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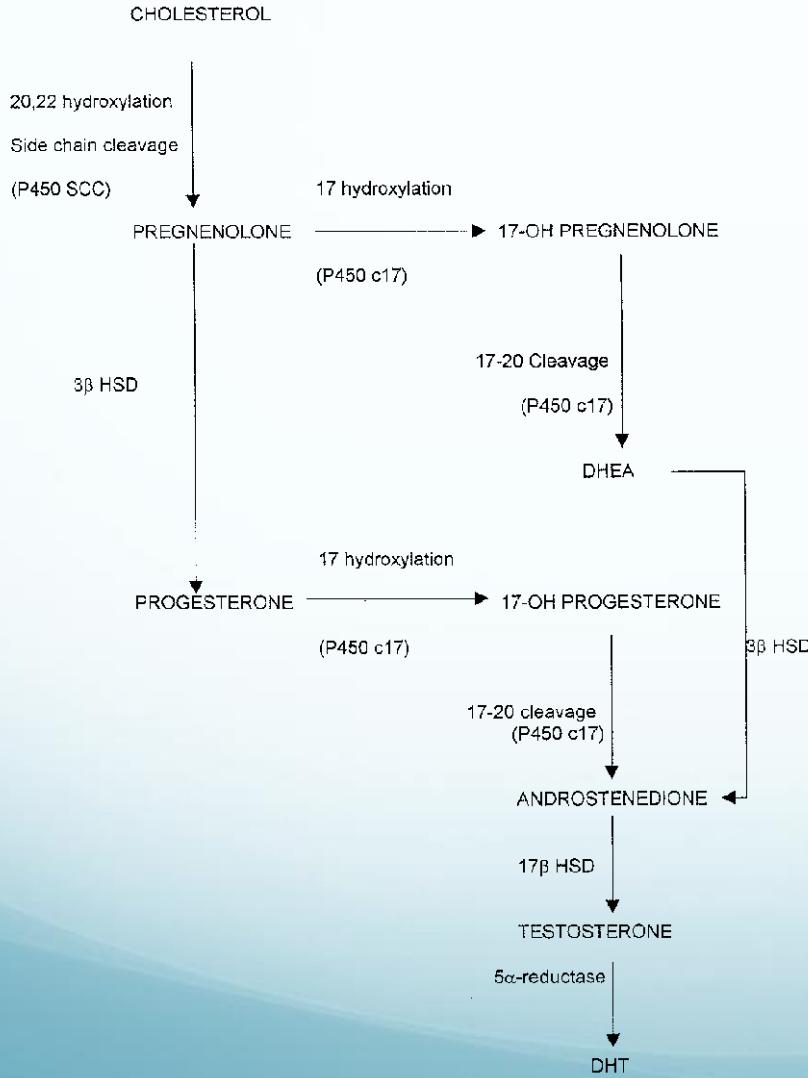
Approccio

contraccettivo

nell'iperandrogenismo



Iperandrogenismo



Influenzano il comportamento e l'umore

Weiner CL. *Psychosom Med* 2004;66:356–62.

Modificano la composizione corporea

Rebuffe-Scrive. *Horm Metab Res* 1989;21: 391–7.

Lindstedt G. *Diabetes* 1991;40:123–8.

Alterano il metabolismo glicidico

DeFronzo RA. *Diabetes Care* 1991;14:173–94.

Iperandrogenismo

Irregolarità mestruali

Acne

Irsutismo

Seborrea

Adiposità androgenica

Irsutismo

A livello dell'unità pilo-sebacea è presente l'enzima 5- α -reduttasi di tipo 1 e 2 che converte DHEA e testosterone in forme attive come DHT

L'eccesso di DHT agisce attivando fattori come IGF-1 che hanno un effetto mitogeno sui follicoli piliferi e prolunga la fase anagen

Randall VA. Lippincott-Raven Publishers, 1997

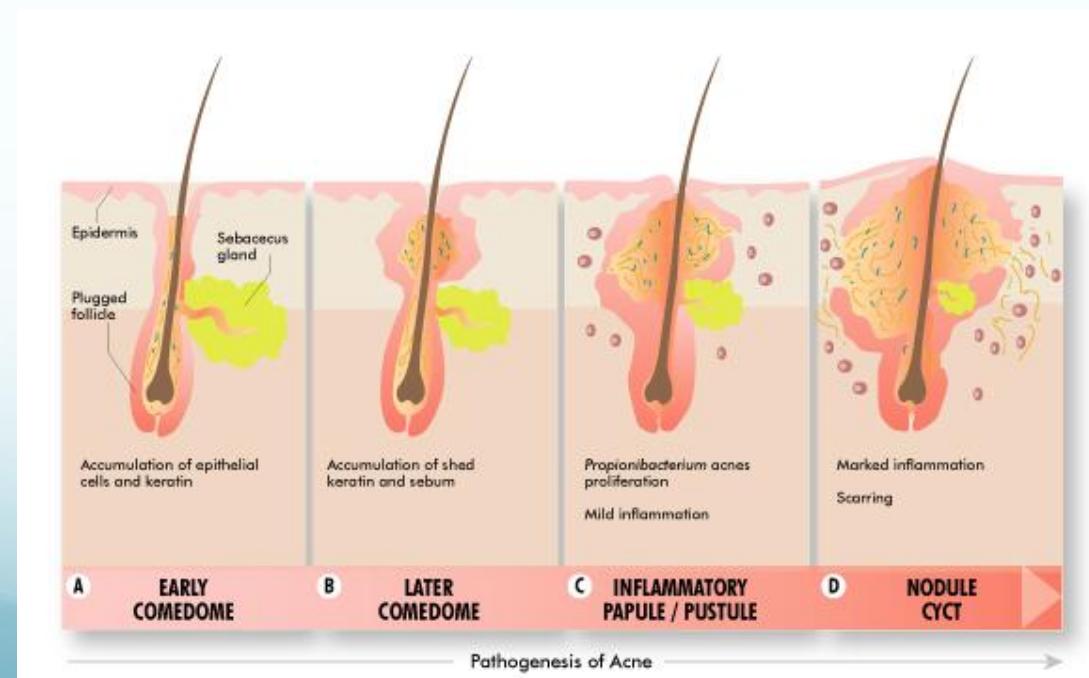
Table 2. Distribution of terminal hair under endocrine conditions.

Endocrine condition	Type of terminal hair					
	Eyelash	Scalp	Axial	Pubic	Abdominal/ chest	Facial
Normal child	+	+	—	—	—	—
Adult female androgens	+	+	+	+	—	—
Excess female androgens	+	+	+	+	±	±
Adult male androgens	+	+	+	+	+	+
5 α -Reductase II deficiency	+	+	+	+	—	—
Androgen receptor deficiency	+	+	—	—	—	—

Acne - Seborrea

L'eccesso di DHT stimola la produzione di sebo a livello dell'unità pilosebacea

Si forma il comedone chiuso che colonizzato dai batteri permette la formazione di lesioni infiammatorie



Alopecia

Scala di Ludwig

Sistema di Classificazione della Calvizie Femminile



La fase anagen è più breve e la fase telogen più lunga

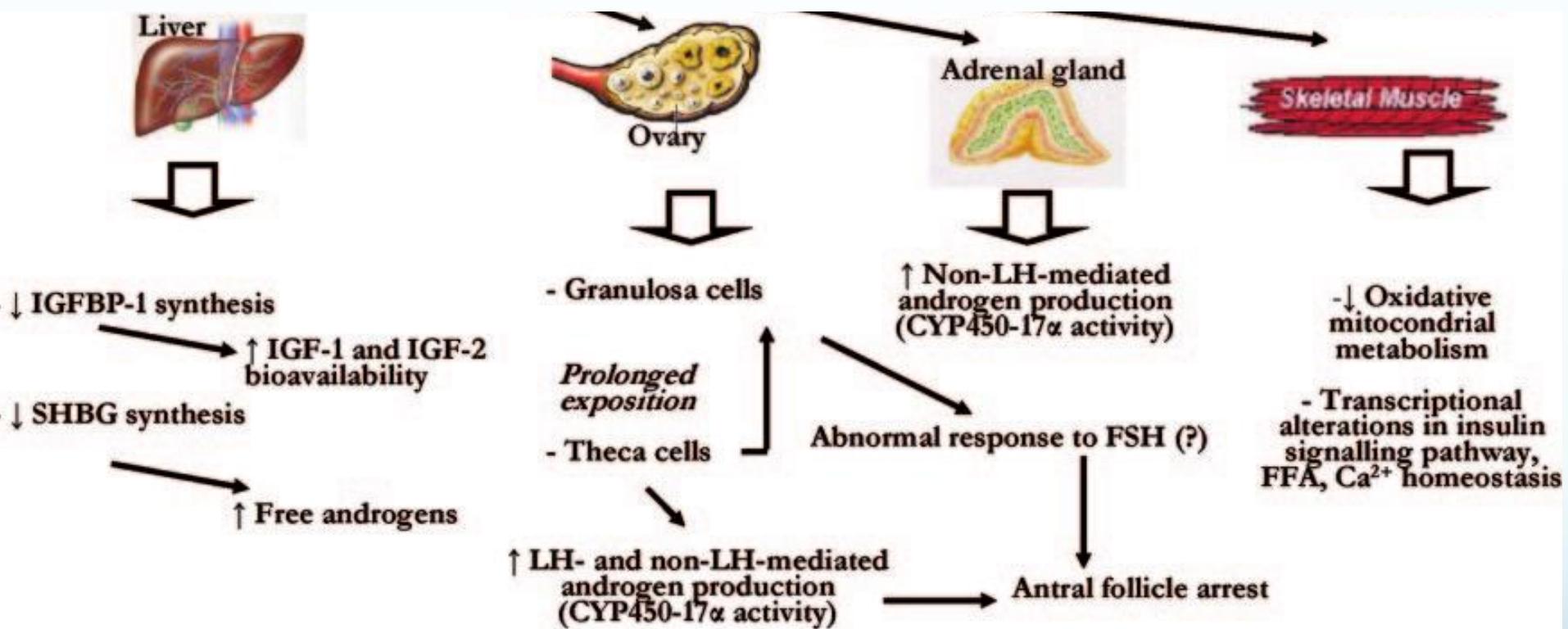
Continuo e diffuso assottigliamento dei capelli a partire dalla loro punta

Elevati livelli di 3-alfa-androstanedione solfato e androsterone solfato

Alterato meccanismo di solfatazione degli androgeni nelle iperandrogeniche con alopecia

Legro RS. Fertility and Sterility 1994; 62: 744–750.

Irregolarità mestruali

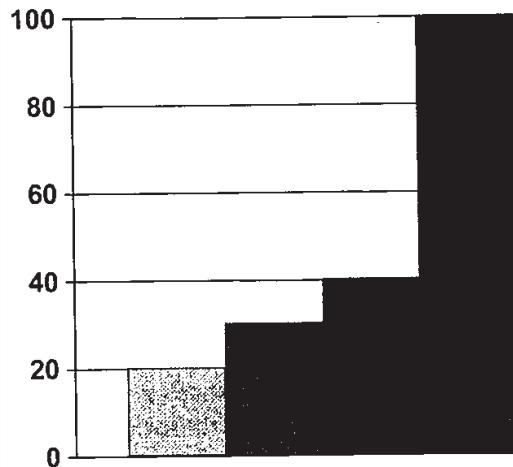


Quale terapia?

Desiderio di gravidanza?

Quale contraccettivo?





Quale progestinico?

Biological activities of natural progesterone and synthetic progestins

Progestin	Progesterogenic	Anti-gonadotropic	Anti-estrogenic	Estrogenic	Androgenic	Anti-androgenic	Glucocorticoid	Anti-mineralocorticoid	
									CMA DRSP DNG CPA
Progesterone	+	+	+	-	-	±	+	+	
Dydrogesterone	+	-	+	-	-	±	-	±	
Medrogestone	+	+	+	-	-	±	-	-	
17α-Hydroxy-derivatives									
Chlormadinone acetate	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	-	
Cyproterone acetate	+	+	+	-	-	++	+	-	
Megestrol acetate	+	+	+	-	±	+	+	-	
Medroxy-progesterone-acetate	+	+	+	-	±	-	+	-	
19-Nor-progesterone-derivatives									
Nomegestrol acetate	+	+	+	-	-	±	-	-	
Promegestone	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	
Trimegestone	+	+	+	-	-	±	-	±	
Spirolactone-derivatives									
Drosipirorenone	+	+	+	-	-	+	-	+	
19-Nortestosterone derivatives									
Norethisterone	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	
Lynestrenol	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	
Norethindronel	±	+	±	+	±	-	-	-	
Levonorgestrel	+	+	+	-	+	-	-	-	
Norgestimate	+	+	+	-	+	-	-	-	
3-Keto-desogestrel	+	+	+	-	+	-	-	-	
Gestoden	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	
Dienogest	+	+	±	±	-	+	-	-	

Combined oral contraceptive pills for treatment of acne (Review)

Awojolu AO, Gallo MF, Lopez LM, Grimes DA



**THE COCHRANE
COLLABORATION®**

COC vs placebo

Di 10 trial analizzati, ben 9 erano concordi nell'affermare un miglioramento delle lesioni cutanee nelle pz in tp ep.

Combined oral contraceptive pills for treatment of acne
(Review)

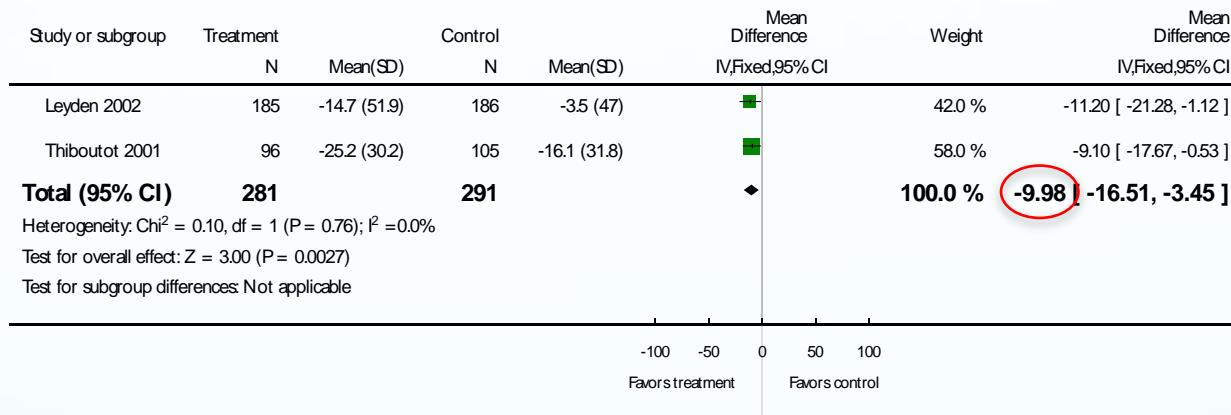
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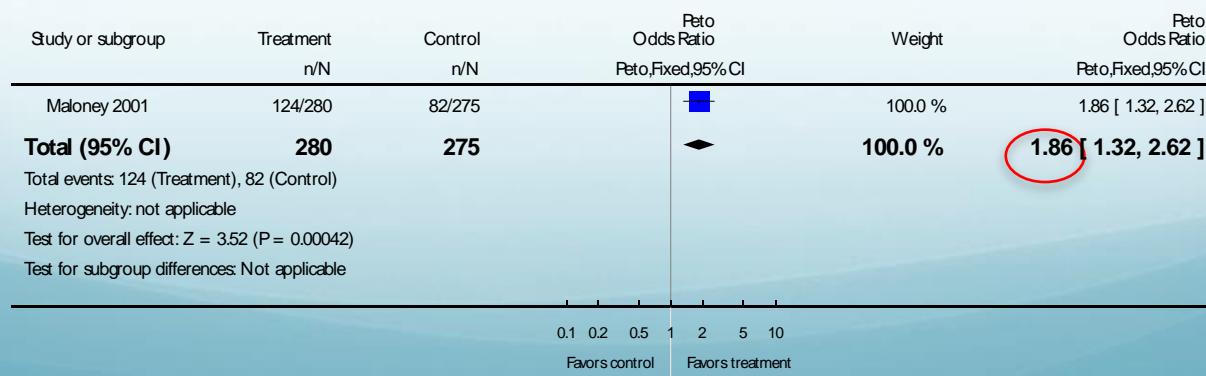
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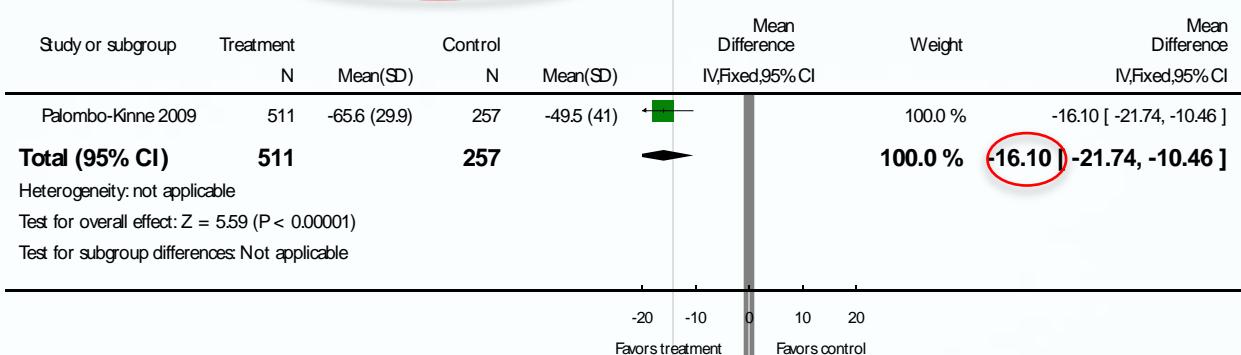
Comparison 1 LNG 100 µg / EE 20 µg versus placebo, Outcome 1 Mean change in total lesion count.



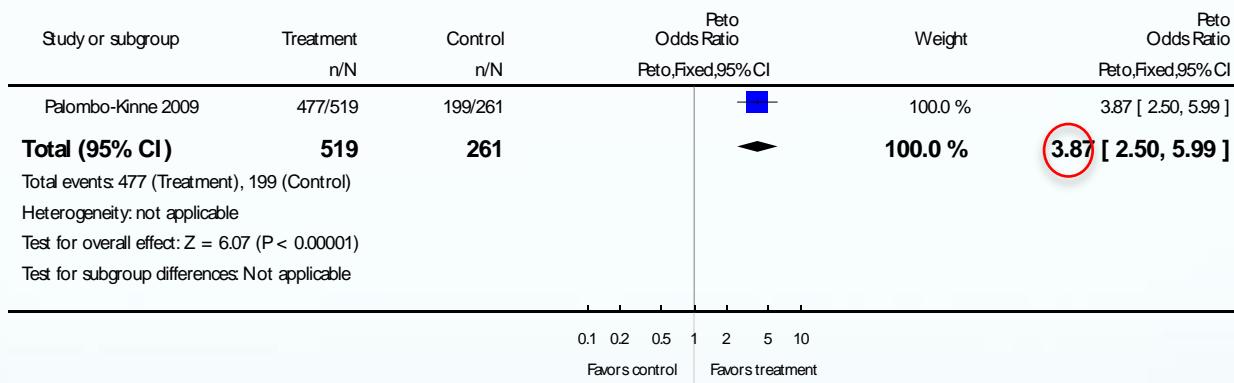
Comparison 2 NA 1 mg / EE 20-30-35 µg versus placebo, Outcome 1 Clinician assessment of no, minimal or mild acne at cycle 6.



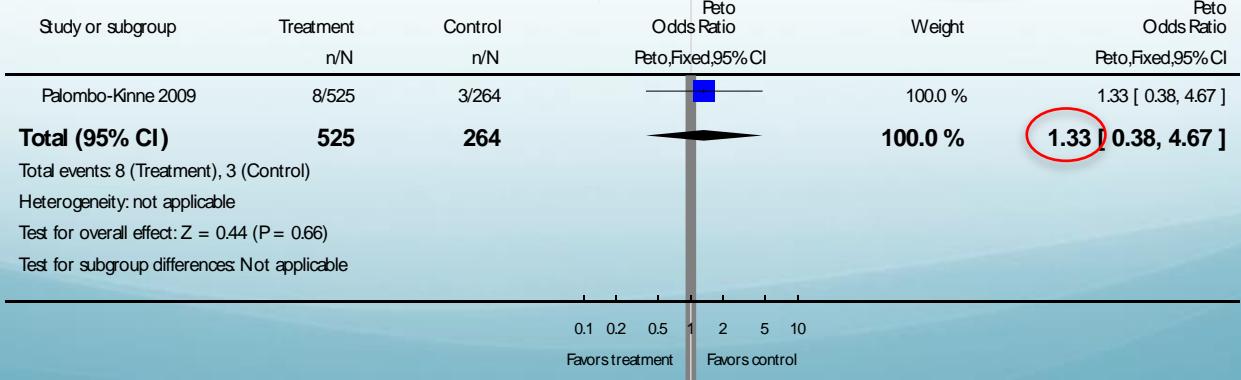
**Comparison 4 Dienogest 2 mg / EE 30 µg versus placebo, Outcome 1 Mean percentage change
in inflammatory lesion count after cycle 6.**



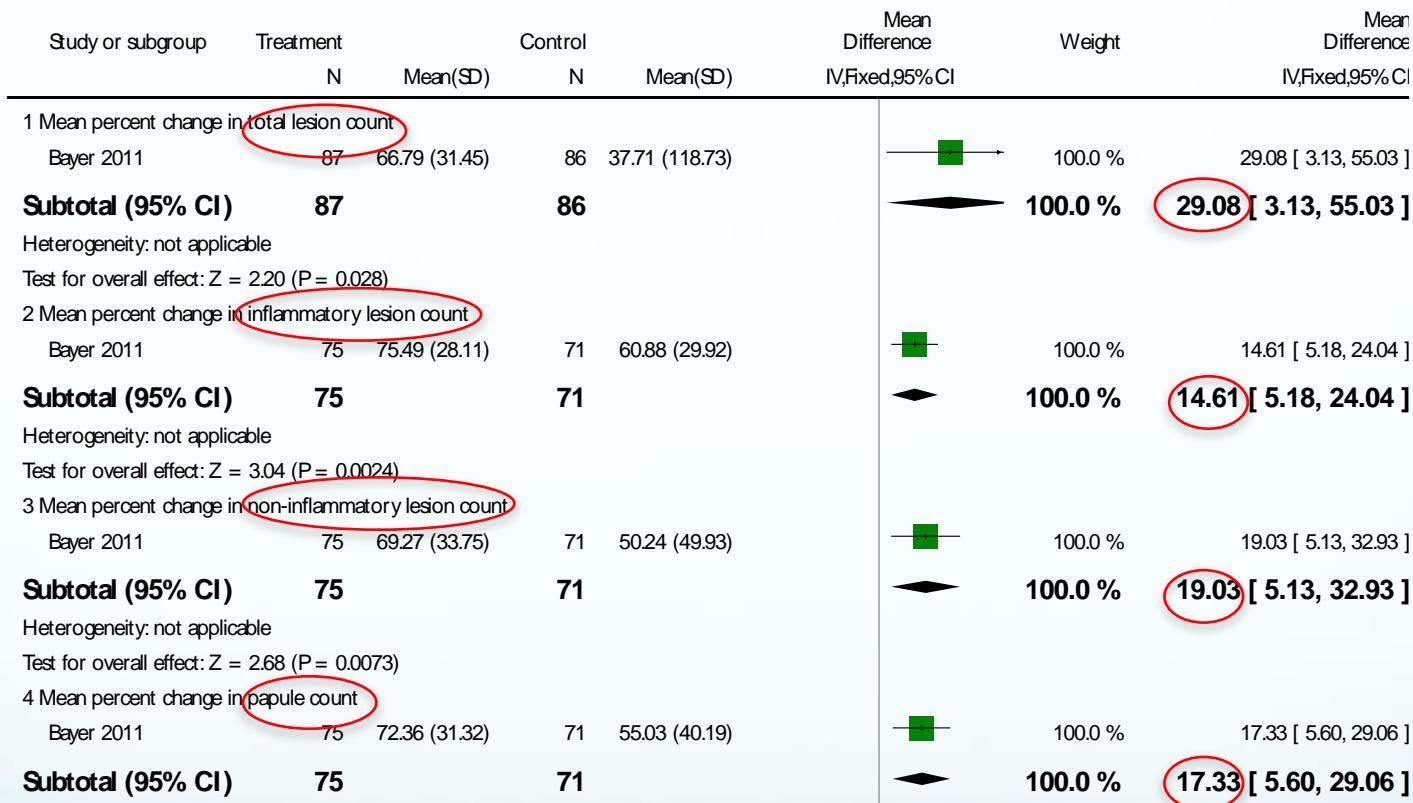
Comparison 4 Dienogest 2 mg / EE 30 µg versus placebo, Outcome 3 Improvement of facial acne (clinical assessment).



Comparison 4 Dienogest 2 mg / EE 30 µg versus placebo, Outcome 4 Discontinuation due to adverse event.

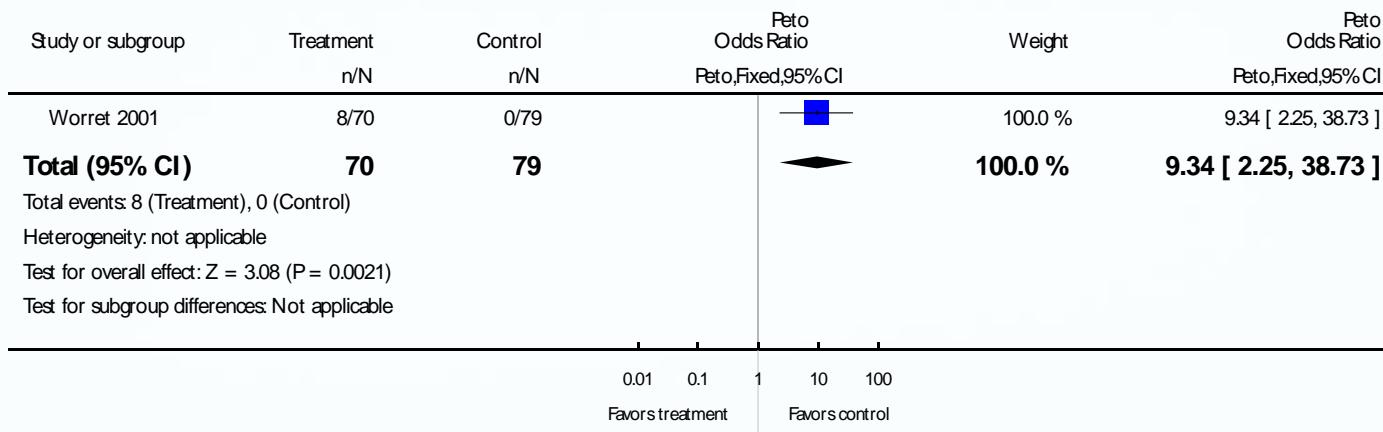


Comparison 5 DRSP 3 mg / EE 20 µg versus placebo, Outcome 1 Mean percent change in lesion counts at cycle 6.

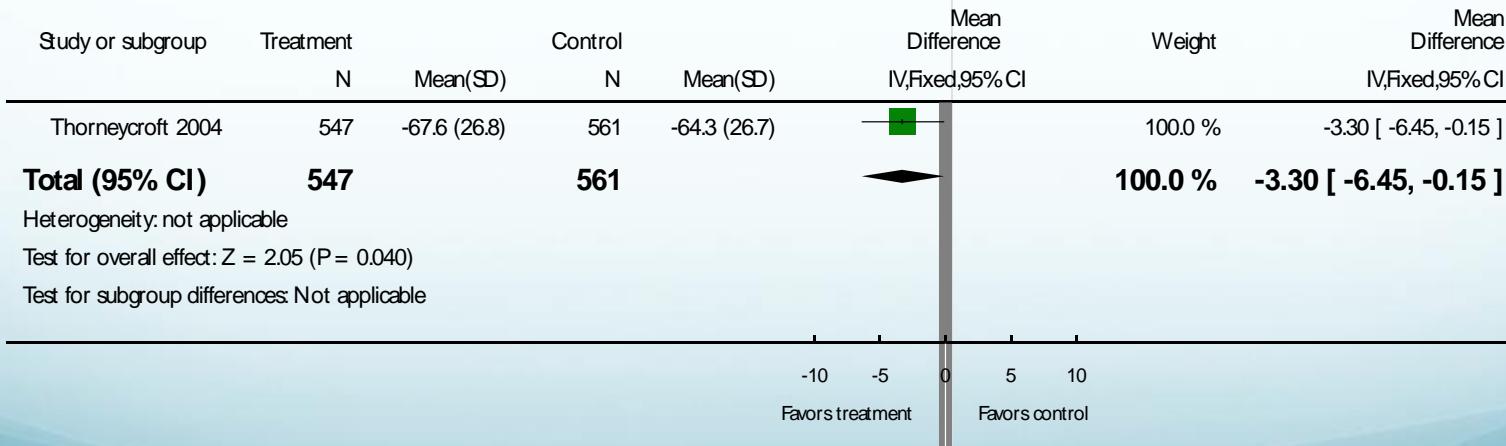


COC vs COC

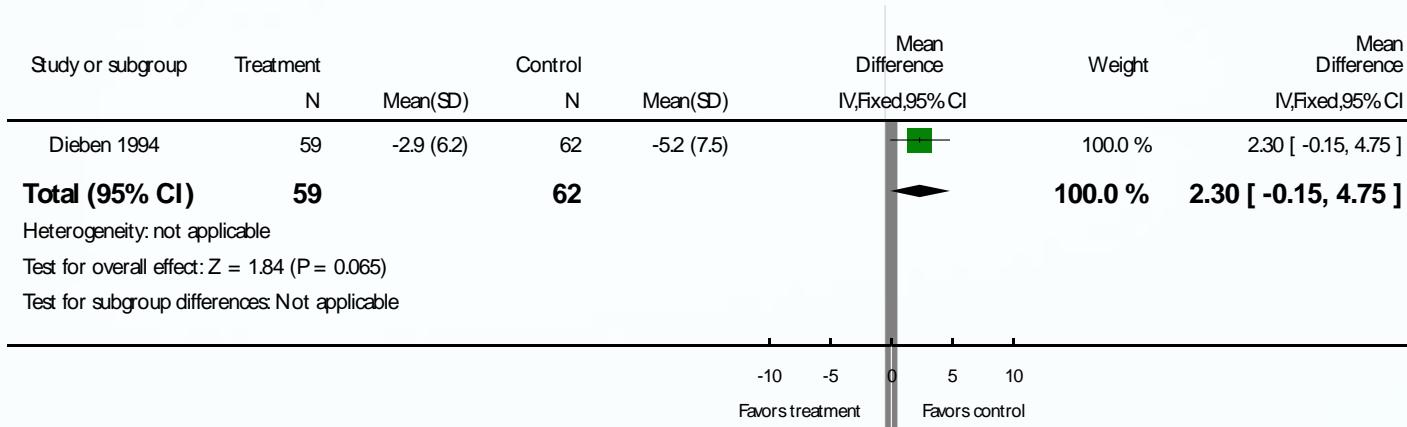
Comparison 16 LNG 150 µg/ EE 30 µg versus CMA 2 mg/ EE 30 µg, Outcome 3 Women with increased pustules or papules lesion count at cycle 12.



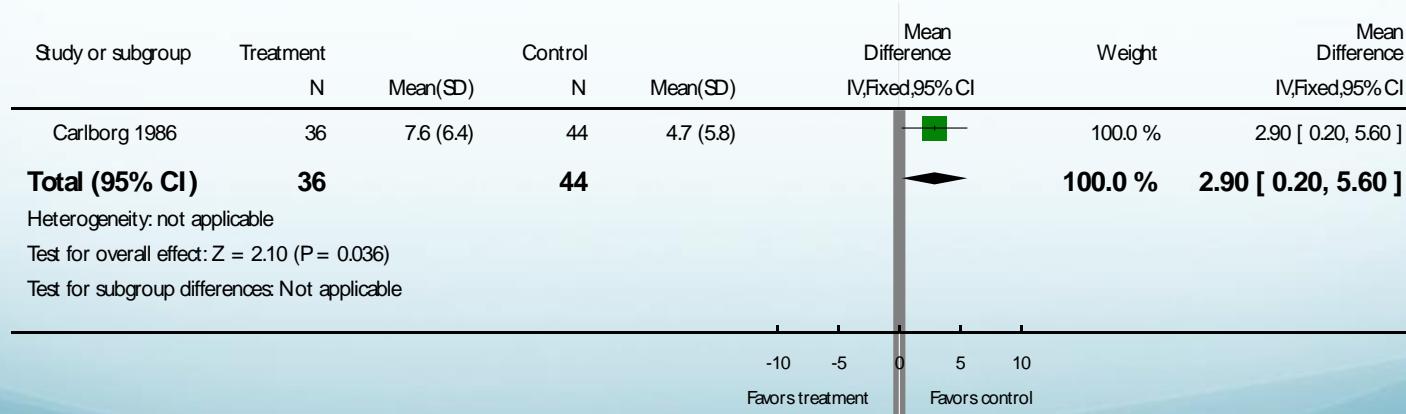
Comparison 9 DRSP 3 mg/ EE 30 µg versus NGM 180-215-250 µg/ EE 35 µg, Outcome 2 Mean percentage change in total lesion count after cycle 6.



Comparison 11 DSG 25-125 µg / EE 40-30 µg versus CPA 2 mg/ EE 35 µg, Outcome 5 Mean change in pustule count at cycle 4.

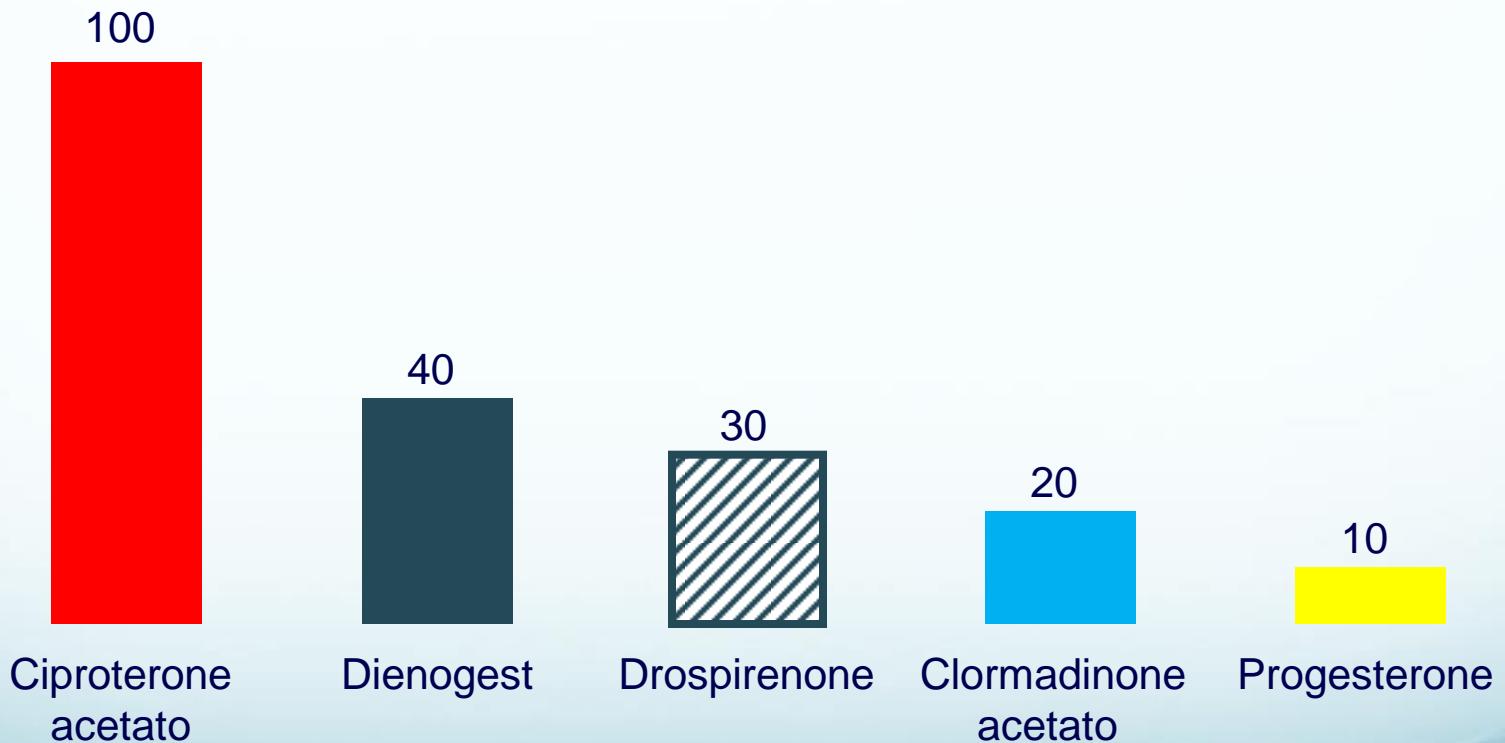


Comparison 17 LNG 150 µg/ EE 30 µg versus CPA 2 mg/ EE 35 µg, Outcome 3 Mean papule count at cycle 6.



Cosa scegliere?

Attività antiandrogenica relativa di diversi progestinici



Valutata col test di Hershberger (rodent seminal vesicle hypertrophy test)

CPA vs DRSP

Multicentrico doppio cieco

Pz con acne lieve-moderata

82 pz DRPS

43 pz CPA

9 cicli di tp

Outcomes: *numero di lesioni cutanee, dosaggio testosterone, androstenedione, DHEAS, SHBG*

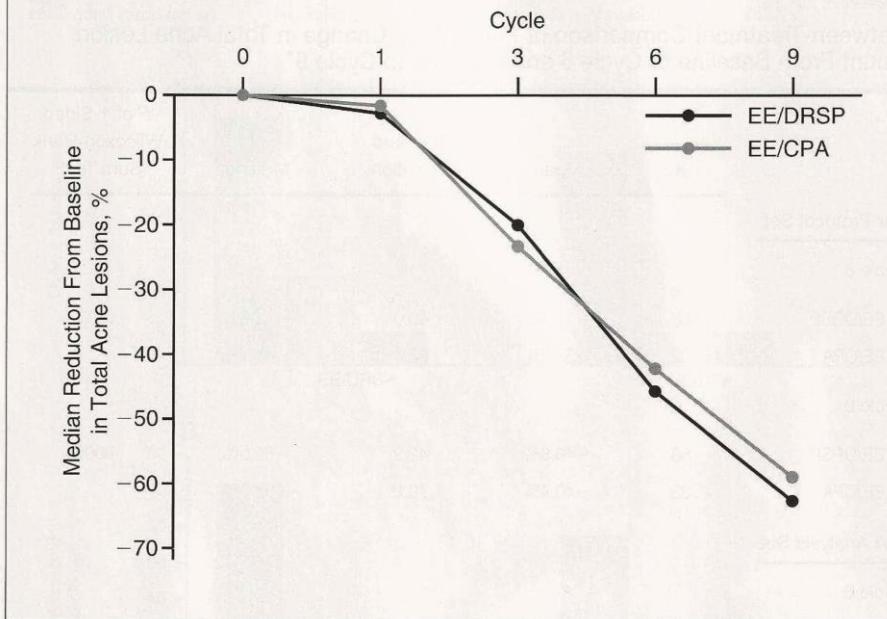
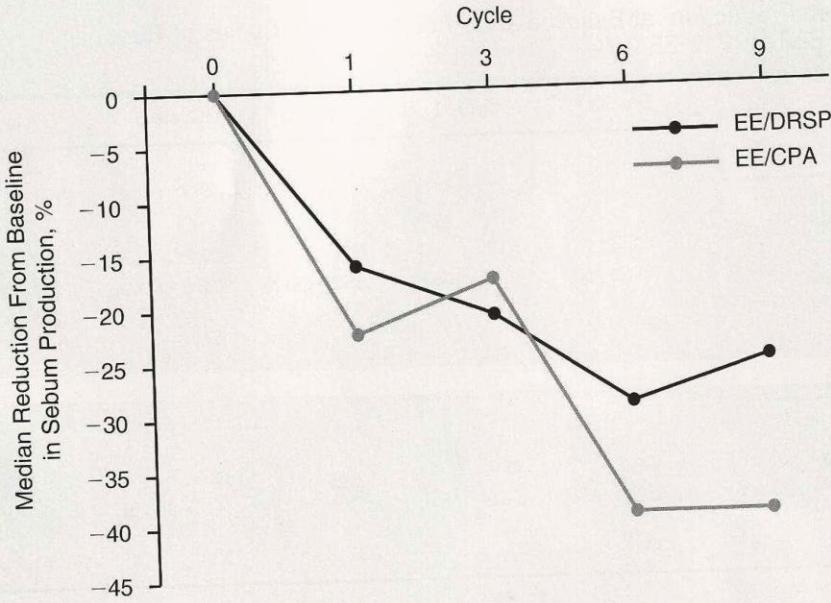


Figure 1. Median percentage reduction from baseline in total acne lesions (per protocol set). EE/DRSP indicates 30 µg ethinyl estradiol/3 mg drospirenone; EE/CPA, 35 µg ethinyl estradiol/2 mg cyproterone acetate.

Median (25th–75th Quartile) Acne Lesion Count for the Per Protocol Set at Baseline of Treatment With EE/DRSP (n=58) or EE/CPA (n=33)*

	Cycle 0		Cycle 1		Cycle 3		Cycle 6		Cycle 9	
	EE/ DRSP	EE/ CPA	EE/ DRSP	EE/ CPA	EE/ DRSP	EE/ CPA	EE/ DRSP	EE/ CPA	EE/ DRSP	EE/ CPA
All lesions	50 (23–68)	43 (30–76)	48 (27–74)	49 (27–74)	35 (23–46)	46 (19–61)	24 (15–38)	22 (13–44)	17.5 (10–29)	18 (8–31)
Noninflammatory lesions	23 (8–52)	21 (6–53)	25 (10–50)	20 (10–47)	20 (8–28)	20 (8–37)	12.5 (5–25)	12 (5–30)	9 (5–20)	6 (4–20)
Inflammatory lesions	16 (11–29)	20 (13–25)	19 (11–28)	19 (12–28)	13 (8–21)	13 (9–29)	8 (5–12)	7 (4–14)	4 (3–8)	5 (2–10)
Open comedos	6.5 (0–20)	11 (0–25)	6 (0–20)	11 (3–20)	7 (0–12)	10 (0–20)	6 (0–10)	5 (0–12)	3.5 (0–10)	3 (0–8)
Closed comedos	10.5 (4–22)	11 (0–30)	12 (6–26)	9 (5–25)	9 (5–18)	10 (3–20)	5 (3–12)	7 (0–18)	4 (2–13)	4 (0–10)
Papules	10.5 (8–18)	15 (10–23)	12 (7–21)	13 (9–22)	9 (5–14)	10 (6–18)	6 (4–10)	7 (3–11)	3.5 (2–6)	5 (2–7)
Pustules	5 (2–10)	3 (2–8)	5 (1–10)	4 (2–7)	2 (0–7)	2 (0–7)	1 (0–3)	0 (0–1)	0 (0–2)	0 (0–1)
Nodules	0 (0–0)	0 (0–0)	0 (0–0)	0 (0–1)	0 (0–0)	0 (0–0)	0 (0–0)	0 (0–0)	0 (0–0)	0 (0–0)

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Sebum Production* at Baseline and After 3, 6, and 9 Cycles of Treatment With EE/DRSP or EE/CPA†

	Baseline	Cycle 1	Cycle 3	Cycle 6	Cycle 9
EE/DRSP					
Median Sebum					
Production, $\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$ (25th–75th Quartile)	126.2 (94.7–165)	112.7 (62.7–146.3)	91.2 (65.3–130.7)	79.0 (55.3–121.0)	84.0 (54.0–132.3)
n	58	57	58	57	58
EE/CPA					
Median Sebum					
Production, $\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$ (25th–75th Quartile)	120.7 (87.3–165.7)	78.0 (66.3–115.3)	79.3 (57.3–140.0)	62.3 (41.7–108.0)	72.7 (51.0–105.0)
n	33	33	33	33	33

*Per protocol set.

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Hormone Levels* Before and After 9 Cycles of Treatment With EE/DRSP or EE/CPA[†]

	EE/DRSP		EE/CPA	
	Baseline	Cycle 9	Baseline	Cycle 9
LH, U/L (mean±SD)	6.23±8.10	1.38±2.19	4.99±3.85	1.09±1.62
Total testosterone, nmol/L (mean±SD)	1.31±0.66	0.94±0.50	1.24±0.66	1.05±0.61
Free testosterone, nmol/L (mean±SD)	0.0065±0.0055	0.0023±0.0027	0.0074±0.0062	0.0028±0.0036
DHEAS, nmol/L (mean±SD)	6390±2840	4320±2110	6943±4011	4166±2028
Androstenedione, nmol/L (mean±SD)	8.85±3.18	6.68±3.15	8.88±3.26	6.59±2.65
SHBG, nmol/L (mean±SD)	55.5±35.0	184.2±48.5	58.9±35.1	190.3±53.9

CPA vs DRSP

Studio prospettico randomizzato

91 pz con diagnosi di irsutismo

DRSP CPA per 12 mesi

**Outcomes: free T2, androstenedione,
DHEAS, SHBG, miglioramento dei
sintomi (Ferriman-Gallwey)**

Percentuale di riduzione irsutismo :

0.70 (0-0.58) vs. 0.57 (0.10-1.00) ($p = 0.028$) a 6 mesi

0.80 (0-0.42) vs. 0.81 (0-0.75) ($p = 0.6$) a 12 mesi

DNG

DNG

vs

CPA??

The European Journal of Contraception and Reproductive Health Care 1999; 4: 155–164

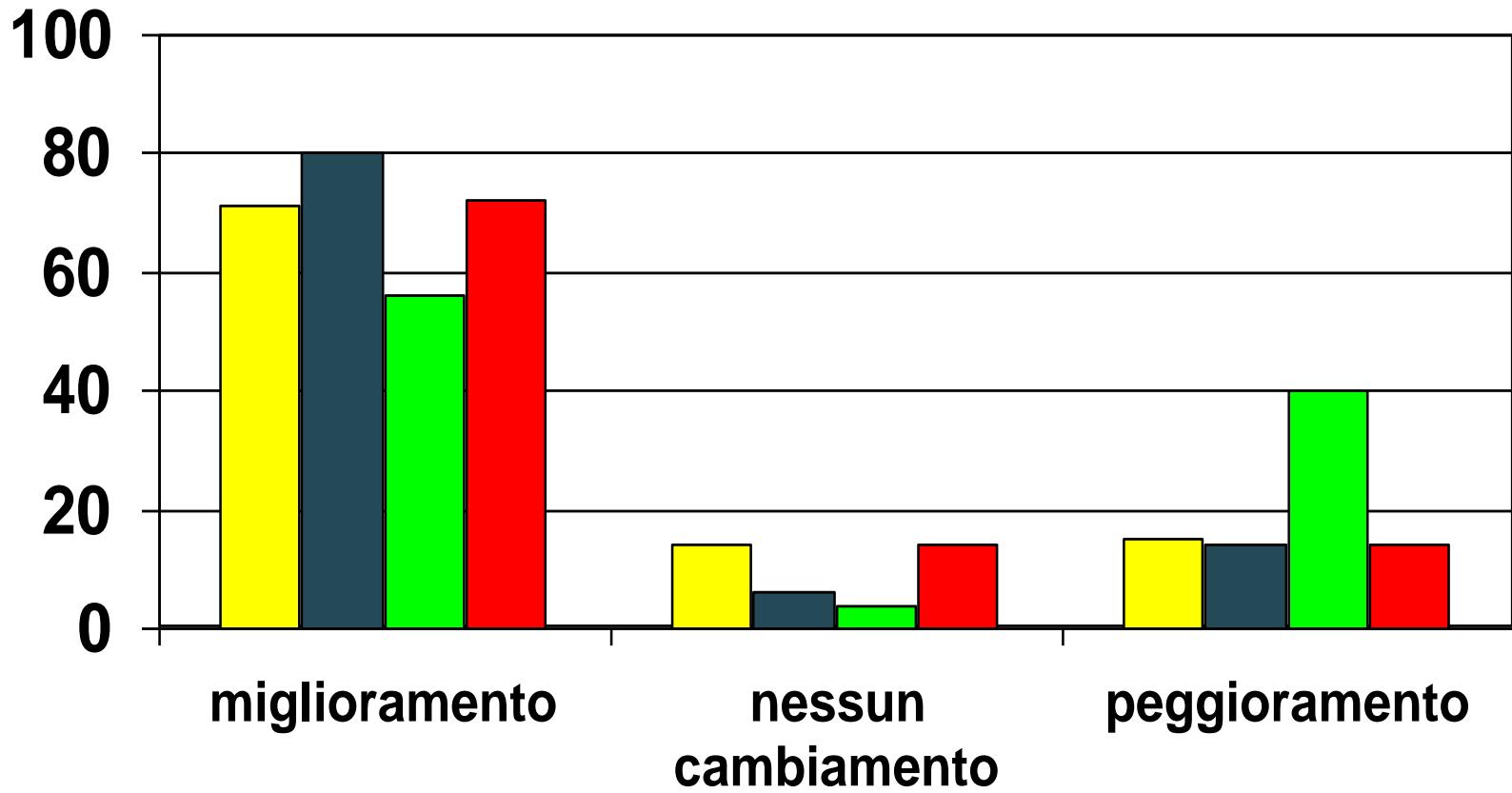
The efficacy and tolerability of Valette[®]: a postmarketing surveillance study

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percento su 1110 donne

■ acne ■ pelle grassa ■ capelli ■ irsutismo



effetto al sesto ciclo di trattamento con EE30+DNG2
vs basale

Zimmermann T et al, 1999

Clinical Findings with the Oral Contraceptive Combination Ethinylestradiol/Dienogest in Poland

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Inestetismi cutanei

Multicentrico
N = 431 pz per 12 mesi di tp

TABLE 4. Shifts in the severity of skin blemishes during the use of EE/DNG.

Status	Cycle 3		Cycle 6		Cycle 12	
	n	%	n	%	n	%
Improved	75	18.8	101	27.1	75	26.7
Unchanged	321	80.7	271	72.7	206	73.3
Worsened	2	0.5	1	0.3	0	0
All	398	100	373	100	281	100

Acne vulgaris

TABLE 6. Shifts in severity of acne in the patients with acne vulgaris during the use of EE/DNG.

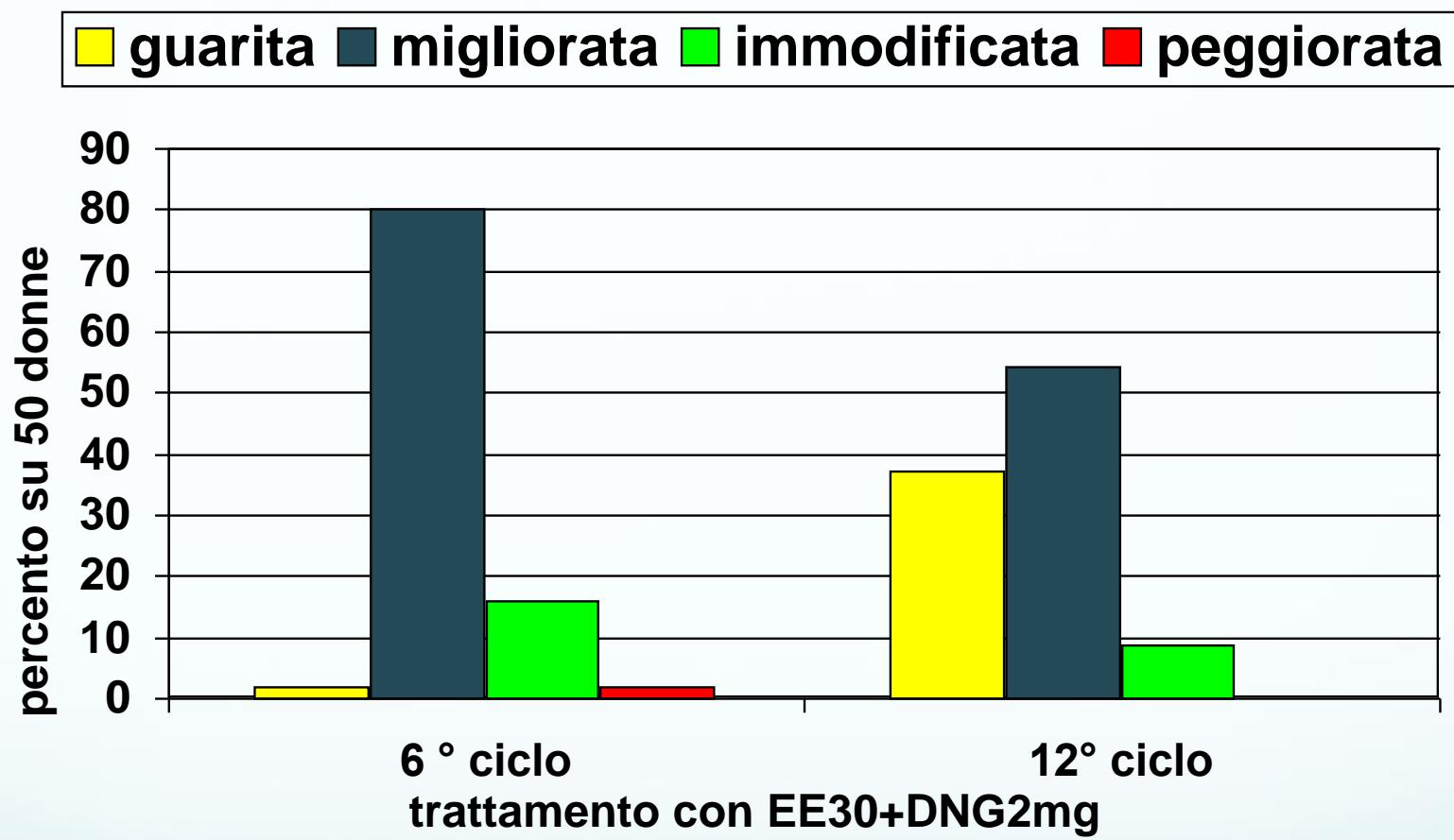
	Cycle 6		Cycle 12	
	n	%	n	%
Healed	1	2.0	13	37.1
Improved	40	80.0	19	54.3
Unchanged	8	16.0	3	8.6
Worsened	1	2.0	0	0
Total	50	100	35	100

Seborrea

Multicentrico
N = 431 pz per 12 mesi di tp

TABLE 5. Shifts in the severity of the hair greasiness during the use of EE/DNG.

Status	Cycle 3		Cycle 6		Cycle 12	
	n	%	n	%	n	%
Improved	131	32.6	187	49.3	159	53.9
Unchanged	270	67.2	191	50.4	136	46.1
Worsened	1	0.2	1	0.3	0	0
All	402	100	379	100	295	100



Golbs S et al, 2002;24:585-92



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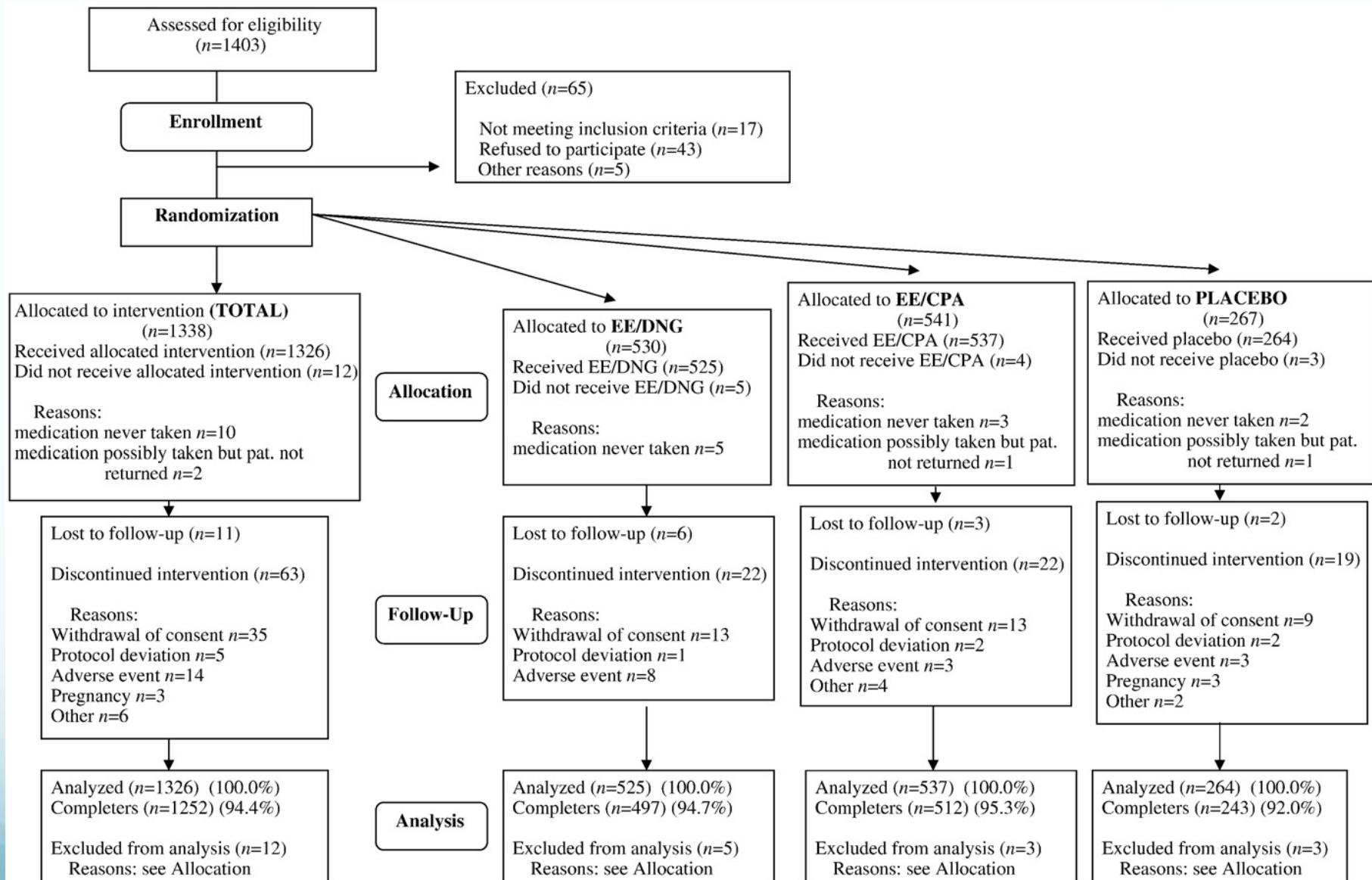
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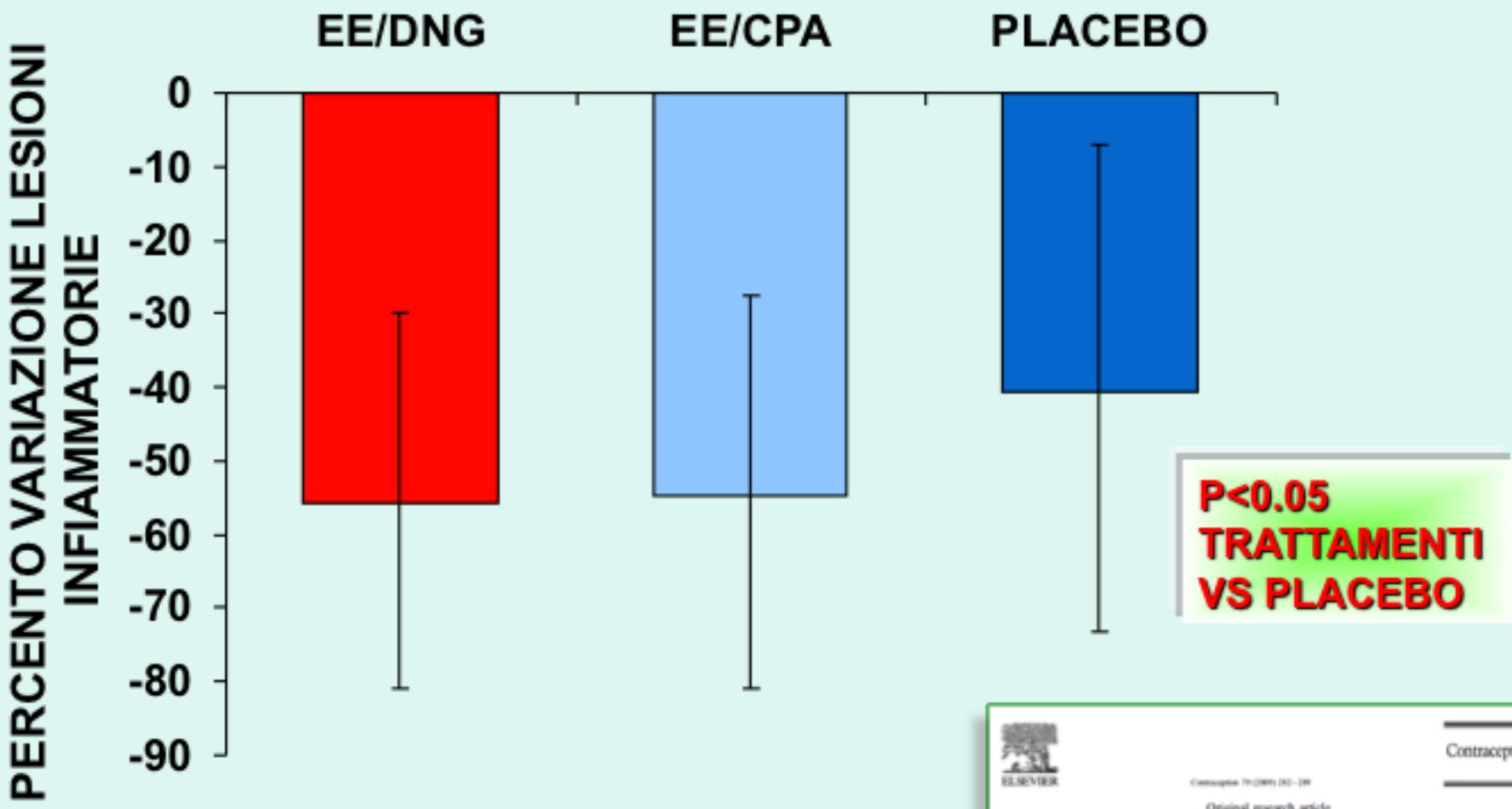
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**Primary efficacy . Percento di variazione delle lesioni
TOTALI al 6° ciclo vs basale (FAS intent-to-treat Per protocol
set (escluso pazienti con grosse variazioni da protocollo)**



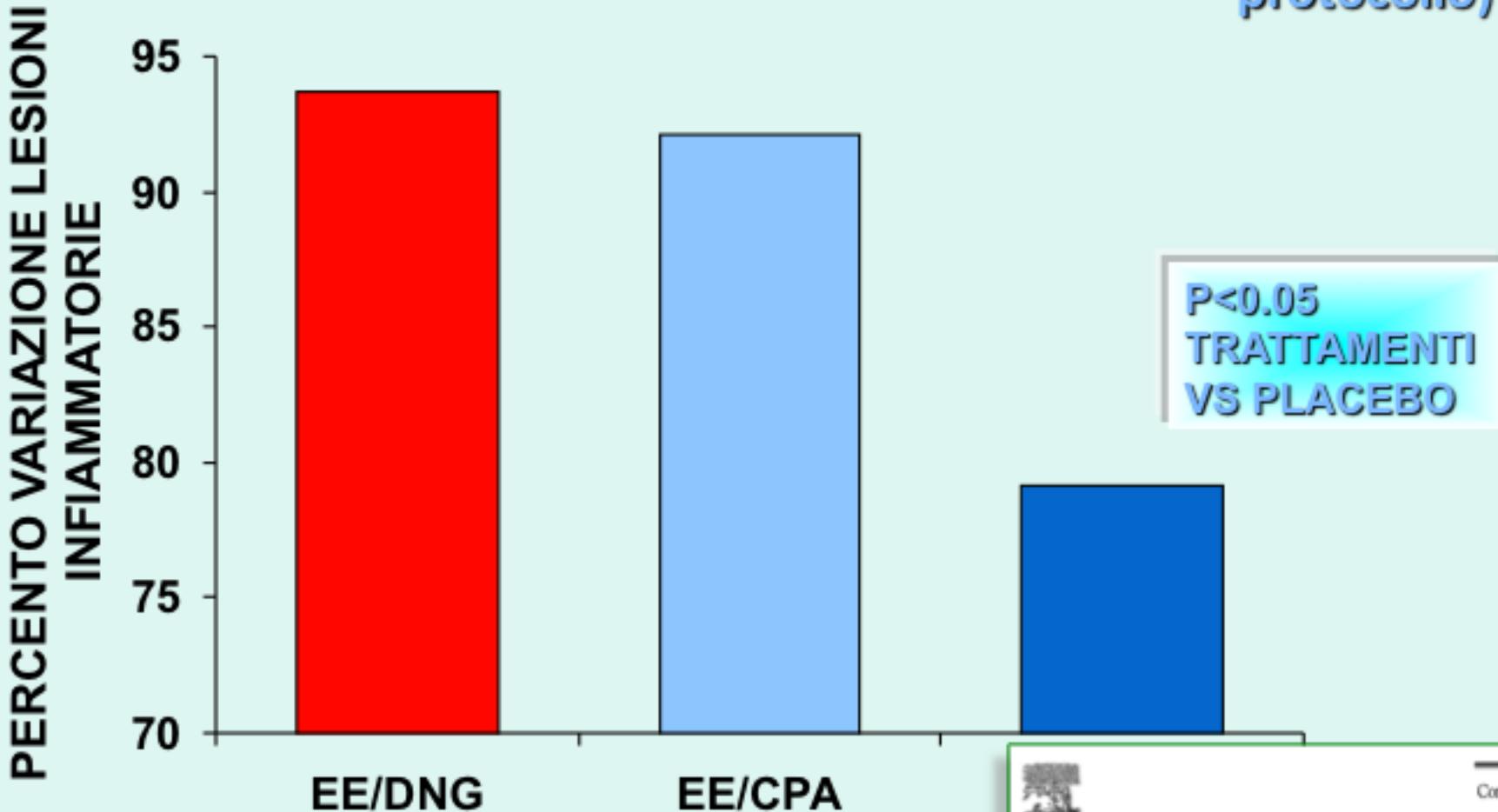
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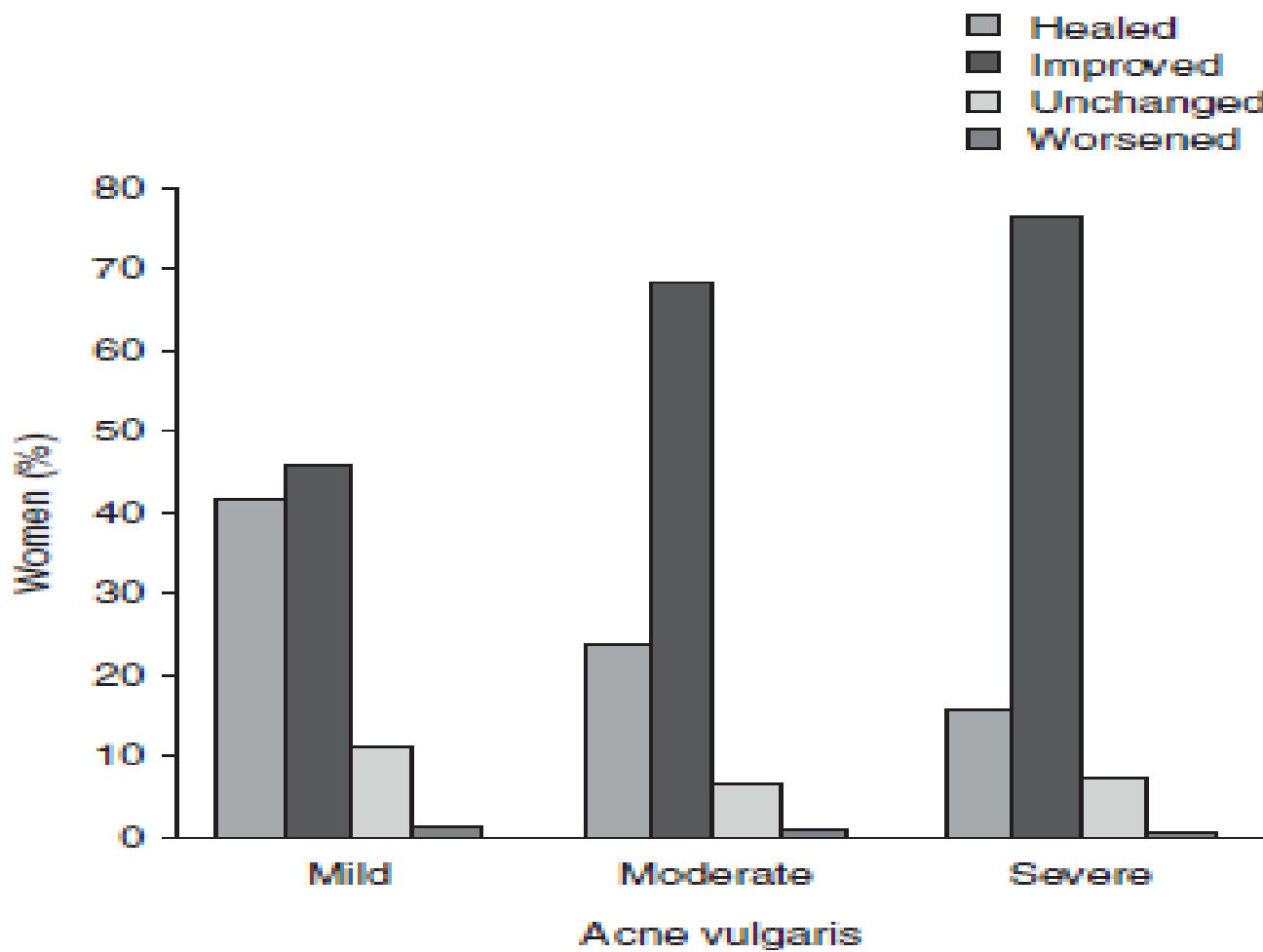


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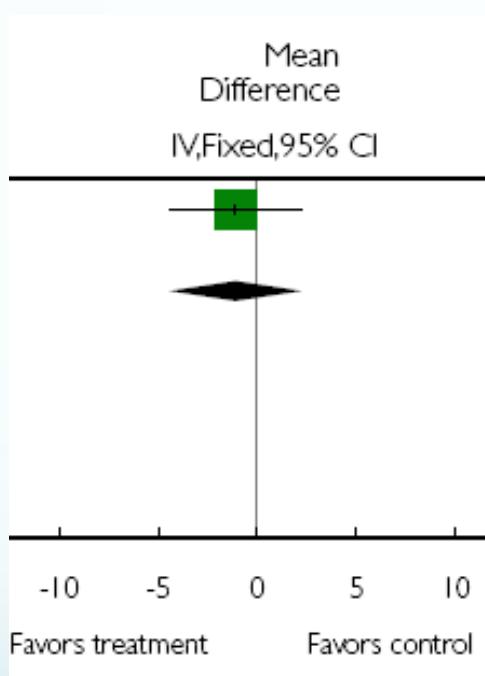


Most frequent adverse events (related and unrelated; number and percentage of affected patients)

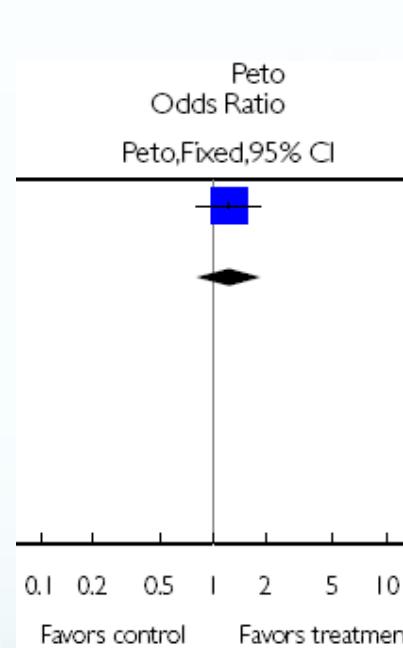
	EE/DNG (n=525)	EE/CPA (n=537)	Placebo (n=264)
Total adverse events	170 (32.4%)	188 (35.0%)	86 (32.6%)
Most common adverse events			
Headache	28 (5.3%)	28 (5.2%)	14 (5.3%)
Nausea	22 (4.2%)	34 (6.3%)	7 (2.7%)
Vomiting	16 (3.0%)	21 (3.9%)	5 (1.9%)
Breast pain	11 (2.1%)	9 (1.7%)	—
Influenza	11 (2.1%)	14 (2.6%)	3 (1.1%)
Metrorrhagia	11 (2.1%)	<1.0%	—
Nasopharyngitis	9 (1.7%)	14 (2.6%)	8 (3.0%)
Breast tenderness	8 (1.5%)	15 (2.8%)	<1.0%
Respiratory tract infection	8 (1.5%)	<1.0%	—
Diarrhea	7 (1.3%)	11 (2.0%)	6 (2.3%)
Breast edema	<1.0%	11 (2.0%)	<1.0%
Weight increase	<1.0%	7 (1.3%)	<1.0%

DNG vs CPA

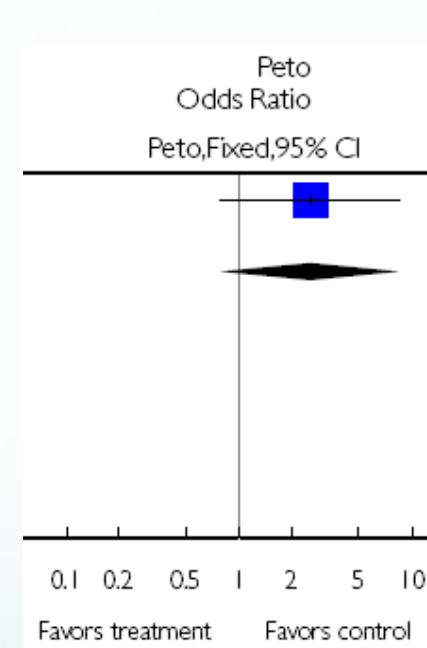
% riduzione del numero di
lesioni dopo 6 mesi
 $P = 0.51$



Miglioramento clinico
dell'acne vulgaris
 $P = 0.34$



Sospensione tp per effetti
collaterali
 $P = 0.12$



- DNG/EE non è inferiore al „gold standard” CPA/EE

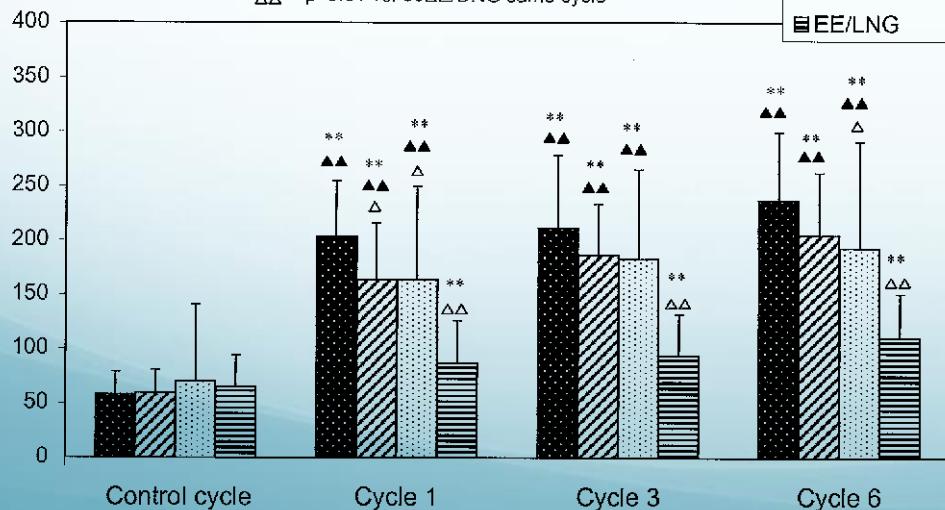
Quale estrogeno?

Serum concentration of free testosterone (pg/mL), DHEAS (μ g/mL), and prolactin (μ IU/mL) in the control cycle and in the first, third and sixth cycle of treatment with 30EE/DNG, 20EE/DNG, EE/EV/DNG or EE/LNG

Formulation	Control cycle	Cycle 1	Cycle 3	Cycle 6
Free testosterone				
30EE/DNG	1.40 \pm 0.87	0.45 \pm 0.35**	0.38 \pm 0.29**	0.56 \pm 0.52**
20EE/DNG	1.83 \pm 1.20	0.68 \pm 0.45**	0.52 \pm 0.32**	0.59 \pm 0.45**
EE/EV/DNG	1.90 \pm 1.80	0.89 \pm 0.64**	0.74 \pm 0.50**	0.86 \pm 0.66**
EE/LNG	1.56 \pm 0.79	0.82 \pm 0.60**	0.59 \pm 0.42**	0.63 \pm 0.47**
DHEAS				
30EE/DNG	1.69 \pm 1.06	1.25 \pm 0.59**	1.19 \pm 0.69**	1.06 \pm 0.51**
20EE/DNG	2.22 \pm 1.10	1.75 \pm 0.99**	1.63 \pm 0.83**	1.57 \pm 0.76**
EE/EV/DNG	2.03 \pm 0.99	1.78 \pm 1.00**	1.70 \pm 1.04**	1.52 \pm 0.96**
EE/LNG	2.01 \pm 0.92	1.81 \pm 0.85**	1.76 \pm 0.85**	1.53 \pm 0.86**
Prolactin				
30EE/DNG	275 \pm 149	316 \pm 189	328 \pm 207	339 \pm 169
20EE/DNG	331 \pm 257	274 \pm 135	315 \pm 159	311 \pm 137
EE/EV/DNG	310 \pm 177	369 \pm 264	361 \pm 192*	438 \pm 276**
EE/LNG	363 \pm 261	392 \pm 245	356 \pm 209	380 \pm 252

SHBG

nmol/L



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Take at home....

Valutare la gravità delle lesioni dermatologiche

Acne moderata-grave ed irsutismo rappresentano un'indicazione assoluta per un CO con progestinico ad azione anti-androgenica

Eventuali sintomi associati (ad es. menorrhagia, endometriosi)

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Valutare fattori di rischio associati e l'impatto metabolico considerando anche i diversi regimi di terapia (per l'acne miglioramenti evidenti già dopo 3 mesi di trattamento)

Table 1: Estimates of risk of nonfatal venous thromboembolism

Group*	Estimated 1-year risk of nonfatal venous thromboembolism
Baseline (women not using OC) ^{6,13}	1 in 20 000 to 1 in 9090
Women using OC containing levonorgestrel ^{13,14}	1 in 6666 to 1 in 6211
Women using OC containing desogestrel† ¹³	1 in 3333
Women using any low-dose OC ^{6,13}	1 in 3333
Women not using OC but who have factor V Leiden mutation ⁶	1 in 1754
Women using OC containing cyproterone‡	1 in 1666
Pregnant women and those post partum ^{13,15}	1 in 1666 to 1 in 1500
Women using OC and who have factor V Leiden mutation ⁶	1 in 350

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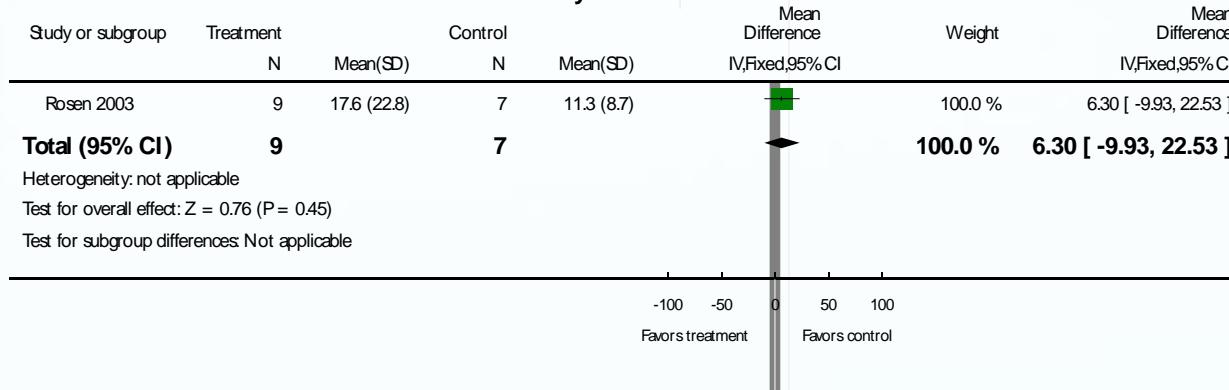
La superiorità *in vitro* del CPA non è tale *in vivo*

DRSP è un'ottima alternativa.....tuttavia i numeri che supportano l'uso del DNG sono talmente “importanti” da farlo considerare come prima scelta

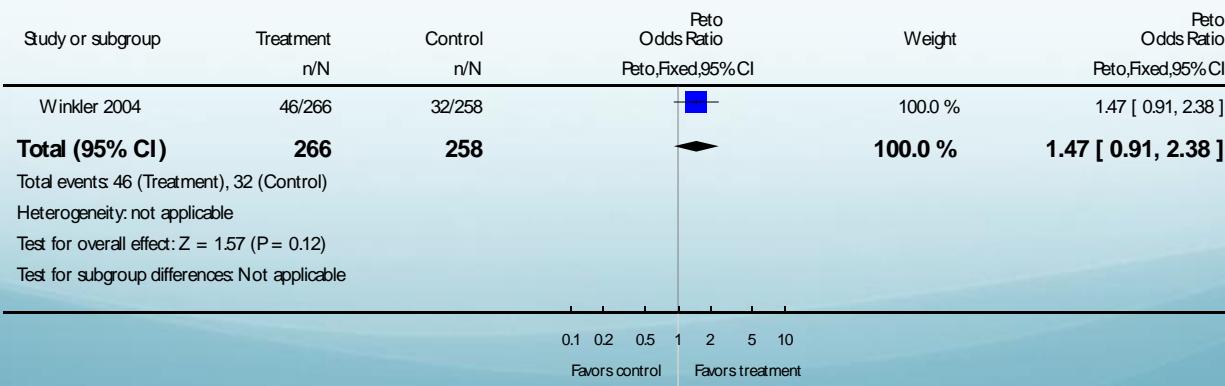
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LNG vs. DSG

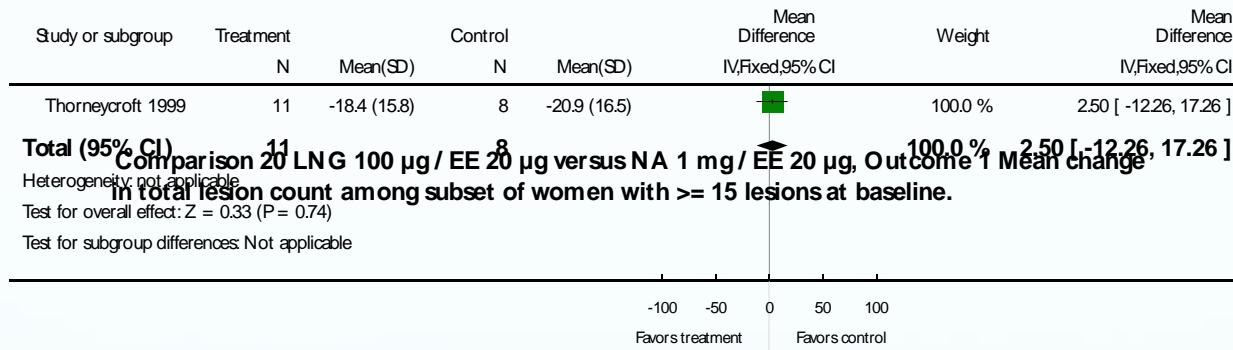
Comparison 15 LNG 150 µg / EE 30 µg versus DSG 150 µg / EE 30 µg, Outcome 2 Mean total lesion count at cycle 9.



Comparison 14 DSG 150 µg / EE 20 µg versus LNG 100 µg / EE 20 µg, Outcome 5
 Improvement in pustules at week 25.



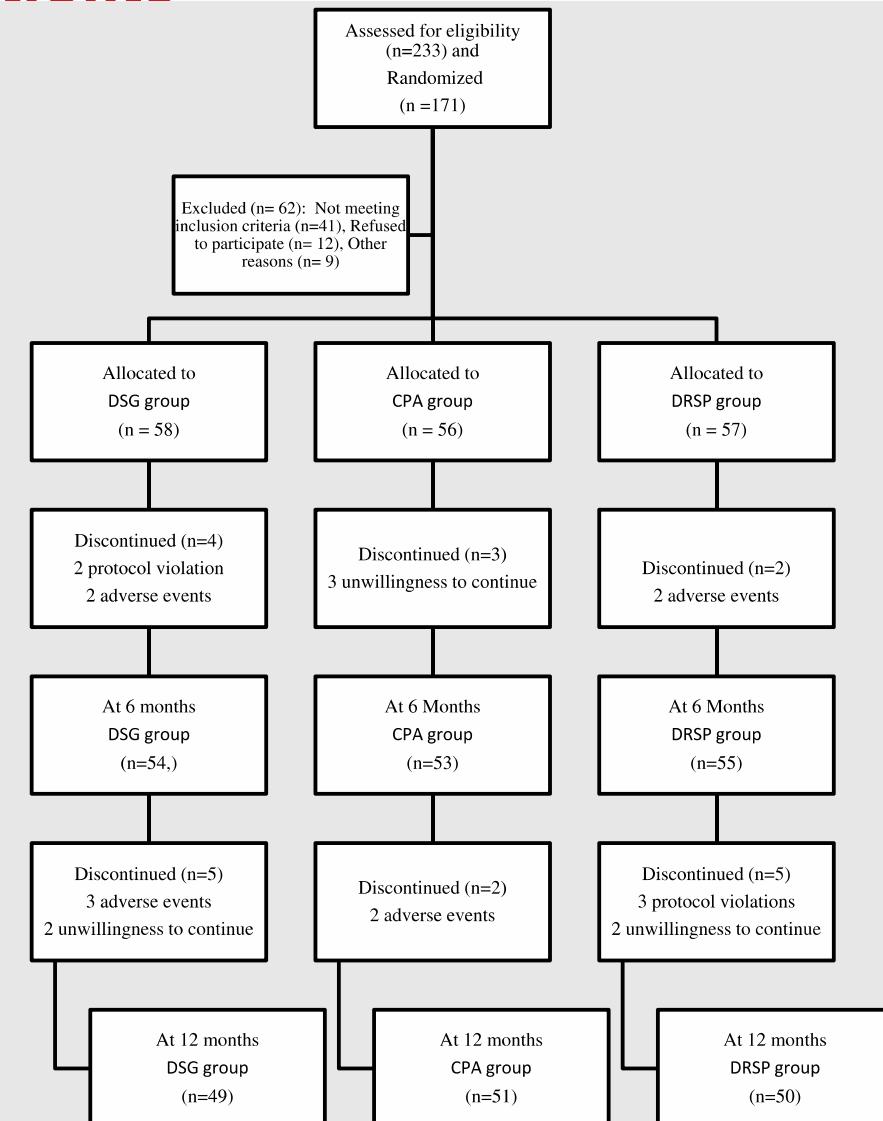
LNG vs NA



Solo 3 cicli di tp

Comparative study of the therapeutic effects of oral contraceptive pills containing desogestrel, cyproterone acetate, and drospirenone in patients with polycystic ovary syndrome

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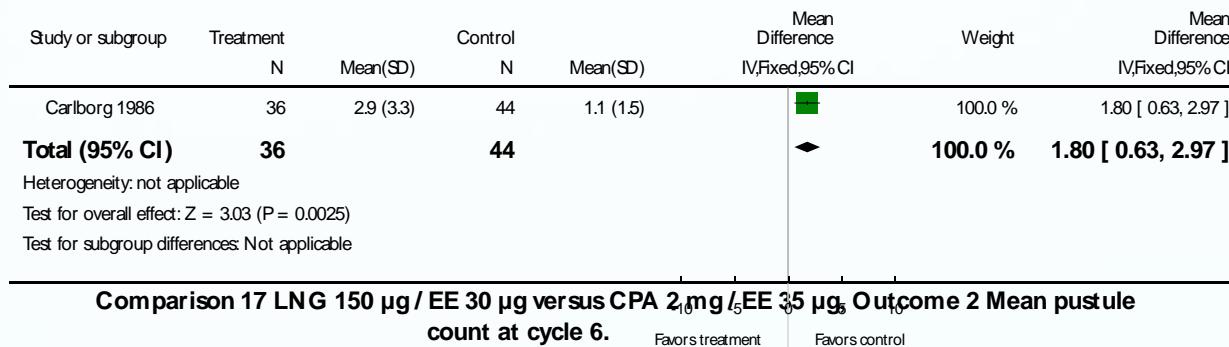
Change from baseline at 6 months of therapy.

Parameters	Change from baseline						<i>P</i> value of changes from baseline (ANOVA)
	Desogestrel (n = 58)	SD	Cyproterone acetate (n = 56)	SD	Drospirenone (n = 57)	SD	
BMI	-0.19	0.89	-0.29	1.28	-0.19	3.71	.97
Abdominal circumference	-0.17	1.57	0.25	1.49	0.32	3.41	.48
Waist–hip ratio	0.00	0.05	0.00	0.03	0.01	0.06	.65
m-FG score	-1.57	1.97	-2.09	3.29	-1.53	3.98	.58
Acne	-0.95	1.21	-0.48	1.18	-0.63	1.17	.10
Acanthosis nigricans	0.00	0.26	-0.09	0.72	-0.11	0.94	.69
Systolic blood pressure	1.59	10.96	0.79	10.97	2.60	13.75	.72
Diastolic blood pressure	0.21	7.76	-0.54	9.48	1.93	11.09	.37
T	-0.09	0.22	-0.04	0.24	-0.04	0.28	.50
SHBG	76.05	79.41	93.75	85.71	97.52	94.55	.37
Free androgen index	-5.13	8.72	-6.09	7.51	-5.27	9.22	.81
Fasting glucose	-2.26	6.92	-0.91	10.84	-0.53	7.63	.53
Fasting insulin	-1.08	12.71	1.65	8.21	0.43	12.93	.45
Glucose–insulin ratio	-0.82	9.75	-1.16	5.36	-0.38	4.53	.84
HOMA	-0.36	2.92	0.26	2.39	0.03	2.99	.48

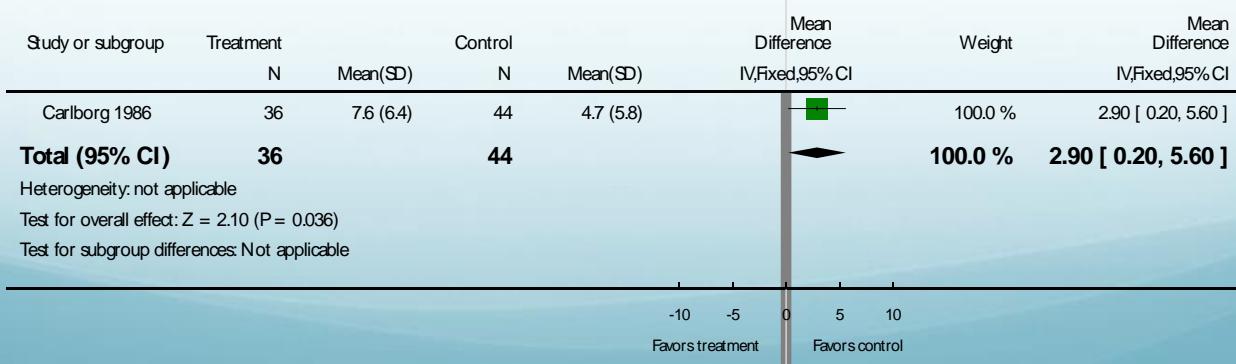
Change from baseline at 12 months of therapy.

Parameters	Change from baseline						<i>P</i> value of changes from baseline (ANOVA)
	Desogestrel (n = 58)	SD	Cyproterone acetate (n = 56)	SD	Drospirenone (n = 57)	SD	
BMI	-0.45	6.75	-0.59	4.76	0.11	5.54	.79
Abdominal circumference	-0.28	5.27	-0.21	5.21	1.07	5.70	.33
Waist–hip ratio	0.00	0.08	-0.02	0.08	0.02	0.09	.07
m-FG score	-1.69	5.69	-5.29	5.88	-2.12	6.58	.003 ^{a,b}
Acne	-1.41	1.32	-1.52	1.25	-1.42	1.27	.89
Acanthosis nigricans	0.03	1.66	-0.30	1.45	0.04	1.83	.46
Systolic blood pressure	1.62	17.04	0.32	19.71	0.84	17.74	.93
Diastolic blood pressure	-0.07	12.16	2.04	16.12	2.70	14.10	.55
T	-0.10	0.39	-0.03	0.42	-0.06	0.32	.62
SHBG	99.53	67.52	142.91	60.71	131.52	72.89	.002 ^{c,d}
Free androgen index	-5.58	9.15	-10.57	7.93	-7.89	9.13	.01 ^e
Fasting glucose	-4.28	11.66	-2.46	16.86	-2.11	14.02	.68
Fasting insulin	-0.02	17.35	6.38	15.22	2.78	17.27	.12
Glucose–insulin ratio	-1.70	8.30	-4.64	13.44	-0.57	9.59	.12
HOMA	-0.28	3.98	1.21	4.03	0.42	3.82	.14

CPA vs LNG



Comparison 17 LNG 150 µg / EE 30 µg versus CPA 2 mg / EE 35 µg, Outcome 3 Mean papule count at cycle 6.



Pharmacodynamics – anti-androgen character

- Hersberger test of in vivo potency shows 40% anti-androgenic activity compared to CPA. (weight of seminal vesicle and m. levator ani referring to anabolic effect).
- DNG is the 2nd strongest anti-androgen used in COCs.
- DNG binds to the progesterone receptor of the human uterus with only 10% of the relative affinity of progesterone.
- Despite its low affinity to the progesterone receptor, DNG has a strong progestogenic effect in vivo.
- DNG has no significant androgenic, mineralocorticoid or glucocorticoid activity in vivo.

