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SCHEDULE 14A

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Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Shareholder Meeting to Be Held on May 23, 2012

BIOCRYST PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

Meeting Information

Meeting Type: Annual Meeting

For holders as of: March 28, 2012

Date: May 23, 2012 **Time:** 3:00 PM EDT

Location: BioCryst Corporate Offices
4505 Emperor Blvd.
Suite 200
Durham, North Carolina

BIOCRYST PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.
C/O AMERICAN STOCK TRANSFER&
TRUST COMPANY
59 MAIDEN LANE
NEW YORK, NY 10038

You are receiving this communication because you hold shares in the above named company.

This is not a ballot. You cannot use this notice to vote these shares. This communication presents only an overview of the more complete proxy materials that are available to you on the Internet. You may view the proxy materials online at *www.proxyvote.com* or easily request a paper copy (see reverse side).

We encourage you to access and review all of the important information contained in the proxy materials before voting.

See the reverse side of this notice to obtain proxy materials and voting instructions.

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— Before You Vote —

How to Access the Proxy Materials

Proxy Materials Available to VIEW or RECEIVE:
1. Annual Report 2. Notice & Proxy Statement

How to View Online:

Have the information that is printed in the box marked by the arrow → XXXX XXXX XXXX (located on the following page) and visit: *www.proxyvote.com.*

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— How To Vote —

Please Choose One of the Following Voting Methods

Vote In Person: Many shareholder meetings have attendance requirements including, but not limited to, the possession of an attendance ticket issued by the entity holding the meeting. Please check the meeting materials for any special requirements for meeting attendance. At the meeting, you will need to request a ballot to vote these shares.

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Vote By Mail: You can vote by mail by requesting a paper copy of the materials, which will include a proxy card.

Voting items

The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR the following:

1. Election of Directors

Nominees

01 Zola P. Horovitz 02 Nancy J. Hutson 03 Peder K. Jensen

The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR proposals 2, 3 and 4.

2 To approve the amendment of the Stock Incentive Plan to increase the number of shares available for issuance under the Stock Incentive Plan by 1,700,000 shares to 10,866,631 shares as of March 28, 2012, and to increase the maximum number of shares or options that may be granted to any individual under the Stock Incentive Plan to 1,500,000 per year.

3 To increase the number of shares available for issuance under the Employee Stock Purchase Plan by 150,000 shares to 234,371 shares as of March 28, 2012.

4 To ratify the selection of Ernst & Young LLP as the Company's independent registered public accountants for 2012.

NOTE: In their discretion, upon such other matters as may properly come before the meeting. UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED, THIS PROXY WILL BE VOTED FOR THE ELECTION OF THE PERSONS NOMINATED FOR THE ELECTION AS DIRECTORS, AND FOR EACH OF PROPOSALS 2,3 AND 4.

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