## **\*\*** BB Biotech

# Factsheet

Italian stock exchange (STAR)

#### Marketing document

#### Investment focus

BB Biotech invests worldwide in fast growing companies developing and marketing innovative biotech drugs. At least 90% of its shareholdings must be in listed companies, while always holding more than 50% of its assets in equity investments. The target portfolio of BB Biotech will generally consist of 20 to 35 participations. Large positions will be taken in five to eight companies, the top holdings. Together they will account for no more than two-thirds of the portfolio and no single position will have a weighting greater than 25% of portfolio investments. Due to their substantial portfolio weighting, the top holdings should be generating both revenues and income. The portfolio's smaller participations are companies with promising drug candidates in their R&D pipelines. Investments are selected according to a thorough, multi-level due diligence process, with a particular focus placed on the analysis of financial parameters, the respective competitive environment, the development pipeline, the patent portfolio, and end-client perception. ESG factors are taken into consideration while implementing the aforementioned investment objectives.

#### Facts

Share price	EUR 50.30
Net Asset Value (NAV)	) EUR 41.85
Premium/(Discount)	20.2%
Market capitalization	EUR 2'786.6 mn
Investment manager	Bellevue Asset Management AG
AIC sector	Biotechnology
Benchmark (BM)	XNBI
Foundation	16.11.1993
Fiscal year end	31.12
Financial reports	Quarterly
Bloomberg	BION IM Equity
Valor	3838999
ISIN code	CH0038389992
WKN	A0NFN3
Legal structure	Incorporate company
Share type	Registered shares
Share structure	55.4 mn
Management fee	All-in 1.10%
EU SFDR 2019/2088	Article 8

#### **Key figures**

Beta	1.24
Correlation	0.92
Volatility	34.6%
Tracking Error	14.55
Active Share	84.84
Sharpe Ratio	0.38
Information Ratio	0.19
Jensen's Alpha	0.56

Indexed performance since launch



#### Cummulated & annualized performance

#### Cummulated

#### Annualized

	1M	YTD	1Y	ЗY	5Y	10Y	ITD	1Y	ЗY	5Y	10Y	ITD
Share	-3.0%	-6.0%	-16.9%	18.9%	14.6%	368.5%	365.7%	-16.9%	6.0%	2.8%	16.7%	7.1%
NAV	-3.6%	-9.4%	-8.6%	21.7%	10.9%	222.0%	288.0%	-8.6%	6.8%	2.1%	12.4%	6.2%
BM	-1.1%	-3.3%	1.8%	25.5%	43.7%	206.5%	174.5%	1.8%	7.9%	7.5%	11.8%	4.6%

#### **Annual performance**

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	YTD
Share	-1.3%	22.6%	19.7%	13.0%	-19.6%	-6.0%
NAV	-11.1%	28.1%	24.8%	-7.8%	-6.7%	-9.4%
BM	-4.3%	27.6%	16.1%	7.4%	-4.5%	-3.3%

#### **Rolling 12-month-performance**



Source: BB Biotech AG, 31.03.2023; all figures in EUR %, total return-methodology

Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results and can be misleading. Changes in the rate of exchange may have an adverse effect on prices and incomes. All performance figures reflect the reinvestment of dividends and do not take into account the commissions and costs incurred on the issue and redemption of shares, if any. The reference benchmark is used for performance comparison purposes only (dividend reinvested). No benchmark is directly identical to the investment company, thus the performance of a benchmark is not a reliable indicator of future performance of BB Biotech it is compared to. There can be no assurance that a return will be achieved or that a substantial loss of capital will not be incurred.

Source: BB Biotech AG, 31.03.2023;

Calculation based on the Net Asset Value (NAV) over the last 3 years.

**MARCH 2023** 

#### **Top 10 positions**

Ionis Pharmaceuticals Inc.	11.0%
Argenx SE	10.2%
Neurocrine Biosciences Inc.	9.9%
Moderna Inc	8.2%
Vertex Pharmaceuticals Inc.	8.1%
Incyte Corp.	7.0%
Alnylam Pharmaceuticals Inc.	6.4%
Intra-Cellular Therapies Inc.	5.3%
Myovant Sciences	4.8%
Revolution Medicines Inc	3.4%
Total top 10 positions	74.4%
Total positions	31

#### Sector breakdown

Small Molecule	53.6%
RNA	26.6%
Antibody	15.9%
Gene- and cell therapy	3.9%

#### Currency breakdown

USD	100.0%

#### **Market commentary**

During the month of March the stock market was not as volatile as in recent months. The Nasdaq Biotech Index was positive by 1.3% (in USD) in March, while BB Biotech's share price was negative by 2.8% (in CHF and adjusted for the dividend paid out in March) and Net Asset Value was negative by 1.2% (in USD and adjusted for the dividend paid out in March) during the same period.

At BB Biotech's annual general meeting on March 23, 2023 the shareholders approved all agenda items including the re-election of the six board members Dr. Erich Hunziker, Dr. Clive Meanwell, Laura Hamill, Dr. Pearl Huang, Prof. Dr. Mads Krogsgaard Thomsen and Dr. Thomas von Planta. BB Biotech paid out the proposed dividend of CHF 2.85 per share.

We have highlighted some of the latest news from our portfolio companies below.

**Intra-Cellular Therapies (+10.4%, in USD)** announced on March 28 positive topline results from Study 403 evaluating lumateperone 42 mg as monotherapy in the treatment of major depressive episodes in patients with major depressive disorder with mixed features and in patients with bipolar depression with mixed features. Lumateperone 42 mg given once daily met the primary endpoint in the study demonstrating efficacy beyond its marketed indications of schizophrenia and bipolar disorder. The study also met all of its secondary endpoints.

Generation Bio (+8.6%, in USD) and Moderna (+10.6%, in USD) announced on March 23 that the two companies have entered into a strategic collaboration to combine Moderna's biological and technical expertise with core technologies of Generation Bio's non-viral genetic medicine platform. The collaboration aims to expand the application of each company's platform by developing novel nucleic acid therapeutics, including those capable of reaching immune cells, to accelerate their respective pipelines of non-viral genetic medicines.

**Ionis Pharmaceuticals (-0.4%, in USD)** announced on March 27 positive topline results from the 66-week analysis of the phase III NEURO-TTRansform study of Ionis and AstraZeneca's esplontersen in patients with hereditary transthyretin-mediated amoloyd polyneuropathy (ATTRv-PN), a debilitating and potentially fatal disease that leads to peripheral nerve damage and motor disability.

**Esperion (-74.3%, in USD)** announced on March 6 the full results from the landmark CLEAR study. The CLEAR Outcomes study was a study of nearly 14000 patients with or at risk for cardiovascular disease who were unable to maximize or tolerate statins. On March 15, Esperion disclosed in a SEC filing that the company has had communications with DaiichiSankyo Europe (DSE) regarding potential milestone payments and that the companies are in disagreement.

#### Outlook

We continue to believe that 2023 will include multiple catalysts for the sector and for BB Biotech's portfolio companies, including product launches, important clinical trial results, licensing deals and M&A activity. We remain optimistic about the long-term development for BB Biotech's portfolio companies.

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#### **Risk and return profile**

The investment company's objective is to generate attractive and competitive capital growth in the long term. It is therefore particularly suited to investors with an investment horizon of at least 5 years who want to selectively diversify their portfolio with investments in the biotechnology sector and who are willing to accept the equity risks typical of this sector.

#### **Target market**

The investment company is suitable for retail and professional investors in Switzerland as well as for professional and semi-professional investors in Germany and professional investors in the UK.

#### **Board of Directors**

Dr. Erich Hunziker (Präsident) Dr. Clive Meanwell Dr. Pearl Huang Laura Hamill Prof. Dr. Mads Krogsgaard Thomsen Dr. Thomas von Planta

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#### Chances

- Unique opportunity for European investors to access the global biotech sector, a non-cyclical growth industry that is strongly supported by increasing demand, driven by demographic trends and life style changes.
- New innovative drugs and technologies are powering sustainable momentum in the biotech sector.
- Focus on a diversified portfolio of profitable companies as well as small and midcap companies with strong pipelines.
- Management Team with strong scientific and medical expertise. Renowned Board of Directors.
- Attractive dividend policy; Dividend payment of 5% p.a.

#### Sustainability Profile - ESG

#### **Inherent risks**

- BB Biotech invests in equities. Equities are subject to strong price fluctuations and so are also exposed to the risk of price losses.
- Biotech equities can be subject to sudden substantial price movements owning to market, sector or company factors.
- BB Biotech invests in foreign currencies, which means a corresponding degree of currency risk against the reference currency.
- The price investors pay or receive, like other listed shares, is determined by supply and demand and may be at a discount or premium to the underlying net asset value of the Company.
- BB Biotech may take a leverage of up to 15%, which may lead to even higher price movements compared to the underlying market

EU SFDR 2019/2088 product cate	egory: Article	8		
Exclusions:	ESG Risk Analys	sis:	Stewardship:	
Compliance UNGC, HR, ILO	ESG-Integration	$\bigcirc$	Engagement	$\bigcirc$
Norms-based exclusions	Best-in-Class	0	Proxy Voting	$\bigcirc$
Controversial weapons	)			
Key Figures:	_			
CO <sub>2</sub> intensity (t CO <sub>2</sub> /mn USD sales	s):	28.9 (low)	Coverage:	89%
MSCI ESG Rating (AAA - CCC):		BB	Coverage:	88%

Based on portfolio data as per 31.03.2023; - ESG data base on MSCI ESG Research and are for information purposes only; compliance with global norms according to the principles of UN Global Compact (UNGC), UN Guiding Principles for Business and Human Rights (HR) and standards of International Labor Organisation (ILO); no involvement in controversial weapons; norms-based exclusions based on annual revenue thresholds; ESG Integration: Sustainability risks are considered while performing stock research and portfolio construction; Best-in-class: systematic exclusion of "ESG laggards"; MSCI ESG Rating ranges from "leaders" (AAA-AA), "average" (A, BBB, BB) to "laggards" (B, CCC). Note: in certain cases the ESG rating methodology may lead to a systematic discrimination of companies or industries, the manager may have good reasons to invest in supposed "laggards". The CO<sub>2</sub> intensity expresses MSCI ESG Research's estimate of GHG emissions measured in tons of CO<sub>2</sub> per USD 1 million sales; for further information c.f. www.bellevue.ch/sustainability-atportfolio-level.

#### **Investment Management Team**



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Dallas Webb Investment Management Team



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