# Wings4innovation GmbH



### Summary Info 2023

## New Translation Paradigm



Translating scientific excellence into innovative therapies



## wings4innovation GmbH (w4i)



### Partnering with academia to enable translational



- Facilitate translation of promising results from basic research into innovative therapies
- Support **commercialisation** of drug candidates
- Strengthen translational landscape in Austria: open to all Austrian academic research organisations

# KH/N-I

- w4i is the Austrian affiliate of KHAN Technology Transfer Fund I GmbH & Co KG (KHAN-I) to identify investment opportunities in Austria
- www.khan-1.de



- Support transfer from basic to translational research by developing drug discovery projects together with the academic partners
- Scouting for, evaluation and joint generation of project proposals and investment opportunities
- Central contact for all Austrian research organisations
- Coordination of work packages of funded projects on behalf of KHAN-I
- Drug discovery consulting to academia

## Funding by w4i/ KHAN-I



Partnering with academia to enable translational



- Findings & hypotheses that may lead to an innovative therapy (small molecules, biologics, ...) in indications with high unmet medical need
- In-depth scientific know-how at Principal Investigator (PI)
- Preexisting IP is not a prerequisite
- Technical feasibility, chance for commercialisation
- Approval by the w4i Advisory Board and the KHAN-I Investment Advisory Committee
- Close collaboration between w4i/KHAN-I and PI



- Supplementary and different to existing funding programmes/schemes
- Funding of important translational activities, i.e. defined work packages as part of a professional drug discovery program
- no funding of basic research or personnel possible
- Funding lead and decisions made by KHAN-I
- Specific experiments may be best performed by the project originator, either by in-kind contribution or by fully paid contract research
- all foreground IP is bundled by KHAN-I for commercialisation

### Call for project proposals is open until end of 2023

# wings4innovation GmbH - Team



Combining scientific and industrial expertise



#### **Dr. Peter Nussbaumer** Managing Director

- >35 years of industry experience in medicinal chemistry, drug discovery, and translational research
- Dr. degree in organic chemistry from the TU Wien, Austria
- Managing Director at the Lead Discovery Center GmbH and Khanu Management GmbH in Dortmund, Germany and at wings4innovation GmbH



#### **Dr. Juliane Rademacher** Translational Guide

- Experience in R&D strategy consulting and in evaluating investment opportunities in digital health and biopharma
- Doctorate in cell biology from the Free University in Berlin, funded by a stipend from a German-Israeli Research School in Cell Signaling and Gene Regulation
- Joined wings4innovation GmbH as Translational Guide in 2022



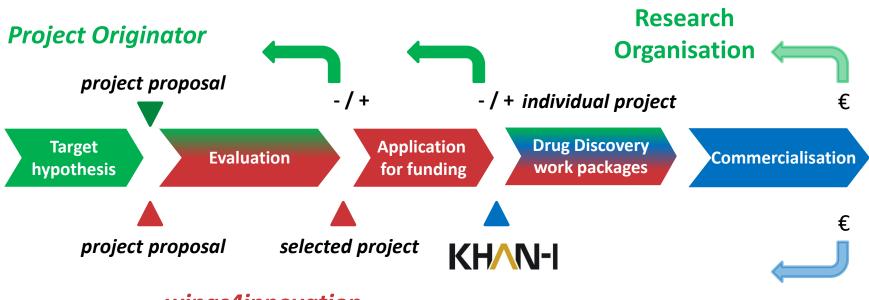
#### **Dr. Wolfgang Sommergruber** Translational Guide

- 33 years of industry experience, including Scientific Director in Exploratory Research Oncology at Boehringer Ingelheim
- PhD in biochemistry from the University of Vienna
- Habilitation in Medical Biochemistry and Visiting Professor at University of Applied Sciences, Vienna
- Joined wings4innovation GmbH as Translational Guide in 2021

## Concept



Process from first contact to successful commercialization



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colour code for parties involved in the various stages:

Project Originator	wings4innovation
Research Organisation	KHAN-I fund

# **Framework Collaboration Partners**



Agreement signed with 20 research institutions



**Ce–M–M–** Research Center for Molecular Medicine of the Austrian Academy of Sciences

















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