

# Factsheet

Swiss stock exchange (SIX)

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

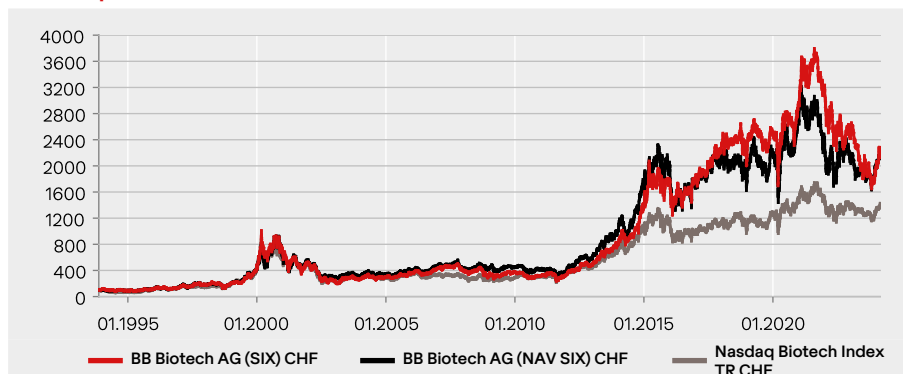
Share price	CHF 45.80
Net Asset Value (NAV)	CHF 46.95
Premium/(Discount)	(2.4%)
Market capitalization	CHF 2'537.3 mn
Investment manager	Bellevue Asset Management AG
AIC sector	Biotechnology
Benchmark (BM)	Nasdaq Biotech Index TR
Foundation	16.11.1993
Fiscal year end	31.12
Financial reports	Quarterly
Bloomberg	BION SW Equity
Valor	3838999
ISIN code	CH0038389992
WKN	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	1.29
Correlation	0.92
Volatility	32.7%
Tracking Error	14.38
Active Share	82.31
Sharpe Ratio	-0.10
Information Ratio	-0.14
Jensen's Alpha	-1.57

Source: BB Biotech AG, 29.02.2024;  
Calculation based on the Net Asset Value (NAV) over the last 3 years.

## Indexed performance since launch



## Cumulative & annualised performance

### Cumulative

	1M	YTD	1Y	3Y	5Y	10Y	ITD
Share	2.6%	7.1%	-10.9%	-36.8%	-15.4%	110.8%	2021.0%
NAV	5.6%	10.9%	8.7%	-25.0%	-2.5%	84.8%	2072.4%
BM	4.0%	6.9%	3.3%	-10.8%	14.8%	70.0%	1284.3%

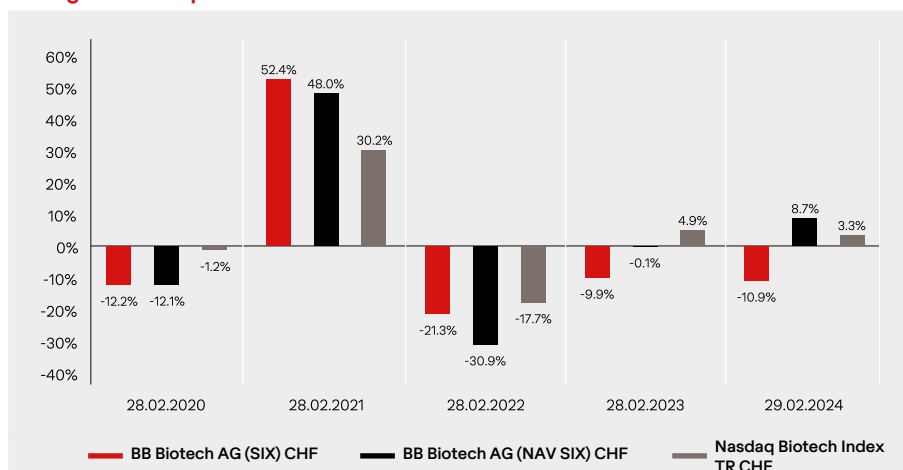
### Annualised

	1Y	3Y	5Y	10Y	ITD
Share	-10.9%	-14.2%	-3.3%	7.7%	10.6%
NAV	8.7%	-9.1%	-0.5%	6.3%	10.7%
BM	3.3%	-3.7%	2.8%	5.4%	9.1%

## Annual performance

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	YTD
Share	18.5%	19.3%	8.3%	-24.3%	-18.1%	7.1%
NAV	23.4%	24.3%	-11.5%	-11.0%	-7.4%	10.9%
BM	23.0%	15.8%	3.0%	-9.1%	-4.8%	6.9%

## Rolling 12-month-performance



Source: BB Biotech AG, 29.02.2024; 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.

### 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		100.0%
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### Market commentary

February was a positive month for the biotech sector in terms of share performance. The Nasdaq Biotech Index was positive by 1.1% (in USD) in February, while BB Biotech's share price was positive by 2.6% (in CHF) and the Net Asset Value was positive by 2.8% (in USD) during the same period.

BB Biotech published its annual report on February 16. The full report is available on our website: [www.bbibiotech.ch](http://www.bbibiotech.ch). BB Biotech also published the agenda for its Annual General Meeting taking place on March 21, 2024. The Board of Directors proposes a dividend of CHF 2.00 per share at the upcoming Annual General Meeting, which represents a yield of 5% based on the volume-weighted average share price of December 2023. This marks a continuation of the dividend policy introduced in 2013.

BB Biotech's Chairman, Dr. Erich Hunziker, will not stand for re-election at the Annual General Meeting and the Board proposes that Dr. Thomas von Planta takes over as Chairman. Camilla Soenderby will be nominated as a new independent board member at the general meeting; Dr. Thomas von Planta, Dr. Clive Meanwell, Laura Hamill, Dr. Pearl Huang and Prof. Dr. Mads Krogsgaard Thomsen will all stand for re-election.

Several of BB Biotech's portfolio companies published full-year financial results during the month of February. We have highlighted selected news from some of our portfolio companies below.

**Vertex Pharmaceuticals (-2.9%, in USD) and Crispr Therapeutics (+33.8%, in USD)** announced on February 13, that the European Commission has granted conditional marketing authorization to CASGEVY™, a CRISPR/Cas9 gene-edited therapy. CASGEVY is approved for the treatment of patients who are 12 years of age and older with severe sickle cell disease (SCD) or transfusion-dependent beta thalassemia (TDT).

**Alnylam (-12.6%, in USD)** announced its annual results on February 15, including updates to the statistical analysis plan for the HELIOS-B Phase III study of vutrisiran in patients with ATTR amyloidosis with cardiomyopathy. These changes include updates to the primary and secondary endpoint structure, as well as extending study exposure out to 36 months. Topline results are expected to be available in late June or early July.

**Celldex Therapeutics (+36.5%, in USD)** announced on February 24, positive 12 week results from their Phase II clinical trial of barzolvolimab in patients with moderate to severe chronic spontaneous urticaria (CSU) refractory to antihistamines. The studies will continue dosing patients until week 52. Barzolvolimab is a humanized monoclonal antibody that specifically binds the receptor tyrosine kinase KIT with high specificity and potently inhibits its activity, which is required for mast cell function and survival.

### Outlook

In the coming months and quarters we are expecting multiple catalysts for the biotech sector and for our portfolio companies, including product launches, important clinical trial results, licensing deals and M&A activity. We are looking forward to seeing several key milestone events including new drug approvals from BB Biotech's portfolio companies.

Source: BB Biotech AG, 31.12.2023;

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

### 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.

### 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 owing 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.

### Sustainability Profile – ESG

EU SFDR 2019/2088 product category: Article 8

Exclusions:	ESG Risk Analysis:	Stewardship:
Compliance UNGC, HR, ILO	ESG-Integration	Engagement
Norms-based exclusions		Proxy Voting
Controversial weapons		

### Key Figures:

CO <sub>2</sub> -intensity (t CO <sub>2</sub> /mn USD sales):	33.1 (Low)	Coverage:	97%
MSCI ESG Rating (AAA - CCC):	BBB	Coverage:	96%

Based on portfolio data as per 29.02.2024; – 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<sub>2</sub> per USD 1 million sales; for further information c.f. [www.bellevue.ch/sustainability-at-portfolio-level](http://www.bellevue.ch/sustainability-at-portfolio-level).

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