Outcome of patients with an ultralow risk 70-gene signature in the MINDACT trial

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Increase in the incidence and survival of CANCER INSTITUTE ANTONIVAN breast cancer



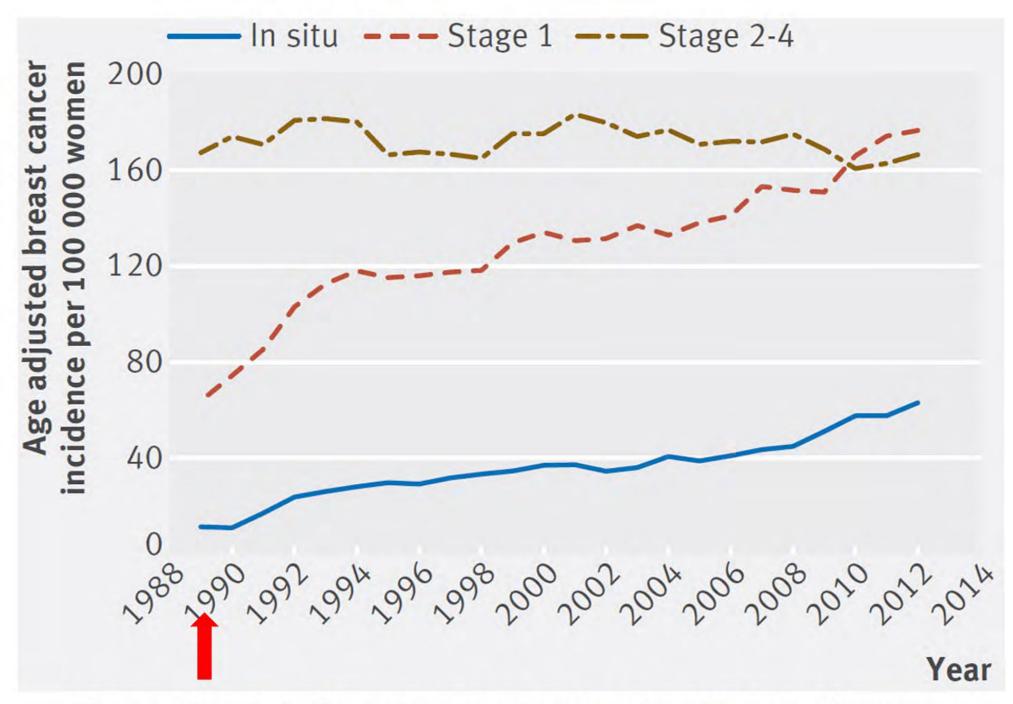


Figure: Trends in Breast Cancer Incidence by Stage in Women over 50 in the Netherlands, 1989-2012

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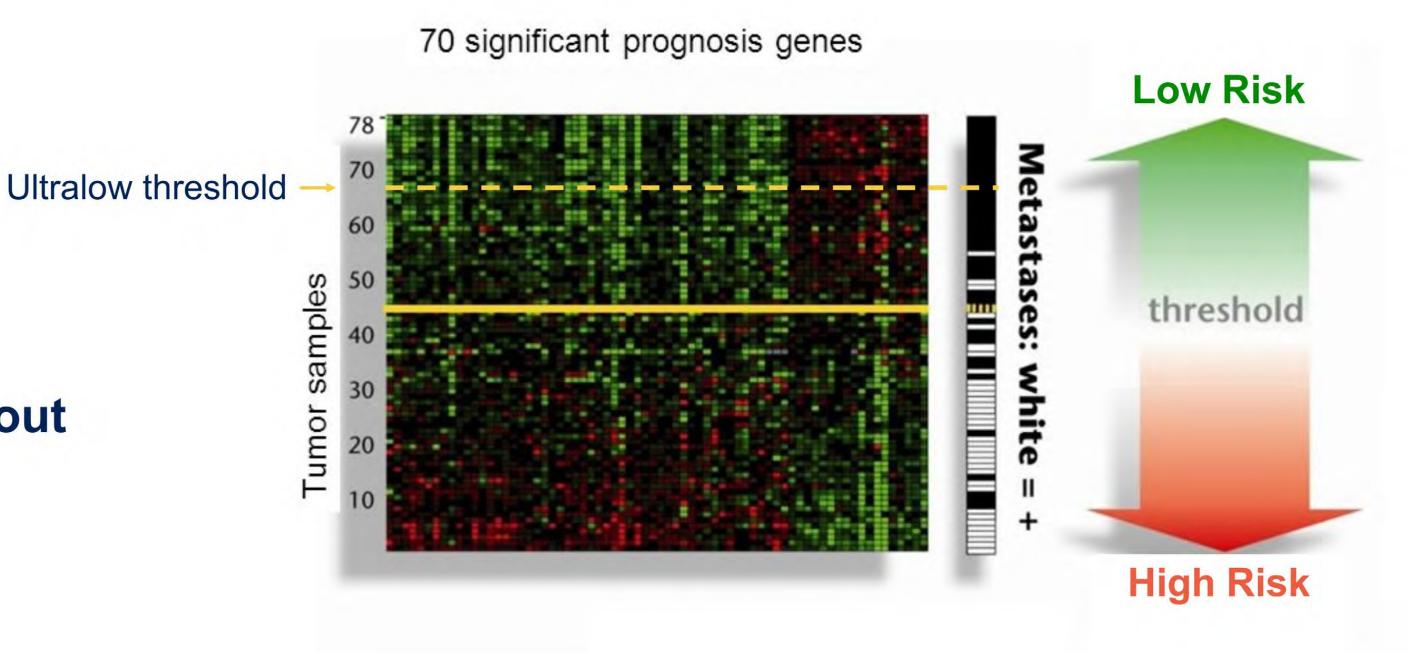
Gene signatures can identify patients at low risk of distant recurrence



70-gene signature

Level 1 clinical utility

 Preserved outcome without chemotherapy

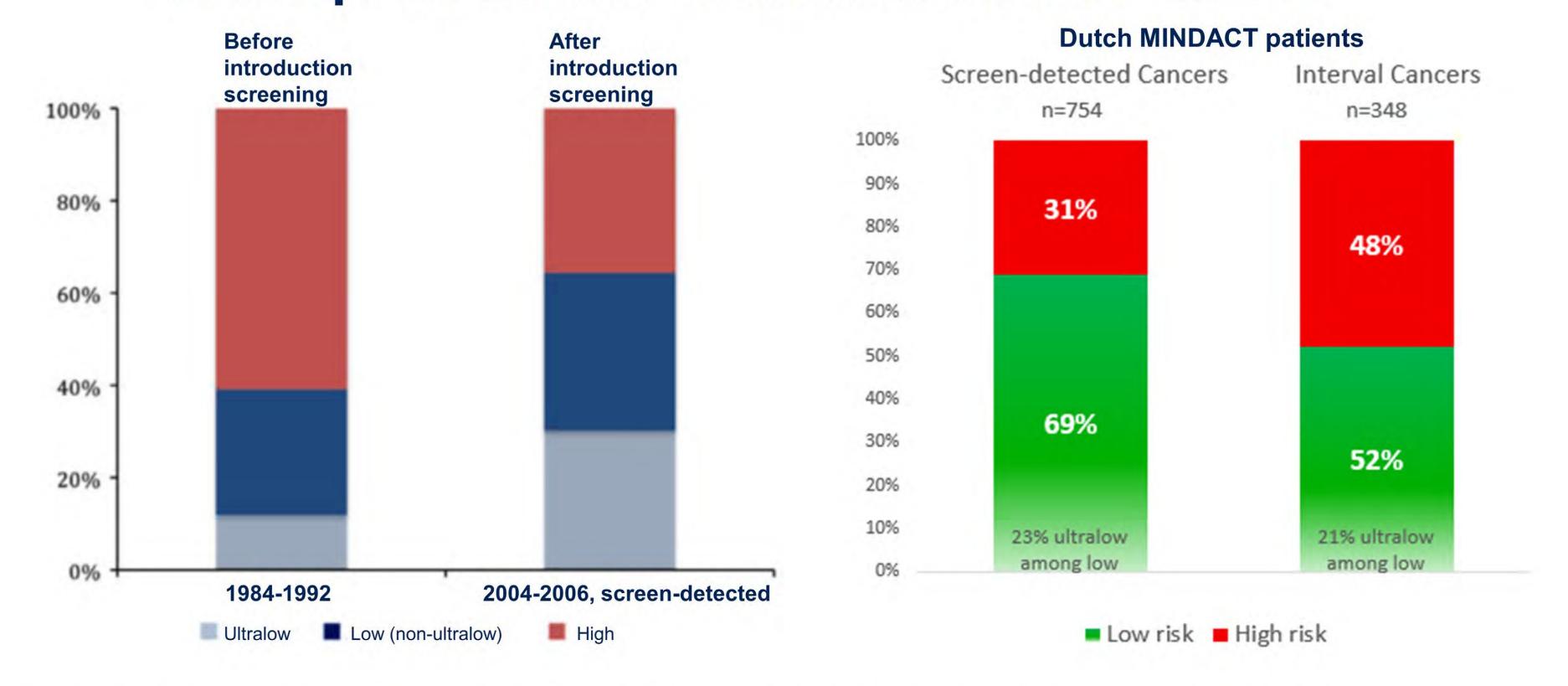


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70-gene signature Low and Ultralow risk tumors CANCER LOW overrepresented in screen-detected cancers



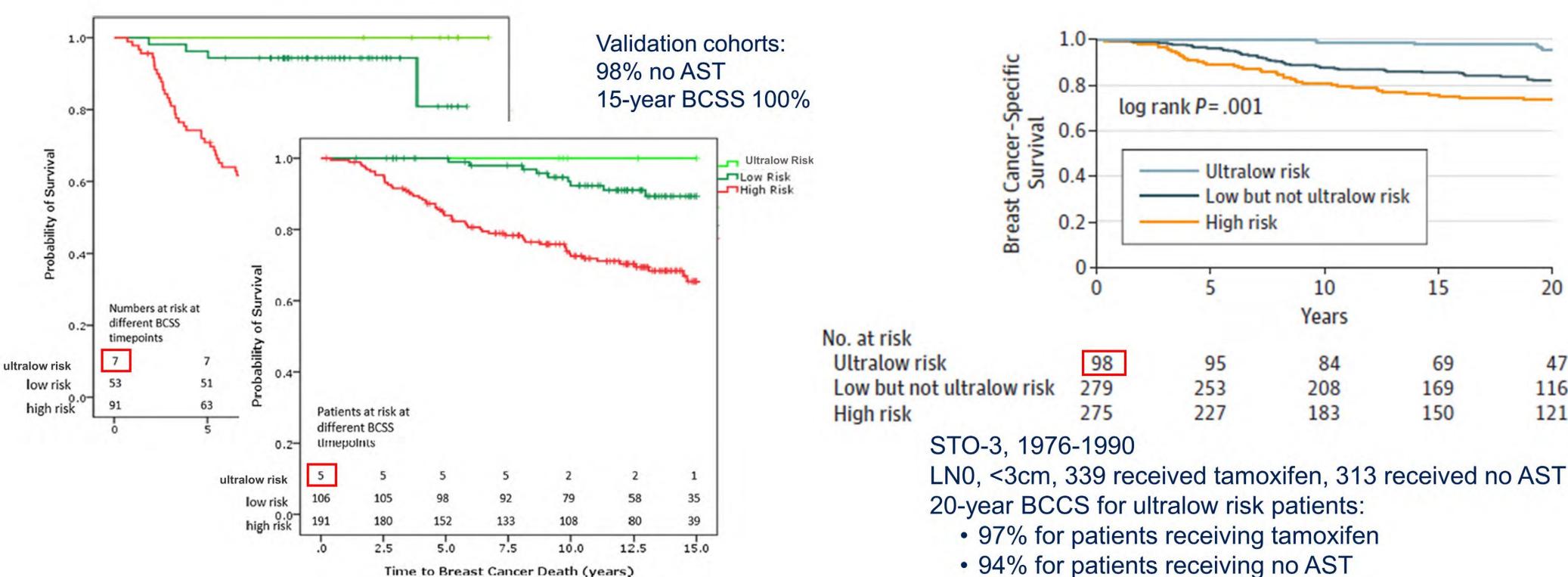


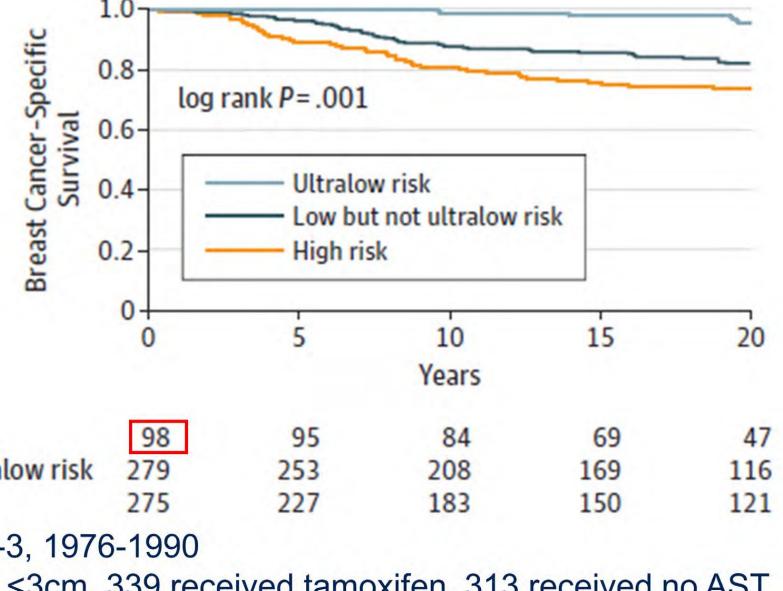
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Ultralow risk patients have excellent survival in historic cohorts







• 94% for patients receiving no AST

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Assess survival outcome of MINDACT patients with an ultralow risk tumor biology

Can the identification of patients with an ultralow risk 70-gene signature help to avoid overtreatment in early-stage breast cancer?







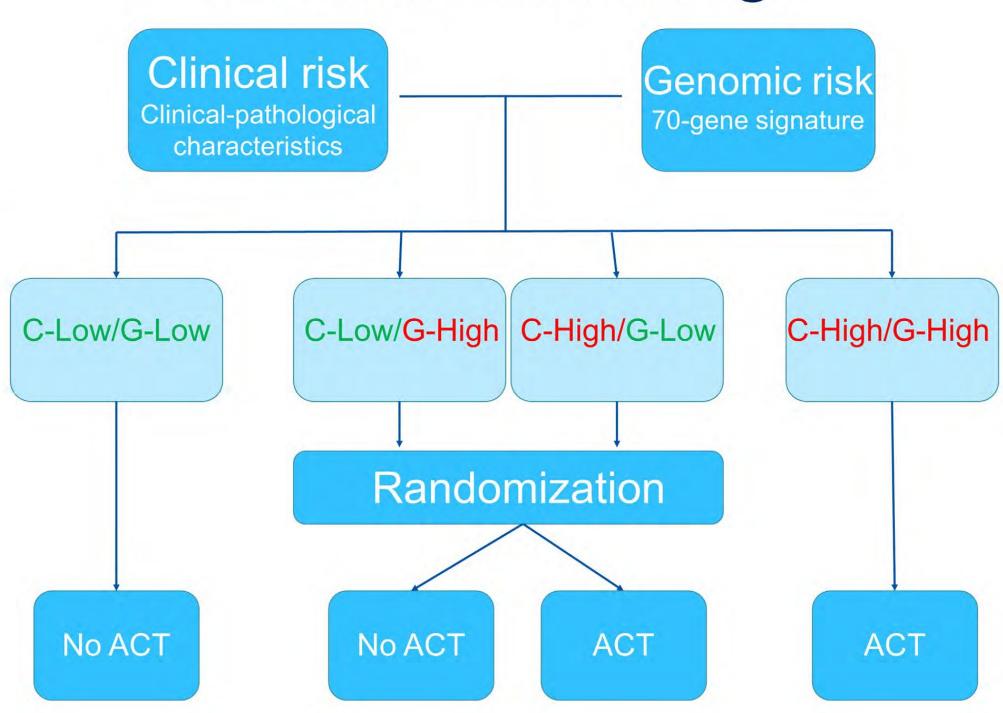




Inclusion criteria

- Women aged 18-70
- Operable invasive breast cancer
- Tumor size max 5 cm
- 0-3 positive lymph nodes
- No distant metastasis

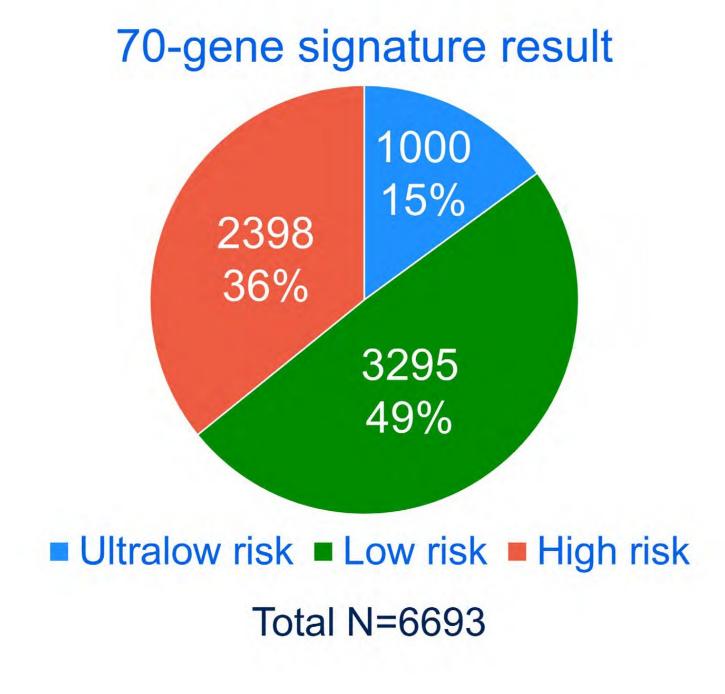
MINDACT trial design



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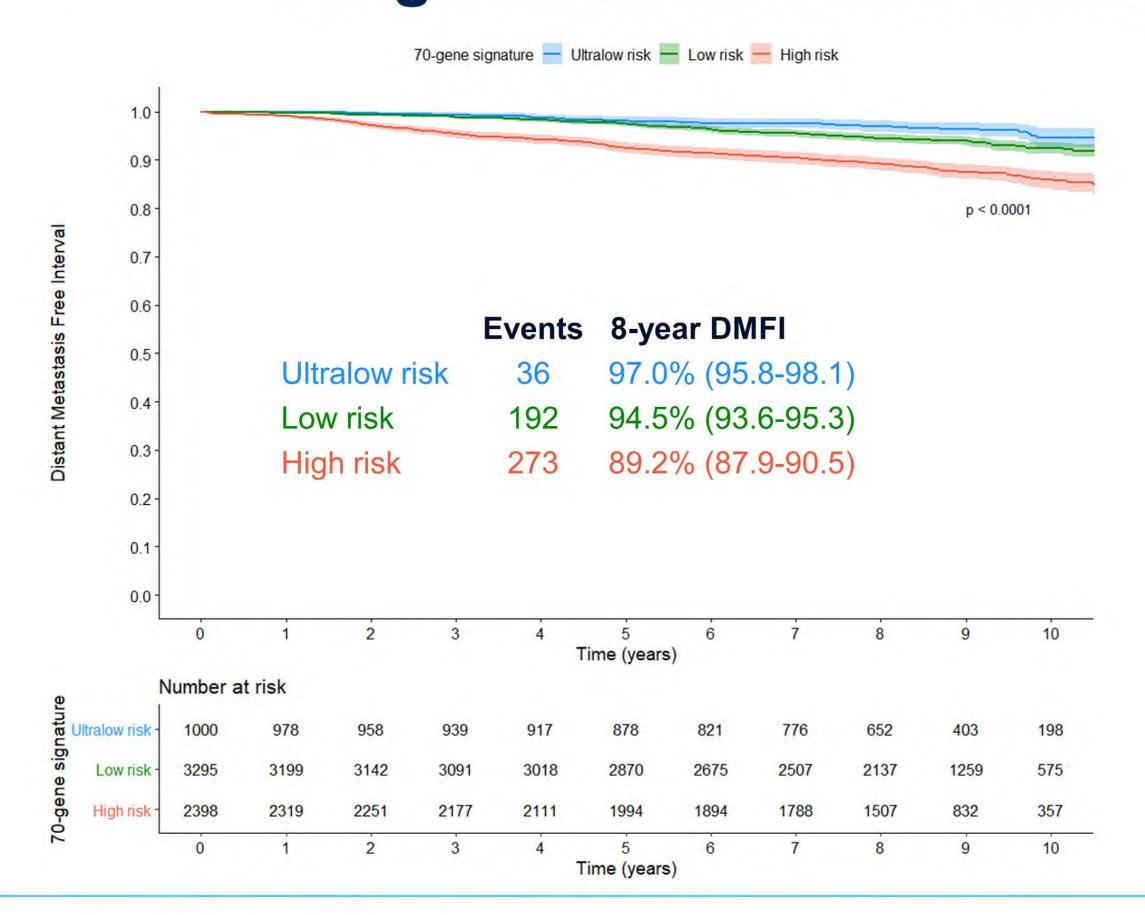
- HR+/HER2- subtype
- ~95% of Low* and Ultralow risk patients
- 57% of High risk patients
- Adjuvant systemic treatment
- 76-85% endocrine therapy or no AST in Low and Ultralow risk
- 83% chemotherapy in High risk

^{*}Low risk also referred to as Low not Ultralow



Excellent Distant Metastasis Free Interval rates NETHERLANDS CANCER for genomic Low and Ultralow risk patients





Median follow-up: 8.7 years

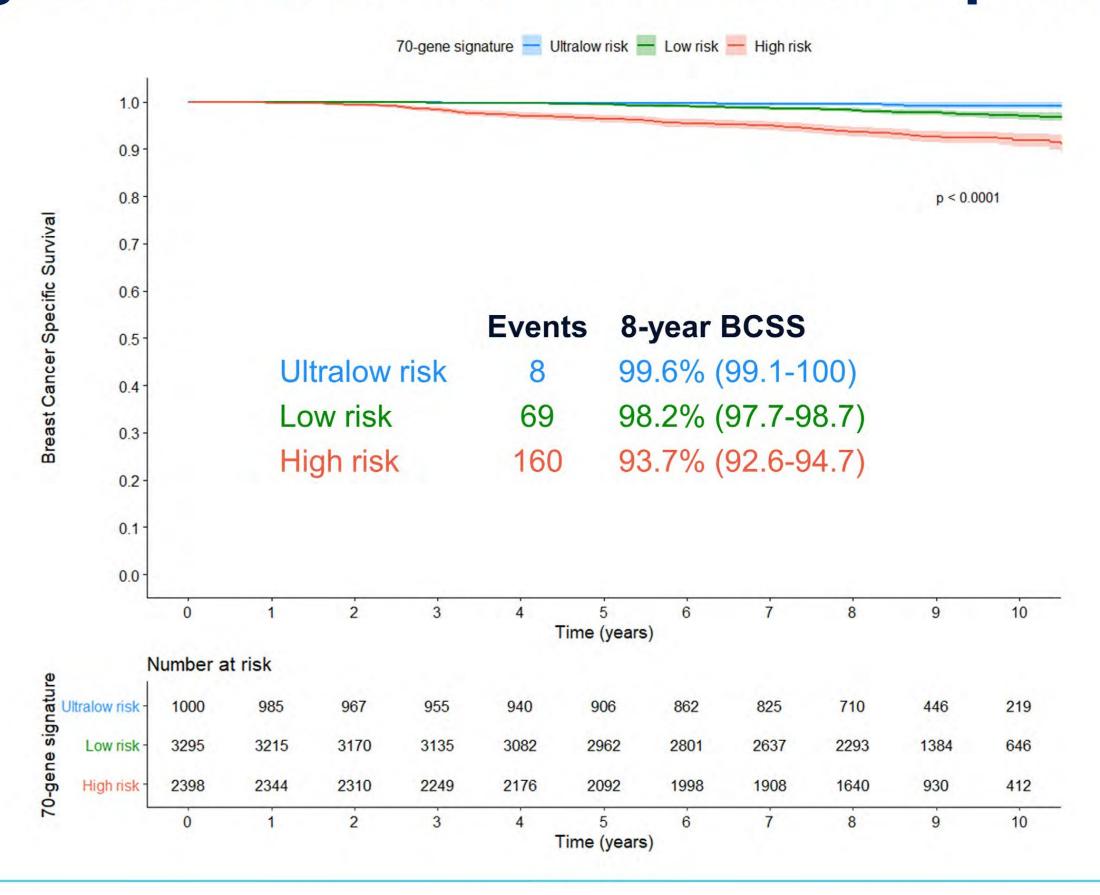
Risk of distant metastasis or BC-death	
	Adj* HR (95% CI)
Ultralow risk vs low risk	0.65 (0.45-0.94)
High risk vs low risk	2.17 (1.68-2.80)

*Adjusted for clinical-pathological and treatment characteristics



Excellent Breast Cancer Specific Survival rates for genomic Low and Ultralow risk patients



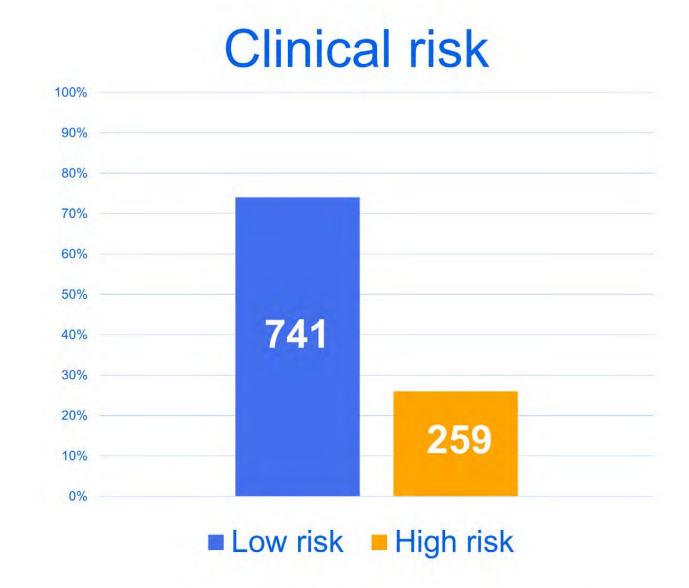




Characteristics 1000 genomic Ultralow risk patients



- 67% >50 years
- 80% lymph node negative
- 81% tumors ≤2 cm
- 96% Grade 1 or 2
- 97% HR+/HER2- subtype
- 16% no adjuvant systemic treatment
- 69% endocrine therapy
- 14% chemotherapy



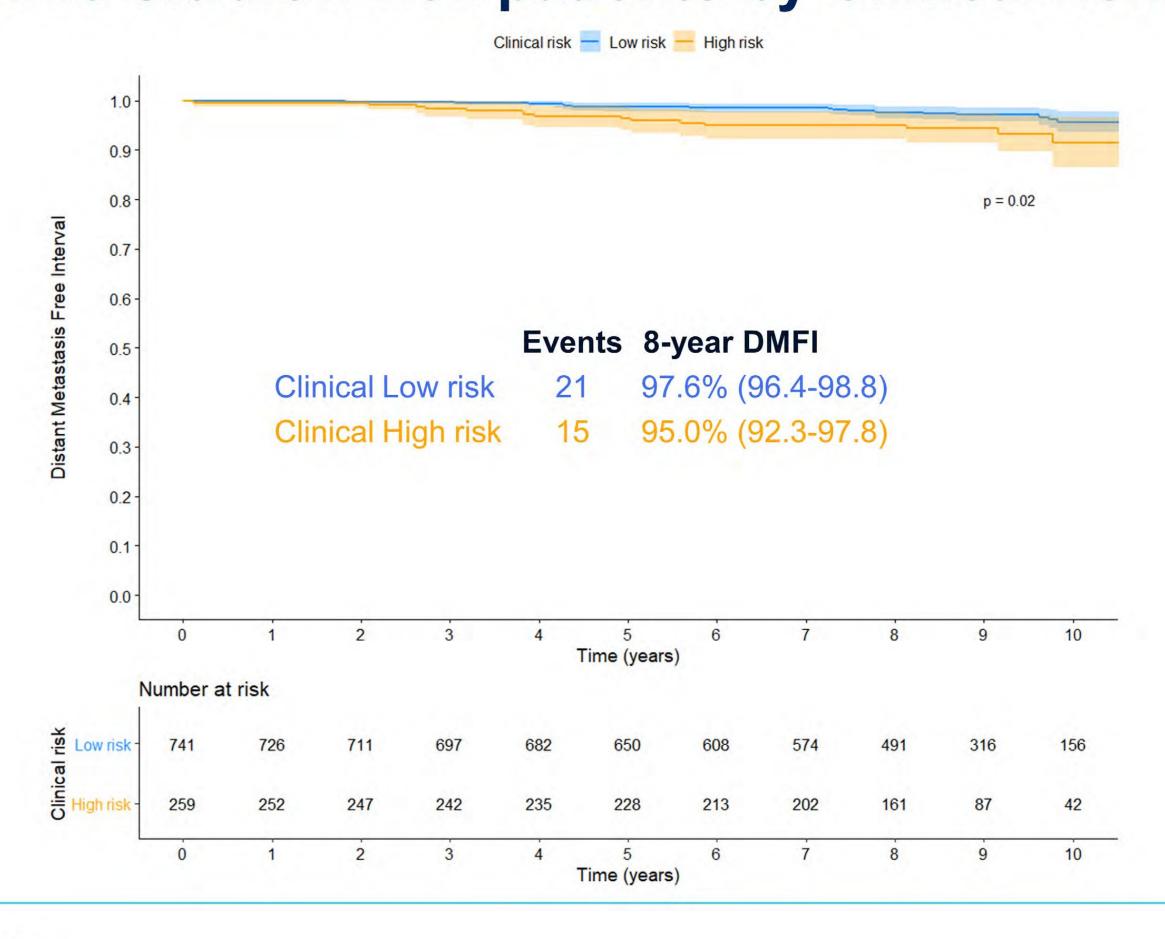
Clinical High risk tumors

- Larger size
- Higher grade
- Lymph node positive



Small difference in Distant Metastasis Free Interval in CANCER INSTITUTE GENOMIC Ultralow risk patients by Clinical risk

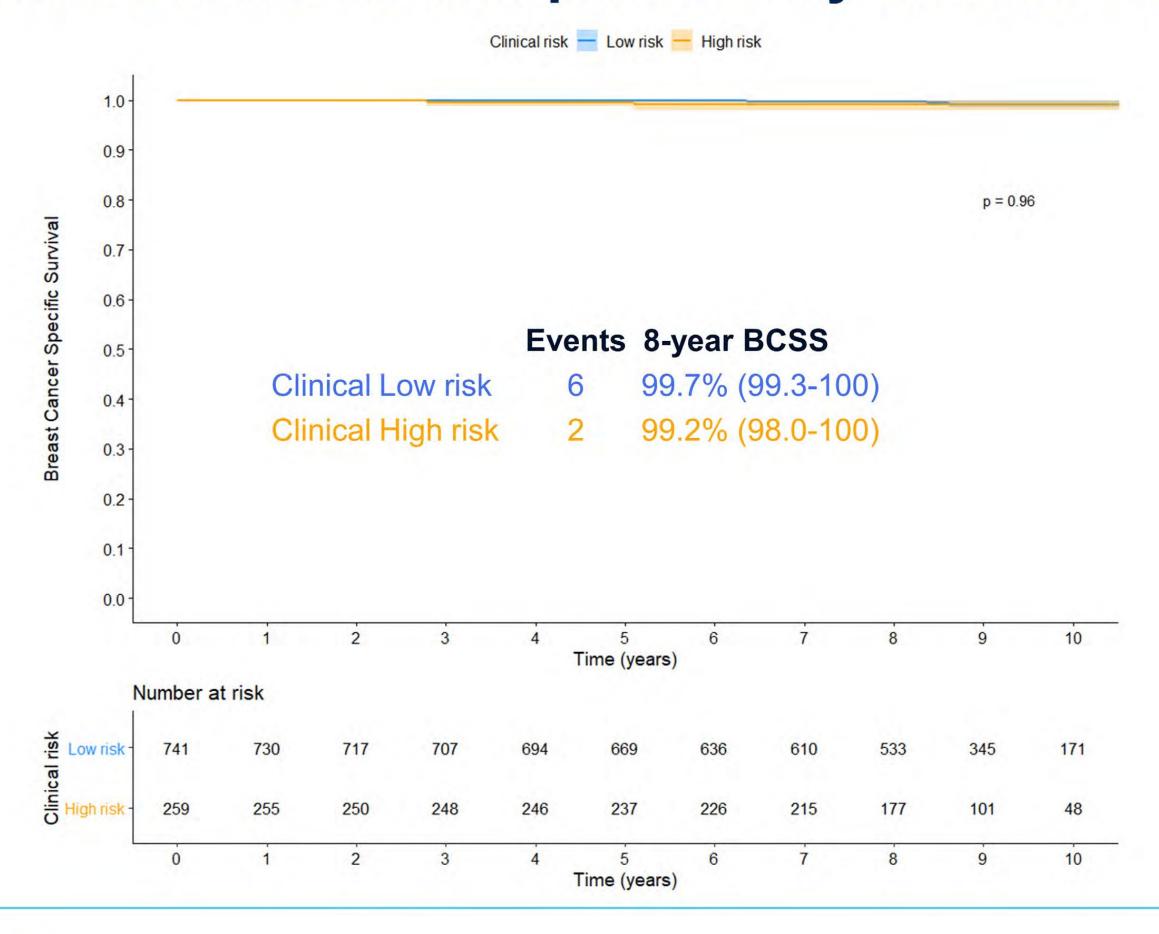






No difference in Breast Cancer Specific Survival in genomic Ultralow risk patients by Clinical risk

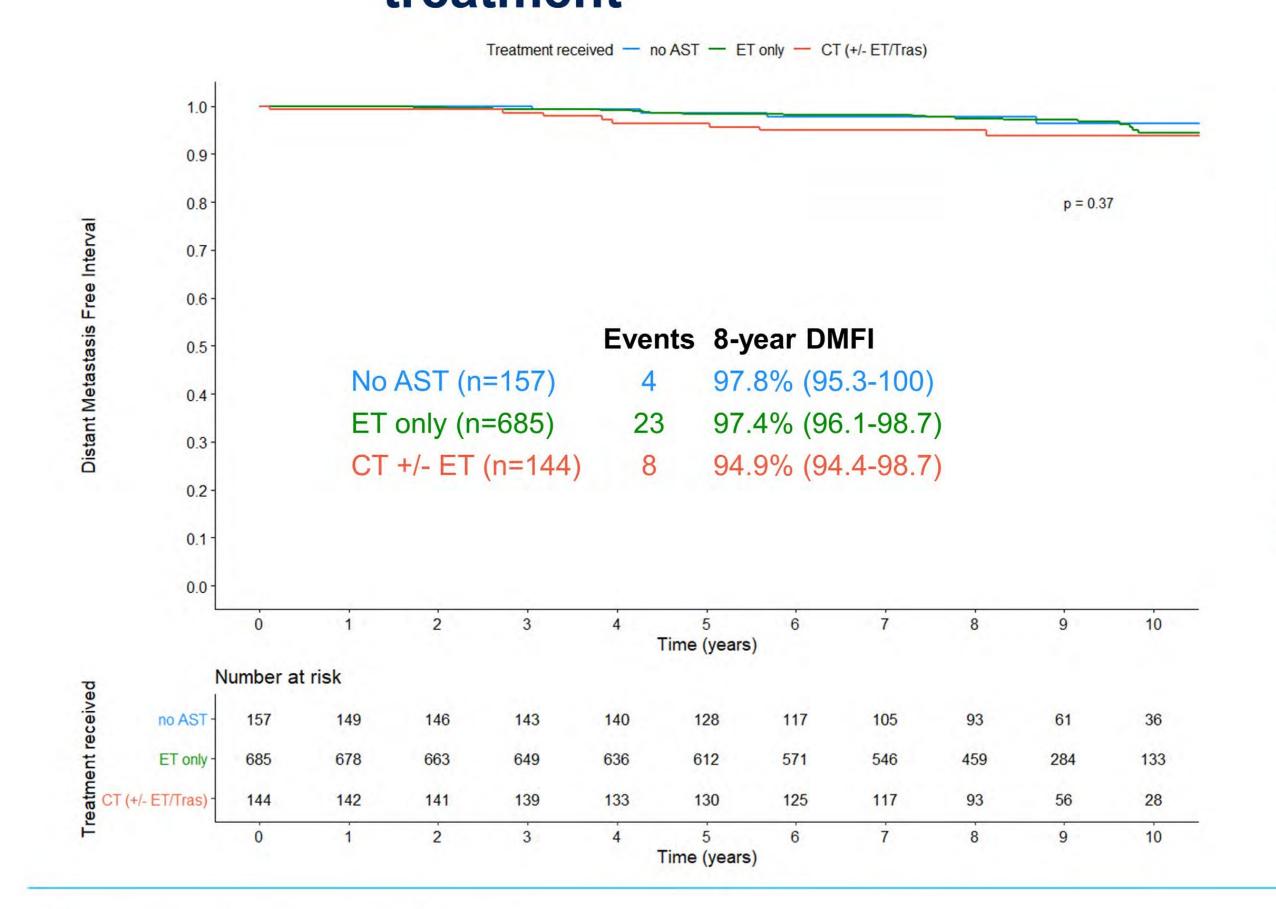






Excellent outcomes for genomic Ultralow risk patients receiving only endocrine therapy or no adjuvant systemic treatment





Risk of distant metastasis or BC-death (Ultralow risk patients only)	
	Adj* HR (95% CI)
CT vs no CT	0.98 (0.37-2.61)
ET vs no ET	0.59 (0.27-2.13)

*Adjusted for clinical-pathological characteristics

Note: 92% of patients receiving chemotherapy were Clinical High risk



Conclusions



- 70-gene signature ultralow risk patients have excellent 8-year DMFI and BCSS
- Very few patients developed distant metastases
- Excellent DMFI rates for patients who received only endocrine therapy or no adjuvant systemic treatment
- Confirmation of previously published results in the largest cohort of ultralow risk patients to date

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Clinical implications



The 70-gene signature MammaPrint can identify patients with an ultralow risk of distant recurrence

 Patients with ultralow risk tumors could be candidates for further de-escalation of treatment, further reducing overtreatment and the risk of side-effects



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