

# **Research Agreement Executed with IFF**

- Microba has signed a research agreement with IFF as part of an ongoing multistage research program between the parties to develop novel microbiome-based treatments for multiple forms of allergy
- The research agreement relates to a discovery program involving the isolation of strains from key species identified for the treatment of allergies using Microba's data driven therapeutics platform
- This is the second executed agreement between Microba and IFF since the initial research agreement was
  executed between the parties on 9 November 2021, and marks the start of the second stage of the
  multistage research project contemplated in the Initial Agreement

Microba Life Sciences Limited (ASX: MAP) ("Microba") is pleased to announce that it has executed a research agreement (Research Agreement) with International N&H Denmark ApS, a wholly-owned subsidiary of New York Stock Exchange listed IFF (NYSE: IFF) which sets out the terms and conditions of the second stage of the research project contemplated by the Initial Agreement (defined below) between the parties.

IFF is an industry leader in food, beverage, bioscience and health sectors with a global footprint and extensive portfolio.

The announcement of the Research Agreement marks the second agreement between Microba and IFF, which is a follow up to the initial research services agreement executed on 9 November 2021 (Initial Agreement), and referenced in Microba's ASX announcement, dated 4 July 2022. Under the Initial Agreement, for Stage 1, Microba completed the identification of lead species from which IFF was entitled to select under the Initial Agreement (the Project Species). IFF has now selected a number of Project Species to move forward into Stage 2 (Selected Project Species).

The overarching goal of Stage 2 under the terms of the Research Agreement is the successful isolation of strains from the Selected Project Species for IFF and characterisation of those strains. Under the Research Agreement, IFF has an exclusive option to license strains for development and 1commercialization.

The Research Agreement commences on the execution date, 4 December 2023, and, subject to earlier termination, shall end upon provision of the final report, to be issued by Microba to IFF, anticipated in or around October 2024. The Research Agreement has no conditions that need to be satisfied prior to commencement.

IFF can terminate the Research Agreement for convenience upon 30 days prior written notice and either party can terminate the Research Agreement for cause. Upon any termination of the Research Agreement for any reason, all rights and licenses granted to IFF under the Research Agreement and/or under the Initial Agreement shall revert to Microba.

As compensation, over the term of the Research Agreement, IFF shall pay Microba approximately AUD \$924,150. Further, there may be a future stage of the Research Agreement which may result in the licensing of project strains to IFF and consequential royalty payments to Microba.

**Microba's Chief Executive Officer, Dr Luke Reid** said, "We are excited to continue our partnership with IFF with a view to creating efficacious treatments for allergy sufferers. This program strongly aligns with Microba's mission of improving human health, and we are delighted to partner with IFF as a leader in the field to achieve this goal".

This announcement has been authorised for release by the Board of Directors of Microba.

### **ASX Announcement**

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