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# Bavarian Nordic A/S Seeks to Strengthen its Capital Base and Commits to Ambitious Strategy on Promising COVID-19 Vaccine Candidate

**COPENHAGEN, Denmark, March 9, 2021** - Bavarian Nordic A/S (OMX: BAVA, OTC: BVNRY) ("Bavarian Nordic" or the "Company") intends to raise new capital through an offering of new shares (the "New Shares").

Bavarian Nordic remains committed to the vision of creating one of the largest pure-play vaccine companies by 2025. The creation can be driven by organic as well as acquisitive growth; the latter of which was demonstrated through the acquisition of Rabipur/RabAvert and Encepur. Bavarian Nordic possesses leading capabilities within manufacturing, distribution and marketing of vaccines and believes that the developed know-how can now successfully be applied to the benefit of the battle against the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Board of Directors of Bavarian Nordic has resolved to launch an offering of new shares at market price (the "Offering"). The Offering will begin immediately and will be completed through an accelerated bookbuilding offering of up to 5,830,031 New Shares, representing up to 9.97% of Bavarian Nordic's registered share capital in a private placement directed at institutional and professional investors in Denmark and certain other jurisdictions.

## BACKGROUND FOR THE OFFERING

While great progress has been made in the development of effective COVID-19 vaccines, the durability and breadth of protection against new circulating variants remains unknown. It is also unlikely that COVID-19 can be eliminated and regular booster vaccinations and/or new COVID vaccines will likely be required to reduce the continuing burden of disease in the worldwide population.

Bavarian Nordic's COVID-19 vaccine candidate, ABNCoV2, has shown to be highly immunogenic in relevant pre-clinical models inducing durable responses equivalent to high convalescent sera from patients that have recovered from COVID-19. The durable and highly protective response has now been confirmed in a pre-clinical NHP challenge study. Coupled with the ease of production and the ability to rapidly adapt the vaccine platform to new potentially more deadly variants, ABNCoV2 looks like a highly promising candidate.

Bavarian Nordic has decided to move the ABNCoV2 project forward by investing in a phase 1/2 clinical trial and to scale up manufacturing in preparation for further clinical development towards licensure. The Phase 2 study will investigate the ability of ABNCoV2 to boost existing immunity through prior infection or vaccination, to create a more durable immune response that could protect against the current circulating variants of COVID-19. In parallel the Company will continue to seek funding to further progress the candidate towards licensure.

The requirement for billions of COVID-19 vaccine doses has highlighted the complexity and a number of bottlenecks in vaccine production and supply and calls for a strategic response among the world's leading vaccine players. With the excellent capabilities in scientific research, vaccine development and manufacturing know-how, Bavarian Nordic is uniquely positioned to play an active role in the battle against the pandemic and remaining disease burden created by COVID-19. Preserving and enhancing the value of Bavarian Nordic's 2<sup>nd</sup> generation vaccine candidate, ABNCoV2, would also support the Company's ambition to become one of the world's largest pure-play vaccine companies by 2025.

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#### BAVARIAN NORDIC COULD BRING ONE OF THE LEADING 2ND GENERATION COVID-19 VACCINES TO THE MARKET

The preclinical data for Bavarian Nordic/AdaptVac's COVID-19 vaccine - ABNCoV2 cVLP has been published in the peer reviewed Journal Nature Communications and showed after the first immunization with the ABNCoV2 vaccine results which is at least on par, and in most cases better, than what is observed with other vaccine technologies for COVID-19. Indications of a very strong immune response from the ABNCoV2 vaccine could potentially result in sustained efficacy even with new virus strains emerging, which may put ABNCoV2 at an advantage compared to other vaccines already approved or in late stages of clinical trials.

Clinical Phase 1/2 trials in humans are planned to be initiated 12 March 2021 with 42 test subjects and no elderly above 65 years to be included. Results are expected by the end of June 2021. While still seeking funding for the further development of the vaccine candidate, Bavarian Nordic commits to finance another regulatory phase 2 clinical study and upscaling of manufacturing. Bavarian Nordic will seek separate additional funding for a potential phase 3 trial.

### **USE OF PROCEEDS**

The use of proceeds are intended for:

- 1) Funding of a phase 2 clinical study and scale-up of manufacturing to accommodate potential future clinical development to support licensure of Bavarian Nordic's COVID-19 vaccine candidate ABNCoV2, in-licensed from AdaptVac. Initially, only a smaller share of the total proceeds raised would be committed and deployed towards funding ABNCoV2 as the company continue seeking external funding; and
- 2) Continued strengthening of the Company's manufacturing capabilities, to increase agility and flexibility with respect to potential opportunities where Bavarian Nordic may produce vaccines on behalf of third parties, e.g. COVID-19 vaccines; and
- 3) Ensuring the strategic flexibility necessary to pursue an active M&A strategy, enabling the Company to react swiftly on new opportunities which the Company believe could arise in the market; and
- 4) A strengthening of the Company's capital base and cash preparedness (general corporate purposes).

#### THE OFFERING

The Offering will be made pursuant to applicable exemptions from the obligation to publish a prospectus to eligible institutional investors in Denmark and in certain other jurisdictions at market price and without pre-emption rights for the Company's existing shareholders. The Offering is not underwritten.

Books will open immediately and will close today. The offer price will be determined after the close of the accelerated bookbuilding process. The final pricing and number of the New Shares are expected to be announced as soon as practically possible thereafter.

Bavarian Nordic has in connection with the Offering, agreed to undertake a lock-up commitment for 180 calendar days following settlement of the Offering (subject to certain exceptions). In addition, members of Bavarian Nordic's board of directors and executive management have in connection with the Offering, agreed to undertake a lock-up commitment for 90 calendar days following settlement of the Offering (subject to certain exceptions).

#### **NEW SHARES**

The decision to launch an offering of up to 5,830,031 New Shares, of a nominal value of DKK 10 each, in a directed issue is made pursuant to Article 5a(2) in Bavarian Nordic's Articles of Association pursuant to which the Board of Directors is authorised to make share capital increases without pre-emption rights for the existing shareholders at market price.

The New Shares will rank pari passu in all respects with existing shares in Bavarian Nordic. The New Shares will be negotiable instruments, and no restrictions will apply to their transferability. No shares, including the New Shares, carry or will carry any special rights. Rights conferred by the New Shares, including voting rights and dividend rights, will apply from the time when the capital increase is registered with the Danish Business Authority. The New Shares must be registered in the name of the holder in the Company's register of shareholders.

The New Shares will be issued under the temporary ISIN code DK0061535853. No application for admission to trading and official listing has been, or will be, filed for the New Shares issued under the temporary ISIN code, and the temporary ISIN code will only be registered with VP Securities A/S for subscription of the New Shares. The temporary ISIN code in VP Securities A/S will be merged with the permanent ISIN code for the existing shares, DK0015998017, as soon as possible following registration of the share capital increase with the Danish Business Authority. The New Shares are expected to be admitted to trading and official listing on Nasdaq Copenhagen A/S on or around 15 March 2021.

The admission to trading and official listing of the New Shares is subject to the Offering not being withdrawn prior to the settlement of the Offering and the Company making an announcement to that effect.

#### SETTLEMENT

The Offering will be settled through VP Securities by way of book entry against cash payment.

#### JOINT GLOBAL COORDINATORS AND JOINT BOOKRUNNERS

Danske Bank A/S, Jefferies International Limited, Jefferies GmbH and Nordea Danmark, filial af Nordea Bank Abp, Finland are acting as Joint Global Coordinators and Joint Bookrunners in connection with the Offering (jointly the "Joint Global Coordinators and Joint Bookrunners").

#### **EXPECTED TIMETABLE FOR THE OFFERING**

Date	Event
Expected Tuesday 9 March 2021	Launch, pricing and allocation
Expected Tuesday 9 March 2021	Announcement of the results of the Offering
Expected Friday 12 March 2021	Settlement and payment for the New Shares
Expected Friday 12 March 2021	Registration of the capital increase with the Danish
	Business Authority
Expected Monday 15 March 2021	Admission to trading and official listing of the New
	Shares on Nasdaq Copenhagen A/S

#### **About Bavarian Nordic**

Bavarian Nordic is a fully integrated vaccines company focused on the development, manufacture and commercialization of life-saving vaccines. We are a global leader in smallpox vaccines and have been a long-term supplier to the U.S. Strategic National Stockpile of a non-replicating smallpox vaccine, which has been approved by the FDA under the trade name JYNNEOS®, also for the protection against monkeypox. The vaccine is approved as a smallpox vaccine in Europe under the trade name IMVANEX® and in Canada under the trade name IMVAMUNE®. Our commercial product portfolio furthermore contains the market-leading vaccine Rabipur®/RabAvert® against rabies and Encepur® against tick-borne encephalitis. Using our live virus vaccine platform technology, MVA-BN®, we have created a diverse portfolio of proprietary and partnered product candidates designed to save and improve lives by unlocking the power of the immune system, including an Ebola vaccine, MVABEA®, which is licensed to Janssen. For more information visit <a href="https://www.bavarian-nordic.com">www.bavarian-nordic.com</a>.

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The Joint Global Coordinators and Joint Bookrunners and each of their affiliates are acting exclusively for Bavarian Nordic A/S and no-one else in connection with the Offering. They will not regard any other person as their respective clients in relation to the Offering and will not be responsible to anyone other than Bavarian Nordic A/S for providing the protections afforded to their respective clients, nor for providing advice in relation to the Offering, the contents of this announcement or any transaction, arrangement or other matter referred to herein.

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