# Using Synthetic Control Databases to Accelerate Indication-Specific Safety and Efficacy Evidence



0.9972 (0.58, 1.71)

0.8413 (0.54, 1.31)

1.4127 (1.02, 1.96)



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#### Introduction

Synthetic control databases (**SCD**<sup>TM</sup>) of recent clinical trial data are one potential tool for **accelerating** development programs.

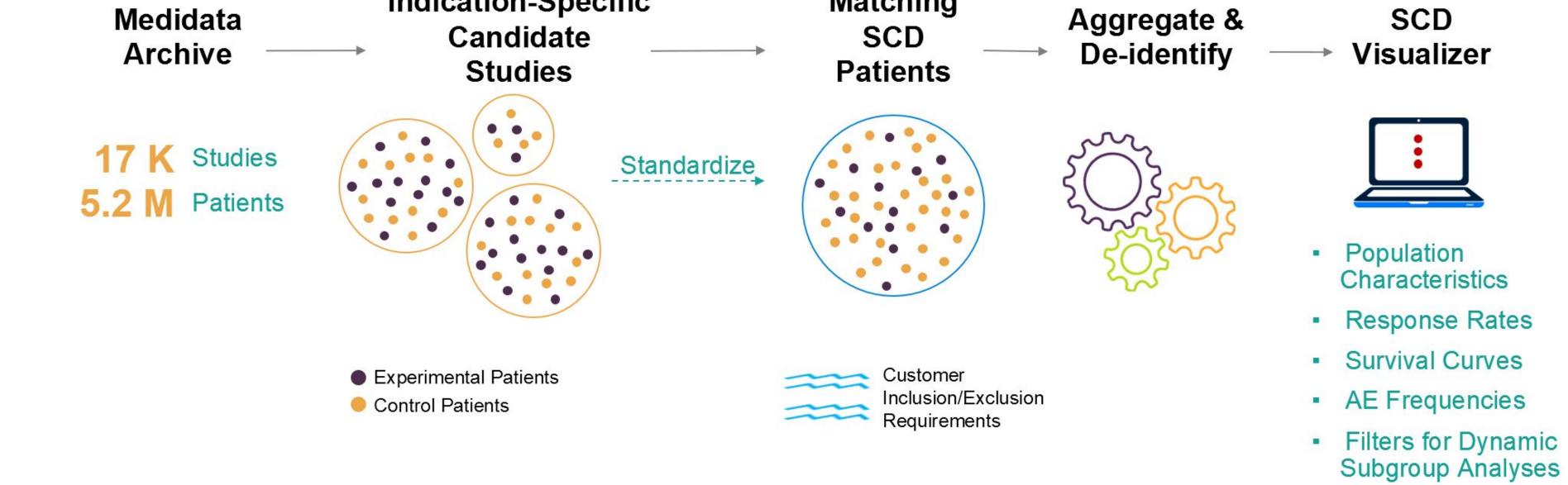
SCDs may provide **rigorous pooled clinical data** beyond that available in published literature and have certain strengths over real-world data (RWD).

SCDs may aid in **planning**, **executing and interpreting** clinical trials through e.g.,: understanding patient characteristics, defining efficacy targets, identifying background AE rates (including rare events) and expected relationship between variables.

A pilot project has been ongoing to develop and evaluate use of an SCD for **metastatic breast** cancer (mBC). Version 1 was delivered October 2018 and the SCD has subsequently been updated quarterly.

### SCD Concept

An **aggregated dataset** of hundreds (or thousands) of patients **from multiple recent trials** chosen to match a researcher's inclusion / exclusion criteria for an indication



## Patient Selection Criteria for mBC Pilot

#### mBC subtypes:

- Hormone Receptor positive,
   HER2 negative (HR+/HER2-) or
- Triple Negative (TNBC)

#### Lines of therapy:

2<sup>nd</sup> or later line or

high-risk 1<sup>st</sup> line
 Completed Phase II & P

Completed Phase II & Phase III open-label trials with RECIST endpoints

Medidata Rave® studies with data aggregation rights

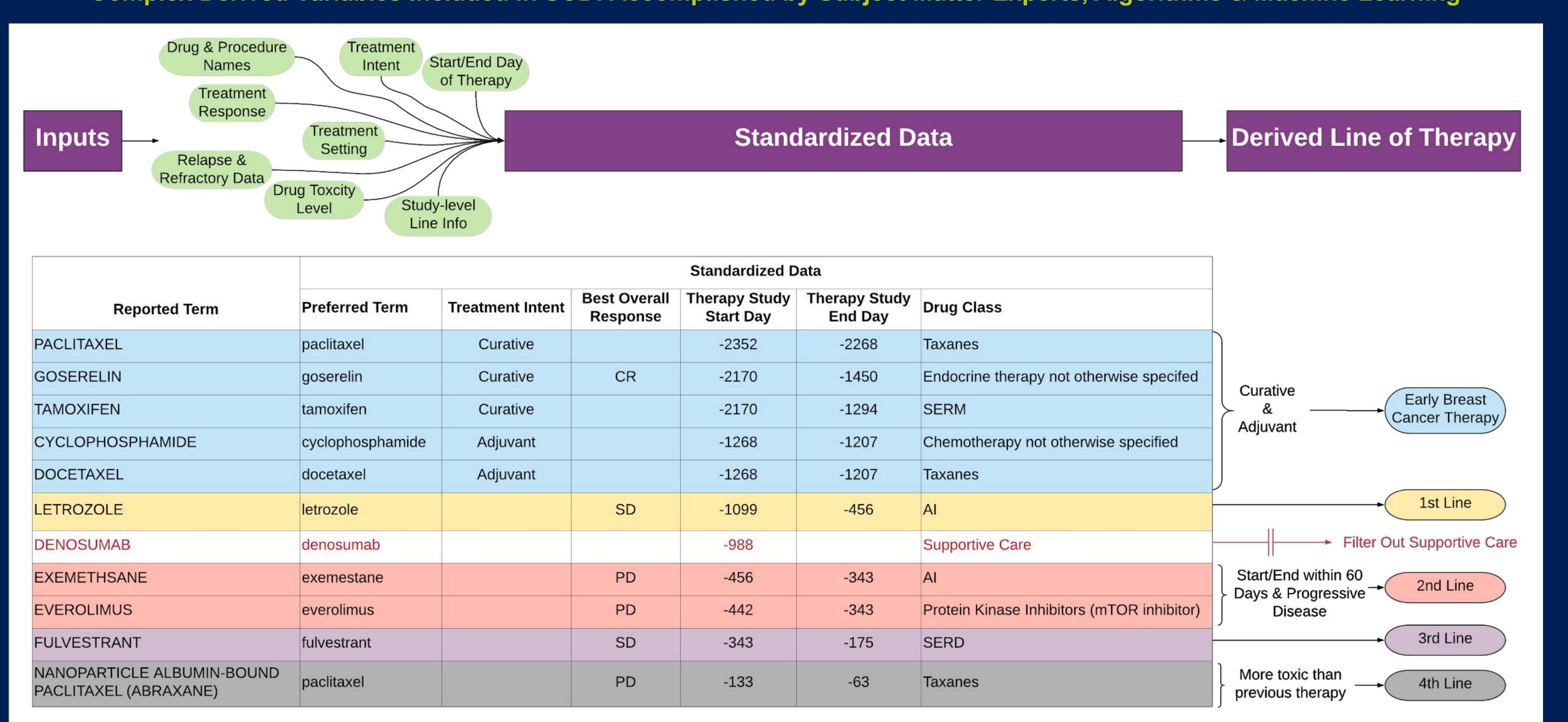
### **Current Uses of Pilot SCD**

Current focus is on exploratory questions, including:

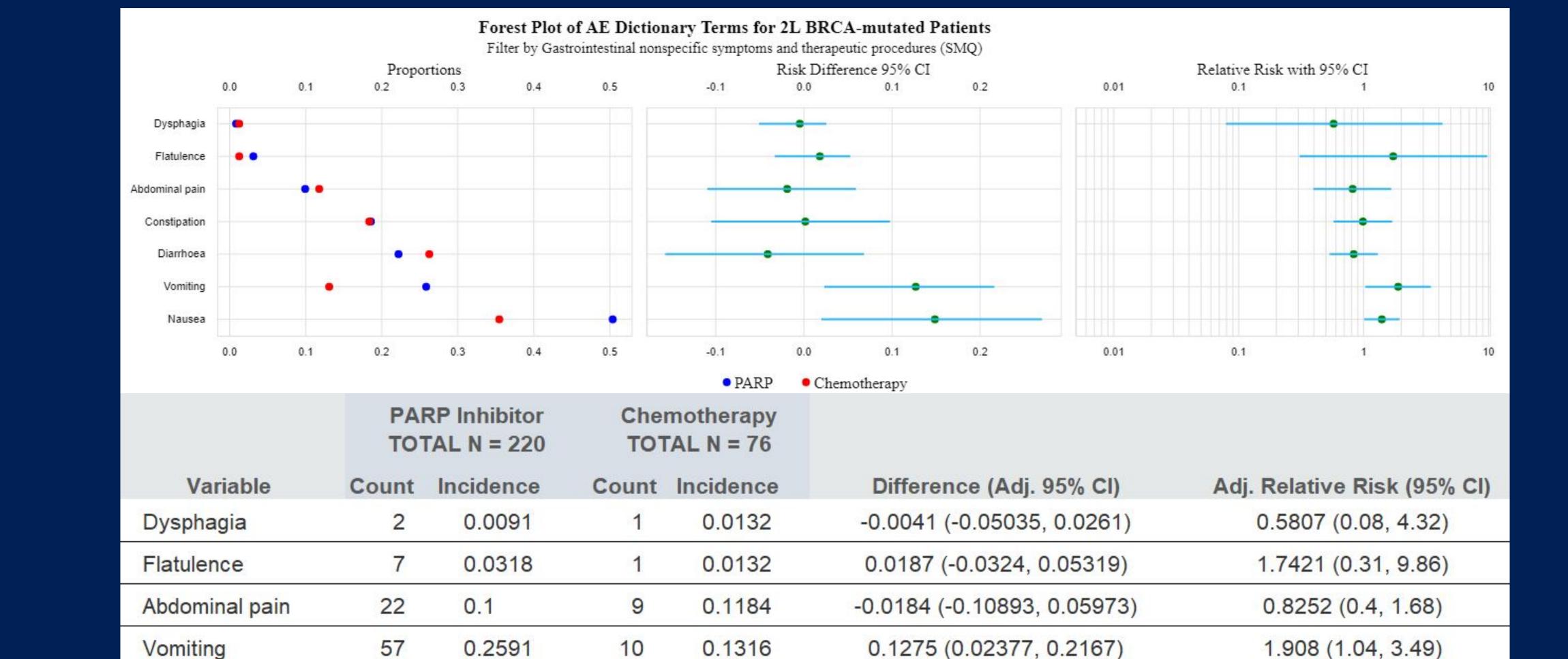
- Dynamic filtering of SCD to aid understanding contemporary mBC populations. E.g., HR+/HER2mBC contains heterogeneous subpopulations defined by treatment history (chemo eligible, CDK4/6i treated, etc.) and other factors.
- Benchmarking efficacy and safety outcomes for interpreting Ph 1b (often single-arm) studies and designing pivotal studies. HR+/HER2- mBC in particular has seen many recent shifts in standard of care increasing this need for external data sources.

## Data Domains, Variables and Example Results from Current mBC SCD (May 2019)

Complex Derived Variables Included in SCD: Accomplished by Subject Matter Experts, Algorithms & Machine Learning

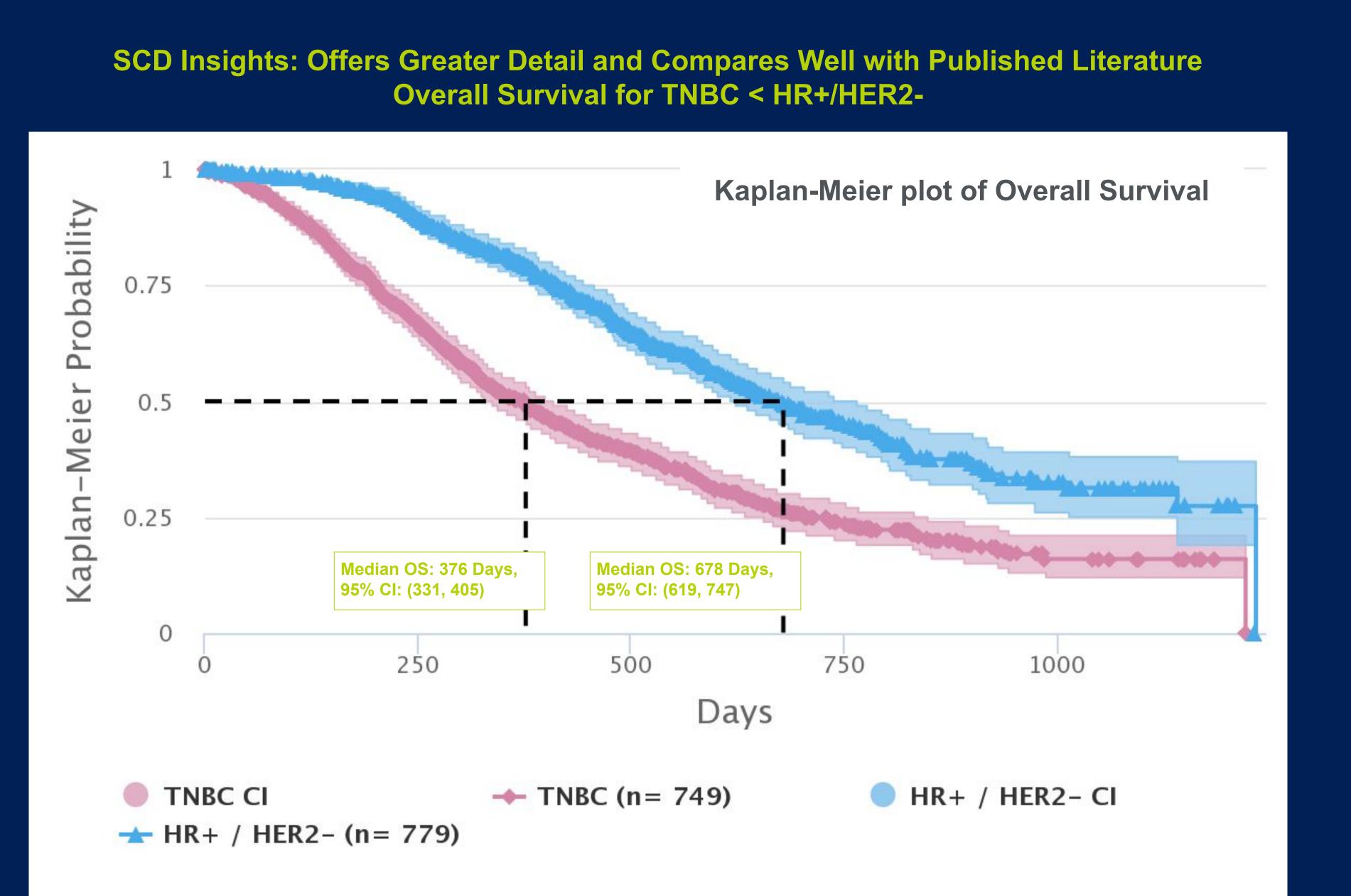


Detailed AE Info Standardized into MedDRA: Supports SMQ Filtering and Investigation of Subpopulations



Standardized Data Across Multiple Domains:
Allows Detailed Exploratory Analyses





Highly Nuanced and Complete Data in SCD:
An Advantage Over many RWD Sources

0.0022 (-0.10463, 0.09839)

0.0404 (-0.15674, 0.06873)

0.1493 (0.02039, 0.27067)

		TNBC (N = 749)	HER2- / HR+ (N = 779)	Total (N = 1528)
BRCA1 or BRCA2	Positive	379 (50.6%)	431 (55.3%)	810 (53.0%)
Derived Line of Therapy for the Current Treatment	1L	0 ( 0.0%)	114 (14.6%)	114 ( 7.5%)
	2L	328 (43.8%)	230 (29.5%)	558 (36.5%)
	2L+	265 (35.4%)	163 (20.9%)	428 (28.0%)
	3L+	156 (20.8%)	272 (34.9%)	428 (28.0%)
Assigned Treatment Arm Drug Class	Antimetabolites	146 (19.5%)	63 ( 8.1%)	209 (13.7%)
	Antimetabolites + SERD	0 ( 0.0%)	46 ( 5.9%)	46 ( 3.0%)
	Antimetabolites + Targeted-Other	37 ( 4.9%)	79 (10.1%)	116 ( 7.6%)
	Chemotherapy not otherwise specified	41 ( 5.5%)	52 ( 6.7%)	93 ( 6.1%)
	PARP inhibitors	270 (36.0%)	300 (38.5%)	570 (37.3%)
	SERD	0 ( 0.0%)	51 ( 6.5%)	51 ( 3.3%)
	SERM + Endocrine therapy not otherwise specified	0 ( 0.0%)	157 (20.2%)	157 (10.3%)
	Targeted-Other	213 (28.4%)	0 ( 0.0%)	213 (13.9%)
	Missing	42 ( 5.6%)	31 ( 4.0%)	73 ( 4.8%)
Sites of Metastases at Enrollment	Bone	138 (31.2%)	544 (70.0%)	682 (56.0%)
	Brain	95 (21.5%)	35 ( 4.5%)	130 (10.7%)
	Liver	95 (21.5%)	270 (34.7%)	365 (29.9%)
	Lung	212 (48.0%)	258 (33.2%)	470 (38.6%)
	Other	250 (56.6%)	471 (60.6%)	721 (59.1%)
Visceral Metastasis	Yes	382 (86.4%)	638 (82.1%)	1020 (83.7%)

#### **Current Status of Pilot SCD**

The SCD includes 1528 mBC patients from 5-10 Phase II & III clinical trials as of May 2019

- 779 (51%) HR+/HER2-
- 749 (49%) TNBC

The large majority (>90%) of patients are from trials in 2nd or later line of therapy.

The SCD includes >190 patient characteristic, efficacy and safety outcome variables.

Researchers access the SCD through an interactive Visualizer which allows them to generate tabular and graphical summaries.

To mitigate risk of identification of patient or trial-level results, all subject, site and sponsor data is de-identified, extreme outliers are removed, and filtered subgroups are subject to a 5/2 rule (at least 5 patients and 2 Sponsors).

#### Conclusions

SCDs have potential to aid research programs and future study designs by providing data-driven benchmarks of clinical response, outcomes and safety, insights into disease subsets and correlations between short and long-term endpoints.

Arguably SCDs provide higher level data quality and patients who are more similar to clinical trial participants than real world data (RWD).

However, questions addressed by SCDs are limited to the data collected in the underlying studies. Current restriction to openlabel studies may reduce representativeness of the SCD. Due to heterogeneity across studies in the type/format of data collected, substantial manual mapping and standardisation are required when creating the SCD. Industry standardisation (e.g., CRFs, data structure) will facilitate creation and use of SCDs.

If these challenges are addressed, possible future is for evidence from SCDs of external clinical trials to be incorporated in *regulatory decisions*:

- External control arms in uncontrolled trials or supplementary controls in partially randomised trials
- Contemporary benchmarks (in combination with other sources of evidence) for interpreting safety signals and quantifying benefit/risk in support of regulatory submissions

Disclosure

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