
Evotec and Bristol Myers Squibb expand proteomics partnership

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 - *Evotec receives a US\$ 50 m payment from Bristol Myers Squibb; potential programme-based milestone payments contribute to the deal value*
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Hamburg, Germany, 23 October 2024:

Evotec SE (Frankfurt Stock Exchange: EVT, SDAX/TecDAX, ISIN: DE0005664809; NASDAQ: EVO) today announced progress within the Company's strategic partnership with Bristol Myers Squibb relating to building a molecular glue-based pipeline. Key scientific achievements drive the expansion of the pipeline of molecular glue degraders in fields beyond oncology, triggering a programme-based payment of US\$ 50 m to Evotec. Based on potential programme-based milestones, the expansion contributes to the deal value.

Evotec and Bristol Myers Squibb entered their strategic protein degradation partnership in 2018 and expanded it in May of 2022, because of the highly productive initial collaboration generating a promising pipeline. Since the expansion, Evotec has significantly scaled up its activities to develop highly promising compounds from Bristol Myers Squibb's industry-leading library of cereblon E3 ligase modulators ("CELMoDs™"). The partnership continues to deliver on its goal to maintain leadership in the field, adding a broad pipeline of novel molecular glue degraders for high-value targets, in this case for fields beyond oncology.

Dr Cord Dohrmann, Chief Scientific Officer of Evotec, commented: "We are delighted to expand our successful partnership with Bristol Myers Squibb into fields beyond oncology with a significant unmet medical need. The unique mode of action, combined with drug-likeness and oral administration make molecular glue degraders a promising and versatile therapeutic option. Our partnership with BMS continues to build an extraordinary pipeline of first-in-class product opportunities and we look forward to driving the joint portfolio of programmes towards clinical validation for the benefit of patients."

About molecular glue degraders

Conventional small molecule therapeutics work via a drug-induced interference with a protein activity. This limitation to agonistic or antagonistic functions renders about 90% of proteins "undruggable". Also,



conventional small molecules only work while they are actively binding to the receptor, which typically requires a treatment regimen consisting of one or even several carefully dosed medications every day.

Molecular glue degraders are compounds that induce interactions between an E3 ubiquitin ligase and a molecular target. The induced interaction results in ubiquitination and subsequent degradation of the recruited protein. Through this mechanism of action molecular glues are not restricted to the agonistic/antagonistic features of a protein, thus massively expanding the range of the druggable proteome. Also, the molecular glue itself is not degraded in the process and can trigger the degradation process several times over, thus leading to longer-lasting therapeutic effects.

About Evotec's strategic partnership with Bristol Myers Squibb in molecular glues

In 2018, Evotec entered a long-term strategic drug discovery and development partnership in the field of molecular glues with Celgene, now Bristol Myers Squibb. Bristol Myers Squibb is a leader in this field based on its unique library of cereblon E3 ligase modulators (CELMoDs™). The aim of this strategic alliance is to discover and develop a leading pipeline of molecular glue degraders for a range of therapeutic indications leveraging all of Evotec's proprietary PanOmics and PanHunter platforms as well as A.I./M.L.-based drug discovery and development capabilities.

Evotec applies high-end proteomics and transcriptomics at industrial scale to profile and select promising drug candidates based on comprehensive cell biological profiles. Evotec's leading PanOmics screening capabilities are delivering unmatched throughput. The selection of the most promising candidates for drug development is facilitated by Evotec's PanOmics data analysis platform PanHunter, which was recently launched commercially as a software-as-a-service ("SAAS") solution. PanHunter supports the integration and analysis of these data sets and thereby enables the selection of the most promising CELMoDs™ for further progression into lead optimisation.

Evotec announced in May of 2022 that the Company has further extended and expanded its partnership with Bristol Myers Squibb for another 8 years as the initial collaboration proved to be highly productive in generating a promising pipeline of molecular glue degraders.

About Evotec SE

Evotec is a life science company with a unique business model that delivers on its mission to discover and develop highly effective therapeutics and make them available to the patients. The Company's multimodality platform comprises a unique combination of innovative technologies, data and science for the discovery, development, and production of first-in-class and best-in-class pharmaceutical products. Evotec provides high value pipeline co-creating partnerships and solutions to all Top 20 Pharma and over 800 biotechnology companies, academic institutions, as well as other healthcare stakeholders. Evotec has strategic activities in a broad range of currently underserved therapeutic areas, including e.g. neurology, oncology, as well as metabolic and infectious diseases. Within these areas of expertise, Evotec aims to create the world-leading co-owned pipeline for innovative therapeutics and has to-date established a portfolio of more than 200 proprietary and co-owned R&D projects from early discovery to clinical development. Evotec operates globally with more than 5,000 highly qualified people. The Company's sites in Europe and the USA offer highly synergistic technologies and services and operate as complementary clusters of excellence. For additional information please go to www.evotec.com and follow us on X/Twitter [@Evotec](https://twitter.com/Evotec) and [LinkedIn](https://www.linkedin.com/company/evotec).



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