

Dr. Nadav Askari

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Dr. Nadav Askari serves as the CTO of Genetika+, a precision medicine biotech startup that develops new tools to guide therapy for Major Depressive Disorder. In this capacity, Dr. Askari spearheads the development, optimization and scale up efforts of the company's proprietary platform. Dr. Askari is a biotech executive with over 15 years of experience in academic and applied R&D, including all aspects of product development, innovation and management. Prior to joining Genetika+, from 2012-2021 Dr. Askari headed the proteins and kits R&D in Merck KGaA, one of the world leaders in life science solutions. In this role, he led the development and successful launch of dozens of products, including recombinant proteins, kits for research and testing, and various molecular standards. From 2011-2012 Dr. Askari served as a project manager in Smart Assays Ltd., leading numerous assay development programs.

Dr. Askari received his M.Sc. (cum laude) and Ph.D. in biochemistry and cell biology from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. He received his postdoctoral training at the lab of Dr. John C. Reed in Sanford-Burnham-Prebys Medical Discovery Institute (La Jolla, CA).