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## **FHO Partners signs nine leases to life science companies totaling 105,934 s/f**

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FHO Partners' Asset Advisory Group signed nine leases at One Kendall Sq. on behalf of its clients The Beal Companies and Rockwood Capital. The transactions, listed below, are a mix of relocations, lease renewals and expansions for a variety of life science companies.

- \*Foundation Medicine leased 22,506 s/f;
- \*IDENIX Pharmaceuticals renews 22,500 s/f lease;
- \*NinePoint Medical leases 17,105 s/f;
- \*Merrimack Pharmaceuticals expands to 11,878 s/f;
- \*Visterra leases 11,750 s/f;
- \*Addgene expands to 7,145 s/f;
- \*Ra Pharmaceuticals leases 6,288 s/f;
- \*Cequent Pharmaceuticals renews 4,782 s/f lease; and
- \*Firefly Bioworks leases 1,980 s/f.

"One Kendall Sq. continues to attract a remarkable level of tenant interest and activity given its quality space and unparalleled access to a variety of amenities, public transportation, and key clusters of businesses in Kendall Sq.," said FHO Partners' Duncan Gratton, co-head of the asset advisory group.

"It is gratifying when the market tells you your vision and business plan are correct. Our recent success at One Kendall has been the product of several years of work and planning, a true team effort," said Stephen Faber, senior vice president of the Beal Cos.

Three of the four largest lease agreements are for new tenants at One Kendall Sq., including Foundation Medicine and NinePoint Medical, two growing life sciences firms supported by Third Rock Ventures. Merrimack Pharmaceuticals and Addgene expanded into larger spaces at One Kendall Sq. One Kendall officials anticipate reaching a 95% occupancy rate in the building by the end of 2010.

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