

**Supplementary Table 1. Patient characteristics, adverse events and best response (patients with HR+ BC from trials NCT03595540 and NCT03340935).**

Pt. no	Age	BMI at enrollment (kg/m <sup>2</sup> )	Stage and HER2 status	type of ET and other therapies	Adjuvant (A) vs. palliative (P) therapy	Site of metastasis	No of FMD cycles	Reduced/non-administered FMD cycles	Adverse events	Best response
1	51	34.4	IV; HER2-neg	FULV+PALB	P	lymph nodes	10*	1 reduced cycle (4d)	none	SD
2	46	34.8	IV; HER2-pos	exemestane+rastuzumab; pertuzumab	P	liver, lung, lymph nodes	6	none	diarrhea (G2)	SD
3	62	25.3	IV; HER2-neg	letrozole	P	pleura	13	4 reduced cycles (3-4d) and 1 non-administered cycle	none	SD
4	55	26.4	IIB; HER2-neg	exemestane	A	N/A	4*	2 reduced cycles (3-4d)	diarrhea (G2)	NED
5	37	22.1	IA; HER2-neg	exemestane+GnRH agonist	A	N/A	9	1 reduced cycle (4d)	none	NED
6	54	32.3	IIB; HER2-neg	letrozole	A	N/A	14	none	headache (G1); fatigue (G2) hypotension (G2)	NED
7	52	19.6	IV; HER2-neg	exemestane	P	bone	12	1 reduced cycle (4d)	headache (G1)	SD
8	48	22.2	IIB; HER2-neg	exemestane+GnRH agonist	A	N/A	12	none	headache (G1); tinnitus (G1)	NED
9	54	25.2	IIA; HER2-neg	exemestane	A	N/A	3	none	headache (G1)	NED
10	54	22.4	IA; HER2-neg	letrozole	A	N/A	5	none	headache (G1)	NED
11	46	22.3	IA; HER2-neg	letrozole+GnRH agonist	A	N/A	11	4 reduced cycles (4d)	fatigue (G2); headache(G1)	NED
12	49	23	IIB; HER2-pos	exemestane+rastuzumab+GnRH agonist	A	N/A	5	none	none	NED
13	42	26.2	IA; HER2-neg	exemestane+GnRH agonist	A	N/A	5	none	none	NED
14	56	22.9	IIB	exemestane	A	N/A	7	none	abdominal pain (G1)	NED
15	43	33.4	IV	FULV+abemaciclib	P	skin, lung, bone, lymph nodes	1*	none	none	SD
16	42	21.9	IIB	exemestane+GnRH agonist	A	N/A	5	1 reduced cycle (3d)	none	NED
17	45	30.4	IIB	TMX+ GnRH agonist	A	N/A	6	none	fatigue (G1); hypotension (G2); headache (G1)	NED
18	57	25	IV	letrozole	A	N/A	4*	none	none	SD
19	44	30.4	IIA	TMX+ GnRH agonist	A	N/A	6	none	fatigue (G1); headache (G1)	NED

20	50	25.4	IA	TMX+ GnRH agonist	A	N/A	3	1 reduced cycle (3d); 1 cycle not administered	none	NED
21	58	21.3	IB	letrozole	A	N/A	9	1 reduced cycle (4d)	fatigue (G1)	NED
22	48	42.1	IIB	exemestane+ GnRH agonist	A	N/A	7	none	none	NED
23	62	27.6	IIIC	exemestane	A	N/A	4	none	headache (G1)	NED
24	50	24.5	IB	exemestane+ GnRH agonist	A	N/A	1	none	headache (G1), fatigue (G1)	NED
25	67	21.1	IV	exemestane+ everolimus	P	bone	2	N/A	fatigue (G2)	PR
26	52	26.44	IV	FULV+PALB	P	bone	8	N/A	fatigue (G2), headache (G1)	CR
27	50	21.77	IV	FULV+PALB+ GnRH agonist	P	bone, liver	8	N/A	fatigue (G2), headache (G1), vomiting (G1)	CR
28	53	23.84	IV	FULV	P	bone, liver, lymph nodes	4	N/A	fatigue (G3), vomiting (G2), rash (G1)	SD
29	52	23.98	IV	FULV+PALB	P	lung, liver, bone, lymph nodes	5	N/A	fatigue (G1), nausea (G1), vomiting (G1), tachycardia (G1)	SD
30	50	23.16	IV	TMX	P	lung, bone, lymph nodes	5	N/A	Fatigue (G1), headache (G1)	SD
31	43	21.72	IV	FULV+ GnRH agonist	P	bone	2	N/A	fatigue (G1), nausea (G1), dizziness (G1), vomiting (G1), headache (G1)	PD
32	44	29.4	IA	TMX+ GnRH agonist	A	N/A	8	N/A	fatigue (G2), nausea (G1), headache (G1), vomiting (G1)	NED
33	61	33.12	IIB	letrozole	A	N/A	5	N/A	fatigue (G2)	NED
34	50	26.9	IIB	TMX	A	N/A	8	N/A	fatigue (G2), constipation (G1), hot flushes (G1)	NED
35	73	20.82	IA	letrozole	A	N/A	7	N/A	nausea (G1), fatigue (G1), headache (G1)	N/A
36	55	21.13	IIA	letrozole	A	N/A	4	N/A	fatigue (G1), headache (G1), dizziness (G1), muscle cramps (G1)	N/A

Abbreviations: CR: complete response; PR: partial response; SD: stable disease; NED no evidence of disease; PD: progression of disease.

Pts. 1-24 are from trial NCT03595540; Pts. 25-36 are from trial NCT03340935.

\*The patient dropped out for personal reasons.

**Supplementary Table 2. Complete blood counts and metabolic panel post-FMD (within 48h from the end of a FMD cycle) in patients with HR+ BC treated with ET and periodic FMD (trial NCT03595540).**

Blood test	Pt.#3	Pt.#5	Pt.#6	Pt.#7	Pt.#14	Pt.#24
hemoglobin (g/dl;12-16)	13.4	13.4	13.8	13.9	14.3	14.0
hematocrit (%; 35-47)	41.6	38.0	42.2	40.7	43.5	41.0
mean corpuscular volume (fl; 79-98)	90.3	83.7	91.2	88.0	89.8	91.9
white blood cells (10 <sup>3</sup> /μl; 4.5-9.8)	5.15	3.87	3.94	2.7	4.2	4.80
neutrophils (10 <sup>3</sup> /μl; 1.8-7.8)	2.24	2.32	1.78	1.2	2.3	2.1
lymphocytes (10 <sup>3</sup> /μl; 1.1-4.8)	2.52	1.21	1.63	1.2	1.3	1.9
platelets (10 <sup>3</sup> /μl; 130-430)	214	180	267	163	208	347
creatinine (mg/dl; 0.51-0.95)	0.67	0.8	0.74	0.75	0.8	0.8
blood urea nitrogen (mg/dl; 21-54)	n.a.	n.a.	33	38	22	29
sodium (mmol/l; 135-150)	139	143	141	139	140	141
potassium (mmol/l; 3.5-5.0)	4.5	4.4	n.a	4.6	3.8	4.4
phosphorus (mg/dl; 2.5-4.5)	3.7	4.3	n.a	4.0	2.6	3.9
magnesium (mg/dl; 1.9-2.5)	2.0	2.0	2.2	2.14	2.1	2.1
albumin (g/l; 34-50)	45	52.5	47.3	n.a.	47.6	45.9

Abbreviations: n.a.: not available.

Supplementary Table 3. QPCR primer list

Gene name	FW/REV primer	primer sequence
<b>Human ACTB</b>	FW	CGGGAAATCGTGCCTGACATTAAG
	REV	TGATCTCCTTCTGCATCCTGTCGG
<b>Human TFF1</b>	FW	TTTGGAGCAGAGAGGAGGCAATG
	REV	ACCACAATTCTGTCTTTCACGGGG
<b>Human E2F1</b>	FW	ATGTTTTCCCTGTGCCCTGAG
	REV	ATCTGTGGTGAGGGATGAGG
<b>Human E2F2</b>	FW	CTCTCTGAGCTTCAAGCACCTG
	REV	CTTGACGGCAATCACTGTCTGC
<b>Human CCNE1</b>	FW	TGTGTCCTGGATGTTGACTGCC
	REV	CTCTATGTGCGCACCCTGATACC
<b>Human CCND1</b>	FW	GCCTCTAAGATGAAGGAGAC
	REV	CCATTTGCAGCAGCTC
<b>Human EGR1</b>	FW	GCAGAGTCTTTTCCTGAC
	REV	TTGGTCATGCTCACTAGG
<b>Human PTEN</b>	FW	GGCTAAGTGAAGATGACAA
	REV	GTTACTCCCTTTTGTCTCT
<b>Human TFF1</b>	FW	TTTGGAGCAGAGAGGAGGCAATG
	REV	ACCACAATTCTGTCTTTCACGGGG
<b>Human GREB</b>	FW	CTTGGTTTCTCTGGGAATTG
	REV	TTCCAACAGATTAAGGTCC
<b>mouse Actb</b>	FW	GATGTATGAAGGCTTTGGTC
	REV	TGTGCACTTTTATTGGTCTC
<b>mouse Egr1</b>	FW	CAGAGTCCTTTTCTGACATC
	REV	GAGAAGCGGCCAGTATAG
<b>mouse Pten</b>	FW	AACTTGCAATCCTCAGTTTG
	REV	CTACTTTGATATCACCACACAC
<b>mouse Tff1</b>	FW	CTCAAGAAGAAGAATGTCCC
	REV	CTCTTTTAATTCTCAGGCCG