

# Xbrane intends to carry out a directed share issue through an accelerated book building process

INSIDE INFORMATION: Xbrane Biopharma AB (publ) ("Xbrane" or the "Company") intends to carry out a directed share issue of up to 3.85 million shares through an accelerated book building procedure (the "Directed Share Issue"). The proceeds from the Directed Share Issue intends to finance the Marketing Authorization Application for Xlucane and accelerate the development of the company's biosimilar candidates on Cimzia® (Xcimzane) and Opdivo® (Xdivane). Xbrane has engaged Vator Securities AB to explore the possibilities to conduct the Directed Share Issue.

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# The Directed Share Issue

Xbrane has, pursuant to authorization granted by the annual general meeting on May 14, 2020, engaged Vator Securities AB to investigate the possibilities to conduct a directed share issue of up to approximately 3.85 million shares directed to Swedish and international investors of institutional character through an accelerated book building procedure. The book building process will begin will begin immediately after publication of this release. The Directed Share Issue is contingent on a resolution by the Board of Directors, which, alongside pricing and allocation is expected to occur prior to the beginning of trading on Nasdaq Stockholm at 09.00 CET on May 20, 2020. The Board of Directors may decide to extend or shorten the application period and can at any moment decide to terminate the book building process and thus refrain from conducting the Directed Share Issue.

The proceeds from the Directed Share Issue will, *inter alia*, be used to finance the Marketing Authorization Application for Xlucane and accelerate the development of the company's biosimilar candidates on Cimzia® (Xcimzane) and Opdivo® (Xdivane).

The reason for the deviation from the shareholders' preferential rights is to perform a capital raise in a time and cost-effective manner and to raise capital at favourable conditions for the Company's continued expansion, as well as to diversify the shareholder base with Swedish and international investors.

## Advisers

Vator Securities AB is financial adviser and Baker McKenzie is legal adviser to the Company in connection with the Directed Share Issue.



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For the avoidance of doubt, the Target Market Assessment does not constitute: (a) an assessment of suitability or appropriateness for the purposes of MiFID II; or (b) a recommendation to any investor or group of investors to invest in, or purchase, or take any other action whatsoever with respect to the shares in Xbrane.

Each distributor is responsible for undertaking its own Target Market Assessment in respect of the shares in Xbrane and determining appropriate distribution channels.

# About Us

Xbrane Biopharma AB develops biological drugs based on a platform technology that provides significantly lower production costs compared to competing systems. Xbrane's leading product Xlucane, a Lucentis® biosimilar candidate, addresses the €10.4b ophthalmic VEGFa inhibitor market. Xlucane is in phase III and launch is expected mid-2022. Xbrane has additionally four biosimilars in its pipeline targeting €8.7b in originator sales. Xbrane's head office is in Solna, just outside Stockholm. Xbrane is listed on Nasdaq Stockholm under the ticker XBRANE. For more information, visit www. xbrane.com.

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