**Table A1 Baseline characteristics for the subgroup of 57 women.**

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| Variable | Statistics | Total |
| Age at registration | n | 57 |
| Mean (Std) | 49.0 (9.4) |
| Median (min;max) | 48.8 (33.1;66.0) |
| Menopause | Post: n (%) | 22 (38.6) |
| Pre: n (%) | 35 (61.4) |
| Stage | 1: n (%) |  2 (3.5) |
| 2: n (%) | 21 (36.8) |
| 3: n (%) | 34 (59.7) |
| Tumour volume, cm3 | n | 57 |
| Mean (Std) | 187 (415) |
| Median (min;max) |  97 (4;3052) |
| sTK1 ng/ml | n | 57 |
| Mean (Std) | 0.329 (0.140) |
| Median (min;max) | 0.295 (0.1;0.72) |
| Cell-loss metric, units | n | 57 |
| Mean (Std) | 0.009 (0.015) |
| Median (min;max) | 0.003 (0.001;0.069) |
| Histological type | Ductal: n (%) | 38 (66.7) |
| Lobular: n (%) |  7 (12.3) |
| Other: n (%) | 10 (17.5) |
| Not done: n (%) |  2 (3.5) |
| Tumour subtype | Basal: n (%) | 12 (21.0) |
| LumA: n (%) | 27 (47.4) |
| LumB: n (%) | 18 (31.6) |
| ER status | < 10: n (%) | 19 (33.3) |
| >10: n (%) | 38 (66.7) |
| PR status | < 10: n (%) | 22 (38.6) |
| >10: n (%) | 35 (61.4) |
| Proliferation value (Ki67/Mib1%) | n (missing) |  54 (3) |
| Mean (Std) | 36 (26.9) |
| Median (min;max) | 30 (1;90) |
| Nodal status | n | 57 |
| No: n (%) | 21 (36.8) |
| Yes: n (%) | 36 (63.2) |