# Supplementary Information

# Use of sentinel lymph node biopsy in elderly patients with breast cancer – 10-year experience from a Swiss university hospital

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**Supplement Table 1**. Comparison of potential influence factors on axillary surgery in patients ≥70 years, with cT1, cN0, hormone receptor positive, human epidermal growth factor receptor 2 negative breast cancer before and after publication of *Choosing Wisely* recommendations

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|  | Until August 2016  (n=24) | As of August 2016  (n=55) | p-value | %  missing data |
| **Neoadjuvant therapy** | 0.0% | 1.8% | 1.0 | 4.8% |
| **Tumor grade** | | | | 9.6% |
| Grade 1 | 26.1% | 23.1% | 0.39 |  |
| Grade 2 | 56.5% | 69.2% |  |  |
| Grade 3 | 17.4% | 7.7% |  |  |
| **Type of breast surgery** | | | | 4.8% |
| Breast conserving surgery | 87.5% | 70.9% | 0.19 |  |
| Mastectomy | 12.5% | 29.1% |  |  |