

 Early Warning System

EIB-20220948

PROJECT HIVE (IEU LS)



## Quick Facts

<b>Countries</b>	Denmark
<b>Financial Institutions</b>	European Investment Bank (EIB)
<b>Status</b>	Approved
<b>Bank Risk Rating</b>	C
<b>Voting Date</b>	2023-12-21
<b>Borrower</b>	ZEALAND PHARMA A/S
<b>Sectors</b>	Education and Health, Industry and Trade
<b>Investment Type(s)</b>	Loan
<b>Investment Amount (USD)</b>	\$ 99.06 million
<b>Project Cost (USD)</b>	\$ 374.22 million



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## Project Description

According to the Bank's website, the project supports the promoter's research activities to develop a diversified portfolio of novel preclinical and clinical-stage peptide-based medicinal products treating metabolic, gastrointestinal and rare diseases.

The aim is to support the development of various drug candidates with significant and detrimental social and economic cost. The project will also supports the development of drugs aimed at improving standard care for people living with rare diseases, whose medical needs are currently unmet.



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### Early Warning System Project Analysis

The project is carried out in compliance with applicable national and EU environmental and social legislation. Based on the environment, climate and social (ECS) information and based on the review of the likely significant ECS risks and impacts and the mitigation measures and management systems in place, the project is deemed to have low residual ECS risks and impact. No further sustainability proofing is required.



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## Investment Description

- European Investment Bank (EIB)

The loan will provide direct quasi-equity financing supported by the Invest EU mandate to finance RD&I activities of an innovative Danish biopharmaceutical for advancing the development of its diversified portfolio of novel preclinical and clinical-stage peptide-based drug-candidates targeted at rare diseases, metabolic, gastrointestinal and cardiovascular disorders.



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### Private Actors Description

Zealand Pharma A/S is a Danish biotechnology research company, which designs and develops peptide-based medicines, mainly focusing on metabolic diseases like diabetes and obesity. The company's head office is situated in Søborg near Copenhagen, and it has close to 200 employees.



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Private Actor 1	Private Actor 1 Role	Private Actor 1 Sector	Relation	Private Actor 2	Private Actor 2 Role	Private Actor 2 Sector
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## ACCESS TO INFORMATION

You can submit an information request for project information at: <https://www.eib.org/en/infocentre/registers/request-form/request-form-default.htm>

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## Bank Documents

- [Environmental and Social Data Sheet \(ESDS\) - PROJECT HIVE \(IEU LS\)](#)
- [PROJECT DATA SHEET\(S\): PROJECT HIVE \(IEU LS\)](#)

## Media

- [Denmark: InvestEU - Zealand Pharma agrees €90 million financing deal with EIB to advance its research](#)