



Pioneering intrabody medicines to give patients new hope

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Company

Mermaid Bio GmbH is a Munich-based biotechnology startup pioneering intrabody medicines to give patients new hope. Using intrabodies (antibodies against intracellular targets), Mermaid Bio is taking the antibody revolution to the next frontier: the inside of cells.



Products and technologies

The company combines next generation antibodies (single domain antibodies or sdAbs) together with advancements in drug delivery (mRNA and lipid nanoparticles or LNPs) to create intrabody medicines. Mermaid Bio is the first company to combine mRNA/LNP and sdAb technologies to create a viable and unique intrabody approach to therapeutics.

Strengths

The novel intrabody approach brings the unparalleled specificity and safety of antibodies to the intracellular proteome, yet it comes with significantly less risk. Intrabodies are highly modular, thus can be adjusted and improved constantly. Even though Mermaid Bio is a young company, it has already achieved significant in vitro and in vivo PoC and de-risking in part because of valuable international collaborations. One of Mermaid's key strength is attracting high value partners globally and establish long-standing, trusting relationships. A recent Walter and Eliza Hall Institute (Melbourne, Australia) investment in the company and long-standing collaboration underline Mermaid's ability to foster international relationships. Our international advisors (e.g., Prof. Barbara Conradt (UCL)), are further evidence of how MB operates without geographical limits, seeking expertise. Mermaid Bio being independent (un-associated with any institute) minimises bureaucratic hurdles and IP disputes as any discussions can be founder-led (and IP is wholly owned). This independence facilitates collaboration discussions enormously.

Target clients

Other Pharma and biotech players as well as mRNA or LNP providers. Also, regulatory and patent experts to advise us on future applications we plan to submit are of interest to Mermaid Bio. Lastly, other peer biotech startups would be of great interest to include into our network.