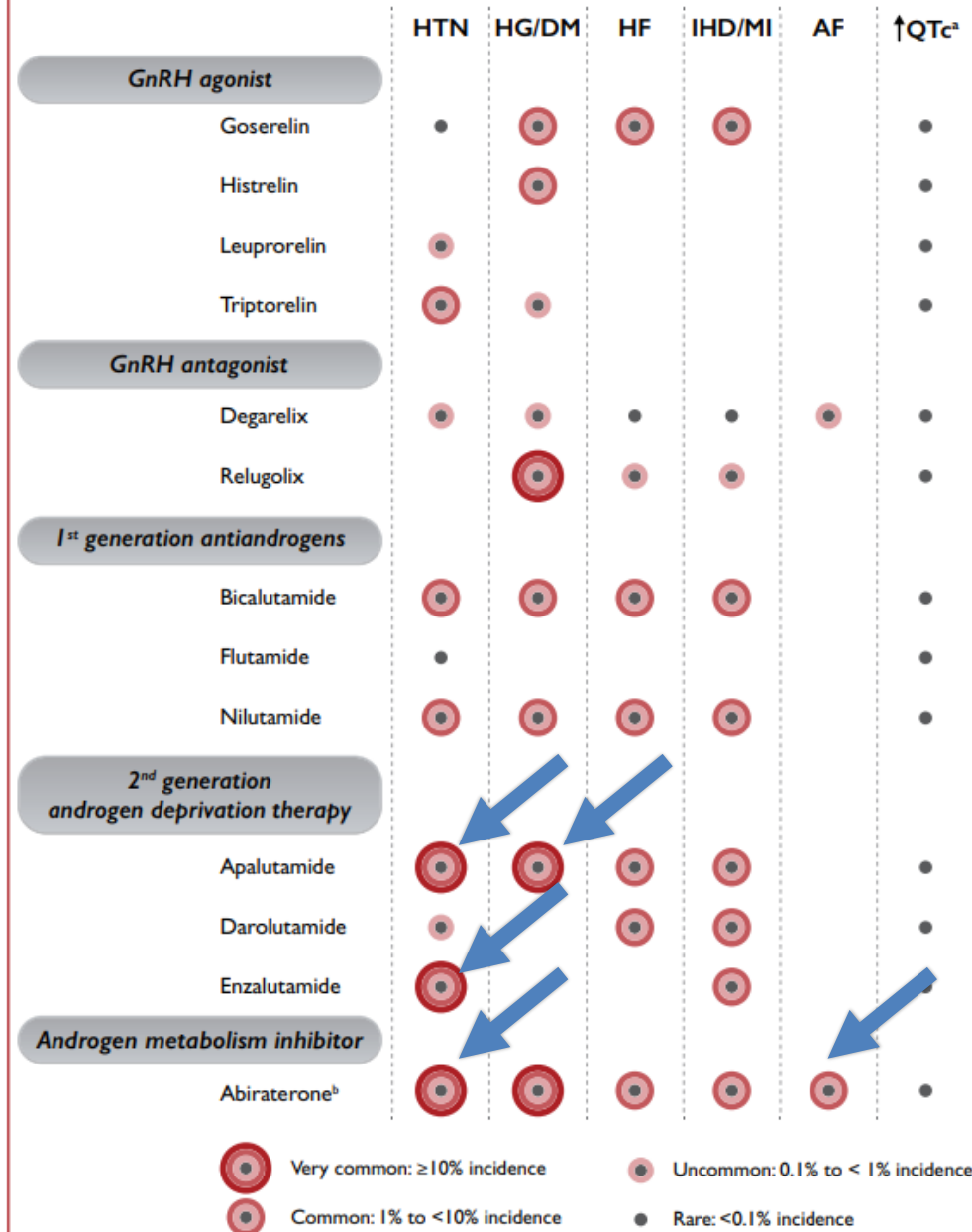
- 2,618 consecutive men (mean age 68 years) with PC - 8.2% had metastatic PC, 22% had known CVD
- 99% had  $\geq$  1 uncontrolled CV risk factor
- 57% had poor global risk factor control

# ADT – Increases risk of CVD/CVD RF



- ADT: ↑ CV risk (HTN, DM, dyslipidemia, obesity, sarcopenia)
- AR pathway inhibitors (enzalutamide, apalutamide, abiraterone): improve OS but add metabolic/cardiac stress
- Triplet regimens (ADT + docetaxel + ARPI): prolong OS but raise CV risk burden
- PARPi and novel IO/VEGF combos: emerging therapies with CV event signals

## Androgen deprivation therapy-related cardiovascular toxicities



# ADT – Agonist vs Antagonist

Pronounce

VS.

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End point	Patients with eventsn (%) degarelix vs leuprolide	Hazard ratio (95% CI)*	P value†
Primary efficacy			
Time from randomization to first adjudicated MACE	15 (5.5) vs 11 (4.1)	1.283 (0.589–2.794)	0.5294

Cumulative Incidence of MACE at End of Wk 48 (95% CI) <i>percent</i>	
Leuprolide	5.6 (3.5–8.9)
Relugolix	2.8 (1.8–4.5)
Hazard ratio with relugolix, 0.46 (95% CI, 0.24–0.88)	

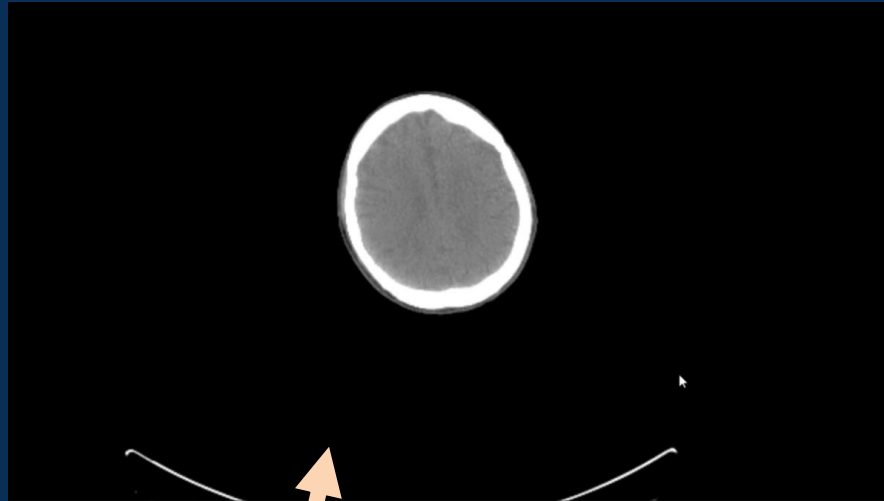
3.6% (3 of 84 patients) in the Relugolix group and 17.8% (8 of 45 patients)



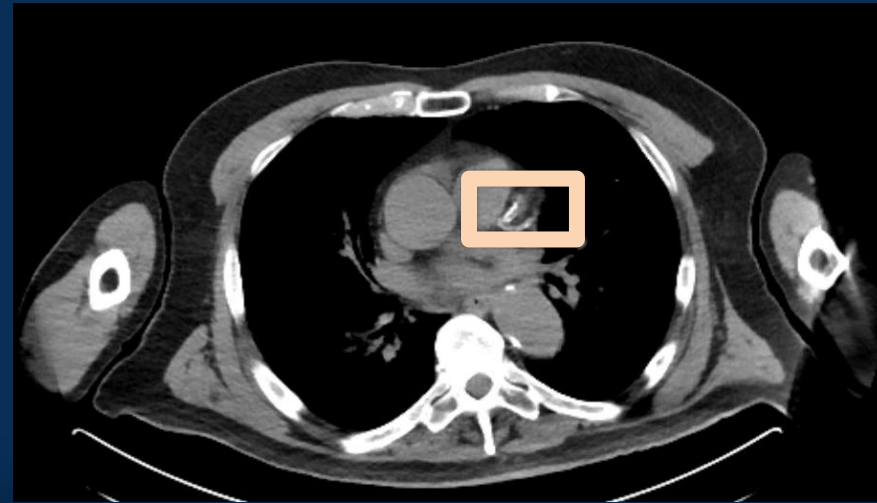
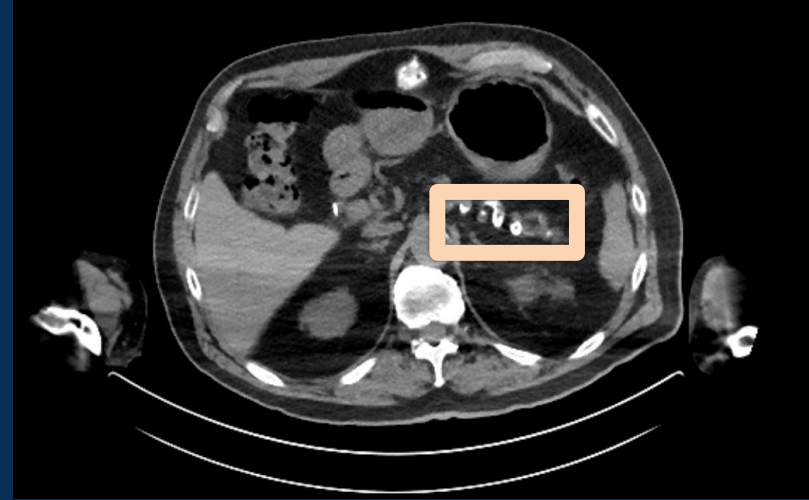
A GnRH antagonist should be considered in patients with pre-existing symptomatic CAD<sup>f</sup> who require ADT. <sup>341,342</sup>

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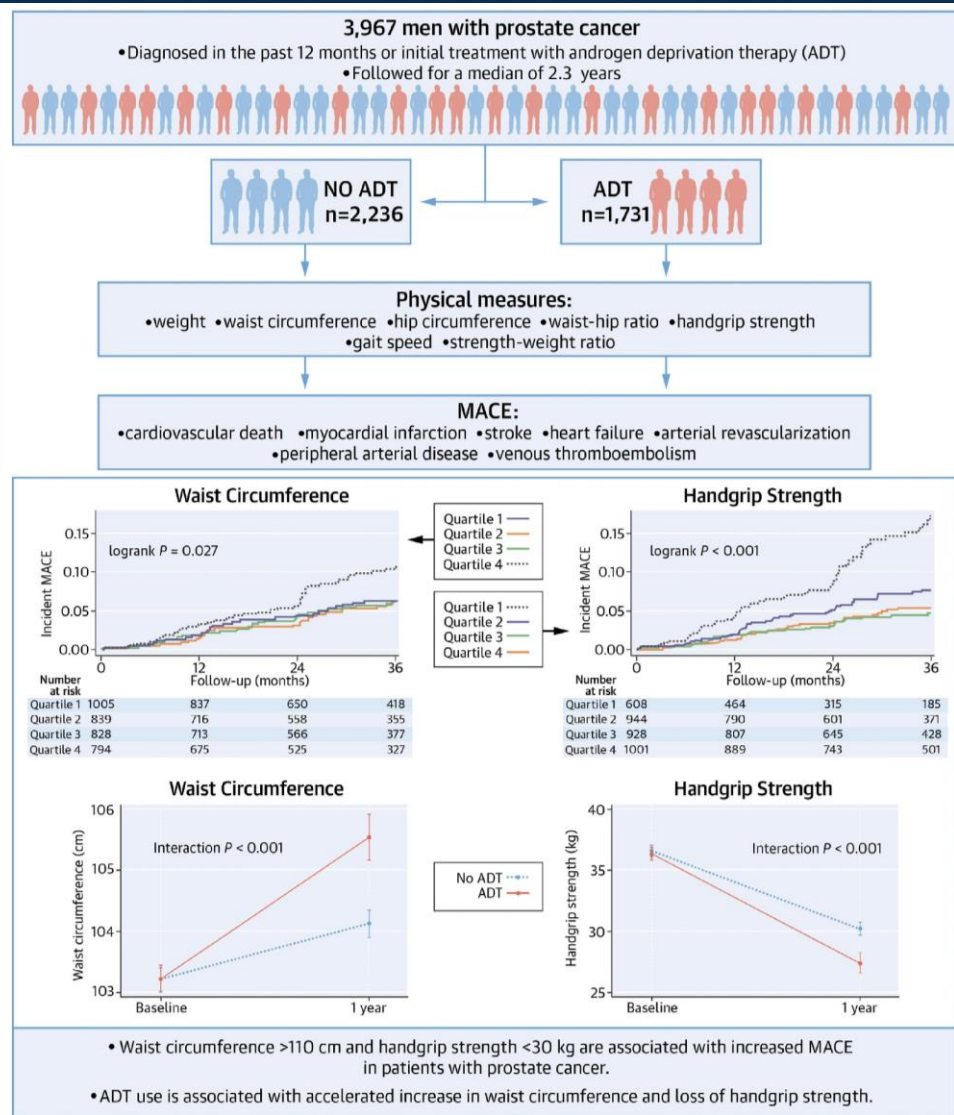
# Biological Predictors- PSMA PET – correction CT



Skeletal muscle



# Skeletal muscle

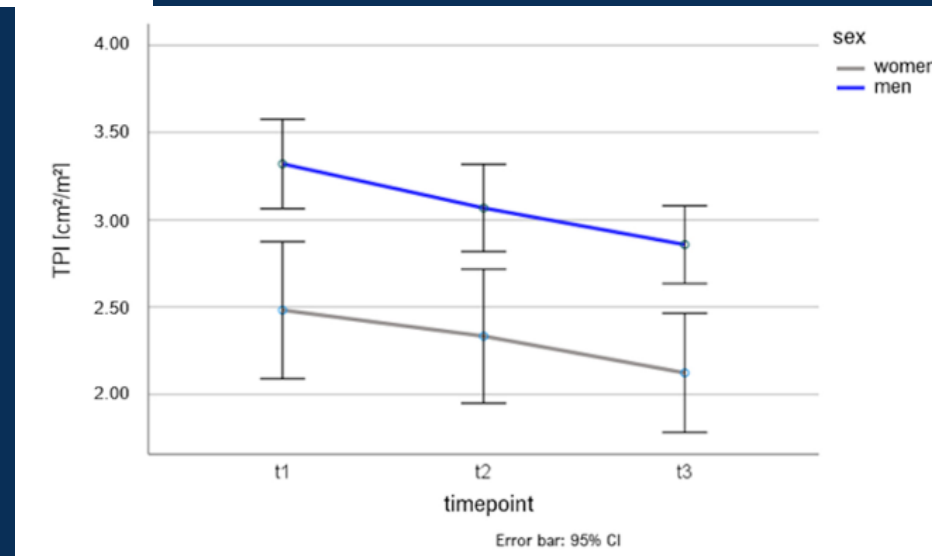


Each quartile reduction in strength was associated with adjusted hazard ratio (95% CI) 1.24 (1.01-1.52)

Leong DP, et al. JACC CardioOncol. 2024;6(5):761-771.


# Applicability of the CT Radiomics of Skeletal Muscle and Machine Learning for the Detection of Sarcopenia and Prognostic Assessment of Disease Progression in Patients with Gastric and Esophageal Tumors

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CT radiomics and machine learning can be used to detect sarcopenia and assess disease progression in patients with gastric and esophageal tumors, finding significant predictive capabilities for sarcopenia.

# CAC score



[Tomography](#), 2022 Apr; 8(2): 607–616. PMCID: PMC8938817  
Published online 2022 Mar 1. doi: [10.3390/tomography8020050](https://doi.org/10.3390/tomography8020050) PMID: [35314627](https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/35314627/)

**Assessment of Aortoiliac Atherosclerotic Plaque on CT in Prostate Cancer Patients Undergoing Treatment**

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[Peter A. Pinto](#),<sup>4</sup> [Deborah E. Citrin](#),<sup>5</sup> and [Ronald M. Summers](#)<sup>1,\*</sup>

- The study evaluates the link between aortoiliacatherosclerotic plaque and prostate cancer in treated patients.
- No notable correlation was found between the plaque and prostate cancer biomarkers.
- Agatston scores of abdominal plaques showed a good correlation with patient age and Framingham risk scores.

# CAC score

**European Heart Journal**  
Volume 43, Issue Supplement\_2, October 2022

**JOURNAL ARTICLE**  
**Prognostic impact of coronary artery calcifications in patients with newly diagnosed prostate cancer** FREE  
N Støedkilde-Joergensen, A Bugge Tinggaard, S Winther, J A Ejlersen, M Boettcher  
*European Heart Journal*, Volume 43, Issue Supplement\_2, October 2022, ehac544.2593,  
<https://doi.org/10.1093/eurheartj/ehac544.2593>  
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- Coronary artery calcium (CAC) scores are obtained from non-ECG-gated CT scans at the time of prostate cancer (PCa) diagnosis.
- CAC scores can predict the occurrence of major adverse cardiac events (MACE) in PCa patients.
- Higher CAC scores are associated with a greater risk of MACE.
- Early detection of CAC can help direct preventive treatment -> PCa

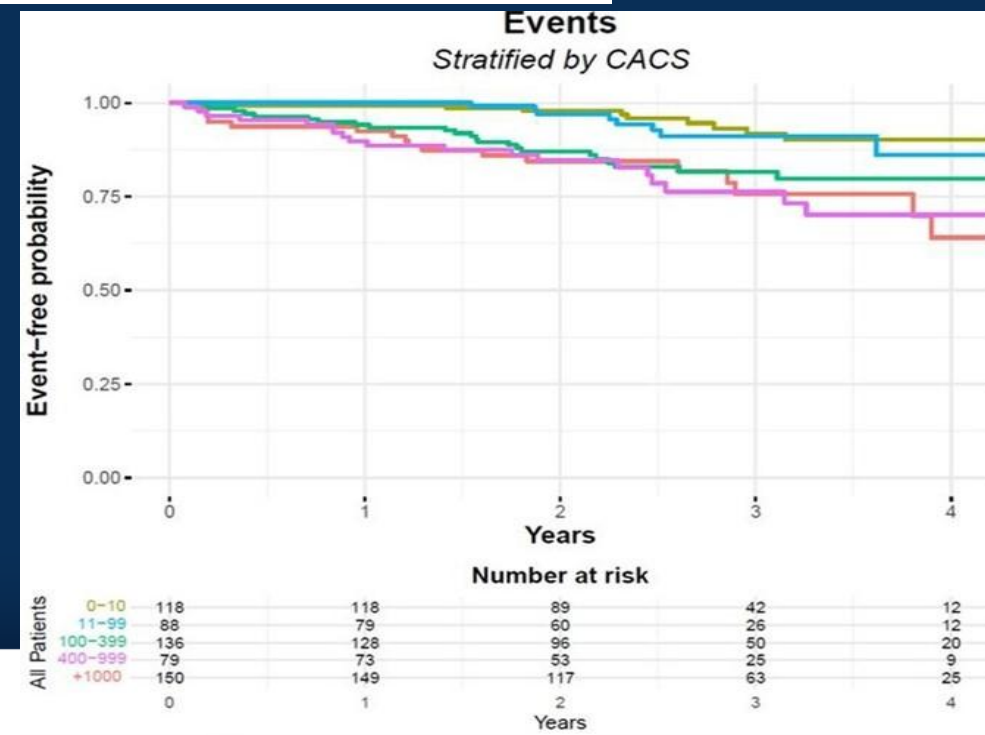


Figure 1

# Management and Gaps



- Fragmented care between oncology, cardiology, and primary care

# Path Forward

- Baseline CV risk stratification: ASCVD, IC-OS, biomarkers, imaging
- Integrated care models: oncology + cardiology + primary care
- Lifestyle & exercise interventions: mitigate obesity, sarcopenia, hypertension
- What Should be the Strategic priorities for ACS NPCRT?



# Q&A



# Post-Test Poll

# LEARNING OPPORTUNITY

## Improving Treatment in Advanced Prostate Cancer ECHO

The expertly designed curriculum of this ECHO program was developed to help address the challenges many oncologists and multidisciplinary team members face when providing care for patients with advanced prostate cancer.



## Recordings Available

- 10 sessions, originally ran from **December 2024–September 2025**
- Recordings are **FREE** and **OPEN TO ALL**



<https://echo.cancer.org/program/improving-treatment-in-advanced-prostate-cancer-echo/>

If you're an MD, DO, NP, or PA in oncology or urology who cares for prostate cancer patients, this program is for you.

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