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FORM 6-K**

**REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER
PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the month of December, 2021

Commission File Number: 001-39446

CureVac N.V.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

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This Report of Foreign Private Issuer on Form 6-K (this "Form 6-K") is being furnished by CureVac N.V. ("CureVac") to the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") for the sole purposes of: (i) furnishing, as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 6-K, Unaudited Interim Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements announcing CureVac's financial results and business updates as of September 30, 2021 and December 31, 2020 and for the nine month periods ended September 30, 2021 and 2020; (ii) furnishing, as Exhibit 99.2 to this Form 6-K, Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, which discusses and analyzes CureVac's financial condition and results of operations as of September 30, 2021 and December 31, 2020 and for the nine month periods ended September 30, 2021 and 2020; (iii) furnishing, as Exhibit 99.3 to this Form 6-K, the second amendment to and restatement of the Collaboration and License Agreement by and between Curevac AG and Glaxosmithkline Biological SA, which was entered into on September 29, 2021; and (iv) furnishing, as Exhibit 99.4 to this Form 6-K, the amendment to and restatement of the COVID Collaboration and License Agreement by and between Curevac AG and Glaxosmithkline Biological SA, which was entered into on September 29, 2021.

The information included in this Form 6-K (including Exhibits 99.1, 99.2, 99.3 and 99.4) is hereby incorporated by reference into the Company's Registration Statement on Form F-3 (File No. 333-259613).

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

CUREVAC N.V.

By: /s/ Franz-Werner Haas, LLD, LLM
Chief Executive Officer

Date: December 17, 2021

EXHIBIT INDEX

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CureVac N.V.

**Unaudited Interim Condensed Consolidated Financial
Statements**

**As of September 30, 2021 and December 31, 2020
and for the nine months ended
September 30, 2021 and 2020**

**Interim Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and
Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)**

(in thousands of EUR, except per share amounts)	Note	Nine months ended September 30,	
		2020	2021
		(unaudited)	
Revenue	3.1	42,830	61,765
Cost of sales	3.2	(7,049)	(168,177)
Selling and distribution expenses	3.3	(809)	(1,232)
Research and development expenses	3.4	(76,337)	(284,728)
General and administrative expenses	3.5	(33,147)	(80,787)
Other operating income	3.6	11,695	66,746
Other operating expenses		(357)	(339)
Operating loss		(63,174)	(406,752)
Finance income		5,103	8,828
Finance expenses		(14,519)	(10,015)
Loss before income tax		(72,590)	(407,939)
Income tax benefit/ (expense)	12	1,615	(1,841)
Net loss for the period		(70,975)	(409,780)
Other comprehensive income:			
Foreign currency adjustments		76	(62)
Total comprehensive loss for the period		(70,899)	(409,842)
Net loss per share (basic and diluted)		(0.61)	(2.21)

Interim Condensed Consolidated Statements of Financial Position

(in thousands of EUR)	Note	December 31, 2020	September 30, 2021 (unaudited)
Assets			
Non-current assets			
Intangible assets	6.1	14,146	13,572
Property, plant and equipment	6.2	66,605	160,391
Right-of-use assets		33,984	32,352
Other assets		6,322	2,351
Deferred tax assets	12	445	367
Total non-current assets		121,502	209,033
Current assets			
Inventories	7	14,531	140,880
Trade receivables	3.1	1,014	2,452
Contract assets	3.1	808	7,180
Other financial assets	8	2,619	7,712
Prepaid expenses and other assets	9	48,289	234,899
Cash and cash equivalents		1,322,593	1,060,971
Total current assets		1,389,854	1,454,094
Total assets		1,511,356	1,663,127
Equity and liabilities			
Equity			
	4		
Issued capital		21,655	22,446
Capital reserve		1,334,704	1,727,913
Treasury Shares		—	(211)
Accumulated deficit		(645,069)	(1,054,849)
Other comprehensive income		57	(5)
Total equity		711,347	695,294
Non-current liabilities			
Finance liabilities	12	25,189	27,543
Lease liabilities		26,853	25,667
Contract liabilities	3.1	500,061	100,283
Other liabilities		284	284
Total non-current liabilities		552,387	153,777
Current liabilities			
Lease liabilities		3,234	3,310
Trade and other payables	11	21,685	60,280
Other liabilities	3.6	64,326	103,890
Income taxes payable	13	392	311
Contract liabilities	3.1	157,985	646,265
Total current liabilities		247,622	814,056
Total liabilities		800,009	967,833
Total equity and liabilities		1,511,356	1,663,127

**Interim Condensed Consolidated Statements of Changes in Shareholders' Equity
for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020**

(in thousands of EUR)	Issued capital	Capital reserve	Treasury share	Accumulated deficit	Currency translation reserve	Total equity
Balance as of January 1, 2021	21,655	1,334,704	—	(645,069)	57	711,347
Net loss	—	—	—	(409,780)	—	(409,780)
Other comprehensive income (loss)	—	—	—	—	(62)	(62)
Total comprehensive income (loss)	—	—	—	(409,780)	(62)	(409,842)
Share-based payment expense (Net of Taxes)	—	12,965	—	—	—	12,965
Issuance of share capital (net of transaction costs)	690	403,372	—	—	—	404,062
Exercise of options	101	2,422	—	—	—	2,523
Repurchase of common shares (Treasury Shares)	—	(25,550)	(211)	—	—	(25,761)
Balance as of September 30, 2021 (unaudited)	22,446	1,727,913	(211)	(1,054,849)	(5)	695,294

(in thousands of EUR)	Issued capital	Capital reserve	Accumulated deficit	Currency translation reserve	Total equity
Balance as of January 1, 2020	11,603	461,520	(515,947)	22	(42,802)
Net loss	—	—	(70,975)	—	(70,975)
Other comprehensive income (loss)	—	—	—	(76)	(76)
Total comprehensive income (loss)	—	—	(70,975)	(76)	(71,051)
Share-based payment expense	—	7,399	—	—	7,399
Convertible Loan	—	87	—	—	87
Exercise of options	288	(288)	—	—	—
Issuance of share capital	9,669	858,048	—	—	867,717
Balance as of September 30, 2020 (unaudited)	21,560	1,326,766	(586,922)	(54)	761,350

Interim Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

(in thousands of EUR)	For the nine months ended September 30,	
	2020	2021
	(unaudited)	
Operating activities		
Loss before income tax	(72,590)	(407,939)
Adjustments to reconcile loss before tax to net cash flows		
Finance income	(5,103)	(8,828)
Finance expense	14,519	10,015
Depreciation and amortization	7,244	11,342
Loss on disposal of fixed assets	357	0
Impairments of inventory and prepayments	—	39,142
Share-based payment expense	7,399	11,470
Working capital changes		
Decrease / (increase) in trade receivables and contract assets	16,662	(7,810)
Decrease / (increase) in inventory	4,775	(143,638)
Decrease / (increase) in other assets	(19,336)	(214,621)
Receipts from grants from government agencies and similar bodies	17,630	38,349
(Decrease) / increase in trade and other payables and contract liabilities	116,457	130,022
(Decrease) / Increase in other current financial and other liabilities	—	78
Decrease / (increase) in deferred taxes	(65)	(100)
Income taxes paid	(98)	(352)
Interest received	—	25
Interest paid	(6,869)	(7,212)
Net cash flow (used in) operating activities	80,982	(550,057)
Investing activities		
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(15,149)	(91,032)
Purchase of intangible assets	(5,883)	(2,273)
Proceeds from asset related grants	3,237	—
Proceeds from sale of other financial assets	329	—
Net cash flow (used in) investing activities	(17,466)	(93,305)
Financing activities		
Payments on lease obligations	(3,478)	(2,346)
Proceeds from the convertible loans	24,860	—
Repayment of convertible loans	(94,749)	—
Payments on treasury shares	—	(23,339)
Proceeds from the issuance of shares (net of transaction costs)	867,717	404,164
Net cash flow (used in) provided by financing activities	794,350	378,479
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	857,866	(264,883)
Currency translation gains (losses) on cash and cash equivalents	3,849	3,261
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	30,684	1,322,593
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	892,399	1,060,971

1. Corporate Information

CureVac N.V. (“CureVac” or “CV” or the “Company”) is the parent company of CureVac Group (“Group”) and, along with its subsidiaries, is a global biopharmaceutical company developing a new class of transformative medicines based on the messenger ribonucleic acid (mRNA) that has the potential to improve the lives of people.

The Company is incorporated in the Netherlands and is registered in the commercial register at the Netherlands Chamber of Commerce under RSIN 861149336. The Company’s registered headquarters is Friedrich-Miescher-Strasse 15, 72076 Tuebingen, Germany. The major shareholder and ultimate parent company of the Group is dievini Hopp BioTech holding GmbH & Co. KG (dievini), which is an investment company dedicated to the support of companies in health and life sciences.

On August 14, 2020, the Company completed an initial public offering (IPO) on the Nasdaq Global Market; in connection with the IPO, the Company underwent a corporate reorganization by which CureVac N.V. became the parent holding company with 100% interest in CureVac AG. Prior to the reorganization, CureVac AG was the parent holding company of the Group; as part of the reorganization, CureVac B.V. was formed and existing shareholders of CureVac AG subscribed for new common shares in CureVac B.V. and agreed to transfer their respective shares in CureVac AG to CureVac B.V. as a contribution in kind against issuance of the common shares in CureVac B.V. shares (share split) on a 1-to-133.0778 basis. As a result, CureVac B.V. became the holding company of CureVac AG, while the existing shareholders had a 100% shareholding in CureVac B.V. Effective with the IPO, CureVac B.V. changed its legal form and became CureVac N.V. and the common shares of CureVac B.V. were converted to common shares of CureVac N.V. These interim condensed consolidated financial statements and corresponding financial statement notes reflect the retrospective effect of the share split, where applicable.

2. Basis of preparation

The interim condensed consolidated financial statements for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 have been prepared in accordance with IAS 34 Interim Financial Reporting.

The interim condensed consolidated financial statements do not include all the information and disclosures required in the annual consolidated financial statements and should be read in conjunction with the Group’s annual consolidated financial statements as at December 31, 2020 and 2019 and for the three years ended December 31, 2020. The interim condensed consolidated financial statements were authorized by the Management Board for presentation to the Supervisory Board on December 16, 2021. The Group’s interim condensed consolidated financial statements are presented in Euros (“EUR”). Unless otherwise stated, amounts are rounded to thousands of Euros, except per share amounts.

New standards, interpretations and amendments adopted by the Group

The accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the interim condensed consolidated financial statements are consistent with those followed in the preparation of the Group’s annual consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2020. The new and amended standards and interpretations applied for the first time as of January 1, 2021, as disclosed in the notes to the consolidated financial statements as at December 31, 2020, had no impact on the interim condensed consolidated financial statements of the Group as of and for the nine months ended September 30, 2021. The Group has not early adopted any standard, interpretation or amendment that has been issued but is not yet effective.

Impact of COVID-19

On March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the outbreak of COVID-19 as a pandemic, which continues to spread throughout the United States, the European Union and around the world. In response, the Group began development of CVnCoV, its mRNA-based COVID-19 vaccine candidate, for which it initiated a Phase 1 clinical trial in healthy volunteers in June 2020, a Phase 2a clinical trial in older adults in September 2020 and a Phase 2b/3 clinical trial in December 2020. The connection with the CVnCoV development, the Group signed agreements providing for government grants and for future supply of vaccine. Additionally, in the first half of 2021, the Group signed agreements to expand its existing manufacturing capacities at its headquarters in Tuebingen, thereby allowing for broad-scale manufacturing of CVnCoV and other mRNA-based vaccines, and to collaborate with pharmaceutical partners to develop and manufacture vaccines against SARS-CoV-2 variants. In February 2021, the Group announced initiation of a rolling submission with the European Medicines Agency (EMA) for CVnCoV and was in late-stage clinical testing. In April 2021, CureVac initiated a rolling submission to Swissmedic, the Swiss regulator for therapeutic products including vaccines, of CVnCoV for use in Switzerland.

In June 2021, the Group reported the final analysis for its Phase 2b/3 HERALD study in which CVnCoV demonstrated an overall vaccine efficacy of 48% against COVID-19 disease of any severity.

Later in 2021, the European Medicines Agency (EMA) informed the Company that it would not start reviewing the file before 2022. As a result, CureVac estimated that the earliest possible approval of CVnCoV would come in the second quarter of 2022. By this time, CureVac and GSK expect candidates from the second-generation vaccine program will be progressing through clinical development. On October 12, 2021, CureVac announced the strategic decision to focus its COVID-19 vaccine program on the development of second-generation mRNA vaccine candidates in collaboration with GSK and to withdraw its first-generation COVID-19 vaccine candidate, CVnCoV, from the approval process with the EMA. The decision is aligned with the evolving dynamics of the pandemic response toward greater need for differentiated vaccines with the gradual transition from an acute pandemic to an endemic SARS-CoV2 environment.

Current clinical studies with CVnCoV, including a Phase 1 study in Germany, a Phase 2a study in Peru and Panama, a Phase 2b/3 (HERALD) study in Europe and Latin America, and a Phase 3 study in participants with comorbidities in Belgium, continue with the scheduled safety follow-up times for all trial participants as per the respective trial protocols.

As a direct consequence of CureVac's notification of the European Commission (EC) of the withdrawal of the application with the EMA for CVnCoV, the EC Advanced Purchase Agreement, which was predicated on employing CVnCoV to address the acute pandemic need, was automatically terminated. CureVac remains in contact with the European Commission and is supportive of its public health efforts.

CureVac remains committed to the long-term fight against COVID-19 and aims to leverage CVnCoV learnings and infrastructure to be at the forefront of delivering advanced second-generation vaccines together with GSK. These are expected to provide more flexible protection against emerging COVID-19 variants and to offer new mRNA approaches to other infectious disease vaccines such as flu, as well as potential combination vaccines against different viruses. Second-generation clinical development is expected to start within the next few months.

As the Group is currently devoting significant resources to the development of COVID vaccines, such development may impair the ability to timely progress other product candidates in clinical trials or into clinical trials from their current preclinical stage. In addition, enrollment in other programs may be delayed as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and could have a negative impact on revenue recognition related to non-COVID-19 collaborations. For instance, the Group's flu program with Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation was delayed. The partial disruption, even temporary, may negatively impact the Company's operations and overall business by delaying the progress of its clinical trials and preclinical studies. The Group's operations, including research and manufacturing, could also be disrupted due to the potential of the impact of staff absences as a result of self-isolation procedures or extended illness. However, the Group has taken a series of actions aimed at safeguarding its employees and business associates, including implementing a work-from-home policy for employees except for those related to its laboratory and production operations. The Group has been running COVID PCR (polymerase chain reaction) tests on a weekly basis for employees on the premises.

3. Notes to the consolidated financial statements

3.1 Revenue from contract with customers

The Group recognized the following revenues:

	Nine months ended September 30,	
	2020	2021
	EUR k	EUR k
Belgium		
GSK	4,047	49,621
Germany		
Boehringer Ingelheim	1,418	9,990
Netherlands		
Genmab	1,893	1,323
Switzerland		
CRISPR	618	831
United States		
Eli Lilly	34,854	—
Total	42,830	61,765

Of these revenues, all of which were recognized over time as part of collaboration agreements, during the nine months ended September 30, 2021, EUR 49,878k (September 30, 2020: EUR 41,545k) related to delivery of research services combined with an IP license (recognized from the upfront payments as further illustrated in the table below), EUR 1,400k (September 30, 2020: EUR 401k) related to delivery of products and EUR 10,488k (September 30, 2020: EUR 884k) were recognized from those research and development services considered distinct within the agreements.

In the nine months ended September 30, 2020, revenue primarily consisted of EUR 34,854k recognized upon termination of the collaboration with Eli Lilly. As a result, and on the termination date of the License and Collaboration Agreement, EUR 33.1 million in contract liabilities from the upfront payment were recognized as revenue as no further performance obligation remained.

In the nine months ended September 30, 2021, EUR 20,470k in revenue was recognized under the collaboration agreement with GSK, entered into in July 2020, for the research, development, manufacturing and commercialization of mRNA-based vaccines and monoclonal antibodies targeting infectious disease pathogens. Another EUR 17,845k in revenue was recognized under a new collaboration with GSK, entered in April 2021, for the developing next generation mRNA vaccines for COVID-19 with the potential for a multi-valent approach to address multiple emerging variants in one vaccine, and under which GSK paid the Group an upfront payment of EUR 75,000k in May 2021.

In August 2014, the Group entered into an Exclusive Collaboration and License Agreement, which it refers to as the Boehringer Agreement, with Boehringer Ingelheim, whereby it granted Boehringer Ingelheim exclusive global rights for development and commercialization of its investigational therapeutic mRNA vaccine BI 1361849 (formerly CV9202) formulated with a legacy protamine technology. The Group received an upfront payment of EUR 30,000K, as well as, an option fee payment of EUR 5,000K and an additional EUR 7,000K in development milestone payments, all of which are non-refundable and non-creditable in the event of expiry or termination of the agreement. In June 2021, Boehringer Ingelheim provided notice of its intention to terminate the Boehringer Agreement, with such termination to become effective on November 17, 2021. Refer to Note 17, for additional information regarding this termination subsequent to September 30, 2021. Upon termination of the Boehringer Agreement, the rights and licenses granted by the Group to Boehringer Ingelheim will revert back to the Group, provided that Boehringer Ingelheim has the right to sell off existing inventory of BI 1361849 for a certain period. In addition, Boehringer Ingelheim must assign to us all regulatory approvals or applications and grant us a non-exclusive, cost-free, perpetual and worldwide license to intellectual property held by Boehringer Ingelheim that has been used in the development, manufacture or commercialization of BI 1361849 or any other product developed under the Boehringer Agreement. As of the date of these interim financial statements, the Group and Boehringer Ingelheim are assessing options to continue an R&D collaboration based on the exchange of the legacy protamine technology with state-of-the-art LNP based formulations. As a result of the announced termination, the remaining contract liability, related to the upfront payment, is being recognized over a shorter period through the termination date. For the nine months ended September 30, 2021, EUR 9,990k (September 30, 2020: EUR 1,400k) was recognized as revenue related to this agreement.

The Group has received upfront payments which were initially deferred and are subsequently recognized as revenue as the Group renders services over the performance period. Below is a summary of such payments and the related revenues recognized:

Customer	Upfront payments	Upfront payments included in contract liabilities at December 31, 2020 (EUR k)	Upfront payments included in contract liabilities at September 30, 2021 (EUR k)	Revenue recognized from upfront payments in the nine months ended	
				September 30, 2020	September 30, 2021
Eli Lilly	USD 50,000k (EUR 42,200)*	—	—	34,854	—
CRISPR	USD 3,000k (EUR 2,524)*	1,549	1,317	232	232
Boehringer Ingelheim	EUR 30,000k	14,003	4,012	1,400	9,990
Genmab	USD 10,000k (EUR 8,937)*	7,150	5,809	1,341	1,341
GSK	EUR 120,000k	112,222	91,842	3,718	20,470
GSK 2nd Gen	EUR 75,000k	—	57,155	—	17,845
BMBF	EUR 124,502k	61,122	124,502	—	—
EU APA	EUR 450,000k	450,000	450,000	—	—
Total		646,046	734,637	41,545	49,878

* Translated at the currency exchange rate prevailing on the transaction date.

Contract balances:

	December 31, 2020 EUR k	September 30, 2021 EUR k
Trade receivables	1,014	2,452
Contract assets	808	7,180
Contract liabilities**	658,046	746,548

Trade receivables are non-interest bearing and are generally settled within 30 to 45 days. Besides the upfront payments, under the collaboration agreements, contract liabilities also contain an option fee payment and an additional development milestone payment of EUR 12 million, in total, from Boehringer Ingelheim; refer to Note 17 for additional information relating to these amounts following September 30, 2021.

**As of September 30, 2021, €450 million in contract liabilities relating to the EU APA were classified as current assets due to the expectation for them to be recognized within one year from this date (non-current assets at December 31, 2020); refer to Note 17 for additional information relating to these amounts following September 30, 2021

3.2 Cost of sales

The cost of sales consists of the following:

	Nine months ended September 30,	
	2020	2021
	EUR k	EUR k
Personnel	(2,171)	(14,897)
Materials	(1,380)	(13,945)
Third-party services	(2,432)	(130,795)
Maintenance and lease	(752)	(3,227)
Amortization and depreciation	(250)	(2,944)
Other	(64)	(2,369)
Total	(7,049)	(168,177)

During the nine months ended September 30, 2021, cost of sales increased compared to the same period of 2020 mainly due to activities for production processes for the Group's CVnCoV vaccine candidate. The increase of EUR 161,128k in cost of sales was also driven by recognition of expenses related to ineffective set-up activities and settlement costs related to the termination of several CMO contracts.

3.3 Selling and distribution expenses

Selling and distribution expenses consist of the following:

	Nine months ended September 30,	
	2020	2021
	EUR k	EUR k
Personnel	(755)	(943)
Amortization and depreciation	(77)	(65)
Third-party services	—	(200)
Other	23	(24)
Total	(809)	(1,232)

Personnel expenses mainly include salary and salary-related expenses, during the nine months ended September 30, 2021 of EUR 777k (September 30, 2020: 288k) and share-based payment expense of EUR 166k (September 30, 2020: 467k).

3.4 Research and development expenses

R&D expenses consists of the following:

	Nine months ended September 30,	
	2020	2021
	EUR k	EUR k
Personnel	(16,213)	(25,209)
Materials	(21,595)	(5,893)
Amortization and depreciation	(2,589)	(3,051)
Patents and fees to register a legal right	(3,525)	(10,209)
Third-party services	(27,973)	(238,348)
Maintenance and lease	(560)	(291)
Other	(3,882)	(1,727)
Total	(76,337)	(284,728)

During the nine months ended September 30, 2021, research and development expenses increased in comparison to the same period of 2020 mainly due to an increase in development expenses from the Group's CVnCoV program. These expenses consist primarily of cost incurred to CROs involved in the CVnCoV development. As of September 30, 2021, the Group had no development expenditures that met the requirements for capitalization. Under the grant from BMBF, the Group earns income (recognized in other operating income) for certain eligible expenses incurred for COVID-19 vaccine development; refer to Note 3.6 for more information on amounts recognized from this grant in the nine months ended September 30, 2021.

Personnel expenses mainly include salary and salary-related expenses, during the nine months ended September 30, 2021 of EUR 24,637k (September 30, 2020: 13,227k) and share-based payment expense of EUR 572k (September 30, 2020: 2,986k).

3.5 General and administrative expenses

General and administrative expenses consist of the following:

	Nine months ended September 30,	
	2020	2021
	EUR k	EUR k
Personnel	(15,847)	(30,039)
Maintenance and lease	(1,571)	(2,106)
Third-party services	(5,097)	(28,699)
Legal and other professional services	(2,276)	(6,394)
Amortization and depreciation	(4,382)	(5,575)
Other	(3,974)	(7,974)
Total	(33,147)	(80,787)

Personnel expenses mainly include salary and salary-related expenses, during the nine months ended September 30, 2021, of EUR 19,492k (September 30, 2020: 11,900k) and share-based payment expense of EUR 10,547k (September 30, 2020: 3,947k). During the nine months ended September 30, 2021, third-party services expenses increased, compared to the same period of 2020, mainly due to consulting services for product launch readiness. The increase in "Other" mainly result from insurance costs of EUR 5,256k, mainly related to director and officer liability insurance (September 30, 2020: EUR 742k):

3.6 Other operating income

	Nine months ended September 30,	
	2020	2021
	EUR k	EUR k
Grants and other cost reimbursements from government agencies and similar bodies	11,313	64,307
Other	382	2,439
Total	11,695	66,746

During the nine months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020, income from grants with government agencies and similar bodies resulted from the following:

German Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF)

In 2020, the Company received a grant from BMBF to support the development of its COVID-19 vaccine candidate for which it was determined that the arrangement contained two components: a grant component (in the scope of IAS 20) and a supply component (in the scope of IFRS 15). With regard to the grant component, during the nine months ended September 30, 2021, the Group has recognized grant income in the amount of EUR 64,031k (September 30, 2020: nil). As of September 30, 2021, the unrecognized grant component of EUR 1,187k (December 31, 2020: EUR 28,630k) is presented in (current) other liabilities. Refer to Note 17 for additional information regarding this grant subsequent September 30, 2021.

Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations (CEPI)

In January 2020, CureVac and CEPI entered into a collaboration to develop a vaccine against the new coronavirus SARS-CoV-2. The aim of the cooperation is to safely advance vaccine candidates into clinical testing as quickly as possible. The agreement builds upon the existing partnership between CureVac and CEPI to develop a rapid-response vaccine platform and included additional initial funding of up to USD 8,300k. In May 2020, CEPI increased its grant award to the Group for SARS-CoV-2 vaccine development to up to USD 15,300k.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2021, CureVac recognized the reimbursement by CEPI of approved expenses of EUR 30k (September 30, 2020: EUR 10,565k). As of September 30, 2021, EUR 1,294k in grant funds received have been deferred and are presented within other liabilities (December 31, 2020: EUR 1,325k).

Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation (BMGF)

For the nine months ended September 30, 2021, CureVac recognized EUR 246k (September 30, 2020: EUR 449k) from the amortization of the grants on a straight-line basis. As of September 30, 2021, 1,918k in grant funds received have been deferred and presented within other liabilities (December 31, 2020: EUR 2,164k).

4. Issued Capital and Reserves

According to the Company's articles of association, the Company's authorized shares are divided into 386,250,000 common shares and 386,250,000 preferred shares, each having a nominal value of EUR 0.12.

As of September 30, 2021, no preferred shares had been issued and all issued common shares issued and outstanding were fully paid. However, in certain events, BMGF has the right to require the Company to redeem or facilitate the purchase by a third-party of all common shares it holds and Genmab has the right to subscribe once for common shares at a certain price under an anti-dilution and down round-protection clause effective through February 2022.

All payments received from shareholders in excess of the nominal value of the shares issued and net of transaction costs are recognized in capital reserves. Capital reserves also consists of recognition of share-based payments and the equity components of convertible loans. The Company may only make distributions, whether a distribution of profits or of freely distributable reserves, to shareholders to the extent shareholders' equity exceeds the sum of the paid-in and called-up share capital plus any reserves required by Dutch law or by the Company's articles of association.

In February 2021, the Group completed a follow-on public offering whereby it sold 5,000,000 common shares at a price of USD 90.00 per share. In addition, the underwriters exercised their option to purchase an additional 750,000 common shares at this same price less the underwriting discount. The aggregate proceeds, net of underwriting discounts, received by the Group from these transactions were EUR 426,652k. Additional offering costs for legal, accounting, printing and registration fees of EUR 22,590k were recognized as reduction to capital reserve against the proceeds from the offering.

Under the Prior VSOP plan, and following the Group's IPO and corporate reorganization, upon vesting of virtual shares granted under the plan, the holder is able to exchange his or her virtual shares (in whole or in part) for cash or shares of CureVac N.V., at the discretion of the Company, subject to the occurrence of certain predefined events. The economic burden of such an exchange was to be borne exclusively by those shareholders already invested in CureVac AG as of October 1, 2015 ("Funding Shareholders"); as such, these Funding Shareholders were required to transfer to the Company, in exchange for no consideration, sufficient common shares for the Company to issue against exercises of virtual shares. With the Company's IPO having taken place on August 14, 2020, an exit event was triggered with 10% of the vested virtual shares becoming exercisable at the end of the lock-up period, which is 180 days after the initial listing, i.e. on February 10, 2021. As of March 10, 2021, the beneficiaries (i.e., holders of virtual shares) exercised all of their 759,677 exercisable virtual shares and the Company received 759,677 common shares from the Funding Shareholders on that day. During the nine months ended September 30, 2021, 366,622 shares were transferred to beneficiaries upon exercise of options under the Company's various equity plans. At September 30, 2021, the Company still held 3,032 treasury shares.

The number of shares issued and outstanding developed as follows:

Common shares issued and outstanding at December 31, 2020	180,460,565
Follow-on Public Offering	5,750,000
Share option exercises between January and September 2021	845,091
Treasury shares	(3,032)
Common shares issued and outstanding at September 30, 2021	187,052,624

5. Share-based payments

During the nine months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020, the Group recognized share-based payments expenses of EUR 11,285k and EUR 7,399k, respectively, as follows:

Nine months ended September 30,

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>
	EUR k	EUR k
Research and development expenses	2,985	572
Selling and distribution expenses	467	166
General and administrative expenses	3,947	10,547
Total	<u>7,399</u>	<u>11,285</u>

Expense recognized for the equity-settled programs was as follows:

Nine months ended September 30:

Program	2020	2021
	EUR k	EUR k
LTIP	—	10,075
RSU for supervisory board	—	250
Former Chief Executive Officer Grant	2,551	—
New VSOP	1,327	441
Prior VSOP	3,521	519
Total	7,399	11,285

On November 16, 2020, CureVac granted 266,155 options to the Chief Scientific Officer (CSO). Furthermore, on December 1, 2020, CureVac granted 266,156 options (in 3 tranches) to the company's Chief Business Officer (CBO) and Chief Commercial Officer (CCO). All grants were made at no cost under the terms of a new long-term incentive plan (LTIP) put in place by Curevac N.V. Options will be settled in shares of Curevac N.V. At September 30, 2021 none of the options granted to the CSO and CBO/CCO under the LTIP were exercised at that date. On July 1, 2021, CureVac granted 20,000 options to the Chief Operations Officer (COO). Furthermore on August 1, 2021, CureVac granted 30,000 options to the Chief Development Officer (CDO). All grants were made at no cost under the terms of the long-term incentive plan (LTIP) put in place by Curevac N.V. Options will be settled in shares of Curevac N.V. At September 30, 2021 none of the options granted to the COO and CDO under the LTIP were vested and hence, were not exercisable at that date. The expenses recognized for employee services received under the LTIP during the nine months ended September 30, 2021, is in an amount of EUR 10,075k and is included in general and administrative expenses.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2020, share based payment expenses of EUR 2,551k recognized in general and administrative expenses resulted from the 805,520 unvested awards, granted to the former Chief Executive Officer (CEO), immediately vesting in March 2020 due to the discontinuation of his service contract. The remaining expense results from additional grants under the New VSOP and continued vesting of grants under the Prior VSOP.

On August 14, 2020, the Company filed with the SEC a registration statement on Form S-8 registering common shares, issuable pursuant to the CureVac N.V. Long-Term Incentive Plan ("the LTIP"), New VSOP and Prior VSOP.

At the Annual General Meeting in June 2021, grants to two supervisory board members for their outstanding work and advice in connection with the clinical development of CVnCoV were approved. The supervisory board members will receive RSU's equal to a EUR value of 100K and 150K. The related share-based payments expense is recognized in general and administrative expense.

Exercise of share-based payments

Also, for the New VSOP plan, the IPO was a triggering event, by which all outstanding options, under the plan, became exercisable; 55,932 options were exercised on February 11, 2021 at an average share price of USD 114.17 (EUR 94.15). Shares to the value of the participant's personal tax obligation are withheld and shown as repurchase of those shares. From April up to September a total of 425,203 options were exercised with a weighted average share price of USD 58.13.

6. Fixed Assets

6.1 Intangible assets

During the nine months ended September 30, 2021, the Group acquired intangible assets of EUR 2,273k (nine months ended September 30, 2020: EUR 5,879k). The acquisitions during the nine months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020 mainly related to licenses, software and prepayments made to acquire those.

6.2 Property, plant and equipment

During the nine months ended September 30, 2021, property, plant and equipment increased by 93,786k from the balance at December 31, 2020. This increase was due primarily to the purchase of technical equipment and machines and other equipment of EUR 8,907k (September 30, 2020: EUR 5,013k) as well as additional amounts recognized as construction in progress of EUR 84,384k for Company-owned equipment physically located at CMO facilities in Germany and the remaining amount mainly for Company's GMP facilities.

7. Inventories

Inventories include the following:

	<u>December 31, 2020</u>	<u>September 30, 2021</u>
	EUR k	EUR k
Raw materials	13,790	115,838
Unfinished goods	—	21,079
Finished goods	741	3,963
Total	<u>14,531</u>	<u>140,880</u>

During 2021, the Company began production of vaccine doses which are recorded in inventory as of September 30, 2021 as the costs were determined to be recoverable under existing arrangements regardless of whether regulatory approval is obtained.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2021, the increase in inventory of EUR 126,499k is due primarily to unfinished products in CVnCOV inventory and increased stock of raw material required for the production of CVnCOV.

8. Other financial assets

Other current financial assets as of September 30, 2021 amounted to EUR 7,712k (December 31, 2020: EUR 2,619k) mainly include deposits held by third parties in amount of EUR 1,936k (December 31, 2020: EUR 430k) and other receivables in the amount of EUR 5,776k (December 31, 2020: 2,189).

9. Prepaid expenses and other assets (current)

Prepaid expenses and other current assets as of September 30, 2021 amounted to EUR 234,899k (December 31, 2020: 48,289k) mainly include prepayments for service agreements (e.g. for the CROs and CMOs) in the amount of EUR 120,920k (December 31, 2020: EUR 40,054k) and a receivable due to the Group under the BMBF grant in the amount of EUR 55,183k (December 31, 2020: 8,235k) and VAT amount of EUR 47,234k. At December 31, 2020, the net amount of VAT is reflected in the other current liabilities. These net amounts of VAT refund claims and VAT payables do not bear interest and are reported to the tax authorities on a monthly basis.

10. Financial assets and financial liabilities

Fair values of cash and cash equivalents, trade receivables, trade payables, and other current liabilities approximate their carrying amounts largely due to the short-term maturities of these instruments.

There were no transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 fair value measurements and no transfers into or out of Level 3 fair value measurements during the nine months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020.

11. Trade and other payables

During the nine months ended September 30, 2021, the increase of EUR 38,595k in trade and other payables was primarily due to billings from and accrued liabilities due to CROs and CMOs involved in the CVnCoV development and taxes collected upon share-based payments option exercises and which are to be remitted to taxing authorities.

As of September 30, 2021, the Company had non-cancellable contractual obligations of EUR 112,902k relating to CMO services, for which no amounts are recorded in the statement of financial position.

12. Loans

During the nine months ended September 30, 2020, EUR 11,008k of interest expense, inclusive of EUR 5,194k which resulted from the early termination, was recognized on two convertible loan facilities from Dietmar Hopp which were terminated later in 2020; as such, no amounts from these loan facilities were recognized in the same period of 2021. As of September 30, 2021, CureVac had drawn the first of the three tranches of the EIB loan received in December 2020 and, thus, EUR 25 million (plus accrued interest of EUR 2,543k) was outstanding on the loan as of that date. Refer to Note 17 for additional information regarding this loan following September 30, 2021.

13. Income tax

The Group calculates the interim income tax benefit or expense using the best estimate of the weighted average annual effective income tax rate expected for the full financial year.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020, the Group recorded a consolidated income tax expense of EUR 1,841k (September 30, 2020: EUR 1,615k benefit). The consolidated income tax expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2021, resulted from income tax expenses from CureVac Inc. of EUR 220k (September 30, 2020: EUR 115k) and deferred tax expenses on taxable temporary differences of EUR 1,672k (September 30, 2020: EUR 2,539k benefit) as well as a recognition of a deferred tax benefit on tax loss carryforwards of EUR 52k (September 30, 2020: tax expense of EUR 809k).

14. Disclosure of financial instruments and risk management

As the Group requires significant liquid funds available for the financing of its COVID-19 research and development activities, during the nine months ended September 30, 2021, it has maintained funds as cash and cash equivalents and not in less liquid financial instruments. The Group has distributed the cash amongst several banks and amongst the legal entities in the Group in order to reduce negative interest penalties.

Refer to note 15 to the consolidated financial statements as of December 31, 2020 for additional information on the Group's risk management activities. As of September 30, 2021, the Group held cash and cash equivalents of USD 4,321k and CHF 98k, which are exposed to foreign currency exchange risk. The Group intends to settle expenses arising in US dollars or CHF using these US dollar or CHF funds.

15. Earnings per share

Earnings per share is calculated pursuant to IAS 33 *Earnings per Share* by dividing the consolidated net loss in CureVac N.V. by the average weighted number of shares outstanding in the fiscal period, retrospectively adjusted for the effect of the corporate reorganization.

The weighted number of shares outstanding for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 was 185,702,736 (September 30, 2020: 116,023,286). This has led to a basic loss per share for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020 of EUR 2.21 and EUR 0.61, respectively. Since the conversion of options to ordinary shares would decrease loss per share, they are considered antidilutive. Therefore, the diluted earnings per share equals basic earnings per share for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020.

16. Related party disclosures

Transfer of shares from the Funding Shareholders

As discussed in Note 4, due to certain virtual share exercises under the Prior VSOP during the nine months ended September 30, 2021, 759,677 common shares were transferred to the Company by the Funding Shareholders, with no consideration paid in exchange, and some of these shares were subsequently reissued to fulfill obligations from option exercises.

Dietmar Hopp

During fiscal 2019, Dietmar Hopp, principal of dievini Hopp BioTech holding GmbH & Co. KG (dievini), the largest shareholder of the Group, granted two convertible loans to the Group, which were repaid in 2020; see Note 11 for further information.

Antony Blanc

In 2020, a consulting agreement between CureVac AG and Clarentis SRL was made. Clarentis SRL is a wholly owned consulting company of Antony Blanc, PhD, the CBO of CureVac. After the transition of Antony Blanc to the Management Board in February 2021, the contract was no longer active and no new orders were placed. In Q3 2021, a milestone payment, which related to the submission of the EMA dossier for CVnCoV, and amounts to EUR 100k was made to fulfill a contractual obligation from the consulting agreement in place before Antony Blanc joined the Management Board.

17. Subsequent events

On November 30, 2020, CureVac entered into an Advanced Purchase Agreement (APA) with the European Commission (EC), which was acting on behalf and in the name of all Member States of the European Union to deliver 225 million doses of CVnCoV. In order to support our accelerated efforts to develop a safe and effective vaccine, the EC structured the APA to share the financial risk with CureVac and to support the development of CureVac's operations in the form of an upfront payment of EUR 450 million, which is recognized as a contract liability as of September 30, 2021. Upon notification of the EC of the withdrawal of CureVac's regulatory approval application for CVnCoV in October 2021, the APA automatically terminated. According to the EU APA, in such case of termination, CureVac must return only the unspent amount of the prepayment. CureVac is in the process of submitting to the EC a report of qualified expenditures incurred or committed to using the upfront payment and do not expect that it will be required to return any portion of it; the unreturned portion will be recognized into income in the fourth quarter of 2021.

The value of certain assets, semi-finished and finished goods that will have no future use will be assessed in the fourth quarter of 2021.

CureVac is currently coordinating with the EC to evaluate whether the EC will exercise its option to recover some raw materials and/or primary components paid for with the upfront as allowed for under the APA.

Due to the withdrawal of the EMA regulatory approval application for CVnCoV, CureVac will not be able to reach all predefined milestones for 2021 under the BMBF grant. From 2020 through December 2021, CureVac has received EUR 196.3 million. In November 2021, CureVac notified BMG of the inability to supply CVnCoV, therefore triggering automatic termination of the supply agreement. As a result, the contract liability amounting to EUR 124 million will be recognized into income in the fourth quarter of 2021.

As of September 30, 2021, all assets on the statement of financial position, which relate to CVnCoV and which are unable to be repurposed, were recoverable under either the APA or the BMBF grant.

As discussed in Note 3.1, in June 2021, Boehringer Ingelheim provided notice of its intention to terminate the Boehringer Agreement. The termination became effective on November 17, 2021 and, as a result, the remaining EUR 4,000K of the upfront payment, an option fee payment of EUR 5,000K and an additional EUR 7,000K in development

milestone payments were recognized as revenue in the fourth quarter of 2021 as no further performance obligations remained.

In November 2021, CureVac issued a prepayment request and cancellation notice to the EIB under which it requested to voluntarily prepay, in December 2021, the EUR 25 million in principal in addition to accrued interest and to cancel the remaining EUR 50 million available under the EIB loan.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The following discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations provides information that we believe to be relevant to an assessment and understanding of our results of operations and financial condition for the periods described. This discussion should be read in conjunction with our unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial statements and the notes to the financial statements, which are included in this Report of Foreign Private Issuer on Form 6-K. In addition, this information should also be read in conjunction with the information contained in our Annual Report on Form 20-F for the year ended December 31, 2020, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 27, 2021, or the Annual Report, including the consolidated annual financial statements as of December 31, 2020 and their accompanying notes included therein.

Forward-Looking Statements

This Report of Foreign Private Issuer on Form 6-K contains historical information and forward-looking statements within the meaning of The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 with respect to the business, financial condition and results of operations of CureVac N.V. The words “anticipate,” “believe,” “could,” “expect,” “should,” “plan,” “intend,” “estimate” and “potential,” and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. Such statements reflect the current views, assumptions and expectations of CureVac N.V. with respect to future events and are subject to risks and uncertainties. Many factors could cause the actual results, performance or achievements of CureVac N.V. to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements that may be expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements, or financial information, including, among others, our ability to obtain funding for our operations necessary to complete further development and commercialization of our product candidates, the initiation, timing, progress, results, and cost of our research and development programs and our current and future preclinical studies and clinical trials, including statements regarding the timing of initiation and completion of studies or trials and related preparatory work, the period during which the results of the trials will become available and our research and development programs, the timing of and our ability to obtain and maintain regulatory approval for our product candidates, the ability and willingness of our third-party collaborators to continue research and development activities relating to our product candidates, the exercise by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation of withdrawal rights, our and our collaborators’ ability to obtain, maintain, defend and enforce our intellectual property protection for our proprietary and collaborative product candidates, and the scope of such protection, the rate and degree of market acceptance of our products, our ability to commercialize our product candidates, if approved, our ability and the potential to successfully manufacture our drug substances and delivery vehicles for preclinical use, for clinical trials and on a larger scale for commercial use, if approved, general economic, political, demographic and business conditions in the United States and Europe, fluctuations in inflation and exchange rates in Europe, our ability to implement our growth strategy, our ability to compete and conduct our business in the future, our ability to enroll patients for our clinical trials, the availability of qualified personnel and the ability to retain such personnel, regulatory developments and changes in the United States and foreign countries including tax matters, our ability to overcome the challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic to the conduct of our business and other various other factors, whether referenced or not referenced in this Report of Foreign Private Issuer on Form 6-K, that may affect our financial condition, liquidity and results of operations. Various other risks and uncertainties may affect CureVac and its results of operations, as described in reports filed by CureVac with the Securities and Exchange Commission from time to time, including its Annual Report. CureVac does not assume any obligation to update these forward-looking statements.

Unless otherwise indicated or the context otherwise requires, all references in this Report of Foreign Private Issuer on Form 6-K to “CureVac” or the “Company,” “we,” “our,” “ours,” “ourselves,” “us” or similar terms refer to: (1) on or following the consummation of the Corporate Reorganization, CureVac N.V. together with its subsidiaries, including CureVac AG, and (2) prior to the consummation of the Corporate Reorganization, CureVac AG.

Overview

On April 7, 2020, CureVac B.V. was incorporated under the laws of the Netherlands and became the holding company of CureVac AG in connection with our initial public offering on August 14, 2020, pursuant to the Corporate Reorganization. See “Corporate Reorganization.” As part of the Corporate Reorganization, the legal form of CureVac B.V. was converted from a Dutch private company with limited liability (*besloten vennootschap met beperkte aansprakelijkheid*) to a Dutch public company (*naamloze vennootschap*), and the articles of association of CureVac N.V. became effective. Additionally, existing shareholders of CureVac AG subscribed for new common shares in CureVac B.V. and agreed to transfer their respective shares in CureVac AG to CureVac B.V. as a contribution in kind against issuance of the common shares in CureVac B.V. shares (share split) on a 1-to-133.0778 basis. Prior to the consummation of our initial public offering, CureVac N.V. had not engaged in any activities except those incidental to its formation. Following the Corporate Reorganization, CureVac N.V. became the holding company of CureVac AG and the historical consolidated financial statements of CureVac AG included in this Registration Statement became part of the historical consolidated financial statements of CureVac N.V.

We are a global biopharmaceutical company developing a new class of transformative medicines based on messenger ribonucleic acid that has the potential to improve the lives of people. Our vision is to revolutionize medicine and open new avenues for developing therapies by enabling the body to make its own drugs. Messenger ribonucleic acid, or mRNA, plays a central role in cellular biology in the production of proteins in every living cell. We are the pioneers in successfully harnessing mRNAs designed to prevent infections and to treat diseases by mimicking human biology to synthesize the desired proteins. Our technology platform is based on a targeted approach to optimize mRNA constructs that encode functional proteins that either induce a desired immune response or replace defective or missing proteins using the cell's intrinsic translation machinery. Our current product portfolio includes clinical and preclinical candidates across multiple disease indications in prophylactic vaccines, oncology and molecular therapy.

In prophylactic vaccines, we are advancing our second-generation mRNA vaccine candidate, CV2CoV, against coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) in collaboration with GlaxoSmithKline Biologicals SA, or GSK. The collaboration on second-generation COVID-19 vaccine candidates with GSK was initiated in April 2021, and aims to research, develop and manufacture next-generation mRNA vaccines targeting the original SARS-CoV-2 strain as well as emerging variants. The collaboration extends the initial partnership we started with GSK in July 2020, which focuses on the development of new products based on our second-generation mRNA technology for different targets in the field of infectious diseases. The optimized mRNA backbone that is being used in this collaboration features targeted optimizations designed to improve intracellular mRNA stability and translation for increased and extended protein expression. These optimizations potentially allow for strong and early immune responses at low doses, which is intended to also support the development of multivalent vaccines to target rapidly spreading COVID-19 variants as well as combination vaccines against different viral diseases.

CV2CoV is the first representative of our anticipated broad second-generation COVID-19 vaccine program. The vaccine candidate, presently at preclinical development stage, is a non-chemically modified mRNA, encoding the prefusion stabilized full-length spike protein of the SARS-CoV-2 virus, and formulated within Lipid Nanoparticles, or LNPs. On May 13, 2021, we announced that CV2CoV is able to induce high levels of antigen production in an in vitro setup as well as strong and dose-dependent immune responses in a preclinical study in rats. These data were recently complemented by preclinical data investigating immune responses as well as the protective efficacy of CV2CoV in comparison to our first-generation vaccine candidate, CVnCoV, against SARS-CoV-2 challenge in non-human primates. The study, conducted in collaboration with Dan Barouch, MD, Ph.D., of Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, assessed cynomolgus macaques vaccinated with 12µg of either the first or second-generation vaccine candidate. Better activation of innate and adaptive immune responses was achieved with CV2CoV, resulting in faster response onset, higher titers of antibodies and stronger memory B and T cell activation as compared to our first-generation candidate, CVnCoV. Higher antibody neutralizing capacity was observed with CV2CoV across a broad range of variants, including the Beta, Delta and Lambda variants. During challenge with the original SARS-CoV-2 virus, animals vaccinated with CV2CoV were found to be better protected compared to CVnCoV based on effective clearance of the virus in the lungs and nasal passages. A direct comparison of CV2CoV with the licensed mRNA vaccine, Comirnaty® (Pfizer/BioNTech) in non-human primates was able to show that neutralizing antibody levels measured following full vaccination of animals with either 12µg of CV2CoV or a 30µg standard dose of Comirnaty® were highly comparable. The data confirm how targeted optimizations of a non-chemically modified mRNA can significantly improve immune responses in a preclinical model, providing substantiated support for the unmodified mRNA technology approach for COVID-19 vaccines and the mRNA technology field as a whole. Full data was published in Nature on November 18, 2021. Within the joint vaccine program, we plan to extend our technology platform to chemically modified mRNA constructs to allow for data-driven selection of the best candidate. We expect to start a Phase 1 clinical trial assessing CV2CoV in the first quarter of 2022. Furthermore, we expect to subsequently add additional unmodified and modified second-generation COVID-19 mRNA vaccine candidates, which are currently in preclinical testing and also address relevant COVID-19 variants, to the Phase 1 clinical trial assessing CV2CoV.

In February 2021, we initiated a rolling submission with the European Medicines Agency, or the EMA, to assess CVnCoV's compliance with standards for vaccine efficacy, safety and pharmaceutical quality as a prerequisite for a formal market authorization application. Later in 2021, the EMA informed us that it would not start reviewing the file before 2022. As a result, we estimated that the earliest possible approval of CVnCoV would come in the second quarter of 2022. By this time, we expect candidates from the second-generation vaccine program to be progressing through clinical development. On October 12, 2021, we announced the strategic decision to withdraw our first-generation COVID-19 vaccine candidate, CVnCoV, from the approval process with the EMA and to focus our COVID-19 vaccine program on the development of second-generation mRNA vaccine candidates in collaboration with GSK. The decision is aligned with the evolving dynamics of the pandemic response toward greater need for differentiated vaccines with the gradual transition from an acute pandemic to an endemic SARS-CoV-2 environment. CVnCoV was also withdrawn from a rolling submission with Swissmedic, Switzerland's authority responsible for the authorization and supervision of therapeutic products, initiated in April 2021, to review the safety, efficacy and pharmaceutical quality of CVnCoV as a prerequisite for market authorization.

Current clinical studies with first-generation candidate, CVnCoV, including a Phase 1 study in Germany (initiated in June 2020), a Phase 2a study in Peru and Panama (initiated in September 2020), a Phase 2b/3 (HERALD) study in Europe and Latin America (initiated in December 2020), a Phase 3 study in healthcare workers in Germany (initiated in December 2020) and a Phase 3 study in participants with comorbidities in Belgium (initiated in April 2021), continue with the scheduled safety follow-up times for all trial participants as per the respective trial protocols. For the Phase 3 study in Belgium, recruitment was stopped at 131 participants due to the advancement of the vaccination program in Belgium, including this particularly vulnerable population.

Previously announced studies to be initiated with CVnCoV, including a Phase 2 clinical trial, focusing on immunogenicity in older adults above the age of 65 years old compared to younger adults and a flu-co-administration study, planned to be initiated together with Bayer AG to assess compatibility with established seasonal vaccines in an older population, were cancelled.

For the Phase 2a clinical trial with CVnCoV, we uploaded the first clinical data readout to the SSRN preprint server on December 10, 2021. To assess the benefit of a booster vaccination, the two-dose vaccination schedule in the Phase 2a also featured a third booster vaccination, administered to the Phase 2a trial participants above the age of 60 one month after the second dose and to participants of all ages (i.e., above the age of 18) six months after the second dose. No increase in reactogenicity was observed following administration of the booster vaccination compared to administration of the two doses of the primary vaccination. To further understand the impact of booster vaccinations, CVnCoV was also included in the Cov-Boost trial sponsored by the University of Southampton, UK, which is evaluating several COVID-19 vaccines and vaccine candidates as booster vaccines. Each participant in the Cov-Boost trial is expected to receive one booster vaccine at least three months after they completed their primary vaccination with two doses of either Comirnaty or Vaxzevria. The Cov-Boost trial started in June 2021 across 18 sites in the United Kingdom with an expected 2,886 participants. Initial results from the Cov-Boost trial were published in *The Lancet* on December 2, 2021.

Our pivotal Phase 2b/3 trial for CVnCoV, which included approximately 40,000 participants, reported interim analysis outcomes following a first interim analysis on May 28, 2021, based on 59 adjudicated COVID-19 cases, a second interim analysis on June 16, 2021, based on 134 adjudicated COVID-19 cases in the unprecedented context of at least 13 variants circulating within the assessed study population subset and a final analysis on June 30, 2021, based on 228 adjudicated COVID-19 cases. In the final analysis, CVnCoV demonstrated an overall vaccine efficacy of 48% against COVID-19 disease of any severity. Significant protection was demonstrated among participants in the age group of 18 to 60, with an efficacy of 53% against disease of any severity and across 15 identified strains. In the same age group, protection against moderate to severe disease was calculated to be 77% and CVnCoV also provided 100% protection against hospitalization or death. In participants above 60 years, the available data did not enable a statistically significant determination of efficacy. The data further confirmed the favorable safety profile of CVnCoV in all age groups. Out of the 228 adjudicated cases, 204 could be sequenced to identify the variant causing the infection. Approximately 86% of these cases were caused by Variants of Concern (~51%) and Variants of Interest (~35%), the latter including the Lambda strain, first identified in Peru (~21%) and the Mu strain first identified in Colombia (~14%). Approximately 3% of cases were attributable to the original SARS-CoV-2 virus. The remaining 11% were mainly caused by less-explored strains. In the age group of 18 to 60, across the strains of higher prevalence in the trial, strain-dependent vaccine efficacy against any severity of disease ranged from approximately 42% efficacy against the Mu variant to up to 67% efficacy against the Gamma variant. The Delta variant was not sufficiently represented in the pool of adjudicated cases and could therefore not be separately assessed. On November 23, 2021, primary data of the pivotal Phase 2b/3 trial was published in *The Lancet*.

Within the broader second-generation infectious disease program, which we are developing in collaboration with GSK, the first non-COVID-19 vaccine candidate is an influenza vaccine. We are currently assessing the first mRNA influenza vaccine candidates in a preclinical model and expect to transfer a preferred vaccine candidate into a clinical study in the first half of 2022.

Our next advanced prophylactic vaccine program, CV7202, is being developed for prophylactic vaccination against rabies. CV7202 is an mRNA that encodes the rabies virus glycoprotein, RABV-G, formulated with lipid nanoparticles. We are currently investigating CV7202 in a Phase 1 clinical trial, evaluating safety, including reactogenicity, and immunogenicity. In January 2021, we published data from our Phase 1 trial of CV7202 in rabies. CV7202 induced adaptive immune response as shown by rabies-specific virus-neutralizing antibodies above the World Health Organization thresholds considered to be protective, after the second dose in all subjects, at the lowest 1µg and 2µg dose levels. We also showed that the lowest dose levels (1µg and 2µg mRNA) were generally well tolerated. We are currently assessing the path forward for advancing CV7202.

In oncology, we are exploring a range of potential approaches, including intratumoral therapy and novel cancer vaccines targeting neoepitopes and tumor associated antigens. Our lead oncology candidate, CV8102, is a complex of single-stranded non-coding RNA which has been optimized to maximize activation of cellular receptors that normally detect viral pathogens entering the cells (such as toll-like receptor 7, or TLR7, TLR8, and retinoic acid inducible gene I, or RIG-I pathways), mimicking a viral infection of the tumor. CV8102 is designed to recruit and activate antigen-presenting cells at the site of injection to present tumor antigens released from tumor cells to T cells in the draining lymph node. This potentially leads to activation of tumor-specific T cells, which can kill tumor cells at the injected site, but also at distant non-injected tumor lesions or metastases. CV8102 is currently being evaluated in a Phase 1 clinical trial for the treatment of four types of solid tumors — cutaneous melanoma, adenoidcystic carcinoma, squamous cell carcinoma of skin, and squamous cell carcinoma of head and neck, or HNSCC. Details of safety and efficacy observed in the dose-escalation portion of the trial were recently reported at ESMO 2021. As of August 31, 2021, we enrolled 58 patients (33 in the single-agent cohort and 25 in the combination cohort with anti-PD-1) in the Phase 1 dose-escalation portion of the study. As of the cutoff date of June 21, 2021, in the single-agent CV8102 dose escalation cohort, we observed one patient with a complete response and two patients with a partial response according to RECIST 1.1. In addition, twelve patients experienced a best response of stable disease. In the PD-1 dose escalation combination cohort, one PD-1 refractory melanoma patient experienced a partial response according to RECIST 1.1. In addition, three patients experienced a best response of stable disease. On November 10, 2021, at the Society for Immunotherapy of Cancer, or the SITC, conference, we further extended the ESMO update with an extensive analysis of immune cell activation to better understand the mobilization of the immune system against CV8102-injected as well as non-injected tumors.

The data showed efficient stimulation of the immune system characterized by the induction of interferon alpha and interferon gamma. Serial tumor biopsies from individual patients demonstrated increased infiltration of tumor-fighting T cells in the micro-environment of injected as well as non-injected tumors. Both observations support the hypothesis that local injection of the RNA immuno-modulator into a single tumor lesion is able to induce a systemic response leading to immune attack against both injected and non-injected tumors.

In February 2021, we initiated the expansion of our Phase 1 study to confirm the safety, tolerability and efficacy of CV8102 at a 600µg dose, the selected dose to be advanced in a Phase 2 clinical trial. The expansion part of the Phase 1 trial completed enrollment in October 2021 and involves 40 trial participants, with 10 in the single-agent cohort and 30 in the combination cohort with anti-PD-1. A data update for the expansion part of the study is expected in the second half of 2022.

On June 16, 2021, Boehringer Ingelheim expressed its intention to terminate the 2014 collaboration agreement on BI1361849 (previously CV9202). The termination became effective on November 17, 2021. The legacy program, targeting specific immune responses against tumor-associated antigens frequently overexpressed in patients with non-small cell lung cancer, or NSCLC, applies an older protamine formulation technology, which reflected the state of the technology development at the time. A Phase 1/2 clinical trial in NSCLC applying BI1361849 as a combination therapy is ongoing. Both companies are currently assessing options to continue a collaboration on our RNA technology platform based on state-of-the-art LNP-based formulations.

In molecular therapies, we published preclinical mouse data in liver fibrosis in the Journal of Hepatology in August 2021. Progression of liver fibrosis is associated with the gradual decrease of hepatocyte nuclear factor 4 alpha, or HNF4 alpha, an important regulator and key factor in liver metabolism. In the published study, four independent mouse models of the disease were treated with mRNA encoding HNF4A. The treatment was able to restore HNF4A levels and thereby significantly reduced liver injury. The study was conducted in collaboration with the REBIRTH-Research Center for Translational Regenerative Medicine and Department of Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Endocrinology at the Hannover Medical School, Hannover (Germany). It provides the first preclinical data demonstrating the therapeutic applicability of mRNA-encoded HNF4A in the treatment of liver fibrosis and cirrhosis.

Key Factors Affecting Our Results of Operations

We believe that the most significant factors affecting our results of operations include:

Research and Development Expenses

Our ability to successfully pioneer a robust mRNA technology platform and develop innovative product candidates will be the primary factor affecting our future growth and development. Our approach to the discovery and development of product candidates based on mRNA technology is still being demonstrated. As such, we do not know whether we will be able to successfully develop any products. Developing novel product candidates requires a significant investment of resources over a prolonged period of time, and a core part of our strategy is to continue making sustained investments in this area. We have chosen to leverage our platform to initially focus on advancing our product candidates in the areas of prophylactic vaccines, oncology and molecular therapy.

All of the product candidates are still in development, and we have incurred and will continue to incur significant research and development costs for preclinical studies and clinical trials. We expect that our research and development expenses will constitute the most substantial part of our expenses in future periods in line with the advance and expansion of the development of our product candidates. Due to our accelerated efforts to develop our first-generation COVID-19 vaccine candidate, CVnCoV, we incurred research and development expenses that significantly exceeded our historical levels of research and development expenses. We have recently entered into a collaboration agreement with GSK for the development of a broad second-generation COVID-19 vaccine program. CV2CoV, a non-chemically modified mRNA, encoding the prefusion stabilized full-length spike protein of the SARS-CoV-2 virus, and formulated within LNPs, is the first representative of our second-generation COVID-19 vaccine program presently at a preclinical development stage. Within the second-generation COVID-19 vaccine program, we plan to extend our technology platform also to chemically modified mRNA constructs to allow for data-driven selection of the best candidate. We expect to incur significant expenses related to such second-generation vaccine candidates. As such, our current level of research and development expenses may continue to increase and may not be representative of our future research and development expenses once our accelerated efforts to advance a second-generation vaccine candidate are completed. Once we conclude our research and development efforts related to a selected second-generation vaccine candidate, we expect that our research and development expenses shall be consistent with our past trends before the COVID-19 pandemic, but we may find it necessary to continue such current trend with respect to our research and development expenses or we may continue to increase further our research and development expenses. For example, we may continue to increase our research and development expenses for future research and development related to the next-generations of our COVID-19 vaccine candidates, such as for our second-generation COVID-19 vaccine candidates or may pursue new indications with our technology platform.

We have historically funded the research and development expenses primarily through public offerings of our common stock, private placements of equity securities, convertible loans, grants from government agencies and similar bodies and payments for collaborative research and development services with strategic partners. In addition, we signed an advance purchase agreement, or

APA, with the EC that provided substantial support for our efforts to advance our first-generation vaccine candidate, CVnCoV. In October 2021, we notified the European Commission of the withdrawal of our regulatory approval application for CVnCoV, which automatically terminated the APA. Under the terms of the APA, we must return the unspent portion of a €450 million prepayment which was made to us. We are in the process of submitting to the EC a report of qualified expenditures incurred or committed to using the upfront payment and do not expect that it will be required to return any portion of it. In connection with a second-generation vaccine candidate, we may enter into additional APAs with other parties in the future. However, APAs are unique for the COVID-19 pandemic and we do not expect similar government purchase agreements in connection with other product candidates in our portfolio.

Our and Our Collaborators' Ability to Commercialize Our Product Candidates

Our ability to generate revenue from our product candidates depends on our and our collaborators' ability to successfully advance clinical trials for our product candidates and receive regulatory approval, particularly in the United States, Europe, and other major markets.

We believe that our broad portfolio of product candidates with both novel and validated targets enhances the likelihood that our research and development efforts will yield successful product candidates. Nonetheless, we cannot be certain if any of our product candidates will receive regulatory approvals. Even if such approvals are granted, we will thereafter need to maintain manufacturing and supply arrangements and engage in extensive marketing prior to generating any revenue from such products, and the ultimate commercial success of our products will depend on their acceptance by patients, the medical community and third-party payors and their ability to compete effectively with other therapies on the market.

The competitive environment is also an important factor with the commercial success of our product candidates, and our ability to successfully commercialize a product candidate will depend on whether there are competing product candidates being developed or already marketed by other companies.

We currently do not have any product candidates that have received regulatory approval. As such, we have not incurred any material commercialization expenses in connection with an approved product candidate. In February 2021, we initiated a rolling submission for our first generation COVID-19 vaccine candidate, CVnCoV, with the EMA, which was designed to allow the EMA to assess CVnCoV's compliance with standards for vaccine efficacy, safety and pharmaceutical quality as a prerequisite for a formal market authorization application. Later in 2021, EMA informed us that the EMA would not start reviewing our submission for CVnCoV before the beginning of 2022. As a result, we estimated that the earliest possible approval of CVnCoV would come in the second quarter of 2022. By this time, we expect candidates from the second-generation vaccine program to be progressing through clinical development. We therefore decided in early October 2021 to withdraw our first generation COVID-19 vaccine candidate, CVnCoV, from the regulatory approval process and focus our efforts on second-generation mRNA vaccines. The decision is aligned with the evolving dynamics of the pandemic response toward greater need for differentiated vaccines with the gradual transition from an acute pandemic to an endemic SARS-CoV-2 environment. In connection with the regulatory approval process, and in preparation for the commercialization of a second-generation COVID-19 vaccine, we expect our expenses related to commercialization to significantly decrease in the short-term due to our past commercialization efforts for CVnCoV. However, we expect that our expenses related to commercialization will significantly increase in the long-term if a second-generation COVID-19 vaccine candidate reaches late clinical stages, but we expect that this increase in expenses will be mitigated by the GSK COVID Agreement, as described below. As part of the commercialization process of CVnCoV, we also entered into strategic partnerships with Bayer for the development, production and distribution of CVnCoV. In addition, pursuant to a preliminary agreement regarding the secondary manufacturing of CVnCoV we entered into with GSK, GSK would have supported the secondary manufacturing of up to 100 million doses of CVnCoV in 2021. Additionally, we also partnered with Fareva, Rentschler Biopharma SE, and Novartis AG, among others, to develop an integrated European manufacturing network. Due to our decision to withdraw CVnCoV from the regulatory approval process and focus our efforts on second-generation mRNA vaccine, separate agreements with Celonic and Wacker were terminated.

Our Collaborations, Related License Agreements and Advance Purchase Agreements

Our results of operations have been, and we expect them to continue to be, affected by our contractual collaborations with third parties for the development and commercialization of certain of our product candidates. In addition, our future results of operation may be affected by future advance purchase agreements for our COVID-19 vaccine candidates. To date, our revenues have been recognized pursuant to license and collaboration agreements, which include upfront payments for licenses or options to obtain licenses, milestone payments, payments for product sales and payments for research and development services. Grants from government agencies or similar bodies are recognized as other operating income or as a reduction to depreciation and amortization expense recognized from assets purchased under the associated arrangements.

We have entered into strategic collaborations and license agreements with third parties. In addition, on November 30, 2020, we entered into an advance purchase agreement, or APA, with the European Commission, or EC, which provided for the advance purchase by the commission of our first-generation vaccine candidate, CVnCoV. In October 2021, we notified the EC of the withdrawal of our regulatory approval application for CVnCoV, which automatically terminated the APA. As part of our business

development strategy, we aim to increase the number of our strategic collaborations in order to derive further value from our platform and more fully exploit the potential of our collaborations and license agreements.

Certain key terms of our current material collaboration and license agreements, as well as our advance purchase agreement with the EC are summarized below.

GlaxoSmithKline

In July 2020, we entered into a Collaboration and License Agreement with GSK, which we refer to as the 2020 GSK Agreement, pursuant to which we are collaborating with GSK to research, develop and commercialize prophylactic and therapeutic non-replicating mRNA-based vaccines and antibodies targeting infectious disease pathogens. The 2020 GSK Agreement was amended and restated in April 2021 and a second time in September 2021.

GSK paid us an upfront payment of €120 million and is required to pay us a manufacturing capacity reservation fee of €30 million following a certain regulatory milestone event, which is creditable against future milestone payments. We are eligible to receive up to between €28 million to €45 million in development milestone payments, €32 million to €35 million in regulatory milestone payments and €70 million to €100 million in commercial milestone payments, depending on the product. Under the 2020 GSK Agreement, we granted GSK an exclusive option to add additional products in the field of infectious diseases to the license granted under the 2020 GSK Agreement and upon each exercise of such option, GSK is required to compensate us for certain development costs and pay any accrued milestone payments. GSK additionally has the right to replace products licensed under the 2020 GSK Agreement and if the replacement product was already under development by us, GSK must compensate us for certain development costs and pay any accrued milestone payments. We are additionally eligible to receive tiered royalty payments ranging from a single-digit percentage to a low teens percentage on net sales, subject to certain customary reductions. GSK is required to compensate us for certain development and regulatory costs we may incur in connection with our performance of our obligations under the 2020 GSK Agreement and we are eligible to receive up to €20,000 in reimbursements for expenses incurred recording or registering the licenses granted under the 2020 GSK Agreement. We retain the right to commercialize products developed under the 2020 GSK Agreement in Germany, Austria and Switzerland, as GSK's exclusive distributor in these markets. Under any such distribution agreement to be entered into between us and GSK, we will be required to purchase supply from GSK and pay GSK a low thirties percentage royalty on net sales. Pursuant to the amendment in September 2021, we and GSK are required to complete certain development activities set forth in updated development plans. We and GSK agree to decide whether the products required for clinical studies will be manufactured by us, GSK or jointly. As of September 30, 2021, we have received the upfront payment amounting to €120 million and approximately €4.3 million in development cost reimbursements.

Additionally, in April 2021, we entered into a new collaboration agreement with GSK, which we refer to as the GSK COVID Agreement, pursuant to which we are collaborating with GSK to research, develop and manufacture next-generation mRNA vaccines targeting the original SARS-CoV-2 strain as well as emerging variants, including multivalent and monovalent approaches, such as our second-generation COVID-19 vaccine candidate, CV2CoV. These vaccine candidates may either be used to protect unvaccinated individuals or to serve as boosters in the event that SARS-CoV-2 immunity gained from an initial vaccination reduces over time. The GSK COVID Agreement was amended and restated in September 2021. Pursuant to the amendment in September 2021, we and GSK are required to complete certain development activities with respect to the GSK COVID Products set forth in updated development plans. We and GSK agree to decide whether the GSK COVID Products required for clinical studies will be manufactured by us, GSK or jointly.

Under the GSK COVID Agreement, GSK has paid us an upfront payment of €75 million. We also granted GSK an exclusive option, after a certain date, to obtain exclusive licenses to develop, manufacture and commercialize CVnCoV and boosters for such vaccine and upon GSK's exercise of such option, GSK is required to compensate us for certain development costs. We and GSK agreed to equally share all development costs for GSK COVID Products, subject to certain exceptions. We and GSK will share all net profits generated from sales of GSK COVID Products, other than Combination Products, under profit sharing arrangements that in certain cases vary depending upon the GSK COVID Product in question, the time of sale, the number of doses sold and the party to whom the sale is made. We are eligible to receive tiered royalty payments ranging from a sub-teen percentage to a mid-teens percentage on net sales of Combination Products, subject to certain customary reductions. Under the GSK COVID Agreement we have the right to commercialize GSK COVID Products in Austria, Germany and Switzerland and if we exercise such right, our sales of GSK COVID Products, other than Combination Products will be subject to the profit share and we will be required to pay GSK a high-teen percentage royalty on net sales of all Combination Products in such countries.

Genmab

In December 2019, we entered into a Collaboration and License Agreement, which we refer to as the Genmab Agreement, with Genmab to research and develop up to four potential differentiated mRNA-based antibody products, to be selected by Genmab, based on the combination of our proprietary RNAntibody technology with Genmab's proprietary antibody technology for the treatment of human diseases. We will collaborate on research to identify an initial product candidate designed to express a certain Genmab proprietary antibody and we will contribute a portion of the overall costs for the development of such product candidate, until

submission of an IND. Genmab will thereafter be responsible for the development and commercialization of the product candidate. Under the Genmab Agreement we further grant Genmab a license for the preclinical development of up to four additional mRNA antibody product concepts and options to obtain commercial licenses under our mRNA technology to develop, manufacture and commercialize product candidates for up to three of such product concepts.

Under the terms of the Genmab Agreement, Genmab paid us a \$10 million upfront fee and made a €20 million equity investment in March 2020. Genmab will be obligated to pay us a \$0.5 million reservation fee upon the selection of each additional product concept for development under the Genmab Agreement and \$5 million upon selection of a product targeting Genmab's proprietary antibody for further development and commercialization. Genmab is additionally required to pay us up to \$30 million in option exercise fees. If Genmab exercises any of its options to obtain commercial licenses for the additional mRNA antibody concepts, Genmab would fund all research and would develop and commercialize any resulting product candidates. We are additionally eligible to receive up to between \$25 million and \$43 million in development milestone payments, \$100 million and \$125 million in regulatory milestone payments and \$150 million and \$200 million in commercial milestone payments for each product, depending on the specific product concept. In addition, we are eligible to receive a mid single-digit to low teens percentage tiered royalty on aggregate net sales of licensed products, on a per-product basis and subject to certain customary reductions. If Genmab grants a sublicense to the initial product candidate developed under the Genmab Agreement before a certain milestone event, Genmab must pay us a one-time \$10 million payment. We are responsible for any payments to third parties related to the LNP technology we license to Genmab for use in relation to the initial product candidate developed under the Genmab Agreement and a portion of such payments with respect to LNP technology used in the additional product concepts. We retain an option to participate in development and commercialization of one of the potential additional mRNA antibody product concepts under predefined terms and conditions. In the event we exercise such right, we must pay Genmab a one-time payment of \$3 million and refund any option fee paid by Genmab with respect to such product. As of September 30, 2021, we have received approximately \$1.0 million in development cost reimbursements and we have not received any reservation, product selection, option exercise or sublicense fees or milestone or royalty payments.

Arcturus

In January 2018, we entered into a Development and Option Agreement, which we refer to as the Arcturus Agreement, with Arcturus, which provides us with access to Arcturus LNP formulation technology which we use in combination with our mRNA technology. We paid Arcturus an upfront fee of \$5 million and must pay an extension fee of \$1 million if we exercise our option to extend the initial term of the Arcturus Agreement beyond July 2023. We are required to reimburse Arcturus for certain costs incurred in connection with development activities and provide certain FTE funding. We are additionally required to pay up to an aggregate of \$5 million in connection with our acceptance of the irrevocable offer to obtain licenses for further development and commercialization of selected targets. Under each license agreement to be entered into in connection with our acceptance of the irrevocable offer, we will additionally be required to make certain royalty payments, which are not in excess of 10% on net sales of licensed products, and pay Arcturus up to \$6 million in development milestone payments, \$9 million in regulatory milestone payments and \$8 million in commercial milestone payments. As of September 30, 2021, we have made payments totaling approximately \$5.4 million to Arcturus reimbursing Arcturus for development costs and in connection with our FTE funding obligations, and we have not accepted the irrevocable offer with respect to any target and therefore have not paid any acceptance fees or made any milestone or royalty payments to Arcturus.

Acuitas

In April 2016, we entered into a Development and Option Agreement, which as amended we refer to as the Acuitas Agreement, with Acuitas, which provides us with access to Acuitas LNP formulation technology that we use in combination with our mRNA technology. We are required to pay Acuitas annual target reservation and maintenance fees of up to approximately \$1.4 million if we reserve the maximum number of targets permitted under the Acuitas Agreement and to reimburse Acuitas for certain costs incurred in connection with development activities and certain FTE costs. We are additionally required to pay an option exercise fee ranging from \$50,000 to \$2 million upon each exercise of our option to obtain a license for further development and commercialization with respect to a selected target, subject to certain additional fees ranging from \$10,000 to \$200,000 for the exercise of our option for certain other vaccine targets. We paid Acuitas a \$5 million upfront fee in connection with an amendment to the Acuitas Agreement dated July 2020 and, upon each exercise of our option to exchange a vaccine target licensed under any non-exclusive license, we are required to pay an exchange fee of \$3 million. We additionally paid Acuitas a \$3 million upfront fee in connection with an amendment to the Acuitas Agreement dated December 2020 and are required to pay an additional \$250,000 in April 2022 and April 2023 for each of certain options not yet exercised. Under each license agreement in connection with our exercise of our option, we will additionally be required to make low single-digit percentage tiered royalty payments and must pay up to between approximately \$1.1 million and \$9 million in development milestone payments, \$1.3 million and \$7 million in regulatory milestone payments and \$1.3 million and \$7 million in commercial milestone payments, depending on whether the license is exclusive or non-exclusive and the number of options exercised to date. As of September 30, 2021, we have exercised our option to obtain a non-exclusive license to fourteen targets. As of September 30, 2021, we have paid Acuitas approximately \$3.6 million in reservation and option exercise fees and have made payments totaling approximately \$7.5 million reimbursing Acuitas for development costs and LNP batches and in connection with our FTE funding obligations.

For each option that we have exercised under the Acuitas Agreement, we have entered into a non-exclusive license agreement with Acuitas with respect to such optioned target, all based on the same form agreement, which we refer to as the Acuitas License Agreements. We are required to pay Acuitas up to between approximately \$1.1 million and \$1.6 million in development milestone payments, \$1.3 million and \$1.8 million in regulatory milestone payments and \$1.3 million and \$1.8 million in commercial milestone payments under each Acuitas License Agreement and we must pay Acuitas annual fees ranging from \$5,000 to \$10,000 for any additional protein targeted by a vaccine product licensed under each Acuitas License Agreement after a certain milestone event. We additionally are obligated to pay Acuitas a low single-digit percentage royalty on net sales of licensed products. As of September 30, 2021, we have made \$0.1 million in development milestone payments to Acuitas with respect to the license agreement relating to Rabies RAV-G and we have made \$1.4 million in development milestone payments (Phase I, Phase II and Phase III milestone payments) to Acuitas with respect to the license agreement relating to the SARS-CoV-2 Spike protein S and have not made any royalty payments.

CRISPR Therapeutics

In November 2017, we entered into a Development and License Agreement, which, as amended, we refer to as the CRISPR Therapeutics Agreement, with CRISPR Therapeutics, pursuant to which we will develop novel Cas9 mRNA constructs for use in gene editing therapeutics. Under the CRISPR Therapeutics Agreement, we granted CRISPR Therapeutics an exclusive worldwide license to use our improved Cas9 constructs for the development and commercialization of three of its *in vivo* gene-editing programs for certain diseases.

CRISPR Therapeutics was required to pay us an upfront one-time technology access fee of \$3 million and we are eligible to receive up to \$13 million in development milestone payments, \$33 million in regulatory milestone payments and \$133 million in commercial milestone payments, as well as mid single-digit percentage royalties from CRISPR Therapeutics on the net sales of licensed products on a product-by-product and country-by-country basis, subject to certain potential customary reductions. Additionally, CRISPR Therapeutics will make payments to us for services provided by us in conjunction with research programs under the CRISPR Therapeutics Agreement. In the event CRISPR Therapeutics exercises its right to sublicense under the agreement, CRISPR Therapeutics must pay us a low teens to mid-twenties percentage of any non-royalty sublicense income, depending on the timing of the sublicense and whether the sublicense is granted through an affiliate of CRISPR Therapeutics. As of September 30, 2021, we have received approximately €3.5 million in payments for the supply of materials and FTE cost and development reimbursements and no milestone, royalty or sublicense fee payments.

Boehringer Ingelheim

In August 2014, we entered into an Exclusive Collaboration and License Agreement, which we refer to as the Boehringer Agreement, with Boehringer Ingelheim GmbH, or Boehringer Ingelheim, whereby we granted Boehringer Ingelheim exclusive global rights for development and commercialization of our investigational therapeutic mRNA vaccine BI 1361849 (formerly CV9202) formulated with our protamine technology. We received an upfront payment of €30 million, as well as, an option fee payment of €5 million and an additional €7 million in development milestone payments and as of September 30, 2021, we received approximately €7.6 million for the supply of materials and reimbursing us for development costs. In June 2021, Boehringer Ingelheim provided notice of its intention to terminate the Boehringer Agreement. The termination became effective on November 17, 2021. Upon termination of the Boehringer Agreement, the rights and licenses granted by us to Boehringer Ingelheim reverted back to us, provided that Boehringer Ingelheim has the right to sell off existing inventory of BI 1361849 (formerly CV9202) for a certain period. In addition, Boehringer Ingelheim must assign to us all regulatory approvals or applications and grant us a non-exclusive, cost-free, perpetual and worldwide license to intellectual property held by Boehringer Ingelheim that has been used in the development, manufacture or commercialization of BI 1361849 (formerly CV9202) or any other product developed under the Boehringer Agreement. We and Boehringer Ingelheim are currently assessing options to continue a collaboration based on state-of-the-art LNP-based formulations

Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

In May 2014, we were awarded a grant from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation for the development of a vaccine for rotaviruses, as amended in November 2020, for up to approximately \$2.8 million. As of September 30, 2021, we have received approximately \$2.8 million in funding under the agreement. In March 2015, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation made an equity investment of \$40 million to support continued development of our RNA technology platform and the construction of an industrial-scale cGMP production facility. We entered into a Global Access Commitments Agreement with the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation in February 2015 pursuant to which we are required to take certain actions to support the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation mission. In connection with the investment by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, we are required to conduct development activities for up to three concurrent projects to be proposed by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. The costs of such projects will be allocated on a project-by-project basis in proportion to the allocation of the expected benefits.

In November 2016, in connection with the Global Access Commitments Agreement, we were awarded a grant for up to approximately \$0.9 million in funding from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation for the development of a vaccine for picornaviruses.

As of September 30, 2021, we have received approximately \$0.7 million in funding under the picornaviruses grant agreement. In November 2017, we were awarded two additional grants each for up to approximately \$1.9 million and \$1.5 million in funding from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation for the development of a universal influenza and a malaria vaccine, respectively. By an amendment entered into November 2020, our grant for the development of a malaria vaccine was increased by an additional approximately \$0.8 million. As of September 30, 2021, we have received approximately \$1.9 million and \$2.2 million, respectively, in funding under each grant agreement.

Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations

In February 2019, we entered into a framework partnership agreement, which as amended we refer to as the CEPI Agreement, with the Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness, or CEPI, to develop our RNA Printer using certain intellectual property controlled by us covering the development and manufacture of mRNA products, as well as certain additional intellectual property licensed to us. In connection with the CEPI Agreement we have entered into work orders for the preclinical development of a Lassa virus vaccine, a yellow fever vaccine and our rabies virus vaccine. In addition, we entered into a work package for the preclinical development and a Phase 1 clinical trial for our first-generation COVID-19 vaccine candidate, CVnCoV. CEPI agreed to contribute up to approximately \$34 million in funding for projects undertaken under the CEPI Agreement and an additional \$15.3 million in connection with development of CVnCoV. As of September 30, 2021, we have received €26.4 million in funding for projects undertaken under the CEPI Agreement.

Tesla Grohmann

In November 2015, we entered into a development and intellectual property agreement, which we refer to as the Tesla Grohmann Agreement, with Tesla Grohmann, pursuant to which Tesla Grohmann agreed to design, develop and manufacture certain automated manufacturing machines on our behalf. We are obligated to pay Tesla Grohmann a fee for each machine delivered by Tesla Grohmann and up to \$50 million to \$60 million in commercial milestone payments as well as certain development costs under each associated work order. As of September 30, 2021, we have paid Tesla Grohmann approximately €12 million to €13 million in development costs under various work orders and we have not paid any fees for machines provided under the Tesla Grohmann Agreement or made any milestone payments.

Eli Lilly License and Collaboration Agreement

In November 2017, we entered into a global immuno-oncology collaboration with Eli Lilly focused on the development and commercialization of cancer vaccine products based on our proprietary RActive® technology, which we refer to as the Eli Lilly Agreement. In 2017, we received an upfront payment of \$50 million and an equity investment of €45 million and as of September 30, 2021, we have received approximately €14.6 million in payments for the supply of materials and reimbursements for development costs. In June 2020, we entered into a termination agreement with Eli Lilly, which we refer to as the Eli Lilly Termination Agreement, and all licenses, and Eli Lilly's payment obligations, under the Eli Lilly Agreement terminated.

Advance Purchase Agreement for our First-Generation COVID-19 Vaccine Candidate

On November 30, 2020, we entered into an APA with the EC, acting on behalf and in the name of all Member States of the European Union, which provided for the advance purchase by the Member States of 225 million doses of the vaccine to be allocated among the Member States and the option to purchase up to an additional 180 million doses. Pursuant to the APA, we received an upfront payment of €450 million. Such upfront payment had to be used solely for the development and commercial supply of CVnCoV. We are required to return any unspent amounts of the upfront payment if, among others, we fail to successfully develop CVnCoV or if we successfully develop CVnCoV, but we do not receive EU marketing authorization or fail to supply any doses of CVnCoV to any of the Member States by late 2021, unless we and the EC mutually agree to a later date. In October 2021, we notified the EC of the withdrawal of our regulatory approval application for CVnCoV, which notification automatically terminated the APA. We are in the process of submitting to the EC a report of qualified expenditures incurred or committed to using the upfront payment and do not expect that we will be required to return any portion of the first upfront payment. The value of certain assets, semi-finished and finished goods that will have no future use will be assessed in the fourth quarter of 2021. We are currently coordinating with the EC to evaluate whether the EC will exercise its option to recover some raw materials and/or primary components paid for with the upfront as allowed for under the APA.

Financial Operations Overview

Revenue

To date, our revenues have consisted of upfront licensing payments, product sales and compensation for research and development services, all of which relate to our license and collaboration agreements. Certain of these payments are initially recorded on our statement of financial position and are subsequently recognized as revenue in accordance with our accounting policy as described further in note 2 to our audited consolidated financial statements included in the Annual Report.

Cost of Sales

Cost of sales consists primarily of personnel costs, costs for materials and third-party services, as well as maintenance and lease costs, and depreciation and amortization. Costs of sales includes costs of product sales, idle production costs and costs from set-up and quality assurance activities for our production processes, including those relating to pharmaceutical products which are under development in our collaboration agreements and for which we have not yet generated revenues. See “Research and Development Expenses” below for additional information on recognition of costs relating to pre-launch products.

Selling and Distribution Expenses

Selling and distribution expenses primarily consist of personnel expenses which include salary and salary-related expenses and expenses from share-based compensation.

Research and Development Expenses

Research and development expenses consist primarily of costs incurred for our research and preclinical and clinical development activities, including our product discovery efforts and certain activities relating to the design of GMP-manufacturing facilities. Research and development expenses contain wages and salaries, share-based compensation, fringe benefits and other personnel costs, the costs of clinical testing and the associated clinical production costs, research material production costs, fees for contractual partners, consultants and other third parties, fees to register legal rights, amortization of licensed software and intellectual property as well as costs for plant and facilities. Research and development expenses contain costs for independent research and development work as well as work carried out in the context of collaboration and licensing agreements; such expenses include all costs related to research and development services delivered under our collaboration arrangements. Additionally, prior to initial regulatory approval, if any, costs relating to production of products are expensed as research and development expenses in the period incurred unless recoverable through means other than sale. If pre-launch products are sold, the respective product gross margin may be higher compared to the expected recurring margin as the underlying costs will not be included in cost of sales as they will have been recognized in research and development expense in the period incurred.

We also have partnered programs as further described under “Our Collaborations, Related License Agreements and Advance Purchase Agreements” and “Advance Purchase Agreement for our First-Generation COVID-19 Vaccine Candidate,” for which we incur additional expenses. In addition, our research and development expenses relate to our preclinical studies of further product candidates and discovery activities. These expenses mainly consist of salaries, share based-compensation, costs for production of preclinical compounds and costs paid to contract research organizations.

We expense research and development expenses as incurred. We recognize costs for certain development activities, such as preclinical studies and clinical trials, based on an evaluation of the progress to completion of specific tasks. We use information provided to us by our vendors such as patient enrollment or clinical site activations for services received and efforts expended. We expect research and development costs, including manufacturing, to support these activities, to normalize after the COVID-19 pandemic.

General and Administrative Expenses

General and administrative expenses generally include wages and salaries, share-based compensation, fringe benefits and other personnel costs of our senior management and administrative personnel, costs for professional services, including legal, audit and consulting services for product launch readiness and costs of facilities and office expenses. We expect that our general and administrative costs will decrease in comparison with level of cost recognized in the first nine months of 2021. However, in the future, our general and administrative costs and our research and development costs may rise due to the need for administrative support for these activities.

Results of Operations

Comparison of the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2020 Compared to Nine Months Ended September 30, 2021

We have based the following discussion of our financial condition and results of operations on our unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial statements for the nine months ended September 30, 2020 and 2021 and the notes thereto, included elsewhere in this Report of Foreign Private Issuer on Form 6-K.

Our historical results for the nine months ended September 30, 2020 and 2021 are not necessarily indicative of results to be expected for a full year or any other interim period.

The following table summarizes our consolidated results of operations for the nine months ended September 30, 2020 and 2021:

	For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2020	2021
	(in thousands of euros, except per share data) (unaudited)	
Statement of Operations and Comprehensive Income (Loss) Data:		
Revenue	42,830	61,765
Cost of sales	(7,049)	(168,177)
Selling and distribution expenses	(809)	(1,232)
Research and development expenses	(76,337)	(284,728)
General and administrative expenses	(33,147)	(80,787)
Other operating income	11,695	66,746
Other operating expenses	(357)	(339)
Operating loss	(63,174)	(406,752)
Finance income	5,103	8,828
Finance expenses	(14,519)	(10,015)
Loss before income tax	(72,590)	(407,939)
Income tax benefit (expense)	1,615	(1,841)
Net loss	(70,975)	(409,780)
Other comprehensive income/loss:		
<i>Items that may be subsequently reclassified to profit or loss</i>		
Foreign currency adjustments	76	(62)
Total comprehensive loss	(70,899)	(409,842)
Net loss per share (basic and diluted)	(0.61)	(2.21)

Revenue

Revenue was €61.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2021, representing an increase of €18.9 million, or 44%, from €42.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2020. This increase was primarily driven by increased revenues from our collaborations with GSK and the termination of the Boehringer Agreement. In total, for both the 2020 GSK Agreement and the GSK COVID Agreement, for the nine months ended September 30, 2021, revenue of €49.6 million was recognized, compared to €4.0 million in the same period of the prior year. In addition, as a result of the termination of the Boehringer Agreement, the remaining contract liability, related to the upfront payment, was being recognized over a shorter period through November 17, 2021, the termination date. For the nine months ended September 30, 2021, €10.0 million, compared to €1.4 million in the same period of the prior year, was recognized as revenue under the Boehringer Agreement.

In the nine months ended September 30, 2020, revenue primarily consisted of €34.9 million recognized from the collaboration with Eli Lilly, including €33.1 million in contract liabilities from an upfront payment which was recognized in revenue upon termination of the collaboration as no further performance obligation remained.

Cost of Sales

Cost of sales was €168.2 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2021, representing an increase of €161.2 million, or 2303%, from €7.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2020. The increase was primarily attributable to recognition of expenses related to ineffective set-up activities and settlement costs related to the termination of several contract manufacturing organization contracts.

	For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2020	2021
	(in thousands of euros) (unaudited)	
Personnel	(2,171)	(14,897)
Materials	(1,380)	(13,945)
Third-party services	(2,432)	(130,795)
Maintenance and lease	(752)	(3,227)
Amortization, depreciation and derecognition	(250)	(2,944)
Other	(64)	(2,369)
Total	(7,049)	(168,177)

Selling and Distribution Expenses

Selling and distribution expenses were €1.2 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2021, and representing an increase of €0.4 million, or 50%, from €0.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2020, which was primarily due to increased spend on various third-party services.

	For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2020	2021
	(in thousands of euros)	
	(unaudited)	
Personnel	(755)	(943)
Amortization and depreciation	(77)	(65)
Third-party services	—	(200)
Other	23	(24)
Total	(809)	(1,232)

Research and Development Expenses

Research and development costs were €284.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2021, representing an increase of €208.4 million, or 273%, from €76.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2020. The increase was primarily attributable to significantly higher research and development costs from our Phase 2/3 clinical trial for CVnCoV. The increase mainly consists of costs incurred to clinical research organizations and to compensate personnel involved in the development of CVnCoV.

	For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2020	2021
	(in thousands of euros)	
	(unaudited)	
Personnel	(16,213)	(25,209)
Materials	(21,595)	(5,893)
Amortization and depreciation	(2,589)	(3,051)
Patents and fees to register a legal right	(3,525)	(10,209)
Third-party services	(27,973)	(238,348)
Maintenance and lease	(560)	(291)
Other	(3,882)	(1,727)
Total	(76,337)	(284,728)

The following table reflects our research and development costs for each of our programs for the nine months ended September 30, 2020 and 2021:

	For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2020	2021
	(in thousands of euros)	
	(unaudited)	
Key Programs (CV8102, CV7202, CV2CoV and CVnCoV)		
CV8102	(5,443)	(5,126)
CV7202	(4,474)	(239)
CV2CoV	—	(5,653)
CVnCoV	(27,504)	(243,213)
Other Research and Development Programs	(9,050)	(1,407)
Unallocated costs(1)	(29,866)	(29,090)
Total	(76,337)	(284,728)

(1) Unallocated costs primarily consist of costs associated with personnel expenses, patents and fees to register a legal right, amortization and depreciation, maintenance and lease expenses, certain third-party service expenses and certain material expenses.

The increased research and development expenses primarily relate to the following key programs:

- Our second-generation mRNA vaccine program, CV2CoV against SARS-CoV-2, which is being co-developed with GSK. We expect to start the Phase 1 clinical trial for CV2CoV in the fourth quarter of 2021.

- Our lead oncology program, CV8102, which is currently in a Phase 1 dose escalating clinical trial for four types of solid tumors as a monotherapy and in combination with anti-PD-1 and an expansion of the Phase 1 study to confirm the safety, tolerability and efficacy of CV8102 at a 600µg dose, the selected dose to be advanced in a Phase 2 clinical trial.

General and Administrative Expenses

General and administrative expenses were €80.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2021, representing an increase of €47.7 million, or 144%, from €33.1 million. The increase was primarily attributable to consulting services for product launch readiness, personnel related costs from an increased headcount and higher expenses recognized on share-based payment awards made subsequent to the year ended December 31, 2020. We do not expect this trend of increasing general and administrative expenses to continue at the same level.

	For the Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,	
	2020	2021
	(in thousands of euros)	
	(unaudited)	
Personnel	(15,847)	(30,039)
Maintenance and lease costs	(1,571)	(2,106)
Third-party services	(5,097)	(28,699)
Legal and other professional services	(2,276)	(6,394)
Amortization and depreciation	(4,382)	(5,575)
Other	(3,974)	(7,974)
Total	(33,147)	(80,787)

Other Operating Income

Other operating income was €66.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2021, representing an increase of €55.0 million, or 470%, from €11.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2020. The increase was primarily attributable to an increase in amounts recognized from grants from government agencies and similar bodies, primarily the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research, or BMBF.

Other Operating Expense

Other operating expense was €0.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2021, was relatively unchanged compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2020.

Finance Income

Finance income was €8.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2021, representing an increase of €3.7 million, or 73%, from €5.1 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2020. The increase was attributable to higher foreign exchange gains.

Finance Expenses

Finance expenses were €10.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2021, representing a decrease of €4.5 million, or 31%, from €14.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2020. The decrease was mainly attributable to negative interest on cash, which is being held in liquid funds to be available for use for CVnCoV and CV2CoV development and manufacturing activities. The financial expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2020, were mainly related to interest recognized on convertible loans which were fully repaid in August 2020.

Income Tax Benefit (Expense)

An income tax expenses of €1.8 million was generated for the nine months ended September 30, 2021, representing a decrease of €3.4 million, from an income tax benefit of €1.6 million generated for the nine months ended September 30, 2020. The increase was primarily attributable to deferred tax expenses on temporary differences.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Our financial condition and liquidity are and will continue to be influenced by a variety of factors, including:

- our ability to generate cash flows from our operations;

- future indebtedness and the interest we are obligated to pay on this indebtedness;
- the availability of public and private debt and equity financing;
- changes in exchange rates which will impact our generation of cash flows from operations when measured in euros;
- our capital expenditure requirements;
- our ability to sign new collaborations; and
- our ability obtain additional government grants.

Overview

Since inception, we have incurred significant operating losses. For the nine months ended September 30, 2020 and 2021, we incurred net losses of €63.2 million and €406.8 million, respectively. To date, we have financed our operations primarily through the IPO in August 2020, the public offering in February 2021, private placements of equity securities, issuance of convertible debt, grants from government agencies and similar bodies and payments for collaborative research and development services. Our cash and cash equivalents as of September 30, 2021 were €1.06 billion. Our primary cash needs are to fund our non-clinical and clinical development programs, for working capital requirements and for capital expenditures. We believe our existing cash, cash equivalents, borrowings available to us, receipts from grants and short-term investments will enable us to fund our operating expenses and capital expenditure requirements at least through the end of 2023. We have based this estimate on assumptions that may prove to be wrong, and we could exhaust our available capital resources sooner than we expect.

On November 30, 2020, we entered into an APA with the EC, acting on behalf and in the name of all Member States of the European Union, which provided for the advance purchase by the Member States of 225 million doses of the vaccine to be allocated among the Member States and the option to purchase up to an additional 180 million doses. Pursuant to the APA, we received an upfront payment of €450 million. Such upfront payment had to be used solely for the development and commercial supply of CVnCoV. We are required to return any unspent amounts of the upfront payment if, among others, we fail to successfully develop CVnCoV or if we successfully develop CVnCoV, but we do not receive EU marketing authorization or fail to supply any doses of CVnCoV to any of the Member States by late 2021, unless we and the EC mutually agree to a later date. In October 2021, we notified the EC of the withdrawal of our regulatory approval application for CVnCoV, which notification automatically terminated the APA. We are in the process of submitting to the EC a report of qualified expenditures incurred or committed to using the upfront payment and do not expect that we will be required to return any portion of the first upfront payment. The value of certain assets, semi-finished and finished goods that will have no future use will be assessed in the fourth quarter of 2021. We are currently coordinating with the EC to evaluate whether the EC will exercise its option to recover some raw materials and/or primary components paid for with the upfront as allowed for under the APA. Due to the termination of the APA, we do not expect to receive any further payments related to the APA.

Convertible Loans

We entered into a convertible loan agreement on May 3, 2019 with Mr. Dietmar Hopp, managing director of dievini, under which Mr. Hopp disbursed to us the amount of €50 million, referred hereto as Convertible Loan I. On October 24, 2019, we entered into an additional convertible loan agreement with Mr. Hopp, as amended, under which we have the right to call for disbursements in two tranches of €20 million each and an additional final tranche of approximately €24 million, until December 31, 2021, referred hereto as Convertible Loan II, and together with Convertible Loan I, referred hereto as the Convertible Loans. The Convertible Loans bore an interest rate of 8.00% per annum. On June 26, 2020, Mr. Hopp disbursed to us an additional \$26.8 million. On July 24, 2020, the First Loan and Second Loan were terminated and on August 7, 2020, the total principal of €94.8 million and total accrued interest of €5.6 million were repaid in full.

European Investment Bank Loan

In June 2020, we signed a financing arrangement with the European Investment Bank, or EIB, under which EIB agreed to provide us with a line of credit in an amount of up to €75 million for the partial financing of our clinical developments and large-scale production of our infectious diseases vaccine candidates including our vaccine against SARS-CoV-2, or the Investment, provided that the amount of financing does not exceed 50% of the cost of the Investment. The EIB financing falls under a joint initiative between EIB and the EC, which is intended as a new EIB financing instrument to finance inter alia research projects and research infrastructure under the Horizon 2020 framework program of the European Union for Research and Technological Development (2014-2020). The EIB financing will be provided in three €25 million tranches upon completion of predefined milestones that will be measured prior to the disbursement of each tranche. These predefined milestones are tied to evidence of successful progress in the development and large-scale production. In addition, the disbursements of the second and third tranches are contingent upon the disbursement of the

first and second tranches, respectively. Interest accrues on the outstanding balance of each tranche at a rate of 0.5% per annum. Such interest is due and payable on the maturity date of each tranche or where a tranche is canceled or prepaid, the prepayment date. The maturity date for each tranche is seven years from the respective disbursement date of the relevant tranche. Additionally, the loan agreement requires us to pay variable remuneration depending on the output produced in our GMP IV manufacturing facilities. The variable remuneration is €200 thousand per batch, with an aggregate remuneration cap of €75 million, on batches produced during the period beginning in the earlier of the first financial year that CureVac AG has a positive EBITDA or in 2025, and extending for a period of 12 years thereafter, or the Remuneration Period. Payment of the variable remuneration is due on March 31st of the first Remuneration Period and then each following March 31st, thereafter, in the Remuneration Period. The loan agreement provides us an option to buy-out the variable remuneration by paying an amount equal to the higher of €5 million or 150-190% of the outstanding principal of the loan, depending on the number of years following the initial disbursement under the loan, but in any case, limited to an aggregate remuneration cap of €75 million.

We are subject to several restrictive covenants on our business activities as described in Schedule H of the financing agreement, including limitations on certain merger and acquisition transactions, disposition of certain assets and mandatory maintenance of assets related to the Investment. As of September 30, 2021, we have drawn €25 million under the first of the three tranches. In November 2020, a land charge (mortgage) amounting to €75 million was registered in favor of the EIB to secure the loan. The EIB may demand, without prior notice, the immediate repayment of outstanding principal together with any accrued interest upon certain events including, among others, our failure to continue the development of our Investment following a cure period.

In November 2021, we issued a prepayment request and cancellation notice to the EIB, under which we requested to voluntarily prepay the €25 million in principal in addition to accrued interest in December 2021 and to cancel the remaining €50 million available under the EIB loan.

BMBF Grant

We received from BMBF a grant to support the development of our first-generation COVID-19 vaccine candidate, CVnCoV of up to €252 million. In July 2020, we had applied to that grant as part of a special program to accelerate the research and development of urgently needed vaccines against SARS-CoV-2. In addition to the further development of our first-generation COVID-19 vaccine candidate, CVnCoV, against COVID-19, the grant was used for the rapid expansion of the vaccine production. Payments are contingent on reaching predefined milestones. Amounts incurred in 2020 and 2021 are eligible for reimbursement through the grant. Due to the withdrawal of the regulatory approval application for CVnCoV, we will not be able to reach all predefined milestones for 2021 under the grant. We received funding of €103 million in 2020 and funding of €93 million in 2021. As of September 30, 2021, we have drawn €141 million of the grant. In October 2021, we received an additional €25 million in grant funds and in December 2021, we have received the remaining €30 million which we are eligible to receive under the grant. In November 2021, we notified BMG of our inability to supply CVnCoV, thereby triggering automatic termination of the supply arrangement.

Advance Purchase Agreement for our First-Generation COVID-19 Vaccine Candidate

On November 30, 2020, we entered into an APA with the EC, acting on behalf and in the name of all Member States of the European Union, which provides for the advance purchase by the Member States of 225 million doses of the vaccine to be allocated among the Member States, and the option to purchase up to an additional 180 million doses. Pursuant to the APA, we received an upfront payment of €450 million. Such upfront payment had to be used solely for the development and commercial supply of CVnCoV. We are required to return any unspent amounts of the upfront payment if, among others, we fail to successfully develop CVnCoV or if we successfully develop CVnCoV, but we do not receive EU marketing authorization or fail to supply any doses of CVnCoV to any of the Member States by late 2021, unless we and the EC mutually agree to a later date. In October 2021, we notified the EC of the withdrawal of our regulatory approval application for CVnCoV, which notification automatically terminated the APA. We are in the process of submitting to the EC a report of qualified expenditures incurred or committed to using the upfront payment and do not expect that we will be required to return any portion of the first upfront payment. The value of certain assets, semi-finished and finished goods that will have no future use will be assessed in the fourth quarter of 2021. We are currently coordinating with the EC to evaluate whether the EC will exercise its option to recover some raw materials and/or primary components paid for with the upfront as allowed for under the APA. Due to the termination of the APA, we do not expect to receive any further payments related to the APA.

Comparative Cash Flows

Comparison of the nine months ended September 30, 2020 and 2021

The following table summarizes our cash flows from operating, investing and financing activities for the periods indicated:

	For the Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,	
	2020	2021
	(in thousands of euros)	
	(unaudited)	
Net cash flow from (used in):		
Operating activities	80,982	(550,057)
Investing activities	(17,466)	(93,305)
Financing activities	794,350	378,479
Effect of currency translation gains on cash and cash equivalents	3,849	3,261
Overall cash inflow(outflow)	<u>861,715</u>	<u>(261,622)</u>

Operating Activities

Net cash used in operating activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 was €550.1 million as compared to net cash provided by operating activities of €81.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2020. The decrease in net cash in operating activities was primarily attributable to payments for service agreements with contract research organizations and contract manufacturing organizations. We do not expect this trend of increasing net cash used in operating activities to continue at the same level.

Investing Activities

Net cash used in investing activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 was €93.3 million as compared to net cash used in investing activities of €17.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2020. The change in cash flows from investing activities was primarily attributable to increased purchases of property, plant and equipment for manufacturing facilities and intangible assets.

Financing Activities

Net cash provided by financing activities was €378.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 as compared to €794.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2020. The decrease in cash flow provided by financing activities was mainly attributable to the raising of cash in the follow-on public offering, which closed in February 2021, which was lower compared to the raising of cash in a financing round in July 2020 and our initial public offering in August 2020.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

We did not have during the periods presented, and we do not currently have, any off-balance sheet arrangements that have or are reasonably likely to have a current or future effect on our financial condition, revenues or expenses, results of operations, liquidity, capital expenditures or capital resources, except for those noncancellable contractual obligations from certain of our arrangements with contract manufacturing organizations disclosed in “Liquidity and Capital Resources” and “Contractual Obligations and Commitments.”

Safe Harbor

See “Forward-Looking Statements.”

Contractual Obligations and Commitments

As of the date of this discussion and analysis, there are no material changes to our contractual obligations from those reported under “Item 5.F.—Tabular Disclosure of Contractual Obligations” in the Annual Report.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

Our consolidated financial statements are prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards, or the IFRS, as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board, or IASB. Some of the accounting methods and policies used in preparing the financial statements under IFRS are based on complex and subjective assessments by our management or on estimates based on past experience and assumptions deemed realistic and reasonable based on the circumstances concerned. The actual value of our assets, liabilities and shareholders’ equity and of our earnings could differ from the value derived from these estimates if conditions changed and these changes had an impact on the assumptions adopted.

Our significant accounting policies that we believe to be critical to the judgments and estimates used in the preparation of our financial statements are included in “note 2 — Basis of preparation” to our audited consolidated financial statements included in the Annual Report.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

We have applied, in our audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2020, new standards and amendments as issued by IASB and that are mandatory as of January 1, 2020. See note 2 to our audited consolidated financial statements included in the Annual Report.

We have applied, in our unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial statements for the nine months ended September 30, 2021, new standards and amendments as issued by IASB and as issued by IASB and that are mandatory as of January 1, 2021. See note 2 to our unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this Report of Foreign Private Issuer on Form 6-K for further information on these new standards and amendments.

**2020 CLA SECOND AMENDMENT AND RESTATEMENT
AGREEMENT**

dated

29 SEPTEMBER, 2021

by and between

CUREVAC AG

and

GLAXOSMITHKLINE BIOLOGICALS SA

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AMENDMENT AND RESTATEMENT AGREEMENT

This **Amendment and Restatement Agreement** (“**Agreement**”) is entered into on 29 September, 2021 (“**Effective Date**”)

BY AND BETWEEN

CUREVAC AG, a German cooperation with offices at [*****] (“**CureVac**”);

AND

GLAXOSMITHKLINE BIOLOGICALS SA, a Belgium corporation with offices at [*****] (“**GSK**”).

INTRODUCTION

- A. This Agreement is supplemental to and amends and restates a Collaboration and License Agreement dated July 15, 2020, as first amended and restated on April 2, 2021, on collaborating in the research, development and commercialization of prophylactic and therapeutic non-replicating mRNA based vaccines and antibodies targeting certain infectious disease pathogens, such pathogens among others not including SARS-CoV-2 (the “**2020 CLA**”).
- B. The Parties have consented to the amendments to the 2020 CLA set out in this Agreement.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing premises and the following mutual covenants and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows:

1. INTERPRETATION

- 1.1 In this Agreement, unless the contrary intention appears, a paragraph, section, exhibit or schedule is a reference to a section, exhibit or schedule to this Agreement. Schedule 1 forms part of this Agreement.
- 1.2 Unless otherwise specified in this Agreement, the words and expressions defined in the Amended and Restated CLA (as defined below) shall have the same meanings when used in this Agreement and the rules and principles of interpretation set out in Section 1 of the Amended and Restated CLA shall apply to this Agreement.
- 1.3 In the event of any conflict or inconsistency between the terms of the Amended and Restated CLA and this Agreement, this Agreement shall prevail.

2. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Agreement shall commence on and from the Effective Date.

3. AMENDMENT AND RESTATEMENT

3.1 Subject to Section 3.2, the Parties agree that the 2020 CLA will be amended and restated in the form set out in Schedule 1 (the “**Amended and Restated CLA**”) on and from the Effective Date so that the rights and obligations of the Parties to the 2020 CLA shall, on and from the Effective Date, be governed by and construed in accordance with the provisions of the Amended and Restated CLA.

3.2 The 2020 CLA will remain in full force and effect, except to the extent amended and restated by this Agreement, and each Party’s rights, responsibilities and liabilities relating to any act or omission prior to Effective Date shall continue to be determined by:

- (a) the 2020 CLA for any act or omission on or after April 2, 2021; or
- (b) the original, unamended version of the Collaboration and License Agreement between the Parties dated July 15, 2020 for any act or omission prior to April 2, 2021.

4. REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

CureVac and GSK each represents and warrants and covenants with respect to itself only as at the Effective Date that:

- (a) the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement have been duly authorized by all necessary action on the part of such Party, its officers and directors, and does not conflict with, violate, or breach any agreement to which such Party is a party, or such Party’s corporate charter, bylaws or similar organizational documents;
- (b) this Agreement constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation of such Party that is enforceable against it in accordance with its terms, except as such enforceability may be limited by general principles of equity or to applicable competition, bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium, liquidation and other similar laws relating to, or affecting generally, the enforcement of applicable creditors’ rights and remedies;
- (c) it is a company or corporation duly organized, validly existing, and in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction in which it is incorporated.

5. GENERAL PROVISIONS

5.1 This Agreement and all disputes arising hereunder, shall be exclusively governed by, and interpreted and enforced in accordance with Belgian law. The United Nations Convention of International Contracts on the Sale of Goods (the Vienna Convention) does not apply to this Agreement.

5.2 If any provision of this Agreement is determined by any court or administrative tribunal of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unenforceable, the Parties shall negotiate in good faith a replacement provision that is commercially equivalent, to the maximum extent permitted by Applicable Law, to such invalid or unenforceable provision. The invalidity or unenforceability of any provision of this Agreement shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the other provisions of this Agreement. Nor shall the invalidity or unenforceability of any provision of this Agreement in one country or jurisdiction affect the

validity or enforceability of such provision in any other country or jurisdiction in which such provision would otherwise be valid or enforceable.

- 5.3 This Agreement, together with Schedule 1 attached hereto, constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties regarding the subject matter hereof, and supersedes all prior agreements, understandings and communications between the Parties, with respect to the subject matter hereof, including the Confidentiality Agreements. The foregoing may not be interpreted as a waiver of any remedies available to either Party as a result of any breach prior to the Effective Date, by the other Party of its obligations under the Confidentiality Agreements. No modification or amendment of this Agreement shall be binding upon the Parties unless in writing and executed by the duly authorized representative of each of the Parties; this shall also apply to any change of this Section 5.3.
- 5.4 This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, by original or electronic (including "pdf") signature, each of which shall be deemed an original but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.
- 5.5 The Parties are independent contractors and this Agreement shall not constitute or give rise to an employer-employee, agency, partnership or joint venture relationship among the Parties and each Party's performance hereunder is that of a separate, independent entity
- 5.6 None of the provisions of this Agreement shall be for the benefit of or enforceable by any Third Party which shall be a Third Party beneficiary to this Agreement.

Signature page follows.

In Witness Whereof, the Parties have executed this Agreement to be effective as at the Effective Date.

Signed on behalf of
GlaxoSmithKline Biologicals S.A.

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Date Signed: 29 September, 2021

Signed on behalf of
GlaxoSmithKline Biologicals S.A.

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CureVac AG

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SCHEDULE 1

AMENDED AND RESTATED CLA

COLLABORATION AND LICENSE AGREEMENT

dated

15 JULY, 2020

(AS AMENDED AND RESTATED A SECOND TIME ON 29 SEPTEMBER, 2021)

by and between

CUREVAC AG

and

GLAXOSMITHKLINE BIOLOGICALS SA

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COLLABORATION AND LICENSE AGREEMENT

This **Collaboration and License Agreement** (“**Agreement**”) is entered into on 15 July, 2020 (“**Effective Date**”) and amended and restated a second time (“**Second Amendment**”) on 29 September, 2021 (“**Second Amendment Effective Date**”)

BY AND BETWEEN

CUREVAC AG, a German cooperation with offices at [*****] (“**CureVac**”);

AND

GLAXOSMITHKLINE BIOLOGICALS SA, a Belgium corporation with offices [*****] (“**GSK**”).

INTRODUCTION

- A. WHEREAS, CureVac is a biotechnology company that is a pioneer and technology leader in mRNA-based prophylactic and therapeutic approaches and discovers, designs and develops first-in-class mRNA therapies for the prevention and treatment of diseases with unmet medical need.
- B. WHEREAS, GSK is a world leading global healthcare company developing, manufacturing and commercializing innovative pharmaceuticals, vaccines and consumer healthcare products worldwide.
- C. WHEREAS, GSK made an equity investment into CureVac pursuant to the terms of the investment and shareholders agreement on or around the date of this Agreement (the “**Equity Investment**”).
- D. WHEREAS, the Parties wish to collaborate in the research, development and commercialization of prophylactic and therapeutic non-replicating mRNA-based vaccines and antibodies targeting infectious disease pathogens.
- E. WHEREAS, the Parties have agreed to amend and restate this Agreement, to amend the list of Excluded Pathogens, to vary the exclusive option granted by CureVac to GSK and to make certain other amendments to align it with the 2021 Collaboration Agreement.
- F. WHEREAS, the Parties have agreed to amend and restate this Agreement a second time to improve the competitiveness of the Products, to accelerate the execution of the R&D Plans, including, *inter alia*, that GSK will be enabled to Manufacture on its own clinical trial materials and will contribute significantly more resources to progress the Development and Manufacture of the Products, as set forth, *inter alia*, in the amended R&D Plans.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing premises and the following mutual covenants and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows:

1. DEFINITIONS.

For purposes of this Agreement, the following capitalized terms shall have the following meanings, whether used in the singular or plural:

- 1.1 “2021 Preliminary Agreement”** means the preliminary agreement between the Parties regarding CureVac mRNA-based coronavirus vaccines dated 3 February, 2021.
- 1.2 “2021 Collaboration Agreement”** means the collaboration and license agreement between the Parties regarding CureVac mRNA-based SARS-Cov-2 vaccines (and certain other vaccines targeting coronaviruses, in the event of effective Option Exercise under this Agreement, if CureVac elects the profit share option under Section 3.7.3(a)(i)) dated 2 April, 2021.
- 1.3 “Affiliate”** shall mean any corporation or other entity that controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with a Party. A corporation or other entity will be regarded as under the control of another corporation or entity if the latter corporation or entity owns or directly or indirectly controls fifty percent (50%) or more of the voting stock or other ownership interest of the former corporation or other entity, or if the latter corporation or entity possesses, directly or indirectly, the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of the former corporation or other entity or the power to elect or appoint fifty percent (50%) or more of the members of the governing body of the former corporation or other entity, *provided, however*, that regarding CureVac, Affiliate shall not include Mr. Dietmar Hopp, dievini Hopp BioTech holding GmbH & Co.KG and/or any other companies controlled by Mr. Dietmar Hopp and/or dievini Hopp BioTech holding GmbH & Co.KG that are not subsidiaries of CureVac.
- 1.4 “Agreement”** shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.
- 1.5 “Alliance Manager”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.1.1.
- 1.6 “Ancillary Agreement”** shall mean any of the following agreements between the Parties (or their respective Affiliates) relating to this Agreement: any Clinical Supply Agreement; any Commercial Supply Agreement; any Distribution Agreement; any Quality Agreement and any pharmacovigilance agreement.
- 1.7 “Antibody”** shall mean a molecule, defined by its amino acid sequence, including an engineered molecule that comprises [*****].

- 1.8 **“Antibody Combination”** shall mean a combination of [*****] Antibodies and so binding to a maximum of [*****] distinct Antigens.
- 1.9 **“Antigen”** shall mean any antigen, defined by its amino acid sequence, associated with a Pathogen, together with all Antigen Variants thereof.
- 1.10 **“Antigen Variant”** shall mean any variant of an Antigen, including the wild type, naturally occurring variants, engineered variants wherein modifications to the native amino acid sequence have been introduced (for example, mutated versions, derivatives or fragments), provided, however, that any such variant possesses substantially similar biological activity to the naturally occurring antigen.
- 1.11 **“Antigen/Antibody List Rep”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.4.
- 1.12 **“Applicable Laws”** shall mean all applicable provisions of all national, supranational, regional, state and local, laws, treaties, statutes, rules, regulations, directives, administrative codes, ordinances, decrees, orders, decisions, guidance documents, injunctions, awards, judgments, and permits of or from any court, arbitrator, stock exchange, regulatory authority or governmental authority having jurisdiction over or related to the subject item.
- 1.13 **“Assigned Invention”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.5.
- 1.14 **“Background Technology”** shall mean the CureVac Background Technology and/or GSK Background Technology, as applicable.
- 1.15 **“Brand IP”** shall mean any and all rights and privileges in trade names, domain names, brand names, product names, logos and trade dress (and the goodwill of any business symbolized thereby), including trademarks, service marks, copyrights and design rights for any of the above, and any similar intellectual property right recognized from time to time in any jurisdiction, as well as any and all registrations, applications, recordings and other legal protections to the foregoing.
- 1.16 **“Breaching Party”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 14.4.
- 1.17 **“Business Day”** shall mean any day other than Saturday, Sunday, or any day that banks are authorized or required to be closed in Tübingen, Germany or Rixensart, Belgium.
- 1.18 **“Calendar Quarter”** shall mean each successive period of three (3) months ending on March 31, June 30, September 30 and December 31 of each Calendar Year; provided, that the first Calendar Quarter under this Agreement will be the period beginning on the Closing Date and ending on the end of the Calendar Quarter in which the Closing Date is encompassed and the last Calendar Quarter of the Term will be the period beginning on January 1, April 1, July 1 or October 1, as applicable,

and ending on the effective date of expiry or termination of this Agreement, and **“Calendar Quarterly”** shall be construed accordingly.

- 1.19 “Calendar Year”** shall mean each successive period of twelve (12) months commencing on January 1 and ending on December 31; *provided, however,* that the first Calendar Year under this Agreement will be the period beginning on the Closing Date and ending on the end of the Calendar Year in which the Closing Date is encompassed and the last Calendar Year of the Term will be the period beginning on January 1 and ending on the effective date of expiry or termination of this Agreement.
- 1.20 “Clearance Template”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.4.
- 1.21 “Change of Control”** shall mean a transaction in which a Party (or any direct or indirect shareholder(s), unitholder(s) or partner(s) together holding (directly or indirectly) over fifty percent (50%) of the voting rights attached to the shares, units or partnership interests in a Party): (i) sells, conveys or otherwise disposes of all or substantially all of the Party’s (or their indirect interest(s) in the Party’s) property, assets or business; or (ii) merges or consolidates with any other entity; or (iii) effects any other transaction or series of transactions; in each case of clause (ii) or (iii), such that the ultimate direct or indirect shareholder(s), unitholder(s) or partner(s) of such Party immediately prior thereto, in aggregate, no longer own, directly or indirectly, beneficially or legally, more than fifty percent (50%) of the voting rights attached to the outstanding voting securities or capital stock of the surviving entity following the closing of such merger, consolidation, other transaction or series of transactions. For the avoidance of doubt, “Change of Control” shall not mean a transaction which, in the case of paragraph (ii) or (iii), results in a person owning, directly or indirectly, beneficially or legally, more than fifty percent (50%) of the voting rights attached to the outstanding voting securities or capital stock of the surviving entity and where there is an agreement or arrangement between that person (or any of its direct or indirect shareholders, unitholders or partners) and the relevant Party (or any of its direct or indirect shareholders, unitholders or partners) to reverse the effects of this transaction or to implement a further transaction so that the ultimate shareholders, unitholders or partners of the relevant Party immediately prior thereto will again own, directly or indirectly, beneficially or legally, more than fifty percent (50%) of the voting rights attached to the outstanding voting shares, units or partnership interests of the relevant Party or surviving entity.
- 1.22 “Clinical Phase I Study”** shall mean a study in humans which provides for the first administration to humans of a product, conducted in healthy volunteers or patients to obtain information on product safety, tolerability, pharmacological activity or pharmacokinetics, as more fully defined in 21 C.F.R. § 312.21(a) or the non-United States equivalent thereof. For the avoidance of doubt, a Clinical Phase I Study may generate sufficient data (if successful) to commence pivotal studies/Clinical Phase III Studies, but it shall not constitute a Clinical Phase II Study.
- 1.23 “Clinical Phase II Study”** shall mean a clinical study (other than a Clinical Phase I Study) in humans of the safety, dose ranging and efficacy of a product, which is prospectively designed to

generate sufficient data (if successful) to commence pivotal studies/Clinical Phase III Studies, as further defined in 21 CFR §312.21(b) or the non-United States equivalent thereof.

- 1.24 **“Clinical Phase III Study”** shall mean a controlled, and usually multicenter, clinical study in humans of the efficacy and safety of a product, which is prospectively designed to demonstrate statistically whether such product is effective and safe for use in humans in the indication being investigated in a manner sufficient to submit an application to obtain Regulatory Approval to market such product, as further defined in 21 CFR §312.21(c) or the non-United States equivalent thereof.
- 1.25 **“Closing Date”** means 15 July, 2020.
- 1.26 **“Clinical Studies”** shall mean all Clinical Phase I Studies, Clinical Phase II Studies and Clinical Phase III Studies, including pivotal studies.
- 1.27 **“CMC Development”** shall mean all research and development activities conducted in respect of the Manufacture of Products, including chemistry, manufacturing and control (CMC), creation of master and working cell banks, test method development and stability testing, process development, manufacturing scale-up, qualification and validation, quality assurance and quality control processes and techniques.
- 1.28 **“CMO”** shall mean a contract manufacturing organization.
- 1.29 **“Collaboration Pathogen”** shall mean a Pathogen other than an Excluded Pathogen in relation to which the Parties have agreed to seek to Develop a Product under this Agreement (including any Replacement Product or Optioned Product) for as long as such Product is being Developed and/or Commercialized under this Agreement. As at the Effective Date of this Agreement, Collaboration Pathogen shall mean the Pathogens set out in **Exhibit 1.29**. For clarity, if GSK replaces a Product pursuant to Section 3.6 or terminates a Program pursuant to Section 14.2, the Pathogen targeted by such Replaced Product or targeted under such terminated Program shall no longer be a Collaboration Pathogen, but shall be an Excluded Pathogen.
- 1.30 **“Combination Product”** shall mean a product that is:
- (i) a single pharmaceutical formulation containing Drug Substances associated with a Product and one or more other therapeutically or prophylactically active pharmaceutical ingredients [*****];
 - (ii) any combination therapy comprised of a Finished Product and one or more other therapeutically or prophylactically active products, that is (x) priced and sold in a single package containing such multiple products; or (y) packaged separately but sold together for a single price; or

- (iii) comprised of a Finished Product and a companion or complementary diagnostic, priced and sold in a single package containing such multiple products or packaged separately but sold together for a single price,

in each case, including all dosage forms, formulations, presentations, line extensions, and package configurations. For clarity, a Pathogen Combination Product shall not be a Combination Product, unless it is (A) combined with another therapeutically or prophylactically active ingredient/product or (B) comprised of a Finished Product and a companion or complementary diagnostic product, as set forth in (i), (ii) or (iii) above.

- 1.31 **“Commercial Supply Agreement”** shall have the meaning given in Section 5.2.2.
- 1.32 **“Commercialization”** shall mean any and all activities directed to the preparation for sale of, offering for sale of, or sale of a Product, including activities related to marketing, promoting, distributing, importing and exporting of Products, interacting with Regulatory Authorities regarding any of the foregoing and medical affairs functions. For the avoidance of doubt, “Commercialization” shall not include the Manufacture of Products. When used as a verb, to **“Commercialize”** and **“Commercializing”** shall mean to engage in Commercialization, and **“Commercialized”** has a correlative meaning.
- 1.33 **“Confidential Information”** shall mean all Know-How, Development Data or other information of a Party whether or not marked confidential or proprietary, including:
 - (i) all communications between the Parties or information of whatever kind whether recorded or not and, if recorded, in whatever medium, relating to or arising out of this Agreement, whether disclosed prior to or after entering into this Agreement; and
 - (ii) all copies and excerpts of the communications, information, notes, reports and documents in whatever form referred to in paragraph (i) of this definition.

For purposes of the confidentiality obligations set forth herein, (a) GSK Know-How, GSK Materials and GSK Inventions shall be deemed Confidential Information of GSK; and CureVac Know-How, CureVac Materials and CureVac Inventions shall be deemed Confidential Information of CureVac; (b) Confidential Information jointly owned by the Parties as well as Inventions and Know-How jointly owned by the Parties shall be deemed Confidential Information of both Parties; and (c) the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall be deemed Confidential Information of both Parties (and both Parties shall be deemed the Receiving Party with respect thereto). “Confidential Information” also includes all information exchanged between the Parties pursuant to the Confidentiality Agreement.

- 1.34 **“Confidentiality Agreement”** shall mean that certain Confidential Disclosure Agreement entered into between the Parties as at January 9, 2020.

- 1.35 “**Control**” shall mean, with respect to any material, information or intellectual property right, that a Party (i) owns such material, information or intellectual property right; or (ii) has a license to or right to use or grant access to such material, information or intellectual property right, in each case of (i) or (ii), without violating the terms of any agreement or other arrangement with a Third Party, provided that any intellectual property right in-licensed by a Party from the other Party under the 2021 Collaboration Agreement shall not be Controlled by such Party for the purpose of this Section 1.35.
- 1.36 “**Cover**” shall mean, (i) with respect to a claim of a Patent Right, that such claim would be infringed, absent a license, by the Development, Manufacture or Commercialization of a Product, or (ii) with regard to Know-How, that the use or disclosure of such Know-How without a license would be actionable.
- 1.37 “**COVID Product**” shall have the meaning given to it in the 2021 Collaboration Agreement.
- 1.38 “**CRO**” shall mean a contract research organization or a contract development and manufacturing organization.
- 1.39 “**CureVac Alliance Manager**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.1.1.
- 1.40 “**CureVac Background Technology**” shall mean the Patent Rights and Know-How Controlled by CureVac at the Effective Date or generated or acquired by or on behalf of CureVac during the Term outside the scope of this Agreement.
- 1.41 “**CureVac Elements**” shall mean mRNA, LNP, CVCM and other technology or information, each as described in the CureVac Know-How or within the scope of the specifications of the CureVac Patent Rights (excluding any Invention or Know-How jointly owned by the Parties), excluding Modified MRNA.
- 1.42 “**CureVac Indemnified Parties**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 13.1.
- 1.43 “**CureVac Invention**” shall mean both (i) any Invention that has been discovered, made, conceived and first reduced to practice prior to the Second Amendment Effective Date and has been notified by the inventing Party to the other Party at the latest [*****] after the Second Amendment Effective Date, and which qualifies as a “CureVac Invention” pursuant to the version of this Agreement in effect prior to the Second Amendment Effective Date; and (ii) any later Invention that falls under the definition of “CureVac Invention” as set forth in Section 9.3.1 (i) of this Second Amendment.
- 1.44 “**CureVac Know-How**” shall mean (i) all Know-How within the CureVac Background Technology Controlled by CureVac or its Affiliates as at the Effective Date or during the Term that is necessary or useful for the Parties to Develop, Manufacture and/or Commercialize Products under this Agreement, provided that (x) with respect to Know-How within the CureVac Background Technology owned by a Third Party that is not necessary to ensure freedom to operate

for the Development, Manufacture and/or Commercialization of Products in the Field in the Territory and that comes under CureVac's Control, this shall only include Know-How which is deemed CureVac Know-How pursuant to Section 2.7.1; and (y) this shall not include the Know-How of any Third Party (or such Third Party's Affiliates) that becomes an Affiliate of CureVac after the Effective Date solely as a result of a Change of Control in CureVac; and (ii) all Know-How Controlled by CureVac or its Affiliates arising or generated during the Research Period in connection with the performance of activities under this Agreement; *provided, however*, that CureVac Know-How does not include Know-How related to (A) LNP technology Controlled by a Third Party; and (B) [*****]. CureVac Know-How shall include (i) Know-How comprised in the CureVac Background Technology; (ii) Know-How related to CureVac Inventions, (iii) CureVac's share in Know-How related to Joint Inventions, Joint Product Inventions and Joint Other Inventions, (iv) other Know-How generated by or on behalf of CureVac under a Program, (v) Know-How related to LNP technology owned or Controlled by CureVac or its Affiliates (other than the Licensed LNPs), and (vi) Know-How related to CVCMs. Without limiting Section 9.1, the CureVac Know-How existing at the Effective Date is further described in **Exhibit 1.44**.

- 1.45** “**CureVac Manufacturing Technology**” shall mean CureVac Patent Rights and CureVac Know-How that are required for the Manufacture of Products.
- 1.47** “**CureVac Materials**” shall mean [*****] that are supplied or otherwise made available by or on behalf of CureVac and/or its Affiliate(s) to GSK hereunder for the purposes of this Agreement (excluding, for clarity, any Confidential Information, or any Product).
- 1.48** “**CureVac mRNA**” shall mean the non-replicating mRNA Covered by the CureVac Technology on the Effective Date or during the Term.
- 1.49** “**CureVac mRNA-Based**” shall mean, with respect to a vaccine or Antibody, that such vaccine or Antibody is encoded by one or more CureVac mRNAs.
- 1.50** “**CureVac Patent Right(s)**” shall mean (i) all Patent Rights within the CureVac Background Technology Controlled by CureVac or its Affiliates as at the Effective Date or during the Term that are necessary or useful for the Development, Manufacture and/or Commercialization of Products under this Agreement, provided that (x) with respect to Patent Rights within the CureVac Background Technology owned by a Third Party that are not necessary to ensure freedom to operate for the Development, Manufacture and/or Commercialization of Products in the Field in the Territory and that come under CureVac's Control after the Effective Date, this shall only include Patent Rights which are deemed CureVac Patent Rights pursuant to Section 2.7.1; and (y) this shall not include the Patent Rights of any Third Party (or such Third Party's Affiliates) that becomes an Affiliate of CureVac solely as a result of a Change of Control in CureVac, and (ii) all CureVac Program Patent Rights and CureVac's interest in Joint Patent Rights; *provided, however*, that CureVac Patent Rights do not include Patent Rights Covering (A) LNP technology Controlled by

a Third Party; and (B) [*****]. CureVac Patent Rights shall include (i) Patent Rights comprised in the CureVac Background Technology; and (ii) CureVac's share in Joint Patent Rights, and (iii) CureVac Program Patent Rights, and (iv) Patent Rights Covering the LNP technology owned or Controlled by CureVac or its Affiliates (other than the Licensed LNPs) and Patent Rights Covering CVCMs. The CureVac Patent Rights within the CureVac Background Technology Controlled by CureVac or its Affiliates as at the Effective Date are listed in **Exhibit 1.50**.

- 1.51 **“CureVac Program Patent Right”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.7.1.
- 1.52 **“CureVac Project Leader”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.1.2.
- 1.53 **“CureVac Technology”** shall mean CureVac Patent Rights and CureVac Know-How.
- 1.54 **“CureVac Territory”** shall mean Austria, Germany and Switzerland.
- 1.55 **“CVCM”** shall mean CureVac's next generation mRNA delivery vehicle, also referred to as CureVac Carrier Molecule™, which is disclosed in CureVac's patent families [*****] that is appropriate for the formulation of Drug Substance.
- 1.56 **“Development”** shall mean all research, non-clinical, and clinical testing and drug development activities conducted in respect of the Products, including those necessary or reasonably useful or otherwise requested or required by a Regulatory Authority as a condition or in support of obtaining or maintaining Regulatory Approvals and to successfully Develop, Manufacture and Commercialize the Products for use in the Field. **“Development”** shall include CMC Development, delivery system development, mRNA sequence optimization, protein design, non-clinical testing, mechanism of action studies, toxicology, pharmacokinetics, clinical studies, regulatory affairs activities, statistical analysis and report writing, submission of documents, market research, pharmaco-economic studies, and epidemiological/real world data studies. Development shall mean both (a) non-clinical and clinical Development; and (b) CMC Development. **“Develop”** and **“Developed”** have a correlative meaning.
- 1.57 **“Development Costs”** shall mean: (i) demonstrable costs and expenses invoiced by Third Parties for the activities specified in the applicable R&D Plan; and (ii) the costs and expenses of scientific, medical, technical personnel directly engaged in such efforts, which costs shall be determined based on the FTE Rate based on time actually spent performing the applicable activities, in each case as further detailed in the Development budget set out in the applicable R&D Plan.
- 1.58 **“Development Data”** shall mean: (i) CMC Development data (including records of Manufactured batches); (ii) any non-clinical or clinical findings, results and other research data relating to the Products, in any format; and (iii) the formal reports of preclinical toxicology studies and Clinical Studies, such data in each case of (i), (ii) and (iii) required for the Development, Manufacture and Commercialization of the Products, including but not limited to, INDs and other regulatory filings and registration dossiers.

- 1.59 “**Development & Regulatory Milestone Event**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 8.3.
- 1.60 “**Development & Regulatory Milestone Payment**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 8.3.
- 1.61 “**Development Transfer Materials**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.7.
- 1.62 “**Diligent Efforts**” shall mean, with respect to a Party, those efforts, expertise and resources commensurate with efforts, expertise and resources commonly used in the biopharmaceutical industry by a company of comparable size in connection with the development, manufacture and/or commercialization of a comparable pharmaceutical product which is of similar market potential at a similar stage of development or commercialization in light of issues of safety and efficacy, product profile, public health, the competitiveness of the marketplace, the proprietary position of the compound or product, the regulatory structure involved, the profitability of the applicable products, product reimbursement, and other relevant factors such as technical, legal, scientific, or medical factors. Diligent Efforts shall be determined on a market-by-market and indication-by-indication basis for each Product, and it may change over time.
- 1.63 “**Disclosing Party**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 11.1
- 1.64 “**Disclosure Letter**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 13.4.
- 1.65 “**Distribution Agreement**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6.2.
- 1.66 “**Drug Product**” shall mean, for a given Product, the drug product form thereof, i.e. comprising of one or more Drug Substance(s) of that Product and formulated with a Licensed LNP, an LNP Controlled by CureVac or a CVCM, and any excipients.
- 1.67 “**Drug Substance**” shall mean the active ingredient(s) of a Product, being one or more mRNA molecules which contains the genetic information for the relevant Antigen(s) or Antibody(ies).
- 1.68 “**Effective Date**” shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.
- 1.69 “**EMA**” shall mean the European Medicines Agency.
- 1.70 “**Excluded Pathogen**” shall mean (i) any of the Pathogens listed in **Exhibit 1.70**, (ii) in case GSK exercises its Replacement Right pursuant to Section 3.6, any Pathogen targeted by a Replaced Product (unless that Pathogen is targeted by another Product, including any Replacement Product), and (iii) in case GSK terminates a Program for a Product pursuant to Section 14.2, the Pathogen targeted under such terminated Program (unless that Pathogen is targeted under another Program).
- 1.71 “**Exclusive Option**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.7.1.

- 1.72 **“Executive Officers”** the Chief Executive Officer of CureVac (or a senior executive officer of CureVac designated by CureVac’s Chief Executive Officer) and the President of GSK Vaccines (or a senior executive officer of GSK designated by the President of GSK Vaccines).
- 1.73 **“FDA”** shall mean the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.
- 1.74 **“Field”** shall mean any and all prophylactic and/or therapeutic uses for the prevention, delay of onset or treatment of infectious disease pathogens, conditions or disorders.
- 1.75 **“[*****] Product”** shall have the meaning set forth in Exhibit 1.29.
- 1.76 **“Filled Containers”** shall mean, for a given COVID Product, Drug Product, diluted and filled in vials, without labelling or packaging.
- 1.77 **“Financial Partner”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 11.4.1 below.
- 1.78 **“Finished Product”** shall mean, for a given Product, the final presentation of such Product, following labelling and packaging of Filled Containers, as registered in the applicable Regulatory Approval.
- 1.79 **“First Commercial Sale”** shall mean, on a Product-by- Product and country-by-country basis, the first sale of a Product by or on behalf of GSK or its Affiliates or Sublicensees, such as but not limited to, sales to a Third Party wholesaler, pharmacy, outpatient clinic, inpatient clinic, hospital, dispensing physician or government agency in a given country after necessary Regulatory Approval has been granted with respect to such Product in such country, *provided, however*, that in the event of a sale of a Product prior to Regulatory Approval which is substantially comparable to a commercial sale effected only after Regulatory Approval is obtained, then the first sale in any such arrangement shall also constitute a First Commercial Sale. For the avoidance of doubt, “treatment IND sales”, “named patient sales” and “compassionate use sales” shall not be construed as a First Commercial Sale if the aggregate, annual Net Sales for all such programs are less than [*****]. For avoidance of doubt, any sale of a Product by GSK to an Affiliate or Sublicensee or subcontractor is not a First Commercial Sale.
- 1.80 **“First Product”** shall have the meaning set forth in Exhibit 1.29.
- 1.81 **“First Product R&D Plan”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.1.
- 1.82 **“First Regulatory Approval”** shall mean, in relation to each Product, unless expressly stated otherwise in this Agreement, the earlier of (i) final marketing authorization for a Product in any jurisdiction of the Territory and (ii) the grant of any conditional authorization for a COVID Product in any jurisdiction of the Territory.
- 1.83 **“Force Majeure”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 16.2.
- 1.84 **“[*****] Product”** shall have the meaning set forth in Exhibit 1.29.

- 1.85 **“FTE”** shall mean, with respect to a person, the equivalent of the work of one (1) employee full time for one (1) year (consisting of at least [*****] working hours per year (with no further reductions for vacations and holidays)). Overtime, and work on weekends, holidays and the like will not be counted with any multiplier (e.g., time-and-a-half or double time) toward the number of hours that are used to calculate the FTE contribution. The portion of a FTE billable by CureVac for one (1) individual during a given accounting period shall be determined by dividing the number of hours worked by said individual on the work to be conducted under the Agreement during such accounting period by the number of FTE hours applicable for such accounting period based on [*****] working hours per year. FTE shall include the employee required to execute the R&D Plans provided however that employees falling under the COGS definition of the Clinical Supply Agreement or the Commercial Supply Agreement shall not be included. FTE shall not include personnel undertaking general corporate activities including, by way of example only, investor relations, business development, legal affairs, and any other activities not supporting activities conducted under this Agreement.
- 1.86 **“FTE Rate”** shall mean, for the period commencing on the Effective Date until such time as the Parties mutually agree otherwise, an annual rate of [*****]. The FTE Rate shall include all fully loaded costs, including costs of salaries (including overtime), benefits, other employee costs, overhead and supporting general and administration allocations. CureVac may increase the FTE Rate for inflation on an annual basis based upon the percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index for Germany.
- 1.87 **“Force Majeure”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 16.2.
- 1.88 **“GMP Manufacturing Facilities”** shall mean a production facility for the manufacture of drug products, including the manufacturing space, the storage warehouse for raw and finished product, and support lab areas, which conforms to GMP.
- 1.89 **“GMP-III Manufacturing Facility”** shall mean CureVac’s GMP manufacturing facility at [*****].
- 1.90 **“GMP-IV Manufacturing Facility”** shall mean CureVac’s new GMP manufacturing facility currently under construction at [*****].
- 1.91 **“GMP-IV Reservation Fee”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 8.2.
- 1.92 **“Good Clinical Practices”** or **“GCP”** shall mean, in connection with a Clinical Study, current practices set forth in or required by (1) the World Medical Association’s Declaration of Helsinki entitled ‘Ethical Principles for Medical Research Involving Human Subjects’ (2) the principles of International Conference on Harmonization Harmonized Tripartite Guideline for Good Clinical Practice (CPMP/ICH/135/95) E6 and E11; (3) the Directive 2001/20/EC of the European Union and in guidance published by the European Commission in relation to such Directive and any local laws, rules and regulations that implement such Directive and guidance; (4) provisions of Title 21 of the Code of Federal Regulations (including Parts 11, 50, 54, 56, 312, 314, 320, 601 and 610) and

all rules, regulations, order and guidance's published thereunder; and (5) any other country in which the Clinical Study is conducted;

- 1.93** “**Good Distribution Practices**” or “**GDP**” shall mean the current (at a given time) standards, practices and procedures regarding the distribution of pharmaceutical products promulgated or endorsed by a Regulatory Authority and all Applicable Laws with respect thereto, as defined further or otherwise in the Distribution Agreement or a quality agreement ancillary thereto.
- 1.94** “**Good Laboratory Practices**” or “**GLP**” shall mean, at a given time, the current good laboratory practice standards promulgated or endorsed by the US Food and Drug Administration as defined in Part 58 of the Code of Federal Regulations Title 21, or comparable regulatory standards promulgated by the EMA or other applicable Regulatory Authority, as may be updated from time to time, including applicable quality guidelines promulgated under the ICH.
- 1.95** “**Good Data Management Practices**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 12.2.
- 1.96** “**Good Manufacturing Practices**” or “**GMP**” shall mean the current (at a given time) standards, practices and procedures regarding the Manufacturing of human vaccines promulgated or endorsed by a Regulatory Authority and all Applicable Laws with respect thereto, including:
- (i) the standards, rules, principles and guidelines set out in Chapter II of EC Commission Directive 2003/94/EC together with the guidance for the interpretation of the principles and guidelines of good manufacturing practices for medicinal products for human use laid down in Commission Directives 91/356/EEC, as amended by Directive 2003/94/EC and 91/412/EEC, contained in Volume 4 of “The Rules Governing Medicinal Products in the European Union”.
 - (ii) Parts 210 and 211 of Title 21 of the Code of Federal Regulations and all related guidance published by the FDA;
 - (iii) The International Conference on Harmonisation of Technical Requirements for Registration of Pharmaceuticals for Human Use (“ICH”) Quality Guidelines relating to good manufacturing practice;
 - (iv) the “Good Manufacturing Practices for Pharmaceutical Products” promulgated by the World Health Organization (“WHO”),

provided that term may be defined further or otherwise in the Quality Agreements regarding the supply of Drug Products for clinical or commercial purposes entered pursuant to this Agreement.

- 1.97** “**Government Official**” (where ‘government’ means all levels and subdivisions of governments, i.e. local, regional, national, administrative, legislative, executive, or judicial, and royal or ruling families) shall mean: (a) any officer or employee of a government or any department, agency or instrumentality of a government (which includes public enterprises, and entities owned or

controlled by the state); (b) any officer or employee of a public international organization such as the World Bank or United Nations; (c) any officer or employee of a political party, or any candidate for public office; (d) any person defined as a government or public official under Applicable Law (including anti-bribery and corruption laws) and not already covered by any of the above; and/or;

(e) any person acting in an official capacity for or on behalf of any of the above. "Government Official" shall include any person with close family members who are Government Officials (as defined above) with the capacity, actual or perceived, to influence or take official decisions affecting either Party's business.

- 1.98** "GSK Alliance Manager" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.1.1.
- 1.99** "GSK Background Technology" shall mean the Patent Rights and Know-How Controlled by GSK at the Effective Date or generated or acquired by or on behalf of GSK during the Term outside the scope of this Agreement.
- 1.100** "GSK Continue Option" shall have the meaning given to it in the 2021 Collaboration Agreement.
- 1.101** "GSK COVID Continue Option" shall have the meaning given to it in the 2021 Collaboration Agreement.
- 1.102** "GSK Indemnified Parties" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 13.2.
- 1.103** "GSK Invention" shall mean both (i) any Invention that has been discovered, made, conceived and first reduced to practice prior to the Second Amendment Effective Date and has been notified by the inventing Party to the other Party at the latest [*****] after the Second Amendment Effective Date, and which qualifies as a "GSK Invention" pursuant to the version of this Agreement in effect prior to the Second Amendment Effective Date; and (ii) any later Invention that falls under the definition of "GSK Invention" as set forth in Section 9.3.1 (ii) of this Second Amendment.
- 1.104** "GSK Know-How" shall mean all Know-How Controlled by GSK or its Affiliates as at the Effective Date or thereafter during the Term that (a) is necessary for CureVac to perform the obligations and other activities pursuant to this Agreement, or (b) is used by or on behalf of GSK its Affiliates or Sublicensees to Develop, Manufacture and Commercialize Products under this Agreement. GSK Know-How shall include (i) Know-How comprised in the GSK Background Technology; (ii) Know-How related to GSK Inventions, (iii) GSK's share in Know-How related to other Inventions, and (iii) other Know-How generated by or on behalf of GSK under a Program.
- 1.105** "GSK Materials" shall mean any [*****] that are supplied or otherwise made available by or on behalf of GSK and/or its Affiliate(s) to CureVac for the purposes of this Agreement (excluding, for clarity, any Confidential Information, or any Product).

- 1.106** “**GSK Patent Right(s)**” shall mean all Patent Rights Controlled by GSK or its Affiliates as at the Effective Date or thereafter during the Term that (a) are necessary for CureVac to perform the obligations and other activities pursuant to this Agreement, or (b) are used by or on behalf of GSK its Affiliates or Sublicensees to Develop, Manufacture and/or Commercialize Products under this Agreement. GSK Patent Rights shall include Patent Rights comprised in the GSK Background Technology, GSK Program Patent Rights and GSK’s interest in Joint Patent Rights.
- 1.107** “**GSK Program Patent Right**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.7.2.
- 1.108** “**GSK Project Leader**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.1.2.
- 1.109** “**GSK Technology**” shall mean any and all GSK Patent Rights and GSK Know-How.
- 1.110** “**GSK Territory**” shall mean all countries of the world other than the countries included in the CureVac Territory.
- 1.111** “**GxP**” shall mean the good practice regulations in the pharmaceutical industry, including Good Manufacturing Practices, Good Laboratory Practices, Good Clinical Practices and Good Distribution Practices (GMP, GLP, GCP and GDP).
- 1.112** “**Human Biological Samples**” shall mean human biological material (including any derivative or progeny thereof), including any portion of an organ, any tissue, skin, bone, muscle, connective tissue, blood, cerebrospinal fluid, cells, gametes, or sub-cellular structures such as DNA, or any derivative of such biological material such as stem cells or cell lines; and any human biological product, including, but not limited to, hair, nail clippings, teeth, urine, faeces, breast milk, and sweat.
- 1.113** “**IND**” shall mean an investigational new drug application filed with, and accepted by, the FDA prior to beginning clinical trials in humans in the United States, or any comparable application to and acceptance by the Regulatory Authority of a country or group of countries other than the USA thereto, including EMA, prior to beginning clinical trials in humans in that country or in that group of countries.
- 1.114** “**In-Licensed IP**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.7.1.
- 1.115** “**In-Licensing Agreement**” shall mean each of the LNP Agreements, the agreements listed in **Exhibit 1.115**, and any other agreement with a Third Party pursuant to which CureVac Controls CureVac Technology or LNP Technology.
- 1.116** “**Initial Products**” shall mean the [*****].
- 1.117** “**Initial Other Products**” shall mean each of the following Products: [*****].

- 1.118 **“Initiation”** shall mean, with respect to a Clinical Study, the first administration of the first subject in such Clinical Study.
- 1.119 **“Invention”** shall mean an invention or discovery, whether or not patentable, discovered, made, conceived and/or first reduced to practice during the Term by or on behalf of CureVac or GSK or Affiliates of CureVac or GSK, alone or jointly with each other and/or any Third Party, which arise from the performance of activities under this Agreement, including performance of activities under the R&D Plans.
- 1.120 **“IP Sub-Committee”** shall mean the sub-committee to be established pursuant to Section 7.4.
- “Joint Invention”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.3.1(iii)
- 1.121 **“Joint Product Invention”** shall mean an Invention that has been discovered, made, conceived and first reduced to practice prior to the Second Amendment Effective Date and has been notified by the inventing Party to the other Party at the latest [*****] after the Second Amendment Effective Date and which qualifies as a “Joint Product Invention” pursuant to the version of this Agreement in effect prior to this Second Amendment.
- 1.122 **“Joint Other Invention”** shall mean an Invention that has been discovered, made, conceived and first reduced to practice prior to the Second Amendment Effective Date and has been notified by the inventing Party to the other Party at the latest [*****] after the Second Amendment Effective Date and which qualifies as a “Joint Other Invention” pursuant to the version of this Agreement in effect prior to this Second Amendment.
- 1.123 **“Joint Patent Rights”** shall mean Patent Rights Covering Joint Inventions, Joint Product Inventions or Joint Other Inventions.
- 1.124 **“Joint Steering Committee”, and “JSC”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.2.
- 1.125 **“Know-How”** shall mean all technical, scientific and other information, inventions, discoveries, trade secrets, knowledge, technology, means, methods, processes, practices, formulae, instructions, skills, techniques, procedures, expressed ideas, technical assistance, designs, drawings, assembly procedures, computer programs, apparatuses, specifications, Development Data, results, non-clinical, clinical, safety, process and Manufacturing and quality control data and information (including trial designs and protocols), registration dossiers, in each case, solely to the extent confidential and proprietary and in written, electronic or any other form now known or hereafter Developed.
- 1.126 **“Licensed LNP”** shall mean an LNP that is Controlled by CureVac as at the Effective Date or during the Term pursuant to (i) one or more non-exclusive license agreement(s) between CureVac and [*****], as amended from time to time (including by the Amendment Two to the Development and Option Agreement dated July 10,

2020); or (ii) in case GSK exercises its option under the Option LNP Technology pursuant to Section 2.1.4 and upon the execution of the Option LNP Agreement, a non-exclusive license agreement between CureVac and [*****], as amended from time to time (all such agreement(s), as applicable, “**LNP Agreement(s)**”, and such counterparty, “**LNP Provider**”). Subject to Section 2.7.1, any amendment to either LNP Agreement made after the Effective Date shall not adversely affect the rights or increase the obligations of GSK or CureVac under this Agreement.

- 1.127 “**LNP**” shall mean a lipid nanoparticle system comprised of individual lipid components at specific ratios, which are manufactured in such a manner to encapsulate and deliver mRNA into a target cell.
- 1.128 “**LNP Agreement**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 1.126. For clarity, the use of any LNP Technology under this Agreement in relation to a COVID Product under the 2021 Collaboration Agreement shall not count towards the limit on the number of LNP Licenses under this Agreement.
- 1.129 “**LNP COVID Agreement**” shall mean the Non-Exclusive License Agreement between CureVac and [*****]. For clarity, the use of any LNP Technology under this Agreement in relation to a COVID Product shall not count towards the limit on the number of LNP Licenses under the 2020 Collaboration Agreement.
- 1.130 “**LNP License**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.1.2.
- 1.131 “**LNP Provider**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 1.126.
- 1.132 “**LNP Technology**” shall mean the Patent Rights and Know-How Covering the Licensed LNPs that CureVac Controls pursuant to the LNP Agreements.
- 1.133 “**Major Markets**” shall mean the [*****].
- 1.134 “**Manufacture**” shall mean all manufacturing operations (including for Drug Substance, Drug Product, fill and finish, packaging and labelling) for Products, including all activities related to the preparation and use of master and working cell banks, making, production, processing, purifying, formulating, filling, and finishing, of the Finished Product, or any intermediate thereof, pre-clinical, clinical and commercial production, product, stability testing, quality assurance, and quality control. “**Manufacturing**” has a correlative meaning.
- 1.135 “**Manufacturing Technology Transfer Materials**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5.2.3.
- 1.136 “**Materials**” shall mean CureVac Materials and GSK Materials.

1.137 “**Modified MRNA**” shall mean [*****].

1.138 “**mRNA**” shall mean a replicating or non-replicating polynucleotide [*****] that is capable of directing the cellular machinery of a cell to produce polypeptide and [*****] and contains cytosine, guanine, uracil and adenine nucleosides or chemically modified analogues thereof such as Modified MRNA.

1.139 “**mRNA-Based**” shall mean, with respect to a vaccine or Antibody, that the vaccine Antigen or Antibody is encoded by one or more mRNAs.

1.140 “**Net Sales**” shall mean the gross invoice price of Product sold by GSK or its Affiliates or Sublicensees directly to a Third Party, less the following deductions if and to the extent such deductions to unaffiliated entities are actually allowed and granted:

- (i) trade, quantity, and/or cash discounts, charge-back payments, allowances or rebates, including promotional or similar discounts or rebates, and discounts or rebates to governmental or managed care organizations;
- (ii) discounts provided in connection with coupon, voucher or similar patient programs;
- (iii) credits or allowances given or made with respect to Product by reason of rejection, defects, recalls, returns, rebates, or retroactive price reductions;
- (iv) any tax, tariff, duty or government charge (including any sales, value added, excise or similar tax or government charge, but excluding any income tax) levied on the sale, transportation or delivery of Product and borne by GSK, its Affiliates or Sublicensees without reimbursement from any Third Party;
- (v) any charges for freight, postage, shipping or transportation, or for insurance, in each case to the extent borne by GSK, its Affiliates or Sublicensees without reimbursement from any Third Party; and
- (vi) any administrative fees paid to group purchasing organizations or managed care entities for the sale of Product (provided, however, that such deduction may not exceed two percent (2%) of the gross sales in the corresponding accounting period).

All such discounts, allowances, credits, rebates and other deductions shall be fairly and equitably allocated to the sale of the relevant Product by GSK, its Affiliates or Sublicensees, such that the Product does not bear a disproportionate portion of such deductions as compared to other products sold separately from but with a certain link or other connection to the Product. For the avoidance of doubt, the Net Sales shall be calculated only once for the first bona fide arm’s length sale of the

Product by either GSK, its Affiliate or its Sublicensee, to a Third Party which is neither an Affiliate nor a Sublicensee of GSK. Net Sales shall be determined in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) applied in a consistent manner.

In the event a Product is sold as part of a Combination Product, (either as a separate Finished Product sold together with other products or because the Drug Substances associated with that Product formulated with additional other active pharmaceutical ingredients, [****], or as a companion or complementary diagnostic), Net Sales of the Combination Product will be calculated, on a country-by-country basis, as follows:

- (i) If (x) the Product and (y) the other product(s) or active pharmaceutical ingredient are also sold separately in the applicable country, Net Sales of the Product portion of the Combination Product will be calculated by multiplying the total Net Sales of the Combination Product by the fraction $A/(A+B)$, where A is the average gross selling price in the applicable country of the Product sold separately in the same formulation and dosage, and B is the sum of the average gross selling prices in the applicable country of all other products or active ingredients in the Combination Product sold separately during the applicable Calendar Quarter.
- (ii) If the Product is sold separately, but the average gross selling price of the other product(s) or active ingredients cannot be determined, Net Sales of the Combination Product shall be equal to the Net Sales of the Combination Product multiplied by the fraction A/C wherein A is the average gross selling price of the Product and C is the average gross selling price of the Combination Product.
- (iii) If the other product(s) or other active ingredients is/are sold separately, but the average gross selling price of the Product cannot be determined, Net Sales of the Combination Product shall be equal to the Net Sales of the Combination Product multiplied by the following formula: one (1) minus B/C wherein B is the average gross selling price of the other product(s) or active ingredients and C is the average gross selling price of the Combination Product.
- (iv) If the average gross selling price of neither the Product, nor the other product(s) or active ingredients, can be determined, e.g., because neither the Product, nor the other product in a Combination Product, are being sold separately, Net Sales of the Combination Product shall be equal to Net Sales of the Combination Product multiplied by A/B wherein A is the number of Products comprised in the Combination Product and B is the sum of "one" for each Product and the relative value of the other product(s) and/or other active pharmaceutical ingredients comprised in the Combination Product, such value to be determined by the patent protection status of the respective products, the development costs of the respective products, and the pricing of comparable products in the Major Markets. For illustration purposes, if there are two additional active ingredients in a Combination Product, one valued at 30 percent of the average price of the Products, and one valued at 50 percent of the average price of the Products, A/B equals $2/2.8$, and Net Sales are multiplied by 0.71. The Parties will agree on the respective values in the JSC. If the JSC are unable to agree on the respective values within [****]

of the matter being referred by either Part to the JSC, either Party may refer the matter for resolution in accordance with Section 15.4h, provided that the reference to “fair market value” shall be replaced with the value of the respective Product and the relative value of the other product(s) and/or other active pharmaceutical ingredients. Each Party will bear equally the cost of the experts appointed in accordance with Section 15.4h.

- (v) The average gross selling price for such other product(s) or active ingredients contained in the Combination Product shall be calculated for each [*****] period by dividing the sales amount by the units of such other product(s), as published by IMS or another mutually agreed independent source. In the initial [*****] period during which a Combination Product is sold, forecasted average gross selling prices shall be used for royalty calculation purposes. Any over or under payment due to a difference between forecasted and actual average gross selling prices shall be paid or credited in the second royalty payment of the following [*****] period. In the following Calendar Year the average gross selling price of the previous year shall apply from the second royalty payment on.

To the extent an In-Licensing Agreement existing before the Effective Date disqualifies [*****] as [*****], the Parties, acting good faith, shall adjust the above mechanism for determining Net Sales of Combination Products to account for the loss suffered by CureVac as a result of the difference in qualification of [*****] between this Agreement and the In-Licensing Agreement in question. CureVac shall, in light of the available data and information regarding [*****], use commercially reasonable efforts to renegotiate such In-Licensing Agreement so that [*****] becomes part of [*****] under such In-Licensing Agreement, provided that if CureVac cannot agree with the counterparty of such In-licensing Agreement on the same mechanism for determining Net Sales of Combination Products as provided for in this Agreement, the Parties will adjust the mechanism for determining Net Sales of Combination Products under this Agreement accordingly to account for the loss suffered by CureVac as a result of the different calculation mechanisms. For the avoidance of doubt, the obligation of CureVac to use commercially reasonable efforts to renegotiate an In-licensing Agreement does not require CureVac to make any financial concessions towards the counterparty of such In-licensing Agreement which are unrelated to the definition of [*****] or the calculation of Net Sales.

- 1.141 **“Non-Breaching Party”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 14.4.
- 1.142 **“Optioned Product”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.7.1.
- 1.143 **“Option Exercise Fee”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.7.5.
- 1.144 **“Option Exercise Notice”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.7.4.
- 1.145 **“Option LNP”** shall mean an LNP in respect of which CureVac has Control under the Option LNP Agreement.

- 1.146 **“Option LNP Agreement”** shall mean [*****], as amended, supplemented or replaced from time to time (such counterparty, the **“Option LNP Provider”**).
- 1.147 **“Option LNP Provider”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 1.146.
- 1.148 **“Option LNP Technology”** shall mean the Patent Rights and Know-How Covering the Option LNPs.
- 1.149 **“Option Period”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.7.1.
- 1.150 **“Option Request”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.7.4.
- 1.151 **“Other Product”** shall mean (i) each of the [*****] Initial Other Products, (ii) any Product Adjustment, Replacement Product and Optioned Product, (iii) any COVID Product that is the subject of the GSK COVID Continue Option, or the GSK Continue Option, under the 2021 Collaboration Agreement, if applicable; *provided, however*, that if GSK replaces an Initial Other Product pursuant to Section 3.6 or terminates a Program for an Other Product pursuant to Section 14.2, such Replaced Product or Product developed under the terminated Program, as applicable, shall no longer qualify as an Other Product.
- 1.152 **“Other Product R&D Plan”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.3.1.
- 1.153 **“Pandemic Pathogen”** shall mean all Coronaviruses and any virus denoted by either, or both, of Part 1 and Part 2 of **Exhibit 1.153**.
- 1.154 **“Party”** shall mean CureVac or GSK (together, **“Parties”**).
- 1.155 **“Patent Rights”** shall mean any and all patents and patent applications, including provisional and non-provisional applications, reissues, extensions, substitutions, confirmations, re-registrations, re-examinations, re-validations, patents of addition, supplementary protection certificates or the equivalents thereof, continuations, continuations-in-part and divisionals thereof and all foreign counterparts, and the like of any of the foregoing.
- 1.156 **“Pathogen”** shall mean any infectious disease causing agent such as a virus, bacterium, fungus, protozoan or other type of microorganism.
- 1.157 **“Pathogen Combination Product”** shall mean CureVac mRNA-Based vaccines or CureVac mRNA-Based Antibodies targeting two or more different Collaboration Pathogens other than Excluded Pathogens. For the avoidance of doubt, the [*****] Product shall be considered a Pathogen Combination Product. The Parties may decide to work on further Pathogen Combination Products, subject to the availability of licenses under the LNP Technology (if required). For clarity, unless GSK exercises the GSK COVID Continue Option under the 2021 Collaboration Agreement, any Pathogen Combination Product which targets SARS-Cov-2 shall be subject to the 2021 Collaboration Agreement.

- 1.158 **“Person”** shall mean an individual, firm, company, corporation, association, trust, estate, state or agency of a state, government or government department or agency, municipal or local authority and any other entity, whether or not incorporated and whether or not having a separate legal personality.
- 1.159 **“Product”** shall mean each CureVac mRNA-Based vaccine or CureVac mRNA-Based Antibody targeting one or more Pathogen(s), other than an Excluded Pathogen, which the Parties have agreed to Develop and Commercialize under this Agreement during the Term, which may be in Drug Product or Finished Product form (or precursors thereto), as the case may be, comprising: (i) the First Product, (ii) the Second Product, and (iii) any Other Product (comprising the [****] Initial Other Products, any Replacement Product and any Optioned Product, if applicable), in each case including any Product Adjustment as adjusted in accordance with Section 3.3.
- 1.160 **“Product Adjustment”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.3.
- 1.161 **“Product Adjustment Notice”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.3.2.
- 1.162 **“Program”** shall mean, on a Product-by-Product basis, any and all Development activities for such Product, including under an R&D Plan, and all Manufacturing and Commercialization activities conducted in respect of a Product.
- 1.163 **“Program Patent Rights”** shall mean both the CureVac Program Patent Rights and the GSK Program Patent Rights.
- 1.164 **“Project Leaders”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.1.2.
- 1.165 **“Proof of Concept Data”** shall mean [****].
- 1.166 **“Quality Agreement”** shall mean a quality agreement between CureVac and GSK setting out further administrative, technical and quality provisions regarding the Manufacture and supply of a Product (or intermediary version thereof) for Development or Commercialization purposes, as applicable.
- 1.167 **“R&D Plan(s)”** shall mean the research and development plans attached hereto, or to be prepared under this Agreement and shall include the First Product R&D Plan, the Second Product R&D Plan and each Other Product R&D Plan.
- 1.168 **“Receiving Party”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 11.1.
- 1.169 **“Recognized Stock Exchange”** means any regulated market in the European Union within the meaning of Article 4, paragraph 1, point 14 of Directive 2004/39/EC, the London Stock Exchange, the New York Stock Exchange, NASDAQ or Hong Kong Stock Exchange.

- 1.170 “Regulatory Approval”** shall mean any and all approvals (including supplements, amendments, pre- and post-approvals, pricing and reimbursement approvals), licenses, registrations or authorizations (including marketing and labeling authorizations) of any national, supra-national, regional, state or local Regulatory Authority, department, bureau, commission, council or other governmental entity, that are necessary for the Development, registration, Manufacture (including formulation), distribution, use, sale, import or export of a Product in a given jurisdiction.
- 1.171 “Regulatory Authority”** shall mean any competent regulatory or governmental authority which regulates any aspect of the Development, Manufacturing or Commercialization of a Product, including those specifically referred to in this Agreement or any Ancillary Agreement.
- 1.172 “Regulatory Exclusivity”** shall mean, on a country-by-country and Product-by-Product basis, an additional protection, other than patent protection, granted by a Regulatory Authority that confers an exclusive period during which a Party or its Affiliates or Sublicensees have the exclusive right to market or sell a Product in such country through a regulatory exclusivity right (*e.g.*, new use or indication exclusivity, new formulation exclusivity, orphan drug exclusivity, pediatric exclusivity, or any applicable data exclusivity), provided that regulatory exclusivity shall only be deemed to exist in a country if (i) Applicable Laws, and the guidance, policies and practice of the competent Regulatory Authority allow other mRNA-Based products to qualify as generic or biosimilar versions of a Product; and (ii) as a result, absent or after the expiry of the regulatory exclusivity right, such mRNA-Based products can enter the market of the country in question with substantially lower development investment.
- 1.173 “Replaced Product”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.6.2.
- 1.174 “Replacement Product”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.6.1.
- 1.175 “Replacement Exercise Fee”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.6.3.
- 1.176 “Replacement Notice”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.6.2.
- 1.177 “Replacement Request”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.6.2.
- 1.178 “Replacement Right”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.6.1.
- 1.179 “Reservation Period”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.5.2.
- 1.180 “Reserved Antigen”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.5.2.
- 1.181 “Research Period”** shall mean, the period commencing on the Closing Date and ending, on a Program-by-Program basis, at the later of [*****].
- 1.182 “RNA Printer”** shall mean the automation solution for CureVac’s processes of mRNA manufacturing developed by CureVac and Tesla Grohmann Automation Solution GmbH under the

Development and Intellectual Property Agreement dated December 22, 2017, including the Know-How licensed from Tesla Grohmann Automation Solution GmbH thereunder.

- 1.183 **“Royalty Term”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 8.7.2.
- 1.184 **“RSV”** shall have the meaning set forth in Exhibit 1.70.
- 1.185 **“Sales Milestone Payment”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 8.4.
- 1.186 **“Sanctions & Trade Controls”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 12.8.
- 1.187 **“Second Product”** shall have the meaning set forth in Exhibit 1.29.
- 1.188 **“Second Product R&D Plan”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.2.
- 1.189 **“Sublicensee”** shall mean any Third Party licensee (aside from GSK’s Affiliates and any Third Party contractors used by GSK in the Development, Manufacture or Commercialization of the Products on GSK’s behalf), which obtains rights to the CureVac Technology or LNP Technology under a license granted by GSK, its Affiliates or another Sublicensee, in each case in accordance with Section 2.2.
- 1.190 **“Term”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 14.1.
- 1.191 **“Territory”** shall mean the entire world.
- 1.192 **“Third Party”** shall mean any Person, other than CureVac or GSK and their respective Affiliates.
- 1.193 **“Third Party Infringement”** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 10.2.
- 1.194 **“[*****] Product”** shall have the meaning set forth in Exhibit 1.29.
- 1.195 **“[*****] Product R&D Plan”** shall have the meaning given in Section 4.3.1.
- 1.196 **“Valid Claim”** shall mean either (a) a claim of an issued and unexpired patent within the CureVac Patent Rights or (ii) the LNP Technology which has not been revoked or held permanently unenforceable, unpatentable or invalid by a decision of a court or other governmental agency of competent jurisdiction, unappealable or unappealed within the time allowed for appeal, and which has not been found or admitted to be abandoned, disclaimed, denied, invalid or unenforceable through re-examination, reissue or disclaimer or otherwise, or (b) a claim of a pending patent application within (i) the CureVac Patent Rights or (ii) the LNP Technology which application has not been pending for more than [*****] from the date of its priority filing date and which claim has not been irretrievably revoked, irretrievably cancelled, irretrievably withdrawn, held invalid or abandoned by a patent office, court or other governmental agency of competent jurisdiction in a final and non-appealable judgment (or judgment from which no appeal was taken within the allowable time period), or finally determined to be unallowable in a decision from which

an appeal cannot or can no longer be taken. For clarity, a claim of an issued patent that ceased to be a Valid Claim before it issued because it had been pending too long, but subsequently issues and is otherwise described by clause (a), shall again be considered to be a Valid Claim once it issues. The same principle shall apply in similar circumstances such as if, for example (but without limitation), a final rejection of a claim is overcome.

1.197 “VAT and Indirect Taxes” shall mean any value added, sales, purchase, turnover or consumption tax as may be applicable in any relevant jurisdiction, including but not limited to value added tax chargeable under legislation implementing Council Directive 2006/112/EC.

1.198 “WIPO” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 16.5.2.

1.199 Interpretation

In this Agreement, unless the context otherwise requires, a reference to:

- (i) a paragraph, section, exhibit or schedule is a reference to a paragraph, section, exhibit or schedule to this Agreement;
- (ii) any document includes a reference to that document (and, where applicable, any of its provisions) as amended, novated, supplemented or replaced from time to time;
- (iii) a statute or other law includes regulations and other instruments under it and consolidations, amendments, re-enactments or replacements of any of them;
- (iv) the singular includes the plural and vice versa, except as it regards the definitions of Party and Parties;
- (v) “written” and “in writing” include any means of reproducing words, figures or symbols in a tangible and visible form, including acknowledged email or facsimile;
- (vi) “include”, “includes” and “including” means including without limitation, or like expression unless otherwise specified, and “for example”, “e.g.”, “such as” and similar words or phrases are descriptive, not limiting; and
- (vii) any reference to “demonstrable” costs and expenses means those costs and expenses can be evidenced in writing.

1.200 2021 Preliminary Agreement

It is agreed by the Parties that all amendments made to this Agreement by the 2021 Preliminary Agreement are null and void.

2. LICENSES; EXCLUSIVITY.

2.1 License Grants to GSK.

2.1.1 License under CureVac Technology. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement and subject to the disclosures as set forth in items (ii) and (iii) of the Disclosure Letter, on a Product-by-Product basis, CureVac hereby grants to GSK, and GSK hereby accepts: (i) a royalty-free, exclusive license to use the CureVac Technology for the Development and Manufacture of Products for use in the Field in the Territory; and (ii) a royalty-bearing, exclusive license to use the CureVac Technology for the Commercialization of Products for use in the Field in the Territory, subject to CureVac's rights with respect to the CureVac Territory under Section 6 and the Distribution Agreement. Subject to the disclosures as set forth in items (ii) and (iii) of the Disclosure Letter, the license granted hereunder shall be exclusive as to Third Parties and to CureVac, provided that CureVac retains the right to perform the Development and Manufacturing activities allocated to CureVac under this Agreement.

2.1.2 License under LNP Technology. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, the terms and conditions set forth in **Exhibit 2.1.2 Part A**, and subject to the disclosures as set forth in items (ii) and (iii) of the Disclosure Letter, on a Product-by-Product basis, CureVac hereby grants to GSK, and GSK hereby accepts: (i) a royalty-free, non-exclusive sublicense under the LNP Agreements to use the LNP Technology for the Development and Manufacture of the Initial Products and the Initial Other Products for use in the Field in the Territory; and (ii) a corresponding royalty-bearing, non-exclusive license to use the LNP Technology for the Commercialization of the Initial Products and the Initial Other Products for use in the Field in the Territory, subject to CureVac's rights with respect to the CureVac Territory under Section 6 and the Distribution Agreement ("**LNP License**"). CureVac shall not (i) grant a sublicense to any Third Party under the LNP Technology for the Development and Manufacture of Products for use in the Field in the Territory, subject to the disclosures as set forth in items (ii) and (iii) of the Disclosure Letter, and (ii) itself carry out any activities under the LNP Technology for the Development and Manufacture of Products for use in the Field in the Territory other than under this Agreement; in each case of (i) and (ii) on a Product-by-Product basis for as long as the respective Product is Developed and/or Commercialized under this Agreement. The LNP License shall:

- (i) as at the Closing Date be limited to Licensed LNP from [*****]. for the primary vaccine Antigen and the additional vaccine Antigen for the [*****] listed in **Exhibit 2.1.2 Part B** for use as part of the [*****] Product in the Field;
- (ii) within [*****] following the Closing Date, include Licensed LNPs from [*****] for the primary vaccine Antigens and the associated additional vaccine Antigens for the [*****] as listed in **Exhibit 2.1.2 Part B** for use as part of the corresponding Product in the Field;

- (iii) as at the Second Amendment Effective Date include a Licensed LNP from [*****] for a primary Antibody and associated additional Antibody for the [*****] as listed in **Exhibit 2.1.2 Part B** for use as part of the [*****] in the Field; and
- (iv) with respect to a Product Adjustment, include Licensed LNP under a then existing LNP Agreement with [*****] for an additional vaccine Antigen or an additional Antibody, subject to clearance in accordance with Section 3.4 and, if applicable, Section 3.5.1; it being understood that CureVac shall secure the Licensed LNP for such additional vaccine Antigen or an additional Antibody, as applicable, from [*****] in accordance with Section 3.3.2;
- (v) in case GSK exercises the GSK Continue Option or the GSK COVID Continue Option, include Licensed LNP under the LNP COVID Agreement for the COVID Products.

Within [*****] following the Closing Date, the Parties will agree on a redacted copy of this Agreement (excluding any commercially confidential information) that CureVac can provide to the LNP Provider(s) in accordance with its obligations under the LNP Agreements.

2.1.3 Exchange of Licensed LNPs. For a period commencing on the Closing Date and ending on [*****], GSK shall have a total of [*****] cost-free options to exchange for the original LNP Licenses granted under Section 2.1.2 the primary vaccine Antigen or primary Antibody of those LNP Licenses (together with any additional vaccine Antigen(s) or additional Antibody(ies) of those LNP Licenses, if any) for an alternate primary vaccine Antigen or an alternate primary Antibody, with or without one or more additional vaccine Antigen(s) or additional Antibody(ies), as applicable, subject to clearance in accordance with Section 3.4 and, if applicable, Section 3.5.1, and subject to the terms and conditions set forth in Exhibit 2.1.2 Part A. GSK can exercise the exchange options granted hereunder, at GSK's discretion, for Replacement Products or Optioned Products, and can exercise this right either for different original LNP Licenses or multiple times for the same LNP License (or a combination of both), provided that GSK may exercise this exchange option right a maximum of [*****] times. On an option-by-option basis, CureVac shall secure the LNP License for an alternate primary vaccine Antigen or alternate primary Antibody and the additional vaccine Antigen(s) or additional Antibody(ies) in accordance with Section 3.6.2 or 3.7.4, as applicable.

2.1.4 Option under Option LNP Technology. For a period commencing on the Closing Date and ending on [*****], GSK shall have the cost-free, one-time option to obtain a non-exclusive sublicense under an Option LNP Agreement to use the Option LNP Technology to Develop, Manufacture and Commercialize a Product for use in the Field in the Territory, subject to CureVac's rights with respect to the CureVac Territory under Section 6 and the Distribution Agreement, and subject to clearance in accordance with Section 3.4 and, if applicable, Section 3.5.1, and the terms and conditions set forth in Exhibit 2.1.4, the terms and conditions of this Agreement and the

disclosures set forth in items (ii) and (iii) of the Disclosure Letter. GSK can exercise the option granted hereunder, at GSK's discretion, for an Initial Product, an Initial Other Product, a Replacement Product or an Optioned Product, provided that GSK may exercise this option [*****]. CureVac shall secure the Option LNP for the respective Product from the Option LNP Provider within [*****] upon receipt of the confirmation from the Option LNP Provider that the Antigen(s) are available for licensing.

2.2 Sublicenses.

2.2.1 Right to Sublicense. GSK shall have the right to sublicense its rights under Section 2 to any of its Affiliates. GSK's right to sublicense any of its Development rights or any of its Manufacturing rights for Development purposes (subject to Section 5) under Section 2.1.1, or any of its rights to the LNP Technology under Section 2.1.2 to any other Third Party shall be subject to CureVac's prior written consent which CureVac may grant or withhold in its sole discretion. GSK's right to sublicense (in multiple tiers) any of its Manufacturing rights for commercial purposes (subject to Section 5) and/or Commercialization rights under Section 2.1.1 to a Third Party shall be subject to CureVac's prior written consent which shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed. For the avoidance of doubt, this Section 2.2.1 shall not restrict GSK or any of its Affiliates to subcontract any of its Development or Manufacturing activities to a CRO, CMO or other service provider to GSK or its Affiliate, subject to Section 5.2.3.

2.2.2 Sublicensing Requirements. The right to sublicense to a Third Party is subject to a written sublicense agreement containing terms and conditions that are consistent with those contained in this Agreement, and shall include, *inter alia*, provisions regarding confidentiality, non-compete, indemnification, audit, record-keeping, termination and consequences of termination that are consistent with the corresponding terms and conditions provided herein. GSK shall remain liable to CureVac for all obligations under this Agreement, including all payment obligations, and shall send to CureVac a copy of the signed sublicensing agreement within [*****] after its execution, subject to the reasonable redaction of confidential information. CureVac acknowledges that all information provided to CureVac by GSK under this Section 2.2.2 shall be deemed Confidential Information of GSK and shall be subject to the terms and conditions of Section 11.

2.3 Pathogen Exclusivity.

2.3.1 GSK. GSK shall work exclusively with CureVac on the Development, Manufacture and Commercialization of Products targeting a Collaboration Pathogen, and GSK shall not, and shall procure that its Affiliates and Sublicensees holding rights to the CureVac Technology in the Field and in the Territory will not, develop, manufacture or commercialize, solely or with a Third Party, any prophylactic and/or therapeutic mRNA-Based vaccine or mRNA-Based antibody targeting a Collaboration Pathogen other than a Product Developed and/or Commercialized under this Agreement. This Section 2.3.1 and the covenants set forth herein shall not apply to activities of any Third Party (or such Third Party's Affiliates) that becomes an Affiliate of GSK solely as a result of a Change of Control in GSK, provided that such activities are performed without using the mRNA

technology described in the Know-How, or within the scope of the specification of the Patents Rights, Controlled by GSK (excluding, for clarity any CureVac Know-How or CureVac Patent Rights). Notwithstanding the foregoing, GSK shall be permitted to continue development activities targeting the same Collaboration Pathogen immediately prior to the Effective Date, and which accordingly fall within the scope of the exclusivity commitment set out in this Section 2.3.1, for up to [*****] from the Effective Date, whilst GSK carries out an orderly wind-down of those activities.

- 2.3.2 CureVac.** Subject to CureVac's obligations as set forth in items (ii) and (iii) of the Disclosure Letter, CureVac shall work exclusively with GSK on the Development, Manufacture and Commercialization of Products targeting a Collaboration Pathogens, and CureVac shall not, and shall procure that its Affiliates will not, develop, manufacture or commercialize, solely or with a Third Party, any prophylactic and/or therapeutic mRNA-Based vaccine or mRNA-Based antibody targeting a Collaboration Pathogen other than a Product Developed and/or Commercialized under this Agreement. This Section 2.3.2 and the covenants set forth herein shall not apply to activities of any Third Party (or such Third Party's Affiliates) that becomes an Affiliate of CureVac solely as a result of a Change of Control in CureVac, provided that such activities are performed without using the CureVac mRNA technology described in the CureVac Know-How or within the scope of specification of the CureVac Patent Rights.
- 2.3.3 Exclusivity Term.** The covenants laid down in this Section 2.3 shall apply for a period commencing on the Effective Date, or in case of a Collaboration Pathogen targeted by a Replacement Product or an Optioned Product, the date of receipt of the Replacement Notice or Option Notice, as applicable, by CureVac until the expiry or termination of this Agreement. For the avoidance of doubt, in case GSK has replaced an Initial Other Product pursuant to Section 3.6 or has terminated a Program pursuant to Section 14.2, the Pathogen targeted by such Replaced Product or under such terminated Program, as applicable, shall no longer qualify as Collaboration Pathogen if that Pathogen is no longer targeted by another Product, and consequently, the exclusivity obligations laid down in this Section 2.3 shall terminate with respect to such Pathogen, unless the respective Pathogen is targeted under another ongoing Program. In relation to the Initial Products only, if the Program for one of the Initial Products is terminated or replaced by a Replacement Product, the covenants laid down in this Section 2.3.3 shall continue to apply with respect to any other Initial Product targeting the same Pathogen, but no longer in relation to the terminated or replaced Initial Product (even though it targets the same Pathogen). For the avoidance of doubt, upon termination or replacement of such Initial Product, all rights and licenses with respect to such Initial Product will return to CureVac subject to and in accordance with Section 15, and GSK will not be allowed to use the CureVac Technology, including the CureVac Know-How, or any Invention other than a GSK Invention to continue to Develop, Manufacture or Commercialize the terminated or replaced Initial Product, unless expressly set forth in Section 15 or unless CureVac has granted a license to GSK under terms to be negotiated.

2.4 Trademarks.

- 2.4.1 Registration.** As between the Parties and their Affiliates, GSK shall be solely authorized to determine the brand, trade name, logo and trade dress under which the Finished Products shall be Commercialized in the Territory. GSK shall have the first right, but not the obligation, to prepare, file, prosecute and maintain, at its own expense, any Brand IP for the Finished Products in the Territory; *provided, however*, that nothing herein shall grant GSK any right to use any trademark Controlled by CureVac and/or CureVac's Affiliates. GSK will own all right, title and interest in and to any such trademark it selects in its own name during and after the Term, subject to the licenses granted to CureVac with respect to the CureVac Territory under Section 6.
- 2.4.2 Restrictions.** Subject to any separate agreement(s) amongst the Parties (or their Affiliates), CureVac shall not, and shall cause their respective Affiliates not to, during the Term: (i) use or attempt to use any marks, brands or trade dress identical or similar to those covered by the Brand IP of GSK or its Affiliates, except as permitted by this Agreement or any Ancillary Agreement; (ii) register or attempt to register or procure the registration anywhere in the world of any mark as a trademark for any goods or services or as a domain name that is same as or confusingly similar to the Brand IP for the Finished Products; (iii) use any Brand IP for any of the Finished Products in any way which could tend to allow it to become generic, to lose its distinctiveness, to become liable to mislead the public or which would otherwise be detrimental or inconsistent with the good name, goodwill, reputation or image of the Parties; (iv) challenge the ownership of the Brand IP belonging to GSK or its Affiliates except if Brand IP is prosecuted in breach of this Agreement; or (v) register or attempt to register or procure the registration of or use any mark or domain name that incorporates the letters [*****] either as a prefix or a suffix for use in connection with a pharmaceutical product. This Section 2.4.2 and the covenants set forth herein shall not apply to a Third Party (or such Third Party's Affiliate) that becomes an Affiliate of CureVac solely as a result of a Change of Control in CureVac.
- 2.5 Documents and Declarations.** CureVac shall execute all documents, give all declarations regarding the licenses granted hereunder and reasonably cooperate with GSK to the extent such documents, declarations and/or cooperation are required for the recording or registration of the licenses granted hereunder at the various patent offices in the GSK Territory for the benefit of GSK. GSK shall reimburse CureVac for its reasonable and demonstrable external out of pocket costs associated therewith up to a total amount of EUR 20,000.
- 2.6 No Implied License.** Nothing in this Agreement shall be deemed to constitute the grant of any license or other right to either Party in respect of any technology of the other Party, except as expressly set forth herein, and no license rights shall be created hereunder by implication, estoppel or otherwise. Neither Party shall represent to any Third Party that it enjoys, possesses, or exercises any proprietary or property right or otherwise has any other right, title or interest in the technology of the other Party except for such rights as are expressly set forth herein. Any rights of a Party not expressly granted to the other Party under the provisions of this Agreement shall be retained by such Party.

2.7 In-Licensing Agreements.

- 2.7.1 Future In-Licensed IP.** If during the Term, CureVac obtains or intends to obtain, other than by way of a Change of Control, a sublicensable license to any Patent Rights or Know-How Controlled by a Third Party that is useful for the Development, Manufacture and Commercialization of Products under this Agreement, but which is not necessary to obtain freedom to operate with respect to the use or exploitation of the CureVac Elements (“**In-Licensed IP**”), which may include Third Party Patent Rights or Third Party Know-How regarding Modified mRNA, CureVac shall (i) notify GSK of the rights that CureVac has obtained or intends to obtain with respect to such In-Licensed IP, (ii) use commercially reasonable endeavors to obtain the right to sub-license those Patent Rights or Know How, and (iii) notify GSK of the applicable financial terms, which shall be non-discriminatory (as between GSK and any other sublicensee of CureVac). GSK shall notify CureVac within [*****] after receipt of such notice whether GSK desires to include such In-Licensed IP under the license granted to GSK by CureVac pursuant to Section 2.1. If GSK notifies CureVac that it desires to include such In-Licensed IP under the license granted to GSK by CureVac pursuant to Section 2.1, then (i) such In-Licensed IP is and shall be automatically included in the definition of CureVac Know-How or CureVac Patent Rights, as applicable, and be licensed to GSK under Section 2.1, and (ii) as a sublicensee of CureVac, GSK will meet all obligations of CureVac that are applicable to GSK’s activities as a sub-licensee (to the extent notified by CureVac to GSK in advance in writing); and (iii) GSK shall reimburse CureVac for additional amounts payable by CureVac under such license to such Third Party to the extent directly arising as a result of (x) the grant of such sublicense to GSK or (y) the use of the In-Licensed IP by the Development, Manufacture or Commercialization of Products by GSK, its Affiliates, and Sublicensees.
- 2.7.2 Enforcement, Maintenance and Amendment of In-Licensing Agreements.** CureVac will reasonably enforce (including in connection with any counterparty’s breach of any representations or warranties under the applicable In-Licensing Agreements), or otherwise take the actions necessary to enable GSK to enforce, CureVac’s rights, benefits and the obligations of the respective counterparties under the In-Licensing Agreements that may impact the rights, benefits and obligations of GSK hereunder, and will inform GSK of any action it may take under the In-Licensing Agreements to the extent such action may impact GSK’s interest under the respective In-Licensing Agreement. CureVac shall: (i) fulfil all of its obligations, including its payment obligations, under the In-Licensing Agreements; and (ii) not take any action or omit to take any action that would materially adversely affect, or would reasonably be expected to materially adversely affect, GSK’s rights, benefits and obligations under this Agreement. CureVac shall reasonably notify GSK of any default, termination or amendment of, the In-Licensing Agreements, to the extent such default, termination or amendment may have an impact of GSK.
- 3. PRODUCT ADJUSTMENTS; REPLACEMENT RIGHT; EXCLUSIVE OPTION.**
- 3.1 Product Composition.** As between the Parties, subject to Sections 2.1.3 and 2.1.4 with respect to the LNP Technology and subject to the replacement mechanism under Section 3.6, the clearance mechanism under Section 3.4 and Section 3.5, the composition restrictions under Section 3.2, the

adjustment mechanism under Section 3.3, and the limitations to GSK's decision-making rights set forth in Section 7.5.2b(i), GSK shall have the right, in its sole discretion, to determine the composition of a Product, including [*****].

3.2 **Composition Restrictions.**

3.2.1 **Intentionally omitted.**

3.2.2 **Vaccine Restrictions.** Initial Products and Other Products (including any Product Adjustments) that are vaccines shall be subject to the following restrictions: each shall consist of a maximum number of [*****]. For each such vaccine Product, GSK shall designate the primary vaccine Antigen and the additional vaccine Antigens as of the Effective Date or upon selection of the Replacement Product.

3.2.3 **Antibody Restrictions.** For the purposes of this Agreement, (i) the maximum number of Antigens that a single Antibody can bind to is [*****] Antigens and (ii) unless otherwise set forth herein, Antibody shall include an Antibody Combination, as applicable. For each such Antibody Product, GSK shall designate the primary Antibody and the additional Antibodies as of the Effective Date or upon selection of the Replacement Product.

3.3 **Product Adjustments.**

3.3.1 **Product Adjustments.** If, further to Section 3.1 and subject to the restrictions laid down in Section 3.1, GSK wishes to only change the additional vaccine Antigen(s) or additional Antibody(ies), but not the primary vaccine Antigen or the primary Antibody of a Product, such change shall constitute a "**Product Adjustment**" and be handled in accordance with this Section 3.3. Where GSK wishes to change the primary Antigen or the primary Antibody of a Product, with or without changing the Pathogen or combination of Pathogens targeted by such Product, such change shall constitute a Product Replacement and be handled in accordance with Section 3.6.

3.3.2 **Product Adjustment Notice.** If GSK intends to make a Product Adjustment, GSK shall send a written request to CureVac identifying the details of such Product Adjustment, including, if a change to an LNP License is needed for such Product Adjustment, all details necessary for CureVac to perform the clearance in accordance with Section 3.4 and, if applicable, Section 3.5.1. Within [*****] following receipt of the adjustment request, the Antigen/Antibody List Rep will perform the Antigen/Antibody clearance in accordance with Section 3.4 and, if applicable, Section 3.5.1. Within [*****] upon receipt of the confirmation from the LNP Provider that the additional Antigen or additional Antibody is available for licensing, CureVac shall secure the LNP License for such additional vaccine Antigen or additional Antibody, as applicable, from the LNP Provider, and the Parties will work on an amendment to the R&D Plan for the respective Product.

3.4 Clearance in relation to LNP.

If GSK intends to make a Product Adjustment, exercise its Replacement Right or exercise its Exclusive Option, GSK may request CureVac in writing to perform an Antigen clearance under the LNP Agreement or an Antigen or Antibody clearance under the Option LNP Agreement, such clearance to be conducted in accordance with the following process: First, GSK shall notify a specific representative designated by CureVac in writing that GSK wishes to conduct an Antigen or Antibody clearance (“**Antigen/Antibody List Rep**”) and shall provide all information required to perform such clearance by using the clearance template attached hereto as **Exhibit 3.4 (“Clearance Template”)**. Second, within [*****] from receipt of such information from GSK, the Antigen/Antibody List Rep shall contact the antigen or antibody list representative of the LNP Provider or the Option LNP Provider, as applicable, to confirm whether the Antigen or Antibody is available for licensing.

3.5 Further Clearance and Reservation.

3.5.1 Clearance. If applicable, GSK may request CureVac in writing to perform an Antigen clearance under CureVac’s pre-existing agreement as listed in paragraph 4 of item (iii) in the Disclosure Letter, such clearance to be conducted in accordance with the following process:

- (i) GSK shall notify the Antigen/Antibody List Rep in writing that GSK wishes to conduct such Antigen clearance, and shall provide all information required to perform such clearance by using the Clearance Template.
- (ii) Within [*****] from receipt of such information from GSK, the Antigen/Antibody List Rep shall verify that the requested Antigen is not associated with an Excluded Pathogen and shall confirm whether the Antigen is available, meaning it has not been reserved previously by the counterparty to a pre-existing agreement as listed in paragraph 4 of item (iii) in the Disclosure Schedule in accordance with its terms.
- (iii) Upon confirmation, the Antigen/Antibody List Rep shall notify GSK thereof, and the Antigen shall become a Reserved Antigen, provided that the maximum number of reserved Antigens may not be exceeded.

3.5.2 Reservation of Antigens. For a term of [*****] after the Closing Date (“**Reservation Period**”), and, subject to the clearance mechanism under Section 3.5.1, GSK shall have the right to reserve a maximum number of [*****] under the CureVac Technology for use in the Field (each, a “**Reserved Antigen**”). Subject to the clearance mechanism under Section 3.5.1, GSK may change the Antigens that constitute Reserved Antigens during the Reservation Period. The Antigens listed in **Exhibit 3.5.2** shall be deemed Reserved Antigens as at the Closing Date. Without limiting any other obligation of CureVac under this Agreement (including under Section 2.3 and 3.7.6), during the Reservation Period, CureVac, itself or through its Affiliates, may not grant any rights to a Third Party for a Reserved Antigen under the CureVac Technology for use in the Field.

3.6 Replacement of Products.

3.6.1 Replacement Right. Until [*****], subject to the composition restrictions under Section 3.2, the clearance mechanism under Section 3.4 and, if applicable, Section 3.5.1, and subject to Sections 2.1.3 and 2.1.4 with respect to the LNP Technology, GSK has the right to replace any of the then-current Products with a CureVac mRNA-Based vaccine or CureVac mRNA-Based Antibody that consists of a different primary Antigen or primary Antibody respectively, and which may target a different Pathogen or combination of Pathogens, other than an Excluded Pathogen (“**Replacement Right**”), provided that GSK may exercise its Replacement Right a maximum of [*****] times. GSK may replace a Product with (i) a new CureVac mRNA-Based vaccine or CureVac mRNA-Based Antibody (including for the same Pathogen or combination of Pathogens, but with a different primary Antigen or primary Antibody), or (ii) a CureVac mRNA-Based vaccine or CureVac mRNA-Based Antibody which is, at the time when GSK exercises its Replacement Right, under development by CureVac outside the scope of this Agreement (each, a “**Replacement Product**”). For the purposes of this Section 3.6, “under development by CureVac” shall mean that CureVac has generated Proof of Concept Data with respect to the Replacement Product.

3.6.2 Replacement Notice. If GSK intends to exercise its Replacement Right, GSK shall send a written replacement request to CureVac (at any time before the expiry of the period specified in Section 3.6.1) identifying: (i) the Product to be replaced (“**Replaced Product**”); (ii) the Replacement Product that GSK seeks to Develop; (iii) the LNP or CVCM that GSK desires to use for the Replacement Product; and (iv) if applicable, the Antibody and/or Antigens that GSK wishes to clear in accordance with Section 3.4 and Section 3.5 (“**Replacement Request**”). Within [*****] following the Replacement Request, the Parties will hold a JSC meeting for discussing the details with respect to the Replacement Product and the desired LNP or CVCM for such Replacement Product, and CureVac will provide to GSK all data, documents and information reasonably required by GSK to assess whether it wishes to exercise its Replacement Right with respect to the respective Replacement Product, including the amount of the Replacement Exercise Fee, if any. Within [*****] following this JSC and unless directed otherwise by GSK in writing, the Antigen/Antibody List Rep will perform the requisite Antigen/Antibody clearance in accordance with Section 3.4 and, if applicable, Section 3.5.1, GSK shall exercise its Replacement Right by sending written notice to CureVac within [*****] following the confirmation by the Antigen/Antibody List Rep that the Antibodies and/or Antigens are available to GSK (“**Replacement Notice**”). Following receipt of the Replacement Notice by CureVac, the Parties shall as soon as reasonable practicable work on an initial R&D Plan for the Replacement Product in accordance with Section 4.3.2, and CureVac shall, if an LNP is selected by GSK and cleared, secure the LNP License from the respective LNP Provider.

Replacement Exercise Fee. If GSK exercises its Replacement Right for an existing Replacement Product, i.e., a CureVac mRNA-Based Vaccine or CureVac mRNA-Based Antibody already under development by CureVac, GSK shall make the following payments to CureVac: (i) GSK shall compensate CureVac for all reasonable, duly documented and demonstrable development costs and expenses exclusively relating to such Replacement Product incurred by CureVac or its Affiliates

since (and in respect of the period after) the Closing Date (including in case of a Replacement Product acquired by CureVac from a Third Party that portion of the fee paid to that Third Party that relates to the Replacement Product), *provided, however*, that with respect to any Replacement Product targeting [*****], such compensation shall also include costs and expenses incurred by CureVac or any of its Affiliates before the Closing Date in the amount specified in Section 3.7.5; and (ii) GSK shall pay to CureVac any milestone payments which would have been due since the Closing Date, if such Replacement Product had been an Other Product as at the Closing Date, if any (the payments under (i) and (ii) together, the “**Replacement Exercise Fee**”). The Replacement Exercise Fee is to be paid by GSK to CureVac within [*****] after receipt of an invoice from CureVac, with supportive documentation reasonably detailing the costs and expenses incurred by CureVac. By way of example: If GSK exercises its Replacement Right for a Replacement Product under development by CureVac outside the scope of this Agreement for which CureVac has [*****] at the time GSK exercises its Replacement Right, GSK shall reimburse CureVac for any reasonable, duly document Development costs and expenses incurred by CureVac since (and in respect of the period after) the Closing Date and exclusively relating to such Replacement Product and, in addition, shall pay to CureVac accrued, non-refundable and non-creditable Development & Regulatory Milestone Payments in the amounts of [*****].

3.6.4 Replacement. Upon (i) receipt of a Replacement Notice by CureVac, (ii) full payment of the Replacement Exercise Fee from GSK to CureVac, if applicable, and (iii) the Parties having agreed on an initial R&D Plan for the Replacement Product, the relevant Replacement Product shall become an Other Product. The Parties shall Develop such Replacement Product pursuant to Section 4.3.2, and, unless set forth otherwise, all terms and conditions relevant for the Development, Manufacture and Commercialization of Other Products shall apply to such Replacement Product (including licenses, milestone payments and royalties). All rights of GSK with respect to the Replaced Product shall terminate, the Pathogen targeted by the Replaced Product shall become an Excluded Pathogen (unless such Pathogen is targeted by another Product), and Section 14.6 and Section 15.1 shall apply with respect to the replaced Program and the Replacement Product. For the avoidance of doubt, a Product Adjustment shall not constitute a replacement for the purposes of this Section 3.6.

3.7 Exclusive Option.

3.7.1 Option Grant. Until [*****] (“**Option Period**”), and subject to Sections 3.7.2 and the composition restrictions under Section 3.2, the clearance mechanism under Section 3.4 and, if applicable, Section 3.5.1, and subject to Sections 2.1.3 and 2.1.4 with respect to the LNP Technology, CureVac hereby grants to GSK, and GSK hereby accepts, the exclusive option to obtain exclusive licenses under the CureVac Technology to Develop, Manufacture and Commercialize further CureVac mRNA-Based vaccines (other than the First-Gen COVID Vaccine Product, as defined in the 2021 CLA) or CureVac mRNA-Based Antibodies, in addition to the then-current Products, targeting a different Pathogen or combination of Pathogens other than an Excluded Pathogen in the Field (“**Exclusive Option**”). GSK may exercise its Exclusive Option only

with respect to a CureVac mRNA-Based vaccine or a CureVac mRNA-Based Antibody which is, at the time when GSK exercises its Exclusive Option, under development by CureVac outside the scope of this Agreement (each, an “**Optioned Product**”). For the purposes of this Section 3.7, “under development by CureVac” shall mean that CureVac has generated Proof of Concept Data with respect to the Optioned Product.

3.7.2 Timing for exercise of Exclusive Option in a pandemic setting. As long as an outbreak of a Pathogen or combination of Pathogens targeted by a Product covered by the Exclusive Option is declared by the WHO of a “public health emergency of international concern” (or equivalent, to the extent the WHO adjusts its system of classifications from time to time), the Option Period for such Product shall expire within [*****] from the later of (i) such declaration or (ii) the date of receipt by GSK of the Proof of Concept Data with respect to the Optioned Product.

3.7.3 Exclusive Option for Pandemic Pathogens. If the Pathogen or combination of Pathogens targeted by a Product covered by the Exclusive Option is or includes a Pandemic Pathogen (other than SARS-CoV-2):

- a. CureVac may elect, within [*****] after receipt of an Option Request, that the Optioned Product shall be subject to either the terms of (i) the 2021 Collaboration Agreement, in which case the Optioned Product shall upon effective Option Exercise be treated as a COVID Product under the 2021 Collaboration Agreement and this Agreement shall no longer apply to that Optioned Product, or (ii) this Agreement, in which case it shall upon effective Option Exercise be treated as an additional Other Product under this Agreement (and, for clarity, the 2021 Collaboration Agreement shall not apply to that Optioned Product);
- (b) GSK will determine, in relation to each agreement entered into by CureVac with any government or other authority pursuant to the activities permitted pursuant to Section 3.7.8, on or before the effective date of Option Exercise, on whether (i) such agreement will be transferred to GSK, together with a transfer of associated regulatory responsibilities and a supply chain for the relevant Product(s) enabling GSK’s fulfilment of the respective agreement, and subject to CureVac’s rights to Commercialize in the CureVac Territory and consent of the respective Third Party to such assignment and transfer, or (ii) such agreement shall remain with CureVac, and, in that case, on the involvement of GSK in the manufacturing of the relevant Products and the provision by GSK of regulatory services, pharmacovigilance services, quality and supply chain management services required by CureVac to meet its binding obligations under those agreements; the Option Exercise being conditioned upon GSK making a decision as between either (i) or (ii). If GSK elects that any agreement with any government or other authority shall remain with CureVac, any supply of an Optioned Product by CureVac pursuant to that agreement shall, if carried out under this Agreement, be carried out on the terms of a Distribution Agreement in accordance with the terms set out in Exhibit 6.2 (with references to the CureVac Territory replaced, where applicable, with references to the relevant GSK Territory covered by the relevant agreement with such government or other

authority). For clarity, this Section 3.7.3b shall not apply in case CureVac elects that the Optioned Product shall be subject to the terms of the 2021 Collaboration Agreement.

- 3.7.4 Option Exercise Notice.** If GSK intends to exercise its Exclusive Option, GSK shall send (at any time before the expiry of the Option Period) a written notice to CureVac identifying the Optioned Product that GSK seeks to Develop (“**Option Request**”). Within [*****] following receipt of the Option Request, the Antigen/Antibody List Rep will perform an LNP clearance in accordance with Section 3.4. Within [*****] following the request, the Parties will hold a JSC meeting for discussing the details of the envisaged collaboration, and CureVac will notify GSK of the amount of the Option Exercise Fee and will provide to GSK all data, documents and information reasonably required by GSK to assess whether it wishes to exercise its Exclusive Option with respect to the respective Optioned Product. GSK shall exercise its Exclusive Option by sending written notice to CureVac within [*****] following such JSC meeting (“**Option Exercise Notice**”). Following receipt of the Option Exercise Notice by CureVac, the Parties shall as soon as reasonably practicable work on an initial R&D Plan for the Optioned Product in accordance with Section 4.3.2, and CureVac shall secure the LNP License from the LNP Provider, or in case GSK exercises its option, from the Option LNP Provider.
- 3.7.5 Option Exercise Fee.** If GSK exercises its Exclusive Option, GSK shall make the following payments to CureVac: (i) GSK shall compensate CureVac for all reasonable and demonstrable Development costs and expenses exclusively relating to such Optioned Product incurred by CureVac or its Affiliates since (and in respect of the period after) the Closing Date (including in case of an Optioned Product acquired by CureVac from a Third Party that portion of the fee paid to that Third Party that relates to the Optioned Product), *provided, however*, that with respect to any Optioned Product targeting [*****], the compensation by GSK shall also include the costs and expenses incurred by CureVac or any of its Affiliates before the Closing Date in the amount of [*****]; and (ii) GSK shall pay to CureVac any milestone payments which would have been due since the Closing Date, if such Optioned Product had been an Other Product as at the Closing Date, if any (the payments under (i) and (ii) together, the “**Option Exercise Fee**”). The Option Exercise Fee is to be paid by GSK to CureVac within [*****] after receipt of an invoice from CureVac, with supportive documentation reasonably detailing the costs and expenses incurred by CureVac. By way of example: If GSK exercises its Exclusive Option for an Optioned Product under development by CureVac outside the scope of this Agreement for which CureVac has [*****] at the time GSK exercises its Exclusive Option, GSK shall reimburse CureVac for any reasonable, demonstrable and duly documented Development costs and expenses incurred by CureVac since (and in respect of the period after) the Closing Date and exclusively relating to such Optioned Product and, in addition, shall pay to CureVac accrued, non-refundable and non-creditable Development & Regulatory Milestone Payments in the amounts of [*****].
- 3.7.6 Option Exercise.** Upon (i) receipt of an Option Exercise Notice by CureVac, (ii) full payment of the Option Exercise Fee from GSK to CureVac, and (iii) the Parties having agreed on an initial R&D Plan for the Optioned Product, the relevant Optioned Product shall become an additional

Other Product. The Parties shall Develop such additional Optioned Product pursuant to Section 4.3.2, and, unless set forth otherwise, all terms and conditions relevant for the Development, Manufacture and Commercialization of Other Products shall apply to such Optioned Product (including licenses, milestone payments and royalties).

3.7.7 Exclusivity during Option Period. Subject to Section 3.7.8, CureVac's obligations as set forth in items (ii) and (iii) of the Disclosure Letter, during the Option Period, CureVac shall not commercialize, and shall not grant any rights to a Third Party for the development or commercialization of any prophylactic or therapeutic mRNA-Based vaccine or mRNA-Based antibody targeting a Pathogen other than an Excluded Pathogen in the Field without GSK's express, written waiver of its rights under the Exclusive Option, which GSK may grant or withhold in its sole discretion. For clarity, subject to Section 2.3.2, the Exclusive Option granted to GSK does not prevent CureVac from initiating or continuing internal Development programs for mRNA-Based vaccines or Antibodies.

3.7.8 Exception to Exclusivity for Pre-Pandemic Preparedness Activities. Section 3.7.7 shall not prevent or restrict CureVac from entering into agreements or arrangements with any supranational institution, national government, or any regional state or equivalent authority, or non-governmental organization pursuant to which CureVac provides pre-pandemic preparedness services in relation to any prophylactic or therapeutic mRNA-Based vaccines targeting any Pandemic Pathogen (other than SARS-CoV-2), comprising designing, developing and implementing rapid response vaccine solutions for use in health emergencies, including establishing "ever-warm" manufacturing facilities, development activities for vaccines targeting Pandemic Pathogens that are deemed a potential public health threat by the requesting government, supranational institution or non-governmental organization and the implementation of stockpiling and/or advance purchasing arrangements in connection with such vaccines.

4. RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT COLLABORATION.

4.1 First Product.

The Parties shall collaborate on the further Development of the First Product. The initial Development plan for the First Product that the Parties will implement is attached hereto as **Exhibit 4.1**, and may be amended from time to time by the JSC in accordance with this Agreement ("**First Product R&D Plan**"). CureVac will complete preclinical validation and sponsor a Clinical Phase I Study of this First Product, unless the Parties agree on a different clinical Development approach within the JSC. Unless GSK replaces the Product in accordance with Section 3.6 or the Program is terminated, GSK will conduct all subsequent Development activities, including activities to obtain Regulatory Approval for such Product, which CureVac shall support, including, and subject to Section 5.2.1 below, by the clinical supply of Products. Each Party will perform the aforementioned activities in accordance with this Agreement and the First Product R&D Plan (as amended from time to time).

4.2 Second Product.

The Parties shall collaborate on the Development of the Second Product. The initial R&D Plan for the Second Product is attached hereto as **Exhibit 4.2**, and may be amended from time to time by the JSC in accordance with this Agreement (“**Second Product R&D Plan**”). Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement and in accordance with the Second Product R&D Plan, the Parties will perform the following Development activities in respect of the Second Product:

- (i) the Parties will collaborate on the Antigen design and the identification of the precise target;
- (ii) CureVac will perform the mRNA design and formulation and will conduct the pre-clinical validation;
- (iii) CureVac will sponsor a first Clinical Phase I Study, unless the Parties agree on a different clinical development approach within the JSC; and
- (iv) unless GSK replaces the Product in accordance with Section 3.6 or the Program is terminated, GSK will conduct all subsequent Development activities, including regulatory activities to obtain Regulatory Approval for such Product, which CureVac shall support, including, and subject to Section 5.2.1 below, by the clinical supply of Products.

4.3 Other Products.

4.3.1 Initial Other Product. The Parties shall collaborate on the Development of the Initial Other Products. An initial R&D Plan for each of these Products is attached hereto as **Exhibit 4.3.1(A)-(C)**, and may be amended from time to time by the JSC in accordance with this Agreement (each, an “**Other Product R&D Plan**”). Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement and in accordance with the respective Other Product R&D Plan, the Parties will perform the following Development activities in respect of each of the Other Products:

- (i) the Parties will collaborate on the Antigen design and the identification of the precise target;
- (ii) CureVac will perform the mRNA design and formulation, and will conduct the pre-clinical validation; and
- (iii) CureVac will sponsor a first Clinical Phase I Study, unless in light of achieving the subsequent clinical development and Regulatory Approval of this Product expediently, the Parties agree on a different clinical development approach within the JSC; and
- (iv) unless GSK replaces the Product in accordance with Section 3.6 or the Program is terminated, GSK will conduct all subsequent Development activities, including regulatory activities to obtain Regulatory Approval for such Product, which CureVac shall support, including by the clinical supply of Products.

- 4.3.2 Subsequent Other Products.** If GSK has exercised its (i) Replacement Right pursuant to Section 3.6, (ii) its Exclusive Option pursuant to Section 3.7, or (iii) the GSK COVID Continue Option or GSK Continue Option under the 2021 Collaboration Agreement, the Parties shall collaborate on the Development of such Replacement Product, Optioned Product or COVID Product, as applicable. As soon as reasonably practicable following the exercise of the Replacement Right, Exclusive Option, GSK COVID Continue Option or GSK Continue Option by GSK, as applicable, the Parties shall jointly work on an R&D Plan for such Replacement Product, Optioned Product or COVID Product, as applicable, and shall submit such draft R&D Plan to the JSC for approval. Following approval of such R&D Plan by the JSC, each Party shall perform the activities allocated to such Party under the respective R&D Plan. The Parties shall jointly work on the Development of such Product up to and including the Clinical Phase I Study and, unless the Program is terminated, GSK will conduct all subsequent Development activities, including activities to obtain Regulatory Approval for such Product, which CureVac shall support, including by the clinical supply of Products, all in accordance with this Agreement and the applicable R&D Plan.
- 4.4 Development Data, results and records.** On a Program-by-Program basis, at such intervals as set forth in the applicable R&D Plan for the respective Program, or in the absence of any such provision in the applicable R&D Plan, at reasonable intervals, the Parties will make available to one another through formal reports for review and discussion within the JSC all Development Data and other results of the Development conducted pursuant to any Program, and will keep such records (paper and electronic) as described herein. The Parties will maintain records of the Development Data and other results in sufficient detail as required by Regulatory Authorities and in good scientific manner appropriate for patent purposes, and in a manner that properly reflects all work done and results achieved in the performance of such Programs.
- 4.5 Development Funding.** GSK shall, subject to the remainder of this Section 4.5, compensate CureVac for the Development Costs CureVac incurs performing the Development activities set forth in each R&D Plan (with FTE calculated at the FTE Rate) in accordance with the budget and assumptions as agreed under that R&D Plan. The Parties shall in good faith consider means of gaining efficiencies in the performance of the R&D Plans that have a positive impact on the associated budget, such as outsourcing of certain research activities to a subcontractor. The compensation is to be paid by GSK to CureVac on a Calendar Quarterly basis. GSK shall make payments to CureVac within [*****] after receipt of an invoice from CureVac, which CureVac shall provide on a Calendar Quarterly basis, with supportive documentation reasonably detailing the composition of the agreed budgeted cost (with FTE calculated at the FTE Rate) for the applicable Calendar Quarter period. CureVac shall notify GSK as soon as reasonably practicable in the event that it becomes aware that Development Costs are expected to deviate from the amounts approved in the Development budget, as a result of a change to the assumptions under the R&D Plan, whereupon the Parties shall discuss the causes of such deviation and evaluate potential mitigation measures relating thereto, and an appropriate adjustment (if any) to the Development budget. The Parties shall refer any Development budget increase amounting to greater than [*****] of the previously approved amount to the JSC for prior approval. Unless such budget increase is approved by the JSC, GSK shall not be liable to

compensate any amounts to CureVac in excess of [*****] of the amount set out in the agreed Development budget from time to time. GSK shall not unreasonably withhold its approval to any budget increase which is reasonably required as a result of the change to a budgeting assumption set out in a R&D Plan.

- 4.6 Materials.** CureVac will provide GSK with any CureVac Materials required for Development use in the Programs, including those which comprise, embody or incorporate CureVac Background Technology. Without limiting the foregoing, this shall be carried out in accordance with the respective R&D Plan. GSK will provide CureVac with any GSK Materials required for research and Development use in the Programs, including those which comprise, embody or incorporate GSK Background Technology. Without limiting the foregoing, this shall be carried out in accordance with the respective R&D Plan. GSK will use the CureVac Materials and CureVac will use the GSK Materials, as applicable (i) only in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement; (ii) not in human subjects, in clinical trials, or for diagnostic purposes involving human subjects, or for any animal studies, except as expressly provided for in R&D Plans; and (iii) not reverse engineer or chemically analyze the same except as expressly provided for (if at all) in R&D Plans. The Materials will remain the sole property of the Party supplying them and will be used by the recipient Party in compliance with all Applicable Laws and only to perform activities set forth in R&D Plans. The receiving Party shall not sell, transfer, disclose or otherwise provide access to the other Party's Materials without the written consent of the providing Party, except that the receiving Party may allow access to the other Party's Materials to its and its Affiliates' employees, officers, consultants, subcontractors and Sublicensees who require such access to perform its activities under this Agreement and solely for purposes consistent with this Agreement; provided that such employees, officers, consultants, subcontractors and Sublicensees are bound by agreement to retain and use the Materials in a manner that is consistent with the terms of this Agreement. The Materials are provided "as is". Except as expressly set out in this Agreement, no representations or warranties, express or implied, of any kind, are given by the providing Party with respect to any of the Materials including their condition, merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose. The receiving Party acknowledges the experimental nature of the Materials and that accordingly, not all characteristics of the Materials are necessarily known. Upon termination or expiry of this Agreement if earlier, any and all remaining Materials will, within [*****] after such event, be returned to the Party supplying them (or destroyed, if the supplying Party shall so specify, with such destruction confirmed in writing). The provision of Materials hereunder will not constitute any grant, option or license to or under such Materials, or any Patent Rights or Know-how of the supplying Party, except as expressly set forth herein.
- 4.7 Know-How Transfer.** As and when required in relation to an R&D Plan (and from time to time during the Term if new Know-How within the CureVac Know-How comes to be Controlled by CureVac) or as soon as reasonably practicable upon GSK's request, CureVac shall (at its cost and expense) disclose and/or deliver to GSK copies of all Development Data and information in CureVac's possession relating to the CureVac Know-How which is reasonably required for GSK's Development activities in accordance with the respective R&D Plan (including for regulatory purposes) ("**Development Transfer Materials**"), with the exception, however, of all Know-How

comprised in the CureVac Manufacturing Technology which shall be made available to GSK or its designee as set forth in Section 5.2.3. The technology transfer to be undertaken under this Section 4.7 and under Section 5.2.3 shall be overseen by the Joint Steering Committee. Any transfer of Know-How pursuant to this Section 4.7 shall be carried out on the basis of a specific technology transfer plan determined in good faith by the Parties and reflected in a technology transfer addendum to this Agreement, detailing at least the following activities together with appropriate timelines: (i) the provision by CureVac of soft copies and, to the extent reasonably required by GSK, hard copies of all Development Transfer Materials; (ii) the procurement by CureVac of the services of such qualified and experienced scientists and technicians, production and quality assurance personnel, engineers, and quality checking personnel as may be reasonably necessary to support the transfer of the Development Transfer Materials. Until completion of the transfer of the Development Transfer Materials, CureVac shall build and maintain a secure, readable, accessible and complete repository of the Development Transfer Materials.

4.8 Regulatory Approvals of Product.

4.8.1 Filing and Transfer of INDs. On a Product-by-Product basis, CureVac shall prepare and file INDs in accordance with the applicable R&D Plans. GSK shall have the right to review and comment on all such filings, and CureVac will take into good faith consideration any such comments provided by GSK within [*****] of GSK's receipt of such draft filings. As soon as is reasonably practicable after the completion of the [*****] for a Product, and in accordance with the instructions of GSK, CureVac shall (or shall cause its Affiliate to) assign and transfer to GSK the IND for such Product, and all of CureVac's and its Affiliates rights, interest and title therein, and GSK shall accept such assignment and transfer. GSK and CureVac each agree to use Diligent Efforts to take all actions required by a Regulatory Authority to effect the transfer of such IND and further agree to cooperate with each other in order to effectuate the foregoing transfer of such IND. At GSK's direction, an IND may also occur by GSK's filing of a new separate IND for the same Product, cross-referring to the first IND, followed by a later transfer and joining of the first IND, or by a close-out of the first IND. Following the transfer of the IND for a Product, GSK shall reimburse CureVac for all reasonable and demonstrable costs and expenses (including FTE costs at the FTE Rate) incurred by CureVac for the filing and transfer of that IND under the applicable R&D Plan. Until the transfer of an IND for a Product, CureVac shall be responsible for all regulatory interactions, including written communications and meetings with Regulatory Authorities, for any INDs filed by CureVac, provided that GSK shall have the right (i) to participate in meetings with Regulatory Authorities if permissible under Applicable Laws and/or (ii) to prepare and file INDs itself for any Product as set forth above. Furthermore, except in cases where this is not reasonably practicable, e.g. due to a deadline set by a Regulatory Authority, GSK shall have the right to review and comment on any written communications, and CureVac will take into good faith consideration any such comments provided by GSK.

4.8.2 Other Regulatory Filings. GSK has the sole right to prepare and file all new drug applications (or equivalents) and shall own all Regulatory Approvals and be responsible for all decisions in connection with the Regulatory Approvals for Products in the Field and in the Territory, subject to

GSK's diligence obligations under Section 4.10 and the rights granted to CureVac with respect to the Regulatory Approvals relevant for the CureVac Territory under Section 6 and the respective Distribution Agreement. With regard to CMC Development and Manufacturing, CureVac shall contribute the necessary sections for such filings, subject to review by GSK. On request by GSK, CureVac shall review and comment on all such filings and safety related documents, and GSK shall reimburse CureVac's reasonable FTE costs incurred on account of GSK's request at the FTE Rate. GSK will share with CureVac any regulatory filings before submission. CureVac shall cooperate in, and provide reasonable assistance to support, these efforts as reasonably requested by GSK. GSK shall provide CureVac with a final copy of each filing.

- 4.8.3 Communications.** Subject to Sections 4.8.1 and 4.8.6, **and** subject to the rights and obligations of CureVac under Section 6 and the respective Distribution Agreement with respect to the Regulatory Approvals relevant for the CureVac Territory, GSK shall be responsible for all regulatory interactions, including written communications and meetings with Regulatory Authorities, and safety management, including the reporting to the appropriate governmental authorities of all adverse events and any other information concerning the safety of Products. GSK will, as part of its regular updates through the JSC, inform CureVac in writing of any material feedback from Regulatory Authorities relating to any Product. Furthermore, at CureVac's request, GSK will provide copies of all Regulatory Approvals and material correspondence with Regulatory Authorities in the Major Markets relating to the Clinical Studies with respect to all Products to CureVac. CureVac shall have the right to participate as a silent observer in a meeting with Regulatory Authorities if and to the extent such meeting relates to the CureVac Technology. Furthermore, upon request of GSK, CureVac shall participate in a meeting with a Regulatory Authority, and GSK shall reimburse all of CureVac's FTE costs (at the FTE Rate) and expenses incurred on account of GSK's request.
- 4.8.4 Sharing of information.** CureVac will reasonably support GSK, at GSK's request at reasonable intervals (considering CureVac's limited personnel resources), on all regulatory matters with respect to the Development and Commercialization of the Products, at GSK's cost, including by providing data and documents as reasonably required for obtaining Regulatory Approvals and for interactions with Regulatory Authorities regarding the Products, provided that such documents and data will remain the property and Confidential Information of CureVac, and GSK will only use such documents and data in accordance with Section 11. CureVac, on receipt of a request of GSK shall provide to GSK a summary of the safety, reactogenicity and immunogenicity data resulting from the [*****]. Subject to Section 11, any First-Gen COVID Vaccine Products Dossiers/Data (as defined in the 2021 Collaboration Agreement) received from CureVac under the 2021 Collaboration Agreement shall be deemed Confidential Information of CureVac under this Agreement, and GSK may, notwithstanding any restriction under the 2021 Collaboration Agreement, use such data for the Development or Manufacture of Products under this Agreement.

- 4.8.5 Cross-referencing.** To the extent required by GSK, or an Affiliate or Sublicensee of GSK to the Products, CureVac hereby authorizes GSK, its Affiliates and Sublicensees to cross reference to the sections of the regulatory dossiers of the clinical trials related to any other mRNA-Based product in the Field in development by CureVac or its Affiliates to the extent under the Control of CureVac. GSK shall notify CureVac in writing prior to any such cross-referencing. GSK will consider in good faith any request of CureVac or any of its Affiliates to authorize cross-referencing to the sections of the regulatory dossiers of the clinical trials related to the Products.
- 4.8.6 Pharmacovigilance.** The Parties shall have in place and will maintain during the Term (or, as applicable, until the obligations intended to survive termination of this Agreement have been fulfilled) systems, procedures, training programs and documentation needed to perform and comply with their pharmacovigilance regulatory obligations, and each Party shall promptly notify the other Party of any safety issues that may arise and that need to be reported under Applicable Laws. Each Party will ensure that it complies with all Applicable Laws regarding the Products relating to risk management, drug safety and pharmacovigilance. The Parties shall negotiate in good faith and conclude a pharmacovigilance agreement within [*****] as of the Closing Date.
- 4.9 CureVac Development Diligence.** Subject to GSK complying with its obligations under this Agreement, CureVac will conduct all Development activities assigned to it the R&D Plans in a timely manner and in accordance with the R&D Plan, and obtain and maintain sufficient facilities, personnel (with appropriate qualifications and experience), equipment, materials and other resources as are reasonable and adequate to complete the R&D Plans.
- 4.10 GSK Development and Regulatory Diligence.** Subject to CureVac complying with its obligations under this Agreement, GSK will:
- (i) conduct all Development activities assigned to it in the R&D Plans, progress the Products into the next appropriate Clinical Study, and obtain and maintain sufficient facilities, personnel (with appropriate qualifications and experience), equipment, materials and other resources as reasonably required to complete the R&D Plans; and
 - (ii) use its Diligent Efforts to secure biologics licensure by the FDA and marketing authorization by EMA following completion of all appropriate Clinical Studies.
- 4.11 Use of GSK Technology.** Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, GSK hereby grants to CureVac, and CureVac accepts, a royalty-free, non-exclusive, license (with the right to sub-license in accordance with Section 4.12) to use the GSK Technology for performing the Development and Manufacturing activities allocated to CureVac under this Agreement (and, subject to the terms of each Ancillary Agreement, under the Ancillary Agreements).
- 4.12 Right to Sublicense.** CureVac shall have the right to sublicense its rights under Section 4.11 to any of its Affiliates, but not to any Third Party, subject only to the right to subcontract as set forth under Section 4.13 below.

4.13 Subcontracts. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, the Parties may subcontract to Affiliates and Third Parties, including CROs and CMOs, portions of the Programs to be performed. Any subcontractor shall be required to enter into appropriate agreements with respect to non-disclosure of Confidential Information and ownership of any intellectual property developed in the course of subcontracted activities, unless such subcontracting would not require the transfer of the other Party's Confidential Information to the Affiliate or Third Party subcontractor and there is no reasonable possibility of the creation of new intellectual property. Each Party shall remain liable to the other Party for any act or omission of its subcontractor.

5. MANUFACTURING AND COMMERCIALIZATION.

5.1 Manufacturing Facility. CureVac shall plan and carry out the completion of the installation and Regulatory Approval of the GMP-IV Manufacturing Facility, with two Drug Substance production lines each with a targeted scale up of five times compared to the current production process established at the GMP-III Manufacturing Facility and targeting a Drug Substance batch size of [*****] and the production of [*****] per year, at its own cost, due for completion by the Initiation of the [*****]. Furthermore, CureVac shall use Diligent Efforts to complete by the same date: (i) in-sourcing and process development of the Drug Product formulation process, including the LNP Technology; (ii) in-sourcing of the capability to produce DNA plasmids using the pDNA technology; and (iii) development of the supply chain for sourcing critical raw materials (the “**Manufacturing Facility Enhancements**”); provided that if the Parties agree in good faith that a CMO would be better suited to perform any of the activities under (i) and (ii), GSK shall relieve CureVac from its obligations with respect to (i) and/or (ii), as applicable, and provided further that the only and exclusive remedy in case of a breach by CureVac of its obligations to use Diligent Efforts to complete the Manufacturing Facility Enhancements under this Section 5.1 shall be that CureVac covers the costs for a bridging study in humans, if required solely as a result of such breach by CureVac, in the maximum amount of [*****]. Subject to Section 5.2, up to once per quarter, GSK shall have the right to request and assess the plans proposed by CureVac regarding the foregoing and to monitor the progress, provided that, if and to the extent it is necessary for GSK to undertake an on-site visit for this purpose, GSK shall not be permitted to do so more than twice per Calendar Year. GSK may, where relevant and at its discretion, suggest appropriate improvements and provide additional support in connection with enhancement of the Manufacturing Process for Drug Product and the installation of the GMP-IV Manufacturing Facility, which CureVac may freely decide to implement or not. CureVac will reasonably consider to use the [*****] for the Manufacture of the Products; it being understood and agreed between the Parties that GSK may not request the disclosure of any Know-How or any technology transfer from CureVac with respect to the [*****] other than to the extent necessary for any Regulatory Filing for a Product.

5.2 GSK Consultancy. GSK's assessment and suggestions with respect to enhancements and capacity expansion of Manufacturing of Drug Product in the GMP Manufacturing Facility will be according to GSK's best understanding at that time of the applicable requirements, practice and quality standards. In no circumstances shall GSK be liable in case of a discrepancy between the plans

assessed by GSK and applicable standards, or a competent Regulatory Authority's disagreement with the proposed plans or a recommendation provided by GSK, nor if CureVac fails to correctly implement the GSK recommendations. Any consultancy provided by GSK under Section 5.1 shall be limited to providing advice and guidance, but shall exclude any activities regarding the actual implementation of such advice or guidance, which shall be CureVac's sole responsibility.

- 5.2.1 Clinical Supply.** Within the JSC the Parties shall decide whether CureVac should ensure Manufacture and supply to GSK of doses of Products required for use by GSK in accordance with this Agreement for the Clinical Studies or whether GSK in lieu of CureVac should Manufacture clinical materials on its own following a transfer of the CureVac Manufacturing Technology, or whether and how the Manufacturing capability of both Parties should be combined, such decision to be based on the respective Manufacturing capacities available as declared by the respective Party, the context of the respective clinical trial material portfolios and batches across all projects, and to be aligned with the Parties' intention to ensure the Manufacture of Drug Product conforming to the required quality standards, the agreed specifications and the estimated timelines for Development of Products defined in the R&D Plans, and that supports the competitiveness of the Products. Where the Product for use in Clinical Studies is Manufactured by CureVac, its Affiliates and/or any CMO, one or more clinical supply agreement(s) and associated clinical Quality Agreement(s) will be negotiated and agreed between GSK and either or both CureVac, the CureVac Affiliate and/or CMO supplying the Products to GSK, and in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in **Exhibit 5.2.1 ("Clinical Supply Agreement")**. To the extent CureVac or its Affiliates Manufacture clinical trial material, CureVac and its Affiliates will reserve the required capacity for the Manufacture of Products for clinical supply in its GMP Manufacturing Facilities in accordance with the forecasts given under the supply agreement(s). In the event of a transfer of the CureVac Manufacturing Technology for clinical supply under this Section 5.2.1, such transfer shall only be made to GSK, and only to one site at GSK designated by GSK and approved by CureVac (which approval is hereby already given if GSK designates its vaccines manufacturing site in Wavre / Rixensart, Belgium). Unless otherwise provided herein, Section 5.2.3 below shall apply *mutatis mutandis*.
- 5.2.2 Commercial Supply.** On a Product-by-Product basis, upon the request of GSK, but in any case no later than the [*****] for the respective Product, GSK and CureVac, or the CureVac Affiliate supplying Drug Product to GSK, will negotiate and agree in good faith on a commercial supply agreement (each a "**Commercial Supply Agreement**") with respect to such Product (including a Quality Agreement) according to which CureVac or its Affiliates will Manufacture or have Manufactured for GSK, GSK's demand for bulk of Drug Product in accordance the terms and conditions set forth in **Exhibit 5.2.1(A)**. CureVac shall reserve, or shall procure that its Affiliates will reserve, [*****] of the annual batch capacity of the GMP-IV Manufacturing Facility for the Manufacture of bulk of Drug Product on behalf of GSK for supply in the Territory in accordance with the Commercial Supply Agreements.
- 5.2.3 Manufacture by GSK.** Upon the request of GSK, CureVac shall transfer all Know-How comprised in the CureVac Manufacturing Technology ("**Manufacturing Technology Transfer**")

Materials) to GSK, an Affiliate of GSK or the Third Party CMO designated by GSK and approved by CureVac (which approval CureVac will not unreasonably withhold, condition or delay, and will not withhold it when the transfer of the CureVac Manufacturing Technology is required to enable the Commercialization of a Product in a market where localized manufacturing is necessary in light of the characteristics of such market, or requested by a government in such market), as applicable, so that GSK itself, the Affiliate of GSK or the appointed Third Party CMO (approved by CureVac), as applicable, can Manufacture the Products. In the event of a technology transfer, the JSC shall establish a Manufacturing tech-transfer sub-committee, which shall oversee the Manufacturing technology transfer. GSK will compensate CureVac or, if applicable, its CMO, for such technology transfer provided by CureVac and/or its CMO FTE at the FTE Rate. CureVac's obligation to reserve [*****] of CureVac's GMP-IV Manufacturing Facility shall reduce proportionately, on a country-by-country basis, as GSK (or the appointed Third Party CMO) obtains Regulatory Approval for the Manufacture of the Products (for Commercialization purposes, not Development purposes) following completion of the Manufacturing technology transfer, provided that GSK shall in such case use Diligent Efforts to obtain such Regulatory Approval as soon as reasonably practicable, prioritizing the countries with the highest demand for Product, and provided further that CureVac's obligation to reserve capacity shall terminate in any event [*****] after the completion of the technology transfer. However, the foregoing decrease in reserved capacity shall not be triggered by a transfer of the CureVac Manufacturing Technology to a UK-based Affiliate of GSK or a CMO in the UK for commercial supply in the context of enabling pandemic preparedness solutions for Products on UK soil requested by the UK government. Any transfer of Know-How pursuant to this Section 5.2.3 shall be carried on the basis of a specific technology transfer plan determined in good faith by the Parties and reflected in a technology transfer addendum to this Agreement, detailing at least the following activities together with appropriate timelines: (i) the provision by CureVac of soft copies and, to the extent reasonably required by GSK, hard copies of all Manufacturing Technology Transfer Materials; (ii) the procurement by CureVac of the services of such qualified and experienced scientists, production and quality assurance personnel, engineers, and quality checking personnel as may be reasonably necessary to support the transfer of the Manufacturing Technology Transfer Materials; and (iii) the provision by CureVac to the personnel of GSK or its Affiliate with reasonable access to its facilities to observe the Manufacture at such times as the Parties may agree; provided such access shall be coordinated in a manner to minimize the disruption of CureVac's activities and CureVac may require any personnel of a Third Party with access to its facilities to sign a confidentiality agreement and to abide by the rules and guidelines applicable to the CureVac facility. Until the completion of the transfer of the Manufacturing Technology Transfer Materials, CureVac shall build and maintain a secure, readable, accessible and complete repository of the Manufacturing Technology Transfer Materials. Upon a technology transfer either under Section 5.2.1 or 5.2.3, the Parties will inform each other, on an ongoing basis, of any improvements, modifications or other changes of the Manufacturing process, and will promptly make available to each other all Know-How, including data and documentation required to apply such improvements, modifications or other changes in their respective Manufacturing sites.

- 5.3 Commercialization of Products; Diligence.** Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, GSK shall have the rights and the responsibility, and shall bear all costs associated with the Commercialization of Products in the Field in the GSK Territory. Unless terminated or replaced in accordance with this Agreement, GSK will use Diligent Efforts to Commercialize: (i) the First Product, (ii) the Second Product, (iii) each of the Initial Other Products, and (iv) each Replacement Product and each Optioned Product, as applicable, in each case of (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv) in the Field and in the Major Markets (other than Germany, unless waived by CureVac pursuant to Section 6.1) (subject to obtaining Regulatory Approval in the relevant Major Market). Without limiting the generality of the Diligent Efforts obligations under this Section 5.3, GSK shall:
- (i) on a Product-by- Product basis make the First Commercial Sale of a Product in a country as soon as reasonably practicable following the issuance of the Regulatory Approval for such Product in such country;
 - (ii) in addition to the royalty reports provided by GSK to CureVac under Section 8.7, beginning with the First Commercial Sale of the first Product in the Territory and continuing until expiry of the Royalty Term, provide CureVac, at least once annually by March 31 of each Calendar Year, with a confidential, non-binding sales forecast for that Calendar Year for discussion in the JSC (or the commercialization sub-committee, as applicable) of the estimated aggregate (x) sales of Products in the GSK Territory and (y) sales of Products in each Major Market, provided that GSK shall not be required to provide supporting materials in relation to such forecast.
- 5.4 CureVac Resources:** CureVac shall obtain and maintain sufficient facilities, personnel (with appropriate qualifications and experience), equipment, materials and other resources necessary to meet its obligations under this Section 5, in accordance with the timelines specified in and in accordance with this Section 5.
- 6. COMMERCIALIZATION OF PRODUCTS IN THE CUREVAC TERRITORY.**
- 6.1 Commercialization in CureVac Territory.** CureVac shall have the sole and exclusive right to Commercialize the Products in the Field in the CureVac Territory. On a Product-by-Product basis, until the execution of a Distribution Agreement between the Parties under Section 6.2 for a Product, CureVac shall have the right to waive its right to Commercialize such Product in the CureVac Territory by giving written notice to GSK. Upon receipt of such waiver notice by GSK, with respect to the respective Product, the CureVac Territory shall become part of the GSK Territory, and GSK shall have the right to Commercialize the Product in such extended GSK Territory, and the obligation to use Diligent Efforts to Commercialize the Product in Germany, subject to and in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement.
- 6.2 Distribution Agreement.** On a Product-by-Product basis, upon request of CureVac, but no later than [*****] prior to the estimated First Commercial Sale of the respective Product in the Field in the CureVac Territory, the Parties shall negotiate and agree in good faith on a distribution agreement under which CureVac has the exclusive rights to Commercialize such

Product in the Field in the CureVac Territory in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the key distribution terms in **Exhibit 6.2 (“Distribution Agreement”)**. CureVac shall comply with all policies, practices, standards, guidelines, codes and requirements generally inferred by the GlaxoSmithKline group on distributors of its products in the CureVac Territory, which shall be further detailed in the Distribution Agreement and compliance with which shall be subject to audit by GSK as specified in the Distribution Agreement.

7. GOVERNANCE.

7.1 Management.

7.1.1 Alliance Management. Management of the collaborative alliance reflected in this Agreement will be under the responsibility of the individual designated in writing within [****] of the Closing Date for CureVac (“**CureVac Alliance Manager**”) and of the individual designated in writing within [****] of the Closing Date for GSK (“**GSK Alliance Manager**”, and together with the CureVac Alliance Manager, the “**Alliance Managers**”). Each Alliance Manager will be the primary point of contact for the other Party on all matters relating to the operation of this Agreement other than Program activities.

7.1.2 Program Management. On a R&D Plan-by-R&D Plan basis, the management of the activities under the Programs will be under the responsibility of the individual designated in writing within [****] of the Closing Date for CureVac (“**CureVac Project Leader**”) and of the individual designated in writing within [****] of the Closing Date for GSK (“**GSK Project Leader**”, and together with the CureVac Project Leader, the “**Project Leaders**”). Each Project Leader will be the primary point of contact for the other Party on all matters relating to the R&D Plan.

7.2 Joint Steering Committee.

7.2.1 Establishment. Within [****] after the Closing Date the Parties will establish a joint steering committee (“**Joint Steering Committee**” or “**JSC**”) to oversee the Development, Manufacture and Commercialization of the Products and to facilitate the exchange of information between the Parties. The JSC shall be comprised of two (2) representatives of CureVac and two (2) representatives of GSK, one representative being the Alliance Manager of the respective Party, in each case with appropriate scientific and technical expertise and sufficient seniority within the applicable Party consistent with the scope of the JSC’s responsibilities. Each Party may replace its JSC representatives at any time upon written notice to the other Party, *provided, however*, that each Party shall use reasonable efforts (*obligation de moyen*) to ensure continuity on the JSC.

7.2.2 JSC Meetings. The JSC shall meet at least on a quarterly basis, or such other frequency as agreed by the Parties, by teleconference, videoconference or in person, provided that at least every [****], or such other frequency as agreed by the Parties, the meeting shall be in person (which in-person meeting will be held at alternate facilities of each Party), unless agreed otherwise by the JSC representatives. The JSC will have a quorum if at least one (1) representative of each Party is

present or participating. Each Party will be responsible for all of its own expenses of participating in the JSC meetings. The Parties will endeavor to schedule meetings of the JSC at least [*****] in advance. Each Party may call special meetings of the JSC with at least [*****] prior written notice, except in exigent circumstances, to resolve particular matters requested by such Party and within the decision-making responsibility of the JSC. Each Party may invite guest participants to certain items on the agenda of the meetings, with reasonable prior notice, in order to discuss special technical or commercial topics, provided that such guest participants shall be bound by confidentiality and non-use obligations consistent with the terms of this Agreement and shall not have a voting right in such meeting. The chair of the JSC will alternate each Calendar Year, with CureVac to chair the first year. The Party chairing the JSC shall prepare the meeting agenda with input from the other Party.

- 7.2.3 JSC Minutes.** The Alliance Manager of the Party chairing the JSC shall record the minutes of each JSC meeting in writing. Such minutes shall be circulated to the other Party's Alliance Manager no later than [*****] following the meeting for review, comment and approval of the other Party. If no comments are received within [*****] of the receipt of the minutes by the other Party, unless otherwise agreed, they shall be deemed to be approved by the other Party. Furthermore, if the Parties are unable to reach agreement on the minutes within [*****] of the applicable meeting, the sections of the minutes that have been mutually agreed between the Parties by that date shall be deemed approved and, in addition, each Party shall record in the same document its own version of those sections of the minutes on which the Parties were not able to agree
- 7.3 JSC Functions and Powers.** The JSC will be responsible generally for facilitating the Parties' interactions under this Agreement and specifically for overseeing the Development, Manufacture and Commercialization of the Products. The JSC has (i) no jurisdiction to make any amendments to this Agreement, which right is reserved to the Parties; and (ii) no jurisdiction over any dispute relating to the validity, performance, construction or interpretation of this Agreement. The principal functions of the JSC will include:
- (i) overseeing the Development of Products in accordance with the R&D Plans, including deciding the strategy for the Manufacturing and supply of clinical materials, as referred to in Section 5.2.1;
 - (ii) reviewing and approving the R&D Plans in relation to a Product Adjustment, Replacement Product or an Optioned Product;
 - (iii) updating the initial R&D Plans to include the further Development work and discussing and approving the annual Development budgets under the R&D Plans;
 - (iv) the resolution and approval of any issue and recommendation from the Parties with respect to the modification of the R&D Plans, including but not limited to modifications of the budget and timelines;

- (v) receiving written reports or presentations from GSK and CureVac of their respective progress with the further Development of each Product summarizing their Development activities and the results thereof with respect to the applicable Product and discuss at meetings the status, progress, and results of the Development of the respective Product;
- (vi) exchanging Development Data and other technical information;
- (vii) upon GSK's request, serving as a forum where CureVac shall inform GSK of new internal development programs covered by GSK's Exclusive Option;
- (vii) upon GSK's request, serving as a forum where CureVac shall inform GSK of new internal development programs covered by GSK's Exclusive Option;
- (viii) creating sub-committees, including the IP Sub-Committee pursuant to Section 7.4, a Commercialization sub-committee for the coordination of Commercialization activities for Products by GSK in the GSK Territory and by CureVac in the CureVac Territory and a Manufacturing sub-committee for discussing Product-related and/or Product-related Manufacturing and supply;
- (ix) serving as a forum where each Party shall inform the other Party of any material feedback received from Regulatory Authorities in relation to any Product;
- (x) informing on material regulatory filings and regulatory interactions related to the Products;
- (xi) fostering the collaborative relationship between the Parties;
- (xii) resolving disputes between the Parties; and
- (xiii) such other functions as agreed by the Parties.

If the JSC establishes a sub-committee in accordance with this Section 7.3, unless otherwise agreed, the governance provisions of this Section 7 shall apply accordingly to such sub-committee.

In line with the completion of the Programs, the Parties shall, within the JSC, in good faith evolve the composition and operation of the JSC to reflect the change in roles and responsibilities of the Parties in the further Development, Manufacturing and Commercialization of the Products.

7.4 IP Sub-Committee. Within [*****] of the Closing Date the JSC shall establish an IP Sub-Committee comprising up to two patent attorneys of each Party. The IP Sub-Committee shall be the forum for discussion and liaison between the Parties concerning filings to be made for Program Patent Rights and Joint Patent Rights. For the avoidance of doubt, the IP Sub-Committee is not a decision-making forum, except (in the first instance) with respect to matters concerning the maintenance of the Program Patent Rights and Joint Patent Rights, and, in relation to the Program Patent Rights and Joint Patent Rights, the patent term extension strategy, patent litigation, patent defense and enforcement, but serves as a forum for discussion where the Parties

may coordinate and consult with each other with respect to any such filings. The IP Sub-Committee shall in particular: (i) convene no less than once every [*****] to facilitate regular interaction regarding the intellectual property matters arising from this Agreement (or any Ancillary Agreement); (ii) exchange information necessary to keep the Parties reasonably informed of each other's prosecution of patents and trademarks that form part of the intellectual property rights licensed under this Agreement; (iii) review any Invention arising under a Program (including any Joint Product Invention and Joint Other Invention) and determine in good faith the ownership thereof, in accordance with this Agreement; (iv) coordinate intellectual property aspects of publications or presentation of Development Data, in accordance with Section 11.7; (v) cooperatively review and discuss potential material infringements by Third Parties as well as the potential infringement by either Party or its Affiliates of any intellectual property of a Third Party pursuant to Development, Manufacturing or Commercialization under this Agreement; and (vi) escalate any intellectual property-related issue on which the Parties are not in agreement to the JSC.

7.5 JSC Decisions.

7.5.1 Initial Dispute Resolution. Actions to be taken by the JSC and any subcommittee shall be taken only following a unanimous vote, with each Party's representatives collectively having one (1) vote. If any subcommittee fails to reach unanimous agreement on a matter before it for decision for a period in excess of [*****], the matter shall be referred to the JSC.

7.5.2 Final Decision-Making.

- (a) If the JSC fails to reach unanimous agreement on a matter brought before it for decision for a period in excess of [*****] (which number shall be reduced to [*****] in case of a matter that is deemed urgent by either Party, acting reasonably), the matter may be referred by either Party to the Executive Officers, who shall meet in person or via teleconference within [*****] and attempt to resolve such matter in good faith.
- (b) If the Executive Officers fail to reach agreement as to such matter for a period in excess of [*****] from their initial meeting (which number shall be reduced to [*****] in case of a matter that is deemed urgent by either Party, acting reasonably), the final decision on such undecided matter shall be made by GSK in good faith with the following exceptions:
 - (i) GSK shall not unilaterally reduce its diligence obligations under this Agreement or;
 - (i) bis GSK shall not unilaterally make material amendments to an R&D Plan (including the budget and the number of FTEs agreed in the R&D Plan) which have an adverse impact on CureVac, adopt a decision that would cause significant delay of the Development timelines as set forth in an R&D Plan or would oblige CureVac to perform additional obligations under this Agreement or an R&D Plan, it being understood that if following an escalation to the JSC and Executive Officers, the Parties are not aligned

on the Manufacturing of doses of Product for use in Clinical Studies, the decision by GSK to Manufacture such doses itself shall be deemed to comply with the aforementioned limitations as long as it does not cause a new delay to the Development timelines;

- (ii) without limiting any right of GSK at law, GSK shall not unilaterally decide on any matter concerning Joint Patent Rights or any Inventions claimed therein, with the exception of decisions relating to (i) obtaining and maintaining supplementary protection certificates (ii) enforcement against Third Parties in the Territory within the Field in accordance with Section 10;
- (iii) subject to the Quality Agreements, GSK shall not unilaterally decide any matter with respect to the CMC Development or the Manufacture of Products that CureVac Manufactures for GSK (for either Development or Commercial purposes); and
- (iv) GSK shall not unilaterally alter or amend the terms and conditions of this Agreement and shall have no jurisdiction over any dispute relating to the validity, performance, construction or interpretation of this Agreement.

7.6 Information and results. Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, the Parties will make available and disclose to one another Development Data and other results of work conducted pursuant to each Program prior to and in preparation for the JSC meetings, by the deadline and in the level of detail, form and format to be designated by the JSC; *provided, however*, that, in any event, each Party shall to the extent reasonably possible provide the other Party with quarterly updates regarding its work pursuant to the Programs preferably [*****] prior to each JSC meeting.

8. CONSIDERATION AND PAYMENTS.

8.1 Upfront Payment. In partial consideration for the exclusive licenses granted to GSK under the CureVac Technology, GSK shall pay to CureVac a non-refundable and non-creditable fee in the amount of one hundred and twenty million Euro (EUR 120,000,000) within [*****] after GSK's receipt of an invoice of the respective amount from CureVac.

8.2 GMP-IV Reservation Fee. In consideration for the reservation of Manufacturing capacity in the GMP-IV Manufacturing Facility pursuant to Section 5.2.2, GSK shall pay to CureVac a non-refundable fee in the amount of thirty million Euro (EUR 30,000,000) upon [*****] ("**GMP-IV Reservation Fee**"). Such payment shall be made within [*****] after GSK's receipt of an invoice of the respective amount from CureVac. GSK may credit:

- (i) ten million Euro (EUR 10 million) against [*****],

(ii) ten million Euro (EUR 10 million) against [*****]; and

(iii) ten million Euro (EUR 10 million) against [*****].

8.3 Development and Regulatory Milestone Payments. In consideration for the exclusive licenses granted to GSK under the CureVac Technology, on a Product-by-Product basis, GSK shall pay to CureVac the one-time, non-refundable, non-creditable development milestone payments set forth in this Section 8.3 (each a “**Development & Regulatory Milestone Payment**”) upon the first occurrence of the applicable milestone event with respect to any Product, provided that each such milestone payment shall be due only once for each Product (each a “**Development & Regulatory Milestone Event**”). On a Product-by-Product basis, if any one of the Development & Regulatory Milestone Events is not required for the Development of a Product, such Development & Regulatory Milestone Payment shall become payable upon achieving the Development & Regulatory Milestone Event following the Development & Regulatory Milestone Event which was not required, *i.e.*, upon the achievement of such following Development & Regulatory Milestone Event two Development & Regulatory Milestone Payments become payable hereunder.

8.3.1 First Product. The following Development & Regulatory Milestone Payments shall be made for the First Product:

Development & Regulatory Milestone Event	In EUR million
[*****]	[*****]
[*****]	[*****]
[*****]	[*****]
[*****]	[*****]
[*****]	[*****]

8.3.2 Second Product and Other Products. The following Development & Regulatory Milestone Payments shall be made for the Second Product and for each Other Product (including any Replacement Product and Optioned Product):

Development & Regulatory Milestone Event	In EUR million
[*****]	[*****]
[*****]	[*****]
[*****]	[*****]
[*****]	[*****]
[*****]	[*****]

8.4 Sales Milestone Payments. In consideration for the licenses granted to GSK under the CureVac Technology and the LNP Technology, on a Product-by- Product basis, GSK shall pay to CureVac each of the non-refundable, non-creditable milestone payments set forth in this Section 8.4 (each a “**Sales Milestone Payment**”) for the Calendar Year in which aggregated annual Net Sales in the GSK Territory of all Products developed from the respective Product meet or exceed for the first time the thresholds set forth below (each a “**Sales Milestone Payment**”).

8.4.1 First Product. The following Sales Milestone Payments shall be made for the First Product:

Sales Milestone Event	In EUR million
[*****]	[*****]
[*****]	[*****]
[*****]	[*****]
[*****]	[*****]

8.4.2 Second Product and Other Products. The following Sales Milestone Payments shall be made for the Second Product and for each of the Other Products (including any Replacement Product and Optioned Product):

Sales Milestone Event	In EUR million
[*****]	[*****]
[*****]	[*****]
[*****]	[*****]
[*****]	[*****]

8.5 Obligation to Inform. GSK shall notify CureVac on the occurrence of a milestone event under Sections 8.3 and 8.4 (other than the milestone events under the control of CureVac) as soon as possible but in any event within [*****] after becoming aware of the occurrence of the relevant milestone.

8.6 Milestone Payment Terms. Each milestone payment shall be due and payable within [*****] after the receipt of the respective invoice by GSK. Notwithstanding the foregoing, each Sales Milestone Payment shall be paid together with the royalty payments for the Calendar Quarter during which the respective milestone has been achieved.

8.7 Royalties.

8.7.1 Royalty Rates. As further consideration for the rights and licenses granted by CureVac to GSK to the CureVac Technology and the LNP Technology under this Agreement, GSK shall pay royalties to CureVac in the amounts set forth below:

- (i) First Product. GSK shall pay to CureVac the following royalties on Net Sales in each Calendar Quarter in the GSK Territory of all Products developed from the First Product in the amounts set forth below:

Annual Net Sales of First Product	Royalty Rate
[*****]	[*****]
[*****]	[*****]
[*****]	[*****]
[*****]	[*****]

First Product shall include any Product with the same Antigen composition as Developed under the same Program, even if such Product is sold under a different label. For illustration purposes, if the First Product is approved in certain countries for an indication or use associated only with the Second Product, the Net Sales for such Product will still be Net Sales of the First Product.

- (ii) Second Product. GSK shall pay to CureVac the following royalties on Net Sales in each Calendar Quarter in the GSK Territory of all Products developed from the Second Product in the amounts set forth below:

Annual Net Sales of Second Product	Royalty Rate
[*****]	[*****]
[*****]	[*****]
[*****]	[*****]
[*****]	[*****]

- (iii) Other Products. On a Product-by-Product basis, for each Other Product (including any Replacement Product and Optioned Product), GSK shall pay to CureVac the following royalties on Net Sales in each Calendar Quarter in the GSK Territory of all Products developed from the respective Other Product in the amounts set forth below:

Aggregate annual Net Sales of all Products developed from an Other Product	Royalty Rate
[*****]	[*****]
[*****]	[*****]
[*****]	[*****]
[*****]	[*****]

8.7.2 Royalty Term. On a country-by-country and Product-by-Product basis, GSK’s royalty obligations as set forth in this Section 8.7 shall begin with the First Commercial Sale of such Product in such country, and shall expire upon the later to occur of:

- (i) the expiry of the last to expire Valid Claim of any Patent Rights Controlled by CureVac (whether alone or jointly with GSK or a Third Party) Covering such Product in such country;
- (i) the earlier of (A) expiry of Regulatory Exclusivity for such Product in such country and (B) twelve (12) years following the First Commercial Sale of such Product in such country; or
- (ii) ten (10) years following the First Commercial Sale of such Product in such country, provided that such Product incorporates CureVac Know-How or CureVac Know-How is required to Develop, Manufacture and/or Commercialize the Product in such country,

and provided further that GSK’s royalty obligations under this Section 8.7 with respect to a Product shall expire for all countries of the GSK Territory on the twentieth (20th) anniversary of the First Commercial Sale of such Product in the first country of the GSK Territory (the “**Royalty Term**”).

8.7.3 Know-How Reduction. During the applicable Royalty Term and on a country-by-country and Product-by- Product basis, the royalty rate for a Product in a country shall be reduced by [*****] of the applicable rate determined pursuant to Section 8.7.1, if such Product is not or no longer Covered by a Valid Claim in such country.

8.7.4 Exhaustiveness. Except as set forth otherwise in this Agreement, the Royalty shall be the exhaustive consideration for the maintenance by CureVac of the CureVac Technology, and

CureVac shall be responsible for the payment of any royalties, fees, costs or expenses under the In-Licensing Agreements.

8.7.5 Third Party Offset. Without limiting any other right or remedy of GSK under this Agreement, or any obligation of CureVac, on a country-by-country and Product-by-Product basis, if, during the Term, GSK or any of its Affiliates is required to obtain a license under certain Third Party Patent Rights to obtain freedom to operate with respect to the use or exploitation of any CureVac Elements for the Development, Manufacture and Commercialization of Products under this Agreement and to pay a royalty or other consideration under such license (including milestone payments or any payment in connection with the settlement of a patent infringement claim), then the Parties shall discuss obtaining an FTO license in accordance with Section 10.14. Royalties due to CureVac for the respective Product in the respective country(ies) Covered by the Third Party Patent Rights in-licensed by GSK to obtain at its discretion freedom to operate under this Section 8.7.5 shall, subject to Section 8.7.6, be reduced by: (i) [*****] of the reasonable amount payable by GSK to the Third Party for licenses required in respect of the Patent Right listed in **Exhibit 8.7.5** relevant to the Initial Products; and (ii) and [*****] the amount payable by GSK to the Third Party for any other licenses. Where a Product is encoded by Modified mRNA, CureVac will not bear any payments to Third Parties with respect to such Modified mRNA (without prejudice to the procedure set forth in Section 2.7.1).

8.7.6 Cumulative Deductions. Notwithstanding the above, any royalty reduction made pursuant to Section 8.7.3 and/or Section 8.7.5 shall in no event reduce the applicable royalty rate for the respective Finished Product in the respective country to less than [*****] of the amounts determined pursuant to Section 8.7.1.

8.7.7 Blended Royalties.

With respect to a potential step down in royalty rates to account for the expiry of certain Patent Rights, the Parties acknowledge and agree that the CureVac Technology and the LNP Technology licensed hereunder may justify royalty rates for sales of Products in the GSK Territory in different amounts, which rates could be applied separately to Products involving the exercise of CureVac Technology and the Licensed LNP (namely in a ratio of [*****]). Furthermore, the Parties acknowledge and agree that the CureVac Technology licensed under this Agreement may justify royalty rates and/or royalty terms of differing amounts for sales of Products in the GSK Territory, which rates could be applied separately to Products involving the exercise of CureVac Patent Rights in the GSK Territory and/or the incorporation of CureVac Know-How, and that if such royalties were calculated separately, royalties relating to the CureVac Patent Rights in the GSK Territory and royalties relating to the CureVac Know-How would last for different terms. For practicality reasons the Parties have agreed on a blended royalty rate. For clarity, this Section 8.7.7 solely explains the rationale behind the royalty rates agreed on by the Parties and does not modify any of the other provisions of this Agreement.

8.7.8 Royalty Payments. Within [*****] after the end of each Calendar Quarter in which any Net Sales occur, GSK shall calculate the royalty payments owed to CureVac and shall remit to CureVac the amount owed to CureVac. All royalty payments shall be computed by converting the Net Sales in each country in the GSK Territory into the currency of Euro, using the monthly exchange rates as customarily used by GSK. All costs and expenses shall be computed by converting the relevant costs and expenses into the currency of Euro, using the monthly exchange rates as customarily used by GSK.

8.8 Reports. Each royalty payment shall be accompanied by a written report describing the Net Sales of each Product sold by or on behalf of GSK, its Affiliates and Sublicensees during the applicable Calendar Quarter for each country in which sales of any Product occurred, specifying: (i) the gross sales (if available) and Net Sales in each country's currency, including an accounting of deductions taken in the calculation of Net Sales; (ii) the applicable exchange rate to convert from each country's currency to Euro; and (iii) the royalties payable in Euro. All costs and expenses invoiced by CureVac shall be accompanied by a detailed breakdown of those costs and expenses, together with the applicable exchange rate to convert from the currency in which the costs and expenses were incurred to Euro.

8.9 Records and Audit. Each Party and its Affiliates and/or its Sublicensees shall keep and maintain records of: (i) in the case of GSK, sales of the Product(s) so that the royalties payable and the royalty reports may be verified; and (ii) in the case of CureVac, all costs and expenses incurred by it which are reimbursable under this Agreement, so that the costs and expenses reimbursable may be verified, and, where applicable, decisions and communications relating to the operation of the clearance process as set out in Section 3.5.1 to the extent carried out by CureVac or its external counsel. Such records shall upon reasonable written notice be open to inspection during business hours for a [*****] period after the Calendar Quarter to which such records relate, but in any event not more than once per Calendar Year, by a nationally recognized independent certified public accountant selected by the auditing Party and retained at the auditing Party's expense. Said accountant shall have the right to audit the records kept pursuant to this Agreement for a period covering not more than [*****]. If said examination of records reveals any underpayment(s) or over payment(s) of any amounts payable, then the audited Party shall promptly pay or credit the balance due to the auditing Party, and if the underpayment(s) or overpayment(s) is/are more than [*****], then the audited Party shall also bear the expenses of said accountant (and if no further payments are due, shall be refunded or paid by the audited at the request of the auditing Party).

8.10 Payment Terms.

8.10.1 All payments by GSK to CureVac shall be made by wire transfer payment in Euro and shall be remitted to the following bank account:

[*****]

[*****]

[*****]

[*****]

Invoices shall be issued to GSK on a Program-by-Program basis. Electronic invoicing is GSK's preferred method for receiving invoices. [*****] is GSK's e-invoicing partner for submitting electronic invoices. The Parties shall collaborate to sign CureVac up to such platform to allow for electronic invoicing.

All invoices should include the following information: Invoice Date, Number and Amount; Sender's Address, and Phone Number; Purchase Order Number; Tax Identification Number; Agreement Reference No (if applicable).

- 8.10.2** If any sum payable by GSK under this Agreement is subject to a good faith dispute between GSK and CureVac: (i) GSK shall, pay to CureVac, by the due date, all amounts not disputed in good faith by GSK; (ii) GSK shall notify CureVac, within [*****] after the due date, of any disputed amounts and shall, as soon as reasonably practicable after it has provided that notification, describe in reasonable detail its reasons for disputing each amount; and (iii) the Parties shall seek to resolve the dispute in accordance with Section 16.5. When any dispute regarding the amounts payable under this Agreement is resolved, GSK shall pay any sum which is agreed or determined (in accordance with Section 16.5) to be payable by GSK within [*****] after the date of resolution of that dispute (or such other period as is agreed between the Parties or determined by arbitration pursuant to Section 16.5), plus interest thereon at the interest rate set forth in Section 8.10.3 from the time such payment was due.
- 8.10.3** Any undisputed payments not paid within [*****] after the due date under this Agreement shall bear interest at an annual rate of [*****] above the three-month-EURIBOR rate of the respective currency for the time period in which such amount is outstanding, as disclosed from time to time by the European Central Bank which applied on the due date. Calculation of interest will be made for the exact number of days in the interest period based on a year of 360 days (actual/360).
- 8.11 Taxes.**
- 8.11.1** Each Party shall be responsible for its own income taxes assessed by a tax or other authority except as otherwise set forth in this Agreement. The Parties agree, in accordance with Section 16.10, that the relationship between the parties is one of independent contractors and does not constitute a partnership or joint venture, and agree not to take (or cause any person to take) any position on any tax return or in the course of any audit, examination or other proceeding inconsistent with such treatment, unless otherwise required by Applicable Laws and except upon a final determination of the applicable tax authority.
- 8.11.2** The Parties acknowledge and agree that it is their mutual objective and intent to optimize, to the extent feasible and in compliance with Applicable Laws, taxes payable with respect to their

collaborative efforts under this Agreement and that they shall use reasonable efforts to cooperate and coordinate with each other to achieve such objective.

8.13.3 If any taxes are required to be withheld under Applicable Laws, from any payment to be made by GSK to CureVac under this Agreement, GSK shall (a) deduct such taxes from the payment to be made to CureVac, (b) timely pay the taxes to the proper taxing authority, and (c) send proof of payment to CureVac with an explanation of payment of such taxes within [****] following such payment. For purposes of this Section 8.11.3, each Party shall provide the other with reasonably requested assistance which assistance includes provision of any tax forms and other information that may be reasonably necessary for GSK or CureVac not to withhold tax.

8.11.4 All payments due to the terms of this Agreement are expressed to be exclusive of VAT and Indirect Taxes. VAT and Indirect Taxes shall be added to the payments due to the terms if legally applicable.

9. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY.

9.1 Background Technology. As between the Parties, all right, title and interest in and to all CureVac Background Technology shall remain under the Control of CureVac; and all right, title and interest in and to all GSK Background Technology shall remain under the Control of GSK. As between the Parties, each Party shall have the sole right, in its sole discretion and at its sole expense, to prosecute, maintain and defend Patent Rights within its Background Technology; *provided, however*, that CureVac shall consider in good faith the interests of GSK in the prosecution, maintenance and defense of the CureVac Patent Rights within CureVac Background Technology.

9.2 Disclosure of Inventions. During the Research Period, on a Product-by-Product basis, each Party shall as soon as reasonably practical disclose to the other Party (including representatives of the IP Sub-Committee), the discovery, making, conception, or reduction to practice of any Inventions. After the Research Period, each Party shall as soon as reasonably practical disclose to the other Party (including representatives of the IP Sub-Committee) if it is continued after the Research Period, or otherwise through the Alliance Manager, the making, conception, or reduction to practice of any Invention that may be owned in part or in whole by the other Party pursuant to this Section 9.

9.3 Ownership and exploitation of Inventions.

9.3.1 Ownership of Inventions. The Parties agree that any CureVac Invention, GSK Invention, Joint Product Invention, and Joint Other Invention that have been discovered, made, conceived, and first reduced to practice prior to the Second Amendment Effective Date and notified by the inventing Party to the other Party at the latest [****] after the Effective Date of the Second Amendment Effective Date shall be governed by Sections 9.3.1, 9.3.2, 9.3.3, 9.3.4 and 9.3.5 of the version of this Agreement existing prior to the Second Amendment Effective Date.

With respect to any other Invention (i.e., Inventions governed by this Second Amendment), the following shall apply:

(i) “CureVac Inventions”, i.e.

- (a) all Inventions that (aa) are discovered, made, conceived, and first reduced to practice by or on behalf of GSK alone or jointly by or on behalf of both GSK and CureVac; (bb) do not Cover a Product; (cc) are Independent from the GSK Background Technology and earlier GSK Inventions; (dd) are not Independent from CureVac Background Technology, the LNP Technology or any earlier CureVac Invention; and (ee) are not Specific CureVac Inventions (“CureVac Invention With GSK Contribution”).

An Invention that is “**Independent**” from certain technology or other Invention shall, for purposes of this Section 9.3, mean that such Invention was discovered, conceived, made and reduced to practice, or that it could have been so, without access to the other technology or Invention referred to;

- (b) all Inventions that (aa) are discovered, made, conceived, and first reduced to practice (as applicable) by or on behalf of CureVac alone; (bb) do not Cover a Product; (cc) are not Specific CureVac Inventions; and (dd) are not GSK Inventions With CureVac Contribution; and/or
- (c) all Inventions that are discovered, made, conceived, and first reduced to practice (as applicable) by or on behalf of either Party, or jointly by the Parties, in one of the following areas:

[*****]

(“Specific CureVac Inventions”)

shall be solely owned by CureVac;

(ii) **“GSK Inventions”**, i.e.

(a) all Inventions that (aa) are discovered, made, conceived, and first reduced to practice by or on behalf of CureVac alone or jointly by GSK and CureVac; (bb) do not Cover a Product; (cc) are Independent from the CureVac Background Technology, the LNP Technology and any earlier CureVac Invention; and (dd) are not Independent from any GSK Background Technology or any earlier GSK Invention (**“GSK Inventions With CureVac Contribution”**), and

(b) all Inventions that (aa) are discovered, made, conceived, and first reduced to practice by or on behalf of GSK alone; (bb) do not Cover a Product; (cc) are not Specific CureVac Inventions; and (dd) are not CureVac Inventions With GSK Contribution;

shall be solely owned by GSK; and

(iii) all other Inventions, i.e., Inventions which are neither governed by the Agreement existing prior to the Second Amendment, nor are CureVac Inventions or GSK Inventions, are governed by Section 9.3.2 below and are Inventions owned jointly by the Parties (**“Joint Inventions”**).

9.3.2 Exploitation, Licensing and Assignment of Joint Technology. Subject to Sections 2.1.1 and 2.3, each Party may freely practice, exploit and license any Joint Inventions, and any resulting Joint Patent Rights and related Know-How (**“Joint Technology”**), in any field and in perpetuity, *provided, however*, that:

- a. such freedom does not imply the licensing of any GSK Background Technology or CureVac Background Technology;
- b. subject to Section 16.1 below, neither Party shall assign to a Third Party (other than to an Affiliate) its interest in any Joint Technology without the prior written consent of the other Party, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld, delayed or conditioned; and
- c. if a Party assigns to a Third Party its interest in any Joint Patent Right or related Know-How, such assigning Party shall ensure that the assignee is legally bound to respect the rights of the other Party pursuant this Section 9.3.2.

9.4 License-back under GSK Inventions With CureVac Contribution and CureVac Inventions With GSK Contribution. GSK hereby grants to CureVac, and CureVac hereby accepts, a royalty-

free, perpetual, worldwide, non-exclusive license, with the right to sublicense (in multiple tiers) under the GSK Inventions With CureVac Contribution (and related Know-How) to freely practice, use and exploit such GSK Inventions With CureVac Contribution and related Know-How, in any field. CureVac hereby grants to GSK, and GSK hereby accepts, a royalty-free, perpetual, worldwide, non-exclusive license, with the right to sublicense (in multiple tiers) under the CureVac Inventions With GSK Contribution (and related Know-How) to freely practice, use and exploit such CureVac Inventions With GSK Contribution, in any field. For the avoidance of doubt, the foregoing does not imply the licensing of any GSK Background Technology or CureVac Background Technology. If CureVac (for CureVac Inventions with GSK Contribution) or GSK (for GSK Inventions with CureVac Contribution) assigns to a Third Party its title or interest in any of the aforementioned Inventions (or in the associated Patent Rights or Know-How rights), such assigning Party shall ensure that the assignee is legally bound to respect the rights of the other Party as licensee of such assigned rights pursuant to this Section 9.4.

- 9.5 Assignment and transfer of Inventions.** To give effect to the ownership principles described in Section 9.3 each Party shall assign and transfer, and hereby assigns and transfers, to such other Party or such other Party's designee all or a [*****] share, as the case may be, of its present and future rights, interest and title to any such Invention that is to vest in the other Party pursuant to the ownership principles described in Section 9.3, and the other Party shall accept and hereby accepts such assignment and transfer ("**Assigned Invention**"). At the written instruction of the other Party, the transferring Party agrees to make or procure all such assignments from its employees, consultants and subcontractors as are necessary to give effect to the provisions of this Section 9.5 and to assist the transfer in every way reasonably required by the transferee (i) to obtain Patent Rights to such Assigned Invention in any and all countries for which Patent Rights are being sought; and (ii) to maintain and defend Patent Rights in all Assigned Inventions which have been or may be assigned as provided above. The transferring Party shall execute and deliver, and cause its employees, consultants and subcontractors to execute and deliver, all such documents, instruments and other papers and take all such other action which the transferee may reasonably request in order to give effect to the provisions of this Section 9.5.
- 9.6 Cooperation.** Each Party represents and agrees that all its employee(s), contractor(s) and agent(s) will be obligated under a binding written agreement or otherwise to assign to such Party all Inventions discovered, created, conceived, developed or reduced to practice by such employee(s), contractor(s) or agent(s) in connection with this Agreement.
- 9.7 Filing, Prosecution, Maintenance and Defense.**
- 9.7.1 CureVac Program Patent Rights.** CureVac shall have the first right, but not the obligation, at its sole expense, to file, prosecute, maintain and defend the Patent Rights Covering a CureVac Invention (each, a "**CureVac Program Patent Right**") throughout the Territory. At the latest [*****] before filing, CureVac shall give GSK an opportunity to review and comment upon the text of any application with respect to any CureVac Program Patent Right, shall consult with GSK with respect thereto, shall not unreasonably refuse to address any of GSK's

comments and supply GSK with a copy of the application as filed, together with notice of its filing date and serial number. CureVac shall keep GSK, through the IP Sub-Committee, reasonably informed of the status of the actual and prospective prosecution, maintenance and defense, including but not limited to any substantive communications with the competent patent offices that may affect the scope of such filings, and CureVac shall to the extent reasonably possible give GSK a timely, prior opportunity to review and comment upon any such substantive communication and shall consult with GSK with respect thereto, and shall not unreasonably refuse to address any of GSK's comments. Notwithstanding the above, prior to filing any application for a CureVac Invention that may disclose, in part or in full, any other Invention, CureVac shall provide GSK with a copy of the draft application and provide GSK with at least [*****] to review and comment upon the text of such draft application. If GSK notifies CureVac within the above [*****] deadline that GSK has decided to file an application for another Invention, the Parties shall coordinate the filing of the application for a CureVac Invention with the filing of GSK's application for such other Invention, so that CureVac's application and GSK's application are filed on the same day or otherwise filed in a way that secures and protects each of the Parties' interest. For the avoidance of doubt, CureVac will not include any Invention other than a CureVac Invention in a separate patent claim of a patent application for a CureVac Program Patent Right without GSK's prior written consent. CureVac shall promptly give notice to GSK of the grant, lapse, revocation, surrender or invalidation of any CureVac Program Patent Rights. CureVac shall as soon as reasonably practicable give notice to GSK of any final decision to not file patent applications claiming CureVac Program Patent Rights or to cease prosecution and/or maintenance and/or defense of CureVac Program Patent Rights on a country by country basis and, in such cases, shall permit GSK, in GSK's sole discretion, to file such patent applications or to continue prosecution or maintenance or defense of such CureVac Program Patent Rights (in which case thereafter they will be assigned by CureVac to GSK and deemed a GSK Program Patent Right) at its own expense and in its own name.

9.7.2 GSK Program Patent Rights. GSK shall have the sole right, but not the obligation, at its sole expense, to file, prosecute, maintain and defend the Patent Rights Covering a GSK Invention (each, a "**GSK Program Patent Right**") throughout the Territory in good faith consistent with its customary patent policy and its reasonable business judgment and shall consider in good faith the reasonable interests of CureVac in so doing. GSK shall keep CureVac, through the IP Sub-Committee, reasonably informed of the status of the actual and prospective prosecution, maintenance and defense, of all GSK Program Patent Rights. Notwithstanding the above, prior to filing any application for a GSK Invention that may disclose, in part or in full, another Invention, GSK shall provide CureVac with a copy of the draft application and provide CureVac with at least [*****] to review and comment upon the text of such draft application. If CureVac notifies GSK within the above [*****] deadline that CureVac decides to file an application for a CureVac Invention, the Parties shall coordinate the filing of the application for a GSK Invention with the filing of CureVac's application for such CureVac Invention so that CureVac's application and GSK's application are filed on the same day or otherwise filed in a way that secures and protects each of the Parties' interest. For the avoidance of doubt, GSK will not include any Invention other than a GSK Invention in a separate patent claim

of a patent application for a GSK Program Patent Right without CureVac's prior written consent. GSK shall as soon as reasonably practicable give notice to CureVac of any desire to cease prosecution and/or maintenance and/or defense of GSK Program Patent Rights on a country by country basis and, in such cases, shall permit CureVac, in CureVac's sole discretion, to continue prosecution or maintenance or defense of such GSK Program Patent Rights (in which case thereafter they will be assigned by GSK to CureVac and deemed a CureVac Program Patent Right) at its own expense and in its own name.

- 9.8 Joint Patent Rights.** GSK shall have the first right, but not the obligation, to file, prosecute, maintain and defend Joint Patent Rights throughout the Territory, at its sole expense, and GSK shall give timely notice to CureVac, and, if during the Research Period, with a copy to the IP Sub-Committee, of any final decision to not file patent applications claiming Joint Patent Rights or to cease prosecution and/or maintenance of Joint Patent Rights on a country-by-country basis and, in such cases, shall permit CureVac, in CureVac's sole discretion, to file such patent applications or to continue prosecution, maintenance or defense of such Joint Patent Rights at its own expense. At the latest [*****] before filing, the prosecuting Party shall give the non-prosecuting Party an opportunity to review and comment upon the text of any application with respect to such Joint Patent Right, shall consult with the non-prosecuting Party with respect thereto, shall not unreasonably refuse to address any of the non-prosecuting Party's comments and supply the non-prosecuting Party with a copy of the application as filed, together with notice of its filing date and serial number. The prosecuting Party shall keep the non-prosecuting Party reasonably informed of the status of the actual and prospective prosecution, and maintenance, including but not limited to any substantive communications with the competent patent offices that may affect the scope of such filings, and the prosecuting Party shall give the non-prosecuting Party a timely, prior opportunity to review and comment upon any such substantive communication and shall consult with such non-prosecuting Party with respect thereto, and shall not unreasonably refuse to address any of such non-prosecuting Party's comments.
- 9.9 Patent Term Extension and Supplementary Protection.** The IP Sub-Committee shall decide on any patent term extensions, including supplementary protection certificates and any other extensions, including pediatric extensions, for a Product that are now or become available in the future, wherever applicable, in order to secure the optimal protection for the Products available under Applicable Laws. The Party holding the marketing authorization for the Product Covered by any Patent Rights shall have the obligation for applying for any such extension or supplementary protection certificate, and such Party shall keep the other Party fully informed of its efforts to obtain such extension or supplementary protection certificate. The other Party shall provide prompt and reasonable assistance, as requested by the applying Party. GSK shall pay all expenses for obtaining and maintaining any extension or supplementary protection certificate in respect of a Product in the GSK Territory.
- 9.10 Development Data.** Except to the extent the Development Data enter the public domain pursuant to Section 11.7, the Development Data shall be treated as Confidential Information of the Parties. Each Party may use, and allow its Affiliates to use, the Development Data for the purpose of

obtaining adequate protection and prosecution of their respective Know-How and Patent Rights, or as provided for otherwise in accordance with this Agreement, provided that in each case it provides the other Party with prior written notice of its intent to use the Development Data for such purpose. The other Party may, within a reasonable time following receipt of such notice, request the notifying Party to delay the use of the Development Data, in order to safeguard the protection and prosecution of other Know-How and Patent Rights. Following such request, the Parties shall cooperate in good faith to align the protection and prosecution of each Party's Know-How and Patent Rights. For the avoidance of doubt, the terms and conditions of this Article 9 shall govern the intellectual property rights of the Parties in the Development Data.

- 9.11 Challenges.** If GSK or any of its Affiliates (directly or indirectly, individually or in association with any other person or entity) intends to challenge the validity of the CureVac Patent Rights or the Patent Rights included in the LNP Technology, or supports a Third Party in the challenge of a CureVac Patent Right or a Patent Right included in the LNP Technology in such legal proceeding, it shall promptly, and in no event later than [*****] prior to initiating such challenge (or such shorter period as required due to a court's, patent office's or other filing deadline associated with the relevant triggering event giving rise to the challenge, but in any event not less than [*****] prior to initiating such challenge), notify CureVac hereof. If CureVac or any of its Affiliates (directly or indirectly, individually or in association with any other person or entity) intends to challenge the validity of the GSK Patent Rights in a legal proceeding, or supports a Third Party in the challenge of a GSK Patent Right in such legal proceeding, it shall promptly, and in no event later than [*****] prior to initiating such challenge (or such shorter period as required due to the court or other filing deadline associated with the relevant triggering event giving rise to the challenge, but in any event not less than [*****] prior to initiating such challenge), notify GSK thereof. The Parties, through the IP Sub-Committee, shall promptly discuss any such issue in good faith, including the grant of a freedom to operate license at terms to be negotiated, and, if they cannot find an agreement, escalate the issue to the Executive Officers. If the Executive Officers despite good faith negotiations cannot find a solution, and a CureVac Patent Right or Patent Right within the LNP Technology is not granted or is declared invalid upon a successful challenge by GSK or any of its Affiliates (either alone or with a Third Party), such CureVac Patent Right or Patent Right within the LNP Technology shall be deemed to have been granted or shall be deemed valid until the expiry of regular patent protection for such CureVac Patent Right that would have been applied if such CureVac Patent Right or Patent Right within the LNP Technology had been granted or had not been successfully declared invalid for the purposes of Section 1.196 (Valid Claim) and Section 8.7.2 (Royalty Term).
- 9.12 Challenges to Third Party Patent Rights.** If either Party or any of its Affiliates (directly or indirectly, individually or in association with any other person or entity) intends to challenge the validity of any Third Party Patent Rights potentially Covering the Development, Manufacture or Commercialization of a Product (including, but not limited to, any request for, or filing or declaration of, any invalidity proceedings, interference, deviation proceeding, opposition, inter partes review, post-grant review, third party observations or re-examination), it shall, prior to initiating such challenge, notify the other Party through the IP Sub-Committee. The Parties, through

the IP Sub-Committee shall discuss the strategy for such challenge. If the Parties agree to pursue a joint challenge, (i) the Parties shall collaborate with respect to such challenge, (ii) the Parties shall consult with each other regarding, and agree on, strategic decisions and their implementation in connection with such challenge, and (iii) the Parties shall [*****] all costs and expenses of such challenge, provided that if the total costs and expenses exceed [*****], any additional costs require prior approval of the JSC. Either Party and its Affiliates shall also be entitled, if agreed by the Parties, or if the IP Sub-Committee does not agree on a joint challenge, without the other Party, to challenge the validity of any Third Party Patent Rights. In this case, the Party bringing the challenge (i) shall have no obligation to consult with the other Party regarding its strategy and (ii) shall bear all the costs and expenses of such challenge.

10. ENFORCEMENT AND DEFENSE.

10.1 Enforcement.

10.2 Notice. Each Party shall promptly provide the other Party with written notice reasonably detailing any known or alleged infringement by a Third Party of any CureVac Patent Rights, GSK Patent Rights or Joint Patent Rights which competes with the Development, Manufacture or Commercialization of Products in the Territory (collectively “**Third Party Infringement**”).

10.3 GSK Rights. Subject to Section 10.4, GSK shall have the primary right to determine and control a course of action designed to curtail a Third Party Infringement in the Field in the Territory at its own expense. GSK shall keep CureVac closely informed as to any legal courses of action it pursues pursuant to this Section 10.3, and the Parties shall consult with each other, and agree on strategic decisions and their implementation in connection with such action.

10.4 CureVac Rights. On a Product-by-Product basis, for as long as CureVac holds the exclusive right to Commercialize a Product in the CureVac Territory pursuant to Section 6, CureVac shall have the primary right to determine and control a course of action designed to curtail a Third Party Infringement in the Field in the CureVac Territory at its own expense. CureVac shall keep GSK closely informed as to any legal courses of action it pursues pursuant to this Section 10.3, and the Parties shall consult with each other, and agree on strategic decisions and their implementation in connection with such action.

10.5 Taking over. If the Party having the primary right to enforce its rights against such Third Party Infringement pursuant to Sections 10.3 or 10.4, respectively, elects not to enforce its rights against such Third Party Infringement or not to further pursue the enforcement of its rights, such Party shall notify the other Party of such decision as soon as reasonably practicable and in any event within [*****] after receipt of the Third Party Infringement notice or after the decision not to further pursue the enforcement of its rights. If after the expiry of the [*****] period (or, if earlier, the date upon which the Party which has the primary right to enforce its rights against such Third Party Infringement provides written notice that it has decided not to or to no longer enforce its rights against such Third Party Infringement), the Party which has the primary right to enforce its rights against such Third Party Infringement has neither obtained a

discontinuance of the Third Party Infringement, nor filed suit with regard to such Third Party Infringement, then the other Party shall have the right, but not the obligation, to take action or bring suit with respect to such Third Party Infringement at its own expense.

- 10.6 Collaboration.** If such course of action includes litigation, the enforcing Party shall notify the non-enforcing Party of the commencement of that litigation and shall have the right and standing to use and sue in the other Party's name. Notwithstanding the first sentence of this paragraph, irrespective of which Party brings an action with respect to a Third Party Infringement hereunder, (i) the Parties shall collaborate with respect to such action; (ii) the non-enforcing Party shall have the right, at its own expense, to be represented by independent counsel in any such litigation; and (iii) the Parties shall consult with each other regarding, and agree on strategic decisions and their implementation in connection with such action. Except as set forth otherwise herein, the Party bringing the action shall bear all costs and expenses of such action.
- 10.7 Recoveries.** Any recoveries obtained by either Party as a result of any proceeding with regard to a Third Party Infringement under this Section 10.1 shall be allocated as follows:
- (i) such recovery shall first be used to reimburse each Party for all reasonable costs incurred in connection with such proceeding;
 - (ii) such recovery shall then be used to compensate each Party for the respective damages suffered from the Third Party Infringement (in the case of damage suffered by CureVac, as calculated at the Royalty Rate), provided that in the event the remaining portion of the recovery is not sufficient to compensate each Party's damages, such compensation shall be shared on a pro-rata basis depending on the amount of the respective damages suffered; and
 - (iii) the remaining portion of such recovery, if any, shall be [*****] between CureVac and GSK.
- 10.8 Settlements.** Neither Party shall settle any claim or demand in any such litigation that materially negatively impacts the other Party's rights or interests under this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other Party, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed. In addition to the foregoing, to the extent any action initiated by GSK involves any infringement of CureVac Patent Rights and/or Joint Patent Rights, as the case may be, and is reasonably likely to relate to CureVac's products and/or technologies other than a Product, GSK will consult with CureVac regarding issues relating to such CureVac Patent Rights, Joint Patent Rights, and/or CureVac's products and technologies, and the Parties will mutually agree on strategic litigation decisions regarding such issues.
- 10.9 Assistance.** The non-enforcing Party shall provide such assistance as the enforcing Party reasonably requests in connection with any action or suit hereunder to prevent or enjoin a Third Party Infringement at the enforcing Party's cost. At the request of the enforcing Party, the non-enforcing Party shall provide reasonable assistance to the enforcing Party, at the enforcing Party's expense, in connection with such enforcement, including by executing reasonably appropriate

documents, and joining as a party to the action. The Parties agree that, irrespective of which Party brings the action or suit pursuant to this Section 10.1, the Parties will update each other as to the status of such actions through the IP Sub-Committee and the enforcing Party will not unreasonably reject comments from the other Party relating to the management of such litigation.

10.10 Defense.

10.11 Notice. If the Development, Manufacture or Commercialization of any Product in any country in accordance with this Agreement or other activity of either of the Parties pursuant to the Agreement is alleged by a Third Party to infringe a Third Party's Patent Right, the Party becoming aware of such allegation shall promptly notify the other Party.

10.12 Control. CureVac has the first right, but not the obligation, to control any defense of any such claim involving an alleged infringement of Third Party rights by (i) the exploitation or use of the CureVac Technology, where such alleged infringement is allegedly not caused solely by the Development, Manufacturing or the Commercialization of one or more Products or (ii) CureVac's activities under this Agreement (including Development, Manufacturing or the Commercialization of one or more Products, and the Commercialization of Products in the CureVac Territory), at its own expense and by counsel of its own choice, and GSK may, at its own expense, choose to be represented with respect to any such claim by counsel of its own choice. GSK has the first right, but not the obligation, to control any defense of any such claim other than where CureVac has the first right to control the defense of a claim, at its own expense and by counsel of its own choice, and CureVac may, at its own expense, choose to be represented with respect to any such claim by counsel of its own choice.

10.13 Assistance. Upon the defending Party's request and cost, the non-defending Party shall provide reasonable assistance to the defending Party with respect to a defense and/or shall join in any action if reasonably required by the defending Party in order to defend such claim or to assert all available defenses and claims, and shall reasonably cooperate with the defending Party. The defending Party shall not enter into a settlement that imposes a financial obligation upon the non-defending Party or which limits the scope or invalidates any Patent Right of the other Party without such Party's prior written consent, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed, and in any settlement the defending Party shall always take into consideration the interest of the non-defending Party.

10.14 FTO Licenses. Without prejudice to other provisions of Section 13.4, and the rights and remedies of GSK thereunder, where a Party reasonably concludes that use or exploitation of: (i) in the case of GSK, any CureVac Elements; or (ii) in the case of CureVac, any mRNA technology or other technology used by or on behalf of GSK, its Affiliates or Sublicensees to Develop, Manufacture and/or Commercialize Products under this Agreement that is described in the Know-How, or within the scope of the specification of the Patents Rights, Controlled by GSK (excluding, for clarity any CureVac Know-How or CureVac Patent Rights), in each case for the Development, Manufacturing or Commercialization of Products, infringes Third Party rights and will require a freedom-to-

operate license from such Third Party, the Parties will discuss the issue and the strategy for obtaining a sublicensable license in the IP Sub-Committee, giving due consideration to the other Party's interest to develop its Background Technology outside the Field and a potential extension of such FTO license at the cost of the other Party, with final endorsement by the JSC. The Parties will inform each other of the status of discussions regarding an FTO license and shall allow the other Party to participate in the negotiations, e.g., by allowing a representative to be part of the negotiation team. Upon request of such Third Party or the other Party, the requested Party will consider in good faith whether and how it may support obtaining a freedom-to-operate license, e.g., by granting a cross-license under its Background Technology to such Third Party. If the Third Party rights are reasonably expected to affect the Products as well as other products, and if they are necessary to obtain freedom to operate with respect to any CureVac Elements, CureVac shall reasonably consider obtaining such freedom-to-operate license, and that license, if sublicensable, will become an additional In-Licensing Agreement as set forth in Section 2.7.1 at no additional cost to and with no further consideration payable by GSK. If such license is obtained by GSK and required to obtain freedom-to-operate under CureVac Elements, as between the Parties, any costs shall be borne in accordance with Section 8.7.5. If such license is required to obtain freedom-to-operate with respect to a Product (but not under any CureVac Elements), the costs will be borne by [*****]. If such license is required to obtain freedom-to-operate with respect to a Product and/or Modified mRNA (but not under any CureVac Elements), the costs for use under this Agreement will be borne by GSK, and GSK will use all reasonable efforts to ensure that such license extends to CureVac upon termination of this Agreement.

11. CONFIDENTIALITY.

11.1 Obligation of Confidentiality. As at and after the Effective Date, all Confidential Information disclosed, revealed or otherwise made available to one Party or its Affiliates ("**Receiving Party**") by or on behalf of the other Party ("**Disclosing Party**") under, or as a result of, this Agreement is made available to the Receiving Party solely to permit the Receiving Party to exercise its rights, and perform its obligations, under this Agreement and the 2021 Collaboration Agreement. The Receiving Party shall not use any of the Disclosing Party's Confidential Information for any other purpose, and shall not disclose, reveal or otherwise make any of the Disclosing Party's Confidential Information available to any other person, firm, corporation or other entity, without the prior written authorization of the Disclosing Party, except as explicitly stated in this Section 11. Without limiting the foregoing no Receiving Party shall be permitted under this Agreement to share any Confidential Information supplied by a Disclosing Party with (i) any Third Party (or such Third Party's Affiliates) that becomes an Affiliate of that Receiving Party solely as a result of a Change of Control in that Receiving Party or (ii) in the case of CureVac, any Third Party sublicensee under the CureVac Technology (including those identified in item (iii) of the Disclosure Letter).

11.2 Additional Obligations.

11.2.1 Appropriate Safeguards. In furtherance of the Receiving Party's obligations under Section 11.1 hereof, the Receiving Party shall take all reasonable steps, and shall implement all appropriate and

reasonable safeguards, to seek to prevent the unauthorized use or disclosure of any of the Disclosing Party's Confidential Information. The Parties will jointly agree a protocol with information security measures to be implemented to safeguard secured exchange of Confidential Information and personal information, within [*****] following the Closing Date.

11.2.2 Unauthorized Use or Disclosure. The Receiving Party shall furnish the Disclosing Party with written notice immediately of it becoming aware and indicating details of any unauthorized use or disclosure of any of the Disclosing Party's Confidential Information by any employee, officer, director, consultant, CRO, CMO, contractors, agent(s), consultant(s), and Sublicensees, or Financial Partner of the Receiving Party, and shall take all actions reasonably required in order to prevent any further unauthorized use or disclosure of the Disclosing Party's Confidential Information. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Receiving Party remains responsible and liable for any unauthorized use by any employee, officer, director, consultant, CRO, CMO, contractors, agent(s), consultant(s), and Sublicensees, or Financial Partner of the Receiving Party.

11.3 Limitations. The Receiving Party's obligations under Sections 11.1 shall not apply to the extent that the Receiving Party can demonstrate by competent written evidence that any of the Disclosing Party's Confidential Information:

- (i) is known by the Receiving Party at the time of its receipt, and not through a prior disclosure by or on behalf of the Disclosing Party under this Agreement;
- (ii) is in the public domain by use and/or publication before its receipt from the Disclosing Party, or thereafter enters the public domain through no fault of the Receiving Party;
- (iii) is subsequently disclosed to the Receiving Party by a Third Party who may lawfully do so and is not under an obligation of confidentiality regarding the Confidential Information; or
- (iv) is developed by the Receiving Party independently of Confidential Information or material received from the Disclosing Party.

11.4 Authorized Disclosures.

11.4.1 Necessary Disclosures. Each Party may disclose the other Party's Confidential Information as expressly permitted by this Agreement or if and to the extent such disclosure is reasonably necessary in the following instances:

- (i) disclosure to judicial, governmental or other regulatory agencies or authorities in connection with the filing, prosecution, maintenance and defense of Patent Rights as permitted by this Agreement;
- (ii) disclosure to judicial, governmental or other regulatory agencies or authorities to gain or maintain approval, authorizations or the like to Develop, Manufacture or Commercialize a

given Product that such Party has a license or right to Develop, Manufacture or Commercialize hereunder in a given country or jurisdiction;

- (iii) prosecuting or defending litigation as permitted by this Agreement;
- (iv) disclosure to its and its Affiliates' employees, officers, directors, consultants, CROs, CMOs, contractors, agent(s), consultant(s), to Sublicensees (in the case of GSK) or permitted sublicensees (in the case of CureVac) or the LNP Provider, in each case on a need-to-know basis for the purposes as expressly authorized and contemplated by this Agreement, including for the Development, Manufacturing and/or Commercialization of the Products (or for such entities to determine their interest in performing such activities) in accordance with this Agreement, on the condition that such Affiliates or Third Parties agree to be bound by confidentiality and non-use obligations that substantially are no less stringent than those confidentiality and non-use provisions contained in this Agreement;
- (v) disclosure to such Party's attorneys, independent accountants or financial advisors for the sole purpose of enabling such attorneys, independent accountants or financial advisors to provide advice to the Receiving Party, on the condition that such attorneys, independent accountants and financial advisors agree to be bound by the confidentiality and non-use obligations contained in this Agreement; or
- (vi) disclosure to any bona fide potential or actual investor, insurer, acquirer, merger partner, Sublicensee (in the case of GSK), or permitted sublicensees (in the case of CureVac) or other bona fide potential or actual financial partner or funding source ("**Financial Partner**") solely for the purpose of evaluating or carrying out an actual or potential investment, acquisition, license or collaboration, and to any related persons directly connected with such activity being contemplated with the Financial Partner, such as an advisory firm or investment bank; provided that in connection with such disclosure, the Disclosing Party shall notify each disclosee of the confidential nature of such Confidential Information and disclosure shall be subject to the agreement of each disclosee to be bound by confidentiality and non-use obligations that substantially are no less stringent than those confidentiality and non-use provisions contained in this Agreement.

11.4.2 Required Disclosures. If a Party is required by judicial, governmental or administrative process, including to comply with Applicable Laws (including stock exchange rules) or pursuant to Section 11.4.1 to disclose Confidential Information that is subject to the non-disclosure provisions of Section 11.1, such Party shall to the extent reasonably possible provide the other Party with reasonable advance notice of the disclosure that is being sought in order to provide the other Party an opportunity to challenge or limit the disclosure obligations. Confidential Information that is disclosed by judicial, governmental or administrative process shall remain otherwise subject to the confidentiality and non-use provisions of this Section 11, and the Party disclosing Confidential Information pursuant to judicial, governmental or administrative process shall take all steps

reasonably necessary, including to seek an order of confidentiality, to ensure the continued confidential treatment of such Confidential Information.

- 11.5 Survival.** All of the Receiving Party's obligations under this Section 11 hereof, with respect to the protection of the Disclosing Party's Confidential Information, shall for a period of [*****] survive the expiry or termination of this Agreement for any reason whatsoever.
- 11.6 Public Announcements, Press Releases.** The Parties shall issue a press release in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit 11.6** at an agreed time promptly after the Closing Date. Thereafter, except as otherwise expressly permitted in this Agreement, and except as may be required by Applicable Law, including the listing standards or agreements of any national or international securities exchange, neither Party shall issue any press release or public statement disclosing information relating to this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby or the terms hereof without the prior written consent of the other Party, not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned, or delayed. Each Party may repeat any information relating to this Agreement that has already been publicly disclosed in accordance with this Section 11.6, provided such information continues as of such time to be accurate.
- 11.7 Publication of Development Data.** The Parties acknowledge the merit of publishing Development Data regarding the Products (other than CMC Development data) in searchable, peer-reviewed scientific literature in accordance with international scientific publishing practices and standards (including regarding the recognition of contribution and authorship). Either Party may request the other Party to discuss and determine in good faith a joint publication strategy for the Development Data regarding the Products, which shall be effective upon endorsement by the IP Sub-Committee and the respective Alliance Managers. As between the Parties, the Party by whom or on whose behalf the experiment or study generating such Development Data has been conducted, shall be responsible for the publication of such Development Data, unless defined otherwise in a joint publication strategy. Any intended publication of Development Data regarding a Product (including presentations to Third Parties or publication in intellectual property filings) shall be notified to the IP Sub-Committee by the relevant Party as soon as reasonably practicable and in any event at least [*****] before the final decision to publish, to allow the other Party to review and comment on the publication. The other Party may demand that the publication of the proposed presentation or publication is delayed for a period of [*****] in order to assess whether the Development Data intended to be published is patentable. If the other Party decides to pursue patent protection, it may request the publishing Party to further delay the publication of the proposed presentation or publication for a time not exceeding [*****] from the date of the publishing Party's notification, to enable adequate protection and prosecution of Patent Rights by either Party or their Affiliates.

With respect to any agreements between a Party and Third Parties (including clinical investigators) that a Party enters into after the Closing Date relating to the Development of any Product or otherwise relating to Development activities under this Agreement, such Party shall use reasonable efforts to include publication provisions regarding results of the experiments and studies for such

Products that allow such Party to receive and provide a copy of any proposed publications or public presentations to the other Party, which such Party shall submit to the other Party with a reasonable amount of time for review as described in this Section 11.7.

Subject to the above review, a Party shall have the right as required by Applicable Law or its policies and standard operating procedures to (a) publish protocol summaries, results summaries, protocols, clinical study reports, plain language summaries and other study documents of all Clinical Studies conducted by or on behalf of such Party during the Term of this Agreement in any clinical trial register, including any of its own clinical trial registers; (b) publicly disclose results from other Clinical Studies where that Party determines that the results are scientifically important or relevant for patient care; and (c) make any other public disclosures of clinical Development Data that become required by GSK or CureVac due to Applicable Laws.

12. COMPLIANCE, QUALITY, INTEGRITY

12.1 Legal Compliance. Each Party shall procure that it and its personnel performs this Agreement in accordance with Applicable Laws.

12.2 GxP. GSK and CureVac shall undertake the Development activities regarding the Products, in compliance with GxP. With regard to any Clinical Studies conducted by CureVac under this Agreement, GSK may require CureVac to comply with the policies and standards of the GSK regarding the human subject research conducted to its benefit, and shall in this respect allow GSK, at its request, to review and approve at least the protocol and informed consent forms associated with such Clinical Studies.

12.3 Data Integrity. GSK and CureVac shall carry out their respective Development activities under this Agreement, and collect and record any data generated therefrom, in a manner consistent with the following good data management practices: (i) Development Data shall be generated using sound scientific techniques and processes; (ii) Development Data shall be analyzed appropriately, without bias and in accordance with good scientific practices; and (iii) Development Data shall be accurately recorded in accordance with good scientific practices by the individuals performing the research and in accordance with the ALCOA CCEA data integrity principles: (A) Attributable: data are traceable to the originator, (person and/or a computerized system, a device, an instrument), including any changes made to data, i.e. who performed an action and when, so that key decisions made during the conduct of the research, presentations made about the research and conclusions reached in respect of the research can be easily demonstrated and reconstructed; (B) Legible: data are readable and understandable; (C) Contemporaneous: data are recorded at the time they are generated or observed as per regulatory requirements; or in absence of regulatory requirements, local business practices; (D) Original (true copy): data as the file or format in which it was first generated, e.g. first paper record of manual observation, or electronic raw data file from a computerized system as per regulatory requirements; or in absence of regulatory requirements, local business practices; (E) Accurate: data, including error corrections and edits, are correct, truthful and to the appropriate precision; (F) Complete: all expected elements of the data are present (i.e.,

no unexplained gaps in the data) and the full meaning and context is preserved with the data; (G) Consistent: all elements of the record follow in the expected sequence; (H) Enduring: data are recorded in a permanent medium (paper or electronic) and continue to be retained in a human readable format for as long as specified in applicable record retention requirements; and (I) Available: data are maintained securely in such a way that they are accessible and retrievable in reasonable times (“**Good Data Management Practices**”). Each Party shall maintain written policies and standards related to Good Data Management Practices and shall ensure appropriate, documented training of its relevant personnel with respect to Good Data Management Practices.

- 12.4 Human Biological Samples.** If the Parties wish to source Human Biological Samples on each other’s behalf or exchange Human Biological Samples between them, such exchange shall be recorded in separate addendums to this Agreement setting forth further terms and conditions for the specific purpose. GSK and CureVac undertake that the Human Biological Samples used or collected in connection with the Development have been obtained and will be stored, transferred, used and disposed of in accordance with all Applicable Laws and any generally accepted ethical guidelines regarding the collection, use, transport and disposal of human tissue, including with regard to consents from patients, volunteers and other donors.
- 12.5 Privacy; Information Security.** The Parties shall comply with Data Protection Laws (as defined in Exhibit 12.5), including those concerning medical confidentiality and privacy in relation to human subjects of the Development activities regarding the Products. The Parties acknowledge that they do not intend that one Party processes personal information for and on behalf of the other Party. If personal information is transferred between the Parties (as between controllers) pursuant to the performance of this Agreement or any Ancillary Agreement, the Parties shall comply with Exhibit 12.5, which may be amended from time to time by the Parties as is required by Applicable Laws. The Parties will enter into further data protection agreements if required by Applicable Laws.
- 12.6 Ethical Care of Animals.** The Parties shall comply with all Applicable Laws for the care, welfare and ethical treatment of animals in the country where animal testing or animal research is performed. The Parties shall implement the “3Rs” Principles – reducing the number of animals used, replacing animal with non-animal methods whenever possible and refining the research techniques used. All work shall be performed in adherence to the core principles for animals identified below. Local customs, norms, practices or laws may be additive to the core principles, but each Party agrees to comply and shall procure and ensure that those acting for or on behalf of such Party (including its subcontractors) comply, as a minimum, with these core principles: (i) access to species appropriate food and water; (ii) access to species specific housing, including species appropriate temperature and humidity levels; (iii) provision of humane care and a program of veterinary care through guidance of a veterinarian; (iv) animal housing that minimizes the development of abnormal behaviors; (v) adherence to principles of replacement, refinement and reduction in the design of in vivo or ex vivo studies with processes to optimize animal use and to ensure effective population management; (vi) supported by a relevant scientific justification/rationale, approved by an institutional ethical review process and subjected to independent scientific review; (vii) commitment to minimizing pain and distress during in vivo and

ex vivo studies; and (viii) work is performed by personnel documented as trained and competent to conduct the procedures for which they are responsible. Each Party agrees that all protocols involving animal research or animal testing for in connection with the Products shall undergo an ethical review, whether or not required by Applicable Law, and that written documentation confirming ethical review shall be maintained by such Party until [*****] after the completion of the experiment or test, demonstrating that the review was completed. If a Party is currently accredited by AAALACi, such Party agrees to make commercially reasonable efforts to maintain its AAALACi accreditation during the life of this Agreement. Each Party shall have procedures in place to assess and approve its external suppliers and distributors who supply animals to it to: (i) ascertain and confirm the quality of the animals supplied; (ii) ensure legal requirements for the care and welfare of animals are met; and (iii) ensure that only purpose bred animals are used to perform the animal testing or research. The distance of suppliers from the test facility shall be minimized (where practicable) and transport processes (e.g. stocking densities, carrying crates, food and water) shall ensure minimum stress. On arrival, each Party shall ensure checks are in place to confirm only healthy animals are used. Each Party shall document the approval of its animal suppliers and distributors, which documentation shall be made available to the other Party upon request. GSK shall have the right, but not the obligation, to approve any supplier of non-human primates or other animals, which right may be invoked upon notice to CureVac.

- 12.7 Environment, Health and Safety.** CureVac shall: (i) maintain an “EHS” (environment, health and safety) policy and risk-based management system with a commitment to provide a safe and healthy workplace and protect the environment surrounding its operations; (ii) ensure there is at least one senior executive with responsibility for EHS and the organization has access to technical expertise to support the company in meeting EHS obligations; (iii) provide relevant information, education and training to workers on the hazards, risks and controls associated with their job; (iv) provide the physical infrastructure, workplace and engineering controls necessary to ensure safe storage, handling and processing of materials and waste in order to protect people, the environment and local communities from harm; and (v) provide and maintain emergency detection systems and an effective response and healthcare capabilities.
- 12.8 Sanctions and export controls.** The Parties represent and warrant that they are aware of, and undertake in carrying out their obligations under this Agreement and the agreements referred to within this Agreement that they will not violate and prevent becoming exposed to penalties under, all sanctions, export control, and anti-boycott laws, regulations, orders, directives, designations, licenses, and decisions of the European Union, the United Kingdom, the United States of America, and of any other country with jurisdiction over activities undertaken in connection with this Agreement, if applicable (“**Sanctions & Trade Controls**”). Each Party undertakes that, at all times, in the performance of their obligations under this Agreement and the agreements referred to within this Agreement, they will not take any action that causes the other Party to violate or otherwise become exposed to penalties under any Sanctions & Trade Controls. Neither Party shall be required to take or refrain from taking any action, nor shall it be required to furnish any information, that would be prohibited under any Sanctions & Trade Controls (as defined above).

- 12.9 Anti-bribery and corruption.** Each Party shall comply fully at all times with all Applicable Laws, including but not limited to anti-corruption laws, and represents and warrants that it has not, and covenants that it will not, in connection with the performance of this Agreement, directly or indirectly, make, promise, authorize, ratify or offer to make, or take any act in furtherance of any payment or transfer of anything of value for the purpose of influencing, inducing or rewarding any act, omission or decision to secure an improper advantage; or improperly assisting in obtaining or retaining business, or in any way with the purpose or effect of public or commercial bribery, and warrants that it has taken reasonable measures to prevent subcontractors, agents or any other Third Parties, subject to its control or determining influence, from doing so. For the avoidance of doubt this includes facilitating payments, which are unofficial, improper, small payments or gifts offered or made to Government Officials to secure or expedite a routine or necessary action to which a Party is legally entitled. Either Party shall be entitled to terminate this Agreement immediately on written notice to the other Party, if the other Party fails to perform its obligations in accordance with this Section 12.9. A Party shall have no claim against the other Party for compensation for any loss of whatever nature by virtue of the termination of this Agreement in accordance with this Section 12.9. Either Party shall inform the other Party in writing, if, during the course of this Agreement, it is convicted of or pleads guilty to a criminal offence involving fraud or corruption, or becomes the subject of any government investigation for such offenses, or is listed by any government agency as debarred, suspended, proposed for suspension or debarment, or otherwise ineligible for government programs. Either Party shall ensure that all transactions under the Agreement are properly and accurately recorded in all material respects on its books and records and each document upon which entries such books and records are based is complete and accurate in all material respects. Either Party must maintain a system of internal accounting controls reasonably designed to ensure that it maintains no off-the-books accounts.
- 12.10 Changes to Compliance Framework.** At any time during the term of this Agreement, either Party may suggest reasonable amendments to this Section 12 and the clauses of this Agreement referencing this Section 12, or any provision of any Ancillary Agreement concerning compliance, quality, safety or integrity, where such Party reasonably believes such changes are required to ensure compliance with Applicable Laws, or such Party's interpretation of Applicable Laws as reflected in the values, quality, integrity, safety or compliance framework of the group to which that Party belongs. The other Party shall not unreasonably refuse or delay its agreement to such amendments. In case of any conflict between the Parties' interpretation of frameworks, the more stringent interpretation or framework shall be reflected in the amendment.
- 12.11 Breaches.** Each Party shall promptly notify the other Party of any significant deficiencies impacting the performance of this Agreement having regard to its compliance with this Section 12 and any corrective actions taken.
- 12.12 Audit.** GSK or its nominee shall have the right to enter the CureVac's manufacturing facilities and any of CureVac's other offices, facilities, records and information systems to carry out an audit to verify and monitor CureVac's compliance with Section 12 [*****] per Calendar Year, save any For Cause audits. The scope of the audit may include, but need not be limited to, a tour of the facility,

the opportunity to view relevant standard operating procedures (SOPs), training records, building management records, animal health records, ethical review documents, and any other documents reasonably necessary to assess compliance by CureVac. The duration of the inspection shall be at the sole reasonable discretion of GSK. Audits conducted under this Section 12.12 shall require reasonable prior notice of at least [*****], except in case of For Cause audits (as defined below), in which case such limitation a prior notice of [*****] shall suffice. Audits conducted under this Section 12.12 shall be scheduled in such a manner so as not to impact the production schedule or CureVac's normal business activities and shall be conducted during regular business hours. For the purposes of this Section 12.12, a "For Cause" audit shall be an audit conducted based on a substantiated suspicion by GSK of a material lack of compliance with Section 12, in respect of which GSK has shared with CureVac documentation substantiating its suspicion prior to the audit. Persons conducting the on-site audits shall be required to comply with reasonable CureVac rules applicable to the site and GSK shall ensure that any person involved in any audit (including a document-only inspection) shall be bound by an obligation of confidentiality. CureVac shall use commercially reasonable efforts to ensure that the same audit rights for GSK as described in this Section 12.12 apply with respect to the premises of any subcontractors authorized in accordance with this Agreement.

13. INDEMNIFICATION AND REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES.

- 13.1 **Indemnification by GSK.** GSK will defend, indemnify and hold CureVac and its Affiliates and their directors, officers, employees, consultants, agents, permitted sublicensees and contractors (the "**CureVac Indemnified Parties**") harmless from and against any and all losses, liabilities, claims, suits, proceedings, expenses, fees, recoveries and damages, including reasonable and demonstrable legal expenses and costs including attorneys' fees, resulting or arising out of any claim by any Third Party resulting or arising from (i) the negligence or willful misconduct of GSK, any of its Affiliates or Sublicensees, or any of their respective directors, officers, employees, agents or contractors; (ii) the Development, Manufacturing and/or Commercialization of the Products by or on behalf of GSK (other than as conducted by CureVac), any of its Affiliates or any of their respective Sublicensees or (iii) any breach of this Agreement by GSK, any of its Affiliates or any of their Sublicensees; except, in each case, to the extent caused by the negligence or willful misconduct of any of the CureVac Indemnified Parties.
- 13.2 **Indemnification by CureVac.** CureVac will defend, indemnify and hold GSK and its Affiliates and their directors, officers, employees, consultants, agents, Sublicensees and contractors (the "**GSK Indemnified Parties**") harmless from and against any and all losses, liabilities, claims, suits, proceedings, expenses, fees, recoveries and damages, including reasonable and demonstrable legal expenses and costs including attorneys' fees, resulting or arising out of any claim by any Third Party resulting or arising from (i) the negligence or willful misconduct of CureVac, any of its Affiliates, or any of their respective directors, officers, employees, consultants, agents or contractors (including an approved subcontractor or approved CMO); or (ii) the Development, Manufacture and/or Commercialization of any of the Products, if any, by or on behalf of CureVac (other than as conducted by GSK), any of its Affiliates, or their approved subcontractors or approved other

CMOs); or (iii) any breach of this Agreement by CureVac, or any of its Affiliates; except, in each case, to the extent caused by the negligence or willful misconduct of any of the GSK Indemnified Parties.

13.3 Indemnification Procedures. The indemnified Party will give the indemnifying Party prompt notice of any such claim or lawsuit. Such notice shall include a reasonable identification of the alleged facts giving rise to such claim for indemnification. The failure to deliver written notice to the indemnifying Party within a reasonable time after the commencement of any action with respect to a claim shall only relieve the indemnifying Party of its indemnification obligations if and to the extent the indemnifying Party is actually and materially prejudiced thereby. The indemnifying Party shall notify the indemnified Party of its intentions as to the defense of the claim in writing within [*****] after the indemnifying Party's receipt of notice of the claim from the indemnified Party. If the indemnifying Party assumes defense of the claim, the indemnified Party may participate in, but not control, the defense of such claim using attorneys of its choice and at its sole cost and expense (i.e., with such cost and expense not being covered by the indemnifying Party). The indemnified Party shall reasonably cooperate with the indemnifying Party in its defense of the claim at the indemnifying Party's reasonable, pre-approved expense. The indemnifying Party will have the right to compromise, settle or defend any such claim or lawsuit; provided that (i) no offer of settlement, settlement or compromise by the indemnifying Party shall be binding on the indemnified Party without its prior written consent, not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed, unless such settlement fully releases the indemnified Party without any liability, loss, cost or obligation incurred by the indemnified Party and in no event shall any settlement or compromise admit or concede that any aspect of any Patent Right owned or Controlled by the indemnified Party is invalid or unenforceable or adversely affect the scope of any Patent Right owned or Controlled by the indemnified Party; and (ii) the indemnifying Party shall not have authority to admit any wrongdoing or misconduct on the part of the indemnified Party except with the indemnified Party's prior written consent. If the indemnifying Party does not agree to assume the defense of the claim asserted against the indemnified Party (or does not give notice that it is assuming such defense), or if the indemnifying Party assumes the defense of the claim in accordance with this Section 13.3, but yet fails to defend or take other reasonable, timely action, in response to such claim asserted against the indemnified Party, the indemnified Party shall have the right to defend or take other reasonable action to defend its interests in such proceedings, and shall have the right to litigate, settle or otherwise dispose of any such claim; *provided, however*, that no Party shall have the right to settle a claim in a manner that would adversely affect the rights granted to the other Party hereunder, or would materially conflict with this Agreement, without the prior written consent of the Party entitled to control the defense of such claim, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, delayed or conditioned.

13.4 CureVac Representations and Warranties. Subject to the disclosures in the attached **Exhibit 13.4 ("Disclosure Letter")** CureVac represents and warrants to GSK as at the Effective Date, that:

- (i) it is the sole and exclusive owner of the Patent Rights listed in Exhibit 1.50 or otherwise Controls such Patent Rights;
- (ii) to CureVac's knowledge, it has the full right, power and authority to grant the rights and licenses it purports to grant hereunder;
- (iii) neither CureVac nor any of its Affiliates has granted any Third Party any rights or licenses that would interfere or be inconsistent with GSK's rights and licenses hereunder;
- (iv) CureVac has received no written notice of or any written demand relating to any threatened or pending litigation, and no other matters are within CureVac's knowledge, which would reasonably lead it to believe that GSK's exercise of any rights purported to be granted by CureVac under this Agreement will infringe any Patent Rights or infringe or misappropriate any other intellectual property right of any Third Party;
- (v) there is no currently pending administrative proceedings or litigation and no administrative proceedings or litigation seeking to invalidate or otherwise challenge any CureVac Patent Right(s) has been threatened in writing;
- (vi) CureVac has not given any written notice to any Third Party asserting infringement by such Third Party of any of the CureVac Technology or LNP Technology and, to CureVac's Knowledge, there is no unauthorized use, infringement or misappropriation of the CureVac Technology;
- (vii) the CureVac Technology is free and clear of all encumbrances, security interests, options, and charges of any kind;
- (viii) to CureVac's knowledge, the In-Licensing Agreements are valid and effective and CureVac has not received a written notice of termination for any of these In-Licensing Agreements;
- (ix) to CureVac's knowledge, there is no ongoing litigation in respect of, litigation reasonably in prospect in connection with, and no reasonable prospect of termination under the In-Licensing Agreements by the respective counterparties under those agreements ahead of the respective expiry dates of such In-Licensing Agreements;
- (x) to CureVac's knowledge, the information and documents set forth in or referred to in the Disclosure Letter are true, complete and accurate in all material respects;
- (xi) to CureVac's knowledge, the information and documents regarding the In-Licensing Agreements, CureVac's portfolio of Patent Rights, toxicology studies, clinical data, process and analytical information, manufacturing process information, material filing and correspondence with Regulatory Authorities, disclosed in the [*****] e-data room prior to the Effective Date as a part of GSK's due diligence, is true, complete and accurate in all material respects; and

(xii) CureVac has disclosed to GSK any written correspondence sent to or received from Regulatory Authorities, all drug safety monitoring board meeting minutes and internal safety review committee meeting minutes for the [*****] as of its Initiation.

13.5 LNP Warranties. To the extent permitted under the applicable LNP Agreement, CureVac hereby warrants to GSK on a pass-through basis each matter which is the subject of any representation or warranty given by each LNP Provider to CureVac under each applicable LNP Agreement.

13.6 Representations, Warranties of the Parties to Each Other. CureVac and GSK each represents and warrants and covenants with respect to itself only as at the Effective Date that:

(i) the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement have been duly authorized by all necessary action on the part of such Party, its officers and directors, and does not conflict with, violate, or breach any agreement to which such Party is a party, or such Party's corporate charter, bylaws or similar organizational documents;

(ii) this Agreement constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation of such Party that is enforceable against it in accordance with its terms, except as such enforceability may be limited by general principles of equity or to applicable competition, bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium, liquidation and other similar laws relating to, or affecting generally, the enforcement of applicable creditors' rights and remedies;

(iii) it is a company or corporation duly organized, validly existing, and in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction in which it is incorporated.

13.7 Due Diligence. Prior to the execution of any Ancillary Agreement, other than the Clinical Supply Agreement, GSK shall be entitled to perform further due diligence regarding CureVac's capabilities to perform in accordance with terms defined herein for such agreement. Without prejudice to the Parties' other rights and remedies, the Parties shall in good faith cooperate to address and remedy any issue identified during the due diligence referred to in this Section. For the avoidance of doubt, if GSK discovers a material issue regarding CureVac's capabilities to comply with such agreement, GSK may in addition to its other rights and remedies suspend the execution of any such agreement until such ground has been remedied by CureVac.

13.8 Disclaimer Except as expressly set forth in this Agreement, each Party expressly disclaims, waives, releases, and renounces any representation or warranty of any kind, express or implied either in fact or by operation of law, by statute or otherwise, whether written or oral, or arising from course of performance, course of dealing or usage of trade, including any representation or warranty with respect to non-infringement, value, adequacy, freedom from fault, quality, efficiency, suitability, characteristics or usefulness, or merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose.

13.9 Limitation of Liability. Except in the case of any breach of Section 11 or in case of willful misconduct or gross negligence, neither Party shall be liable to the other Party for any indirect,

punitive or consequential damages, or for damages for loss of profits or loss of business opportunity, whether based on contract or tort, or arising under Applicable Laws or otherwise.

14. TERM AND TERMINATION.

- 14.1 Term.** The term of this Agreement will commence on the Closing Date and end on the expiry of all applicable royalty payment obligations to CureVac under this Agreement, unless terminated earlier according to the terms and conditions of this Agreement (“**Term**”).
- 14.2 Termination at Will by GSK.** GSK may terminate this Agreement in its entirety or on a Program-by-Program basis, at any time without cause upon [*****] prior written notice to CureVac.
- 14.3 Termination for Cause by Either Party in respect of a Program before First Commercial Sale.** On a Program-by-Program basis before the First Commercial Sale of a Product under a Program in a Territory, if either Party (“**Breaching Party**”) commits a material breach or default of any of its obligations hereunder, such breach to include a material breach by GSK of its diligence obligations under Section 4.10 with respect to a Product, the other Party hereto (“**Non-Breaching Party**”) may give the Breaching Party written notice of such material breach or default, and shall request that such material breach or default be cured as soon as reasonably practicable. If the Breaching Party fails to cure such breach or default within [*****] after the date of the Non-Breaching Party’s written notice thereof, the Non-Breaching Party may terminate this Agreement in part in relation to the relevant Program by giving written notice of termination to the Breaching Party. If the Breaching Party indicates in writing that it will be unable or is unwilling to cure the breach, this Agreement may be terminated in part, in relation to the relevant Program (but not any other Program), by the Non-Breaching Party with immediate effect.
- 14.4 Termination for Cause by Either Party in respect of a Program after First Commercial Sale.** On a Program-by-Program basis after the First Commercial Sale of a Product under a Program in a Territory, if: (i) GSK fails to pay any amount payable under Section 8 or any Ancillary Agreement; (ii) CureVac fails to pay any amount payable under any Ancillary Agreement; (iii) either Party commits any willful and material breach of the restrictions on any license granted to that Party pursuant to this Agreement; (iv) either Party commits a material breach of the non-compete obligations under Section 2.3; (v) GSK commits a material breach of its diligence obligations under Section 5.3, or (vi) either Party commits any persistent and material breach of Section 11, and the Party in breach of this Agreement (the “**Breaching Party**”) fails to cure such breach or default within [*****] after the date of the written notice thereof from the other Party (“**Non-Breaching Party**”), the Non-Breaching Party may terminate this Agreement in relation to the relevant Product(s) (but not any other Program) by giving written notice of termination to the Breaching Party. If the Breaching Party indicates in writing that it will be unable or is unwilling to cure the breach, this Agreement may be terminated in relation to the relevant Product(s) by the Non-Breaching Party with immediate effect.
- 14.5 Termination in respect of Anti-bribery and Corruption.** Either Party shall be entitled to terminate this Agreement in the circumstances specified in Section 12.9.

- 14.6 Termination in Part and Program Replacement.** If either Party terminates this Agreement with respect to a specific Program under this Section 14, or if GSK replaces a Program under Section 3.6, the rights and obligations of the Parties hereunder with respect to the specific Program shall terminate as at the effective date of such termination and the consequences set forth in Section 15 shall apply on a Program-by-Program basis.
- 14.7 Non-exclusive remedy.** Termination of this Agreement or in relation to a Program in accordance with Sections 14.3, 14.4, or 14.5 shall not affect or impair the Non-Breaching Party's right to pursue any legal remedy, including the right to recover damages, for any harm suffered or incurred by the Non-Breaching Party as a result of such breach or default.
- 15. CONSEQUENCES OF TERMINATION.**
- 15.1 Election by CureVac on Termination by GSK at Will or Termination by CureVac for Cause.** CureVac shall notify GSK in writing within [*****] of notice of termination in accordance with Sections 14.2, 14.3, 14.4, or 14.5 if CureVac wishes to:
- a. cease the Development and Commercialization of the relevant Product(s) under the relevant Program(s) and decline the transfer of any rights in relation to the Development, Manufacture and Commercialization of the relevant Products under this Agreement (the "**CureVac Cease Option**"); or
 - b. continue, itself or with a Third Party, with the Development and Commercialization of the relevant Product(s) under the relevant Program(s) (the "**CureVac Continue Option**").
- 15.2 Election by GSK on Termination by GSK for Cause.** GSK shall notify CureVac in writing within [*****] of notice of termination in accordance with Sections 14.3, 14.4, or 14.5 if GSK wishes to:
- a. cease the Development and Commercialization of the relevant Product(s) under the relevant Program(s) and decline the transfer of any rights in relation to Development, Manufacture and Commercialization of the relevant Products under this Agreement, (the "**GSK Cease Option**"); or
 - b. continue with the Development and Commercialization of the relevant Product(s) under the relevant Program(s) (the "**GSK Continue Option**").
- 15.3 Specific consequences of CureVac Cease Option and the GSK Cease Option.** If CureVac elects the CureVac Cease Option or GSK elects the GSK Cease Option, then with regard to the Program(s) in question:
- a. Reversion of Rights: Without prejudice to Sections 9.3.2 and 9.4, at the effective date of termination, all of CureVac's rights to the CureVac Technology and LNP Technology shall

automatically revert back to CureVac and all of GSK's rights to the GSK Technology shall automatically revert back to GSK.

- b. Wind-Down: Each Party shall, at its own cost (subject to Sections 15.3c and 15.3d), use all reasonable endeavors to wind-down any on-going activities and commitments in connection with this Agreement and the Ancillary Agreements by the effective date of termination.
- c. Costs (On Termination by GSK at Will): If CureVac elects the CureVac Cease Option following a termination of a Program by GSK in accordance with Section 14.2 while the R&D Plan for that Program has not been completed, GSK shall reimburse CureVac for the Development Costs set forth in the respective R&D Plan until the effective date of termination.
- d. Costs (On Termination by CureVac for Cause): If CureVac elects the CureVac Cease Option following a termination of a Program by CureVac for cause in accordance with Section 14.3, 14.4 or 14.5, GSK shall reimburse CureVac for the Development Costs set forth in the respective R&D Plan until the effective date of termination and reimburse CureVac for its demonstrable stranded costs arising from the early termination of the R&D Plan. CureVac shall use reasonable endeavors to mitigate those stranded costs.

15.4 Specific consequences of the CureVac Continue Option. If CureVac elects the CureVac Continue Option, then with regard to the Program(s) in question, the following shall apply:

- a. Transition: The JSC shall promptly meet to devise a transition plan, which provides for an orderly and cost-effective transition of, and which sets forth the responsibilities and a timetable for transferring, all Development, Manufacturing and Commercialization responsibilities to CureVac or a Third Party selected by CureVac for this purpose (the "**Transition Plan**"). Each Party will bear its own costs to agree and implement the Transition Plan unless CureVac has terminated this Agreement with respect to a specific Program for cause in accordance with Section 14.3, 14.4 or 14.5, in which case GSK shall reimburse CureVac for its reasonable and demonstrable direct costs incurred to implement the Transition Plan.
- b. Reversion of Rights: Without prejudice to Sections 9.3.2 and 9.4, all of CureVac's rights to the CureVac Technology and LNP Technology shall automatically revert back to CureVac, except that if the date of termination occurs after the First Commercial Sale of the relevant Product, (i) the termination of the rights and obligations of the Parties, and the transfer and/or return of rights pursuant to this Section 15, shall take effect on a country-by-country basis, at time as CureVac is able to take over the Commercialization of the Product in such country where that Product is sold with no adverse impact on the continuous availability of Products in that country (the "**Cut-Over Date**") and (ii) until such date in such country, the licenses granted to GSK under this Agreement (including Article 2) and any rights and obligations associated with such licenses (including GSK's payment obligations under Section 8) shall survive.

- c. Transfer of Development Data and Regulatory Approvals. CureVac shall have the right to request in writing, as part of the Transition Plan:
- (i) a complete copy of all Development Data Controlled by GSK to be provided in original form and access to all other Know-How in GSK's possession or under its Control relating to the Products, such Development Data and other Know-How to be provided within [*****] of such request; and
 - (ii) the transfer of Regulatory Approvals held by GSK, its Affiliates or Sublicensees, and if Regulatory Approvals have not been obtained by GSK, its Affiliates or Sublicensees, CureVac may require that GSK transfers to CureVac the status of any application for the Regulatory Approvals and notifies the competent Regulatory Authority thereof and supplies CureVac with all documents and clinical data already prepared by GSK, its Affiliates or Sublicensees for the filing of applications for Regulatory Approvals (with GSK using its good faith efforts to promptly undertake such actions).
- d. GSK Trademark License: As part of the Transition Plan, on receipt of a written request from CureVac, GSK grants to CureVac an exclusive (even as to GSK), cost-free, perpetual and worldwide license (with the right to sublicense in multiple tiers) under the trademarks Controlled by GSK and used for the Products in the relevant jurisdiction(s) for the Manufacture and Commercialization of the Products in the Territory, excluding, however, any such trademarks – or such parts of a trademark - that include, in whole or part, any corporate name or logo of GSK, its Affiliates or Sublicensees, and excluding any trademark – or such part of a trademark - which contains the letters [*****] as prefix or suffix (in which case GSK will not oppose any application by CureVac to register a trademark which is similar to any trademark owned by GSK but does not use the letters [*****] as prefix or suffix).
- e. GSK Technology License. On a Product-by-Product and country-by-country basis effective from the Cut-Over Date, GSK grants to CureVac (i) an exclusive (even as to GSK), perpetual and worldwide license (with the right to sublicense in multiple tiers) under GSK's interest in Joint Patent Rights and Know-How related to the Inventions claimed in such Joint Patent Rights, and, (ii) upon CureVac's election, to be exercised no later than [*****] after the effective date of termination, a non-exclusive royalty-bearing, perpetual and worldwide license (with the right to sublicense in multiple tiers) under the other GSK Technology which has been used by GSK for the Development, Manufacture and/or Commercialization of the terminated Products and is required for the further Development, Manufacture and/or Commercialization of such Products, in each case of (i) and (ii) for the continued Development, Manufacture and Commercialization of the Products in the Territory.
- f. Post-Termination Financial Terms (Termination by GSK at Will): If GSK terminates this Agreement in its entirety or with respect to a specific Program in accordance with Section 14.2 and CureVac elects the CureVac Continue Option and the license to the GSK Technology under Section 15.4e(ii), then, on a Product-by-Product and country-by-country basis effective

from the Cut-Over Date, in consideration of the licenses granted in Section 15.4e(ii), CureVac shall pay GSK royalties as forth in Exhibit 15.4.

- g. Post-Termination Financial Terms (Termination by CureVac for Cause): If CureVac terminates this Agreement with respect to a specific Program for cause in accordance with Section 14.3, 14.4 or 14.5, CureVac shall pay GSK the fair market value for acquisition by CureVac of the Program(s) and the associated rights and benefits pursuant to this Section 15.4, provided that CureVac may, if CureVac claims or seeks to claim damages in relation to breach of this Agreement by GSK, suspend the payment of such fair market value until the amount of damages suffered or incurred by CureVac has been agreed between the Parties or determined by an arbitration panel in accordance with Section 16.5, at which point those damages (if any) shall be set off against such fair market value payment (and any fair market value payment which would remain outstanding after the set off of damages shall become due and payable within [*****) after the agreement or determination of the amount of damages).
- h. For the purposes of Section 15.4h, the “fair market value” shall be agreed by the Parties, or if the Parties are unable to agree within [*****) from the date of election in accordance with Section 15.1, either Party may refer the matter to be determined by a panel of experts in accordance with this Section 15.4h. The Parties shall agree on the appointment of the panel of experts, comprising three members experienced in the biopharmaceutical sector, in transactions within the biopharmaceutical sector, and the valuation of technology of the biopharmaceutical sector, and shall agree with the experts the terms of their appointment. If the Parties are unable to agree on the identity of the experts within [*****) after expiry of the aforementioned term of [*****)], or if any of the persons proposed is unable or unwilling to act, then each Party shall nominate one expert, which two experts shall together select the third and final expert, who shall preside the expert panel. The experts shall act on the following basis: (i) on their appointment, the experts shall confirm their neutrality, independence and the absence of conflicts in determining the fair market value for the rights granted pursuant to this Section 15; (ii) the experts shall act as experts and not arbitrators; (iii) the experts’ determination shall (in the absence of manifest error) be final and binding on the Parties and not subject to appeal; (iv) the experts shall decide the procedure to be followed in the determination in accordance with this Agreement; (v) the costs of the determination, including the fees and expenses of the experts (but excluding the parties’ own costs which shall be borne by the Party incurring those costs), shall be borne by GSK; and (vi) the expert determination and all matters connected with it shall be held in complete confidence by each of the Parties and shall not be disclosed to any other person except as permitted under Section 11.

15.5 Specific Consequences of the GSK Continue Option.

If GSK terminates this Agreement or a Program under Sections 14.3, 14.4 or 14.5, the rights and obligations of the Parties hereunder shall terminate as at the effective date of such termination (or, if later, the Cut-Over Date) and the consequences set forth in this Section 15 shall apply:

- a. Survival of licenses: The licenses granted to GSK under this Agreement (including under Section 2) and any rights associated with such licenses shall survive the termination of this Agreement.
- b. Post-Termination Financial Terms: All payment obligations under Section 8 shall remain in effect, provided that with respect to milestones and royalties arising after the effective date of termination, GSK may, if GSK also claims or seeks to claim damages in relation to breach of this Agreement by CureVac, suspend the payment of such milestone and royalty payments until the amount of damages suffered or incurred by GSK has been agreed between the Parties or determined by an arbitration panel in accordance with Section 16.5, at which point those damages (if any) shall be set off against such milestone and royalty payments (and any milestone or royalty payment which would remain outstanding after the set off of damages shall become due and payable within [*****) after the agreement or determination of the amount of damages).
- c. Costs (On Termination by GSK for Cause): CureVac shall undertake (at its own cost and without the right to be reimbursed) the transfer of Know-How in accordance with Sections 4.7 and 5.2.3, and shall reimburse all reasonable and demonstrable direct costs and expenses incurred by GSK in connection with those activities.

15.6 General Consequences of Expiry and Termination.

On any termination of this Agreement in its entirety or on a Program-by-Program basis the rights and obligations of the Parties hereunder shall terminate as at the effective date of such termination (unless stated otherwise in this Section 15) and the following shall apply:

- a. Reversion of Rights on Expiry: Upon expiry of this Agreement in a country and provided and to the extent that this Agreement is not terminated after such expiry by CureVac in accordance with Section 14.3, Section 14.4, or Section 14.5, or by GSK pursuant to Section 14.2, the licenses granted to GSK under Section 2 for such country shall become a fully paid-up, perpetual, and non-exclusive license.
- b. Reversion of Rights on Termination: Except as set forth in this Section 15, the rights and obligations of the Parties under this Agreement shall automatically lapse as at the effective date of the termination in question.
- c. Return of Information: No later than [*****) after the effective date of termination, each Party shall return or cause to be returned to the other Party or, at the other

Party's option, destroy (and certify in writing the destruction of), all Confidential Information of the Disclosing Party in tangible form received from the other Party and all copies in any medium thereof; *provided, however*, that each Party may retain any Confidential Information reasonably necessary for such Party's continued Development, Manufacture or Commercialization of the Products pursuant to this Section 15, and may retain the Confidential Information solely for the purpose of ensuring its compliance with this Agreement and Applicable Law by electronic files created in the ordinary course of business during automatic system back-up procedures pursuant to its electronic record retention and destruction practices that apply to its own general electronic files and information so long as such electronic files are (i) maintained only on centralized storage servers (and not on personal computers or devices), (ii) not accessible by any of its personnel (other than its information technology specialists), and (iii) are not otherwise accessed subsequently except with the written consent of the other Party or as required by law. Such retained copies of documents and Confidential Information shall remain subject to the confidentiality and non-use obligations set forth in this Agreement.

- d. Settlement of Outstanding Sums: Each Party shall pay all amounts then due and owing as at the termination effective date.
- e. Continuation of Ongoing Clinical Trials: In any event of termination, each Party may complete any clinical trial involving a Product it has initiated prior to the termination of this Agreement in accordance with the protocol for such trial, at its cost and such Party shall be granted by the other Party a cost-free, non-exclusive, sublicensable (as set forth in this Agreement), worldwide license under the CureVac Technology and the LNP Technology or respectively the GSK Technology to complete such clinical trials in accordance with their protocols.

15.7 Effect of Expiry or Termination; Survival. Expiry or termination of this Agreement shall not relieve the Parties of any obligation accruing prior to such expiry or termination. Any expiry or termination of this Agreement shall be without prejudice to the rights of either Party against the other accrued or accruing under this Agreement prior to expiry or termination. The provisions of Sections 1, 2.6, 4.6, 4.8.6, 8.9, 9.1, 9.3, 9.5, 11, 13.1, 13.2, 13.3, 13.8, 13.9, 15, 16.3, 16.4, 16.5, 16.7, 16.8, 16.11 and 16.12 and all other provisions contained in this Agreement that by their explicit terms or from which it is clear from the context survive expiry or termination of this Agreement, and any schedules contained in this Agreement to which reference is made in any surviving term, shall survive the expiry or termination of this Agreement. In the event of a termination of this Agreement with respect to only one of the Programs, and continuation of other Programs under this Agreement, the termination and consequences of termination provisions only apply to the terminated Program, and the Agreement will remain in full force and effect with respect to the continuing Programs.

16. GENERAL PROVISIONS.

16.1 Assignment. This Agreement may not be assigned or otherwise transferred by either Party without the prior written consent of the other Party, which consent will not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed; *provided, however*, each of the Parties may, without such consent, but with notification, assign this Agreement and its rights and obligations hereunder to any of its Affiliates or in connection with the transfer or sale of all or substantially all of the portion of its business to which this Agreement relates or in the event of its merger or consolidation with a Third Party. Any permitted assignee will assume all obligations of its assignor under this Agreement in writing concurrent with the assignment. Any purported assignment in violation of this Section 16.1 will be void. Except as otherwise provided herein, this Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Parties and their successors and permitted assignors under this Section 16.1.

16.2 Force Majeure. If the performance of any part of this Agreement by either Party, or any obligation under this Agreement, is prevented, restricted, interfered with or delayed by reason of any cause beyond the reasonable control of the Party liable to perform, unless conclusive evidence to the contrary is provided, the Party so affected shall, upon giving written notice to the other Party, be excused from such performance to the extent of such prevention, restriction, interference or delay, provided that the affected Party shall use commercially reasonable efforts to avoid or remove such causes of non-performance and shall continue performance with the utmost dispatch whenever such causes are removed. When such circumstances arise and persist for a period of at least sixty (60) calendar days, the Parties shall discuss what, if any, modification of the terms of this Agreement may be required in order to arrive at an equitable solution.

16.3 Notices. All notices which are required or permitted hereunder shall be in writing and sufficient if delivered personally, sent by e-mail, sent by internationally-recognized overnight courier or sent by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, addressed as follows:

(i) if to CureVac, addressed to: CureVac AG

Attention: CEO and General Counsel
with copy to: General Counsel

Address: [*****]

Email: [*****]

(ii) if to GSK, addressed to:

GlaxoSmithKline Biologicals S.A.

Attention: President of GSK Vaccines

with copy to: Vaccines General Counsel

Address: [*****]

Email: [*****]

or to such other address(es) as the Party to whom notice is to be given may have furnished to the other Party in writing in accordance herewith. Any such notice shall be deemed to have been given: (a) when delivered if personally delivered or sent by e-mail on a Business Day (or if delivered or sent on a non-Business Day, then on the next Business Day); (b) on the Business Day after dispatch if sent by nationally-recognized overnight courier; or (c) on the [*****] following the date of mailing, if sent by mail.

16.4 Governing Law. This Agreement and all disputes arising hereunder, shall be exclusively governed by, and interpreted and enforced in accordance with Belgian law. The United Nations Convention of International Contracts on the Sale of Goods (the Vienna Convention) does not apply to this Agreement.

16.5 Dispute Resolution.

16.5.1 Unless otherwise set forth in this Agreement, in the event of any dispute arising out of or in connection with this Agreement, including any alleged breach under this Agreement or any dispute relating to the validity, performance, construction or interpretation of this Agreement, the Parties shall refer such dispute to the CEO (or its C-level delegate) of CureVac and the President of Vaccines (or another member of the global corporate executive team) of GSK. If the dispute has not been settled pursuant to the said rules within [*****] following the reference of the dispute to the senior management representatives of the Parties, either Party may submit the dispute to final and binding arbitration.

16.5.2 Any dispute arising out of or in connection with this Agreement, including any issue relating to the validity, performance, construction or interpretation of this Agreement, which cannot be resolved amicably between the Parties after following the procedure set forth in Section 16.5.1, shall be submitted to and settled by arbitration in accordance with the arbitration rules of the World Intellectual Property Organization (the “**WIPO**”) in effect on the date of the commencement of the arbitration proceedings. The existence, nature and details of any such dispute(s), and all communications between the Parties related thereto, shall be considered Confidential Information of the Parties and shall be treated in accordance with the terms of Section 11 above. Any Confidential Information may be disclosed by either Party to counsel, experts or other advisors on the arbitration under obligations of confidentiality. The decision of the arbitrators shall be final and binding upon the Parties. The location of arbitration will be Zurich, Switzerland. The arbitration will be heard and determined by three (3) arbitrators, with one arbitrator being appointed by each Party and the third arbitrator being appointed by the WIPO. The language of the arbitration proceeding will be English. Notwithstanding the provisions of this Section 16.5.2, each Party shall

have the right to seek interim injunctive relief in any court of competent jurisdiction as such Party deems necessary to preserve its rights and to protect its interests.

- 16.6 Severability.** If any provision of this Agreement is determined by any court or administrative tribunal of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unenforceable, the Parties shall negotiate in good faith a replacement provision that is commercially equivalent, to the maximum extent permitted by Applicable Law, to such invalid or unenforceable provision. The invalidity or unenforceability of any provision of this Agreement shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the other provisions of this Agreement. Nor shall the invalidity or unenforceability of any provision of this Agreement in one country or jurisdiction affect the validity or enforceability of such provision in any other country or jurisdiction in which such provision would otherwise be valid or enforceable.
- 16.7 Entire Agreement and Amendments.** This Agreement, together with all Exhibits attached hereto, constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties regarding the subject matter hereof, and supersedes all prior agreements, understandings and communications between the Parties, with respect to the subject matter hereof, including the Confidentiality Agreements. The foregoing may not be interpreted as a waiver of any remedies available to either Party as a result of any breach prior to the Effective Date, by the other Party of its obligations under the Confidentiality Agreements. No modification or amendment of this Agreement shall be binding upon the Parties unless in writing and executed by the duly authorized representative of each of the Parties; this shall also apply to any change of this Section 16.7.
- 16.8 Waivers.** The failure by either Party hereto to assert any of its rights hereunder, including the right to terminate this Agreement due to a breach or default by the other Party hereto, shall not be deemed to constitute a waiver by that Party of its right thereafter to enforce each and every provision of this Agreement in accordance with its terms.
- 16.9 Counterparts.** This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, by original or electronic (including "pdf") signature, each of which shall be deemed an original but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.
- 16.10 Independent Contractors.** The Parties are independent contractors and this Agreement shall not constitute or give rise to an employer-employee, agency, partnership or joint venture relationship among the Parties and each Party's performance hereunder is that of a separate, independent entity.
- 16.11 Third Parties.** None of the provisions of this Agreement shall be for the benefit of or enforceable by any Third Party which shall be a Third Party beneficiary to this Agreement.
- 16.12 Costs.** Except as is otherwise expressly set forth herein, each Party shall bear its own expenses in connection with the activities contemplated and performed hereunder.
- 16.13 Insurance.** Each Party will procure and maintain during the Term and for [*****] after termination or expiry of this Agreement, insurance in line with industry standards. GSK will be permitted to satisfy any or all of its obligations under this Section 16.13 through a program of self-

insurance. Such insurance policies will be primary and non-contributing with respect to any other similar insurance policies available to the other Party or its Affiliates. Any deductibles for such insurance will be assumed by insured Party. Each Party will provide the other Party with evidence of such insurance upon the other Party's request and prior to expiry of any one coverage. Any insurance will not be construed to create a limit of the insured Party's liability with respect to its indemnification obligations under this Agreement.

☐☐*Signature page follows*☐☐

In Witness Whereof, the Parties have executed this Agreement to be effective as at the Closing Date.

Signed on behalf of
GlaxoSmithKline Biologicals S.A.

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[*****]
Date Signed:

Signed on behalf of
GlaxoSmithKline Biologicals S.A.

[*****]
[*****]
Date Signed:

Signed on behalf of
CureVac AG

[*****]
[*****]
Date Signed:

Signed on behalf of
CureVac AG

[*****]
[*****]
Date Signed:

Exhibit 1.29
List of Collaboration Pathogens and Products

[*****]

Exhibit 1.44
CureVac Know How

[*****]

**Exhibit 1.50
CureVac Patent Rights**

[*****]

Exhibit 1.70
Excluded Pathogens

[*****]

**Exhibit 1.115
In-Licensing Agreements**

[*****]

Exhibit 1.153
Pandemic Pathogens

[*****]

Exhibit 2.1.2 PART A
[***] Terms**

[*****]

Exhibit 2.1.2 PART B
Licensed LNP as at the Effective Date

[*****]

Exhibit 2.1.4
[***] Terms**

[*****]

**Exhibit 3.4
Clearance Template**

1. Vaccine Products

For vaccine Products, the below table must be used for the clearance of Antigens. For each clearance, the primary vaccine Antigen must be reported in the first row, and any additional vaccine Antigens (if any) must be reported in the subsequent rows.

Organism naturally encoding Target (e.g. virus, bacterium)	Transcript Identifier: NCBI Refseq transcript ID	Gene Identifier: NCBI Refseq Gene ID	Gene Name and Synonyms	DNA Sequence coordinates or locus	Protein Amino Acid Sequence: FASTA format

2. Antibody Products

For Antibody Products each clearance request shall (i) designate the primary Antibody and any additional Antibody(ies) (if any) of such Antibody Product, and (ii) contain for each Antibody the following information:

- (A) the common name for such Antibody and any known synonyms, if applicable;
- (C) a reference amino acid sequence for the baseline protein (i.e., the protein from which variants are established); and
- (D) a description of the biological activity of interest of such Antibody. In case the Antibody binds to a non-human protein or a non-human antigen the identity of the non-human protein or non-human antigen should be identified using the above table as for Vaccine Products.

**Exhibit 3.5.2
Reserved Antigens**

[*****]

Exhibit 4.1
First Product R&D Plan

[*****]

Exhibit 4.2
Second Product R&D Plan

[*****]

Exhibit 4.3.1(A)
[***] Product R&D Plan**

[*****]

Exhibit 4.3.1(B)
[***] Product R&D Plan**

[*****]

Exhibit 4.3.1(C)
[***] Product R&D Plan**

[*****]

**Exhibit 5.2.1
Key Supply Terms**

**Part (A)
(for commercial supply)**

[*****]

Part (B)
(for clinical supply)

[*****]

Exhibit 6.2
Key Distribution Terms

[*****]

**Exhibit 8.7.5
Third Party Offset**

[*****]

Exhibit 11.6
Draft Press Release



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GSK and CureVac announce strategic mRNA technology collaboration

- Companies to collaborate on mRNA vaccine and monoclonal antibody research programmes in infectious diseases
- GSK to make equity investment of £130m (€150m) in CureVac, and an upfront payment of £104m (€120m)

GlaxoSmithKline plc (LSE/NYSE: GSK) and CureVac today announced the signing of a strategic collaboration agreement for the research, development, manufacturing and commercialisation of up to five mRNA-based vaccines and monoclonal antibodies (mAbs) targeting infectious disease pathogens. The collaboration complements GSK's existing mRNA capabilities with CureVac's integrated mRNA platform.

mRNA (messenger RNA) technology is a rapidly progressing, cutting-edge platform for the development of new vaccines and medicines, potentially expanding the range of diseases which can be prevented or treated, while also promising to significantly speed up development and manufacturing. mRNA enables protein synthesis in the human body, carrying the genetic code required for cells to manufacture and express proteins. By using mRNA technology in vaccines and medicines, specific proteins, or antigens, can be produced by the body's own cells, enabling the human immune system to prevent or fight disease.

CureVac's leadership in mRNA technology, along with its mRNA manufacturing capability, complements GSK's existing scientific leadership in vaccines, including GSK's own self-amplifying mRNA (SAM) vaccine technology platform, and further builds on GSK's growing capability in mAbs innovation, aligned to its R&D focus on the science of immunology. Advancing mRNA-based vaccine and treatment technologies is also expected to play a role in further improving response against future pandemics.

Roger Connor, President GSK Vaccines, said: “GSK’s self-amplifying mRNA (SAM) vaccine technology has shown us the potential of mRNA technology to advance the science of vaccine development, and CureVac’s experience complements our own expertise. Through the application of mRNA technology, including SAM, we hope to be able to develop and scale up advanced vaccines and therapies to treat and prevent infectious diseases quicker than ever before.”

Dr. Franz-Werner Haas, acting Chief Executive Officer of CureVac, added: “We are delighted to partner with GSK. With this collaboration, we are gaining a world-class partner whose expertise and global footprint will allow us to further develop and translate the value of our platform into potential products for the world.”

The companies will combine their mRNA expertise on development opportunities across a range of infectious disease pathogens, selected with the potential to best leverage the advantages of this platform technology, while addressing significant unmet medical need and economic burden. CureVac’s existing COVID-19 mRNA and rabies vaccines research programmes are not included in the collaboration announced today.

Under the terms of the deal, GSK will make an equity investment in CureVac of £130m (€150m), representing an approximate 10% stake, an upfront cash payment of £104m (€120m) and a one-time reimbursable payment of £26m (€30m) for manufacturing capacity reservation, upon certification of CureVac’s commercial scale manufacturing facility currently under construction in Germany.

CureVac will be eligible to receive development and regulatory milestone payments of up to £277m (€320m), commercial milestone payments of up to £329m (€380m) and tiered royalties on product sales.

GSK will fund R&D activities at CureVac related to the development projects covered by the collaboration. CureVac will be responsible for the preclinical- and clinical-development through Phase 1 trials of these projects, after which GSK will be responsible for further development and commercialization. CureVac will be responsible for the GMP manufacturing of the product candidates including for commercialization, and will retain commercialization rights for selected countries for all product candidates.

About GSK

GSK is a science-led global healthcare company with a special purpose: to help people do more, feel better, live longer. For further information please visit www.gsk.com/about-us.

About CureVac’s mRNA technology platform

CureVac’s mRNA technology platform has shown potential in the development and production of mRNA based vaccines and therapeutics. CureVac’s RNA optimizer platform aims to optimize the properties of mRNA medicines based on its three core pillars: protein design, mRNA optimization and mRNA delivery. The technology can be tailored to induce varying degrees of immune responses against specific protein antigens of choice, potentially providing potent prophylactic vaccines for the prevention of infectious diseases, such as Rabies, as well as immunotherapies for the treatment of cancer. The technology can also be adapted to avoid immune activation for purposes of protein therapy and antibodies, thereby providing potential new therapeutic modalities for patients suffering from a vast range of diseases.

About CureVac

CureVac is a leading clinical stage biotechnology company in the field of messenger RNA (mRNA) technology with 20 years of expertise in developing and optimizing this versatile molecule for medical purposes. The principle of CureVac’s proprietary technology is the use of mRNA as a data carrier to instruct the human body to produce its own proteins capable of fighting a wide range of diseases. The company applies its technologies for the development of cancer therapies, antibody therapies, the

treatment of rare diseases, and prophylactic vaccines. CureVac has received significant investments, amongst others from dievini Hopp BioTech holding and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. In June 2020, the German Federal Ministry of Economics and Energy announced its commitment to invest 300 million Euros in CureVac through the Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau (KfW). CureVac has also entered into collaborations with multinational corporations and organizations, including Boehringer Ingelheim, Genmab, CRISPR Therapeutics, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, CEPI and others. CureVac is headquartered in Tübingen, Germany with sites in Frankfurt and Boston, USA.

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Cautionary statement regarding forward-looking statements

GSK cautions investors that any forward-looking statements or projections made by GSK, including those made in this announcement, are subject to risks and uncertainties that may cause actual results to differ materially from those projected. Such factors include, but are not limited to, those described under Item 3.D “Risk Factors” in the company’s Annual Report on Form 20-F for 2019 and any impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

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Exhibit 12.5
Data Protection Terms

The Parties agree that the processing of Personal Information under or in connection with this Agreement shall be in accordance with this Exhibit, including all Annexes.

1. Definitions

In this Exhibit:

“**CureVac**” means CureVac as defined in the Agreement and its Affiliates.

“**Data Protection Authority**” means each person having regulatory or supervisory authority over GSK or CureVac in the area of protection of Personal Information;

“**Data Protection Laws**” means: (a) the GDPR; and (b) all other laws concerning the processing of Personal Information;

“**GDPR**” means the General Data Protection Regulation (EU) 2016/679 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data;

“**GSK**” means GSK as defined in the Agreement and its Affiliates.

“**Party**” or “**Parties**” means CureVac and GSK as defined in this Exhibit.

“**Personal Information**” means information relating to an identified or identifiable individual;

“**Personal Information Breach**” means any actual breach of security leading to the accidental or unlawful destruction, loss, alteration, unauthorised disclosure of, or access to, Personal Information transmitted, stored or otherwise processed; and

“**Transferred Personal Information**” means any Personal Information that is transferred pursuant to this Agreement (i) that is transferred to CureVac by GSK operating in the European Union; or (ii) that is transferred to GSK by CureVac operating in the European Union.

2. Data Processing

a. Status of each Party under Data Protection Laws

GSK and CureVac acknowledge that the status of each Party is a question of fact determined under Data Protection Laws. Without limiting the foregoing, GSK and CureVac each understand that, in relation to the Transferred Personal Information, GSK and CureVac

independently determine how and why Transferred Personal Information is processed (and accordingly each acts as a controller) and all processing of Transferred Personal Information shall be undertaken in accordance with Annex 1 (Controller Terms) to this Exhibit 12.5.

b. Description of processing

The Parties will document the following information in writing (including in electronic form)

Duration, nature and purpose of processing	
Duration of processing	[to be documented]
Nature and purpose of processing	[to be documented]
Personal Information	
Individuals may include any of:	[to be documented]
Categories of Personal Information may include any of:	[to be documented]
Special categories of Personal Information may include any of:	[to be documented]

3. **Termination or expiry**

On termination or expiry of this Agreement, this Exhibit shall survive and continue in full effect for as long as Transferred Personal Information is processed by the other Party.

4. **Further Assurance**

- a. If any Data Protection Authority adopts revised standard contractual clauses for the matters addressed in this Exhibit (including any Annex) and one Party notifies the other Party that it wishes to incorporate any element of those standard contractual clauses into this Exhibit, the other Party shall agree to changes (limited only to the extent of the requirement under such revised standard contractual clauses) as reasonably requested by such Party.
- b. Both Parties agree that, upon the request of any Party, they shall execute any specific form of data transfer agreement as reasonably requested by such Party to enable the other Party to comply with applicable Data Protection Laws or the requirements of any Data Protection Authority.

ANNEX 1 TO EXHIBIT 12.5 - CONTROLLER TERMS

1. General terms

- a. Subject to the remaining provisions of this Annex 1, in relation to the processing of all Transferred Personal Information, each Party:
 - i. shall comply with its obligations under Data Protection Laws; and
 - ii. acknowledges that, except as expressly stated otherwise under this Annex 1 or otherwise in the Agreement, it is (as between the Parties) solely responsible for meeting all of its obligations under Data Protection Law.

2. Legal basis and privacy notices

- a. Unless expressly agreed otherwise in writing, each Party shall be responsible for the lawfulness of the collection and disclosure to the other Party of the Transferred Personal Information, in particular, for obtaining any consent required by law from all individuals to whom the Transferred Personal Information relates in respect of all processing undertaken by that Party (including any disclosure to the other Party).
- b. If the transferring Party obtains consent for the processing of Transferred Personal Information, such consent shall cover the transfer and the further processing of Transferred Personal Information by the other Party for the purposes identified in this Exhibit.
- c. Unless expressly agreed otherwise in writing, each Party shall be responsible for providing privacy notices to all individuals to whom the Transferred Personal Information relates in respect of all processing undertaken by that Party. If either Party expressly agrees in writing to provide a privacy notice on behalf of the other Party, it shall ensure that the relevant privacy notices effectively address all information required to be provided under Data Protection Laws and take account of any reasonable proposals by the other Party.

3. Communications

- a. If either Party receives any communication from a Data Protection Authority which relates directly or indirectly to:
 - i. the other Party's processing of Transferred Personal Information; or
 - ii. a potential failure to comply with Data Protection Laws in relation to the processing of Transferred Personal Information,

the receiving Party, shall, to the extent permitted by Applicable Laws, promptly forward the communication to the other Party and provide the other Party with reasonable cooperation and assistance in relation to the same.

4. Handling of transferred personal information

- a. Each Party shall ensure that Transferred Personal Information supplied to it by or on behalf of the other Party:
 - i. is only used for the purposes for which it was collected;
 - ii. is not disclosed to any of its staff unless those persons that have committed themselves to confidentiality and have undergone appropriate training in data protection;
 - iii. is transferred to another Party or Third Parties only: in accordance with Applicable Laws; and
 - iv. is kept securely, including by application of the measures set out in Annex 2 (Information Security) to this Exhibit 12.5.

5. Rights of individuals

If an individual makes a written request to either Party to exercise any of their rights under Data Protection Laws in respect of Transferred Personal Information, the receiving Party shall respond to that request in accordance with Data Protection Laws. To the extent the request concerns processing of Transferred Personal Information undertaken by the other Party, the receiving Party shall: (i) promptly forward the request to the other Party; and (ii) cooperate and provide reasonable assistance in relation to that request to enable the other Party to respond in accordance with Data Protection Laws.

6. Personal information breach

- a. Without limiting any provision of Annex 2 (Information Security) to this Exhibit 12.5, if a Party becomes aware of a Personal Information Breach affecting Transferred Personal Information supplied to it by the other Party, the Party shall:
 - i. notify the other Party without undue delay, and provide the other Party with a reasonable description of the Personal Information Breach without undue delay as such information becomes available; and

not publish any communication concerning the Personal Information Breach without first consulting the other Party, save that it may disclose a breach to the extent required by Applicable Laws (e.g. to Data Protection Authority or to individual(s)).

ANNEX 2 TO EXHIBIT 12.5 – INFORMATION SECURITY

[to be completed as soon as reasonably practicable after the Closing Date]

Exhibit 13.4
Disclosure Letter

[*****]

Exhibit 15.4
Post-Termination Royalties

Where this Exhibit 15.4 applies, CureVac shall pay GSK, on a Product-by-Product and country-by-country basis, the royalty payments set forth below for Net Sales by CureVac, its Affiliates, or Sublicensees of such Product, depending in what stage of development that Product finds itself at the effective date of termination. With respect to any payments to be made by CureVac to GSK, the definition of “Net Sales” in Section 1.132 and the provisions of Sections 8.7.2, 8.7.3, 8.7.8, and 8.8 to 8.11 shall apply *mutatis mutandis*.

<i>Stage of Product Development at Termination</i>	<i>Rate</i>
[*****]	[*****]
[*****]	[*****]
[*****]	[*****]
[*****]	[*****]

COVID CLA AMENDMENT AND RESTATEMENT AGREEMENT

dated

29 SEPTEMBER, 2021

by and between

CUREVAC AG

and

GLAXOSMITHKLINE BIOLOGICALS SA

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AMENDMENT AND RESTATEMENT AGREEMENT

This **Amendment and Restatement Agreement** (“**Agreement**”) is entered into on 29 September, 2021 (“**Effective Date**”)

BY AND BETWEEN

CUREVAC AG, a German cooperation with offices at [*****] (“**CureVac**”);

AND

GLAXOSMITHKLINE BIOLOGICALS SA, a Belgium corporation with offices at [*****] (“**GSK**”).

INTRODUCTION

- A. This Agreement is supplemental to and amends and restates a COVID Collaboration and License Agreement dated April 2, 2021 on collaborating in the research, development and commercialization of non-replicating mRNA based vaccines targeting SARS-CoV-2 (the “**COVID CLA**”).
- B. The Parties have consented to the amendments to the COVID CLA set out in this Agreement.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing premises and the following mutual covenants and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows:

1. INTERPRETATION

- 1.1 In this Agreement, unless the contrary intention appears, a paragraph, section, exhibit or schedule is a reference to a section, exhibit or schedule to this Agreement. Schedule 1 forms part of this Agreement.
- 1.2 Unless otherwise specified in this Agreement, the words and expressions defined in the Amended and Restated COVID CLA (as defined below) shall have the same meanings when used in this Agreement and the rules and principles of interpretation set out in Section 1 of the Amended and Restated COVID CLA shall apply to this Agreement.
- 1.3 In the event of any conflict or inconsistency between the terms of the Amended and Restated COVID CLA and this Agreement, this Agreement shall prevail.

2. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Agreement shall commence on and from the Effective Date.

3. AMENDMENT AND RESTATEMENT

- 3.1 Subject to Section 3.2, the Parties agree that the COVID CLA will be amended and restated in the form set out in Schedule 1 (the “**Amended and Restated COVID CLA**”) on and from the Effective Date so that the rights and obligations of the Parties to the COVID CLA shall, on and from the Effective Date, be governed by and construed in accordance with the provisions of the Amended and Restated COVID CLA.
- 3.2 The COVID CLA will remain in full force and effect, except to the extent amended and restated by this Agreement, and each Party’s rights, responsibilities and liabilities relating to any act or omission prior to Effective Date shall continue to be determined by the COVID CLA.

4. REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

CureVac and GSK each represents and warrants and covenants with respect to itself only as at the Effective Date that:

- (a) the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement have been duly authorized by all necessary action on the part of such Party, its officers and directors, and does not conflict with, violate, or breach any agreement to which such Party is a party, or such Party’s corporate charter, bylaws or similar organizational documents;
- (b) this Agreement constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation of such Party that is enforceable against it in accordance with its terms, except as such enforceability may be limited by general principles of equity or to applicable competition, bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium, liquidation and other similar laws relating to, or affecting generally, the enforcement of applicable creditors’ rights and remedies;
- (c) it is a company or corporation duly organized, validly existing, and in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction in which it is incorporated.

5. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 5.1 This Agreement and all disputes arising hereunder, shall be exclusively governed by, and interpreted and enforced in accordance with Belgian law. The United Nations Convention of International Contracts on the Sale of Goods (the Vienna Convention) does not apply to this Agreement.
- 5.2 If any provision of this Agreement is determined by any court or administrative tribunal of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unenforceable, the Parties shall negotiate in good faith a replacement provision that is commercially equivalent, to the maximum extent permitted by Applicable Law, to such invalid or unenforceable provision. The invalidity or unenforceability of any provision of this Agreement shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the other provisions of this Agreement. Nor shall the invalidity or unenforceability of any provision of this Agreement in one country or jurisdiction affect the validity or enforceability of such provision in any other country or jurisdiction in which such provision would otherwise be valid or enforceable.
- 5.3 This Agreement, together with Schedule 1 attached hereto, constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties regarding the subject matter hereof, and supersedes all prior agreements, understandings and communications between the Parties, with respect to the subject matter hereof, including the Confidentiality Agreements. The foregoing may not be interpreted as a waiver of any remedies available to either Party as a result of any breach prior to the Effective

Date, by the other Party of its obligations under the Confidentiality Agreements. No modification or amendment of this Agreement shall be binding upon the Parties unless in writing and executed by the duly authorized representative of each of the Parties; this shall also apply to any change of this Section 5.3.

- 5.4 This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, by original or electronic (including “pdf”) signature, each of which shall be deemed an original but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.
- 5.5 The Parties are independent contractors and this Agreement shall not constitute or give rise to an employer-employee, agency, partnership or joint venture relationship among the Parties and each Party’s performance hereunder is that of a separate, independent entity
- 5.6 None of the provisions of this Agreement shall be for the benefit of or enforceable by any Third Party which shall be a Third Party beneficiary to this Agreement.

Signature page follows.

In Witness Whereof, the Parties have executed this Agreement to be effective as at the Effective Date.

Signed on behalf of
GlaxoSmithKline Biologicals S.A.

[*****]

[*****]

Date Signed: 29 September, 2021

Signed on behalf of
GlaxoSmithKline Biologicals S.A.

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Date Signed: 29 September, 2021

Signed on behalf of
CureVac AG

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Date Signed: 29 September, 2021

Signed on behalf of
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Date Signed: 29 September, 2021

SCHEDULE 1

AMENDED AND RESTATED COVID CLA

COVID COLLABORATION AND LICENSE AGREEMENT

dated

2 APRIL 2021

(AS AMENDED AND RESTATED ON 29 SEPTEMBER, 2021)

by and between

CUREVAC AG

and

GLAXOSMITHKLINE BIOLOGICALS SA

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COVID COLLABORATION AND LICENSE AGREEMENT

This **COVID Collaboration and License Agreement** (this “**Agreement**”) is entered into on 2 April 2021 (“**Effective Date**”), as amended and restated (“**COVID First Amendment**”) on 29 September, 2021 (“**COVID First Amendment Effective Date**”).

BY AND BETWEEN

CUREVAC AG, a German cooperation with offices at [*****] (“**CureVac**”);

AND

GLAXOSMITHKLINE BIOLOGICALS SA (“GSK”)

INTRODUCTION

- A. WHEREAS, CureVac is a biotechnology company that is a pioneer and technology leader in mRNA-based prophylactic and therapeutic approaches and discovers, designs and develops first-in-class mRNA therapies for the prevention and treatment of diseases with unmet medical need. CureVac controls a first generation prophylactic mRNA based vaccine targeting SARS-CoV-2 which is in late stage development, [*****].
- B. WHEREAS, GSK is a world leading global healthcare company developing, manufacturing and commercializing innovative pharmaceuticals, vaccines and consumer healthcare products worldwide.
- C. WHEREAS, CureVac and GSK have entered into a Collaboration and License Agreement dated July 15, 2020 on collaborating in the research, development and commercialization of prophylactic and therapeutic non-replicating mRNA based vaccines and antibodies targeting certain infectious disease pathogens, such pathogens among others not including SARS-CoV-2, and have agreed to amend that agreement on the same date as this Agreement.
- D. WHEREAS, CureVac and GSK have decided to build upon their existing collaboration to also collaborate in the research, development and commercialization of mRNA based vaccines targeting SARS-CoV-2 based on the technology controlled by CureVac.
- E. WHEREAS, the Parties have agreed to amend and restate this Agreement to improve the competitiveness of the COVID Products, to accelerate the execution of the COVID R&D Plan, including, *inter alia*, that GSK will be enabled to Manufacture on its own clinical trial materials and will contribute significantly more resources to progress the Development and Manufacture of the COVID Products, as set forth, *inter alia*, in the amended COVID R&D Plan.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing premises and the following mutual covenants and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows:

1. DEFINITIONS.

For purposes of this Agreement, the following capitalized terms shall have the following meanings, whether used in the singular or plural:

- 1.1** “**2020 Collaboration Agreement**” shall mean the Collaboration and License Agreement between CureVac and GSK dated July 15, 2020 (as amended).
- 1.2** “**Affiliate**” shall mean any corporation or other entity that controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with a Party. A corporation or other entity will be regarded as under the control of another corporation or entity if the latter corporation or entity owns or directly or indirectly controls fifty percent (50%) or more of the voting stock or other ownership interest of the former corporation or other entity, or if the latter corporation or entity possesses, directly or indirectly, the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of the former corporation or other entity or the power to elect or appoint fifty percent (50%) or more of the members of the governing body of the former corporation or other entity, provided, however, that regarding CureVac, Affiliate shall not include Mr. Dietmar Hopp, dievini Hopp BioTech holding GmbH & Co.KG and/or any other companies controlled by Mr. Dietmar Hopp and/or dievini Hopp BioTech holding GmbH & Co.KG that are not subsidiaries of CureVac.
- 1.3** “**Agreement**” shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.
- 1.4** “**Alliance Manager**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.1.1.
- 1.5** “**Ancillary Agreement**” shall mean any of the following agreements between the Parties (or their respective Affiliates) relating to this Agreement: any Clinical Supply Agreement; any Commercial Supply Agreement; any Distribution Agreement; any Quality Agreement and any pharmacovigilance agreement.
- 1.6** “**Antigen**” shall mean any antigen, defined by its amino acid sequence, associated with a Pathogen, together with all Antigen Variants thereof.
- 1.7** “**Antigen List Rep**” shall mean the representative of CureVac designated as Antigen List Rep under the 2020 Collaboration Agreement.
- 1.8** “**Antigen Variant**” shall mean any variant of an Antigen, including the wild type, naturally occurring variants, engineered variants wherein modifications to the native amino acid sequence have been introduced (for example, mutated versions, derivatives or fragments), provided, however, that any such variant possesses substantially similar biological activity to the naturally occurring antigen.
- 1.9** “**APA Share Credit**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 8.2.2.
- 1.10** “**Applicable Laws**” shall mean all applicable provisions of all national, supranational, regional, state and local, laws, treaties, statutes, rules, regulations, directives, administrative codes, ordinances, decrees, orders, decisions, guidance documents, injunctions, awards, judgments, and permits of or from any court, arbitrator, stock exchange, regulatory authority or governmental authority having jurisdiction over or related to the subject item.

- 1.11 “**Assigned Invention**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.5.
- 1.12 “**Background Technology**” shall mean the CureVac Background Technology and/or GSK Background Technology, as applicable.
- 1.13 “[*****]” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 1.14.
- 1.14 “[*****] **Agreement**” shall mean the [*****].
- 1.15 “[*****] **Options**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.3.1.
- 1.16 “[*****] **Agreement**” shall mean [*****].
- 1.17 “[*****] **Agreement**” shall mean the agreement regarding the provision of COVID-19 Vaccine [*****].
- 1.18 “**Brand IP**” shall mean any and all rights and privileges in trade names, domain names, brand names, product names, logos and trade dress (and the goodwill of any business symbolized thereby), including trademarks, service marks, copyrights and design rights for any of the above, and any similar intellectual property right recognized from time to time in any jurisdiction, as well as any and all registrations, applications, recordings and other legal protections to the foregoing.
- 1.19 “**Breaching Party**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 14.4.
- 1.20 “**Business Day**” shall mean any day other than Saturday, Sunday, or any day that banks are authorized or required to be closed in Tübingen, Germany or Rixensart, Belgium.
- 1.21 “**Calendar Quarter**” shall mean each successive period of three (3) months ending on March 31, June 30, September 30 and December 31 of each Calendar Year; provided, that the first Calendar Quarter under this Agreement will be the period beginning on the Closing Date and ending on the end of the Calendar Quarter in which the Closing Date is encompassed and the last Calendar Quarter of the Term will be the period beginning on January 1, April 1, July 1 or October 1, as applicable, and ending on the effective date of expiry or termination of this Agreement, and “**Calendar Quarterly**” shall be construed accordingly.
- 1.22 “**Calendar Year**” shall mean each successive period of twelve (12) months commencing on January 1 and ending on December 31; provided, however, that the first Calendar Year under this Agreement will be the period beginning on the Closing Date and ending on the end of the Calendar Year in which the Closing Date is encompassed and the last Calendar Year of the Term will be the period beginning on January 1 and ending on the effective date of expiry or termination of this Agreement.
- 1.23 “**Change of Control**” shall mean a transaction in which a Party (or any direct or indirect shareholder(s), unitholder(s) or partner(s) together holding (directly or indirectly) over fifty

percent (50%) of the voting rights attached to the shares, units or partnership interests in a Party): (i) sells, conveys or otherwise disposes of all or substantially all of the Party's (or their indirect interest(s) in the Party's) property, assets or business; or (ii) merges or consolidates with any other entity; or (iii) effects any other transaction or series of transactions; in each case of clause (ii) or (iii), such that the ultimate direct or indirect shareholder(s), unitholder(s) or partner(s) of such Party immediately prior thereto, in aggregate, no longer own, directly or indirectly, beneficially or legally, more than fifty percent (50%) of the voting rights attached to the outstanding voting securities or capital stock of the surviving entity following the closing of such merger, consolidation, other transaction or series of transactions. For the avoidance of doubt, "Change of Control" shall not mean a transaction which, in the case of paragraph (ii) or (iii), results in a person owning, directly or indirectly, beneficially or legally, more than fifty percent (50%) of the voting rights attached to the outstanding voting securities or capital stock of the surviving entity and where there is an agreement or arrangement between that person (or any of its direct or indirect shareholders, unitholders or partners) and the relevant Party (or any of its direct or indirect shareholders, unitholders or partners) to reverse the effects of this transaction or to implement a further transaction so that the ultimate shareholders, unitholders or partners of the relevant Party immediately prior thereto will again own, directly or indirectly, beneficially or legally, more than fifty percent (50%) of the voting rights attached to the outstanding voting shares, units or partnership interests of the relevant Party or surviving entity.

- 1.24 **"Clinical Phase I Study"** shall mean a study in humans which provides for the first administration to humans of a product, conducted in healthy volunteers or patients to obtain information on product safety, tolerability, pharmacological activity or pharmacokinetics, as more fully defined in 21 C.F.R. § 312.21(a) or the non-United States equivalent thereof. For the avoidance of doubt, a Clinical Phase I Study may generate sufficient data (if successful) to commence pivotal studies/Clinical Phase III Studies, but it shall not constitute a Clinical Phase II Study.
- 1.25 **"Clinical Phase II Study"** shall mean a clinical study (other than a Clinical Phase I Study) in humans of the safety, dose ranging and efficacy of a product, which is prospectively designed to generate sufficient data (if successful) to commence pivotal studies/Clinical Phase III Studies, as further defined in 21 CFR §312.21(b) or the non-United States equivalent thereof.
- 1.26 **"Clinical Phase III Study"** shall mean a controlled, and usually multicenter, clinical study in humans of the efficacy and safety of a product, which is prospectively designed to demonstrate statistically whether such product is effective and safe for use in humans in the indication being investigated in a manner sufficient to submit an application to obtain Regulatory Approval to market such product, as further defined in 21 CFR §312.21(c) or the non-United States equivalent thereof.
- 1.27 **"Clinical Studies"** shall mean all Clinical Phase I Studies, Clinical Phase II Studies and Clinical Phase III Studies, including pivotal studies.
- 1.28 **"Clinical Supply Agreement"** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5.1.
- 1.29 **"Closing Date"** shall mean the date on which the condition under Section 1.183 is fulfilled or waived by both Parties.
- 1.30 **"CMC Development"** shall mean all research and development activities conducted in respect

of the Manufacture of COVID Products, including chemistry, manufacturing and control (CMC), creation of master and working cell banks, test method development and stability testing, process development, manufacturing scale-up, qualification and validation, quality assurance and quality control processes and techniques.

1.31 “**CMO**” shall mean a contract manufacturing organization.

1.32 “**COGS**” shall mean the total cost of Manufacture of a unit of COVID Product sold and shall include Manufacturing Costs and Pass-Through Costs, as defined below, and subject to periodic review and changes over time:

“**Manufacturing Costs**” shall mean [*****]:

(i) “**Standard Manufacturing Cost**” is a budgeted cost per unit established to facilitate inventory evaluation, planning and budgeting, which shall include:

[*****]

(ii) “**Cost Variances**” is the variance between, for a period to be agreed by the Parties,

actual costs of Manufacturing versus the Standard Manufacturing Cost and may include [*****];

- (iii) “Other Manufacturing Costs” are additional costs of Manufacturing which [*****]; and
- (iv) “Freight” are costs incurred for [*****].

Manufacturing Costs shall exclude: (a) excess costs that result from a Party’s (or its Affiliate’s) negligence or willful misconduct.

Based on each Party’s accounting policies, Manufacturing Cost can be calculated [*****].

“**Pass-Through Costs**” within COGS shall include [*****].

1.33 “Collaboration COVID Vaccine Product” shall mean:

- (i) each CureVac mRNA-Based vaccine targeting the SARS-CoV-2 Pathogen and using the SARS-CoV-2 spike protein, or any Antigen Variant thereof, as primary vaccine Antigen that the Parties have agreed to Develop and Commercialize under this Agreement during the Term, but excluding any First-Gen COVID Vaccine Product and Pathogen Combination Product; and
- (ii) each vaccine product targeting coronaviruses in respect of which GSK exercises its exclusive option pursuant to Section 3.7.3 of the 2020 Collaboration Agreement, where CureVac elects, in accordance with Section 3.7.3(a)(i) of the 2020 Collaboration Agreement, to Develop and Commercialize such product on a cost and profit split basis under this Agreement.

For clarity, Collaboration COVID Vaccine Products shall incorporate a mRNA backbone (otherwise known as the non-coding region) that is not identical to the First-Gen mRNA Construct.

1.34 “Combination Product” shall mean a product that is:

- (i) a single pharmaceutical formulation containing Drug Substances associated with a COVID Product and one or more other therapeutically or prophylactically active pharmaceutical ingredients [*****];

- (ii) any combination therapy comprised of a Finished Product and one or more other therapeutically or prophylactically active products, that is (x) priced and sold in a single package containing such multiple products; or (y) packaged separately but sold together for a single price; or
- (iii) comprised of a Finished Product and a companion or complementary diagnostic, priced and sold in a single package containing such multiple products or packaged separately but sold together for a single price,

in each case, including all dosage forms, formulations, presentations, line extensions, and package configurations. For clarity, a Pathogen Combination Product shall not be a Combination Product, unless it is (A) combined with another therapeutically or prophylactically active ingredient/product or (B) comprised of a Finished Product and a companion or complementary diagnostic product, as set forth in (i), (ii) or (iii) above.

1.35 “**Commercial Supply Agreement**” shall have the meaning given in Section 5.2.2.

1.36 “**Commercialization**” shall mean any and all activities directed to the preparation for sale of, offering for sale of, or sale of a COVID Product, including activities related to marketing, promoting, distributing, importing and exporting of COVID Products, interacting with Regulatory Authorities regarding any of the foregoing and medical affairs functions. For the avoidance of doubt, “Commercialization” shall not include the Manufacture of COVID Products. When used as a verb, to “**Commercialize**” and “**Commercializing**” shall mean to engage in Commercialization, and “**Commercialized**” has a correlative meaning.

1.37 “**Confidential Information**” shall mean all Know-How, Development Data or other information of a Party whether or not marked confidential or proprietary, including:

- (i) all communications between the Parties or information of whatever kind whether recorded or not and, if recorded, in whatever medium, relating to or arising out of this Agreement, whether disclosed prior to or after entering into this Agreement; and
- (ii) all copies and excerpts of the communications, information, notes, reports and documents in whatever form referred to in paragraph (i) of this definition.

For purposes of the confidentiality obligations set forth herein, (a) GSK Know-How, GSK Materials and GSK Inventions shall be deemed Confidential Information of GSK; and CureVac Know-How, CureVac Materials and CureVac Inventions shall be deemed Confidential Information of CureVac; (b) Confidential Information jointly owned by the Parties as well as Inventions and Know-How jointly owned by the Parties shall be deemed Confidential Information of both Parties; and (c) the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall be deemed Confidential Information of both Parties (and both Parties shall be deemed the Receiving Party with respect thereto). “Confidential Information” also includes all information exchanged between the Parties pursuant to the Confidentiality Agreement.

1.38 “**Confidentiality Agreement**” shall mean that certain Confidential Disclosure Agreement entered into between the Parties as at January 9, 2020.

1.39 “**Control**” shall mean, with respect to any material, information or intellectual property right that a Party (i) owns such material, information or intellectual property right; or (ii) has a license to or right to use or grant access to such material, information or intellectual property right, in

each case of (i) or (ii), without violating the terms of any agreement or other arrangement with a Third Party, provided that any intellectual property right in-licensed by a Party from the other Party under the 2020 Collaboration Agreement shall not be Controlled by such Party for the purpose of this Section 1.39.

- 1.40** “**Cover**” shall mean, (i) with respect to a claim of a Patent Right, that such claim would be infringed, absent a license, by the Development, Manufacture or Commercialization of a COVID Product, or (ii) with regard to Know-How, that the use or disclosure of such Know-How without a license would be actionable.
- 1.41** “**COVID Product(s)**” shall mean (i) the Collaboration COVID Vaccine Product(s); (ii) the Pathogen Combination Product(s); and (iii) upon the effective date of Option Exercise pursuant to Section 3.3.6, the First-Gen COVID Vaccine Products, in each case of (i), (ii) and (iii) including Product Adjustments. COVID Products may be in Drug Product or Finished Product form (or precursors thereto). For the avoidance of doubt, the term “COVID Products” shall not include the First-Gen COVID Vaccine Product(s) prior to effective Option Exercise by GSK.
- 1.42** “**COVID R&D Plan**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.1
- 1.43** “**CRO**” shall mean a contract research organization or a contract development and manufacturing organization.
- 1.44** “**CureVac Alliance Manager**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.1.1.
- 1.45** “**CureVac Background Technology**” shall mean the Patent Rights and Know-How Controlled by CureVac at the Effective Date or generated or acquired by or on behalf of CureVac during the Term outside the scope of this Agreement.
- 1.46** “**CureVac Elements**” shall mean mRNA, LNP, CVCM and other technology or information, each as described in the CureVac Know-How or within the scope of the specifications of the CureVac Patent Rights (excluding any Invention or Know-How jointly owned by the Parties), excluding Modified MRNA.
- 1.47** “**CureVac Indemnified Parties**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 13.1.
- 1.48** “**CureVac Invention**” shall mean both (i) any Invention that has been discovered, made, conceived and first reduced to practice prior to the COVID First Amendment Effective Date and has been notified by the inventing Party to the other Party at the latest [*****] after the COVID First Amendment Effective Date, and which qualifies as a “CureVac Invention” pursuant to the version of this Agreement in effect prior to the COVID First Amendment Effective Date; and (ii) any later Invention that falls under the definition of “CureVac Invention” as set forth in Section 9.3.1 (i) of this COVID First Amendment.
- 1.49** “**CureVac Know-How**” shall mean (i) all Know-How within the CureVac Background Technology Controlled by CureVac or its Affiliates as at the Effective Date or during the Term that is necessary or useful for the Parties to Develop, Manufacture and/or Commercialize COVID Products under this Agreement, provided that (x) with respect to Know-How within the CureVac Background Technology owned by a Third Party that is not necessary to ensure

freedom to operate for the Development, Manufacture and/or Commercialization of COVID Products in the Field in the Territory and that comes under CureVac's Control, this shall only include Know-How which is deemed CureVac Know-How pursuant to Section 2.8.1; and (y) this shall not include the Know-How of any Third Party (or such Third Party's Affiliates) that becomes an Affiliate of CureVac after the Effective Date solely as a result of a Change of Control in CureVac; and (ii) all Know-How Controlled by CureVac or its Affiliates arising or generated in connection with the performance of activities under this Agreement; provided, however, that CureVac Know-How does not include Know-How related to (A) LNP Technology Controlled by a Third Party; and (B) [*****]. CureVac Know-How shall include (i) Know-How comprised in the CureVac Background Technology; and (ii) Know-How related to CureVac Inventions, (iii) CureVac's share in Know-How related to Joint Inventions, Joint Product Inventions and Joint Other Inventions, (iv) subject to Section 7.3, Know-How related to LNP technology owned or Controlled by CureVac (other than the Licensed LNP), (v) subject to Section 7.3, Know-How related to CVCMS; and (vi) other Know-How generated by or on behalf of CureVac under this Agreement. Without limiting Section 9.1, the CureVac Know-How existing at the Effective Date is further described in **Exhibit 1.50**.

- 1.50** “**CureVac Manufacturing Technology**” shall mean CureVac Patent Rights and CureVac Know-How that are required for the Manufacture of COVID Products.
- 1.51** “**CureVac Materials**” shall mean [*****] that are supplied or otherwise made available by or on behalf of CureVac and/or its Affiliate(s) to GSK hereunder for the purposes of this Agreement (excluding, for clarity, any Confidential Information, or any COVID Product).
- 1.52** “**CureVac mRNA**” shall mean [*****] on the Effective Date or during the Term.
- 1.53** “**CureVac mRNA-Based**” shall mean, with respect to a vaccine, that such vaccine is encoded by one or more CureVac mRNAs.
- 1.54** “**CureVac Patent Right(s)**” shall mean (i) all Patent Rights within the CureVac Background Technology Controlled by CureVac or its Affiliates as at the Effective Date or during the Term that are necessary or useful for the Development, Manufacture and/or Commercialization of COVID Products under this Agreement, provided that (x) with respect to Patent Rights within the CureVac Background Technology owned by a Third Party that are not necessary to ensure freedom to operate for the Development, Manufacture and/or Commercialization of COVID Products in the Field in the Territory and that come under CureVac's Control after the Effective Date, this shall only include Patent Rights which are deemed CureVac Patent Rights pursuant to Section 2.8.1; and (y) this shall not include the Patent Rights of any Third Party (or such Third Party's Affiliates) that becomes an Affiliate of CureVac solely as a result of a Change of Control in CureVac, and (ii) all CureVac Program Patent Right and CureVac's interest in Joint Patent Rights; provided, however, that CureVac Patent Rights do not include Patent Rights Covering [*****]. CureVac Patent Rights shall include (i) Patent Rights comprised in the CureVac Background Technology; and (ii) CureVac's share in Joint Patent Rights, (iii) CureVac Program Patent Rights; (iv) subject to Section 7.3, Patent Rights Covering the LNP technology owned or Controlled by CureVac or its Affiliates (other than the Licensed LNP)

and Patent Rights Covering CVCMS. The CureVac Patent Rights within the CureVac Background Technology Controlled by CureVac or its Affiliates as at the Effective Date are listed in **Exhibit 1.55**.

- 1.55 “**CureVac Program Patent Right**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.7.1.
- 1.56 “**CureVac Project Leader**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.1.2.
- 1.57 “**CureVac Technology**” shall mean CureVac Patent Rights and CureVac Know-How.
- 1.58 “**CureVac Territory**” shall mean Austria, Germany and Switzerland.
- 1.59 “**CVCM**” shall mean CureVac’s next generation mRNA delivery vehicle, also referred to as CureVac Carrier Molecule™, which is disclosed in CureVac’s patent families [*****] that is appropriate for the formulation of Drug Substance.
- 1.60 “**CVnCoV**” shall mean the vaccine named CVnCoV, Developed and Controlled by CureVac and targeting the SARS-CoV-2 Pathogen, which (i) is in Clinical Phase IIb/III Studies as at the Effective Date, (ii) uses the SARS-CoV-2 spike protein as primary vaccine Antigen, and (iii) incorporates the First-Gen mRNA Construct.
- 1.61 “**Development**” shall mean all research, non-clinical, and clinical testing and drug development activities conducted in respect of the COVID Products, including those necessary or reasonably useful or otherwise requested or required by a Regulatory Authority as a condition or in support of obtaining or maintaining Regulatory Approvals and to successfully Develop, Manufacture and Commercialize the COVID Products for use in the Field. “**Development**” shall include CMC Development, delivery system development, mRNA sequence optimization, protein design, non-clinical testing, mechanism of action studies, toxicology, pharmacokinetics, clinical studies, regulatory affairs activities, statistical analysis and report writing, submission of documents, market research, pharmacoeconomic studies, and epidemiological/real world data studies. Development shall mean both (a) non-clinical and clinical Development; and (b) CMC Development. “**Develop**” and “**Developed**” have a correlative meaning.
- 1.62 “**Development Costs**” shall mean:
- (i) the following costs, which are incurred in accordance with the applicable COVID R&D Plan and further detailed in the Development budget set out in the COVID R&D Plan: [*****];
 - (ii) the following other costs (to the extent not covered by the COVID R&D Plan): [*****].

- 1.63 “**Development Data**” shall mean: (i) CMC Development data (including records of Manufactured batches); (ii) any non-clinical or clinical findings, results and other research data relating to the COVID Products, in any format; and (iii) the formal reports of preclinical toxicology studies and Clinical Studies, such data in each case of (i), (ii) and (iii) required for the Development, Manufacture or Commercialization of the COVID Products, including but not limited to, INDs and other regulatory filings and registration dossiers.
- 1.64 “**Development Transfer Materials**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.7.
- 1.65 “**Diligent Efforts**” shall mean, with respect to a Party, those efforts, expertise and resources commensurate with efforts, expertise and resources commonly used in the biopharmaceutical industry by a company of comparable size in connection with the development, manufacture and/or commercialization of a comparable high priority pharmaceutical product which is of similar market potential at a similar stage of development or commercialization in light of issues of safety and efficacy, product profile, public health, the competitiveness of the marketplace, the proprietary position of the compound or product, the regulatory structure involved, the profitability of the applicable products, product reimbursement, and other relevant factors such as technical, legal, scientific, or medical factors. Diligent Efforts shall be determined on a market-by-market and indication-by-indication basis for each COVID Product, and it may change over time.
- 1.66 “**Disclosing Party**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 11.1
- 1.67 “**Disclosure Letter**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 13.4.
- 1.68 “**Distribution Agreement**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6.2.
- 1.69 “**Drug Product**” shall mean, for a given COVID Product, the drug product form thereof, comprising of one or more Drug Substance(s) of that COVID Product and formulated with the Licensed LNP (or, subject to Section 7.3, an LNP Controlled by CureVac or a CVCM), and any excipients.
- 1.70 “**Drug Substance**” shall mean the active ingredient(s) of a COVID Product, being one or more mRNA molecules which contains the genetic information for the relevant Antigen(s).
- 1.71 [*****].
- 1.72 “**Effective Date**” shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.
- 1.73 “**EMA**” shall mean the European Medicines Agency.
- 1.74 “**Enhanced Diligent Efforts**” means, with respect to GSK, marketing efforts that are equal to, or which exceed, in all material respects, those marketing efforts undertaken by GSK for the commercialization of any New Non-mRNA COVID Product, taking into account issues of

safety and efficacy, product profile, public health, the competitiveness of the marketplace, the proprietary position of the compound or product, the regulatory structure involved, product reimbursement, and other relevant factors such as technical, legal, scientific, or medical factors. Enhanced Diligent Efforts shall be determined on a market-by-market and indication-by-indication basis for each COVID Product, and it may change over time.

- 1.75 “[*****] **Agreements**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.7.4.
- 1.76 “**Exclusive Option**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.3.2.
- 1.77 “**Executive Officers**” the Chief Executive Officer of CureVac (or a senior executive officer of CureVac designated by CureVac’s Chief Executive Officer) and the President of GSK Vaccines (or a senior executive officer of GSK designated by the President of GSK Vaccines).
- 1.78 “**Existing COVID Projects**” shall mean the following vaccine development projects in which GSK is involved:
- a. [*****].
 - b. [*****].
 - c. [*****].
 - d. [*****].
- 1.79 [*****]
- 1.80 “**FDA**” shall mean the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.
- 1.81 “**Field**” shall mean any and all prophylactic and/or therapeutic uses for the prevention, delay of onset or treatment of diseases caused by the SARS-CoV-2 Pathogen in humans.
- 1.82 “**Filled Containers**” shall mean, for a given COVID Product, Drug Product, diluted and filled in vials, without labelling or packaging.
- 1.83 “**Financial Partner**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 11.4.1 (vi) below.
- 1.84 “**Finished Product**” shall mean, for a given COVID Product, the final presentation of such COVID Product, following labelling and packaging of Filled Containers, as registered in the

applicable Regulatory Approval.

- 1.85 “**First [*****] Option**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.3.1.
- 1.86 “**First Commercial Sale**” shall mean, on a COVID Product-by-COVID Product and country-by-country basis, the first sale of a COVID Product by or on behalf of GSK or its Affiliates or Sublicensees, or by CureVac or its Affiliates or Sublicensees, such as but not limited to, sales to a Third Party wholesaler, pharmacy, outpatient clinic, inpatient clinic, hospital, dispensing physician or government agency in a given country after necessary Regulatory Approval has been granted with respect to such COVID Product in such country, provided, however, that in the event of a sale of a COVID Product prior to Regulatory Approval which is substantially comparable to a commercial sale effected only after Regulatory Approval is obtained, then the first sale in any such arrangement shall also constitute a First Commercial Sale. For the avoidance of doubt, “treatment IND sales”, “named patient sales” and “compassionate use sales” shall not be construed as a First Commercial Sale if the aggregate, annual Net Sales for all such programs are less than [*****]. For avoidance of doubt, any sale of a COVID Product by GSK to an Affiliate or Sublicensee or subcontractor is not a First Commercial Sale.
- 1.87 “**First-Gen COVID Booster Vaccine**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 1.88.
- 1.88 “**First-Gen COVID Vaccine Product**” shall mean (i) CVnCoV, and each vaccine Controlled by CureVac targeting the SARS-CoV-2 Pathogen that incorporates the First-Gen mRNA Construct (and not, for the avoidance of doubt, any other mRNA backbone), including vaccines modified to address naturally occurring variants of the SARS-CoV-2 spike protein, and (ii) each vaccine that incorporates the First-Gen mRNA Construct (and not, for the avoidance of doubt, any other mRNA backbone) boosting the immune response from a primary vaccination with a First-Gen COVID Vaccine Product or another vaccine targeting the SARS-CoV-2 Pathogen (“**First-Gen COVID Booster Vaccine**”).
- 1.89 “**First-Gen COVID Vaccine Products Dossiers/Data**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.8.4.
- 1.90 “**First-Gen mRNA Construct**” means the “backbone” (otherwise referred to as the non-coding region) of CVnCoV, further details of which are set out in the dossier forming part of each application for Regulatory Approval.
- 1.91 “**First Regulatory Approval**” shall mean, in relation to each COVID Product, unless expressly stated otherwise in this Agreement, the earlier of (i) final marketing authorization for a COVID Product in any jurisdiction of the Territory, or (ii) the grant of any conditional authorization for a COVID Product in any jurisdiction of the Territory.
- 1.92 “**Force Majeure**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 16.2.
- 1.93 [*****].
- 1.94 “**FTE**” shall mean, with respect to a person, the equivalent of the work of one (1) employee full time for one (1) year (consisting of at least [*****] working hours per year (with no further reductions for vacations and holidays)). Overtime, and work on weekends, holidays and the like

will not be counted with any multiplier (e.g., time-and-a-half or double time) toward the number of hours that are used to calculate the FTE contribution. The portion of a FTE billable for one (1) individual during a given accounting period shall be determined by dividing the number of hours worked by said individual on the work to be conducted under the Agreement during such accounting period by the number of FTE hours applicable for such accounting period based on [*****] working hours per year. FTE shall include the employee required to execute the COVID R&D Plan provided however that the costs of employees already taken into account in the calculation of SG&A or COGS shall not be included. FTE shall not include personnel undertaking general corporate activities including, by way of example only, investor relations, business development, legal affairs, human resources and finance, and any other activities not supporting activities conducted under this Agreement.

- 1.95** “**FTE Rate**” shall mean for GSK and CureVac, as applicable, for the period commencing on the Effective Date until such time as the Parties mutually agree otherwise, [*****] per annum. The FTE Rate shall include all fully loaded costs, including costs of salaries (including overtime), benefits, other employee costs, overhead and supporting general and administration allocations. The Parties may agree on an increase of the FTE Rate for inflation on an annual basis based upon the percentage increase in the European Consumer Price Index.
- 1.96** “**Good Clinical Practices**” or “**GCP**” shall mean, in connection with a Clinical Study, current practices set forth in or required by (i) the World Medical Association’s Declaration of Helsinki entitled ‘Ethical Principles for Medical Research Involving Human Subjects’ (ii) the principles of International Conference on Harmonization Harmonized Tripartite Guideline for Good Clinical Practice (CPMP/ICH/135/95) E6 and E11; (iii) the Directive 2001/20/EC of the European Union and in guidance published by the European Commission in relation to such Directive and any local laws, rules and regulations that implement such Directive and guidance; (i) provisions of Title 21 of the Code of Federal Regulations (including Parts 11, 50, 54, 56, 312, 314, 320, 601 and 610) and all rules, regulations, order and guidance’s published thereunder; and (v) any other country in which the Clinical Study is conducted.
- 1.97** “**Good Distribution Practices**” or “**GDP**” shall mean the current (at a given time) standards, practices and procedures regarding the distribution of pharmaceutical products promulgated or endorsed by a Regulatory Authority and all Applicable Laws with respect thereto, as defined further or otherwise in the Distribution Agreement or a quality agreement ancillary thereto.
- 1.98** “**Good Laboratory Practices**” or “**GLP**” shall mean, at a given time, the current good laboratory practice standards promulgated or endorsed by the US Food and Drug Administration as defined in Part 58 of the Code of Federal Regulations Title 21, or comparable regulatory standards promulgated by the EMA or other applicable Regulatory Authority, as may be updated from time to time, including applicable quality guidelines promulgated under the ICH.
- 1.99** “**Good Data Management Practices**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 12.3.
- 1.100** “**Good Manufacturing Practices**” or “**GMP**” shall mean the current (at a given time) standards, practices and procedures regarding the Manufacturing of human vaccines promulgated or endorsed by a Regulatory Authority and all Applicable Laws with respect thereto, including:

- (i) the standards, rules, principles and guidelines set out in Chapter II of EC Commission Directive 2003/94/EC together with the guidance for the interpretation of the principles and guidelines of good manufacturing practices for medicinal products for human use laid down in Commission Directives 91/356/EEC, as amended by Directive 2003/94/EC and 91/412/EEC, contained in Volume 4 of “The Rules Governing Medicinal Products in the European Union”.
- (ii) Parts 210 and 211 of Title 21 of the Code of Federal Regulations and all related guidance published by the FDA;
- (iii) The International Conference on Harmonisation of Technical Requirements for Registration of Pharmaceuticals for Human Use (“ICH”) Quality Guidelines relating to good manufacturing practice;
- (iv) the “Good Manufacturing Practices for Pharmaceutical Products” promulgated by the World Health Organization (“WHO”),

provided that term may be defined further or otherwise in the Quality Agreements regarding the supply of COVID Products (either in Drug Substance, Drug Product, Filled Containers or Finished Product format) for clinical or commercial purposes entered pursuant to this Agreement.

- 1.101** “**Government and NGO Contracts**” shall mean: (i) [*****] and (ii) all agreements with governments, supra-national organizations or non-profit organizations relating to the First-Gen COVID Vaccine Products entered into by CureVac before the Effective Date or following the Effective Date in accordance with Section 2.7.4; and (iii) all agreements with governments, supra-national organizations or non-profit organizations relating to the First-Gen COVID Vaccine Products and the Collaboration COVID Vaccine Products that are entered into by the Parties following the Effective Date in accordance with Section 2.7.4. The Government and NGO Contracts existing at the Effective Date are listed in **Exhibit 1.102**.
- 1.102** “**Government Official**” (where ‘government’ means all levels and subdivisions of governments, i.e. local, regional, national, administrative, legislative, executive, or judicial, and royal or ruling families) shall mean: (i) any officer or employee of a government or any department, agency or instrumentality of a government (which includes public enterprises, and entities owned or controlled by the state); (ii) any officer or employee of a public international organization such as the World Bank or United Nations; (iii) any officer or employee of a political party, or any candidate for public office; (iv) any person defined as a government or public official under Applicable Law (including anti-bribery and corruption laws) and not already covered by any of the above; and/or; (v) any person acting in an official capacity for or on behalf of any of the above. “Government Official” shall include any person with close family members who are Government Officials (as defined above) with the capacity, actual or perceived, to influence or take official decisions affecting either Party’s business.
- 1.103** “**GSK Alliance Manager**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.1.1.
- 1.104** “**GSK Background Technology**” shall mean the Patent Rights and Know-How Controlled by GSK at the Effective Date or generated or acquired by or on behalf of GSK during the Term outside the scope of this Agreement.

- 1.105 “**GSK Indemnified Parties**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 13.2.
- 1.106 “**GSK Invention**” shall mean both (i) any Invention that has been discovered, made, conceived and first reduced to practice prior to the COVID First Amendment Effective Date and has been notified by the inventing Party to the other Party at the latest [*****] after the COVID First Amendment Effective Date, and which qualifies as a “GSK Invention” pursuant to the version of this Agreement in effect prior to the COVID First Amendment Effective Date; and (ii) any later Invention that falls under the definition of “GSK Invention” as set forth in Section 9.3.1 (ii) of this COVID First Amendment.
- 1.107 “**GSK Know-How**” shall mean all Know-How Controlled by GSK or its Affiliates as at the Effective Date or thereafter during the Term that (i) is necessary for CureVac to perform the obligations and other activities pursuant to this Agreement, or (ii) is used by or on behalf of GSK its Affiliates or Sublicensees to Develop, Manufacture and Commercialize COVID Products under this Agreement. GSK Know-How shall include (i) Know-How comprised in the GSK Background Technology; (ii) Know-How related to GSK Inventions, (iii) GSK’s share in Know-How related to other Inventions, and (iv) other Know-How generated by or on behalf of GSK under this Agreement.
- 1.108 “**GSK Materials**” shall mean any [*****] that are supplied or otherwise made available by or on behalf of GSK and/or its Affiliate(s) to CureVac for the purposes of this Agreement (excluding, for clarity, any Confidential Information, or any COVID Product).
- 1.109 “**GSK Patent Right(s)**” shall mean all Patent Rights Controlled by GSK or its Affiliates as at the Effective Date or thereafter during the Term that (i) are necessary for CureVac to perform the obligations and other activities pursuant to this Agreement, or (ii) are used by or on behalf of GSK its Affiliates or Sublicensees to Develop, Manufacture and/or Commercialize COVID Products under this Agreement. GSK Patent Rights shall include Patent Rights comprised in the GSK Background Technology, GSK Program Patent Rights and GSK’s interest in Joint Patent Rights.
- 1.110 “**GSK Program Patent Right**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.7.2.
- 1.111 “**GSK Project Leader**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.1.2.
- 1.112 “**GSK Technology**” shall mean any and all GSK Patent Rights and GSK Know-How.
- 1.113 “**GSK Territory**” shall mean all countries of the world other than the countries included in the CureVac Territory.
- 1.114 “**GxP**” shall mean the good practice regulations in the pharmaceutical industry, including Good Manufacturing Practices, Good Laboratory Practices, Good Clinical Practices and Good Distribution Practices (GMP, GLP, GCP and GDP).
- 1.115 [*****].

- 1.116** “**Human Biological Samples**” shall mean human biological material (including any derivative or progeny thereof), including any portion of an organ, any tissue, skin, bone, muscle, connective tissue, blood, cerebrospinal fluid, cells, gametes, or sub-cellular structures such as DNA, or any derivative of such biological material such as stem cells or cell lines; and any human biological product, including, but not limited to, hair, nail clippings, teeth, urine, faeces, breast milk, and sweat.
- 1.117** “**IND**” shall mean an investigational new drug application filed with, and accepted by, the FDA prior to beginning clinical trials in humans in the United States, or any comparable application to and acceptance by the Regulatory Authority of a country or group of countries other than the USA thereto, including EMA, prior to beginning clinical trials in humans in that country or in that group of countries.
- 1.118** “**In-Licensed IP**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.8.1.
- 1.119** “**In-Licensing Agreement**” shall mean the LNP Agreement, the agreements listed in **Exhibit 1.120**, and any other agreement with a Third Party pursuant to which CureVac Controls CureVac Technology or LNP Technology.
- 1.120** “**Initiation**” shall mean, with respect to a Clinical Study, the first administration of the first subject in such Clinical Study.
- 1.121** “**Invention**” shall mean an invention or discovery, whether or not patentable, discovered, made, conceived and/or first reduced to practice during the Term by or on behalf of CureVac or GSK or Affiliates of CureVac or GSK, alone or jointly with each other and/or any Third Party, which arise from the performance of activities under this Agreement, including performance of activities under the COVID R&D Plan.
- 1.122** “**IP Sub-Committee**” shall mean the sub-committee to be established pursuant to Section 7.6.
- 1.123** “**Joint Invention**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.3.1 (iii).
- 1.124** “**Joint Product Invention**” shall mean an Invention that has been discovered, made, conceived and first reduced to practice prior to the COVID First Amendment Effective Date and has been notified by the inventing Party to the other Party at the latest [*****] after the COVID First Amendment Effective Date and which qualifies as a “Joint Product Invention” pursuant to the version of this Agreement in effect prior to this COVID First Amendment.
- 1.125** “**Joint Other Invention**” shall mean an Invention that has been discovered, made, conceived and first reduced to practice prior to the COVID First Amendment Effective Date and has been notified by the inventing Party to the other Party at the latest [*****] after the COVID First Amendment Effective Date, and which qualifies as a “Joint Other Invention” pursuant to the version of this Agreement in effect prior to this COVID First Amendmentthe second amendment and restatement thereof.
- 1.126** “**Joint Patent Rights**” shall mean Patent Rights Covering Joint Inventions, Joint Product Inventions or Joint Other Inventions.

- 1.127 “**Joint Steering Committee**”, and “**JSC**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.2.1.
- 1.128 “**JST**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.8.6.
- 1.129 “**JST Charter**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.8.6.
- 1.130 “**Know-How**” shall mean all technical, scientific and other information, inventions, discoveries, trade secrets, knowledge, technology, means, methods, processes, practices, formulae, instructions, skills, techniques, procedures, expressed ideas, technical assistance, designs, drawings, assembly procedures, computer programs, apparatuses, specifications, Development Data, results, non-clinical, clinical, safety, process and Manufacturing and quality control data and information (including trial designs and protocols), registration dossiers, in each case, solely to the extent confidential and proprietary and in written, electronic or any other form now known or hereafter Developed.
- 1.131 “**Licensed LNP**” shall mean the LNP that is Controlled by CureVac as at the Effective Date pursuant to the LNP Agreement. Any amendment to the LNP Agreement made after the Effective Date shall not adversely affect the rights or increase the obligations of GSK or CureVac under this Agreement.
- 1.132 “**LNP**” shall mean a lipid nanoparticle system comprised of individual lipid components at specific ratios, which are manufactured in such a manner to encapsulate and deliver mRNA into a target cell.
- 1.133 “**LNP Agreement**” shall mean the Non-Exclusive License Agreement between CureVac and [*****]. For clarity, the use of any LNP Technology under this Agreement in relation to a COVID Product shall not count towards the limit on the number of LNP Licenses under the 2020 Collaboration Agreement.
- 1.134 “**LNP License**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.1.2.
- 1.135 “**LNP Provider**” shall mean [*****].
- 1.136 “**LNP Technology**” shall mean the Patent Rights and Know-How Covering the Licensed LNP.
- 1.137 “**Major Markets**” shall mean [*****].
- 1.138 “**Manufacture**” shall mean all manufacturing operations (including for Drug Substance, Drug Product, fill and finish, packaging and labelling) for COVID Products, including all activities related to the preparation and use of master and working cell banks, making, production, processing, purifying, formulating, filling, and finishing, of the Finished Product, or any intermediate thereof, pre-clinical, clinical and commercial production, product, stability testing, quality assurance, and quality control. “**Manufacturing**” has a correlative meaning.
- 1.139 “**Manufacturing Technology Transfer Materials**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5.6.

- 1.140 “**Materials**” shall mean CureVac Materials and GSK Materials.
- 1.141 “**Modified MRNA**” shall mean an mRNA in which [*****].
- 1.142 “**mRNA**” shall mean a replicating or non-replicating polynucleotide [*****] that is capable of directing the cellular machinery of a cell to produce polypeptide and a [*****] tail and contains cytosine, guanine, uracil and adenine nucleosides or chemically modified analogues thereof, such as Modified MRNA.
- 1.143 “**mRNA-Based**” shall mean, with respect to a vaccine, that the vaccine Antigen is encoded by one or more mRNAs.
- 1.144 “**Net Profits**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 8.2.3.
- 1.145 “**Net Sales**” shall mean the gross invoice price of COVID Product sold by the selling Party or its Affiliates or Sublicensees directly to a Third Party, less the following deductions if and to the extent such deductions to unaffiliated entities are actually allowed and granted:
- (i) trade, quantity, and/or cash discounts, charge-back payments, allowances or rebates, including promotional or similar discounts or rebates, and discounts or rebates to governmental or managed care organizations;
 - (ii) discounts provided in connection with coupon, voucher or similar patient programs;
 - (iii) credits or allowances given or made with respect to a COVID Product by reason of rejection, defects, recalls, returns, rebates, or retroactive price reductions;
 - (iv) any tax, tariff, duty or government charge (including any sales, value added, excise or similar tax or government charge, but excluding any income tax) levied on the sale, transportation or delivery of COVID Product and borne by the selling Party, its Affiliates or Sublicensees without reimbursement from any Third Party;
 - (v) any charges for freight, postage, shipping or transportation, or for insurance, in each case to the extent borne by the selling Party, its Affiliates or Sublicensees without reimbursement from any Third Party; and
 - (vi) any administrative fees paid to group purchasing organizations or managed care entities for the sale of COVID Product (provided, however, that such deduction may not exceed two percent (2%) of the gross sales in the corresponding accounting period).

All such discounts, allowances, credits, rebates and other deductions shall be fairly and equitably allocated to the sale of the relevant COVID Product by the selling Party, its Affiliates or Sublicensees, such that the COVID Product does not bear a disproportionate portion of such deductions as compared to other products sold separately from but with a certain link or other connection to the COVID Product. For the avoidance of doubt, the Net Sales shall be calculated only once for the first bona fide arm’s length sale of the COVID Product by either the selling Party, its Affiliate or its Sublicensee, to a Third Party which is neither an Affiliate nor a Sublicensee of the selling Party. Net Sales shall be determined in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) applied in a consistent manner.

In the event a COVID Product is sold as part of a Combination Product (either as a separate Finished Product sold together with other products or because the Drug Substances associated with that COVID Product are formulated with additional other therapeutically or prophylactically active pharmaceutical ingredients (including, if mutually agreed between the Parties, [*****]) or companion or complementary diagnostic), Net Sales of the Combination Product will be calculated, on a country-by-country basis, as follows:

- (i) If (x) the COVID Product and (y) the other product(s) or active pharmaceutical ingredient are also sold separately in the applicable country, Net Sales of the COVID Product portion of the Combination Product will be calculated by multiplying the total Net Sales of the Combination Product by the fraction $A/(A+B)$, where A is the average gross selling price in the applicable country of the COVID Product sold separately in the same formulation and dosage, and B is the sum of the average gross selling prices in the applicable country of all other products or active ingredients in the Combination Product sold separately during the applicable Calendar Quarter.
- (ii) If the COVID Product is sold separately, but the average gross selling price of the other product(s) or active ingredients cannot be determined, Net Sales of the Combination Product shall be equal to the Net Sales of the Combination Product multiplied by the fraction A/C wherein A is the average gross selling price of the COVID Product and C is the average gross selling price of the Combination Product.
- (iii) If the other product(s) or other active ingredients is/are sold separately, but the average gross selling price of the COVID Product cannot be determined, Net Sales of the Combination Product shall be equal to the Net Sales of the Combination Product multiplied by the following formula: one (1) minus B/C wherein B is the average gross selling price of the other product(s) or active ingredients and C is the average gross selling price of the Combination Product.
- (iv) If the average gross selling price of neither the COVID Product, nor the other product(s) or active ingredients, can be determined, e.g., because neither the COVID Product, nor the other product in a Combination Product, are being sold separately, Net Sales of the Combination Product shall be equal to Net Sales of the Combination Product multiplied by A/B wherein A is the number of COVID Products comprised in the Combination Product and B is the sum of “one” for each COVID Product and the relative value of the other product(s) and/or other active pharmaceutical ingredients comprised in the Combination Product, such value to be determined by the patent protection status of the respective products, the development costs of the respective products, and the pricing of comparable products in the Major Markets. For illustration purposes, if there are two additional active ingredients in a Combination Product, one valued at 30 percent of the average price of the COVID Products, and one valued at 50 percent of the average price of the COVID Products, A/B equals $2/2.8$, and Net Sales are multiplied by 0.71. The Parties will agree on the respective values in the JSC. If the JSC is unable to agree on the respective values within [*****] of the matter being referred by either Party to the JSC, either Party may refer the matter for resolution in accordance with Section 15.5(viii), provided that the reference to “fair market value” shall be replaced with the value of the respective COVID Product and the relative value of the other product(s) and/or other active pharmaceutical ingredients. Each Party will bear equally the cost of the experts appointed in accordance with Section 15.5(viii) .
- (v) The average gross selling price for such other product(s) or active ingredients contained

in the Combination Product shall be calculated for each [*****] period by dividing the sales amount by the units of such other product(s), as published by IMS or another mutually agreed independent source. In the initial [*****] period during which a Combination Product is sold, forecasted average gross selling prices shall be used for royalty calculation purposes. Any over or under payment due to a difference between forecasted and actual average gross selling prices shall be paid or credited in the second royalty payment of the following [*****] period. In the following Calendar Year the average gross selling price of the previous year shall apply from the second royalty payment on.

- 1.146 “**New Non-mRNA COVID Product**” means any non-mRNA Based vaccine for use in the Field, which falls outside the limitations set out in Section 2.3.1, except those resulting from an Existing COVID Project.
- 1.147 “**NIAID**” shall mean the U.S. National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, an institute of the U.S. National Institutes of Health.
- 1.148 “**Non-Breaching Party**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 14.4.
- 1.149 “**Option Exercise**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.3.6.
- 1.150 “**Option Exercise Fee**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.3.5.
- 1.151 “**Option Exercise Notice**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.3.3.
- 1.152 “**Option Period**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.3.2.
- 1.153 “**Other Allowable Expenses**” shall mean shall mean (i) amounts paid to Third Parties [*****] in connection with a product liability claim or other claim, suit, proceeding, litigation or action relating to alleged defects in a COVID Product resulting from the Development, Manufacture or Commercialization of such COVID Product, (ii) expenses directly associated with notification, retrieval and return of a COVID Product, destruction of such returned Collaboration Product, replacement of a Collaboration Product and distribution of such replacement COVID Product, incurred with respect to a recall of such COVID Product, but in each of the foregoing cases excluding any such payments, costs and expenses caused by the negligence or willful misconduct of a Party or its Affiliates or Sublicensees, which amounts shall be solely borne by such Party.
- 1.154 “**Party**” shall mean CureVac or GSK (together, “**Parties**”).
- 1.155 “**Patent Rights**” shall mean any and all patents and patent applications, including provisional and non-provisional applications, reissues, extensions, substitutions, confirmations, re-registrations, re-examinations, re-validations, patents of addition, supplementary protection certificates or the equivalents thereof, continuations, continuations-in-part and divisionals thereof and all foreign counterparts, and the like of any of the foregoing.
- 1.156 “**Pathogen**” shall mean any infectious disease causing agent such as a virus, bacterium, fungus, protozoan or other type of microorganism.
- 1.157 “**Pathogen Combination Product**” shall mean a CureVac mRNA-Based vaccine that

incorporates a mRNA construct that is not identical to the First-Gen mRNA Construct and targets the SARS-CoV-2 Pathogen and one or more Collaboration Pathogen(s) (as such term is defined in the 2020 Collaboration Agreement); provided that upon the effective date of Option Exercise a Pathogen Combination Product may also incorporate the First-Gen mRNA Construct.

- 1.158** “**Person**” shall mean an individual, firm, company, corporation, association, trust, estate, state or agency of a state, government or government department or agency, municipal or local authority and any other entity, whether or not incorporated and whether or not having a separate legal personality.
- 1.159** “**Product Adjustment**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.2.2.
- 1.160** “**Program**” shall mean, on a COVID Product by COVID Product basis, any and all Development activities for such Product, including under the COVID R&D Plan, and all Manufacturing and Commercialization activities conducted in respect of that COVID Product.
- 1.161** “**Program Patent Rights**” shall mean both the CureVac Program Patent Rights and the GSK Program Patent Rights.
- 1.162** “**Project Leaders**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.1.2.
- 1.163** “**Quality Agreement**” shall mean a quality agreement between CureVac and GSK setting out further administrative, technical and quality provisions regarding the Manufacture and supply of a COVID Product (or intermediary version thereof) for Development or Commercialization purposes, as applicable.
- 1.164** “**Receiving Party**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 11.1.
- 1.165** “**Regulatory Approval**” shall mean any and all approvals (including supplements, amendments, pre- and post-approvals, pricing and reimbursement approvals), licenses, registrations or authorizations (including marketing and labeling authorizations) of any national, supra-national, regional, state or local Regulatory Authority, department, bureau, commission, council or other governmental entity, that are necessary for the Development, registration, Manufacture (including formulation), distribution, use, sale, import or export of a COVID Product in a given jurisdiction.
- 1.166** “**Regulatory Authority**” shall mean any competent regulatory or governmental authority which regulates any aspect of the Development, Manufacturing or Commercialization of a COVID Product, including those specifically referred to in this Agreement or any Ancillary Agreement.
- 1.167** “**Regulatory Exclusivity**” shall mean, on a country-by-country and COVID Product-by-COVID Product basis, an additional protection, other than patent protection, granted by a Regulatory Authority that confers an exclusive period during which a Party or its Affiliates or Sublicensees have the exclusive right to market or sell a COVID Product in such country through a regulatory exclusivity right (*e.g.*, new use or indication exclusivity, new formulation exclusivity, orphan drug exclusivity, pediatric exclusivity, or any applicable data exclusivity), provided that regulatory exclusivity shall only be deemed to exist in a country if (i) Applicable Laws, and the guidance, policies and practice of the competent Regulatory Authority allow

other mRNA-Based products to qualify as generic or biosimilar versions of a COVID Product; and (ii) as a result, absent or after the expiry of the regulatory exclusivity right, such mRNA-Based products can enter the market of the country in question with substantially lower development investment.

1.168 “**RNA Printer**” shall mean the automation solution for CureVac’s processes of mRNA manufacturing developed by CureVac and Tesla Grohmann Automation Solution GmbH under the Development and Intellectual Property Agreement dated December 22, 2017, including the Know-How licensed from Tesla Grohmann Automation Solution GmbH thereunder.

1.169 “**Royalty Term**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 8.3.2.

1.170 “**Sanctions & Trade Controls**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 12.8.

1.171 “**SG&A**” shall mean following expenses, as determined in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards, consistently applied:

(i) expenses directly allocated to the COVID Product, comprising:

[*****]

(ii) expenses indirectly allocated to the COVID Product in addition to the above, comprising:

[*****]

- 1.172 “**SARS-CoV-2 Pathogen**” shall mean the virus known as SARS-CoV-2.
- 1.173 “**Second [*****] Option**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.3.1.
- 1.174 “**Sublicensee**” shall mean any Third Party licensee (aside from GSK’s Affiliates and any Third Party contractors used by GSK in the Development, Manufacture or Commercialization of the COVID Products on GSK’s behalf), which obtains rights to the CureVac Technology or LNP Technology under a license granted by GSK, its Affiliates or another Sublicensee, in each case in accordance with Section 2.2.
- 1.175 “**Term**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 14.1.
- 1.176 “**Territory**” shall mean the entire world.
- 1.177 “**Third Party**” shall mean any Person, other than CureVac or GSK and their respective Affiliates.
- 1.178 “**Third Party Infringement**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 10.1.1.
- 1.179 “[*****] **Purchase Agreement**” shall mean the [*****] as amended from time to time.
- 1.180 “**Valid Claim**” shall mean either (a) a claim of an issued and unexpired patent within the CureVac Patent Rights or (ii) the LNP Technology which has not been revoked or held permanently unenforceable, unpatentable or invalid by a decision of a court or other governmental agency of competent jurisdiction, unappealable or unappealed within the time allowed for appeal, and which has not been found or admitted to be abandoned, disclaimed, denied, invalid or unenforceable through re-examination, reissue or disclaimer or otherwise, or (b) a claim of a pending patent application within (i) the CureVac Patent Rights or (ii) the LNP Technology which application has not been pending for more than [*****] from the date of its priority filing date and which claim has not been irretrievably revoked, irretrievably cancelled, irretrievably withdrawn, held invalid or abandoned by a patent office, court or other governmental agency of competent jurisdiction in a final and non-appealable judgment (or judgment from which no appeal was taken within the allowable time period), or finally determined to be unallowable in a decision from which an appeal cannot or can no longer be

taken. For clarity, a claim of an issued patent that ceased to be a Valid Claim before it issued because it had been pending too long, but subsequently issues and is otherwise described by clause (a), shall again be considered to be a Valid Claim once it issues. The same principle shall apply in similar circumstances such as if, for example (but without limitation), a final rejection of a claim is overcome.

1.181 “**VAT and Indirect Taxes**” shall mean any value added, sales, purchase, turnover or consumption tax as may be applicable in any relevant jurisdiction, including but not limited to value added tax chargeable under legislation implementing Council Directive 2006/112/EC.

1.182 “**WIPO**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 16.5.2.

1.183 Interpretation

In this Agreement, unless the context otherwise requires, a reference to:

- (i) a paragraph, section, exhibit or schedule is a reference to a paragraph, section, exhibit or schedule to this Agreement;
- (ii) any document includes a reference to that document (and, where applicable, any of its provisions) as amended, novated, supplemented or replaced from time to time;
- (iii) a statute or other law includes regulations and other instruments under it and consolidations, amendments, re-enactments or replacements of any of them;
- (iv) the singular includes the plural and vice versa, except as it regards the definitions of Party and Parties;
- (v) “written” and “in writing” include any means of reproducing words, figures or symbols in a tangible and visible form, including acknowledged email or facsimile;
- (vi) “include”, “includes” and “including” means including without limitation, or like expression unless otherwise specified, and “for example”, “e.g.”, “such as” and similar words or phrases are descriptive, not limiting; and
- (vii) any reference to “demonstrable” costs and expenses means those costs and expenses can be evidenced in writing.

1.184 Condition precedent

The commencement of this Agreement is conditional on all applicable filings having been made under the United States Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976 (“**HSR Act**”) or the rules and regulations made thereunder and all applicable waiting periods (including any extensions thereof) under that Act or those rules and regulations having expired, lapsed or been terminated as appropriate, in each case in connection with the entry into this Agreement. If both Parties, acting reasonably, each conclude that no filing is required, either Party may waive this condition in whole or in part at any time by notice in writing to the other Party. Each Party must use all reasonable endeavors to procure (so far as it is able to procure) that the condition is fulfilled on or before [*****]. CureVac and GSK shall cooperate with each other and shall (a) promptly prepare and file all necessary documentation and (b) effect all necessary applications, notices, petitions and filings and execute all agreements and documents, in each case, to cause the waiting period under the HSR Act to terminate or expire. If the condition is not fulfilled or waived by the date specified, either Party shall be entitled to terminate this

Agreement by written notice with immediate effect, and only Sections 1, 11, 16.4, 16.5, 16.11 and 16.12 shall survive termination. Each Party shall be responsible for paying its own costs and expenses (including legal and consultants' fees) incurred in connection with obtaining clearance of the transactions contemplated hereby, and GSK will pay the filing fees incurred in connection with the filings required pursuant to the HSR Act.

2. LICENSES; EXCLUSIVITY.

2.1 License Grants to GSK.

2.1.1 License under CureVac Technology. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement and the disclosures set forth in paras (ii) and (iii) of the Disclosure Letter, on a COVID Product-by-COVID Product basis, CureVac hereby grants to GSK, and GSK hereby accepts: (i) a royalty-free, exclusive license to use the CureVac Technology for the Development and Manufacture of COVID Products for use in the Field in the Territory; and (ii) an exclusive license to use the CureVac Technology for the Commercialization of COVID Products for use in the Field in the Territory, bearing the financial consideration set forth in Section 8, subject to CureVac's rights with respect to the CureVac Territory under Section 6 and the Distribution Agreement. Subject to the disclosures set forth in the Disclosure Letter, the license granted hereunder shall be exclusive as to Third Parties and to CureVac, provided that CureVac retains the right to perform the Development and Manufacturing activities allocated to CureVac under this Agreement.

2.1.2 License under LNP Technology. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, the terms and conditions set forth in **Exhibit 2.1.2**, and subject to paras (ii) and (iii) of the Disclosure Letter, on a COVID Product-by-COVID Product basis, CureVac hereby grants to GSK, and GSK hereby accepts: (i) a royalty-free, non-exclusive sublicense under the LNP Agreement to use the LNP Technology for the Development and Manufacture of the COVID Products for use in the Field in the Territory; and (ii) a corresponding non-exclusive license to use the LNP Technology for the Commercialization of the COVID Products for use in the Field in the Territory, bearing the financial consideration set forth in Section 8, subject to CureVac's rights with respect to the CureVac Territory under Section 6 and the Distribution Agreement ("**LNP License**"). Subject to the disclosures as set forth in the Disclosure Letter, CureVac shall not (i) grant a sublicense to any Third Party under the LNP Technology for the Development, Manufacture and Commercialization of COVID Products for use in the Field in the Territory, and (ii) itself carry out any activities under the LNP Technology for the Development, Manufacture and Commercialization of COVID Products for use in the Field in the Territory other than under this Agreement. Within [*****] following the Closing Date, the Parties will agree on a redacted copy of this Agreement (excluding any commercially confidential information) that CureVac can provide to the LNP Provider in accordance with its obligations under the LNP Agreement.

2.2 Sublicenses.

2.2.1 Right to Sublicense. GSK shall have the right to sublicense its rights under Section 2 to any of its Affiliates. GSK's right to sublicense any of its Development rights or any of its Manufacturing rights for Development purposes (subject to Section 5.2.1) under Section 2.1.1, or any of its rights to the LNP Technology under Section 2.1.2 to any other Third Party shall be subject to CureVac's prior written consent which CureVac may grant or withhold in its sole

discretion. GSK's right to sublicense (in multiple tiers) any of its Manufacturing rights for commercial purposes (subject to Section 5.2.1) and/or Commercialization rights under Section 2.1.1 to a Third Party shall be subject to CureVac's prior written consent which shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed. For the avoidance of doubt, this Section 2.2.1 shall not restrict GSK or any of its Affiliates to subcontract any of its Development or Manufacturing activities to a CRO, CMO or other service provider of GSK or its Affiliate, subject to Section 5.2.1.

2.2.2 Sublicensing Requirements. The right to sublicense to a Third Party is subject to a written sublicense agreement containing terms and conditions that are consistent with those contained in this Agreement, and shall include, *inter alia*, provisions regarding confidentiality, non-compete, indemnification, audit, record-keeping, termination and consequences of termination that are consistent with the corresponding terms and conditions provided herein. GSK shall remain liable to CureVac for all obligations under this Agreement, including all payment obligations, and shall send to CureVac a copy of the signed sublicensing agreement within [*****] after its execution, subject to the reasonable redaction of confidential information. CureVac acknowledges that all information provided to CureVac by GSK under this Section 2.2.2 shall be deemed Confidential Information of GSK and shall be subject to the terms and conditions of Section 11.

2.3 Pathogen Exclusivity.

2.3.1 GSK. GSK shall work exclusively with CureVac on the Development, Manufacture and Commercialization of mRNA-Based vaccine and mRNA-Based antibody products targeting the SARS-CoV-2 Pathogen, and GSK shall not, and shall procure that its Affiliates and Sublicensees holding rights to the CureVac Technology in the Field and in the Territory will not, develop, manufacture or commercialize, solely or with a Third Party, any mRNA-Based vaccine or mRNA-Based antibodies targeting the SARS-CoV-2 Pathogen other than a COVID Product Developed and/or Commercialized under this Agreement. This Section 2.3.1 and the covenants set forth herein shall not apply to activities of any Third Party (or such Third Party's Affiliates) that becomes an Affiliate of GSK solely as a result of a Change of Control in GSK, provided that such activities are performed without using the mRNA technology described in the Know-How, or within the scope of the specification of the Patents Rights, Controlled by GSK (excluding, for clarity any CureVac Know-How or CureVac Patent Rights). Notwithstanding the foregoing, GSK shall be permitted to perform Development and Manufacturing activities with respect to any mRNA-Based vaccine or mRNA-Based antibodies targeting the SARS-CoV-2 Pathogen, using the SARS-CoV-2 spike protein as an Antigen, up to (and including) [*****] provided that GSK shall not be permitted to Commercialize any mRNA-Based vaccine or mRNA-Based antibodies targeting the SARS-CoV-2 Pathogen, or to grant any Third Party a license to Commercialize any mRNA-Based vaccine targeting the SARS-CoV-2 Pathogen.

2.3.2 CureVac. Subject to CureVac's obligations as set forth in paras (ii) and (iii) of the Disclosure Letter, CureVac shall work exclusively with GSK on the Development, Manufacture and Commercialization of mRNA-Based vaccine and mRNA-Based antibody products targeting the SARS-CoV-2 Pathogen, and CureVac shall not, and shall procure that its Affiliates will not, develop, manufacture or commercialize, solely or with a Third Party, any mRNA-Based vaccine or mRNA-Based antibody targeting the SARS-CoV-2 Pathogen other than: (i) a COVID Product Developed and/or Commercialized under this Agreement, and (ii) the First-Gen

COVID Vaccine Products, subject to Section 3.3.7. This Section 2.3.2 and the covenants set forth herein shall not apply to activities of any Third Party (or such Third Party's Affiliates) that becomes an Affiliate of CureVac solely as a result of a Change of Control in CureVac, provided that such activities are performed without using the CureVac mRNA technology described in the CureVac Know-How or within the scope of specification of the CureVac Patent Rights.

2.3.3 Exclusivity Term. The covenants laid down in this Section 2.3 shall apply for a period commencing on the Effective Date until the expiry or termination of this Agreement, provided that if GSK exercises the GSK COVID Cease Option for a COVID Product, the limitations set forth in Section 2.3.2 shall not apply with respect to such COVID Product, and CureVac may Develop, Manufacture and Commercialize such COVID Product (alone or in collaboration with a Third Party).

2.4 Trademarks

2.4.1 Registration. As between the Parties and their Affiliates, GSK shall be solely authorized to determine the brand, trade name, logo and trade dress under which the Finished Products shall be Commercialized in the Territory. GSK shall have the first right, but not the obligation, to prepare, file, prosecute and maintain, at its own expense, any Brand IP for the Finished Products in the Territory; provided, however, that nothing herein shall grant GSK any right to use any trademark Controlled by CureVac and/or CureVac's Affiliates. GSK will own all right, title and interest in and to any such trademark it selects in its own name during and after the Term, subject to the licenses granted to CureVac with respect to the CureVac Territory under Section 6.

2.4.2 Restrictions. Subject to any separate agreement(s) amongst the Parties (or their Affiliates), CureVac shall not, and shall cause their respective Affiliates not to, during the Term: (i) use or attempt to use any marks, brands or trade dress identical or similar to those covered by the Brand IP of GSK or its Affiliates, except as permitted by this Agreement or any Ancillary Agreement; (ii) register or attempt to register or procure the registration anywhere in the world of any mark as a trademark for any goods or services or as a domain name that is same as or confusingly similar to the Brand IP for the Finished Products; (iii) use any Brand IP for any of the Finished Products in any way which could tend to allow it to become generic, to lose its distinctiveness, to become liable to mislead the public or which would otherwise be detrimental or inconsistent with the good name, goodwill, reputation or image of the Parties; (iv) challenge the ownership of the Brand IP belonging to GSK or its Affiliates except if Brand IP is prosecuted in breach of this Agreement; or (v) register or attempt to register or procure the registration of or use any mark or domain name that incorporates the letters [*****] either as a prefix or a suffix for use in connection with a pharmaceutical product. This Section 2.4.2 and the covenants set forth herein shall not apply to a Third Party (or such Third Party's Affiliate) that becomes an Affiliate of CureVac solely as a result of a Change of Control in CureVac.

2.5 Documents and Declarations. CureVac shall execute all documents, give all declarations regarding the licenses granted hereunder and reasonably cooperate with GSK to the extent such documents, declarations and/or cooperation are required for the recording or registration of the licenses granted hereunder at the various patent offices in the GSK Territory for the benefit of GSK. GSK shall reimburse CureVac for its reasonable and demonstrable external out of pocket costs associated therewith up to a total amount of EUR 20,000. For clarity, these costs shall be included in the calculation of Net Profits in accordance with Section 8.2.3 (except to the

extent relating to a Pathogen Combination Product).

- 2.6 No Implied License.** Nothing in this Agreement shall be deemed to constitute the grant of any license or other right to either Party in respect of any technology of the other Party, except as expressly set forth herein, and no license rights shall be created hereunder by implication, estoppel or otherwise. Neither Party shall represent to any Third Party that it enjoys, possesses, or exercises any proprietary or property right or otherwise has any other right, title or interest in the technology of the other Party except for such rights as are expressly set forth herein. Any rights of a Party not expressly granted to the other Party under the provisions of this Agreement shall be retained by such Party.
- 2.7 Existing Agreements and future Government and NGO Contracts.**
- 2.7.1 Existing Agreements.** Prior to the Effective Date, CureVac has entered into: (i) the Government and NGO Contracts listed in Exhibit 1.102, and (ii) the [*****] Agreement.
- 2.7.2 GSK Consent for Supply of COVID Vaccine Products under Government and NGO Contracts.** Without prejudice to the rights of CureVac for the CureVac Territory under Section 6 and subject to Section 2.7.4, any supply of Collaboration COVID Vaccine Products under a Government and NGO Contract (including through an amendment of such Government and NGO Contract) is subject to prior approval by decision of the JSC. The allocation of Collaboration COVID Vaccine, and, as of the Option Exercise, the First-Gen COVID Vaccine Product, across the GSK Territories and the CureVac Territories shall be conducted in a fair, reasonable and non-discriminatory manner, and in accordance with the allocation principles endorsed by the JSC pursuant to Section 5.2.2.
- 2.7.3 Assignment and Transfer of Government and NGO Contracts.** Upon receipt of the Option Exercise Notice by CureVac, GSK and CureVac will discuss and agree in good faith [*****] (i) on whether and to what extent it is [*****] that certain Government and NGO Contracts will be partially or wholly transferred to GSK, provided that the Parties also agree on a transfer of associated regulatory responsibilities and a supply chain for the relevant COVID Products enabling GSK's fulfilment of such Government and NGO Contracts, and subject to CureVac's rights to Commercialize in the CureVac Territory and consent of the respective Third Party to such assignment and transfer, or (ii) on whether and to what extent it is [*****] that certain Government and NGO Contracts remain with CureVac, and, in that case, on the involvement of GSK in the Manufacturing of the COVID Products (at COGS) and the provision by GSK of regulatory services, pharmacovigilance services, quality and supply chain management services required by CureVac to meet its binding obligations under the Government and NGO Contracts; the Option Exercise being conditioned upon agreement to either (i) or (ii), as further set forth in Section 3.3.6 below. For clarity, if and to the extent GSK supplies COVID Products to CureVac, the COGS for the supply of such COVID Products and the SG&A for providing the services will be included in the calculation of Net Profits in accordance with Section 8.2.3 (except to the extent relating to a Pathogen Combination Product).
- 2.7.4 Future Government and NGO Contracts.**
- a. Prior to the effective date of Option Exercise, CureVac is free to amend the Government and NGO Contracts with respect to First-Gen COVID Vaccine Products, or to enter into further Government and NGO Contracts with respect to the First-Gen COVID Vaccine

Products, but, subject to clause b) below, not with respect to Collaboration COVID Vaccine Products or Pathogen Combination Products, provided that such Government and NGO Contracts may not deprive GSK of its rights in connection with the Collaboration COVID Vaccine Products or Pathogen Combination Products under this Agreement or the 2020 Collaboration Agreement. CureVac will notify GSK promptly after (and provide a copy of the executed agreement, if necessary in redacted form), execution of any such amended or further Government and NGO Contracts with respect to the First-Gen COVID Vaccine Products.

b. [*****].

2.8 In-Licensing Agreements.

- 2.8.1 Future In-Licensed IP.** If during the Term, CureVac obtains or intends to obtain, other than by way of a Change of Control, a sublicenseable license to any Patent Rights or Know-How Controlled by a Third Party that is useful for the Development, Manufacture and Commercialization of COVID Products under this Agreement, but which is not necessary to obtain freedom to operate with respect to the use or exploitation of the CureVac Elements, for the Development, Manufacture and Commercialization of COVID Products under this Agreement (“**In-Licensed IP**”), which may include Third Party Patent Rights or Third Party Know-How regarding Modified MRNA, CureVac shall (i) notify GSK of the rights that CureVac has obtained or intends to obtain with respect to such In-Licensed IP, (ii) use commercially reasonable endeavors to obtain the right to sublicense those Patent Rights or Know-How, and (iii) notify GSK of the applicable financial terms, which shall be non-discriminatory (as between GSK and any other sublicensee of CureVac). Without limiting Section 7.3, and subject to a decision of the JSC to include any technology covered by In-Licensed IP in a COVID Product, (i) such In-Licensed IP is and shall be automatically included in the definition of CureVac Know-How or CureVac Patent Rights, as applicable, and be licensed to GSK under Section 2.1, and (ii) as a sublicensee of CureVac, GSK will meet all obligations of CureVac that are applicable to GSK’s activities as a sub-licensee (to the extent notified by CureVac to GSK in advance in writing); and (iii) with respect to COVID Products (other than Pathogen Combination Products) the costs under such In-Licensing Agreement will be included in the calculation of the Net Profit split in accordance with Section 8.2.3, and with respect to Pathogen Combination Products, GSK shall reimburse CureVac for additional amounts payable by CureVac under such license to such Third Party to the extent directly arising as a result of (x) the grant of such sublicense to GSK or (y) the use of the In-Licensed IP by the Development, Manufacture or Commercialization of COVID Products by GSK, its Affiliates, and Sublicensees.
- 2.8.2 Enforcement, Maintenance and Amendment of In-Licensing Agreements.** CureVac will reasonably enforce (including in connection with any counterparty’s breach of any representations or warranties under the applicable In-Licensing Agreements), or otherwise take the actions necessary to enable GSK to enforce, CureVac’s rights, benefits and the obligations of the respective counterparties under the In-Licensing Agreements that may impact the rights, benefits and obligations of GSK hereunder, and will inform GSK of any action it may take under the In-Licensing Agreements to the extent such action may impact GSK’s interest under the respective In-Licensing Agreement. CureVac shall: (i) fulfil all of its obligations, including its payment obligations, under the In-Licensing Agreements; and (ii) not take any action or omit to take any action that would materially adversely affect, or would reasonably be expected to materially adversely affect, GSK’s rights, benefits and obligations under this Agreement. CureVac shall reasonably notify GSK of any default, termination or amendment of, the In-Licensing Agreements, to the extent such default, termination or amendment may have an impact of GSK.

3. PRODUCT COMPOSITION; EXCLUSIVE OPTION.

- 3.1 COVID Product Composition.** The Parties, through the JSC, will determine the composition of a COVID Product in accordance with Section 3.2.

3.2 Composition Restrictions.

3.2.1 **General Restrictions.** Each Collaboration COVID Vaccine Product shall use [*****].

3.2.2 **Product Adjustments.** Any of the following adjustments to a COVID Product (each, a “**Product Adjustment**”) requires prior approval of the JSC: (i) any adjustment to the precise dosage and precise approved use of a COVID Product (e.g., for priming or boosting purposes); and (ii) any adjustment of the composition of a COVID Product, including in terms of Antigen(s), its formulation (including LNP or other delivery vehicles such as CVCN), or presentation. For the avoidance of doubt, the addition of adjuvants is not a Product Adjustment, and requires mutual agreement between the Parties.

3.2.3 **Additional Vaccine Targets.** In the event that the Parties, through the JSC, agree to include one or more Antigen(s) which are associated with the SARS-CoV-2 Pathogen, in addition to the SARS-CoV-2 spike protein, into the COVID Product pursuant to Section 3.2.2, within [*****] following receipt of the adjustment request, the Antigen List Rep shall perform an Antigen clearance under the LNP Agreement in accordance with the LNP Agreement to inquire whether such Antigen(s) is/are available. Within [*****] upon receipt of the confirmation from the LNP Provider that the additional Antigen(s) is/are available for licensing, CureVac shall secure the LNP License for such additional Antigen(s), make the additional payment for such additional Antigen(s) that is due under the LNP Agreement and the Parties will, as soon as reasonably practicable, work on an amendment to the COVID R&D Plan for the respective COVID Product. Upon amendment of the LNP Agreement to include reference to such additional Antigen(s) in accordance with the terms of the LNP Agreement, such additional Antigen(s) will be automatically included in the license grant under Section 2.1.2. For clarity, these costs shall be included in the calculation of Net Profits in accordance with Section 8.2.3 (except to the extent relating to a Pathogen Combination Product).

3.2.4 **Pathogen Combination Products.** A decision to change the Development of a stand-alone Collaboration COVID Vaccine Product to a Pathogen Combination Product requires prior approval of the JSC. For clarity, other than in the circumstances set out in Section 15.7(i), any Pathogen Combination Product which targets the SARS-CoV-2 Pathogen shall be subject to the terms of this Agreement, not the 2020 Collaboration Agreement.

3.3 Exclusive Option for First-Gen COVID Vaccine Products.

3.3.1 [*****] **Options.** CureVac and [*****] collaborate with respect to the development, manufacture and supply of the First-Gen COVID Vaccine Products, and CureVac has granted to [*****] two exclusive options under the [*****] Agreement: (i) to negotiate exclusive licenses for the Commercialization of First-Gen COVID Vaccine Products (excluding the First-Gen COVID Booster Vaccines) in certain territories (the “**First [*****] Option**”); and (ii) to negotiate licenses to develop, manufacture and commercialize the First-Gen COVID Booster Vaccines (the “**Second [*****] Option**”, together with the First Bayer Option, the “[*****] Options”). [*****]

[*****]

- 3.3.2 First-Gen Exclusive Option.** Until [*****] (“**Option Period**”), subject to paras (ii) and (iii) of the Disclosure Letter, and the Government and NGO Agreements (to the extent entered into strictly in accordance with Section 2.7.4), CureVac hereby grants to GSK, and GSK hereby accepts, the exclusive option to obtain exclusive licenses under the CureVac Technology to Develop, Manufacture and Commercialize (in addition to the Collaboration COVID Vaccine Products and the Pathogen Combination Products) the First-Gen COVID Vaccine Products [*****] (“**Exclusive Option**”).
- 3.3.3 Option Exercise Notice.** If GSK intends to exercise its Exclusive Option, GSK shall send within the Option Period a written notice to CureVac exercising such Exclusive Option (“**Option Exercise Notice**”). Following receipt of the Option Exercise Notice by CureVac, the Parties shall as soon as reasonably practicable agree a COVID R&D Plan and/or Commercialization plan, as applicable, for the further Development, Manufacture and Commercialization of the First-Gen COVID Vaccine Products.
- 3.3.4 Access to Information.** Upon GSK’s reasonable request at reasonable intervals during the Option Period, but in any event no more than once every [*****] provided that no restriction shall apply during the [*****] period that ends on the final day of the Option Period, CureVac will disclose to GSK (subject to its confidentiality obligations vis-à-vis Third Parties) all existing agreements and commitments with respect to the development, manufacture and commercialization of the First-Gen COVID Vaccine Products that would survive the exercise of the Exclusive Option by GSK, as well as all data, documents and information reasonably required by GSK to assess whether it wishes to exercise its Exclusive Option, as well as CureVac’s then-current calculation of the Option Exercise Fee.
- 3.3.5 Option Exercise Fee.** If GSK exercises its Exclusive Option, GSK shall pay to CureVac a fee equal to [*****] of: (i) all reasonable and demonstrable: (A) costs and expenses of scientific, medical, technical personnel directly engaged in development (including regulatory) activities (which costs shall be determined based on the applicable FTE Rate), and (B) out-of-pocket expenses and other costs and expenses paid to Third Parties for the development (including regulatory activities) of the First-Gen COVID Vaccine Products, in each case which

were incurred or forecast to be incurred before the effective date of Option Exercise in accordance with Section 3.3.6, including for pre-clinical research and development activities to design and develop the First-Gen COVID Vaccine Products, the CMC Development, the performance of Clinical Studies, the manufacture of clinical study material, safety monitoring, regulatory filing and regulatory approvals, and all support services relating hereto; (ii) [*****] and in each case which were incurred or forecast to be incurred before the effective date of Option Exercise in accordance with Section 3.3.6; and (iii) any amounts paid to Third Parties under In-Licensing Agreements for the development of the First-Gen COVID Vaccine Products (whether as upfront payments, milestone payments, royalties or any other form of payment) were incurred or forecast to be incurred before the effective date of Option Exercise in accordance with Section 3.3.6 (the “**Option Exercise Fee**”). There shall be no double counting of any amounts to be paid by GSK to CureVac pursuant to this Section 3.3.5. For purposes of this Section 3.3.5, and to the extent allowed for under the applicable funding agreement, development costs shall be net of any subsidies, grants or other non-refundable external Third Party funding received by CureVac for the development or manufacture of the CureVac First-Gen COVID Vaccine Products, provided that such subsidies, grants or other non-refundable external Third Party funding: (i) would not be repayable or forfeited by CureVac under the terms of the relevant funding agreement as a result of being applied to the calculation of Net Profit under this Agreement, and (ii) are not made as a pre-payment of consideration for the future supply of vaccines. The Parties agree that the payments received by CureVac under the [*****] Agreement and the [*****] Agreement are made as a pre-payment of consideration for the future supply of vaccines under the [*****] Agreement and [*****] Agreement, as applicable, and shall therefore not be considered for the calculation of the Option Exercise Fee. CureVac shall notify GSK of any subsidies, grants or other non-refundable external Third Party funding that are eligible to be credited against the development costs of First-Gen COVID Vaccine Products under this Section 3.3.5. For clarity, the costs for the development of the First-Gen COVID Vaccine Products shall not include the costs for constructing and upscaling Manufacturing facilities to Manufacture the First-Gen COVID Vaccine Products. The Option Exercise Fee is to be paid by GSK to CureVac within [*****] after receipt of an invoice from CureVac, with supportive documentation reasonably detailing the development (including regulatory) costs and expenses incurred by CureVac. For clarity, each of (i) the Option Exercise Fee and (ii) any repayment by CureVac of any pre-payment or consideration retained by CureVac for the future supply of vaccines in accordance with this Section 3.3.5 shall not be included in the calculation of Net Profits in accordance with Section 8.2.3. In addition to the Option Exercise Fee, GSK shall bear up-front all costs for [*****] provided that these costs shall be included in the calculation of Net Profits in accordance with Section 8.2.3 (except to the extent relating to a Pathogen Combination Product).

- 3.3.6 Option Exercise.** Upon (i) receipt of an Option Exercise Notice by CureVac; (ii) full payment of the Option Exercise Fee due from GSK to CureVac; (iii) the Parties having agreed a COVID R&D Plan and/or Commercialization plan (as applicable) to further Develop, Manufacture and Commercialize the First-Gen COVID Vaccine Products for which the Option was exercised; and (iv) the Parties having agreed in relation to each Government and NGO Contract on (x)

either the whole or partial transfer of that Government and NGO Contract from CureVac to GSK, or (y) the retention of that Government and NGO Contract by CureVac, each in accordance with Section 2.7.2, the First-Gen COVID Vaccine Products shall become COVID Products from (A) [*****] or (B) [*****] (“**Option Exercise**”). Upon the effective date of Option Exercise, and unless set forth otherwise, such First-Gen COVID Vaccine Product shall become a COVID Product under this Agreement and all terms and conditions relevant for the Development, Manufacture and Commercialization of the Collaboration COVID Vaccine Products shall apply to the respective First-Gen COVID Vaccine Products including licenses, sharing of Development Costs, profit sharing arrangement and royalties (but only in relation to the period after the effective date of Option Exercise).

3.3.7 Exclusivity during Option Period. During the Option Period, subject to the [*****] Agreement, and CureVac’s right to enter into further Government and NGO Contracts regarding the development, manufacturing and/or supply of First-Gen COVID Vaccine Products in accordance with Section 2.7.4, CureVac shall not grant any rights to a Third Party for the commercialization of First-Gen COVID Vaccine Products in the Field without GSK’s express, written waiver of its rights under the Exclusive Option, which GSK may grant or withhold in its sole discretion. As between the Parties, if GSK does not exercise its Exclusive Option within the Option Period, CureVac shall have no further obligations towards GSK regarding the licensing of any rights for Development, Manufacture or Commercialization of the First-Gen COVID Vaccine Products, and shall be free to develop, manufacture and commercialize the First-Gen COVID Vaccine Products solely or in collaboration with Third Parties.

Provision of Services instead of Option Exercise. In case GSK does not exercise its Exclusive Option, upon the request of CureVac, the Parties shall negotiate in good faith a service agreement under which GSK will provide to CureVac [*****].

4. DEVELOPMENT COLLABORATION.

4.1 COVID R&D Plan. The Parties shall collaborate on the further Development of the Collaboration COVID Vaccine Products, and will agree on R&D plans for each Collaboration COVID Vaccine Product (each such plan, a “**COVID R&D Plan**”). The initial COVID R&D Plan for two versions of the first Collaboration COVID Vaccine Product, and a supplementary plan for a Modified mRNA Pathogen Combination Product, is attached hereto as **Exhibit 4.1**, and may be amended from time to time by the JSC in accordance with this Agreement. Each Party shall conduct all activities as outlined in the COVID R&D Plan (as amended from time to time) as part of its ordinary course of business, and the other Party shall support the conduct of those activities, in each case in accordance with this Agreement.

4.2 Development Data, results and records. As provided for in a COVID R&D Plan, at least, however, on a monthly basis, the Parties will make available to one another through formal

reports for review and discussion within the JSC all Development Data and other results of the Development conducted hereunder, and will keep such records (paper and electronic) as described herein. The Parties will maintain records of the Development Data and other results in sufficient detail as required by Regulatory Authorities and in good scientific manner appropriate for patent purposes, and in a manner that properly reflects all work done and results achieved in the performance of such Development.

- 4.3 Sharing of Development Costs for COVID Products.** Subject to satisfaction of the condition set out in Section 1.183, the Parties shall from the Effective Date (or, in relation to the First-Gen COVID Vaccine Product, from the effective date of Option Exercise) equally share (50%/50%): [*****].
- 4.4 Development Funding for Pathogen Combination Products.** GSK shall, subject to the remainder of this Section 4.4, compensate CureVac for the Development Costs CureVac incurs in performing the Development activities for a Pathogen Combination Product (with FTE calculated at the FTE Rate), where applicable in accordance with the budget and assumptions as agreed under that COVID R&D Plan.
- 4.5 All Development Costs.** The Parties shall in good faith consider means of gaining efficiencies in the performance of the COVID R&D Plan(s) that have a positive impact on the associated budget, and in connection with incurring any other Development Costs, such as outsourcing of certain research activities to a subcontractor, provided these will not adversely impact the timeline for completion of Development activities. The Parties shall account for their respective Development Costs and non-refundable funding on a Calendar Quarterly basis, where

applicable with supportive documentation reasonably detailing the composition of the agreed budgeted cost (with FTE calculated at the FTE Rate) for the applicable Calendar Quarter period. The respective undisputed balance to achieve the equal share of Development Costs and non-refundable funding shall be paid within [*****] after receipt of an invoice from the respective Party which is entitled to receive a payment from the other Party (whether under profit-sharing arrangement or otherwise). The Parties shall promptly notify each other as soon as reasonably practicable in the event that either Party becomes aware that Development Costs are expected to deviate, where applicable, from the amounts approved in the Development budget, as a result of a change to the assumptions under a COVID R&D Plan, whereupon the Parties shall discuss the causes of such deviation and evaluate potential mitigation measures relating thereto, and an appropriate adjustment (if any) to the Development budget. The Parties shall refer any Development budget increase amounting to greater than [*****] of the previously approved amount to the JSC for prior approval. Unless such budget increase is approved by the JSC, a Party shall not be liable to bear, as part of the sharing of Development activities where the Development Costs are budgeted under the relevant COVID R&D Plan, any Development Costs incurred by the other Party in excess of [*****] of the amount set out in the agreed Development budget from time to time. The Parties shall not unreasonably withhold their approval in the JSC to any budget increase which is reasonably required as a result of the change to a budgeting assumption set out in a COVID R&D Plan. CureVac's share in Development Costs to be refunded under Section 4.3 shall in no event exceed an amount of [*****], and any Development Costs to be refunded under Section 4.3 which exceed such amount shall be offset against up to [*****] of the Net Profit share payment to be made by GSK to CureVac for the Collaboration COVID Vaccine Products under Section 8.2 below.

4.6 Materials. CureVac will provide GSK with any CureVac Materials required for the Development under the COVID R&D Plan, including those which comprise, embody or incorporate CureVac Background Technology. Without limiting the foregoing, this shall be carried out in accordance with the respective COVID R&D Plan. GSK will provide CureVac with any GSK Materials required for the Development under the COVID R&D Plan, including those which comprise, embody or incorporate GSK Background Technology. Without limiting the foregoing, this shall be carried out in accordance with the COVID R&D Plan. GSK will use the CureVac Materials and CureVac will use the GSK Materials, as applicable: (i) only in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement; (ii) not in human subjects, in clinical trials, or for diagnostic purposes involving human subjects, or for any animal studies, except as expressly provided for in the COVID R&D Plan; and (iii) not reverse engineer or chemically analyze the same except as expressly provided for (if at all) in the COVID R&D Plan. The Materials will remain the sole property of the Party supplying them and will be used by the recipient Party in compliance with all Applicable Laws and only to perform activities set forth in the COVID R&D Plan. The receiving Party shall not sell, transfer, disclose or otherwise provide access to the other Party's Materials without the written consent of the providing Party, except that the receiving Party may allow access to the other Party's Materials to its and its Affiliates' employees, officers, consultants, subcontractors and Sublicensees who require such access to perform its activities under this Agreement and solely for purposes consistent with this Agreement; provided that such employees, officers, consultants, subcontractors and Sublicensees are bound by agreement to retain and use the Materials in a manner that is consistent with the terms of this Agreement. The Materials are provided "as is". Except as expressly set out in this Agreement, no representations or warranties, express or implied, of any

kind, are given by the providing Party with respect to any of the Materials including their condition, merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose. The receiving Party acknowledges the experimental nature of the Materials and that accordingly, not all characteristics of the Materials are necessarily known. Upon termination or expiry of this Agreement if earlier, any and all remaining Materials will, within [*****] after such event, be returned to the Party supplying them (or destroyed, if the supplying Party shall so specify, with such destruction confirmed in writing). The provision of Materials hereunder will not constitute any grant, option or license to or under such Materials, or any Patent Rights or Know-how of the supplying Party, except as expressly set forth herein.

- 4.7 Know-How Transfer.** As and when required in relation to a COVID R&D Plan (and from time to time during the Term if new Know-How within the CureVac Know-How comes to be Controlled by CureVac) or as soon as reasonably practicable upon GSK's request, CureVac shall disclose and/or deliver to GSK copies of all Development Data and the CureVac Know-How that is reasonably required for GSK's Development activities in accordance with the COVID R&D Plan (including for regulatory purposes) ("**Development Transfer Materials**"), with the exception, however, of all Know-How comprised in the CureVac Manufacturing Technology which shall be made available to GSK or its designee as set forth in Section 5.2.1. The technology transfer to be undertaken under this Section 4.7 shall be overseen by the Joint Steering Committee. Any transfer of Know-How pursuant to this Section 4.7 shall be carried out on the basis of a specific technology transfer plan determined in good faith by the Parties and reflected in a technology transfer addendum to this Agreement, detailing at least the following activities together with appropriate timelines: (i) the provision by CureVac of soft copies and, to the extent reasonably required by GSK, hard copies of all Development Transfer Materials; (ii) the procurement by CureVac of the services of such qualified and experienced scientists and technicians, production and quality assurance personnel, engineers, and quality checking personnel as may be reasonably necessary to support the transfer of the Development Transfer Materials. Until completion of the transfer of the Development Transfer Materials, CureVac shall build and maintain a secure, readable, accessible and complete repository of the Development Transfer Materials.
- 4.8 Regulatory Approvals of COVID Products.**
- 4.8.1 Regulatory Filing for the COVID Products.** GSK shall prepare and file all INDs and all new drug applications (or equivalents) for the COVID Products and shall own all Regulatory Approvals and be responsible for all decisions in connection with the Regulatory Approvals for COVID Products in the Field and in the Territory, subject to GSK's diligence obligations under Section 4.10. With regard to CMC Development and Manufacturing, CureVac shall contribute the necessary sections for such filings. CureVac shall have the right to review and comment on all such filings and safety related documents, and GSK shall be entitled to demand feedback within a reasonably short period. GSK will share with CureVac any regulatory filings before submission. CureVac shall cooperate in, and provide reasonable assistance to support, these efforts as reasonably requested by GSK. GSK shall provide CureVac with a final copy of each filing.
- 4.8.2 Transfer of Regulatory Approvals for the First-Gen COVID Vaccine Products.** Upon the effective date of Option Exercise, CureVac shall (or shall cause the Affiliate or Third Party holding the Regulatory Approvals to) assign and transfer to GSK the Regulatory Approvals

granted for the First-Gen COVID Vaccine Products, subject to GSK's diligence obligations under Section 4.10 and the rights granted to CureVac with respect to the Regulatory Approvals relevant for the CureVac Territory under Section 6 and the respective Distribution Agreement. Any costs incurred in connection with this transfer shall be borne by the Parties in equal shares as part of the Development Costs in accordance with Section 4.3.

- 4.8.3 Communications.** Subject to Sections 4.8.1 and 4.8.6, **and** subject to the rights and obligations of CureVac under Section 6 and the respective Distribution Agreement with respect to the Regulatory Approvals relevant for the CureVac Territory, GSK shall be responsible for all regulatory interactions, including written communications and meetings with Regulatory Authorities, and safety management, including the reporting to the appropriate governmental authorities of all adverse events and any other information concerning the safety of COVID Products. GSK will, as part of its regular updates through the JSC, inform CureVac in writing of any material feedback from Regulatory Authorities relating to any COVID Product. Furthermore, GSK will provide copies of all Regulatory Approvals and material correspondence with Regulatory Authorities in the Major Markets relating to the Clinical Studies with respect to all COVID Products to CureVac. Where permitted by Applicable Laws, CureVac shall have the right to participate as a silent observer in a meeting with Regulatory Authorities.
- 4.8.4 Sharing of information.** CureVac will reasonably support GSK, at GSK's request at reasonable intervals (considering CureVac's limited personnel resources), on all regulatory matters with respect to the Development and Commercialization of the COVID Products, including by providing data and documents as reasonably required for obtaining Regulatory Approvals and for interactions with Regulatory Authorities regarding the COVID Products, provided that such documents and data will remain the property and Confidential Information of CureVac, and GSK will only use such documents and data in accordance with Section 4.8.5 and Section 11. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, CureVac shall provide to GSK: [*****].
- 4.8.5 Cross-referencing.** To the extent required by GSK, or an Affiliate or Sublicensee of GSK to the COVID Products, CureVac hereby authorizes GSK, its Affiliates and Sublicensees to cross-reference to the sections of the dossiers of any Regulatory Approval of the First-Gen COVID Vaccine Product for COVID Products and products developed under the 2020 Collaboration

Agreement. GSK hereby authorizes CureVac, its Affiliates and licensees to cross-reference to the dossiers of the Regulatory Approvals of COVID Products for other CureVac mRNA-Based products. Each Party shall notify the other Party in writing prior to any such cross-referencing.

- 4.8.6 Pharmacovigilance.** The Parties shall have in place and will maintain during the Term (or, as applicable, until the obligations intended to survive termination of this Agreement have been fulfilled) systems, procedures, training programs and documentation needed to perform and comply with their pharmacovigilance regulatory obligations, and each Party shall promptly notify the other Party of any safety issues that may arise and that need to be reported under Applicable Laws. Each Party will ensure that it complies with all Applicable Laws regarding the COVID Products relating to risk management, drug safety and pharmacovigilance. The Parties shall negotiate in good faith and conclude a pharmacovigilance agreement within [*****] after the Effective Date. As part of such pharmacovigilance agreement, a joint safety team (“**JST**”) shall be established by the Parties before Initiation of the first Clinical Study, with representatives of each Party, and the Parties shall develop a JST charter (“**JST Charter**”). The JST composition will be established as per the JST Charter. The JST Charter will define roles and responsibilities with regards to data compilation and review in order to ensure that JST is able to conduct proper activities and make/provide appropriate recommendations/input, which may include access to safety data (including safety data from post-marketing surveillance activities) relating to COVID Products and First-Gen COVID Vaccine Products, to allow the JST to ensure adequate safety reviews.
- 4.9 CureVac Development Diligence.** Subject to GSK complying with its obligations under this Agreement, CureVac will conduct all Development activities assigned to it in a COVID R&D Plan in a timely manner and in accordance with the respective COVID R&D Plan, and obtain and maintain sufficient facilities, personnel (with appropriate qualifications and experience), equipment, materials and other resources as are reasonable and adequate to complete such COVID R&D Plan.
- 4.10 GSK Development and Regulatory Diligence.** Subject to CureVac complying with its obligations under this Agreement, GSK will:
- (i) conduct all Development activities assigned to it in the COVID R&D Plan(s), progress the COVID Products into the next appropriate Clinical Study, and obtain and maintain sufficient facilities, personnel (with appropriate qualifications and experience), equipment, materials and other resources as reasonably required to complete the COVID R&D Plan(s); and
 - (ii) use its Diligent Efforts to secure biologics licensure by the FDA and marketing authorization by EMA following completion of all appropriate Clinical Studies.
- 4.11 Use of GSK Technology.** Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, GSK hereby grants to CureVac, and CureVac accepts, a royalty-free, non-exclusive, license (with the right to sub-license in accordance with Section 4.12) to use the GSK Technology for performing the Development and Manufacturing activities allocated to CureVac under this Agreement (and, subject to the terms of each Ancillary Agreement, under the Ancillary Agreements).
- 4.12 Right to Sublicense.** CureVac shall have the right to sublicense its rights under Section 4.11 to any of its Affiliates, but not to any Third Party, subject only to the right to subcontract as set

forth under Section 4.13 below.

- 4.13 Subcontracts.** Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, and as further defined in the COVID R&D Plan, the Parties may subcontract to Affiliates and Third Parties, including CROs and CMOs, certain activities to be performed. Any subcontractor shall be required to enter into appropriate agreements with respect to non-disclosure of Confidential Information and ownership of any intellectual property developed in the course of subcontracted activities, unless such subcontracting would not require the transfer of the other Party's Confidential Information to the Affiliate or Third Party subcontractor and there is no reasonable possibility of the creation of new intellectual property. Each Party shall promptly inform the other Party in writing of any subcontracting of activities under this Agreement providing the name of the subcontractor and the activities to be performed by such subcontractor, and shall remain liable to the other Party for any act or omission of its subcontractor.

5. MANUFACTURING AND COMMERCIALIZATION.

5.1 Clinical Supply.

Within the JSC the Parties shall decide whether CureVac should ensure Manufacture and supply to GSK of doses of COVID Products required for use by GSK in accordance with this Agreement for the Clinical Studies or whether GSK in lieu of CureVac should Manufacture clinical materials on its own following a transfer of the CureVac Manufacturing Technology, or whether and how the Manufacturing capability of both Parties should be combined, such decision to be based on the respective Manufacturing capacities available as declared by the respective Party, the context of the respective clinical trial material portfolios and batches across all projects, and to be aligned with the Parties' intention to ensure the Manufacture of Drug Product conforming to the required quality standards, the agreed specifications and the estimated timelines for Development of COVID Products defined in the COVID R&D Plan, and that supports the competitiveness of the COVID Products. Where the COVID Product for use in Clinical Studies is Manufactured by CureVac, its Affiliates and/or any CMO, one or more clinical supply agreement(s) and associated clinical Quality Agreement(s) will be negotiated and agreed between GSK and either or both CureVac, the CureVac Affiliate and/or CMO supplying the COVID Products to GSK, and in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in Exhibit 5.1 ("**Clinical Supply Agreement**"). To the extent CureVac or its Affiliates Manufacture clinical trial material, CureVac and its Affiliates will reserve the required capacity for the Manufacture of COVID Products for clinical supply in its GMP Manufacturing Facilities in accordance with the forecasts given under the supply agreement(s). In the event of a transfer of the CureVac Manufacturing Technology for clinical supply under this Section 5.1, such transfer shall only be made to GSK, and only to one site at GSK designated by GSK and approved by CureVac (which approval is hereby already given if GSK designates its vaccines manufacturing site in [*****]). Unless otherwise provided herein, Section 5.4 below shall apply mutatis mutandis.

5.2 Commercial Supply.

- 5.2.1** The Parties will determine a Manufacturing and supply strategy that for each COVID Product creates an efficient and reliable Manufacturing network and supply chain, so that the COVID Products are Manufactured in accordance with the Regulatory Approvals, GMP and Applicable Laws at sufficient volumes in light of the potential demand for such COVID Product. GSK shall

have the right to perform prior due diligence on all elements of a proposed Manufacturing network and supply chain, including subjecting CureVac and any CMOs within the overall Manufacturing network of CureVac (subject to the CMOs' consent and at the sole cost of GSK), and the respective Manufacturing facilities, to an audit to verify the ability to Manufacture sufficient volume of the COVID Products in accordance with the Regulatory Approvals, GMP and Applicable Laws, which audit shall be conducted in accordance with Section 12.12. After having completed such due diligence and audits, GSK shall have the final decision regarding the Manufacturing and supply chain strategy and the composition of the supply chain for a given COVID Product, including to select the facilities within the CureVac Manufacturing network (and that of its CMOs) to supply the COVID Products, or to let GSK, its Affiliate or another Third Party CMO Manufacture the COVID Products (or a part thereof) pursuant to a transfer of the Manufacturing of the COVID Product (or a part thereof) in accordance with Section 5.4, as well as regarding subsequent changes to Manufacturing and supply chain strategy; provided, however, that any such decision must not jeopardize CureVac's and/or GSK's performance of the Government and NGO Contracts, unless otherwise agreed with the relevant government, if and to the extent any Government and NGO Contract requires that the Manufacture of COVID Products is performed in a specific territory or by a specific CMO.

5.2.2 Once a Manufacturing and supply strategy for a given COVID Product has been determined as set forth in Section 5.2.1, GSK and CureVac will implement such strategy and will where applicable (i) negotiate and agree in good faith on a Commercial Supply Agreement in respect of that COVID Product, including a Quality Agreement, according to which CureVac or its Affiliates will Manufacture supply to GSK the respective COVID Product at COGS in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in **Exhibit 5.2** or, (ii) if the COVID Product in question is Manufactured in part or in full by a Third Party CMO within CureVac's Manufacturing network, GSK and CureVac will reasonably facilitate the execution of a bilateral commercial supply agreement between GSK and that CMO in respect of the Manufacture and supply by that CMO of such COVID Product (each, a "**Commercial Supply Agreement**"). As part of the Manufacturing and supply chain strategy, where CureVac's Manufacturing network is relied upon, the Parties will discuss and determine: (x) the reservation of Manufacturing capacity in CureVac's network, and if the Parties approve such reservation, CureVac (or GSK, as of such time as GSK has entered into Commercial Supply Agreements with the CMOs in accordance with Section 5.2.1) will reserve the approved capacity in CureVac's network, and (y) how to implement such Manufacturing and supply chain strategy, including how to manage critical raw materials, in a way that is fair and reasonable and takes into account potential impacts on cash flow and working capital. The Manufacturing sub-committee for discussing COVID Product related Manufacturing and supply will meet within not more than [*****] of the Effective Date to determine as soon as practicable, for the COVID Products to be Manufactured in [*****], the Manufacturing capacity to be reserved in CureVac's network, and the type and amount of critical raw materials to be sourced in accordance with the preceding sentence. Each Party shall, and shall procure that its Affiliates shall, act reasonably and in good faith when entering into or accepting any new agreements or commitments for the supply of COVID Products, and in the case of CureVac, the supply of First-Gen COVID Product, taking into account its commitments towards the other Party under, in the case of CureVac, the Commercial Supply Agreements, or, in the case of GSK, the Distribution Agreement, and its expected manufacturing capacity. The Parties acknowledge that the manufacturing capacity available for the Collaboration COVID Vaccine in CureVac's Manufacturing network (including its CMO) for the calendar year of [*****] is estimated by CureVac at the Effective Date

at a maximum of [****] however the Parties will in good faith and in a timely manner consider means of increasing such capacity if required to meet expected demand. As part of the aforementioned Manufacturing and supply chain strategy, the Parties shall determine forecasting and allocation binding principles, to be endorsed by the JSC, for use by the Parties when a constraint on the availability of raw materials, components, ingredients, or other materials, or of manufacturing capacity (including by an unforeseen reduction of yield or loss of Manufacturing slots), makes it impossible to fulfill all valid and legitimate forecasts and orders of Collaboration COVID Products (across the GSK Territory and the CureVac Territory) and the First-Gen COVID Vaccine Product, so that any allocation of available resources is carried out in a fair, reasonable and non-discriminatory manner.

5.3 QP Release. GSK, as holder of the Regulatory Approvals of the COVID Products, shall be responsible for the certification by a qualified person and release of Manufactured batches of COVID Products in accordance with GMP, that are distributed under such Regulatory Approval (whether for Development or Commercialization purposes), and the Quality Agreements shall reflect the same.

5.4 Manufacture by GSK.

Upon the request of GSK, CureVac shall transfer all Know-How comprised in the CureVac Manufacturing Technology (“**Manufacturing Technology Transfer Materials**”) to GSK, an Affiliate of GSK or a Third Party CMO designated by GSK and approved by CureVac (such approval not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed, and not to be withheld when the transfer of the CureVac Manufacturing Technology is required to enable the Commercialization of a Product in a market where localized manufacturing is necessary in light of the characteristics of such market, or requested by a government in such market), as applicable, so that GSK itself, the Affiliate of GSK or the appointed Third Party CMO (approved by CureVac), as applicable, can take over the Manufacture of COVID Products for GSK (of Finished Product, Filled Containers or Drug Product and Drug Substance, or a combination thereof); provided, however, that any such request must not jeopardize the Parties’ obligations under the [****] Agreement unless otherwise agreed with the relevant government, if and to the extent any [****] Agreement requires that the Manufacture of COVID Products is performed in a specific territory or by specific CMO, and [****] – provided that a transfer of the CureVac Manufacturing Technology to enable the Manufacturing of COVID Products for use in Clinical Studies shall not prohibit a later transfer of the Manufacturing process for commercial Manufacturing. In the event of a technology transfer, the JSC shall establish a Manufacturing tech-transfer sub-committee, which shall agree, manage and oversee the Manufacturing technology transfer. Any transfer of Know-How pursuant to this Section 5.4 shall be carried on the basis of a specific technology transfer plan determined in good faith by the Parties and reflected in a technology transfer addendum to this Agreement, detailing at least the following activities together with appropriate timelines: (i) the provision by CureVac of soft copies and, to the extent reasonably required by GSK, hard copies of all Manufacturing Technology Transfer Materials; (ii) if and to the extent reasonably required, the procurement by CureVac of the services of such qualified and experienced scientists, production and quality assurance personnel, engineers, and quality checking

personnel as may be reasonably necessary to support the transfer of the Manufacturing Technology Transfer Materials; and (iii) if and to the extent reasonably required by GSK, the provision by CureVac to the personnel of GSK or its Affiliate with reasonable access to its facilities to observe the Manufacture at such times as the Parties may agree; provided such access shall be coordinated in a manner to minimize the disruption of CureVac's activities and considering CureVac's limited personnel resources, and CureVac may require any personnel of a Third Party with access to its facilities to sign a confidentiality agreement and to abide by the rules and guidelines applicable to the CureVac facility. Until the completion of the transfer of the Manufacturing Technology Transfer Materials, CureVac shall build and maintain a secure, readable, accessible and complete repository of the Manufacturing Technology Transfer Materials.

GSK will bear all costs and expenses for the technology transfer contemplated under this Section 5.4 (including any work of the FTEs at the FTE Rate), any payments due under a CMO agreement as a result of the technology transfer to GSK (including reservation fees, cancellation costs or any kind of termination costs resulting from the fact that the COVID Product in question is no longer Manufactured at the site in question) and any increase in COGS (if any), i.e., such costs will not be split as part of the profit split, other than in the case where (i) GSK terminates this Agreement on the basis of CureVac's material breach or otherwise for cause and GSK exercises the GSK Continue Option; or (ii) the transfer of the CureVac Manufacturing Technology is to an Affiliate of GSK or a Third Party CMO in a given market where localized Manufacturing is necessary in light of the characteristics of such market, or requested by a government in such market (in which case the cost will be shared between the Parties).

CureVac may also request that GSK Manufactures Finished Product, Filled Containers and/or Drug Product and Drug Substance, whether for Development or for Commercial supply. The Parties shall discuss such matter in good faith, but the final decision shall be with GSK. Any relevant Clinical Supply Agreement, Commercial Supply Agreement or Quality Agreement shall be adapted (or terminated) as appropriate in light of the in-transfer by GSK (or a GSK-designated) CMO of the Manufacturing of COVID Products.

For the avoidance of doubt, GSK may only use the Manufacturing Technology Transfer Materials for the Manufacture of COVID Products under this Agreement. In case GSK manufactures an mRNA-Based product, GSK shall, at the request of CureVac, provide evidence to an independent expert agreed by the Parties in good faith proving that GSK is not using the Manufacturing Technology Transfer Materials for the manufacture of such mRNA-Based product. Unless the expert finds that GSK has used the Manufacturing Technology Transfer Materials for a purpose not permitted under this Agreement, CureVac shall be responsible for the expense of retaining the independent expert. This obligation shall survive the expiration or termination of this Agreement.

Upon a technology transfer either under Section 5.1 or 5.4, the Parties will inform each other, on an ongoing basis, of any improvements, modifications or other changes of the Manufacturing process, and will promptly make available to each other all Know-How, including data and documentation required to apply such improvements, modifications or other changes in their respective Manufacturing sites.

5.5 Commercialization of COVID Products; Diligence. Subject to the terms and conditions of

this Agreement, GSK shall have the rights and the responsibility for the Commercialization of COVID Products in the Field in the GSK Territory. Unless terminated or replaced in accordance with this Agreement, GSK will use Diligent Efforts to Commercialize the COVID Products in the Field in the Major Markets (other than Germany, unless waived by CureVac pursuant to Section 6.1), subject to obtaining Regulatory Approval in the relevant Major Market, and subject to CureVac agreeing to, in the JSC, and supporting the COVID R&D Plans that are necessary for the Regulatory Approval for the marketing of the COVID Products in each Major Market. Without limiting the generality of and conditions for the Diligent Efforts obligations under this Section 5.5, GSK shall:

- (i) on a COVID Product-by-COVID Product basis make the First Commercial Sale of a COVID Product in a country as soon as reasonably practicable following the issuance of the Regulatory Approval for such COVID Product in such country;
- (ii) Commercialize at least [*****] Collaboration COVID Vaccine Product (besides Pathogen Combination Products) in the Major Markets in the GSK Territory;
- (iii) in addition to the reports provided by GSK to CureVac under Section 8.2, beginning with the First Commercial Sale of the first COVID Product in the Territory and continuing until expiry of the payment obligations under Article 8, provide CureVac, at least once annually by March 31 of each Calendar Year, with a confidential, non-binding sales forecast for that Calendar Year for discussion in the JSC (or the Commercialization sub-committee, as applicable) of the estimated aggregate (x) sales of COVID Products in the GSK Territory and (y) sales of COVID Products in each Major Market, provided that GSK shall not be required to provide supporting materials in relation to such forecast; and
- (iv) in countries where GSK commercializes a New Non-mRNA COVID Product, the level of diligence that GSK must apply regarding the Commercialization of COVID Products in that country shall be increased to Enhanced Diligent Efforts.

5.6 Resources. The Parties shall both obtain and maintain sufficient facilities, personnel (with appropriate qualifications and experience), equipment, materials and other resources necessary to meet their respective obligations under this Section 5, in accordance with the timelines specified in and in accordance with this Section 5.

6. COMMERCIALIZATION OF COVID PRODUCTS IN THE CUREVAC TERRITORY.

6.1 Commercialization in CureVac Territory. CureVac shall have the sole and exclusive right to Commercialize the COVID Products in the Field in the CureVac Territory. On a COVID Product-by-COVID Product basis, until the execution of a Distribution Agreement between the Parties under Section 6.2 for a COVID Product, CureVac shall have the right to waive its right to Commercialize such COVID Product in the CureVac Territory by giving written notice to GSK. Upon receipt of such waiver notice by GSK, with respect to the respective COVID Product, the CureVac Territory shall become part of the GSK Territory, and GSK shall have the right to Commercialize the COVID Product in such extended GSK Territory, and the obligation to use Diligent Efforts to Commercialize the COVID Products in Germany, subject

to and in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement. Section 8 below sets forth the financial terms of Commercialization of COVID Products by CureVac in the CureVac Territories, more specifically with respect to the profit-share for COVID Products (other than Pathogen Combination Products) and the royalties to be paid by CureVac to GSK for Pathogen Combination Products.

6.2 Distribution Agreement. On a COVID Product-by-COVID Product and on a CureVac Territory by CureVac Territory basis, upon request of CureVac, but no later than [*****] prior to the estimated First Commercial Sale of the respective COVID Product in the Field in any CureVac Territory, the Parties shall negotiate and agree in good faith on a distribution agreement under which CureVac has the exclusive rights to Commercialize such COVID Product in the Field in the CureVac Territory in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the key distribution terms in **Exhibit 6.2 (“Distribution Agreement”)**. Article 8 below sets forth the financial terms of such distribution, i.e., with respect to the profit-share for COVID Products (other than Pathogen Combination Products) and to the royalties to be paid by CureVac to GSK for Pathogen Combination Products. CureVac shall comply with all policies, practices, standards, guidelines, codes and requirements generally inferred by the GlaxoSmithKline group on distributors of its products in the CureVac Territory, which shall be further detailed in the Distribution Agreement and compliance with which shall be subject to audit by GSK as specified in the Distribution Agreement.

7. GOVERNANCE.

7.1 Management.

7.1.1 Alliance Management. Management of the collaborative alliance reflected in this Agreement will be under the responsibility of the individual designated in writing no later than [*****] after the Closing Date for CureVac (“**CureVac Alliance Manager**”) and of the individual designated in writing no later than [*****] after the Closing Date for GSK (“**GSK Alliance Manager**”), and together with the CureVac Alliance Manager, the “**Alliance Managers**”), provided that the Alliance Managers under this Agreement and under the 2020 Collaboration Agreement shall be the same individuals. Each Alliance Manager will be the primary point of contact for the other Party on all matters relating to the operation of this Agreement and the 2020 Collaboration Agreement.

7.1.2 Development and Manufacturing Management. The management of the Development and Manufacturing activities hereunder will be under the responsibility of the individual designated in writing no later than [*****] after the Closing Date for CureVac (“**CureVac Project Leader**”) and of the individual designated in writing no later than [*****] after the Closing Date for GSK (“**GSK Project Leader**”, and together with the CureVac Project Leader, the “**Project Leaders**”). Each Project Leader will be the primary point of contact for the other Party on all matters relating to the COVID R&D Plan.

7.2 Joint Steering Committee.

7.2.1 Establishment. No later than [*****] after the Closing Date the Parties will establish a joint steering committee (“**Joint Steering Committee**” or “**JSC**”) to oversee the Development, Manufacture and Commercialization of the COVID Products and to facilitate the exchange of information between the Parties. The JSC shall be comprised of four (4)

representatives of CureVac and four (4) representatives of GSK, one representative being the Alliance Manager of the respective Party, in each case with appropriate scientific and technical expertise and sufficient seniority within the applicable Party consistent with the scope of the JSC's responsibilities. Each Party may replace its JSC representatives at any time upon written notice to the other Party, provided, however, that each Party shall use all reasonable efforts (*obligation de moyen*) to ensure continuity on the JSC.

- 7.2.2 JSC Meetings.** The JSC shall meet at least on a quarterly basis, or such other frequency as agreed by the Parties, by teleconference, videoconference or in person, provided that at least every [****] or such other frequency as agreed by the Parties, the meeting shall be in person (which in-person meeting will be held at alternate facilities of each Party), unless agreed otherwise by the JSC representatives. The JSC will have a quorum if at least one (1) representatives of each Party is present or participating. Each Party will be responsible for all of its own expenses of participating in the JSC meetings. The Parties will endeavor to schedule meetings of the JSC at least [****] in advance. Each Party may call special meetings of the JSC with at least [****] prior written notice, except in exigent circumstances, to resolve particular matters requested by such Party and within the decision-making responsibility of the JSC. Each Party may invite guest participants to certain items on the agenda of the meetings, with reasonable prior notice, in order to discuss special technical or commercial topics, provided that such guest participants shall be bound by confidentiality and non-use obligations consistent with the terms of this Agreement and shall not have a voting right in such meeting. The chair of the JSC will alternate each Calendar Year, with CureVac to chair the first year. The Party chairing the JSC shall prepare the meeting agenda with input from the other Party.
- 7.2.3 JSC Minutes.** The Alliance Manager of the Party chairing the JSC shall record the minutes of each JSC meeting in writing. Such minutes shall be circulated to the other Party's Alliance Manager no later than [****] following the meeting for review, comment and approval of the other Party. If no comments are received within [****] of the receipt of the minutes by the other Party, unless otherwise agreed, they shall be deemed to be approved by the other Party. Furthermore, if the Parties are unable to reach agreement on the minutes within [****] of the applicable meeting, the sections of the minutes that have been mutually agreed between the Parties by that date shall be deemed approved and, in addition, each Party shall record in the same document its own version of those sections of the minutes on which the Parties were not able to agree.
- 7.3 JSC Functions and Powers.** The JSC will be responsible generally for facilitating the Parties' interactions under this Agreement and specifically for overseeing the Development, Manufacture and Commercialization of the COVID Products. The JSC has (i) no jurisdiction to make any amendments to this Agreement, which right is reserved to the Parties; and (ii) no jurisdiction over any dispute relating to the validity, performance, construction or interpretation of this Agreement. The principal functions of the JSC will include:
- (i) overseeing the Development of Collaboration COVID Vaccine Products in accordance with the COVID R&D Plan(s), including deciding the strategy for the Manufacturing and supply of clinical materials, as referred to in Section 5.1;
 - (ii) approving Product Adjustments;
 - (iii) approving the development of Pathogen Combination Products;

- (iv) updating the initial COVID R&D Plan to include the further Development work;
- (v) discussing and agreeing the Development budgets under the COVID R&D Plan(s);
- (vi) the resolution and approval of any issue and recommendation from the Parties with respect to the modification of the COVID R&D Plan(s), including but not limited to modifications of the budget and timelines;
- (vii) receiving written reports or presentations from GSK and CureVac of their respective progress with the further Development of each COVID Product summarizing their Development activities and the results thereof with respect to the applicable COVID Product and discuss at meetings the status, progress, and results of the Development of the respective COVID Product;
- (viii) exchanging Development Data and other technical information;
- (ix) discussing and agreeing on the entry of supply agreements that provide for the supply of Collaboration COVID Vaccine, and, as of the Option Exercise, the First-Gen COVID Vaccine Product, across the GSK Territories and the CureVac Territories;
- (x) discussing and agreeing on the entry of new agreements with governments and/or non-governmental organizations regarding the Development, Manufacturing and supply of the Collaboration COVID Vaccine, and, as of the Option Exercise, the First-Gen COVID Vaccine Product;
- (xi) creating sub-committees, including the IP Sub-Committee pursuant to Section 7.6, a Commercialization sub-committee for the coordination of Commercialization activities for COVID Products by GSK in the GSK Territory and by CureVac in the CureVac Territory and a Manufacturing sub-committee for discussing COVID Product related Manufacturing and supply.
- (xii) serving as a forum where each Party shall inform the other Party of any material feedback received from Regulatory Authorities in relation to any COVID Product;
- (xiii) informing on material regulatory filings and regulatory interactions related to the COVID Products;
- (xiv) discussing and deciding on whether to Develop (temporarily or completely) several different COVID Products in parallel, and if several COVID Products are developed in parallel, decide on whether the Development will be completed only for one or for more than one COVID Product;
- (xv) fostering the collaborative relationship between the Parties;
- (xvi) discussing and agreeing, and reviewing no more than once each Calendar Year, the rate payable for distribution costs comprised in the COGS, taking into account possible cost savings, efficiency savings or increases in the underlying costs;
- (xvii) resolving disputes between the Parties; and
- (xviii) such other functions as assigned to it under this Agreement or as agreed by the Parties.

If the JSC establishes a sub-committee in accordance with this Section 7.3, unless otherwise agreed, the governance provisions of this Section 7 shall apply accordingly to such sub-committee.

The Parties shall, within the JSC, in good faith evolve the composition and operation of the JSC to reflect the change in roles and responsibilities of the Parties in the further Development, Manufacturing and Commercialization of the COVID Products.

Neither Party shall make its consent (whereby either Party may give or withhold its consent in its sole discretion) subject to a change of the financial model for the Development, Manufacturing and Commercialization of COVID Products set forth in this Agreement or on the payment by the other Party of any additional consideration under this Agreement (although, for clarity, any costs incurred by the other Party in respect of obtaining a license to any In-Licensed IP shall be taken in account in the calculation of Net Profits, as set forth in this Agreement).

7.4 JSC Decisions.

7.4.1 **Initial Dispute Resolution.** Without prejudice to the discretionary decision rights granted to a Party in this Agreement, a Clinical Supply Agreement, a Commercial Supply Agreement or a Quality Agreement, actions to be taken by the JSC and any subcommittee shall be taken only following a unanimous vote, with each Party's representatives collectively having one (1) vote. If any subcommittee fails to reach unanimous agreement on a matter before it for decision for a period in excess of [*****] the matter shall be referred to the JSC.

7.4.2 Final Decision-Making.

- (i) On matters concerning COVID Products, other than the matters under (ii) and (iii) on which GSK has the deciding vote, if the JSC fails to reach unanimous agreement on a matter before it for decision for a period in excess of [*****] (which number shall be reduced to [*****] in case of a matter that is deemed urgent by either Party, acting reasonably), the matter may be referred by either Party to the Executive Officers, who shall meet in person or via teleconference within seven [*****] and attempt to resolve such matter in good faith. If the Executive Officers fail to reach agreement as to such matter for a period in excess of [*****] from their initial meeting (which number shall be reduced to five [*****] in case of a matter that is deemed urgent by either Party, acting reasonably), the final decision on such undecided matter may be brought for dispute resolution in accordance with Section 16.5 below.
- (ii) On matters concerning the Manufacturing of doses of the COVID Products for use in Clinical Studies, GSK shall have the right to make a final decision towards the Manufacturing by GSK of such doses for use in the Clinical Studies.
- (iii) Without limiting Section 7.4.2(iii), on matters concerning the Development, Manufacture and Commercialization of Pathogen Combination Products, GSK shall have the deciding vote, *provided that* GSK shall not unilaterally reduce its diligence obligations under this Agreement, make material amendments to the COVID R&D Plan(s) for such Pathogen Combination Products (including the budget and the number of FTEs agreed in the respective COVID R&D Plan) which have an adverse impact on CureVac or on the Development or Commercialization of other COVID Products, adopt a decision that would cause significant delay of the Development timelines as set forth in the respective COVID R&D Plan or would oblige CureVac to perform additional obligations under this Agreement or the COVID R&D Plan for the respective Pathogen Combination Product.

(iv) GSK shall also have the deciding vote on any matter that jeopardizes GSK's (or its Affiliates') responsibilities as Regulatory Approval holder for a COVID Product in a given country (including those regarding certification of Manufactured batches by a qualified person and batch release in accordance with GMP).

7.5 Information and results. Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, the Parties will make available and disclose to one another Development Data and other results of work conducted prior to and in preparation for the JSC meetings, by the deadline and in the level of detail, form and format to be designated by the JSC; provided, however, that, in any event, each Party shall to the extent reasonably possible provide the other Party with monthly updates regarding its activities hereunder, preferably [*****] prior to each JSC meeting.

7.6 IP Sub-Committee. No later [*****] after the Closing Date the JSC shall establish an IP Sub-Committee comprising up to two patent attorneys of each Party. The IP Sub-Committee shall be the forum for discussion and liaison between the Parties concerning filings to be made for Program Patent Rights and Joint Patent Rights. For the avoidance of doubt, the IP Sub-Committee is not a decision-making forum, except (in the first instance) with respect to matters concerning the maintenance of the Program Patent Rights and Joint Patent Rights, and, in relation to the Program Patent Rights and Joint Patent Rights, the patent term extension strategy, patent litigation, patent defense and enforcement, but serves as a forum for discussion where the Parties may coordinate and consult with each other with respect to any such filings. The IP Sub-Committee shall in particular: (i) convene no less than once every [*****] to facilitate regular interaction regarding the intellectual property matters arising from this Agreement (or any Ancillary Agreement); (ii) exchange information necessary to keep the Parties reasonably informed of each other's prosecution of patents and trademarks that form part of the intellectual property rights licensed under this Agreement; (iii) review any Invention arising under a Program (including any Joint Product Invention and Joint Other Invention) and determine in good faith the ownership thereof, in accordance with this Agreement; (iv) coordinate intellectual property aspects of publications or presentation of Development Data, in accordance with Section 11.7; (v) cooperatively review and discuss potential material infringements by Third Parties as well as the potential infringement by either Party or its Affiliates of any intellectual property of a Third Party pursuant to Development, Manufacturing or Commercialization under this Agreement; and (vi) escalate any intellectual property-related issue on which the Parties are not in agreement to the JSC.

8. CONSIDERATION AND PAYMENTS.

8.1 Upfront Payment. In partial consideration for the exclusive licenses granted to GSK under the CureVac Technology, GSK shall pay to CureVac a non-refundable and non-creditable fee in the amount of seventy-five million Euro (EUR 75,000,000) within [*****] after the Closing Date. CureVac shall issue an invoice for that amount on or before the Closing Date.

8.2 Profit Sharing for COVID Products (other than Pathogen Combination Products).

8.2.1 Profit Split Allocation. As further consideration for the rights and licenses granted by CureVac to GSK to the CureVac Technology and the LNP Technology under this Agreement, subject to Section 8.2.2 and the royalty scheme which applies for Pathogen Combination Products under Section 8.3, the Parties agree to split the total Net Profit generated with the sale of COVID

Products (other than Pathogen Combination Products) in the Territory as follows:

[*****]

8.2.2 APA Share Credit.

As further consideration for the rights and licenses granted by CureVac to GSK to the CureVac Technology and the LNP Technology under this Agreement, CureVac shall be entitled to receive the first [*****] of GSK's share under the profit split for the sale of COVID Vaccines (other than Pathogen Combination Products) under Sections 8.2.1(i) and (ii)(A), (B) and (C) (the "APA Share Credit").

As further consideration for the exclusive licenses granted to GSK under the CureVac Technology and the LNP Technology under this Agreement, the APA Share Credit set out in this Section 8.2.2 shall be increased by the amounts specified below upon achievement of the following events, provided achieved within the specified timelines:

[*****]	Timeline	Additional APA Share Credit in EURmillion
[*****]	[*****]	[*****]
[*****]	[*****]	[*****]
[*****]	[*****]	[*****]
[*****]	[*****]	[*****]

* Parties acknowledge that readiness for shipment of clinical materials is also dependent on GSK's diligence in connection with the timely review of the information relevant for the certification by GSK's qualified person and batch release in accordance with GMP, and the taking of certification and release decisions on the basis thereof. As such, any delay beyond the term for GSK to undertake such activities as from the receipt by GSK of all information it requires to decide on such certification and release (as defined in the applicable Quality Agreement), and that is not caused by an issue with the Manufacturing of the clinical materials in accordance with GMP, Applicable Laws, the Regulatory Approval and the applicable Quality Agreement, nor with a failure of such clinical materials meet the specifications set forth in the Regulatory Approval, shall be added to the timeline for completion of the milestone. [*****].

8.2.3 Calculation of Profit Split.

For the purposes of Section 8.2.1:

“**Net Profits**” shall mean Net Sales less:

- (i) COGS;
- (ii) royalties and intangible amortization payments (including in-licensing fees and other payments due as a result of sublicensing) arising under any existing and future agreements with any Third Party pursuant to which a Party Controls any intellectual property rights required to Develop, Manufacture or Commercialize any COVID Products (other than Pathogen Combination Products), including any In-Licensing Agreement (but excluding any expenses arising under CureVac’s existing agreements with [*****]) for COVID Products (other than Pathogen Combination Products), provided, however, that for purposes of the Net Profits split, [*****] of any upfront payment which GSK may make to a Third Party with respect to Modified MRNA will be deducted from the otherwise payable Net Profits share of CureVac. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in no event shall such otherwise payable Net Profits share of CureVac for a Calendar Quarter be reduced by more than [*****] (floor). Any amount not deducted as described above will be carried forward to the following Calendar Quarter(s); and
- (iii) SG&A, subject to the caps on SG&A deductions specified in Section 8.2.4 below; and
- (iv) Other Allowable Expenses.

For clarity, any liability of either Party to the other Party (or any third party beneficiary or indemnified party) under this Agreement (including for any breach of this Agreement, for breach of warranty, under any indemnity or otherwise) shall not be taken into account in the calculation of Net Profits.

Where this Agreement refers to the “generation” of a Net Profit, such term shall be interpreted to refer to the recognition of the revenue from the gross sale underlying the Net Profit in question, as determined in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards. As such, subject to Section 8.2.1(iii), Net Profit shall be shared in full in light of when a sale of a COVID Product in question is recognized upon delivery thereof, irrespective of CureVac having received upfront payments with regard to the sale of such product when it was not yet a COVID Product.

8.2.4 SG&A deductions. For purposes of calculating Net Profits, the SG&A expenses of both Parties (to be deducted from Net Sales when calculating the Net Profits) are capped as follows:

- (i) For Net Sales generated anywhere in the Territory of a COVID Product, SG&A shall be capped (a) at [*****] of Net Sales for the first COVID Product which achieves Regulatory Approval during the first [*****] after the First Commercial Sale of such COVID Product; and (b) at [*****] of Net Sales for any further COVID Products, and for the first COVID Product which achieves Regulatory Approval after the first [*****] after the First Commercial Sale of such COVID Product;

and

- (ii) For Net Sales generated anywhere in the Territory of a COVID Product through Government and NGO Contracts, SG&A shall be capped from and including the date of First Commercial Sale of such COVID Product at [*****] of such Net Sales.

8.2.5 Profit Sharing Term. Profit sharing payments under this Section 8.2 shall be made as long as GSK Commercializes COVID Vaccines.

8.3 Royalty Payment for Pathogen Combination Products.

8.3.1 Royalty Rate for the GSK Territory. As further consideration for the rights and licenses granted by CureVac to GSK to the CureVac Technology and the LNP Technology under this Agreement with respect to Pathogen Combination Products, GSK shall pay to CureVac the following royalties on Net Sales in each Calendar Quarter in the GSK Territory of all Pathogen Combination Products in the amounts set forth below:

Annual Net Sales of Pathogen Combination Product	Royalty Rate
[*****]	[*****]
[*****]	[*****]
[*****]	[*****]

8.3.2 Royalty Term. On a country-by-country and Pathogen Combination Product-by-Pathogen Combination Product basis, GSK's royalty obligations as set forth in this Section 8.3 shall begin with the First Commercial Sale of such Pathogen Combination Product by GSK in such country, and shall expire upon the later to occur of:

- (i) the expiry of the last to expire Valid Claim of any Patent Rights Controlled by CureVac (whether alone or jointly) Covering such Pathogen Combination Product in such country;
- (ii) the earlier of (A) expiry of Regulatory Exclusivity for such Pathogen Combination Product in such country and (B) twelve (12) years following the First Commercial Sale of such Pathogen Combination Product in such country; or
- (iii) ten (10) years following the First Commercial Sale of such Pathogen Combination Product in such country, provided that such Pathogen Combination Product incorporates Know-How Controlled by CureVac, or Know-How of the other Party is required to Develop, Manufacture and/or Commercialize the Pathogen Combination Product in such country,

and provided further that GSK's royalty obligations under this Section 8.3 with respect to a Pathogen Combination Product shall expire for all countries of the respective Party Territory on the twentieth (20th) anniversary of the First Commercial Sale of such Pathogen Combination Product in the first country of the respective Party Territory (the "**Royalty Term**"). For clarity, the matters specified above shall not apply to the calculation of Net Sales for the purposes of the Net Profit split.

- 8.3.3 Know-How Reduction.** During the applicable Royalty Term and on a country-by-country and Pathogen Combination Product-by-Pathogen Combination Product basis, the royalty rate for a Pathogen Combination Product in a country shall be reduced by [*****] of the applicable rate determined pursuant to Section 8.3.1, if such Pathogen Combination Product is not or no longer Covered by a Valid Claim in such country. For clarity, this reduction shall not apply to the calculation of Net Sales for the purposes of the Net Profit split.
- 8.3.4 No Milestones under the 2020 Collaboration Agreement.** For clarity, if the Development of a stand-alone “Product” under the 2020 Collaboration Agreement is abandoned prior to Regulatory Approval of such product, and the SARS-CoV-2 Pathogen is included into such product for the Development of a Pathogen Combination Product, then any events which would trigger “Development & Regulatory Milestone Payments” and “Sales Milestone Payments” under the 2020 Collaboration Agreement, and that had not yet been achieved for such stand-alone abandoned product, will not be triggered by the Pathogen Combination Product, but the Pathogen Combination Product will then be subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement.
- 8.3.5 Exhaustiveness.** Except as set forth otherwise in this Agreement, the royalty shall be the exhaustive consideration for the maintenance by CureVac of the CureVac Technology with respect to Pathogen Combination Products, and CureVac shall be responsible for the payment of any royalties, fees, costs or expenses under the In-Licensing Agreements required for Pathogen Combination Products.
- 8.3.6 Third Party Offset.** Without limiting any other right or remedy of GSK under this Agreement, or any obligation of CureVac, on a country-by-country and Pathogen Combination Product-by-Pathogen Combination Product basis, if, during the Term, GSK or any of its Affiliates is required to obtain a license under certain Third Party Patent Rights to obtain freedom to operate with respect to the use or exploitation of any CureVac Elements for the Development, Manufacture and Commercialization of Pathogen Combination Products under this Agreement and to pay a royalty or other consideration under such license (including milestone payments or any payment in connection with the settlement of a patent infringement claim), then the Parties shall discuss obtaining an FTO license in accordance with Section 10.2.4. Royalties due to CureVac for the respective Pathogen Combination Product in the respective country(ies) Covered by the Third Party Patent Rights in-licensed by GSK to obtain at its discretion freedom to operate under this Section 8.3.6 shall, subject to Section 8.3.7, be reduced by: (i) [*****] of the reasonable amount payable by GSK to the Third Party for licenses required in respect of the Patent Right listed in **Exhibit 8.3.6** relevant to the Pathogen Combination Products; and (ii) [*****] of the amount payable to the Third Party for any other licenses. Where a Pathogen Combination Product is encoded by Modified MRNA, CureVac will not bear any payments to Third Parties with respect to such Modified MRNA for a Pathogen Combination Product (without prejudice to the procedure set forth in Section 2.8). For clarity, this offset shall not apply to the calculation of Net Sales for the purposes of the Net Profit split.
- 8.3.7 Cumulative Deductions.** Notwithstanding the above, any royalty reduction made pursuant to Section 8.3.3 and/or Section 8.3.4 shall in no event reduce the applicable royalty rate for the respective Pathogen Combination Product in the respective country to less than [*****] of the amounts determined pursuant to Section 8.3.1.

- 8.4 Blended Payments.** With respect to a potential step down in profit sharing or royalty rates to account for the expiry of certain Patent Rights, the Parties acknowledge and agree that the CureVac Technology, GSK Technology and the LNP Technology licensed hereunder may justify profit sharing and royalty rates for sales of COVID Products in different amounts, which rates could be applied separately to COVID Products involving the exercise of CureVac Technology, the LNP Technology and the GSK Technology. Furthermore, the Parties acknowledge and agree that the CureVac Technology licensed under this Agreement may justify profit sharing royalty rates and/or royalty terms of differing amounts for sales of COVID Products in the GSK Territory, which rates could be applied separately to COVID Products involving the exercise of CureVac Patent Rights in the GSK Territory and/or the incorporation of CureVac Know-How, and that if such profit sharing rates or royalties were calculated separately, profit sharing rates and royalties relating to the CureVac Patent Rights in the GSK Territory and profit sharing rates and royalties relating to the CureVac Know-How would last for different terms. For practicality reasons the Parties have agreed on blended profit sharing and royalty rates. For clarity, this Section 8.4 solely explains the rationale behind the profit sharing royalty rates agreed on by the Parties and does not modify any of the other provisions of this Agreement.
- 8.5 Profit Sharing and Royalty Payments.** Within [*****] after the end of each Calendar Quarter in which any Net Sales occur, each Party shall calculate the profit sharing and royalty payments owed to the other Party and shall remit to the other Party the amount owed to such other Party. All profit sharing and royalty payments shall be computed by converting the Net Profits and Net Sales in each country in the GSK Territory and in the CureVac Territory into the currency of Euro, using the monthly exchange rates as customarily used by such Party. All costs and expenses shall be computed by converting the relevant costs and expenses into the currency of Euro, using the monthly exchange rates as customarily used by such Party.
- 8.6 Reports.** Each payment shall be accompanied by a written report describing the Net Profits and Net Sales of each COVID Product sold by or on behalf of the respective Party, its Affiliates and Sublicensees during the applicable Calendar Quarter for each country in which sales of any COVID Product occurred, specifying: (i) the gross sales (if available) and Net Sales in each country's currency, including an accounting of deductions taken in the calculation of Net Sales;
- (ii) the COGS and SG&A and other deductions made to calculate Net Profits in accordance with Section 8.2.3; (iii) the applicable exchange rate to convert from each country's currency to Euro; and (iv) the profit share and royalties payable in Euro. All costs and expenses invoiced by either Party shall be accompanied by a detailed breakdown of those costs and expenses, together with the applicable exchange rate to convert from the currency in which the costs and expenses were incurred to Euro.
- 8.7 Records and Audit.** Each Party and its Affiliates and/or its Sublicensees shall keep and maintain records of: (i) sales of the COVID Product(s) in the CureVac Territory or the GSK Territory, as the case may be, so that the profit share (including Net Profit) and royalties payable and the royalty reports may be verified; and (ii) all costs and expenses incurred by it which are reimbursable (or shared equally by the parties) under this Agreement, so that the costs and expenses reimbursable (or which are shared) may be verified. Such records shall upon reasonable written notice be open to inspection during business hours for a [*****] period after the Calendar Quarter to which such records relate, but in any event not more than once per Calendar Year, by a nationally recognized independent certified public accountant selected by

the auditing Party and retained at the auditing Party's expense. Said accountant shall have the right to audit the records kept pursuant to this Agreement for a period covering not more than [*****]. If said examination of records reveals any underpayment(s) or over payment(s) of any amounts payable, then the audited Party shall promptly pay or credit the balance due to the auditing Party, and if the underpayment(s) is/are more than [*****], then the audited Party shall also bear the expenses of said accountant (and if no further payments are due, shall be refunded or paid by the audited at the request of the auditing Party).

8.8 Payment Terms.

8.8.1 All payments by GSK to CureVac shall be made by wire transfer payment in Euro and shall be remitted to the following bank account:

[*****]

Electronic invoicing is GSK's preferred method for receiving invoices. [*****] is GSK's e-invoicing partner for submitting electronic invoices. The Parties shall collaborate to sign CureVac up to such platform to allow for electronic invoicing. All invoices should include the following information: Invoice Date, Number and Amount; Sender's Address, and Phone Number; Purchase Order Number; Tax Identification Number; Agreement Reference No (if applicable).

All payments by CureVac to GSK shall be made by wire transfer payment in Euro and shall be remitted to the following bank account:

[*****]

8.8.2 If any sum payable by a Party under this Agreement is subject to a good faith dispute between GSK and CureVac: (i) such Party shall, pay to the other Party, by the due date, all amounts not disputed in good faith by such Party; (ii) such Party shall notify the other Party, within [*****] after the due date, of any disputed amounts and shall, as soon as reasonably practicable after it has provided that notification, describe in reasonable detail its reasons for disputing each amount; and (iii) the Parties shall seek to resolve the dispute in accordance with Section 16.5. When any dispute regarding the amounts payable under this Agreement is resolved, the Party owing the payment shall pay any sum which is agreed or determined (in accordance with Section 16.5) to be payable by such Party within [*****] the date of resolution of that dispute (or such other period as is agreed between the Parties or determined by arbitration pursuant to Section 16.5), plus interest thereon at the interest rate set forth in Section 8.8.3 from the time such payment was due.

8.8.3 Any undisputed payments not paid within [*****] after the due date under this

Agreement shall bear interest at an annual rate of [****] above the three-month-EURIBOR rate of the respective currency for the time period in which such amount is outstanding, as disclosed from time to time by the European Central Bank which applied on the due date. Calculation of interest will be made for the exact number of days in the interest period based on a year of 360 days (actual/360).

8.9 Taxes.

8.9.1 Each Party shall be responsible for its own income taxes assessed by a tax or other authority except as otherwise set forth in this Agreement. The Parties agree, in accordance with Section 16.10, that the relationship between the parties is one of independent contractors and does not constitute a partnership or joint venture, and agree not to take (or cause any person to take) any position on any tax return or in the course of any audit, examination or other proceeding inconsistent with such treatment, unless otherwise required by Applicable Laws and except upon a final determination of the applicable tax authority.

8.9.2 The Parties acknowledge and agree that it is their mutual objective and intent to optimize, to the extent feasible and in compliance with Applicable Laws, taxes payable with respect to their collaborative efforts under this Agreement and that they shall use reasonable efforts to cooperate and coordinate with each other to achieve such objective.

8.9.3 If any taxes are required to be withheld under Applicable Laws, from any payment to be made by either Party under this Agreement, that Party shall (a) deduct such taxes from the payment to be made to the other Party, (b) timely pay the taxes to the proper taxing authority, and (c) send proof of payment to the other Party with an explanation of payment of such taxes within [****] following such payment. For purposes of this Section 8.9.3, each Party shall provide the other with reasonably requested assistance which assistance includes provision of any tax forms and other information that may be reasonably necessary for a Party not to withhold tax.

8.9.4 All payments due to the terms of this Agreement are expressed to be exclusive of VAT and Indirect Taxes. VAT and Indirect Taxes shall be added to the payments due to the terms if legally applicable.

9. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY.

9.1 **Background Technology.** As between the Parties, all right, title and interest in and to all CureVac Background Technology shall remain under the Control of CureVac; and all right, title and interest in and to all GSK Background Technology shall remain under the Control of GSK. As between the Parties, each Party shall have the sole right, in its sole discretion and at its sole expense, to prosecute, maintain and defend Patent Rights within its Background Technology; *provided, however,* that (i) CureVac shall consider in good faith the interests of GSK in the prosecution, maintenance and defense of the CureVac Patent Rights within CureVac Background Technology, and (ii) the prosecution, maintenance and defense of Background IP that is generated under the 2020 Collaboration Agreement shall be subject to the provisions of the 2020 Collaboration Agreement.

9.2 **Disclosure of Inventions.** Each Party shall as soon as reasonably practical disclose to the other Party through the IP Sub-Committee and Alliance Manager, the making, conception, or

reduction to practice of any Invention that may be owned in part or in whole by the other Party pursuant to this Section 9.

9.3 Ownership and exploitation of Inventions.

9.3.1 Ownership of Inventions. The Parties agree that any CureVac Invention, GSK Invention, Joint Product Invention, and Joint Other Invention that have been discovered, made, conceived, and first reduced to practice prior to the COVID First Amendment Effective Date and notified by the inventing Party to the other Party at the latest [*****] after the COVID First Amendment Effective Date shall be governed by Sections 9.3.1, 9.3.2, 9.3.3, 9.3.4 and 9.3.5 of the version of this Agreement existing prior to the COVID First Amendment Effective Date.

With respect to any other Invention (i.e., Inventions governed by this COVID First Amendment), the following shall apply:

(i) “CureVac Inventions”, i.e.

(a) all Inventions that (aa) are discovered, made, conceived, and first reduced to practice by or on behalf of GSK alone or jointly by or on behalf of both GSK and CureVac; (bb) do not Cover a COVID Product; (cc) are Independent from the GSK Background Technology and earlier GSK Inventions; (dd) are not Independent from CureVac Background Technology, the LNP Technology or any earlier CureVac Invention; and (ee) are not Specific CureVac Inventions (“CureVac Inventions With GSK Contribution”).

An Invention that is “Independent” from certain technology or other Invention shall, for purposes of this Section 9.3, mean that such Invention was discovered, conceived, made and reduced to practice, or that it could have been so, without access to the other technology or Invention referred to;

(b) all Inventions that (aa) are discovered, made, conceived, and first reduced to practice (as applicable) by or on behalf of CureVac alone; (bb) do not Cover a COVID Product; (cc) are not Specific CureVac Inventions; and (dd) are not GSK Inventions With CureVac Contribution; and/or

(c) all Inventions that are discovered, made, conceived, and first reduced to practice (as applicable) by or on behalf of either Party, or jointly by the Parties, in one of the following areas:

[*****]

(“**Specific CureVac Inventions**”)

shall be solely owned by CureVac;

(ii) “**GSK Inventions**”, i.e.

(a) all Inventions that (aa) are discovered, made, conceived, and first reduced to practice by or on behalf of CureVac alone or jointly by GSK and CureVac; (bb) do not Cover a COVID Product, (cc) are Independent from the CureVac Background Technology, the LNP Technology and any earlier CureVac Invention; and (dd) are not Independent from any GSK Background Technology or any earlier GSK Invention (“**GSK Inventions With CureVac Contribution**”), and

(b) all Inventions that (aa) are discovered, made, conceived, and first reduced to practice by or on behalf of GSK alone; (bb) do not Cover a COVID Product; (cc) are not Specific CureVac Inventions; and (dd) are not CureVac Inventions With GSK Contribution;

shall be solely owned by GSK;

(iii) all other Inventions, i.e., Inventions which are neither governed by the Agreement existing prior to the COVID First Amendment, nor are CureVac Inventions or GSK Inventions, are governed by Section 9.3.2 below and are Inventions owned jointly by the Parties (“**Joint Inventions**”).

9.3.2 Exploitation, Licensing and Assignment of Joint Technology. Subject to Sections 2.1.1 and 2.3, each Party may freely practice, exploit and license any Joint Inventions, and any resulting Joint Patent Rights and related Know-How (“**Joint Technology**”), in any field and in perpetuity, *provided, however*, that:

(a) such freedom does not imply the licensing of any GSK Background Technology or CureVac Background Technology;

(b) subject to Section 16.1 below, neither Party shall assign to a Third Party (other than to

an Affiliate) its interest in any Joint Technology without the prior written consent of the other Party, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld, delayed or conditioned; and

- (c) if a Party assigns to a Third Party its interest in any Joint Patent Right or related Know-How, such assigning Party shall ensure that the assignee is legally bound to respect the rights of the other Party pursuant this Section 9.3.2.

9.4 License-back under GSK Inventions With CureVac Contribution and CureVac Inventions With GSK Contribution. GSK hereby grants to CureVac, and CureVac hereby accepts, a royalty-free, perpetual, worldwide, non-exclusive license, with the right to sublicense (in multiple tiers) under the GSK Inventions With CureVac Contribution (and related Know-How) to freely practice, use and exploit such GSK Inventions With CureVac Contribution and related Know-How, in any field. CureVac hereby grants to GSK, and GSK hereby accepts, a royalty-free, perpetual, worldwide, non-exclusive license, with the right to sublicense (in multiple tiers) under the CureVac Inventions With GSK Contribution (and related Know-How) to freely practice, use and exploit such CureVac Inventions With GSK Contribution, in any field. For the avoidance of doubt, the foregoing does not imply the licensing of any GSK Background Technology or CureVac Background Technology. If CureVac (for CureVac Inventions with GSK Contribution) or GSK (for GSK Inventions with CureVac Contribution) assigns to a Third Party its title or interest in any of the aforementioned Inventions (or in the associated Patent Rights or Know-How rights), such assigning Party shall ensure that the assignee is legally bound to respect the rights of the other Party as licensee of such assigned rights pursuant to this Section 9.4.

9.5 Assignment and transfer of Inventions. To give effect to the ownership principles described in Section 9.3 each Party shall assign and transfer, and hereby assigns and transfers, to such other Party or such other Party's designee all or a [*****] share, as the case may be, of its present and future rights, interest and title to any such Invention that is to vest in the other Party pursuant to the ownership principles described in Section 9.3, and the other Party shall accept and hereby accepts such assignment and transfer ("**Assigned Invention**"). At the written instruction of the other Party, the transferring Party agrees to make or procure all such assignments from its employees, consultants and subcontractors as are necessary to give effect to the provisions of this Section 9.5 and to assist the transfer in every way reasonably required by the transferee (i) to obtain Patent Rights to such Assigned Invention in any and all countries for which Patent Rights are being sought; and (ii) to maintain and defend Patent Rights in all Assigned Inventions which have been or may be assigned as provided above. The transferring Party shall execute and deliver, and cause its employees, consultants and subcontractors to execute and deliver, all such documents, instruments and other papers and take all such other action which the transferee may reasonably request in order to give effect to the provisions of this Section 9.5.

9.6 Cooperation. Each Party represents and agrees that all its employee(s), contractor(s) and agent(s) will be obligated under a binding written agreement or otherwise to assign to such Party all Inventions discovered, created, conceived, developed or reduced to practice by such employee(s), contractor(s) or agent(s) in connection with this Agreement.

9.7 Filing, Prosecution, Maintenance and Defense.

9.7.1 CureVac Program Patent Rights. CureVac shall have the first right, but not the obligation, at its sole expense, to file, prosecute, maintain and defend the Patent Rights Covering a CureVac Invention (each, a “**CureVac Program Patent Right**”) throughout the Territory. At the latest [*****] before filing, CureVac shall give GSK an opportunity to review and comment upon the text of any application with respect to any CureVac Program Patent Right, shall consult with GSK with respect thereto, shall not unreasonably refuse to address any of GSK’s comments and supply GSK with a copy of the application as filed, together with notice of its filing date and serial number. CureVac shall keep GSK reasonably informed, through the IP Sub Committee, of the status of the actual and prospective prosecution, maintenance and defense, including but not limited to any substantive communications with the competent patent offices that may affect the scope of such filings, and CureVac shall to the extent reasonably possible give GSK a timely, prior opportunity to review and comment upon any such substantive communication and shall consult with GSK with respect thereto, and shall not unreasonably refuse to address any of GSK’s comments. Notwithstanding the above, prior to filing any application for a CureVac Invention that may disclose, in part or in full, a any other Invention, CureVac shall provide GSK with a copy of the draft application and provide GSK with at least [*****] to review and comment upon the text of such draft application. If GSK notifies CureVac within the above [*****] deadline that GSK has decided to file an application for the other Invention, the Parties shall coordinate the filing of the application for a CureVac Invention with the filing of GSK’s application for such other Invention so that CureVac’s application and GSK’s application are filed on the same day or otherwise filed in a way that secures and protects each of the Parties’ interest. For the avoidance of doubt, CureVac will not include a any Invention other than a CureVac Invention in a separate patent claim of a patent application to be filed by CureVac without GSK’s prior written consent. CureVac shall promptly give notice to GSK of the grant, lapse, revocation, surrender or invalidation of any CureVac Program Patent Rights. CureVac shall as soon as reasonably practicable give notice to GSK of any final decision to not file patent applications claiming CureVac Program Patent Rights or to cease prosecution and/or maintenance and/or defense of CureVac Program Patent Rights on a country basis and, in such cases, shall permit GSK, in GSK’s sole discretion, to file such patent applications or to continue prosecution or maintenance or defense of such CureVac Program Patent Rights (in which case thereafter they will be assigned by CureVac to GSK and deemed a GSK Program Patent Right) at its own expense and in its own name.

9.7.2 GSK Program Patent Rights. GSK shall have the sole right, but not the obligation, at its sole expense, to file, prosecute, maintain and defend the Patent Rights Covering a GSK Invention (each, a “**GSK Program Patent Right**”) throughout the Territory in good faith consistent with its customary patent policy and its reasonable business judgment and shall consider in good faith the reasonable interests of CureVac in so doing. GSK shall keep CureVac reasonably informed, through the IP Sub-Committee, of the status of the actual and prospective prosecution, maintenance and defense, of all GSK Program Patent Rights. Notwithstanding the above, prior to filing any application for a GSK Invention that may disclose, in part or in full, any other Invention, GSK shall provide CureVac with a copy of the draft application and provide CureVac with at least [*****] to review and comment upon the text of such draft application. If CureVac notifies GSK within the above [*****] deadline that CureVac decides to file an application for a CureVac Invention, the Parties shall coordinate the filing of the application for a GSK Invention with the filing of CureVac’s application for such CureVac Invention so that CureVac’s application and GSK’s application

are filed on the same day or otherwise filed in a way that secures and protects each of the Parties' interest. For the avoidance of doubt, GSK will not include any Invention, other than a GSK Invention in a separate patent claim of a patent application for a GSK Program Patent Right without CureVac's prior written consent. CureVac shall as soon as reasonably practicable give notice to GSK of any desire to cease prosecution and/or maintenance and/or defense of GSK Program Patent Rights on a country by country basis and, in such cases, shall permit CureVac, in CureVac's sole discretion, to continue prosecution or maintenance or defense of such GSK Program Patent Rights (in which case thereafter they will be assigned by GSK to CureVac and deemed a CureVac Program Patent Right) at its own expense and in its own name.

- 9.7.3 Joint Patent Rights.** GSK shall have the first right, but not the obligation, to file, prosecute, maintain and defend Joint Patent Rights throughout the Territory, at its sole expense, and GSK shall give timely notice to CureVac of any final decision to not file patent applications claiming Joint Patent Rights or to cease prosecution and/or maintenance of Joint Patent Rights on a country-by-country basis and, in such cases, shall permit CureVac, in CureVac's sole discretion, to file such patent applications or to continue prosecution, maintenance or defense of such Joint Patent Rights at its own expense. At the latest [*****] before filing, the prosecuting Party shall give the non-prosecuting Party an opportunity to review and comment upon the text of any application with respect to such Joint Patent Right, shall consult with the non-prosecuting Party with respect thereto, shall not unreasonably refuse to address any of the non-prosecuting Party's comments and supply the non-prosecuting Party with a copy of the application as filed, together with notice of its filing date and serial number. The prosecuting Party shall keep the non-prosecuting Party reasonably informed of the status of the actual and prospective prosecution, and maintenance, including but not limited to any substantive communications with the competent patent offices that may affect the scope of such filings, and the prosecuting Party shall give the non-prosecuting Party a timely, prior opportunity to review and comment upon any such substantive communication and shall consult with such non-prosecuting Party with respect thereto, and shall not unreasonably refuse to address any of such non-prosecuting Party's comments.
- 9.8 Patent Term Extension and Supplementary Protection.** The IP Sub Committee shall decide on any patent term extensions, including supplementary protection certificates and any other extensions, including pediatric extensions, for a COVID Product that are now or become available in the future, wherever applicable, in order to secure the optimal protection for the COVID Products available under Applicable Laws. The Party holding the marketing authorization for the COVID Product Covered by any Patent Rights shall have the obligation for applying for any such extension or supplementary protection certificate, and such Party shall keep the other Party fully informed of its efforts to obtain such extension or supplementary protection certificate. The other Party shall provide prompt and reasonable assistance, as requested by the applying Party. GSK shall pay all expenses for obtaining and maintaining any extension or supplementary protection certificate in respect of a COVID Product in the GSK Territory.
- 9.9 Development Data.** Subject to Section 11, the Development Data shall be treated as Confidential Information of the Parties. Each Party may use, and allow its Affiliates to use, the Development Data for the purpose of obtaining adequate protection and prosecution of their respective Know-How and Patent Rights, or as provided for otherwise in accordance with this Agreement, provided that in each case it provides the other Party with prior written notice of its

intent to use the Development Data for such purpose. The other Party may, within a reasonable time following receipt of such notice, request the notifying Party to delay the use of the Development Data, in order to safeguard the protection and prosecution of other Know-How and Patent Rights. Following such request, the Parties shall cooperate in good faith to align the protection and prosecution of each Party's Know-How and Patent Rights. For the avoidance of doubt, the terms and conditions of this Section 9 shall govern the intellectual property rights of the Parties in the Development Data.

9.10 Challenges to CureVac Patent Rights, Patent Rights included in the LNP Technology or GSK Patent Rights. If GSK or any of its Affiliates (directly or indirectly, individually or in association with any other person or entity) intends to challenge the validity of the CureVac Patent Rights or the Patent Rights included in the LNP Technology, or supports a Third Party in the challenge of a CureVac Patent Right or a Patent Right included in the LNP Technology in such legal proceeding, it shall promptly, and in no event later than [*****] prior to initiating such challenge (or such shorter period as required due to a court's, patent office's or other filing deadline associated with the relevant triggering event giving rise to the challenge, but in any event not less than [*****] prior to initiating such challenge), notify CureVac hereof. If CureVac or any of its Affiliates (directly or indirectly, individually or in association with any other person or entity) intends to challenge the validity of the GSK Patent Rights in a legal proceeding, or supports a Third Party in the challenge of a GSK Patent Right in such legal proceeding, it shall promptly, and in no event later than [*****] prior to initiating such challenge (or such shorter period as required due to the court or other filing deadline associated with the relevant triggering event giving rise to the challenge, but in any event not less than [*****] prior to initiating such challenge), notify GSK thereof. The Parties, through the IP Sub-Committee, shall promptly discuss any such issue in good faith, including the grant of a freedom to operate license at terms to be negotiated, and, if they cannot find an agreement, escalate the issue to the Executive Officers. If the Executive Officers despite good faith negotiations cannot find a solution, and a CureVac Patent Right or Patent Right within the LNP Technology is not granted or is declared invalid upon a successful challenge by GSK or any of its Affiliates (either alone or with a Third Party), such CureVac Patent Right or Patent Right within the LNP Technology shall be deemed to have been granted or shall be deemed valid until the expiry of regular patent protection for such CureVac Patent Right that would have applied if such CureVac Patent Right or Patent Right within the LNP Technology had been granted or had not been successfully declared invalid for the purposes of Section 1.179 (Valid Claim) and Section 8.3.2 (Royalty Term).

9.11 Challenges to Third Party Patent Rights. If either Party or any of its Affiliates (directly or indirectly, individually or in association with any other person or entity) intends to challenge the validity of any Third Party Patent Rights potentially Covering the Development, Manufacture or Commercialization of a COVID Product (including, but not limited to, any request for, or filing or declaration of, any invalidity proceedings, interference, deviation proceeding, opposition, inter partes review, post-grant review, third party observations or re-examination), it shall, prior to initiating such challenge, notify the other Party through the IP Sub-Committee. The Parties, through the IP Sub-Committee shall discuss the strategy for such challenge. If the Parties agree to pursue a joint challenge, (i) the Parties shall collaborate with respect to such challenge, (ii) the Parties shall [*****] and (iii) the Parties shall [*****] all costs and expenses of such challenge, provided that if the total

costs and expenses exceed [*****]. Either Party and its Affiliates shall also be entitled, if agreed by the Parties, or if the IP Sub-Committee does not agree on a joint challenge, without the other Party, to challenge the validity of any Third Party Patent Rights. In this case, the Party bringing the challenge (i) shall have no obligation to consult with the other Party regarding its strategy and (ii) shall bear all the costs and expenses of such challenge.

10. ENFORCEMENT AND DEFENSE.

10.1 Enforcement.

- 10.1.1 Notice.** Each Party shall promptly provide the other Party with written notice reasonably detailing any known or alleged infringement by a Third Party of any CureVac Patent Rights, GSK Patent Rights or Joint Patent Rights which competes with the Development, Manufacture or Commercialization of COVID Products in the Territory (collectively “Third Party Infringement”).
- 10.1.2 GSK Rights.** Subject to Section 10.1.3, GSK shall have the primary right to determine and control a course of action designed to curtail a Third Party Infringement in the Field in the Territory at its own expense. GSK shall keep CureVac closely informed as to any legal courses of action it pursues pursuant to this Section 10.1.2, and the Parties shall consult with each other, and agree on strategic decisions and their implementation in connection with such action.
- 10.1.3 CureVac Rights.** On a COVID Product-by-COVID Product basis, for as long as CureVac holds the exclusive right to Commercialize a COVID Product in the CureVac Territory pursuant to Section 6, CureVac shall have the primary right to determine and control a course of action designed to curtail a Third Party Infringement in the Field in the CureVac Territory at its own expense. CureVac shall keep GSK closely informed as to any legal courses of action it pursues pursuant to this Section 10.1.2, and the Parties shall consult with each other, and agree on strategic decisions and their implementation in connection with such action.
- 10.1.4 Taking over.** If the Party having the primary right to enforce its rights against such Third Party Infringement pursuant to Sections 10.1.2 or 10.1.3, respectively, elects not to enforce its rights against such Third Party Infringement or not to further pursue the enforcement of its rights, such Party shall notify the other Party of such decision as soon as reasonably practicable and in any event within [*****] after receipt of the Third Party Infringement notice or after the decision not to further pursue the enforcement of its rights. If after the expiry of the [*****] period (or, if earlier, the date upon which the Party which has the primary right to enforce its rights against such Third Party Infringement provides written notice that it has decided not to or to no longer enforce its rights against such Third Party Infringement), the Party which has the primary right to enforce its rights against such Third Party Infringement has neither obtained a discontinuance of the Third Party Infringement, nor filed suit with regard to such Third Party Infringement, then the other Party shall have the right, but not the obligation, to take action or bring suit with respect to such Third Party Infringement at its own expense.
- 10.1.5 Collaboration.** If such course of action includes litigation, the enforcing Party shall notify the non-enforcing Party of the commencement of that litigation and shall have the right and

standing to use and sue in the other Party's name. Notwithstanding the first sentence of this paragraph, irrespective of which Party brings an action with respect to a Third Party Infringement hereunder, (i) the Parties shall collaborate with respect to such action; (ii) the non-enforcing Party shall have the right, at its own expense, to be represented by independent counsel in any such litigation; and (iii) the Parties shall consult with each other regarding, and agree on strategic decisions and their implementation in connection with such action. Except as set forth otherwise herein, the Party bringing the action shall bear all costs and expenses of such action.

10.1.6 Recoveries. Any recoveries obtained by either Party as a result of any proceeding with regard to a Third Party Infringement (other than any Third Party Infringement of intellectual property rights subsisting in any Pathogen Combination Product) under this Section 10.1 shall be allocated as follows:

- i. such recovery shall first be used to reimburse the Party or Parties bringing the action for all reasonable costs incurred in connection with such proceeding;
- ii. the remaining portion of such recovery, if any, shall be [*****] between CureVac and GSK.

In relation to any Pathogen Combination Product: (A) such recovery shall first be used to reimburse each Party for all reasonable costs incurred in connection with such proceeding; (B) such recovery shall then be used to compensate each Party for the respective damages suffered from the Third Party Infringement (in the case of damage suffered by CureVac, as calculated at the Royalty Rate), provided that in the event the remaining portion of the recovery is not sufficient to compensate each Party's damages, such compensation shall be shared on a pro-rata basis depending on the amount of the respective damages suffered; and (C) the remaining portion of such recovery, if any, shall be equally shared between CureVac and GSK.

10.1.7 Settlements. Neither Party shall settle any claim or demand in any such litigation that materially negatively impacts the other Party's rights or interests under this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other Party, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed. In addition to the foregoing, to the extent any action initiated by GSK involves any infringement of CureVac Patent Rights and/or Joint Patent Rights, as the case may be, and is reasonably likely to relate to technologies other than a COVID Product, GSK will consult with CureVac regarding issues relating to such CureVac Patent Rights, Joint Patent Rights, and/or CureVac's products and technologies, and the Parties will mutually agree on strategic litigation decisions regarding such issues.

10.1.8 Assistance. The non-enforcing Party shall provide such assistance as the enforcing Party reasonably requests in connection with any action or suit hereunder to prevent or enjoin a Third Party Infringement at its own cost (or the enforcing Party's cost, in relation to any Pathogen Combination Product). At the request of the enforcing Party, the non-enforcing Party shall provide reasonable assistance to the enforcing Party, at the non-enforcing Party's expense (or the enforcing Party's expense, in relation to any Pathogen Combination Product), in connection with such enforcement, including by executing reasonably appropriate documents, and joining as a party to the action. The Parties agree that, irrespective of which Party brings the action or suit pursuant to this Section 10.1, the Parties will update each other as to the status of such actions through the IP Sub-Committee and the enforcing Party will not unreasonably reject

comments from the other Party relating to the management of such litigation.

10.2 Defense.

- 10.2.1 Notice.** If the Development, Manufacture or Commercialization of any COVID Product in any country in accordance with this Agreement or other activity of either of the Parties pursuant to the Agreement is alleged by a Third Party to infringe a Third Party's Patent Right, the Party becoming aware of such allegation shall promptly notify the other Party.
- 10.2.2 Control.** CureVac has the first right, but not the obligation, to control any defense of any such claim involving an alleged infringement of Third Party rights by (i) the exploitation or use of the CureVac Technology, where such alleged infringement is allegedly not caused solely by the Development, Manufacturing or the Commercialization of one or more COVID Products or (ii) CureVac's activities under this Agreement (including Development, Manufacturing or the Commercialization of one or more COVID Products, and the Commercialization of COVID Products in the CureVac Territory), by counsel of its own choice, and the costs of such defense shall be equally shared between the Parties; and GSK may choose to be represented with respect to any such claim at its own expense and by counsel of its own choice. GSK has the first right, but not the obligation, to control any defense of any such claim other than where CureVac has the first right to control the defense of a claim, by counsel of its own choice, and the costs of such defense shall be equally shared between the Parties; and CureVac may choose to be represented with respect to any such claim at its own expense and by counsel of its own choice.
- 10.2.3 Assistance.** Upon the defending Party's request, the non-defending Party shall provide reasonable assistance to the defending Party with respect to a defense and/or shall join in any action if reasonably required by the defending Party in order to defend such claim or to assert all available defenses and claims, and shall reasonably cooperate with the defending Party, provided the costs of such assistance shall be equally shared between the Parties. The defending Party shall not enter into a settlement that imposes a financial obligation upon the non-defending Party or which limits the scope or invalidates any Patent Right of the other Party without such Party's prior written consent, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed, and in any settlement the defending Party shall always take into consideration the interest of the non-defending Party.
- 10.2.4 FTO Licenses.** Without prejudice to other provisions of Section 13.4, and the rights and remedies of GSK thereunder, where a Party reasonably concludes that use or exploitation of: (i) in the case of GSK, any CureVac Elements; or (ii) in the case of CureVac, any technology used by or on behalf of GSK, its Affiliates or Sublicensees to Develop, Manufacture and/or Commercialize COVID Products under this Agreement that is described in the Know-How, or within the scope of the specification of the Patents Rights, Controlled by GSK (excluding, for clarity any CureVac Know-How or CureVac Patent Rights), in each case for the Development, Manufacturing or Commercialization of COVID Products, infringes Third Party rights and will require a freedom-to-operate license from such Third Party, the Parties will discuss the issue and the strategy for obtaining a sublicensable license in the IP Sub-Committee, giving due consideration to the other Party's interest to develop its Background Technology outside the Field and a potential extension of such FTO license at the cost of the other Party, with final endorsement by the JSC. The Parties will inform each other of the status of discussions regarding an FTO license and shall allow the other Party to participate in the negotiations, e.g., by allowing a representative to be part of the negotiation team. Upon request of such Third

Party or the other Party, the requested Party will consider in good faith whether and how it may support obtaining a freedom-to-operate license, *e.g.*, by granting a cross-license under its Background Technology to such Third Party. If the Third Party rights are reasonably expected to affect the COVID Products as well as other products, and if they are necessary to obtain freedom to operate with respect to any CureVac Elements, CureVac shall reasonably consider obtaining such freedom-to-operate license, and that license, if sublicensable, will become an additional In-Licensing Agreement as set forth in Section 2.7.1. For any COVID Product other than the Pathogen Combination Products, the license fees payable under such In-Licensing Agreement will be reflected in the profit sharing under Section 8.2.1. With respect to Pathogen Combination Products, if such license is obtained by GSK and required to obtain freedom-to-operate under CureVac Elements, as between the Parties, any costs shall be borne in accordance with Section 8.3.6. If such license is required to obtain freedom-to-operate with respect to a Pathogen Combination Product and/or Modified mRNA used for Pathogen Combination Product (but not under any CureVac Elements), the costs will be borne by [*****] and GSK will use all reasonable efforts to ensure that such license extends to CureVac upon termination of this Agreement.

11. CONFIDENTIALITY.

11.1 Obligation of Confidentiality. As at and after the Effective Date, all Confidential Information disclosed, revealed or otherwise made available to one Party or its Affiliates (“**Receiving Party**”) by or on behalf of the other Party (“**Disclosing Party**”) under, or as a result of, this Agreement is made available to the Receiving Party solely to permit the Receiving Party to exercise its rights, and perform its obligations, under this Agreement and the 2020 Collaboration Agreement. The Receiving Party shall not use any of the Disclosing Party’s Confidential Information for any other purpose, and shall not disclose, reveal or otherwise make any of the Disclosing Party’s Confidential Information available to any other person, firm, corporation or other entity, without the prior written authorization of the Disclosing Party, except as explicitly stated in this Section 11. Without limiting the foregoing no Receiving Party shall be permitted under this Agreement to share any Confidential Information supplied by a Disclosing Party with (i) any Third Party (or such Third Party’s Affiliates) that becomes an Affiliate of that Receiving Party solely as a result of a Change of Control in that Receiving Party or (ii) in the case of CureVac, any Third Party sublicensee under the CureVac Technology (including those identified in item (iii) of the Disclosure Letter).

11.2 Additional Obligations.

11.2.1 Appropriate Safeguards. In furtherance of the Receiving Party’s obligations under Section 11.1 hereof, the Receiving Party shall take all reasonable steps, and shall implement all appropriate and reasonable safeguards, to seek to prevent the unauthorized use or disclosure of any of the Disclosing Party’s Confidential Information. The Parties will jointly agree a protocol with information security measures to be implemented to safeguard secured exchange of Confidential Information and personal information, no later than [*****] after the Closing Date.

11.2.2 Unauthorized Use or Disclosure. The Receiving Party shall furnish the Disclosing Party with written notice immediately of it becoming aware and indicating details of any unauthorized use

or disclosure of any of the Disclosing Party's Confidential Information by any employee, officer, director, consultant, CRO, CMO, contractors, agent(s), consultant(s), and Sublicensees, or Financial Partner of/the Receiving Party, and shall take all actions reasonably required in order to prevent any further unauthorized use or disclosure of the Disclosing Party's Confidential Information. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Receiving Party remains responsible and liable for any unauthorized use by any employee, officer, director, consultant, CRO, CMO, contractors, agent(s), consultant(s), and Sublicensees, or Financial Partner of the Receiving Party.

11.3 Limitations. The Receiving Party's obligations under Sections 11.1 shall not apply to the extent that the Receiving Party can demonstrate by competent written evidence that any of the Disclosing Party's Confidential Information:

- (i) is known by the Receiving Party at the time of its receipt, and not through a prior disclosure by or on behalf of the Disclosing Party under this Agreement;
- (ii) is in the public domain by use and/or publication before its receipt from the Disclosing Party, or thereafter enters the public domain through no fault of the Receiving Party;
- (iii) is subsequently disclosed to the Receiving Party by a Third Party who may lawfully do so and is not under an obligation of confidentiality regarding the Confidential Information; or
- (iv) is developed by the Receiving Party independently of Confidential Information or material received from the Disclosing Party.

11.4 Authorized Disclosures.

11.4.1 Necessary Disclosures. Each Party may disclose the other Party's Confidential Information as expressly permitted by this Agreement or if and to the extent such disclosure is reasonably necessary in the following instances:

- (i) disclosure to judicial, governmental or other regulatory agencies or authorities in connection with the filing, prosecution, maintenance and defense of Patent Rights as permitted by this Agreement;
- (ii) disclosure to judicial, governmental or other regulatory agencies or authorities to gain or maintain approval, authorizations or the like to Develop, Manufacture or Commercialize a given COVID Product that such Party has a license or right to Develop, Manufacture or Commercialize hereunder in a given country or jurisdiction;
- (iii) prosecuting or defending litigation as permitted by this Agreement;
- (iv) disclosure to its and its Affiliates' employees, officers, directors, consultants, CROs, CMOs, contractors, agent(s), consultant(s), to Sublicensees (in the case of GSK) or permitted sublicensees (in the case of CureVac) or the LNP Provider, in each case on a need-to-know basis for the purposes as expressly authorized and contemplated by this Agreement, including for the Development, Manufacturing and/or Commercialization of the COVID Products (or for such entities to determine their interest in performing such activities) in accordance with this Agreement, on the condition that such Affiliates or Third Parties agree to be bound by confidentiality and non-use obligations that substantially are no less stringent than those confidentiality and non-use provisions contained in this

- (v) disclosure to such Party's attorneys, independent accountants or financial advisors for the sole purpose of enabling such attorneys, independent accountants or financial advisors to provide advice to the Receiving Party, on the condition that such attorneys, independent accountants and financial advisors agree to be bound by the confidentiality and non-use obligations contained in this Agreement; or
- (vi) disclosure to any bona fide potential or actual investor, insurer, acquirer, merger partner, Sublicensee (in the case of GSK), or permitted sublicensees (in the case of CureVac) or other bona fide potential or actual financial partner or funding source ("**Financial Partner**") solely for the purpose of evaluating or carrying out an actual or potential investment, acquisition, license or collaboration, and to any related persons directly connected with such activity being contemplated with the Financial Partner, such as an advisory firm or investment bank; provided that in connection with such disclosure, the Disclosing Party shall notify each disclosee of the confidential nature of such Confidential Information and disclosure shall be subject to the agreement of each disclosee to be bound by confidentiality and non-use obligations that substantially are no less stringent than those confidentiality and non-use provisions contained in this Agreement;

provided, however, that before the effective date of Option Exercise, First-Gen COVID Vaccine Products Dossiers/Data, may not be disclosed under this Section 11.4.1, unless it is in the public domain through no fault of GSK.

11.4.2 Required Disclosures. If a Party is required by judicial, governmental or administrative process, including to comply with Applicable Laws (including stock exchange rules) or pursuant to Section 11.4.1 to disclose Confidential Information that is subject to the non-disclosure provisions of Section 11.1, such Party shall to the extent reasonably possible provide the other Party with reasonable advance notice of the disclosure that is being sought in order to provide the other Party an opportunity to challenge or limit the disclosure obligations. Confidential Information that is disclosed by judicial, governmental or administrative process shall remain otherwise subject to the confidentiality and non-use provisions of this Section 11, and the Party disclosing Confidential Information pursuant to judicial, governmental or administrative process shall take all steps reasonably necessary, including to seek an order of confidentiality, to ensure the continued confidential treatment of such Confidential Information.

11.5 Survival. All of the Receiving Party's obligations under this Section 11 hereof, with respect to the protection of the Disclosing Party's Confidential Information, shall for a period of [*****] survive the expiry or termination of this Agreement for any reason whatsoever.

11.6 Public Announcements, Press Releases. Except as otherwise expressly permitted in this Agreement, and except as may be required by Applicable Law, including the listing standards or agreements of any national or international securities exchange, neither Party shall issue any press release or public statement disclosing information relating to this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby or the terms hereof without the prior written consent of the other Party, not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned, or delayed. Each Party may repeat any information relating to this Agreement that has already been publicly disclosed in accordance with this Section 11.6, provided such information continues at such time to be accurate.

11.7 Publication of Development Data. The Parties acknowledge the merit of publishing Development Data regarding the COVID Products (other than CMC Development Data) in searchable, peer-reviewed scientific literature in accordance with international scientific publishing practices and standards (including regarding the recognition of contribution and authorship). Either Party may request the other Party to discuss and determine in good faith a joint publication strategy for the Development Data regarding the COVID Products, which shall be effective upon endorsement by the IP Sub-Committee and the respective Alliance Managers. As between the Parties, the Party by whom or on whose behalf the experiment or study generating such Development Data has been conducted, shall be responsible for the publication of such Development Data, unless defined otherwise in a joint publication strategy. Any intended publication of Development Data regarding a COVID Product (including presentations to Third Parties or publication in intellectual property filings) shall be notified to the IP Sub-Committee by the relevant Party as soon as reasonably practicable and in any event at least [*****] before the final decision to publish, to allow the other Party to review and comment on the publication. The other Party may demand that the publication of the proposed presentation or publication is delayed for a period of [*****] in order to assess whether the Development Data intended to be published is patentable. If the other Party decides to pursue patent protection, it may request the publishing Party to further delay the publication of the proposed presentation or publication for a time not exceeding [*****] from the date of the publishing Party's notification, to enable adequate protection and prosecution of Patent Rights by either Party or their Affiliates.

With respect to any agreements between a Party and Third Parties (including clinical investigators) that a Party enters into after the Closing Date relating to the Development of any COVID Product or otherwise relating to Development activities under this Agreement, such Party shall use reasonable efforts to include publication provisions regarding results of the experiments and studies for such COVID Products that allow such Party to receive and provide a copy of any proposed publications or public presentations to the other Party, which such Party shall submit to the other Party with a reasonable amount of time for review as described in this Section 11.7.

Subject to the above review, a Party shall have the right as required by Applicable Law or its policies and standard operating procedures to (a) publish protocol summaries, results summaries, protocols, clinical study reports, plain language summaries and other study documents of all Clinical Studies conducted by or on behalf of such Party during the Term of this Agreement in any clinical trial register, including any of its own clinical trial registers; (b) publicly disclose results from other Clinical Studies where that Party determines that the results are scientifically important or relevant for patient care; and (c) make any other public disclosures of clinical Development Data that become required by GSK or CureVac due to Applicable Laws.

12. COMPLIANCE, QUALITY, INTEGRITY

12.1 Legal Compliance. Each Party shall procure that it and its personnel performs this Agreement in accordance with Applicable Laws.

12.2 GxP. GSK and CureVac shall undertake the Development activities regarding the COVID Products, in compliance with GxP. With regard to any Clinical Studies conducted by CureVac

under this Agreement, GSK may require CureVac to comply with the policies and standards of the GSK regarding the human subject research conducted to its benefit, and shall in this respect allow GSK, at its request, to review and approve at least the protocol and informed consent forms associated with such Clinical Studies.

- 12.3 Data Integrity.** GSK and CureVac shall carry out their respective Development activities under this Agreement, and collect and record any data generated therefrom, in a manner consistent with the following good data management practices: (i) Development Data shall be generated using sound scientific techniques and processes; (ii) Development Data shall be analyzed appropriately, without bias and in accordance with good scientific practices; and (iii) Development Data shall be accurately recorded in accordance with good scientific practices by the individuals performing the research and in accordance with the ALCOA CCEA data integrity principles: (A) Attributable: data are traceable to the originator, (person and/or a computerized system, a device, an instrument), including any changes made to data, i.e. who performed an action and when, so that key decisions made during the conduct of the research, presentations made about the research and conclusions reached in respect of the research can be easily demonstrated and reconstructed; (B) Legible: data are readable and understandable; (C) Contemporaneous: data are recorded at the time they are generated or observed as per regulatory requirements; or in absence of regulatory requirements, local business practices; (D) Original (true copy): data as the file or format in which it was first generated, e.g. first paper record of manual observation, or electronic raw data file from a computerized system as per regulatory requirements; or in absence of regulatory requirements, local business practices; (E) Accurate: data, including error corrections and edits, are correct, truthful and to the appropriate precision; (F) Complete: all expected elements of the data are present (i.e., no unexplained gaps in the data) and the full meaning and context is preserved with the data; (G) Consistent: all elements of the record follow in the expected sequence; (H) Enduring: data are recorded in a permanent medium (paper or electronic) and continue to be retained in a human readable format for as long as specified in applicable record retention requirements; and (I) Available: data are maintained securely in such a way that they are accessible and retrievable in reasonable times (“**Good Data Management Practices**”). Each Party shall maintain written policies and standards related to Good Data Management Practices and shall ensure appropriate, documented training of its relevant personnel with respect to Good Data Management Practices.
- 12.4 Human Biological Samples.** If the Parties wish to source Human Biological Samples on each other’s behalf or exchange Human Biological Samples between them, such exchange shall be recorded in separate addendums to this Agreement setting forth further terms and conditions for the specific purpose. GSK and CureVac undertake that the Human Biological Samples used or collected in connection with the Development have been obtained and will be stored, transferred, used and disposed of in accordance with all Applicable Laws and any generally accepted ethical guidelines regarding the collection, use, transport and disposal of human tissue, including with regard to consents from patients, volunteers and other donors.
- 12.5 Privacy; Information Security.** The Parties shall comply with Data Protection Laws (as defined in **Exhibit 12.5**), including those concerning medical confidentiality and privacy in relation to human subjects of the Development activities regarding the COVID Products. The Parties acknowledge that they do not intend that one Party processes personal information for and on behalf of the other Party. If personal information is transferred between the Parties (as between controllers) pursuant to the performance of this Agreement or any Ancillary Agreement, the Parties shall comply with Exhibit 12.5, which may be amended from time to time by the Parties as is required by Applicable Laws. The Parties will enter into further data protection agreements if required by Applicable Laws.

12.6 Ethical Care of Animals. The Parties shall comply with all Applicable Laws for the care, welfare and ethical treatment of animals in the country where animal testing or animal research is performed. The Parties shall implement the “3Rs” Principles – reducing the number of animals used, replacing animal with non-animal methods whenever possible and refining the research techniques used. All work shall be performed in adherence to the core principles for animals identified below. Local customs, norms, practices or laws may be additive to the core principles, but each Party agrees to comply and shall procure and ensure that those acting for or on behalf of such Party (including its subcontractors) comply, as a minimum, with these core principles: (i) access to species appropriate food and water; (ii) access to species specific housing, including species appropriate temperature and humidity levels; (iii) provision of humane care and a program of veterinary care through guidance of a veterinarian; (iv) animal housing that minimizes the development of abnormal behaviors; (v) adherence to principles of replacement, refinement and reduction in the design of in vivo or ex vivo studies with processes to optimize animal use and to ensure effective population management; (vi) supported by a relevant scientific justification/rationale, approved by an institutional ethical review process and subjected to independent scientific review; (vii) commitment to minimizing pain and distress during in vivo and ex vivo studies; and (viii) work is performed by personnel documented as trained and competent to conduct the procedures for which they are responsible. Each Party agrees that all protocols involving animal research or animal testing for in connection with the COVID Products shall undergo an ethical review, whether or not required by Applicable Law, and that written documentation confirming ethical review shall be maintained by such Party until [*****] after the completion of the experiment or test, demonstrating that the review was completed. If a Party is currently accredited by AAALACi, such Party agrees to make commercially reasonable efforts to maintain its AAALACi accreditation during the life of this Agreement. Each Party shall have procedures in place to assess and approve its external suppliers and distributors who supply animals to it to: (i) ascertain and confirm the quality of the animals supplied; (ii) ensure legal requirements for the care and welfare of animals are met; and (iii) ensure that only purpose bred animals are used to perform the animal testing or research. The distance of suppliers from the test facility shall be minimized (where practicable) and transport processes (e.g. stocking densities, carrying crates, food and water) shall ensure minimum stress. On arrival, each Party shall ensure checks are in place to confirm only healthy animals are used. Each Party shall document the approval of its animal suppliers and distributors, which documentation shall be made available to the other Party upon request. GSK shall have the right, but not the obligation, to approve any supplier of non-human primates or other animals, which right may be invoked upon notice to CureVac.

12.7 Environment, Health and Safety. CureVac shall: (i) maintain an “EHS” (environment, health and safety) policy and risk-based management system with a commitment to provide a safe and healthy workplace and protect the environment surrounding its operations; (ii) ensure there is at least one senior executive with responsibility for EHS and the organization has access to technical expertise to support the company in meeting EHS obligations; (iii) provide relevant information, education and training to workers on the hazards, risks and controls associated with their job; (iv) provide the physical infrastructure, workplace and engineering controls necessary to ensure safe storage, handling and processing of materials and waste in order to protect people, the environment and local communities from harm; and (v) provide and maintain emergency detection systems and an effective response and healthcare capabilities.

- 12.8 Sanctions and export controls.** The Parties represent and warrant that they are aware of, and undertake in carrying out their obligations under this Agreement and the agreements referred to within this Agreement that they will not violate and prevent becoming exposed to penalties under, all sanctions, export control, and anti-boycott laws, regulations, orders, directives, designations, licenses, and decisions of the European Union, the United Kingdom, the United States of America, and of any other country with jurisdiction over activities undertaken in connection with this Agreement, if applicable (“**Sanctions & Trade Controls**”). Each Party undertakes that, at all times, in the performance of their obligations under this Agreement and the agreements referred to within this Agreement, they will not take any action that causes the other Party to violate or otherwise become exposed to penalties under any Sanctions & Trade Controls. Neither Party shall be required to take or refrain from taking any action, nor shall it be required to furnish any information, that would be prohibited under any Sanctions & Trade Controls (as defined above).
- 12.9 Anti-bribery and corruption.** Each Party shall comply fully at all times with all Applicable Laws, including but not limited to anti-corruption laws, and represents and warrants that it has not, and covenants that it will not, in connection with the performance of this Agreement, directly or indirectly, make, promise, authorize, ratify or offer to make, or take any act in furtherance of any payment or transfer of anything of value for the purpose of influencing, inducing or rewarding any act, omission or decision to secure an improper advantage; or improperly assisting in obtaining or retaining business, or in any way with the purpose or effect of public or commercial bribery, and warrants that it has taken reasonable measures to prevent subcontractors, agents or any other Third Parties, subject to its control or determining influence, from doing so. For the avoidance of doubt this includes facilitating payments, which are unofficial, improper, small payments or gifts offered or made to Government Officials to secure or expedite a routine or necessary action to which a Party is legally entitled. Either Party shall be entitled to terminate this Agreement immediately on written notice to the other Party, if the other Party fails to perform its obligations in accordance with this Section 12.9. A Party shall have no claim against the other Party for compensation for any loss of whatever nature by virtue of the termination of this Agreement in accordance with this Section 12.9. Either Party shall inform the other Party in writing, if, during the course of this Agreement, it is convicted of or pleads guilty to a criminal offence involving fraud or corruption, or becomes the subject of any government investigation for such offenses, or is listed by any government agency as debarred, suspended, proposed for suspension or debarment, or otherwise ineligible for government programs. Either Party shall ensure that all transactions under the Agreement are properly and accurately recorded in all material respects on its books and records and each document upon which entries such books and records are based is complete and accurate in all material respects. Either Party must maintain a system of internal accounting controls reasonably designed to ensure that it maintains no off-the-books accounts.
- 12.10 Changes to Compliance Framework.** At any time during the term of this Agreement, either Party may suggest reasonable amendments to this Section 12 and the clauses of this Agreement referencing this Section 12, or any provision of any Ancillary Agreement concerning compliance, quality, safety or integrity, where such Party reasonably believes such changes are required to ensure compliance with Applicable Laws, or such Party’s interpretation of Applicable Laws as reflected in the values, quality, integrity, safety or compliance framework of the group to which that Party belongs. The other Party shall not unreasonably refuse or delay its agreement to such amendments. In case of any conflict between the Parties’ interpretation of

frameworks, the more stringent interpretation or framework shall be reflected in the amendment.

- 12.11 Breaches.** Each Party shall promptly notify the other Party of any significant deficiencies impacting the performance of this Agreement having regard to its compliance with this Section 12 and any corrective actions taken.
- 12.12 Audit.** GSK or its nominee shall have the right to enter the CureVac’s manufacturing facilities and any of CureVac’s other offices, facilities, records and information systems to carry out an audit to verify and monitor CureVac’s compliance with Section 12 [*****] per Calendar Year, save any “For Cause” audits. The scope of the audit may include, but need not be limited to, a tour of the facility, the opportunity to view relevant standard operating procedures (SOPs), training records, building management records, animal health records, ethical review documents, and any other documents reasonably necessary to assess compliance by CureVac. The duration of the inspection shall be at the sole reasonable discretion of GSK. Audits conducted under this Section 12.12 shall require reasonable prior notice of at least [*****] except in case of For Cause audits (as defined below), in which case such limitation a prior notice of [*****] shall suffice. Audits conducted under this Section 12.12 shall be scheduled in such a manner so as not to impact the production schedule or CureVac’s normal business activities and shall be conducted during regular business hours. For the purposes of this Section 12.12, a “For Cause” audit shall be an audit conducted based on a substantiated suspicion by GSK of a material lack of compliance with Section 12, in respect of which GSK has shared with CureVac documentation substantiating its suspicion prior to the audit. Persons conducting the on-site audits shall be required to comply with reasonable CureVac rules applicable to the site and GSK shall ensure that any person involved in any audit (including a document-only inspection) shall be bound by an obligation of confidentiality. CureVac shall use commercially reasonable efforts to ensure that the same audit rights for GSK as described in this Section 12.12 apply with respect to the premises of any subcontractors authorized in accordance with this Agreement. This Section 12.12 shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to the extent GSK is Manufacturing COVID Products under this Agreement.

13. INDEMNIFICATION AND REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES.

- 13.1 Indemnification by GSK.** GSK will defend, indemnify and hold CureVac and its Affiliates and their directors, officers, employees, consultants, agents, permitted sublicensees and contractors (the “**CureVac Indemnified Parties**”) harmless from and against any and all losses, liabilities, claims, suits, proceedings, expenses, fees, recoveries and damages, including reasonable and demonstrable legal expenses and costs including attorneys’ fees, resulting or arising out of any claim by any Third Party resulting or arising from (i) the negligence or willful misconduct of GSK, any of its Affiliates or Sublicensees, or any of their respective directors, officers, employees, agents or contractors; (ii) the Development, Manufacturing and/or Commercialization of the Pathogen Combination Products by or on behalf of GSK (other than as conducted by CureVac), any of its Affiliates or any of their respective Sublicensees or (iii) any breach of this Agreement by GSK, any of its Affiliates or any of their Sublicensees; except, in each case, to the extent caused by the negligence or willful misconduct of any of the CureVac Indemnified Parties.

- 13.2 Indemnification by CureVac.**CureVac will defend, indemnify and hold GSK and its Affiliates

and their directors, officers, employees, consultants, agents, Sublicensees and contractors (the “**GSK Indemnified Parties**”) harmless from and against any and all losses, liabilities, claims, suits, proceedings, expenses, fees, recoveries and damages, including reasonable and demonstrable legal expenses and costs including attorneys’ fees, resulting or arising out of any claim by any Third Party resulting or arising from (i) the negligence or willful misconduct of CureVac, any of its Affiliates, or any of their respective directors, officers, employees, consultants, agents or contractors (including an approved subcontractor or approved CMO); or (ii) the Development, Manufacture and/or Commercialization of any of the Pathogen Combination Products, if any, by or on behalf of CureVac (other than as conducted by GSK), any of its Affiliates, or their approved subcontractors or approved other CMOs; or (iii) any breach of this Agreement by CureVac, or any of its Affiliates; except, in each case, to the extent caused by the negligence or willful misconduct of any of the GSK Indemnified Parties.

13.3 Indemnification Procedures. The indemnified Party will give the indemnifying Party prompt notice of any such claim or lawsuit. Such notice shall include a reasonable identification of the alleged facts giving rise to such claim for indemnification. The failure to deliver written notice to the indemnifying Party within a reasonable time after the commencement of any action with respect to a claim shall only relieve the indemnifying Party of its indemnification obligations if and to the extent the indemnifying Party is actually and materially prejudiced thereby. The indemnifying Party shall notify the indemnified Party of its intentions as to the defense of the claim in writing within [*****] after the indemnifying Party’s receipt of notice of the claim from the indemnified Party. If the indemnifying Party assumes defense of the claim, the indemnified Party may participate in, but not control, the defense of such claim using attorneys of its choice and at its sole cost and expense (i.e., with such cost and expense not being covered by the indemnifying Party). The indemnified Party shall reasonably cooperate with the indemnifying Party in its defense of the claim at the indemnifying Party’s reasonable, pre-approved expense. The indemnifying Party will have the right to compromise, settle or defend any such claim or lawsuit; provided that (i) no offer of settlement, settlement or compromise by the indemnifying Party shall be binding on the indemnified Party without its prior written consent, not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed, unless such settlement fully releases the indemnified Party without any liability, loss, cost or obligation incurred by the indemnified Party and in no event shall any settlement or compromise admit or concede that any aspect of any Patent Right owned or Controlled by the indemnified Party is invalid or unenforceable or adversely affect the scope of any Patent Right owned or Controlled by the indemnified Party; and (ii) the indemnifying Party shall not have authority to admit any wrongdoing or misconduct on the part of the indemnified Party except with the indemnified Party’s prior written consent. If the indemnifying Party does not agree to assume the defense of the claim asserted against the indemnified Party (or does not give notice that it is assuming such defense), or if the indemnifying Party assumes the defense of the claim in accordance with this Section 13.3, but yet fails to defend or take other reasonable, timely action, in response to such claim asserted against the indemnified Party, the indemnified Party shall have the right to defend or take other reasonable action to defend its interests in such proceedings, and shall have the right to litigate, settle or otherwise dispose of any such claim; *provided, however*, that no Party shall have the right to settle a claim in a manner that would adversely affect the rights granted to the other Party hereunder, or would materially conflict with this Agreement, without the prior written consent of the Party entitled to control the defense of such claim, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, delayed or conditioned.

13.4 (“**Disclosure Letter**”) CureVac represents and warrants to GSK as at the Effective Date, that:

- (i) it is the sole and exclusive owner of the Patent Rights listed in Exhibit 1.55 or otherwise Controls such Patent Rights;
- (ii) to CureVac’s knowledge, it has the full right, power and authority to grant the rights and licenses it purports to grant hereunder;
- (iii) neither CureVac nor any of its Affiliates has granted any Third Party any rights or licenses that would interfere or be inconsistent with GSK’s rights and licenses hereunder;
- (iv) CureVac has received no written notice of or any written demand relating to any threatened or pending litigation, and no other matters are within CureVac’s knowledge, which would reasonably lead it to believe that GSK’s exercise of any rights purported to be granted by CureVac under this Agreement will infringe any Patent Rights or infringe or misappropriate any other intellectual property right of any Third Party;
- (v) there is no currently pending administrative proceedings or litigation and no administrative proceedings or litigation seeking to invalidate or otherwise challenge any CureVac Patent Right(s) has been threatened in writing;
- (vi) CureVac has not given any written notice to any Third Party asserting infringement by such Third Party of any of the CureVac Technology or LNP Technology and, to CureVac’s Knowledge, there is no unauthorized use, infringement or misappropriation of the CureVac Technology;
- (vii) the CureVac Technology is free and clear of all encumbrances, security interests, options, and charges of any kind;
- (viii) to CureVac’s knowledge, the In-Licensing Agreements are valid and effective and CureVac has not received a written notice of termination for any of these In-Licensing Agreements;
- (ix) to CureVac’s knowledge, there is no ongoing litigation in respect of, litigation reasonably in prospect in connection with, and no reasonable prospect of termination under the In-Licensing Agreements by the respective counterparties under those agreements ahead of the respective expiry dates of such In-Licensing Agreements;
- (x) to CureVac’s knowledge, the information and documents set forth in or referred to in the Disclosure Letter are true, complete and accurate in all material respects;
- (xi) to CureVac’s knowledge, the information and documents regarding the In-Licensing Agreements, CureVac’s portfolio of Patent Rights, toxicology studies, clinical data, process and analytical information, manufacturing process information, material filing and correspondence with Regulatory Authorities, disclosed in the [*****] e-data room prior to the Effective Date as a part of GSK’s due diligence, is true, complete and accurate in all material respects; and
- (xii) CureVac has disclosed to GSK all redacted drug safety monitoring board meeting minutes, internal safety review committee meeting minutes for the [*****] as of its Initiation, and there are no other material issues identified in any letters or notices to or from Regulatory Authorities (including EMA/Rapporteur meetings) involving these [*****].

- 13.5 LNP Warranties.** To the extent permitted under the LNP Agreement, CureVac hereby warrants to GSK on a pass-through basis each matter which is the subject of any representation or warranty given by the LNP Provider to CureVac under the LNP Agreement.
- 13.6 Representations, Warranties of the Parties to Each Other.** CureVac and GSK each represents and warrants and covenants with respect to itself only as at the Effective Date that:
- (i) the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement have been duly authorized by all necessary action on the part of such Party, its officers and directors, and does not conflict with, violate, or breach any agreement to which such Party is a party, or such Party's corporate charter, bylaws or similar organizational documents;
 - (ii) this Agreement constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation of such Party that is enforceable against it in accordance with its terms, except as such enforceability may be limited by general principles of equity or to applicable competition, bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium, liquidation and other similar laws relating to, or affecting generally, the enforcement of applicable creditors' rights and remedies;
 - (iii) it is a company or corporation duly organized, validly existing, and in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction in which it is incorporated.
- 13.7 Due Diligence.** Prior to the execution of any Ancillary Agreement, other than the Clinical Supply Agreement, GSK shall be entitled to perform further due diligence regarding CureVac's capabilities to perform in accordance with terms defined herein for such agreement. Without prejudice to the Parties' other rights and remedies, the Parties shall in good faith cooperate to address and remedy any issue identified during the due diligence referred to in this Section 13.7. For the avoidance of doubt, if GSK discovers a material issue regarding CureVac's capabilities to comply with such agreement, GSK may in addition to its other rights and remedies suspend the execution of any such agreement until such ground has been remedied by CureVac.
- 13.8 Disclaimer.** Except as expressly set forth in this Agreement, each Party expressly disclaims, waives, releases, and renounces any representation or warranty of any kind, express or implied either in fact or by operation of law, by statute or otherwise, whether written or oral, or arising from course of performance, course of dealing or usage of trade, including any representation or warranty with respect to non-infringement, value, adequacy, freedom from fault, quality, efficiency, suitability, characteristics or usefulness, or merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose.
- 13.9 Limitation of Liability.** Except in the case of any breach of Section 11 or in case of willful misconduct or gross negligence, neither Party shall be liable to the other Party for any indirect, punitive or consequential damages, or for damages for loss of profits or loss of business opportunity, whether based on contract or tort, or arising under Applicable Laws or otherwise.
- 14. TERM AND TERMINATION.**
- 14.1 Term.** The term of this Agreement will commence on the Closing Date and end on the expiry of all applicable payment obligations to CureVac under this Agreement, unless terminated earlier according to the terms and conditions of this Agreement ("**Term**").

- 14.2 Termination at Will by GSK.** GSK may terminate this Agreement in its entirety at any time without cause upon [*****] prior written notice to CureVac.
- 14.3 Opt-out Right of CureVac.** On a COVID Product-by COVID Product basis, CureVac may notify GSK of its decision to opt-out of the funding of the Development, Manufacture and Commercialization of a COVID Product under this Agreement; that notice shall terminate this Agreement in part in relation to the relevant COVID Product(s) with immediate effect. CureVac may equally decide to opt-out of the funding of the Development of a COVID Product under this Agreement required specifically for obtaining Regulatory Approval for marketing in a Major Market; that notice shall terminate this Agreement in part in relation to that COVID Product for that Major Market with immediate effect.
- 14.4 Termination for Cause by Either Party before First Commercial Sale.** Before the First Commercial Sale of a COVID Product in a Territory, if either Party (“**Breaching Party**”) commits a material breach or default of any of its obligations hereunder, such breach to include a material breach by GSK of its diligence obligations under Section 4.10 with respect to a COVID Product, the other Party hereto (“**Non-Breaching Party**”) may give the Breaching Party written notice of such material breach or default, and shall request that such material breach or default be cured as soon as reasonably practicable. If the Breaching Party fails to cure such breach or default within [*****] after the date of the Non-Breaching Party’s written notice thereof, the Non-Breaching Party may terminate this Agreement by giving written notice of termination to the Breaching Party. If the Breaching Party indicates in writing that it will be unable or is unwilling to cure the breach, this Agreement may be terminated by the Non-Breaching Party with immediate effect.
- 14.5 Termination for Cause by Either Party after First Commercial Sale.** After the First Commercial Sale of a COVID Product in a Territory, if: (i) GSK fails to pay any amount payable under Section 8 or any Ancillary Agreement; (ii) CureVac fails to pay any amount payable under any Ancillary Agreement; (iii) either Party commits any willful and material breach of the restrictions on any license granted to that Party pursuant to this Agreement; (iv) either Party commits a material breach of the non-compete obligations under Section 2.3; (v) GSK commits a material breach of its diligence obligations under Section 5.5, or (vi) either Party commits any persistent and material breach of Section 11, and the Breaching Party fails to cure such breach or default within [*****] after the date of the written notice thereof from the Non-Breaching Party, the Non-Breaching Party may terminate this Agreement by giving written notice of termination to the Breaching Party. If the Breaching Party indicates in writing that it will be unable or is unwilling to cure the breach, this Agreement may be terminated by the Non-Breaching Party with immediate effect.
- 14.6 Termination in respect of Anti-bribery and Corruption.** Either Party shall be entitled to terminate this Agreement in the circumstances specified in Section 12.9.
- 14.7 Non-exclusive remedy.** Termination of this Agreement in accordance with Sections 14.4, 14.5, or 14.6 shall not affect or impair the Non-Breaching Party’s right to pursue any legal remedy, including the right to recover damages, for any harm suffered or incurred by the Non-Breaching Party as a result of such breach or default

15. CONSEQUENCES OF TERMINATION.

- 15.1 Opt-Out by CureVac.** GSK shall notify CureVac in writing within [*****] of receipt of notice of an opt-out decision by CureVac in accordance with Section 14.3, if GSK wishes to:
- (i) cease the Development and Commercialization of the relevant COVID Product(s) and decline the transfer of any rights and be released from all obligations under this Agreement in relation to the Development, Manufacture and Commercialization of the relevant COVID Products under this Agreement (the “**GSK COVID Cease Option**”); or
 - (ii) continue the Development and Commercialization of the COVID Product(s) (the “**GSK COVID Continue Option**”).
- 15.2 Election by CureVac on Termination by GSK at Will or Termination by CureVac for Cause.** CureVac shall notify GSK in writing within [*****] of notice of termination in accordance with Sections 14.2, 14.4, 14.5, or 14.6 if CureVac wishes to:
- (iii) cease the Development and Commercialization of the COVID Products and decline the transfer of any rights in relation to the Development, Manufacture and Commercialization of the COVID Products under this Agreement (the “**CureVac Cease Option**”); or
 - (iv) continue, itself or with a Third Party, with the Development and Commercialization of the COVID Product(s) (the “**CureVac Continue Option**”).
- 15.3 Election by GSK on Termination by GSK for Cause.** GSK shall notify CureVac in writing within [*****] of notice of termination in accordance with Sections 14.4, 14.5, or 14.6 if GSK wishes to:
- (i) cease the Development and Commercialization of the COVID Products and decline the transfer of any rights in relation to Development, Manufacture and Commercialization of the COVID Products under this Agreement, (the “**GSK Cease Option**”); or
 - (ii) continue with the Development and Commercialization of the COVID Products (the “**GSK Continue Option**”).
- 15.4 Specific consequences of CureVac Cease Option, the GSK Cease Option and the GSK COVID Cease Option.** If CureVac elects the CureVac Cease Option or GSK elects the GSK Cease Option or the GSK COVID Cease Option, then:
- (i) Reversion of Rights: Without prejudice to Section 9.4, at the effective date of termination, all of CureVac’s rights to the CureVac Technology and LNP Technology shall automatically revert back to CureVac and all of GSK’s rights to the GSK Technology shall automatically revert back to GSK.
 - (ii) Wind-Down (including costs): Each Party shall, at its own cost (subject to Sections 15.4(iii) and 15.4(iv)), wind-down any on-going activities and commitments in connection with this Agreement and the Ancillary Agreements and use all reasonable efforts (*obligation de moyen*) to do so by the effective date of termination. If GSK exercises the GSK COVID Cease Option, the Parties will work towards completion of those activities within [*****] after the date of the GSK COVID Cease Option.
 - (iii) Costs (On Opt-Out by CureVac): If CureVac gives notice of an opt-out decision by CureVac in accordance with Section 14.3 and GSK exercises the GSK COVID Cease Option, neither party shall have any further obligation to reimburse Development Costs,

from the date of notice of the opt-out decision by CureVac in accordance with Section 14.3.

- (iv) Costs (On Termination by GSK at Will): If CureVac elects the CureVac Cease Option following a termination by GSK in accordance with Section 14.2 while the COVID R&D Plan for a COVID Product has not been completed, GSK shall reimburse CureVac for the Development Costs until the effective date of termination.
- (v) Costs (On Termination by CureVac for Cause): If CureVac elects the CureVac Cease Option following a termination by CureVac for cause in accordance with Section 14.4, 14.5 or 14.6, GSK shall reimburse CureVac for the Development Costs until the effective date of termination and reimburse CureVac for its demonstrable stranded costs arising from the early termination of the COVID R&D Plan(s). CureVac shall use reasonable endeavors to mitigate those stranded costs.

15.5 Specific consequences of the CureVac Continue Option. If CureVac elects the CureVac Continue Option, then the following shall apply:

- (i) Transition: The JSC shall promptly meet to devise a transition plan, which provides for an orderly and cost-effective transition of, and which sets forth the responsibilities and a timetable for transferring, all Development, Manufacturing and Commercialization responsibilities to CureVac or a Third Party selected by CureVac for this purpose (the “**Transition Plan**”). Each Party will bear its own costs to agree and implement the Transition Plan unless CureVac has terminated this Agreement for cause in accordance with Section 14.4, 14.5 or 14.6, in which case GSK shall reimburse CureVac for its reasonable and demonstrable direct costs incurred to implement the Transition Plan.
- (ii) Reversion of Rights: Without prejudice to Section 9.4, all of CureVac’s rights to the CureVac Technology and LNP Technology shall automatically revert back to CureVac, except that if the date of termination occurs after the First Commercial Sale of a COVID Product, (i) the termination of the rights and obligations of the Parties, and the transfer and/or return of rights pursuant to this Section 15, shall take effect on a country-by-country basis, at time as CureVac is able to take over the Commercialization of the COVID Product in such country where that COVID Product is sold with no adverse impact on the continuous availability of COVID Products in that country (the “**Cut-Over Date**”) and (ii) until such date in such country, the licenses granted to GSK under this Agreement (including Article 2) and any rights and obligations associated with such licenses (including GSK’s payment obligations under Section 8) shall survive.
- (iii) Transfer of Development Data and Regulatory Approvals. CureVac shall have the right to request in writing, as part of the Transition Plan:
 - (a) a complete copy of all Development Data Controlled by GSK to be provided in original form and access to all other Know-How in GSK’s possession or under its Control relating to the COVID Products, such Development Data and other Know-How to be provided within [*****] of such request; and the transfer of Regulatory Approvals held by GSK, its Affiliates or Sublicensees, and if Regulatory Approvals have not been obtained by GSK, its Affiliates or Sublicensees, CureVac may require that GSK transfers to CureVac the status of any application for the Regulatory Approvals and notifies the competent Regulatory Authority thereof and supplies CureVac with all documents and clinical data already prepared by GSK, its

Affiliates or Sublicensees for the filing of applications for Regulatory Approvals (with GSK using its good faith efforts to promptly undertake such actions).

- (iv) GSK Trademark License: As part of the Transition Plan, on receipt of a written request from CureVac, GSK grants to CureVac an exclusive (even as to GSK), cost-free, perpetual and worldwide license (with the right to sublicense in multiple tiers) under the trademarks Controlled by GSK and used for the COVID Products in the relevant jurisdiction(s) for the Manufacture and Commercialization of the COVID Products in the Territory, excluding, however, any such trademarks – or such parts of a trademark - that include, in whole or part, any corporate name or logo of GSK, its Affiliates or Sublicensees, and excluding any trademark – or such part of a trademark - which contains the letters [*****] as prefix or suffix (in which case GSK will not oppose any application by CureVac to register a trademark which is similar to any trademark owned by GSK but does not use the letters [*****] as prefix or suffix).
- (v) GSK Technology License. On a COVID Product-by-COVID Product and country-by-country basis effective from the Cut-Over Date, GSK grants to CureVac (i) an exclusive (even as to GSK), perpetual and worldwide license (with the right to sublicense in multiple tiers) under GSK’s interest in Joint Patent Rights and the Know-How related to the Inventions claimed in such Joint Patent Rights, and, (ii) upon CureVac’s election, to be exercised no later than [*****] after the effective date of termination, a non-exclusive royalty-bearing, perpetual and worldwide license (with the right to sublicense in multiple tiers) under the other GSK Technology which has been used by GSK for the Development, Manufacture and/or Commercialization of the terminated COVID Products and is required for the further Development, Manufacture and/or Commercialization of such COVID Products, in each case of (i) and (ii) for the continued Development, Manufacture and Commercialization of the COVID Products in the Territory.
- (vi) Post-Termination Financial Terms (Termination by GSK at Will): If GSK terminates this Agreement in its entirety in accordance with Section 14.2 and CureVac elects the CureVac Continue Option and the license to the GSK Technology under Section 15.5(ii), then, on a COVID Product-by-COVID Product basis, effective from the Cut-Over Date, in consideration of the licenses granted in Section 15.5(ii), CureVac shall pay GSK royalties as forth in **Exhibit 15.5**.
- (vii) Post-Termination Financial Terms (Termination by CureVac for Cause): If CureVac terminates this Agreement for cause in accordance with Section 14.4, 14.5 or 14.6, CureVac shall pay GSK the fair market value for acquisition by CureVac of the COVID Product(s) and the associated exclusive license rights and benefits pursuant to this Section 15.5, provided that CureVac may, if CureVac claims or seeks to claim damages in relation to breach of this Agreement by GSK, suspend the payment of such fair market value until the amount of damages suffered or incurred by CureVac has been agreed between the Parties or determined by an arbitration panel in accordance with Section 16.5, at which point those damages (if any) shall be set off against such fair market value payment (and any fair market value payment which would remain outstanding after the set off of damages shall become due and payable within [*****] after the agreement or determination of the amount of damages).
- (viii) Expert Panel. For the purposes of Section 15.4(iv), the “fair market value” shall be agreed by the Parties, or if the Parties are unable to agree within [*****] from the date of election in accordance with Section 15.2, either Party may refer the matter to be

determined by a panel of experts in accordance with this Section 15.5. The Parties shall agree on the appointment of the panel of experts, comprising three (3) members experienced in the biopharmaceutical sector, in transactions within the biopharmaceutical sector, and the valuation of technology of the biopharmaceutical sector, and shall agree with the experts the terms of their appointment. If the Parties are unable to agree on the identity of the experts within [*****] after expiry of the aforementioned term [*****] term, or if any of the persons proposed is unable or unwilling to act, then each Party shall nominate one expert, which two experts shall together select the third and final expert, who shall preside the expert panel. The experts shall act on the following basis: (i) on their appointment, the experts shall confirm their neutrality, independence and the absence of conflicts in determining the fair market value for the rights granted pursuant to this Section 15; (ii) the experts shall act as experts and not arbitrators; (iii) the experts' determination shall (in the absence of manifest error) be final and binding on the Parties and not subject to appeal; (iv) the experts shall decide the procedure to be followed in the determination in accordance with this Agreement; (v) the costs of the determination, including the fees and expenses of the experts (but excluding the parties' own costs which shall be borne by the Party incurring those costs), shall be borne by GSK; and (vi) the expert determination and all matters connected with it shall be held in complete confidence by each of the Parties and shall not be disclosed to any other person except as permitted under Section 11.

15.6 Specific Consequences of the GSK Continue Option.

If GSK terminates this Agreement under Sections 14.4, 14.5 or 14.6, the rights and obligations of the Parties hereunder shall terminate as at the effective date of such termination (or, if later, the Cut-Over Date) and the consequences set forth in this Section 15.6 shall apply:

- (i) Survival of licenses: The licenses granted to GSK under this Agreement (including under Section 2) and any rights associated with such licenses shall survive the termination of this Agreement.
- (ii) Post-Termination Financial Terms: Save as set out in Section 15.6(iii) below, GSK shall pay CureVac the fair market value for acquisition by GSK of the COVID Product(s) (other than any Pathogen Combination Product) and the associated exclusive license rights and benefits pursuant to this Section 15.6, provided that GSK may, if GSK claims or seeks to claim damages in relation to breach of this Agreement by CureVac, suspend the payment of such fair market value until the amount of damages suffered or incurred by GSK has been agreed between the Parties or determined by an arbitration panel in accordance with Section 16.5, at which point those damages (if any) shall be set off against such fair market value payment (and any fair market value payment which remains outstanding after the set off of damages shall become due and payable within [*****] after the agreement or determination of the amount of damages).
- (iii) Post-Termination Financial Terms (Pathogen Combination Products): In relation to any Pathogen Combination Product, all payment obligations under Section 8 shall remain in effect. With respect to royalties arising after the effective date of termination, GSK may, if GSK also claims or seeks to claim damages in relation to breach of this Agreement by CureVac, suspend the payment of such royalty payments until the amount of damages suffered or incurred by GSK has been agreed between the Parties or determined by an arbitration panel in accordance with Section 16.5, at which point those damages (if any)

shall be set off against such royalty payments (and royalty payment which would remain outstanding after the set off of damages shall become due and payable within [*****) after the agreement or determination of the amount of damages).

- (iv) Cost (On Termination by GSK for Cause): CureVac shall undertake (at its own cost and without the right to be reimbursed) the transfer of Know-How in accordance with Sections 4.7 and 5.2.1, and shall reimburse all reasonable and demonstrable direct costs and expenses incurred by GSK in connection with those activities.

15.7 Specific Consequences of the GSK COVID Continue Option.

If CureVac gives notice of an opt-out decision by CureVac in accordance with Section 14.3 and GSK exercises the GSK COVID Continue Option:

- (i) Continuation under 2020 Collaboration Agreement: GSK shall have the right to continue the further Development, Manufacture and Commercialization of the COVID Products pursuant to the 2020 Collaboration Agreement, and the respective COVID Product shall be deemed an "Other Product" under the 2020 Collaboration Agreement, and all provisions of the 2020 Collaboration Agreement applying to Other Products shall apply to the COVID Products, including diligence obligations, decision making in the JSC and milestone and royalty payments to CureVac. For clarity, the Program(s) relating to each COVID Product which is subject to the GSK COVID Continue Option shall not count towards the limit on the number of concurrent Programs under the 2020 Collaboration Agreement.
- (ii) Termination of this Agreement: For the avoidance of doubt, no further payment obligations shall arise under this Agreement (including Section 8).

15.8 General Consequences of Expiry and Termination.

On any termination of this Agreement the rights and obligations of the Parties hereunder shall terminate as at the effective date of such termination (unless stated otherwise in this Section 15) and the following shall apply:

- (i) Reversion of Rights on Expiry: Upon expiry of this Agreement in a country and provided and to the extent that this Agreement is not terminated after such expiry by CureVac in accordance with Section 14.4, Section 14.5, or Section 14.6, or by GSK pursuant to Section 14.2, the licenses granted to GSK under Section 2 for such country shall become a fully paid-up, perpetual, and non-exclusive license.
- (ii) Reversion of Rights on Termination: Except as set forth in this Section 15, the rights and obligations of the Parties under this Agreement shall automatically lapse as at the effective date of the termination in question.
- (iii) Return of Information: No later than [*****) after the effective date of termination, each Party shall return or cause to be returned to the other Party or, at the other Party's option, destroy (and certify in writing the destruction of), all Confidential Information of the Disclosing Party in tangible form received from the other Party and all copies in any medium thereof; provided, however, that each Party may retain any Confidential Information reasonably necessary for such Party's continued Development, Manufacture or Commercialization of the COVID Products pursuant to this Section 15, and may retain the Confidential Information solely for the purpose of ensuring its

compliance with this Agreement and Applicable Law by electronic files created in the ordinary course of business during automatic system back-up procedures pursuant to its electronic record retention and destruction practices that apply to its own general electronic files and information so long as such electronic files are (i) maintained only on centralized storage servers (and not on personal computers or devices), (ii) not accessible by any of its personnel (other than its information technology specialists), and (iii) are not otherwise accessed subsequently except with the written consent of the other Party or as required by law. Such retained copies of documents and Confidential Information shall remain subject to the confidentiality and non-use obligations set forth in this Agreement.

- (iv) **Settlement of Outstanding Sums:** Each Party shall pay all amounts then due and owing as at the termination effective date. Except in cases where (i) CureVac exercises its opt-out right pursuant to Section 14.3 or (ii) GSK terminates at will pursuant to Section 14.2 at a time when GSK commercializes a vaccine product in a Major Market targeting SARS-CoV-2 other than a COVID Product and CureVac elects the CureVac Cease Option, CureVac shall be required to pay GSK [*****] of any Development Costs exceeding the cap set out in Section 4.5, to the extent those Development Costs were incurred by GSK and, at the date of termination, CureVac's share of those Development Costs has not been reimbursed by CureVac by way of offset against Net Profits in accordance with Section 4.5; provided that: (i) in cases where GSK has exercised the GSK Continue Option or the GSK COVID Continue Option, CureVac may offset such Development Costs against up to [*****] of the royalty payments to be made by GSK to CureVac under Section 15.6 or Section 15.7 (and the 2020 Collaboration Agreement), as applicable; and (ii) in all other cases, the Parties shall agree in good faith on instalment payments over a period of [*****] as of the effective date of termination.
- (v) **Continuation of Ongoing Clinical Trials:** In any event of termination, each Party may complete any clinical trial involving a COVID Product it has initiated prior to the termination of this Agreement in accordance with the protocol for such trial, at its cost and such Party shall be granted by the other Party a cost-free, non-exclusive, sublicensable (as set forth in this Agreement), worldwide license under the CureVac Technology and the LNP Technology or respectively the GSK Technology to complete such clinical trials in accordance with their protocols.

15.9 Effect of Expiry or Termination; Survival. Expiry or termination of this Agreement shall not relieve the Parties of any obligation accruing prior to such expiry or termination. Any expiry or termination of this Agreement shall be without prejudice to the rights of either Party against the other accrued or accruing under this Agreement prior to expiry or termination. The provisions of Sections 1, 2.6, 4.6, 4.8.6, 8.7, 9.1, 9.3, 9.4, 11, 13.1, 13.2, 13.3, 13.8, 13.9, 15, 16.3, 16.4, 16.5, 16.7, 16.8, 16.11 and 16.12 and all other provisions contained in this Agreement that by their explicit terms or from which it is clear from the context survive expiry or termination of this Agreement, and any schedules contained in this Agreement to which reference is made in any surviving term, shall survive the expiry or termination of this Agreement. In the event of a termination of this Agreement with respect to only one of the COVID Products, and continuation of other COVID Products under this Agreement, the termination and consequences of termination provisions only apply to the terminated COVID Product, and the Agreement will remain in full force and effect with respect to the continuing COVID Products.

16. GENERAL PROVISIONS.

16.1 Assignment. This Agreement may not be assigned or otherwise transferred by either Party without the prior written consent of the other Party, which consent will not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed; provided, however, each of the Parties may, without such consent, but with notification, assign this Agreement and its rights and obligations hereunder to any of its Affiliates or in connection with the transfer or sale of all or substantially all of the portion of its business to which this Agreement relates or in the event of its merger or consolidation with a Third Party. Any permitted assignee will assume all obligations of its assignor under this Agreement in writing concurrent with the assignment. Any purported assignment in violation of this Section 16.1 will be void. Except as otherwise provided herein, this Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Parties and their successors and permitted assignors under this Section 16.1.

16.2 Force Majeure. If the performance of any part of this Agreement by either Party, or any obligation under this Agreement, is prevented, restricted, interfered with or delayed by reason of any cause beyond the reasonable control of the Party liable to perform, unless conclusive evidence to the contrary is provided, the Party so affected shall, upon giving written notice to the other Party, be excused from such performance to the extent of such prevention, restriction, interference or delay, provided that the affected Party shall use commercially reasonable efforts to avoid or remove such causes of non-performance and shall continue performance with the utmost dispatch whenever such causes are removed. When such circumstances arise and persist for a period of at least sixty (60) calendar days, the Parties shall discuss what, if any, modification of the terms of this Agreement may be required in order to arrive at an equitable solution.

16.3 Notices. All notices which are required or permitted hereunder shall be in writing and sufficient if delivered personally, sent by e-mail, sent by internationally-recognized overnight courier or sent by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, addressed as follows:

(i) if to CureVac, addressed to: CureVac AG

Attention: CEO and General Counsel
with copy to: General Counsel

Address: [*****]

Email: [*****]

(ii) if to GSK, addressed to:

GlaxoSmithKline Biologicals S.A.

Attention: President of GSK Vaccines
with copy to: Vaccines General Counsel

Address: [*****]

Email: [*****]

or to such other address(es) as the Party to whom notice is to be given may have furnished to the other Party in writing in accordance herewith. Any such notice shall be deemed to have been given: (a) when delivered if personally delivered or sent by e-mail on a Business Day (or if delivered or sent on a non-Business Day, then on the next Business Day); (b) on the Business Day after dispatch if sent by nationally-recognized overnight courier; or (c) on the [*****] following the date of mailing, if sent by mail.

16.4 Governing Law. This Agreement and all disputes arising hereunder, shall be exclusively governed by, and interpreted and enforced in accordance with Belgian law. The United Nations Convention of International Contracts on the Sale of Goods (the Vienna Convention) does not apply to this Agreement.

16.5 Dispute Resolution.

16.5.1 Unless otherwise set forth in this Agreement, in the event of any dispute arising out of or in connection with this Agreement, including any alleged breach under this Agreement or any dispute relating to the validity, performance, construction or interpretation of this Agreement, the Parties shall refer such dispute to the CEO (or its C-level delegate) of CureVac and the President of Vaccines (or another member of the global corporate executive team) of GSK. If the dispute has not been settled pursuant to the said rules within [*****] following the reference of the dispute to the senior management representatives of the Parties, either Party may submit the dispute to final and binding arbitration.

16.5.2 Any dispute arising out of or in connection with this Agreement, including any issue relating to the validity, performance, construction or interpretation of this Agreement, which cannot be resolved amicably between the Parties after following the procedure set forth in Section 16.5.1, shall be submitted to and settled by arbitration in accordance with the arbitration rules of the World Intellectual Property Organization (the “**WIPO**”) in effect on the date of the commencement of the arbitration proceedings. The existence, nature and details of any such dispute(s), and all communications between the Parties related thereto, shall be considered Confidential Information of the Parties and shall be treated in accordance with the terms of Section 11 above. Any Confidential Information may be disclosed by either Party to counsel, experts or other advisors on the arbitration under obligations of confidentiality. The decision of the arbitrators shall be final and binding upon the Parties. The location of arbitration will be Zurich, Switzerland. The arbitration will be heard and determined by three (3) arbitrators, with one arbitrator being appointed by each Party and the third arbitrator being appointed by the WIPO. The language of the arbitration proceeding will be English. Notwithstanding the provisions of this Section 16.5.2, each Party shall have the right to seek interim injunctive relief in any court of competent jurisdiction as such Party deems necessary to preserve its rights and to protect its interests.

16.6 Severability. If any provision of this Agreement is determined by any court or administrative tribunal of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unenforceable, the Parties shall negotiate in good faith a replacement provision that is commercially equivalent, to the maximum extent permitted by Applicable Law, to such invalid or unenforceable provision. The invalidity or

unenforceability of any provision of this Agreement shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the other provisions of this Agreement. Nor shall the invalidity or unenforceability of any provision of this Agreement in one country or jurisdiction affect the validity or enforceability of such provision in any other country or jurisdiction in which such provision would otherwise be valid or enforceable.

- 16.7 Entire Agreement and Amendments.** This Agreement, together with all Exhibits attached hereto, constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties regarding the subject matter hereof, and supersedes all prior agreements, understandings and communications between the Parties, with respect to the subject matter hereof, including the Confidentiality Agreements. The foregoing may not be interpreted as a waiver of any remedies available to either Party as a result of any breach prior to the Effective Date, by the other Party of its obligations under the Confidentiality Agreements. No modification or amendment of this Agreement shall be binding upon the Parties unless in writing and executed by the duly authorized representative of each of the Parties; this shall also apply to any change of this Section 16.7.
- 16.8 Waivers.** The failure by either Party hereto to assert any of its rights hereunder, including the right to terminate this Agreement due to a breach or default by the other Party hereto, shall not be deemed to constitute a waiver by that Party of its right thereafter to enforce each and every provision of this Agreement in accordance with its terms.
- 16.9 Counterparts.** This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, by original or electronic (including “pdf”) signature, each of which shall be deemed an original but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.
- 16.10 Independent Contractors.** The Parties are independent contractors and it is the intention of the Parties that this Agreement does not constitute or give rise to an employer-employee, agency, partnership or joint venture relationship among the Parties, but that each Party’s performance hereunder is that of a separate, independent entity.
- 16.11 Third Parties.** Except as set out in this Section 16.11, none of the provisions of this Agreement shall be for the benefit of or enforceable by any Third Party which shall be a Third Party beneficiary to this Agreement.
- 16.12 Costs.** Except as is otherwise expressly set forth herein, each Party shall bear its own expenses in connection with the activities contemplated and performed hereunder.
- 16.13 Insurance.** Each Party will procure and maintain during the Term and for [*****] after termination or expiry of this Agreement, insurance in line with industry standards. GSK will be permitted to satisfy any or all of its obligations under this Section 16.13 through a program of self-insurance. Such insurance policies will be primary and non-contributing with respect to any other similar insurance policies available to the other Party or its Affiliates. Any deductibles for such insurance will be assumed by insured Party. Each Party will provide the other Party with evidence of such insurance upon the other Party’s request and prior to expiry of any one coverage. Any insurance will not be construed to create a limit of the insured Party’s liability with respect to its indemnification obligations under this Agreement.

Signature page follows

In Witness Whereof, the Parties have executed this Agreement to be effective as at the Closing Date.

Signed on behalf of
GlaxoSmithKline Biologicals S.A.

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Date Signed:

Signed on behalf of
GlaxoSmithKline Biologicals S.A.

[*****]

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Date Signed:

Signed on behalf of
CureVac AG

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Date Signed:

Signed on behalf of
CureVac AG

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Date Signed:

Exhibit 1.50
CureVac Know How

[*****]

**Exhibit 1.55
CureVac Patent Rights**

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Exhibit 1.79
Existing COVID Projects

[*****]

Exhibit 1.102
Existing Government and NGO Contracts

[*****]

Exhibit 1.120
In-Licensing Agreements

[*****]

Exhibit 2.1.2
License Terms under LNP Technology

[*****]

Exhibit 2.1.2 PART B
Licensed LNP as at the Effective Date

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Exhibit 2.7.4
Ever-Warm Strategy

[*****]

**Exhibit 4.1
Covid R&D Plan**

[*****]

Exhibit 5.1
Key Terms of a Clinical Supply Agreement

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Exhibit 5.2
Key Terms of a Commercial Supply Agreement

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Exhibit 6.2
Key Distribution Terms

[*****]

Exhibit 8.3.6
Third Party Offset

[*****]

Exhibit 12.5
Data Protection Terms

The Parties agree that the processing of Personal Information under or in connection with this Agreement shall be in accordance with this Exhibit, including all Annexes.

1. Definitions

In this Exhibit:

“**CureVac**” means CureVac as defined in the Agreement and its Affiliates.

“**Data Protection Authority**” means each person having regulatory or supervisory authority over GSK or CureVac in the area of protection of Personal Information;

“**Data Protection Laws**” means: (a) the GDPR; and (b) all other laws concerning the processing of Personal Information;

“**GDPR**” means the General Data Protection Regulation (EU) 2016/679 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data;

“**GSK**” means GSK as defined in the Agreement and its Affiliates. “**Party**” or “**Parties**” means CureVac and GSK as defined in this Exhibit.

“**Personal Information**” means information relating to an identified or identifiable individual;

“**Personal Information Breach**” means any actual breach of security leading to the accidental or unlawful destruction, loss, alteration, unauthorised disclosure of, or access to, Personal Information transmitted, stored or otherwise processed; and

“**Transferred Personal Information**” means any Personal Information that is transferred pursuant to this Agreement (i) that is transferred to CureVac by GSK operating in the European Union; or (ii) that is transferred to GSK by CureVac operating in the European Union.

2. Data Processing

a. Status of each Party under Data Protection Laws

GSK and CureVac acknowledge that the status of each Party is a question of fact determined under Data Protection Laws. Without limiting the foregoing, GSK and CureVac each understand that, in relation to the Transferred Personal Information, GSK and CureVac

independently determine how and why Transferred Personal Information is processed (and accordingly each acts as a controller) and all processing of Transferred Personal Information shall be undertaken in accordance with Annex 1 (Controller Terms) to this Exhibit 12.5.

b. Description of processing

The Parties will document the following information in writing (including in electronic form)

Duration, nature and purpose of processing	
Duration of processing	[to be documented]
Nature and purpose of processing	[to be documented]
Personal Information	
Individuals may include any of:	[to be documented]
Categories of Personal Information may include any of:	[to be documented]
Special categories of Personal Information may include any of:	[to be documented]

3. Termination or expiry

On termination or expiry of this Agreement, this Exhibit shall survive and continue in full effect for as long as Transferred Personal Information is processed by the other Party.

4. Further Assurance

- a. If any Data Protection Authority adopts revised standard contractual clauses for the matters addressed in this Exhibit (including any Annex) and one Party notifies the other Party that it wishes to incorporate any element of those standard contractual clauses into this Exhibit, the other Party shall agree to changes (limited only to the extent of the requirement under such revised standard contractual clauses) as reasonably requested by such Party.
- b. Both Parties agree that, upon the request of any Party, they shall execute any specific form of data transfer agreement as reasonably requested by such Party to enable the other Party to comply with applicable Data Protection Laws or the requirements of any Data Protection Authority.

1. General terms

- a. Subject to the remaining provisions of this Annex 1, in relation to the processing of all Transferred Personal Information, each Party:
 - i. shall comply with its obligations under Data Protection Laws; and
 - ii. acknowledges that, except as expressly stated otherwise under this Annex 1 or otherwise in the Agreement, it is (as between the Parties) solely responsible for meeting all of its obligations under Data Protection Law.

2. Legal basis and privacy notices

- a. Unless expressly agreed otherwise in writing, each Party shall be responsible for the lawfulness of the collection and disclosure to the other Party of the Transferred Personal Information, in particular, for obtaining any consent required by law from all individuals to whom the Transferred Personal Information relates in respect of all processing undertaken by that Party (including any disclosure to the other Party).
- b. If the transferring Party obtains consent for the processing of Transferred Personal Information, such consent shall cover the transfer and the further processing of Transferred Personal Information by the other Party for the purposes identified in this Exhibit.
- c. Unless expressly agreed otherwise in writing, each Party shall be responsible for providing privacy notices to all individuals to whom the Transferred Personal Information relates in respect of all processing undertaken by that Party. If either Party expressly agrees in writing to provide a privacy notice on behalf of the other Party, it shall ensure that the relevant privacy notices effectively address all information required to be provided under Data Protection Laws and take account of any reasonable proposals by the other Party.

3. Communications

- a. If either Party receives any communication from a Data Protection Authority which relates directly or indirectly to:
 - i. the other Party's processing of Transferred Personal Information; or
 - ii. a potential failure to comply with Data Protection Laws in relation to the processing of Transferred Personal Information,

the receiving Party, shall, to the extent permitted by Applicable Laws, promptly forward the communication to the other Party and provide the other Party with reasonable cooperation and assistance in relation to the same.

4. Handling of transferred personal information

- a. Each Party shall ensure that Transferred Personal Information supplied to it by or on behalf of the other Party:
 - i. is only used for the purposes for which it was collected;
 - ii. is not disclosed to any of its staff unless those persons that have committed themselves to confidentiality and have undergone appropriate training in data protection;
 - iii. is transferred to another Party or Third Parties only: in accordance with Applicable Laws; and
 - iv. is kept securely, including by application of the measures set out in Annex 2 (Information Security) to this Exhibit 12.5.

5. Rights of individuals

If an individual makes a written request to either Party to exercise any of their rights under Data Protection Laws in respect of Transferred Personal Information, the receiving Party shall respond to that request in accordance with Data Protection Laws. To the extent the request concerns processing of Transferred Personal Information undertaken by the other Party, the receiving Party shall: (i) promptly forward the request to the other Party; and (ii) cooperate and provide reasonable assistance in relation to that request to enable the other Party to respond in accordance with Data Protection Laws.

6. Personal information breach

- a. Without limiting any provision of Annex 2 (Information Security) to this Exhibit 12.5, if a Party becomes aware of a Personal Information Breach affecting Transferred Personal Information supplied to it by the other Party, the Party shall:
 - i. notify the other Party without undue delay, and provide the other Party with a reasonable description of the Personal Information Breach without undue delay as such information becomes available; and

not publish any communication concerning the Personal Information Breach without first consulting the other Party, save that it may disclose a breach to the extent required by Applicable Laws (e.g. to Data Protection Authority or to individual(s)).

ANNEX 2 TO EXHIBIT 12.5 – INFORMATION SECURITY

[to be completed as soon as reasonably practicable after the Effective Date]

Exhibit 13.4
Disclosure Letter
[*****]

Exhibit 15.5
Post-Termination Royalties

Where this Exhibit 15.5 applies, CureVac shall pay GSK, on a Product-by-Product and country-by-country basis, the royalty payments set forth below for Net Sales by CureVac, its Affiliates, or Sublicensees of such Product, depending in what stage of development that Product finds itself at the effective date of termination. With respect to any payments to be made by CureVac to GSK, the definition of "Net Sales" in Section 1.144 and the provisions of Sections 8.3.2, 8.3.3, 8.5, 8.6, 8.7 and 8.9 shall apply *mutatis mutandis*.

<i>Stage of Product Development at Termination</i>	<i>Rate</i>
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