

Boston Strategies gets rights for Eisai's cancer drug

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Singapore: Boston Strategies Corp (BSC), a clinical-stage drug research and development (R&D) company has signed an exclusive licensing and development agreement with Japanese global pharmaceutical company Eisai for its oncology drug, E6201.

E6201 is a dual-targeted FLT3 and MEK inhibitor which has completed a Phase1 clinical trial showing preliminary antitumor activity and an acceptable safety profile. Building on a strong scientific rationale supported by recent preclinical data, BSC will undertake a clinical Proof of Concept (PoC) trial in the high unmet need FLT3 mutated AML patients.

Under this agreement with Eisai, BSC has worldwide rights to develop and commercialize E6201 for all oncology indications.

"This is a critical milestone for BSC to validate our concept to move drug development programs forward by increasing the Probability of Success (PoS) and sharing risks with key strategic partners," says Eita Kitayama, president, Boston Strategies. "Eisai recognized the value of this approach and entrusted BSC with the development of E6201 for cancer indications to build on the foundation of this new platform. At BSC, we are deeply committed to proving that our innovative approaches can deliver breakthrough therapies with industry benchmark-beating timelines, quality, and financial investments, thus limiting the ever increasing costs of pharmaceutical innovation and development."