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## **Basis of the Group**

- → BRAIN strives to achieve breakthrough innovations based on biotechnological processes for societal problems in the areas of nutrition, health and the environment, using its own research funds and together with partners.
- → As a technology pioneer in industrial biotechnology, BRAIN participates over proportionately in the growth potential of the Bioeconomy as well as circular economy.

#### **Group business model**

BRAIN Biotech AG (formerly B·R·A·I·N Biotechnology Research and Information Network Aktiengesellschaft) is a growth company in the industrial biotechnology area with a focus on business activities in the areas of nutrition, health and the environment. A science-based product business forms the core of our strategic orientation.

The BioScience segment consists of our R&D programs for contract research conducted in partnership with industrial companies. These programs aim to make previously untapped high-performance enzymes, microbial producer organisms as well as natural substances deriving from complex biological systems usable in an industrial context. The BioScience segment is also home to our incubator. Here, deploying both our own research funds and working together with partners, we aim for breakthroughs in biotechnologically produced solutions that address a number of societal issues: nature-based food, health, and environmentally compatible production methods. The BRAIN Biotech AG website presents a full overview of these topics. The BioIndustrial segment comprises mainly the industrially scalable business with a focus on the production of enzymes, microorganisms and bioactive natural substances. By investing in its own fermentation capacities, the BRAIN Group has expanded its value chain in this segment.

The targets in terms of a "bioeconomy" are to replace chemical-industrial processes with innovative, resource-conserving bio-based processes, as well as to establish new processes and products. The BRAIN Group utilizes biotechnological processes in its production.

#### Management system

BRAIN's financial control parameters include revenue and adjusted EBITDA¹. In the company's view, revenue appropriately reflects the Group's overall financial performance during the respective reporting period. Adjusted EBITDA appears to better reflect the Group's sustainable earnings than EBITDA, as it excludes exceptional items. Adjusted EBITDA is calculated by eliminating expenses from the share-based payments of BRAIN Biotech AG, acquisition and integration costs from the BRAIN Group's expansion and other income from the gain on a bargain purchase. In the previous year, expenses from the realignment of the Management Board as well as one-time employee benefits to mitigate the additional burden from the coronavirus crisis were also eliminated.

As key non-financial indicators, the company refers to milestones achieved in the context of cooperation agreements and option exercises. The number of milestones reached and exclusive options exercised serves as an important measure of the technological targets achieved in the

strategic industrial partnerships, and consequently of BRAIN's technology expertise. The management metrics underlying the planning and steering are calculated based on International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS).

#### Research and development

Biotechnology research and the development of biotechnology processes and products represent an important expertise, and form the foundation of the Group's business activities. As early as 1999, BRAIN applied proprietary metagenome technologies in order to develop production organisms, enzyme products and genetic libraries. BRAIN's portfolio today consists of various patented special technologies, as reflected in the patent portfolio. This includes the BRAIN-Engineered-Cas (BEC), a molecular biology technology developed and submitted for Patent by BRAIN for the targeted and precise modification of DNA. For this purpose, nucleases (special enzymes) are utilized as so-called "gene scissors". BRAIN is also active in the areas of wound healing as well as green and urban mining. Here, BRAIN, together with its partners, reached an important milestone, such as entering the clinical trials phase with the wound debridement enzyme Aurase.

BRAIN's proprietary BioArchive includes around 53,000 comprehensively characterized microorganisms, isolated natural substances, chassis microorganism strains to develop production organisms, as well as genetic libraries encompassing new enzymes and metabolic pathways. The assets of subsidiary AnalytiCon Discovery GmbH, Potsdam, include a unique collection of pure natural materials and semisynthetic substances based on natural material building blocks. These collections aggregated within the BioArchive are being expanded in ongoing projects, enabling the identification of hitherto uncharacterized enzymes and natural substances, and new access to biodiversity that has not proved cultivatable to date.

Expenses for research and development amounted to €5.4 million in the 2020/21 financial year, compared with €5.8 million in the 2019/20 financial year. This corresponds to 14% of revenue in the 2020/21 financial year, after 15% in the previous financial year. Investments in research and development in the 2020/21 financial year mainly include expenses to develop various products (such as new sweeteners and processes to extract biological metal from waste and byproduct flows, as well as the new BEC genome editing technology) at the sites in Zwingenberg and Potsdam. Research and development expenses include €0.5 million of third-party services (previous year: €1.3 million).

The Group currently employs 184 people in research and development functions (previous year: 180).

<sup>1</sup> Earnings before interest, tax, depreciation

## **Economic and business report**

- → BRAIN Group revenues increased to €38.4 million in the financial year 2020/21.
- → EBITDA and net loss were significantly reduced.

#### Macroeconomic and sector-related conditions

In a global economic environment that proved to be challenging and volatile overall, where risks to global economic growth intensified due to the challenges posed by the continued spread of the coronavirus pandemic as well as supply chain constraints, overall conditions for industrial biotechnology continued to be positive in the 2020/21 financial year, which was partly reflected in a higher level of financing volumes for biotech companies in Germany in 2020.

Markets for biotechnology products and processes frequently differ in their trends from those for conventional products within the same application areas. Such markets often exhibit a faster growth dynamic. Further, the trend towards more sustainable and healthier lifestyles has also been increasingly evident in recent years, which is highly relevant for BRAIN's developments.

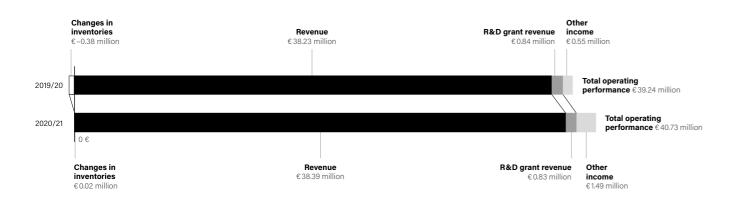
While sales growth in the therapies and diagnostics sector is high in absolute terms, industrial biotechnology also recorded growth. Along with substituting petrochemical-based products, sector research and development activities focus on biological solutions for sugar and salt substitutes as well as alternative protein sources.

Deutscher Biotechnologie Report 2021, EY.
 Cf. Nature.com, "Financing breaks all records in 2020".

4 Bio Deutschland survey 2021 of 20 April 2021 "Germany's biotech sector experiences record growth"

5 Biotechnologie Jahrbuch 2021, Biocom.

#### FIGURE 04.1 COMPOSITION OF TOTAL OPERATING PERFORMANCE



#### 2 Business progress

TABELLE 04.1 EXTRACT FROM THE STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

| € thousand                             | 2020/21 | 2019/20 |
|--|---------|---------|
| Revenue                                | 38,389  | 38,225  |
| Research and development grant revenue | 833     | 839     |
| Changes in inventories                 | 23      | -378    |
| Other income                           | 1,486   | 552     |
| Total operating performance            | 40,731  | 39,238  |
| EBITDA                                 | -2,533  | -3,876  |
| Adjusted EBITDA                        | -2,089  | -2,018  |
| EBIT                                   | -6,548  | -8,229  |
| Net financial result                   | 2,271   | -1,715  |
| Pretax loss for the reporting period   | -4,276  | -9,944  |
| Net loss for the reporting period      | -4,680  | -9,017  |
| Earnings per share (in €)              | -0.25   | -0.52   |
|  |         |         |

The revenue of the BRAIN Group grew to €38.4 million in the 2020/21 financial year. Compared with the previous year (€38.2 million), this represents an increase of 0.4%. On an organic basis – in other words, excluding the acquisition of Biosun Biochemicals Inc., Tampa, USA – revenue decreased by 5.2%. This decline reflects both a lower level of project business in the BioScience segment, which was down by 22.1%, as well as organic growth in BioIndustrial segment's product business.

The focus of revenue was on Germany (c. 18%, previous year: c. 23% of total revenue), the USA (c. 23%, previous year: c. 19%), the Netherlands (c. 13%, previous year: c. 7%), the UK (c. 10%, previous year: c. 11%) as well as France (c. 8%, previous year: c. 13%). Revenue in Germany decreased to €8.9 million (previous year: €9.1 million). International revenue remained constant compared to the previous year (€29.3 million).

At €0.8 million, research and development grant revenue was unchanged compared with the previous year (€0.8 million).

Changes in inventories (€ 0.0 million) were higher than in the previous year (€ –0.4 million). In the BioScience segment, the change in inventories decreased from € –0.2 million in the previous year to € –0.1 million. The change in inventories in the BioIndustrial segment increased from € –0.2 million in the previous year to € 0.1 million. The increase in inventories in the BioIndustrial segment is mainly due to the revenue growth. Other income increased by € 0.9 million year-on-year to € 1.5 million. This includes € 0.9 million from a gain on a bargain purchase.

At € 40.7 million, the total operating performance deriving from the aforementioned developments was 3.8 % up on the previous year (€ 39.2 million). In the 2020/21 financial year, a total of ten milestones were achieved and exclusivity options exercised (previous year: 13). The milestones reached and exclusivity options exercised relate to different cooperation partners.

#### 3 Results of operations

In the past financial year, adjusted EBITDA remained stable at € –2.1 million compared to € –2.0 million in the previous year.

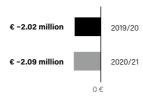
As in the previous year, EBITDA was influenced by various non-operating effects, for which adjustments have been made. These include acquisition and integration costs, expenses for share-based compensation schemes and other income from a gain on a bargain purchase. In the previous year, additional costs were adjusted in connection with the realignment of the Management Board as well as a one-off support paid to employees to mitigate the additional burden of the coronavirus crisis.

The following table shows the reconciliation of reported EBITDA to adjusted EBITDA, excluding the income and expenses described above:

TABLE 04.2 RECONCILIATION OF REPORTED EBITDA TO ADJUSTED EBITDA

| € thousand  | 2020/21 | 2019/20 |
|---|---------|---------|
| EBITDA, including:  | -2,533  | -3,876  |
| Gain on bargain purchase  | 858     | 0       |
| Personnel expenses from share-based payment components  | -989    | -629    |
| Other operating expenses related to M&A transactions and the integration of acquired businesses       | -313    | -222    |
| Personnel expenses in connection with the realignment of the Management Board, as well as coronavirus | 0       | -692    |
| One-off support payment to employees to mitigate additional burdens caused by the coronavirus crisis  | 0       | -138    |
| Other expenses in connection with the realignment of the Management Board                             | 0       | -177    |
| Adjusted EBITDA   | -2,089  | -2,018  |
| Adjusted EBITDA   | -2,089  | -2,0    |





The adjustments relate to personnel expenses as well as other expenses and other income.

In line with the higher revenue, the cost of materials also increased by 1.2% from €16.6 million to €16.8 million. As a consequence, the ratio of cost of materials to revenue rose slightly from 43.6% to 43.9%. Third-party services within the BRAIN Group decreased by 38.1% to €1.6 million. Third-party services were purchased mainly from universities, companies with production expertise, and other technology firms.

Compared to the previous year, personnel expenses increased by 2.3 % from €19.1 million to €19.5 million. This was mainly due to higher wages and salaries, as well as the BRAIN Group's share-based compensation. The personnel expense ratio increased from 50.1% to 50.8 %.

At € 6.9 million (previous year: € 7.3 million), other expenses were below the previous year's level, which was partly due to a decrease in travel expenses as a result of the pandemic. Savings were also achieved, particularly in relation to legal and consulting costs.

As a consequence of the aforementioned effects, unadjusted EBITDA improved from  $\[ \in \]$  -3.9 million to  $\[ \in \]$  -2.5 million.

EBIT also increased year-on-year from € -8.2 million to € -6.5 million.

The net financial result improved from € –1.7 million to € 2.3 million following the positive effect of the subsequent revaluation of the financial liabilities in connection with put option rights relating to the Biocatalysts Group. This was offset by a budgeted negative result from the equity accounted interest in SolasCure Ltd, Cardiff, UK.

As a consequence, the pretax result improved from € –9.9 million to € –4.3 million.

The loss after taxes amounted to € –4.7 million (previous year: € –9.0 million). Of this amount, € –5.0 million is attributable to the shareholders of BRAIN Biotech AG.

Overall, the revenue and adjusted EBITDA trends were not fully in line with our forecast (see also the detailed forecast report in this Group management report).

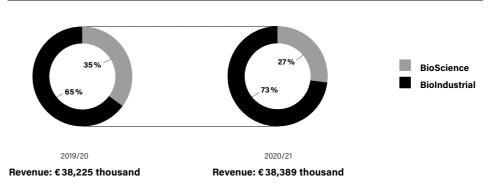
The operating segments report the following results:

TABLE 04.3 SEGMENT SHARE OF REVENUE

|               | 2020/21 | 2019/20 |
|---------------|---------|---------|
| BioScience    | 27%     | 35%     |
| BioIndustrial | 73%     | 65%     |

FIGURE 04.3 SEGMENT SHARE OF REVENUE

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#### **BioScience segment**

The BioScience segment mainly includes research and development business with industrial partners, and the company's own research and development.

TABLE 04.4 BIOSCIENCE SEGMENT

| € thousand                                | 2020/21 | 2019/20 |
|---|---------|---------|
| Revenue                                   | 10,313  | 13,230  |
| Research and development grant revenue    | 772     | 687     |
| Changes in inventories                    | -114    | -222    |
| Other income                              | 574     | 267     |
| Total operating performance               | 11,545  | 13,962  |
| Cost of materials                         | -2,431  | -3,521  |
| Personnel expenses                        | -12,123 | -13,011 |
| Other expenses                            | -3,193  | -3,650  |
| EBITDA                                    | -6,202  | -6,219  |
| Adjusted EBITDA                           | -5,377  | -4,541  |
| Depreciation, amortization and impairment | -1,287  | -1,344  |
| EBIT                                      | -7,489  | -7,564  |

Revenue in the BioScience segment was down by 22.1%, from €13.2 million to €10.3 million. This decrease is mainly due to some larger projects reaching their planned end-phase as well as delays in the completion of new and follow-up projects in the Tailor-Made Solutions area (research and development partnerships). Research and development grant revenue remained constant at €0.8 million compared to €0.7 million in the previous year. As a consequence, total operating performance reduced by €2.4 million year-on-year to €11.5 million.

Segment adjusted EBITDA decreased from  $\ensuremath{\mathfrak{e}}$  –4.5 million to  $\ensuremath{\mathfrak{e}}$  –5.4 million. The reduction is due to the effects described above, although cost savings partially counteracted the lower revenue level.

#### **BioIndustrial segment**

The BioIndustrial segment consists mainly of the Group's industrially scaled product business.

TABLE 04.5 BIOINDUSTRIAL SEGMENT

| € thousand                                | 2020/21 | 2019/20 |
|---|---------|---------|
| Revenue                                   | 28,236  | 25,081  |
| Research and development grant revenue    | 61      | 152     |
| Changes in inventories                    | 137     | -157    |
| Other income                              | 939     | 294     |
| Total operating performance               | 29,373  | 25,371  |
| Cost of materials                         | -14,565 | -13,184 |
| Personnel expenses                        | -7,388  | -6,136  |
| Other expenses                            | -3,745  | -3,702  |
| EBITDA                                    | 3,676   | 2,348   |
| Adjusted EBITDA                           | 3,295   | 2,528   |
| Depreciation, amortization and impairment | -2,727  | -3,008  |
| EBIT                                      | 948     | -660    |

In line with revenue growth, the segment's total operating performance also reported growth of 15.8%, from &25.4 million in the previous year to &29.4 million. Other income includes &0.9 million income from a gain on a bargain purchase.

Segment adjusted EBITDA grew from €2.5 million to €3.3 million. This is mainly due to the higher revenue level.

#### 4 Net assets and financial position

#### TABLE 04.6 EXTRACT FROM THE BALANCE SHEET

| €thousand                         | 30.09.2021 | 30.09.2020 |
|-----------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Non-current assets                |            |            |
| Intangible assets                 | 13,531     | 13,271     |
| Property, plant and equipment     | 24,291     | 24,470     |
| Other non-current assets          | 801        | 1,326      |
|                                   | 38,623     | 39,067     |
| Current assets                    |            |            |
| Other current assets              | 14,362     | 13,808     |
| Other financial assets            | 207        | 332        |
| Cash and cash equivalents         | 24,545     | 18,943     |
|                                   | 39,114     | 33,083     |
| ASSETS                            | 77707      | 70.150     |
| ASSETS                            | 77,737     | 72,150     |
| Equity                            | 41,828     | 26,143     |
| Non-current liabilities           |            |            |
| Non-current financial liabilities | 17,669     | 27,320     |
| Other non-current liabilities     | 6,907      | 6,330      |
|                                   | 24,575     | 33,650     |
| Current liabilities               |            |            |
| Current financial liabilities     | 2,649      | 3,277      |
| Other current liabilities         | 8,686      | 9,079      |
|                                   | 11,335     | 12,357     |
|                                   |            |            |

The changes in the net assets and capital structure in the 2020/21 financial year are mainly due to a capital increase from authorized capital in September 2021 and the negative net result for the year.

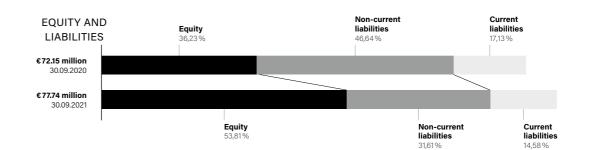
Non-current assets decreased from € 39.1 million to € 38.6 million.

Current assets increased from € 33.1 million to € 39.1 million. This was due, in particular, to the increase in cash and cash equivalents from €18.9 million to €24.5 million.

Equity increased from  $\[ \le 26.1 \]$  million to  $\[ \le 41.8 \]$  million. This increase of  $\[ \le 15.7 \]$  million reflects the net effect of the capital increase from authorized capital of  $\[ \le 19.1 \]$  million and the negative total comprehensive income. The equity ratio stood at 53.8% as of the end of the financial year (previous year: 36.2%).

#### FIGURE 04.4 BALANCE SHEET STRUCTURE





As at the 30 September 2021 balance sheet date, the company reports authorized capital of  $\[ \in \]$  3,972,273 and conditional capital of  $\[ \in \]$  1,986,136 (conditional capital to satisfy warrant and conversion rights when issuing bonds with warrants and/or convertible bonds), as well as an amount of  $\[ \in \]$  1,805,578 (conditional capital to satisfy option rights from issuing stock options).

Non-current liabilities decreased by €9.1 million to €24.6 million as at 30 September 2021. This reduction is mainly due to the payment of put option liabilities in the amount of €4.6 million to non-controlling shareholders of Biocatalysts Ltd. as well as finance income from a positive revaluation effect from the liability, which is presented in the financial result.

Current liabilities decreased from €12.4 million to €11.3 million, whereby the change is mainly due to the scheduled repayment of put option liabilities relating to AnalytiCon Discovery GmbH, Potsdam. This is offset by an increase in trade payables of €0.7 million.

Financial management at BRAIN mainly entails securing the necessary liquidity to finance the attainment of the company's objectives and to meet payment obligations at all times. Such financial management includes deploying various financing instruments such as loans and leasing.

The financial liabilities are predominantly denominated in euros and pounds sterling. In addition to silent partnerships, the interest-bearing financial liabilities mainly consist of loans from financial institutions with a fixed nominal interest rate of between 1.15% and 6.10%, as well as liabilities for the potential acquisition of company shares from the exercise of put options. Of the interest-bearing loans,  $\[ \in \]$ 1.2 million have a remaining term of up to one year,  $\[ \in \]$ 2.2 million a remaining term of more than one year and up to five years, and  $\[ \in \]$ 1.2 million a remaining term of more than five years.

The debt-to-equity ratio decreased from 63.8% in the previous year to 46.2% as at 30 September 2021 in the context of the aforementioned parameters. Total assets increased from €72.2 million as at 30 September 2020 to €77.7 million as at 30 September 2021.

#### Investments

The focus of investments in the current financial year was on the expansion of production capacities in the UK. Accordingly, capital expenditure concentrated on property, plant and equipment at  $\in$  1.2 million, compared with  $\in$  2.8 million in the previous year.

#### Liquidity

TABLE 04.7 EXTRACT FROM THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT

| € thousand                              | 2020/21 | 2019/20 |
|---|---------|---------|
| Gross cash flow                         | -5,327  | -6,056  |
| Cash flow from operating activities     | -3,906  | -4,767  |
| Cash flow from investing activities     | -2,180  | -4,469  |
| Cash flow from financing activities     | 11,572  | 13,093  |
| Net change in cash and cash equivalents | 5,485   | 3,857   |

The gross cash flow of the BRAIN Group amounted to  $\bigcirc$ -5.3 million in the 2020/2021 financial year compared with  $\bigcirc$ -6.1 million in the previous year. Cash flow from operating activities decreased from  $\bigcirc$ -4.8 million to  $\bigcirc$ -3.9 million in the current financial year.

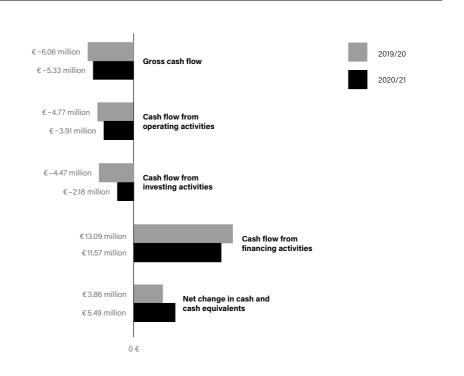
Cash flow from investing activities amounted to  $\in$  -2.2 million in the current financial year compared with  $\in$  -4.5 million in the previous year, and mainly reflects additions to property, plant and equipment, and a capital increase at an equity-accounted company.

Cash flow from financing activities amounted to €11.6 million, and derives from a capital increase from authorized capital in the amount of €19.1 million, as well as the net repayment of financial liabilities.

The individual cash flows led to an increase in cash and cash equivalents of  $\in$  5.5 million compared with  $\in$  3.9 million in the previous year.

In the Management Board's assessment, no restrictions exist that can limit the availability of cash and/or capital.

#### FIGURE 04.5 PRESENTATION OF THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT



#### 5 Employees

The number of employees reports the following changes:

TABLE 04.8 NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES

|                           | 2020/21 | 2019/20 |
|---------------------------|---------|---------|
| Total employees, of which | 288     | 279     |
| Salaried employees        | 264     | 253     |
| Industrial employees      | 25      | 25      |

The BRAIN Group also employs scholarships/grant holders (3, previous year: 6), temporary employees (12, previous year: 14) and trainees (8, previous year: 7).

#### 6 Overall statement on business progress

In the Management Board's view, in the past financial year BRAIN achieved some important successes in terms of the development of the company and progress in the incubator pipeline.

The instruments for managing the Group, the subsidiaries and the projects were considerably strengthened and expanded on a business-related basis. A Groupwide training program, the BRAINway program, was introduced to strengthen the corporate culture, the focus on commercial success, and the personal development of the employees.

In terms of research, BRAIN successfully advanced some of its own development projects in the current financial year. The Salt Taste 1.0 and Natural Fermented Beverage 1 projects are about to be launched on the market by our partners. In the natural sugar substitutes area, we signed a commercial development agreement for Brazzein with our partner Roquette. Clinical studies have commenced in the Woundcare/Aurase area. We were particularly pleased to strengthen our incubator pipeline with two projects offering commercial potential: BRAIN-Engineered-Cas (BEC), as well as the newly discovered bradykinin receptor antagonist PHA121 as a treatment option for hereditary angioedema (HAE).

The economic environment continued to be characterized by uncertainty, including as a consequence of the ongoing coronavirus pandemic, and BRAIN also experienced declining demand in product areas such as enzymes for the production of bioethanol and for wine processing. New business acquisition in contract research also proved challenging due to restrictions on contacts. Overall, however, our products business was also above the previous year's level in organic terms. With the exception of the subsidiary WeissBioTech GmbH, Ascheberg, which is currently undergoing a reorganization, all subsidiaries in the BioIndustrial area achieved revenue growth. The acquisition of a further non-controlling interest of 16.67 percentage points in Biocatalysts Ltd. further strengthened our influence over this commercially very important subsidiary. With the acquisition of Biosun Biochemicals Inc., the BRAIN Group expanded its activities in the US market.

As far as the Group's financial position and performance is concerned, the Management Board is of the opinion that the overall picture is positive, as the Group achieved a stable revenue level, as well as improved, albeit still negative, EBITDA, despite the generally weak economic environment.

We continued to push ahead with measures to strengthen our business activities with the aim of achieving sustainable and profitable revenue growth. This includes addressing cost and revenue synergies within the Group, a further streamlining of our corporate organization accompanied by clear definition of responsibilities, stringent project controlling of the new business development pipeline, and initiatives to achieve general cost savings.

Above and beyond this, for the Management Board the continued high level of investments in research and development in relation to revenue represents an indicator and basis for BRAIN's future potentials. The Group holds a position of cash and cash equivalents of €24.5 million as at 30 September 2021, and reports a 53.8% equity ratio. A successful capital increase in September 2021 led to a net cash inflow of approximately €19 million and strengthened our financial flexibility. In the Management Board's opinion, this signifies that the prerequisites to participate in the potential offered by growing bioeconomy markets remain in place.

Overall, and on the basis of the developments outlined above, the Management Board of BRAIN Biotech AG continues to assess the course of business and the Group's net assets and financial positions as positive as of the reporting date.

## **Compensation report**

The compensation report has been prepared according to the statutory regulations of the German Commercial Code (HGB), and taking into consideration the recommendations listed in the German Corporate Governance Code (DCGK). The following sections present the basic elements of the compensation scheme for the Management and Supervisory board members, explain the structure of the compensation and salaries of individual Management and Supervisory board members, and report the level of compensation paid to Management and Supervisory board members.

The compensation scheme was approved by the Annual General Meeting on 10 March 2021.

#### 1 Management Board compensation

#### Compensation scheme

The compensation scheme for the Management Board is oriented towards the company's positive overall financial and business performance in the medium to long term. The Management Board members' overall compensation consequently includes various elements, and consists at present of fixed basic compensation, a performance-based bonus, long-term incentives through an equity option program as well as individually agreed pension commitments, expenses of a provident nature, insurance contributions, and other ancillary benefits.

When setting overall compensation and the individual compensation elements, the Supervisory Board has taken into consideration the company's financial position and business prospects, as well as its compensation structure. For the individual Management Board members, the Supervisory Board has differentiated according to function, areas of responsibility, qualification and personal performance. Where such data and information was available, information about compensation at other companies within the same sector, or competing with the company, was taken into consideration as a further criterion.

The agreements relating to compensation are included in the Management Board members' service contracts. The contractual duration corresponds in each case to the period of office for which the respective Management Board members have been appointed. The service contracts are fixed for this period and cannot be terminated on an ordinary basis.

#### Notes concerning individual compensation components

#### Fixed compensation

Each Management Board member receives a basic fixed salary that is agreed as fixed cash compensation drawn in relation to the financial year, and paid out in twelve equal monthly instalments.

Basic compensation for the Management Board Chair amounts to 68% of target compensation (€957 thousand) taking into consideration a capped performance-related bonus for 100% target attainment, and for the remaining Management Board members 75% of target compensation (€618 thousand) taking into consideration a capped performance-related bonus for 100% target attainment.

#### Current variable performance-related remuneration (profit shares)

The variable, performance-related compensation is granted in cash and is related to one financial year in each case if the Management Board member has achieved the respective predefined targets (parameters of performance-related compensation include both financial and strategic performance targets) in the respective financial year. The financial performance targets relate to an improvement in (i) organic growth, (ii) EBITDA and (iii) cash flow, in each case in relation to the Group; the strategic performance targets are defined as (i) projects for the Group's strategic further development and (ii) the successful commercialization of the project development pipeline. The annual bonus level is contractually arranged for each Management Board member for the duration of their service contract. All five performance targets are initially considered individually and then weighted equally in relation to each other (20% each) when measuring the variable compensation. In the event of target achievement from 100 % to 200 %, the share of the variable compensation for the respective performance target increases in accordance with the contractual provisions to the corresponding extent up to a maximum of 200 % of the agreed pro rata compensation amount. If the defined performance targets are not met or not met in full, the share of the variable compensation for the respective performance target is reduced to 0 % if necessary.

If the fixed amount bonus is awarded, variable cash compensation for the Management Board Chair (CEO) reaches an amount equivalent to 32% of target total compensation, and for the remaining Management Board members an amount equivalent to 25% of target total compensation. If the Supervisory Board increases the fixed amount bonus at its discretion, variable cash compensation for the Management Board Chair (CEO) reaches a maximum of 65% of target total compensation, and for the other Management Board members a maximum of 51% of target total compensation.

#### Share-based compensation (stock options)

For information on share-based compensation, please refer to the relevant section in the notes to the consolidated financial statements.

#### Pension commitments, expenses of a provident nature and insurance contributions

The Management Board members' service contracts include the following regulations in relation to pensions and surviving dependents' benefits. The company pays amounts into a pension fund or private pension insurance for its Management Board members. Instead of paying into a pension fund or private pension insurance, these amounts can also be paid out as a salary at the request of the Management Board members. In the case of death, the relatives of a deceased Management Board member receive a one-off payment equivalent to 50% of total compensation granted to the deceased Management Board member in the current financial year at the time of death, pursuant to related standard contractual regulations.

The company has concluded invalidity insurance policies for the Management Board members for the duration of their service contracts, with the related premiums being paid by the company. The company also grants Management Board members allowances for private health insurance and social security.

#### **Discontinued employment commitments**

In the event of the early termination of their Management Board activities, Management

Board members do not receive any payments and/or ancillary benefits that exceed the value of two years' compensation (severance payment cap) or that compensate more than the remaining term of the employment contract. If the employment contract is terminated for an exceptional reason for which the Management Board member concerned is responsible, the Management Board member will not receive any payments. The severance payment cap is calculated on the basis of the total compensation for the past financial year and, if applicable, the expected total compensation for the current financial year.

No benefits were promised or granted by a third party to any member of the Management Board for their activities.

## Further information about the compensation scheme and Section 120a (4) of the German Stock Corporation Act (AktG)

The compensation scheme and the currently applicable Management Board contracts do not include any so-called claw-back provisions.

The maximum compensation provided for in the compensation scheme for the members of the Management Board was complied with.

The company is not obligated to vote on the approval of a compensation report until the Annual General Meeting in the 2022/23 financial year, as a consequence of which no resolution pursuant to Section 120a (4) AktG has been submitted to date.

#### Future structure of the compensation scheme

The Supervisory Board is considering further developing the compensation scheme. The focus is on the instances of divergence from the German Corporate Governance Code (DCGK) published in the statement of conformity (December 2021).

#### **Scope of Management Board compensation**

For the 2020/21 financial year, the Management Board was granted total compensation of €1,575 thousand, as calculated based on the German Commercial Code (HGB). The corresponding figure for the previous year stood at €1,335 thousand.

The compensation granted for the 2020/21 financial year based on commercial law regulations is summarized in the following overview.

## TABLE 04.9 MANAGEMENT BOARD COMPENSATION BASED ON COMMERCIAL LAW REGULATIONS

| € thousand  | Adriaan Moelker  | Lukas Linnig     | Total |
|---|------------------|------------------|-------|
| Performance-based components                                    |                  |                  |       |
| Fixed salary  | 420 <sup>6</sup> | 235 <sup>7</sup> | 655   |
| Performance-based components without long-term incentive effect |                  |                  |       |
| Profit share and bonus  | 200              | 80               | 280   |
| Performance-based components with long-term incentive effect    |                  |                  |       |
| Share-based compensation (ESOP)                                 | 337              | 303              | 640   |
| Total compensation  | 957              | 618              | 1,575 |

<sup>6</sup> Fixed compensation of €350 thousand plus payment of a pension contribution of €70 thousand.
7 Fixed compensation of €200 thousand

plus payment of a pension contribution of € 35 thousand.

#### **Compensation of former members of the Management Board**

For the former members of the Management Board, Dr. Holger Zinke and Dr. Jürgen Eck, defined contribution pension commitments exist which, in the event of termination of the employment relationship before the contractual retirement age is reached, effectively convert into a defined benefit commitment. No further pension commitments to other members of the Management Board exist.

The present value of the total obligation from pension commitments, calculated in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), for both former members of the Management Board amounted to €5,250 thousand as at the reporting date (previous year: €5,557 thousand).

The pension value (present value of the overall obligation) according to the accounting regulations of the German Commercial Code (HGB) amounted to  $\le$  4,330 thousand (previous year:  $\le$  3,867 thousand).

## Reporting compensation in accordance with the recommendations of the German Corporate Governance Code

The following overview shows which benefit contributions were granted or accrued to the members of the Management Board of BRAIN Biotech AG for 2020/21 and for the previous year.

Adriaan Moelker, CEO

3,820

420

#### TABLE 04.10 MANAGEMENT BOARD COMPENSATION

#### Received Granted 2020/21 2019/20 2020/21 2019/20 2020/21 (max.) 2020/21 (min.) Fixed compensation 420 280 420 280 420 420 Total 420 280 420 280 420 420 Variable compensation (one-year) 233 233 200 200 400 0 Share-based compensation (ESOP 0 337 279 3,000 0 2018/2019) Total 620 513 957 792 3,820 420 Pension expense 0

## Total compensation 620 513 957 792 Lukas Linnig, CFO (since 1 October 2020)

|   | Received | <u> </u> |         | Granted |                |                |  |  |
|---|----------|----------|---------|---------|----------------|----------------|--|--|
| € thousand                                | 2020/21  | 2019/20  | 2020/21 | 2019/20 | 2020/21 (max.) | 2020/21 (min.) |  |  |
| Fixed compensation                        | 235      | -        | 235     | -       | 235            | 235            |  |  |
| Total                                     | 235      | -        | 235     | -       | 235            | 235            |  |  |
| Variable compensation (one-year)          | 0        | -        | 80      | _       | 80             | 0              |  |  |
| Share-based compensation (ESOP 2018/2019) | 0        | -        | 303     | -       | 3,000          | 0              |  |  |
| Total                                     | 235      | -        | 618     | -       | 3,315          | 235            |  |  |
| Pension expense                           | 0        | -        | 0       | _       | 0              | 0              |  |  |
| Total compensation                        | 235      | -        | 618     | -       | 3,315          | 235            |  |  |
|   |          |          |         |         |                |                |  |  |

#### **Supervisory Board compensation**

Pursuant to the company's bylaws, the Supervisory Board members receive annual compensation of €15,000. The Supervisory Board Chair receives twice this amount, and the Deputy Supervisory Board Chair receives one and a half times this amount. Committee chairs also receive further annual compensation of €15,000. All Supervisory Board members receive a meeting fee of €1,000 for each meeting of the Supervisory Board and Committees they attend.

The Supervisory Board members are included in the D&O (directors & officers) insurance cover (asset loss liability insurance) which the company has taken out for its directors, and whose premiums the company pays. Above and beyond this, the company has taken out asset loss liability insurance cover for securities issues ("IPO insurance") without deductibles for the Supervisory Board members as part of the IPO, whose costs the company bears.

The following table shows the cash compensation of the Supervisory Board for the 2020/21 financial year:

TABLE 04.11 CASH COMPENSATION OF THE SUPERVISORY BOARD

| Supervisory Board members                      | Fixed compensation | Allowance for special functions | Meeting fees | Total compensation |
|--|--------------------|---------------------------------|--------------|--------------------|
| Dr. Georg Kellinghusen                         | 30                 | 15                              | 21           | 66                 |
| Dr. Anna C. Eichhorn                           | 23                 | 15                              | 15           | 52                 |
| Dr. Michael Majerus                            | 15                 | 15                              | 21           | 51                 |
| Prof. Dr. Bernhard Hauer                       | 15                 | 0                               | 13           | 28                 |
| Stephen Catling <sup>8</sup>                   | 14                 | 0                               | 17           | 31                 |
| Prof. Dr. Wiltrud<br>Treffenfeldt <sup>9</sup> | 14                 | 0                               | 14           | 28                 |
| Total  | 111                | 45                              | 101          | 256                |

#### Shares held by the Management and Supervisory boards

As at 30 September 2021, the Management Board members held 13,000 ordinary shares of BRAIN Biotech AG and the Supervisory Board members held 20,000 ordinary shares of BRAIN Biotech AG.

For the information about authorization of the Management Board to issue shares, please refer to the remarks about "Authorized Capital" and "Conditional Capital" in the section "Takeover-relevant information pursuant to Section 315a HGB".

<sup>8</sup> Since 14 October 2020 9 Since 14 October 2020

## **Events after the reporting date**

No significant events or developments of material importance to the company's financial position and performance have occurred since the 30 September 2021 balance sheet date.

## **Outlook**

Given the high-growth dynamic of markets for biotechnological products and processes, BRAIN assumes that positive conditions for the future will prevail overall. As a technology company active in the industrial biotechnology sector, BRAIN regards itself as in a position to contribute significant added value for industrial partners, as well as in the context of its own research and development.

The original expectation of a positive business trend during the current financial year, including growth in revenue and a continued negative, albeit better, adjusted EBITDA, was achieved in full in the past financial year. Revenue increased by 0.4%. On an organic basis, however, revenue was down by 5.2%. Adjusted EBITDA reduced by €0.2 million year-on-year to €-2.1 million.

For the 2021/22 financial year, the Management Board anticipates a business trend reflecting significant revenue growth and also considerably further improved, albeit continued negative, adjusted EBITDA result at Group level. Investments in the area of the novel genome editing tool (BRAIN-Engineered-CAS) are shown separately in this forecast and do not form part of this forecast. In the area of the novel genome editing tool, the company forecasts R&D expenses in the mid seven-figure range, without significant revenues in the first year. A further improved, positive EBITDA result is expected for the BioIndustrial segment, and a continued negative adjusted EBITDA result for the BioScience segment. In the BioIndustrial segment, the company is confident that it will remain its revenue growth path with continued rising, positive adjusted EBITDA in connection with the expansion of the product business. In the BioScience segment, a maximum of single-digit percentage revenue growth is expected thanks to the new business development pipeline and the cooperation business, as described above.

Milestones and option drawings were realized as expected although below last year's level (10 in the current financial year; 13 in the previous year). An unchanged number of milestones is anticipated for the following year. Research and development expenses in the current financial year were below the previous year's level. A similarly high level of research and development expenses is expected for the coming financial year.

As in the previous year, these forecasts are based on the assumption that macroeconomic and sector-related conditions for industrial biotechnology in 2021/22 develop further as described in the section entitled "Macroeconomic and sector-related conditions", that potential projects are not discontinued on an unscheduled basis, and that new cooperation partners can be acquired for new projects. This forecast is also based on the assumptions that the continuing spread of the coronavirus pandemic will not have a significant impact on BRAIN's planned revenue growth and associated earnings improvements, and that an increasing interest in sustainable products will continue to prevail among the general public.

## Report on risks and opportunities

- → BRAIN has established efficient instruments and processes to identify risks at an early stage and take suitable countermeasures.
- → BRAIN's risk management system includes systematic identification, documentation, assessment, control and ongoing monitoring of all relevant risks.

#### 1 Risk management at BRAIN Biotech AG

#### Introduction

Identifying opportunities and avoiding risks are the determinants of any corporate business strategy. BRAIN Biotech AG ("BRAIN") endeavors to identify new opportunities and exploit them successfully for its business. At the same time, business success is impossible without consciously assuming risks.

The aim is to sustainably grow the company's value through tapping opportunities, while considering the risks entailed. The systematic handling of risks and opportunities with the help of the risk management system forms part of corporate activity and an element of management steering. BRAIN Biotech AG forms part of a growth industry characterized by constant change and progress, hence our focus on weighing opportunities against risks. It is crucial for BRAIN that opportunities be identified and managed to success, in order to thereby sustainably improve competitiveness and secure it long-term, as well as to ascertain and minimize risks. BRAIN Biotech AG has established instruments and processes in order to identify risks at an early juncture and to promptly implement measures in order to realize opportunities in its business activities without delay. Risk and opportunities management forms part of all planning processes within BRAIN and its subsidiaries.

#### 2 Report on risks and opportunities

#### Risk Management System (RMS)

#### Features of the RMS

The focus of the RMS is on business risks, and does not also include opportunities. The operating segments and subsidiaries take opportunities into consideration based on the corporate strategy. Potential market opportunities are evaluated as part of planning processes.

BRAIN's RMS includes the systematic identification, documentation, evaluation, management and reporting as well as constant monitoring of all relevant risks. The management thereby ensures that the targets that are set are not jeopardized by risks, and establishes risk awareness within the entire Group in accordance with statutory regulations. The RMS represents an integral element in the process system within BRAIN.

In other words, risks are presented so that they continue to be monitored following implementation of countermeasures. The focus in this context is on medium and high risks, and on risks that might jeopardize the company as a going concern.

The aim of BRAIN's RMS is not only to comply with statutory regulations but also to support internal management and business security. Overall, risk awareness should be created on a Groupwide basis in accordance with statutory regulations in order to ensure responsible handling of risks and counterstrategies accordingly.

The RMS serves solely to ascertain risks within BRAIN. Opportunities are weighed and considered based on the corporate strategy, which forms a process that is integrated into planning processes. Potential opportunities are evaluated within strategy and planning processes, and compared with potential risks.

The RMS, which undergoes constant further development, has integrated previous years' experience in its identification and management of risks. The effects of the risks as presented in the following risk and opportunities report are reported as annual risks. The evaluation of the presented risks relates to the 30 September 2021 reporting date, and was prepared from a survey in the divisions shortly before the reporting date.

No relevant changes occurred after the balance sheet date.

#### Risk identification

Risks are surveyed Groupwide as part of risk identification involving all decision-makers and experts with respective responsibilities. This iterative process first surveys all risks before aggregating them within a Groupwide risk inventory and evaluating them.

#### **Risk evaluation**

Risks identified as part of a risk analysis are evaluated in terms of their likelihood of occurrence (event risk) and impact. They are categorized into risk classes ("high", "medium" and "low") by multiplying their individual impact by their respective likelihood of occurrence. The range of both likelihood and impact starts at 1 ("very low") and ends at 10 ("very high").

TABLE 04.12 LIKELIHOOD OF OCCURRING WITHIN THE NEXT TWO YEARS

| Likelihood score | Note                         |
|------------------|------------------------------|
| 0-2              | Relatively unlikely (< 15 %) |
| 3-5              | Possible (15-45%)            |
| 6-7              | Probable (45-75%)            |
| 8–10             | Very probable (> 75 %)       |

TABLE 04.13 DEGREE OF IMPACT

| Impact score | Note   | EBITDA impact            |
|--------------|--|--------------------------|
| 0-2          | Minor negative impact on next two years' forecast results of operations        | < €100 thousand          |
| 3-5          | Moderate negative impact on next two years' forecast results of operations     | up to €500 thous-<br>and |
| 6-7          | Considerable negative impact on next two years' forecast results of operations | up to €2 million         |
| 8-10         | Critical negative impact on next two years' forecast results of operations     | > €2 million             |

Impact is defined as the influencing parameter on BRAIN's forecast EBITDA.

The so-called "risk score" – an individual risk evaluation for each risk for the classification – is calculated by multiplying the likelihood of occurrence by the impact. The range for the risk score consequently starts at 1 and ends at 100.

TABLE 04.14 RISK SCORE

| Risk score    | Risk class   |
|---------------|--------------|
| 0-10 points   | Low risks    |
| 11-40 points  | Medium risks |
| 41-100 points | High risks   |

Particular attention is paid to the "high" and "medium" risk classes. The focus here is on strategies to manage such risks. The "low" risk class is monitored and reviewed quarterly. In instances of doubt, risks are allocated to a higher rather than to a lower risk class.

#### "High" risk class (risk measure above 40 points)

Risks within this class include a high likelihood of occurrence combined with a major impact on the Group.

#### "Medium" risk class (risk measure between 11 and 40 points)

Risks within this class include a low likelihood of occurrence combined with a major impact, or a high likelihood of occurrence in combination with a low impact, on the Group.

#### "Low" risk class (risk measure below 11 points)

Risks within this class include a low likelihood of occurrence combined with a minor impact on the Group.

#### Risk management and monitoring

BRAIN deploys various measures to manage risks. Active risk measures include strategies such as risk avoidance (e.g. through refraining from engaging in excessively risky activities), risk reduction (e.g. through project controlling) and risk diversification (e.g. research in different areas). Where appropriate, BRAIN also makes recourse to passive measures including either a transfer of risk (e.g. through insurance) or the conscious assumption of risks.

Identified risks are reviewed and discussed at BRAIN twice a year, enabling specific countermeasures to be implemented if required.

#### Reporting

The Management Board is informed on a half-yearly basis not only about medium and high opportunities and risks, but also about important changes in relation to their impact and likelihood of occurrence. The Management Board also receives internal ad hoc reports on significant risks that unexpectedly arise or are discovered. The Supervisory Board is informed by the Management Board where required.

#### Accounting-related internal control system

The accounting-related internal control system ("ICS") aims to appraise appropriately in financial accounting terms, and to report in full, Group business transactions in accordance with respective applicable accounting regulations. The system consists of fundamental rules and procedures, as well as a clear functional separation through the dual control principle. Especially when preparing separate financial statements, when performing the reconciliation to IFRS, as well as when performing consolidation and related standard measurement and reporting, controls exist in the form of the dual control principle. The clear separation between preparation and internal review enables BRAIN to identify deviations and errors, and ensures that information is complete.

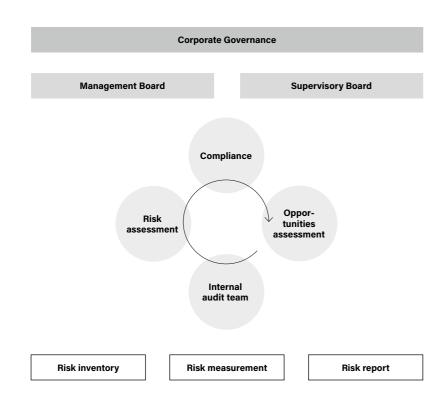
The accounting-related appraisal and recording of business transactions is implemented by the respective Group companies where such transactions occur, as a matter of principle. As an exception to this principle, BRAIN Biotech AG evaluates and records the transactions of the subsidiaries Mekon Science Networks GmbH, Zwingenberg, Germany, BRAIN US LLC, Rockville, Maryland, USA, BRAIN UK Ltd., Cardiff, UK, BRAIN UK II Ltd., Cardiff, UK, and BRAIN Capital GmbH, Zwingenberg, Germany. The subsidiaries' annual financial statements are prepared by the respective subsidiary's management. External service providers assist in the preparation of monthly and annual financial statements based on commercial law. Amendments to acts, accounting standards and other publications are monitored regularly in relation to relevance and their effect on the separate and consolidated financial statements.

Business transactions within the Group are appraised in accounting terms based on standard Group accounting guidelines. The finance department of BRAIN Biotech AG with the support of external service providers converts financial statements prepared according to commercial-law accounting standards to IFRS financial reporting standards (quarterly), and prepares the separate annual financial statements of BRAIN Biotech AG as well as the consolidated financial statements. The independent auditor appointed by the AGM audits both the separate and the consolidated annual financial statements. Significant risks for the financial accounting process are monitored and evaluated based on the risk classes specified below, and applying their individual risk classification. Requisite controls are defined and subsequently implemented.

The separate annual financial statements and the consolidated financial statements of BRAIN Biotech AG are submitted to the Supervisory Board of BRAIN Biotech AG for approval. At least one Supervisory Board member is an independent financial expert in the meaning of Section 100 (5) of the German Stock Corporation Act (AktG). The Supervisory Board's Audit Committee monitors the financial accounting process and the auditing of financial statements.

The accounting-related internal control system ensures that the financial accounting process complies with German commercial-law (HGB) regulations and International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS).

#### FIGURE 04.6 RISK MANAGEMENT SYSTEM



#### 3 Assessment of opportunities and risks in overall presentation

#### **Business-related risks**

#### **Growth risk**

Given BRAIN's planned growth and need to hold resources ready for such growth, risks exist in relation to a lower growth rate, and consequently potential negative effects on the operating result. The risk exists of having fewer customers or cooperation partners than planned. Macroeconomic trends or relationships with existing customers could deteriorate, and the markets that are to be served might diminish in terms of volume or attractiveness. This could lead to BRAIN achieving lower growth long-term or to reduced earnings. In addition, the risk exists that costs are higher than budgeted, or that developments require more time. As a consequence, BRAIN's growth could be delayed and positive operating results might not be achieved until later than planned. Higher liquidity requirements and the need to realize potential capital measures would represent a secondary risk in this context.

Compared to the previous year, the risk is estimated to be unchanged due to the continued spread of the coronavirus pandemic. This risk concerns both of BRAIN's operating segments, BioScience and BioIndustrial. This characteristic is classified as a "medium risk", as in the previous year.

#### Risks from research and development

BRAIN is a technology company, and innovations form an integral part of the BRAIN strategy. The risk always exists that research projects can be delayed (please also refer in this context to the section above entitled "Growth risk"). Milestones or research targets might not be met and biotechnology solutions might not be found. With already more than 150 research projects to date, the company has shown that it commands the expertise to deliver innovations and to tackle technical challenges. Although a predetermined technical path might often prove unfeasible, it has usually been the case in the past that other solutions to achieve the desired result have been developed. The Management Board is convinced that the company will continue to develop solutions in the future, although the risk of diminished innovative capability cannot be ruled out. As far as BRAIN's proprietary development projects are concerned, the company endeavors to minimize research pipeline risks long-term with its continuous portfolio management process at management level.

The same applies when concluding contracts with collaboration partners. Here, too, feasibility and timeframes are evaluated in detail in diversified and cross-disciplinary teams before contracts are concluded.

The resultant risk in the Tailor-Made Solutions area would at most involve a default on an outstanding milestone payment, a budget overrun, or the abandoning of an individual project. Such risk is to be largely avoided or minimized through the aforementioned evaluation.

Overall, the risk remained the same as in the previous year. As in the previous year, a "medium risk" exists here that especially relates to the BioScience segment. Indirectly, the BioIndustrial segment is affected to the extent that the products developed in the BioScience segment are generally to be sold via companies in the BioIndustrial segment.

#### Material damage to the BioArchive or research results

The Group's bioarchives are physically present mainly at BRAIN Biotech AG and at AnalytiCon Discovery GmbH. Physical loss of the archives is minimized through measures. A redundant setup exists at various locations, as well as a security concept, and staff are trained in archive handling and management.

An insurance concept also exists to cover most of the potential costs to remedy potential losses. The physical measures as well as the insurance concept undergo annual review and are updated as required in order to reduce the risk to BRAIN even further.

It remains the case that individual research results could also be destroyed by external circumstances. However, these are sufficiently covered by various measures such as emergency power supplies. Various measures to safeguard the BioArchive continued to be implemented during the past financial year. Despite the reduction in risk thanks to the measures that have been implemented, a "medium risk" exists overall, especially in relation to the BioScience segment.

#### **Product liability**

In its BioIndustrial area, BRAIN supplies products directly to customers. Accordingly, the risk also exists of being liable for such products. As the product range differs widely, the related risk is also to be appraised differently. In the area of cosmetics, as well as when delivering enzymes, defective products could entail liability cases for BRAIN's results. This risk is continuously monitored by internal and external partners. To date, no significant product liability cases have occurred.

This risk has decreased compared to the previous year and is classified as "low risk" and relates to the BioIndustrial segment.

#### **Financial risks**

Financial risks are reviewed regularly. The Group has internal guidelines to identify, investigate and evaluate financial risks at an early stage. Simultaneous comparison with planning is facilitated through monthly and quarterly written reports and ongoing communication with managers. Depending on the extent of divergences in relation to planning, BRAIN managerial functions have sufficient time to implement countermeasures. The Groupwide reporting documents for all Group areas have been further developed and improved this year.

#### Impairment of inventories/assets as well as financing risks at subsidiaries

In light of revenue and earnings growth at some subsidiaries, and the holding available of resources for expansive growth, a risk exists that losses will be incurred if the subsidiaries report lower growth. Under certain circumstances, this could lead to financing problems or financial accounting situations that might necessitate the application of impairment losses to the respective companies' intangible assets, or the application of impairment losses to tangible assets.

This concerns both operating segments, BioScience and BioIndustrial. This risk has remained the same as in the previous year and is classified as "medium risk".

#### Goodwill impairment/valuation of investments

This financial risk relates to both segments. Given unfavorable future trends, financial risks to be categorized as "medium risk" might entail impairment losses on acquired goodwill and

other intangible assets deriving from corporate acquisitions. Compared to the previous year, the risk is unchanged. Further information on this topic is presented in the section entitled "Impairment tests" in the notes to the consolidated financial statements.

#### Financing of option liabilities

As at 30 September 2021, BRAIN holds € 24.5 million of cash. BRAIN also has a €7.0 million loan facility at its disposal. The exercise date of the put options by the non-controlling shareholders of the Biocatalysts Group has a significant bearing on liquidity planning. Based on the incentivization of the non-controlling shareholders through rising EBITDA multiples and on the basis of the expected EBITDA growth, it is assumed that the exercise of the remaining shares will occur in the last possible period (1 January to 31 March 2023), so that liquidity measures must be implemented at this point in time at the latest. For example, the exercise of all option holders at the earliest possible date (1 January to 31 March 2022) would reduce liquidity by around € 3.8 million in the 2021/22 financial year. However, the cash outflow would be approximately € 0.6 million less than at the assumed exercise date. Based on the aforementioned incentivization of the non-controlling shareholders, the earlier exercise of the option rights would be uneconomical, and thereby unlikely under the assumption of rational behavior on the part of the option holder.

As in the previous year, this risk is consequently categorized overall as a "medium risk" and relates to the BioScience segment.

#### Legal risks

BRAIN generally endeavors to avoid legal risks, and has taken precautions to appraise and measure legal risks. Legal risks entailing one risk relate to litigation in the case of license licenses, matters in the regulatory law/capital market area, and relating to general litigation with international firms.

The risk always exists that legislation is amended in coming years (e.g. in fiscal, capital market or other legal regulations). The likelihood that legislation in an area changes is very high. The effects on business results cannot be estimated, although they would affect the entire industry. This would also then affect compliance rules that would need to be newly prepared.

This risk continues to be rated as a "medium risk".

#### IP risks

BRAIN is a research company whose strategy is based on a competitive intellectual property foundation. A possibility of becoming involved in significant patent litigation exists, but would presumably exert no effect on BRAIN's results. Existing patent disputes either exert only a minor effect on results, or are unlikely to lead to any material damage.

The main risk in this context would be a company claiming freedom to operate. As issued patents become ever more closely intermeshed as intellectual property assets issued internationally, it is becoming increasingly difficult to find all relevant patents in corresponding patent research. This could lead to the risk of patents not being located under certain circumstances, with the potential risk that patents might be infringed unintentionally.

This risk affects both the BioScience and BioIndustrial segments. This risk is classified as a "medium risk", as in the previous year.

#### General legal risks

Due to the increasing industrialization and internationalization of BRAIN's business, the risk of litigation with an international corporate group is also increasing. BRAIN currently appraises the probability that contractual risks will lead to litigation as low. A lawsuit would exert a negative effect on results. Quantification cannot be estimated at present as no significant litigation exists.

The Management Board of BRAIN Biotech AG endeavors to take the enhanced regulation into consideration through regular training and instruction of staff, such as in the area of compliance.

As in the previous year, all general legal risks are categorized as a "medium risk" and relate to both operating segments BioScience and BioIndustrial.

## Risks from acquiring and integrating companies and parts of companies, as well as from Brexit

Due to the past acquisition of the Biocatalysts Group, and of Biosun Chemicals Inc. in the current financial year, opportunities and risks from the acquired companies' business operations transferred to BRAIN. This risk is classified as a "low risk", as in the previous year.

The impact of Brexit was minor for BRAIN. The main effect at Biocatalysts Ltd consisted of the delayed delivery of products for export markets and delays at the customs processing. Over the course of the 2020/21 financial year, this situation improved as Biocatalysts Ltd. have been proactively informing their customers how to accelerate customs clearance, and the overall situation at the UK border has stabilized.

To date, no significant impact has arisen in relation to Brexit and none of the risks have materialized.

#### Other risks

#### Personnel

Overall, BRAIN employs trained personnel who constantly acquire further expertise in the context of the company's operating activities. Recent years' trends show that some positions can be filled only at great expense due to a lack of skilled staff, especially scientists, engineers and laboratory staff who already possess experience. In some instances, we note that some competitors have higher salary structures. This leads to the risk that qualified staff might defect to competitors if financial and non-financial incentives were to prove inadequate. A bonus program for BRAIN Biotech AG staff was already established in the 2015/16 financial year in order to provide incentive payments. This program is subject to annual approval by the Management Board.

The risk of loss of key knowledge holders is unchanged compared with the previous year, and continues to represent a "medium risk" for BRAIN. This risk concerns both operating segments, although mainly the BioScience segment.

#### **Environment**

At any company operating in biotechnology or chemicals, a residual risk exists of harm to the environment. Such risk at BRAIN has been reduced thanks to staff training, the availability of the requisite volumes of materials, and because BRAIN has instituted organizational measures in order to prevent accidents and product spillages. Furthermore, BRAIN works very closely together with all relevant authorities and is reviewed by such authorities. This also concerns compliance with regulations relating to handling genetically modified objects ("GMOs").

This risk relates to both segments and continues to be categorized as a 'medium risk'

#### Risks related to COVID-19

BRAIN has been able to largely contain negative impacts caused by the coronavirus pandemic. However, travel restrictions and social distancing make it difficult for BRAIN to visit clients in order to acquire new projects. This can lead to delays in the acquisition of new customers and in the conclusion of new contracts. BRAIN's business development team is endeavoring to pursue the signing of new contracts. The subsidiary SolasCure Ltd. was affected by the pandemic insofar as clinic closures led to delays in the processing of clinical trials. Further negative impacts beyond this cannot be ruled out.

Overall, this risk is considered to constitute a medium risk.

## TABLE 04.15 PRESENTATION OF THE MOST SIGNIFICANT SHORT- AND MEDIUM-TERM RISKS AT BRAIN

| Risks   | Resultant two-year estimate of impact | Segment mainly affected         |
|---|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
|   |                                       |                                 |
| Business-related risks  |                                       | _                               |
| Growth risk   | medium                                | BioScience and<br>BioIndustrial |
| Risk with R&D projects  | medium                                | BioScience                      |
| Risk of loss of bioarchives   | medium                                | BioScience                      |
| Product liability risk  | low                                   | BioIndustrial                   |
| Financial risks   |                                       |                                 |
| Devaluation of inventories/assets   | medium                                | BioScience and<br>BioIndustrial |
| Goodwill impairment/valuation of investments  | medium                                | BioScience and<br>BioIndustrial |
| Financing of option liabilities   | medium                                | BioScience                      |
| Legal risks   |                                       |                                 |
| IP risks  | medium                                | BioScience and<br>BioIndustrial |
| General legal risks   | medium                                | BioScience and<br>BioIndustrial |
| Risks from acquiring and integrating companies and parts of companies, as well as from Brexit |                                       |                                 |
| Risks from acquiring and integrating companies and parts of companies, as well as from Brexit | low                                   | BioIndustrial                   |
| Other risks   |                                       |                                 |
| Personnel   | medium                                | BioScience and<br>BioIndustrial |
| Environmental risk  | medium                                | BioScience and<br>BioIndustrial |
| COVID risk  | medium                                | BioScience and                  |

10 Defined as purchase transactions, exchange transactions or otherwise endowed fixed or option transactions that are to be settled with a time delay and whose value is derived from the price or measure of an underlying asset, especially relating to the following underlying assets: foreign exchange, interest rates, securities, commodity prices and indices related to these underlying assets as well as other financial indices. Financial assets are not deployed as risk management instruments. The Group's loans serve to finance Group activities and avoid liquidity risks.

BRAIN evaluated a total of 48 risks. Of these risks, 32 risks are to be categorized as "medium risks", and are aggregated in the 12 risk classes listed above (BioScience and BioIndustrial). A total of 16 risks were appraised as "low risk". No risk was evaluated as a "high risk" or as a "going concern risk" for BRAIN.

#### Risk reporting on the deployment of financial instruments

At BRAIN, financial instruments<sup>10</sup> are either not deployed, or deployed only to an extent that is insignificant in order to assess the Group's financial position and performance, or its prospective development. For further information, please refer to the "Risk management" section in the notes to the consolidated financial statements.

#### **Report on opportunities**

#### Opportunities arising from research and development

#### **BioScience segment**

The BioScience segment combines two research-intensive areas of BRAIN Biotech AG: firstly, contract research for customers; secondly, the development of innovative solutions and products from our incubator.

We continue to expand our market position as a service provider in industrial biotechnology. Here we provide our partners with research services and access to our resource libraries. BRAIN Biotech AG has an established industrial network in this area, which it is continuously expanding.

The New Business Development area is our incubator for solutions and products. Here, BRAIN deploys its innovations in order to tap new markets in the areas of nutrition, health and the environment. Some examples include:

#### Genome editing

Genome editing is a molecular biology technology for the targeted and precise modification of DNA. For this purpose, nucleases (special enzymes) are utilized as so-called "gene scissors". This technology forms the basis for many innovations, such as in the areas of industrial production, plant-based nutrition, circular economy, and medicine. With BRAIN-Engineered-Cas (BEC), we have successfully completed the first development phase for a novel genome editing system based on a non-Cas9 nuclease. The system has already been validated as a genome editing tool and has shown DNA targeting activity in selected bacteria, fungi and yeasts. Activity in plants has been demonstrated but is still in the validation phase. Research into the wider potential beyond selected microorganisms and plants is still ongoing. A first patent application to protect the nuclease sequence has already been filed.

#### Innovative active ingredients for the pharmaceutical industry

As part of a self-financed research project, BRAIN has discovered an enzyme, isolated from fly maggots which is utilized in the context of the maggot therapy for wound debridement and has developed a related biotechnology production process. The cleaning of chronic wounds is the first step in therapy, and is often responsible for the extended treatment time. The project was spun off into SolasCure Ltd. and is currently in early-stage clinical trials.

Our subsidiary AnalytiCon Discovery GmbH has discovered and developed a pharmacologically active substance that promises an improved therapeutic approach for patients suffering from the rare disease hereditary angioedema (HAE), both in acute treatment and for prophylaxis. Pharvaris N.V., listed on Nasdaq, USA, holds a license from AnalytiCon for the clinical development and testing of the novel drug. BRAIN is entitled to substantial milestone and license payments in the event of a successful market launch.

#### Plant-based sweeteners without the calorie burden

We are dedicated to meet the growing demand for plant-based sweeteners for healthier foods. BRAIN has a selection of plant-based sweeteners and sweetness enhancers that have been identified through screening in natural substances utilizing its patented "Human Taste Cell" technology (HTC technology). From the substances identified in this manner, we develop natural sweeteners for various applications, markets and consumer groups. A pleasant taste profile is crucial for acceptance by consumers. Together with our partner Roquette, France, we are currently developing the natural sweetener Brazzein to market maturity.

#### Fermented food

Fermented foods are more than just another "superfood" trend. They rightly form a focus for health-conscious consumers, as they score points in many areas: no need for preservatives, upgrading/digestibility of plant-based staple foods, discovery of ever new health-promoting ingredients and a virtually unlimited wealth of new taste experiences. Thanks to its biological and technological resources, BRAIN can meet market demand for new starter cultures. The BRAIN Group has the opportunity to act as both an innovator and a manufacturing company, and not only participate in an attractive market (forecast volume for 2025: USD 1.3 billion), but also develop completely new product categories.

#### **Business-related opportunities**

#### **BioIndustrial segment:**

In the BioIndustrial segment, we are continuing along the path of forward integration on which we started in previous years. BRAIN Biotech AG has set itself the goal of covering the entire value chain from laboratory through to production. This enables us to participate in the value chain all the way to the customer, as well as to generate sales revenues over the entire life cycle of the products. The positive organic growth in the past financial year has shown that this strategy is paying off, despite the generally difficult economic environment. Here, BRAIN has the opportunity to continue along this path and improve its revenues and results. This represents a consistent step from being a research driven company to becoming an industrial company. Integration offers the company the possibility to act not only as an innovator but also as a manufacturing firm. Furthermore, an active M&A strategy with a focus on industrially profitable companies in adjacent areas or markets, essentially in the enzymes business, also deserves to be mentioned as an opportunity.

#### Corporate governance:

The Management Board is working on realizing cost and revenue synergies within the Group. This requires good networking among the subsidiaries, as well as centralized performance and target controlling. In this context, we acquired a further part (16.67 percentage points) of the outstanding non-controlling interest in Biocatalysts Ltd.

# Takeover-relevant information pursuant to Section 315a of the German Commercial Code (HGB)

The following information reflects the circumstances as at the 30 September 2021 reporting date.

#### Composition of subscribed share capital (No. 1)

The share capital of BRAIN Biotech AG amounts to  $\[ \le \] 21,847,495$  on the reporting date. The share capital is divided into 21,847,495 ordinary shares, to each of which a proportional amount of the share capital of  $\[ \le \] 1.00$  is attributable. The shares are fully paid-in registered shares. The company holds no treasury shares on the reporting date.

#### Restrictions affecting voting rights or transfer of shares (No. 2)

The company's Management Board is not aware of any restrictions affecting voting rights or the transfer of shares, including those potentially deriving from agreements between shareholders.

#### Shareholdings with more than 10% of the voting rights (No. 3)

MP Beteiligungs-GmbH, Kaiserslautern, holds a 38.2% interest in the company's share capital as at 30 September 2021. This includes voting shares that were initially held by the bank engaged by MP Beteiligungs-GmbH. As at 30 September 2021, no further shareholders existed with interests of more than 10% in the voting rights.

#### Holders of shares with special rights (No. 4)

No shares exist at BRAIN Biotech AG with special rights endowing control powers.

#### Voting rights control of employees who are shareholders (No. 5)

No voting rights controls for employees who are shareholders exist for the instance of control rights that are not to be exercised directly.

## Rules concerning the appointment and recall from office of Management Board members (No. 6)

Pursuant to Section 84 of the German Stock Corporation Act (AktG) and the bylaws of BRAIN Biotech AG, the Supervisory Board appoints the members of the Management Board. Pursuant to Section 7 of the bylaws of BRAIN Biotech AG, the Management Board consists of one or several individuals. The Supervisory Board determines the number of Management Board members. It can appoint a Management Board Chair (CEO) and a Deputy Management Board Chair, as well as deputy Management Board members. If the Management Board consists of several members, Management Board resolutions are passed with a simple majority of

votes. If the Supervisory Board has appointed a Management Board Chair, and if the Management Board consists of three members, the vote of the Management Board Chair decides given an equal number of votes.

#### Rules concerning amendments to the bylaws (No. 6)

Pursuant to Section 179 of the German Stock Corporation Act (AktG) and the bylaws of BRAIN Biotech AG, amendments to the bylaws require an AGM resolution. AGM resolutions require a simple majority of votes, unless the law stipulates a greater majority.

## Management Board authorizations concerning issuing and repurchasing shares (No. 7)

BRAIN Biotech AG has the following authorized and conditional capital:

#### **Authorized capital**

With an AGM resolution on 10 March 2021, authorized capital of €5,958,408 was created (Authorized Capital 2021/I). Authorized Capital 2021/I was entered in the commercial register on 15 April 2021. The Management Board was authorized, with Supervisory Board assent, to increase the company's share capital in the period until 9 March 2026, once or on several occasions, albeit by up to 5,958,408 new ordinary registered shares against cash or non-cash capital contributions, whereby shareholders' statutory subscription rights can be wholly or partly excluded. If the new shares are issued against cash capital contributions, shareholders' statutory subscription rights can be wholly or partially excluded if the new shares' issue price is not significantly less than the stock market price of the company's shares already listed on the date when the issue price is finally determined, and the total number of shares issued in this manner under exclusion of subscription rights does not exceed 10 % of the share capital. By resolution of the Management Board on 15 September 2021, and with the approval of the Supervisory Board on the same date, the authorized capital was partially utilized for a capital increase, excluding statutory subscription rights, in the amount of €1,986,135. The capital increase from authorized capital was entered in the commercial register on 16 September 2021.

Accordingly, authorized capital of €3,972,273 was reported as at the 30 September 2021 reporting date.

#### Conditional capital

Pursuant to Section 5 (3), (4) and (5) of the company's bylaws, the share capital is conditionally increased by €1,986,136 through issuing up to 1,986,136 new ordinary registered shares (Conditional Capital 2021/I) and by a further €123,000 through issuing up to 123,000 new ordinary registered shares (Conditional Capital 2015/II), and through issuing up to 1,682,578 new ordinary registered shares (Conditional Capital 2019/I).

Conditional Capital 2015/I for the issue of up to 5,090,328 new ordinary registered shares was withdrawn by resolution of the Annual General Meeting of 10 March 2021 and replaced by Conditional Capital 2021/I.

Conditional Capital 2021/I serves exclusively to grant shares to the holders of bonds with warrants and convertible bonds that the company issues based on the authorization of the Management Board by way of an AGM resolution passed on 10 March 2021. The conditional capital

increase is to be implemented through issuing up to 1,986,136 new ordinary registered shares only to the extent that the holders of convertible bonds and/or bonds with warrants utilize their conversion rights or warrant rights, or the holders of convertible bonds that are obligated to convert satisfy their obligation to convert, and to the extent that other forms of satisfaction are not deployed to service the bonds. An increase in the share capital from Conditional Capital 2021/I had not been implemented as at the 30 September 2021 reporting date.

Conditional Capital 2015/II serves exclusively to service subscription rights arising from stock options that are granted – pursuant to the AGM resolution dated 8 July 2015 as part of a stock option plan comprising up to 123,000 stock options that carry subscription rights to shares of BRAIN Biotech AG with a term of up to eight years – to the members of the company's Management Board, members of affiliated companies' management boards, as well as managers and other company employees in senior positions. The conditional capital increase is to be implemented only to the extent that the holders of issued subscription rights utilize them, and the company does not grant treasury shares or cash settlement to satisfy these subscription rights. An increase in the share capital from Conditional Capital 2015/II had not been implemented as at the 30 September 2021 reporting date. At the Annual General Meeting on 7 March 2019, Conditional Capital 2015/II was reduced from originally €1,272,581 to €123,000, as this capital was to remain exclusively for hedging stock options already issued. The authorization to issue further stock options from Conditional Capital 2015/II was revoked at the same Annual General Meeting and replaced by a new authorization (see following section).

By resolution of the Annual General Meeting on 7 March 2019, the share capital was conditionally increased by €1,682,578 through the issue of up to 1,682,578 new no-par-value registered shares (Conditional Capital 2019/I). The conditional capital serves exclusively to service subscription rights from stock options granted to members of the company's Management Board and other senior company managers. The Management Board is authorized, with the approval of the Supervisory Board, to determine the further details of the implementation of the conditional capital increase. The conditional capital increase is to be implemented only to the extent that the holders of issued subscription rights utilize them, and the company does not grant treasury shares or cash settlement to satisfy these subscription rights. An increase in the share capital from Conditional Capital 2019/I had not been implemented as at the 30 September 2021 reporting date.

#### Stock options

An AGM resolution dated 7 March 2019 authorized the Management Board, with Supervisory Board approval, to issue as part of a stock option plan until 12 March 2027 up to 1,682,578 stock options with subscription rights to shares of BRAIN Biotech AG with a term of up to eight years, with the condition that each stock option grant the right to subscribe for one share, and according to further provisions. As far as issuing shares to members of the Management Board of BRAIN Biotech AG is concerned, this authorization is valid for the Supervisory Board alone. The AGM conditionally increased the share capital by €1,682,578 to hedge and service the stock options (Conditional Capital 2019/I).

## Significant agreements for the instance of a change of control due to a takeover offer (Number 8) and compensation agreements in the case of a takeover offer (Number 9)

The company has not entered into any arrangements in the meaning of Section 315a (4) Nos. 8 and 9 HGB.

# Corporate governance statement of conformity pursuant to Section 289f and Section 315d of the German Commercial Code (HGB)

The corporate governance statement of conformity of BRAIN Biotech AG pursuant to Section 289f and Section 315d of the German Commercial Code (HGB) is published on the website at www.brain-biotech.com/investors/corporate-governance.

Zwingenberg, 10 December 2021

Adriaan Moelker

Chief Executive Officer

**Lukas Linnig**Chief Financial Officer

## Responsibility statement

We hereby declare that, to the best of our knowledge, the consolidated financial statements convey a true and fair view of the Group's financial position and performance in accordance with applicable accounting principles, the progress of business including the business results and the Group's position are presented in the Group management report so as to convey a true and fair view, and the significant opportunities and risks pertaining to the Group's prospective development are described.



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#### TABLE 05.1 CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

| € thousand  | Note | 30.09.2021 | 30.09.2020 |
|---|------|------------|------------|
| Non-current assets                                    |      |            |            |
| Intangible assets and Goodwill                        | [12] | 13,531     | 13,271     |
| Property, plant and equipment                         | [13] | 24,291     | 24,470     |
| Equity-accounted investments                          | [14] | 550        | 997        |
| Other non-current assets                              | [18] | 251        | 329        |
|   |      | 38,623     | 39,067     |
| Current assets  |      |            |            |
| Inventories   | [15] | 7,015      | 6,964      |
| Trade receivables                                     | [16] | 6,722      | 6,166      |
| Other current assets                                  | [18] | 617        | 585        |
| Current tax assets                                    | [10] | 9          | 93         |
| Other financial assets                                | [17] | 207        | 332        |
| Cash and cash equivalents                             | [19] | 24,545     | 18,943     |
| ·   | _    | 39,114     | 33,083     |
| ASSETS  |      | 77,737     | 72,150     |
| A33E13  |      | 11,131     | 72,130     |
| Equity  | [20] |            |            |
| Subscribed capital                                    |      | 21,847     | 19,861     |
| Capital reserves                                      |      | 95,890     | 78,386     |
| Retained earnings                                     |      | -79,509    | -77,497    |
| Other reserves  |      | 555        | 35         |
|   |      | 38,783     | 20,785     |
| Non-controlling interests                             |      | 3,044      | 5,358      |
| Total equity  |      | 41,828     | 26,143     |
| Non-current liabilities                               |      |            |            |
| Deferred tax  | [10] | 2,790      | 2,155      |
| Provisions for post-employment benefits for employees | [5]  | 2,271      | 2,803      |
| Financial liabilities                                 | [21] | 17,669     | 27,320     |
| Other liabilities                                     | [22] | 736        | 3          |
| Deferred income                                       | [23] | 1,109      | 1,369      |
|   |      | 24,575     | 33,650     |
| Current liabilities                                   |      |            |            |
| Provisions  | [24] | 404        | 387        |
| Tax liabilities                                       | [10] | 116        | 325        |
| Financial liabilities                                 | [21] | 2,649      | 3,277      |
| Prepayments received                                  | [25] | 79         | 70         |
| Trade payables  | [26] | 3,831      | 3,171      |
| Other liabilities                                     | [22] | 2,684      | 4,266      |
| Deferred income                                       | [23] | 1,572      | 861        |
|   |      | 11,335     | 12,357     |
|   |      |            |            |

#### TABLE 05.2 CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE PERIOD 1 OCTOBER 2020 - 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

| € thousand  | Note | 12M 20/21<br>01.10.2020 -<br>30.09.2021 | 12M 19/20<br>01.10.2019 -<br>30.09.2020 |
|---|------|---|---|
| Revenue   | [1]  | 38,389                                  | 38,225                                  |
| Research and development grant revenue                                      | [2]  | 833                                     | 839                                     |
| Change in inventories of unfinished and finished goods and work in progress |      | 23                                      | -378                                    |
| Other income*   | [3]  | 1,486                                   | 552                                     |
| Total operating performance   |      | 40,731                                  | 39,238                                  |
| Cost of materials   | [4]  |   |   |
| Cost of raw materials, consumables and supplies, and purchased merchandise  |      | -15,274                                 | -14,115                                 |
| Cost of purchased services  |      | -1,568                                  | -2,532                                  |
|   |      | -16,842                                 | -16,647                                 |
| Personnel expenses  |      |   |   |
| Wages and salaries  |      | -15,618                                 | -15,584                                 |
| Share-based employee compensation   |      | -989                                    | -629                                    |
| Social security and post-employment benefit costs                           |      | -2,903                                  | -2,935                                  |
|   |      | -19,510                                 | -19,147                                 |
|   |      |   |   |
| Other expenses  | [7]  | -6,912                                  | -7,320                                  |
| EBITDA  |      | -2,533                                  | -3,876                                  |
| Depreciation, amortization and impairment                                   | [6]  | -4,014                                  | -4,353                                  |
| Operating result (EBIT)   |      | -6,548                                  | -8,229                                  |
| Share of profit or loss from equity-accounted investments                   | [14] | -1,723                                  | -2,389                                  |
| Finance income  |      | 4,722                                   | 1,546                                   |
| Finance costs   | [9]  | <del>-727</del> -                       | -872                                    |
| Net financial result  |      | 2,271                                   | -1,715                                  |
|   |      |   |   |
| Pretax loss for the reporting period  |      | -4,276                                  | -9,944                                  |
| Income tax expense/income   | [10] |   |   |
| a) Current tax expense/income   |      | -169                                    | 533                                     |
| b) Deferred tax expense/income  |      | -234                                    | 394                                     |
|   |      | -404                                    | 927                                     |
|   |      |   |   |
| Net loss for the reporting period   |      | -4,680                                  | -9,017                                  |
| of which attributable to non-controlling interests                          |      | 292                                     | 667                                     |
| of which attributable to the shareholders of BRAIN Biotech AG               |      | -4,972                                  | -9,684                                  |
| Earnings per share  | [11] |   |   |
| Earnings per share, basic undiluted (in €)                                  |      | -0.25                                   | -0.52                                   |
| Number of shares taken as basis   |      | 19,942,982                              | 18,657,641                              |
| Earnings per share, diluted (in €)  |      | -0.25                                   | -0.52                                   |
| Number of shares taken as basis   |      | 19,942,982                              | 18,657,641                              |
|   |      |   |   |

| € thousand   | Note | 12M 20/21<br>01.10.2020 -<br>30.09.2021 | 12M 19/20<br>01.10.2019 –<br>30.09.2020 |
|--|------|---|---|
| Net loss for the reporting period  |      | -4,680                                  | -9,017                                  |
| of which attributable to non-controlling interests                                   |      | 292                                     | 667                                     |
| of which attributable to the shareholders of BRAIN Biotech AG                        |      | -4,972                                  | -9,684                                  |
| Other comprehensive income   |      |   |   |
| Net gain or loss from revaluing obligations from post-employment employee benefits** | [5]  | 306                                     | 44                                      |
| Currency translation   |      | 568                                     | -139                                    |
| Other comprehensive income, net  |      | 874                                     | -96                                     |
| Consolidated total comprehensive income (loss)                                       |      | -3,805                                  | -9,113                                  |
| of which attributable to non-controlling interests                                   |      | 340                                     | 502                                     |
| of which attributable to the shareholders of BRAIN Biotech AG                        |      | -4,145                                  | -9,614                                  |

<sup>\*</sup> Other income in 12M 2020/21 includes £858 thousand Gain on Bargain Purchase.

\*\* Items that will not be subsequently reclassified to profit or loss.

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#### TABLE 05.3 CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE PERIOD 01.10.2020 - 30.09.2021

| Note (20)   |                    | Interests of share | eholders of BRA   | IN Biotech AG                             |        | Non-controlling interests |        |  |  |
|---|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|---|--------|---------------------------|--------|--|--|
| € thousand  | Subscribed capital | Capital reserves   | Retained earnings | Other reserves<br>Currency<br>translation | Total  | Total                     | Total  |  |  |
| Balance at<br>30 September 2019   | 18,056             | 65,170             | -67,919           | 9   | 15,316 | 4,857                     | 20,173 |  |  |
| Effects from first-time application of IFRS 16                            | 0                  | 0                  | 62                | 0   | 62     | 0                         | 62     |  |  |
| Balance at<br>1 October 2019  | 18,056             | 65,170             | -67,857           | 9   | 15,377 | 4,857                     | 20,234 |  |  |
| Cash capital increase from authorized capital, less capital raising costs | 1,806              | 12,768             | 0                 | 0   | 14,573 | 0                         | 14,573 |  |  |
| Net loss for the reporting period   | 0                  | 0                  | -9,684            | 0   | -9,684 | 667                       | -9,017 |  |  |
| Other comprehensive income  | 0                  | 0                  | 44                | 26  | 69     | -165                      | -96    |  |  |
| Total comprehensive income (loss)   | 0                  | 0                  | -9,640            | 26  | -9,614 | 502                       | -9,113 |  |  |
| Transfers due to employee share scheme                                    | 0                  | 449                | 0                 | 0   | 449    | 0                         | 449    |  |  |
| Balance at<br>30 September 2020   | 19,861             | 78,386             | -77,497           | 35  | 20,785 | 5,358                     | 26,143 |  |  |
| Cash capital increase from authorized capital, less capital raising costs | 1,986              | 16,992             | 0                 | 0   | 18,978 | 0                         | 18,978 |  |  |
| Net loss for the reporting period   | 0                  | 0                  | -4,972            | 0   | -4,972 | 292                       | -4,680 |  |  |
| Other comprehensive income  | 0                  | 0                  | 306               | 521                                       | 827    | 48                        | 874    |  |  |
| Total comprehensive income (loss)   | 0                  | 0                  | -4,666            | 521                                       | -4,145 | 340                       | -3,805 |  |  |
| Acquisition of shares of non-controlling shareholders                     | 0                  | 0                  | 2,654             | 0   | 2,654  | -2,654                    | 0      |  |  |
| Transfers due to employee share scheme                                    | 0                  | 512                | 0                 | 0   | 512    | 0                         | 512    |  |  |
| Balance at<br>30 September 2021   | 21,847             | 95,890             | -79,509           | 555                                       | 38,783 | 3,044                     | 41,828 |  |  |

#### TABLE 05.4 CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE PERIOD 1 OCTOBER 2020 - 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

| Note (19) € thousand   | 12M 20/21<br>01.10.2020 - 30.09.2021 | 12M 19/20<br>01.10.2019 - 30.09.2020 |
|--|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Net profit (/loss) for the period, after tax   | -4,680                               | -9,017                               |
| Depreciation, amortization and impairment  | 4,014                                | 4,353                                |
| Deferred tax expense/income  | 234                                  | -394                                 |
| Conversion of deferred income into revenue   | -1,373                               | -3,057                               |
| Income from the acquisition of fully consolidated companies (Bargain Purchase)         |                                      | 0                                    |
| Income from release of provisions and liabilities                                      | -343                                 | -84                                  |
| Share of profit or loss from equity-accounted investments                              | 1,723                                | 2,389                                |
| Change in net pension provisions recognized in profit or loss                          | -225                                 | 11                                   |
| Other non-cash expenses and income   | -3,810                               | -304                                 |
| Losses on disposals of intangible assets and property, plant and equipment             | 7                                    | 47                                   |
| Gross cash flow  | -5,250                               | -6,056                               |
| Change in trade receivables  | -143                                 | 56                                   |
| Change in inventories  | -17                                  | 730                                  |
| Change in tax assets and liabilities   | -121                                 | -555                                 |
| Change in other assets and financial assets  | 126                                  | 457                                  |
| Change in trade payables   | 313                                  | -1,261                               |
| Change in prepayments  | 9                                    | -100                                 |
| Change in provisions and other liabilities   | -537                                 | 707                                  |
| Additions from deferred income   | 1,715                                | 1,255                                |
| Cash flows from operating activities   | -3,906                               | -4,767                               |
| Net cash inflows from disposals of companies (less cash and cash equivalents divested) | -436                                 | 0                                    |
| Payments to acquire intangible assets  | -11                                  | -39                                  |
| Payments to acquire property, plant and equipment                                      | -1,251                               | -2,820                               |
| Net cash flows relating to other non-current assets                                    | 81                                   | 240                                  |
| Investments in equity-accounted investments  | -564                                 | -1,874                               |
| Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment                                | 1                                    | 24                                   |
| Cash flows from investing activities   | -2,180                               | -4,469                               |
| Proceeds from borrowings   | 55                                   | 1,254                                |
| Repayments of borrowings   | -2,875                               | -2,733                               |
| Payments of the Put-Option liabilities for Biocatalysts Ltd.                           | -4,586                               | 0                                    |
| Contributions to equity, less related capital raising costs                            | 18,978                               | 14,573                               |
| Cash flows from financing activities   | 11,572                               | 13,093                               |
| Net change in cash and cash equivalents  | 5,485                                | 3,857                                |
| Cash and cash equivalents at start of financial year                                   | 18,943                               | 15,160                               |
| Exchange-rate-related change in cash   | 116                                  | -74                                  |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial year                                     | 24,545                               | 18,943                               |
| Cash flows from operating activities include:  |                                      |                                      |
| Interest paid  | -431                                 | -486                                 |
| Interest received  | 26                                   | 28                                   |
| Income taxes paid  | -387                                 | -29                                  |
| Income taxes received  | 55                                   | 73                                   |

## **Notes**

#### I. GENERAL INFORMATION

#### General information about the company

**BRAIN Biotech Aktiengesellschaft** (until April 2021 B·R·A·l·N Biotechnology Research and Information Network AG and also referred to below as "BRAIN Biotech AG" or the "Company") is entered in the commercial register of the Darmstadt District Court under commercial sheet register number 24758. The company's registered offices are located at Darmstädter Strasse 34-36 in 64673 Zwingenberg, Germany.

BRAIN Biotech AG is a growth company in the industrial biotechnology sector. The BRAIN Group (hereinafter referred to as "BRAIN" or "the Group" or the "BRAIN Group") focuses its business activities on the areas of nutrition, health and the environment. A science-based product business forms the core of our strategic orientation.

The BioScience segment comprises our R&D programs for contract research conducted in partnership with industrial companies. These programs aim to make previously untapped high-performance enzymes, microbial producer organisms as well as natural substances deriving from complex biological systems usable in an industrial context. The BioScience segment is also home to our incubator. Here, deploying both our own research funds and working together with partners, we aim for breakthroughs in biotechnologically produced solutions that address a number of society's most pressing issues: nature-based food, health, and environmentally compatible production methods.

The BioIndustrial segment comprises mainly the industrially scalable business with a focus on the production of enzymes, microorganisms and bioactive natural substances. By investing in its own fermentation capacities, the BRAIN Group has significantly expanded its value chain in this segment.

BRAIN has a comprehensive research and development infrastructure at the location in Zwingenberg, as well as at the site of the subsidiary AnalytiCon Discovery GmbH in Potsdam, with the latter focusing on natural compounds. Special production expertise and market access is offered by our subsidiaries in relation to enzyme products, microorganisms and bioactive natural compounds: WeissBioTech GmbH, Ascheberg, Germany, Biocatalysts Ltd., Cardiff, UK, and Biosun Biochemicals Inc., Tampa, USA. Cosmetic products are manufactured and distributed by L.A. Schmitt GmbH, Ludwigstadt, Germany. Moreover, as part of the spin-off SolasCure Ltd. based in Cardiff, UK, an ingredient for enzymatic wound healing is to be approved for marketing.

The targets in terms of a "bioeconomy" are to replace conventional chemical-industrial processes with innovative resource-conserving processes, as well as to establish new processes and products. The BRAIN Group utilizes biotechnology processes in order to manufacture sustainable products. Our products and services directly address the following UN Sustainable Development Goals: 2, 3, 6, 9 and 12.

#### General basis of financial accounting

BRAIN Biotech AG has been listed on the stock market since 9 February 2016 and is oriented to the capital market. As a consequence, the regulations of Section 315e (1) of the German Commercial Code (HGB) are applicable when preparing the consolidated financial statements. The consolidated financial statements prepared by the parent company BRAIN Biotech AG for the year ending 30 September 2021 (the "consolidated financial statements"

or "financial statements") were prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as applicable in the European Union. The financial statements of BRAIN Biotech AG are included in the consolidated financial statements of MP Beteiligungs-GmbH, Kaiserslautern, by way of equity accounting. The consolidated financial statements of MP Beteiligungs-GmbH are published in the German Federal Gazette (Bundesanzeiger).

The reporting period comprises the period from 1 October 2020 to 30 September 2021. This period corresponds to the financial year of BRAIN Biotech AG. For historical reasons, the annual financial statements of WeissBioTech GmbH, Ascheberg, WeissBioTech S.A.R.L., Chanteloup-en-Brie, France, and AnalytiCon Discovery LLC, Rockville, MD, USA, are prepared based on a calendar year-end reporting date. Where a financial year differs, annual figures based on the Group's financial year are calculated for the consolidated financial statements, and included in the financial statements on this basis.

These consolidated financial statements of BRAIN Biotech AG were approved by the Management Board for submission to the Supervisory Board on 3 December 2021. The review and approval by the Supervisory Board took place on 10 December 2021.

#### New accounting regulations applied

The standards and amendments to be applied for financial years beginning on or after 1 October 2020 did not have any effect at BRAIN Biotech AG.

BRAIN Biotech AG has not voluntarily applied any standards, interpretations or amendments, which, although published, are not yet effective.

#### Accounting regulations published but not yet applied

The following accounting regulations that have been published and are potentially relevant, but which do not yet require mandatory application, have not been applied early on a voluntary basis:

#### Amendments to IAS 1: Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-Current:

To be applied to financial years commencing on or after 1 January 2023. Early, voluntary application of the regulations is permitted.

## Amendments to IFRS 9, IAS 39, IFRS 7, IFRS 4 and IFRS 16 relating to the effects of the Interest Rate Benchmark Reform (Phase 2):

To be applied to financial years commencing on or after 1 January 2021. Early, voluntary application of the regulations is permitted.

#### Amendments to IFRS 16: COVID-19-Related Rent Concessions beyond 30 June 2021.

To be applied to financial years commencing on or after 1 April 2021. Early, voluntary application of the regulations is permitted.

#### Annual improvements IFRS 2018-2020:

To be applied to financial years commencing on or after 1 January 2022. Early, voluntary application of the regulations is permitted.

#### Amendments to IAS 1: Disclosure of Accounting Policies:

To be applied to financial years commencing on or after 1 January 2023. Early, voluntary application of the regulations is permitted.

#### **Amendments to IAS 8: Definition of Accounting Estimates:**

To be applied to financial years commencing on or after 1 January 2023. Early, voluntary application of the regulations is permitted.

#### Amendments to IFRS 3: Reference to the Conceptual Framework.

To be applied to financial years commencing on or after 1 January 2022. Early, voluntary application of the regulations is permitted.

### Amendments to IAS 16: Property, Plant and Equipment: Proceeds before Intended Use:

To be applied to financial years commencing on or after 1 January 2022. Early, voluntary application of the regulations is permitted.

#### Amendments to IAS 37: Onerous Contracts: Cost of Fulfilling a Contract.

To be applied to financial years commencing on or after 1 January 2022. Early, voluntary application of the regulations is permitted.

## Amendments to IAS 12: Deferred Tax related to Assets and Liabilities arising from a Single Transaction.

To be applied to financial years commencing on or after 1 January 2023. Early, voluntary application of the regulations is permitted.

The effects of the aforementioned new accounting regulations that are not yet applied are currently being investigated. At present, however, the company does not expect these to generate significant effects.

#### Presentation of the financial statements

The income statement is extended to include other comprehensive income items recognized in equity, to the extent these do not arise from transactions with owners. The income statement is structured according to the nature of expense method.

The financial statements are presented in thousands of euros, unless stated otherwise, for ease of readability. Rounding differences can arise due to commercial rounding.

#### II. BASIS OF THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### Consolidation methods

Business combinations are accounted for applying the acquisition method, under which the carrying amount of the investments is eliminated against the parent's share of the subsidiaries' equity on the acquisition date. The acquisition date is the date on which acquirer gains control of the acquiree.

The consideration transferred for an acquisition is calculated at the acquisition-date fair value of the assets acquired, equity instruments issued, and liabilities incurred or assumed. It also includes the fair values of those recognized assets or liabilities resulting from a contingent consideration arrangement.

Any contingent considerations are measured at fair value at the acquisition date. Subsequent changes in the fair value of contingent consideration classified as an asset or a liability are measured in accordance with IFRS 9, with any resultant gain or loss for the reporting period recognized in the result for the period. Contingent consideration classified as equity is not remeasured and its subsequent settlement is recognized directly in equity.

Identifiable assets and liabilities are recognized at fair value. For each corporate acquisition, the Group decides on an individual basis whether non-controlling interests in the acquired company are to be recognized at fair value, or based on the proportional interest in the acquiree's remeasured net assets.

Acquisition-related costs are expensed when they are incurred.

Goodwill is recognized as the excess of the consideration transferred, the amount of any non-controlling interest in the acquiree, and the acquisition-date fair value of any previously held equity interest in the acquiree over the fair value of the net assets. Any negative difference is recognized directly in profit or loss.

On the basis of written put options, non-controlling shareholders of subsidiaries have the right to tender non-controlling interests to BRAIN Biotech AG. In other words, BRAIN Biotech AG has a contractual obligation upon exercise of its own equity instruments to purchase with delivery of cash. In the first step, a review must be conducted as to whether the arrangement of the put option agreement, taking all further aspects into consideration, substantiates a current power of disposal (hereinafter referred to as "present ownership").

Where present ownership exists, BRAIN Biotech AG applies the anticipated purchase method and recognizes a financial liability pursuant to IAS 32.23. In the case of the anticipated acquisition method, accounting occurs always and independently of the specific structure of the options assuming that a (constructive) acquisition of the non-controlling interest by the controlling shareholder has already occurred. No non-controlling interests are reported for shares included in the option. The liability is recognized at fair value with changes recognized through profit or loss.

If present ownership does not exist, BRAIN Biotech AG recognizes the non-controlling interest in full, reporting the entire non-controlling interest in the statement of comprehensive income or under balance sheet equity. The liability is then recognized as a liability at fair value on the agreement date, with a simultaneous reduction in the capital reserve. Future fair value changes are recognized in profit or loss.

Transactions with non-controlling interests without loss of control are recognized as transactions with the Group's owners acting in their capacity as owners. The difference between the fair value of the consideration paid and the acquired interest in the carrying amount of the subsidiary's net assets arising from the acquisition of a non-controlling interest is recognized in equity. Gains and losses arising from the disposal of non-controlling interests are also recognized in equity.

Intragroup profits and losses, revenues, income and expenses, as well as receivables and payables between companies included in the scope of consolidation are eliminated.

The income tax effects of consolidation entries are reflected through recognizing deferred taxes.

#### Consolidation scope

All subsidiaries are included in the consolidated financial statements of BRAIN Biotech AG. Subsidiaries are companies that BRAIN Biotech AG controls. BRAIN Biotech AG controls an investee when it has the power of disposal over the company, a risk exposure exists through, or rights to variable returns exist from, its arrangement in the investee, and the Group has the ability to use its power of disposal over the investee in a manner such that the amount of the variable returns of the investee is affected. The consolidation of an investee commences on the date on which the Group obtains control of the company. It ends when the Group loses control of the investee.

In addition to BRAIN Biotech AG, the following subsidiaries were included in the consolidated financial statements for the period ended 30 September 2021:

| Name and domicile of the company                            | 30.09.2021  | 30.09.2020 |
|---|-------------|------------|
| AnalytiCon Discovery GmbH, Potsdam, Germany                 | 100%        | 100%       |
| AnalytiCon Discovery LLC, Rockville, Maryland, USA          | 100 %*      | 100 %*     |
| BRAIN Capital GmbH i.L., Zwingenberg, Germany               | 100 %       | 100%       |
| L.A. Schmitt Chem. Kosm. Fabrik GmbH, Ludwigsstadt, Germany | 100 %       | 100 %      |
| MEKON Science Networks GmbH i.L., Zwingenberg, Germany      | 100 %       | 100 %      |
| WeissBioTech GmbH, Ascheberg, Germany                       | 100 %       | 100%       |
| WeissBioTech France S.A.R.L., Chanteloup-en-Brie, France    | 100 %*      | 100 %*     |
| BRAIN US LLC, Rockville, Maryland, USA                      | 100 %       | 100 %      |
| BRAIN UK II Ltd., Cardiff, UK                               | 100%        | 100 %      |
| BRAIN UK Ltd., Cardiff, UK                                  | 88.97 %*,** | 72.31%*    |
| Biocatalysts Ltd., Cardiff, UK                              | 80.65 %*,** | 65.55 %*   |
| Biocatalysts Inc., Chicago, Illinois, USA                   | 80.65 %*,** | 65.55 %*   |
| Biosun Biochemicals Inc., Tampa, Florida, USA               | 100 %***    | _          |
|   |             |            |

The shares in BRAIN UK Ltd., Biocatalysts Ltd. and Biocatalysts Inc. increased with effect from 1 June 2021 as a consequence of the acquisition of part of the outstanding non-controlling interests in BRAIN UK Ltd. (16.66%). Financial liabilities were already formed in the past for the put options, and the exercise of the put option had no effect on the full consolidation.

#### Change in the consolidation scope

#### **Expansions of the BRAIN Group**

On 1 January 2021, BRAIN Biotech AG acquired 100% of the shares in Biosun Biochemicals Inc. (Biosun), based in Tampa, Florida, USA. Biosun is a distributor, formulator and blender of enzymes, flavors, food ingredients and natural colors in the US market and is a selected US distributor for the flavors of Givaudan Flavors Corporation. The acquisition of Biosun provides BRAIN Biotech AG establishes improved access to the US market, brings many established customer relationships to the Group and supports the growth course of BRAIN Biotech AG in North America.

The fair values of the identified assets and liabilities of Biosun as at the date of acquisition are as follows:

| € thousand   | Fair value recognized on acquisition |
|--|--------------------------------------|
| Assets   |                                      |
| Intangible assets (customer relationships)             | 1,178                                |
| Property, plant and equipment                          | 63                                   |
| Inventories  | 96                                   |
| Trade receivables                                      | 262                                  |
| Other current assets                                   | 5                                    |
| Cash and cash equivalents                              | 149                                  |
| Total assets   | 1,753                                |
| Liabilities  | _                                    |
| Trade payables   | -108                                 |
| Current liabilities (interest-bearing)                 | -3                                   |
| Deferred tax liabilities                               | -273                                 |
| Total liabilities                                      | -384                                 |
| Net assets at fair value                               | 1,369                                |
| Gain on bargain purchase                               | -858                                 |
| Purchase price   | 511                                  |
|  | Cash flow on acquisition             |
| Cash and cash equivalents acquired with the subsidiary | 149                                  |
| Purchase price paid                                    |                                      |
| Net cash flow on acquisition                           | -362                                 |

The gain on bargain purchase is largely due to the seller's wish to divest the business within a tight timeframe for personal reasons. The gain on bargain purchase was recorded in other income.

As at the acquisition date, the fair value of the trade receivables essentially corresponds to the gross amounts of the contractual receivables.

<sup>\*</sup> Indirect interests.

\*\* Increase due to the acquisition of part of
the outstanding non-controlling interests in

the outstanding non-controlling interests in BRAIN UK Ltd. (16.66%).

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Acquisition of 100 % of the shares in Biosun Biochemicals Inc. as of 1 January 2021.

Transaction costs of  $\in$  0.1 million were expensed and are included in other expenses in the income statement, and form part of operating cash flow in the cash flow statement.

No further changes in the scope of consolidation occurred in the 2020/21 financial year.

#### Changes in the previous year

No changes in the scope of consolidation occurred in the 2019/20 financial year.

#### **Equity-accounted investments**

Equity-accounted investments are associates over whose financial and business policy decisions BRAIN Biotech AG can exercise significant influence. Significant influence is presumed to exist if BRAIN Biotech AG directly or indirectly holds a minimum of 20 % and a maximum of 50 % of the voting rights.

Under the equity method, the investment is initially recognized at cost and subsequently adjusted to reflect post-acquisition changes in the proportionate interest of BRAIN Biotech AG in the investee's net assets. Any share of the investee's losses that exceeds the carrying amount of the investment (where appropriate, including any other long-term interests that form part of the net investment in the investee) is not recognized unless a legal or constructive payment obligation exists. Any goodwill recognized is reported as a component of the value of the interest in the associate. Unrealized intra-group profits or losses arising from transactions between BRAIN Biotech AG and the associate are eliminated proportionately in the same way as consolidation adjustments.

If objective evidence of impairment exists, the carrying amount of the equity-accounted investment is compared with its recoverable amount in the course of the impairment test. If the carrying amount exceeds the recoverable amount, an impairment loss is recognized in the amount of the difference. If the reasons for an impairment loss that was previously recognized cease to exist, a corresponding reversal of the impairment loss is applied.

Enzymicals AG, Greifswald, and SolasCure Ltd. were included as equity-accounted investments in the consolidated financial statements for the period ending 30 September 2021. The balance sheet date at the end of a calendar year (Enzymicals AG) or on 30 June (SolasCure Ltd.) differs from the balance sheet date of BRAIN Biotech AG. BRAIN Biotech AG holds 24.10 % (previous year: 24.10 %) of the voting rights in Enzymicals AG, and 41.27% (previous year: 45.58 %) of the voting rights in SolasCure Ltd. On 19 January 2021, BRAIN Biotech AG participated in a capital increase at SolasCure Limited. The capital increase amounted to €3.1 million (in which BRAIN participated in an amount of €0.6 million) and led to the aforementioned change in the interest held.

#### **III. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

#### Basis for the preparation of the financial statements

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the assumption that the company constitutes a going concern based on historical purchase and manufacturing costs, limited by the measurement of financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss.

Where indications exist of potential value impairment (so-called triggering events), a corresponding review is conducted based on the recoverable amount. As part of such impairment tests, fair values are also taken into consideration to calculate the lower value limit for individual assets. Valuation surveys for land and buildings, among other inputs, can also be applied in this context. If the carrying amount exceeds the recoverable amount, impairment losses are recognized against the assets to write them down to their recoverable amount.

#### Use of assumptions and estimates

In the financial statements, estimates and assumptions have to be made to a certain extent that affect the level and reporting of assets and liabilities, expenses and income, and contingent liabilities. All estimates and assumptions are continuously reassessed and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be appropriate under the given circumstances.

Assumptions and estimates relate in particular to:

- valuating the capitalization of development expenditures (no development costs were capitalized in the financial year under review, and none were capitalized in the previous year);
- the (non-) capitalization of deferred taxes relating to tax loss carryforwards;
- measuring the useful life of intangible assets;
- · the recoverability of recognized goodwill;
- the measurement and reporting of put options for the acquisition of non-controlling interests (in particular with regard to the exercise dates). See also "Valuation risks connected with foreign currency put option agreements" in this document);
- · the measurement of share-based compensation schemes;
- the determination of the transaction price and the date of revenue recognition according to IFRS 15;
- the determination of the amount of impairment of trade receivables in accordance with IFRS 9.

The key assumptions and inputs for the estimates made by management are explained in the disclosures on the respective line items. The resulting amounts may differ from the actual amounts.

#### Adjustments to earnings

In relation to certain matters, the Management Board defines adjustments for non-operating or non-recurring effects up to the level of EBITDA. The following table shows the reconciliation of reported EBITDA to adjusted EBITDA excluding the aforementioned earnings and expenses as described in the table.

| € thousand   | 2020/21 | 2019/20 |
|--|---------|---------|
| EBITDA, including:   | -2,533  | -3,876  |
| Gain on bargain purchase   | 858     | 0       |
| Personnel expenses from share-based payment components   | -989    | -629    |
| Other operating expenses related to M&A transactions and the integration of acquired businesses      | -313    | -222    |
| Personnel expenses in connection with the realignment of the Management Board                        | -       | -692    |
| One-off support payment to employees to mitigate additional burdens caused by the coronavirus crisis | -       | -138    |
| Other operating expenses in connection with the realignment of the Management Board                  | -       | -177    |
| Adjusted EBITDA  | -2,089  | -2,018  |

#### Segment reporting

The Management Board, as the chief operating decision maker, assesses opportunities and risks and allocates the operating segments' resources. The segmentation as well as the selection of the indicators presented is realized in accordance with the internal control and reporting systems (the "management approach"). The segment information is prepared applying the same accounting standards as described in the notes to the consolidated financial statements.

Based on monitoring and control by the Management Board, only two segments have been identified, for which further aggregation is not possible due to their differing product and service orientation.

The business activities at BRAIN are defined according to the operating segments "Bio-Science" and "BioIndustrial". The BioIndustrial segment mainly consists of its industrially scaled products business which focuses on enzyme and cosmetic products. At Management Board level, the individual segments' business performance is measured on the basis of revenue, and their profitability is measured based on adjusted EBITDA. The Management Board performs and approves planning at this level. Both areas have a different strategic orientation and require different marketing and business development strategies.

The BioScience segment mainly includes research and development business with industrial partners, and the company's own research and development. Marketing the company's own products and developments with external partners also forms part of this operating segment.

The BioIndustrial segment mainly consists of its industrially scaled products business which focuses on enzyme and cosmetic products.

The allocation of adjustments (see the section "Adjustments to earnings") to the segments is generally made in the segment in which the costs to be adjusted were incurred.

Sales revenues generated between the segments are realized on standard market terms.

The following overview presents the segment results:

|   | BioScience |           | BioIndustrial |           | Sum segm  | ents      | Consolidation |           | Group     |           |
|---|------------|-----------|---------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|---------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| € thousand  | 2020/2021  | 2019/2020 | 2020/2021     | 2019/2020 | 2020/2021 | 2019/2020 | 2020/2021     | 2019/2020 | 2020/2021 | 2019/2020 |
| Revenue generated with other segments   | 37         | 35        | 122           | 50        | 159       | 86        | -159          | -86       | 0         | 0         |
| Revenue generated with external customers   | 10,275     | 13,195    | 28,114        | 25,030    | 38,389    | 38,225    | 0             | 0         | 38,389    | 38,225    |
| Total revenue   | 10,313     | 13,230    | 28,236        | 25,081    | 38,549    | 38,311    | -159          | -86       | 38,389    | 38,225    |
| R&D grant revenue <sup>1</sup>  | 772        | 687       | 61            | 152       | 833       | 839       | 0             | 0         | 833       | 839       |
| Changes in inventories <sup>2</sup>   | -114       | -222      | 137           | -157      | 23        | -378      | 0             | 0         | 23        | -378      |
| Other income  | 574        | 267       | 939           | 294       | 1,513     | 561       | -27           | -9        | 1,486     | 552       |
| of which: gain on bargain purchase  | 0          | 0         | -858          | 0         | -858      | 0         | 0             | 0         | -858      | 0         |
| Total operating performance   | 11,545     | 13,962    | 29,373        | 25,371    | 40,918    | 39,333    | -186          | -95       | 40,731    | 39,238    |
| Cost of materials   | -2,431     | -3,521    | -14,565       | -13,184   | -16,995   | -16,705   | 153           | 58        | -16,842   | -16,647   |
| Personnel expenses  | -12,123    | -13,011   | -7,388        | -6,136    | -19,510   | -19,147   | 0             | 0         | -19,510   | -19,147   |
| of which from share-based payments  | 512        | 449       | 477           | 180       | 989       | 629       | 0             | 0         | 989       | 629       |
| of which costs in connection with<br>the realignment of the Manage-<br>ment Board   | 0          | 692       | 0             | 0         | 0         | 692       | 0             | 0         | 0         | 692       |
| of which: one-off support pay-<br>ment to employees to mitigate<br>additional burdens caused by the<br>coronavirus crisis | 0          | 138       | 0             | 0         | 0         | 138       | 0             | 0         | 0         | 138       |
| Other expenses  | -3,196     | -3,650    | -3,745        | -3,702    | -6,941    | -7,352    | 26            | 32        | -6,915    | -7,320    |
| of which acquisition and integra-<br>tion costs   | 313        | 222       | 0             | 0         | 313       | 222       | 0             | 0         | 313       | 222       |
| of which costs in connection with<br>the realignment of the Manage-<br>ment Board   | 0          | 177       | 0             | 0         | 0         | 177       | 0             | 0         | 0         | 177       |
| EBITDA  | -6,202     | -6,219    | 3,676         | 2,348     | -2,526    | -3,871    | -7            | -5        | -2,533    | -3,876    |
| Adjusted EBITDA   | -5,377     | -4,541    | 3,295         | 2,528     | -2,082    | -2,013    | -7            | -5        | -2,089    | -2,018    |
| Depreciation and amortization   | -1,287     | -1,344    | -2,727        | -3,008    | -4,014    | -4,353    | 0             | 0         | -4,014    | -4,353    |
| EBIT  | -7,489     | -7,564    | 948           | -660      | -6,540    | -8,224    | -7            | -5        | -6,548    | -8,229    |
| Finance income  |            |           |               |           |           |           |               |           | 4,722     | 1,546     |
| Result from equity-accounted investments  |            |           |               |           |           |           |               |           | -1,723    | -2,389    |
| Finance costs   |            |           |               |           |           |           |               |           | -727      | -872      |
| Result before taxes   |            |           |               |           |           |           |               |           | -4,276    | -9,944    |

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Research and development grant revenue.
 Changes in inventories of finished goods and work in progress.

Revenue derived from the following revenue sources:

| € thousand                   | 2020/21 | 2019/20 |
|------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Collaborative Business       | 10,275  | 13,195  |
| BioScience                   | 10,275  | 13,195  |
| Enzymes & Bio-based Products | 25,361  | 22,679  |
| Cosmetics                    | 2,753   | 2,352   |
| BioIndustrial                | 28,114  | 25,030  |
| Group total                  | 38,389  | 38,225  |

The following table presents revenue by geographic region:

| € thousand            | 2020/21 | 2019/20 |
|-----------------------|---------|---------|
| Germany               | 7,069   | 8,905   |
| Abroad                | 31,320  | 29,321  |
| of which: USA         | 8,862   | 6,881   |
| of which: Netherlands | 4,981   | 2,778   |
| of which: UK          | 3,700   | 4,534   |
| of which: France      | 3,079   | 4,946   |

Revenues are allocated to countries according to the destination of the products or services. Revenues in other countries were not material in comparison to total revenues and therefore these revenues are not shown separately.

The following table shows intangible assets and property, plant and equipment by geographic region, according to the respective Group companies' locations. If assets in an individual foreign country are material, they are disclosed separately:

| € thousand                    | 30.09.2021 | 30.09.2020 |
|-------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Intangible assets             | 13,531     | 13,271     |
| Property, plant and equipment | 24,291     | 24,470     |
| Total                         | 37,822     | 37,741     |
| of which: UK                  | 21,342     | 21,034     |
| of which: Germany             | 14,513     | 15,868     |
| of which: USA                 | 1,967      | 838        |

No relationships exist with individual customers where revenue is to be categorized as significant in comparison with consolidated revenue

#### **Currency translation**

#### Translation of foreign currency transactions

Cash and cash equivalents as well as receivables and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the closing rate. Currency translation differences are recognized in profit or loss. Transactions denominated in foreign currencies are reported applying the currency rate on the date of the respective transaction. The risk assessment of currency exchange rate differences that are recognized through profit or loss occurs on a net basis. The net results from translation differences are immaterial in total.

#### Translation of foreign Group companies' financial statements

In the case of foreign Group companies, the functional currency is the respective local currency, as the companies operate independently in financial, business and organizational terms. The foreign companies' assets and liabilities are translated into euros at the closing rate on the reporting date. Income and expenses are translated into euros at the average exchange rates for the year. Equity components are translated at historical exchange rates on the respective acquisition dates from the Group's perspective. The translation difference compared with the closing rates is recognized directly in equity under "Other reserves".

The exchange rates against the euro report the following changes:

| Rate/€1  |         | Closin  | g rate  | Averag  | ge rate |
|----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Currency | Country | 2020/21 | 2019/20 | 2020/21 | 2019/20 |
| GBP      | UK      | 1.1621  | 1.0961  | 1.1456  | 1.1389  |
| USD      | USA     | 0.8636  | 0.8541  | 0.8366  | 0.8933  |

#### **Revenue recognition**

The revenue reported in the consolidated income statement relates to revenue from contracts with customers in accordance with IFRS 15. The BRAIN Group recognizes revenue in accordance with the IFRS 15 transfer of control approach.

Revenue is measured on the basis of the consideration specified in the contract with a customer, taking into account variable consideration such as cash discounts, volume-related rebates and other contractual price reductions. The variable consideration is estimated based on the most probable amount. However, variable consideration is only taken into consideration if it is highly probable that a significant reversal in revenue will not arise once the uncertainty associated with the variable consideration no longer exists. In addition, the determination of the transaction price requires discretionary decisions and estimates in light of uncertainties typical of the sector, which are associated with future milestone and license payments. These discretionary decisions relate to the valuation of the inclusion of milestone payments in the transaction price. Accordingly, milestones are included in the transaction price only if it is highly probable that they will be reached.

Revenue is recognized when control, in other words, the possibility of deriving benefit from the service rendered and of determining its further use, is transferred. This can occur either at a specific time or over a period of time. Revenue is recognized over a period of time if one of the following criteria is met:

- Upon fulfilment by the company, the customer receives the benefit of the service rendered and utilizes it at the same time.
- With its work, the company produces or improves an asset over which the customer has control during the production or improvement.
- With its work, the company generates an asset that cannot be used by the company for
  other purposes; in doing so, the company has a claim for payment for the services rendered
  to date and can also expect the contract to be fulfilled as agreed.

If the performance obligation is not fulfilled over a period of time, it is fulfilled at a given point in time. The following factors are considered in order to determine the point in time at on which control is transferred:

- the Group currently has the right to receive payment for the asset;
- the customer has legal ownership of the asset;
- · the company has transferred the asset physically (in other words, ownership of the asset);
- · the significant risks and rewards entailed in ownership of the asset lie with the customer; and
- the customer has accepted the asset.

#### Sale of goods/products

Revenue from the sale of products is recognized when control of a promised product is transferred in accordance with Incoterms agreed with customers. This is usually when the delivery has reached the customer.

#### **Rendering of services**

Revenues from rendering services arise mainly from research and development partner-ships, and are generated predominantly in the BioScience segment. Related one-off payments (mostly to be paid by customers when agreements are concluded) are analyzed on the date of receipt as to whether they relate to one-off payments for pre-contractual services that transfer to the customer and that are distinct. To the extent that this is the case, revenue is recognized immediately. R&D revenues are also recognized in the period in which the underlying services are rendered. This generally occurs in accordance with the progress of the transfer of the R&D services by applying the cost-to-cost method, as well as the milestones achieved as at the balance sheet date. The cost-to-cost method is best suited for measuring percentage of completion, as the R&D services' product is realized on the basis of the employees it deploys.

#### **Royalties and license fees**

Revenues from royalties (license agreements) are recognized in the period in which they accrue according to the terms of the underlying contract. As a matter of principle, revenue-based fees are not recognized until the customer realizes the corresponding sales revenues. In the case of licenses, a distinction must be made as to whether the customer acquires with the license a right-of-use (revenue recognition on the basis of a given point in time) or a right-of-access (revenue recognition over a period of time). One-off prepaid license payments are recognized immediately (revenue recognition based on a given point in time) if the license grants a right-of-use, and the licensed technology is not developed further (static licenses). One-off prepaid license payments are realized over time (revenue recognition over a period of time) if and to the extent that the license grants access rights to the technology, and the licensed technology is developed further (dynamic licenses).

Financing components are separated from the actual performance if they are classified as material. If the period between the time when BRAIN transfers the promised goods or services to the customer and the time when the customer pays for those goods or services is one year or less, no financing component is taken into account. Contractual liabilities are reported as deferred income rather than separately on the balance sheet. Separate disclosure is made in the section "(23) Deferred income".

#### Intangible assets

Purchased intangible assets are recognized at cost and amortized straight-line over their economic useful life. Cost consists of directly attributable costs. The useful lives and depreciation methods are reviewed each year and modified if necessary. The useful lives applied by the Group are as follows:

|  | Useful life in years |
|--|----------------------|
| Genetic resources  | 2-8                  |
| Software and industrial property rights                            | 2-15                 |
| Customer relationships acquired as part of a corporate acquisition | 8-11                 |
| Technology acquired as part of a corporate acquisition             | 10-12                |

#### Research and development

Research costs are recognized as expenses in the period in which they are incurred. In accordance with IAS 38.53 and IAS 38.57, development expenditures are capitalized if the following criteria are met:

- It is technically feasible for the entity to complete the intangible asset so that it will be available for use or sale.
- The entity intends to complete the intangible asset and use or sell it.
- The entity is able to use or sell the intangible asset.
- How the intangible asset will generate probable future economic benefits can be demonstrated. Inter alia, the entity can substantiate the existence of a market for the output of the intangible asset or the intangible asset itself or, if it is to be used internally, the intangible asset's utility.
- The availability of adequate technical, financial and other resources to complete development, and use or sell the intangible asset.
- The entity is able to reliably measure the expenditure attributable to the intangible asset during its development.

Not all of these criteria were met in the financial year, so that all expenditure connected with research and development activities was recognized as expenses as incurred.

#### Property, plant and equipment

Items of property, plant and equipment are measured at cost and depreciated to reflect any wear and tear. The straight-line depreciation method is applied.

The depreciation period is based on the asset's expected useful economic life. Impairment losses and depreciation charges are recognized if no further, or fewer, economic benefits are expected from the asset's continued use or sale. Gains or losses on the disposal of items of property, plant and equipment are calculated by comparing the net disposal proceeds with the asset's carrying amount and recognized in profit or loss in the period in which the asset is derecognized.

Depreciation charges are based mainly on the following useful lives:

|  | Useful life in years |
|--|----------------------|
| Buildings and outdoor facilities                     | 10-50                |
| Vehicle fleet  | 3-6                  |
| Laboratory equipment, operating and office equipment | 1-15                 |

In the case of assets that are manufactured or otherwise made ready for their intended use or sale over a longer period of time ("qualifying assets"), borrowing costs are capitalized if they can be attributed directly to the asset. No qualifying assets existed in either the reporting period or the prior-year period.

#### Impairment tests

Goodwill and other intangible assets with an indefinite or indeterminable useful life are tested at least once per year for impairment. Intangible assets and items of property, plant and equipment with finite or indeterminable useful lives are only tested for impairment if indications exist that the asset has become impaired. An impairment loss is recognized in profit or loss in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income if the asset's recoverable amount, in other words, the higher of its fair value less costs of disposal and its value-in-use, is less than its carrying amount. The recoverable amount is generally determined individually for each asset. If this is not possible, it is determined based on a group of assets representing a cash-generating unit (CGU). An assessment is made at least once a year whether any indication exists that the reason for an impairment loss recognized in prior periods no longer applies or the amount of the impairment has decreased. If this is the case, the asset's recoverable amount is remeasured, and the impairment loss is reversed accordingly (except in the case of goodwill).

The starting point for estimating the recoverable amount of the relevant cash-generating unit for the goodwill impairment tests as at 30 September 2021 is its value-in-use, calculated as the present value of the future net cash flows expected to be generated from the CGU. The estimate is based on the current five-year planning of the relevant company. The last planning year is generally also applied for cash flows beyond the planning period and modified considering further assumptions for the perpetual return, to the extent that specific related indications exist. These plans are based on Management Board estimates about future trends that are described further in the description of the individual cash-generating units. Past data and expected

market performance are utilized to calculate values-in-use for the cash-generating units. The values allocated to the significant assumptions are generally in line with external information sources in this context.

The cash generating unit's capital costs are calculated as the weighted average of its equity and debt costs. The capital structure, and equity and debt costs, are based on peer companies from the same sector and are derived from available capital market information.

Goodwill existed at the following cash-generating units (CGUs) as at the reporting date:

|                               | 30.09.2021             |   | 30.09.                 | 2020  |
|-------------------------------|------------------------|---|------------------------|---|
| Cash-generating unit          | Goodwill<br>€ thousand | Pre-tax cost of capital (WACC) <sup>3</sup> | Goodwill<br>€ thousand | Pre-tax cost of capital (WACC) <sup>3</sup> |
| Biocatalysts                  | 4,026                  | 7.08 %                                      | 3,785                  | 7.82 %                                      |
| Natural Products<br>Chemistry | 699                    | 7.50 %                                      | 699                    | 8.08%                                       |

The "Biocatalysts" CGU consists of the goodwill from the acquisition of Biocatalysts Ltd., including its subsidiary Biocatalysts Inc., and is attributable to the BioIndustrial segment. The "Natural Products Chemistry" CGU consists of the goodwill from the acquisition of AnalytiCon Discovery GmbH and its subsidiary AnalytiCon Discovery LLC, and is attributable to the Bio-Science segment.

#### **Biocatalysts**

For the Biocatalysts unit, an IAS 36 impairment test was performed again as at 30 September 2021. Planning is based on a significant rise in sales revenues and successive margin improvements. As planned, this would be in line with the significant increases in recent years as well as in the 2020/21 financial year. Continued strong growth is to be achieved by further expanding business relationships with both existing and new customers. Furthermore, an even stronger focus on customer-specific enzymes and proprietary product developments is planned, which should contribute to a further improvement in revenue as well as to a margin improvement. Net cash flows beyond the detailed planning phase were modelled on a terminal growth rate that reflects growth rates derived from current market information (financial year under review: 1.00 %, previous year: 1.00 %). A value-in-use applying discounted cash flows was calculated based on five-year planning. No impairment was determined in the impairment test on 30 September 2021.

An increase in the weighted average cost of capital by 1.0 percentage points or a reduction in the EBITDA margin in the perpetual return by 2.0 percentage points would also have led to no impairment.

The Management Board assumes that the calculated sensitivities suitably and sufficiently reflect the potential deviations from plan in each case.

#### **Natural Products Chemistry**

Thanks to positive market feedback and its successful performance in recent financial years, the "Natural Products Chemistry" unit in its planning assumes significant revenue growth and a positive trend in its EBITDA margin. The expected trend in revenue and earnings is mainly driven by the growth potential in the area of projects/services (including the project

3 Weighted average cost of capital before tax.

of AnalytiCon Discovery GmbH with Pharvaris N.V. regarding the novel oral bradykinin B2 receptor antagonists (PHA121)) as well as the resultant positive effects on the personnel expense ratio. Net cash flows beyond the detailed planning phase were modelled on a terminal growth rate that reflects growth rates derived from current market information (financial year under review and the previous year: 1.00%). A value-in-use applying discounted cash flows was calculated based on five-year planning. No impairment was determined in the impairment test on 30 September 2021.

An increase in the weighted average cost of capital by 1.0 percentage points or a reduction in the EBITDA margin in the perpetual return by 2.0 percentage points would have also led to no impairment.

#### **Inventories**

Raw materials, consumables and supplies as well as unfinished goods and services, are measured at cost. In this context, the weighted average cost method is essentially applied at the lower of cost or market value. In addition to direct costs, production costs include appropriate portions of materials and production overheads. Borrowing costs are not capitalized. Writedowns to a lower net realizable value are applied if necessary.

#### **Financial instruments**

Financial instruments refer to all contractual relationships that result in a financial asset for one party and a financial liability or equity instrument for the other party. Financial instruments include both non-derivative and derivative financial instruments.

Financial instruments are classified into three categories on initial recognition:

- At amortized cost (AC)
- At fair value through equity (through reserves) (FVTOCI)
- At fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL),

When financial assets are measured at fair value, expenses and income are to be recognized, depending on their classification, either in full in the profit or loss for the period (FVTPL) or in other comprehensive income (FVOCI), with or without subsequent reclassification to the income statement.

The classification is determined when the financial asset is first recognized, in other words, when BRAIN becomes a party to the contractual arrangements for the instrument.

A debt instrument that meets the following two conditions is measured at amortized cost:

- Business model condition: The objective of the BRAIN Group's business model is to hold the financial assets in order to collect the contractual cash flows.
- Cash flow condition: The contractual terms of the financial asset generate cash flows at specified times that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal outstanding.

A debt instrument that meets the following two conditions is measured at fair value changes recognized in other comprehensive income and subsequent reclassification to the income statement:

- Business model condition: The objective of the BRAIN Group's business model is achieved by both collecting the contractual cash flows from financial assets and by disposing of financial assets.
- Cash flow condition: The contractual terms of the financial asset generate cash flows at specified times that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal outstanding.

All other debt instruments are measured at fair value with value changes recognized in profit or loss for the period (FVTPL). All equity instruments held are recognized at fair value on the balance sheet. Value changes are recognized in the result for the period. If an equity instrument is not held for trading, BRAIN may make an irrevocable decision upon initial recognition to measure it at fair value, with value changes recognized in other comprehensive income. Subsequent reclassification to the income statement is excluded in this case.

Financial assets are generally only derecognized if no prospect of recovery exists, such as if enforcement has been unsuccessful, insolvency proceedings have been discontinued for lack of assets, or the debt is now statute-barred. No further enforcement actions are taken subsequently. Financial assets whose terms were amended because they would otherwise have been overdue or impaired did not exist in the past financial year (as in the previous year).

Debt instruments are derecognized from the consolidated balance sheet when all risks and rewards have been transferred and the related receipt of payment is assured. If not all risks and rewards are transferred, the debt instruments are derecognized when control of the debt instrument is transferred.

#### Impairment of financial assets

Impairment losses on debt instruments held by the company that are not to be measured at fair value through profit or loss are based on the premise that expected losses must be recognized. These are recorded at the following amounts:

- the "expected 12-month loss" (present value of expected payment defaults resulting from possible default events within the next 12 months after the reporting date) or
- the total loss expected over the remaining term of the instrument (present value of expected payment defaults arising from all possible default events over the financial instrument's remaining term).

For trade receivables with and without a significant financing component, contract assets and leasing receivables, the need for impairment is always determined on the basis of the losses expected over the entire term. For all other instruments, impairments are only determined on the basis of the losses expected over the entire term if the credit risk has increased significantly since initial recognition. The assessment as to whether the risk of default has increased significantly is based on an increase in the probability of default since the date of acquisition. Macroeconomic forecasts (such as in relation to GDP) are also taken into consideration in this analysis.

Otherwise, the impairment losses are determined solely on the basis of the expected losses that would result from a loss event occurring within 12 months of the reporting date. In this case, loss events that may occur later than 12 months after the balance sheet date are consequently not taken into consideration.

The credit quality of a financial asset is impaired if one or more events have occurred that have an adverse effect on the expected future cash flows. This includes observable data that has become known about subsequent events:

- significant financial difficulties on the part of the issuer or debtor;
- a breach of contract such as default or delay in interest or principal payments;
- concessions that the lender makes to the borrower for financial or contractual reasons relating to the borrower's financial difficulties; but would not otherwise grant;
- an increased probability that the borrower will enter bankruptcy or other reorganization proceedings;
- the disappearance of an active market for this financial asset due to financial difficulties;
- the purchase or issue of a financial asset with a high discount reflecting the credit losses incurred.

A value adjustment table is applied for trade receivables, which determines the losses expected over the remaining term as a flat-rate percentage depending on the length of the overdue period. Irrecoverable receivables are written off at the time when the Group becomes aware that the receivable will probably be uncollectible.

#### **Government grants**

Monetary grants and other support payments for research and development projects are reported separately in the statement of comprehensive income as "research and development grant revenue".

According to IAS 20, these government grants are only recognized at fair value if satisfactory evidence exists that the grant conditions are met and the grants will be paid. Grants are recognized in profit and loss in the reporting period during which the costs related to the respective grants were incurred. Receivables from grants that have not yet been settled are reported as trade receivables, as the underlying research and development activities form a significant element of the range of work and service of the BRAIN Group.

Investment subsidies and grants for assets are not deducted from the costs of acquiring the respective assets, but are instead recognized as deferred income. Such deferred income is recognized as income in line with the depreciation or amortization of the corresponding assets, and is reported in the statement of comprehensive income under other income.

## Equity

To classify financial instruments that are not to be settled in BRAIN Biotech AG equity instruments as either equity or debt capital, it is essential to assess whether a payment obligation exists for BRAIN Biotech AG. A financial liability always exists if BRAIN Biotech AG is not entitled to avoid rendering liquid assets or realizing an exchange in the form of other financial assets in order to settle the obligation.

Costs directly attributable to the issuance of new shares are shown in equity as a deduction from the income received from the issue. If a reporting date occurs between the date on which the costs are incurred and the actual performance of the equity transaction, in other words, an inflow of issue proceeds, the deductible transaction costs accruing in the reporting period are initially recognized under assets as prepaid items, and are not offset against equity (capital reserves) until the capital increase is recognized on the balance sheet.

#### **Provisions**

Provisions are recognized for all identifiable present obligations to third parties arising from past events, whose settlement is expected to result in an outflow of resources and whose amount can be reliably estimated. They are recognized at the expected settlement amount. If the outflow of resources is expected to occur at a date after the year following the reporting period, the obligations are recognized at their present value. In the case of a lower level of discounting, the interest effects are recorded in finance costs.

#### Occupational pension scheme/employee benefits

The occupational pension scheme at BRAIN includes both defined contribution plans as well as defined benefit plans.

In addition to the statutory pension insurance systems, occupational pensions at BRAIN Biotech AG, AnalytiCon Discovery GmbH, Biocatalysts Ltd. and WeissBioTech GmbH utilize direct insurance policies and payments into pension funds and private pension schemes (direct contribution commitment). Pension schemes also exist for two former members of the Management Board of BRAIN Biotech AG. These schemes are managed and funded through an occupational pension plan (Unterstützungskasse) (direct benefit commitment).

Payments for defined contribution pension schemes are expensed under personnel expenses if the employees have rendered the work entitling them to said contributions. Contributions to government pension plans are treated in the same way as payments for defined contribution plans.

A defined contribution plan exists in Germany for all employees in the Group companies within the framework of the German statutory pension insurance into which the employer must pay. The amount to be paid is determined according to the current applicable contribution rate of 9.30% (employer contribution) with regard to the employee compensation subject to compulsory pension insurance. In the USA, the employer contribution to social security is 6.2% in relation to annual employee compensation of €127,200. In addition, BRAIN offers a company pension scheme in the form of deferred compensation without topping-up contributions by the employer.

A defined benefit plan exists for two former Management Board members in the form of benefit commitments by the company. The benefit entitlements consist of an old-age pension from the age of 65 as well as surviving dependents' and invalidity benefits. To reinsure pension commitments, the company pays contributions to an external occupational pension plan. In turn, the occupational pension plan has taken out pension liability insurance cover. The claims under the pension liability insurance have been assigned to the occupational pension plan beneficiaries.

The pension obligation is measured applying actuarial methods in accordance with IAS 19. The calculations are essentially based on statistical data relating to mortality and disability rates, assumptions about the discount rates as well as expected return on plan assets. The determination of the interest rate and the expected plan assets is based on yields on AA-rated corporate bonds corresponding to the respective term. As part of accounting, the fair value of plan assets is deducted from the present value of the benefit obligation for pensions. The valuation of the benefit obligation for pensions and the plan assets is undertaken annually by means of actuarial reports as at the reporting date.

Revaluations that resulted in particular from the adjustment of actuarial assumptions are recognized directly in equity (retained earnings) via other comprehensive income without affecting the operating result.

### "CoPerBo" Corporate Performance Bonus for employees of BRAIN Biotech AG

In the 2015/16 financial year, a performance-based compensation scheme was set up for BRAIN Biotech AG employees. This scheme was continued in the financial year under review, and commits an annual bonus to BRAIN Biotech AG staff depending on their respective basic salary received in the financial year and certain development factors. The bonus level is significantly affected in this context by three development factors, each of which affect one third of the bonus payable. All employees of BRAIN Biotech AG with separate target agreements are not entitled to this program.

The first factor is the year-to-year percentage change in the BRAIN Group's revenue in the respective financial year. The second factor is the change in the BRAIN Group's adjusted EBITDA. A change in these factors of € one million is defined as 10 %. The third factor is the change in the weighted average share price over the financial year. The bonus payments for the financial year elapsed are always scheduled to occur in the January of the subsequent year, as the audited segment information is available on that date. The payout range is fixed at between 0 and 30 % of the basic salary paid to an employee. Only 10 percentage points may result from each factor.

Segment information from this set of financial statements was utilized to calculate the level of the obligation. The provision's effect on adjusted EBITDA was taken into account through applying an iterative calculation.

The periodic expense for the 2020/21 financial year amounted to €160 thousand. A liability of €160 thousand was formed as at 30 September 2021. No obligation existed for the 2019/20 financial year.

# Share-based payment and other long-term employee benefits

In the 2020/21 financial year, the following share-based employee compensation existed:

#### **Employee Stock Ownership Program (ESOP)**

In order to provide incentives and to retain managers and employees of BRAIN Biotech AG long-term, an employee stock ownership program (ESOP 2017/18) for the 2017/18 came into effect on 8 June 2018, and an employee stock ownership program (ESOP 2018/19) for the 2017/18 financial year came into effect on 12 March 2019. Under the latter, further options were issued in the 2020/21 financial year on 2 October 2020 by way of exception (in particular due to the change of Chief Financial Officer), and on 15 March 2021 as scheduled. Managers and employees as well as the Management Board members of BRAIN Biotech AG participate in all ESOPs.

The ESOP 2017/18 stock option program is based on the AGM resolution of 8 July 2015 to set up a stock option program and create conditional capital 2015/II. The ESOP 2018/19 stock option program is based on the AGM resolution of 7 March 2019 to set up a stock option program and create conditional capital 2019/I.

As part of exercise, one option entitles to the purchase of one share in the company at the so-called exercise price. The exercise price corresponds to the average of the share price 10 trading days prior to the contractual grant date. The following overview shows the measurement date and the exercise price.

|                    | Measurement date | Exercise price (€) |
|--------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| ESOP 2017/2018     | 08 June 2018     | 20.67              |
| ESOP 2018/2019     | 12 March 2019    | 10.64              |
| ESOP 2019/2020     | 09 March 2020    | 9.11               |
| ESOP 2020/2021-Oct | 02 October 2020  | 7.37               |
| ESOP 2020/2021-Mar | 15 March 2021    | 9.03               |

Along with the share price performance target (performance condition), the exercising of options is also conditional upon the respective beneficiary remaining at the company (service condition). Taking fulfilment of both the service and performance conditions into account, the options can be exercised at the earliest at the end of four years after the grant date (waiting period). The exercise period amounts to four years after the end of the four-year waiting period. From the ESOP 2018/19 onwards, a cap amount is also applied to the Management Board members' options, which limits the options' maximum value. In the ESOP 2017/18, such a cap amount was only provided for Management Board members.

The following overview presents the options granted, expired, forfeited and exercised in the financial year under review per type:

|                                 | Options for managers and employees | Options for Manage-<br>ment Board members |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| Outstanding as at 30.09.2020    | 362,600                            | 160,000                                   |
| Granted in the financial year   | 179,000                            | 200,000                                   |
| Expired in the financial year   | 0                                  | 0   |
| Forfeited in the financial year | 28,000                             | 0   |
| Exercised in the financial year | 0                                  | 0   |
| Outstanding as at 30.09.2021    | 513,600                            | 360,000                                   |
| Exercisable as at 30.09.2021    | 0                                  | 0   |

The options are to be recognized in accordance with the provisions of IFRS 2 "Share-based Payment", and are to be classified as equity-settled share-based payment transactions.

As a matter of principle, the fair value of the options is measured once at the grant date using a Monte Carlo simulation, and taking into consideration the terms and conditions upon which the options were granted. When the options were issued in the 2020/21 financial year for the 2020/21-Oct ESOP, the grant date fell on 2 October 2020, and for the 2020/21-Mar ESOP, the grant date fell on 15 March 2021.

The following parameters were applied as at the measurement date:

| Parameter                               | Options for<br>Management Board<br>members, managers<br>and employees<br>(ESOP 2020/21-Oct):<br>Issued in the<br>2020/21 financial year | Options for<br>Management Board<br>members, managers<br>and employees<br>(ESOP 2020/21-Mar):<br>Issued in the<br>2020/21 financial year |
|---|---|---|
| Measurement date                        | 2.10.2020   | 15.03.2021  |
| Remaining term (in years)               | 8   | 8   |
| Share price on the measurement date (€) | 7.00  | 9.16  |
| Exercise price (€)                      | 7.37  | 9.03  |
| Expected dividend yield (%)             | 0.0   | 0.0   |
| Expected volatility (%)                 | 47.85 %   | 50.30 %   |
| Risk-free interest rate (%)             | -0.72 %   | -0.70 %   |
| Model applied                           | Monte Carlo   | Monte Carlo   |
| Value cap per option (€)                | 30.00   | 30.00   |
| Fair value per option (€)               | 2.68  | 3.37  |

The volatility applied over the remaining option term reflects historical volatility derived from peer group data, and appropriate to the remaining term. The expected volatility applied is based on the assumption that conclusions can be drawn from historical volatility about future trends. The volatility that actually occurs can differ from the assumptions made. The expected dividend yield is based on management estimates as well as market expectations. The risk-free interest rate is based on German government bond yields with congruent maturities. Due to the contractual structure, the management has made assumptions about expected exercise dates and payments. The actual exercise dates can differ from the assumptions that have been made.

For BRAIN Biotech AG, exercise of the subscription rights entails no effect on its cash position or treasury stock position, as no obligation of any kind exists for the company to deliver shares or cash payments in connection with this program. As the company receives the consideration in the form of work and similar service, pursuant to IFRS 2 an amount of €512 thousand (previous year: €449 thousand) for these share-based payment schemes is recognized at BRAIN Biotech AG. Of this amount, €127 thousand relates to members of the Management Board (previous year: €27 thousand).

## Growth equity program at Biocatalysts Ltd.

In the 2018/19 financial year, a share-based compensation scheme was established to incentivize and retain managers at Biocatalysts, which was acquired in the 2017/18 financial year, in which managers at local company level participate. In the 2018/19 financial year, the managers acquired 50,197 shares at a nominal price of GBP 0.1, in other words, at a total amount of GBP 5,020. The shares carry neither voting rights nor profit participation rights. At the same time, a put option agreement was concluded, which enables the beneficiaries to sell the shares back to the company on the basis of the financial statements as at 30 September 2022. The management may also demand the exercise of the put option on the basis of the financial statements as at 30 September 2022 or, in the event of poor business performance, refrain from or postpone such exercise. The amount paid out is calculated on the basis of the

growth in the company's value based on a predefined EBITDA multiple and on the achievement of the budgeted figures for the 2022/23 financial year (previous year: budgeted figures for the 2021/22 financial year). The options were valued at €26.39 per option as at 30 September 2021 (previous year: €13.53). The resulting personnel expenses are distributed over the vesting period until 30 September 2023. As this represents cash-settled share-based payment, a revaluation is performed on each balance sheet date on the basis of the company's current planning. An expense of €477 thousand was recognized in the financial year under review and a corresponding provision was formed (previous year: €180 thousand).

## Employee share scheme of AnalytiCon Discovery GmbH

Put/call options with BRAIN Biotech AG were agreed for all non-controlling interests in the 2014/15 financial year. In accordance with the contractual terms, employees and managers were able to exercise the put options until February 2020. In the 2019/20 financial year, almost all holders of options still outstanding exercised their put options and transferred their shares to BRAIN Biotech AG. As a consequence, the interest held in AnalytiCon Discovery GmbH increased from 99.7% to 100%. In the financial year under review, a further tranche of the payment for the transferred shares amounting to €1,557 thousand was rendered. This reduced financial liabilities to €3 thousand (previous year: €838 thousand) and other liabilities to €6 thousand (previous year: €716 thousand).

# **Current and deferred taxes**

The expense for the period consists of current and deferred taxes. Taxes are recognized in the income statement unless they relate to items that were recognized directly in equity or in other comprehensive income. In such cases, the taxes are also recognized directly in equity or in other comprehensive income.

The current tax expense is calculated applying the tax rates that have been enacted as at the reporting date (or are soon to be enacted) in the countries in which the company and its subsidiaries are active and generate taxable income. The Management Board regularly reviews tax returns, in particular with regard to matters for which differing interpretations are possible, and recognizes income tax liabilities (if appropriate) based on the amounts expected to be paid to the tax authorities.

Deferred taxes are calculated using the balance sheet liability method. Deferred taxes are recognized in respect of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities on the IFRS balance sheet and their tax base, as well for differences resulting from consolidation adjustments.

In addition, deferred tax assets are recognized for the future tax benefit that arises from offsetting tax loss carryforwards against future taxable profit, to the extent that it is probable that such assets are expected to be recoverable, based on the company's tax projections.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset if a legally enforceable right of offset exists and they relate to income taxes levied by same tax authority on the same taxable entity or the taxable entities intend to settle net.

Deferred tax assets or liabilities are reported as non-current assets or liabilities irrespective of the balance sheet classification by maturity.

#### Leases

A lease is an agreement that gives the right to control the use of an identified asset for a specified period of time in return for payment of a consideration. Lease agreements exist at BRAIN Biotech AG as lessee, in particular in connection with real estate and vehicles. BRAIN Group companies do not act as lessors.

As a lessee, BRAIN Biotech AG now accounts for all leases and recognizes rights-of-use to assets and liabilities arising from leases in accordance with the following principles:

- BRAIN Biotech AG utilizes the option not to recognize leases for intangible assets as part of IFRS 16
- BRAIN Biotech AG applies the exemptions in connection with lease agreements with a
  maximum term of twelve months from the date of delivery of the asset, as well as low-value
  assets. Leased assets with a maximum value of €5,000 were defined as low-value assets.
  Lease payments for short-term leases and for leases for low-value assets are expensed
  straight-line over the lease term.
- For leases, use is generally made of the option of not separating lease and non-lease components. Lease and non-lease components are separated only for leases of land and buildings.
- In determining the term of leases, the exercise of existing renewal or termination options is estimated on a case-by-case basis, taking into account factors such as location strategies, leasehold improvements and degree of specificity.
- Lease liabilities are measured at the present value of the remaining lease payments. The
  marginal borrowing rate is generally used because the interest rate underlying the lease
  cannot be readily determined. BRAIN Biotech AG applies the repayment model in order to
  determine the current portion of the lease liability. The current portion of the lease
  liabilities corresponds to the repayment portion of the next 12 months.
- On the date of addition, the right-of-use is generally capitalized in the same amount as the lease liability. Differences may arise if, for example, demolition/restoration obligations exist.
- Subsequently, the right-of-use is generally depreciated on a straight-line basis over the
  lease term. However, if an existing call option has been assessed as sufficiently certain
  in relation to the probability of exercise, or if an automatic transfer of ownership occurs at
  the end of the contract term, depreciation is applied over the same period as is otherwise
  applied to corresponding assets of property, plant and equipment (see note "Property,
  plant and equipment").
- If an existing lease is subsequently adjusted, the lease liability and the right-of-use asset
  must be remeasured if the contractual adjustment modifies the payment profile (in
  accordance with the interest and repayment schedule) or the scope of the right-of-use
  asset in terms of quantity or time.

# Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents consist of cash in hand, credit balances payable on demand, and term deposits with an original maturity of up to three months.

#### Statement of cash flows

The statement of cash flows is classified into cash flows from operating activities, investing activities and financing activities. Where appropriate, any mixed transactions may be allocated to more than one activity. Overall, income taxes are included in cash flows from operating activities.

Cash flows from operating activities are presented applying the indirect method, under which profit for the period after taxes is adjusted for non-cash results components as well as deferrals of past or future inflows and outflows (including provisions), as well as items of income and expense that are attributable to investing activities.

# IV. NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

#### 1 Revenue

The Group's revenue consists primarily of revenue from the sale of goods and products amounting to €29,783 thousand (previous year: €26,447 thousand), fees from research and development partnerships of €7,598 (previous year: €10,302 thousand) and royalties of €1,008 thousand (previous year: €1,476 thousand).

Fees from research and development partnerships consist of one-off fees, ongoing research and development fees, and performance-related fees from milestones and project success points.

The composition of revenue by segments and regions is presented in the section "Segment reporting".

## 2 Research and development grant revenue

R&D grant revenue amounting to €833 thousand (previous year: €839 thousand) consists of non-repayable grants received for specific research and development projects, mainly for projects sponsors acting on behalf of the Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF). The BMBF has the right to examine whether the funds granted are being used for the designated purpose.

#### 3 Other income

Other income consists of:

| € thousand  | 2020/21 | 2019/20 |
|---|---------|---------|
| Gain on bargain purchase                          | 858     | 0       |
| Income from release of liabilities and provisions | 279     | 97      |
| Income from translating foreign currency items    | 167     | 171     |
| Benefits in kind and rental income                | 130     | 125     |
| Other out-of-period income                        | 52      | 159     |
| Total   | 1,486   | 552     |

#### 4 Cost of materials

The cost of materials contains the cost of raw materials, consumables, and supplies, the cost of purchased merchandise, and the cost of services, in particular for third-party research and development expenses relating to R&D partnerships with universities and with other technology companies.

## 5 Personnel expenses

Personnel expenses include, among other items, expenses of € 511 thousand from allocation to the capital reserves of share-based employee compensation at BRAIN Biotech AG (previous year: € 449 thousand). At Biocatalysts Ltd., further liabilities were recognized for the share-based compensation scheme, and a corresponding personnel expense of € 477 thousand (previous year: €180 thousand) was recognized.

These include € 379 thousand (previous year: € 363 thousand) of expenses for pensions (occupational pension scheme, life insurance and pension insurance association contributions).

The employer contributions to the statutory pension insurance scheme amounted to €1,222 thousand in the financial year under review (prior year: €1,133 thousand).

Post-employment benefit costs of approximately € 387 thousand and employer contributions to the statutory pension insurance scheme (defined contribution benefit pension plan) of approximately € 1,250 thousand are expected in the 2021/22 financial year.

The effects from measuring defined benefit pension commitments for two former Management Board members, which are included in the statement of comprehensive income, consist of the following:

| € thousand                                    | 2020/21 | 2019/20 |
|---|---------|---------|
| Service cost                                  | -       | 120     |
| Interest cost from the DBO/pension obligation | 47      | 49      |
| Return on plan assets                         | -23     | -23     |
| Expenses recognized in the operating result   | 24      | 146     |
| Remeasurement effects                         | -306    | -44     |
| Net effect: other comprehensive income        | -306    | -44     |
| Total expenses                                | -282    | 102     |

In the previous year, expenses of €50 thousand are also recognized in the statement of comprehensive income from defined contribution commitments to one former Management Board member and one Management Board member who left the company in the previous year.

The benefit entitlements of two former Management Board members consist of a retirement pension from the age of 65 as well as surviving dependents' and invalidity benefits, which are paid out through an occupational pension plan (defined benefit plans).

The defined benefit obligation (DBO) reports the following changes:

| € thousand   | 2020/21 | 2019/20 |
|--|---------|---------|
| Value on 1 October   | 5,557   | 5,330   |
| Interest cost  | 47      | 49      |
| Service cost   | 0       | 120     |
| Remeasurement due to changes to demographic assumptions                  | 0       | 0       |
| Actuarial gains (-) and losses (+) from changes in financial assumptions | -342    | 95      |
| Remeasurement due to experience-based adjustments                        | -12     | -37     |
| Value on 30 September  | 5,250   | 5,557   |

The obligation was covered by reinsurance. Plan assets report the following changes:

| € thousand            | 2020/21 | 2019/20 |
|-----------------------|---------|---------|
| Value on 1 October    | 2,755   | 2,473   |
| Return on plan assets | 23      | 23      |
| Contributions paid    | 249     | 158     |
| Remeasurement effects | -48     | 101     |
| Value on 30 September | 2,979   | 2,755   |

The plan assets arise exclusively from claims from reinsurance in the form of life insurance policies. To this extent, the fair value cannot be derived from a price in an active market and for this reason is also calculated actuarially.

After offsetting the obligation with the assigned plan assets, the amounts recognized on the balance sheet are as follows:

| € thousand                    | 30.09.2021 | 30.09.2020 |
|-------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Defined benefit obligation    | 5,250      | 5,557      |
| Plan assets                   | -2,979     | -2,755     |
| Provision for pension schemes | 2,271      | 2,803      |
|                               |            |            |
| € thousand                    | 2020/21    | 2019/20    |
| Value on 1 October            | 2,803      | 2,858      |
| Net interest costs            | 23         | 26         |
| Service cost                  | 0          | 120        |
| Contributions paid            | -249       | -158       |
| Remeasurement effects         | -306       | -44        |
| Value on 30 September         | 2,271      | 2,803      |

In relation to pension obligations hedged through corresponding reinsurance, the "Richttafeln 2018G, Heubeck-Richttafeln GmbH, Köln 2018" mortality tables were utilized to measure the pension obligation as at 30 September 2021.

When measuring the pension obligation, an actuarial interest rate of 1.12 % (previous year: 0.85 %) and a pension trend of 1.00 % (previous year: 1.00 %) was applied. The cashflow-weighted duration of the payment obligation scope amounts to 23.4 years (previous year: 24.8 years).

The significant valuation assumptions show the following sensitivities with regard to changes in the defined benefit obligation:

| € thousand                            | 30.09.2021 | 30.09.2020 |
|---------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Change in interest rates +0.25%       | -292       | -328       |
| Change in interest rates –0.25%       | 316        | 355        |
| Increase in pension trend p.a. +0.25% | 231        | 252        |
| Life expectancy +1 year               | 183        | 202        |
| Life expectancy -1 year               | -183       | -201       |

The expected contributions to plan assets in the 2021/22 financial year amount to €248 thousand. No pension payments are expected for the 2021/22 financial year.

# 6 Depreciation, amortization and impairment

Depreciation, amortization and impairment charges are presented in the statements of changes in intangible assets and property, plant and equipment in the notes to the balance sheet. In the previous year, depreciation, amortization and impairment included an impairment charge of € 408 thousand on other intangible assets (production organisms) that were no longer utilized.

# 7 Other expenses

Other expenses consist of the following:

| € thousand                                 | 2020/21 | 2019/20 |
|--|---------|---------|
| Advertising and travel expenses            | 541     | 786     |
| Occupancy costs                            | 993     | 946     |
| Distribution, sales and logistics expenses | 830     | 792     |
| Legal and consulting expenses              | 574     | 914     |
| Repair and maintenance expenses            | 585     | 434     |
| Office and business supplies               | 478     | 291     |
| Costs of financial statements and auditing | 428     | 495     |
| Insurance                                  | 345     | 340     |
| Services                                   | 128     | 178     |

| € thousand                     | 2020/21 | 2019/20 |
|--------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Supervisory Board compensation | 255     | 225     |
| Currency translation expenses  | 202     | 232     |
| Other levies and license fees  | 226     | 227     |
| Training costs                 | 193     | 178     |
| Miscellaneous other expenses   | 1,134   | 1,282   |
| Other expenses, total          | 6,912   | 7,320   |

## 8 Finance income

Finance income consists of the following:

| € thousand   | 2020/21 | 2019/20 |
|--|---------|---------|
| Income from subsequent measurement of financial liabilities            | 3,746   | 460     |
| Income from the derecognition of financial liabilities                 | 0       | 671     |
| Income from dilution of interests held in equity-accounted investments | 741     | 0       |
| Interest income from loans to equity-accounted investments             | 11      | 14      |
| Income from the (subsequent) measurement of financial derivatives      | 117     | 384     |
| Miscellaneous finance income   | 106     | 16      |
| Finance income, total  | 4,721   | 1,546   |

Income from the subsequent measurement of financial liabilities derives mainly from the change in measurement and exercise of put option rights relating to non-controlling interests of Biocatalysts Ltd. in an amount of  $\mathfrak S$ 3,746 thousand (previous year:  $\mathfrak S$ 356 thousand).

# 9 Finance costs

Finance costs consist of the following:

| € thousand   | 2020/21 | 2019/20 |
|--|---------|---------|
| Payments for silent partnerships   | 285     | 285     |
| Payments for loans   | 138     | 289     |
| Interest costs for leases  | 98      | 99      |
| Income from dilution of interests held in equity-accounted investments   | 164     | 0       |
| Expenses from the subsequent measurement of financial liabilities for the potential acquisition of non-controlling interests (put options) | 10      | 27      |
| Miscellaneous finance costs  | 32      | 172     |
| Finance costs, total   | 727     | 872     |

# 10 Current and deferred taxes

Deferred taxes are measured using the tax rates expected to apply in the period when the asset is realized, or the liability is settled. For all German entities included in the Group, this is 15.825% for corporate income tax, including the solidarity surcharge (previous year: 15.825%). The trade tax rate for domestic Group companies and the combined tax rate are shown below:

| Trade tax rate               | 2020/21 | 2019/20 |
|------------------------------|---------|---------|
| BRAIN Biotech AG             | 13.30 % | 13.30 % |
| BRAIN Capital GmbH           | 13.30 % | 13.30 % |
| AnalytiCon Discovery GmbH    | 15.93%  | 15.93 % |
| Mekon Science Networks GmbH  | 13.30 % | 11.55 % |
| L.A. Schmitt GmbH            | 11.76 % | 11.76 % |
| WeissBioTech GmbH            | 14.53 % | 14.53 % |
|                              |         |         |
| Combined tax rate            | 2020/21 | 2019/20 |
| BRAIN Biotech AG             | 29.13 % | 29.13 % |
| BRAIN Capital GmbH           | 29.13 % | 29.13 % |
| BRAIN US LLC                 | 23.90%  | 23.90 % |
| AnalytiCon Discovery GmbH    | 31.75 % | 31.75 % |
| AnalytiCon Discovery LLC     | 23.90%  | 23.90 % |
| Mekon Science Networks GmbH  | 29.13 % | 27.63 % |
| L.A. Schmitt GmbH            | 27.03 % | 27.59 % |
| Biocatalysts Ltd.            | 19.00%  | 19.00 % |
| Biocatalysts Inc.            | 21.00%  | 21.00 % |
| Biosun Biochemicals Inc.     | 21.00 % | -       |
| WeissBioTech GmbH            | 30.35 % | 30.35%  |
| WeissBioTech France S.A.R.L. | 26.50%  | 28.00 % |
|                              |         |         |

Of the tax assets of  $\[ \in \]$ 9 thousand (previous year:  $\[ \in \]$ 93 thousand),  $\[ \in \]$ 9 thousand (previous year:  $\[ \in \]$ 93 thousand) relate to corporation tax and the solidarity surcharge, and  $\[ \in \]$ 0 thousand (previous year:  $\[ \in \]$ 0 thousand) relate to trade tax. Of the tax liabilities of  $\[ \in \]$ 116 thousand (previous year:  $\[ \in \]$ 325 thousand),  $\[ \in \]$ 52 thousand (previous year:  $\[ \in \]$ 132 thousand) relate to trade tax, and  $\[ \in \]$ 64 thousand (previous year:  $\[ \in \]$ 193 thousand) relate to corporation tax.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities and their changes in the financial year are as follows:

|  | 30.09.              | 2021                     | 30.09.              | 2020                     |
|--|---------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|
| € thousand                             | Deferred tax assets | Deferred tax liabilities | Deferred tax assets | Deferred tax liabilities |
| Intangible assets                      | 0                   | 1,830                    | 0                   | 1,873                    |
| Tax loss carryfor-<br>wards/carrybacks | 1                   | 0                        | 197                 | 0                        |
| Property, plant and equipment          | 28                  | 1,002                    | 27                  | 453                      |
| Inventories                            | 0                   | 0                        | 0                   | 74                       |
| Trade receivables                      | 2                   | 4                        | 4                   | 2                        |
| Provisions and liabilities             | 19                  | 4                        | 17                  | 2                        |
| Deferred income                        | 0                   | 0                        | 6                   | 0                        |
| Total                                  | 50                  | 2,840                    | 250                 | 2,405                    |
| Offset                                 | -50                 | -50                      | -250                | -250                     |
| Total                                  | 0                   | 2,790                    | 0                   | 2,155                    |

| € thousand   |      | 2020/21 |
|--|------|---------|
| Net deferred tax liabilities at start of financial year (1 October 2020)   |      | 2,155   |
| Additions to deferred tax assets/liabilities due to changes in the scope of consolidation  | 273  | 273     |
| Change in deferred taxes due to exchange rate differences  | 128  | 128     |
| Change in temporary differences between carrying amounts of assets and liabilities on the IFRS balance sheet and their tax base (recognized in profit or loss) | -431 |         |
| Deferred tax expense from the reversal of deferred tax assets from tax loss carryforwards.   | 196  |         |
| Deferred tax expense reported in the statement of comprehensive income   | -234 | 234     |
| Net deferred tax liabilities at end of financial year (30 September 2021)  |      | 2,790   |

The differences between the expected income tax income based on the IFRS loss before taxes for the period and combined tax rate of BRAIN Biotech AG of 29:125 % (previous year: 29:125 %) and the income tax expense reported in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income are shown in the following table:

| € thousand  | 2020/21 | 2019/20 |
|---|---------|---------|
| Consolidated net profit/loss for the period before taxes                              | -4,276  | -9,944  |
| Expected tax income   | -1,245  | -2,896  |
| Different tax rates applicable to consolidated subsidiaries                           | -149    | -178    |
| Effects of changes in tax rates   | 129     | 7       |
| Permanent differences from consolidation adjustments                                  | -22     | 550     |
| Permanent differences from equity transactions  | -171    | 0       |
| Permanent differences from subsequent measurement of financial assets and liabilities | -1,088  | -30     |
| Permanent differences from equity-settled share-based compensation                    | 149     | 131     |
| Tax-exempt income   | 0       | -24     |
| Release of deferred tax assets from prior periods' loss carryforwards                 | 190     | -252    |
| Non-capitalized tax loss carryforwards  | 2,554   | 2,435   |
| Out-of-period taxes and other differences   | 58      | -670    |
| Reported current or deferred income tax income (-)/ expense (+)                       | 404     | -927    |

The following table shows the maturity of the deferred taxes recognized at the end of the reporting period. Deferred taxes are classified as current if the entity expects to realize the asset or settle the liability within twelve months after the reporting period.

| € thousand                           | 2020/21 | 2019/20 |
|--------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Current deferred tax assets          | 16      | 135     |
| Non-current deferred tax assets      | 33      | 115     |
|                                      |         |         |
| Current deferred tax liabilities     | 305     | 474     |
| Non-current deferred tax liabilities | 2,535   | 1,930   |
|                                      |         |         |
| Net current deferred tax             | -289    | -339    |
| Net non-current deferred tax         | -2,502  | -1,815  |

Based on the detailed planning horizon of three financial years modelled in the consolidated entities' tax projections, no deferred tax assets were recognized for tax loss carryforwards with an (in principle) unlimited carryforward period resulting from financial year 2020/21 and prior financial years amounting to  $\[ \] 69,650 \]$  thousand (corporation tax; previous year:  $\[ \] 60,277 \]$  thousand) and  $\[ \] 69,576 \]$  thousand (trade tax; previous year:  $\[ \] 60,246 \]$  thousand). The potential tax benefits that have consequently not been recognized amount to  $\[ \] 20,305 \]$  thousand (prior year:  $\[ \] 17,552 \]$  thousand).

No deferred taxes arose from a difference between tax valuations of participating interests and the net assets of subsidiaries included in the consolidated financial statements.

# 11 Earnings per share

Earnings per share attributable to the shareholders of BRAIN Biotech AG were calculated based on the loss for the period of  $\varepsilon$  –4,971,777 as reported in the consolidated income statement (previous year:  $\varepsilon$  –9,683,848).

Earnings per share are calculated by dividing the loss accruing to the shareholders of BRAIN Biotech AG for the period by the average number of shares of BRAIN Biotech AG issued in the financial year. The average number of shares in financial year 2020/21 amounted to 19,942,982 no-par value shares (previous year: 18,657,641 no-par value shares).

No dilutive effects arise at present.

# V. NOTES TO THE BALANCE SHEET

# 12 Intangible assets

The following table shows the composition and changes:

| € thousand  | Goodwill | Other intangible assets | Total intangible assets |
|---|----------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| FY 2020/21<br>Cost Balance at 1 October 2020          | 4,484    | 15,908                  | 20,392                  |
| Additions from acquisition                            | 0        | 1,178                   | 1,178                   |
| Additions   | 0        | 49                      | 49                      |
| Disposals   | 0        | -13                     | -13                     |
| Currency translation                                  | 241      | 617                     | 858                     |
| Balance at 30 September 2021                          | 4,725    | 17,739                  | 22,464                  |
| Amortization and impairment Balance at 1 October 2020 | 0        | 7,121                   | 7,121                   |
| Amortization for the financial year                   | 0        | 1,688                   | 1,688                   |
| Disposals   | 0        | -13                     | -13                     |
| Currency translation                                  | 0        | 138                     | 138                     |
| Balance at 30 September 2021                          | 0        | 8,933                   | 8,933                   |
| Net carrying amount Balance at 30 September 2021      | 4,725    | 8,806                   | 13,531                  |
| Balance at 30 September 2020                          | 4,484    | 8,786                   | 13,270                  |

| € thousand  | Goodwill | Other intangible assets | Total intangible assets |
|---|----------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| FY 2019/20<br>Cost Balance at 1 October 2019          | 4,586    | 16,083                  | 20,669                  |
| Additions   | 0        | 44                      | 44                      |
| Disposals   | -11      | 0                       | -11                     |
| Currency translation                                  | -91      | -220                    | -311                    |
| Balance at 30 September 2020                          | 4,484    | 15,908                  | 20,392                  |
| Amortization and impairment Balance at 1 October 2019 | 0        | 4,875                   | 4,875                   |
| Amortization for the financial year                   | 0        | 1,899                   | 1,899                   |
| Impairment for the financial year                     | 11       | 408                     | 419                     |
| Disposals   | -11      | 0                       | -11                     |
| Currency translation                                  | 0        | -61                     | -61                     |
| Balance at 30 September 2020                          | 0        | 7,121                   | 7,121                   |
| Net carrying amount<br>Balance at 30 September 2020   | 4,484    | 8,786                   | 13,270                  |
| Balance at 30 September 2019                          | 4,586    | 11,208                  | 15,794                  |

The goodwill reported as at 30 September 2021 arises from the acquisition of the AnalytiCon Group (AnalytiCon Discovery GmbH, AnalytiCon Discovery LLC) in the 2013/14 financial year, and the acquisition of the Biocatalysts Group (Biocatalysts Ltd., Biocatalysts Inc.) in the 2017/18 financial year.

The other intangible assets that are material to the consolidated financial statements consist of the intangible assets identified as part of the purchase price allocation, as shown in the following table.

| € thousand   | 30.09.2021 | 30.09.2020 | Remaining useful life <sup>4</sup><br>as at 30.09.2021 |
|--|------------|------------|--|
| Technology of AnalytiCon Discovery GmbH              | 545        | 787        | 2  |
| Technology of WeissBioTech GmbH                      |            | 411        | -  |
| Technology of Biocatalysts Ltd.                      | 3,337      | 3,522      | 9  |
| Customer relationships of the Biocatalysts Group     | 3,335      | 3,567      | 8  |
| Customer relationships of<br>Biosun Biochemicals Inc | 1,160      |            | 10   |

In accordance with the accounting policies presented above, no development costs were capitalized in the 2020/21 financial year or in the previous year, as it is not possible to distinguish research and development phases due to the alternating process, and consequently not all of the criteria specified in IAS 38 were met.

Research and development expenses of €5,384 thousand (previous year: €5,789 thousand) are reported in the statement of comprehensive income mainly under the items "personnel expenses", "cost of materials" and "other expenses", as well as in amortization charges.

# 4 Remaining useful life in years.

# 13 Property, plant and equipment

Investments in property, plant and equipment in the 2020/21 financial year were attributable primarily to the technical expansion of research, development, and manufacturing infrastructure. The following table shows the composition and changes of property, plant and equipment:

| € thousand   | Land and buildings | Operating and office equipment | Total property, plant and equipment    |
|--|--------------------|--------------------------------|--|
| <b>FY 2020/21</b> Cost Balance at 1 October 2020         | 16,026             | 18,879                         | 34,905                                 |
| Additions from acquisition                               | 0                  | 63                             | 63                                     |
| Additions  | 93                 | 1,458                          | 1,550                                  |
| Reclassifications  | -1                 | 1                              | 0                                      |
| Disposals  | -22                | -348                           | -370                                   |
| Currency translation                                     | 163                | 534                            | 696                                    |
| Balance at 30 September 2021                             | 16,258             | 20,587                         | 36,845                                 |
| € thousand   | Land and buildings | Operating and office equipment | Total property,<br>plant and equipment |
| Depreciation and impairment<br>Balance at 1 October 2020 | 3,611              | 6,825                          | 10,436                                 |
| Depreciation for the financial year                      | 931                | 1,395                          | 2,326                                  |
| Disposals  | 0                  | -249                           | -249                                   |
| Currency translation                                     | 10                 | 30                             | 41                                     |
| Balance at 30 September 2021                             | 4,552              | 8,002                          | 12,554                                 |
| Net carrying amount<br>Balance at 30 September 2021      | 11,706             | 12,585                         | 24,291                                 |
| Balance at 30 September 2020                             | 12,416             | 12,054                         | 24,470                                 |
| € thousand   | Land and buildings | Operating and office equipment | Total property,<br>plant and equipment |
| FY 2019/20<br>Cost Balance at 1 October 2019             | 9,256              | 16,726                         | 25,982                                 |
| Additions from (first-time application of) IFRS 16       | 3,010              | 54                             | 3,064                                  |
| Additions  | 3,825              | 2,764                          | 6,589                                  |
| Disposals  | 0                  | -453                           | -453                                   |
| Currency translation                                     | -64                | -212                           | -276                                   |
| Balance at 30 September 2020                             | 16,026             | 18,879                         | 34,905                                 |
| € thousand   | Land and buildings | Operating and office equipment | Total property,<br>plant and equipment |
| Depreciation and impairment<br>Balance at 1 October 2019 | 2,690              | 6,148                          | 8,838                                  |
| Depreciation for the financial year                      | 925                | 1,109                          | 2,034                                  |
| Disposals  | 0                  | -383                           | -383                                   |
| Currency translation                                     | -4                 | -50                            | -54                                    |
| Balance at 30 September 2020                             | 3,611              | 6,825                          | 10,435                                 |
| Net carrying amount<br>Balance at 30 September 2020      | 12,416             | 12,054                         | 24,470                                 |
| Balance at 30 September 2019                             | 6,566              | 10,578                         | 17,144                                 |
| •  |                    |                                |  |

Land and buildings serve partly as collateral for bank loans. Not all of the land and buildings of BRAIN Biotech AG that are included in this item were assigned as collateral. More detail can be found in Section "(21) Financial liabilities".

# Rights-of-use

The right-of-use assets reported under property, plant and equipment derive from leases accounted for in accordance with IFRS 16. The following table presents the changes in the rights-of-use.

| € thousand                                      | Land and buildings | Operating and office equipment | Total property, plant and equipment |
|---|--------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>FY 2020/21</b> Balance at 1 October 2020     | 6,141              | 1,711                          | 7,852                               |
| Additions                                       | 70                 | 54                             | 124                                 |
| Depreciation                                    | 690                | 36                             | 726                                 |
| Disposals                                       | -22                | 0                              | -22                                 |
| Currency translation                            | 0                  | 0                              | 0                                   |
| Balance at 30 September 2021                    | 6,879              | 1,801                          | 8,680                               |
|   |                    |                                |                                     |
| € thousand                                      | Land and buildings | Operating and office equipment | Total property, plant and equipment |
| FY 2019/20<br>First-time application of IFRS 16 | 3,010              | 998                            | 4,008                               |
| Additions                                       | 3,810              | 904                            | 4,714                               |
| Depreciation                                    | 679                | 182                            | 861                                 |
| Currency translation                            | 0                  | -9                             | -9                                  |
| Balance at 30 September 2020                    | 6,141              | 1,711                          | 7,852                               |

Information on lease liabilities is provided in the section "(21) Financial liabilities". The following table presents the total cash outflows for leases.

#### € thousand

| Cash outflows for leases                | 2020/21 | 2019/20 |
|---|---------|---------|
| Repayments of lease liabilities         | 1,120   | 617     |
| Interest payments for lease liabilities | 111     | 82      |
| Leases of low-value assets              | 0       | 17      |
| Total                                   | 1,231   | 716     |

# 14 Equity-accounted investments

# **Enzymicals AG**

The carrying amount of the interest in the associated company Enzymicals AG5 reports the following changes:

| € | thousand |
|---|----------|
| _ |          |

| Carrying amount at 30.09.2019                  | 191  |
|--|------|
| Share of profit or loss after taxes in 2019/20 | -58  |
| Carrying amount at 30.09.2020                  | 133  |
| Share of profit or loss after taxes in 2020/21 | 31   |
| Impairment                                     | -164 |
| Carrying amount at 30.09.2021                  | 0    |

The interest held by BRAIN Biotech AG continued to amount to 24.095% in the 2020/21 financial year. This participating interest is allocated to the BioScience segment. No losses were recognized in current financial year (previous year: €0 thousand).

The following tables show the aggregated results and balance sheet data of Enzymicals AG and the amounts of profit or loss for the period and equity attributable to BRAIN Biotech AG in line with its interest (24.095%). The figures for Enzymicals AG were calculated based on the accounting principles of the German Commercial Code (HGB), as the Management Board is of the opinion that no material valuation differences exist in relation to IFRS.

| € thousand                          | 2020/21    | 2019/20    |
|-------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Revenue                             | 1,093      | 1,185      |
| Total comprehensive income or loss  | 129        | -241       |
| Share of profit or loss after taxes | 31         | -58        |
|                                     |            |            |
| € thousand                          | 30.09.2021 | 30.09.2020 |
| Non-current assets                  | 406        | 388        |
| Current assets                      | 886        | 502        |
| Non-current liabilities             | 419        | 39         |
| Current liabilities                 | 881        | 987        |
| Equity                              | -8         | -137       |
| Interest in equity                  | -2         | -33        |
|                                     |            |            |

The difference in prior periods between the recognized valuation of the participating interest and the proportional equity attributable to BRAIN Biotech AG of €164 thousand reflected goodwill. As part of the impairment test as of 30 September 2021, the interest in Enzymicals AG was completely written down.

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<sup>5</sup> Financial year = calendar year; the difference arises from the historical difference between the financial year of BRAIN Biotech AG and the calendar year.

#### SolasCure Ltd.

The carrying amount of the interest in the associated company SolasCure Ltd. reports the following changes:

|  |  | nd |
|--|--|----|
|  |  |    |
|  |  |    |

Currency translation

Carrying amount at 30.09.2021

| Carrying amount at 30.09.2019   | 1,247                  |
|---|------------------------|
| Share of profit or loss after taxes in 2019/20                            | -2,362                 |
| Reversal of elimination of unrealized results of intra-group transactions | 31                     |
| Capital increase 20.03.2020   | 1,874                  |
| Currency translation  | 74                     |
| Carrying amount at 30.09.2020   | 864                    |
| € thousand  |                        |
| Carrying amount at 30.09.2020   |                        |
| can ying amount at colonization   | 864                    |
| Share of profit or loss after taxes in 2020/21                            | - <u>864</u><br>-1,754 |
|   | -                      |
| Share of profit or loss after taxes in 2020/21                            | -1,754                 |

The interest held by BRAIN Biotech AG continued to amount to 41.27% in the 2020/21 financial year (45,58% until 19 January 2021). This participating interest is allocated to the BioScience segment. No losses were recognized in the current financial year (previous year: €0 thousand).

The following tables show the aggregated results and balance sheet data of SolasCure Ltd. and the amounts of profit or loss for the period and equity attributable to BRAIN Biotech AG in line with its 41.27% interest (45.58% until 19 January 2021). The disclosures reflect the financial statements of SolasCure Ltd. prepared in accordance with IFRS as adopted by the European Union.

| € thousand                          | 2020/21    | 2019/20    |
|-------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Revenue                             | 0          | 0          |
| Total comprehensive income or loss  | -4,094     | -5,182     |
| Share of profit or loss after taxes | -1,754     | -2,362     |
|                                     |            |            |
| € thousand                          | 30.09.2021 | 30.09.2020 |
| Non-current assets                  | 4,067      | 3,837      |
| Current assets                      | 556        | 2,581      |
| Non-current liabilities             | 0          | 0          |
| Current liabilities                 | 181        | 1,395      |
| Equity                              | 4,442      | 5,023      |
| Interest in equity                  | 1,833      | 2,289      |

In addition to the remaining elimination of unrealized results of intra-group transactions, the difference between the amount recognized for the participating interest and the proportionate equity attributable to BRAIN Biotech AG is attributable to goodwill of €254 thousand.

## 15 Inventories

Inventories consist of the following:

| € thousand                              | 30.09.2021 | 30.09.2020 |
|---|------------|------------|
| Finished goods                          | 4,638      | 4,240      |
| Raw materials, consumables and supplies | 2,006      | 2,280      |
| Work in progress                        | 367        | 444        |
| Prepayments on inventories              | 4          | 0          |
| Total                                   | 7,015      | 6,964      |

Inventories included impairment losses on raw materials and supplies of  $\in$  170 thousand (prior year:  $\in$  306 thousand), and work in progress and finished goods of  $\in$  0 thousand (prior year:  $\in$  0 thousand). Reversals of impairment losses of  $\in$  26 thousand were applied (previous year:  $\in$  0 thousand).

# 16 Trade receivables

Trade receivables consist of the following:

| Total   | 6,722      | 6,166      |
|---|------------|------------|
| Receivables from research and development grant revenue | 249        | 266        |
| Trade receivables                                       | 6,473      | 5,899      |
| € thousand  | 30.09.2021 | 30.09.2020 |

The presented carrying amounts of receivables correspond to the fair values.

Trade receivables generally have a term of up to one year. Credit default rates in a range of 0.5% - 10% were applied in order to calculate the total lifetime ECL. Total lifetime ECLs of €14 thousand (previous year: €13 thousand) and specific valuation allowances of €35 thousand (previous year: €38 thousand) were recognized for receivables as at the 30 September 2021 reporting date. These are recorded in a separate allowance account. In the previous year, receivables from contingent premium payments were derecognized in the amount of €125 thousand with an effect on profit and loss.

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The following table shows the past due structure of trade receivables as of 30 September 2021.

| € thousand | Trade<br>receivables | of which:<br>not overdue<br>as at the<br>balance<br>sheet date | of which:<br>overdue in the following reporting periods |                        |                           | Total<br>lifetime ECL | Carrying<br>amount |       |
|------------|----------------------|--|---|------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-------|
|            |                      |  | Up to 30 days   | Between 30 and 60 days | Between 60 and<br>90 days | More than 90 days     |                    |       |
| 30.09.2021 | 6,771                | 5,410  | 1,294   | 31                     | 0                         | 35                    | 49                 | 6,722 |

The following table shows the past due structure of trade receivables as of 30 September 2020.

| € thousand | Trade<br>receivables | of which:<br>not overdue<br>as at the<br>balance<br>sheet date | of which:<br>overdue in the following reporting periods |                           |                           |                   | Total<br>lifetime ECL | Carrying<br>amount |
|------------|----------------------|--|---|---------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
|            |                      |  | Up to 30 days   | Between 30 and<br>60 days | Between 60 and<br>90 days | More than 90 days |                       |                    |
| 30.09.2020 | 6,217                | 5,764  | 303   | 117                       | 13                        | 20                | 51                    | 6,166              |

The following table shows the changes in impairment losses:

| € thousand                           | 2020/21 |
|--------------------------------------|---------|
| Carrying amount at start of period   | 51      |
| Net effect of addition and reversals | -2      |
| Carrying amount at end of period     | 49      |
|                                      |         |
| € thousand                           | 2019/20 |
| Carrying amount at start of period   | 253     |
| Net effect of addition and reversals | -202    |
| Carrying amount at end of period     | 51      |

Trade receivables in the total amount of €0 thousand were derecognized through profit or loss in the 2020/21 financial year (previous year: €125 thousand), having not already been expensed in previous years. No impairment losses were reversed in relation to impaired receivables.

Further information on impairments and the credit risks pertaining to trade receivables is provided in the section "VI. Financial instruments / risks from financial instruments".

# 17 Other financial assets

Other financial assets consist of the following:

| € thousand                           | 30.09.2021 | 30.09.2020 |
|--------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Loans extended up to one year        | 102        | 229        |
| Deposits with a term up to one year  | 55         | 53         |
| Miscellaneous other financial assets | 50         | 50         |
| Total                                | 207        | 332        |

# 18 Other non-current and current assets

Other non-current assets consist of the following:

| € thousand   | 30.09.2021 | 30.09.2020 |
|--|------------|------------|
| Expenses deferred for a period of more than one year | 86         | 113        |
| Loans extended                                       | 150        | 200        |
| Deposits   | 15         | 16         |
| Total  | 251        | 329        |

Other current assets consist of the following:

| € thousand                                   | 30.09.2021 | 30.09.2020 |
|--|------------|------------|
| Expenses relating to the following year      | 316        | 280        |
| Receivables from insurance compensation      | 0          | 31         |
| VAT receivables due from the tax authorities | 120        | 47         |
| Miscellaneous other current assets           | 180        | 228        |
| Total  | 617        | 585        |

All current assets have a remaining term of up to one year. The portfolio of other assets was neither overdue nor impaired as at the reporting date. Default risk is regarded as low, as in the previous year.

## 19 Cash and cash equivalents / statement of cash flows

Cash and cash equivalents are held mainly at banks in Germany and in the UK.

In the statement of cash flows, other non-cash expenses and income include the following items:

| € thousand  | 2020/21 | 2019/20 |
|---|---------|---------|
| Expenses  |         |         |
| Personnel expenses from share-based compensation and employee share schemes       | 512     | 449     |
| Write-down applied to interests held in equity-accounted investments              | 164     | 0       |
| Impairment losses on non-current financial assets                                 | 0       | 155     |
| Expense relating to the acquisition of a participating interest                   | 81      | 0       |
| Losses on receivables/change in value allowances for receivables                  | 1       | 125     |
| Net finance costs from subsequent measurement of financial liabilities            | 13      | 43      |
| Impairment losses on inventories  | 170     | 306     |
| Miscellaneous   | 30      | 35      |
| Total   | 970     | 1,113   |
| Income  |         |         |
| Reduction in value allowances for receivables                                     | 4       | 34      |
| Net finance income from subsequent measurement of financial and other liabilities | 3,746   | 460     |
| Income from dilution of interests held in equity-accounted investments            | 741     | 0       |
| Write-up applied to inventories   | 26      | 0       |
| Loan waivers  | 0       | 477     |
| Miscellaneous financial result  | 210     | 384     |
| Miscellaneous   | 54      | 62      |
| Total   | 4,781   | 1,417   |
| Net cash expenses/income  | -3,810  | -304    |

## 20 Equity

Changes to the equity capital position are shown in the consolidated statement of changes in equity.

# **Subscribed capital**

The subscribed share capital amounts to €21,847,495 (previous year: €19,861,360) and is divided into 21,847,495 ordinary shares (previous year: 19,861,360), to each of which a proportional amount of the share capital of €1.00 is attributable. The shares are fully paid-in registered shares. The shares are listed in the Prime Standard stock market segment of the Frankfurt Stock Exchange.

#### **Authorized capital**

With an AGM resolution on 10 March 2021, authorized capital of €5,958,408 was created (Authorized Capital 2021/I). Authorized Capital 2021/I was entered in the commercial register on 15 April 2021. The Management Board was authorized, with Supervisory Board assent, to increase the company's share capital in the period until 9 March 2026, once or on several occasions, albeit by a maximum of up to a nominal amount of € 5,958,408 through issuing up to 5,958,408 new ordinary registered shares against cash or non-cash capital contributions, whereby shareholders' statutory subscription rights can be wholly or partly excluded. If the new shares are issued against cash capital contributions, shareholders' statutory subscription rights can be wholly or partially excluded if the new shares' issue price is not significantly less than the stock market price of the company's shares already listed on the date when the issue price is finally determined, and the total number of shares issued in this manner under exclusion of subscription rights does not exceed 10% of the share capital. By resolution of the Management Board on 15 September 2021, and with the approval of the Supervisory Board on the same date, the authorized capital was partially utilized for a capital increase, excluding statutory subscription rights, in the amount of €1,986,135. The capital increase from authorized capital was entered in the commercial register on 16 September 2021.

Accordingly, authorized capital of €3,972,273 was reported as at the 30 September 2021 reporting date.

# **Conditional capital**

Pursuant to Section 5 (3), (4) and (5) of the company's bylaws, the share capital is conditionally increased by €1,986,136 through issuing up to 1,986,136 new ordinary registered shares (Conditional Capital 2021/I) and by a further €123,000 through issuing up to 123,000 new ordinary registered shares (Conditional Capital 2015/II), and through issuing up to 1,682,578 new ordinary registered shares (Conditional Capital 2019/I).

Conditional Capital 2021/I serves exclusively to grant shares to the holders of bonds with warrants and convertible bonds that the company issues based on the authorization of the Management Board by way of AGM resolution passed on 10 March 2021. The conditional capital increase is to be implemented through issuing up to 1,986,136 new ordinary registered shares only to the extent that the holders of convertible bonds and/or bonds with warrants utilize their conversion rights or warrant rights, or the holders of convertible bonds that are obligated to convert satisfy their obligation to convert, and to the extent that other forms of satisfaction are not deployed to service the bonds. An increase in the share capital from Conditional Capital 2021/I had not been implemented as at the 30 September 2021 reporting date.

Conditional Capital 2015/II serves exclusively to service subscription rights arising from stock options that are granted – pursuant to the AGM resolution dated 8 July 2015 as part of a stock option plan comprising up to 123,000 stock options that carry subscription rights to shares of BRAIN Biotech AG with a term of up to eight years – to the members of the company's Management Board, members of affiliated companies' management boards, as well as managers and other company employees in senior positions. The conditional capital increase is to be implemented only to the extent that the holders of issued subscription rights utilize them, and the company does not grant treasury shares or cash settlement to satisfy these subscription rights. An increase in the share capital from Conditional Capital 2015/II had not been implemented as at

the 30 September 2021 reporting date. At the Annual General Meeting on 7 March 2019, Conditional Capital 2015/II was reduced from originally €1,272,581 to €123,000, as this capital was to remain exclusively for hedging stock options already issued. The authorization to issue further stock options from Conditional Capital 2015/II was revoked at the same Annual General Meeting and replaced by a new authorization (see following section).

By resolution of the Annual General Meeting on 7 March 2019, the share capital was conditionally increased by €1,682,578 through the issue of up to 1,682,578 new no-par-value registered shares (Conditional Capital 2019/I). The conditional capital serves exclusively to service subscription rights from stock options granted to members of the company's Management Board and other senior company managers. The Management Board is authorized, with the approval of the Supervisory Board, to determine the further details of the implementation of the conditional capital increase. The conditional capital increase is to be implemented only to the extent that the holders of issued subscription rights utilize them, and the company does not grant treasury shares or cash settlement to satisfy these subscription rights. An increase in the share capital from Conditional Capital 2019/I had not been implemented as at the 30 September 2021 reporting date.

#### Stock options

An AGM resolution dated 7 March 2019 authorized the Management Board, with Supervisory Board approval, to issue as part of a stock option plan until 12 March 2027 up to 1,682,578 stock options with subscription rights to shares of BRAIN Biotech AG with a term of up to eight years, with the condition that each stock option grant the right to subscribe for one share, and according to further provisions. As far as issuing shares to members of the Management Board of BRAIN Biotech AG is concerned, this authorization is valid for the Supervisory Board alone. The AGM conditionally increased the share capital by €1,682,578 to hedge and service the stock options (Conditional Capital 2019/I).

## **Capital reserves**

The capital reserves contain the share premium from the issuance of shares, net of transaction costs after taxes, as well as the expenses from granting stock options. For more information about share-based compensation, please refer to the remarks in Section "Share-based payment and other long-term employee benefits". Capital reserves as per German commercial law are published in the separate financial statements for BRAIN Biotech AG prepared according to German Commercial Code (HGB) accounting policies.

# Other reserves

Currency translation differences are recognized in other reserves.

# **Retained earnings**

Retained earnings in the 2020/21 financial year reduced mainly to reflect profit or loss attributable to shareholders of BRAIN Biotech AG.

The following table shows the non-controlling interests during the 2020/21 financial year:

| € thousand                     | Interest in net<br>assets not held by<br>BRAIN Biotech AG | Increase/decrease<br>in interest in net<br>assets not held by<br>BRAIN Biotech AG | Attributable<br>share of total<br>comprehensive<br>income | Carrying amount<br>of interest at end<br>of financial year |
|--------------------------------|---|---|---|--|
| Biocatalysts Ltd. <sup>6</sup> | 19.35 %   | -2,662  | 344   | 3,090  |
| BRAIN UK Ltd.                  | 11.03 %   | 8   | -5  | -46  |
| Total                          |   | -2,654  | 340   | 3,044  |

The previous year's non-controlling interests are shown in the following table:

| € thousand                     | Interest in net<br>assets not held by<br>BRAIN Biotech AG | Increase/decrease<br>in interest in net<br>assets not held by<br>BRAIN Biotech AG | Attributable<br>share of total<br>comprehensive<br>income | Carrying amount of interest at end of financial year |
|--------------------------------|---|---|---|--|
| Biocatalysts Ltd. <sup>6</sup> | 34.45%  | 0   | 510   | 5,408  |
| BRAIN UK Ltd.                  | 27.69 %   | 0   | -9  | -49  |
| Total                          |   | 0   | 502   | 5,358  |

The changes in the non-controlling interests are as follows:

# Biocatalysts Ltd.6

| € thousand   | 30.09.2021 | 30.09.2020 |
|--|------------|------------|
| Value at start of financial year   | 5,408      | 4,898      |
| Increase/decrease in interest in net assets not held by BRAIN Biotech AG | -2,662     | 0          |
| Attributable share of profit or loss for the period                      | 297        | 674        |
| Attributable share of other comprehensive income (currency differences)  | 47         | -164       |
| Value at end of financial year   | 3,090      | 5,408      |

# **BRAIN UK Ltd.**

| € thousand   | 30.09.2021 | 30.09.2020 |
|--|------------|------------|
| Value at start of financial year   | -49        | -41        |
| Increase/decrease in interest in net assets not held by BRAIN Biotech AG | 8          | 0          |
| Attributable share of profit or loss for the period                      | -5         | -8         |
| Value at end of financial year   | -46        | -49        |

**<sup>6</sup>** Including the subsidiary Biocatalysts Inc. and taking into consideration the amortization of disclosed hidden reserves.

The following section presents summarized financial information for subsidiaries with non-controlling interests of significance to the Group.

| BRAIN UK Ltd./Biocatalysts Ltd.7 |
|----------------------------------|
|----------------------------------|

| Summarized balance sheet data € thousand                                 | 30.09.2021 | 30.09.2020 |
|--|------------|------------|
| Non-current assets   | 25,335     | 20,431     |
| of which proportionate goodwill from the acquisition by BRAIN            | 4,026      | 3,785      |
| of which hidden reserves less deferred tax from the acquisition by BRAIN | 5,271      | 5,600      |
| Current assets   | 8,553      | 4,856      |
| Non-current liabilities  | 4,114      | 3,099      |
| Current liabilities  | 3,738      | 2,657      |
| Net assets   | 26,036     | 19,531     |

## BRAIN UK Ltd./Biocatalysts Ltd.<sup>7</sup>

| Summarized statement of comprehensive income $\ensuremath{\mathfrak{e}}$ thousand                            | 2020/21 | 2019/20 |
|--|---------|---------|
| Revenue  | 17,835  | 15,323  |
| Result before taxes  | 1,027   | 1,389   |
| Result after taxes   | 728     | 1,929   |
| of which the result from the amortization of hidden reserves less deferred tax from the acquisition by BRAIN | -657    | -653    |
| Total comprehensive income or loss   | 1,562   | 1,359   |
| Result attributable to non-controlling interests   | 340     | 502     |
| Dividends paid to non-controlling interests  | 0       | 0       |

# BRAIN UK Ltd./Biocatalysts Ltd.7

| Summarized statement of cash flows $\ensuremath{\varepsilon}$ thousand | 2020/21 | 2019/20 |
|--|---------|---------|
| Gross cash flow  | 2,524   | 2,844   |
| Cash flow from operating activities                                    | 3,278   | 1,928   |
| Cash flow from investing activities                                    | -480    | -1,554  |
| Cash flow from financing activities                                    | -451    | -31     |

Apart from legal restrictions, BRAIN Biotech AG is not subject to any restrictions limiting its access to the subsidiaries' assets, to utilize such assets or to settle the subsidiaries' liabilities.

#### 21 Financial liabilities

The financial liabilities consist of the following:

| € thousand  | 30.09.2021 | 30.09.2020 |
|---|------------|------------|
| Loans   | 4,721      | 5,474      |
| Liabilities from put option rights for the potential acquisition of non-controlling interests | 4,401      | 12,052     |
| Non-controlling shareholders' exercised put option rights                                     | 6          | 838        |
| Contributions by silent partners  | 4,526      | 4,500      |
| Lease liabilities   | 6,655      | 7,614      |
| Derivatives   | -          | 112        |
| Other   | 9          | 9          |
| Total   | 20,318     | 30,598     |

As at the 30 September 2021 reporting date, contributions by silent partners include a €1,500 thousand (previous year: €1,500 thousand) contribution by Hessen Kapital I, Wiesbaden, and a €3,000 thousand (previous year: €3,000 thousand) contribution by Hessen Kapital II GmbH. In relation to the contribution of Hessen Kapital I, interest liabilities also existed of €26 thousand as at the reporting date (previous year: €0 thousand). Of the contribution by Hessen Kapital I GmbH, 20% is repayable on 30 June 2022, a further 20% on 30 June 2023 and 60% on 30 June 2024. Of the contribution by Hessen Kapital II GmbH, 20% is repayable on 31 March 2026, a further 20% on 31 March 2027 and 60% on 31 March 2028.

The company pays fixed remuneration equivalent to nominal 7.0 % p.a. (previous year: 7.0 %) on the contribution of Hessen Kapital I GmbH and a profit participation equivalent to the ratio between the nominal level of the silent partnership and the nominal level of the equity of BRAIN Biotech AG, albeit to a maximum of 2.5 % of the contribution and not more than 50 % of the profit for the year.

The company pays fixed remuneration equivalent to nominal 6.0% p.a. (previous year: 6.0%) on the contribution of Hessen Kapital II GmbH and a profit participation equivalent to the ratio between the nominal level of the silent partnership and the nominal level of the equity of BRAIN Biotech AG, albeit to a maximum of 1.5% of the contribution and not more than 50% of the profit for the year.

BRAIN Biotech AG is entitled to call the silent partner contributions rendered by Hessen Kapital I GmbH and Hessen Kapital II GmbH before the agreed dates. However, due to the negative consequences this would have for the company (prepayment penalties), effectively this option has no economic value for the company. The silent partnerships do not participate in any losses. No obligation exists to provide additional funding.

Land charges exist with compulsory enforcement clauses on land owned by BRAIN Biotech AG with a notional value of €2.5 million (previous year: €2.5 million). All land charges serve to secure bank borrowings, which amounted to €1,375 thousand at the end of the reporting period (previous year: €1,875 thousand). The land charges rank behind an unassigned land charge in favor of the owner amounting to €0.5 million (previous year: €0.5 million).

<sup>7</sup> Including the Biocatalysts Inc. subsidiary. The financial data are presented on an aggregated basis as BRAIN UK Ltd. does not conduct any business activities of its own in addition to its function as an intermediate holding company.

30.09.2021 € thousand

At the Biocatalysts Ltd. subsidiary,  $\in$  1,951 thousand (previous year:  $\in$  1,982 thousand) of financial liabilities are secured by  $\in$  2,633 thousand (previous year:  $\in$  2,765 thousand) of land charges on operating property.

In the case of the L.A. Schmitt GmbH subsidiary, the financial liabilities ( $\leqslant$ 0 thousand as at 30 September 2021,  $\leqslant$ 0 thousand as of 30 September 2020) are secured by land charges on its business property amounting to  $\leqslant$  400 thousand (previous year:  $\leqslant$  400 thousand). As the existing land charges are not matched by any corresponding financial liabilities, the land charge could be cancelled at any time, although for cost reasons this has not yet occurred.

Other than standard retention of title from individual contracts, no other liabilities are secured by liens or similar rights. The carrying amount of the collateral furnished at the end of the reporting period stood at € 6,027 thousand (€ 6,269 thousand as at 30 September 2020).

The nominal interest rate on the fixed interest loans lies between 1.15 % (previous year: 1.15 %) and 6.10 % (previous year: 6.10 %) p.a. The Group has no significant variable interest liabilities.

The following table shows the nominal amounts due at the financial liabilities' terms:

Remaining

termup to 1 year

Remaining

Remaining term

more than 5 years

|   | ' '                            | ,                            | ,                                   |
|---|--------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Contributions by silent partners  | 326                            | 1,500                        | 2,700                               |
| Liabilities from put option rights for the acquisition of non-controlling interests           | 0                              | 4,485                        | 0                                   |
| Leasing   | 1,076                          | 3,115                        | 2,464                               |
| Liabilities from exercised put option rights for the acquisition of non-controlling interests | 6                              | 0                            | 0                                   |
| Loans   | 1,241                          | 2,245                        | 1,236                               |
| Other   | 0                              | 9                            | 0                                   |
|   | 2,649                          | 11,354                       | 6,399                               |
| 30.09.2020 € thousand   | Remaining<br>term up to 1 year | Remaining<br>term 1- 5 years | Remaining term<br>more than 5 years |
| Contributions by silent partners  | 0                              | 1,500                        | 3,000                               |
| Liabilities from put option rights for the acquisition of non-controlling interests           | 0                              | 12,799                       | 0                                   |
| Leasing   | 1,081                          | 3,435                        | 3,098                               |
| Liabilities from exercised put option rights for the acquisition of non-controlling interests | 839                            | 6                            | 0                                   |
| Financial derivatives   | 112                            | 0                            | 0                                   |
| Loans   | 1,251                          | 2,773                        | 1,450                               |
| Other   | 0                              | 9                            | 0                                   |
|   | 3,282                          | 20,521                       | 7,549                               |
| -   |                                |                              |                                     |

The contractually agreed due dates for principal and interest payments and for profitrelated payments are shown in the following overview:

| 30.09.2021 € thousand                   | 21/22 | 22/23 | 23/24 | 24/25  | 25/26 | 26/27 | 27/28 | 28/29 | 29/30 | 30/31 ff. |
|---|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-----------|
| Principal repayments                    | 2,649 | 2,171 | 6,288 | 1,955  | 940   | 2,180 | 1,247 | 2,458 | 254   | 260       |
| Interest payments                       | 433   | 370   | 325   | 276    | 213   | 208   | 147   | 67    | 6     | 3         |
| Profit-related payments                 | 74    | 73    | 64    | 56     | 36    | 41    | 32    | 14    | 0     | 0         |
| Total excluding profit-related payments | 3,082 | 2,541 | 6,613 | 2,230  | 1,154 | 2,388 | 1,394 | 2,525 | 260   | 263       |
| Total including profit-related payments | 3,155 | 2,614 | 6,677 | 2,287  | 1,190 | 2,429 | 1,426 | 2,539 | 260   | 263       |
|   |       |       |       |        |       |       |       |       |       |           |
| 30.09.2020 € thousand                   | 20/21 | 21/22 | 22/23 | 23/24  | 24/25 | 25/26 | 26/27 | 27/28 | 28/29 | 29/30 ff. |
| Principal repayments                    | 3,282 | 2,200 | 2,121 | 15,169 | 1,032 | 1,524 | 2,403 | 2,447 | 658   | 517       |
| Interest payments                       | 497   | 445   | 389   | 328    | 262   | 230   | 172   | 75    | 13    | 9         |
| Profit-related payments                 | 83    | 82    | 73    | 65     | 45    | 41    | 32    | 14    | 0     | 0         |
| Total excluding profit-related payments | 3,779 | 2,645 | 2,510 | 15,496 | 1,294 | 1,754 | 2,575 | 2,522 | 671   | 525       |
| Total including profit-related payments | 3,862 | 2,727 | 2,583 | 15,562 | 1,339 | 1,795 | 2,607 | 2,536 | 671   | 525       |

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The following table shows the change in financial liabilities analyzed by cash and non-cash changes:

| € thousand  | Loans                 | Liabilities for<br>the potential<br>acquisition of<br>non-controlling<br>interests | Liabilities<br>for the<br>acquisition of<br>non-controlling<br>shareholders | Contributions by silent partners       | Derivatives     | Lease liabilities | Other | Total               |
|---|-----------------------|--|---|--|-----------------|-------------------|-------|---------------------|
| Balance at<br>30 September<br>2020                        | 5,474                 | 12,052   | 838   | 4,500                                  | 112             | 7,613             | 9     | 30,598              |
| Cash inflow/<br>outflow from<br>financing<br>activities   | -870                  | -4,576   | -839  | 0                                      | 0               | -1,120            | 0     | -7,406              |
| Subsequent measurement                                    | 0                     | -3,746   | 7   | 26                                     | -112            | -24               | 0     | -3,849              |
| Change in the scope of consolidation                      | 0                     | 0  | 0   | 0                                      | 0               | 0                 | 0     | 0                   |
| Currency<br>translation                                   | 117                   | 672  | 0   | 0                                      | 0               | 92                | 0     | 881                 |
| Additions to leases                                       | 0                     | 0  | 0   | 0                                      | 0               | 95                | 0     | 95                  |
| Balance at<br>30 September<br>2021                        | 4,721                 | 4,401  | 6   | 4,526                                  | 0               | 6,655             | 9     | 20,318              |
| € thousand  Balance at 30 September 2019                  | Loans<br><b>5,988</b> | Liabilities for<br>the potential<br>acquisition of<br>non-controlling<br>interests | Liabilities for the acquisition of non-controlling shareholders             | Contributions by silent partners 4,500 | Derivatives 494 | Lease liabilities | Other | Total <b>21,007</b> |
| Cash inflow/<br>outflow from<br>financing<br>activities   | -514                  | -200   | -843  | 0                                      | 0               | -780              | -5    | -2,342              |
| Subsequent measurement                                    | 0                     | -459   | 23  | 0                                      | -382            | 0                 | 0     | -818                |
| Change in the scope of consolidation                      | 0                     | 0  | 0   | 0                                      | 0               | 0                 | 0     | 0                   |
| Currency<br>translation                                   | 0                     | -285   | 0   | 0                                      | 0               | 83                | 0     | -202                |
| Additions<br>from first-time<br>application of<br>IFRS 16 | 0                     | 0  | 0   | 0                                      | 0               | 3,002             | 0     | 3,002               |
| Additions to leases                                       | 0                     | 0  | 0   | 0                                      | 0               | 3,957             | 0     | 3,957               |
| Balance at<br>30 September<br>2020                        | 5,474                 | 12,052   | 838   | 4,500                                  | 112             | 7,613             | 9     | 30,598              |

## 22 Other liabilities

In the 2020/21 financial year, non-current other liabilities include €712 thousand for the growth equity program of Biocatalysts Ltd.

Current other liabilities consist of the following:

| € thousand  | 2020/21 | 2019/20 |
|---|---------|---------|
| Wage and salary liabilities   | 625     | 1.801   |
| Current share of liabilities from put option rights exercised in connection with the employee share scheme at AnalytiCon Discovery GmbH | 3       | 712     |
| Accrued vacation pay  | 525     | 483     |
| Wage and church tax, social security  | 352     | 333     |
| Supervisory Board compensation  | 254     | 220     |
| Special payments to subsidiaries' managements and employees   | 89      | 84      |
| VAT   | 74      | 98      |
| Miscellaneous other liabilities   | 762     | 534     |
| Total current other liabilities   | 2,684   | 4,266   |

Miscellaneous other liabilities include customer credits of €25 thousand (previous year: €274 thousand).

# 23 Deferred income

Deferred income consists of current deferred income of  $\in$  1,572 thousand (compared with  $\in$  861 thousand in the previous year) and non-current deferred income of  $\in$  1,109 thousand (compared with  $\in$  1,369 thousand in the previous year).

Deferred income of €760 thousand arises from transactions with SolasCure Ltd. (previous year: €958 thousand). Deferred income partly includes prepayments received from customers for service obligations not yet performed as at the balance sheet date. These are shown separately in the section "(25) Prepayments received". A contribution of €2,005 thousand is attributable to benefit obligations that have not yet been fulfilled (previous year: €1,632 thousand). It is expected that a contribution of €1,331 thousand of this amount can be recognized in revenue within one year. Deferred income of €1,373 thousand (previous year: €2,588 thousand) was fully recognized in revenue in the 2020/21 financial year.

## 24 Provisions

This item relates mainly to estimated expenses for the preparation auditing of the financial statements and consulting expenses. Utilization is anticipated mainly within the following financial year.

The following table provides an overview of related changes:

| € thousand  | 30.09.2020 | Utilization | Release | Addition | 30.09.2021 |
|---|------------|-------------|---------|----------|------------|
| Archiving costs   | 25         | -           | -       | -        | 25         |
| Costs for financial statements, auditing and consulting | 295        | -260        | -8      | 282      | 310        |
| Decommis-<br>sioning and<br>dismantling                 | 64         |             | _       | 2        | 66         |
| Other   | 3          | -3          |         | 3        | 3          |
| Total   | 387        | -263        | -8      | 287      | 404        |

# 25 Prepayments received

Prepayments received relate to primarily research and development services and future supplies and have a maturity of up to one year. The total amount of €79 thousand (previous year: €70 thousand) is attributable to current benefit obligations not yet rendered.

# 26 Trade payables

Trade payables have a term of up to one year.

# VI. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS / RISKS FROM FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The following overview presents recognized financial instruments based on their IFRS 9 measurement categories. To improve the presentation of the financial instruments relevant to the company in terms of their comparable measurement uncertainties and risks, cash and cash equivalents are presented separately in the following.

The following abbreviations are used for the measurement categories:

| Abbreviation | IFRS 9 measurement categories   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|--------------|---|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| AC           | Amortized cost  | Financial assets and liabilities measured at amortized cost   |  |  |  |  |  |
| FVTPL        | Fair value through profit and loss  | Financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value through profit or loss                                  |  |  |  |  |  |
| FVTOCI       | Fair value through other comprehensive income (FVTOCI) for debt instruments   | Fair value (market value) changes reco-<br>gnized directly in other comprehensive<br>income (with recycling)    |  |  |  |  |  |
| FVTOCI       | Fair value through other comprehensive income (FVTOCI) for equity instruments | Fair value (market value) changes reco-<br>gnized directly in other comprehensive<br>income (without recycling) |  |  |  |  |  |

Financial assets and liabilities are as follows on a summarized basis:

| Category                             | Category | Carrying amount            |                    | Fair val        | ле                                      |                            |
|--------------------------------------|----------|----------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|---|----------------------------|
| € thousand                           | IFRS 9   | 30.09.2021<br>(30.09.2020) | Amortized cost     | Cost<br>IFRS 16 | Fair value<br>through profit<br>or loss | 30.09.2021<br>(30.09.2020) |
| Assets                               |          |                            |                    |                 |   |                            |
| Trade receivables                    | AC       | 6,722<br>(6,166)           | 6,722<br>(6,166)   |                 |   |                            |
| Other current and non-current assets | AC       | 184<br>(216)               | 184<br>(216)       |                 |   |                            |
| Other financial assets               | AC       | 207<br>(332)               | 207<br>(332)       |                 |   |                            |
| Cash and cash equivalents            | AC       | 24,545<br>(18,943)         | 24,545<br>(18,943) |                 |   |                            |
| Total                                |          | 31,658<br>(25,657)         | 31,658<br>(25,657) |                 |   |                            |

| Category              | Category | Carrying amount            | Fair value         |                  |   |                            |  |  |
|-----------------------|----------|----------------------------|--------------------|------------------|---|----------------------------|--|--|
| € thousand            | IFRS 9   | 30.09.2021<br>(30.09.2020) | Amortized cost     | Cost<br>IFRS 16  | Fair value<br>through profit or<br>loss | 30.09.2021<br>(30.09.2020) |  |  |
| Liabilities           |          |                            |                    |                  |   |                            |  |  |
| Trade payables        | AC       | 3,834<br>(3,171)           | 3,834<br>(3,171)   |                  |   |                            |  |  |
| Financial liabilities | AC       | 15,911<br>(17,596)         | 9,256<br>(9,982)   | 6,655<br>(7,614) | 4,401<br>(12,052)                       | 20,312<br>(29,648)         |  |  |
| Financial liabilities | FVTPL    | 4,401<br>(12,164)          |                    |                  | 0<br>(112)                              | 0<br>(112)                 |  |  |
| Other liabilities     | AC       | 84<br>(581)                | 84<br>(581)        |                  |   |                            |  |  |
| Total                 |          | 24,230<br>(33,512)         | 13,174<br>(13,734) | 6,655<br>(7,614) | 4,401<br>(12,164)                       | 20,312<br>(29,760)         |  |  |

No financial instruments exist that are to be classified in the FVOCI category.

Cash and cash equivalents, other current assets, trade receivables, and trade payables mainly have short terms remaining. As a consequence, their carrying amounts at the end of the reporting period approximate their fair values. Non-current financial assets consist of deposits and loans extended whose rates of interest mainly correspond to current market interest-rate levels.

Liabilities to banks and other lenders, as well as to silent partners, reported in current and non-current financial liabilities, are measured at amortized cost. The fair values of financial liabilities are determined by discounting, applying current discount rates that match the maturity and risk of the liabilities. The fair values mainly correspond to the carrying amounts due to regular refinancing measures at market interest rates. The terms are presented in detail in Section 21 "Financial liabilities".

The carrying amounts of the financial instruments measured at fair value are classified as follows in accordance with the IFRS fair value hierarchy: listed prices in an active market (Level 1), valuation techniques based on observable inputs (Level 2), and valuation techniques based on unobservable inputs (Level 3).

No reclassifications between the different hierarchy levels were implemented.

The carrying amount of Level 2 financial liabilities (FVTPL) at the end of the reporting period stood at € 4,401 thousand (previous year: €12,164 thousand). These are put option liabilities to non-controlling shareholders of Biocatalysts Ltd. and, in the previous year, forward exchange contracts with various terms.

The contractual undiscounted cash outflows of financial liabilities within the scope of IFRS 7 are shown in the following table:

| 30.09.2021 € thousand  | 21/22        | 22/23        | 23/24 | 24/25  | 25/26 | 26/27        | 27/28        | 28/29 | 29/30 | 30/31 ff. |
|--|--------------|--------------|-------|--------|-------|--------------|--------------|-------|-------|-----------|
| Silent partnerships<br>(without<br>profit-sharing)   | 598          | 544          | 523   | 1,091  | 144   | 462          | 726          | 1,854 | 0     | 0         |
| Liabilities to lenders   | 1,323        | 917          | 783   | 402    | 326   | 1,254        | 0            | 0     | 0     | 0         |
| Lease liabilities  | 1,154        | 1,071        | 822   | 737    | 684   | 672          | 668          | 671   | 260   | 263       |
| Liabilities from<br>acquiring interests<br>in fully consolida-<br>ted companies 8            | 6            | 0            | 4,485 | 0      | 0     | 0            | 0            | 0     | 0     | 0         |
| Other liabilities  | 0            | 9            | 0     | 0      | 0     | 0            | 0            | 0     | 0     | 0         |
| Trade payables   | 3,834        | 0            | 0     | 0      | 0     | 0            | 0            | 0     | 0     | 0         |
| Total  | 6,916        | 2,541        | 6,613 | 2,230  | 1,154 | 2,388        | 1,394        | 2,525 | 260   | 263       |
| 30.09.2020 € thousand Silent partnerships  | 20/21        | 21/22<br>580 | 22/23 | 23/24  | 24/25 | 25/26<br>762 | 26/27<br>726 | 27/28 | 28/29 | 29/30 ff. |
| (without profit-sharing)   |              |              |       |        |       |              |              |       |       |           |
| Liabilities to lenders   | 1,344        | 917          | 908   | 773    | 393   | 317          | 1,183        | 0     | 0     | 0         |
| Lease liabilities  | 1,199        | 1,136        | 1,040 | 797    | 722   | 675          | 666          | 668   | 671   | 525       |
| Liabilities from<br>acquiring interests<br>in fully consolida-<br>ted companies <sup>9</sup> | 0            | 0            | 0     | 12,799 | 0     | 0            | 0            | 0     | 0     | 0         |
| Forward exchange   | 112          | 0            | 0     | 0      | 0     | 0            | 0            | 0     | 0     | 0         |
| transactions   |              |              |       |        |       |              |              |       |       |           |
| Other liabilities  | 581          | 0            | 0     | 0      | 0     | 0            | 0            | 0     | 0     | 0         |
|  | 581<br>3,171 | 0 0          | 0     | 0 0    | 0     | 0 0          | 0            | 0     | 0     | 0         |

<sup>8</sup> The exercise of the put option as of the next possible date would lead to a cash outflow of €3.8 million in the 2021/22 financial year.

9 The exercise of the put option as of

<sup>9</sup> The exercise of the put option as of the next possible date would lead to a cash outflow of €7.8 million in the 2020/21 financial year.

The following table shows the net gains or losses on financial instruments by measurement category:

| Total  | -528<br>(-341)              | 3,862<br>(240)  | -1<br>(800)    | 3,333<br>(699)   |
|--|-----------------------------|---|----------------|------------------|
| Financial liabilities<br>measured at<br>fair value through<br>profit or loss | 0 (0)                       | 3,858<br>(740)  | (0)            | 3,858<br>(740)   |
| Leasing  | -111<br>(-99)               | 0 (0)   | 0 (0)          | -111<br>(-99)    |
| Financial liabilities<br>measured at<br>(amortized) cost                     | -442<br>(-272)              | 0 (0)   | (805)          | -442<br>(533)    |
| Loans and receivables  | 25<br>(30)                  | 4<br>(-500)   | -1<br>(-5)     | 28<br>(-475)     |
| € thousand<br>2020/21<br>(2019/20)   | From interest and dividends | From subsequent<br>fair value<br>measurement/<br>impairment | From disposals | Net gains/losses |

Interest income and expenses relating to financial instruments are reported under "finance income" and "finance costs" in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income. The total interest expense relating to financial liabilities that are not measured at fair value through profit or loss amounted to €442 thousand (previous year: €191 thousand).

#### Risk management/risks from financial instruments

The Group's business activities expose it to various financial risks: credit risk, currency risk, interest rate risk, market risk and liquidity risk.

The Management Board has implemented a risk management system to identify and avoid risks. This system is based inter alia on rigorous supervision of business transactions, comprehensive exchange of information with the employees responsible, and regular – mostly quarterly – analyses of key performance indicators for the business.

The risk management system was implemented to be able to identify adverse developments at an early stage and launch countermeasures as quickly as possible.

With regard to the financial instruments the Group deploys, the objective of the risk management function at BRAIN is to minimize the risk exposure arising from financial instruments. The company does not enter into derivative financial instrument transactions without a corresponding underlying basis transaction. In both the reporting period and the prior-year period, liquid funds were mainly invested with financial institutions in Germany and the UK.

The financial instruments that are recognized on the balance sheet can as a matter of principle generate the following risks for the Group:

#### Credit risk

Credit risk describes the risk that one party to a financial instrument will cause a financial loss for the other party by failing to discharge an obligation. Credit risk consists of both counterparty credit risk and the risk of a deterioration in credit quality, along with cluster risk. The maxi mum exposure to counterparty credit risk is equal to the carrying amounts of the financial instruments at the end of the reporting period. The counterparty credit risk relevant

to the Group's operating activities is represented by the risk that business partners will fail to dis-charge their payment obligations. Risk concentration is not identifiable in the customer receivables area of the BioScience segment insofar as the claims exist in relation to a group of customers exhibiting above-average creditworthiness. Receivables in the BioIndustrial area exist in relation to many different contractual partners. The credit quality of the contracting parties is assessed to mitigate the counterparty credit risk exposure of customer receivables. The factors assessed include financial position, past experience and other factors. The corresponding financial transactions are mostly entered into only with counterparties with excellent credit ratings. Liquid funds are invested mainly in accounts with financial institutions on Germany and the UK.

#### **Currency risk**

In addition, BRAIN is exposed to foreign currency risks. Income of €167 thousand from currency differences (previous year: €171 thousand) is offset by €202 thousand of expenses from currency differences (previous year: €232 thousand), so the resultant effects in both the 2020/21 and 2019/20 financial years largely offset each other, with only a small net expense remaining. Foreign currency positions are generally of minor importance within the BRAIN Group. Apart from the risks set out in the section entitled "Valuation risks connected with foreign currency put option agreements", an IFRS 7 sensitivity analysis is not relevant for the financial statements due to the related subordinate importance.

#### Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk describes the risk of fluctuations in the value of a financial instrument because of changes in market interest rates. The largest portion of the loan has a fixed-interest period matching its maturity. The Management Board consequently believes that it is not exposed to material direct interest rate risk.

The risk exposures of the loans that match their maturities are limited to the risk that BRAIN cannot benefit from any potentially lower lending rates that may be obtained during the terms of the deposits and loans.

Negative rates of interest cannot be excluded. Significant effects on the company's financial position or performance are not anticipated. Risk for significant cash positions is countered through investing them in short-term deposits.

The Group benefited to only a limited extent from lower market borrowing rates due to the high proportion of fixed interest arrangements for its financial liabilities (> 95%; previous year: > 95%).

Further interest rate risks are detailed in the section "Valuation risks connected with foreign currency put option agreements".

#### Capital management/liquidity risk

The capital management function of BRAIN Biotech AG pursues the objective of financing the company's planned growth and of securing corresponding resources for short-term financing requirements. The company consequently sets a minimum 50 % target equity ratio. This was exceeded due to the IPO and supported by the capital increases in September 2017, June 2020 and September 2021. The equity ratio amounted to 54% as at 30 September 2021 (previous year: 36%), and consequently above the target figure. The capital under management includes all current and non-current liability items as well as equity components. Financial terminology as presented in the financial statements is also utilized for debt and equity management purposes.

BRAIN Biotech AG and its subsidiaries are not subject to any capital adequacy requirements above and beyond those in the German Stock Corporation Act (AktG) and the German Limited Liability Company Act (GmbHG).

# Valuation risks connected with foreign currency put option agreements

Due to a put option arrangement with non-controlling interests in a UK subsidiary which was acquired in the FY 2017/18 year, various valuation risks arise which are presented below. Significant inputs for inclusion in the Group include the relevant EBITDA included in the calculation, the relevant discounting rate, the relevant translation exchange rate for the translation into euros, as well as the imputed exercise date.

The actual obligation depends on the relevant EBITDA on the exercise date. Given 10% higher relevant EBITDA on the imputed exercise date of the put option rights, a  $\in$  464 thousand higher liability would arise as at 30 September 2021. Given 10% lower relevant EBITDA on the imputed exercise date of the put option rights, a  $\in$  464 thousand lower liability would arise as at 30 September 2021. Accordingly, the change was reported in profit or loss in the statement of comprehensive income.

Furthermore, the respective interest rate exerts an influence on the fair value recognized on the balance sheet. Given a one percentage point lower relevant interest rate for the put option rights, a €66 thousand higher liability would arise as at 30 September 2021. Given a one percentage point higher relevant interest rate for the put option rights, a €64 thousand lower liability would arise as at 30 September 2021. Accordingly, the change was reported in profit or loss in the statement of comprehensive income.

Furthermore, the respective exchange rate exerts an influence on the fair value recognized on the consolidated balance sheet. Given a 5% stronger (weaker) pound sterling in relation to the euro, the liability would be €220 thousand higher (lower). Accordingly, the change was carried directly to equity under other comprehensive income.

The exercise date forms a further significant influencing factor. Due to the expected EBITDA growth and rising EBITDA multiples, the measurement of the liability is based on the exercise of the option rights in the last possible period (1 January to 31 March 2023), and the liability is reported under non-current financial liabilities. If, for example, the option holders were to exercise their options as of the next possible period, the liability would be €622 thousand lower, which would already entail a cash outflow in the 2021/22 financial year.

A detailed listing of opportunities and risks is also presented in the Group management report of BRAIN Biotech AG.

# **VII. OTHER INFORMATION**

#### Auditor's fees

The fees paid to or accrued for the auditors of the BRAIN Group engaged for the financial year in question consist of the following items:

| Other services                         | 0       | 28      |
|--|---------|---------|
| of which relating to the previous year | 59      | 46      |
| Audit services                         | 262     | 240     |
| € thousand                             | 2020/21 | 2019/20 |

# **Related party disclosures**

The Management Board and Supervisory Board of BRAIN Biotech AG form the key management of the BRAIN Group.

The company's Management Board consisted of the following members in the current financial year:

**Adriaan Moelker,** Bad Homburg, CEO (Management Board Chairman) Master of Business Administration (MBA)

**Lukas Linnig,** Frankfurt am Main, CFO (from 1 October 2020) Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA)

The Management Board members are entitled to represent the company either jointly or individually with a company officer. If only one Management Board Member has been appointed, this Management Board member is entitled to represent the company alone.

For the 2020/21 financial year, the Management Board was granted total compensation of €1,575 thousand, as calculated based on the German Commercial Code (HGB). The corresponding figure for the previous year stood at €1,335 thousand.

Management Board compensation, in accordance with IAS 24, in the current financial year amounted to:

| € thousand                                     | 2020/21 | 2019/20 |
|--|---------|---------|
| Fixed compensation <sup>10</sup>               | 655     | 822     |
| Post-employment benefits <sup>11</sup>         | 0       | 170     |
| Performance-related remuneration <sup>12</sup> | 280     | 233     |
| Termination benefits                           | 0       | 777     |
| Share-based compensation                       | 127     | 27      |
|  | 1,062   | 2,029   |

<sup>10</sup> Including contribution to pension plan in the amount of €105 thousand (previous year: €84 thousand).

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<sup>11</sup> The figure includes expenses from defined contribution plans and service costs. (See also section (5) Personnel expenses).

<sup>12</sup> Payments due short-term.

In the previous year, post-employment benefits of € 495 thousand relate to Mr. Ludger Roedder, € 202 thousand to Dr. Jürgen Eck and € 80 thousand to Mr. Manfred Bender.

Pension provisions of €2,271 thousand (previous year: €2,802 thousand) have been formed for former Management Board members.

The Management Board members are members of the following supervisory boards or comparable supervisory bodies:

Adriaan Moelker, Bad Homburg, CEO (Management Board Chairman)

BRAIN UK II Ltd., Cardiff, UK (Director)

BRAIN UK Ltd., Cardiff, UK (Director)

Biocatalysts Ltd., Cardiff, UK (Director)

SolasCure Ltd., Cambridge, UK (Director)

Biosun Biochemicals Inc., Tampa, USA (Board member)

Lukas Linnig, Frankfurt am Main, CFO

BRAIN UK II Ltd., Cardiff, UK (Director)

BRAIN UK Ltd., Cardiff, UK (Director)

Biocatalysts Ltd., Cardiff, UK (Director)

BRAIN US LLC, Rockville, MD, USA (Director)

Biosun Biochemicals Inc., Tampa, USA (Board member)

The Management Board directly holds 13,000 shares as at the reporting date.

The company's Supervisory Board included the following members in the current financial year:

Dr. Georg Kellinghusen, Kreuth-Oberhof (Chair)

Independent consultant

**Dr. Anna C. Eichhorn,** Frankfurt am Main (Deputy Chair)

CEO, humatrix AG, Pfungstadt

Prof. Dr. Bernhard Hauer, Fußgönheim

University Professor

Dr. Michael Majerus, Ottobrunn

Consultant

Stephen Catling, Cambridge, UK (from 14 October 2020)

Managing Director, SJ Catling Ltd., Cambridge, UK

Prof. Dr.-Ing. Wiltrud Treffenfeldt, Oberrieden, CH (from 14 October 2020)

Independent consultant

The **Audit Committee** of the company's Supervisory Board included the following members in the current financial year:

Dr. Michael Majerus, Ottobrunn (Chair)

Consultant

Dr. Georg Kellinghusen, Kreuth-Oberhof

Independent consultant

Dr. Anna C. Eichhorn, Frankfurt am Main (until 11 December 2020)

CEO, humatrix AG, Pfungstadt

Stephen Catling, Cambridge, UK (from 11 December 2020)

Managing Director, SJ Catling Ltd., Cambridge, UK

The **Personnel Committee** of the company's Supervisory Board included the following members in the current financial year:

Dr. Georg Kellinghusen, Kreuth-Oberhof (Chair)

Independent consultant

Dr. Michael Majerus, Ottobrunn

Consultant

Prof. Dr.-Ing. Wiltrud Treffenfeldt, Oberrieden, CH (from 11 December 2020)

Independent consultant

The **Nomination Committee** of the company's Supervisory Board included the following members in the current financial year:

Dr. Georg Kellinghusen, Kreuth-Oberhof (Chair until 11 December 2020)

Independent consultant

Dr. Anna C. Eichhorn, (Chair from 11 December 2020)

CEO, humatrix AG, Pfungstadt

Prof. Dr. Bernhard Hauer, Fussgönheim (from 11 December 2020)

University Professor

The Supervisory Board members are members of the following **supervisory boards or comparable supervisory bodies:** 

Dr. Georg Kellinghusen, Kreuth-Oberhof (Chair)

Advyce GmbH, Munich (Advisory Board member)

Neue Wirtschaftsbriefe GmbH & Co. KG, Herne (Advisory Board member)

Deutsche Bank AG, Frankfurt am Main (Regional Advisory Board member, Bavaria)

Simplifa GmbH, Berlin (Advisory Board member)

**Dr. Anna C. Eichhorn,** Frankfurt am Main (Deputy Chair)

Frankfurt Biotechnology Innovation Center, Frankfurt am Main (Supervisory Board member)

Dr. Michael Majerus, Ottobrunn

Non-executive director of the Deutsches Aktieninstitut e.V., Frankfurt am Main

Prof. Dr. Bernhard Hauer, Fussgönheim

None

Stephen Catling, Cambridge, UK (from 14 October 2020)

FoodCycle UK, London UK (Chairman of the Board of Trustees)

Cambridge Community Foundation, Cambridge UK (Chairman of the Board of Trustees)

Prof. Dr.-Ing. Wiltrud Treffenfeldt, Oberrieden, CH (from 14 October 2020)

ProBioGen AG, Berlin (Supervisory Board member)

The compensation of the Supervisory Board in the current financial year was as follows:

| € thousand                               | 2020/21 | 2019/20 |
|--|---------|---------|
| Fixed compensation*                      | 156     | 154     |
| of which allowance for special functions | 45      | 60      |
| Attendance fees*                         | 101     | 66      |
| Total compensation                       | 256     | 220     |

<sup>\*</sup> Payments due short-term

The Supervisory Board indirectly holds 20,000 shares in the company as at the reporting date. Further information is presented in the compensation report in the Group management report.

# Other relationships with related parties

In the 2020/21 and 2019/20 financial years, the following supplies or purchases of goods and services occurred between the members of the governing bodies (Management and Supervisory board members) and their related parties and associated companies of the BRAIN Group and entities with significant influence over BRAIN Biotech AG.

Enzymicals AG is an associated company pursuant to IAS 28.2 and is therefore categorized as a related party pursuant to IAS 24.9. As of the reporting date, BRAIN Biotech AG was owed €102 thousand (previous year: €104 thousand) of loan and interest receivables by Enzymicals AG. The interest income for this 6.0% loan amounted to €6 thousand in the 2020/21 financial year (previous year: €6 thousand). As far as the term is concerned, please refer to the following section "Contingencies and other financial obligations".

SolasCure Ltd. is an associated company pursuant to IAS 28.2 and is therefore categorized as a related party pursuant to IAS 24.9. As of the reporting date, BRAIN Biotech AG was owed €0 thousand (previous year: €125 thousand) of loan and interest receivables by SolasCure Ltd. The interest income for this 7.00 % loan amounted to €5 thousand in the 2020/21 financial year (previous year: €8 thousand).

A license agreement was concluded with SolasCure Ltd. in the 2017/18 financial year as part of the investment, for which BRAIN Biotech AG was paid with shares in the company equivalent to an amount of €3,919 thousand. These have been deferred and will be recognized as revenue until September 2024 in the amount of the other shareholders' interests, as BRAIN Biotech AG will be closely involved in the approval process until then and will render further services. Unrealized results of intra-group transactions are eliminated in the consolidated financial statements as part of consolidation, resulting in the recognition in the current financial statements of an amount of €760 thousand (previous year: €958 thousand). In connection with the license, a service agreement was also concluded with an anticipated total volume of around €5.3 million. In the 2020/21 financial year, revenue was generated with the company in the context of the transaction described above in the amount of €905 thousand (previous year: 2,129 thousand).

A loan facility of €7.0 million exists with MP-Beteiligung GmbH, Kaiserslautern, a company with a shareholding of more than 25%. The agreement has a term until 30 June 2023. The loan bears interest at a rate of 3.5%. As of the balance sheet date, the company had not utilized this option. In the 2020/21 financial year, the interest cost amounted to €32 thousand (previous year: €21 thousand). As of the balance sheet date, interest liabilities amounted to €11 thousand (previous year: €7 thousand).

No receivables were due from directors of BRAIN Biotech AG or individuals related to these directors as at 30 September 2021. As at the 30 September 2021 reporting date, the following outstanding balances existed in relation to the aforementioned parties, which are reported under other liabilities, and aforementioned compensation elements:

- Supervisory Board compensation: €254 thousand (previous year: €220 thousand);
- Management Board compensation: €280 thousand (previous year: €313 thousand);
- Deferrals for outstanding vacation (Management Board): €45 thousand (previous year: €20 thousand);

No other obligations exist in relation to the key management personnel of BRAIN Biotech AG.

# Contingencies and other financial commitments

As in the previous year, as of the 30 September 2021 balance sheet date no obligations exist from contracts entered into for third-party work in the area of research and development contracts.

As was the case at the end of the previous financial year, as at 30 September 2021 no obligations exist arising from investment projects that have been commenced.

Contingent purchase price obligations exist for intangible assets that depend on the achievement of specific future revenue using these intangible assets up to a maximum amount of €160 thousand (previous year: €160 thousand).

The Management Board is not aware of other facts or circumstances that could lead to material additional financial commitments.

## **Employees**

The number of employees reports the following changes:

|                          | 2020/21 | 2019/20 |
|--------------------------|---------|---------|
| Total employees, of whom | 288     | 279     |
| Salaried employees       | 264     | 253     |
| Industrial employees     | 25      | 25      |

The BRAIN Group also employs scholarships/grant holders (3, previous year: 6), temporary employees (12, previous year: 14) and trainees (8, previous year: 7).

## Statement of conformity to the German Corporate Governance Code

The statement of conformity to the German Corporate Governance Code as required by Section 161 of the German Stock Corporation Act (AktG) was issued by the Management and Supervisory boards and published on the company's website.

#### Events after the reporting date

No significant events or developments of material importance to the company's financial position and performance have occurred since the 30 September 2021 balance sheet date.

Zwingenberg, 10 December 2021

Adriaan Moelker

CEO

**Lukas Linnig** CFO

# Independent auditor's report

To BRAIN Biotech AG (formerly B.R.A.I.N. Biotechnology Research and Information Network AG)

# Report on the audit of the consolidated financial statements and of the group management report

## **Opinions**

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of BRAIN Biotech AG (formerly B.R.A.I.N. Biotechnology Research and Information Network AG), Zwingenberg, and its subsidiaries (the Group), which comprise the consolidated balance sheet as at 30 September 2021, and the consolidated statement of comprehensive income, consolidated statement of changes in equity and consolidated statement of cash flows for the fiscal year from 1 October 2020 to 30 September 2021, and notes to the consolidated financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. In addition, we have examined the group management report of BRAIN Biotech AG (formerly B.R.A.I.N. Biotechnology Research and Information Network AG) for the fiscal year from 1 October 2020 to 30 September 2021. In accordance with the German legal requirements, we have not audited the content of the group corporate governance statement included in section VIII. "Corporate governance statement of conformity pursuant to Section 289f and Section 315d of the German Commercial Code (HGB)" of the group management report, which is published on the website stated in the group management report and is part of the group management report.

In our opinion, on the basis of the knowledge obtained in the audit,

- the accompanying consolidated financial statements comply, in all material respects, with the IFRSs as adopted by the EU, and the additional requirements of German commercial law pursuant to Sec. 315e (1) HGB ["Handelsgesetzbuch": German Commercial Code] and, in compliance with these requirements, give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities and financial position of the Group as at 30 September 2021 and of its financial performance for the fiscal year from 1 October 2020 to 30 September 2021, and
- the accompanying group management report as a whole provides an appropriate view of the Group's position. In all

material respects, this group management report is consistent with the consolidated financial statements, complies with German legal requirements and appropriately presents the opportunities and risks of future development. Our opinion on the group management report does not cover the content of the corporate governance statement referred to above.

Pursuant to Sec. 322 (3) Sentence 1 HGB, we declare that our audit has not led to any reservations relating to the legal compliance of the consolidated financial statements and of the group management report.

## Basis for the opinions

We conducted our audit of the consolidated financial statements and of the group management report in accordance with Sec. 317 HGB and the EU Audit Regulation (No 537/2014, referred to subsequently as "EU Audit Regulation") and in compliance with German Generally Accepted Standards for Financial Statement Audits promulgated by the Institut der Wirtschaftsprüfer [Institute of Public Auditors in Germany] (IDW). Our responsibilities under those requirements and principles are further described in the "Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the consolidated financial statements and of the group management report" section of our auditor's report. We are independent of the group entities in accordance with the requirements of European law and German commercial and professional law, and we have fulfilled our other German professional responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. In addition, in accordance with Art. 10 (2) f) of the EU Audit Regulation, we declare that we have not provided non-audit services prohibited under Art. 5 (1) of the EU Audit Regulation. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinions on the consolidated financial statements and on the group management report.

# Key audit matters in the audit of the consolidated financial statements

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgment, were of most significance in our audit of the consolidated financial statements for the fiscal year from 1 October 2020 to 30 September 2021. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the consolidated financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon; we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters.

Below, we describe what we consider to be the key audit matters:

## Impairment testing of goodwill

# Reasons why the matter was determined to be a key audit matter

The goodwill impairment test performed annually by the Management Board is based on a valuation model that uses the discounted cash flow method. Against the background of the complexity and judgment exercised during this valuation, the goodwill impairment test was a key audit matter. The goodwill impairment test is based on assumptions that are derived from corporate planning and influenced by the expected future market and economic conditions. The recoverable amount of goodwill is mainly dependent on the estimated future net cash flows in the business plan as well as the assumed discount and growth rate. Defining these parameters is the responsibility of the executive directors and is subject to judgment. There is a risk that amendments to these judgments entail significant implications for the assessment of impairment of goodwill.

#### Auditor's response

We assessed the suitability of the valuation process for identifying the potential need to recognize impairment losses. During our audit, we also evaluated the valuation model used to determine the recoverable amounts with the help of our valuation experts, especially in terms of its methodical applicability and clerical accuracy.

We tested the executive directors' forecasts regarding the estimated future net cash flows by comparing the plan adopted by the Management Board and approved by the Supervisory Board for consistency with information from the management accounts as well as market expectations. In addition, the plans were compared for consistency with other internal expectations, such as the forecast information provided in the management report. We also compared the plans drawn up in the prior periods with the actual results in order to analyze the accuracy of the forecasts.

We assessed the other significant valuation assumptions, such as the discount rate and the long-term growth rate with the aid of internal valuation specialists and on the basis of our own analysis of the general market indicators. We also per-

formed sensitivity analyses in order to assess the potential impact of changes in the inputs used on the recoverable amount.

In addition, we assessed the disclosures in the notes to the financial statements.

Our procedures did not lead to any reservations relating to the valuation of goodwill.

## Reference to related disclosures

With regard to impairment testing of goodwill, we refer to the disclosures in the section "Impairment testing" of the notes to the consolidated financial statements.

## Other information

The Supervisory Board is responsible for the Report of the Supervisory Board in the Annual Report 2020/2021. In all other respects, the executive directors are responsible for the other information.

The other information comprises the statement on corporate governance referred to above. Furthermore, the other information comprises the following parts to be included in the Annual Report, of which we obtained a version prior to issuing the auditor's report:

- · the Report from the Supervisory Board
- the Declaration on Corporate Governance
- the Responsibility Statement

Our opinions on the consolidated financial statements and on the group management report do not cover the other information, and consequently we do not express an opinion or any other form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in so doing, to consider whether the other information

- is materially inconsistent with the consolidated financial statements, with the group management report or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or
- · otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

# Responsibilities of the executive directors and the Supervisory Board for the consolidated financial statements and the group management report

The executive directors are responsible for the preparation of the consolidated financial statements that comply, in all material respects, with IFRSs as adopted by the EU and the additional requirements of German commercial law pursuant to Sec. 315e (1) HGB, and that the consolidated financial statements, in compliance with these requirements, give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position and financial performance of the Group. In addition, the executive directors are responsible for such internal control as they have determined necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the consolidated financial statements, the executive directors are responsible for assessing the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. They also have the responsibility for disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern. In addition, they are responsible for financial reporting based on the going concern basis of accounting unless there is an intention to liquidate the Group or to cease operations, or there is no realistic alternative but to do so.

Furthermore, the executive directors are responsible for the preparation of the group management report that, as a whole, provides an appropriate view of the Group's position and is, in all material respects, consistent with the consolidated financial statements, complies with German legal requirements, and appropriately presents the opportunities and risks of future development. In addition, the executive directors are responsible for such arrangements and measures (systems) as they have considered necessary to enable the preparation of a group management report that is in accordance with the applicable German legal requirements, and to be able to provide sufficient appropriate evidence for the assertions in the group management report.

The Supervisory Board is responsible for overseeing the Group's financial reporting process for the preparation of the consolidated financial statements and the group management report

# Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the consolidated financial statements and of the group management report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and whether the group management report as a whole provides an appropriate view of the Group's position and, in all material respects, is consistent with the consolidated financial statements and the knowledge obtained in the audit, complies with the German legal requirements and appropriately presents

the opportunities and risks of future development, as well as to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions on the consolidated financial statements and on the group management report.

Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Sec. 317 HGB and the EU Audit Regulation and in compliance with German Generally Accepted Standards for Financial Statement Audits promulgated by the Institut der Wirtschaftsprüfer (IDW) will always detect a material misstatement. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these consolidated financial statements and this group management report.

We exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements and of the group management report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinions. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit of the consolidated financial statements and of arrangements and measures (systems) relevant to the audit of the group management report in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of these systems.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used by the executive directors and the reasonableness of estimates made by the executive directors and related disclosures.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the executive directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material

uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in the auditor's report to the related disclosures in the consolidated financial statements and in the group management report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our respective opinions. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Group to cease to be able to continue as a going concern.

- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of
  the consolidated financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the consolidated financial statements present the underlying transactions and events in a
  manner that the consolidated financial statements give a
  true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position
  and financial performance of the group in compliance with
  IFRSs as adopted by the EU and the additional requirements of German commercial law pursuant to Sec. 315e (1)
  HGB.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the Group to express opinions on the consolidated financial statements and on the group management report.
   We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinions.
- Evaluate the consistency of the group management report with the consolidated financial statements, its conformity with [German] law, and the view of the Group's position it provides.
- Perform audit procedures on the prospective information presented by the executive directors in the group management report. On the basis of sufficient appropriate audit evidence we evaluate, in particular, the significant assumptions used by the executive directors as a basis for the prospective information, and evaluate the proper derivation of the prospective information from these assumptions. We do not express a separate opinion on the prospective information and on the assumptions used as a basis. There is a substantial unavoidable risk that future events will differ materially from the prospective information.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide those charged with governance with a statement that we have complied with the relevant independence requirements, and communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence and where applicable, the related safequards.

From the matters communicated with those charged with governance, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the consolidated financial statements of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter.

## Other legal and regulatory requirements

Report on the assurance in accordance with Sec. 317 (3a) HGB on the electronic reproduction of the consolidated financial statements and the group management report prepared for publication purposes

#### Opinion

We have performed assurance work in accordance with Sec. 317 (3a) HGB to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the rendering of the consolidated financial statements and the group management report (hereinafter the "ESEF documents") contained in the attached electronic file brain-KA-KLB-2021-09-30.zip (SHA-256-checksum: b6344433d8975ae8a7f3566a062f8eae13c9146be2608b 60f5224a3d1dd291cb) and prepared for publication purposes complies in all material respects with the requirements of Sec. 328 (1) HGB for the electronic reporting format ("ESEF format"). In accordance with German legal requirements, this assurance work extends only to the conversion of the information contained in the consolidated financial statements and the group management report into the ESEF format and therefore relates neither to the information contained within these renderings nor to any other information contained in the file identified above.

In our opinion, the rendering of the consolidated financial statements and the group management report contained in the abovementioned attached electronic file and prepared for publication purposes complies in all material respects with the requirements of Sec. 328 (1) HGB for the electronic reporting format. Beyond this assurance opinion and our audit opinions on the accompanying consolidated financial statements and the accompanying group management report for the fiscal year from 1 October 2020 to 30 September 2021 contained in the "Report on the audit of the consolidated financial statements and of the group management report" above, we do not express any assurance opinion on the information contained within these renderings or on the other information contained in the file identified above.

#### Basis for the opinion

We conducted our assurance work on the rendering of the consolidated financial statements and the group management report contained in the file identified above in accordance with Sec. 317 (3a) HGB and the IDW Assurance Standard: Assurance on the Electronic Rendering of Financial Statements and Management Reports Prepared for Publication Purposes in Accordance with Sec. 317 (3a) HGB (IDW AsS 410) (11.2021). Our responsibility in accordance therewith is further described in the "Group auditor's responsibilities for the assurance work on the ESEF documents" section. Our audit firm applied the requirements for quality control systems set forth in IDW Standard on Quality Control: "Requirements for Quality Control in Audit Firms" (IDW QS 1).

# Responsibilities of the executive directors and the Supervisory Board for the ESEF documents

The executive directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation of the ESEF documents including the electronic rendering of the consolidated financial statements and the group management report in accordance with Sec. 328 (1) Sentence 4 No. 1 HGB and for the tagging of the consolidated financial statements in accordance with Sec. 328 (1) Sentence 4 No. 2 HGB.

In addition, the executive directors of the Company are responsible for such internal control as they have considered necessary to enable the preparation of ESEF documents that are free from material non-compliance with the requirements of Sec. 328 (1) HGB for the electronic reporting format, whether due to fraud or error.

The Supervisory Board is responsible for overseeing the process for preparing the ESEF documents as part of the financial reporting process.

# Group auditor's responsibilities for the assurance work on the ESEF documents

Our objective is to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the ESEF documents are free from material intentional or unintentional non-compliance with the requirements of Sec. 328 (1) HGB.

We exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the assurance work. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material intentional or unintentional non-compliance with the requirements of Sec. 328 (1) HGB, design and perform assurance procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain assurance evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our assurance opinion.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the assurance on the ESEF documents in order to design assurance procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an assurance opinion on the effectiveness of these controls.
- Evaluate the technical validity of the ESEF documents, i.e., whether the file containing the ESEF documents meets the requirements of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2019/815, in the version in force at the date of the financial statements, on the technical specification for this file.
- Evaluate whether the ESEF documents enable an XHTML rendering with content equivalent to the audited consolidated financial statements and to the audited group management report.
- Evaluate whether the tagging of the ESEF documents with Inline XBRL technology (iXBRL) in accordance with the requirements of Arts. 4 and 6 of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2019/815, in the version in force at the date of the financial statements, enables an appropriate and complete machine-readable XBRL copy of the XHTML rendering.

# Further information pursuant to Art. 10 of the EU Audit Regulation

We were elected as group auditor by the Annual General Meeting on 10 March 2021 and were engaged by the Supervisory Board on 28 July 2021 to audit the consolidated financial statements as at 30 September 2021. We have been the group auditor of BRAIN Biotech AG (formerly B.R.A.I.N. Biotechnology Research and Information Network AG without interruption since fiscal year 2016/2017.

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We declare that the opinions expressed in this auditor's report are consistent with the additional report to the audit committee pursuant to Art. 11 of the EU Audit Regulation (long-form audit report).

# Other matter - use of the auditor's report

Our auditor's report must always be read together with the audited consolidated financial statements and the audited group management report as well as the assured ESEF documents. The consolidated financial statements and the group management report converted to the ESEF format – including the versions to be published in the Bundesanzeiger [German Federal Gazette] – are merely electronic renderings of the audited consolidated financial statements and the audited group management report and do not take their place. In particular, the ESEF report and our assurance opinion contained therein are to be used solely together with the assured ESEF documents made available in electronic form.

# German Public Auditor responsible for the engagement

The German public auditor responsible for the engagement is Helge-Thomas Grathwol.

Mannheim, 10 December 2021

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