# mRNA Vaccine PAHO/WHO Hub for Latin America and Caribbean









### Plug and Play/Self-Amplifying RNA Technology - "for a safer, healthier and fairer world"

## Contribution to all partners at the 75<sup>th</sup> World Health Assembly

Selected in September 2021 by the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) in the World Health Organization (WHO) call for COVID-19 mRNA vaccine technology transfer hubs in emerging economies, for development, production, supply and technological transfer in Latin America and Caribbean of Bio-Manguinos/Fiocruz mRNA-based vaccine.

#### **Our project:**

- Based on the Plug and Play/ Self-Amplifying RNA Technology;
- Proprietary technology (royalty-free);
- Proprietary plasmid and formulations designed at Bio-Manguinhos;
- Three different constructions engineered to direct SARS-Cov-2 antigens to the desired cellular compartment;
- Formulation employing liposomes that encapsulates the RNA;
- Technological domain for other vaccines & biopharmaceuticals;
- Tackle also future infectious-disease challenges;
- Wide installed API manufacturing capacity.

#### Our candidate vaccine:

- Enhanced and prolonged antigen expression;
- Lower effective RNA doses, potentially resulting in better safety;
- Intrinsic adjuvant effect;
- Potential apoptosis of vaccine-carrying cells due to vaccine selfamplification, leading to enhanced cross-presentation;
- Option for single-vector delivery of multiple or complex antigens.

#### **Our commitment:**

■ Vaccine supply and tech transfer of our technology for other manufacturers, in contribution to the Worldwide Public Health.

Bio-Manguinhos/Fiocruz is an institution of the Brazilian Ministry of Health with long tradition in vaccines manufacturing and supply to the National Immunization Program. Up to May 2022, we have delivered over 180 million doses of Covid-19 (recombinant) vaccine. Globally we provide our yellow fever vaccine, which is pre-qualified by WHO since 2001. In addition, we are member of the Developing Countries Vaccine Manufacturers Network (DCVMN) and we were selected as the representative of Brazil at the BRICS Vaccine Research and Development Center, since its inceptions.





