| | Total | Subgroup A | A Subgroup I | B Subgroup C |
|--------------------------------|-----------|------------|--------------|--------------|
| | (n=100) | (n=21) | (n=49) | (n=30) |
| Confirmed response, n (%) | | | | |
| Complete response | 7 (7.0) | 0 | 7 (14.3) | 0 |
| Partial response | 63 (63.0) | 11 (52.4) | 36 (73.5) | 16 (53.3) |
| Stable disease | 17 (17.0) | 3 (14.3) | 5 (10.2) | 9 (30.0) |
| Progressive disease | 8 (8.0) | 3 (14.3) | 1 (2.0) | 4 (13.3) |
| Not evaluable | 1 (3.3) | 1 (3.3) | 0 | 0 |
| Not assessed [*] | 4 (13.3) | 3 (14.3) | 0 | 1 (3.3) |
| Objective response rate, n (%) | 70 (70.0) | 11 (52.4) | 43 (87.8) | 16 (53.3) |
| 95% confidence interval | 60.0-78.8 | 29.8-74.3 | 75.2-95.4 | 34.3-71.7 |
| Nominal P vs. subgroup A | | | 0.001 | 0.947 |
| Nominal P vs. subgroup C | | | < 0.001 | |

Table S1. Tumor response

Subgroup A included patients who had progression during adjuvant trastuzumab; subgroup B included patients who had progression within 12 months of completing adjuvant trastuzumab; subgroup C included patients who had progression within 6 months after the initiation of first-line trastuzumab for advanced disease.

*Four patients discontinued treatment before the first post-baseline imaging examination.

 Table S2. Indirect comparison across studies

| Study | Definition of primary trastuzumab resistance | Treatment | ORR | mPFS (months) |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Morrow et al. | Have PD after ≥1 trastuzumab-based therapy for MBC | Everolimus + trastuzumab | NA | 4.1 (n=47) |
| Hurvitz et al. | Progressed during or within 3 months of receiving the | Everolimus + trastuzumab | 22% (12/55) | 5.5 |
| | last dose of trastuzumab for advanced disease or | + paclitaxel | | |
| | recurred within 12 months of completing trastuzumab- | | | |
| | based (neo)adjuvant therapy | | | |
| BOLERO-3 | Recurrence during or within 12 months of adjuvant | Everolimus + trastuzumab | 41% (116/284) | 7.0 |
| | treatment or progression during or within 4 weeks of | + vinorelbine | VS. | VS. |
| | treatment for advanced disease | VS. | 37% (106/285) | 5.8 |
| | | Trastuzumab + vinorelbine | | |
| | Progressed on or within 12 months of completing | Afatinib + vinorelbine | 46% (154/334) | 5.5 |
| | adjuvant trastuzumab (treatment must have been for | VS. | VS. | VS. |
| | ≥ 9 weeks); progressed on or within 6 months of | Trastuzumab + vinorelbine | 47% (79/168) | 5.6 |
| | completing first-line trastuzumab for metastatic | | | |
| | disease (treatment must have been for ≥ 6 weeks) | | | |
| PIKHER2 | Trastuzumab-resistant | Buparlisib + lapatinib | 4% (1/24) | NA |
| Pistilli et al. | Recurrence while on or within 4 weeks since the most | Buparlisib + trastuzumab | 10% (5/50) | NA |

| | recent infusion for patients who received trastuzumab | | | |
|---------------|------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | for metastatic disease (or within 12 months for | | | |
| | patients who received trastuzumab as adjuvant | | | |
| | therapy) | | | |
| Jain et al. | Locally advanced disease must be inoperable and have | Alpelisib + T-DM1 | 43% (6/14) | 8.1 |
| | progressed within 6 months of trastuzumab and/or | | | |
| | taxane treatment and metastatic disease must have | | | |
| | progressed during or after trastuzumab and taxane | | | |
| | therapy. | | | |
| PANACEA | Documented progression during previous | Pembrolizumab + | PD-L1-positive: | PD-L1-positive: |
| | trastuzumab-based therapy | trastuzumab | 15% (6/40) | 2.7 |
| | | | PD-L1-negative: | PD-L1-negative: |
| | | | 0% (0/12) | 2.5 |
| Present study | Progression during (neo)adjuvant trastuzumab or | Pyrotinib + capecitabine | 70.0% (70/100) | 11.8 |
| (PICTURE) | within 12 months of completing (neo)adjuvant | | | |
| | trastuzumab (treatment must have been for ≥ 9 weeks), | | | |
| | or progression within 6 months after initiation of first- | | | |

line trastuzumab for advanced disease (treatment must

have been for ≥ 6 weeks)

ORR, objective response rate; mPFS, median progression-free survival; NA, not applicable; T-DM1, trastuzumab emtansine; PD-L1, programmed cell death-ligand 1.

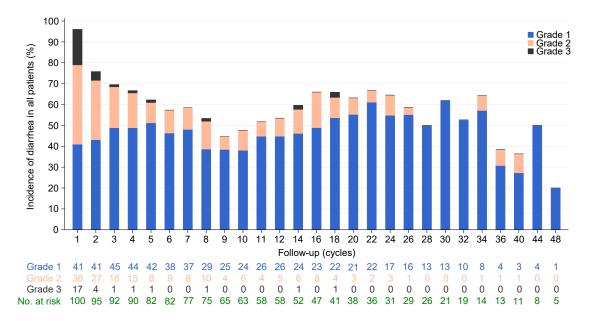


Fig. S1 The incidence of diarrhea in each treatment cycle.