Information needs and decision-making preferences of older women offered a choice between surgery and primary endocrine therapy for early breast cancer

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Figure 1a. Information women found helpful when deciding between PET and surgery
(Surgery information)

- how long I would be in hospital if I had an operation (N=75)
- if I needed to have my breast removed or could just have the lump removed (N=73)
- how safe the operation would be for me to have at my age (N=75)
- about any possible complications or side effects of the operation (N=69)
- whether my family/friends could look after me after the operation (N=65)
- about the side effects of the operation (N=66)
- the likelihood of cure if I had the operation and tablet treatment (N=63)
- about the sort of pain relief I could have (N=64)
- if I would have pain after the operation (N=62)
- if I would need extra help at home after the operation (N=58)
- if I would look different after the operation (N=60)
- about possible support for my loved ones while I was in hospital (N=59)
- what the scar from the operation would look like (N=60)