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SCHEDULE 14A

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BIOCRIST PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.
(Name of Registrant as Specified In Its Charter)

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**Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the
Stockholder Meeting to Be Held on May 12, 2020.**

BIOCRIST PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

Meeting Information

Meeting Type: Annual Meeting
For holders as of: March 20, 2020
Date: May 12, 2020 **Time:** 10:00 a.m. EDT
Location: BioCryst Corporate Offices
4505 Emperor Blvd.
Suite 200
Durham, North Carolina 27703

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

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

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:

NOTICE AND PROXY STATEMENT ANNUAL REPORT ON FORM 10-K

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- 3) BY E-MAIL*: sendmaterial@proxyvote.com

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— **How To Vote** —

Please Choose One of the Following Voting Methods

Vote In Person: Many stockholder 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.

Vote By Internet: To vote now by Internet, go to www.proxyvote.com. Have the information that is printed in the box marked by the arrow → [XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX] (located on the following page) available and follow the instructions.

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

Vote By Telephone: To vote by telephone, go to www.proxyvote.com. Use the telephone number provided on the website to vote.

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Voting Items

The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR the following:

1. Election of Directors

Nominees:

- 01) George B. Abercrombie
- 02) Theresa M. Heggie
- 03) Jon P. Stonehouse

The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR proposals 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6.

2. To ratify the selection of Ernst & Young LLP as the Company's independent registered public accountants for 2020.
3. To approve, on an advisory basis, the Company's executive compensation.
4. To approve amendments to the Stock Incentive Plan to increase the number of shares available for issuance under the Stock Incentive Plan by 8,000,000 shares and to revise the amount and terms of the automatic non-employee director grants as set forth in Article IV therein.
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 3,000,000 shares.
6. To approve an amendment to our Certificate of Incorporation to increase the authorized Common Stock from 200,000,000 shares to 450,000,000 shares.
7. To transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment thereof.

NOTE: UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED, THIS PROXY WILL BE VOTED FOR THE ELECTION OF THE PERSONS NOMINATED FOR ELECTION AS DIRECTORS AND FOR PROPOSALS 2, 3, 4, 5 AND 6. IN THEIR DISCRETION, THE PROXY HOLDERS ARE AUTHORIZED TO VOTE UPON SUCH OTHER BUSINESS AS MAY PROPERLY COME BEFORE THE MEETING OR ANY ADJOURNMENT THEREOF, SUBJECT TO COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 14A-4(C) OF THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED.

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