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Chris Foster is the Founder and Head of Product for MuniRisk™. He was previously a portfolio manager at Wachovia Bank N.A. before its 2008 acquisition by Wells Fargo and the head of the Municipal Credit practice area at NewOak Capital.

Chris has over 15 years' experience within high yield debt, public finance and complex asset-based credit products. Leveraging his work as a market practitioner, Chris led a team of analysts to design MuniRisk™, a credit tool originally developed in-house for client-facing municipal portfolio evaluation.

Prior to MuniRisk™, Chris was a senior credit analyst at Brencourt Advisors and at the Clinton Group, where he specialized in hybrid corporate/asset crossovers, including global financials and credit sensitive corporate and public finance.

Chris brings direct portfolio management experience to MuniRisk™ users as a former PM in the institutional asset management division of Wachovia Bank N.A. There, he managed over \$6.5 billion of multi-sector assets across several long and short market strategies and funds.

A fixed income expert, Chris provides market commentary for a variety of media outlets, with insights appearing in such publications as *The Bond Buyer*, *Barron's*, *Bloomberg*, *Reuters* and *EuroMoney*.

Before he began his career on Wall Street, Chris worked for the NYC Office of the Mayor and was educated in the sciences at the University of Tennessee and Columbia University.