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Karolinska Development AB (publ) announces the outcome of the rights issue and change of the company name to KDventures AB

**Karolinska Development AB (publ) ("Karolinska Development" or the "Company") today announces the outcome of the rights issue of Series B shares (the "Rights Issue") and announces that the Company will change its name to KDventures AB. Both the Rights Issue and the change of name were resolved by the Board of Directors on 1 December 2025 and approved by the Extraordinary General Meeting held on 8 January 2026.**

The outcome shows that the Rights Issue has been subscribed to a total of approximately 57 per cent, of which approximately 21 per cent was subscribed for with subscription rights and approximately 2 per cent was subscribed for without subscription rights. This means that approximately 34 per cent, corresponding to SEK 69.4 m of the Rights Issue, will be allotted to the investors who have guaranteed the Rights Issue, of which a portion of the allotment is subject to ISP approval as described below. As a result, Karolinska Development will receive approximately SEK 115.2 million before issue costs, of which approximately SEK 0.3 million relates to allotments subject to ISP approval. If such approval is not obtained, the issue proceeds will amount to approximately SEK 114.9 million before issue costs.

Today, on 28 January 2026, the Board of Directors resolved on the allotment of shares in the Rights Issue. However, a portion of the allotment, relating to the allotment to an intermediate guarantor to the extent such allotment would result in the intermediate guarantor exceeding the threshold of 9.99 per cent of the total number of votes in the Company, is subject to obtaining the required approval from the Inspectorate of Strategic Products ("ISP").

#### **Outcome**

The subscription period in the Rights Issue ended on 27 January 2026, and the outcome shows that 140,312,839 shares, corresponding to approximately 21 per cent of the Rights Issue, were subscribed for with subscription rights. In addition, subscriptions were received for an additional 12,500,488 share without subscription rights, corresponding to approximately 2 per cent of the Rights Issue. Accordingly, the Rights Issue is subscribed to a total of approximately 23 per cent, and approximately 34 per cent of the Rights Issue will thus be allotted to the investors who have guaranteed the Rights Issue. As a result, Karolinska Development will receive approximately SEK 115.2 million before issue costs through the Rights Issue.

The portion of the issue proceeds attributable to the allotment to the intermediate guarantor, and which is subject to ISP approval, amounts to approximately SEK 0.3 million. If the required ISP approval is not obtained, this portion of the allotment will not be carried out, and the final proceeds of the Rights Issue will amount to approximately SEK 114.9 million before issue costs.

Notification of allotment of shares subscribed for without subscription rights will be distributed shortly to those who have been allotted shares via a settlement note. Subscribed and allotted shares shall be paid for in cash in accordance with the instructions set out in the settlement note. Nominee-registered shareholders will receive notification of allotment in accordance with the respective nominee's procedures. Allotment of shares subscribed for without subscription rights has been carried out in accordance with the principles set out in the information document published by the Company on 9 January 2026.

#### **Dilution, number of shares and share capital**

Assuming that the conditional allotment is approved by the ISP, the Company's share capital will increase through the Rights Issue by approximately SEK 3,841,666.64, from approximately SEK 2,700,775.94 to approximately SEK 6,542,442.58 and the number of Series B shares will increase by 384,166,664 shares, from 267,522,333 Series B shares to 651,688,997 Series B shares, corresponding to a dilution effect of approximately 59 per cent.

Assuming that the conditional allotment is not approved by the ISP, the Company's share capital will increase through the Rights Issue by approximately SEK 3,830,431.43, from approximately SEK 2,700,775.94 to approximately SEK 6,531,207.37, and the number of Series B shares will increase by 383,043,143 shares, from 267,522,333 Series B shares to 650,565,476 Series B shares, corresponding to a dilution effect of approximately 58.9 per cent.

### **Change of the company name**

The change of name to KDventures AB will be registered with the Swedish Companies Registration Office (Sw. Bolagsverket) in connection with the registration of the Rights Issue and will result in a new trading symbol and new short name for the Company's share admitted to trading on Nasdaq Stockholm. The changes are expected to take effect on or around 10 February 2026, as follows:

- The new short name (ticker) will be KDV.
- The Company's ISIN code (SE0002190926) will remain unchanged.

In connection with the changes taking effect, the Company will also launch a new website at [www.kd-ventures.com](http://www.kd-ventures.com).

The Company's registration number, VAT number, postal address and visiting address will remain unchanged.

### **Trading in BTA and conversion into shares**

Trading in paid subscribed shares ("BTA") on Nasdaq Stockholm is conducted under the short name KDEV BTA B up to and including 12 February 2026. Thereafter, the BTA are expected to be converted into shares and admitted to trading on Nasdaq Stockholm on or around 16 February 2026, where applicable after all conditions for allotment have been fulfilled.

### **Advisers**

Redeye AB is acting as financial adviser to Karolinska Development in connection with the Rights Issue and Cirio Advokatbyrå AB is acting as legal adviser. Nordic Issuing AB is acting as issuing agent in connection with the Rights Issue.

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### **About Karolinska Development AB**

Karolinska Development AB (Nasdaq Stockholm: KDEV) is a Nordic life sciences investment company. The company focuses on identifying breakthrough medical innovations in the Nordic region that are developed by entrepreneurs and leadership teams. The company invests in the creation and growth of companies that advance these assets into commercial products that are designed to make a difference to patient's lives while providing an attractive return on investment to shareholders.

Karolinska Development has access to world-class medical innovations at the Karolinska Institutet and other leading universities and research institutes in the Nordic region. The company aims to build companies around scientists who are leaders in their fields, supported by experienced management teams and advisers, and co-funded by specialist international investors, to provide the greatest chance of success.

Karolinska Development has a portfolio of eleven companies targeting opportunities in innovative treatment for life-threatening or serious debilitating diseases.

The company is led by an entrepreneurial team of investment professionals with a proven track record as company builders and with access to a strong global network.

For more information, please visit [www.karolinskadevelopment.com](http://www.karolinskadevelopment.com).

### **Important information**

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Swedish Inspectorate for Strategic Products (Inspektionen för Strategiska Produkter, "ISP") before such investment can be completed. Each investor should consult an independent legal adviser regarding the potential application of the FDI Act to the Rights Issue in relation to such investor. For more information, please visit ISP's website, [www.isp.se](http://www.isp.se), or contact the Company.

This press release contains forward-looking statements regarding the Company's intentions, assessments or current expectations concerning the Company's future results, financial position, liquidity, development, prospects, expected growth, strategies and opportunities as well as the markets in which the Company operates. Forward-looking statements are statements that do not relate to historical facts and can be identified by the fact that they contain terms such as "believes", "expects", "anticipates", "intends", "estimates", "will", "may", "assumes", "should", "could" and, in each case, their negative forms, or similar expressions. The forward-looking statements in this press release are based on various assumptions, many of which in turn are based on additional assumptions. Although the Company believes that the assumptions reflected in these forward-looking statements are reasonable, there can be no assurance that they will materialize or prove to be correct. As these assumptions are based on assumptions or estimates and are subject to risks and uncertainties, the actual results or outcomes may, for many different reasons, differ materially from those expressed in the forward-looking statements. Such risks, uncertainties, contingencies and other important factors could cause actual events to differ materially from the expectations expressly or implicitly stated in this press release through the forward-looking statements. The Company does not guarantee that the assumptions underlying the forward-looking statements in this press release are correct and does not assume any responsibility for the future accuracy of the opinions expressed in this press release, or any obligation to update or revise the statements in this press release in order to reflect subsequent events. You should not place undue reliance on the forward-looking statements in this press release. The information, opinions and forward-looking statements contained in this press release are provided only as of the date of this press release and are subject to change without notice. The Company does not undertake any obligation to review, update, confirm or publicly announce any revision of any forward-looking statement to reflect events that occur or circumstances that arise in relation to the content of this press release.