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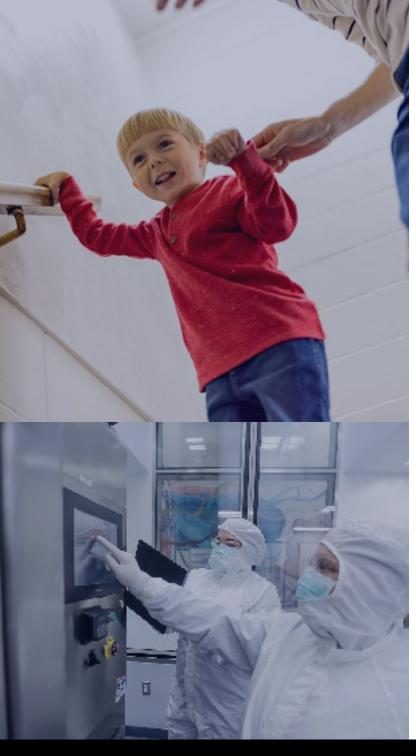


# Introduction

The following brand guidelines have been developed to ensure a cohesive presentation of the brand across all internal and external communications. This guideline will focus on proper use of Forge Biologics logos, images, text and other brand elements.

These guidelines are not exhaustive and there may be situations that require individual review; if you have any questions about usage of the company's visual assets or language, feel free to contact dsalvo@forgebiologics.com.





## **Mission**

# Enable access to life changing gene therapies and help bring them from idea into reality.

We partner with innovators in the gene therapy community: scientists, physicians, biotech/pharma companies, and patient groups. We bring expertise in gene therapy manufacturing and therapeutics development to the table, helping champion teams that are navigating the long road from the lab bench to the bedside. With a patients-first approach, we are forging new models for working together to better accelerate these transformative medicines to reach those who need them the most.

# **Logo Elements**

Forge Biologics Symbol



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Ajinomoto Tagline

Forge Biologics Typeface Futura Book STD



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# Logo Size

To ensure ligibility and clarity, follow these guidelines for spacing and sizing.

The minimum amount of clear space is equal to the height of the "F" in the Forge Biologics logo. Whenever possible more clear space should be added.

The Forge Biologics logo should never be smaller than detailed here for print and on-screen applications. Using the logos smaller than these sizes will make it illegible.



Clear space



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Minimum Size on Screen



Logo Size

# Logo Use

Forge Biologics primary logo features black, orange and red as the main colors. This logo should be used whenever possible in marketing collateral to highlight the significance of the Forge "O". Situations may arise when another version of the logo is needed for web, digital or print use. In those cases, alternate logos are available.



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Forge Biologics Primary Text Logo



Forge Biologics Primary Icon Logo

## Alternative Logo Options



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## Improper Logo Use

- Don't change the colors of the logo elements
- Don't scale the different elements of the logo
- Don't alter the text in any fashion
- Don't rotate or skew the logo
- Don't change the font in the logo
- Don't manipulate the "O" symbol
- Don't remove the gradient on the full color logo
- Don't remove the tagline without approval from Creative or Marketing





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## Examples of Improper Logo Use











Do Not Add A Stroke to the Logo



Incorrect Background Use

# Forge "O" Graphic

One of Forge's logos is the standalone "O" graphic. This can be used in the following manner, or creatively used to add interest in backgrounds for presentations, website design, and other external uses.



## Alternative Logo Options









# Forge "O" Graphic

There is much more freedom in using the Forge "O" graphic as a background image to add visual interest, although anything that strays from it's official use on the previous page should be approved by the Creative team first.





# **Logo File Naming**

The Forge Biologics Primary logo should be used in almost all marketing and communications materials. The following formats are available for internal and external marketing and communication efforts.

- .Al (Illustrator)
- .PDF
- .PNG (Transparent background)
- .TIF
- .GIF

For large scale & vinyl print use the following logo format:

Forge Biologics Primary Logo.EPS

# **Email Signature Template**

Please use the following format and disclaimer text for email signatures. Take note that the logo provided here has been specifically re-sized for email signatures and is available for your use. Arial can be substituted is IBM Plex Sans in unavailable.

Name in 9pt Futura Title in 9pt Futura Forge Biologics forgebiologics.com



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## **Brand Voice**

Our brand voice is the unique personality and tone of voice that a Forge uses to communicate with our clients, partners, and the industry.

- Collaborative and Supportive: Developer-first mindset. Language that fosters teamwork and collaboration with our clients.
- Technical and Knowledgeable: Ensure complex concepts are accessible and engaging.
- Innovative and Bold: Reflect Forge's "cowboy" mentality. Use dynamic language.
- Continuous Improvement: Feature innovation and R&D as integral parts of our operations.
- Empathetic and Patient-Centric: Mission-driven approach. Language that reflects understanding and compassion.

#### Tone

- "Smart brevity"
- Informal but informative
- Warm, inviting

## Personality

- Innovative partner
- Trustworthy guide
- Challenger spirit

### Experience:

Whether stepping into the Hearth, visiting a Forge booth, meeting room, or exploring our website, the experience should consistently reflect our mission and core values.

We aim to leave clients and partners delighted with a bold, inspiring impression while fostering a warm and welcoming atmosphere that invites the collaboration that is key to Forge's success.

# Type - Futura STD

All Forge fonts are available for download here.

## Primary Typeface

Futura STD is the branded font of Forge Biologics. It should be used for body paragraphs primarily. There are a variety of Book, Heavy, Light, Condensed and Italicized varieties of the font available for branded use.

Futura Std Light Oblique

Futura Std Book Oblique

Futura Std Medium Book Oblique

Futura Std Heavy Book Oblique

**Futura Std Bold Oblique** 

**Futura Std Extra Bold** 

#### **Variations**

To maintain consistency across branded pieces, text should be styled in the following ways whenever possible. However, styles and weights may be altered and size increased or decreased depending on the needs of the design piece.

Futura Std Light

Futura Std Medium

Futura Std Heavy

Futura Std Light Condensed

Futura Std Light Oblique

Futura Std Medium Condensed

Futura Std Medium Condensed Oblique

Futura Std Extra Bold Condensed Oblique

# Heading 1

Futura Std Heavy, 30pt

## Heading 2

Futura Std Heavy, 18pt

#### **Heading 3**

Futura Std Heavy, 14pt

#### **Body Copy**

Futura Std Book, 12pt - For all print collateral or body copy for web, whenever possible, 12pt should be used.

#### Universal Font Use

Arial, 12pt - For universal email web use or for powerpoint presentations only, the font Arial may be substituted for Futura.

Regular

Narrow

Italic

**Narrow Bold** 

Bold

Narrow Bold Italic

**Bold Italic** 

**Black** 

# Type - IBM Plex Sans

All Forge fonts are available for download here.

## Tertiary Typeface

IBM Plex sans is the primary body paragraph typeface for scientific documents or powerpoint presentations. It should be used for all body paragraphs, email signatures, and posters. There are a variety of Book, Heavy, Light, Condensed and Italicized varieties of the font available for branded use.

## Secondary Typefaces

To maintain consistency across branded pieces, text should be styled in the following ways whenever possible. However, styles and weights may be altered and size increased or decreased depending on the needs of the design piece.

**IBM Plex Sans Thin** 

IBM Plex Sans Thin Italic.

IBM Plex Sans ExtraLight IBM Plex Sans ExtraLight Italic

IBM Plex Sans Light IBM Plex Sans Light Italic

IBM Plex Sans Regular IBM Plex Sans Italic

**IBM Plex Sans Text** IBM Plex Sans Text Italic

**IBM Plex Sans Medium** IBM Plex Sans Medium Italic

IBM Plex Sans SemiBold IBM Plex Sans SemiBold Italic

**IBM Plex Sans Bold** IBM Plex Sans Bold Italic

## **Heading 1**

IBM Plex Sans Bold, 30pt

## Heading 2

IBM Plex Sans SemiBold, 18pt

#### Heading 3

IBM Plex Sans Medium, 14pt

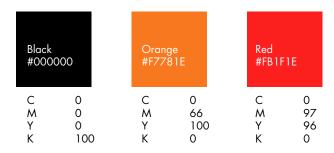
#### **Body Copy**

IBM Plex Sans, 12pt - For all print collateral or body copy for web, whenever possible, 12pt should be used.

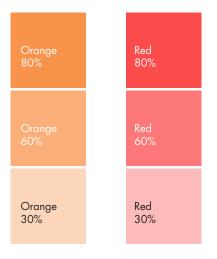
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# **Primary Color Palette**

Forge Biologics uses 3 main colors for its primary palette. These colors may be used for backgrounds, headings, bullet points, icons or other graphics. They should not be used for body copy or other large blocks of text.

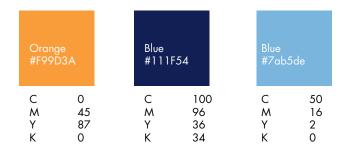


Opacities may be used for the Primary Color Palette for photo overlays or other creative use for web, digital or print marketing.

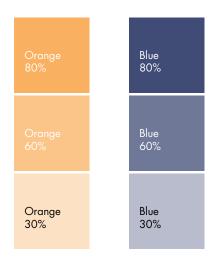


# **Secondary Color Palette**

Secondary colors may be used to add accents to titles, opacities overlays on photos or general artistic use. These colors can also be used for icons or other specialty graphics, or general accents throughout presentations.



CMYK colors should only be used for print applications, while RGB and HEX values should be used for digital applications.



# **Brand Expression**

Forge Biologics' brand expression is always changing and evolving as the industry does and as we keep our branding fresh and competitive.

These brand expressions are subject to change and all designs should be shared with the creative team for approval for external-facing content.

## Compare and Contrast elements

When adding visual interest behind icons or other aspects of a design, these two gradients are acceptable to be used together when defining two distinct subjects:





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We aim to never use stock photos – only organic images we've captured or created ourselves Forge has a large image library linked on the Creative Helix page. If you can't find something that you need in the photo library, please reach out to Creative. Not everything is uploaded to SharePoint, and if we don't have something, we can always capture it.

## Lab Images

Forge's photogprahy library has a large array of lab images to choose from. When utilizing images for presentations or other external use, try and choose photos that:

- · Maintain a clean, sterile look with neat backgrounds and well-lit foreground
- Contain no proprietary equipment or information seen in the photographs
- Incorporates the Forge logo if possible

## Office & Culture Images

Forge's photography library has images from events dating back to the founding of the company. When using culture photos in recruitment, presentations, or other external uses, try to choose photos that:

- Show current employees only
- Do not show employees holding or consuming alcohol

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