

# Bayesian Adaptive Designs for Clinical Trials

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Phase 2

# Why do we do clinical trials on new products?

- A. To learn if the product is safe and effective
- B. To ensure we deliver good medicine to patients
- C. To see if the results are unusual assuming the product is ineffective and unsafe
- D. To learn the probability the new drug is safe & effective

# Bayesian vs. Frequentist

- P-value =  $\Pr(\text{Data or more extreme data} \mid H_0 \text{ is true})$
- Posterior =  $\Pr(\text{Hypothesis} \mid \text{Data})$ 
  - Insensitive to study design
  - Fit one model, calculate any posterior

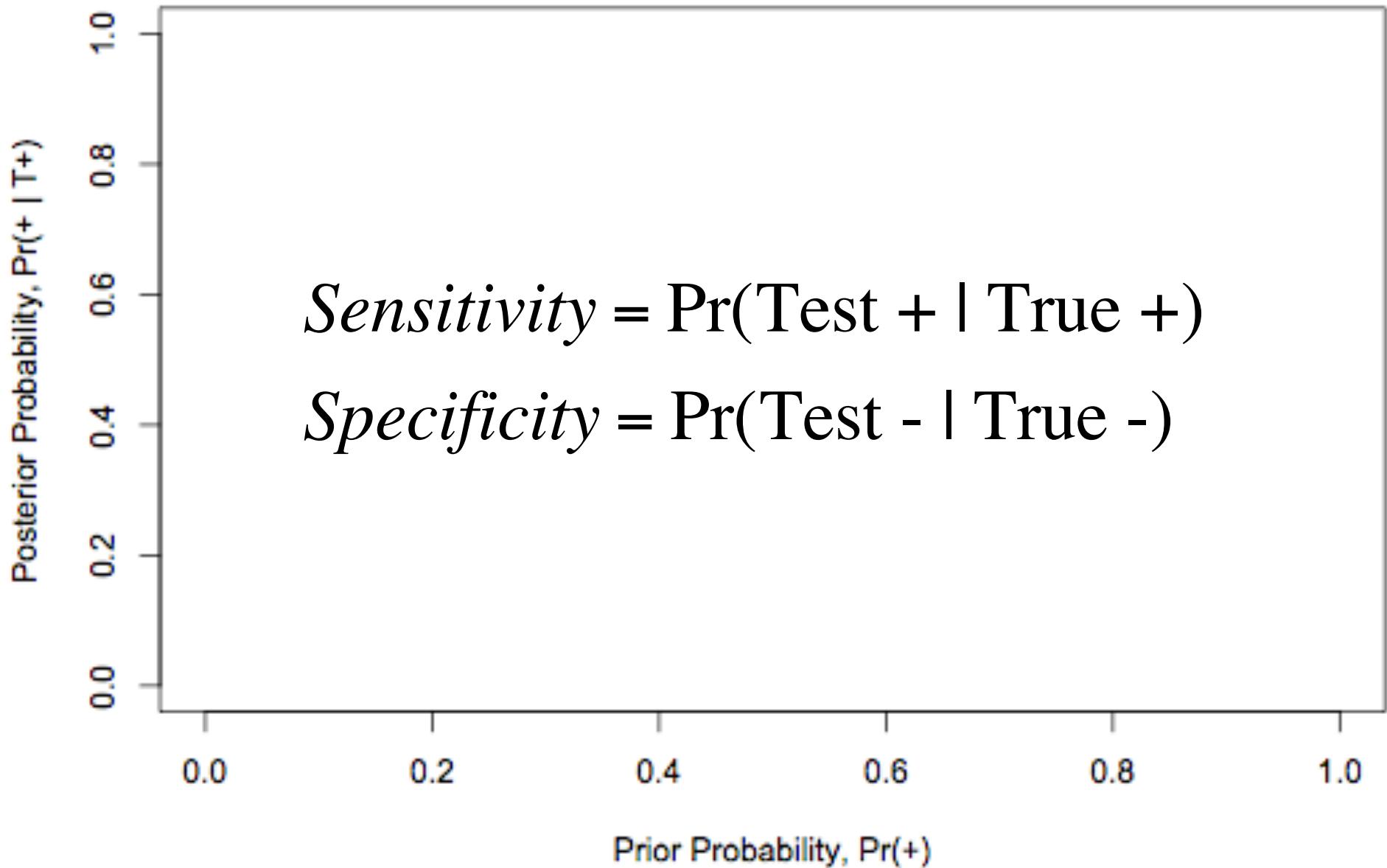
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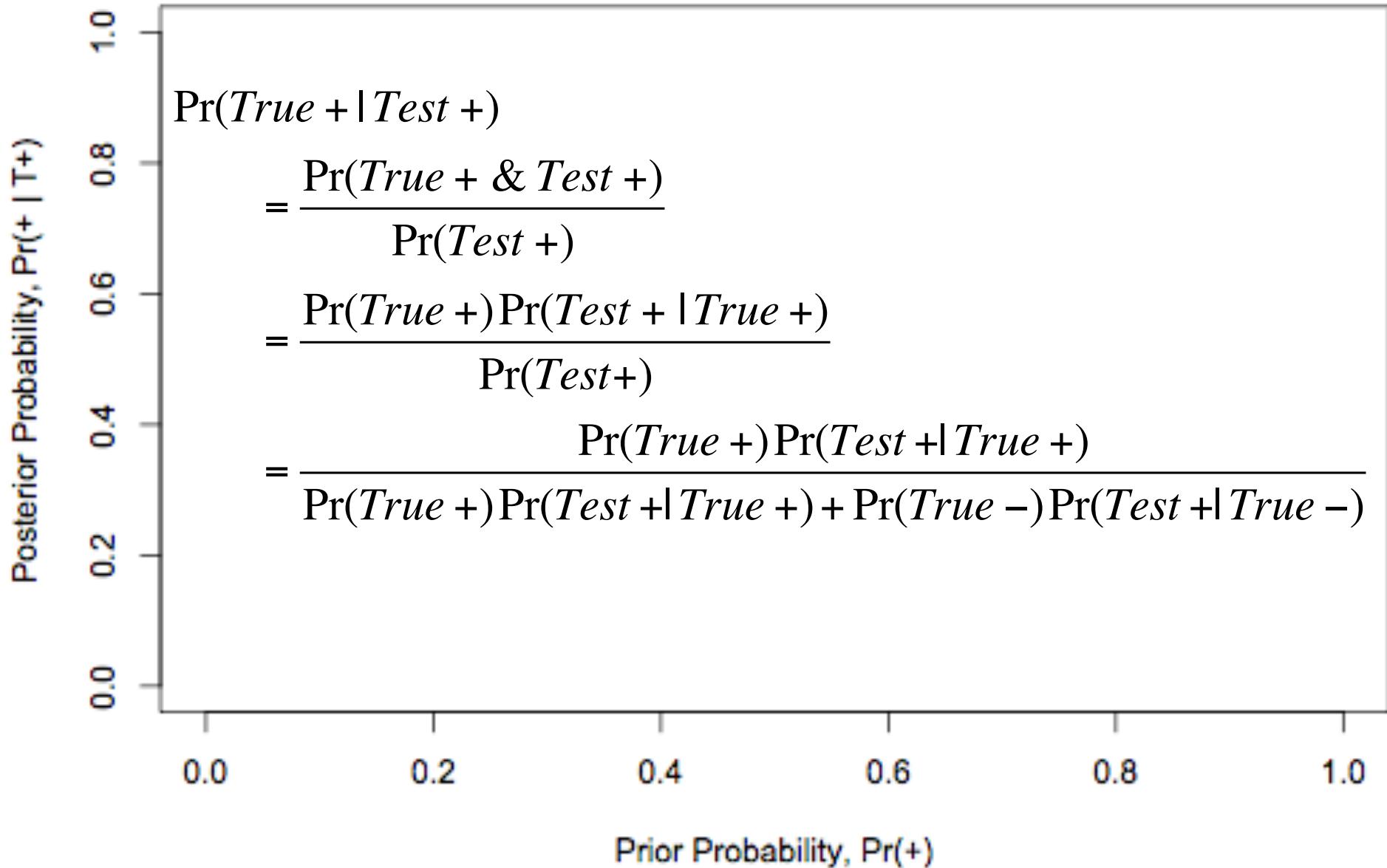
# Three people get a positive pregnancy test

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  - Sensitivity 100%, Specificity 95%
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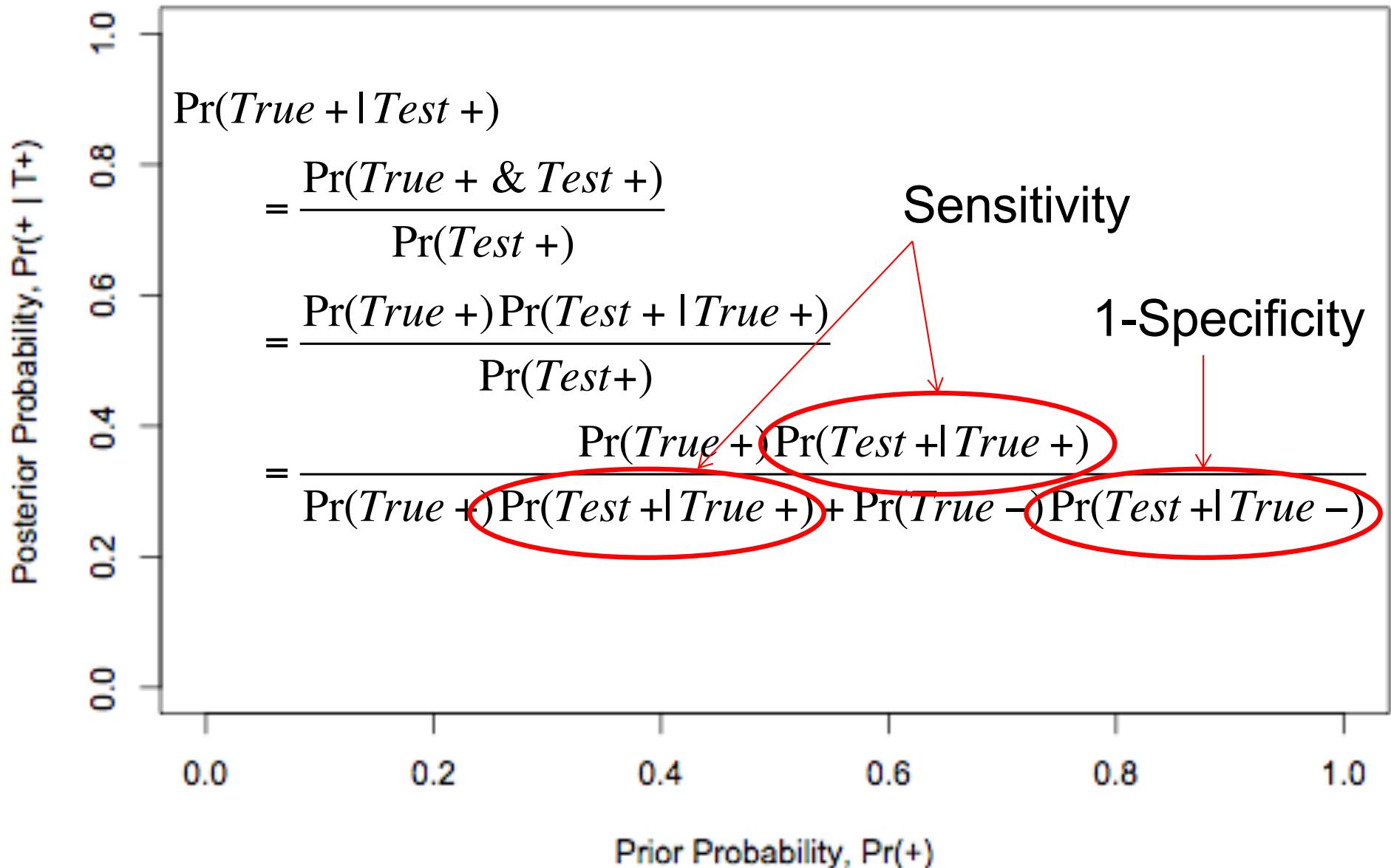
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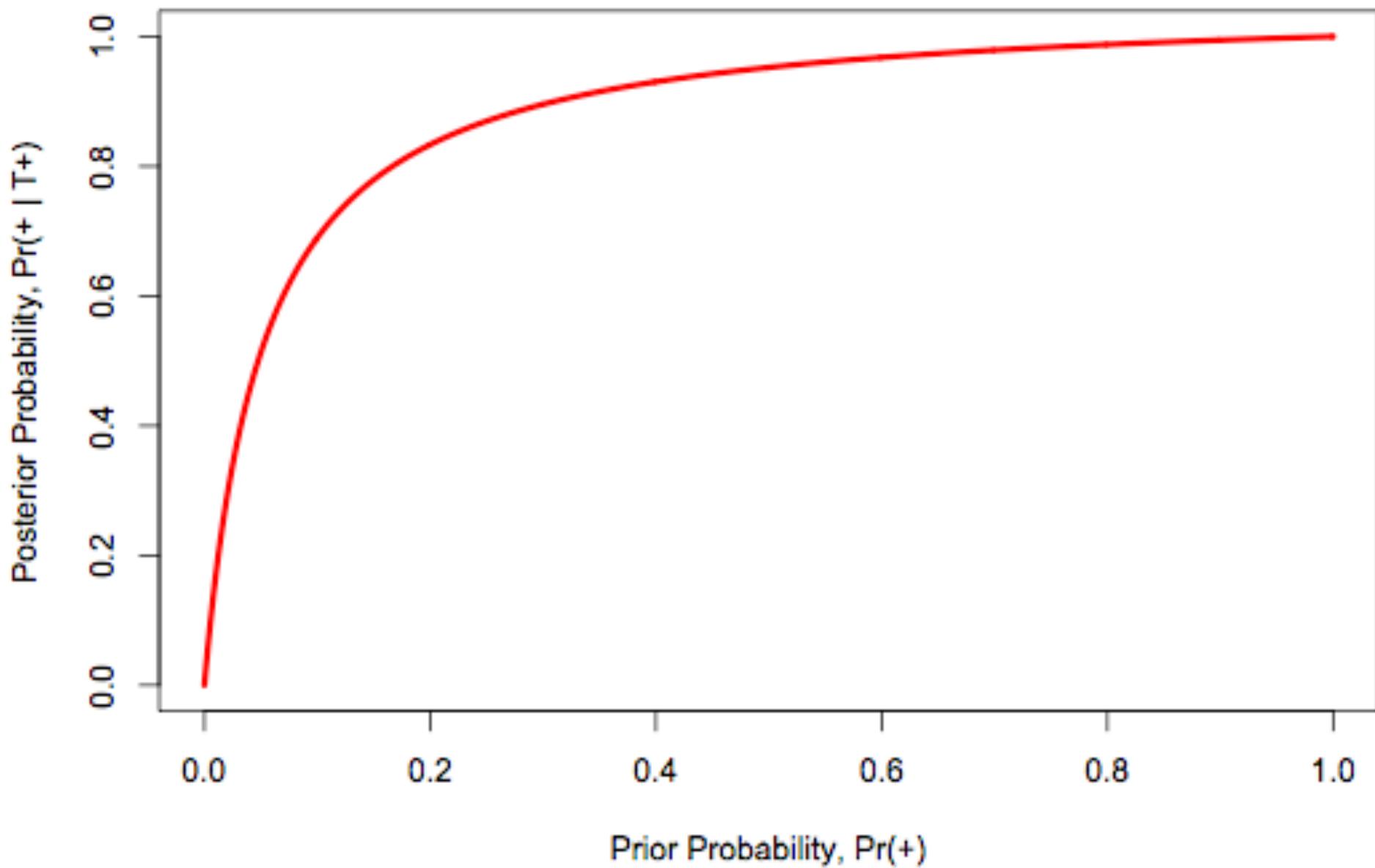
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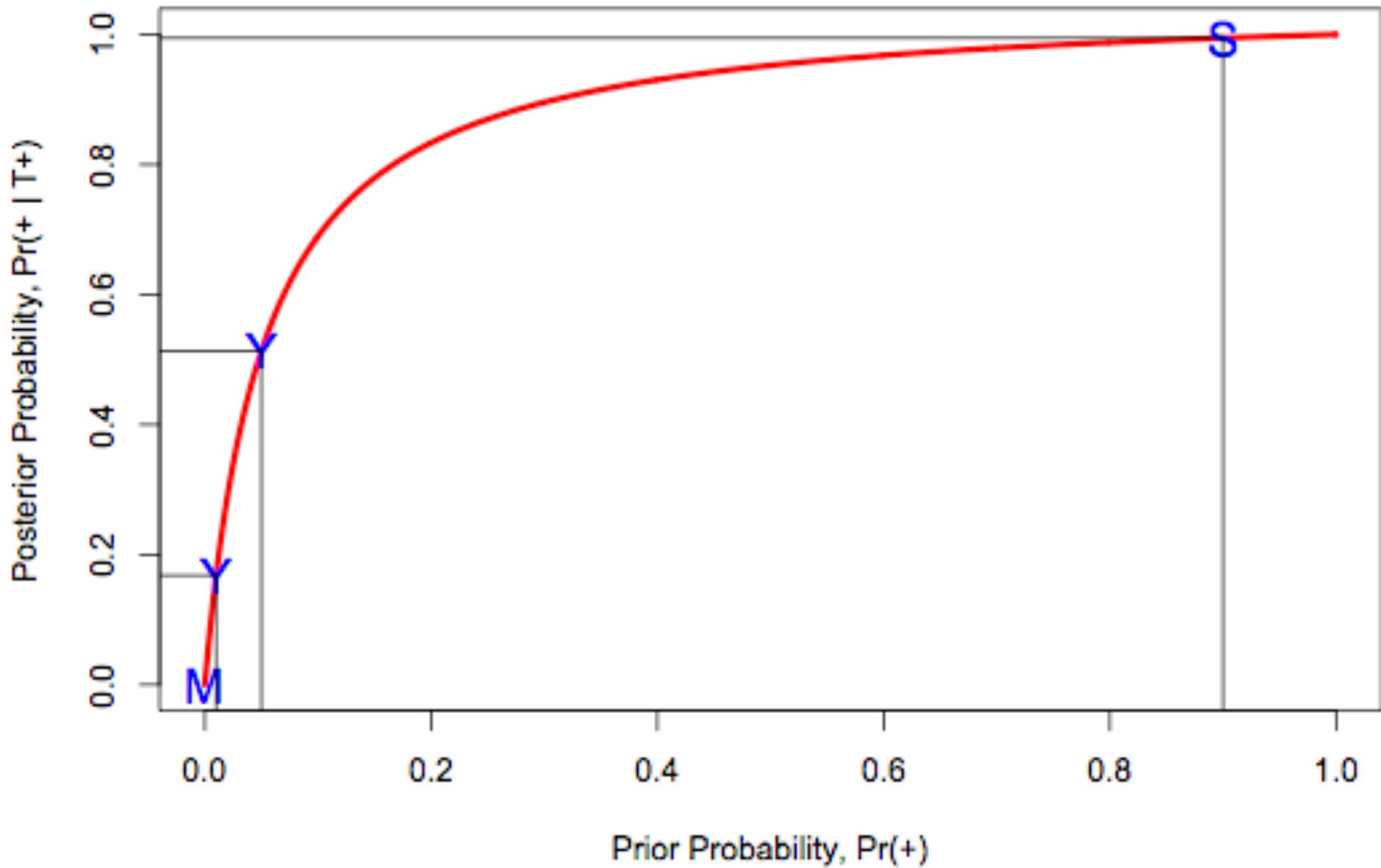
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# You read two abstracts

- A study for an experimental HIV vaccine shows that vaccinated subjects exposed to HIV were less likely to contract the disease vs. unvaccinated subjects ( $p=0.01$ )
- A study for a new experimental measles vaccine shows that vaccinated subjects exposed to measles were less likely to contract the disease vs. unvaccinated subjects ( $p=0.01$ )
- Do you believe one vaccine is more likely to work than the other?

# Phase 2 Dose Finding Trials

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- Early phase results
  - Animal studies showed promise for disease
  - Phase 1 showed non-toxic in healthy humans
- Questions for Phase 2
  - Does the treatment work in humans
  - Which dose is best
  - Which dose(s) to take to Phase 3
  - Is an dose with promising efficacy also safe
  - What is likelihood of Phase 3 success

# Adaptive Randomization Strategies

- Bandits
- Play the Winner
- Randomized Play the Winner
- Randomize  $\sim \Pr(\text{Best Treatment})$
- Randomize  $\sim f(\Pr(\text{Best Treatment}))$
- Randomize  $\sim$  Dose that gives the most information
- One of these with constraints

# Adaptation

- Multiple trial characteristics may be changed during the course of the trial based on accumulating data
- Must pre-prescribe changes
  - Available Doses
  - Randomization proportions
  - Time of interim analyses
  - Maximum sample size
  - Dose dropping rules
  - Allow doses to re-enter?

# Example In Uterine Cancer

- Phase 2 dose finding trial
- 3-armed RCT
  - Control chemotherapy
  - Control + experimental treatment q2w
  - Control + experimental treatment q1w
- Goals
  - Treat patients effectively & ethically
  - Learn about experimental treatment
  - Explore adaptive designs
    - This company's first attempt at an adaptive design

# Trial Setup

- Primary Outcome
  - Progression Free Survival (PFS)
  - $\lambda_c$  = Rate of PFS in Control population
  - $\lambda_2$  = Rate of PFS in Control + q2w population
  - $\lambda_1$  = Rate of PFS in Control + q1w population
- Expectation
  - Control mean PFS = 303 days, median = 210
  - Accrual
    - 1 patient every 3 days for first 45 pts (135 days)
    - 1 patient every 2 days thereafter
- Need to beat control by 10% to be marketable

# Factors to Consider

- Statistical Model
  - Parametric dose-response curve, non-parametric, independent arms
  - Historical vs. vague priors
- How many doses
- Maximum sample size
- Timing of first interim analysis
- Timing of subsequent interim analyses
  - Time based or patient based
- Randomization scheme
- Rules to drop doses
- Rules to allow doses to re-enter
- Rules to stop for futility
- Rules to stop for success
- How long to track patients after last patient enrolled

# Statistical Model

- Assume time-to-progression exponential
- Priors on rates:

$$\lambda_c, \lambda_2, \lambda_1 \sim \Gamma(1, 303 \text{ days})$$

- Posteriors

$$\lambda_d | \text{Data} \sim \Gamma(1 + \# \text{ Progressors}, 303 + \text{Exposure Time})$$

- Also calculate probability each dose is best

- “best” = has lowest PFS rate

- $p_c = \Pr(\lambda_c < \lambda_2 \& \lambda_c < \lambda_1)$

- $p_2 = \Pr(\lambda_2 < \lambda_c \& \lambda_2 < \lambda_1)$

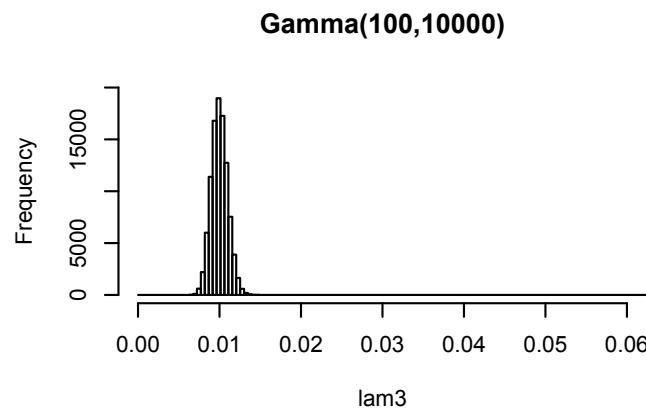
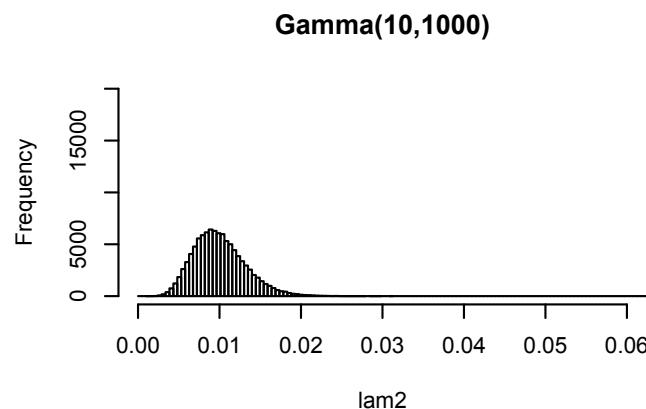
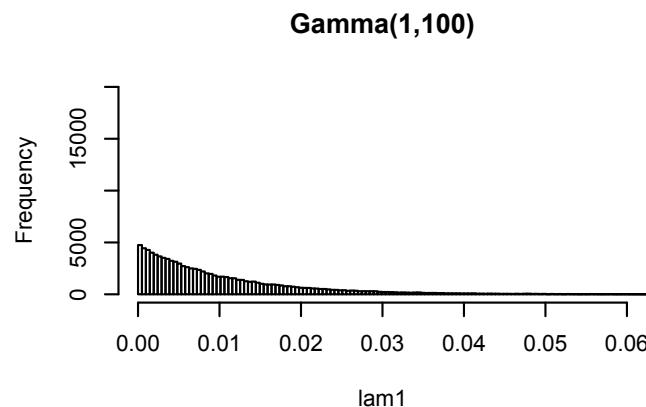
- $p_1 = \Pr(\lambda_1 < \lambda_c \& \lambda_1 < \lambda_2)$

# Example

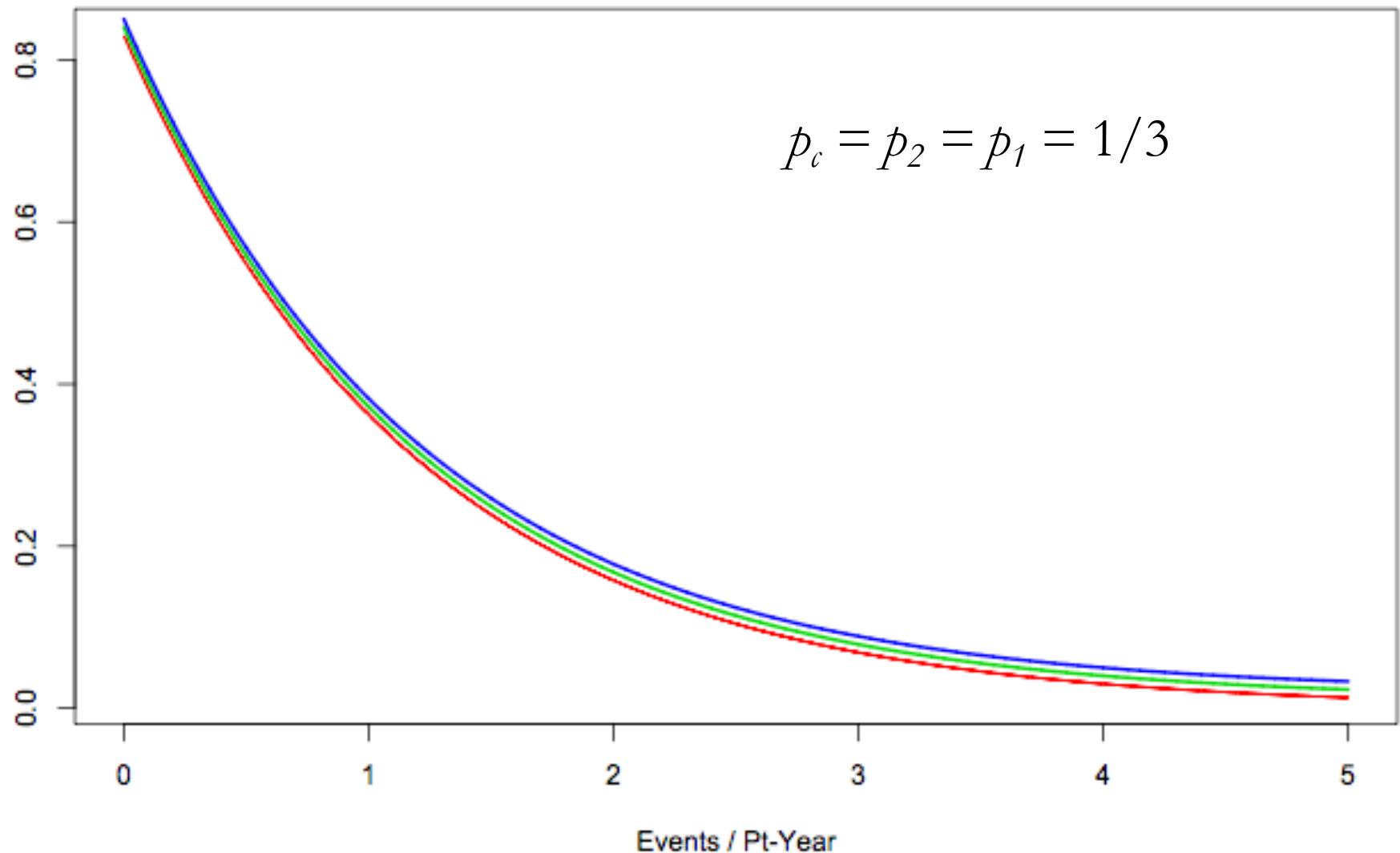
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> lam1 <- rgamma(100000,    1,    100)
> lam2 <- rgamma(100000,   10,   1000)
> lam3 <- rgamma(100000,  100, 10000)
> par(mfrow=c(3,1))

> mean(lam1 < lam2 & lam1 < lam3)
[1] 0.5738
> mean(lam2 < lam1 & lam2 < lam3)
[1] 0.24854
> mean(lam3 < lam1 & lam2 > lam3)
[1] 0.17766

>hist(lam1,breaks=seq(0,.12, length=250),
      xlim=c(0,.06), ylim=c(0,20000),
      main="Gamma(1,100)")
> hist(lam2,breaks=seq(0,.12, length=250),
      xlim=c(0,.06), ylim=c(0,20000),
      main="Gamma(10,1000)")
> hist(lam3,breaks=seq(0,.12, length=250),
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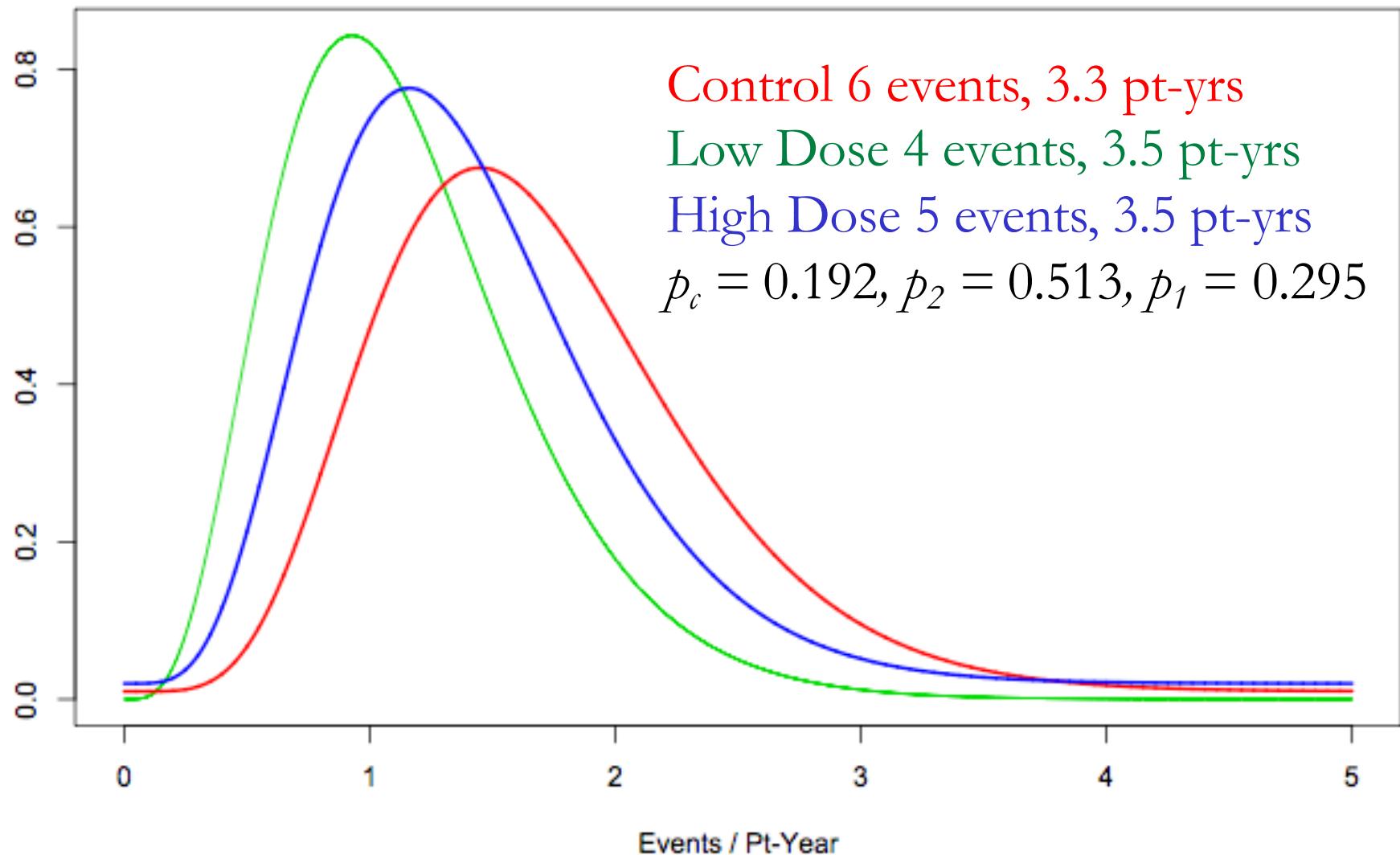
## Priors



# Statistical Summary

- Primary Outcome: Progression free survival
  - $\lambda_t$  = PFS rate for Treatment  $t$ ;  $t = A, B, C$
- Statistical Assumptions and Modeling
  - PFS distributed  $y_{i,t} \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda_t)$ ;  $t = A, B, C$
  - Priors:  $\lambda_A, \lambda_B, \lambda_C \sim \Gamma(1, 303)$ 
    - Equals 1 subject with mean 303 days
    - median = 210 days
    - Median = Mean  $\times \log(2)$  for gamma dist
  - Posteriors:
$$\lambda_t | data \sim \Gamma(1 + \# \text{Events}_t, 303 + \text{Exposure}_t)$$

## Posteriors



# Complication I'll ignore

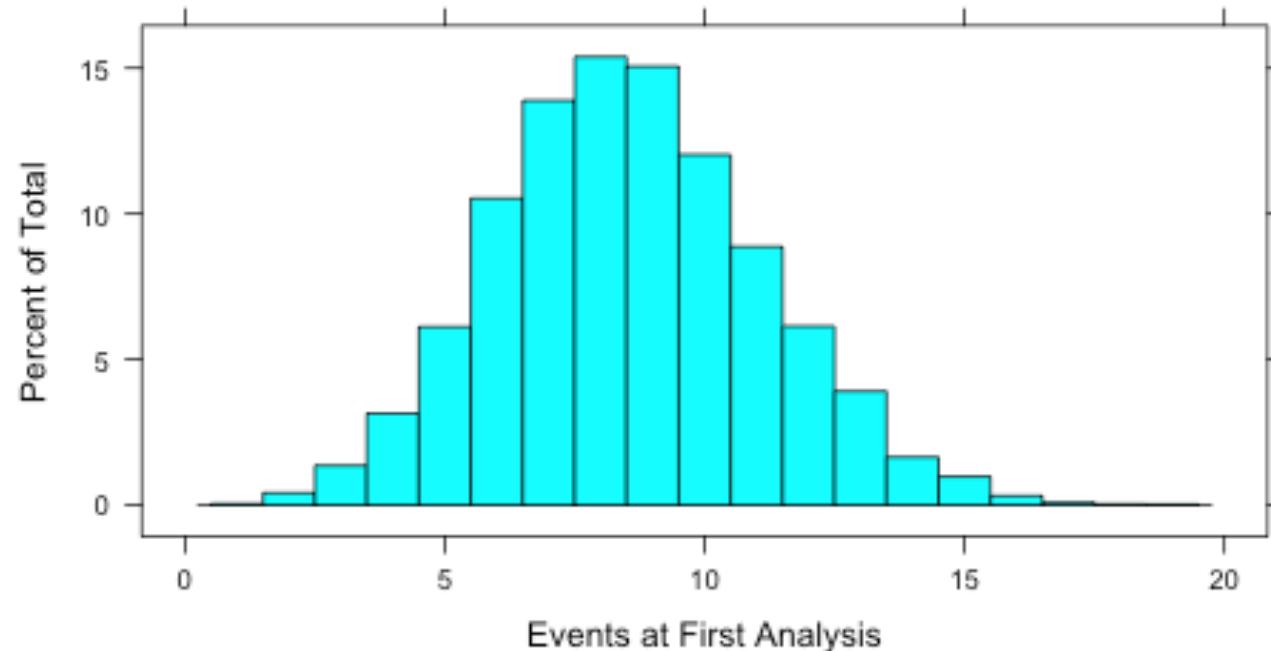
- In fact there were 2 types of patients  
platinum sensitive & platinum refractory
- Expect mean TTP shorter for refractory  
 $TTP \text{ in refractory} = 2/7 \text{ that of sensitive}$
- Model event rates as  $\gamma\lambda_d$  for refractory  
assume  $\gamma$  same across groups
- Prior on  $\log(\gamma) \sim N(0, 10^2)$
- Means we no longer have conjugate priors  
must use Metropolis-Hastings algorithm

# Maximum Sample Size

- Oftentimes determined by company resources
- Considered 150 & 195

# Timing of interim analyses

- Expected accrual rate = 3 days per patient
  - 45 patients take 135 days
  - With expected  $\lambda_c = 1/303$
  - Expect 8.5 events by 135 days
  - Median 8, IQR 7-10



# Randomization

- Randomize first 45 patients 15:15:15
- Start interim analysis after 45th patient enrolled
- Repeat interim analyses every 15 patients
  - Approximately every 1 month with expected accrual
  - This timing worked logically
  - Allowed blocks of 15 to ensure patients on each dose
- Open question: How to randomize?

# Randomization Options

- Let  $r_d$  = randomization probability to dose  $d$
- Let  $p_d$  = probability arm  $d$  has lowest (best) progression rate
- Randomization weighting by  $C$

$$r_d = \frac{p_d^C}{p_1^C + p_2^C + p_3^C + \dots + p_D^C}$$

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- $C = 0$ , equal randomization ( $r_d = 1/\text{Number of Groups}$ )
- $C = 1$ , proportional to probability best ( $r_d = p_d$ )
- $C \geq 1$ 
  - strongly favor 1 arm earlier in the trial, even when treatments are equal
  - more subjects likely assigned to the best treatment
  - $C \rightarrow$  big means assign all to best treatment, play the leader
- $0 < C < 1$ 
  - weakly favor better
  - fewer subjects likely assigned to best treatment
  - more even distribution early in trials
  - randomization less affected by early events
- $C = n/N$ , trial begins with  $c = 0$  and ends with  $c = 1$

# Rules to Stop

- When to Stop for Success?
  - If  $p_2 > 0.95$ , stop for success
  - If  $p_1 > 0.95$ , stop for success
  - Take successful dose to Phase III
- What if experimental doses equally effective?

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- What if experimental doses equally effective?
- Instead use if  $p_C < 0.10$ , stop for success?

# Rules to Stop

- When to Stop for Futility?
  - If  $p_2 < 0.05$  drop q2w arm
  - If  $p_1 < 0.05$  drop q1w arm
  - If both arms dropped, trial ends
  - Allow dropped arms to re-enter?

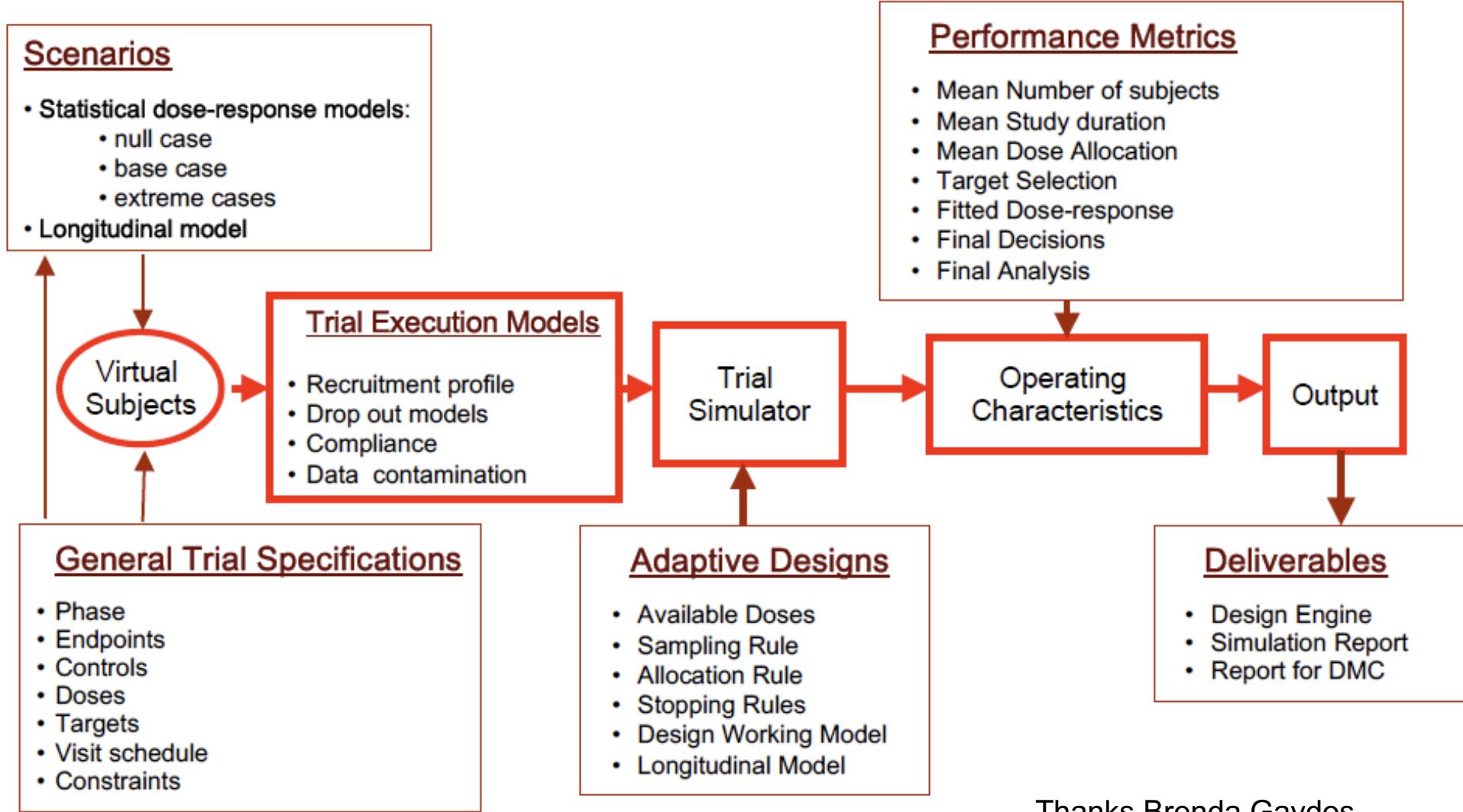
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  - If  $Pr(\lambda_c / \lambda_2 > 1.10 | \text{Data}) < 0.05$  drop q2w arm
  - If  $Pr(\lambda_c / \lambda_1 > 1.10 | \text{Data}) < 0.05$  drop q1w arm
  - If both arms dropped, trial ends
  - Allow dropped arms to re-enter? Yes

# Post Accrual Tracking

- Choose to track patients for 1-year post accrual
- 70% chance last patient will have event  
 $1 - e^{-365/303} = 0.70$
- Under assumed accrual rates & N=195, 83% of patients will have events if  $\lambda = 1/303$ .

# Simulation Plan



Thanks Brenda Gaydos

# At each interim analysis

1. Calculate:

Posteriors  $\lambda_t | data; t \in A, B, C$

$p_t = P(\text{Treatment } t \text{ is 'Best' treatment} | data)$

e.g.  $p_B = P(\lambda_B \leq \lambda_A \& \lambda_C | data)$

$P(\text{Treatment } t \text{ is } \geq 10\% \text{ better than } A | data)$

2. Check superiority and futility stopping/dropping rules
3. Randomize next 15 subjects with probability  $p_t$
4. Repeat steps 1-4 up to 195 subjects

# Simulation Output

Doing Case = 9  
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Stop for Success 0.168  
Stop for Futility 0.004  
Stop for Cap 0.828

	Name	Mean	N	% N	SD	N	Best	Win	Beat	P
Control		30.4850	0.214	10.8927	0.003	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	
Control + q2w		55.8790	0.392	19.5526	0.492	0.059	0.059	0.682	0.682	
Control + q1w		56.2410	0.394	19.0859	0.505	0.057	0.057	0.690	0.690	

Total N = 142.605 SD= 20.247  
Pr(Either Beats Placebo) = 0.853

## Max N = 150

Doing Case = 1  
 Control Mean TTP = 303.00  
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Stop for Success 0.049  
 Stop for Futility 0.073  
 Stop for Cap 0.878

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Control	47.6570	0.334	18.0027	0.342	0.000	0.000		
Control + q2w	47.0040	0.330	19.2468	0.310	0.006	0.051		
Control + q1w	47.9440	0.336	19.3273	0.348	0.008	0.052		

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 Stop for Cap 0.827

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Control	60.3100	0.333	25.4370	0.331	0.000	0.000		
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 Stop for Futility 0.002  
 Stop for Cap 0.790

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Control	<b>35.1840</b>	0.195	13.7992	0.001	0.000	0.000		
Control + q2w	72.1780	0.400	27.5021	0.491	0.047	<b>0.757</b>		
Control + q1w	72.9830	0.405	27.1835	0.508	0.053	<b>0.766</b>		

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## Max N = 195, Firstlook=90

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Stop for Success 0.057  
 Stop for Futility **0.089**  
 Stop for Cap 0.854

	Name	Mean N	% N	SD N	Best	Win	Beat	P
Control	61.4750	0.332	19.4908	0.348	0.000	0.000		
Control + q2w	62.2340	0.336	21.2199	0.322	0.005	0.042		
Control + q1w	61.6460	0.333	21.2751	0.330	0.006	0.041		

Total N = **185.355** SD= 27.081  
 Pr(Either Beats Placebo) = 0.071

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Stop for Success 0.199  
 Stop for Futility 0.000  
 Stop for Cap 0.801

	Name	Mean N	% N	SD N	Best	Win	Beat	P
Control	41.0450	<b>0.224</b>	9.0906	0.001	0.000	0.000		
Control + q2w	70.8100	<b>0.387</b>	20.6464	0.499	0.044	0.806		
Control + q1w	71.1900	<b>0.389</b>	20.7805	0.500	0.046	0.809		

Total N = **183.045** SD= 28.766  
 Pr(Either Beats Placebo) = 0.931

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Stop for Success 0.063  
Stop for Futility 0.118  
Stop for Cap 0.819

	Name	Mean N	% N	SD N	Best	Win	Beat	P
Control	60.0350	0.333	12.3501	0.352	0.000	0.000		
Control + q2w	60.0350	0.333	12.3501	0.331	0.009	0.044		
Control + q1w	60.0350	0.333	12.3501	0.317	0.008	0.048		

Total N = 180.105 SD= 37.050  
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Stop for Futility 0.004  
Stop for Cap 0.801

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Control	60.3950	0.333	11.0779	0.003	0.000	0.000		
Control + q2w	60.3950	0.333	11.0779	0.488	0.046	0.828		
Control + q1w	60.3950	0.333	11.0779	0.509	0.047	0.828		

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Control + q2w	61.6800	0.336	45.8555	0.339	0.009	0.061		
Control + q1w	61.2900	0.334	45.4790	0.314	0.002	0.057		

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Control + q2w Mean TTP = 606.00  
Control + q1w Mean TTP = 606.00

Stop for Success 0.201  
Stop for Futility 0.003  
Stop for Cap 0.796

	Name	Mean N	% N	SD N	Best	Win	Beat	P
Control	24.1950	0.134	18.5007	0.004	0.000	0.000		
Control + q2w	78.3450	0.435	51.8603	0.498	0.049	0.570		
Control + q1w	77.7000	0.431	50.7603	0.498	0.043	0.561		

Total N = 180.240 SD= 34.519  
Pr(Either Beats Placebo) = 0.772

## Max N = 195, c = $\infty$

Doing Case = 1  
Control Mean TTP = 303.00  
Control + q2w Mean TTP = 303.00  
Control + q1w Mean TTP = 303.00

Stop for Success 0.047  
Stop for Futility 0.092  
Stop for Cap 0.861

	Name	Mean	N	%N	SD	N	Best	Win	Beat	P
Control		60.4500	0.330	43.6835	0.347	0.000	0.000			
Control + q2w		61.6800	0.336	45.8555	0.339	0.009	0.061			
Control + q1w		61.2900	0.334	45.4790	0.314	0.002	0.057			

Total N = 183.420 SD= 32.733  
Pr(Either Beats Placebo) = 0.092

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Doing Case = 9  
Control Mean TTP = 303.00  
Control + q2w Mean TTP = 606.00  
Control + q1w Mean TTP = 606.00

Stop for Success 0.201  
Stop for Futility 0.003  
Stop for Cap 0.796

	Name	Mean	N	% N	SD	N	Best	Win	Beat	P
Control		24.1950	0.134	18.5007	0.004	0.000	0.000			
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Total N = 180.240 SD= 34.519  
Pr(Either Beats Placebo) = 0.772

## Max N = 195, c = $\infty$ , every 1

Doing Case = 1  
Control Mean TTP = 303.00  
Control + q2w Mean TTP = 303.00  
Control + q1w Mean TTP = 303.00

Stop for Success 0.099  
Stop for Futility 0.120  
Stop for Cap 0.781

	Name	Mean	N	% N	SD	N	Best	Win	Beat	P
Control		55.6170	0.319	40.6723	0.311	0.000	0.000			
Control + q2w		61.1370	0.350	45.0447	0.352	0.006	0.047			
Control + q1w		57.8350	0.331	44.5945	0.337	0.006	0.049			

Total N = 174.589 SD= 44.094  
Pr(Either Beats Placebo) = 0.081

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Stop for Success 0.263  
Stop for Futility 0.004  
Stop for Cap 0.733

	Name	Mean	N	% N	SD	N	Best	Win	Beat	P
Control		23.5280	0.136	17.2205	0.004	0.000	0.000			
Control + q2w		75.4290	0.435	49.9018	0.514	0.043	0.582			
Control + q1w		74.5200	0.430	50.4509	0.482	0.046	0.581			

Total N = 173.477 SD= 42.012  
Pr(Either Beats Placebo) = 0.770

## Max N = 195, c = 1

Doing Case = 1  
Control Mean TTP = 303.00  
Control + q2w Mean TTP = 303.00  
Control + q1w Mean TTP = 303.00

Stop for Success 0.070  
Stop for Futility 0.103  
Stop for Cap 0.827

	Name	Mean N	% N	SD N	Best	Win	Beat	P
Control	60.3100	0.333	25.4370	0.331	0.000	0.000		
Control + q2w	60.9040	0.336	28.1304	0.346	0.009	0.063		
Control + q1w	59.9710	0.331	27.7830	0.323	0.006	0.061		

Total N = 181.185 SD= 35.625  
Pr(Either Beats Placebo) = 0.102

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Doing Case = 9  
Control Mean TTP = 303.00  
Control + q2w Mean TTP = 606.00  
Control + q1w Mean TTP = 606.00

Stop for Success 0.208  
Stop for Futility 0.002  
Stop for Cap 0.790

	Name	Mean N	% N	SD N	Best	Win	Beat	P
Control	35.1840	0.195	13.7992	0.001	0.000	0.000		
Control + q2w	72.1780	0.400	27.5021	0.491	0.047	0.757		
Control + q1w	72.9830	0.405	27.1835	0.508	0.053	0.766		

Total N = 180.345 SD= 33.923  
Pr(Either Beats Placebo) = 0.907

## Max N = 195, c = n/N

Doing Case = 1  
Control Mean TTP = 303.00  
Control + q2w Mean TTP = 303.00  
Control + q1w Mean TTP = 303.00

Stop for Success 0.070  
Stop for Futility 0.106  
Stop for Cap 0.824

	Name	Mean N	% N	SD N	Best	Win	Beat	P
Control	61.3110	0.340	19.6030	0.335	0.000	0.000		
Control + q2w	59.4440	0.330	22.8840	0.344	0.006	0.048		
Control + q1w	59.6200	0.331	22.5230	0.321	0.007	0.049		

Total N = 180.375 SD= 36.095  
Pr(Either Beats Placebo) = 0.083

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Doing Case = 9  
Control Mean TTP = 303.00  
Control + q2w Mean TTP = 606.00  
Control + q1w Mean TTP = 606.00

Stop for Success 0.212  
Stop for Futility 0.001  
Stop for Cap 0.787

	Name	Mean N	% N	SD N	Best	Win	Beat	P
Control	40.8990	0.226	12.3915	0.000	0.000	0.000		
Control + q2w	70.4020	0.389	21.1026	0.523	0.055	0.810		
Control + q1w	69.4940	0.384	20.5548	0.477	0.063	0.804		

Total N = 180.795 SD= 33.749  
Pr(Either Beats Placebo) = 0.937

## Max N = 195, c = 1

Doing Case = 1  
 Control Mean TTP = 303.00  
 Control + q2w Mean TTP = 303.00  
 Control + q1w Mean TTP = 303.00

Stop for Success 0.070  
 Stop for Futility 0.103  
 Stop for Cap 0.827

	Name	Mean N	% N	SD N	Best	Win	Beat	P
Control	60.3100	0.333	25.4370	0.331	0.000	0.000		
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Total N = 181.185 SD= 35.625  
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Stop for Success 0.208  
 Stop for Futility 0.002  
 Stop for Cap 0.790

	Name	Mean N	% N	SD N	Best	Win	Beat	P
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## Max N = 195, c = n/N

Doing Case = 1  
 Control Mean TTP = 303.00  
 Control + q2w Mean TTP = 303.00  
 Control + q1w Mean TTP = 303.00

Stop for Success 0.070  
 Stop for Futility 0.106  
 Stop for Cap 0.824

	Name	Mean N	% N	SD N	Best	Win	Beat	P
Control	61.3110	0.340	19.6030	0.335	0.000	0.000		
Control + q2w	59.4440	0.330	22.8840	0.344	0.006	0.048		
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Doing Case = 9  
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Stop for Success 0.212  
 Stop for Futility 0.001  
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	Name	Mean N	% N	SD N	Best	Win	Beat	P
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Total N = 180.795 SD= 33.749  
 Pr(Either Beats Placebo) = 0.937

Fixed was 60

# Design Parameters

- First look @ 45
- Interim analyses every 15 patients
- Maximum = 195 patients
- Success
  - If  $P_2 > 0.95$ , stop for success
  - If  $P_1 > 0.95$ , stop for success
  - Take successful dose to Phase III
- Futility
  - If  $Pr(\lambda_c / \lambda_2 > 1.10 | \text{Data}) < 0.05$  drop q2w arm
  - If  $Pr(\lambda_c / \lambda_1 > 1.10 | \text{Data}) < 0.05$  drop q1w arm
  - If both arms dropped, trial ends

# Show Individual Trials

- Best way to illustrate the adaptive design is to show example trials to collaborators

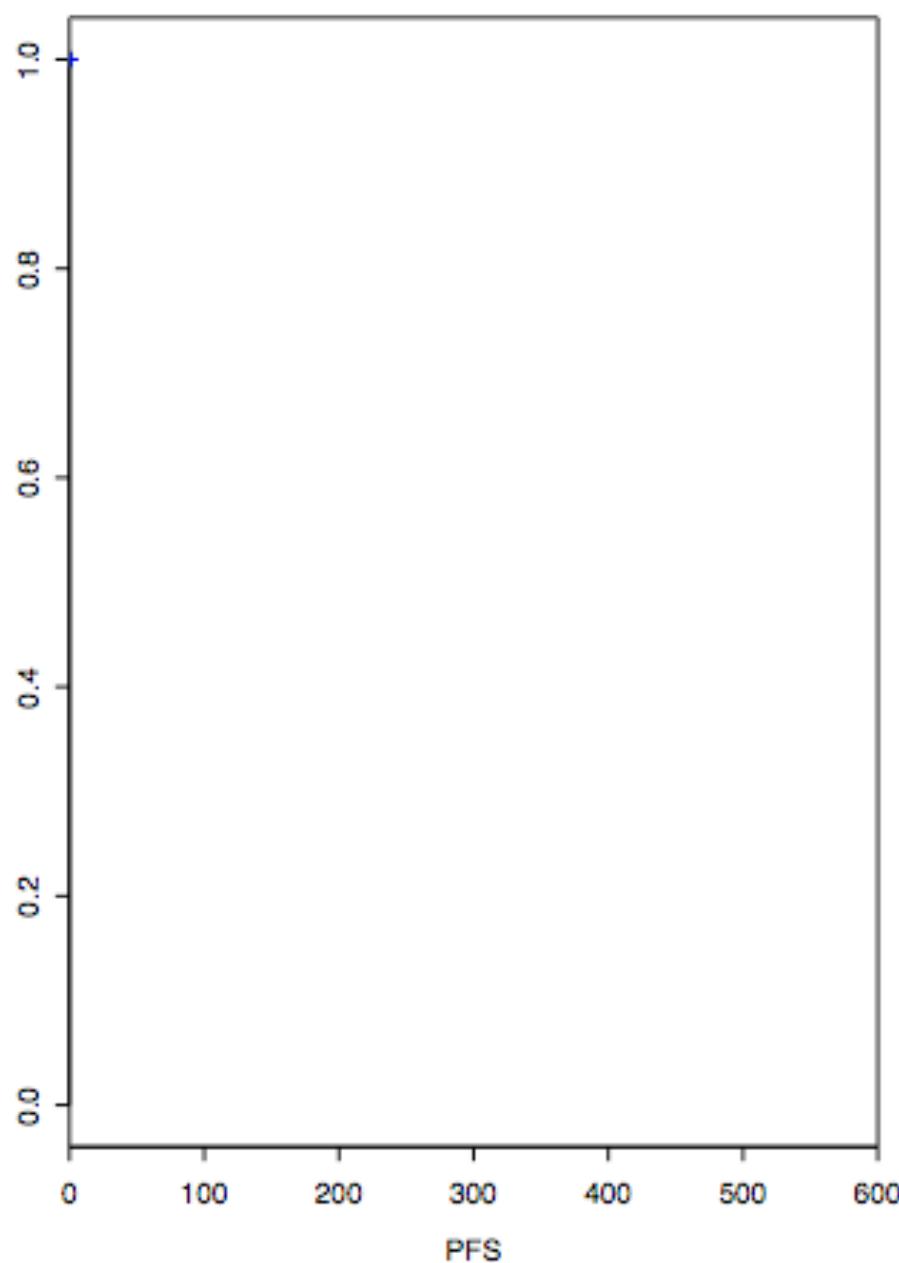
# Show Individual Trials

- Best way to illustrate the adaptive design is to show example trials to collaborators
- GREAT for debugging!

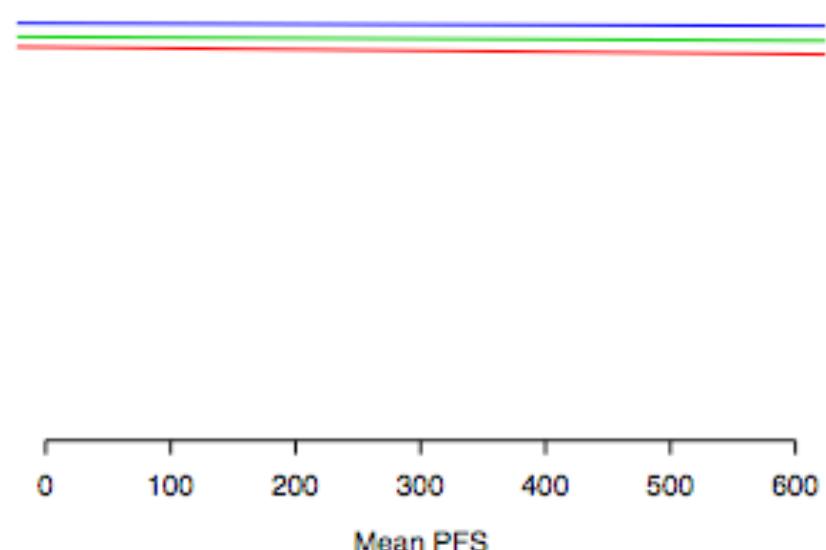
# Simulation #1

- Mean Progression Free Survival
  - Control = 303 days
  - Control + q2w = 303 days
  - Control + q1w = 303 days
- Accrual rate
  - 1 patient every 3 days for first 45 patients ( $\sim 4$ mo)
  - 1 patient every 2 days thereafter
  - 435 days for 195 patients = 14.3 months
  - 1 year follow-up = 26.3 months

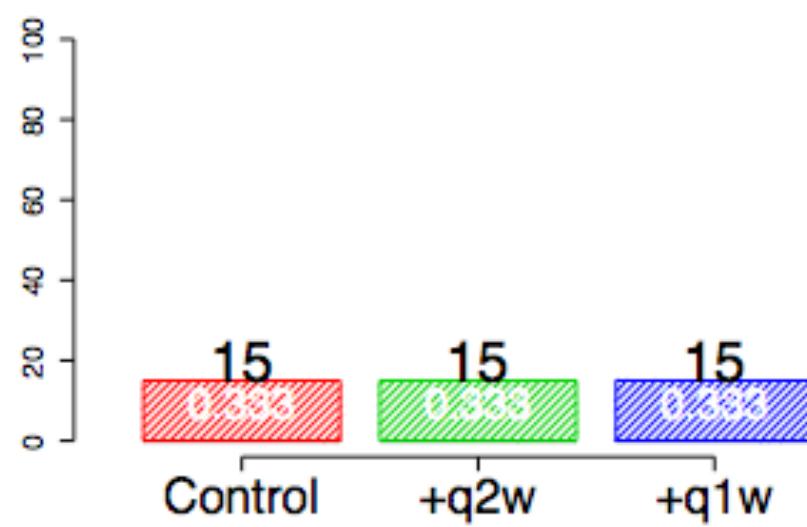
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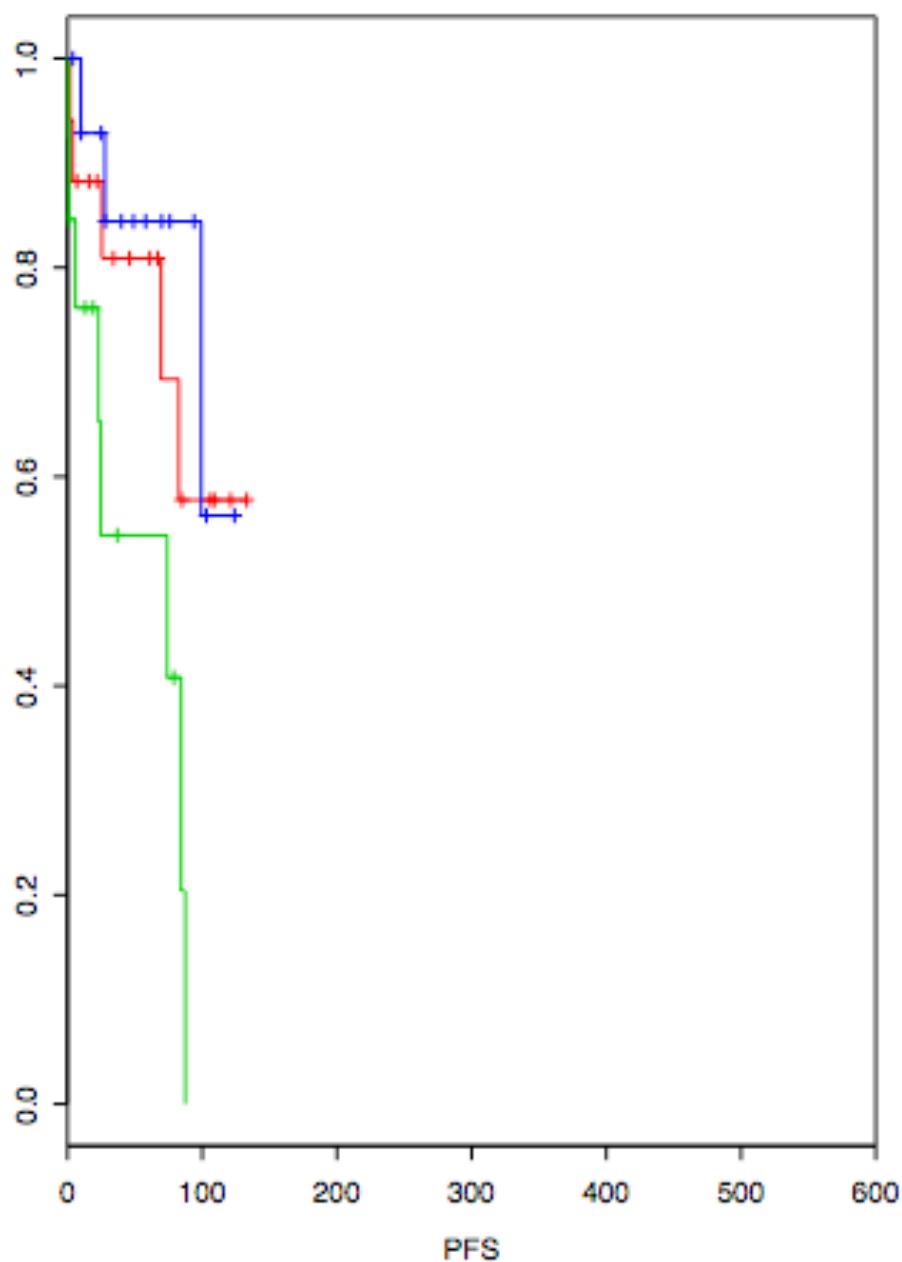
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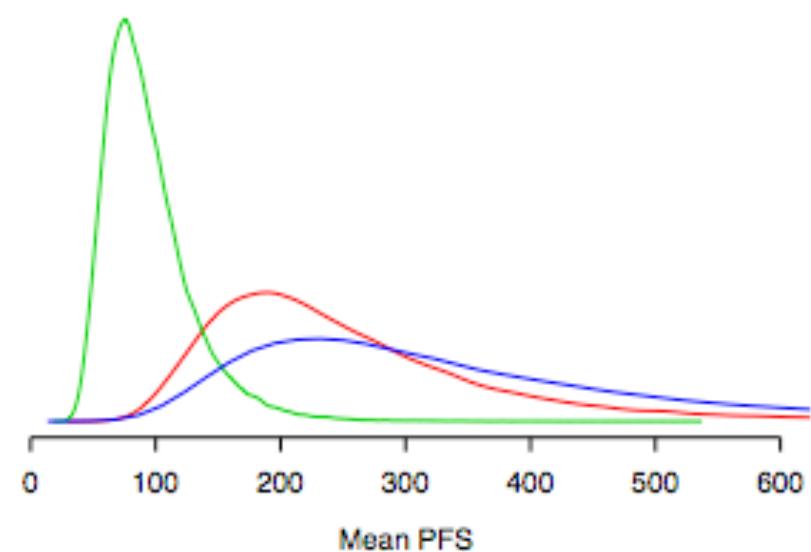
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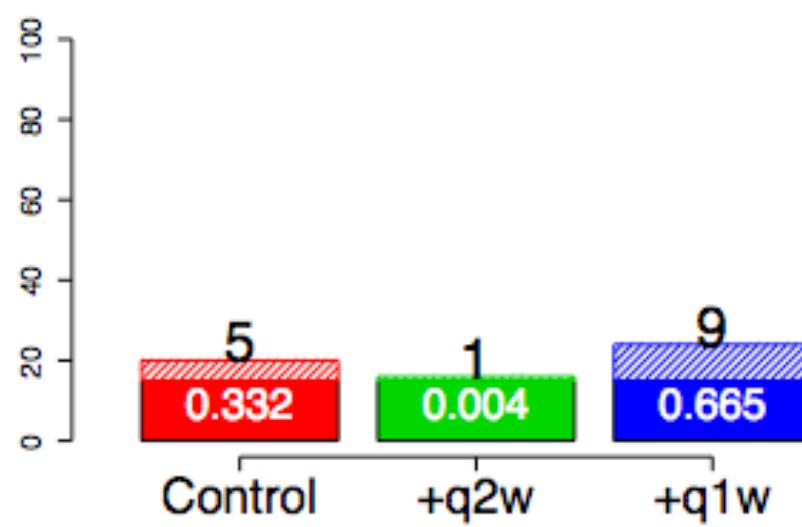
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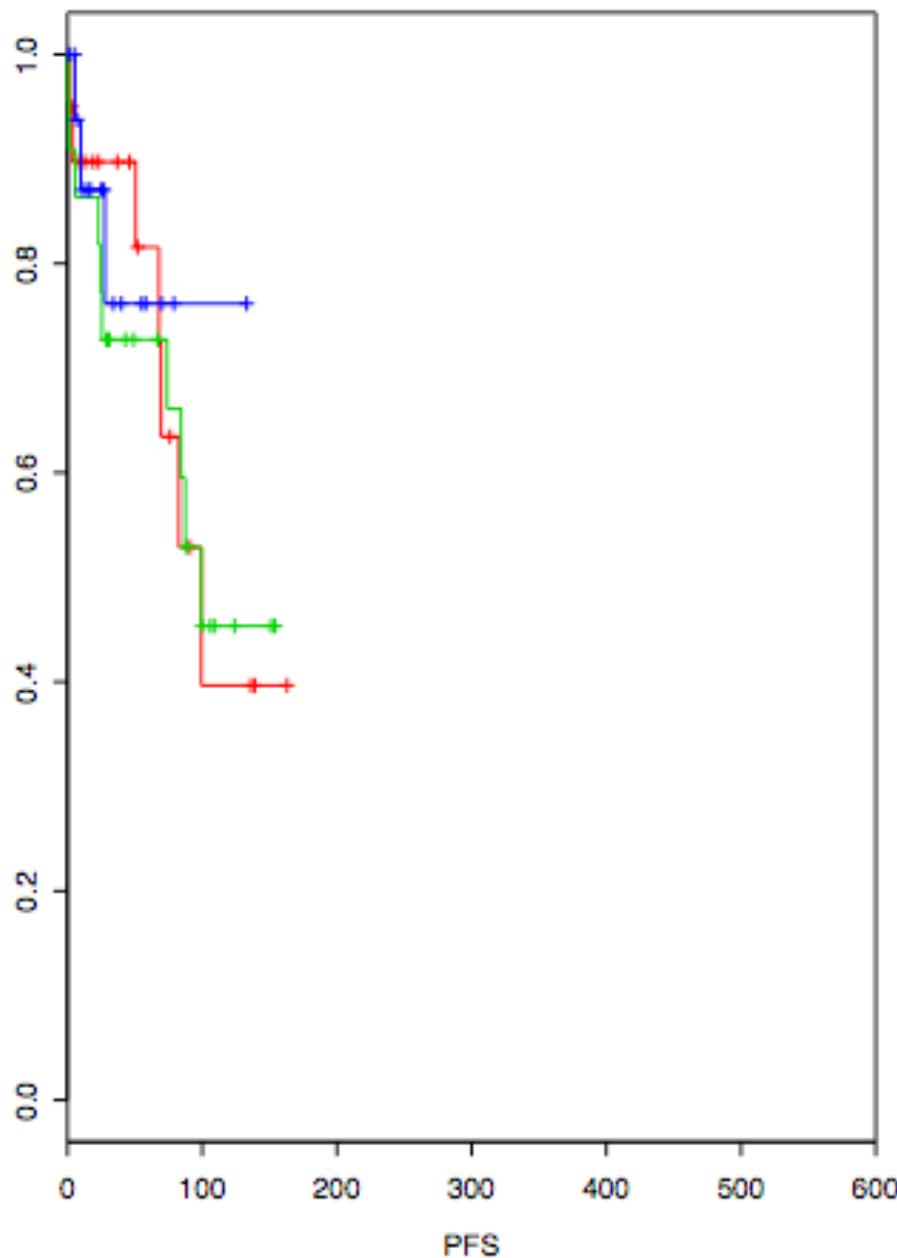
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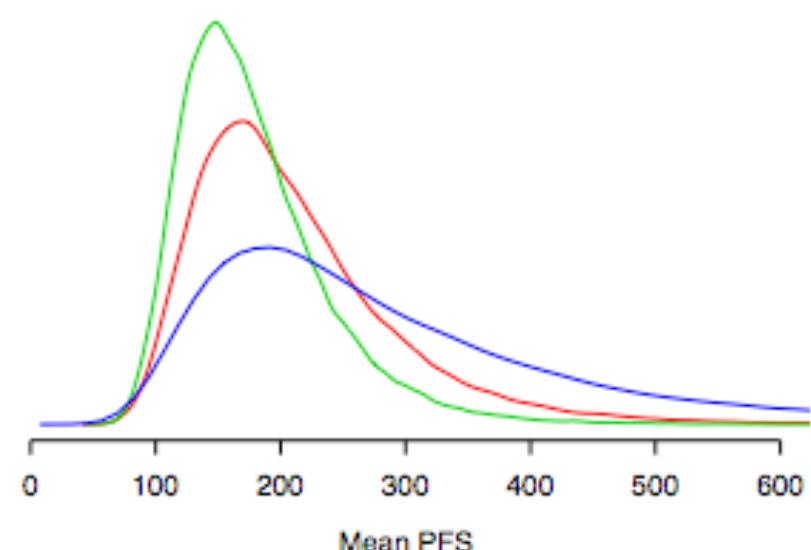
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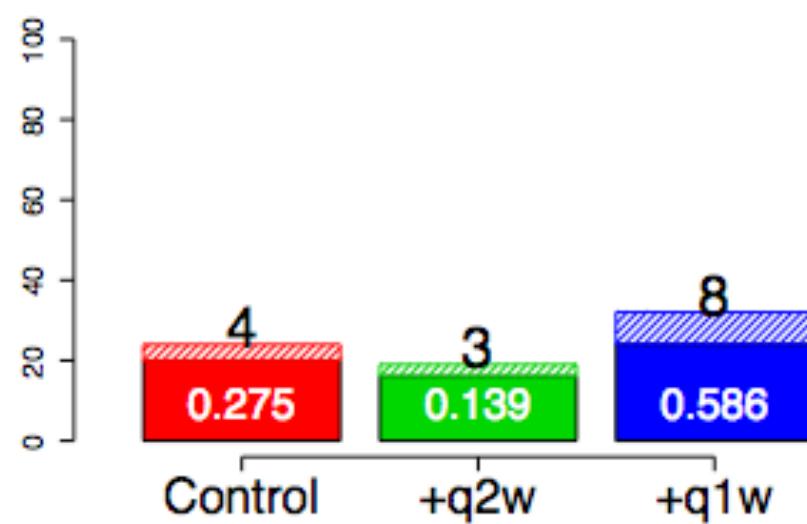
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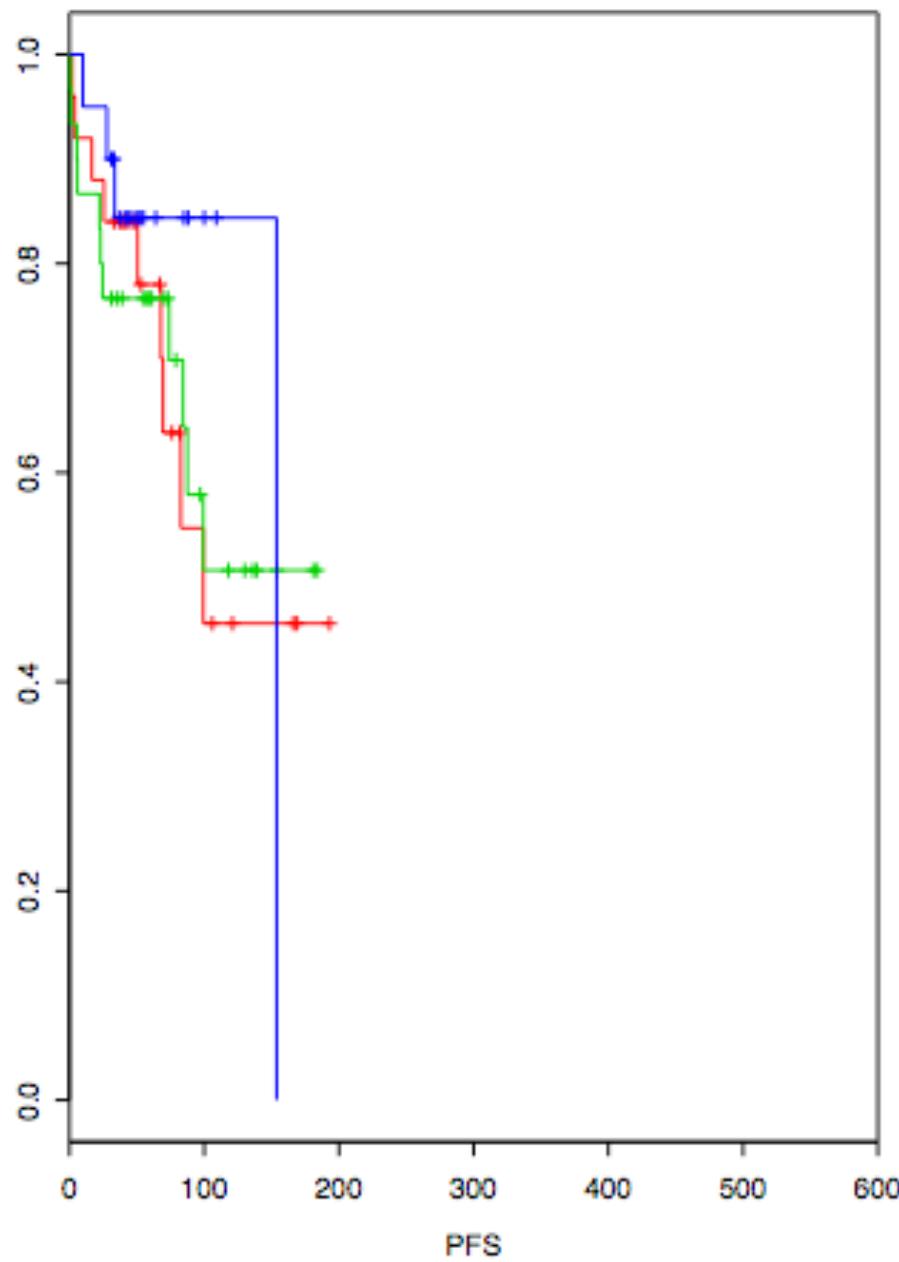
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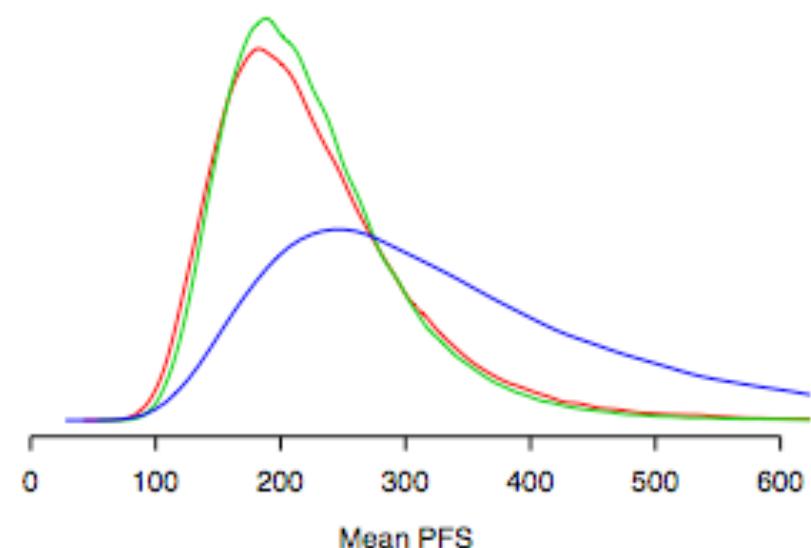
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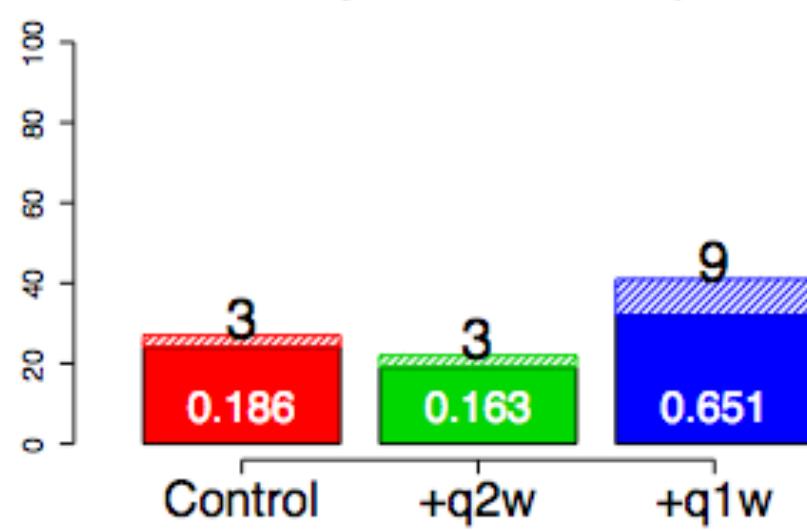
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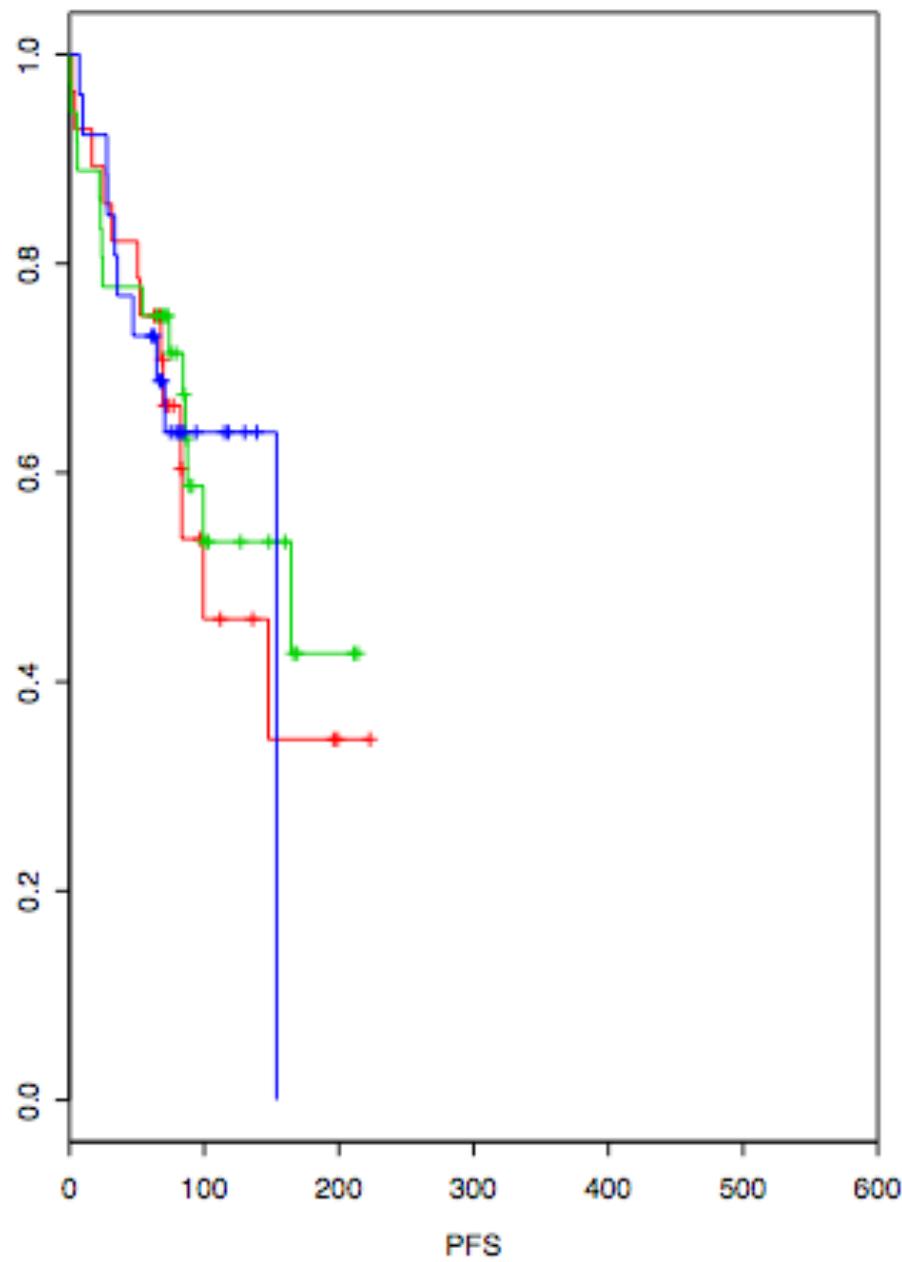
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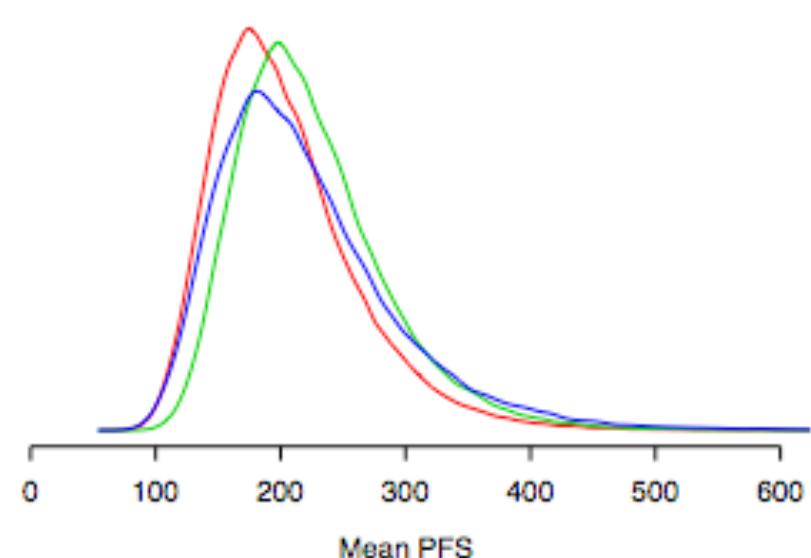
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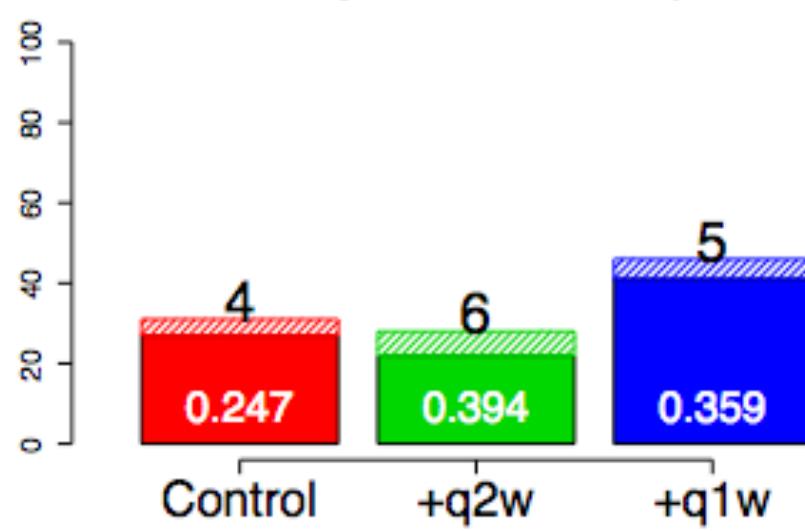
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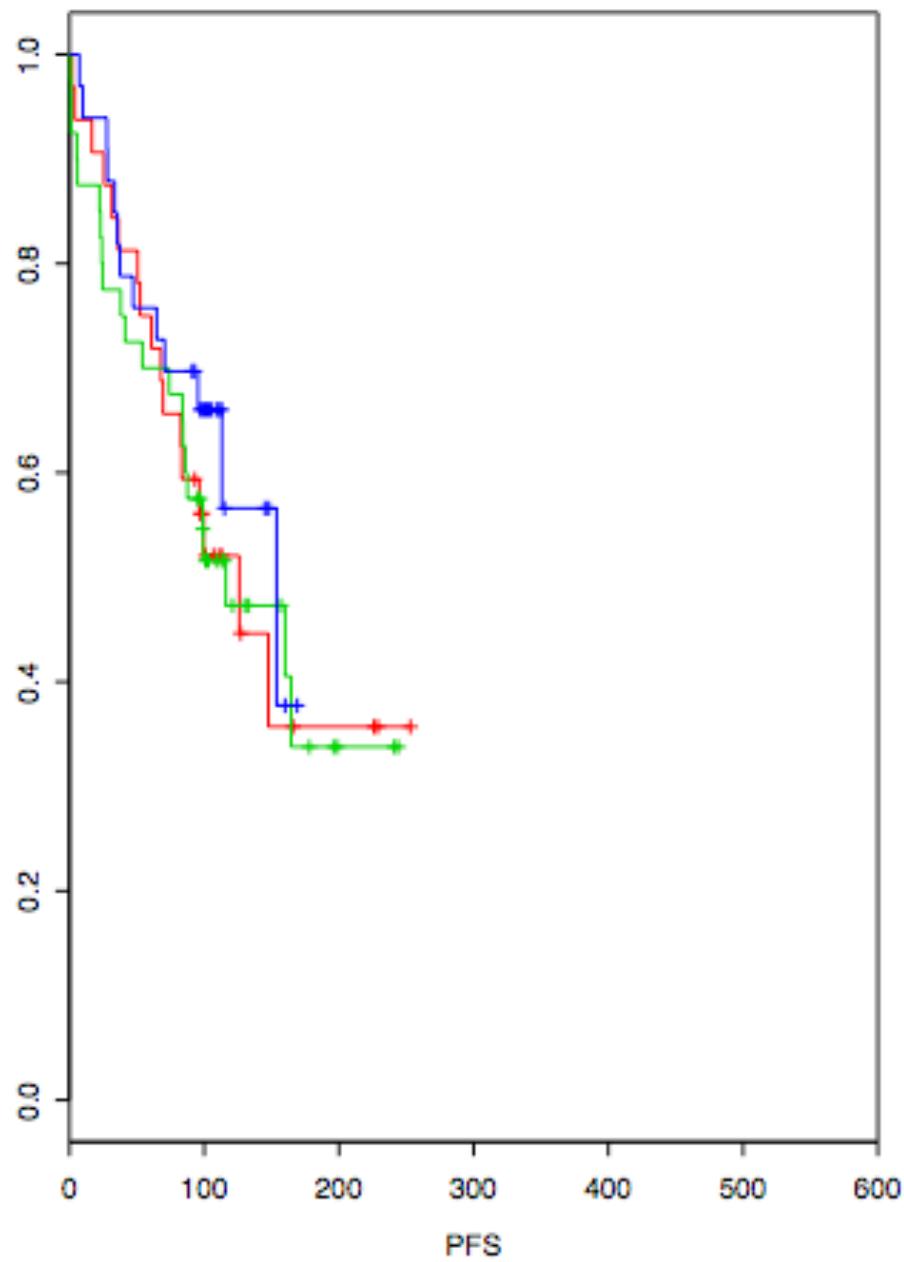
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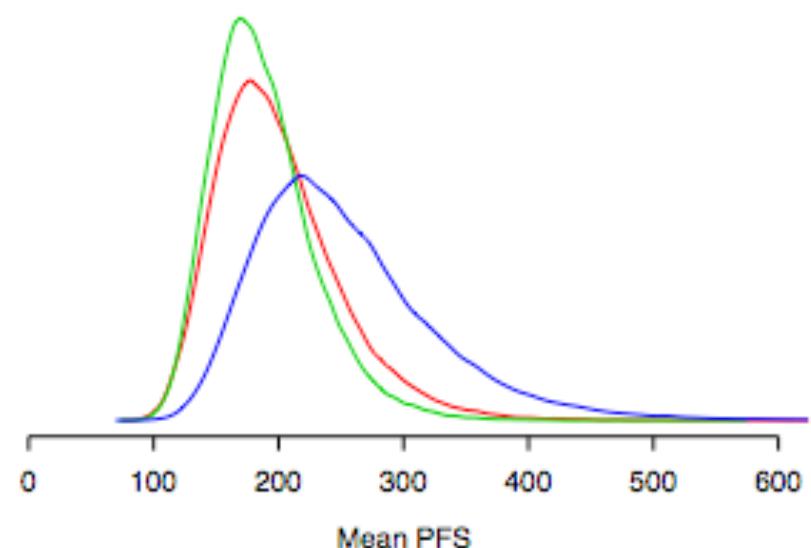
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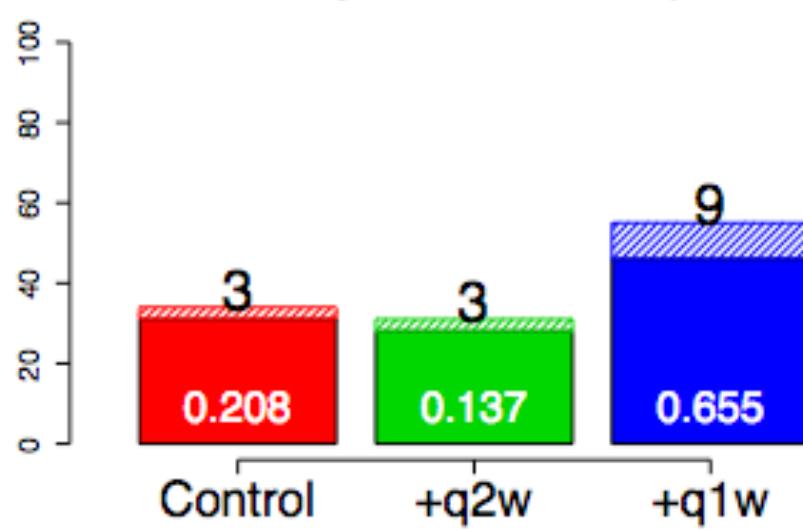
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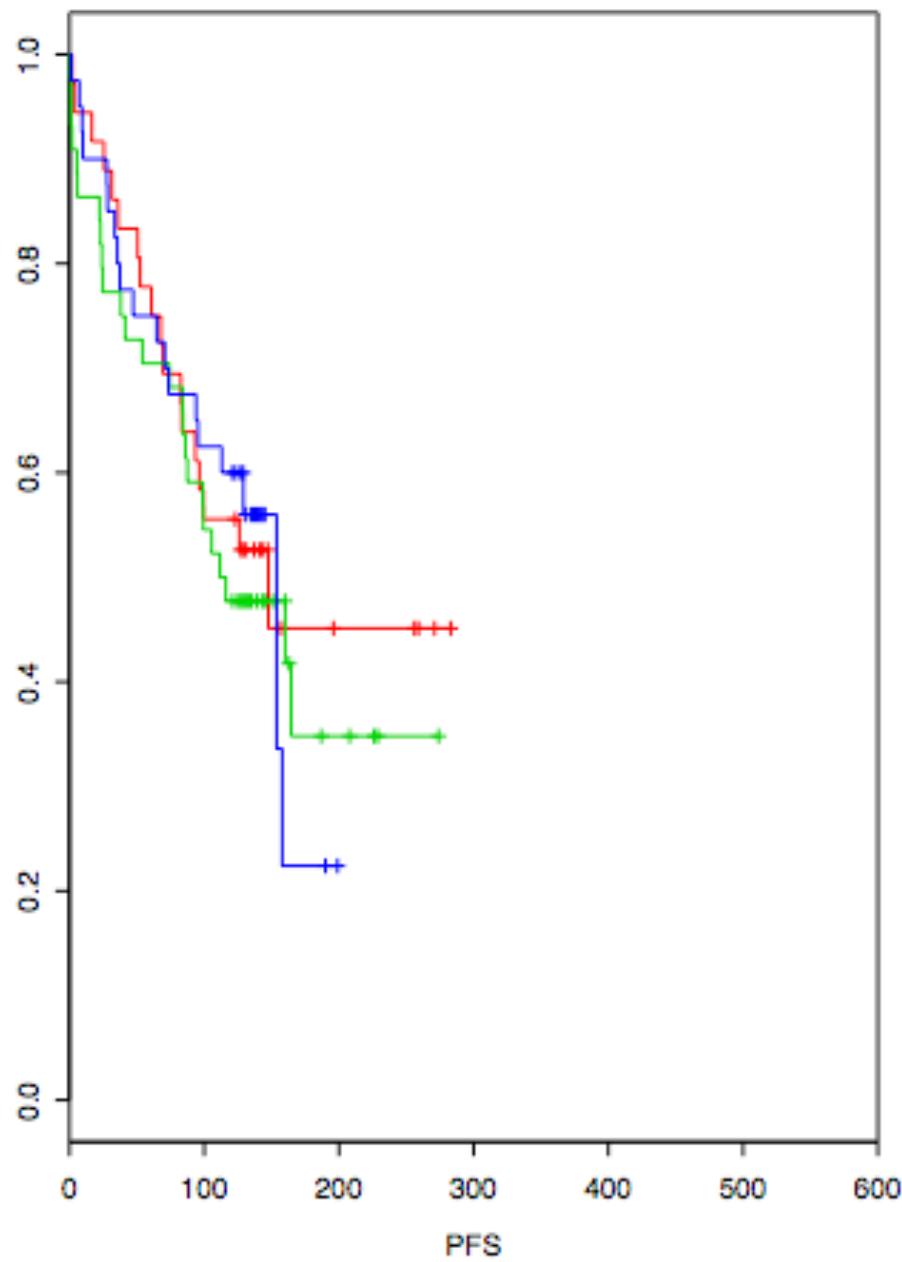
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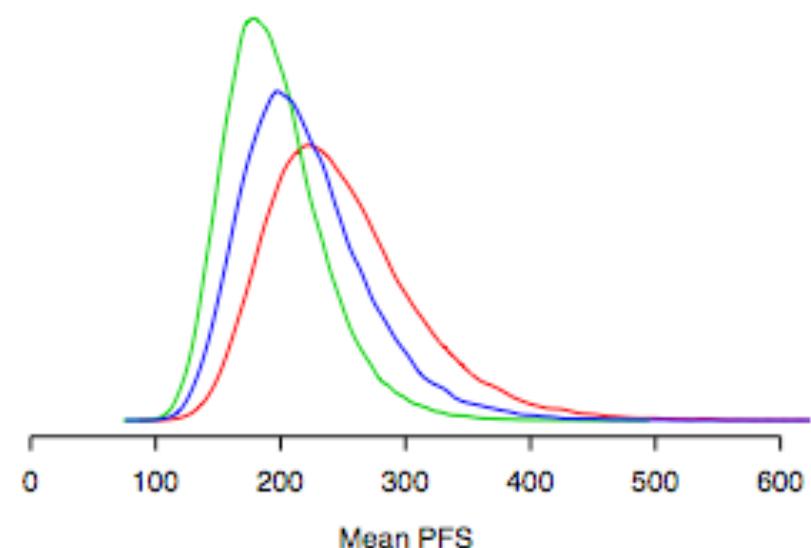
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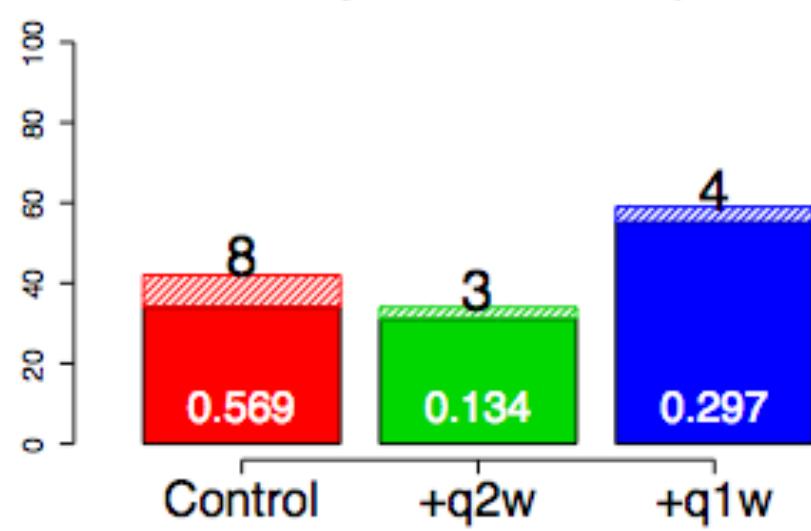
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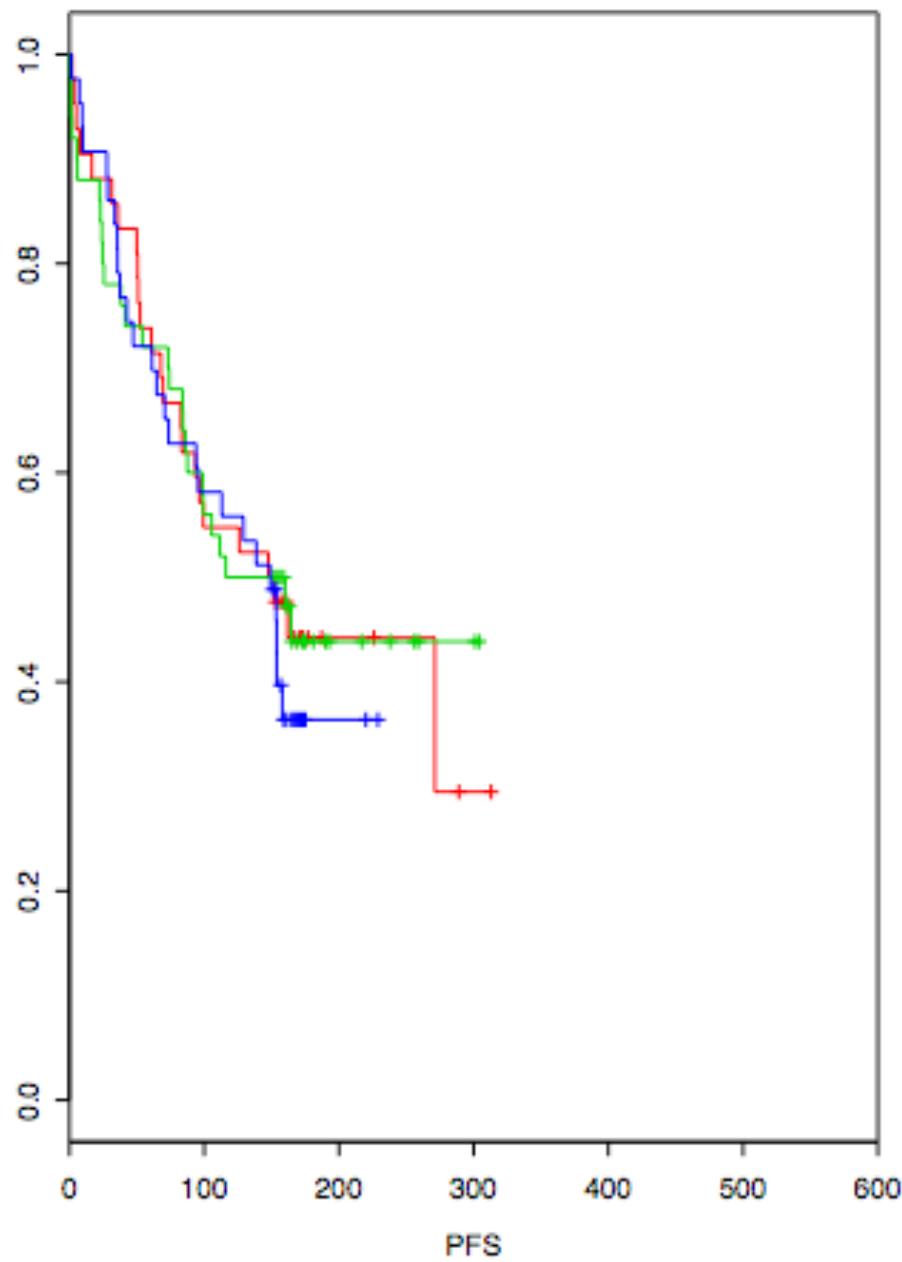
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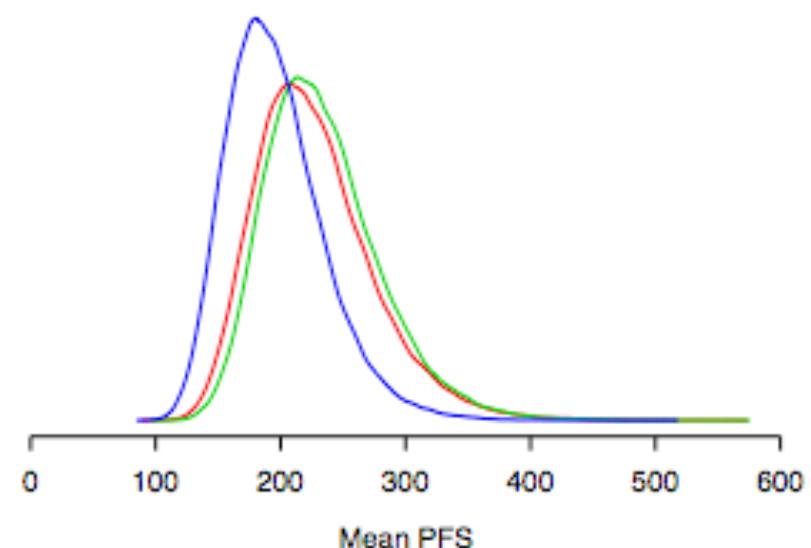
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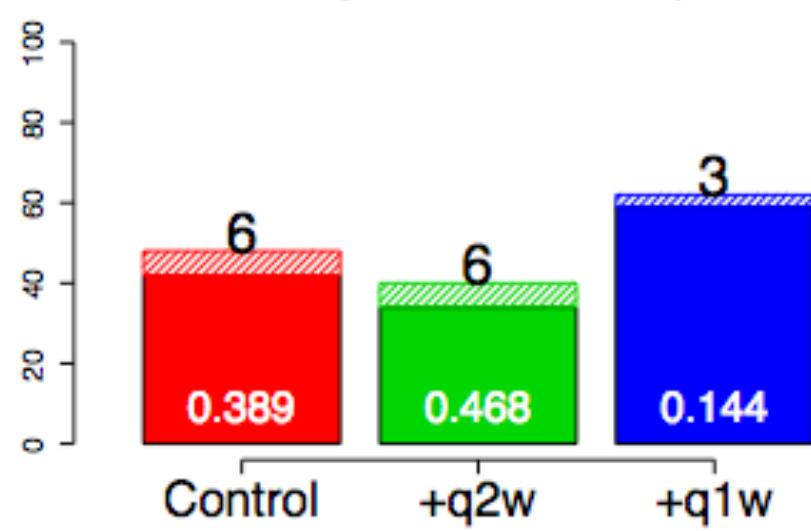
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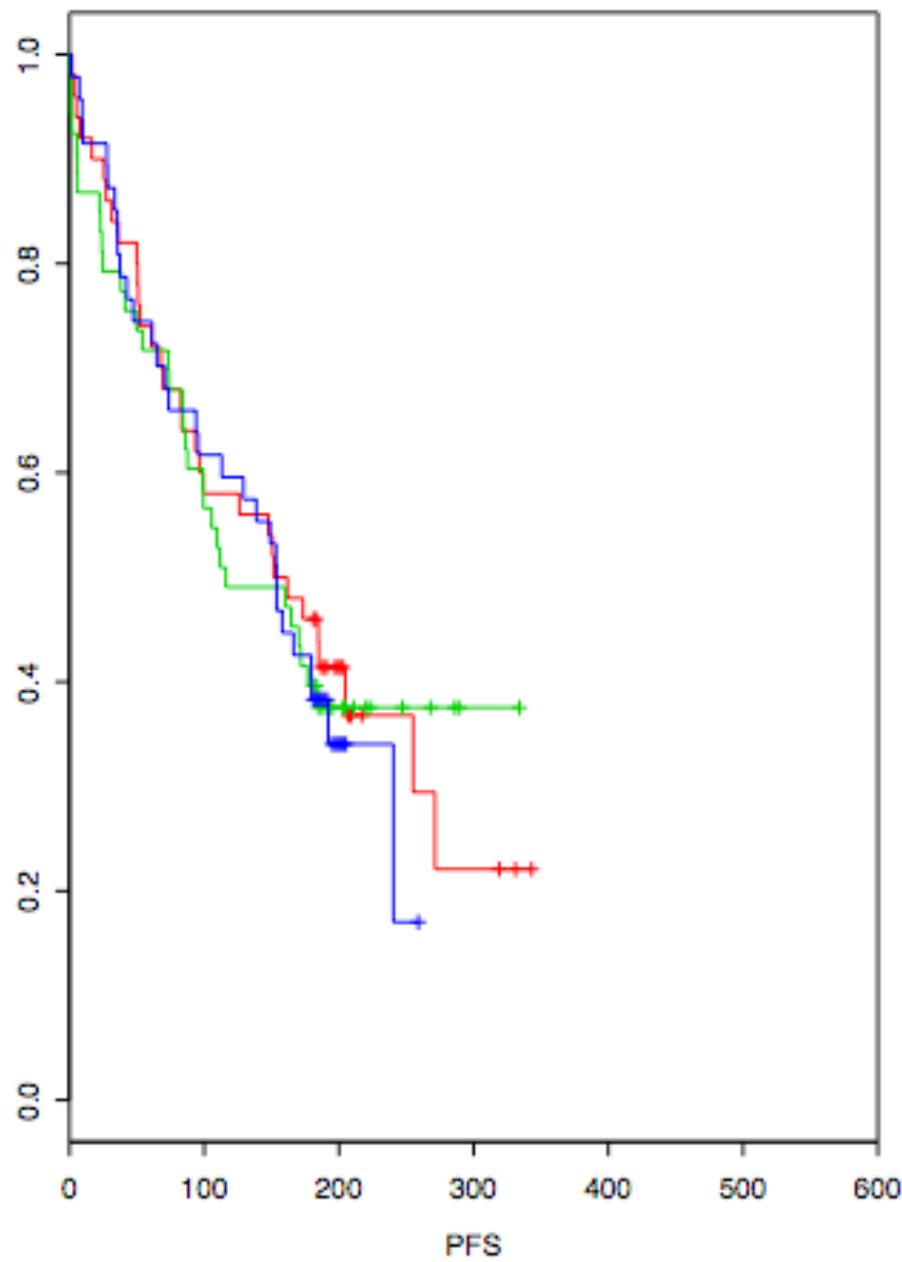
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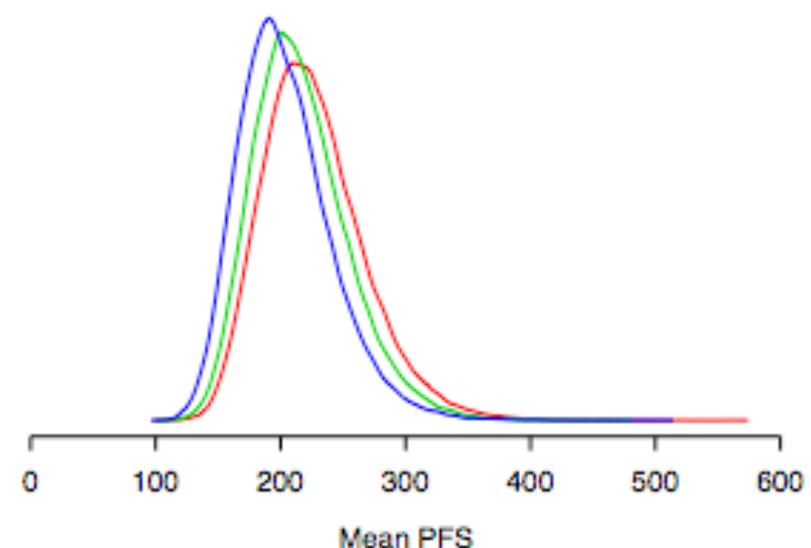
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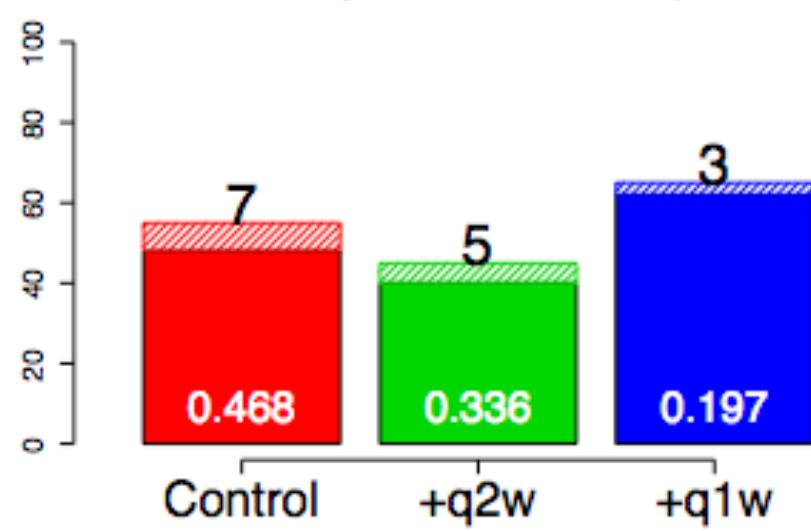
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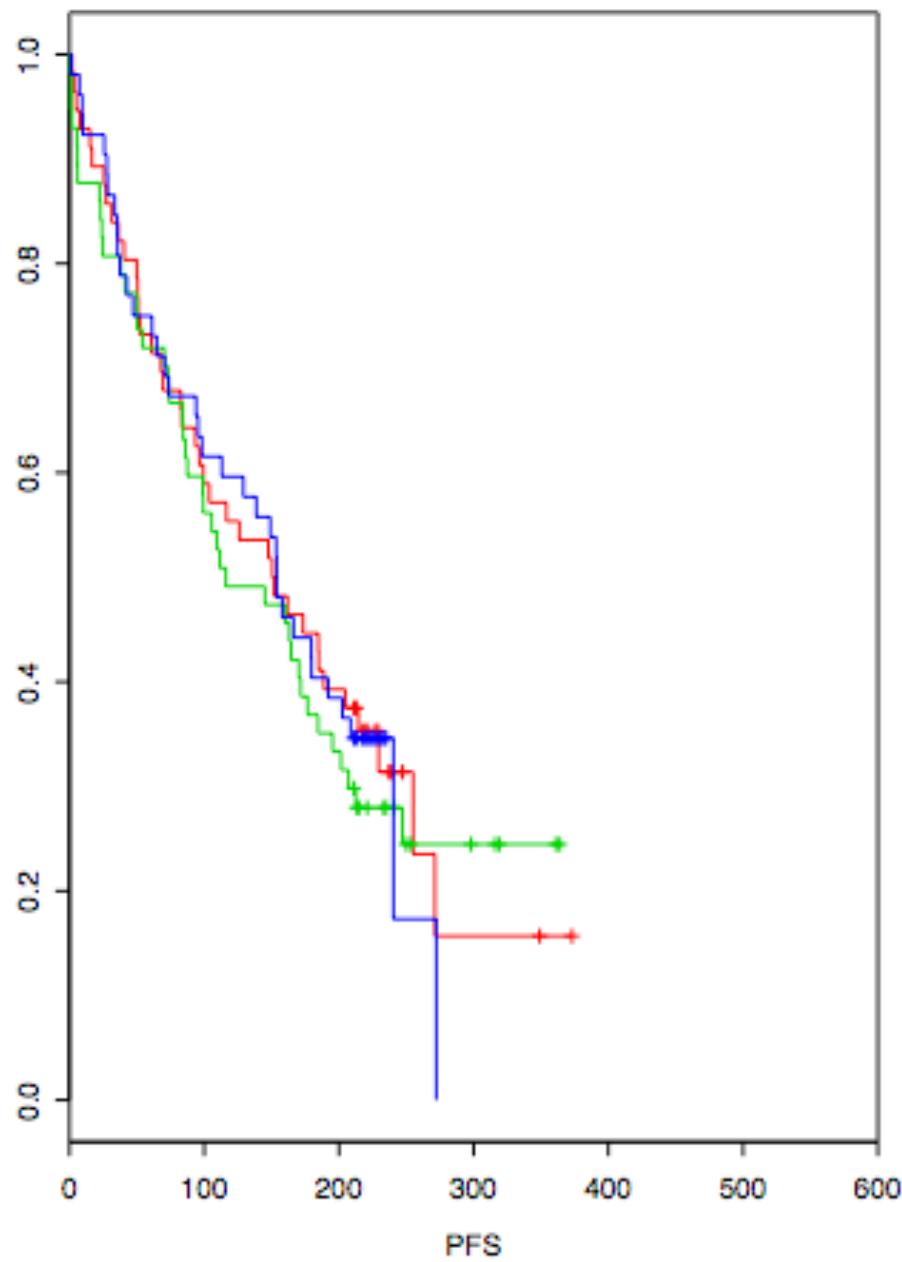
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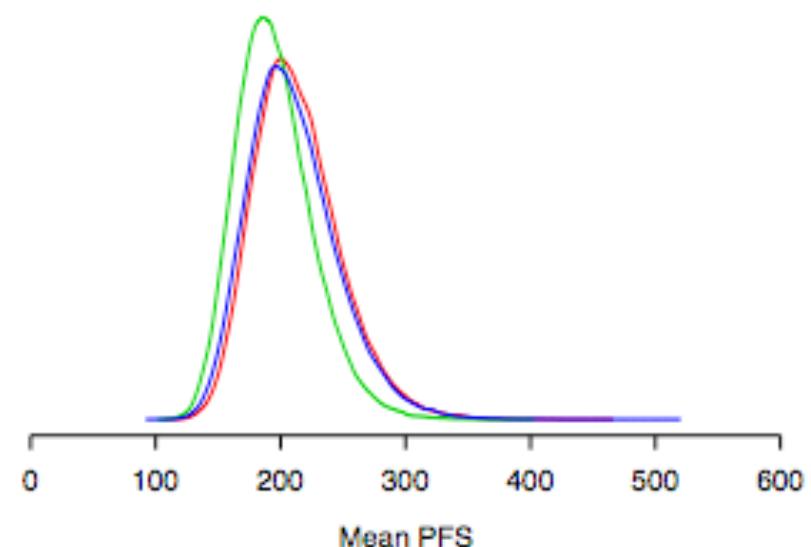
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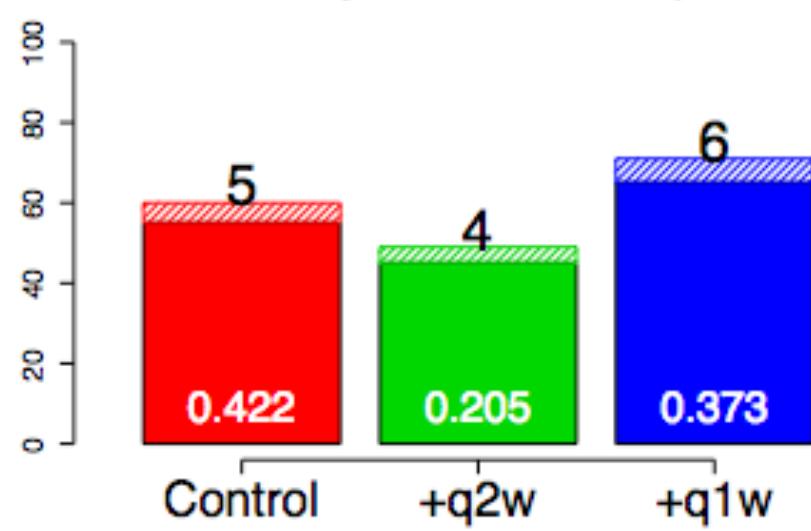
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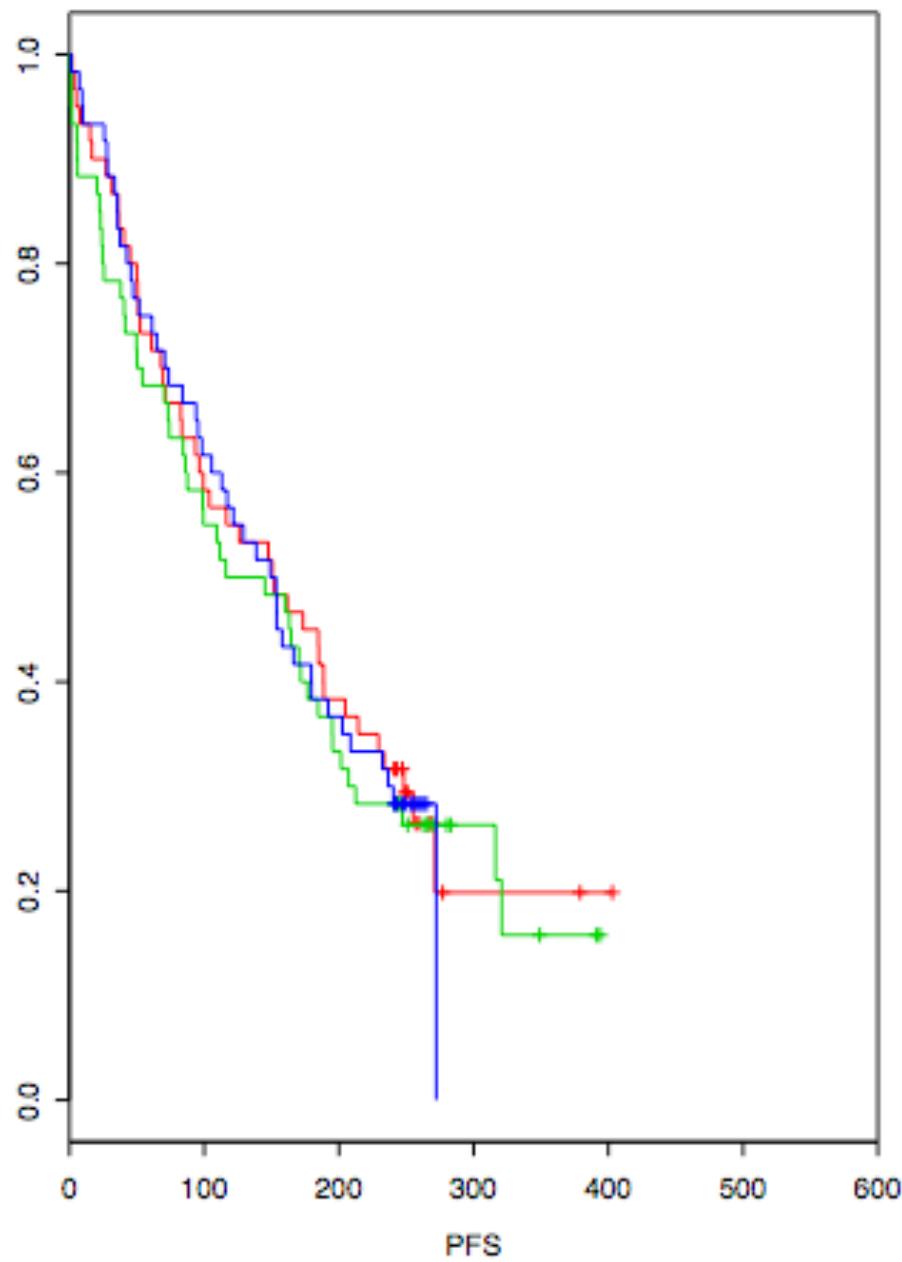
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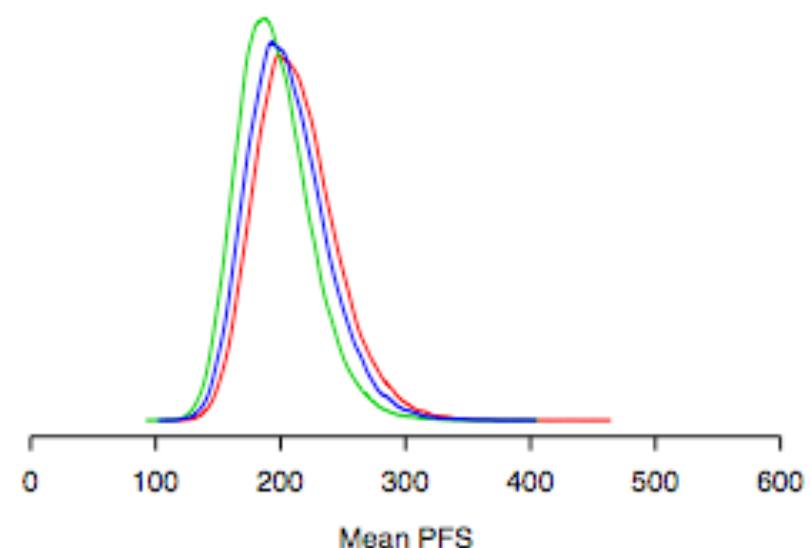
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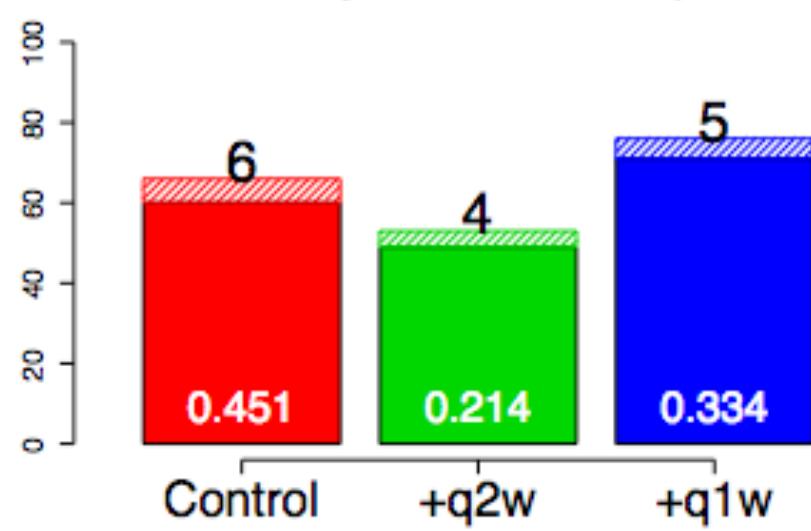
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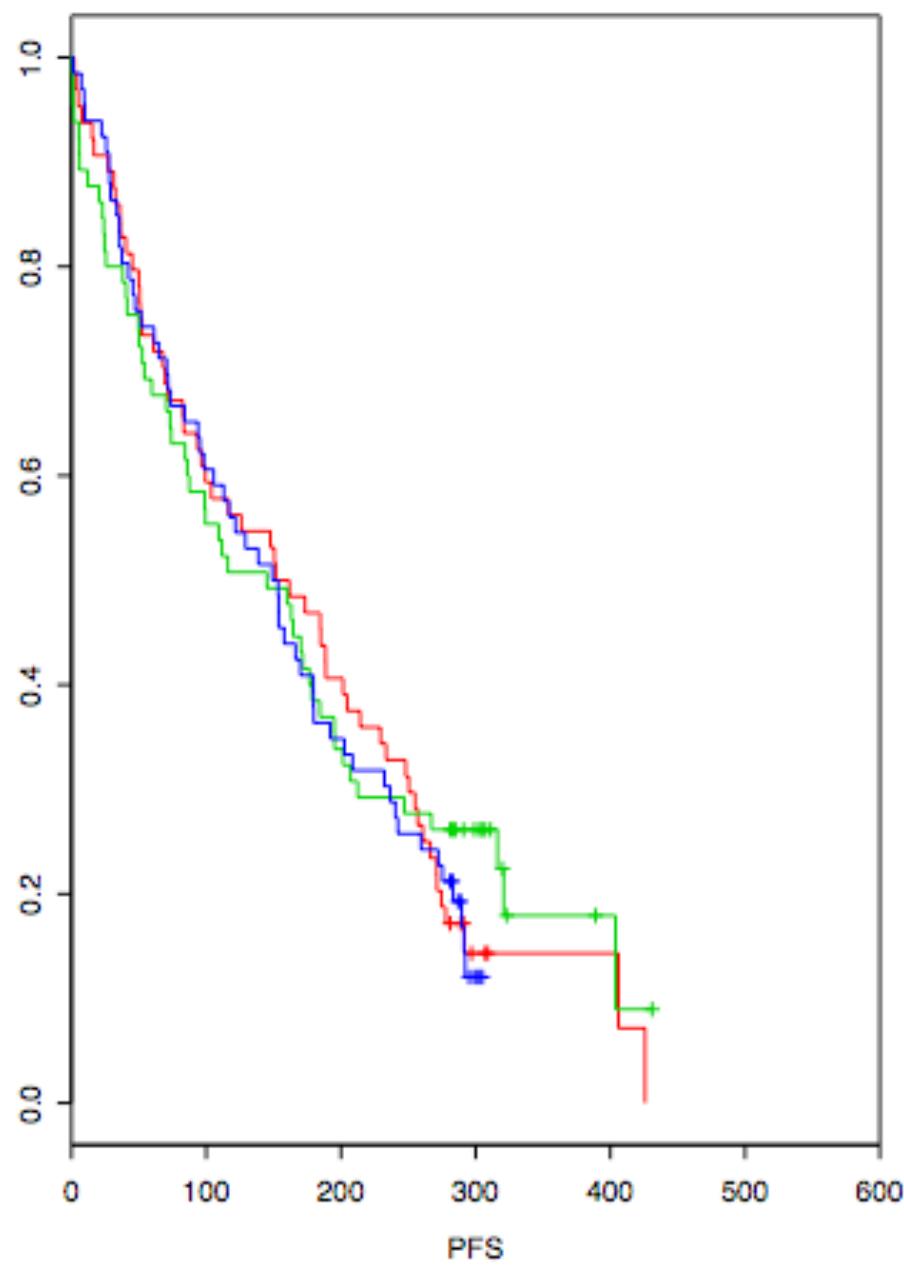
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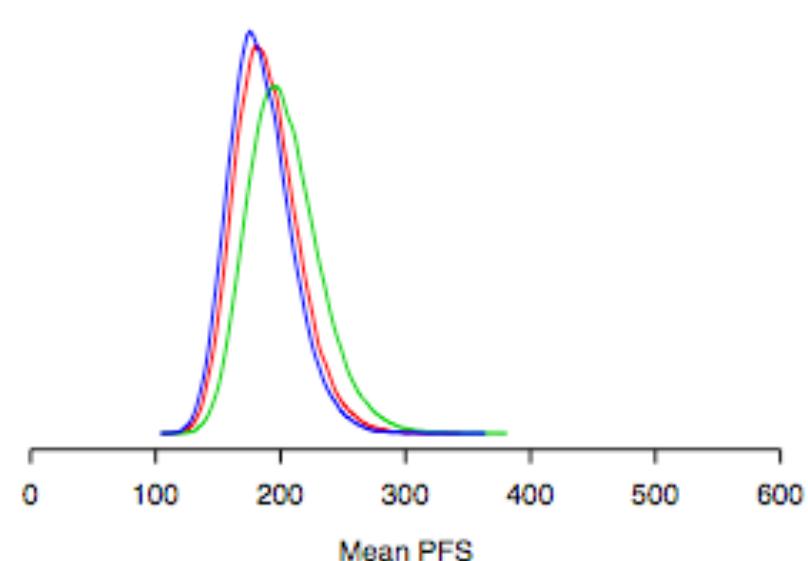
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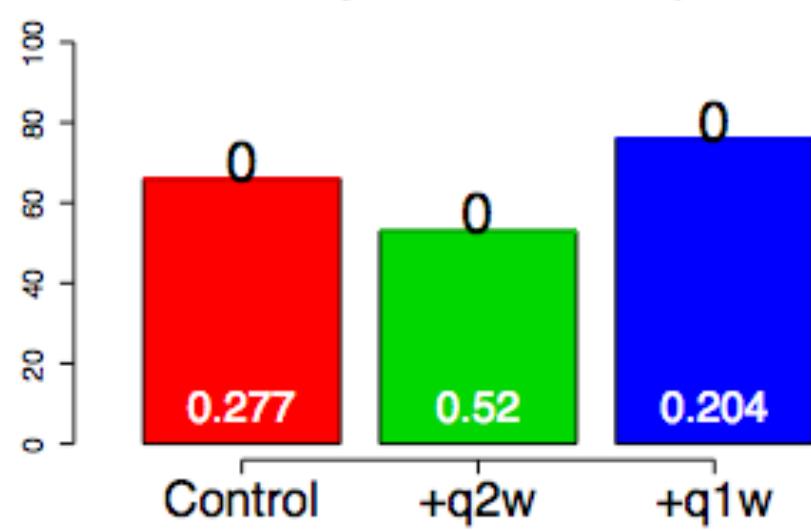
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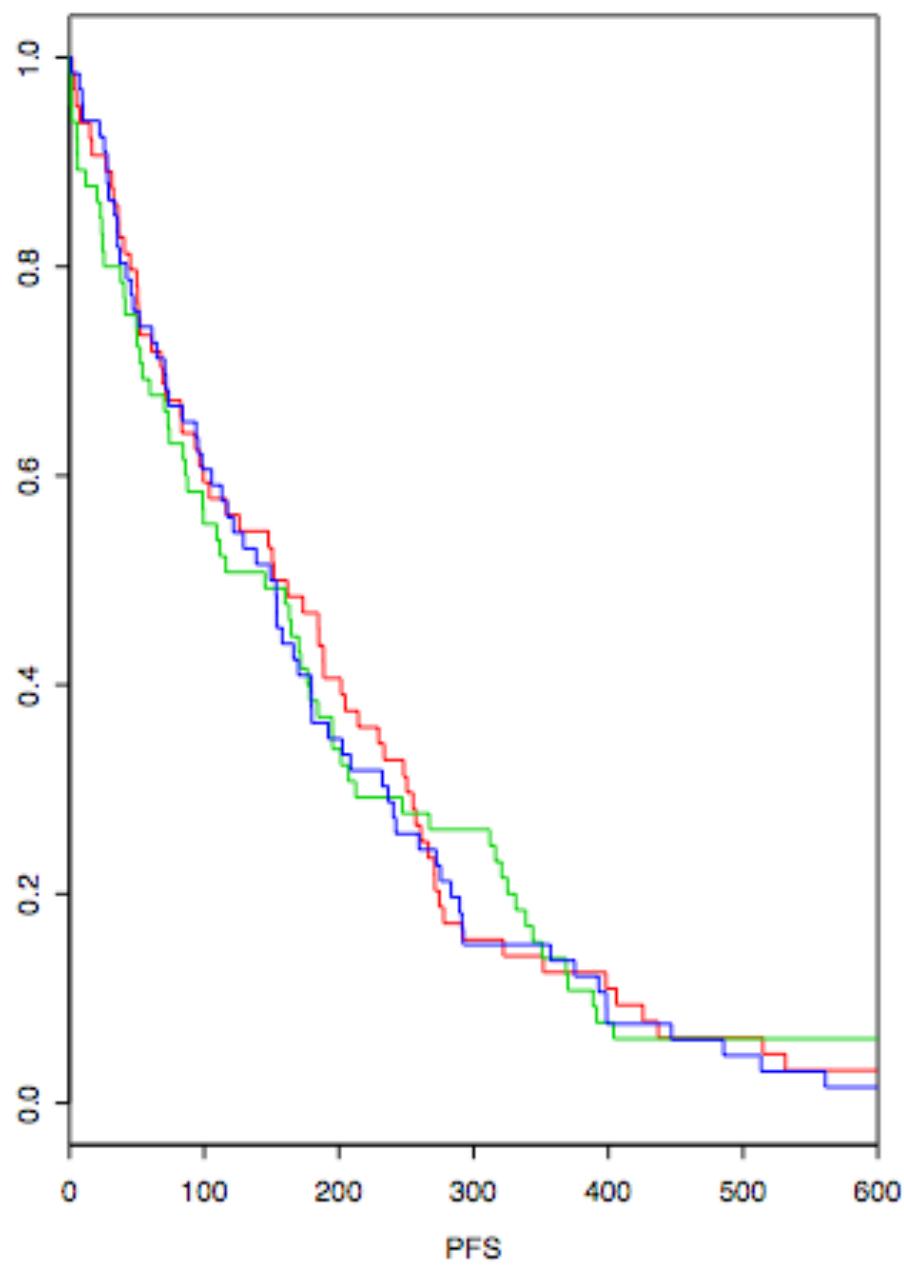
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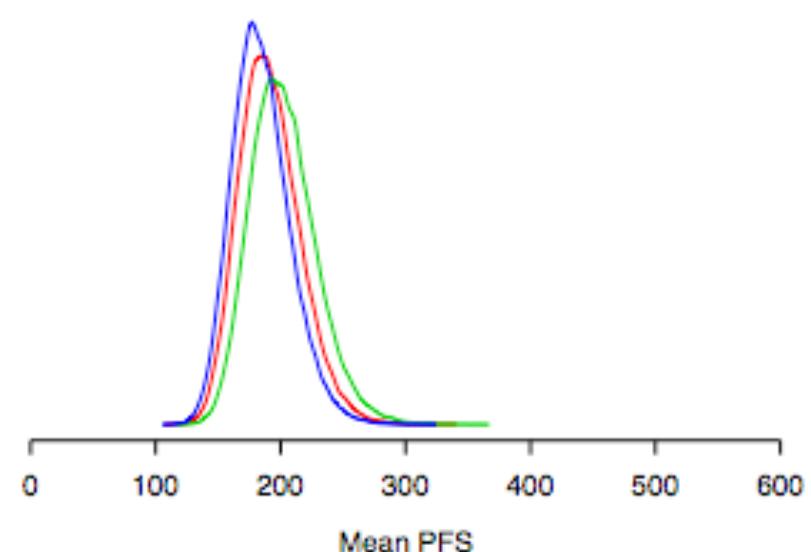
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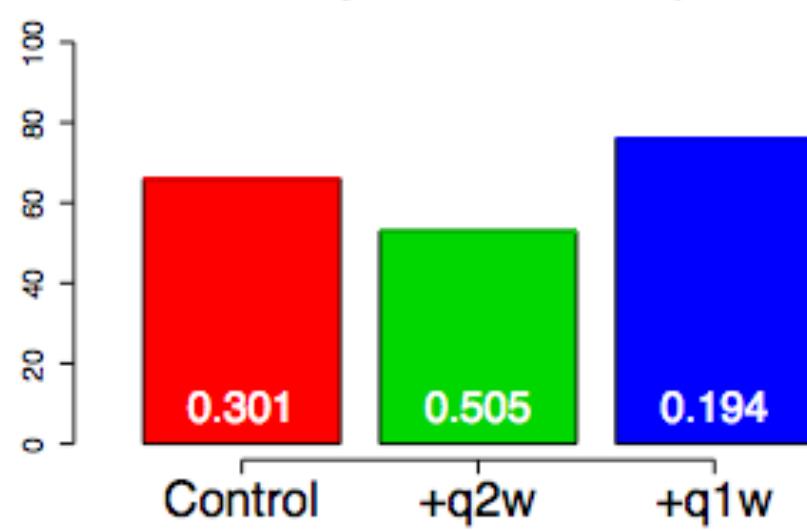
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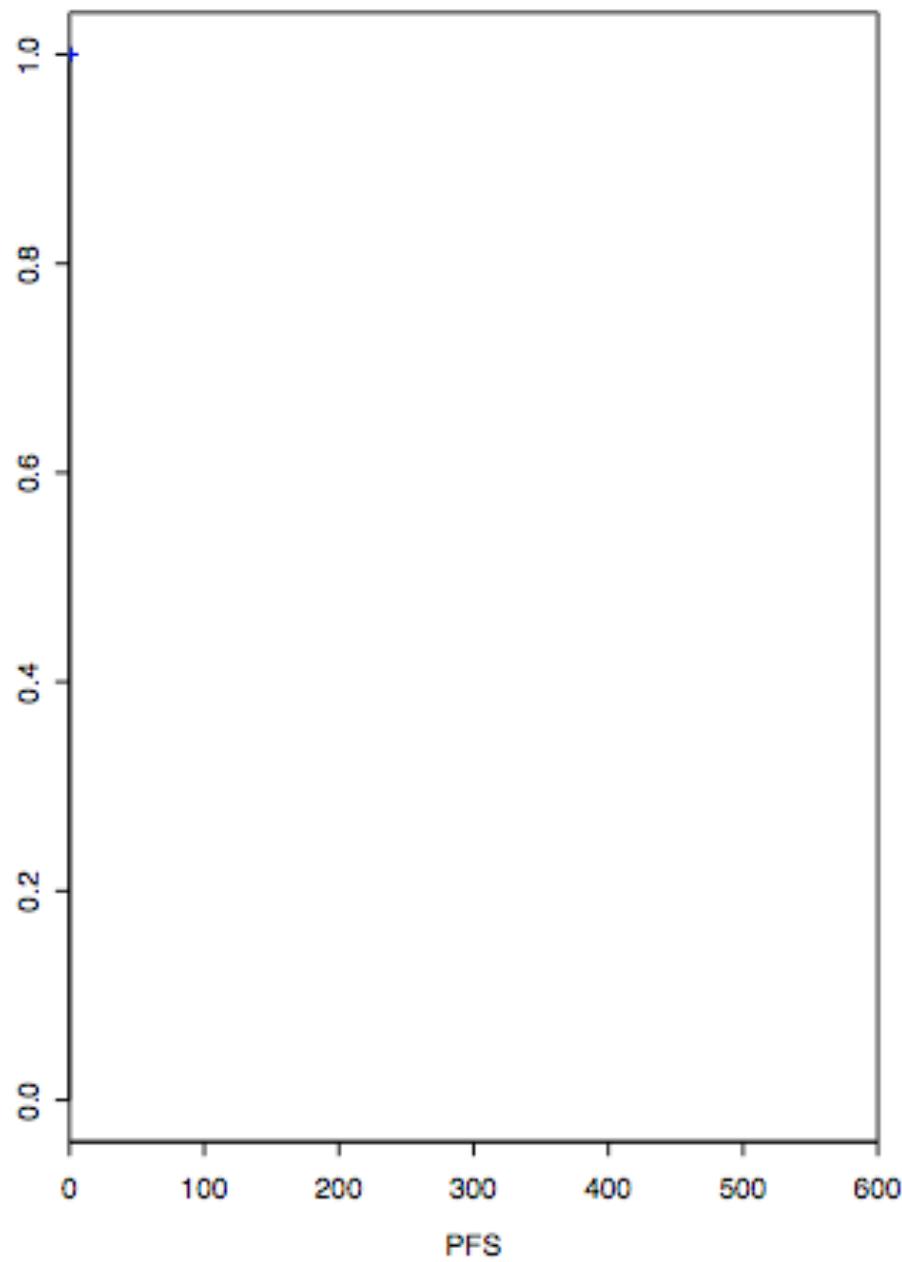
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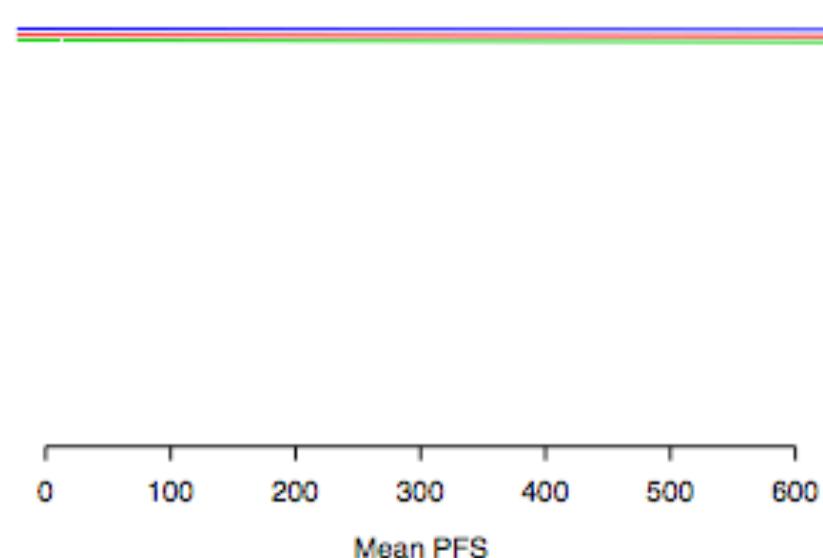
# Simulation #2

- Mean Progression Free Survival
  - Control = 303 days
  - Control + q2w = 303 days
  - Control + q1w = 606 days
- Accrual rate
  - 1 patient every 3 days for first 45 patients ( $\sim 4$ mo)
  - 1 patient every 2 days thereafter
  - 435 days for 195 patients = 14.3 months
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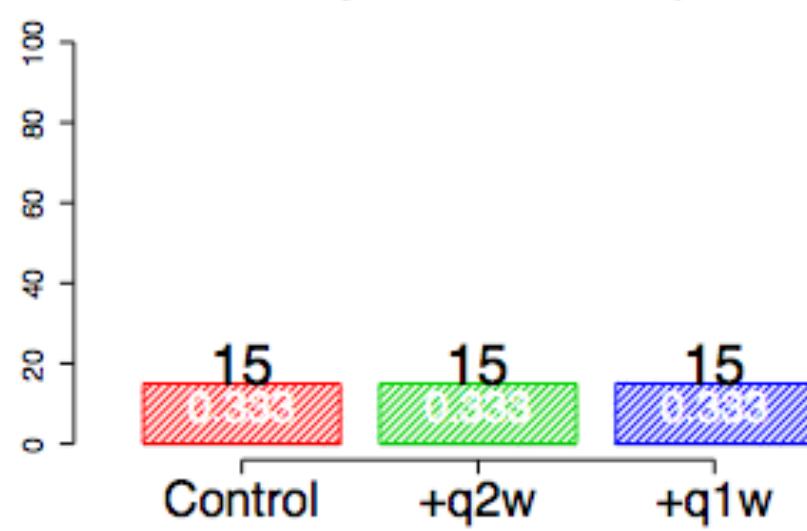
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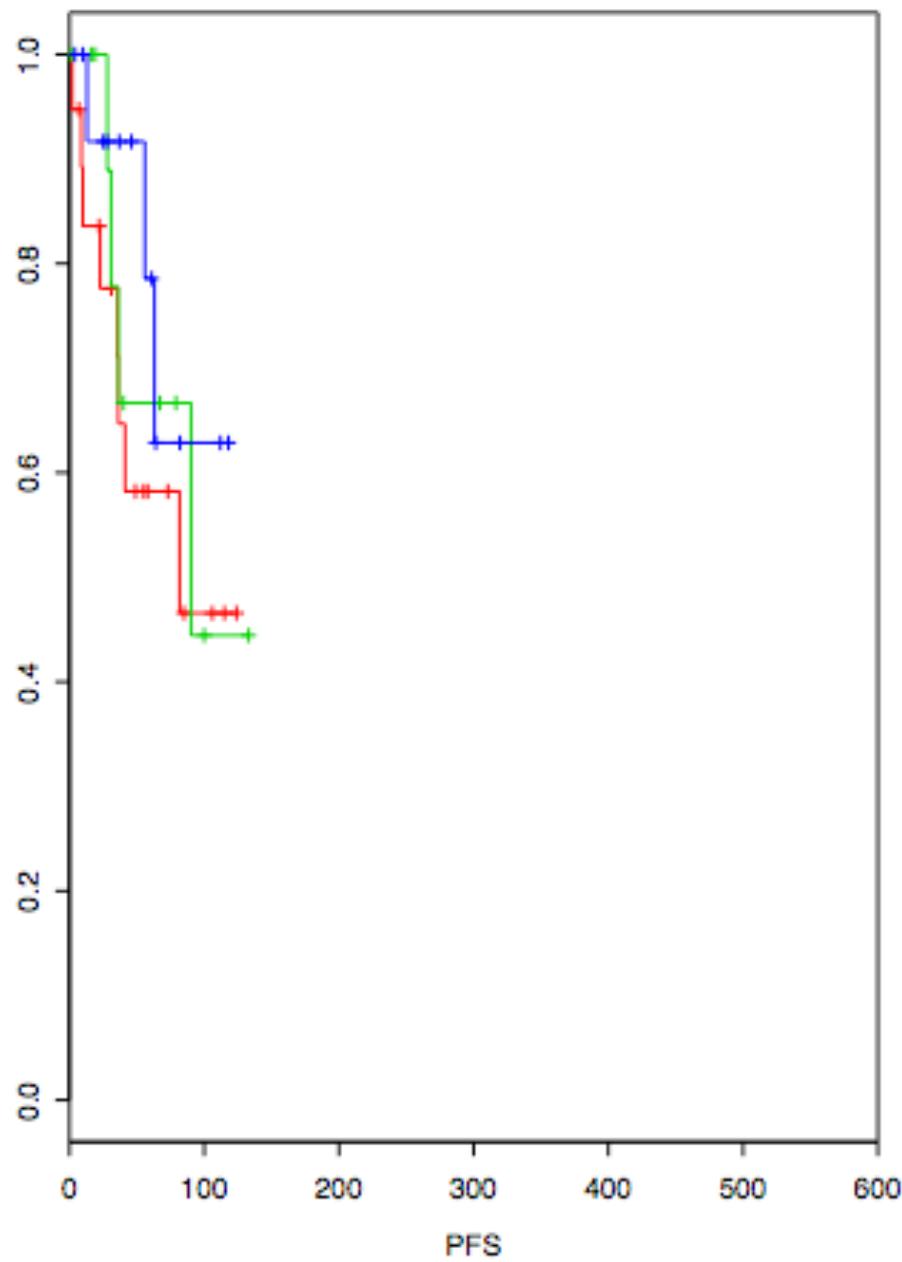
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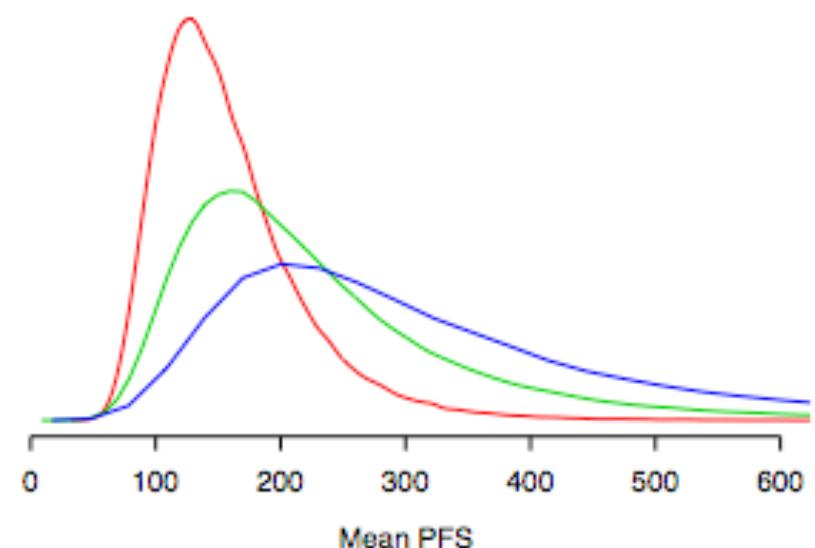
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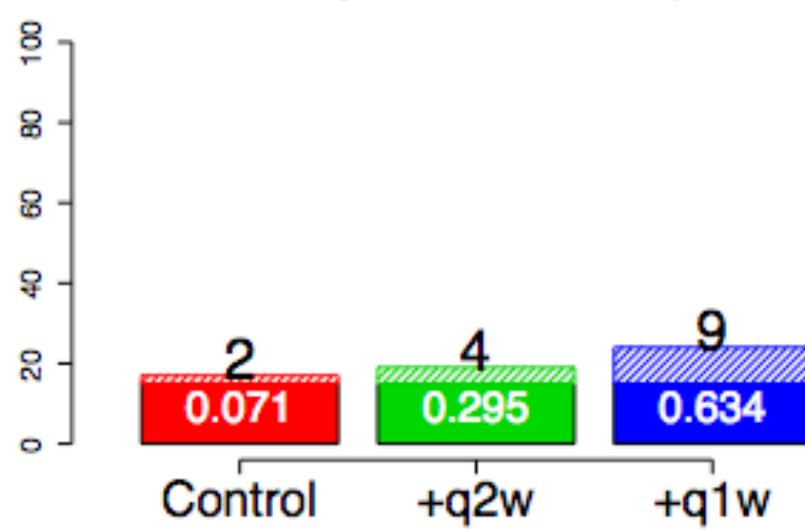
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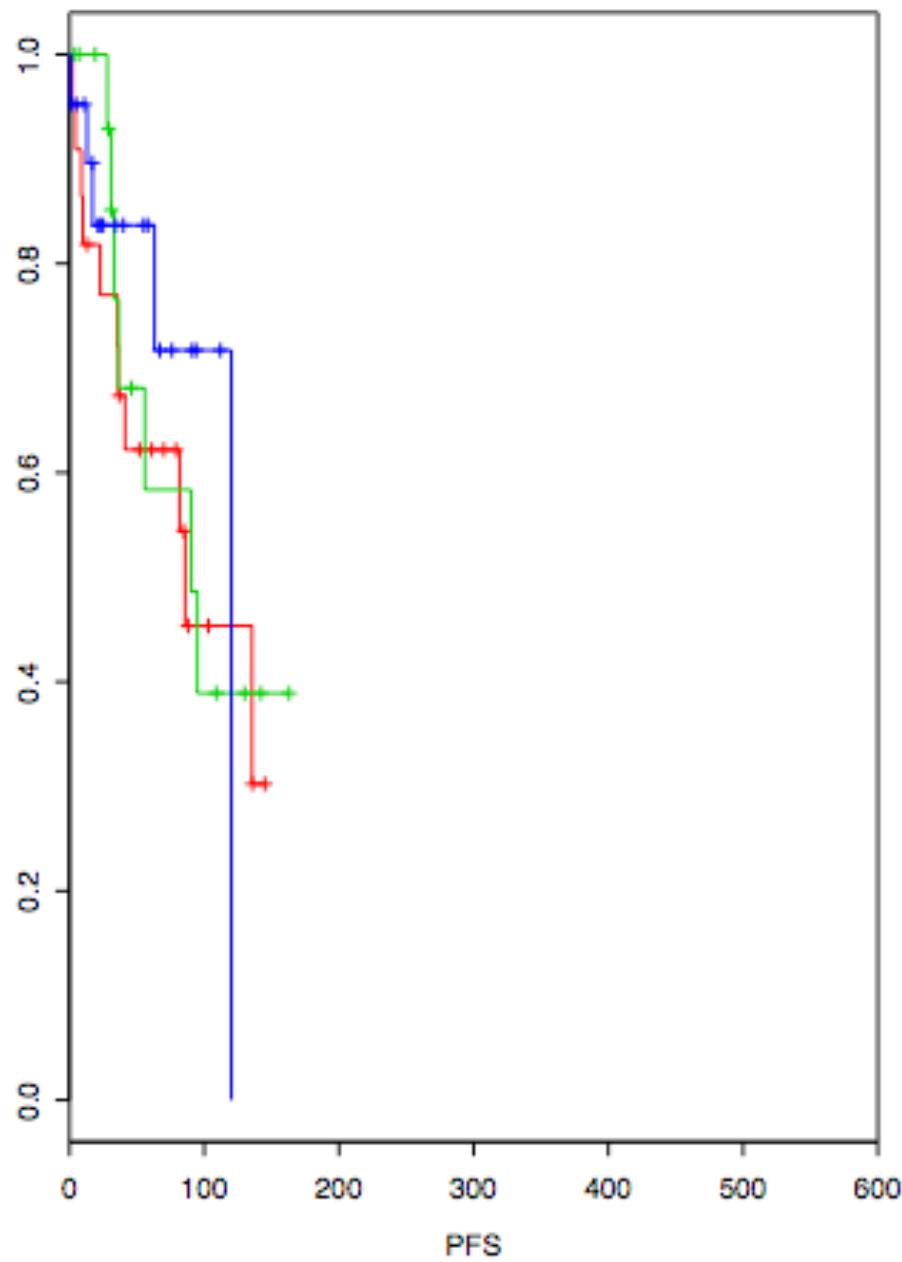
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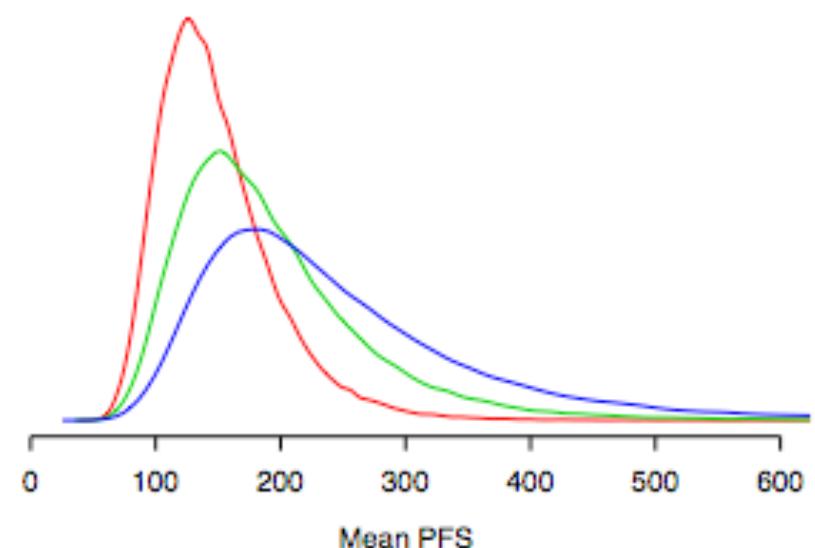
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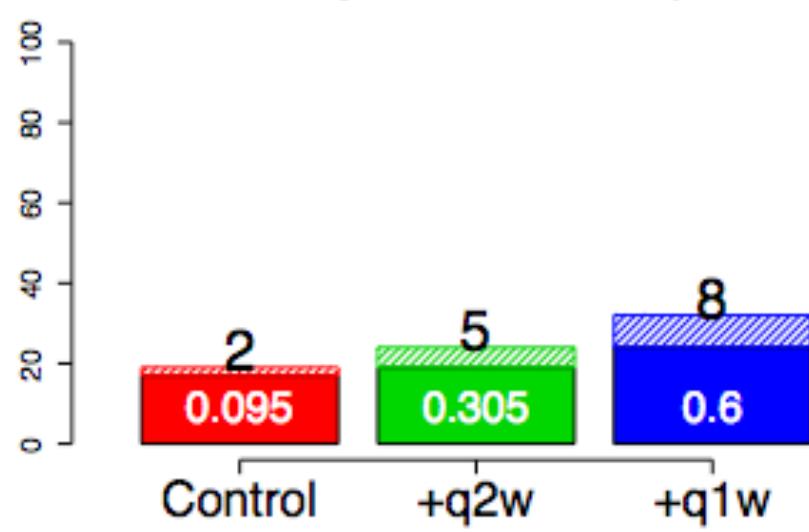
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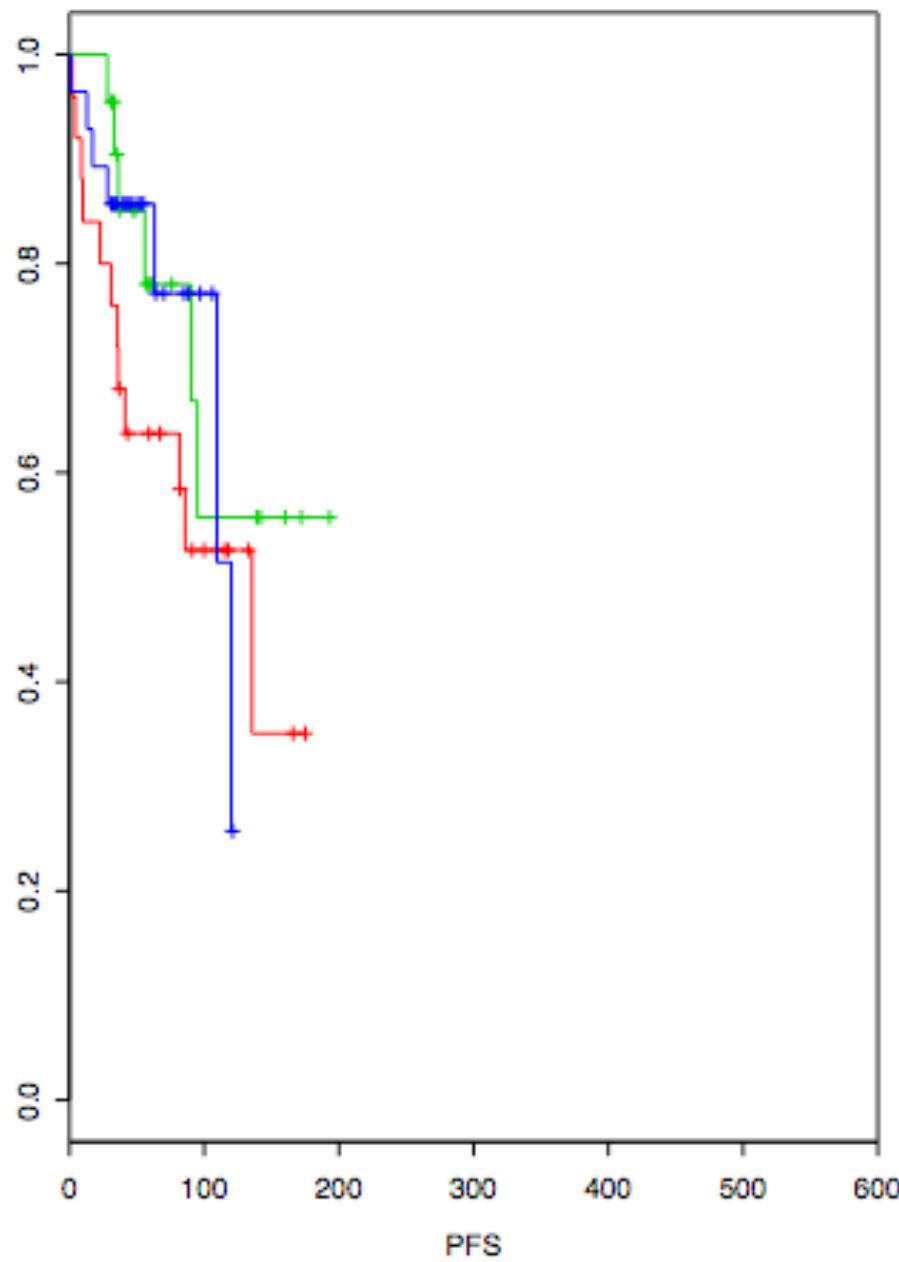
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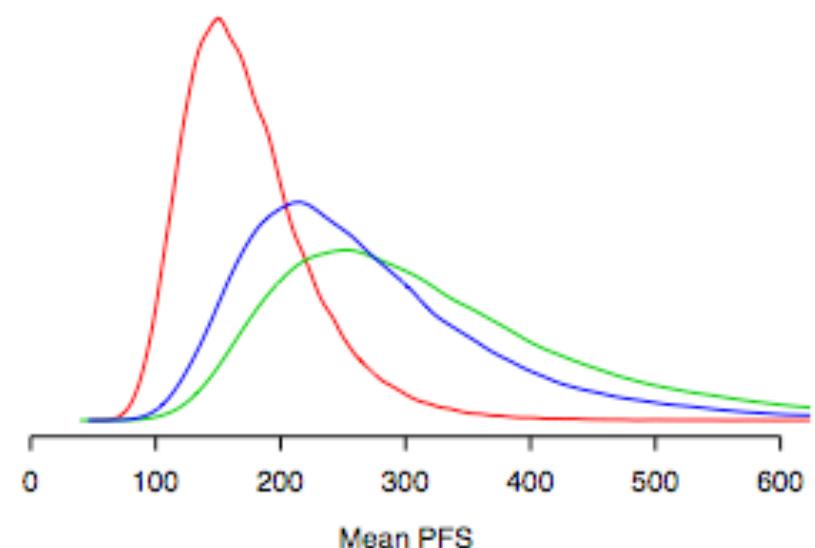
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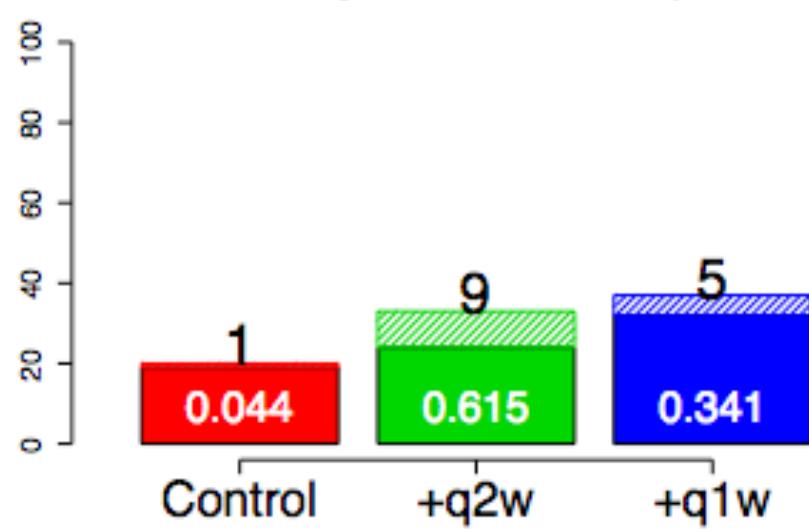
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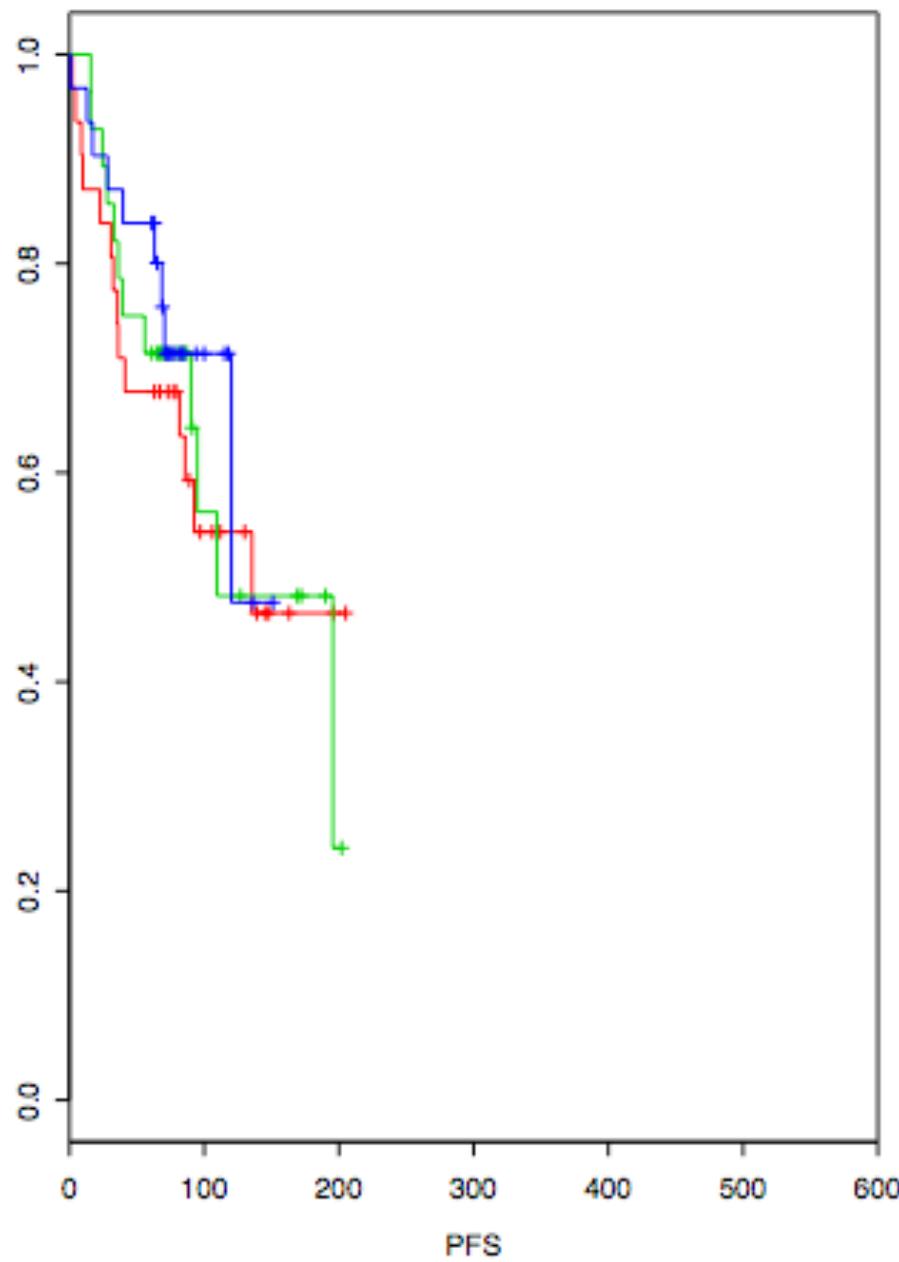
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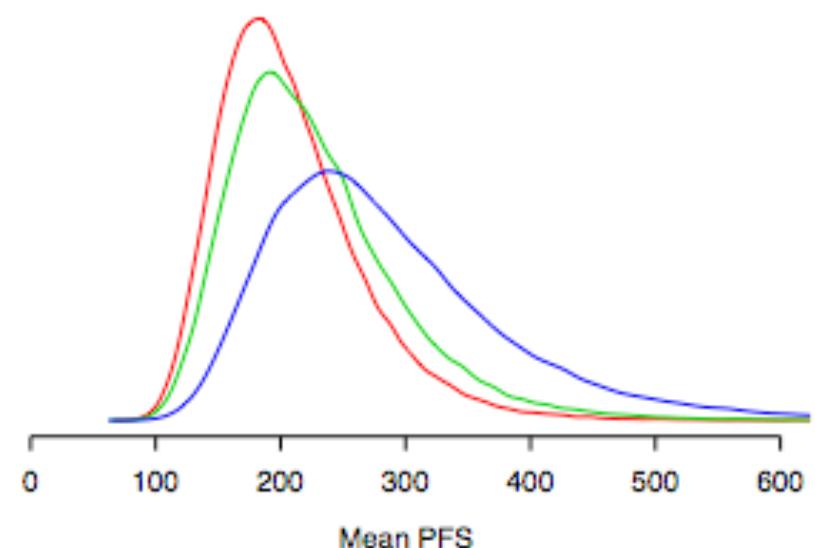
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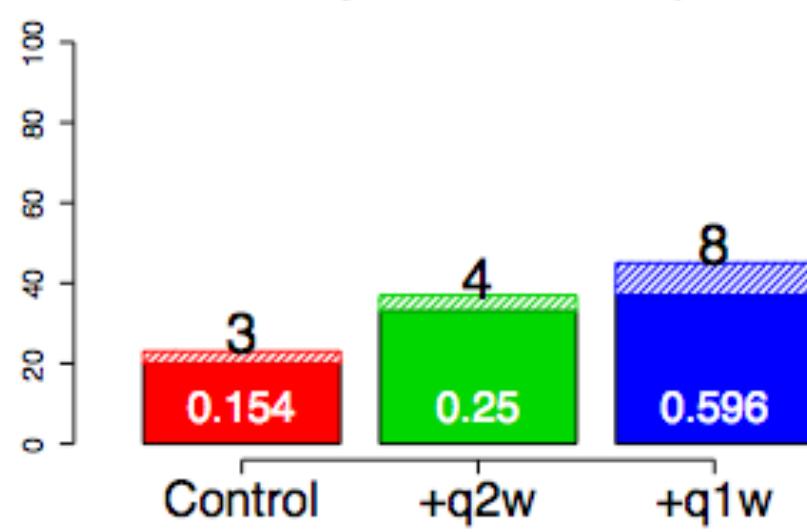
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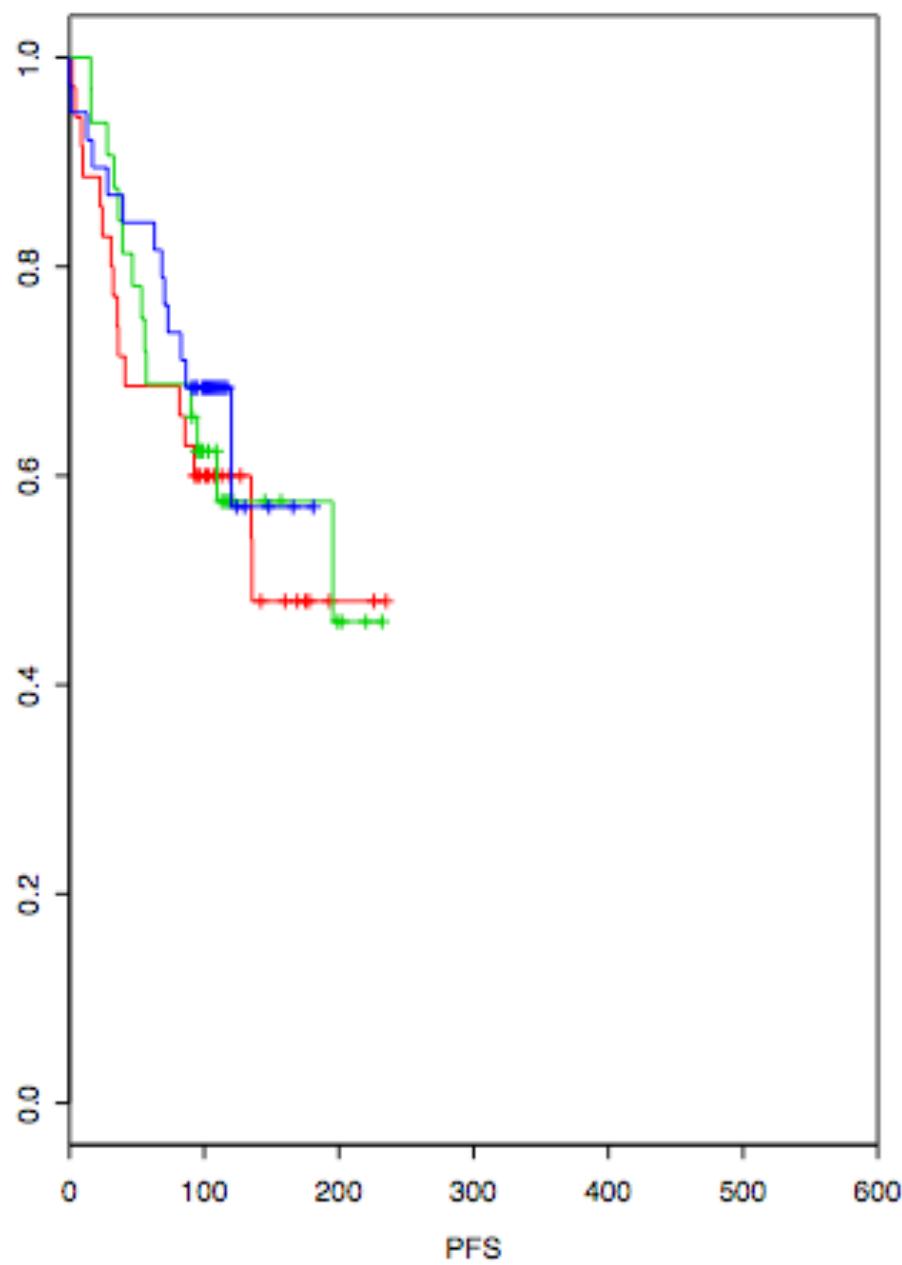
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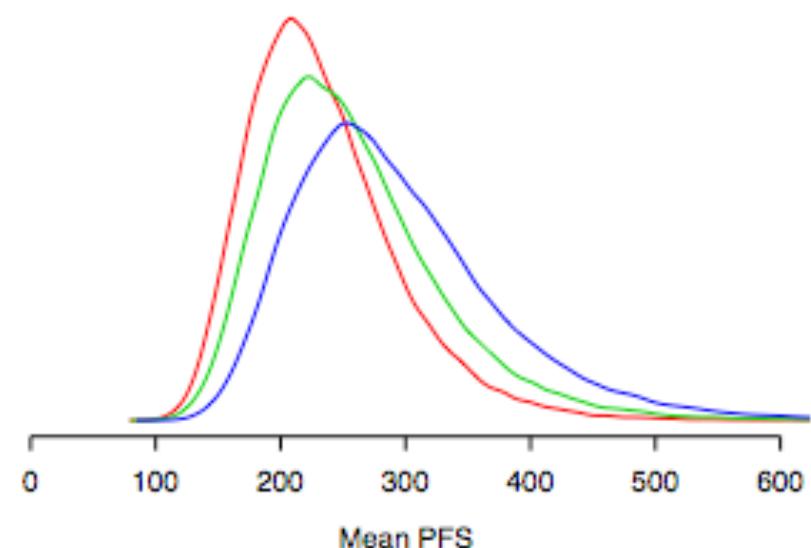
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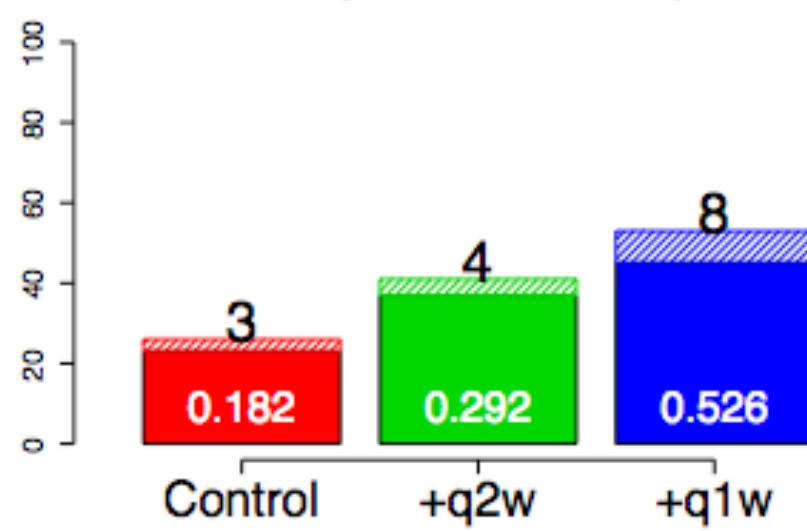
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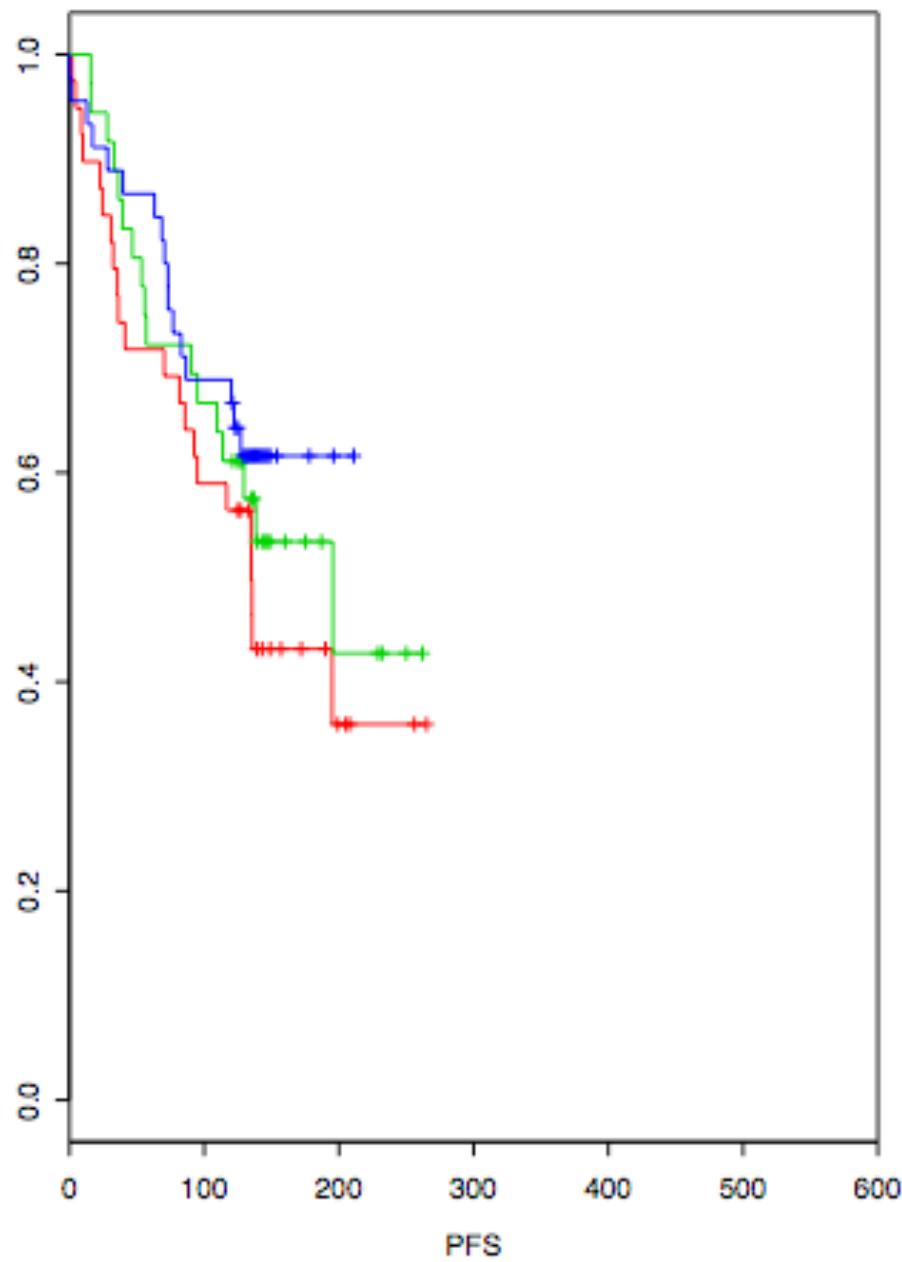
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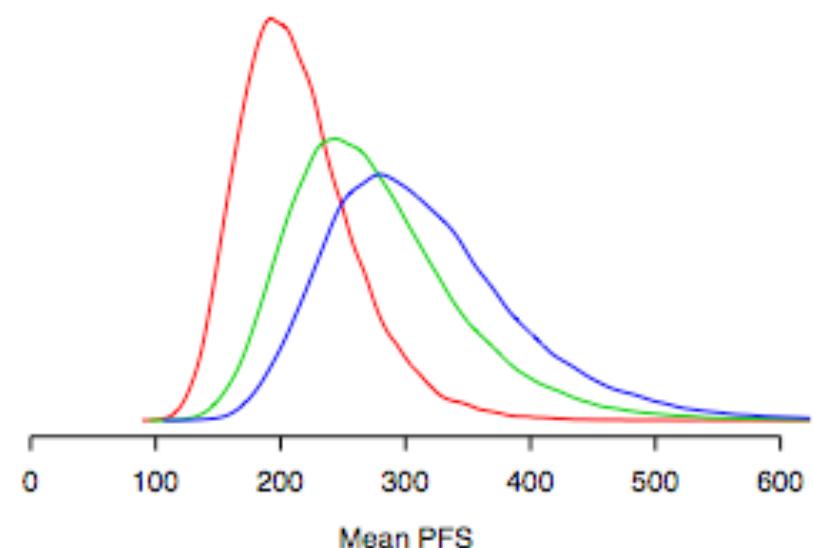
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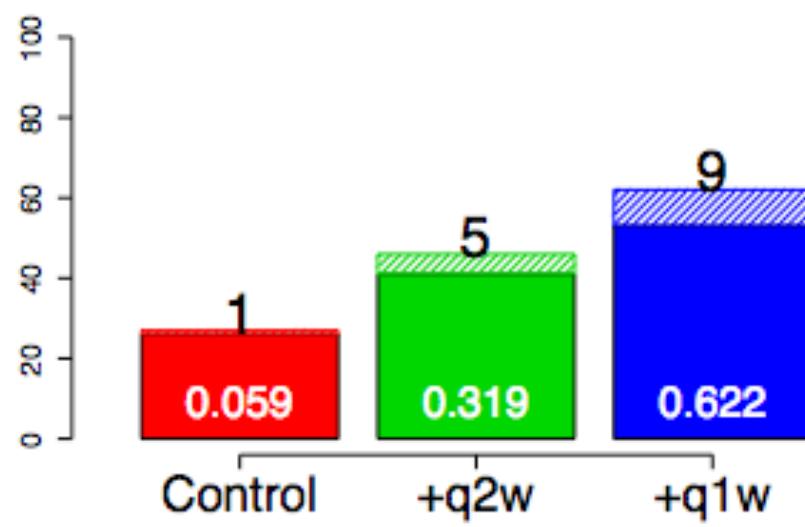
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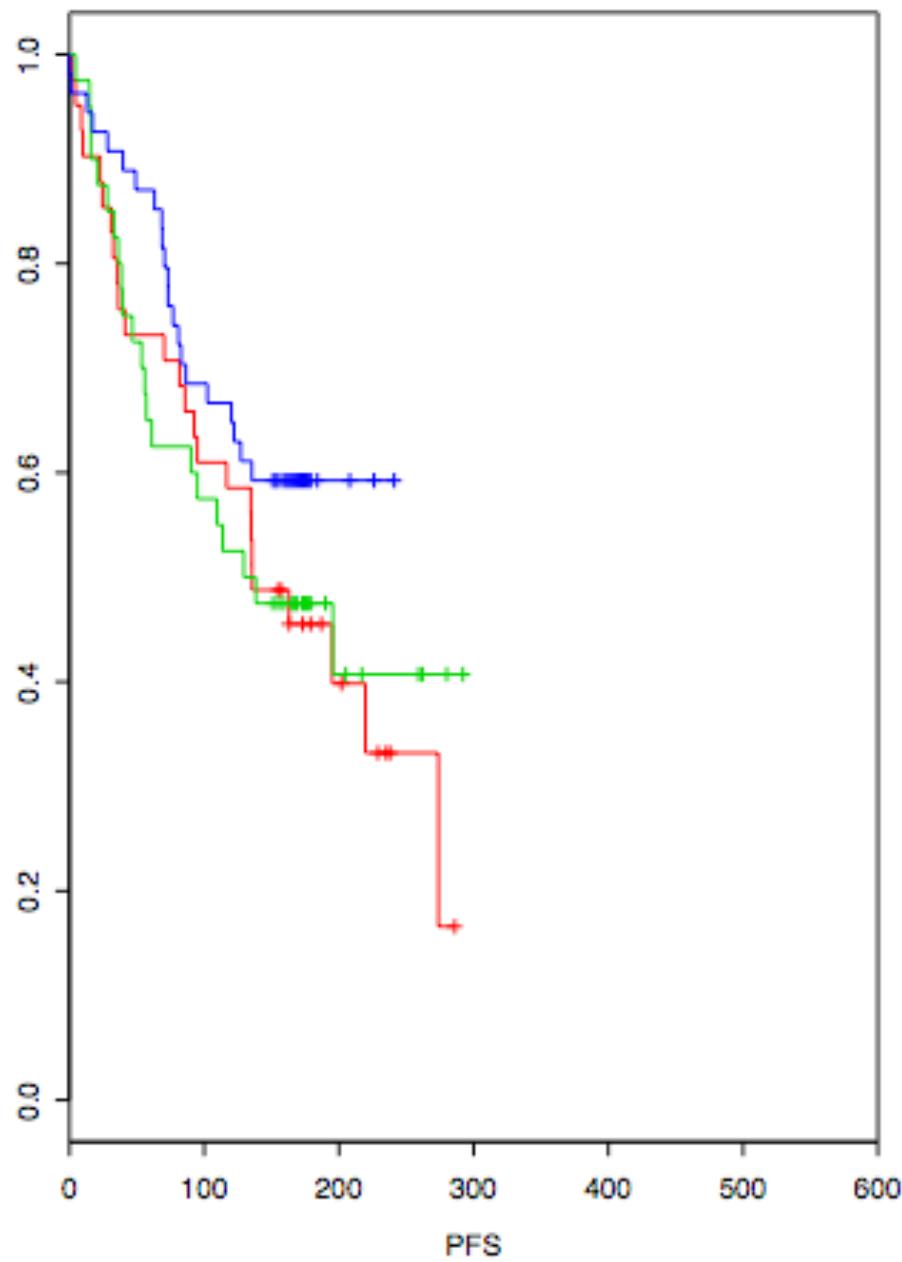
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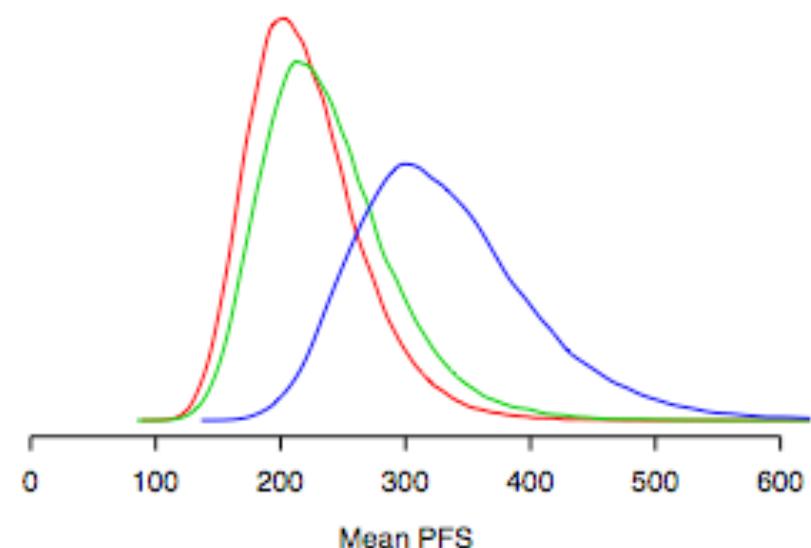
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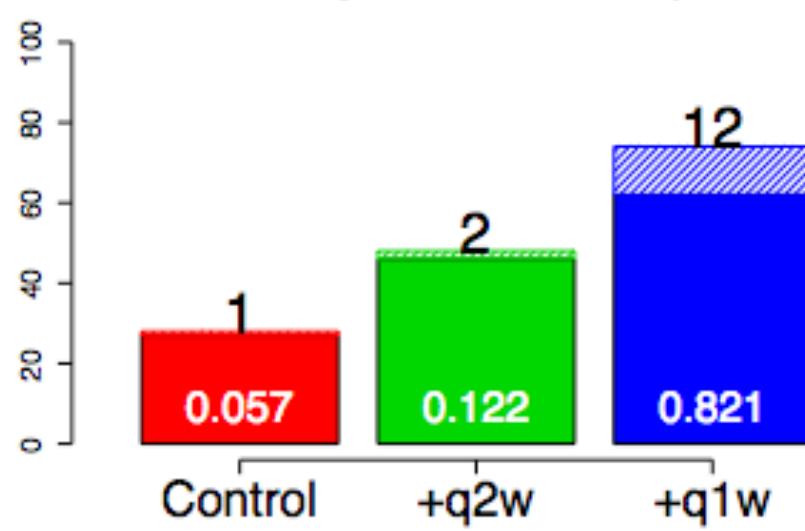
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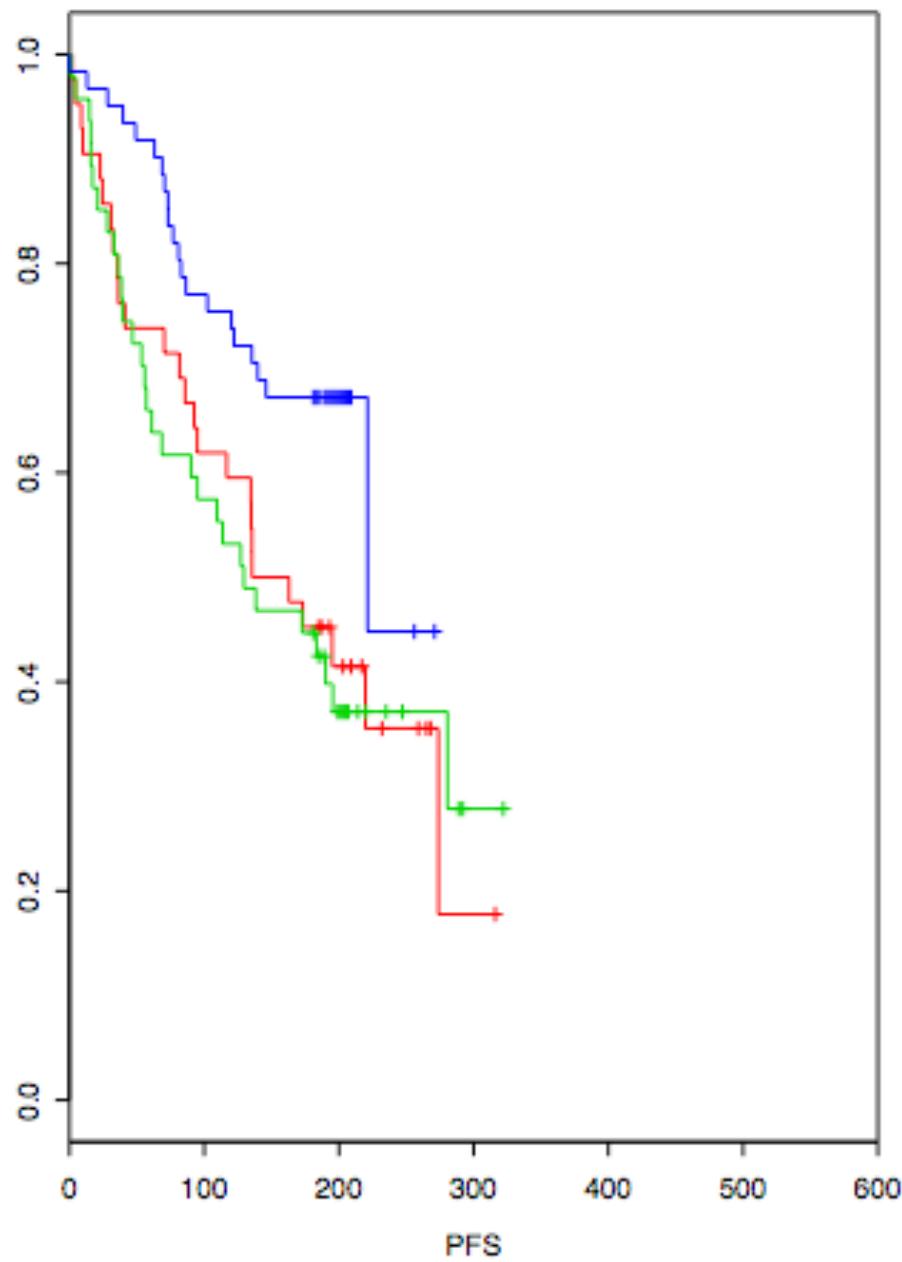
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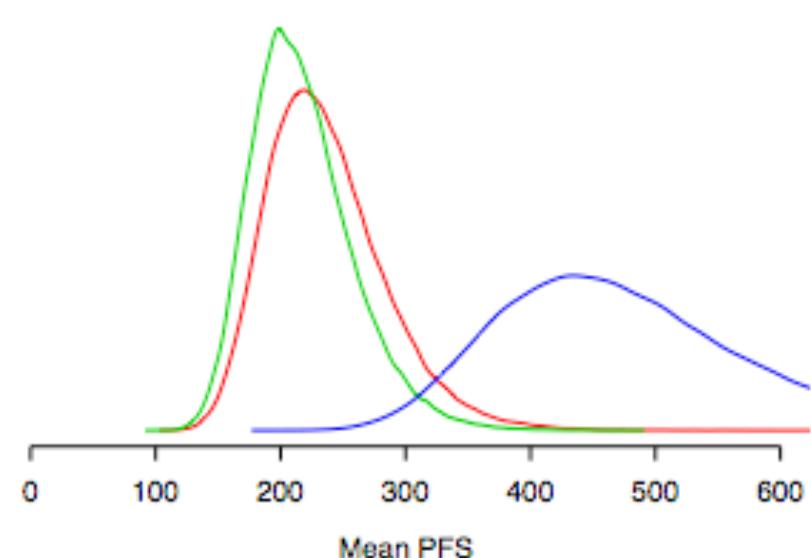
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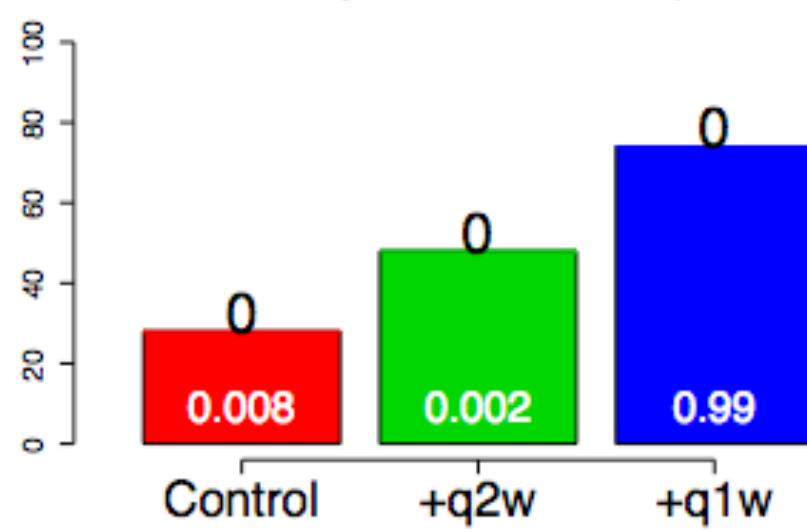
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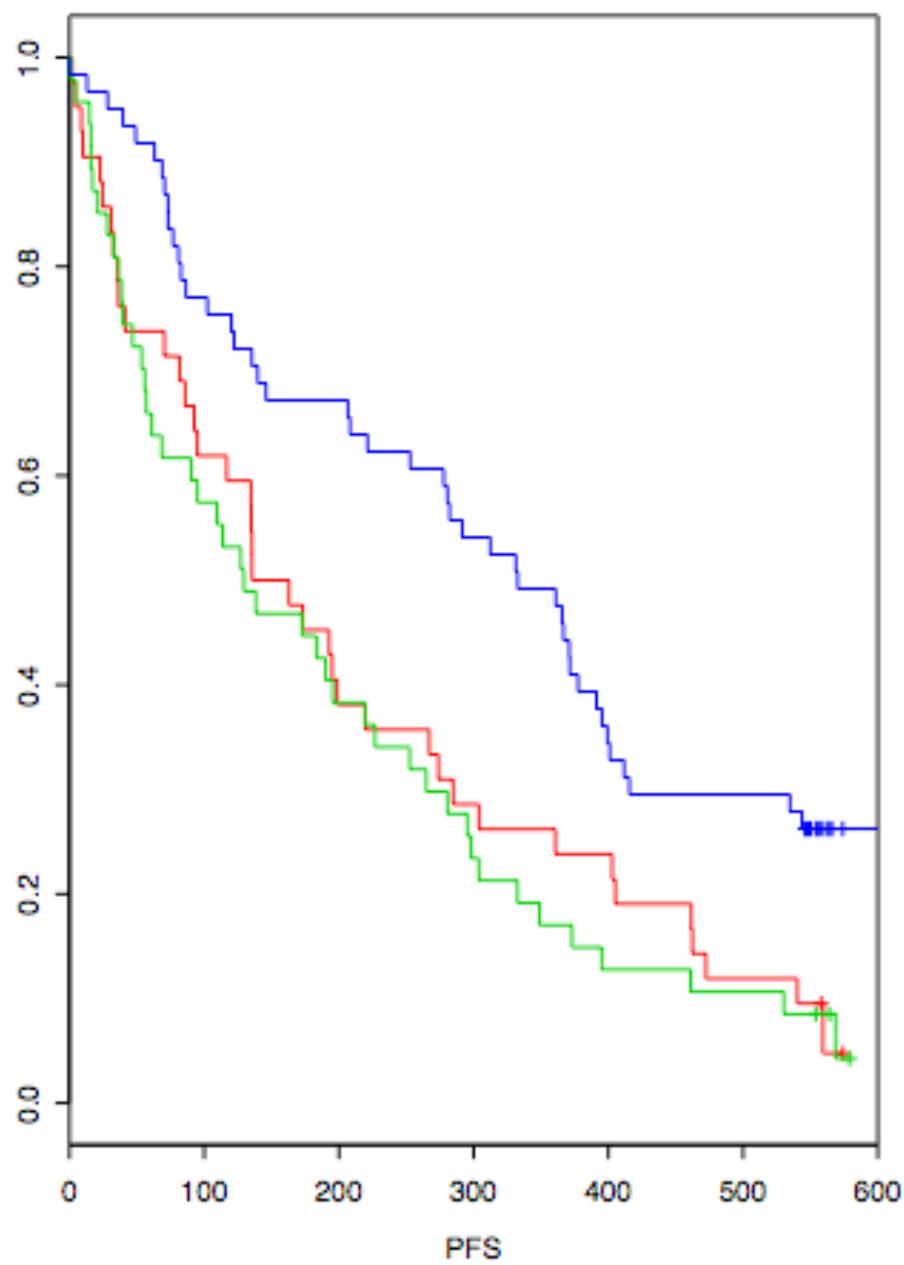
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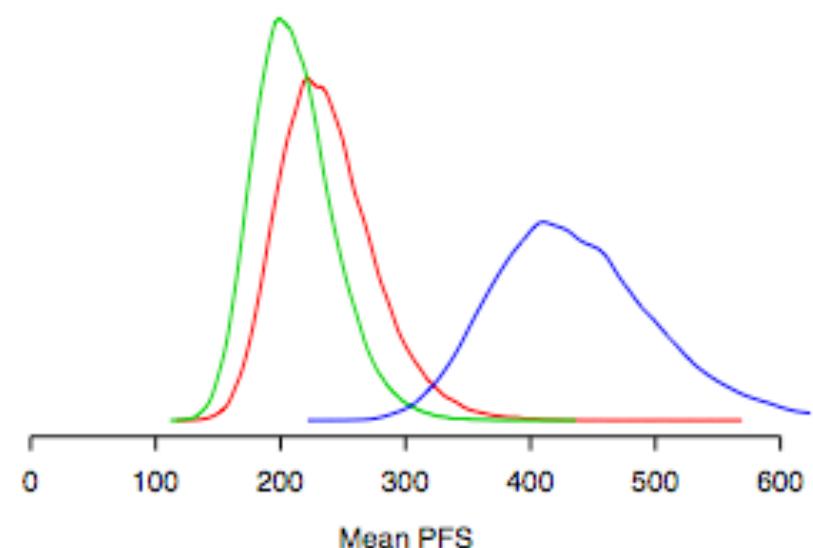
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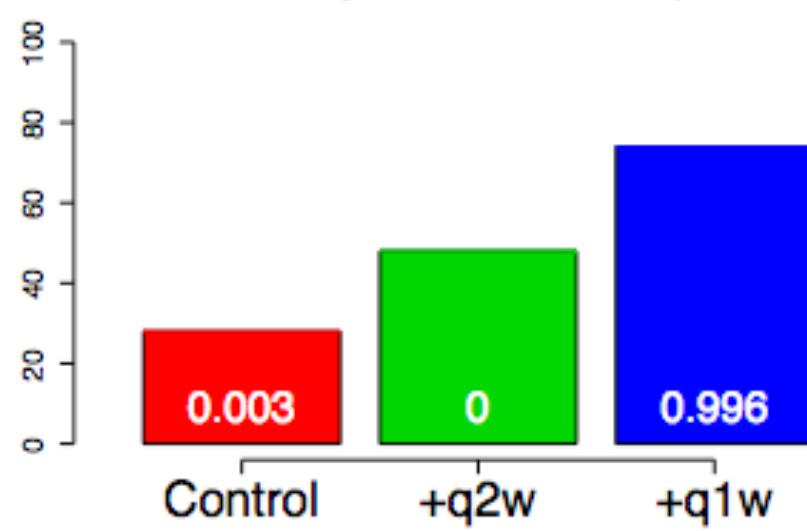
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Posterior Means



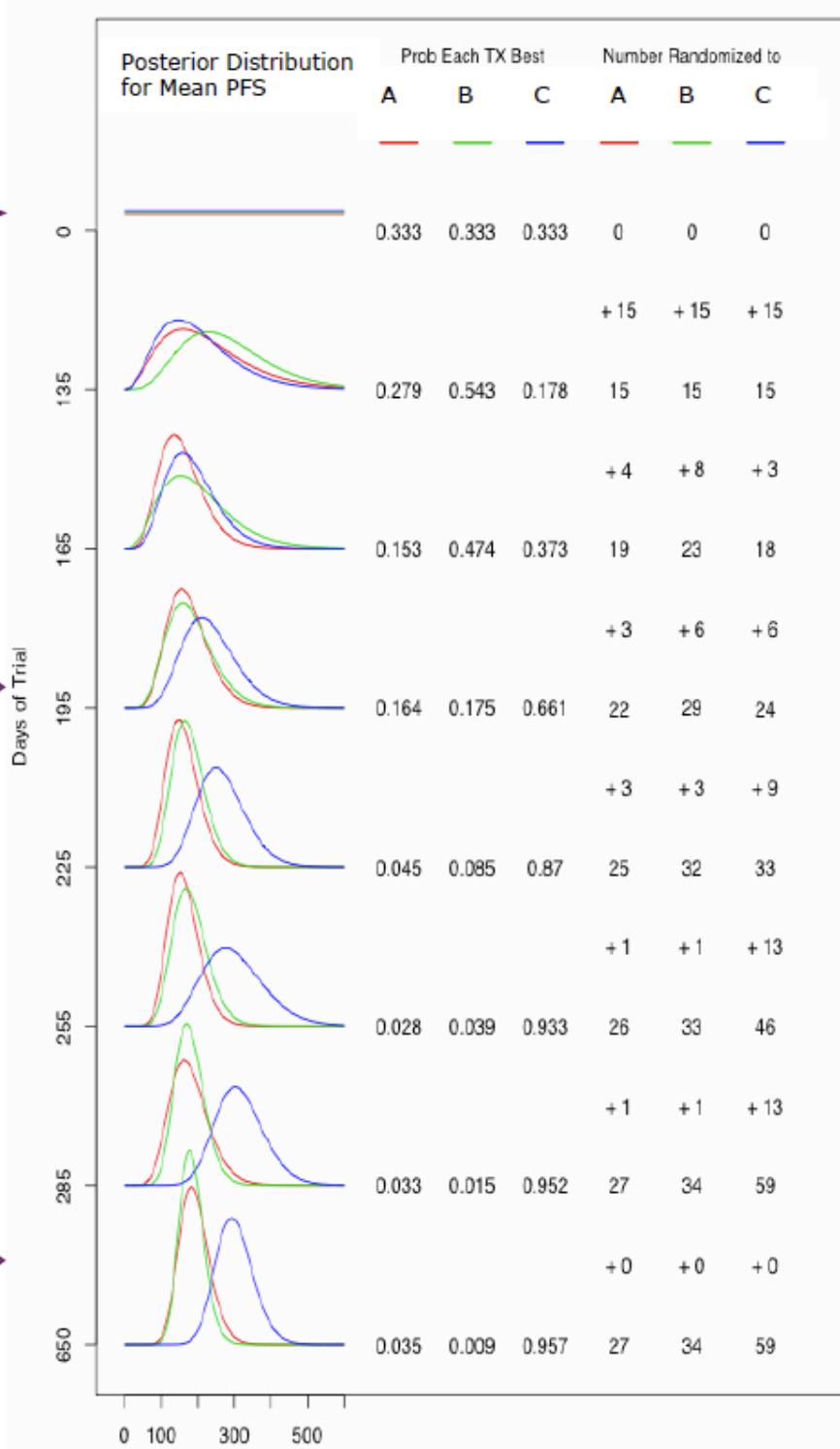
Subjects Per Group



**"Flat" Prior  
(Vague, Non-informative)**

**Interim  
Posterior Distributions  
& Posterior Probabilities**

**Final  
Posterior Distributions  
& Posterior Probabilities**



**n per block**

**Interim Ns**

**Final Ns**

# Output I Shared (Make it prettier)

Treatment	Mean		Mean			Pr(Beat Control)	
	PFS	%Δ	N	SD	Pr(Best)	Pr(Win)	
Control	303		59.7	25.3	0.343	0.000	-----
+q2w	303	No Δ	59.7	28.4	0.322	0.007	0.054
+q1w	303	No Δ	60.0	28.5	0.335	0.008	0.053
Fully Adaptive Trial			179.4	38.7			Pr(Stop for Success) = 0.071 Pr(Stop for Futility) = 0.117 Pr(Stop for Max N) = 0.813 Pr(Either Beats Control) = 0.090

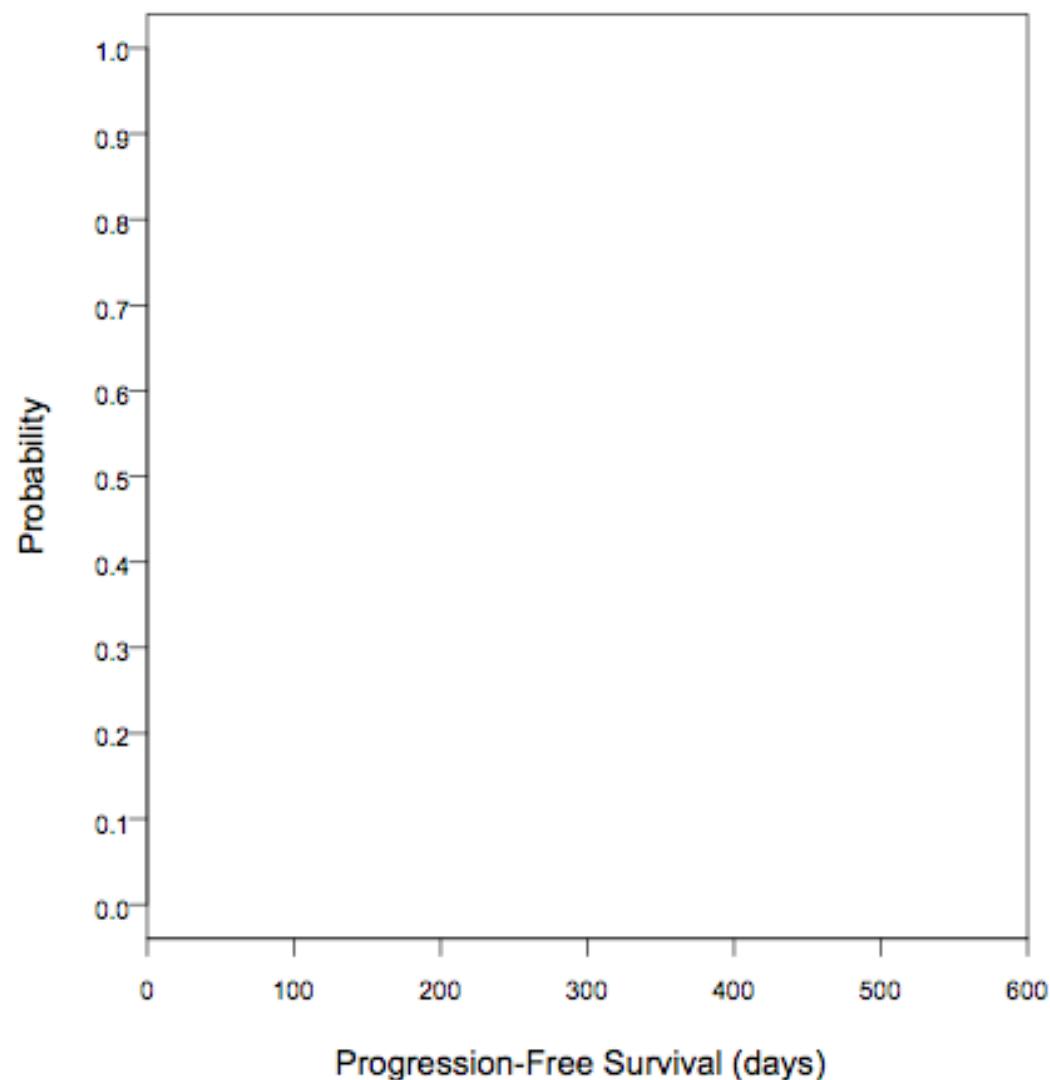
Treatment	Mean		Mean			Pr(Beat Control)	
	PFS	%Δ	N	SD	Pr(Best)	Pr(Win)	
Control	303		34.0	14.2	0.001	0.000	-----
+q2w	455	+50%	56.9	27.0	0.099	0.002	0.462
+q1w	606	+100%	79.4	28.6	0.900	0.351	0.881
Fully Adaptive Trial			170.3	43.2			Pr(Stop for Success) = 0.345 Pr(Stop for Futility) = 0.004 Pr(Stop for Max N) = 0.650 Pr(Either Beats Control) = 0.907

The trial is over!

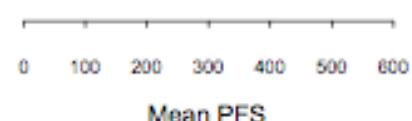
This is how it really went.

Feb 11, 2008

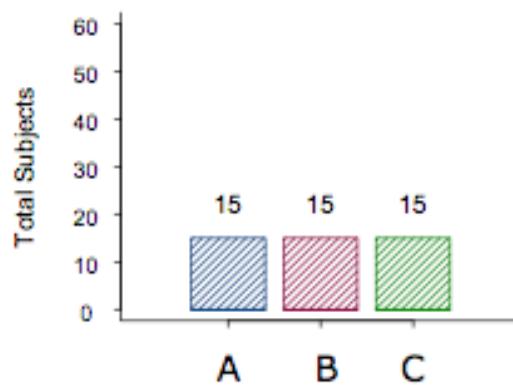
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Posterior Distributions

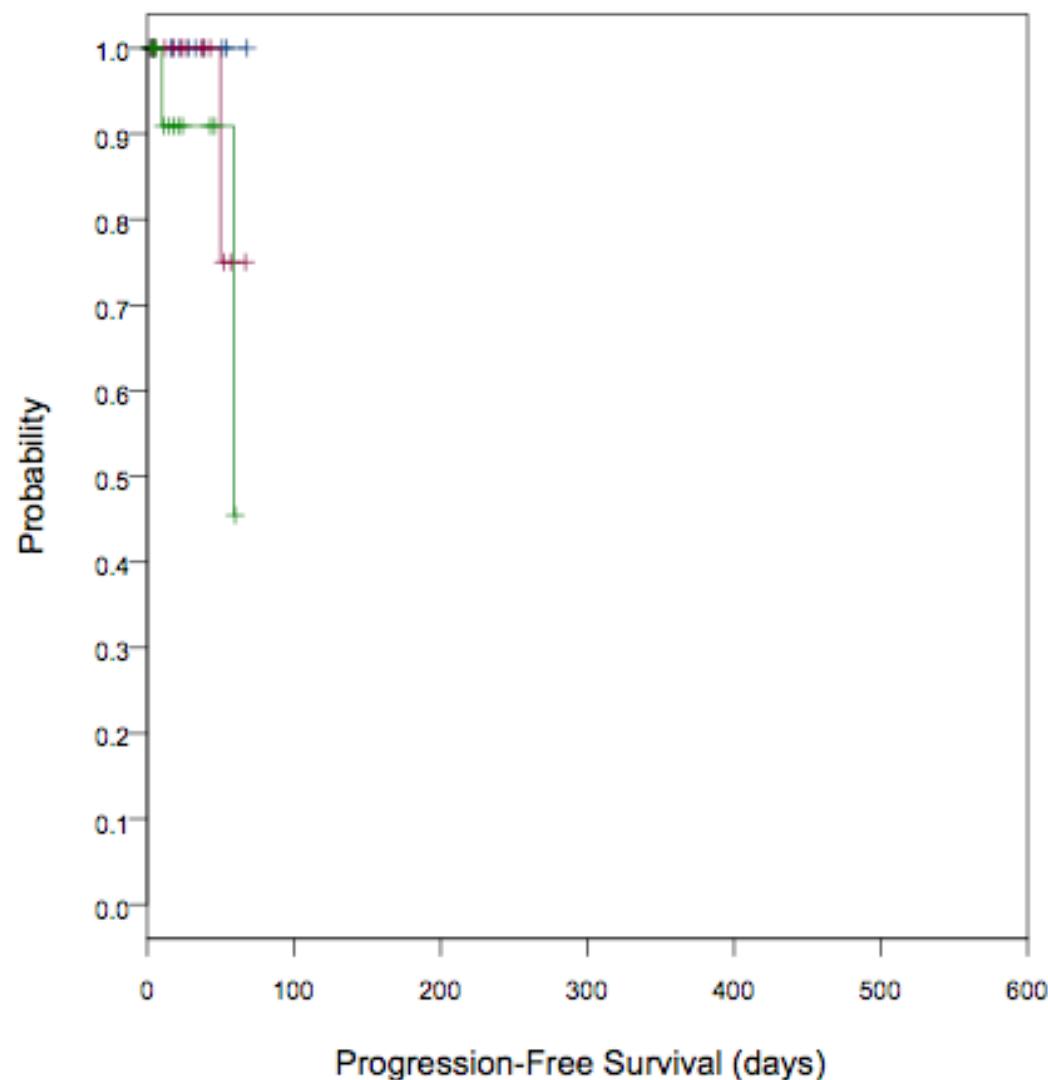


Treatment Allocation

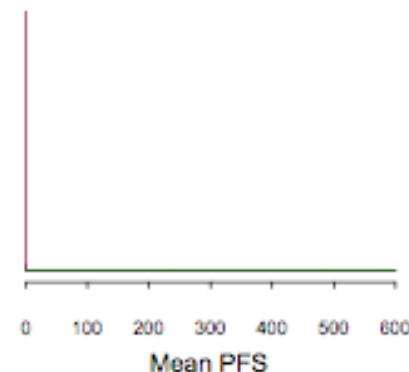


Apr 18, 2008, Expected @ Day 135; Actual Day 67

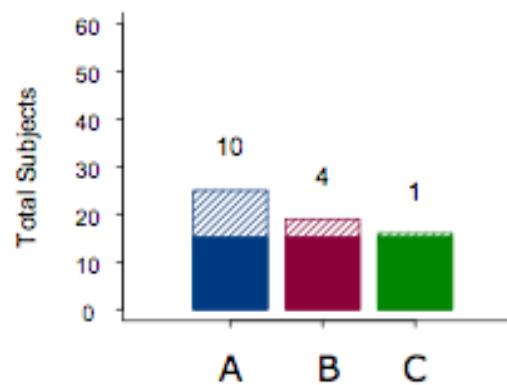
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Posterior Distributions

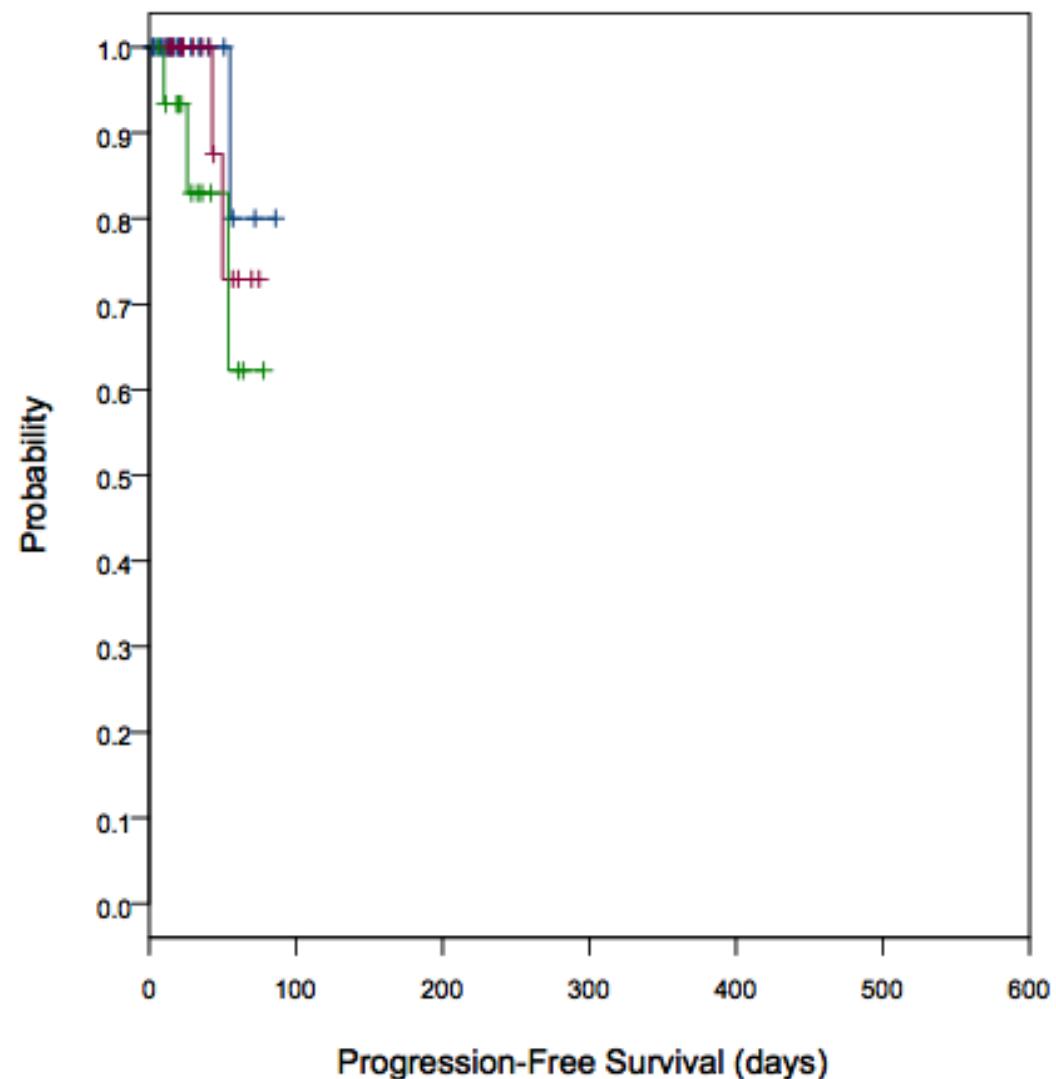


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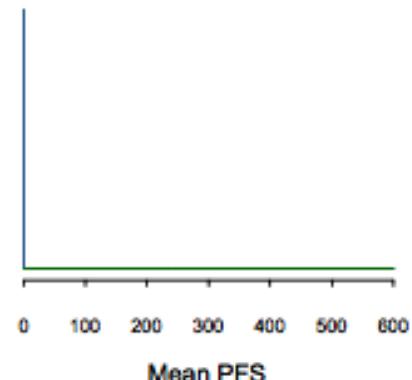


May 8, 2008, Expected @ Day 165; Day 87

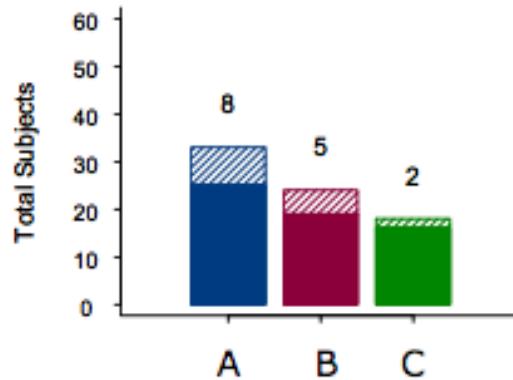
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Posterior Distributions

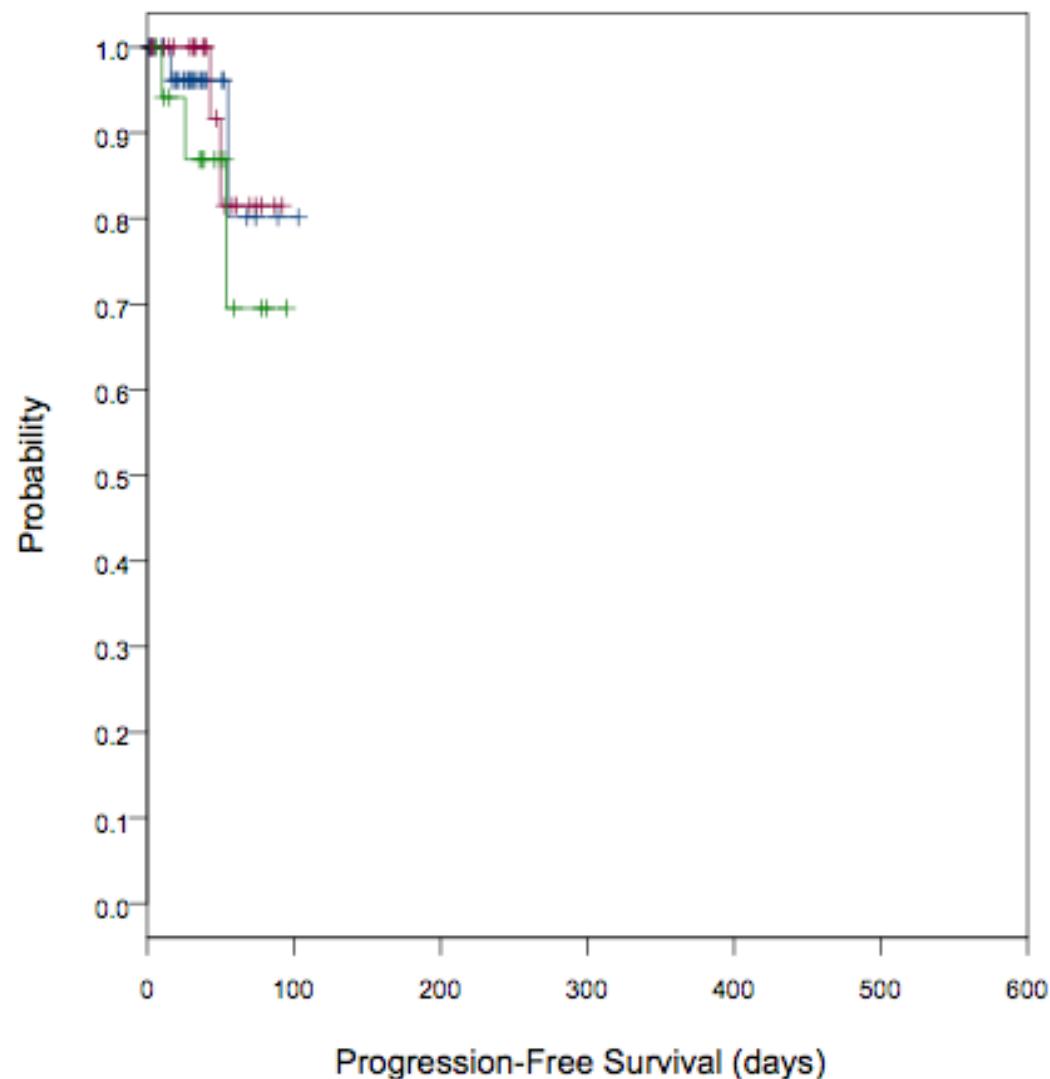


Treatment Allocation

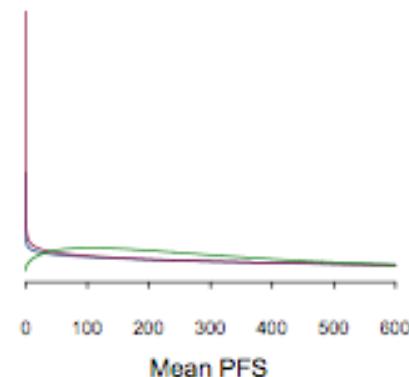


May 27, 2008, Expected @ Day 195; Day 106

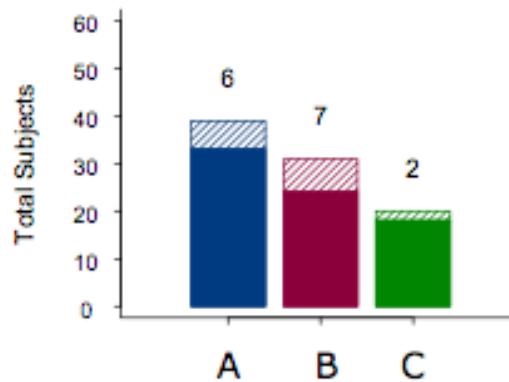
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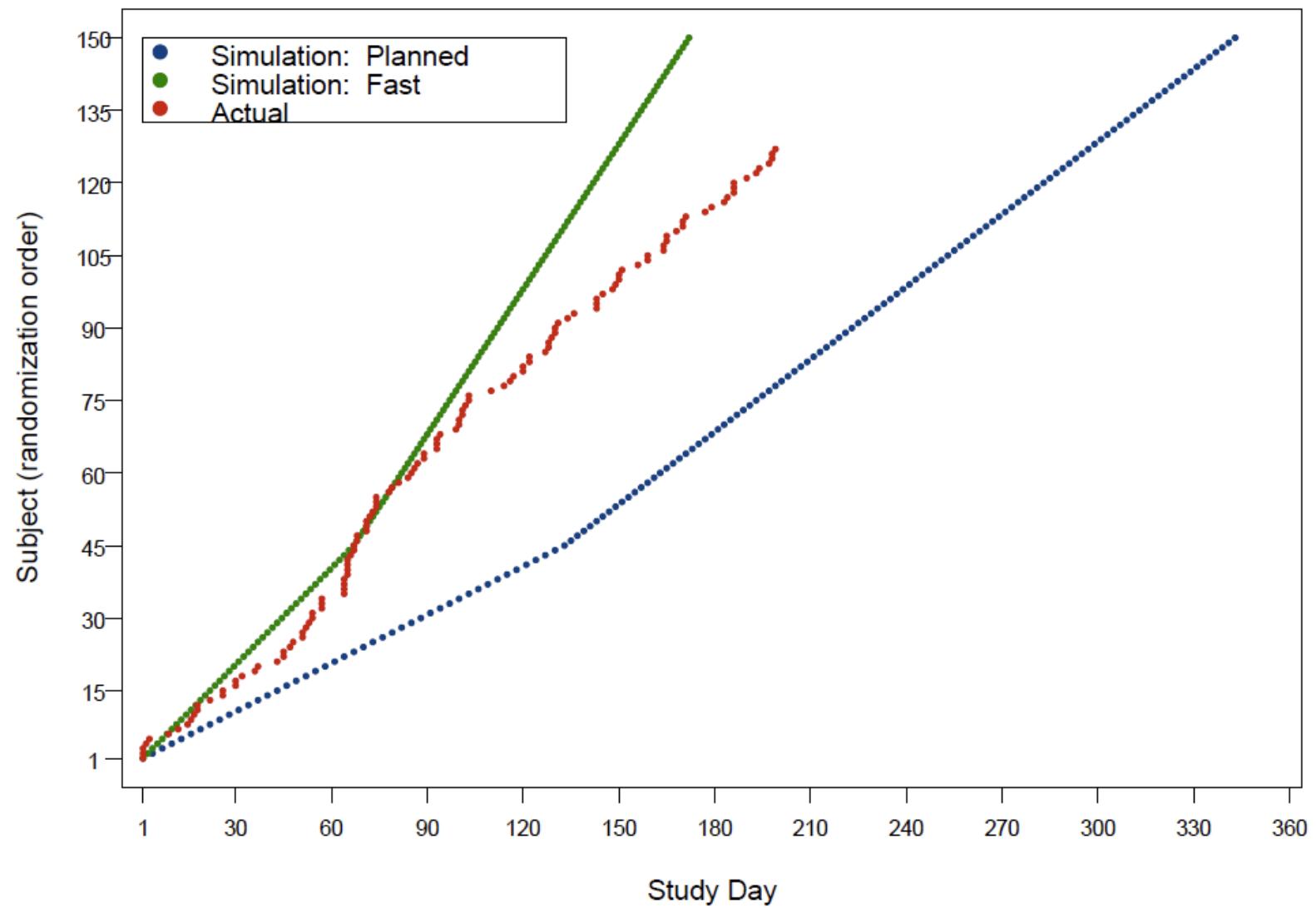
Posterior Distributions



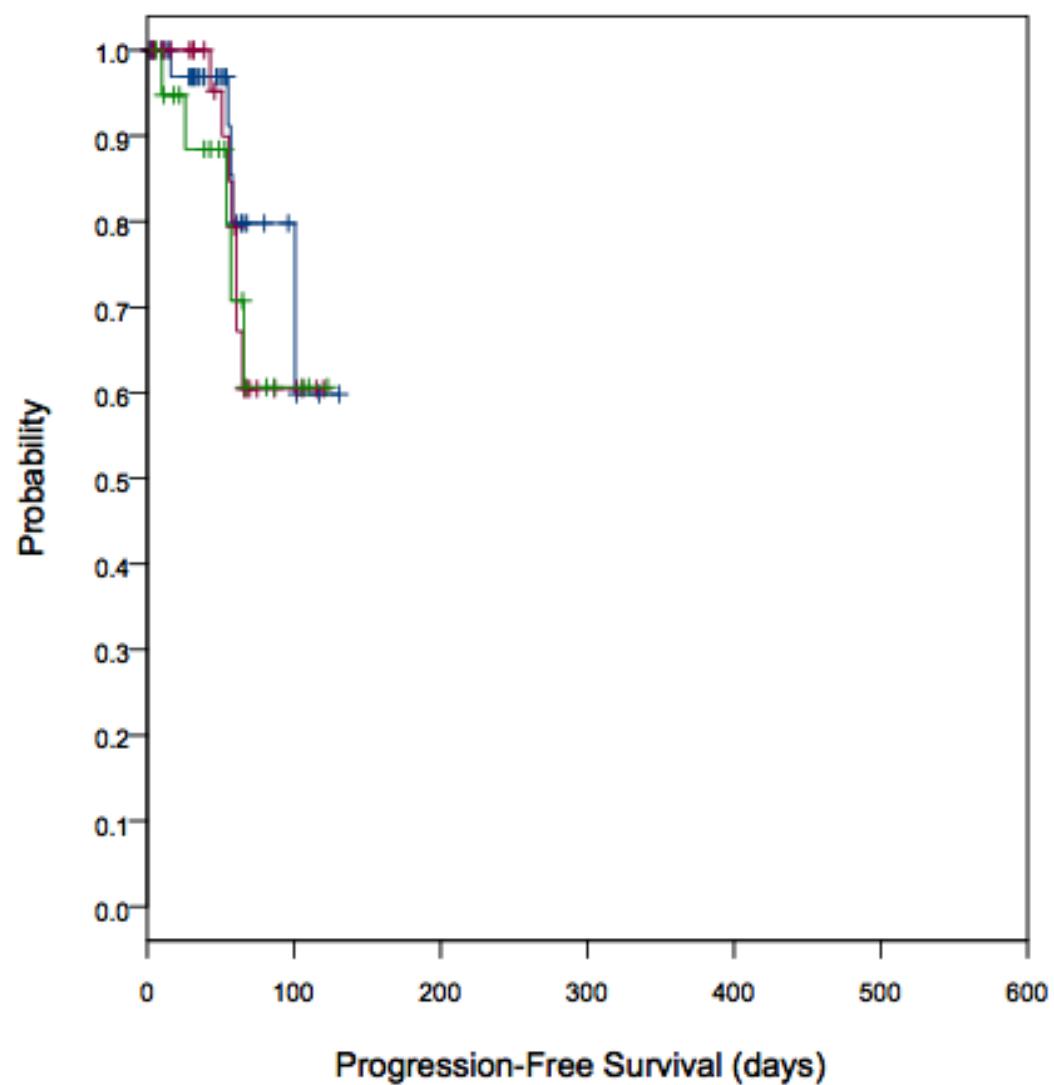
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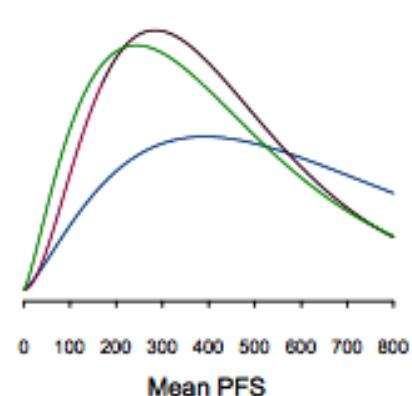
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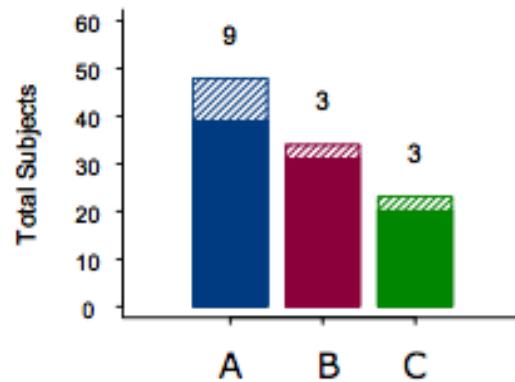
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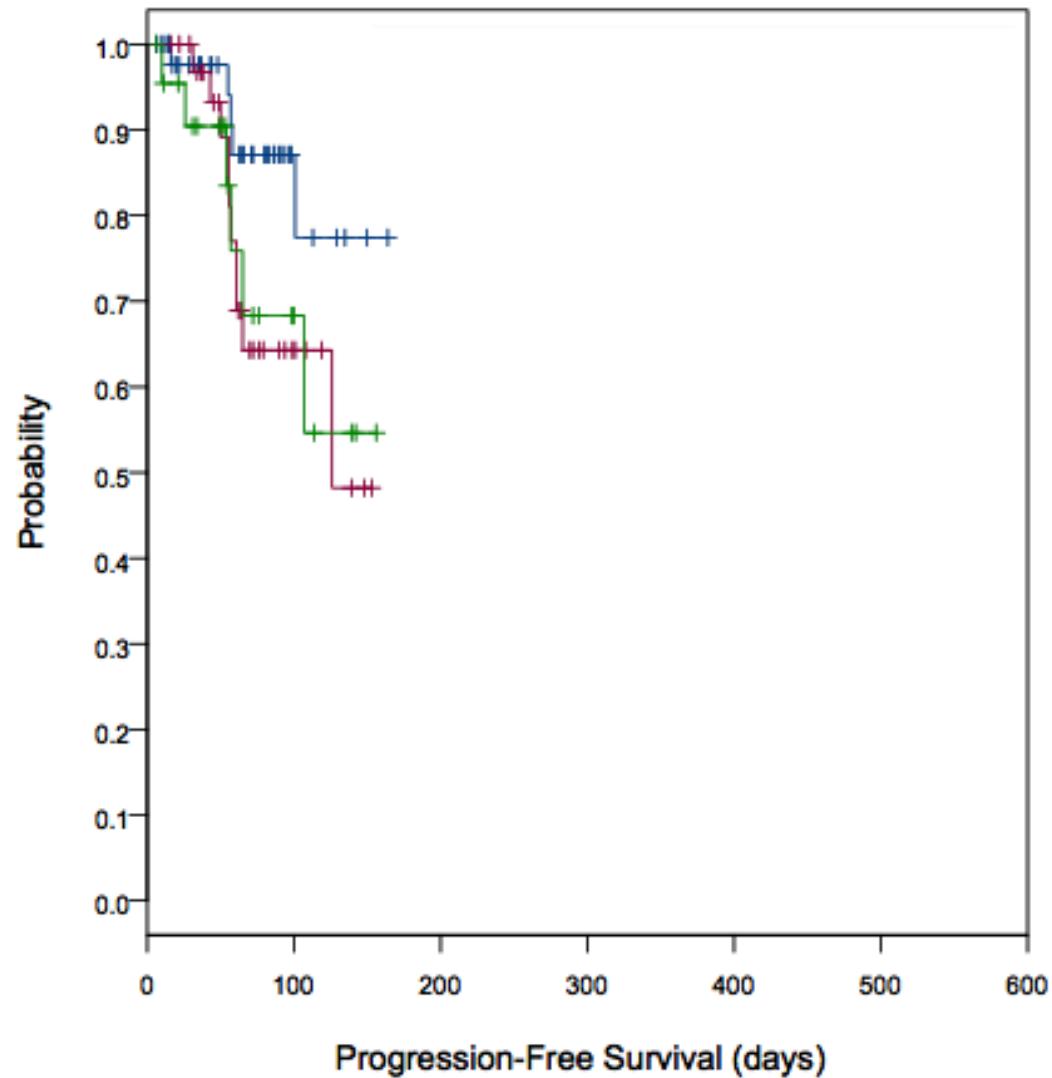
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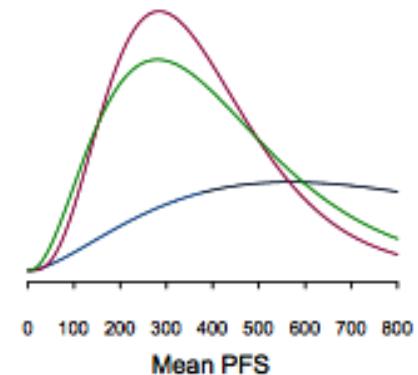
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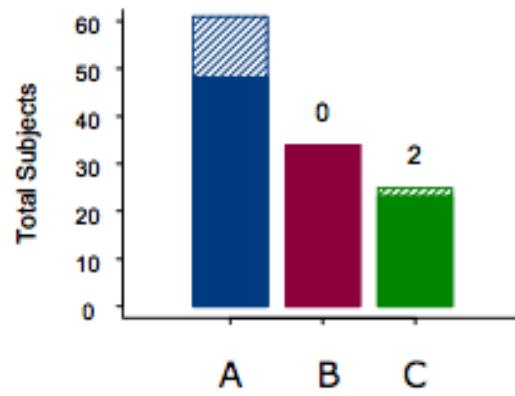
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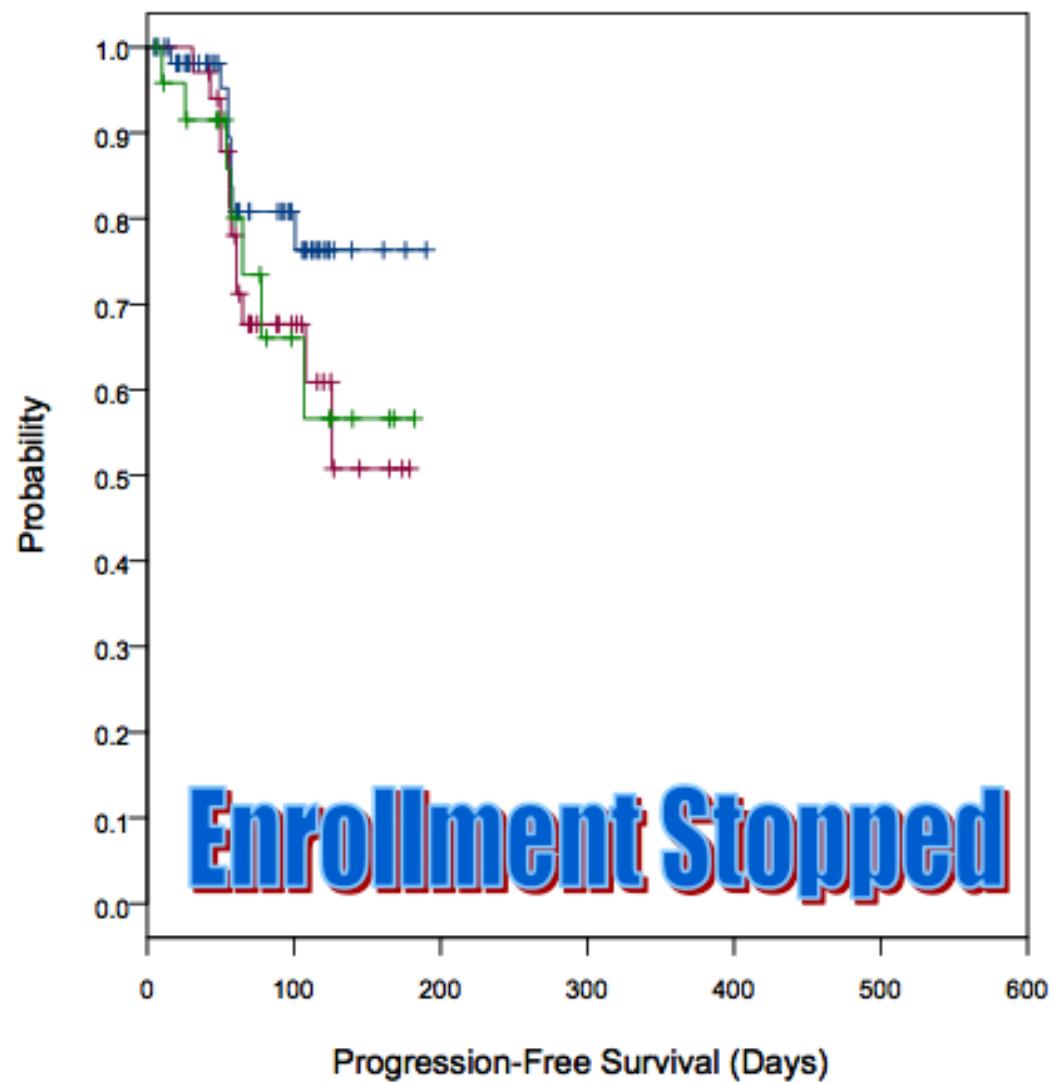
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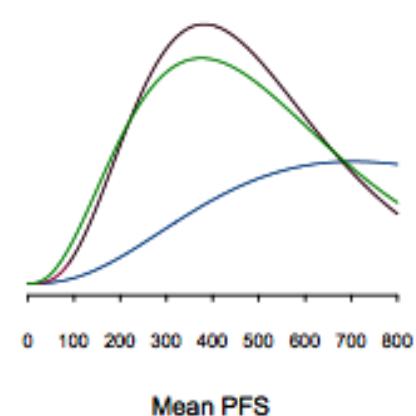
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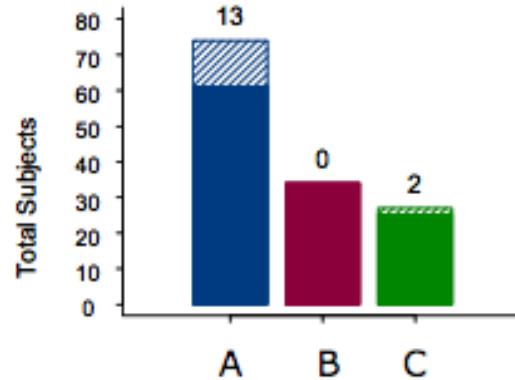
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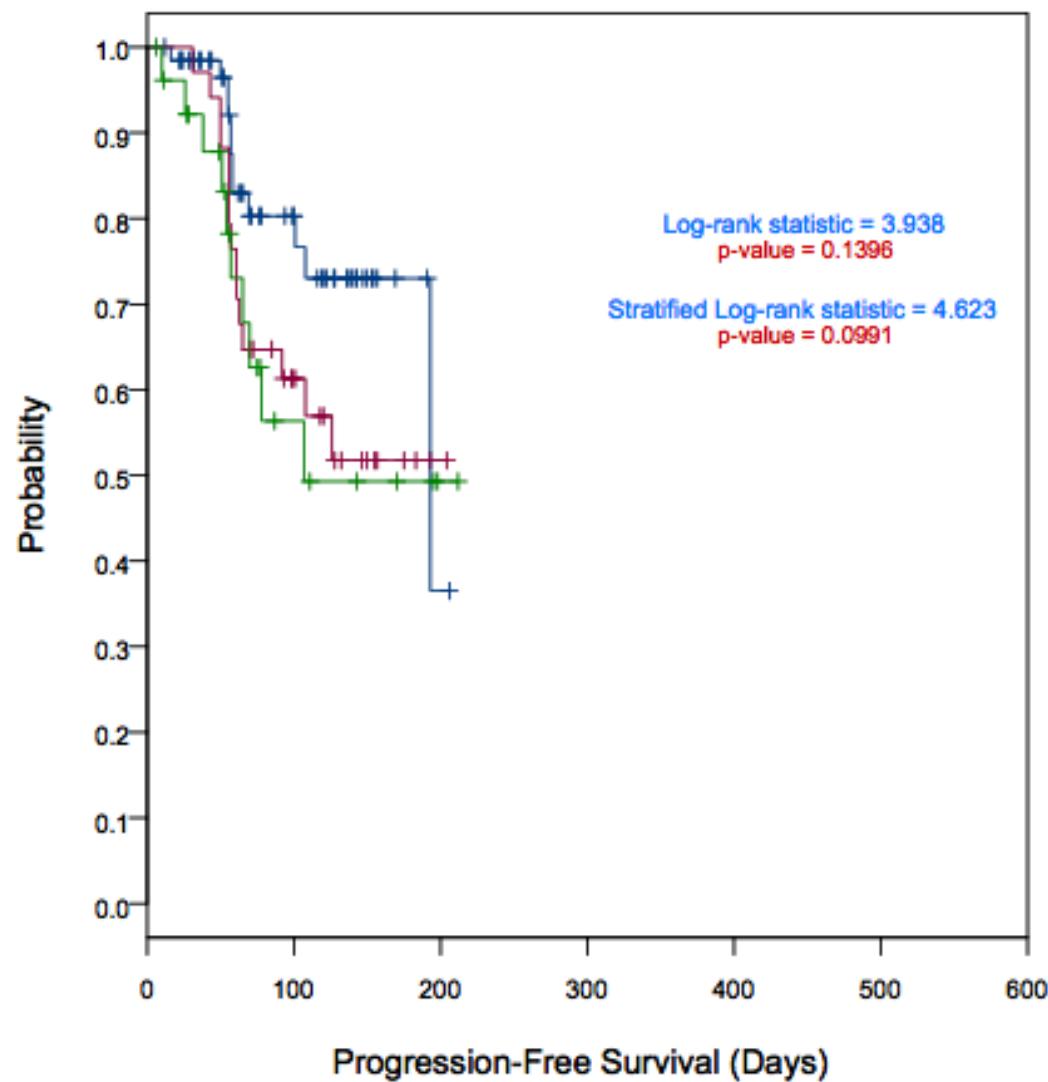
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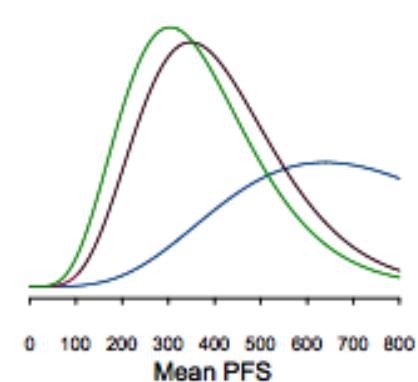
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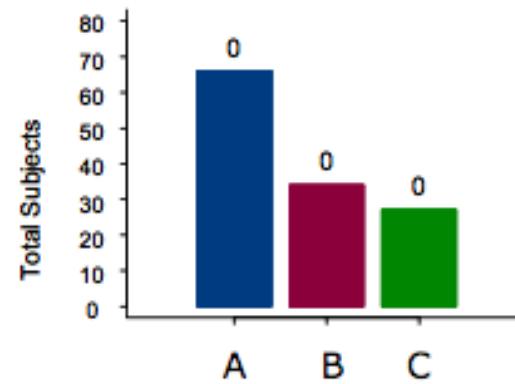
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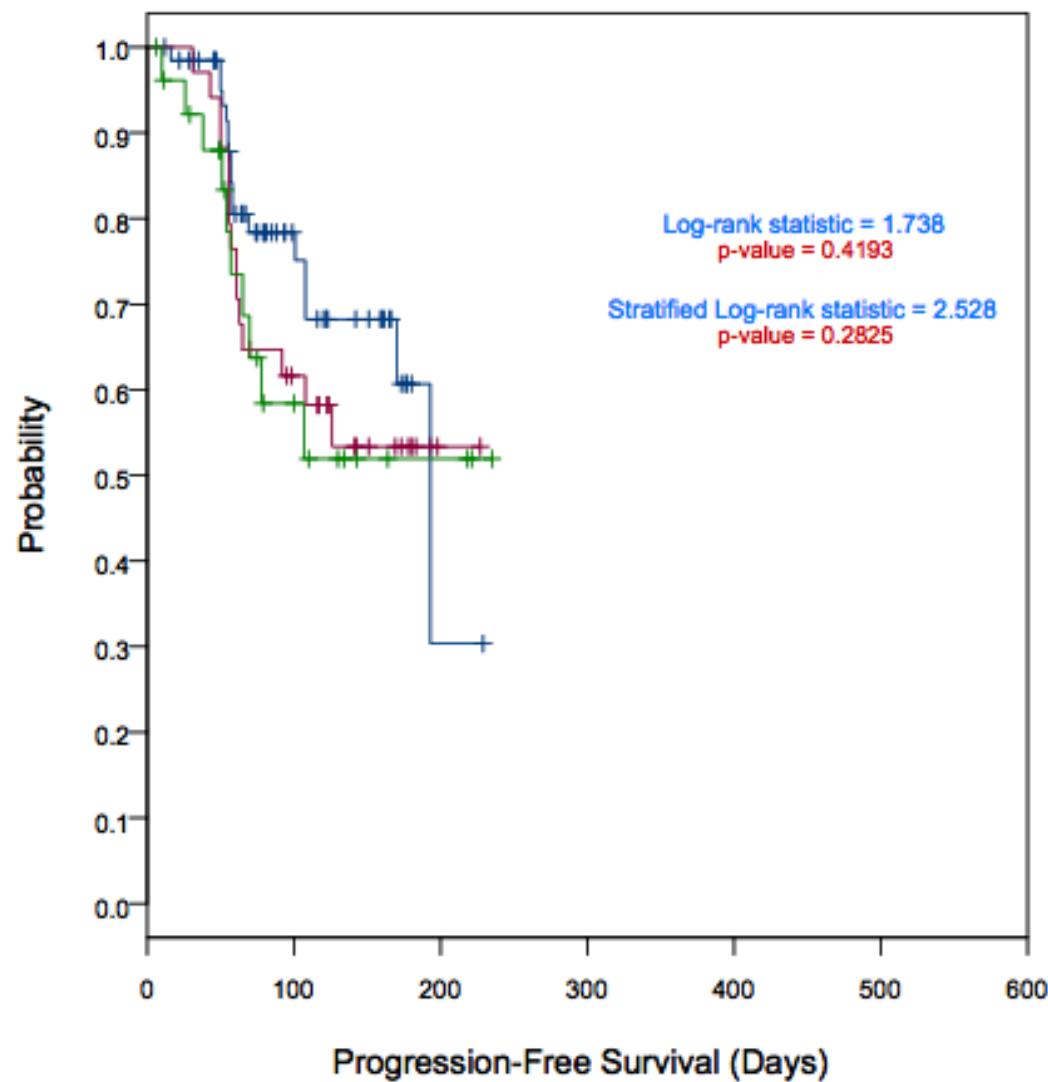
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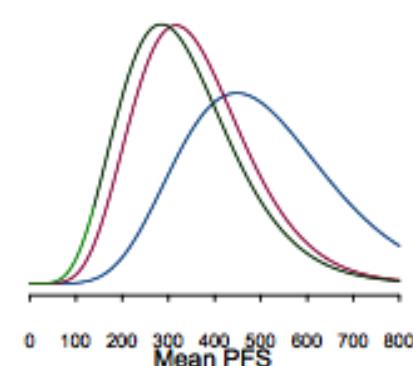
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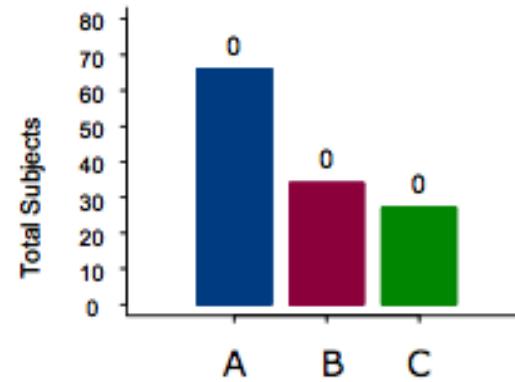
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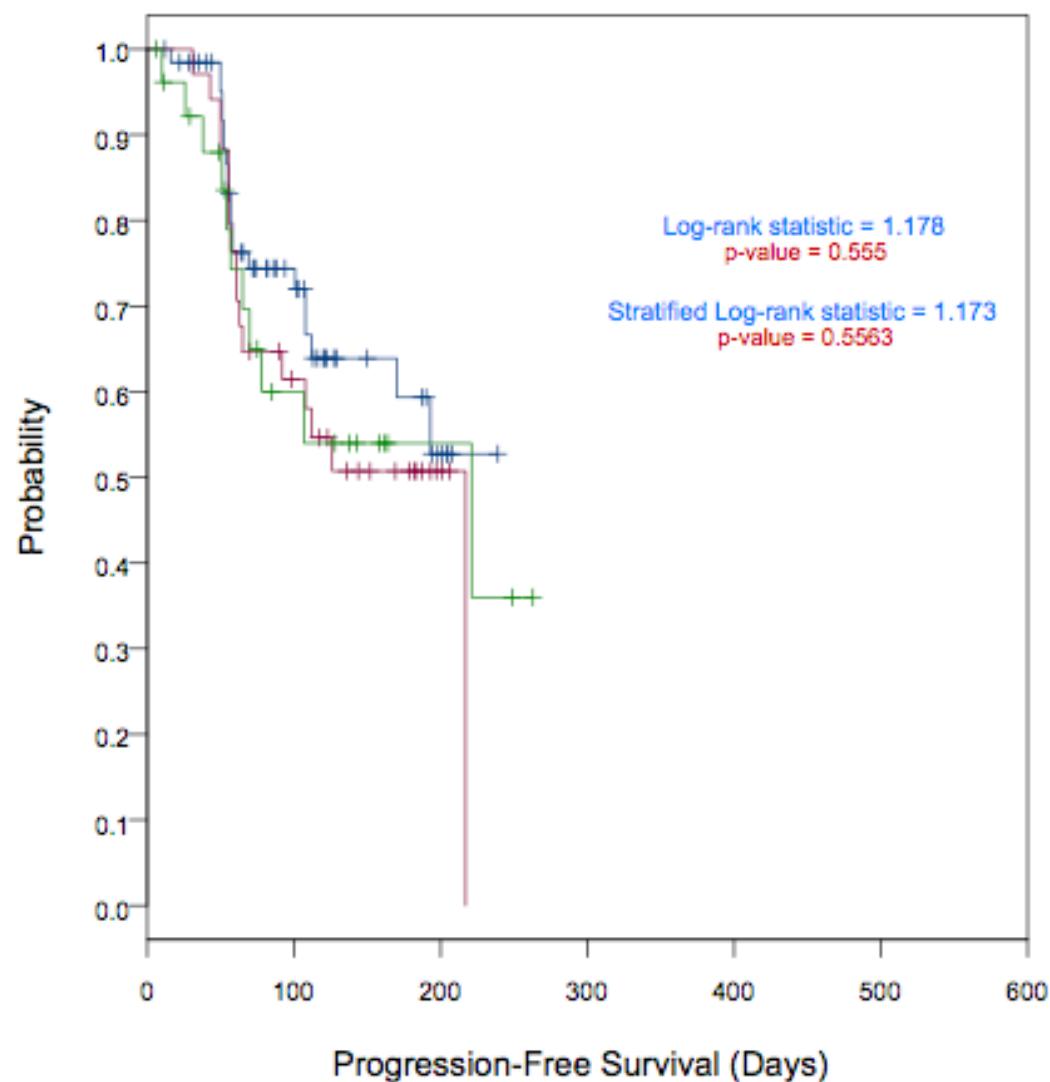
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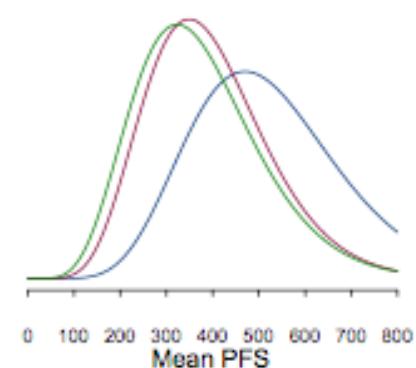
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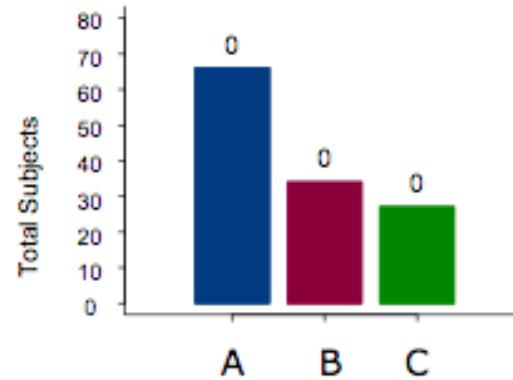
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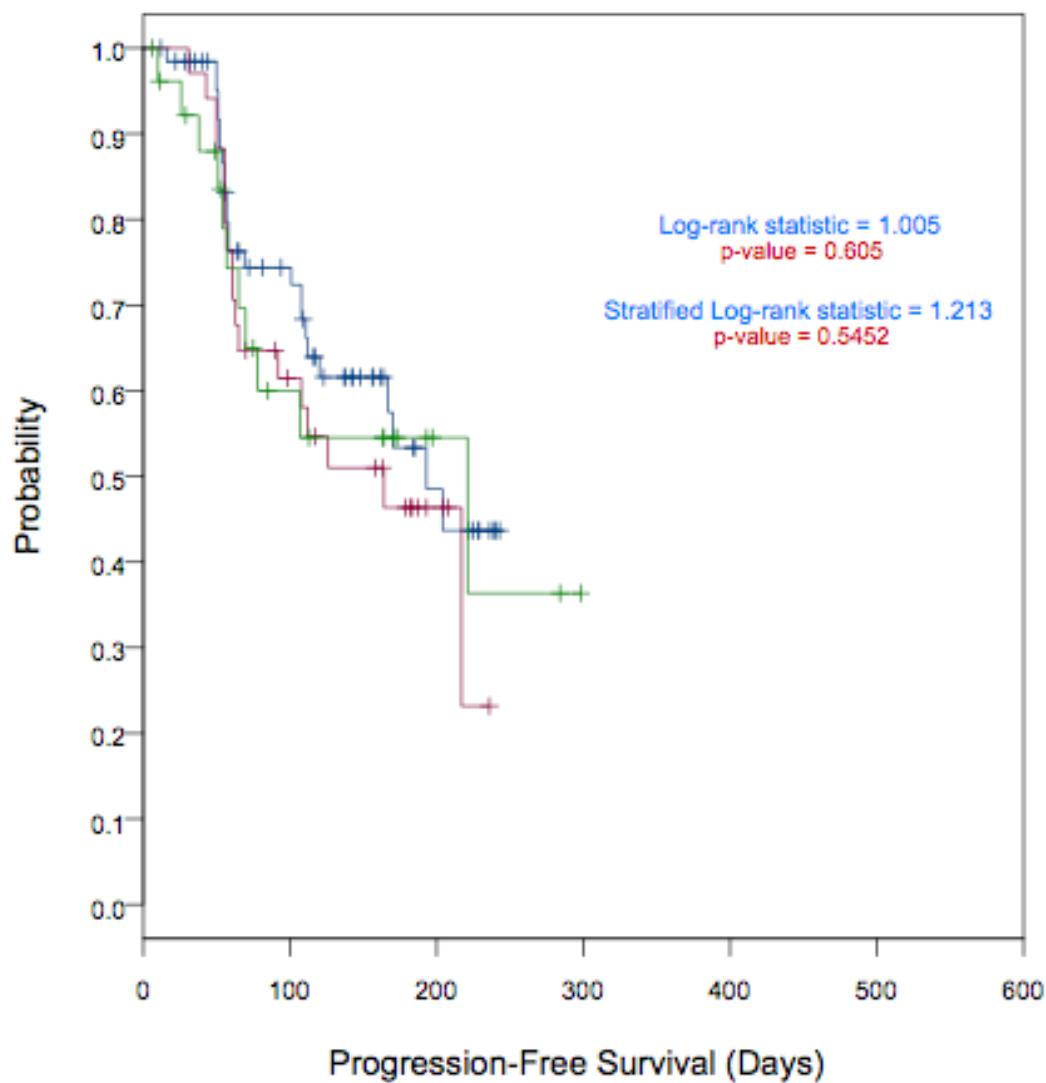
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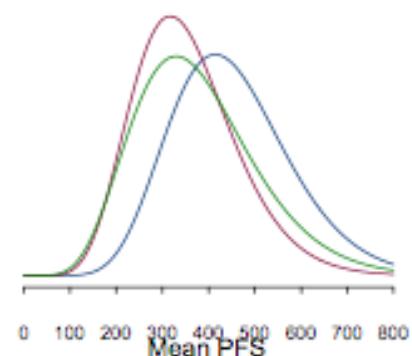
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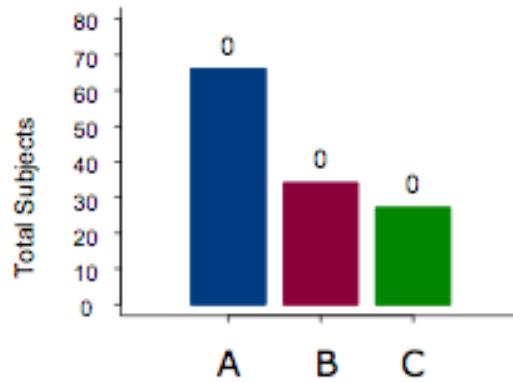
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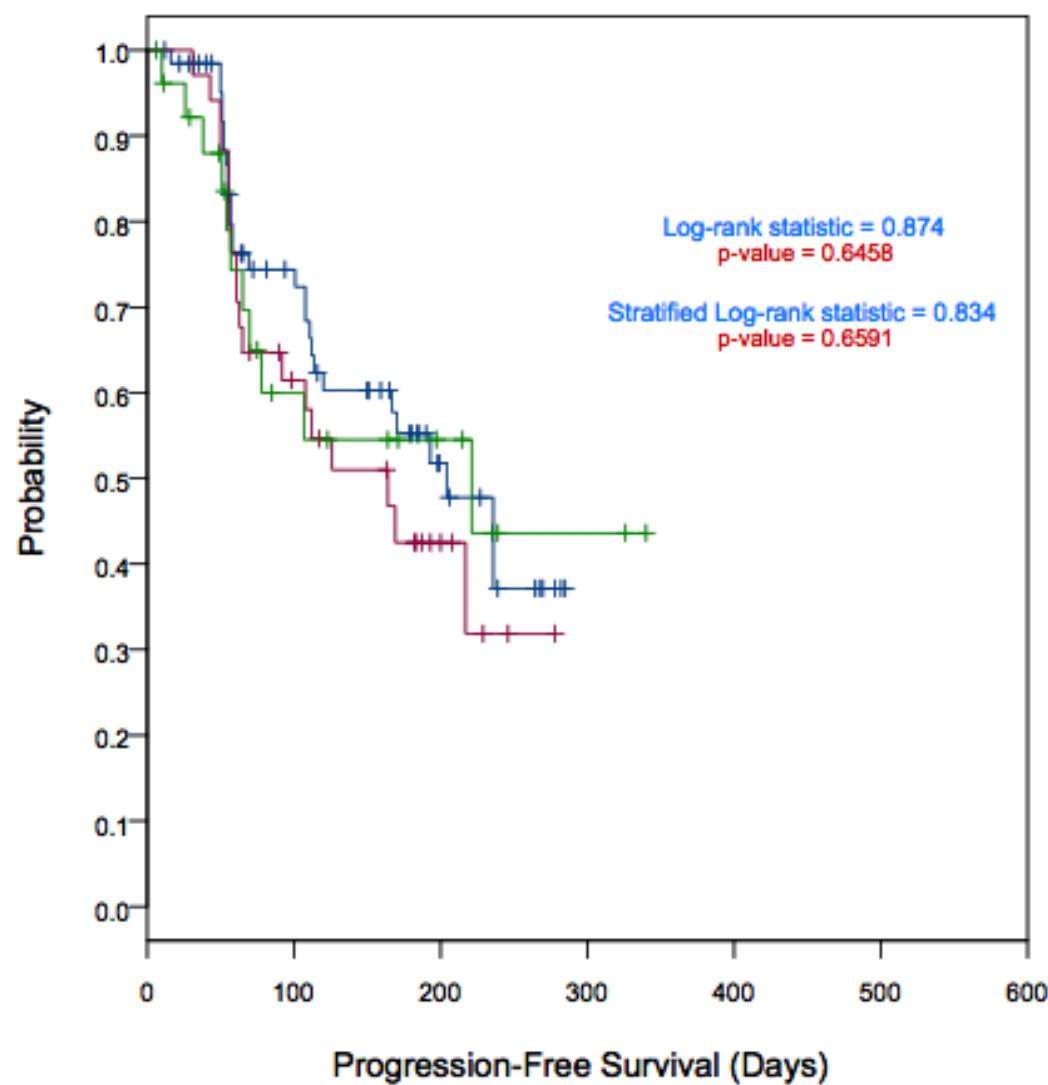
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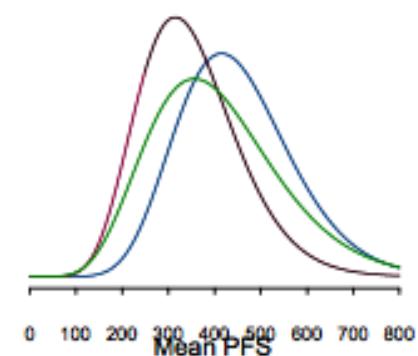
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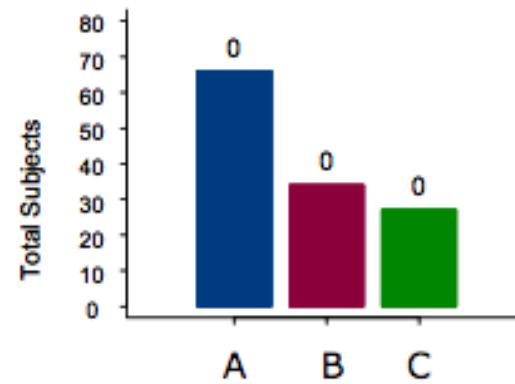
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### Posterior Distributions



### Treatment Allocation



# Lessons Learned

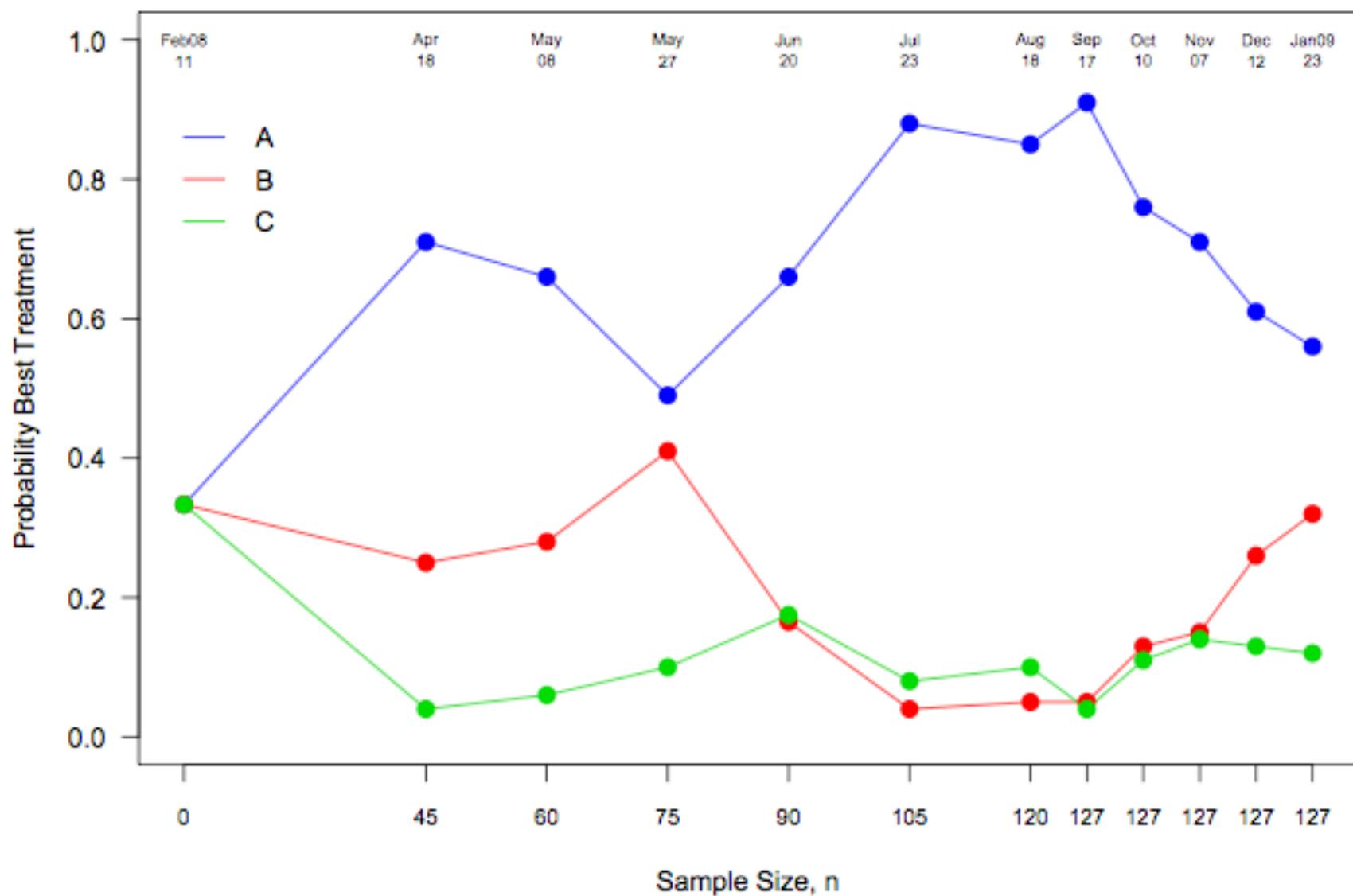
$$R_j = \frac{p_j^c}{p_1^c + p_2^c + p_3^c + \dots + p_G^c}$$

$R_j$  : randomization probability of treatment  $j$

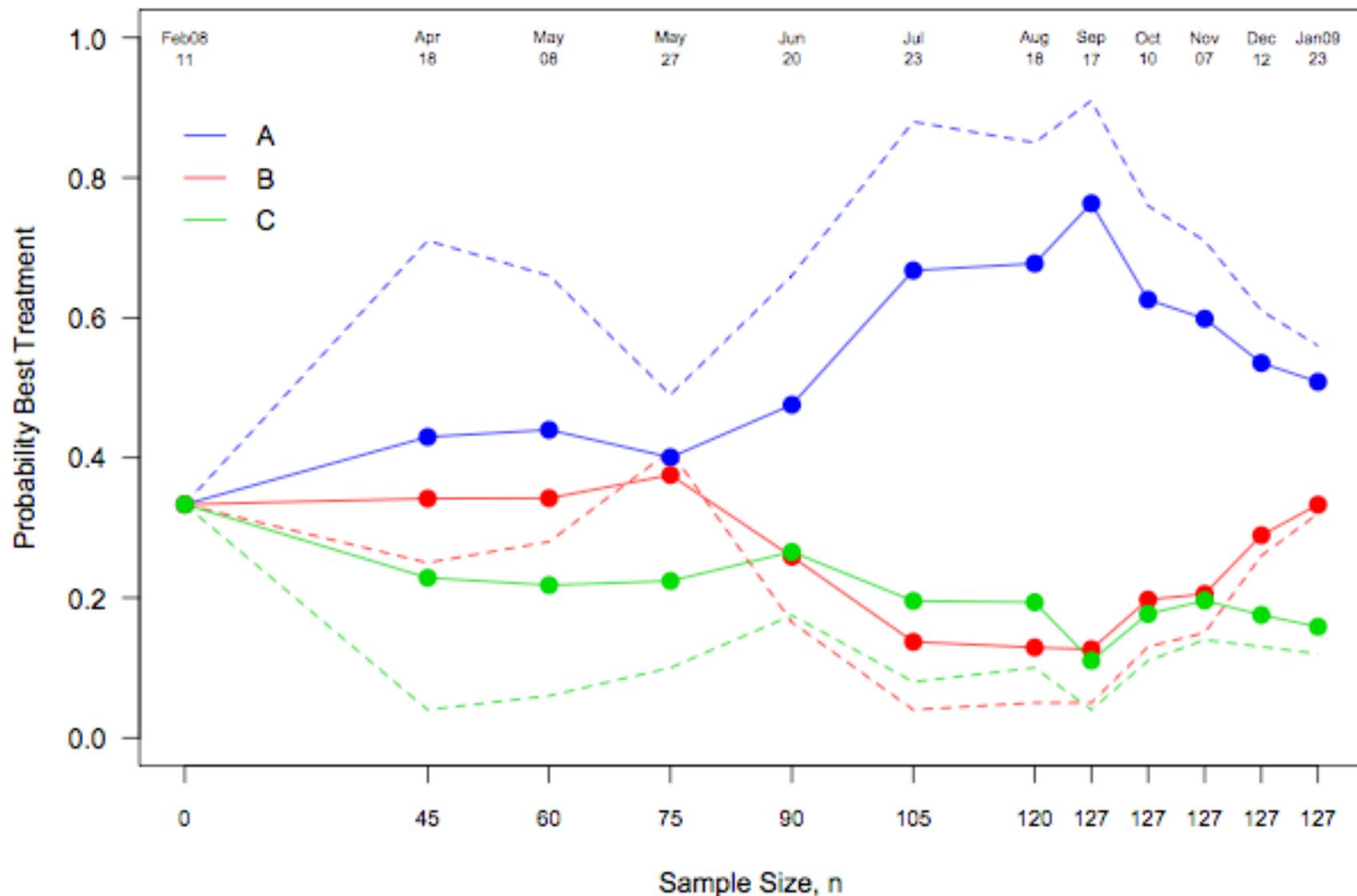
$p_j$ : posterior probability treatment  $j$  is the best treatment.

- $c = 0$ , equal randomization ( $R_j = 1/G$ )
- $c = 1$ , proportional randomization ( $R_j = p_j$ )
- $c \geq 1$ 
  - more likely to favor 1 arm earlier in the trial, even when treatments are equal
  - more subjects likely assigned to the best treatment
- $c < 1$ 
  - randomization less likely to favor one arm earlier in the trial
  - fewer subjects likely assigned to best treatment
- $c = n/N$ , trial begins with  $c = 0$  and ends with  $c = 1$

# Randomization Assignments



# Randomization using $c = n/N$



# Summary