



## BiomX Announces Publication in Nature Communications of Phage Cocktail BX004 Phase 1b/2a Part 1 Data Demonstrating Strong Activity in Cystic Fibrosis

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*Premier research journal article provides validation for BiomX's phage therapy platform, showcasing first-in-human Phase 1b/2a trial results for antibiotic-resistant *P. aeruginosa* infections*

*New, updated data demonstrates a further bacteria reduction of 2.7 log<sub>10</sub> (approximately 500-fold) compared to placebo, with no emergent resistance and preservation of a healthy microbiome*

*BiomX is advancing its Phase 2b trial of BX004 with topline results expected Q1 2026*

NESS ZIONA, Israel, July 08, 2025 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- BiomX Inc. (NYSE American: PHGE) ("BiomX" or the "Company"), a clinical-stage company advancing novel natural and engineered phage therapies that target specific pathogenic bacteria, today announced the publication of a peer-reviewed article in *Nature Communications* titled, "Phage therapy with nebulized cocktail BX004-A for chronic *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* infections in cystic fibrosis: a randomized first-in-human trial". The article notably features previously unreported antimicrobial efficacy data from the Phase 1b/2a clinical trial and reinforces the strength of BiomX's innovative approach to developing bacteriophage therapies for chronic disease with substantial unmet needs. The publication is available at: [Link](#).

"The publication of our peer-reviewed results in a preeminent research journal, including new data showing antimicrobial activity of BX004, provides significant third-party validation of our phage therapy platform to treat patients with chronic *P. aeruginosa* cystic fibrosis (CF) infections," said Jonathan Solomon, BiomX's Chief Executive Officer. "Building upon the strong scientific rigor of our clinical program and our findings in patients showing meaningful bacterial reduction where antibiotics have failed, we have initiated our Phase 2b trial of BX004, with topline results expected in the first quarter of 2026."

The peer-reviewed results of Part 1 of BiomX's BX004 Phase 1b/2a study include new analyses showing that BX004 achieved a substantially greater improvement of approximately 500-fold (additional improvement of 2.7 log<sub>10</sub>) in bacterial reduction compared with placebo in CF patients. Notably, the data highlights that no bacterial resistance to BX004 emerged during the trial, addressing a critical limitation of traditional antibiotics. Findings from Part 1 of the Phase 1b/2a study were consistent with the results observed in Part 2.

"Drawing on decades of experience in large-scale genomic analysis and bacterial defense mechanisms, the study demonstrates how large-scale data analysis can be used to optimize bacteriophage cocktails for treating chronic infection associated with cystic fibrosis," said Rotem Sorek, Ph.D., Professor of Genetics, Weizmann Institute of Science. "By combining experimental and computational methods, we've developed a design approach that broadens bacterial strain coverage, lowers the likelihood of resistance, and enhances activity against bacterial biofilms, establishing an effective framework for designing next-generation bacteriophage therapeutics."

### Key Highlights from the Study

Part 1 of BiomX's Phase 1b/2a study evaluated the safety, tolerability, pharmacokinetics, and anti-microbiologic activity of BX004 over a 7-day treatment period in nine CF patients (seven on BX004, two on placebo) with chronic *P. aeruginosa* pulmonary infection. The Part 1 data demonstrated:

- **Strong Safety Profile:** BX004 was safe and well-tolerated with no treatment-related safety events across all patients and dose levels tested.
- **Successful bacterial reduction achieved:** At day 15, BX004-treated patients showed a negative 1.42 log<sub>10</sub> reduction in *P. aeruginosa* bacteria from baseline, while patients receiving placebo worsened by +1.26 log<sub>10</sub> CFU/g. This 2.7 log<sub>10</sub> CFU/g treatment effect (which represents approximately a 500-fold, or 99.8%<sup>1</sup>, greater bacterial reduction with BX004 versus placebo) was achieved on top of standard of care inhaled antibiotics. These findings resulted from an additional *post hoc* analysis and are being reported for the first time. Results at day 4 during BX004 treatment showed *P. aeruginosa* burden reduction (1.9 log<sub>10</sub> CFU per gram of sputum difference between groups).
- **Therapeutic phages successfully reached and persisted at infection site:** Phages were detected in all patients treated with BX004 during the dosing period, including in several patients up to day 15 (one week after end of therapy). As expected, no phages were detected in patients receiving placebo.
- **No bacterial resistance to treatment:** There was no emerging treatment-related resistance to BX004 during or after treatment with BX004, addressing efficacy of phage against bacteria where resistance is common amongst traditional

antibiotics.

- **Favorable shifts in microbiome composition post treatment:** Microbiological signals included a reduction in *P. aeruginosa* relative abundance and an increase in microbiome alpha diversity in the phage-treated group, in contrast to the placebo group.

The *Nature Communications* publication describes the full translational path from laboratory discovery to clinical testing. Environmental phages were isolated and screened using *P. aeruginosa* grown under conditions mimicking the CF lung environment. *In silico* screening confirmed the absence of known genes associated with antibiotic resistance or virulence.

#### **About BX004**

BiomX is developing BX004, a fixed multi-phage cocktail, for the treatment of CF patients with chronic pulmonary infections caused by *P. aeruginosa*, a main contributor to morbidity and mortality in patients with CF. In February 2023, BiomX announced positive results from Part 1 of the Phase 1b/2a study, showing safety, tolerability, and microbiologic activity. In November 2023, BiomX announced positive topline results from Part 2 of the Phase 1b/2a trial, in which BX004 demonstrated improvement in pulmonary function associated with a reduction in *P. aeruginosa* burden compared to placebo in a predefined subgroup of patients with reduced lung function (baseline FEV1<70%). BiomX is now enrolling patients in a randomized, placebo-controlled Phase 2b trial of BX004 in CF patients with chronic *P. aeruginosa* lung infections. The 8-week study will assess lung function, bacterial load, and quality of life metrics. BX004 has received U.S. Food and Drug Administration Fast Track and Orphan Drug Designations.

#### **About BiomX**

BiomX is a clinical-stage company leading the development of natural and engineered phage cocktails and personalized phage treatments designed to target and destroy harmful bacteria for the treatment of chronic diseases with substantial unmet needs. BiomX discovers and validates proprietary bacterial targets and applies its BOLT (“Bacteriophage Lead to Treatment”) platform to customize phage compositions against these targets. For more information, please visit [www.biomx.com](http://www.biomx.com), the content of which does not form a part of this press release.

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<sup>1</sup> A 2.7 log<sub>10</sub> reduction represents a 10<sup>2.7</sup> = ~500-fold reduction in bacterial load, which equates to approximately 99.8% reduction.



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