



hemotune among the winners of the German Innovation Award 2022

Schlieren, Switzerland, Mai 25th, 2022 – <u>hemotune AG</u> yesterday was awarded with the <u>German</u> <u>Innovation Award</u> 2022 in the category Medical Technologies.

The <u>German Innovation Award</u> honors products and services that distinguish themselves by their user centricity and added value compared to earlier solutions across all industrial sectors – because innovations that shape the future and improve our lives come from all industries.

Each year the German Design Council, which was established by the German Bundestag in 1953, nominates promising projects that are then reviewed. The jury is made up of independent, interdisciplinary experts from technology, digitalization, science, associations and institutions. The entries are evaluated based on the criteria: level of innovation, user benefits and efficiency. The innovation strategy should consider aspects such as social, ecological, and economical sustainability and the use of energy and resources. Factors such as location, employment potential, longevity, marketability, technical quality and function, materiality and synergy effects play a decisive role in the adjudication process.

With the HemoSystem, hemotune develops a breakthrough blood purification platform with a first therapy to restore adequate immune response in sepsis-associated immunosuppression. Sepsis is an underserved global health issue leading to around 11 million deaths every year and being one of the most expensive conditions. The award not only highlights the technical solution behind the innovation but also the user-centric design and huge potential impact on society.

Lukas Langenegger, CEO and co-founder of hemotune AG, states: "Receiving the German Innovation Award is a great recognition for us. While a big part of our innovation builds on groundbreaking science, innovation is more than that. This award therefore also emphasizes the bigger picture of our product and the potential benefit for society. During the development of the HemoSystem, we considered the big picture from the very beginning. Working with doctors and nurses early on helped us to build a user-centric product which is easily implementable to the clinical practice. I also want to thank <u>Meyer-Hayoz Design Engineering Group</u>, which accompanied us from the very beginning of the development and played a crucial role in the product design. This award encourages us to continue our journey to revolutionize blood purification and intensive care treatment in the future."

About hemotune

hemotune is a Schlieren-based MedTech startup developing a revolutionary blood purification platform. It combines cutting-edge scientific results from biomedicine and nanotechnology to develop a new treatment platform combining the benefits of medical devices and biotech. Founded 2017 as <u>ETH Zurich</u> Spin-Off, the company was accelerated by <u>Wyss Zurich</u> and received support by <u>Venture</u> <u>Kick, Gebert Rüf Foundation, Innosuisse, H2020</u> and <u>EIT Health</u>. Furthermore, the company won several prestigious prices such as the <u>Swiss Technology Award 2020</u>, was featured as <u>Nr.1 Spin-off to</u> <u>watch 2021</u> by Forbes magazine and is nominated for the <u>Swiss Economic Award 2022</u>. For more information, please visit <u>www.hemotune.ch</u>.