

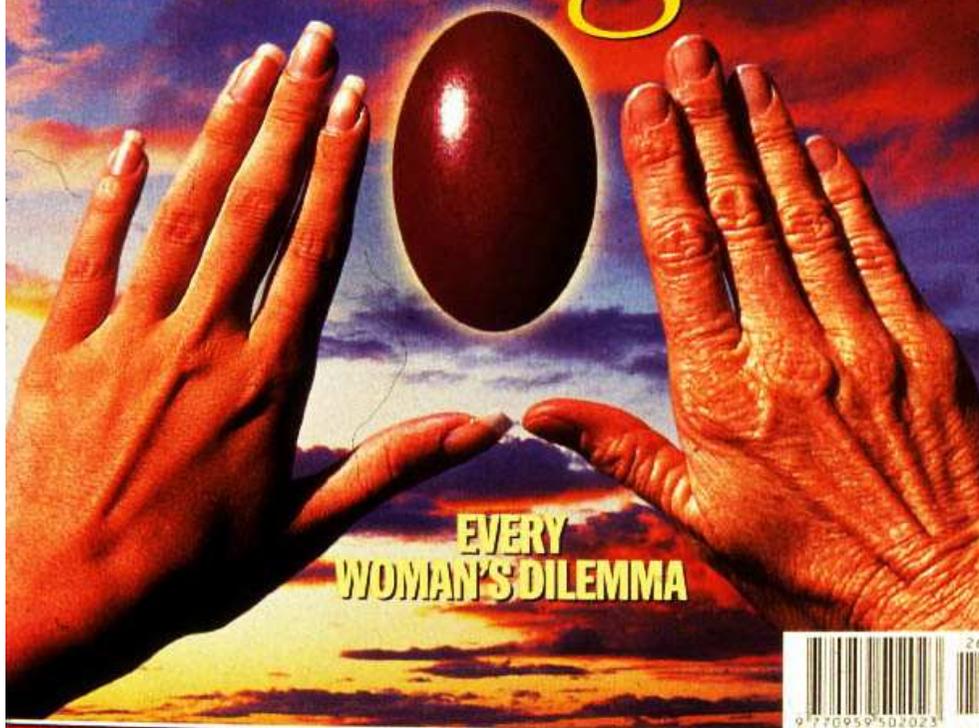
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# TIME

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## Estrogen



**EVERY  
WOMAN'S DILEMMA**



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**Spezielle Analysen zu den einzelnen Indikationsgebieten**

**Brustkrebserkrankungen bei Frauen und der Einfluss der  
Hormontherapie in und nach den Wechseljahren**

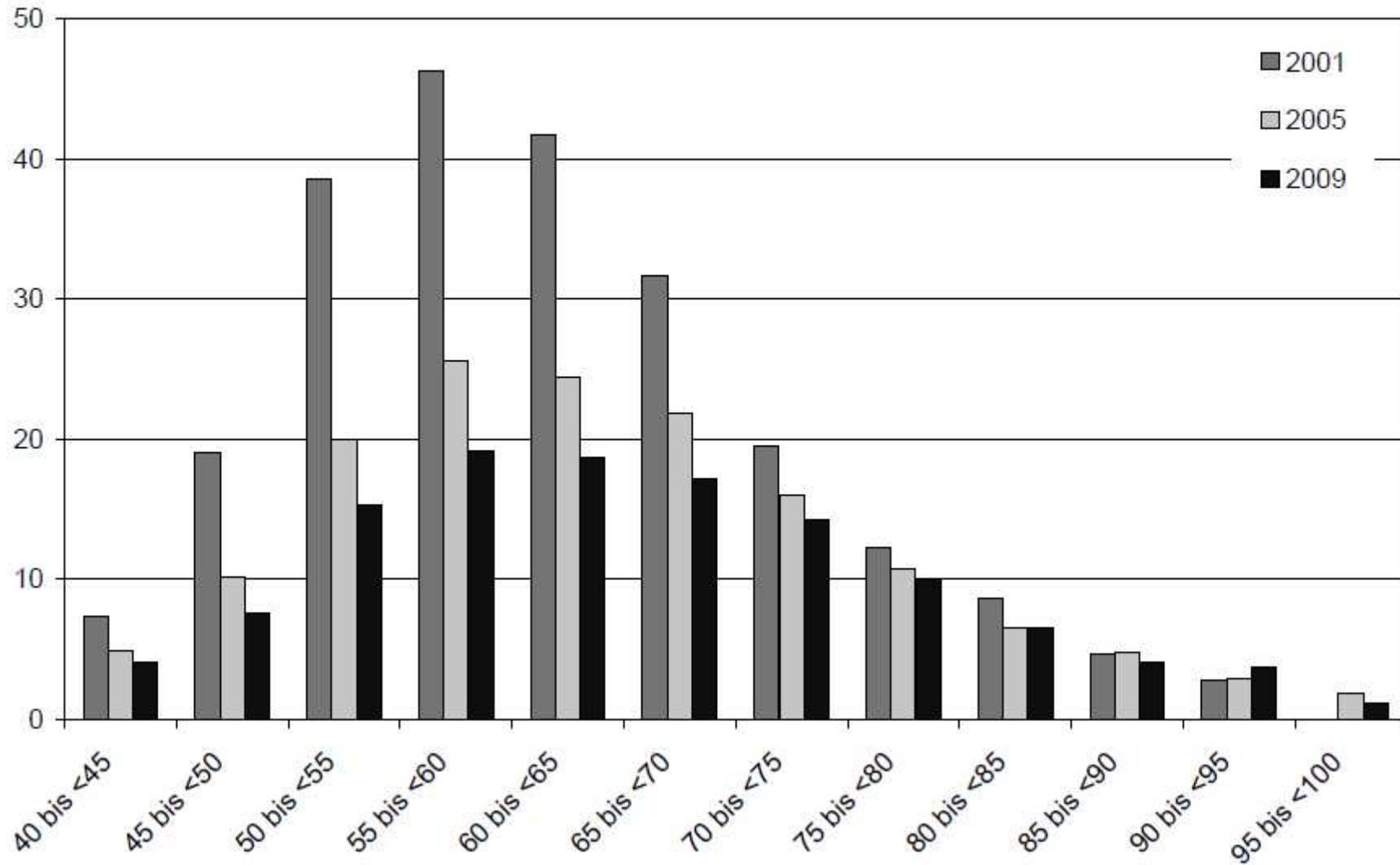
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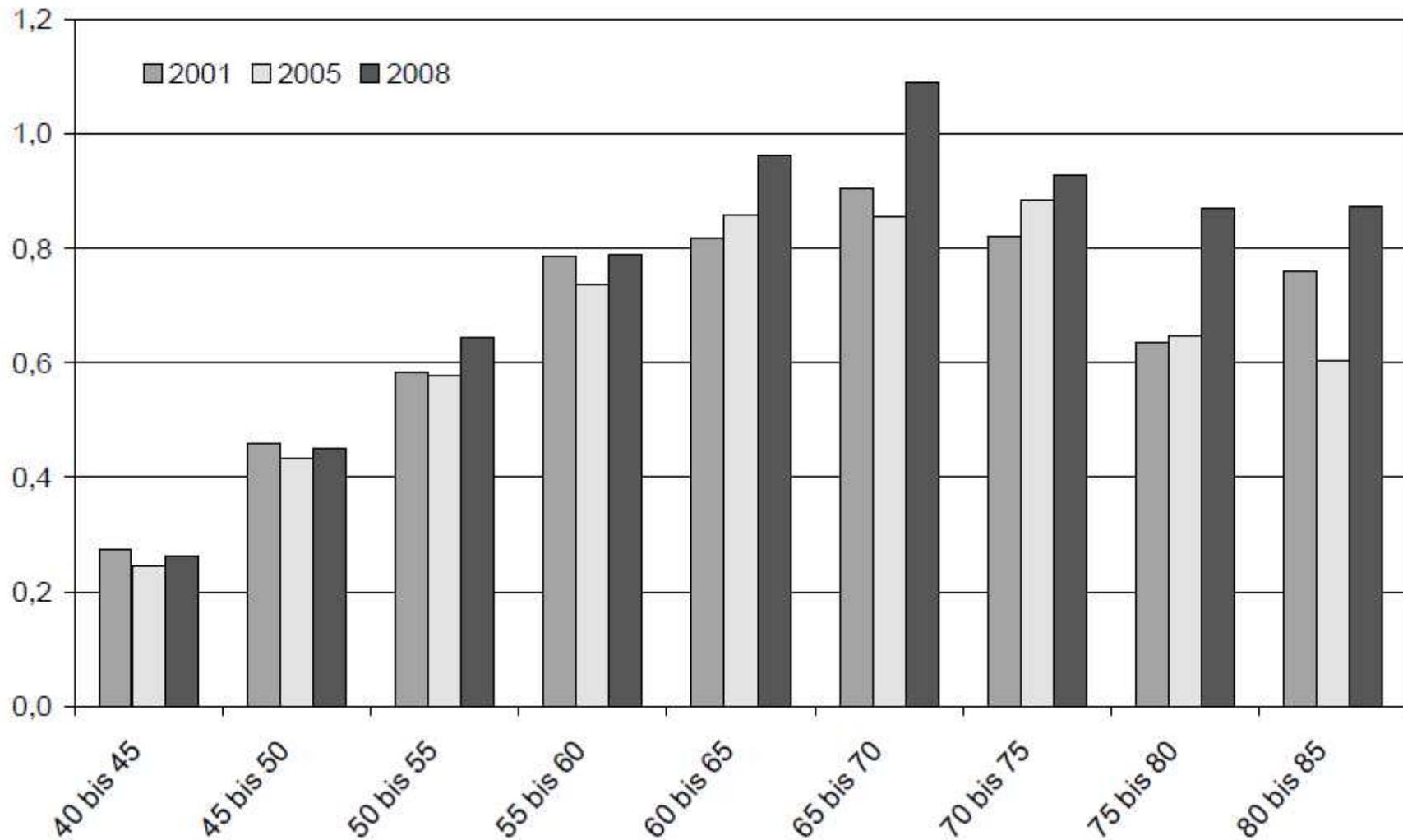
**Abbildung 3.1.2 Altersspezifische HT-Verordnungsprävalenz der Jahre 2001, 2005 und 2009 in Prozent**



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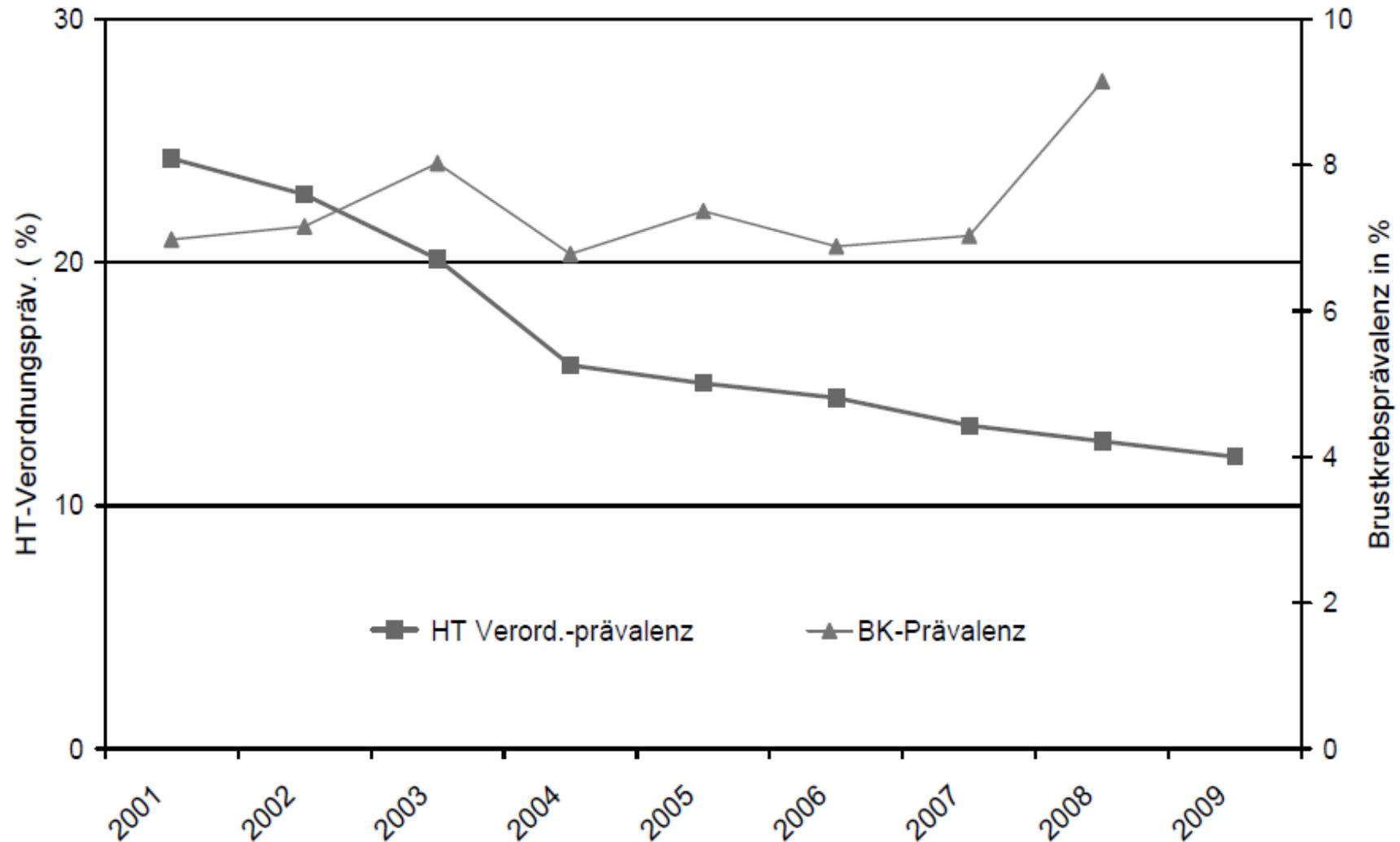
In Bezug auf das Jahr 2001 lässt sich dagegen nahezu eine Halbierung der HT-Verordnungsprävalenz feststellen. Die Abbildung 3.1.2 zeigt die altersspezifischen HT-Verordnungsprävalenzen. Vergleicht man die Ergebnisse mit denen im Jahr 2001, so zeigt sich, dass im Altersbereich zwischen 50 und unter 70 Jahren nicht mehr jede zweite bis dritte Frau eine Verordnung aufweist, sondern nur noch jede fünfte bis sechste Frau.

**Abbildung 3.1.3 Altersspezifische Brustkrebsprävalenz der Jahre 2001, 2005 und 2008 in Prozent**



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Abbildung 3.1.1 Altersstandardisierte HT-Verordnungsprävalenz der Jahre 2001 bis 2009 sowie die Brustkrebsprävalenz von 2001 bis 2008



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Anhand der Arzneiverordnungsdaten wurde anschließend ermittelt, welche Frauen Hormone im Untersuchungszeitraum von 2001 bis 2008 verschrieben bekamen und welche Frauen in den stationären Daten die Diagnose Brustkrebs aufwiesen. Die Auswertung mit der Prozedur Proc logistic zeigte jedoch einen erniedrigten Wert mit einem OR = 0,666 (95 % KI = 0,571 – 0,778)..

Die Ursache für dieses Ergebnis dürfte am ehesten im Studiendesign sowie der nicht ausreichenden Datenbasis zu suchen sein. Keinesfalls darf dieses Ergebnis so interpretiert werden, dass Hormone vor Brustkrebs schützen

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HORMONERSATZTHERAPIE

# Ein Drittel weniger Brustkrebs-Diagnosen unter HRT

*Barmer GEK Arzneimittel-Report 2010 mit kaum  
bekanntem Ergebnis*

J. Matthias Wenderlein

*Im Arzneimittel-Report 2010 der Barmer GEK stieß der Autor  
auf einige bemerkenswerte Ergebnisse zum Thema HRT, die er  
im Folgenden mit kurzen Anmerkungen versehen vorstellt.*

ONCOLOGY

## **Reduced incidence of distant metastases and lower mortality in 1072 patients with breast cancer with a history of hormone replacement therapy**

Florian Schuetz, MD; Ingo J. Diel, MD; Marit Pueschel, MD; Thomas von Holst, MD; Erich F. Solomayer, MD; Stefan Lange, MD; Peter Sinn, MD; Gunther Bastert, MD; Christof Sohn, MD

# PRIMÄRE METASTASEN

**PRIOR HRT USER**                      **1,9%**

**p>0,001**

**PRIOR NON HRT USER**              **7%**

*Florian Schuetz. Reduced incidence of distant metastases and lower mortality in 1072 patients with breast cancer with a history of hormone replacement therapy. Am J Obstet Gynecol 2007;196:342.e1-342.e9*

# SEKUNDÄRE METASTASEN FREE (5 JAHRE)

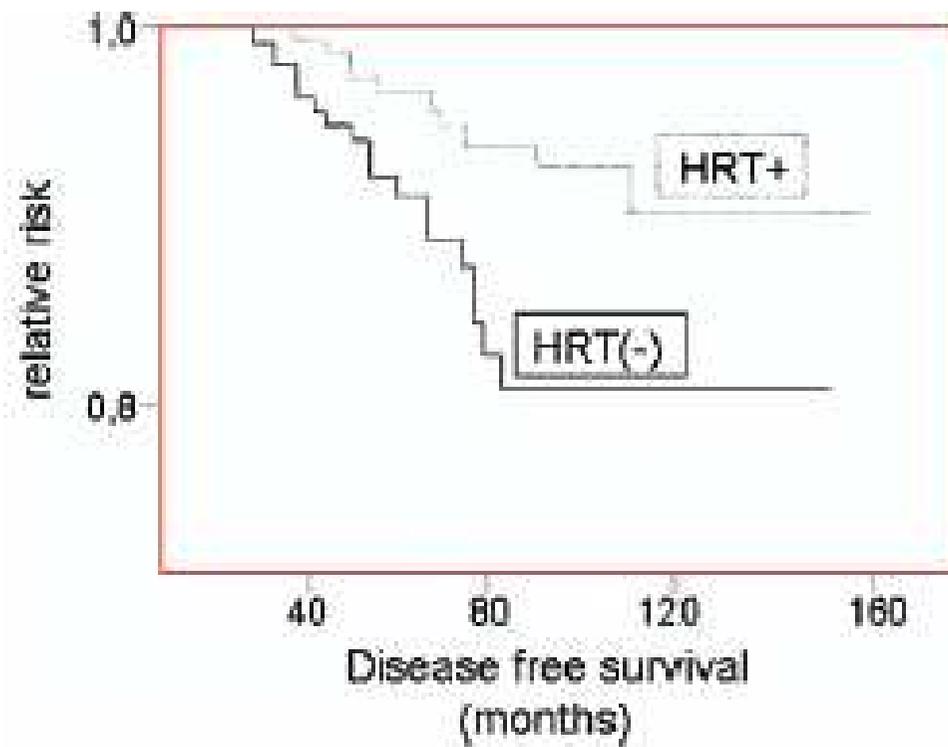
<b>NON USER</b>	<b>80,6%</b>
<b>HRT USER</b>	<b>90,7%</b>

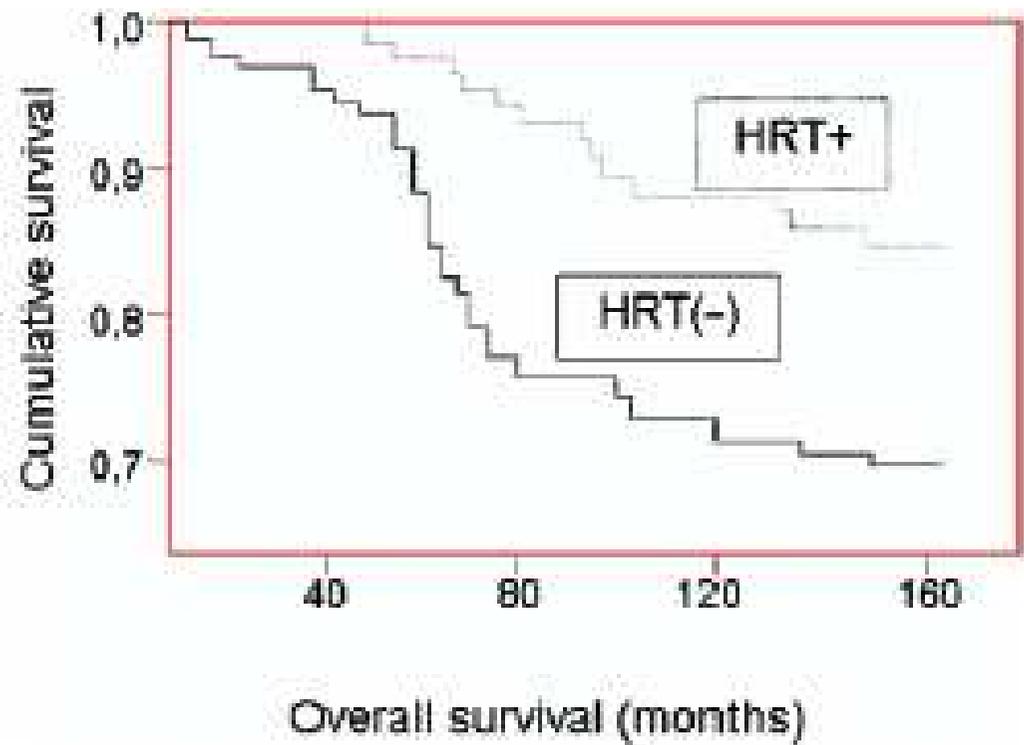
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**MORTALITÄT  
(BRUSTSPEZIFISCH)  
45 MONTH**

<b>HRT USER</b>	<b>7,3%</b>
<b>NON USER</b>	<b>21,1%</b>

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Variable	Premenopausal group (n = 279)	Postmenopausal group		All patients (n = 1072)	P value*
		HRT nonuser (n = 473)	HRT user (n = 320)		
Local recurrence (n)					
All	40 (14.3%)	49 (10.4%)	25 (7.8%)	114 (10.6%)	NS
≤6 mo	2 (0.6%)	2 (0.4%)	3 (0.9%)	7 (0.7%)	
>6 mo	37 (13.3%)	45 (9.5%)	18 (5.6%)	100 (9.3%)	
Metastases (n)					
All	71 (25.4%)	120 (25.4%)	38 (11.9%)	229 (21.4%)	<.001
≤6 mo	11 (3.9%)	33 (7.0%)	6 (1.9%)	50 (4.7%)	
>6 mo	60 (21.5%)	87 (18.4%)	32 (10.0%)	179 (16.7%)	
Bone metastases (n)					
All	47 (16.8%)	68 (14.4%)	20 (6.2%)	135 (12.6%)	<.001
≤6 mo	5 (1.8%)	16 (3.4%)	2 (0.6%)	23 (2.1%)	
>6 mo	41 (14.7%)	50 (10.6%)	18 (5.6%)	109 (10.2%)	

Variable	Premenopausal group (n = 279)	Postmenopausal group		All patients (n = 1072)	P value*
		HRT nonuser (n = 473)	HRT user (n = 320)		
Liver metastases (n)					
All	21 (7.5%)	47 (9.9%)	13 (4.1%)	81 (7.6%)	<.001
≤6 mo	3 (1.1%)	14 (3.0%)	1 (0.3%)	18 (1.7%)	
>6 mo	17 (6.1%)	28 (5.9%)	11 (3.4%)	56 (5.2%)	
Lung/pulmonary metastases (n)					
All	27 (9.7%)	47 (9.9%)	13 (4.1%)	87 (8.1%)	<.001
≤6 mo	2 (0.7%)	6 (1.3%)	2 (0.6%)	10 (0.9%)	
>6 mo	24 (8.6%)	37 (7.8%)	10 (3.1%)	71 (6.6%)	
Other metastases (n)					
All	27 (10.0%)	45 (9.5%)	19 (5.9%)	92 (8.6%)	<.001
≤6 mo	4 (1.4%)	6 (1.4%)	4 (1.3%)	14 (1.3%)	
>6 mo	22 (7.9%)	32 (6.8%)	14 (4.4%)	68 (6.3%)	
Death	39 (14.0%)	100 (21.1%)	24 (7.5%)	163 (15.2%)	<.001

# Rethinking Screening for Breast Cancer and Prostate Cancer

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**B**REAST CANCER AND PROSTATE cancer account for 26% of all cancers in the United States, with an estimated 386 560 patients diagnosed annually: 194 280 for breast cancer and 192 280 for prostate cancer<sup>1</sup> For both, there are remarkable differences between outcomes of localized vs advanced disease (breast cancer: 5-year relative survival rates of 98.1%

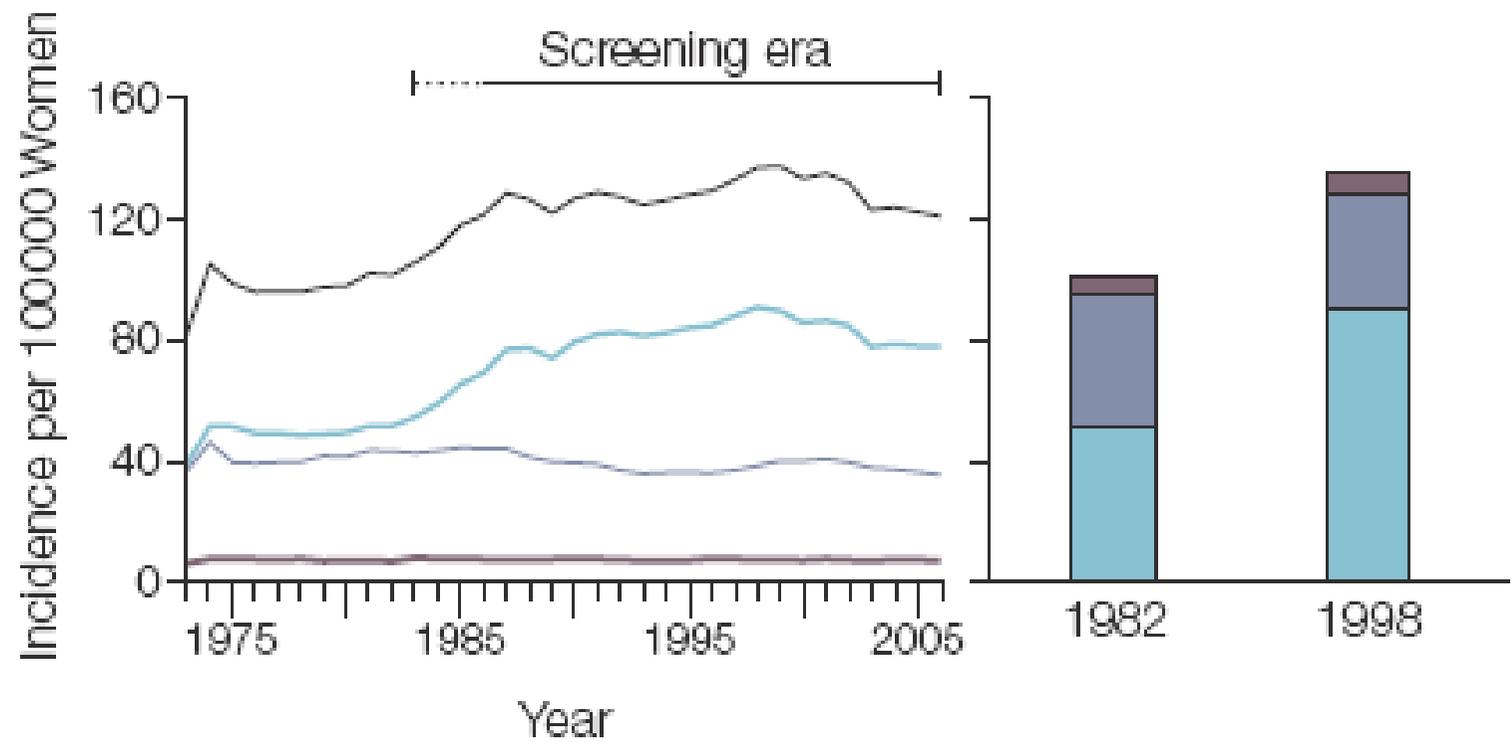
After 20 years of screening for breast and prostate cancer, several observations can be made. First, the incidence of these cancers increased after the introduction of screening but has never returned to prescreening levels. Second, the increase in the relative fraction of early stage cancers has increased. Third, the incidence of regional cancers has not decreased at a commensurate rate. **One possible explanation is that screening may be increasing the burden of low-risk cancers without significantly reducing the burden of more aggressively growing cancers and therefore not resulting in the anticipated reduction in cancer mortality. To reduce morbidity and mortality from prostate cancer and breast cancer, new approaches for screening, early detection, and prevention for both diseases should be considered.**

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Breast cancer

Incidence

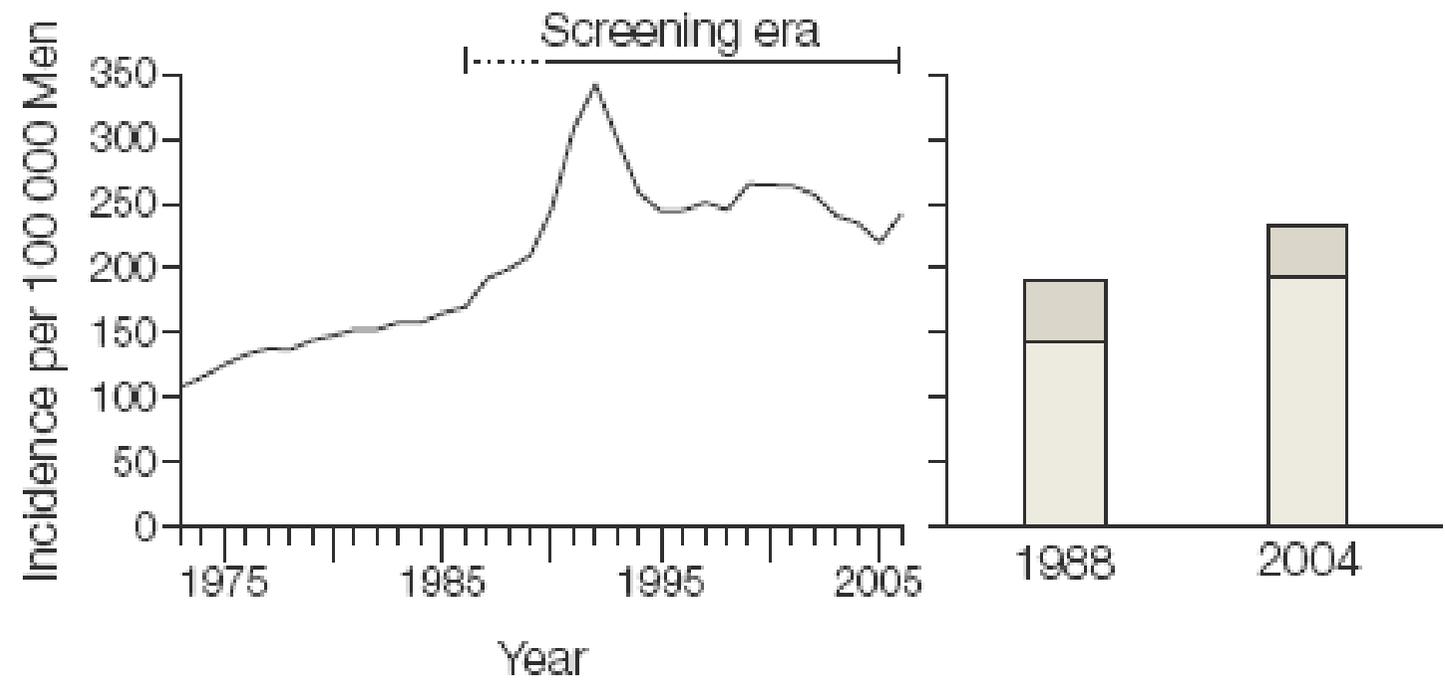


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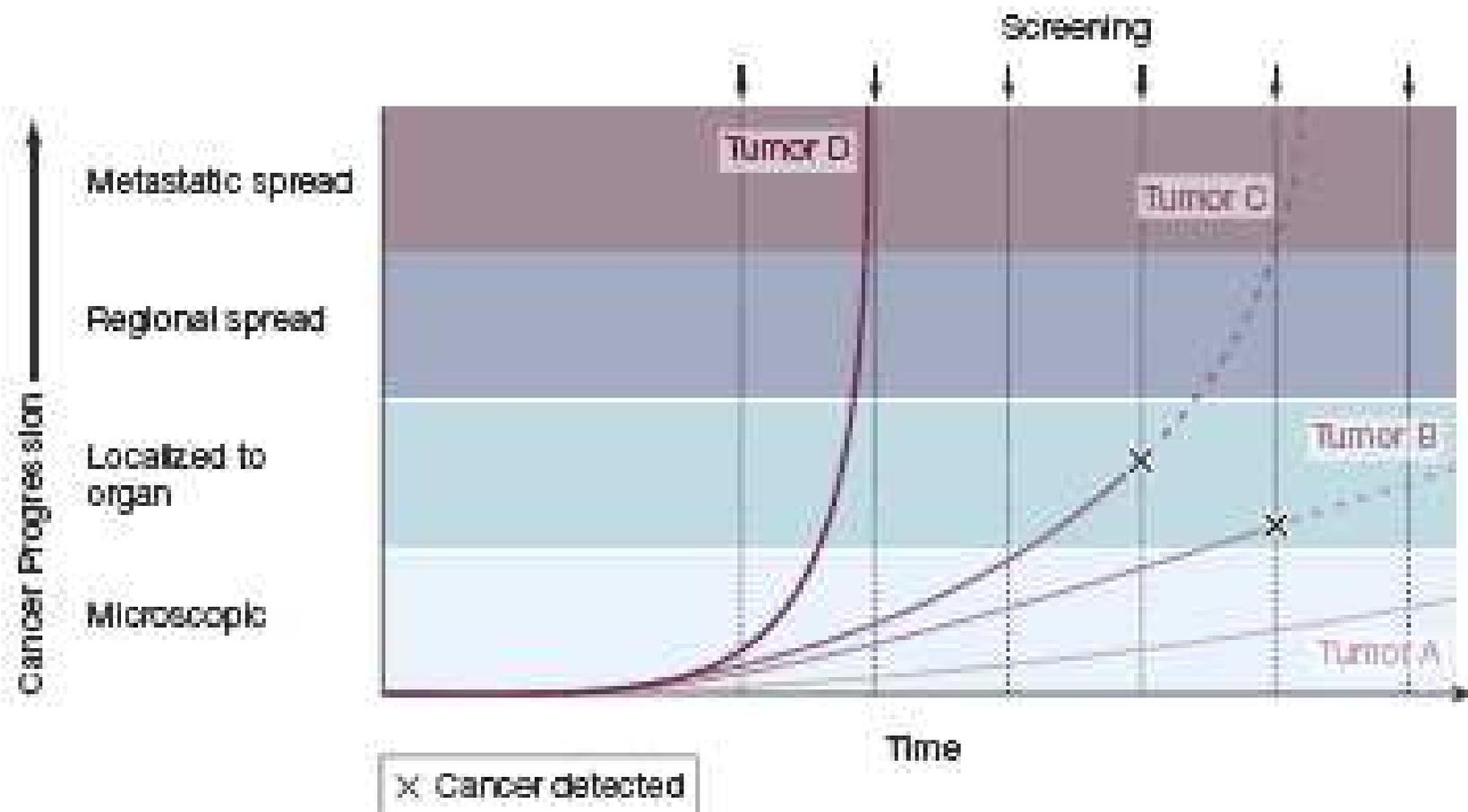
- Total
- Localized
- Regional
- Metastatic

Prostate cancer

Incidence



Incident invasive cancer  
— Total     Gleason grade 2-7     Gleason grade 8-10



*JAMA. 2009;302(15):1685-1692*

Altersgruppe (Jahre)	Gesamtzahl der Frauen (n = 110)	Zahl der Frauen mit Brustkrebs (n = 22)	Zahl der Frauen mit atypischen Läsionen (n = 8)
20 - 29	23	0	1
30 - 39	36	3 (8 %)	2
40 - 49	33	13 (39 %)	4
50 - 54	18	6 (33 %)	1

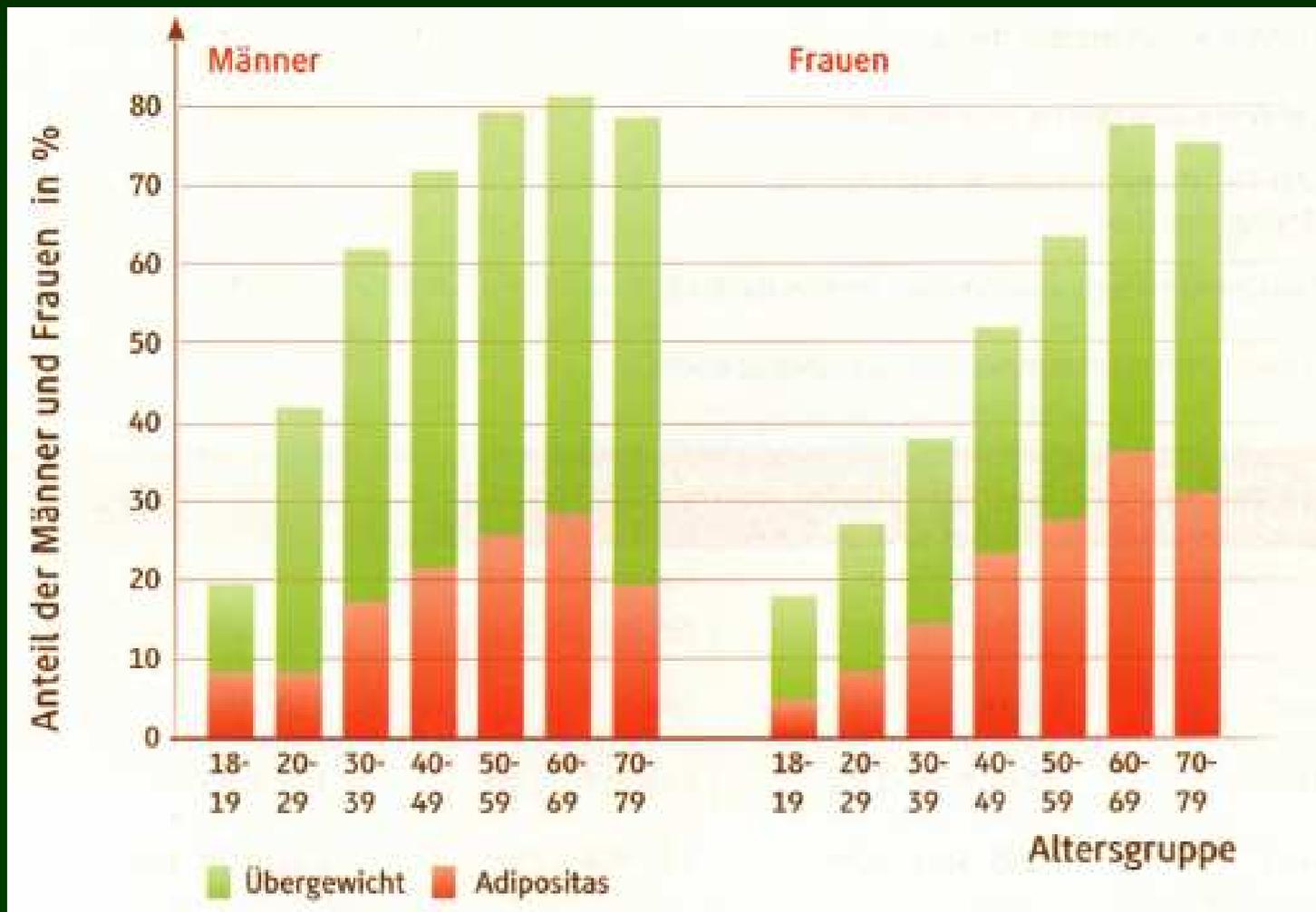
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Nach Nielsen et al 1987

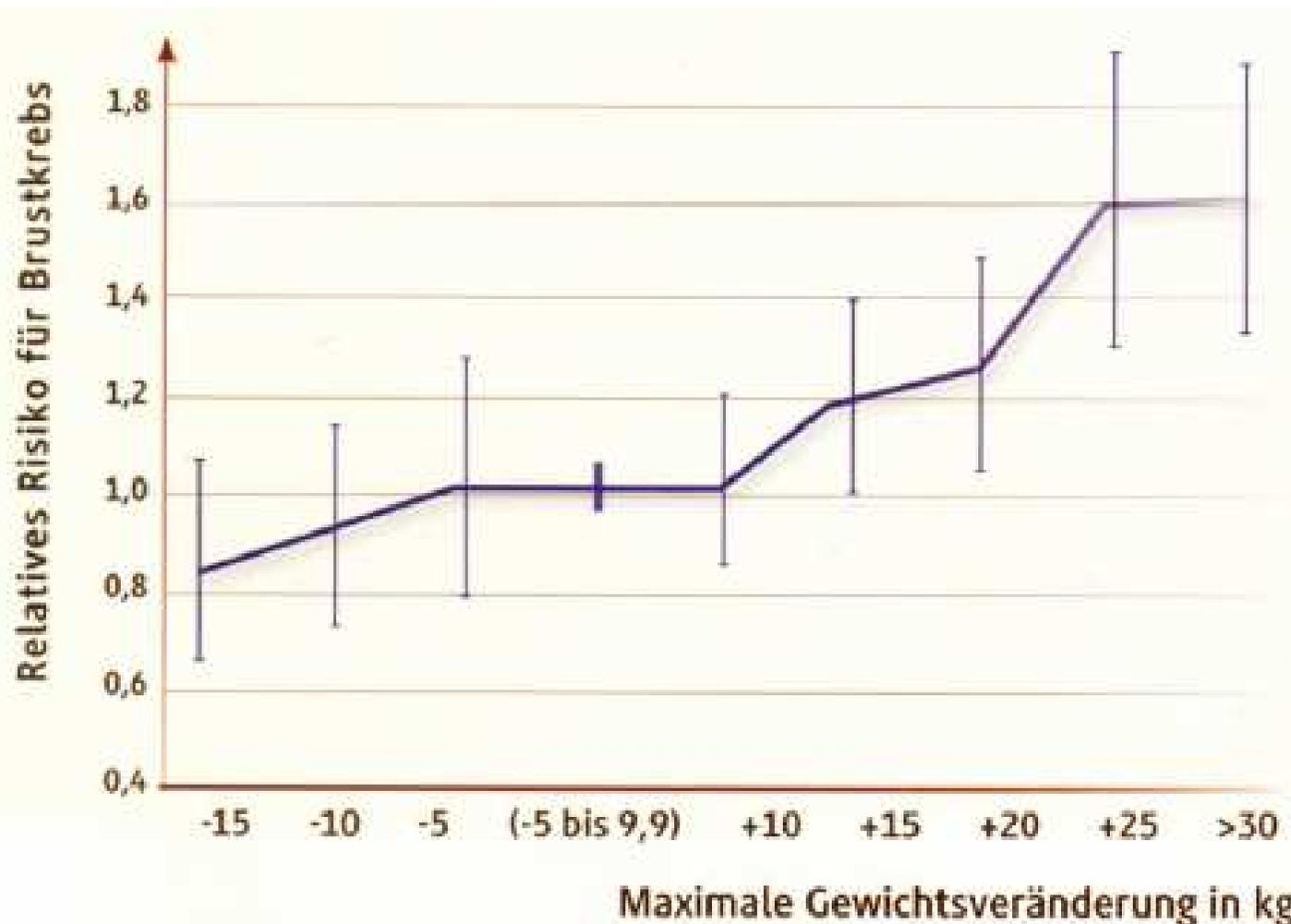
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BREAST CANCER AND PROSTATE CANCER SCREENING

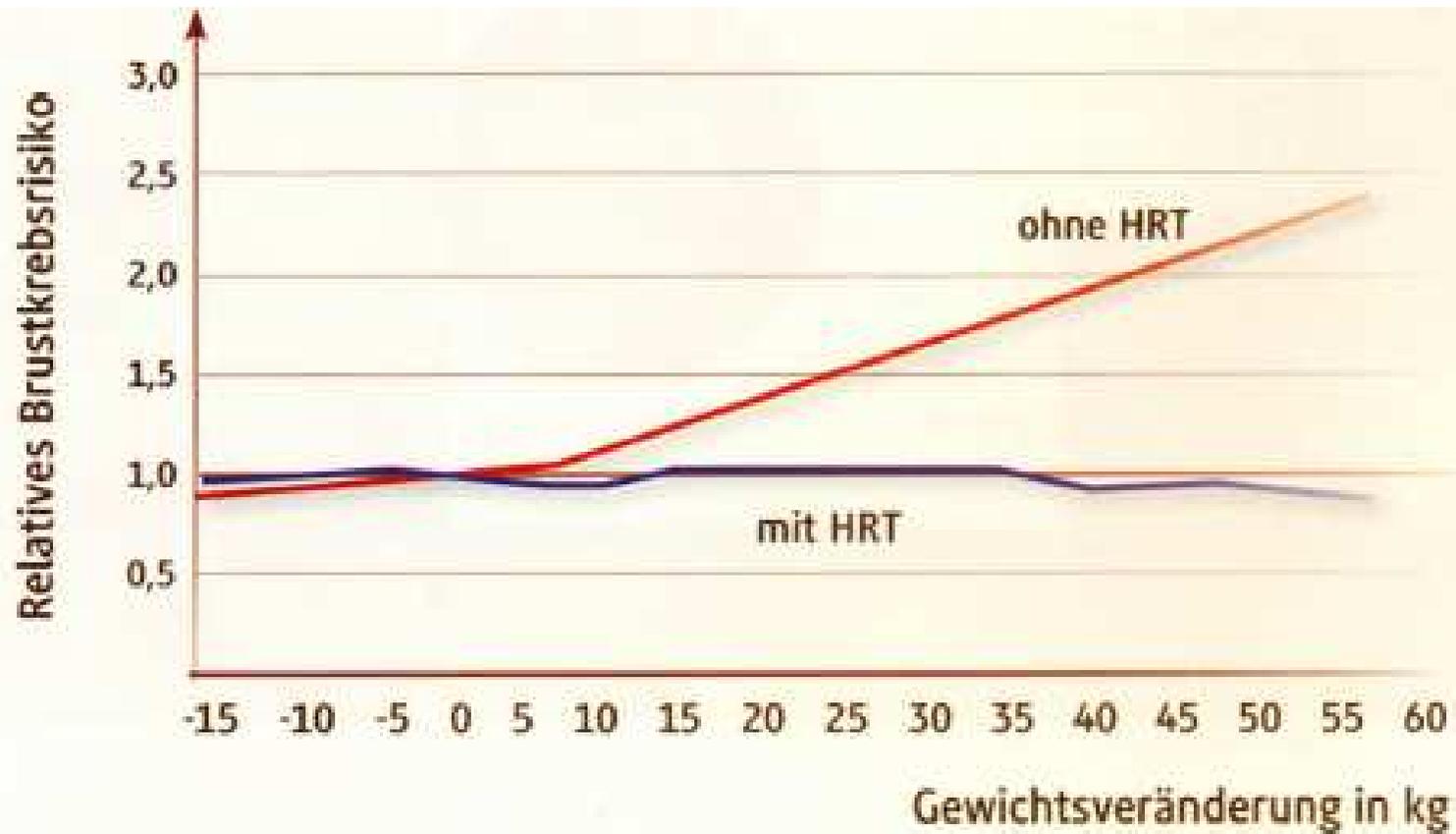
at a young age (for which surgical prophylaxis reduces absolute risk by more than 40%-70%).<sup>61-63</sup> Chemoprevention

may also be an alternative to surgical excision and radiation for minimal-risk cancers.<sup>64</sup>





Relatives Brustkrebsrisiko postmenopausaler Frauen in Abhängigkeit von der Max. Gewichtszunahme in der Prämenopause nach Trentham Dietz 2000



Relatives Brustkrebsrisiko der Frauen in der Postmenopause in Abhängigkeit Von der Gewichtszunahme seit dem 18. Lebensjahr; nach Ahn et al 2007

Prävention des Mammakarzinoms (Teil I)

# BEI ADIPÖSEN POSTMENOPAUSALEN FRAUEN MINDERT EINE **HRT** DAS BRUSTKREBSRISIKO

*Marika Ehrlich und Herbert Kuhl*

BMI (kg / m <sup>2</sup> )	Relatives Risiko (ohne HRT)	Relatives Risiko (mit HRT oder früherer HRT)
< 22,6	1,00 (Referenz)	1,00 (Referenz)
22,6 - 24,9	1,52	0,89
24,9 - 27,4	1,40	0,86
27,4 - 31,1	1,70	0,92
> 31,1	2,52	0,96

Adipositas, HRT und Brustkrebsrisiko  
Nach Morimoto et al 2002 Observationsstudie

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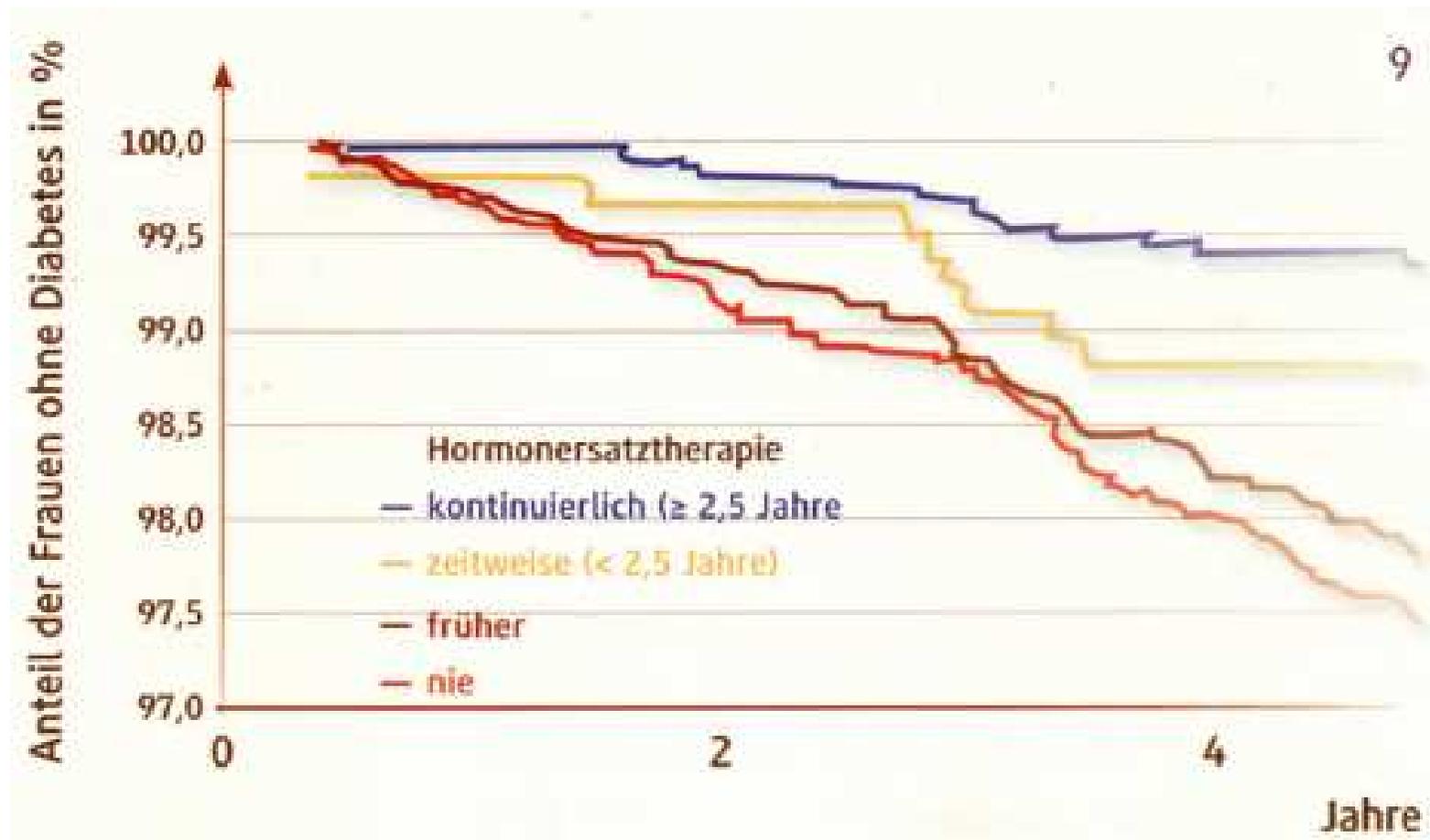
% Körperfett	Relatives Risiko (ohne HRT)	Relatives Risiko (mit HRT)
≤ 27,0	1,00 (Referenz)	1,00 (Referenz)
27,0 - 29,9	1,94	0,95
30,0 - 32,9	2,57	0,71
33,0 - 36,0	2,29	0,69
> 36,0	3,41	1,00

### Adipositas, HRT und Brustkrebs

Prospektive Kohortenstudie mit 12 000 postmenopausalen Frauen

Nach Lehman et al. 2003

<b>% Körperfett</b>	<b>Relatives Risiko (ohne HRT)</b>	<b>Relatives Risiko (mit HRT)</b>
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27,0 - 29,9	1,94	0,95
30,0 - 32,9	2,57	0,71
33,0 - 36,0	2,29	0,69
> 36,0	3,41	1



Protektion postmenopausaler Frauen vor einem Diabetes II durch HRT  
 Prospektive Kohortenstudie an 8483 Frauen; nach Pentti et al 2009

# Effects of Conjugated Equine Estrogens on Breast Cancer and Mammography Screening in Postmenopausal Women With Hysterectomy

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**Context** The Women's Health Initiative Estrogen-Alone trial comparing conjugated equine estrogens (CEE) with placebo was stopped early because of an increased stroke incidence and no reduction in risk of coronary heart disease. Preliminary results suggesting possible reduction in breast cancers warranted more detailed analysis.

**Objective** To determine the effects of CEE on breast cancers and mammographic findings.

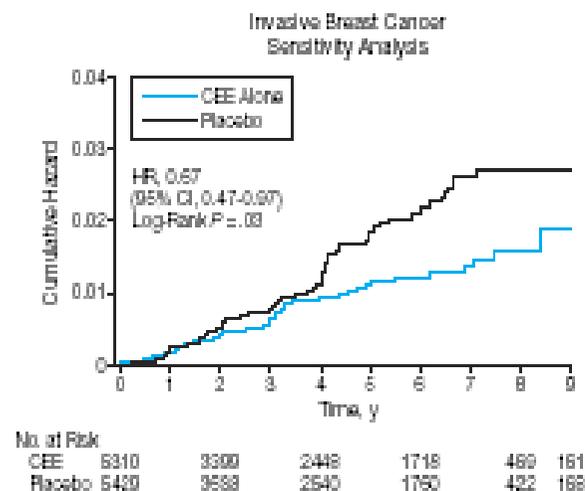
**Design, Setting, and Participants** Following breast cancer risk assessment, 10739 postmenopausal women aged 50 to 79 years with prior hysterectomy were randomized to CEE or placebo at 40 US clinical centers from 1993 through 1998. Mammography screenings and clinical breast examinations were performed at baseline and annually. All breast cancers diagnosed through February 29, 2004, are included.

**Intervention** A dose of 0.625 mg/d of CEE or an identical-appearing placebo.

**Main Outcome Measures** Breast cancer incidence, tumor characteristics, and mammogram findings.

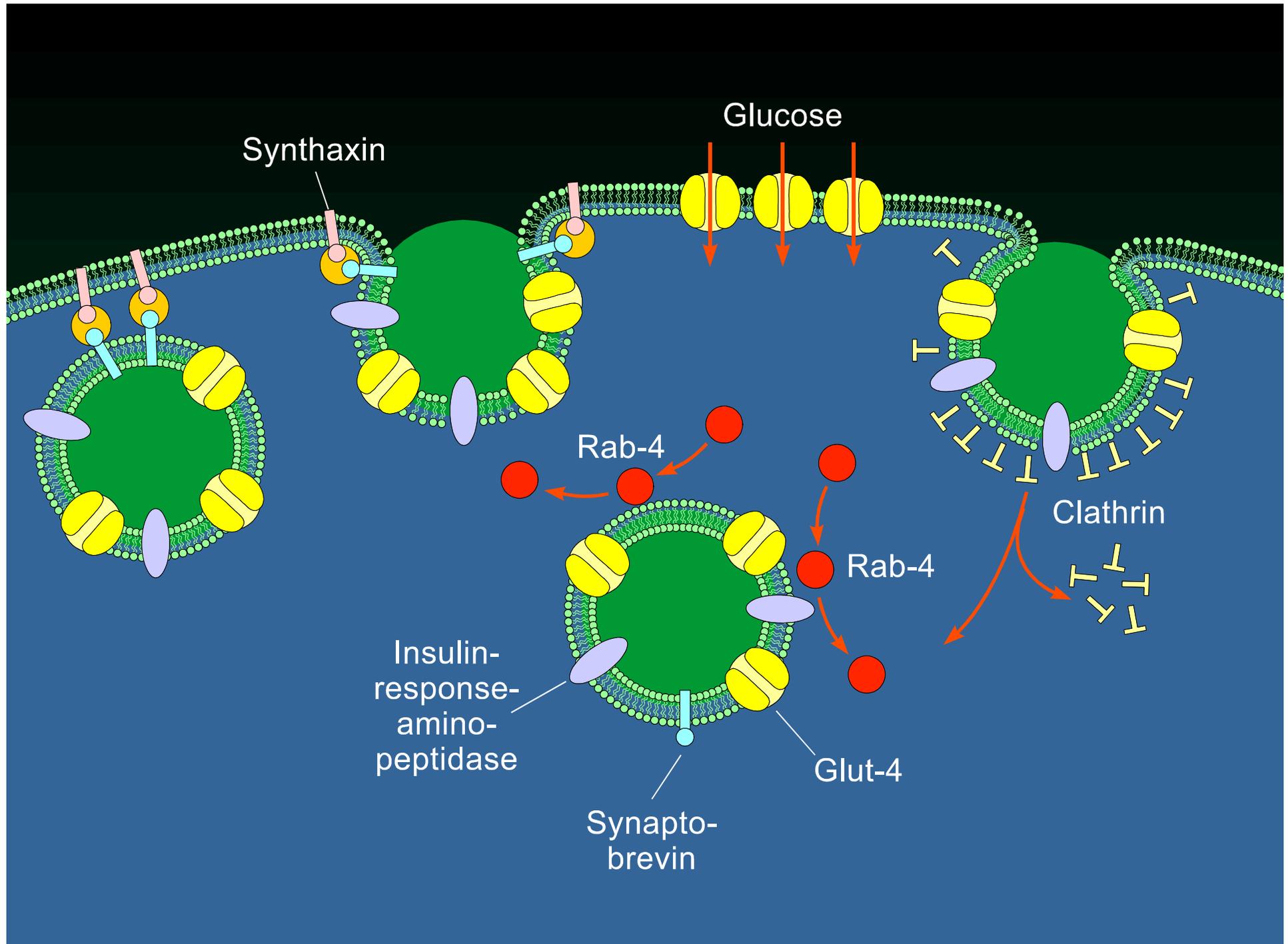
**Results** After a mean (SD) follow-up of 7.1 (1.6) years, the invasive breast cancer hazard ratio (HR) for women assigned to CEE vs placebo was 0.80 (95% confidence interval [CI], 0.62-1.04;  $P = .09$ ) with annualized rates of 0.28% (104 cases in the CEE group) and 0.34% (133 cases in the placebo group). In exploratory analyses, ductal

Figure 2. Cumulative Hazard for Invasive Breast Cancer: Sensitivity Analysis



Participants with less than 80% adherence to study medications were censored 6 months after their first episode of nonadherence. CEE indicates conjugated equine estrogens; CI, confidence interval; HR, hazard ratio.

- Das erhöhte Insulin regt die Zellteilung an und fördert die Karzinomentwicklung.
- Das erhöhte Insulin stimuliert die Aromataseaktivität im Fettgewebe.
- Das erhöhte Insulin reduziert das Sexualhormon-bindende Globulin (SHBG) und erhöht das freie Estradiol.
- Das erhöhte Insulin geht mit einer Erhöhung auch des freien Insulin-like Growth Factor 1 (IGF-1) einher.
- Erhöhte Freisetzung von Leptin aus dem viszeralen Fettgewebe, welches das Karzinomwachstum und die Angiogenese stimuliert.
- Reduzierte Freisetzung von Adiponektin, welches das Karzinomwachstum und die Angiogenese hemmt.
- Die Freisetzung von inflammatorischen Zytokinen ist erhöht.



Risikofaktor		Relatives Risiko
Serum-Insulin	niedrig vs. hoch	1: 2,9 (+ 190%)
Körpergewicht	normal vs. Adipositas	1: 2,5 (+ 150%)
Serum-Lipide	normal vs. erhöht	1: 1,6 (+ 60%)
Alkoholkonsum	kein vs. $\geq 20$ g täglich	1: 1,5 (+ 50%)
Raucher	nie vs. 10 Zigaretten täglich	1: 1,3 (+ 30%)
Körperliche Aktivität	aktiv vs. inaktiv	1: 1,2 (+ 20%)

Modifizierbare Lebensstil Risikofaktoren für die Entwicklung eines Mammakarzinoms

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# Insulin-Lowering Effects of Metformin in Women with Early Breast Cancer

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**Conclusion:** Metformin significantly lowers insulin levels, and it improves insulin resistance in nondiabetic women with breast cancer. A phase III randomized trial to evaluate its effects on breast cancer outcomes is recommended.

RESEARCH POINTERS

## Metformin and reduced risk of cancer in diabetic patients

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Review Article

*Mechanisms of Disease*

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**PRODUCTION AND ACTIONS  
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tase monooxygenase enzyme complex that is present in the smooth endoplasmic reticulum and functions as a demethylase. In three consecutive hydroxylating reactions, estrone and estradiol are formed from their obligatory precursors androstenedione and testosterone, respectively (Fig. 1). The final hydroxylating step in aromatization does not require enzymatic action and is not product sensitive.

Several plant compounds have structural and functional similarities to estrogens and are therefore referred to as phytoestrogens (Fig. 1). Genistein and daidzein are isoflavonoids found in soybeans and clo-

REVIEW ARTICLE

MECHANISMS OF DISEASE

# Estrogen Carcinogenesis in Breast Cancer

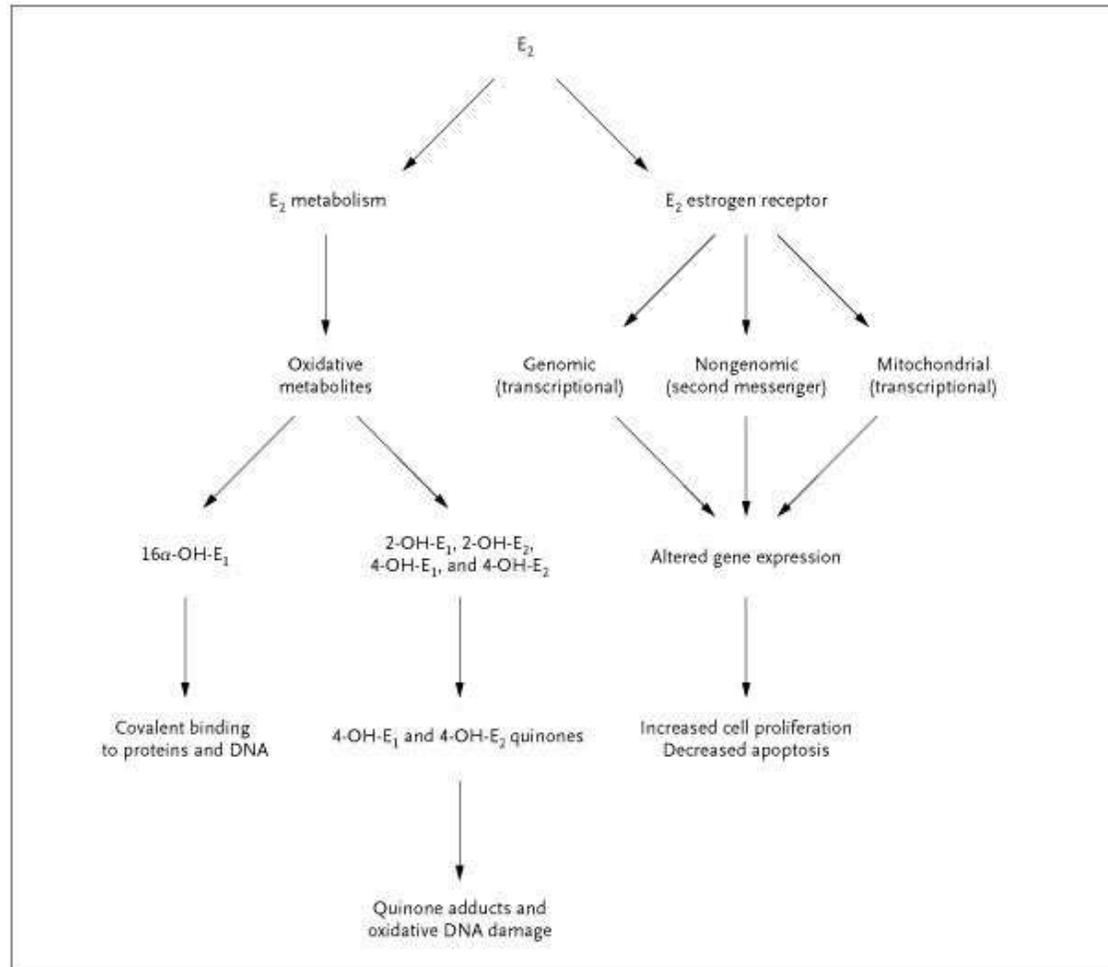
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**I**N THIS ARTICLE, WE REVIEW RECENT FINDINGS RELATED TO ESTROGEN EXPOSURE and the risk of breast cancer, the mechanisms that may be involved, and the clinical implications of these findings. The weight of evidence indicates that exposure to estrogen is an important determinant of the risk of breast cancer. The mechanisms of carcinogenesis in the breast caused by estrogen include the metabolism of estrogen to genotoxic, mutagenic metabolites and the stimulation of tissue growth. Together, these processes cause initiation, promotion, and progression of car-

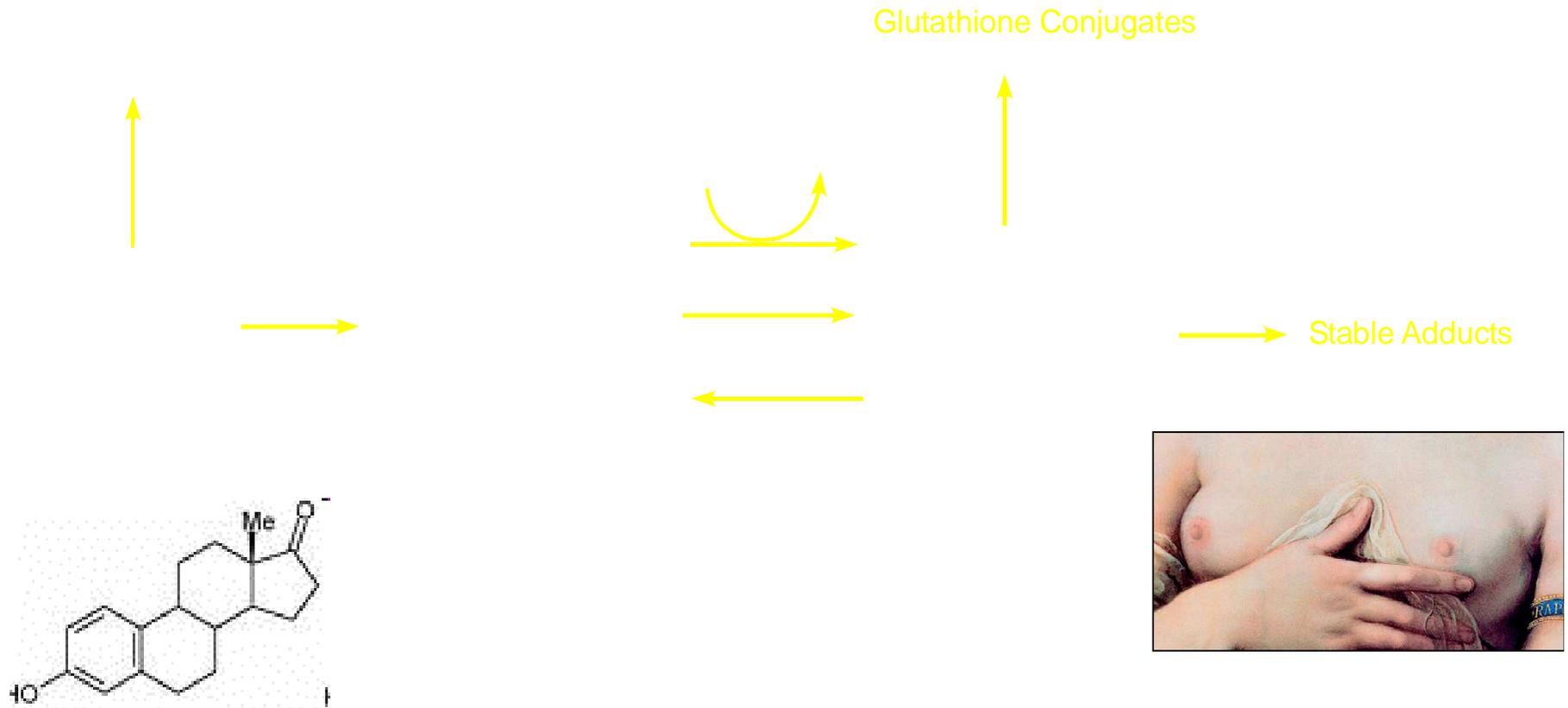
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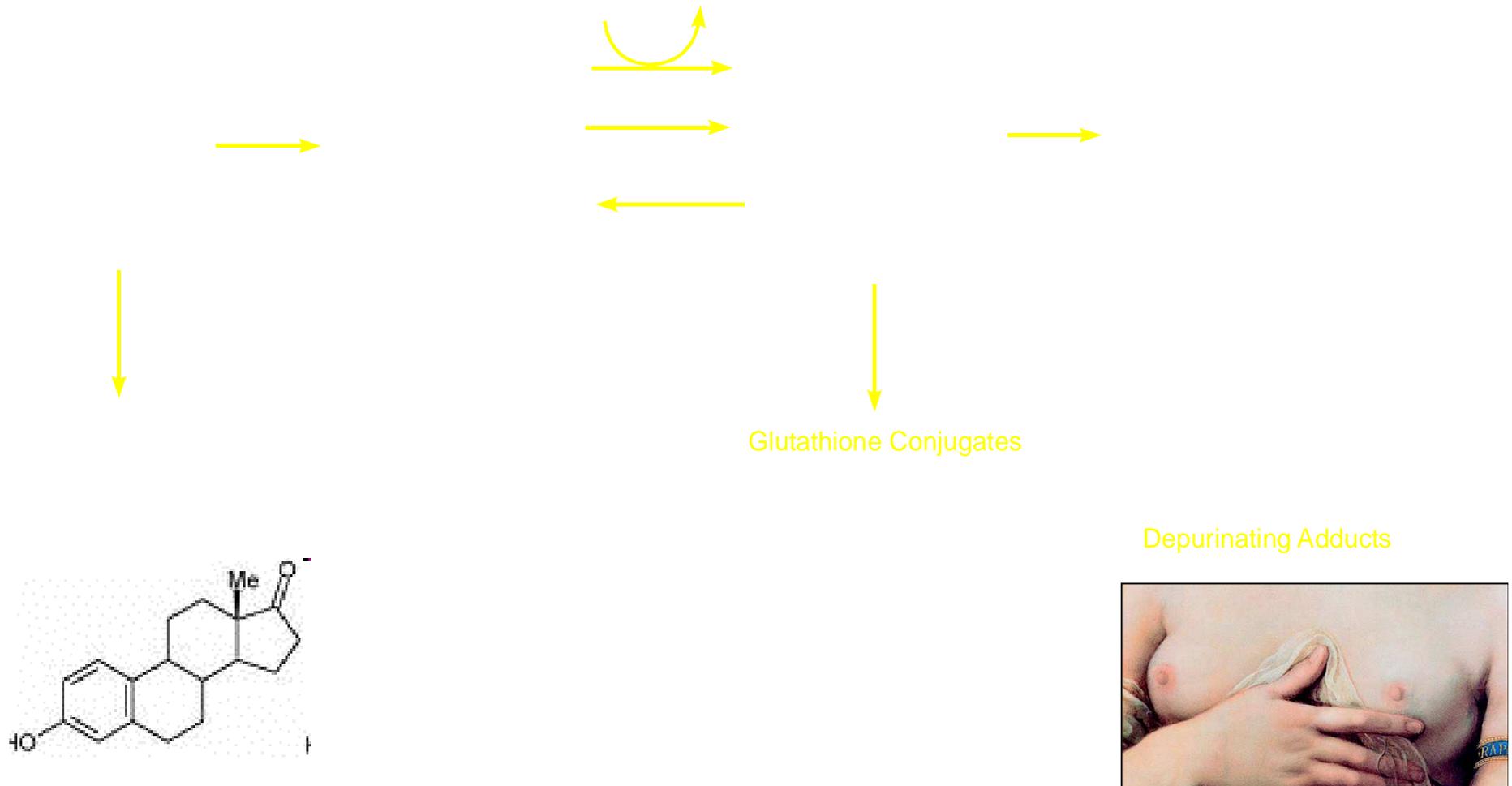
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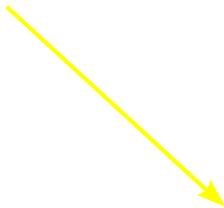
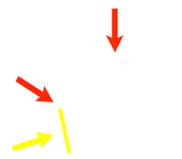
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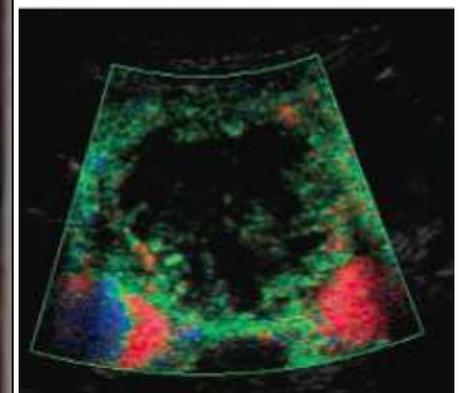
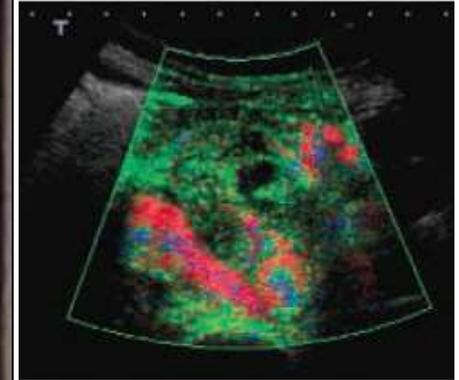
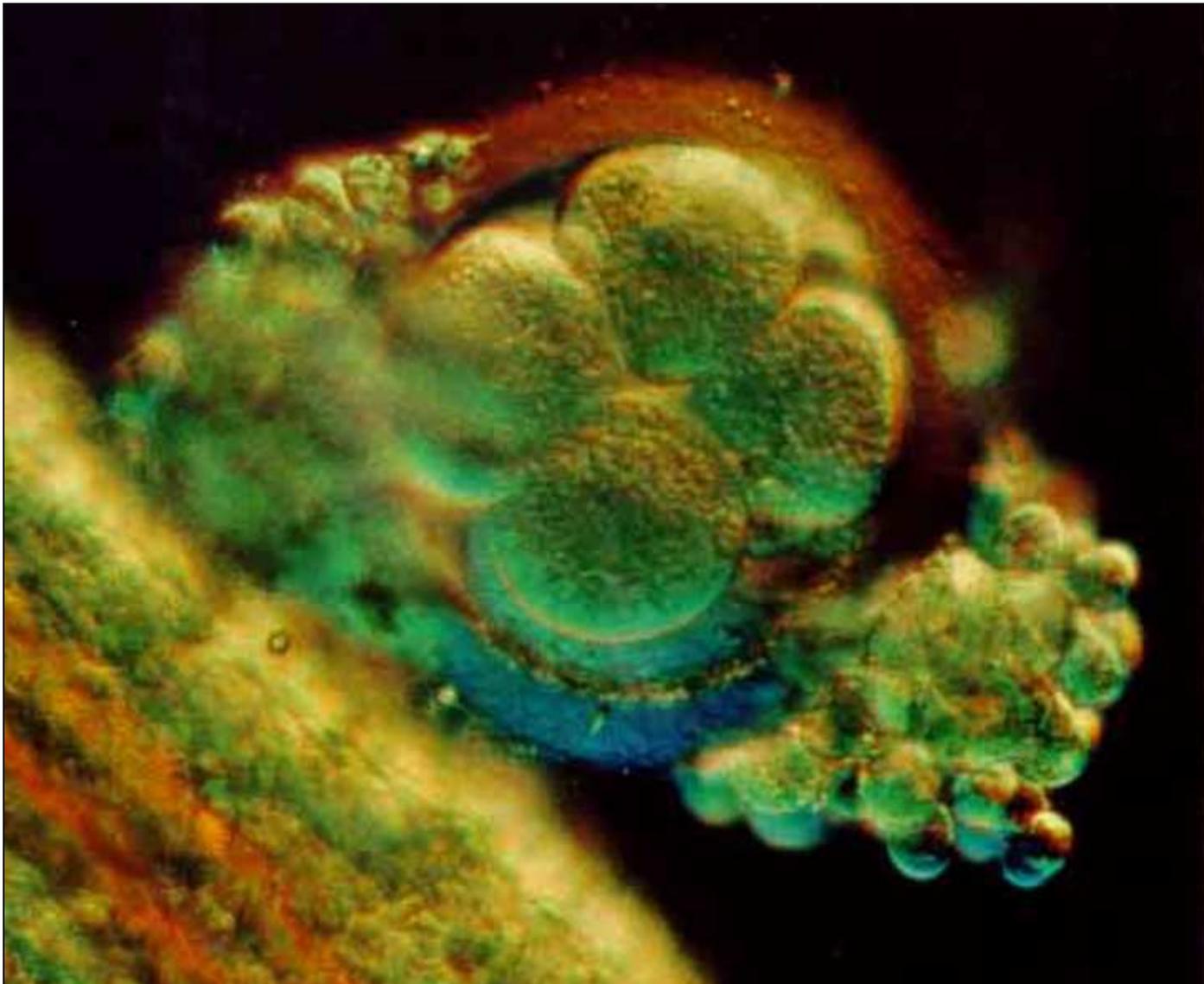




Stable adduct

Apurinic Site of DNA

Depurinating adduct



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Preparation and Catecholesterogen-Mediated Embryonic  
Activation  
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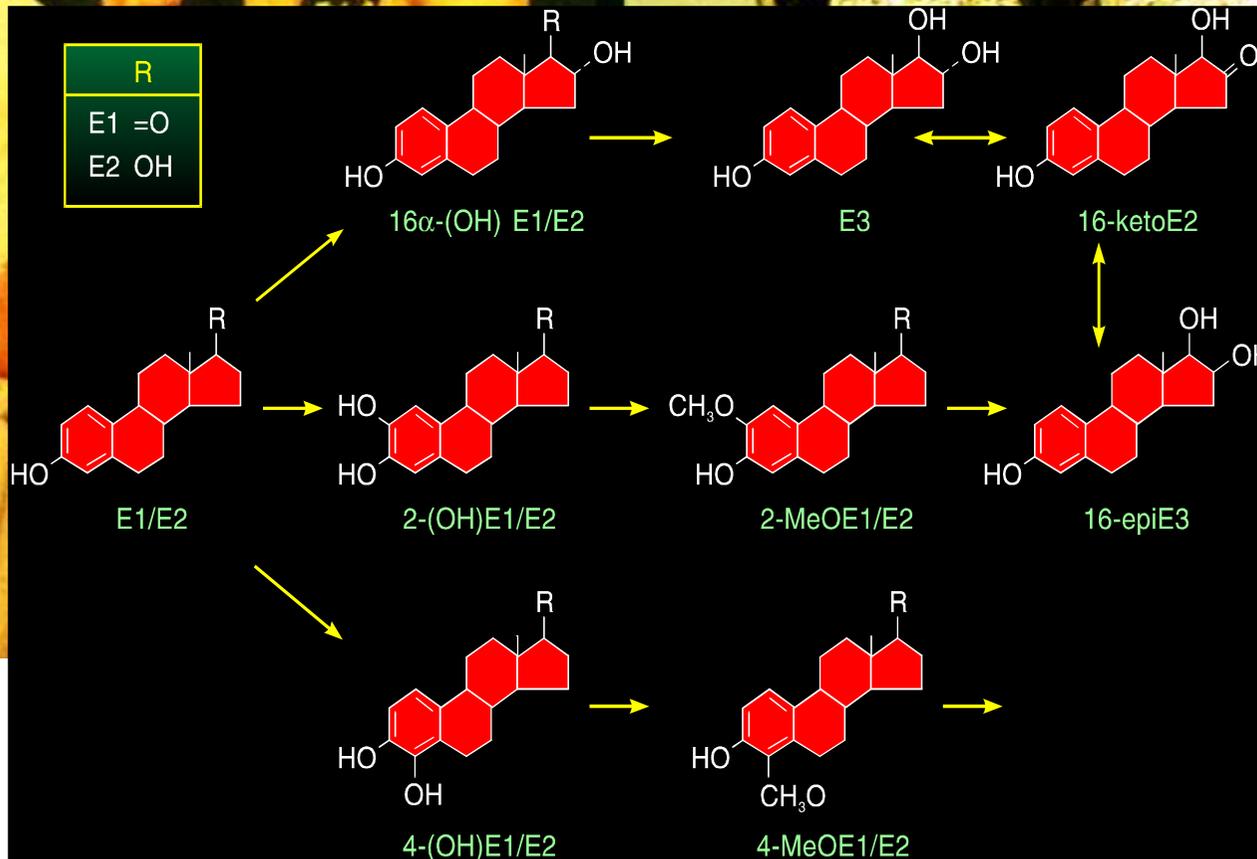
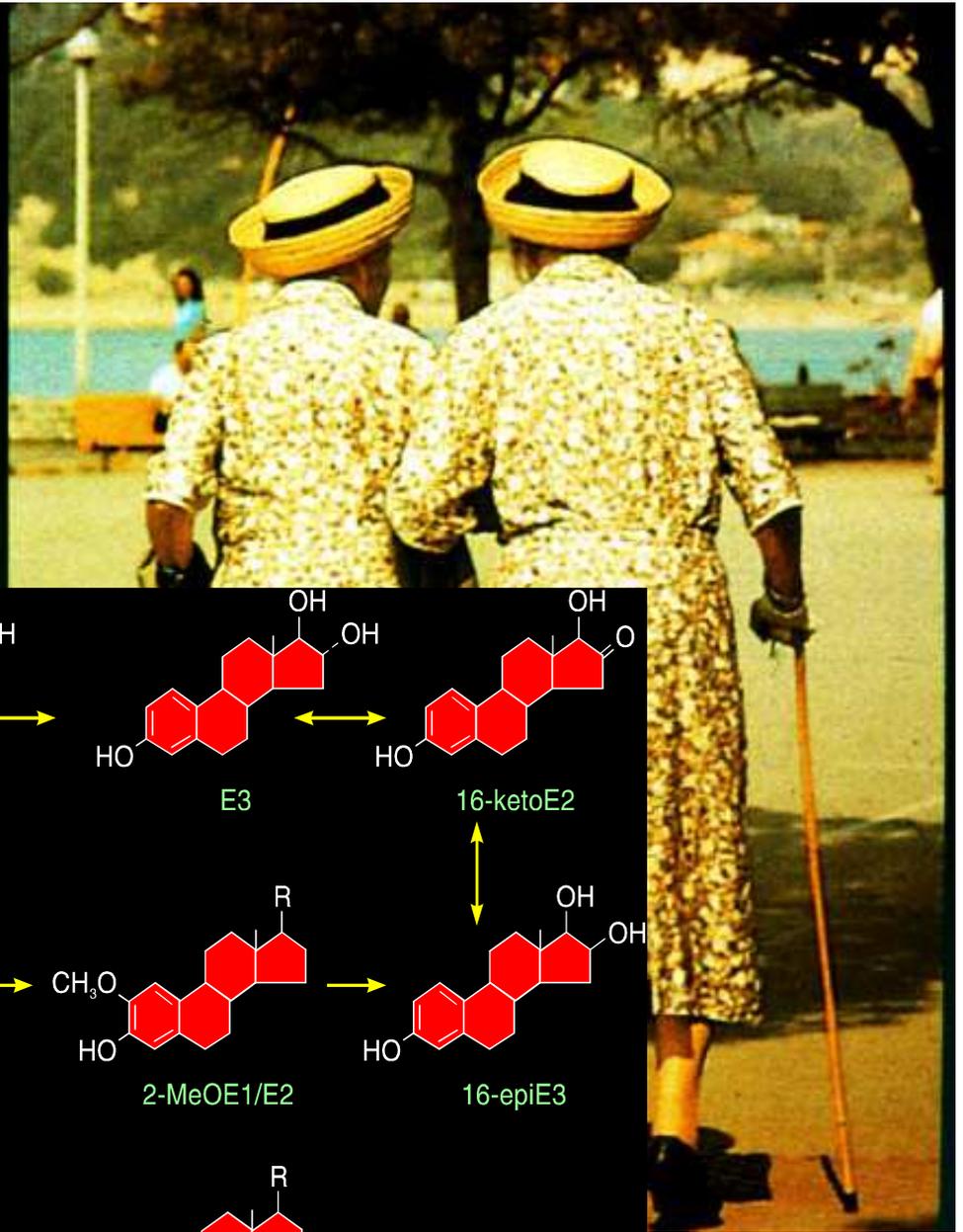
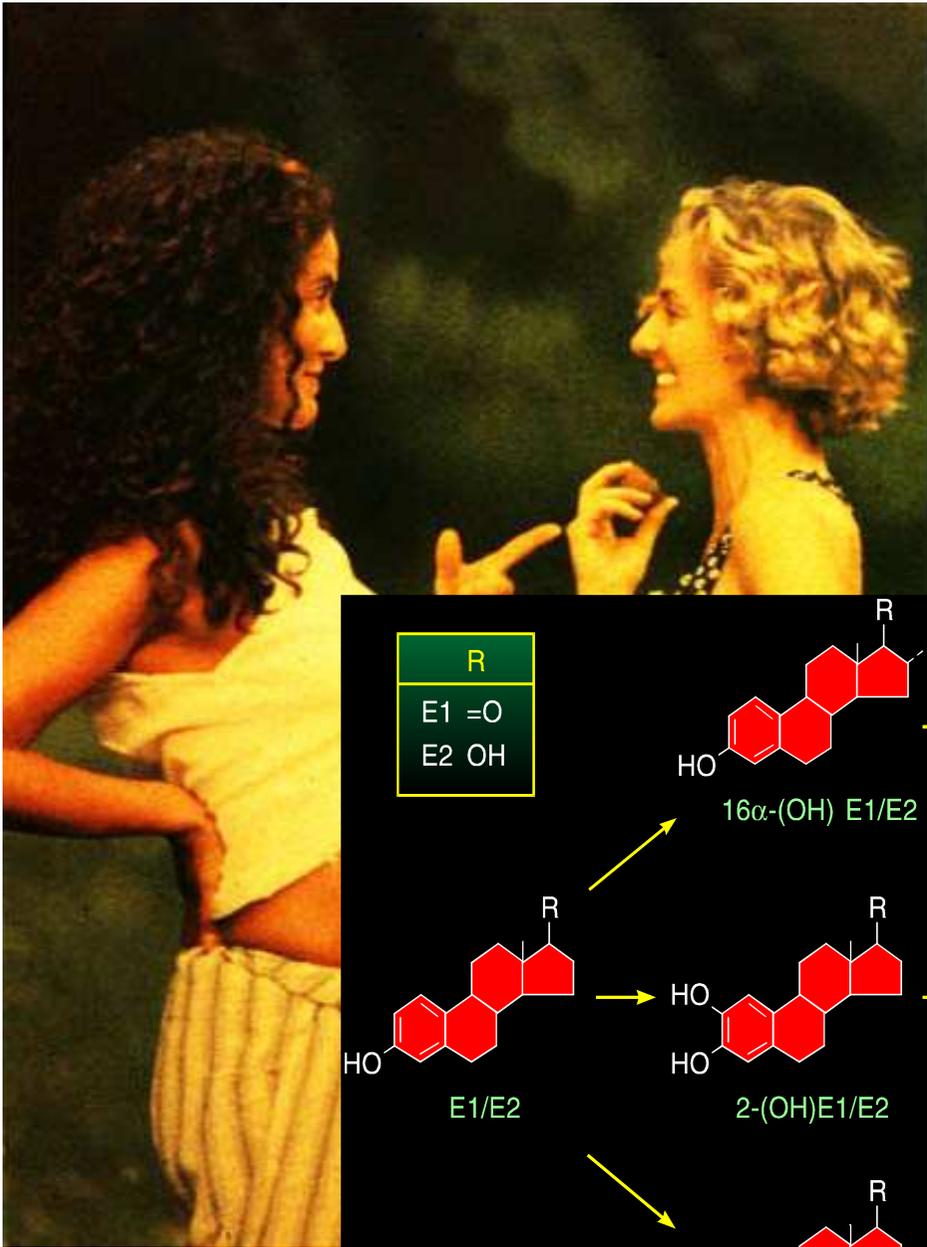
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# CANCER CHEMOPREVENTION WITH DIETARY PHYTOCHEMICALS

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Chemoprevention refers to the use of agents to inhibit, reverse or retard tumorigenesis. Numerous phytochemicals derived from edible plants have been reported to interfere with a specific stage of the carcinogenic process. Many mechanisms have been shown to account for the anticarcinogenic actions of dietary constituents, but attention has recently been focused on intracellular-signalling cascades as common molecular targets for various chemopreventive phytochemicals.

Cancer is a growing health problem around the world — particularly with the steady rise in life expectancy, increasing urbanization and the subsequent changes in environmental conditions, including lifestyle. According to a recent report by the World Health Organization

A wide array of substances derived from the diet have been found to stimulate the development, growth and spread of tumours in experimental animals, and to transform normal cells into malignant ones. These are regarded as suspected human carcinogens.

RETINOIDE  
CHOLECHALCIFEROL  
HESPERDINE



CYP 1A1

**BARBITURATE  
INDOL – 3 – CARBINOL  
EPIGALLOCATECHIN**



CYP 1A1  
CYP 1B1

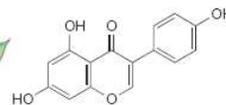


RETINOIDE  
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**ISOFLA-  
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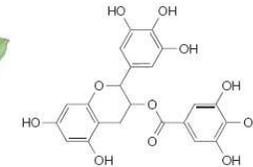
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Genistein



Green tea

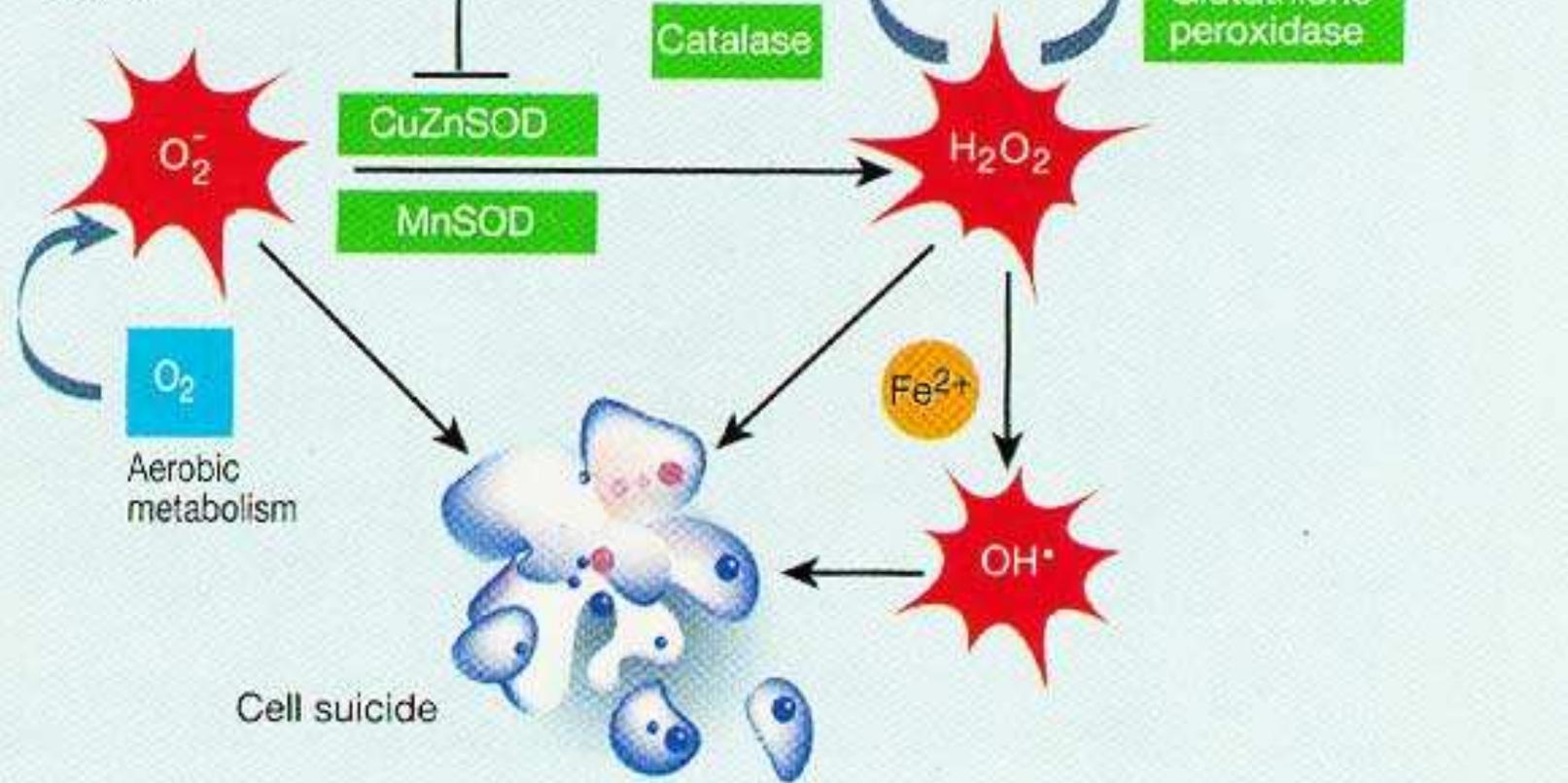
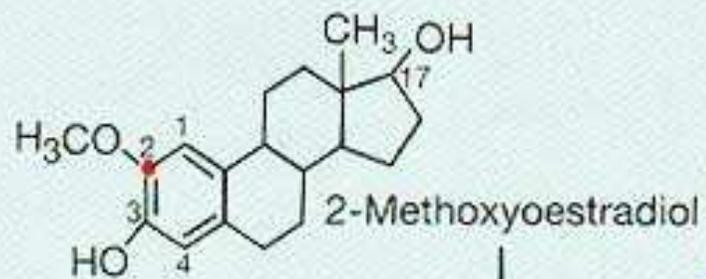


Epigallocatechin-3-gallate

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GST ← SELEN



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ORIGINAL REPORT

## Plasma Phytoestrogens and Subsequent Breast Cancer Risk

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### A B S T R A C T

#### **Purpose**

Phytoestrogens are plant compounds that are structurally and functionally similar to mammalian estrogens. By competing for estrogen receptors, phytoestrogens possibly inhibit binding of the more potent endogenous estrogens and decrease their potential effects on breast cancer risk. We investigated the association between plasma phytoestrogen levels and breast cancer risk in a prospective manner.

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ORIGINAL REPORT

## Plasma Isoflavone Level and Subsequent Risk of Breast Cancer Among Japanese Women: A Nested Case-Control Study From the Japan Public Health Center-Based Prospective Study Group

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### A B S T R A C T

#### **Purpose**

Because they have large variations in consumption, Asian countries are suitable settings for studies of the effect of relatively high-dose isoflavone intake on breast cancer risk. Nevertheless, no prospective study from Asia has assessed blood or urine levels as biomarkers of isoflavone intake.

**MODERN TRENDS**

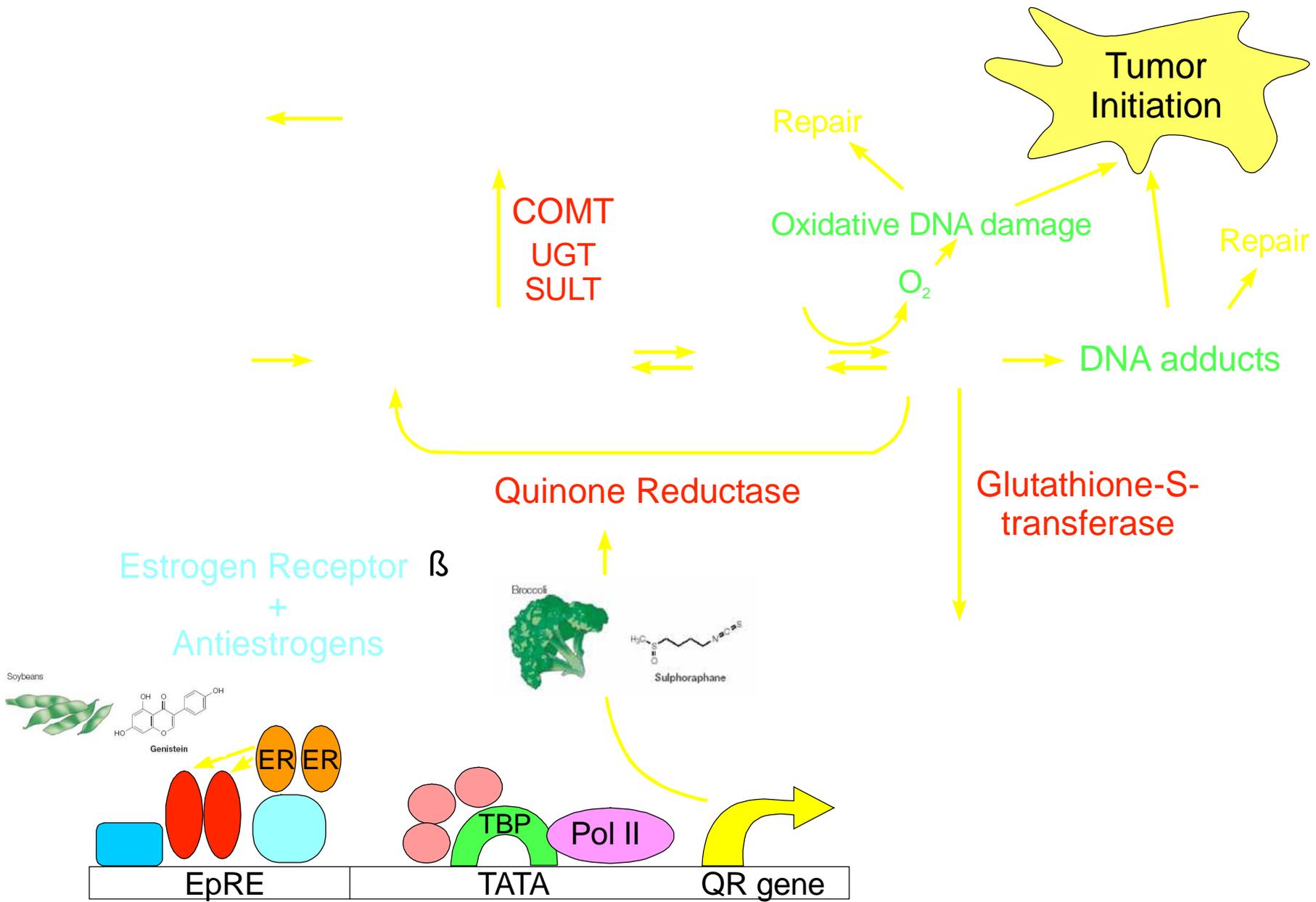
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## **Phytoestrogens in clinical practice: a review of the literature**

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**Objective:** To review clinical studies assessing the effect of phytoestrogen supplementation on the signs and symptoms of the climacteric syndrome and on the incidence of breast cancer, cardiovascular disease, and skeletal fractures.



## NAD(P)H:quinone oxidoreductase 1 *NQO1*\*2 genotype (P187S) is a strong prognostic and predictive factor in breast cancer

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*NQO1* guards against oxidative stress and carcinogenesis and stabilizes p53. We find that a homozygous common missense variant (*NQO1*\*2, rs1800566(T), NM\_000903.2:c.558C>T) that disables *NQO1* strongly predicts poor survival among two independent series of women with breast cancer ( $P = 0.002$ ,  $N = 1,005$ ;  $P = 0.005$ ,  $N = 1,162$ ), an effect particularly evident after anthracycline-based adjuvant chemotherapy with epirubicin ( $P = 7.52 \times 10^{-6}$ ) and in p53-aberrant tumors ( $P = 6.15 \times 10^{-5}$ ). Survival after metastasis was reduced among *NQO1*\*2 homozygotes, further implicating *NQO1* deficiency in cancer progression and treatment resistance. Consistently, response to epirubicin was impaired in *NQO1*\*2-homozygous breast carcinoma cells *in vitro*, reflecting both p53-linked and p53-independent roles of *NQO1*. We propose a model of defective anthracycline response in *NQO1*-deficient breast tumors, along with increased genomic instability promoted by elevated reactive oxygen species (ROS), and suggest that the *NQO1* genotype is a prognostic and predictive marker for breast cancer.

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## Androgens and mammary growth and neoplasia

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DRUG THERAPY

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Aromatase Inhibitors in Breast Cancer

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THE THIRD-GENERATION AROMATASE INHIBITORS PROVIDE NOVEL approaches to the endocrine treatment of breast cancer. These drugs are effectively challenging tamoxifen, the previous gold standard of care,<sup>1-13</sup> for use in postmenopausal patients with estrogen-receptor-positive cancers, who make up the majority of patients with breast cancer. These agents are also being considered for use in chemoprevention, a strategy in which tamoxifen has already been shown to reduce the incidence of breast cancer.<sup>14,15</sup> In this article, we review the current role of aromatase inhibitors and assess their potential for clinical use. Other reviews that may be of interest to specialists are also available.<sup>16,17</sup>

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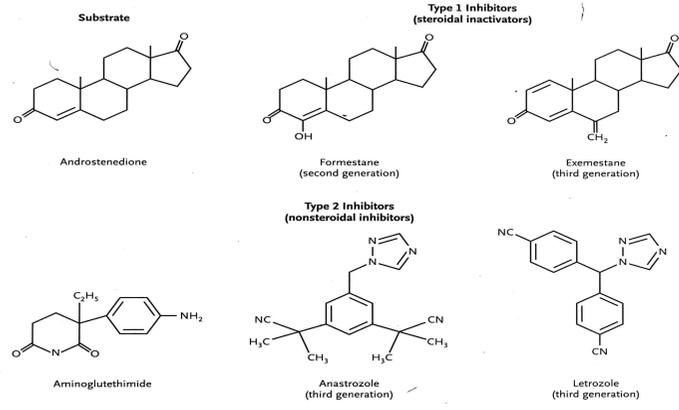
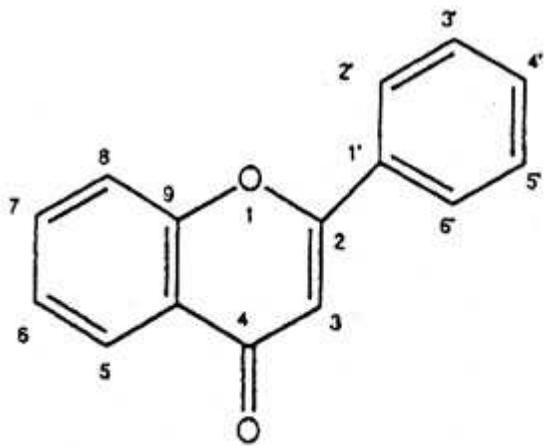
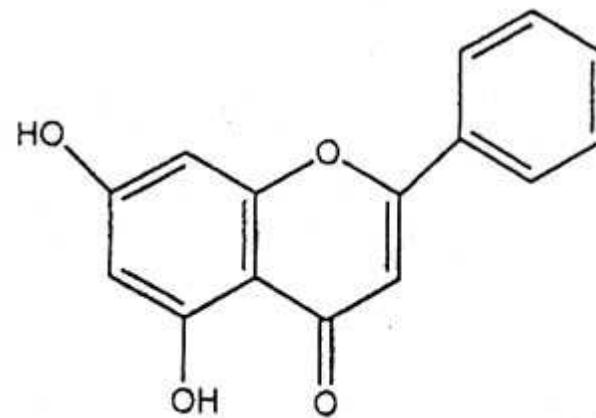


Figure 2. Structures of the Main Aromatase Inhibitors and the Natural Substrate Androstenedione.

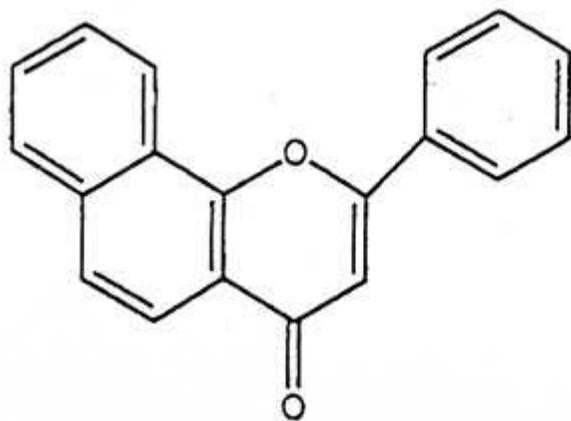




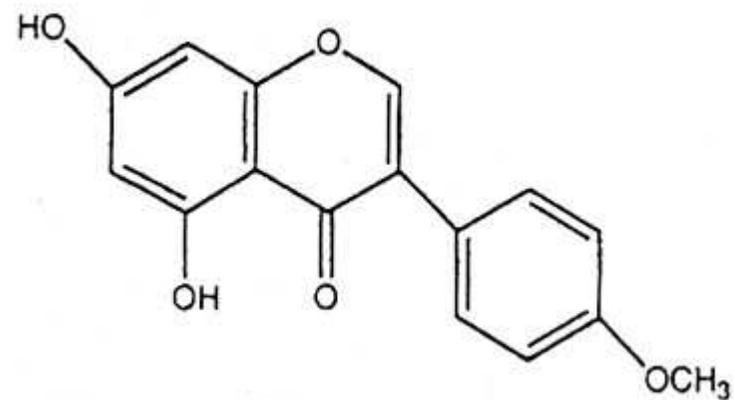
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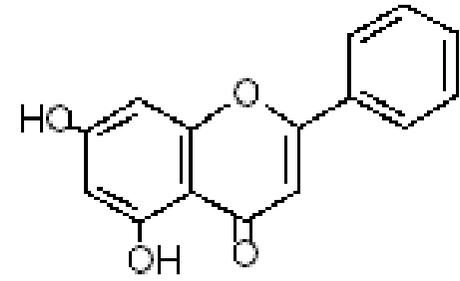
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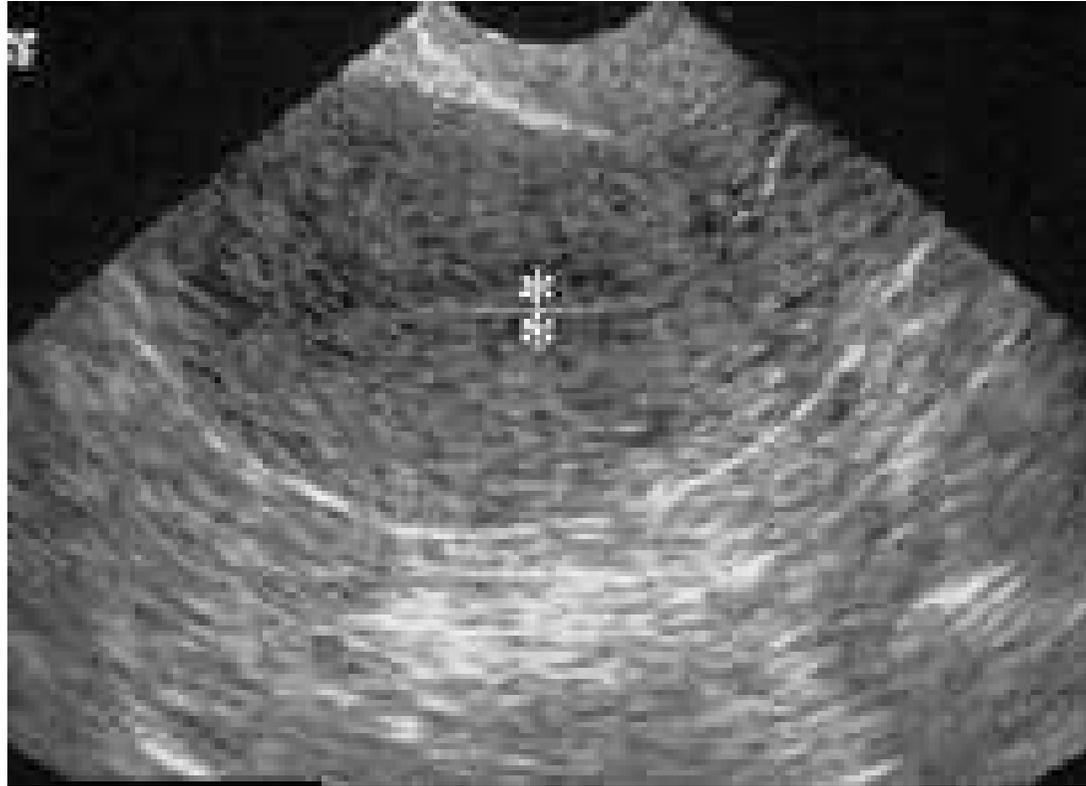
Biochanin A



# Supra low estrogen replacment therapy

- estradiol-valerat oder benzoat 0.025
  - ethanol 96 % 4,0
  - propylenglycol ad 10,0 ad
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- MDS: estradiol-drops
  - 10 drops are 1 mg estradiol
  - Event.Sacch.Natrium 0.05 g





# Topische Hormontherapie



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# **Treatment of menopausal keratoconjunctivitis sicca with topical oestradiol**

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**Objective** To investigate the effect of 17 $\beta$ -oestradiol ophthalmic drops in comparison with a traditional tear substitute in postmenopausal women with keratoconjunctivitis sicca.

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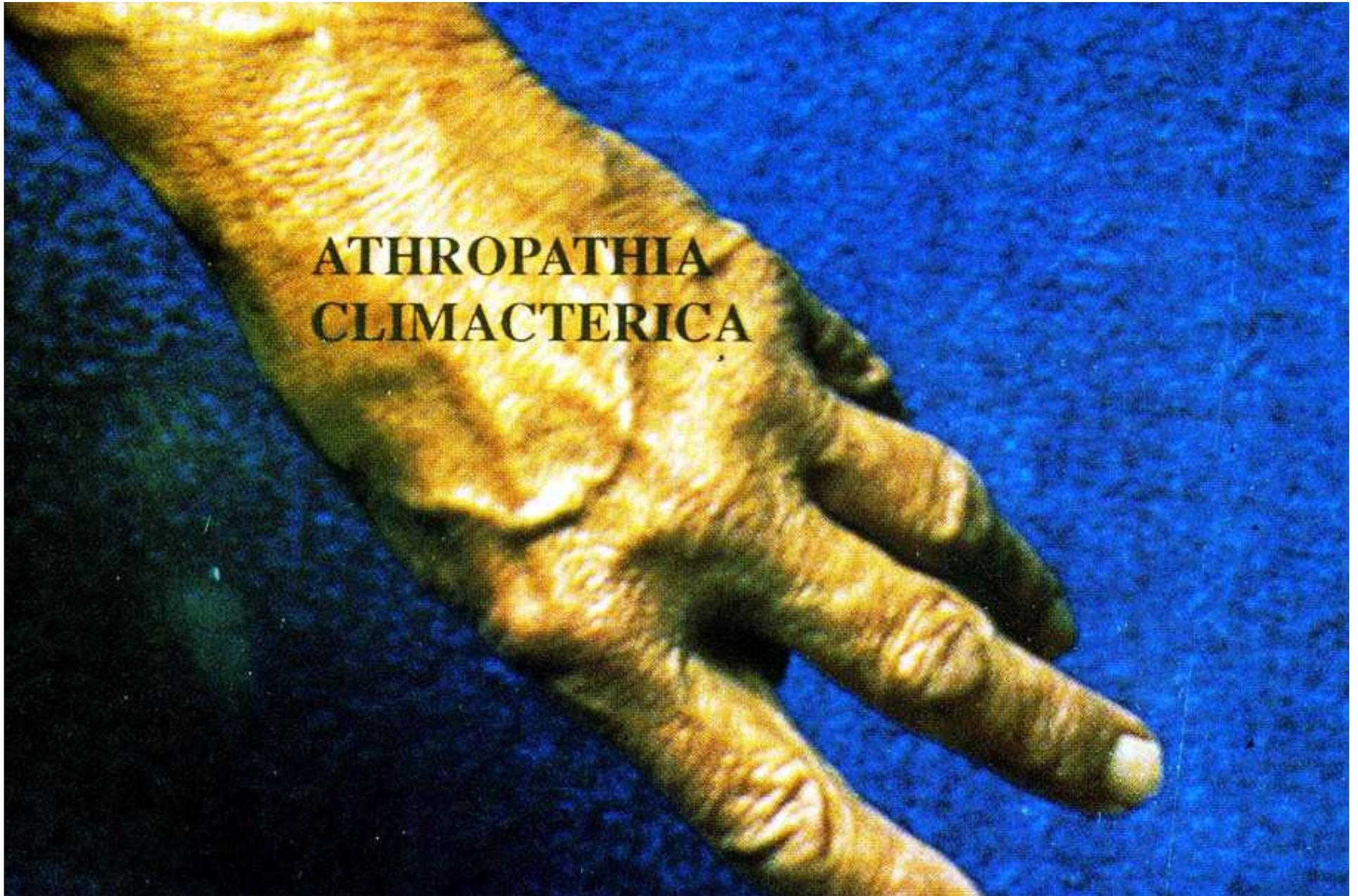
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**Hormonal influences on intraocular pressure**

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# **Der Gelenksschmerz in der Prä- und Postmenopause Arthropathia climacterica**

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## 高ゴナドトロピン性性腺機能低下性無月経の若年女性における ホルモン療法前後の骨密度

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# Solving an age-old problem

Western governments need to rethink their approach to dealing with an ageing population.



## Effects and side-effects of 2% progesterone cream on the skin of peri- and postmenopausal women: results from a double-blind, vehicle-controlled, randomized study

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### Summary

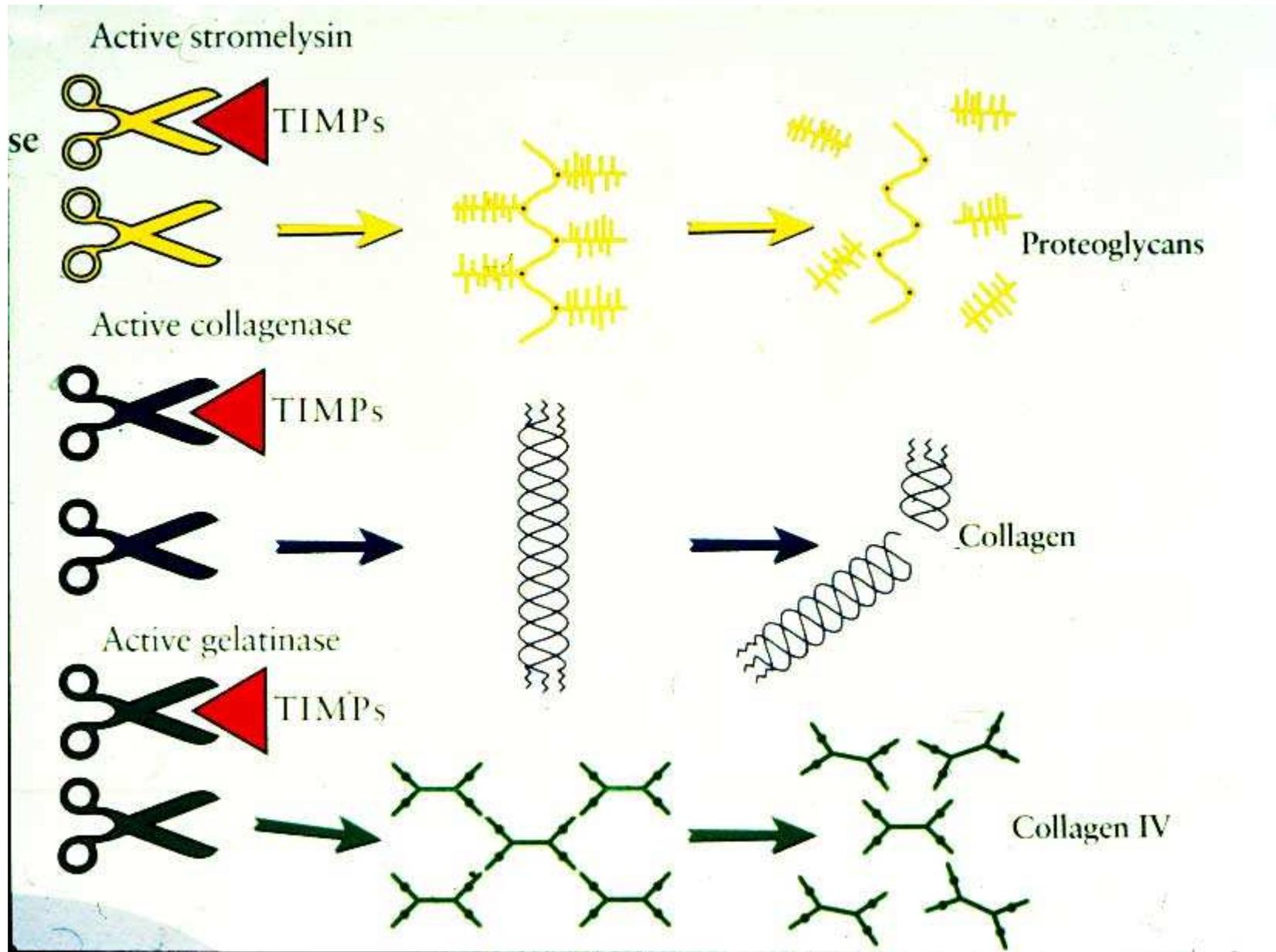
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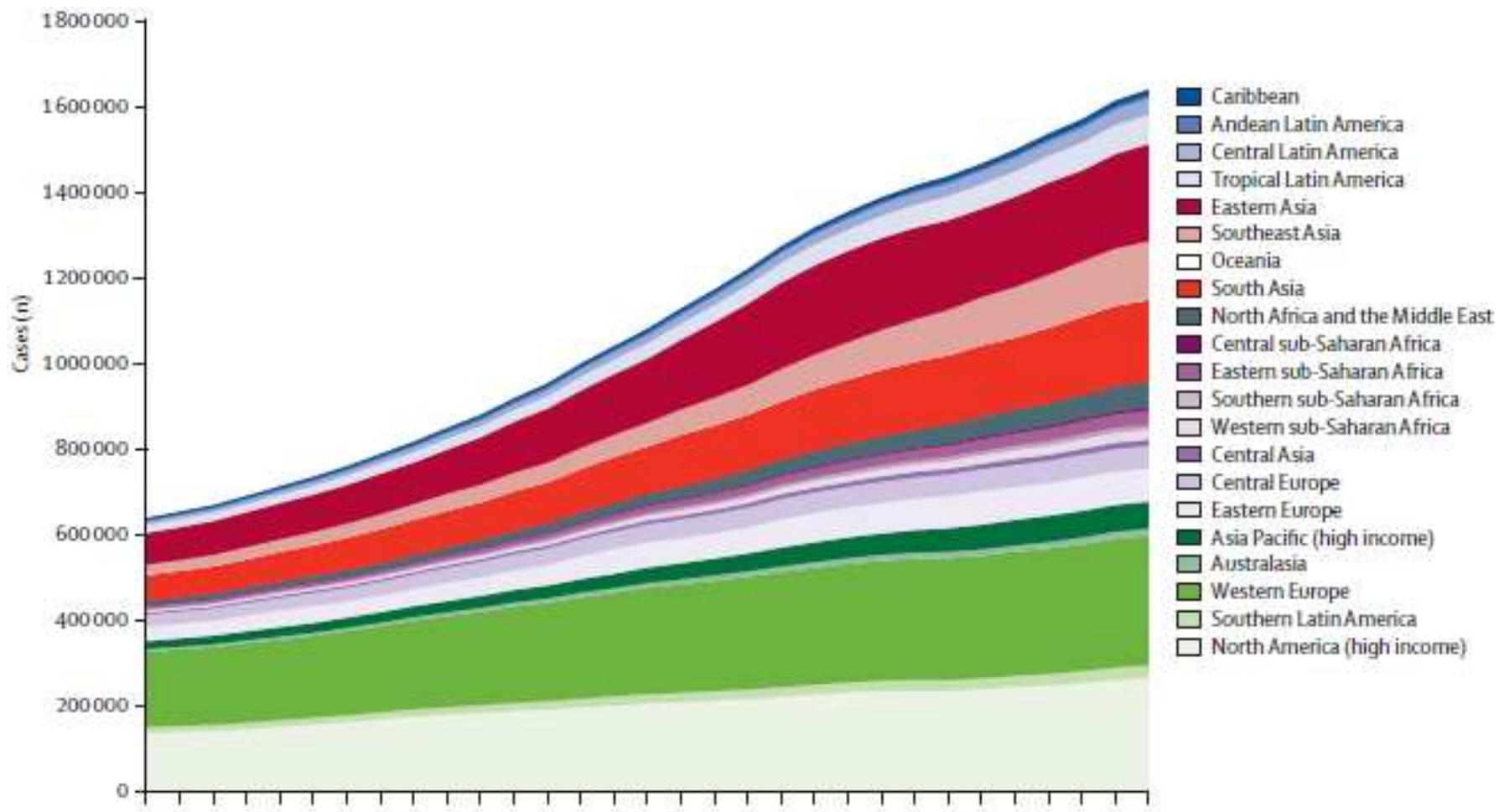
*Background* For many years topical progesterone has been prescribed by gynaecologists as an antiageing and skin-firming treatment, without any clinical scientific evidence of its effects, tolerability and safety when applied to skin.





# Breast and cervical cancer in 187 countries between 1980 and 2010: a systematic analysis

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# Der große Prostata-Irrtum

Denn in Zahlen ausgedrückt würde eine 20%ige Mortalitätssenkung im Sinne der ERSPC-Studie bedeuten, dass sich 1410 Männer dem Screening unterziehen, davon 48 operiert werden bzw. im Sinne der „active Surveillance“ zumindest biopsiert werden, damit letztendlich 1 Patient vor dem Tod bewahrt werden kann [3]. Zweifelsohne gilt es jeden Tod durch ein Karzinom zu verhindern, der Preis den 47 weitere Männer mit oben genannten psychischen und physischen Belastungen dafür bezahlen, ist jedenfalls erheblich.