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

# Factsheet

Swiss stock exchange (SIX)

#### Marketing document

## Investment focus

BB Biotech actively 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.

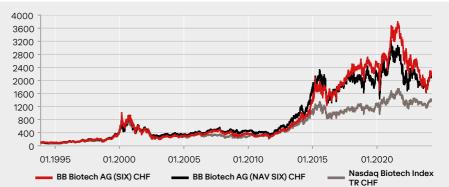
#### Facts

Share price	CHF 45.55
Net Asset Value (NAV)	CHF 45.10
Premium/(Discount)	1.0%
Market capitalization	CHF 2'523.5 mn
Investment manager	Bellevue Asset Management AG
AIC sector	Biotechnology
Benchmark (BM)	Nasdaq Biotech Index TR
Foundation	16.11.1993
Fiscal year end	31.12
Financial reports	Quarterly
Bloomberg	BION SW Equity
Valor	3838999
ISIN code	CH0038389992
WKN	AONFN3
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	1.29
Correlation	0.92
Volatility	32.1%
Tracking Error	14.23
Active Share	84.12
Sharpe Ratio	-0.04
Information Ratio	-0.11
Jensen's Alpha	-1.59

Indexed performance since launch



#### Cumulative & annualised performance

#### Cumulative

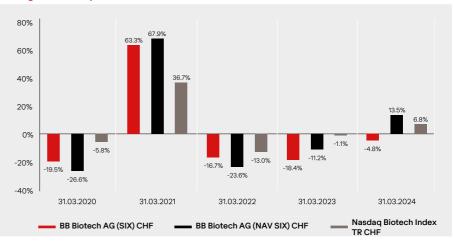
#### Annualised

	1M	YTD	1Y	ЗY	5Y	10Y	ITD	1Y	ЗY	5Y	10Y	ITD
Share	3.9%	11.3%	-4.8%	-35.3%	-14.9%	140.6%	2102.8%	-4.8%	-13.5%	-3.2%	9.2%	10.7%
NAV	0.3%	11.2%	13.5%	-23.0%	-5.1%	111.2%	2079.8%	13.5%	-8.3%	-1.0%	7.8%	10.7%
BM	2.1%	9.1%	6.8%	-8.1%	18.4%	93.5%	1313.3%	6.8%	-2.8%	3.4%	6.8%	9.1%

#### Annual performance

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	YTD
Share	18.5%	19.3%	8.3%	-24.3%	-18.1%	11.3%
NAV	23.4%	24.3%	-11.5%	-11.0%	-7.4%	11.2%
BM	23.0%	15.8%	3.0%	-9.1%	-4.8%	9.1%

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



Source: BB Biotech AG, 31.03.2024; all figures in CHF %, 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.

**MARCH 2024** 

Source: BB Biotech AG, 31.03.2024; Calculation based on the Net Asset Value (NAV) over the last 3

years.

#### **Top 10 positions**

Ionis Pharmaceuticals Inc.	13.9%
Neurocrine Biosciences Inc.	10.1%
Argenx SE	10.0%
Vertex Pharmaceuticals Inc.	8.3%
Intra-Cellular Therapies Inc.	7.0%
Moderna, Inc.	6.0%
Alnylam Pharmaceuticals, Inc.	5.3%
Revolution Medicines, Inc.	4.6%
Incyte Corp.	4.3%
Arvinas Inc.	3.3%
Total top 10 positions	72.8%
Total positions	29

#### Sector breakdown

Small Molecule	51.4%
RNA	25.9%
Antibody	19.6%
Gene- and cell therapy	3.1%

#### **Currency breakdown**

USD	
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#### Market commentary

In March BB Biotech's share price was positive by 3.9% (in CHF and adjusted for the dividend paid out in March) and Net Asset Value was negative by 1.6% (in USD and adjusted for the dividend paid out in March) during the same period. The Nasdaq Biotech Index was flat in the same time period.

At BB Biotech's Annual General Meeting on March 21, the shareholders approved all agenda items. Dr. Thomas von Planta, former member of the Board of Directors, was elected as the new Chairman of the Board of Directors, succeeding Dr. Erich Hunziker, who did not stand for re-election. In addition, Camilla Soenderby was elected as a new member of the Board of Directors. The shareholders re-elected the current Board members Dr. Clive Meanwell, Laura Hamill, Dr. Pearl Huang and Prof. Dr. Mads Krogsgaard Thomsen for a further one-year term of office.

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

**Esperion Therapeutics (+6.8%, in USD)** announced on March 22 that the FDA has approved broad new label expansions for NEXLETOL® tablets and NEXLIZET® tablets based on positive outcomes data that include indications for cardiovascular risk reduction and expanded LDL-C lowering in both primary and secondary prevention patients. In addition, the enhanced labels support the use of NEXLETOL and NEXLIZET either alone or in combination with statins. They also include new indications for primary hyperlipidemia, alone or in combination with a statin, and are the only LDL-C lowering non-statin drugs indicated for primary prevention patients.

**Ionis Pharmaceuticals (-4.1 %, in USD)** announced on March 13 positive results from a Phase II study of ION224, an investigational antisense inhibitor in development for the treatment of metabolic dysfunction-associated steatohepatitis (MASH), previously referred to as nonal-coholic steatohepatitis (NASH). The study met its primary endpoint at both doses (120 mg and 90 mg), achieving liver histologic improvement, and also met the important secondary endpoint of MASH resolution.

**Argenx (+3.6%, in USD)** announced on March 26 that Japan's Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare approved VYVGART (efgartigimod alfa) for intravenous (IV) use in adults with primary immune thrombocytopenia (ITP). ITP is a severe, debilitating autoimmune disease, and ITP patients typically experience a significantly lower quality of life.

#### Outlook

100.0%

We continue to believe that 2024 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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• BB Biotech actively invests in equities.

Equities are subject to strong price

market, sector or company factors.

currency risk against the reference

fluctuations and so are also exposed to the

Biotech equities can be subject to sudden

substantial price movements owning to

BB Biotech invests in foreign currencies,

which means a corresponding degree of

The price investors pay or receive, like

other listed shares, is determined by

supply and demand and may be at a

asset value of the Company.

discount or premium to the underlying net

BB Biotech may take a leverage of up to

15%, which may lead to even higher price

movements compared to the underlying

BBB Coverage:

96%

#### **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. Thomas von Planta (president) Dr. Clive Meanwell Dr. Pearl Huang Laura Hamill Camilla Soenderby Prof. Dr. Mads Krogsgaard Thomsen

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#### **Benefits**

- 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

MSCI ESG Rating (AAA - CCC):

EU SFDR 2019/2088 product category: Article 8

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Compliance UNGC, HR, ILO	$\bigcirc$	ESG-Integratior	n 🕑	Engagement	$\bigcirc$
Norms-based exclusions	$\oslash$			Proxy Voting	$\bigcirc$
Controversial weapons	$\oslash$				
Key Figures:					
$CO_2$ -intensity (t $CO_2$ /mn USD sa	ales):		34.5 (Low	) Coverage:	97%

**Inherent risks** 

currency.

market.

risk of price losses.

Based on portfolio data as per 31.03.2024; - 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; Stewardship: Engagement in an active and constructive dialogue with company representatives on ESG aspects as well as exercising voting rights at general meetings of shareholders.MSCI ESG Rating ranges from "leaders" (AAA-AA), "average" (A, BBB, BB) to "laggards" (B, CCC). The CO<sub>2</sub>-intensity expresses MSCI ESG Research's estimate of GHG emissions measured in tons of CO, per USD 1 million sales; for further information c.f. www.bellevue.ch/sustainability-at-portfolio-level.

## **Investment Management Team**



Dr. Daniel Koller Head Investment Management Team



Dr. Samuel Croset Investment Management Team



Dallas Webb Investment Management Team



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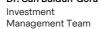
Dr. Olivia Woolley Investment Management Team



Dr. Leonidas Georgiou Investment Management Team



Dr. Can Buldun-Gora





Dr. Maurizio Bernasconi Investment Management Team



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