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

FORM 8-K

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

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): April 25, 2022

Black Diamond Therapeutics, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

001-39200 (Commission File Number)

81-4254660 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

One Main Street, 10th Floor Cambridge, MA (Address of principal executive offices)

02142 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 617-252-0848

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 to the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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Sec	curities 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	BDTX	The Nasdaq Global Select 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.

On April 25, 2022, Black Diamond Therapeutics, Inc. (the "<u>Company</u>") issued a press release titled, "*Black Diamond Therapeutics Announces Pipeline Prioritization and Workforce Realignment*" and updated its corporate presentation for use in meetings with investors, analysts and others. A copy of the press release and a copy of the corporate presentation are furnished as Exhibits 99.1 and 99.2, respectively, to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

The information furnished under this Item 7.01, including Exhibits 99.1 and 99.2, 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 a filing.

Item 9.01. Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

- Press Release issued by the Company, dated April 25, 2022, furnished herewith, Corporate Presentation of the Company, dated April 25, 2022, furnished herewith Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL Document). 99.1
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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.

April 25, 2022

BLACK DIAMOND THERAPEUTICS, INC.

By: /s/ Brent Hatzis-Schoch Name: Brent Hatzis-Schoch Title: Chief Operating Officer and General Counsel



Black Diamond Therapeutics Announces Pipeline Prioritization and Workforce Realignment

- Strategic areas of focus on development of BDTX-1535 and BDTX-4933 as well as MAP platform enabled small molecule drug discovery efforts -

- Company to discontinue development of BDTX-189 and reduce workforce to extend its cash runway into 3Q 2024, supporting execution of key milestones -

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. and NEW YORK, April 25, 2022 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Black Diamond Therapeutics, Inc. (Nasdaq: BDTX), a precision oncology medicine company pioneering the discovery and development of MasterKey therapies, today announced that it is realigning its resources to focus on key near-term value drivers and to extend its cash runway into the third quarter of 2024, supporting the execution of important clinical and preclinical milestones.

"Black Diamond's mission of expanding the reach of precision cancer medicines through the development of our novel MasterKey therapies is at the core of our daily work, and we believe that our MAP discovery engine offers a novel approach to addressing major unmet needs within the oncology treatment landscape," said David Epstein, Ph.D., President and Chief Executive Officer of Black Diamond Therapeutics. "In order to increase our operational efficiency and execute on our mission, we have made the difficult decision to reduce our workforce by approximately 30%. We are incredibly grateful to every member of the Black Diamond team who has helped to advance MasterKey therapies for the many patients in need of new therapeutic options as well as to the patients and investigators involved in the clinical trial of BDTX-189. The actions announced today enable us to focus and strengthen our organizational priorities, reduce our operating expenses, and continue to invest in value generating clinical development activities to bring us to the next inflection points for BDTX-1535 and BDTX-4933."

Black Diamond has discontinued the development of BDTX-189 and realigned its workforce to focus on progressing its pipeline through important upcoming milestones for BDTX-1535, BDTX-4933 and discovery efforts. Since its announcement regarding the status of BDTX-189 in January 2022, the Company has been reviewing the development program for BDTX-189, an orally available, irreversible small molecule inhibitor targeting oncogenic driver mutations of the epidermal growth factor receptor (EGFR) and human epidermal growth factor receptor 2 (HER2) kinases, while continuing to enroll patients in the safety expansion cohort of the Phase 1 study. As part of its strategic review, Black Diamond has decided to discontinue development of the program due to the rapid evolution of the treatment landscape in non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC) harboring either EGFR or HER2 Exon 20 insertion mutations.

Black Diamond is aligning its operational and scientific efforts on two priority programs, in addition to its discovery efforts.

BDTX-1535

BDTX-1535 is designed as a potent, selective, brain-penetrant and irreversible MasterKey inhibitor of EGFR mutations expressed in glioblastoma multiforme and of intrinsic and acquired resistance EGFR mutations to third generation EGFR inhibitors in NSCLC. Black Diamond initiated the Phase 1 study of BDTX-1535 in the first quarter of 2022 and expects to provide a clinical data update in 2023.

BDTX-4933

- BDTX-4933 is a central nervous system (CNS)-penetrant BRAF inhibitor against a family of Class I, II, III canonical and non-canonical mutations being developed for the treatment of patients with or without brain tumors driven by oncogenic BRAF mutations. BDTX-4933 is designed to be highly selective and potent, with the ability to avoid paradoxical activation. Black Diamond initiated investigational new drug (IND)-enabling studies in the first quarter of 2022 and expects to submit an IND for BDTX-4933 in the first half of 2023.

Discovery Efforts

Black Diamond will continue the advancement of its discovery efforts generated from its Mutation-Allostery-Pharmacology (MAP) Drug Discovery Engine focused on predicting and validating novel oncogenic mutant families from population level tumor genomics. Black Diamond anticipates announcing a development candidate for its FGFR program in 2022 in addition to disclosing a new small molecule development candidate in 2023.

About Black Diamond

Black Diamond Therapeutics is a precision oncology medicine company pioneering the development of novel MasterKey therapies. Black Diamond is addressing the significant unmet need for novel precision oncology therapies for patients with genetically defined cancers who have limited treatment options. Black Diamond is built upon a deep understanding of cancer genetics, onco-protein function, and drug discovery. The Company's proprietary Mutation-Allostery-Pharmacology, or MAP drug discovery and evelops selective MasterKey therapies against these families of oncogenic mutations. Black Diamond was founded by David M. Epstein, Ph.D., and Elizabeth Buck, Ph.D. For more information, please visit <u>www.blackdiamondtherapeutics.com</u>.

Forward-Looking Statements

Statements contained in this press release regarding matters that are not historical facts are "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Because such statements are subject to risks and uncertainties, actual results may differ materially from those expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Such statements include, but are not limited to, statements regarding the planned realignment of resources and pipeline prioritization, the ongoing development of BDTX-1535 and BDTX-4933, including timing of upcoming milestones, the nomination of a development candidate for the Company's FGFR program and the Company's cash runway. Any forward-looking statements in this statement are based on management's current expectations of future events and a number of risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially and adversely from those set forth in or implied by such forward-looking statements. Risks that contribute to the uncertain nature of the forward-looking statement forth in the Company's 2021 annual report on Form 10-K filed with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and its other filings filed with the United States of the date on which they were made. The Company undertakes no obligation to update such statements to reflect events that occur or circumstances that exist after the date on which they were made.

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Black Diamond Therapeutics, Inc.

Pioneering the Development of MasterKey Therapies



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Black Diamond Therapeutics Overview



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Black Diamond's MasterKey Approach Designed to Address Overlooke Mutation Families

Classic/Current Approach:

Targeting active site kinase domain mutations



Targeting single mutations in individual tumor types





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With expanding genetic profiling of cancer patients via Next Generation Sequencing (NGS)

Less than 15% patients¹ with metastatic cancer eligible for approved precision oncology medicines Black Diamond A Targeting mutation famili opportunity for precis



Mutation families yield sin opportunities for population precision there



¹ Haslam, A., et al. Annals Oncology Vol 32, Issue 7, p926-932; July 2021

Wholly-Owned Novel MasterKey Precision Medicines







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MAP Drug Discovery Engine Unlocks Precision Medicine with a "Master



MAP Drug Discovery Engine: A Scaled Approach to Extract Oncogenic MasterKey Mutation Families



Conformation Based Drug Design Enabled by MAP Drug Discovery Eng



BDTX-1535

Brain-Penetrant Inhibitor of GBM and NSCLC MasterKey EGFR Mutations



BLACK DIAMOND THERAPEUTICS BDTX-1535: Oral, Brain Penetrant, Selective Inhibitor of Oncogenic EGI MasterKey Mutations



Reversible EGFR Inhibitors Show Potentially Detrimental Pharmacology Driven GBM



Black Diamond Revealed the Potential for Unwanted Paradoxical Activ GBM Mutations by Reversible EGFR TKIs



Inhibitors against EGFR mutants in GBM should be potent, selective & irreversible to avoid paradoxic



PK=Pharmacokinetics; PD=Pharmacodynamics; PDX=Patient-Derived Xenografts

BDTX-1535 Addresses Unique Pharmacology of EGFR Mutations in GB Achieve Sustained Inhibition and Activity in Preclinical Models

Complete & sustained inhibition of pEGFR/pERK

Increased survival of intracranial P



Average oral unbound brain fraction (Kp_{uu}) = 0.55 in Rats



Kp_{uu} Partition Coefficient Calculation: AUC_{brain:blood} x plasma Fu/brain Fu; QD=quaque die (once a day)

BDTX-1535 Optimized to Address a Wide Range of Oncogenic EGFR M Mutations and Amplification in GBM and NSCLC



BDTX-1535 Designed to Potently Inhibit EGFR Intrinsic and Acquired Re Mutations in NSCLC

Intrinsic Resistance Mutations

Designed for potent & selective inhibition across mutant families



Acquired Resistance Muta

Designed to covalently target C79



BDTX-1535 Achieves Dose-dependent Tumor Regression in EGFR Mou Models, Including Acquired Resistance Mutation C797S

BDTX-1535 retains irreversible binding against C797S mutant



BDTX-1535 demonstrates dose-dependent tumor regres Ex19del + C797S and L858R + C797S tumor mo



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BDTX-1535 Promotes Regression Across Range of GBM & NSCLC Tumc Expressing MasterKey EGFR Mutations & EGFR Amplification



BDTX-1535: Focused, Biomarker-Driven First-in-Human Phase 1 Study



Large Addressable Patient Population Harboring MasterKey Mutations GBM and NSCLC



Addressable Patient Population (US / EU / Japan / China)

BDTX-1535 is Well Positioned to Address Unmet Needs in EGFR Muta GBM/NSCLC



Potent & selective inhibition of EGFR mutations (Avg IC₅₀ ~3nM) that drive intrinsic a acquired resistance to current generation TKIs

- Irreversible inhibition of GBM mutations to avoid paradoxical activation
- Irreversible binding to C797 and C797S acquired resistance in NSCLC
- Regression across panel of in vivo tumor models harboring EGFR mutations in GBN





Favorable drug like properties

- Prolonged blood stability
- Projected t_{1/2} of 15 hours for QD dosing



 $t_{1/2}$ =half-life; IC₅₀=half maximal inhibitory concentration

BDTX-4933

Brain-Penetrant Inhibitor of Class I, II, & III MasterKey Oncogenic BRAF Mutations



BLACK DIAMOND THERAPEUTICS BDTX-4933: Oral, Brain Penetrant Inhibitor of Oncogenic BRAF Mutatic



BRAF Alterations Drive Oncogenesis Through Hyperactivation of the MAP Kinase Pathway



- MAPK signaling is a central regulating cellular proliferat progression, and survival
- Hyperactivation responsible human cancer cases
- Activating BRAF alterations with various cancers includi and NSCLC
- Currently approved BRAF in address Class I V600 mutati CNS activity

BDTX-4933 Designed to Deliver Superior Activity by Avoiding Paradoxic Activation Independent of Context



- Paradoxical activation occurs through activation of the non-inhibited RAF molecule in dimer —Limits efficacy through secondary malignancies and/or cutaneous toxicities
- Approved BRAF inhibitors demonstrate paradoxical activation
- Some investigational "paradox breaker" agents demonstrate context-dependent paradoxical act



BDTX-4933 Exhibits Strong Anti-Tumor Activity Across All BRAF Mutati Classes in *In Vivo* Models



NRAS-mutant Driven Cancers: Additional Clinical Opportunity for BDT>



BDTX-4933 Designed to be Brain Penetrant to Treat CNS Disease



- CNS metastasis occurs in ~30-40%¹ of driven cancers
 - ~17,000² patients/year in the US
 - BRAF mutations drive primary CNS tur (e.g., glioma) in ~1,500² patients/year
- Currently approved therapies are not penetrant



¹Management of brain metastases in melanoma - UpToDate

²EvaluatePharma Epi for incidence by tumor type (2021, US), publications and GENIE/TCGA datasets for mutation prevalence by tumor type

BDTX-4933 Is Brain Penetrant and Exhibits Robust Activity in Treating (Disease in *in vivo* models



BDTX-4933: Potential *Best-in-Class*, Masterkey Inhibitor For A Greater Of Patients With Overlooked Oncogenic Mutations



FGFR2/3 Selective Inhibitor Program



BLACK DIAMOND THERAPEUTICS BDTX-FGFR: Oral, Selective Small-Molecule FGFR2 & FGFR3 Inhibitor





Deep Oncology and Small Molecule Drug Discovery and Development Experience

Leadership Team



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(**osi)** pharmaceuticals



Brent Hatzis-Schoch, J.D. COO and General Counsel

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Cash Runway Expected to Enable Multiple Upcoming Milestones

Upcoming program milestones

- BDTX-1535 clinical data update in 2023
- BDTX-4933 IND filing in 1H 2023
- FGFR program development candidate nomination in 2022
- Undisclosed program development candidate nomination in 2023

Strong balance sheet

- \$209mm in cash, cash equivalents and investments as of December 31, 2021
- Cash runway into 3Q 2024



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