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## **BIOCRYST PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.**

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# You invested in BIOCRYST PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. and it's time to vote!

You have the right to vote on proposals being presented at the Annual Meeting. This is an important notice regarding the availability of proxy materials for the stockholder meeting to be held on May 25, 2021.

## Get informed before you vote

View the Notice and Proxy Statement and Annual Report on Form 10-K online OR you can receive a free paper or email copy of the material(s) by requesting prior to May 11, 2021. If you would like to request a copy of the material(s) for this and/or future stockholder meetings, you may (1) visit www.ProxyVote.com, (2) call 1-800-579-1639 or (3) send an email to sendmaterial@proxyvote.com. If sending an email, please include your control number (indicated below) in the subject line. Unless requested, you will not otherwise receive a paper or email copy.

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Point your camera here and vote without entering a	May 25, 2021 10:00 a.m. EDT
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N /	BioCryst Corporate Offices 4505 Emperor Blvd.
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	Durham, North Carolina 27703

# THIS IS NOT A VOTABLE BALLOT

This is an overview of the proposals being presented at the upcoming stockholder meeting. Please follow the instructions on the reverse side to vote these important matters.

Vot	ting Items	Board
1.	Election of Directors Nominees: 01) Nancy J. Hutson, Ph.D.	• For
2.	02) Robert A. Ingram To ratify the selection of Ernst & Young LLP as the Company's independent registered public accountants for 2021.	C Far
3.	To approve, on an advisory basis, the Company's executive compensation.	For For
4.	To approve, or an advisory basis, the company's executive compensation. To approve an amendment to the Stock Incentive Plan to increase the number of shares available for issuance under the Stock Incentive Plan by 7,500,000 shares.	For
5.	To approve an amendment to the Employee Stock Purchase Plan to increase the number of shares available for issuance under the Employee Stock Purchase Plan by 3,500,000 shares.	♥ For
6	To transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment thereof.	
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