

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

**CURRENT REPORT
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d)
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): February 16, 2021

Foghorn Therapeutics Inc.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

001-39634
(Commission
File Number)

47-5271393
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

500 Technology Square, Ste 700
Cambridge, MA
(Address of principal executive offices)

02139
(Zip Code)

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code): (617) 245-0399

Not Applicable
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, \$0.0001 par value per share	FHTX	The Nasdaq Global Market

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

Foghorn Therapeutics Inc. (the “Company”) is furnishing as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K a presentation, dated February 16, 2021, which the Company intends to use from time to time in meetings with or presentations to investors.

The information in this Item 7.01 (including Exhibit 99.1 attached hereto) is being furnished and shall not be deemed “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Investor Presentation, dated February 16, 2021

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

FOGHORN THERAPEUTICS INC.

By: /s/ Allan Reine
Allan Reine, M.D.
Chief Financial Officer

Date: February 16, 2021



Targeting the Chromatin Regulatory System

A Product Platform with Potential to Impact Millions of Patients

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Large Market Potential / Precision Approach

- Biology implicated in up to 50% of cancer potentially impacting ~2.5 million patients

Experienced Leadership Team

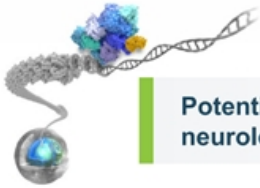
- Expertise across drug discovery, clinical development and commercialization
- Over 220 drug candidates into the clinic and over 30 drugs approved

Novel Biology and Targets

- Targeting the chromatin regulatory system
- Integrated and scalable platform
- Chromatin remodeling complexes, transcription factors, and other components

Multiple Drugging Approaches

- Synthetic lethality
- Protein degradation
- Transcription factor disruptors



Potential applications beyond oncology in diseases including virology, autoimmune disease and neurology

On Track for Entry Into the Clinic with First Two Programs

Precision Oncology / Breadth and Depth



Program / Target	Modality	Discovery	IND-enabling	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Global Rights
FHD-286 (BRG1 / BRM)	Enzyme inhibitor	AML Uveal melanoma					FOGHORN THERAPEUTICS
FHD-609 (BRD9)	Protein degrader	Synovial sarcoma					FOGHORN THERAPEUTICS
Selective BRM	Enzyme inhibitor & protein degrader	BRG1 mutated cancers					FOGHORN THERAPEUTICS
Selective ARID1B	Protein degrader	ARID1A mutated cancers					FOGHORN THERAPEUTICS
Partnered program (undisclosed)	Transcription factor disruptor						MERCK

Gene Traffic Control® Platform

Using our proprietary Gene Traffic Control platform, we have identified additional genetically determined dependencies to drug using enzymatic inhibitors, protein degraders and transcription factor disruptors

Our Gene Traffic Control Platform Makes It Possible to Understand and Drug Genetic Dependencies within the Chromatin Regulatory System

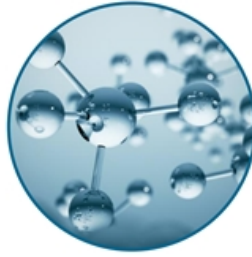
Integrated, Scalable, Efficient – Repeatable Paradigm



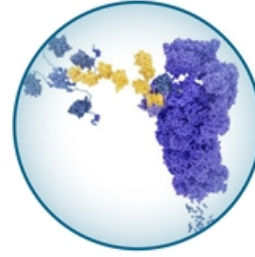
**Target Identification
And Validation**



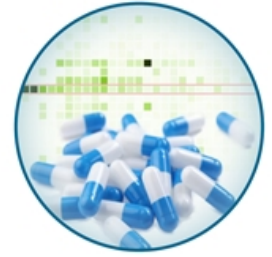
**Production of
Chromatin Regulatory
System Components
at Scale & Proprietary
Assays**



**Discovery and
Optimization of
Chemical Matter**



**Targeted Protein
Degradation**



**Translation to Clinic
and Identification of
Biomarkers**

Experienced Leadership Team with Industry Leading Advisors and Investors



SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM



Adrian Gottschalk, President & CEO

Development through commercialization in multiple therapeutic areas across >25 drug programs

• Biogen



Carl Decicco, Ph.D., CSO

>200 drugs transitioned to the clinic, 20 approvals

• Bristol-Myers Squibb



Sam Agresta, M.D., M.P.H., CMO

Global drug approval experience, 3 drug approvals

• agios Genentech Infinity



Michael LaCascia, CLO

Former GC, Vertex Pharmaceuticals, global law and compliance experience, 2 drug approvals

• VERTEX WILMERHALE



Steve Bellon, Ph.D., SVP, Drug Discovery

20+ years in industry drugging novel targets, incl. bromo platform at Constellation

• Constellation AMGEN VERTEX



Allan Reine, M.D., CFO

15 years biotech investor and public company CFO

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Carlos Costa, SVP, HR

20+ years worldwide experience across multiple countries and regions

• Biogen Roche Pfizer



Fanny Cavalle, SVP, Business & Operations

Global development through launch for >20 drugs, portfolio and BD strategy experience

• Biogen McKinsey & Company

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Doug Cole, M.D.
Flagship Pioneering –
Board Chair; Founder

Jose Baselga, M.D., Ph.D.
AstraZeneca R&D Oncology

Scott Biller, Ph.D.
Former CSO and Strategic Advisor, Agios

Simba Gill, Ph.D.
Evelo Biosciences, Partner
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Adrian Gottschalk
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Gurdon Institute – University of Cambridge

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Former COO Vertex Pharmaceuticals,
Chair of Solid Bio.,
Chair of ViaCyte



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The Chromatin Regulatory System

Orchestrates Gene Expression

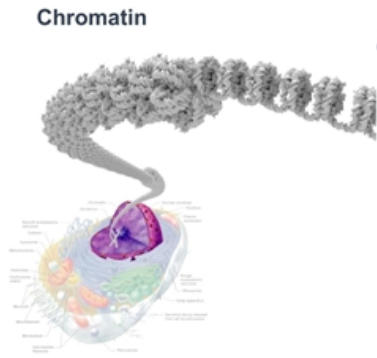
The Chromatin Regulatory System Orchestrates Gene Expression

Two Major Components Work in Concert - Chromatin Remodeling Complexes and Transcription Factors

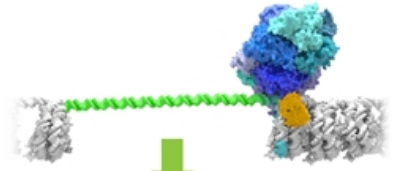
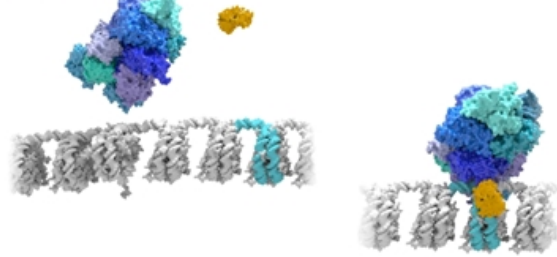


1 Work together to orchestrate gene expression

3 Once chromatin unpacked, gene expression can occur



Chromatin remodeling complex Transcription Factor



Normal gene expression

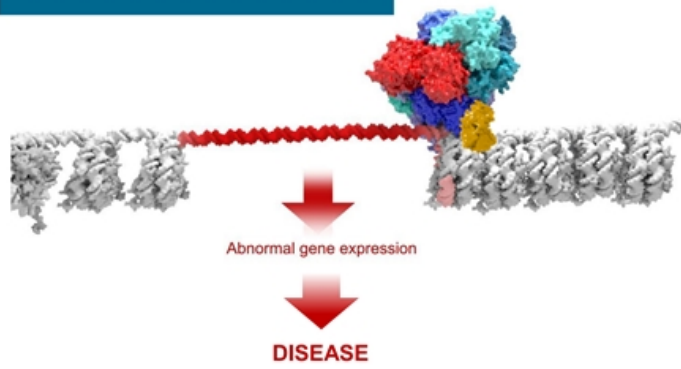
Right genes

2 TF's guide chromatin remodeling complexes to the right locations

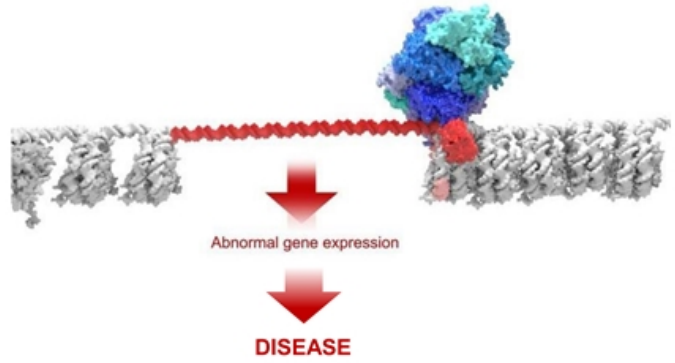
Chromatin – compacted form of DNA inside the nucleus of the cell



Mutations in Chromatin Remodeling Complex Result in Abnormal Gene Expression



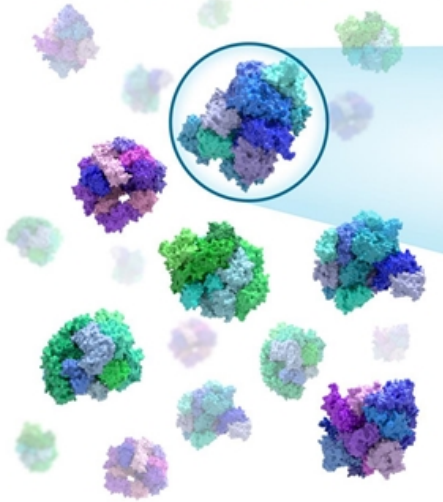
Mutated or Overexpressed TF Hijacks Chromatin Remodeling Complex to Wrong Location



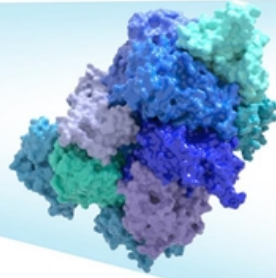
Chromatin Regulatory System Implicated in Over 50% of Cancers Potentially Impacting Over 2.5M Patients



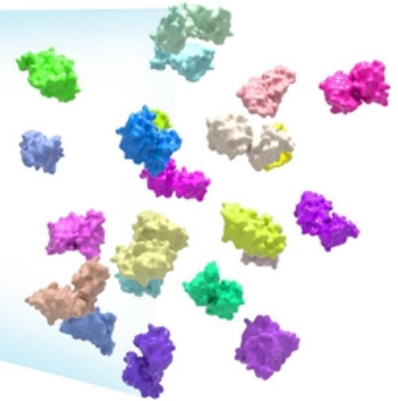
28 Chromatin Remodeling
Complexes and >1,000 TFs



BAF Complex and Associated Transcription Factors



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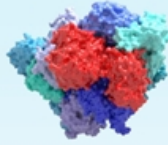
BAF Complex Subunits
Mutated and Dysregulated
in Cancer

Estimate >100 Transcription
Factors Associated with just
the BAF Complex



Novel Targets

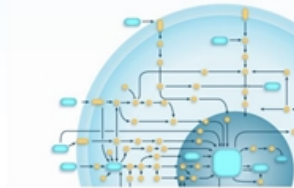
Mutations in Chromatin Remodeling Complexes



Transcription Factor Mutations / Overexpression



Mutations that Impinge on the Chromatin Regulatory System

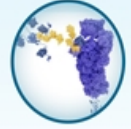


Tailored Drugging Approaches

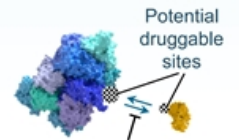
Enzymatic Inhibitors:
Highly selective and allosteric small molecule inhibitors



Targeted Protein Degradation:
Bi-functional protein degraders for targets with no enzymatic activity



Transcription Factor Disruptors:
Disrupt interactions between chromatin remodeling complexes and transcription factors



Pursuing a Precision Oncology Approach



Each Program is Based on a Genetically Defined Dependency

Program	Mutation / Abberation	Genetic Dependency	Target Patient Population*	Drug Approach
FHD-286	Elevated BRG1 expression	BRG1	AML (20,000)	Enzymatic Inhibitor
	GNAQ/GNA11	SOX10 / MITF / BAF complex	Uveal Melanoma (5,000)	
FHD-609	SS18-SSX1, SSX2, SSX4	BRD9	Synovial Sarcoma (>1,800)	Protein Degradar
Selective BRM	BRG1	BRM	BRG1 mutated cancers (>100K)	Enzymatic Inhibitor / Protein Degradar
Selective ARID1B	ARID1A	ARID1B	ARID1A mutated cancers (>175K)	Protein Degradar
Transcription Factors	Various	Specific TF – Chromatin Remodeling Complex	Various	Transcription Factor Disruptor



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FHD-286: Clinical Entry Point - AML and Uveal Melanoma

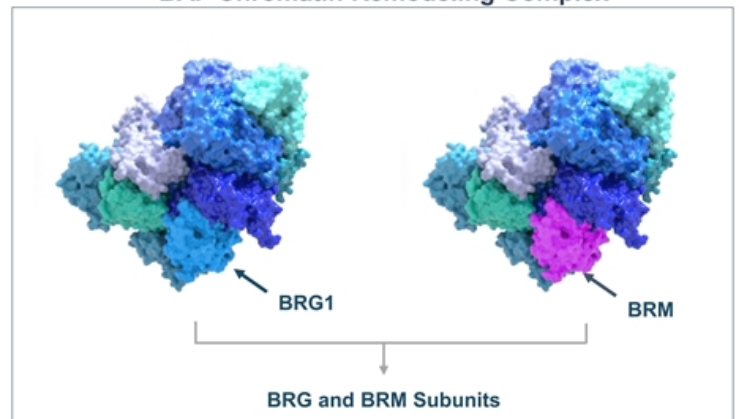
FHD-286 is a Potent, Selective, Allosteric, Small Molecule Inhibitor of the BRG1 and BRM subunits of the BAF complex



Target / Approach	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BRG1/BRM ATPase Small molecule, allosteric, oral enzymatic inhibitor
Indications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Acute myelogenous leukemia (AML) Uveal melanoma Indication expansion work ongoing in multiple solid tumors
Mutation / Aberration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AML: BRG1 elevated in blast cells Uveal Melanoma: GNAQ/GNA11 mutated UM is driven by an abnormal dependency on BAF
Program Status	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On track for clinical data as early as Q4'21
New Patients Impacted / year*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AML: Over 20,000 relapsed and/or refractory patients Uveal melanoma: Over 5,000 patients

* US, EU5, Japan

BAF Chromatin Remodeling Complex

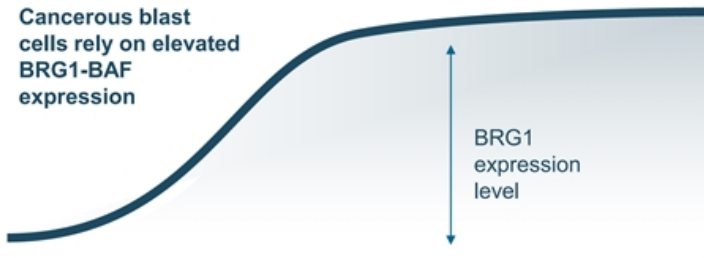


- BRM/BRG1 is the engine (ATPase) of the BAF chromatin remodeling complex
- BRG1 & BRM are highly similar proteins

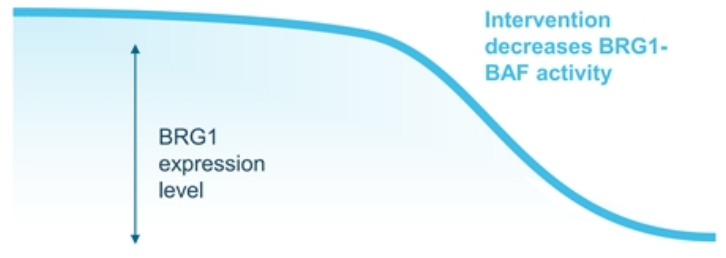
Therapeutic Rationale for AML: Blast Cells Dependent on BRG1-BAF



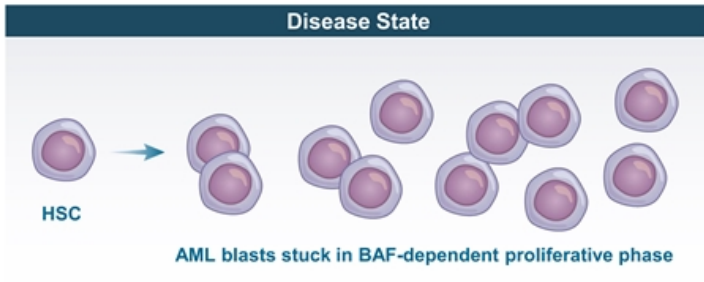
Cancerous blast cells rely on elevated BRG1-BAF expression



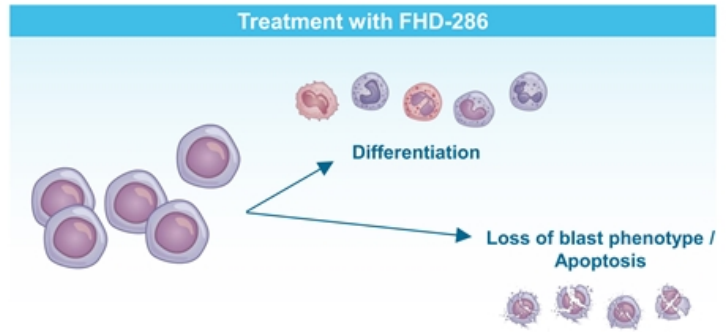
Intervention decreases BRG1-BAF activity



Disease State



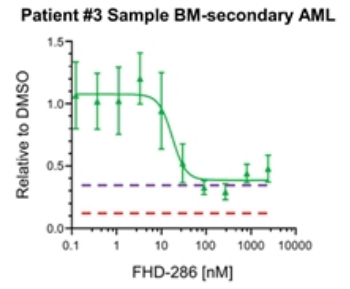
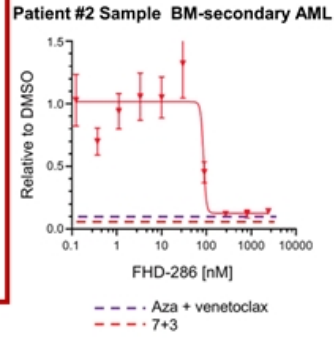
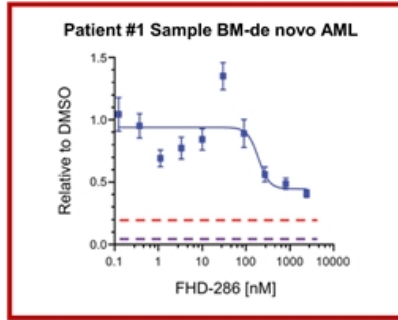
Treatment with FHD-286



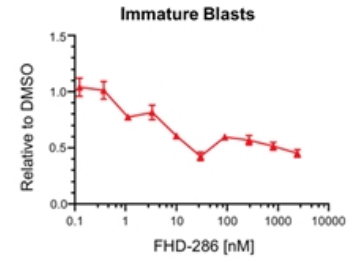
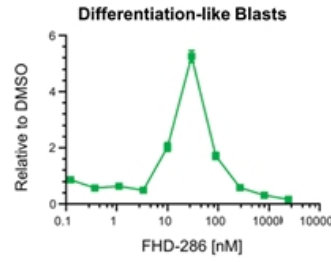
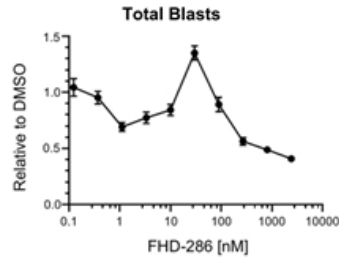
Treatment with FHD-286 of Patient-Derived AML Tumor Samples was Associated with both Differentiation and Cyto-reduction



Exposure-dependent differentiation effect and cyto-reduction (Cyto-reduction is equivalent to standard of care)



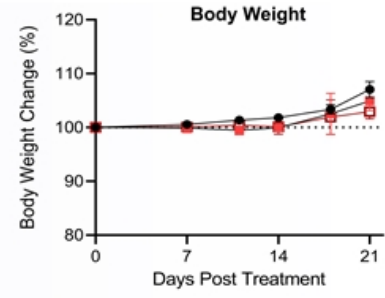
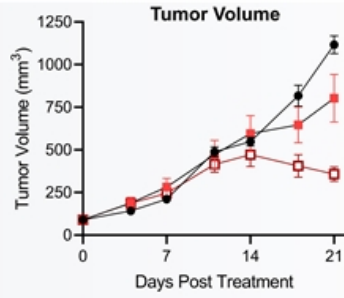
Patient #1 Sample: Example of exposure-dependent differentiation effect



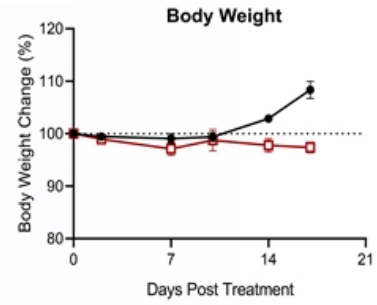
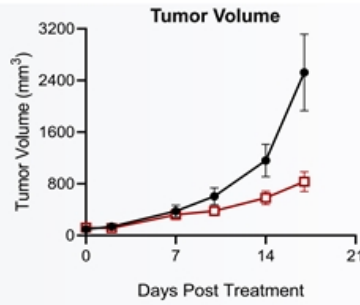
Dose-Dependent Tumor Growth Inhibition Observed with FHD-286 Treatment in AML CDX Models



**MV4-11
CDX Model
(FLT3 ITD, MLL-AF4)**



**OCI-AML2
CDX Model
(MLL-AF6, DNMT3a mut.)**



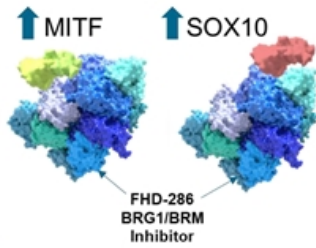
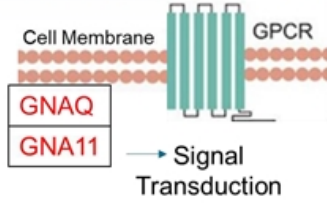
Therapeutic Rationale for Uveal Melanoma: Dependency on Overexpression of the MITF / SOX10 Transcription Factors and the BAF Complex



Inhibiting BRG1/BRM to shut down the abnormal TF interaction with the BAF complex

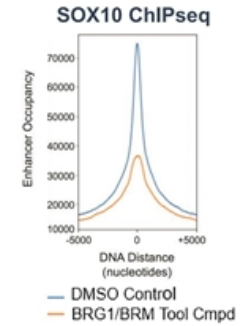
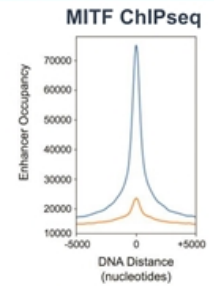
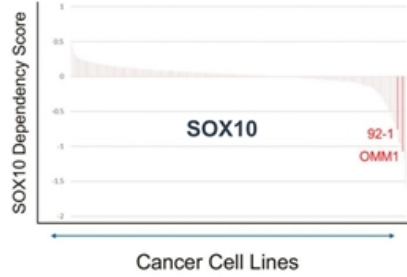
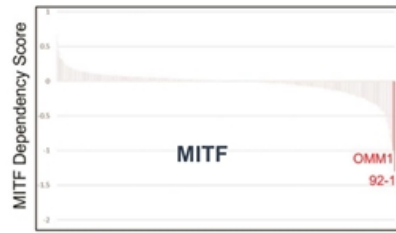
Biology

Over 85% of uveal melanoma cancers have GNAQ or GNA11 mutations



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Validation of Dependency and Approach

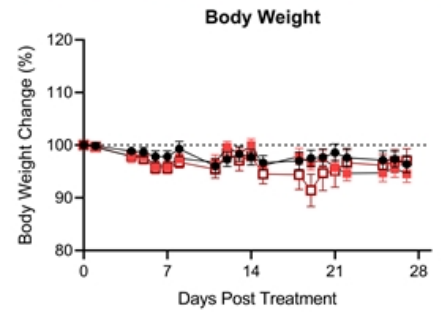
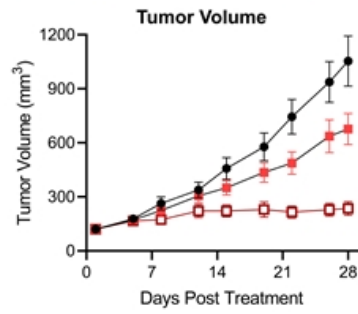


FHD-286 was Associated with Dose-Dependent Tumor Regression in Uveal Melanoma CDX Models at Tolerated Doses



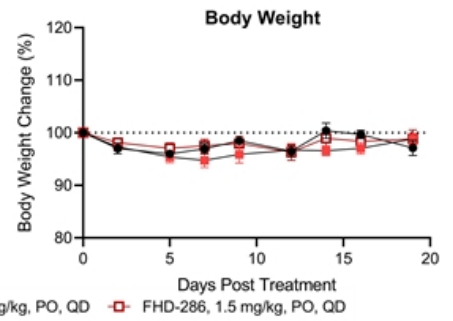
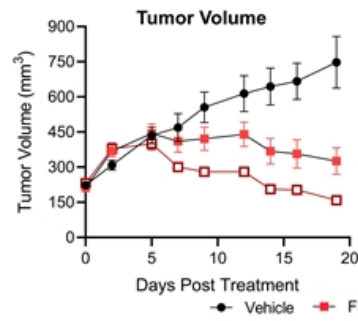
MP-46 uveal melanoma CDX model

- Dose-dependent tumor growth inhibition
- Well tolerated



92-1 uveal melanoma CDX model

- Dose-dependent tumor growth inhibition
- Tumor regression at 1.5 mg/kg, PO, QD
- Well tolerated



FHD-286 Clinical Development Plan

Our Understanding of the Biology and Target allows for the Selection of Focused Patient Populations



CLINICAL PLAN

AML & Uveal Melanoma FIH Phase 1 Studies

Relapsed / Refractory AML

Metastatic Uveal Melanoma

Trial Design

- "3 + 3" accelerated titration design
- Retrospective biomarker analysis to further evaluate safety and efficacy
- Assess safety, PK, biomarkers and efficacy

Expansion cohorts
in AML, UM and
potentially other
indications

Potential for entry into definitive efficacy trials in AML

Potential for entry into definitive efficacy trials in metastatic uveal melanoma

Potential for Indication Expansion Beyond AML and UM

Early clinical data as early as Q4 2021



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FHD-609: Clinical Entry Point – Synovial Sarcoma

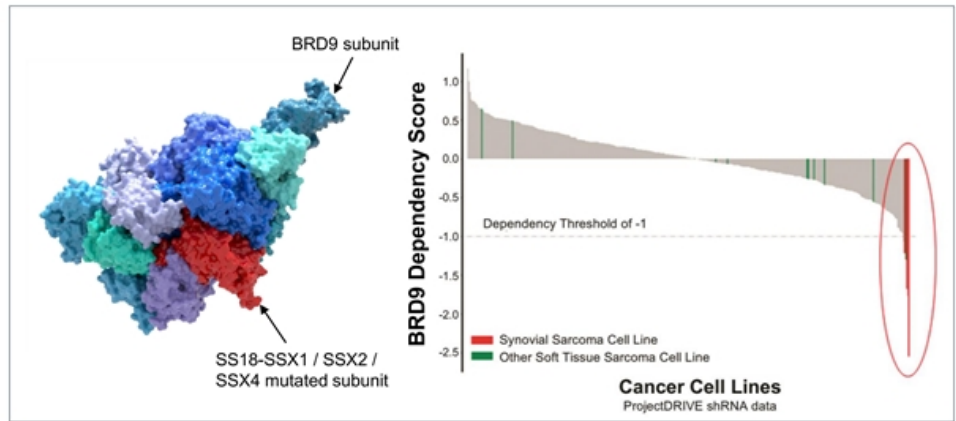
FHD-609 is a Selective, Potent, Protein Degradator of the BRD9 component of the BAF complex

FHD-609 Targets and Degrades the BRD9 subunit of BAF which is Required for Synovial Sarcoma Cells to Survive

Selective, Potent BRD9 Targeted Protein Degradator



Target / Approach	<ul style="list-style-type: none">BRD9Intravenous Protein Degradator
Initial Indication	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Synovial Sarcoma
Mutation / Aberration	<ul style="list-style-type: none">SS18-SSX1 / SSX2 / SSX4 protein fusions
Upcoming Milestones	<ul style="list-style-type: none">IND submission Q2 2021
New Patients Impacted / year*	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Synovial Sarcoma: Over 1,800 patients / year



- BRD9 is required for the survival of synovial sarcoma cells

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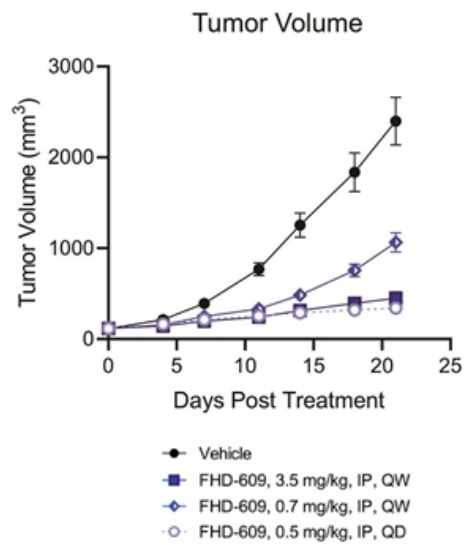
Robust *in vivo* Activity Observed in Synovial Sarcoma Model and BRD9 Degradation Associated with FHD-609 Treatment

Weekly Dosing of FHD-609 Achieved Sustained BRD9 Degradation

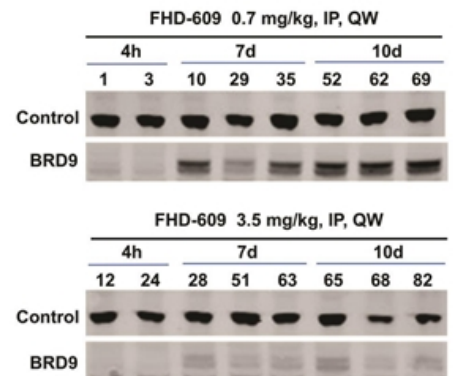


SY01 Synovial Sarcoma CDX Model

- Mutation: **SS18-SSX2**
- Inhibited tumor growth
- Dose dependent BRD9 degradation correlated with anti-tumor activity



Sustained BRD9 Degradation

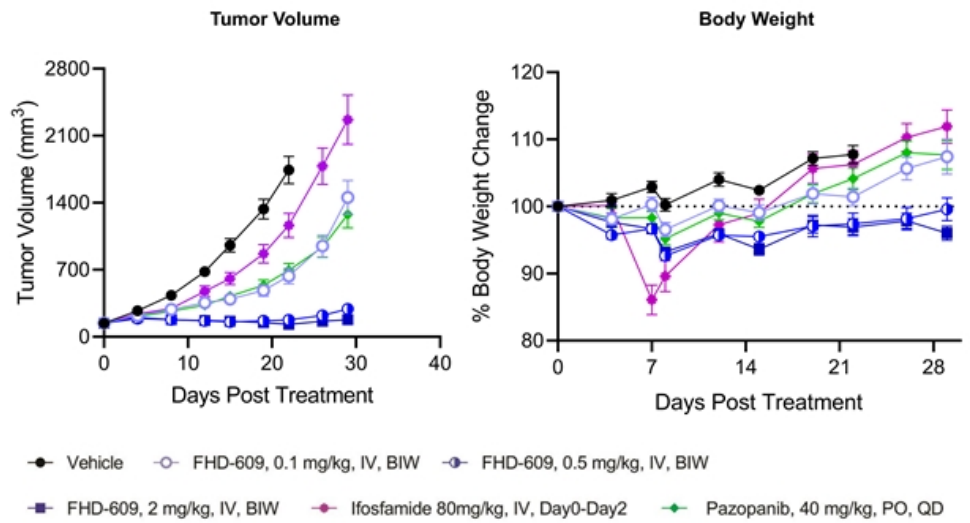


Superior Tumor Growth Inhibition of FHD-609 in a Synovial Sarcoma Model as Compared to Ifosfamide and Pazopanib



ASKA CDX Model

- Mutation: **SS18-SSX1**
- Superior tumor growth inhibition compared to ifosfamide and pazopanib
- Complete suppression observed over 30 days at 2 mg/kg of FHD-609





CLINICAL PLAN

Synovial Sarcoma FIH Phase 1

Metastatic Synovial Sarcoma

Synovial Sarcoma
expansion cohorts

*Potential for entry into definitive
efficacy trials in synovial sarcoma*

Trial design:

- "3+3" Design
- Patients: Synovial cell sarcoma
- Primary endpoints: Assess safety, PK, efficacy and biomarkers

SMARCB-1
deleted tumors and
potentially other
indications

Biomarkers:

- SS18-SSX1, SS18-SSX2 or SS18-SSX4 translocation

IND submission expected in Q2 2021

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Selective BRM Modulators for BRG1 Mutated Cancers

Enzymatic Inhibitor and Protein Degradation Programs

BRG1 Mutations Create a Genetic Dependency on BRM

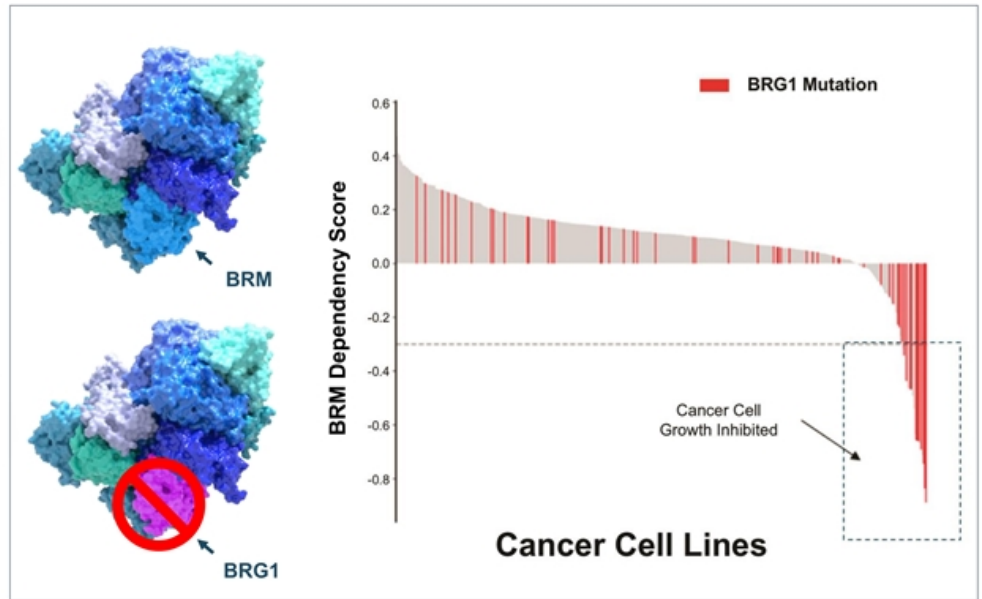
Selective BRM Modulators Overview



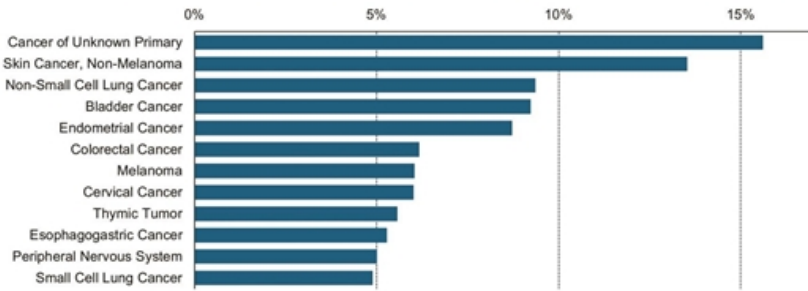
Target / Approach	<ul style="list-style-type: none">BRMEnzymatic inhibitorTargeted protein degrader
Indication	<ul style="list-style-type: none">BRG1 mutated cancers (e.g., NSCLC), 30+ cancers with BRG1 mutations
Mutation / Aberration	<ul style="list-style-type: none">BRG1
Stage	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Pre-clinical
New Patients Impacted / year*	<ul style="list-style-type: none">> 100,000

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BRG1 Mutated in ~5% of All Tumors – Potential Broad Addressable Patient Populations



BRG1 mutated across range of tumors

Accounts for ~5% of all tumors



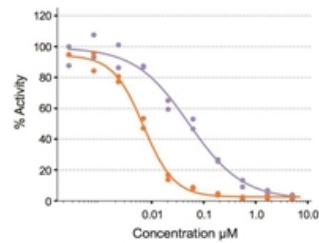
BRG1 mutated in up to 10% of NSCLC tumors, minimal overlap with other mutations



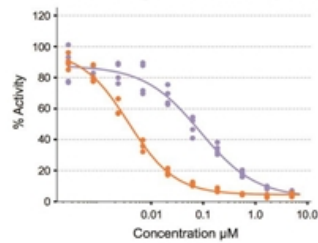
BRM Selective Inhibitor Program

- Panel showing biochemical selectivity of a 20X more selective inhibitor of BRM vs. BRG1

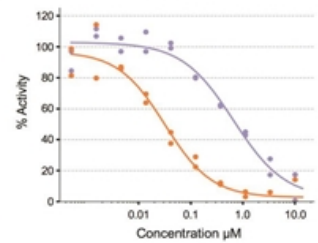
Enzyme assay using BRG1 and BRM subunits



Enzyme assay using BRG1 and BRM containing full BAF complexes



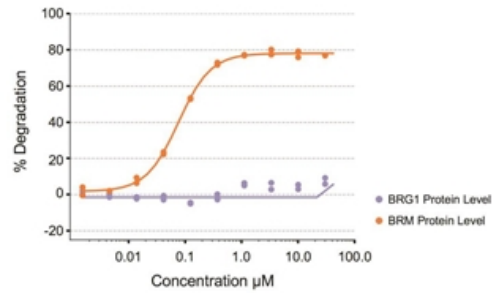
Cellular assays for BRG1 and BRM



● BRG1 ● BRM

BRM Selective Degradator Program

- Selective BRM degrading molecules led to the degradation of over 75% of BRM while leaving BRG1 unchanged





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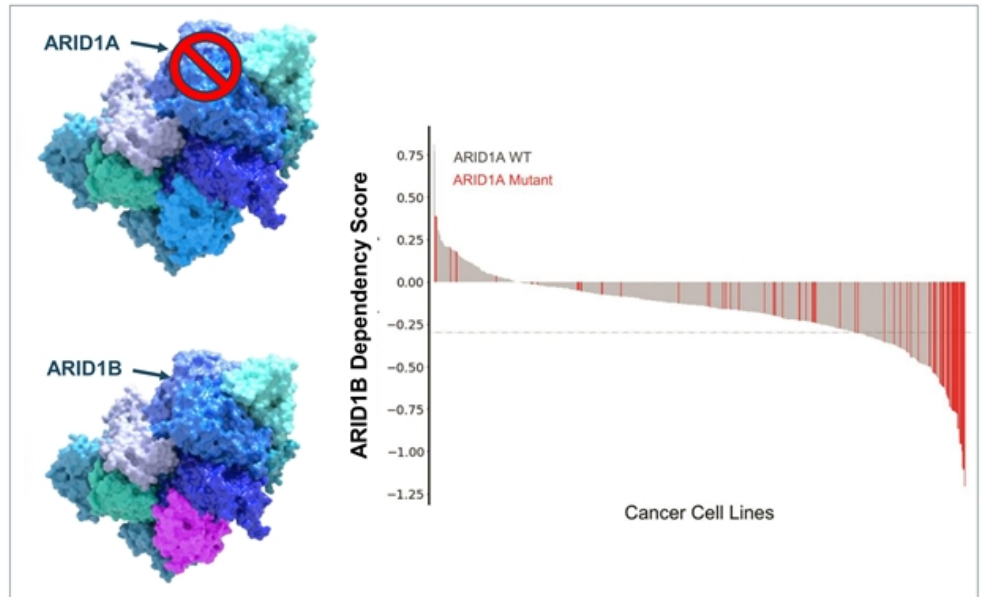
Selective ARID1B Protein Degradator for ARID1A Mutated Cancers

ARID1A – Most Mutated Subunit in BAF Complex – Creates Dependency on ARID1B

Selective ARID1B Protein Degradation Overview



Target / Approach	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• ARID1B• Targeted Protein Degradation
Indication	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• ARID1A mutated cancers
Mutation / Aberration	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• ARID1A mutations (e.g., ovarian, endometrial, colorectal, bladder and other cancers)
Stage	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pre-clinical
New Patients Impacted / year*	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• > 175,000



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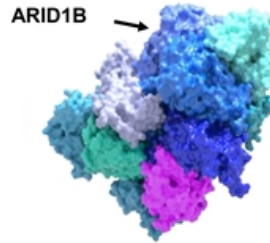


Biology

- ARID1A is the most highly mutated subunit of the BAF complex in cancer
- ~5% of all tumors harbor ARID1A mutations including; endometrial cancer (~40%), bladder cancer (~25%) and ovarian (~15%)
- Synthetic lethal relationship with ARID1B
- Developing protein degraders to ARID1B



Highly purified ARID1B-BAF Complex



Drugging Strategy

- Platform produces BAF complexes and subcomplexes containing either ARID1A or ARID1B at scale
- Status: Validating hits from multiple High Throughput Screens



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Novel Approach to Targeting Transcription Factors

Disrupting Transcription Factor – Chromatin Remodeling Complex Interactions

A New Approach to Drugging Transcription Factors

Enabled by Proprietary Ability to Purify and Synthesize Chromatin Regulatory System Components

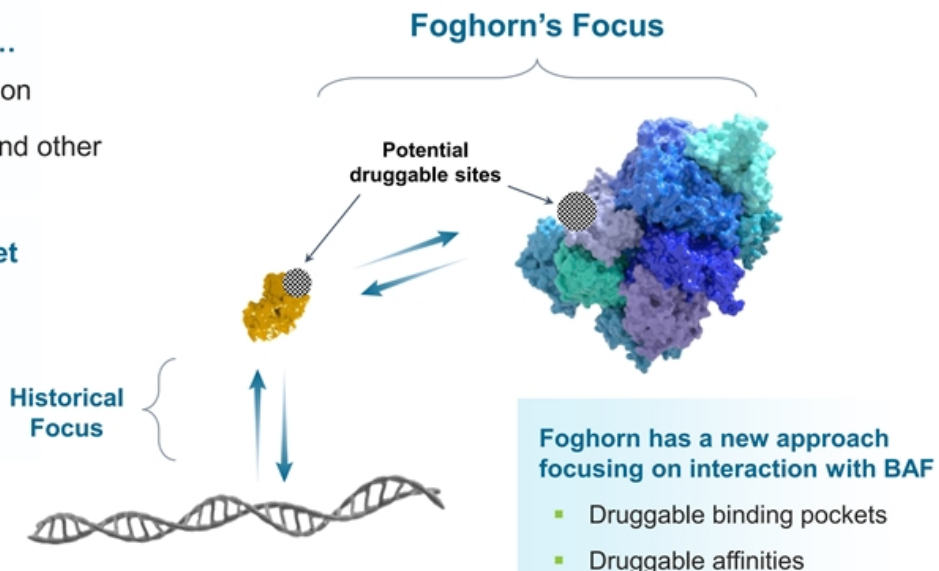


TFs are compelling drug targets...

- Highly involved in gene expression
- Implicated in range of cancers and other diseases

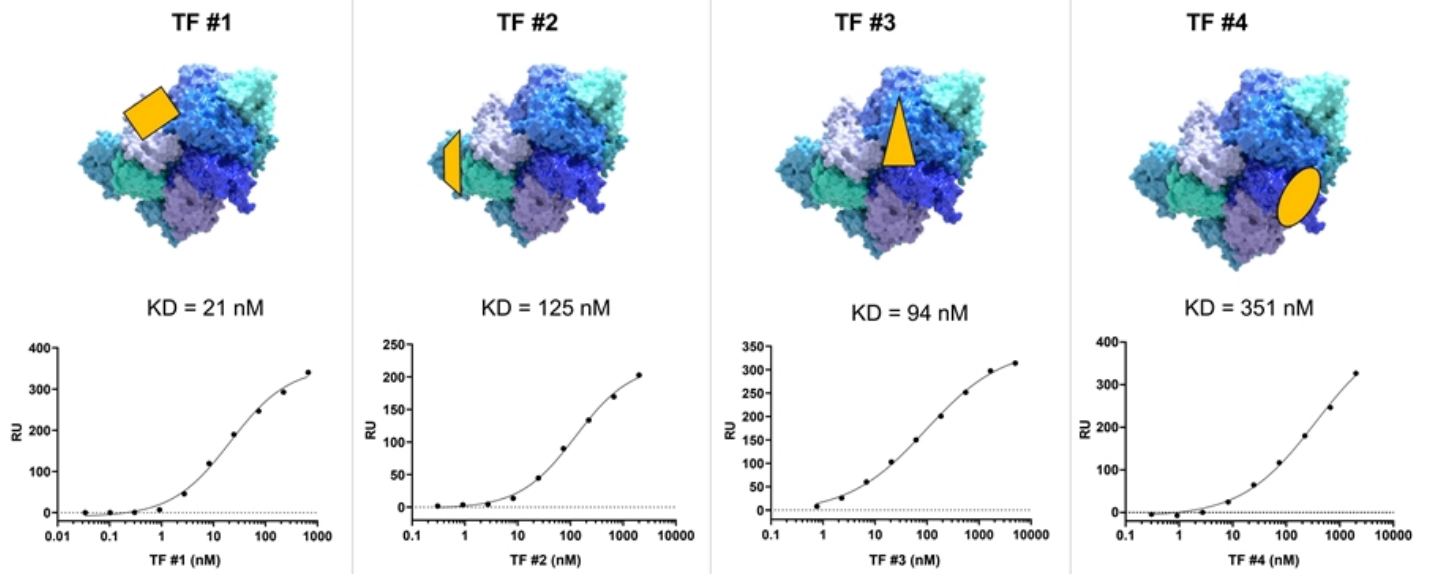
...but historically difficult to target

- Featureless surface: no druggable binding pocket
- Tight interactions with DNA: undruggable affinities



Transcription Factor-Chromatin Remodeling Complex Interactions

Unique Insights in Where and How Transcription Factors Bind



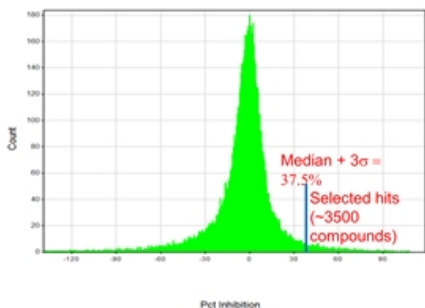
Transcription Factors (TF):   

Highly Scalable Approach and Significant Unmet Medical Need

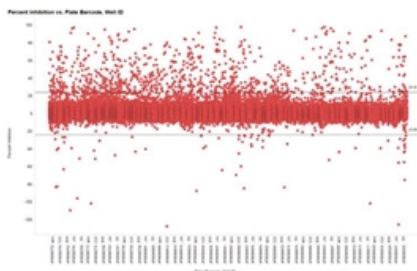
Potential to drug > 100 TFs associated with BAF



TF #X
Primary HTS
of >330K
compounds



TF #Y
Primary HTS
of >250K
compounds



- >100 TFs estimated associated with BAF
- Foghorn pursuing multiple TFs in parallel
- HTS on full BAF complex + TF target
- Approach highly scalable and potential broad application – other chromatin remodeling complexes and other diseases

- Merck collaboration to drug single specified transcription factor target
- \$425 million in up-front, research, development and sales-based milestones
- Up to low double-digit royalties on product sales



On Track for Entry Into the Clinic with First Two Programs

Precision Oncology / Breadth and Depth



Program / Target	Modality	Discovery	IND-enabling	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Global Rights
FHD-286 (BRG1 / BRM)	Enzyme inhibitor	AML Uveal melanoma	FHD-286: Early Clinical Data (Q4 2021)				FOGHORN THERAPEUTICS
FHD-609 (BRD9)	Protein degrader	Synovial sarcoma	FHD-609: IND Submission (Q2 2021)				FOGHORN THERAPEUTICS
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