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# Proteins for Life

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Økonomisk Ugebrev

EXPRES<sup>2</sup>ION  
BIOTECHNOLOGIES

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# Investment Highlights

Key player in advanced protein sciences, with deep pipeline of novel vaccines addressing high-value markets



High-potential pipeline of key focus, backed up by Contract Research Organization (CRO) business, that has generated SEK 60 million since IPO in 2016



Vaccine development platform with track record and partner validation.  
+500 proteins produced while posting +90% success rate



Global vaccine market rapidly growing, from USD 33bn (2019) to USD 187bn (2021), corresponding to 460% growth



Expres<sup>2</sup>ion is advancing towards key catalysts during 2022, further de-risking the company's pipeline.  
COVID-19 phase III initiation in H1 2022

# Management Team

>200 years of professional skills and experience from the *life sciences* industry



## Management



- **Bent U. Frandsen**, Chief Executive Officer
- **Keith Alexander**, Chief Financial Officer
- **Dr. Max Soegaard**, VP R&D and Technology
- **Dr. Mette Thorn**, VP Preclinical Development
- **Dr. Mattis F. Ranthe**, Chief Medical Officer

## Board of Directors



- **Dr. Martin R. Jensen**, Chairman & Co-founder
- **Dr. Allan Rosetzsky**, Member of the Board
- **Jakob Knudsen**, Member of the Board
- **Dr. Karin Garre**, Member of the Board
- **Sara Sande**, Member of the Board

# Rights Issue

De-risking the pipeline development



Maximum number of new shares to be issued: 5,841,273



Subscription price of SEK 12.50 per share



Three rights for every eight shares; Two rights entitles subscription for one new share



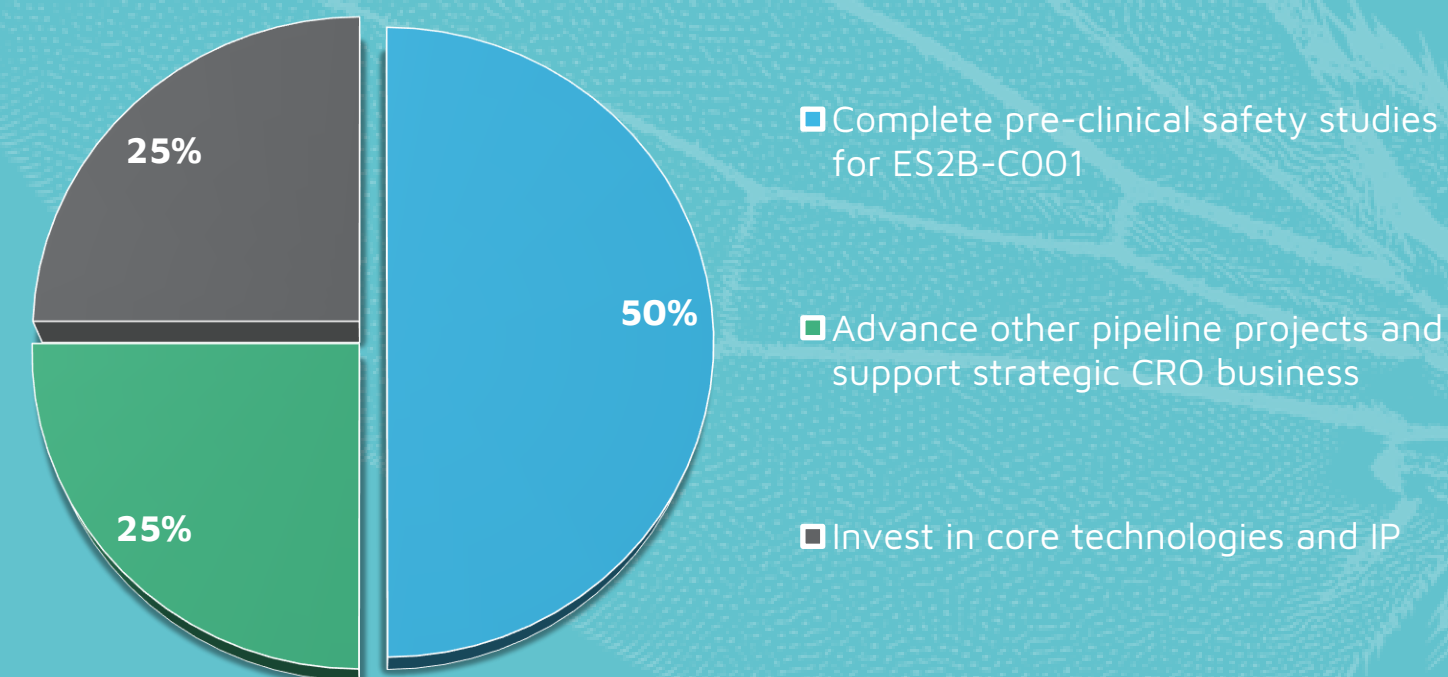
Subscription period: April 19, 2022 to May 3, 2022



Subscription commitments of 2.5% and guarantee undertakings of 97.5% of the Rights Issue

Raising approx. 73 million SEK in gross proceeds

## Use of Proceeds



# Expres<sup>2</sup>ion's Business Model

High-potential pipeline and revenue generating CRO business

## Expres<sup>2</sup> Platform for Protein Expression

+500 different proteins have been produced with the Expres<sup>2</sup> platform, while posting a success rate exceeding 90% across +100 clients and partners.

### Novel Pipeline Development



#### Independent

- Fully-owned development of novel protein therapeutics and vaccines
- After human PoC, targeting partner externally for further development

#### Collaboration

- Partner with leading research organizations to source and develop novel programs
- Potential to fully acquire programs for independent development

**Significant upside potential:  
intermediate/long-term**

### Contract Research Organization (CRO)



#### Services

- Early-stage R&D for leading academic, research, and biotech organizations
- Protein feasibility, delivery, and transfer to GMP production

#### Licensing & Kit Sales

- Fully out-license rights to Expres<sup>2</sup> technology
- Sell test kits and reagents for research or diagnostic applications

**Revenue-generating business:  
current and long-term payments**

# Technology Platforms

ExpreS<sup>2</sup>ion's ExpreS<sup>2</sup> and AdaptVac's cVLP platform

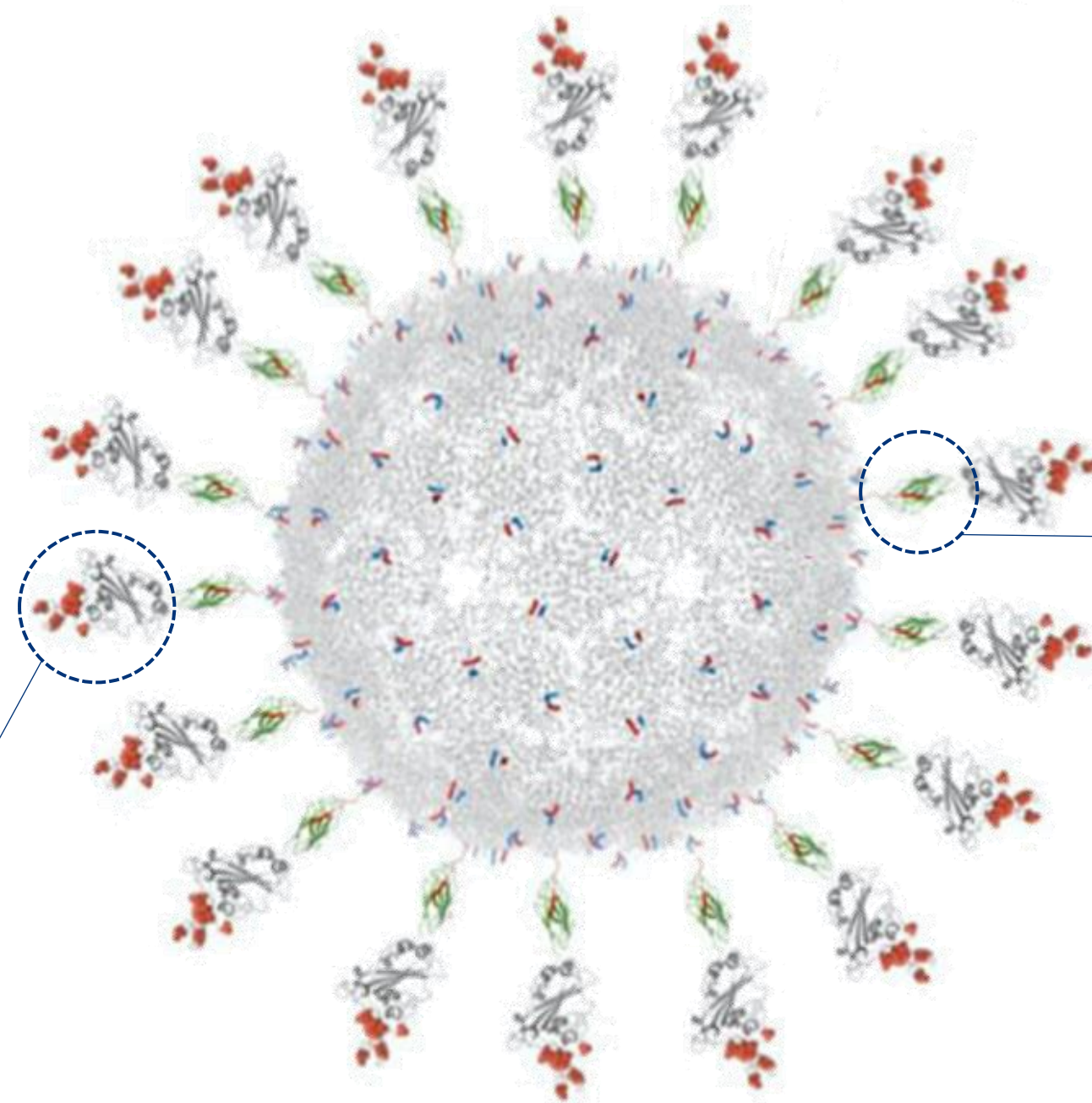


Cell line derived from *Drosophila melanogaster* (fruit fly) S2 cells<sup>1</sup>

## ExpreS<sup>2</sup> platform

Combines S2 cells with patented expression vectors (add a specific gene into a target cell and command the cell to produce the gene encoded protein), adapted culture agents and reagents (stimulating cell growth)

**100% ownership**



*ExpreS<sup>2</sup> protein (antigen) combined with AdaptVac's cVLP containing no viral genetic material causing an immune reaction*

## Particle (VLP) technology

AdaptVac's proprietary virus-like particles (VLP) technology securely attaches our proteins to the surface of a capsid (outer protein protective shell of a virus), mimicking a virus to elicit an immune response

**34% ownership**

# Expres<sup>2</sup> and AdaptVac's VLP

The platforms combined enable powerful vaccines to handle a wide range of diseases

## Expres<sup>2</sup>, advantages in discovery manufacturing

- ✓ **Rapid delivery (3-6 months) of high-quality and uniform proteins**, important competitive advantage, considering time-to-market and patent expiry
- ✓ **Higher yields**, i.e. amount of protein per manufacturing batch, compared to competing systems
- ✓ **Homogeneous manufacturing batches**, high batch-to-batch consistency, a requirement in pharmaceutical development

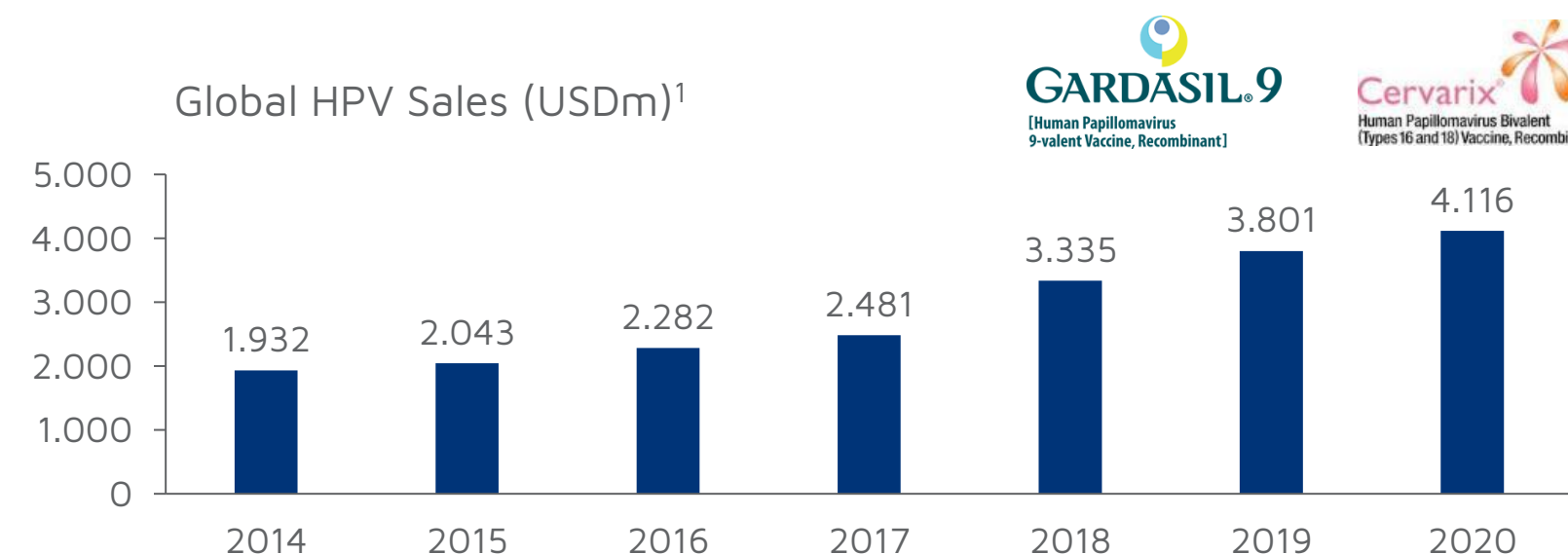
## AdaptVac's cVLP platform, high immunogenic potential

- ✓ **Full length proteins**: Exceptionally strong attachments can hold entire complex proteins; other VLP approaches can only support fragments (single epitopes)
- ✓ **High density display** on surface (180 attachment sites): Increased, faster, focused immune response
- ✓ **Directional attachment** (vs random orientation in other systems)

## Proprietary process and expertise has established Expres<sup>2</sup>ion as the leader in specialty protein production

- ✓ **20+ years of experience**
- ✓ **Over 90% success rate, over 500 proteins expressed**
- ✓ **Go-to source for challenging proteins**


















## VLPs have track record of success of commercial success in cancer





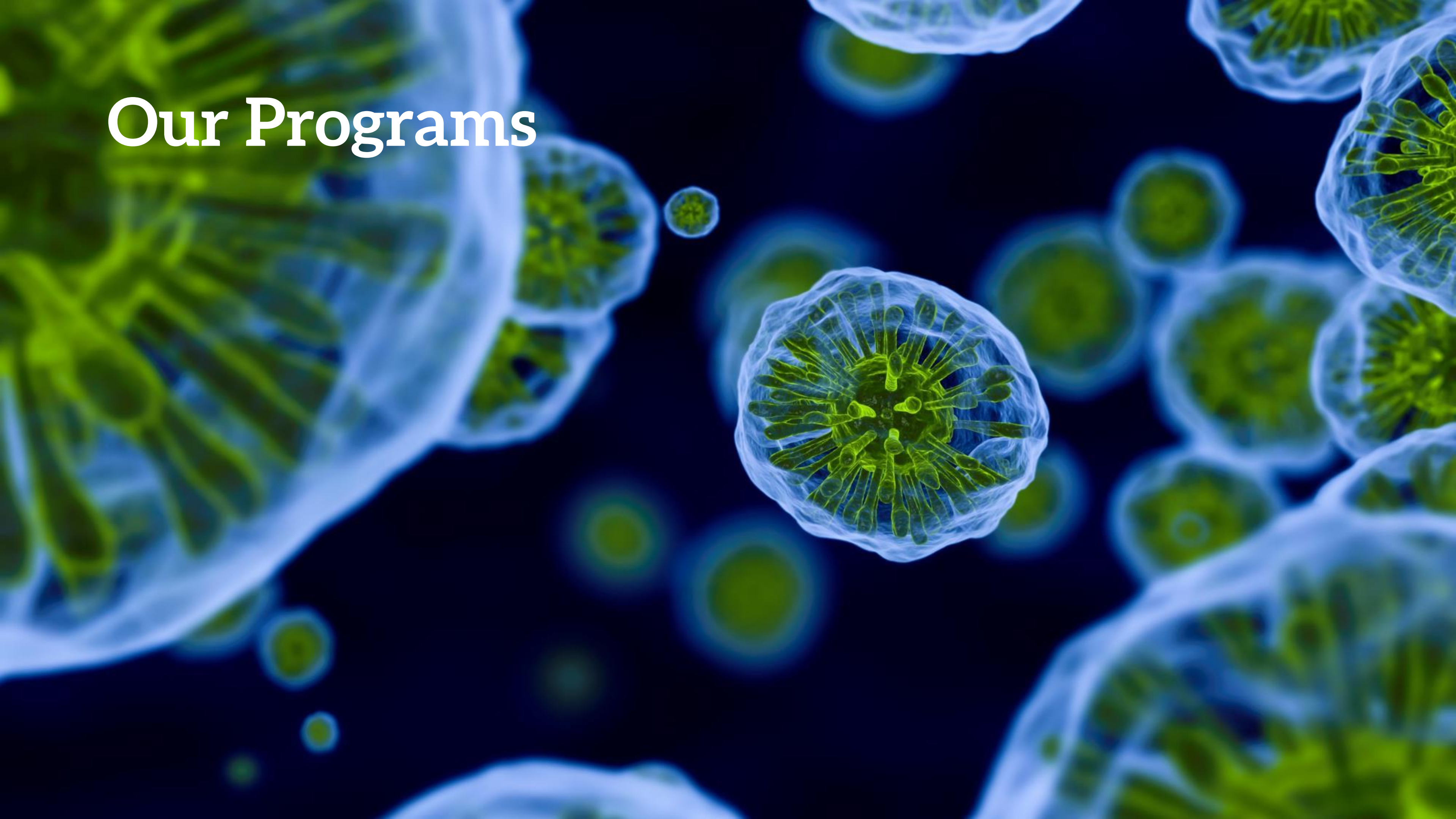
# Deep Pipeline for Value Creation

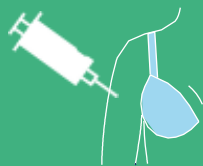
## Development Progress

DISEASE	Project/Target	Discovery	Pre-clinical Pharmacology	cGMP / Tox	Phase I	Phase II	Phase III	Partner/Funding
<b>Coronavirus</b> 	ABNCoV2/SARS-CoV-2 cVLP	[Progress bar from Discovery to Phase II]					Phase III initiation: H1 2022	  
<b>Breast Cancer</b> 	ES2B-C001/HER2 cVLP	[Progress bar from Discovery to Pre-clinical Pharmacology]				Phase I initiation: 2024		<b>100%</b> ExpreS <sup>2</sup> ion
<b>Influenza</b> 	Hemagglutinin	[Progress bar from Discovery to Pre-clinical Pharmacology]			Toxicology initiation: 2023			
<b>Malaria:</b> 								
<b>1: Blood-Stage</b>	RH5	[Progress bar from Discovery to Phase I]				Phase Ib readout: H2 2023		 
<b>2: Blood-Stage</b>	RH5-VLP	[Progress bar from Discovery to Pre-clinical Pharmacology]				Phase I initiation: 2023		 
<b>3: Transmission</b>	Pfs 48/45	[Progress bar from Discovery to Pre-clinical Pharmacology]				Phase I initiation: 2022		 
<b>4: Placenta-Borne</b>	VAR2CSA	[Progress bar from Discovery to Phase I]					Phase II initiation: 2023	 
<b>5: Blood-Stage</b>	CYRPA complex	[Progress bar from Discovery to Pre-clinical Pharmacology]						

Note: AdaptVac is a joint venture between ExpreS<sup>2</sup>ion (34% owned) and NextGen Vaccines (66% owned)

# Our Programs





# Breast Cancer Overview

The ES2B-C001 vaccine can offer significant benefits compared to current treatment options

## Monoclonal antibodies are the cornerstone of treatment for HER2+ breast cancer (>USD 11bn sales)<sup>1</sup>

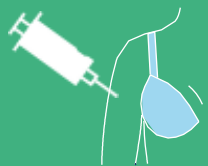
- Target the HER2 receptor on tumor cells to reduce proliferation and induce tumor cell destruction



## Serious drawbacks exist with these therapies<sup>2</sup>

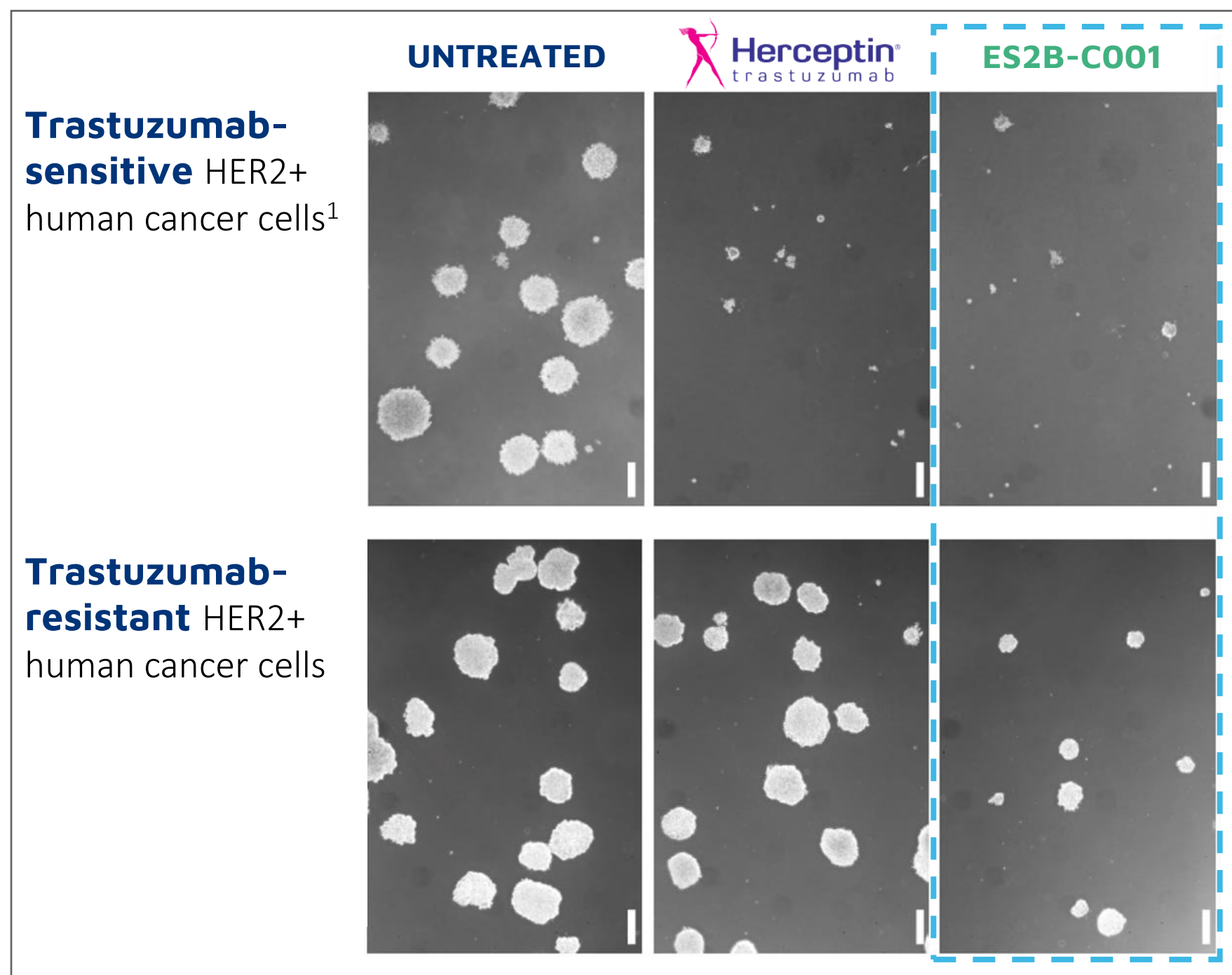
- **Resistance** to monoclonal antibodies may develop
- **Potential for cardiac toxicity**
- **Repeated administration required**: 28-day half-life requires administration every 3<sup>rd</sup> week until remission or resistance develops, costs USD 30-50k

Expres<sup>2</sup>ion's vaccine-like approach offers potential to overcome drawbacks through *internal antibody production*



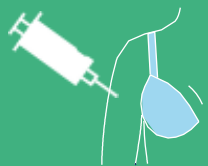
# ES2B-C001 Overcomes Herceptin Resistance

The soft agar human cancer cell growth inhibition assay provides *in vitro* evidence



Both Herceptin (trastuzumab) and ES2B-C001 inhibited growth in the trastuzumab-sensitive cells

**Only ES2B-C001 inhibited growth in the trastuzumab-resistant cells;** cells were unresponsive to Herceptin



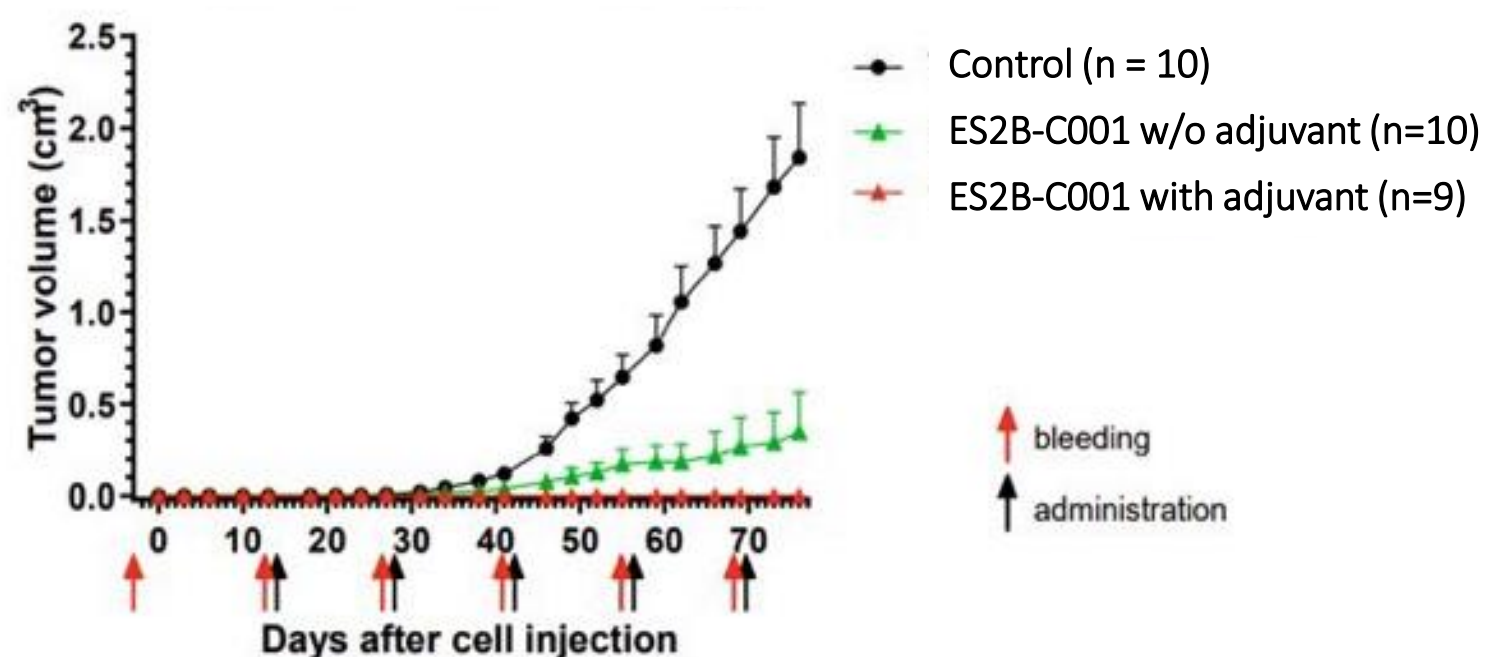
# ES2B-C001 Preclinical Proof-of-Concept

ES2B-C001 has demonstrated animal proof-of-concept

Effectively inhibited tumor development

Prevented tumor development with 95% efficiency

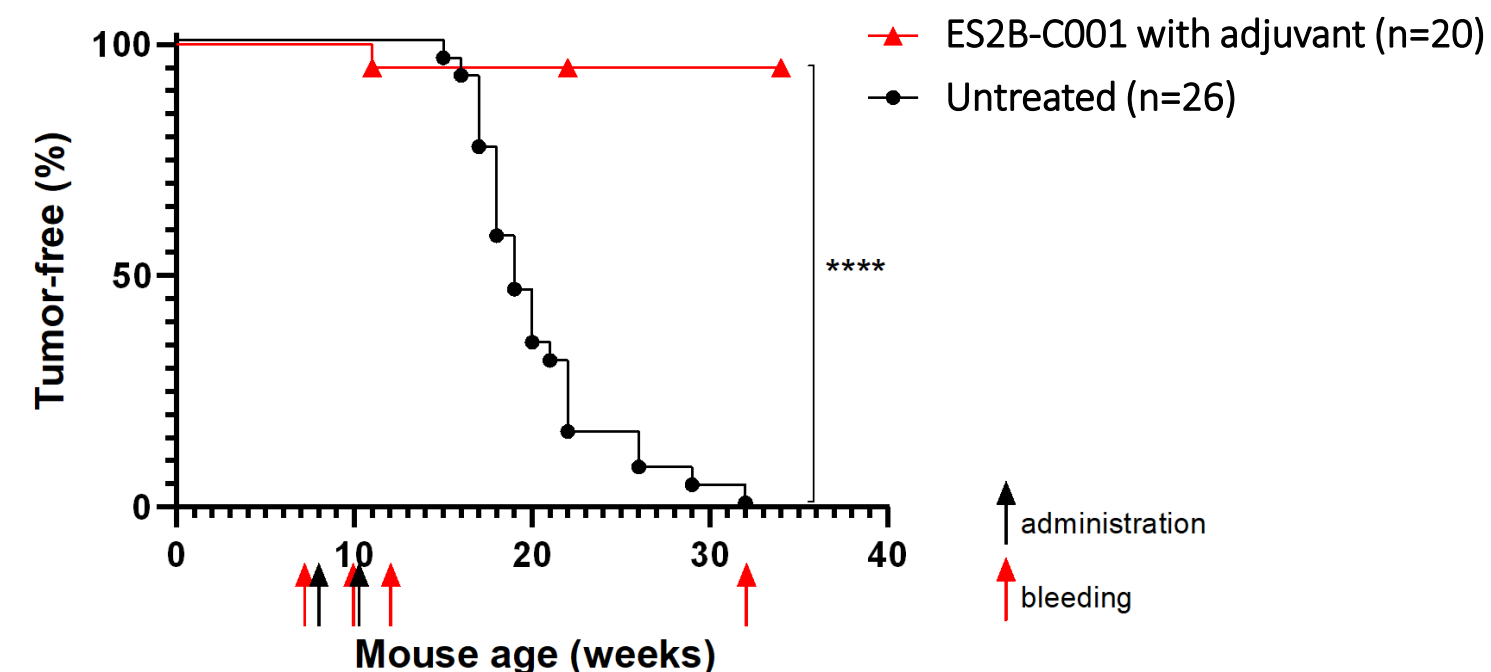
Tumor growth in FVB mice  
(HER2-intolerant)



- Two weeks after the inoculation of tumor cells, the first vaccine administration was given. Repeated every 2nd week during the study
- **ES2B-C001 formulated in an adjuvant totally blocks tumor development. ES2B-C001 without adjuvant partly blocks tumor development** and if tumors develop, growth is significantly inhibited

Kaplan-Meier survival curves

\*\*\*\* $p < 0.0001$  by the log-rank test



- At mouse age 6-8 weeks, 2 vaccinations with 2 weeks interval were administered to Delta16 mice
- **Two vaccinations prevented tumor development with 95% efficiency** as compared to a control group, where all mice spontaneously developed tumors

Note: FVB mice are mice being challenged with tumors, while Delta16 mice spontaneously develop tumors and have been inoculated with tumor cells to accelerate tumor development



# The 2<sup>nd</sup> Generation COVID-19 Vaccine

With **over 6 million deaths worldwide**<sup>1</sup>, significant needs remain in the global long-term fight against the SARS-CoV-2 virus:



Uncertain duration of effect with current vaccines, expected to need repeated boosters



Storage and handling requirements for many vaccines create logistical constraints (requires storage of -20 to -80 degrees Celsius)



Potential mutated variants may require rapid development of new vaccines

Global market size of **USD 137 billion** for the COVID-19 vaccine (2021)<sup>2</sup>



# ABNCoV2 COVID-19 Vaccine

Successful completion of Phase II study, and initiation of Phase III in H1 2022

## Phase II: Safe & highly efficacious against SARS-CoV-2

- **Favorable safety profile: Vaccine was generally well-tolerated, with no related serious adverse events reported**
- No relevant difference in the safety profile between subjects receiving the low (50 µg) or high dose (100 µg) of ABNCoV2
- **Booster vaccination with ABNCoV2 found no difference in responses in variants of concern** (Wuhan,  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\delta$ )
- **Strong booster response for both 50µg and 100µg doses**
- **Seronegative antibody titers >90% efficacy, confirms Phase I results**
- Phase I data documented up to 12 times higher compared to the levels achieved after COVID-19 infection - significantly higher than the virus neutralization levels reported for leading mRNA COVID-19 vaccines

## Phase III: Initiation of pivotal study in H1 2022

- **Bavarian Nordic plan Phase III study initiation H1 2022, granted DKK 800m funding**
- An overall agreement has been made with regulatory authorities on the trial design
- Approx. 4,000 seropositive subjects who will receive a booster vaccination with 100µg ABNCoV2 or an mRNA-based vaccine, aiming to demonstrate non-inferiority of ABNCoV2 to the licensed mRNA vaccine
- Manufacturing of vaccine bulk for the trial has been completed, filling now ongoing at BN's own manufacturing line
- **Trial planned for initiation in H1 2022 and with anticipated completion before year-end**

### Phase II

**Seropositive**  
Previously infected or fully vaccinated

N = 103

100 µg



Single-shot booster vaccination

N = 66

50 µg



Single-shot booster vaccination

**Seronegative**  
No existing immunity

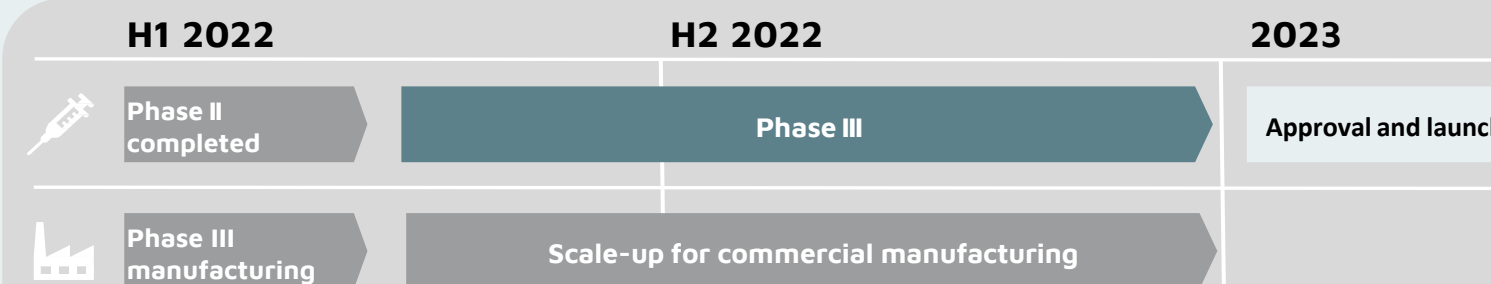
N = 28

100 µg



Prime-boost vaccination (days 0, 28)

### Phase III





# Partnership with Bavarian Nordic

ABNCoV2 is already out-licensed with near-term revenue streams supporting ExpreS<sup>2</sup>ion

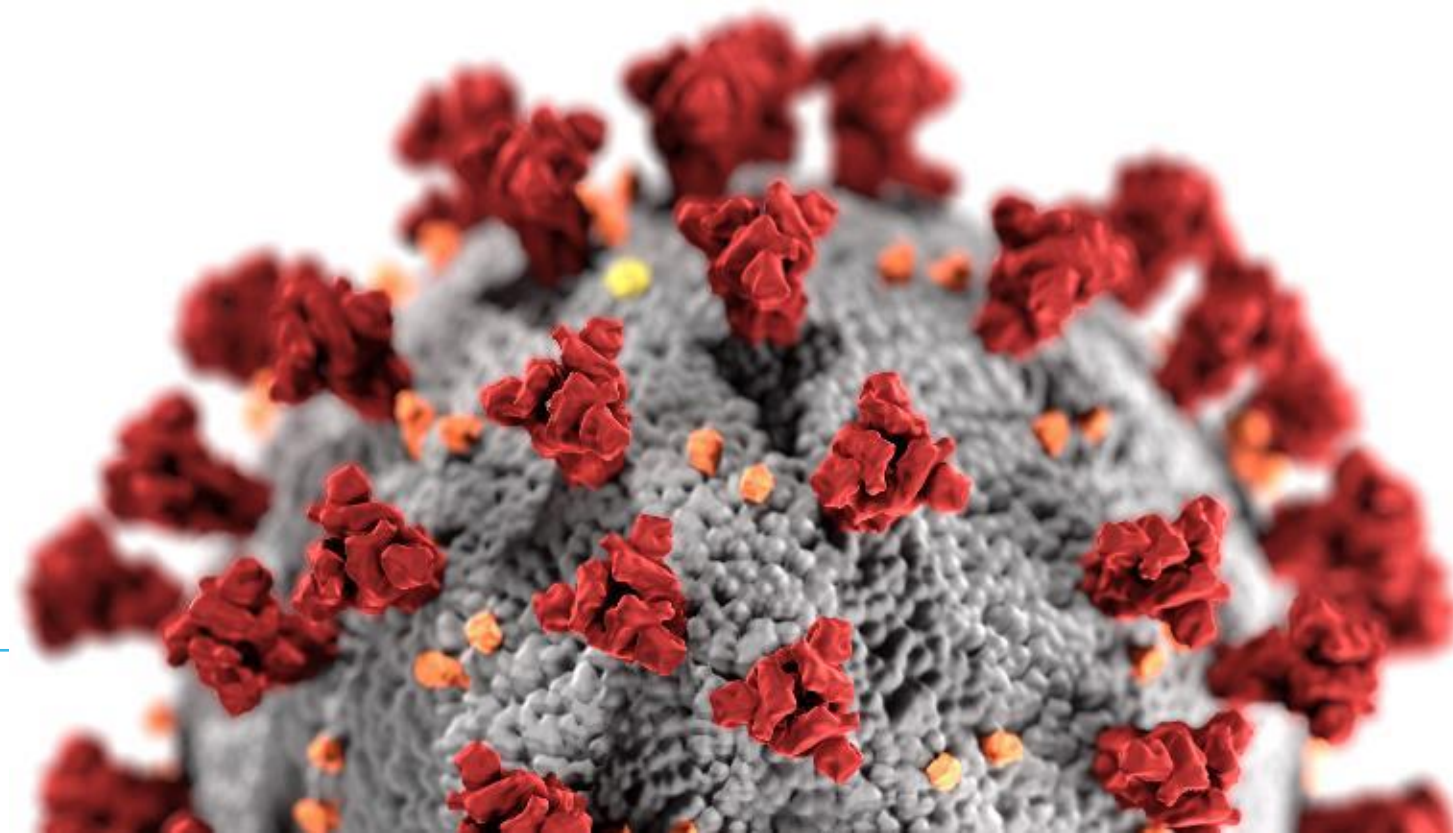
## AdaptVac receive from Bavarian Nordic

- EUR 4 million upfront (paid in July 2020)
- Up to EUR 136 million in development and sales milestones
- Single- to double-digit-% royalties of Bavarian revenues



## ExpreS<sup>2</sup>ion receive from AdaptVac

- 34% ownership of AdaptVac
- Up to EUR 2 million in commercial milestone payments
- Lower double-digit percentage of AdaptVac royalties



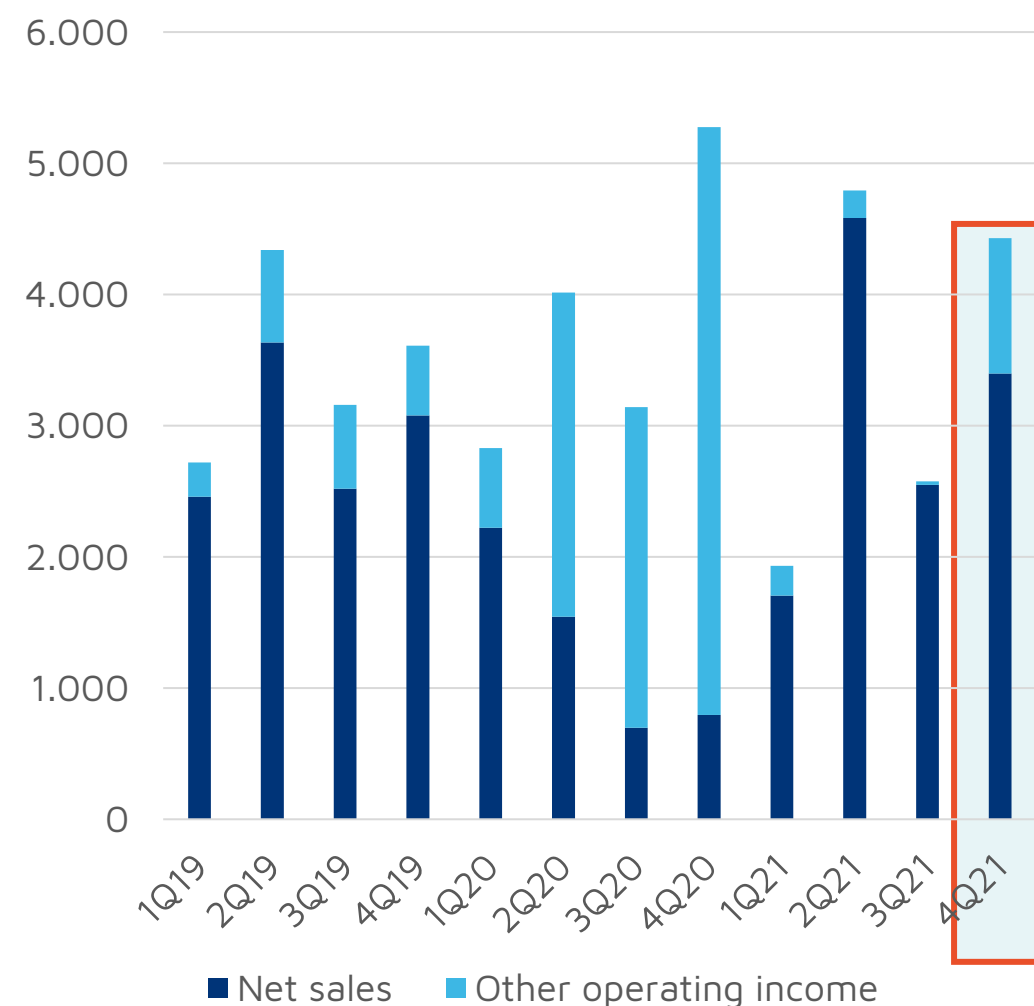


# Financials and Outlook

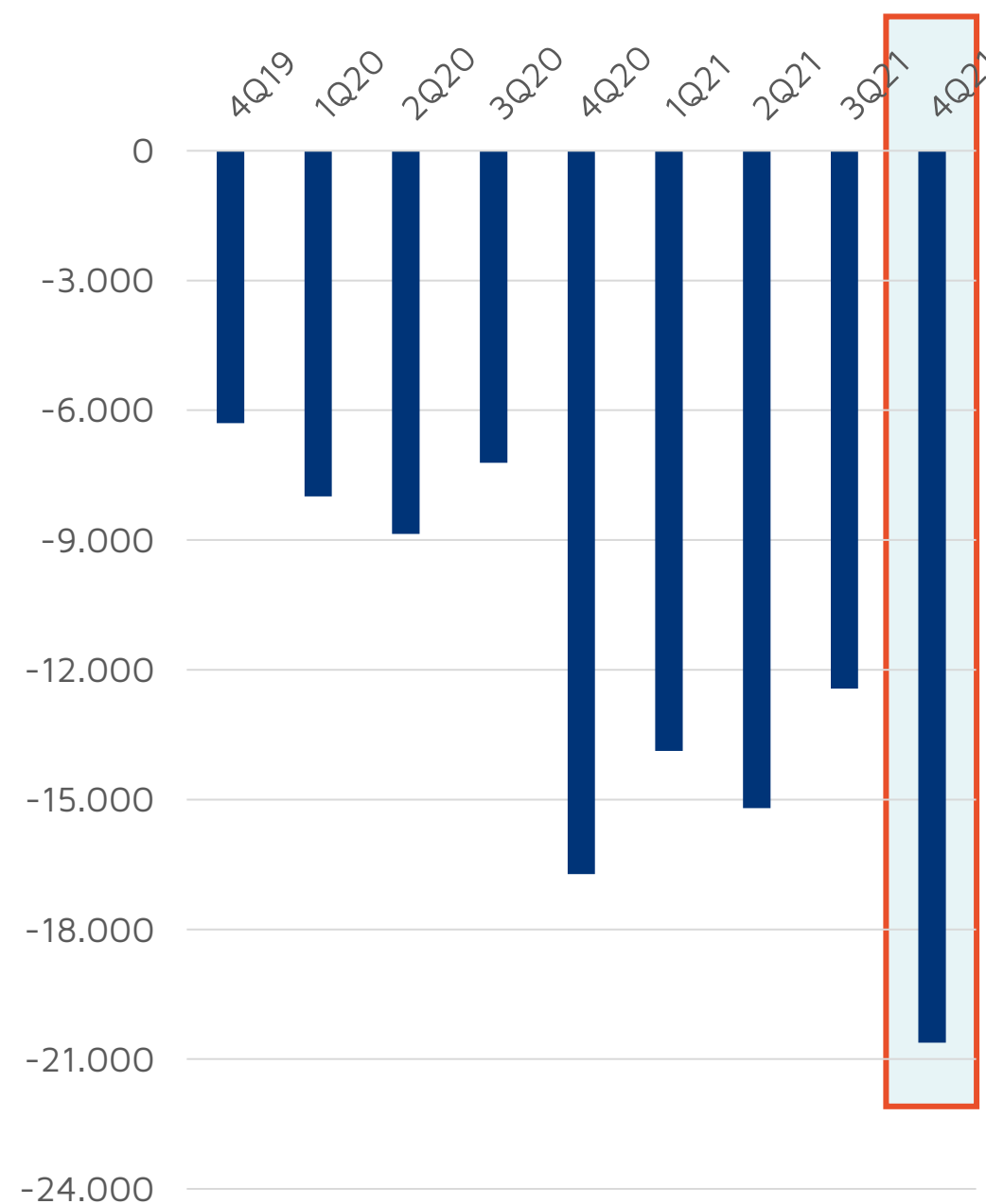
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# Financials – Fitting the New Strategy

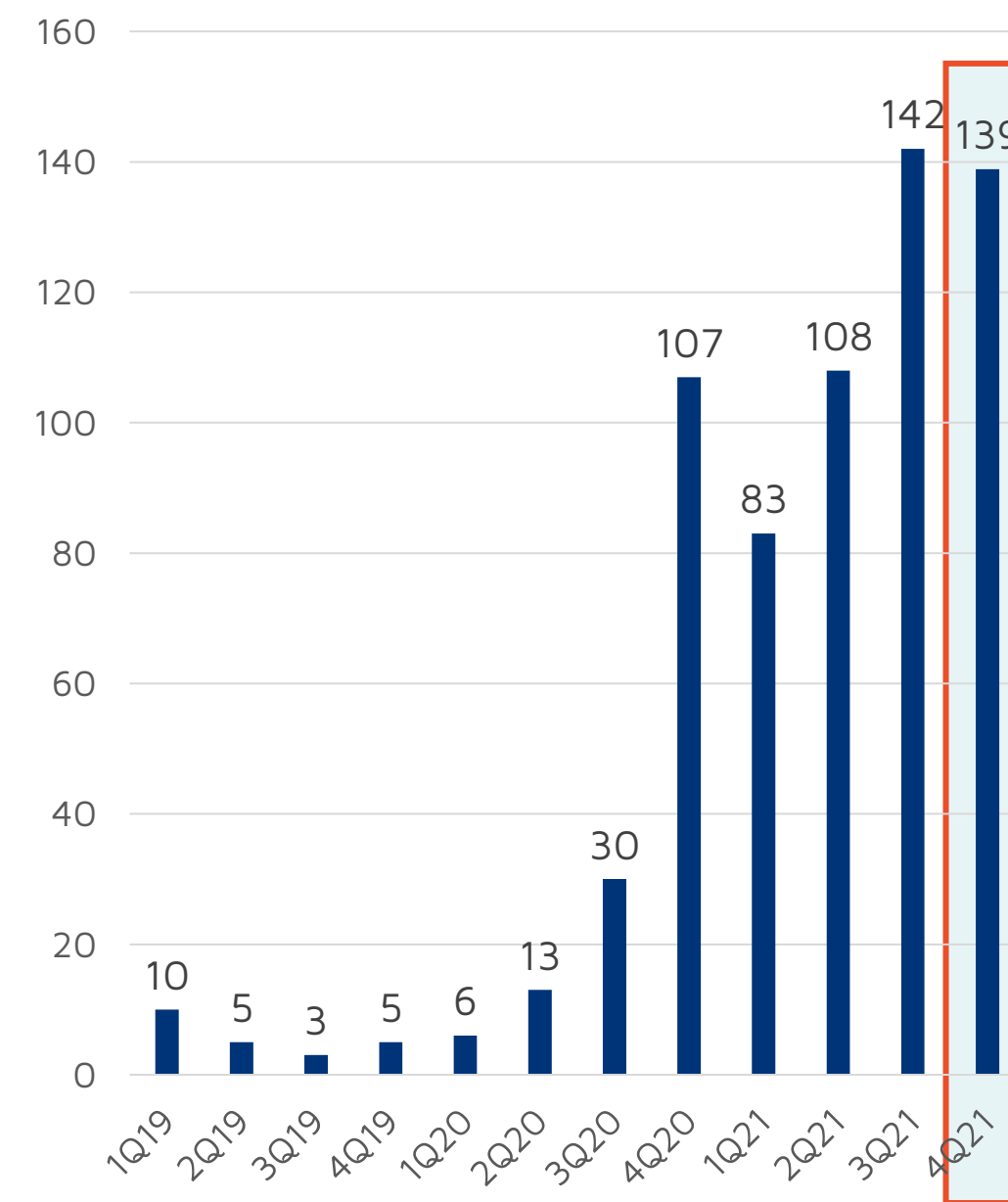
Revenues, SEK '000s



Operating costs, SEK '000s



Cash balance<sup>1</sup>, SEK million



# Rights Issue – what do I need to do?

## Subscription in new shares

Investors with or without preferential rights can subscribe for new shares through their:

1. Own registered accounts – where you either can register interest in new shares through:
  - a) Your bank respectively (etc. Avanza, Nordnet), where you will find a notice that a rights issue is ongoing in one of your stocks
  - b) Or by sending in an issue report with an attached notice of payment to Vator securities, the issue report can be found through Vator Securities webpage, under issuer services and current offerings, or through ExpreS<sup>2</sup>ion's webpage, under investor relations, IPO and Rights issues. The issue report can be sent to Vator Securities either by email at: [emissioner@vatorsec.se](mailto:emissioner@vatorsec.se) or by regular mail to the address: Emissioner / ExpreS<sup>2</sup>ion, Kungsgatan 34, 111 35 Stockholm.


*How to subscribe to new shares, with option b:*

1. Download the issue report either on Vator securities or ExpreS<sup>2</sup>ion's homepage.
  2. Fill in the necessary information, Bank, Account nr., number of shares interested, (and in case of preferential rights, the number of rights exercised). There are two types of form. (A) for existing shareholders (with preferential rights), and (B) for new shareholders (without preferential rights).
  3. Submit the issue report either by mail or email.
2. Custody accounts – where you as an investor need to register interest through your custody bank and follow their routines. (Danish investors who hold shares in Danish accounts must subscribe for shares through their custody accounts).

# Timetable

<b>Event</b>	<b>Timing</b>
Last day of trading in shares including right to receive subscription rights	11 April 2022
First day of trading in shares excluding right to receive Subscription rights	12 April 2022
Record date for participation in the Rights Issue	13 April 2022
Prospectus published	13 April 2022
Subscription period	19 April - 3 May 2022
Trading in Subscription rights	19 April - 28 April 2022
Trading in BTAs (Paid subscribed New shares)	19 April 2022 until the Rights Issue is registered with SCRO
Announcement of final outcome in the Rights Issue	On or around 5 May 2022

# Advancing Towards Key Catalysts

	2022	2023	2024
 <p><b>CORONAVIRUS (ABNCoV2)</b></p> <p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BN Phase II study initiation (Q3'21)                        <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BN Phase II study readout H1 2022                 </p> <p> <b>BN Phase III study initiation H1 2022</b>                        <b>BN Phase III initial readout H2 2022</b> </p> <p><b>BN ready for market launch</b> (subject to regulatory approval)</p>			
 <p><b>BREAST CANCER (ES2B-C001)</b></p> <p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Executed in-licensing (Feb 2021)                        <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Preclinical animal studies initiated (Q2)                 </p> <p> <b>Preclinical animal proof-of-concept results H1 2022</b>                        GMP manufacturing batch                 </p> <p>                     Preclinical safety studies readout                        Filing of clinical study application H2 2023                 </p> <p> <b>Initiation of first human clinical study 2024</b> </p> <div style="border: 2px dashed green; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> <p><b>Outlicensing window opens pending human data</b></p> </div>			
 <p><b>INFLUENZA</b></p> <p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Advance/support further development of one or more candidates in 2022                 </p> <p><b>cGMP/Preclinical safety studies initiation 2023</b></p>			
 <p><b>MALARIA</b></p> <p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Phase IIa results from the Rh5 vaccine published in 2021                        <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RH5 Additional phase I study in a malaria endemic region in Africa launched during 2021, with alternative adjuvant                 </p> <p> <b>Pfs 48/45 phase I study initiation 2022</b> </p> <p> <b>RH5-VLP phase I initiation 2023</b>                        <b>RH5 phase I study readout H2 2023</b> </p>			

Note: Timeline for ABNCoV2 is based on Bavarian Nordic's communicated timeline, and is subject to potential revision

A person is shown from the side, drawing a virus on a piece of paper. The virus is depicted with a spherical body and a spiky outer layer. The person is using a blue marker. The background is a wooden desk. The text 'Thank you!' is overlaid on the drawing.

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