

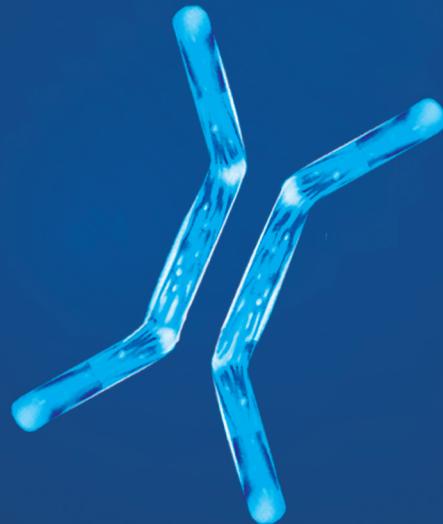
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**HBM HOLDINGS LIMITED**

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# Corporate Information

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# Corporate Profile

Incorporated in July 2016, we are a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company engaged in the discovery and development of differentiated antibody therapeutics in immune-oncology and immunology disease areas. We are committed to the discovery, development and commercialization of novel antibody therapeutics to address current patients' needs.

In 2022, we established two sub-brands, Harbour Therapeutics, focusing on pipeline development, products collaboration and commercialization, and Nona Biosciences, an global biotechnology company providing a total solution for partners worldwide.

## ROBUST PORTFOLIO AND DIFFERENTIATED PIPELINE

In Harbour Therapeutics, we have a robust and diversified pipeline of more than ten potentially differentiated drug candidates, of which HBM9161, HBM4003 and HBM7008 are our main products.

### BATOCLIMAB (HBM9161)

Batoclimab is designed as a fully human monoclonal antibody that selectively binds to and inhibits the neonatal fragment crystallizable receptor (“**FcRn**”). FcRn plays a pivotal role in preventing the degradation of IgG antibodies. High levels of pathogenic IgG antibodies drive many autoimmune diseases. As the clinically most advanced FcRn inhibitor being developed in Greater China, batoclimab has the potential to be a breakthrough treatment for a wide spectrum of autoimmune diseases in Greater China. On 10 October 2022, we entered into a license agreement with CSPC NBP Pharmaceutical Co. Ltd. (“**NBP Pharma**”, a wholly-owned subsidiary of CSPC Pharmaceutical Group Limited), pursuant to which we granted NBP Pharma an exclusive sublicensable license under the Licensed Technology to develop, manufacture and commercialize batoclimab in Greater China (including Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan).

### HBM4003

HBM4003 is a next-generation, fully human anti-CTLA-4 antibody against cytotoxic T-lymphocyte-associated antigen-4 (CTLA-4), one of the major negative regulators of T cell responses. It is also our first internally developed molecule generated on our HCAb Platform, which we have advanced from candidate selection to clinical stage within three years. HBM4003 is the first fully human heavy chain only anti CTLA-4 antibody entered into clinical development around the world in history, and has favorable properties compared with conventional anti-CTLA-4 antibodies in pre-clinical settings. Compared with conventional CTLA-4 antibody, HBM4003 has unique, favorable properties including significant Treg cell depletion and improved pharmacokinetics (“**PK**”) for better safety. While increasing the potential to selectively deplete intratumoral Treg cells via enhanced antibody-dependent cellular cytotoxicity (“**ADCC**”) strategy, we believe HBM 4003 will be able to break the significant immune-suppressive barrier of anti-cancer immunotherapies in solid tumors. HBM4003 has great potential to overcome the efficacy and toxicity bottleneck with the existing CTLA-4 therapy, and become the core product in cancer immunotherapy.

## HBM7008

HBM7008 is a bispecific antibody targeting Tumor Associated Antigen B7H4 and 4-1BB that not only displays high potency in the T cell co-stimulation and tumor growth inhibition, and potentially may also translate to better safety due to its strict dependency of TAA-mediated crosslinking T cell activation. HBM7008 is one of the fully human bispecific antibodies developed from the HBICE® platform of the Company. It is the only bispecific antibody against these two targets in clinical stage globally. Its unique specificity on tumors and immune modulation activity makes it a promising therapeutics in PD-L1 negative or PD1/PD-L1 resistant patients. It also has the potential to avoid 4-1BB liver toxicity risk observed in other products with the benefit of its innovative biology mechanisms and bispecific design.

Engaged in the discovery and development of differentiated antibody therapeutics in immune-oncology and immunology disease areas, we also explored and developed multiple programs including novel and challenging mAbs such as HBM1022 (CCR8), HBM1020 (B7H7/HLA2, also potentially first-in-class on this target), HBM1007 (a CD73 targeted mAb working through dual modes of action), HBM9378 (a TSLP targeted mAb with better bioavailability), HBM1047 (a CD200R1 targeted mAb), HBM9014 (a LIFR targeted mAb), and bispecific antibodies generated from our HBICE® platform with novel design and differentiated mechanism such as HBM7020 (BCMAxCD3), HBM9027 (PD-L1xCD40), HBM7022 (CLDN18.2xCD3), HBM7004 (B7H4x4-1BB). In addition, by leveraging the advantages of the Harbour Mice® platform, we explored more modalities of therapy in immune-oncology, such as HBM9033 (a MSLN targeted ADC).

## LEADING DRUG INNOVATION AND DISCOVERY ENGINE

HBM4003 and other multiple programs were developed through our proprietary Harbour Mice® Platform. Our Harbour Mice® Platform generates fully human monoclonal antibodies in the classical two heavy and two light chain H2L2 format as well as heavy chain only (HCAb) format. Our H2L2 Platform generates, at a rapid rate and in a scalable fashion, classical two heavy and two light immunoglobulin chain antibodies (H2L2) with optimized fully human variable regions, allowing for endogenous affinity maturation and immune effector function. Our HCAb Platform is a human antibody platform that engineers “heavy chain only” antibodies (HCAb) in a wide variety of formats (such as mRNA, nanobodies, bispecific or multispecific antibodies and CAR-T) and with favorable developability. Leveraging the technology know-how we accumulated on our HCAb Platform, we have independently developed the HBICE® Platform, which focuses on generating differentiated HCAb-based bispecific immune cell engagers potentially capable of delivering tumor-killing effects unachievable by combination therapies. Integrated with our single B-cell cloning platform, our antibody discovery engine is highly productive and efficient to drive innovation and sustainable growth of the Company.

With such a unique leading edge and technological advantage of our technology platform, we established Nona Biosciences in 2022 to better empower the innovators in the industry and enable our collaborators from I to I™ (Idea to IND). Nona Biosciences is a global biotechnology company committed to providing a total solution for partners worldwide, from academies, biotech startups to biopharma giants. The integrated antibody discovery services range from antigen preparation, animal immunization, single B cell screening, to antibody lead generation and engineering, developability assessment and pharmacological evaluation, leveraging the advantages of Harbour Mice® Platforms and the experienced therapeutic antibody discovery team.

### **PLATFORM-VALUE MAXIMIZED BUSINESS COLLABORATIONS**

We own the global rights to use and develop our Harbour antibody platforms, enabling us to maximize the value of our platforms to address global unmet medical needs. With the leading discovery engine, we will expand our business collaborations with leading academic institutions and select industrial partners focusing on innovation and efficiency across the world.

The business collaboration model of Harbour Therapeutics is not only limited to pure technology out-licensing, but also to engage with academic institutions or other leading innovative pioneers in the industry for co-development and incubation of joint ventures on next-generation innovative therapy. Our platforms have been validated by over 50 industry and academic partners. Built upon our strong track record of collaborations, we believe our Harbour antibody platforms will generate the potential on revenue creation and broaden the scope of our business development.

In addition to collaboration through the molecules and pipeline generated from the platforms, we are also focusing our vision on more original and innovative collaborations on early stages. By integrating the industry leading Harbour Mice<sup>®</sup> Platforms and our experienced therapeutic antibody discovery team, Nona Biosciences provides a one-stop solution for therapeutic antibody discovery, engineering and development from I to I<sup>™</sup> with flexible business model. We believe that Nona Biosciences will show us a new path to expand our collaboration networks and maximize the value of our platform.

# Financial Highlights

## As of December 31/year ended December 31

	<b>2022</b>	2021	2020	2019	2018
	<b>US\$ in</b>	US\$ in	US\$ in	US\$ in	US\$ in
	<b>thousands</b>	thousands	thousands	thousands	thousands
Revenue	<b>40,659</b>	4,308	14,107	5,419	1,483
Cost of sales	<b>(130)</b>	(137)	(449)	(623)	(647)
Other income and gains	<b>4,768</b>	5,965	5,270	1,581	528
Research and development expenses	<b>(135,143)</b>	(107,103)	(55,244)	(49,477)	(31,630)
Administrative expenses	<b>(27,274)</b>	(40,067)	(46,294)	(10,587)	(6,496)
Finance costs	<b>(1,987)</b>	(176)	(280)	(213)	(532)
(Loss)/gain on fair value change of convertible redeemable preferred shares	<b>-</b>	-	(213,703)	(13,387)	2,853
Other expenses	<b>(17,913)</b>	(619)	(45)	(301)	(198)
Income tax (expense)/credit	<b>(248)</b>	(49)	99	92	56
Loss for the year	<b>(137,268)</b>	(137,878)	(296,539)	(67,496)	(34,583)
Loss per share (Basic and diluted) (USD)	<b>(0.19)</b>	(0.19)	(1.69)	(0.57)	(0.30)
Cash and bank balances	<b>171,705</b>	216,304	356,794	33,391	60,292
Total assets	<b>232,123</b>	282,361	388,738	69,499	83,499
Total liabilities	<b>139,622</b>	59,447	27,730	222,946	169,370
Total equity/(deficit)	<b>92,501</b>	222,914	361,008	(153,447)	(85,871)



# Business Highlights

## 1. BUSINESS DEVELOPMENTS

### WORLDWIDE COLLABORATION ON ASSETS

- a. We entered into a global out-license agreement in April 2022 with AstraZeneca to develop and commercialize HBM7022, a novel bispecific antibody generated from the HBICE® Platform of the Company, receiving an upfront payment of US\$25 million with the potential for additional payments of up to US\$325 million in aggregate and tiered royalties. In June 2022, we received the upfront payment from AstraZeneca.
- b. We further advanced the strategic collaboration with Hualan Genetic Engineering Co., Ltd. (“**Hualan Genetic**”) in respect of three innovative monoclonal antibody and bispecific antibody drugs which are expected to file the Investigational New Drug (“**IND**”) applications of the three products during 2022 and 2023.
- c. In October 2022, we entered into a global out-license agreement to grant NBP Pharma an exclusive, sublicensable, royalty-bearing license to exploit HBM9161 in Greater China (including Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan) with an upfront fees of RMB150 million, milestone payments of up to approximately RMB1.01 billion and tiered royalties. In March 2023, the Company announced positive results of its pivotal Phase III clinical trial of HBM9161 (batoclimab) for the treatment of generalized gMG has met primary endpoint as well as key secondary endpoints.
- d. In February 2023, we entered into a license and collaboration agreement with Cullinan Oncology Inc. (“**Cullinan**”), pursuant to which an exclusive sub-licensable license was granted to Cullinan to exploit HBM7008 in the U.S. and its territories and possessions (including the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico) with an upfront payment of US\$25 million, up to approximately US\$600 million in milestone payments and tiered royalties up to high teens.

### COLLABORATIONS OF PLATFORM-BASED PROJECTS ON EARLY STAGE

- e. The Company commenced collaborations on antibody-drug conjugate (“**ADC**”) projects with LegoChem Biosciences Inc. (“**LCB**”) and Duality Biotherapeutics, Inc. (“**Duality Biologics**”), pursuant to which the two products were granted to the collaborators.
- f. The Company advanced the collaboration with BioMap and entered into a new agreement of co-development of innovative therapies to explore the integration of the Harbour Mice® Platform and the artificial-intelligence (AI) technology developed by BioMap.

- g. Certain innovative molecules, generated from the collaboration between Innovent Biologics, Inc. (“**Innovent Biologics**”) and the Company, have already been advanced to clinical stage by Innovent Biologics during 2021 to 2022.
- h. Nona Biosciences and ModernaTX, Inc. (“**Moderna**”) entered into a license and collaboration agreement on the discovery and development of nucleic acid based immunotherapies using the Company’s proprietary HCAb discovery platform, pursuant to which the Company will receive an upfront payment of US\$6 million with the potential for additional payments of up to US\$500 million in aggregate and royalties.
- i. Nona Biosciences entered into a collaboration agreement with Dragonfly Therapeutics, Inc. (“**Dragonfly Therapeutics**”) to discover and develop fully human heavy chain only antibodies for bispecific/multispecific therapeutic antibody generation based on Nona Biosciences’ proprietary fully HCAb transgenic mice platform.
- j. Nona Biosciences entered into two agreements with Sichuan Kelun-Biotech Biopharmaceutical Co., Ltd. (“**Kelun-Biotech**”), pursuant to which Kelun-Biotech is entitled to license the two ADC products (product 1 and product 2) jointly developed by the Nona Biosciences and Kelun-Biotech to a licensed third party. The agreements were entered into and became effective in December 2022, according to which the Company is entitled to 30% of the upfront, milestones and royalty payments of product 1 and product 2.
- k. Nona Biosciences entered into a collaboration agreement with Mythic Therapeutics, a biotechnology company focused on the development of antibody-drug conjugate-based (ADC) therapies for the treatment of a wide range of cancers. Through the collaboration, Nona Biosciences will provide Mythic Therapeutics with access to its proprietary fully human heavy chain only antibody (HCAb) transgenic mice platform and antibody generation services to serve as input for Mythic Therapeutics’ proprietary FateControl™ antibody engineering approach to generate next-generation ADCs for a wide range of cancers.

### INCUBATION TO ADVANCE CUTTING-EDGE MODALITY/DISEASE AREA

- l. We entered into a subscription agreement with Shanghai NK Cell Technology Limited (“**NK Cell Tech**”) in June 2021, pursuant to which the Company granted its platform non-exclusive sublicense to NK Cell Tech for specific cell therapy. In June 2022, NK Cell Tech, announced that it has completed its A round financing and raised a fund which is over RMB100 million. This collaboration shows the expandability of our platform technology application scenarios which generate impactful values to the Company in the diversified deployment of next generation innovation.
- m. We advanced the collaboration with Boston Children’s Hospital, an affiliate of Harvard Medical School, by leveraging state of the art target discovery and antibody design platform in the identification of novel antibody therapeutics in 2022. HBM Alpha Therapeutics (“**HBMAT**”), a joint venture between the Company and Boston Children’s Hospital completed its seeds round financing in January 2023.

### 2. HBM4003 (PORUSTOBART)

#### MONOTHERAPY

- a. Released the topline data of the Phase Ib/II monotherapy trial at American Society of Clinical Oncology (“**ASCO**”) 2022 in June 2022.

#### COMBO WITH PD-1 FOR MELANOMA

- b. Completed the patients recruitment of the Phase Ib/II trial in March 2022.
- c. Released the topline data of the Phase Ia trial at ASCO 2022 in June 2022.
- d. Released the topline data of the Phase I trial at ESMO I-O 2022 in December 2022.

#### COMBO WITH PD-1 FOR NON-SMALL CELL LUNG CANCER (“NSCLC”)

- e. Completed the patients recruitment of the Phase Ib/II trial in the first half of 2022.
- f. Released the topline data of the Phase I trial at World Conference of Lung Cancer (“**WCLC**”) 2022 in August 2022.

#### COMBO WITH PD-1 FOR HEPATOCELLULAR CARCINOMA (“HCC”)

- g. Completed first dosing of first patient in Phase I trials in January 2022.
- h. Completed patients recruitment in Phase Ib/II trials in October 2022.

#### COMBO WITH PD-1 FOR NEUROENDOCRINE NEOPLASMS (“NET/NEC”)

- i. Completed first dosing of first patient in Phase I trials in January 2022.
- j. Completed the patients recruitment of Phase Ib trial in August 2022.

### 3. HBM7008

- a. Obtained the Institutional Review Boards (“**IRB**”) approval to commence Phase I trial for solid tumors in Australia in February 2022.
- b. Completed first dosing of first patient in Phase I trial in Australia in May 2022.
- c. Obtained the IND clearance to commence Phase I trial for solid tumors from National Medical Products Administration of the People’s Republic of China (“**NMPA**”) and U.S. FDA in June 2022.
- d. Completed first dosing of first patient in Phase I trial in U.S. in October 2022.

#### 4. HBM9378

- a. Obtained the IND approval from NMPA for moderate-to-severe asthma in February 2022.
- b. Completed the dosing of the first subject in Phase I trial in China in September 2022.

#### 5. ACADEMIC CONVENTIONS/PUBLICATIONS

- a. Presented HBM9027 (PD-L1xCD40), a novel bispecific antibody at the American Association for Cancer Research (AACR) Annual Meeting in April 2022.
- b. Presented a novel molecule named 87G7 which is an ACE2-blocking antibody conferring broad neutralization and protection against Omicron and other SARS-CoV-2 variants of concern on Science Immunology in April 2022.
- c. Presented two topline data of HBM4003 in Phase I trial of mono therapy and Phase Ia trial of combination with PD-1 at ASCO 2022 Annual Meeting in June 2022.
- d. Presented preclinical results of the next-generation fully human heavy-chain antibody HBM4003 on Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences (“**PNAS**”) in August 2022.
- e. Presented a speech of “Innovative B7H4 x CD3 & B7H4 x 4-1BB Bispecifics for Solid Tumor Therapies” at 13th Annual Summit World Multispecifics, 2022.
- f. Presented the Phase I data of Porustobart + Toripalimab on patients in China with melanoma at ESMO Immuno-Oncology Congress 2022.
- g. Presented new preclinical data of five portfolio assets including HBM7008, HBM7004, HBM1047, HBM1020 and HBM1022 in five poster presentations at the 37th Society for Immunotherapy of Cancer’s (SITC) Annual Meeting.

For details of any of the foregoing, please refer to the rest of this report and, where applicable, the Company’s prior press releases and announcements.



# Chairman's Statement

Dear Shareholders,

On behalf of the Board, it is my pleasure to share with you the third annual report of the Group. I would like to take this opportunity to walk you through the results we achieved in 2022 and our exciting milestones for 2023.

For us, 2022 has been our second financial year since listing on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong in December 2020. With greater opportunities, the Company integrated more resources and made more efforts to push forward the development of our portfolio, leveraging our unique global patent protected technology platforms, sustained discovery engine, robust portfolio and worldwide collaboration network. The Company is well positioned in this new era to achieve results that will propel the Company to new heights and create robust returns for our Shareholders.

We are navigating a fiercely competitive world that is going through rapid changes. Facing human being's fundamental quest for longevity and quality of life, having greater demand for biotechnological breakthroughs and innovative therapeutics. More than ever, it is explicit that only those with truly impactful products can win in the next era of biotechnology.

The Company is dedicated to the research and development (“**R&D**”) and commercialization of our portfolio products to address patients' needs across the globe. We are particularly proud of everything our team accomplished in 2022 we achieved rapid advancement of our core products, further strengthened our R&D capabilities and out-licensed internally discovered molecules to top-tier companies across the world. Besides the development of our internal portfolio and collaborations based on the products generated from our technology platform, we also launched a wholly-owned subsidiary, Nona Biosciences, to provide next-generation antibody and biotherapeutic solutions to partners from discovery to IND. The new subsidiary will leverage Harbour BioMed's technology platforms, including its Harbour Mice<sup>®</sup> and HBICE<sup>®</sup> for fully human antibody generation, and demonstrated expertise in discovery and development, along with an innovative business model to make these technologies broadly accessible to biotechnology and biopharma companies and academic institutions..

## **ADVANCEMENT OF ROBUST PORTFOLIO AND DIFFERENTIATED PIPELINE**

Harbour Therapeutics, a sub-brand parallel to Nona Biosciences, will be individually responsible for the development of our products pipeline. Focused on oncology and immunology, the differentiated portfolio of Harbour Therapeutics consists of six innovative drug candidates in clinical stage and novel candidates at pre-clinical stages.

In 2022, we conducted the global clinical development program of HBM4003 for multiple indications. As a pioneer, HBM4003 is the next-generation, fully human heavy chain only anti-CTLA-4 antibody discovered and developed through in-house efforts. It is also the first fully human heavy chain only antibody which has entered into clinical development around the world. Within four years, this flagship program has advanced from candidate selection to Phase II stage and the data readout of combination therapy in Phase I study in China was released in 2022. The results of Phase I trial showed good safety profile with a strong potential on efficacy, even the potential to become the best-in-class therapy for patients with melanoma in China.

Another example demonstrating our strong research capabilities is the discovery of HBM7008, a novel product targeting B7H4 and 4-1BB. Developed from our immune cell engager platform HBICE<sup>®</sup>, HBM7008 is, globally, the only bispecific antibody against these two targets. HBM7008 is our second product, generated from our platform, on clinical stage. Leveraging and integrating the expertise of our internal scientists in biology and antibody engineering and the unique characteristics of HBICE<sup>®</sup> platform, we have seen exciting performance of HBM7008 both in efficacy and safety profile at pre-clinical stage and we are fully confident in the global clinical development. In 2022, we conducted the Phase I trials in the U.S. and Australia. To maintain our leading position in the development of this first-in-class asset, we have entered into a co-development collaboration with Cullinan, to expand our study process in the U.S., Europe and Australia.

We also co-developed HBM9378 with Kelun-Biotech developed HBM9378 and advanced this program to clinical stage in 2022. HBM9378 is a co-development program with Kelun-Biotech. With the joint efforts of both partners, we expect exciting progress of HBM9378 in the future.

### **LEADING DRUG INNOVATION AND DISCOVERY ENGINE**

Driven by our unique platforms, we developed new assets such as HBM1020, HBM1022 and HBM1007. In the first quarter of 2023, HBM1020, HBM1022 and HBM1007 obtained the IND clearance from the U.S. FDA to initiate clinical study in the U.S.

HBM1020 is a first-in-class fully human monoclonal antibody generated from Harbour Mice<sup>®</sup> Platform targeting B7H7. As a newly discovered member of the B7 family, B7H7 expression is found non-overlapping with PD-L1 expression in multiple tumor types, which potentially play a more important role for tumor cells to escape immune surveillance. HBM1020 is the first and the only product targeting B7H7 in IND stage globally. With its excellent product design and target features, we believe that HBM1020 has great potential to address huge unmet medical needs on solid tumors.

In addition to these, HBM7022, HBM7004, HBM9027, HBM9033, HBM1047 and HBM9014 are all pre-clinical stage products in our pipeline. With the efficient output of our technology platform and the accumulated expertise of our R&D team, we aim to deliver at least one IND submission generated from our discovery engine each year.

### **PLATFORM-VALUE-MAXIMIZED BUSINESS COLLABORATIONS**

In 2022, we continued to expand our business collaborations with leading academic institutions and select industrial partners focusing on innovation and efficiency across the world. We believe our flexible business models built around our proprietary technologies and platforms can and will maximize our platform value by leveraging complementary advantages from the Company and our collaborators.

### **ASSETS COLLABORATION OF HARBOUR THERAPEUTICS**

Harbour Therapeutics has entered into several external collaboration in terms of pipeline licensing and collaborations. Within one year, we have granted the global out-licensing of HBM7022 to AstraZeneca and the regional out-licensing of HBM7008 in the U.S. to Cullinan. Meanwhile, the three assets that we have licensed the Greater China Rights to Hualan Genetic are well under development. In addition, HBM9378, which we developed in collaboration with Kelun-Biotech, has entered into clinical stage. With the multiple collaborations based on the assets generated from HBICE®, our platform has showed its strength and unique advantages to build comprehensive portfolio in immune cell engagers.

We also out-licensed the Greater China rights of batoclimab (HMB9161) to CSPC to accelerate the development and commercialization of this product. Over the past few years, we are delighted to see the excellent clinical efficacy of batoclimab, and are also looking forward to the commercialization of this product. We believe that entering into this cooperation with CSPC enable the Company to optimize market potential and advance the clinical development of HBM9161, so as to further maximize the value of batoclimab in Greater China, including the ongoing trials of HBM9161 for MG and TED. With the positive outcome of the pivotal trial of HBM9161 being read, we are confident to see the near future to move into the commercialization stage with CSPC Group.

We believe that the co-development and collaboration of the pipeline is not only the recognition of our industry partners for our products and technology platforms, but will also help the Company to improve the efficiency of our portfolio advancement, spread the costs and risks, and make the development of the Company more robust.

### **MULTIPLE COLLABORATIONS OF NONA BIOSCIENCES**

With the technological advantage of our platform, we established Nona Biosciences (formerly known as Harbour BioMed (Suzhou) CO., LTD) to better empower the innovators in the industry and enable our collaborators from I to I™. Nona Biosciences is a global biotechnology company committed to providing a total solution for partners worldwide, from academies, biotech startups to biopharma giants. At the end of 2022, Nona Biosciences achieved big success in its launch as it has landed a number of international collaborations, including the collaboration with Moderna, a global biotechnology company well recognized for its capabilities in mRNA technology; the collaboration with Dragonfly Therapeutics, a cutting-edge developer on multiple therapies in relation to NK cell; and also the collaboration with Kelun-Biotech, a Chinese leading biotech company in ADCs. With the flexible business model and the great start, we believe that Nona Biosciences will show us a new path to expand our collaboration network and maximize the value of our platform.

### **INCUBATION ON CUTTING-EDGE COLLABORATIONS**

To give full play to the value of our unique platform technologies, we have continued to explore the expandability of platform technology application scenarios which generate impactful values to the Company. We are incubating several joint ventures focusing on next-generation innovation ranging from multivalence to cell therapies, etc. Their common feature is to increase the application scenarios of our technology platform to bring incremental value creation to the Company.

In other words, this “technology for equity” model allows us to integrate incremental resources for a diversified deployment of our next-generation innovation, which will continuously bring us new value growth points with minimal marginal investment.

## 2023 OUTLOOK: EXTENSIVE GLOBALIZATION AND BREAKTHROUGH INNOVATION

Looking to the future, we will keep moving towards our mission to become the leading company in driving global innovation of next generation antibody therapeutics. In 2023, we will advance the multiple clinical trials of our internal pipeline, and we will further invest in HBM4003, HBM7008 and HBM1020, to fully advance the global clinical development project, as well as other projects generated from our discovery engine with an approach of designing molecules against novel targets or innovative molecules against known targets.

A range of products based on our technology platform and generated from the concept of T-cell engager and NK cell engager, will be pushed forward to clinical stage in the following years. With a combination of in-house development and business collaborations, we believe the Company will form a portfolio of products with a differentiated competitive advantage in immuno-oncology.

The platform-valued-maximized business collaborations will further drive the Company down the path of global development. We have seen very exciting value through these platform-based collaborations with top institutions around the world as our preclinical products become increasingly mature, more extensive global collaborations are expected in 2023.

We insist on innovation and we believe that the Company will thrive in the fast evolutionary industry. With your support, we are confident that we will continue to bring sustainable and considerable values to our patients, our employees and our Shareholders.

Last but not least, on behalf of the Board and management team, I would like to thank our colleagues for their dedication and contribution. Our gratitude also extends to our Shareholders, our partners and external service providers for their continued support. We look forward to building another prosperous year in 2023 with all relevant parties.

**Jingsong Wang**

*Chairman of the Board*

29 March 2023



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## OVERVIEW

### ABOUT HARBOUR THERAPEUTICS

Harbour Therapeutics is committed to the discovery, development and commercialization of novel antibody therapeutics focusing on oncology and immunology. We have built a robust portfolio and differentiated pipeline by leveraging on our unique antibody technology platforms as well as based on our biological understanding and industry experiences. Our portfolio also consists of strategically selected, clinical assets with near-term revenue potential targeting diseases with high unmet needs and taking the lead in filling the gap of the Greater China market.

### ABOUT NONA BIOSCIENCES

Our proprietary antibody technology platforms, Harbour Mice<sup>®</sup>, generate fully human monoclonal antibodies in the classical two heavy and two light chain (H2L2) format, as well as heavy chain only (HCAb) format. Building upon our HCAb antibodies, the HCAb-based immune cell engagers (HBICE<sup>®</sup>) are capable of delivering tumor killing effects unachievable by combination therapies. Integrated with our single B cell cloning platform, our antibody discovery engine is highly productive and efficient in driving the innovation and sustainable growth of the Company.

With such a unique leading edge and technological advantage of our technology platform, we established Nona Biosciences in 2022 to better empower the innovators in the industry and enable our collaborators from I to I<sup>TM</sup> (Idea to IND). Nona Biosciences is a global biotechnology company committed to providing a total solution for partners worldwide, from academies, biotech startups to biopharma giants. The integrated antibody discovery services range from antigen preparation, animal immunization, single B cell screening, to antibody lead generation and engineering, developability assessment and pharmacological evaluation, leveraging the advantages of Harbour Mice<sup>®</sup> Platforms and the experienced therapeutic antibody discovery team.

We believe our flexible business models, which are built based on both Harbour Therapeutics and Nona Biosciences, can and will maximize our platform value by leveraging the complementary advantages of the Company and our collaborators.

## PORTFOLIO:

We have over 10 drug candidates focused on oncology and immunological diseases in pre-clinical to late clinical stages. The following table summarizes our product pipeline and the development status of each drug candidate in the areas indicated in the chart at the right column.

Project	Target	Indication	Commercial Rights	Status						
				Discovery	Pre-Clinical	IND	Phase I	Phase II	Phase III	BLA
Batoclimab HBM9161	FcRn	MG <sup>a</sup>	Greater China Out-license to CSPC	Ph 3 Completed						
		TED <sup>a</sup>		Ph 2/3						
Porustobart HBM4003	CTLA-4	Solid Tumors <sup>a</sup>	Global	Monotherapy Ph 1b/2						
		Solid Tumors <sup>b</sup>		Combo with PD-1 Ph 1b/2						
		Solid Tumors <sup>c</sup>		Combo with PD-1/PD-1+Chemo Ph 1						
HBM7008	B7H4x4-1BB	Solid Tumors	Ex-U.S.	Ph 1						
HBM9378	TSLP	Asthma	Global	Ph 1						
HBM1020	B7H7/HHLA2	Solid Tumors	Global	US IND clearance January 2023						
HBM1007	CD73	Solid Tumors	Global	US IND clearance January 2023						
HBM1022	CCR8	Solid Tumors	Global	US IND clearance February 2023						
HBM7022	CLDN18.2xCD3	Solid Tumors	Global Out-license	AstraZeneca						
HBM9027	PD-L1xCD40	Solid Tumors	Global							
HBM9033	MSLN ADC	Solid Tumors	Global							
HBM7004	B7H4xCD3	Solid Tumors	Global							
HBM1047	CD200R1	Solid Tumors	Global							
HBM9014	LIFR	Solid Tumors	Global	Yinuoque						

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a. Melanoma, HCC, RCC and Other Advanced Solid Tumors  
 b. Melanoma, HCC, NEC/NET and Other Advanced Solid Tumors  
 c. NSCLC and Other Advanced Solid Tumors

## **BUSINESS REVIEW**

Since 2022, China's healthcare reform has further deepened, and the reform of the pharmaceutical industry has gradually developed in depth and breadth amidst policy and market changes. Looking back at the overall industry landscape, the adjustment of medical insurance catalogues, medical insurance price negotiations and the new round of volume-based procurement have brought continuous challenges to drug prices, especially for the pricing of less differentiated products. Meanwhile, the exploration of medical insurance payment reform has also driven the industry to focus more on the drugs' potency-price ratio. The newly revised "Drug Registration Regulation" (the "DRR") took effect on 1 July 2020. The DRR and its supplementary measures provide several accelerated pathways for new drug development and approval, aiming to encourage clinical value-oriented drug innovation, accelerate the filing of clinically urgent drugs and address unmet clinical needs, which will ultimately benefit more patients.

At the same time, we have also seen opportunities and challenges in the global industry competition, especially certain cases of biopharmaceutical companies facing challenges in global development and commercialization of innovative medicines in recent years, due to changes in policy and orientation. Further, the new policy imposes new requirements on the quality of clinical trials and the protection of patient privacy. We are also paying attention to relevant policy changes in major countries around the world to align our product development with the rules and regulations of the region where the products are registered. Overall, against the backdrop of healthcare services upgrades and acceleration of the aging of the population, industry demand is still large and growing steadily. Furthermore, the industry as a whole is still on an upward trend which brings greater market opportunities for differentiated innovative drugs. The Company has been upholding the clinical value-oriented product line layout, and the forward-looking clinical development.

With the gradual improvements of the structural adjustment of the pharmaceutical industry, a new ecosystem has formed in the industry. The Company will further optimize its strategies for research, development, product registration and patenting by focusing on the development of highly differentiated products with clear value that can meet clinical needs. We believe that the Company's pipeline products will have broad market prospects in the future.

## **PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT OF HARBOUR THERAPEUTICS**

During the Reporting Period, Harbour Therapeutics continued to expand our business collaborations with leading academic institutions and selected industry partners focusing on innovation and efficiency across the world. The co-development and collaboration with industry partners on the development of our pipeline products not only shows that our products and technology platform were recognized by industry partners, but will also help the Company to improve the efficiency of our portfolio advancement, spread the costs and risks, and lead to robust development of the Company.

## Business Development

### 1. *HBM7022 Out-licensed to AstraZeneca*

In April 2022, we entered into a global out-license agreement with AstraZeneca to develop and commercialize HBM7022, a novel bispecific antibody generated from the HBICE® Platform of the Company. Pursuant to the said agreement, the Company shall receive a one-time, non-refundable upfront payment in the amount of US\$25 million, potential milestone payments of up to US\$325 million in aggregate, based on pending achievement of certain regulatory, development, and sales milestones, and the tiered royalties. In June 2022, we received the upfront payment from AstraZeneca. This collaboration and recognition by an industry leading global biopharmaceutical company marks a major milestone in the business development of the Company, validating the potential of the Company's technology platform and innovation capabilities.

### 2. *Exploration on NK Cell Therapy*

The Company entered into a subscription agreement with NK Cell Tech in June 2021, pursuant to which the Company granted its platform non-exclusive sublicense to NK Cell Tech for specific cell therapy. In June 2022, NK Cell Tech announced that it has completed its A round financing raising a fund of over RMB100 million. For further information, please refer to "Material Investment, Acquisition and Disposals" in this report.

### 3. *Advancement of the Strategic Collaboration with Hualan Genetic*

The strategic collaboration with Hualan Genetic was further advanced by the two parties in 2022. In September 2020, the Company entered into a strategic partnership agreement with Hualan Genetic to develop our three proprietary innovative monoclonal and bispecific antibodies, including HBM1029, HBM7015 and HBM7020. These three assets are expected to file the INDs of the three products during China in 2022 and 2023. In early 2023, HBM7015 has been granted the IND approval from NMPA to initiate the Phase I trial in China, and we are looking forward to the approval for the other two assets in this year.

### 4. *Strategic Collaboration on AI and digitization with BioMap*

In 2022, we have further advanced the collaboration with BioMap and entered into a new agreement in relation to the co-development of innovative therapies to explore the integration of Harbour Mice® Platform and AI technology developed by BioMap. In 2021, the Company entered into a strategic collaboration agreement with BioMap for scientific research, development and transformation on novel antibodies products, which will be based on the Harbour Mice® Platform incorporating the benefits of the AI technology developed by BioMap. We believe that the collaboration with BioMap can optimize the discovery and pre-clinical development of innovative therapy through AI and digitization and empower the discovery engine of the Company.



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### 5. *Collaboration with Innovent Biologics*

In 2017, the Company non-exclusively licensed its H2L2 transgenic mouse platform for generating fully human therapeutic monoclonal antibodies to Innovent Biologics for the discovery of novel molecules with global rights. Certain novel molecules have been developed and advanced to the clinical stage by Innovent Biologics. The collaboration reflects the power of our platform as a rapid and efficient antibody discovery tool and our strong intellectual property position. The Company received the milestone payments in the past years and expects to receive additional milestone payments thereafter arising from the initiation of clinical studies for the aforementioned products across various modalities.

### 6. *Collaboration with Boston Children's Hospital*

The Company established a collaboration initiative with Boston Children's Hospital in 2018, leveraging state-of-the-art target discovery and antibody design platform in the identification of novel antibody therapeutics. HBMAT is a joint venture between the Company and Boston Children's Hospital and it completed its seeds round financing in January 2023. HBM9013, the lead candidate developed by HBMAT, has advanced in CMC development. Boston Children's Hospital has been consecutively named the No.1 pediatric hospital by the U.S. News & World Report for nine years. We believe this collaboration will integrate both parties' strengths and advantages in drug development and bring innovative therapies to pediatric medicine.

### 7. *HBM9161 Out-licensing to NBP Pharma and CSPC Group*

In October 2022, we entered into a global out-license agreement to grant NBP Pharma, a wholly-owned subsidiary of CSPC Group, an exclusive, sublicensable, royalty-bearing license to exploit HBM9161 in Greater China (including Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan). The license fee under the license agreement shall comprise (i) an upfront payment of RMB150 million; (ii) development milestone payments of up to RMB400 million; (iii) sales milestone payments of up to US\$57.5 million (approximately RMB411 million) in aggregate; (iv) technology milestone payment of up to RMB50 million in aggregate; and (v) tiered royalties based on annual net sales of the licensed products in the Greater China (including Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan). The Company believes that entering into this cooperation with CSPC enables the Company to optimize the market potential and advance the clinical development of HBM9161 (batoclimab), so as to further maximize the value of batoclimab in Greater China. We expect to file the BLA application of HBM9161 in 2023.

### 8. *Co-development Collaboration of HBM7008 with Cullinan*

In February 2023, we entered into a license and collaboration agreement with Cullinan, pursuant to which an exclusive sub-licensable license was granted to Cullinan to exploit HBM7008 in the U.S. and its territories and possessions (including the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico). The license fee under the license agreement shall comprise an upfront payment of US\$25 million, up to approximately US\$600 million in milestone payments and tiered royalties up to high teens.

## Products in Clinical Stage

### *HBM9161 and HBM9036*

We completed the recruitment of patients in ongoing Phase III clinical trial of HBM9161 (Batoclimab) for Myasthenia Gravis (“MG”) in July 2022 and completed the treatment of patients in early 2023. The ongoing trial for TED has been transferred to NBP Pharma by the end of 2022. In October 2022, we granted NBP Pharma, an exclusive, sublicensable, royalty-bearing license to exploit HBM9161 in Greater China (including Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan). We believe that entering into this cooperation with CSPC enables the Company to optimize the market potential and advance the clinical development of HBM9161, so as to further maximize the value of batoclimab in Greater China. With the positive outcome of the pivotal trial of batoclimab for gMG being read, we expect to file the BLA application of HBM9161 in 2023.

We also completed the first interim analysis of ongoing Phase III trial of HBM9036 (Tanfanercept) for DED in January 2022. In October 2022, as a result of its observed insufficient efficacy trend, the Company has decided to close the study without enrolling new patients of its China tanfanercept Phase III clinical trial based on the recommendation of the IDMC and we will continue to follow-up with the existing patients per study protocol.

### *HBM4003*

HBM4003 is the next-generation, fully human heavy chain only anti-CTLA-4 antibody generated from the HCAb Platform. It is also the first fully human heavy chain only antibody entered into clinical development around the world in history. In 2022, we implemented the global development plan of multiple types of solid tumors with adaptive treatment designed for HBM4003. This flagship program is a great combination of our R&D capabilities and technology platform and has made significant progress:

#### *Monotherapy*

- A. Released the topline data of the Phase Ib/II monotherapy trial at ASCO 2022 Annual Meeting in June 2022. This is an open-label, multi-center study on subjects with solid tumors at dose levels of 0.3mg/kg QW (28-day cycle), 0.45mg/kg Q3W (21-day cycle), and 0.6mg/kg Q3W (21-day cycle). In the dose-expansion part, patients with advanced HCC, melanoma, and RCC received 0.45 mg/kg Q3W (21-day cycle).

Key results of the Phase I Study include: (i) 24 patients with advanced solid tumors in the dose escalation part and 36 patients in the dose expansion part, from 12 sites in Mainland China, 5 sites in Australia, and 1 site in Hong Kong, China; including 19 patients with HCC and 19 patients with RCC. 46 patients (77%) received  $\geq 2$  lines of previous systemic therapies and 37 patients (62%) received previous PD-1/PD-L1 treatment; (ii) For the HCC cohort, all 19 patients received previous PD-1/PD-L1 therapy and 12 patients were evaluable for efficacy. Two had stable disease (SD) and two had partial response (PR) as the best response. The objective response rate (ORR) was 16.7% and the disease control rate (DCR) was 33.3%; (iii) For the RCC cohort, 19 patients were treated in dose-escalation and dose-expansion parts and 18 patients were evaluable for efficacy. Eight had SD as best response; the DCR was 44.4%; (iv) The most common treatment-related adverse event (TRAE) of all grades was rash (16 [26.7%]). At the 0.45 mg/kg Q3W DL, Gr  $\geq 3$  TRAEs occurred in 4 (9.3%) patients, 1 patient reported Gr 4 TRAE and no Gr 5 TRAE was reported; (v) The recommended Phase II dose (RP2D) was selected as 0.45mg/kg Q3W; and (vi) sustained Treg depletion was observed in tumor tissue on day 21 post dosing.



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With strong efficacy and good safety profile observed in the results, we will further observe and gather more evidence on the relevance of the mechanism of Treg depletion to clinical benefits.

### *Combination Therapy with PD-1 for Melanoma*

- B. Completed the patients recruitment of the Phase Ib/II trial in March 2022.
- C. Released the topline data of the Phase Ia trial at ASCO 2022 Annual Meeting in June 2022.
- D. Released the data of the Phase I trial at ESMO I-O 2022 Annual Meeting in December 2022. The Phase I Study is an open-label study to evaluate the safety, tolerability, pharmacokinetics (PK)/ pharmacodynamic (PD) and preliminary efficacy of HBM4003 in combination with toripalimab in patients with advanced melanoma and other solid tumors.

The Phase I Study includes two parts: (i) in the dose-escalation part (Part 1), patients with solid tumors received HBM4003 at 3 dose levels (0.03 mg/kg n=1, 0.1 mg/kg n=3, and 0.3 mg/kg n=10) plus toripalimab 240 mg every three weeks (Q3W); (ii) in the dose-expansion part (Part 2), patients with advanced melanoma (n=26) received the recommended Phase II dose (RP2D) of HBM4003 0.3 mg/kg plus toripalimab 240 mg Q3W. Key Results of the Phase I Study Key results of the Phase I Study include:

- (i) As of 31 August 2022, a total of 40 patients had been dosed and the median follow-up time was 106.5 days.
- (ii) HBM4003 in combination of toripalimab in advanced melanoma showed a favourable safety profile. Treatment-related adverse events (TRAEs) were reported in 87.5% (35/40) patients, and  $\geq$ Grade 3 TRAEs were reported in 20.0% (8/40) patients. The most commonly reported TRAE was rash (30.0%).
- (iii) HBM4003 in combination of toripalimab showed great anti-tumor activity regardless of prior-line treatment:
  - In anti-PD-(L)1 naïve group, the ORR and DCR were 53.3% and 73.3%
  - In anti-PD-(L)1 pretreated group, the ORR and DCR were 11.8% and 35.3%

Patients with advanced melanoma treated with RP2D (including 8 patients in Part 1 and 26 patients in Part 2) were categorized as anti-PD-(L)1 naïve group (Cohort A, 17 patients) and anti-PD-(L)1 pretreated group (Cohort B, 17 patients).

For cohort A, the ORR and DCR were 53.3% (95% CI: 26.6-78.7) and 73.3% (95% CI: 44.9-92.2) respectively in the 15 patients with post-treatment tumor assessment. The ORR of cutaneous, acral, mucosal and unknown subtype were 66.7% (2/3), 50% (2/4), 60.0% (3/5) and 33.3% (1/3), respectively.

For cohort B, the ORR and DCR were 11.8% (95% CI: 1.5-36.4) and 35.3% (95% CI: 14.2-61.7) respectively, including one patient achieving PR after pseudo-progression. Both of the PR cases were mucosal subtype.

HBM4003 0.3 mg/kg plus toripalimab 240mg Q3W showed promising anti-tumor activity in patients with advanced melanoma including acral and mucosal subtypes, as well as an acceptable safety profile. The above results demonstrated robust clinical response rate in difficult-to-treat melanoma subtypes in Asians, such as mucosal and acral melanoma that were generally not sensitive to immunotherapy including anti-PD-(L)1 antibodies. The results showed great potential to develop HBM4003 as a cornerstone therapy in immuno-oncology.

### *Combination Therapy with PD-1 for NSCLC*

- E. Completed the patients recruitment of the Phase Ib/II trial in first half of 2022.
- F. Released the topline data of the Phase I trial at the 2022 WCLC.

### *Combination Therapy with PD-1 for HCC*

- G. Completed the first dosing of the Phase I trials in January 2022.
- H. Completed patients recruitment in Phase Ib/II trials in October 2022.

We have seen the strong efficacy of HBM4003 on HCC in its Phase I trial of monotherapy. The topline data of Phase I trial demonstrated best in class potential. The clinical benefit was observed in heavily pre-treated patients, frontline treatments include TKIs and anti-PD-1 antibody. The details of the results are expected to be released in 2023.

### *Combination Therapy with PD-1 for NET/NEC*

- I. Completed the first dosing of the Phase I trials in January 2022.
- J. Completed the patients recruitment of Phase Ib trial in August 2022.

With the completion of the patients recruitment, we have seen double response rate from preliminary data compared with available treatments. Such durable clinical benefit observed in multiple patients. The details of the results are expected to be released in 2023.



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With the full-speed advancement of our clinical development globally, we are excited to see the encouraging data from the Phase I trial with monotherapy and combination therapy, and we expect to see more data coming up, especially the POC evidence in selective solid tumors. We believe this product is an ideal cornerstone drug in combination therapy for immuno-oncology.

### *HBM7008*

HBM7008 is a bispecific antibody targeting Tumor Associated Antigen B7H4 and 4-1BB that not only displays high potency in the T cell co-stimulation and tumor growth inhibition, and potentially may also translate to better safety due to its strict dependency of TAA-mediated crosslinking T cell activation. HBM7008 is one of the fully human bispecific antibodies developed from the HBICE® Platform of the Company. HBM7008 is the only clinical stage bispecific antibody against these two targets globally. With excellent safety profile and strong anti-tumor efficacy in the pre-clinical study, including completed response observed in mouse tumor model, we believe HBM7008 will display a strong potential in Phase I trial as a globally first-in-class therapy. In 2022, we initiated the global trials and we are fully engaged in the clinical development:

- A. Obtained the IRB approval of Phase I trial for solid tumors in Australia in February 2022.
- B. Completed the first dosing of the Phase I trial in Australia in May 2022.
- C. Obtained the IND approval/clearance of Phase I trial for solid tumors from NMPA and U.S. FDA in June 2022.
- D. Completed first dosing of first patient in Phase I trial in U.S. in October 2022.

As the first BsAb generated from the HBICE® Platform in clinical stage, HBM7008 has shown strong anti-tumor efficacy in the pre-clinical study. We aim to develop this product globally with Cullinan to maximize the market value for unmet medical needs.

## *HBM9378*

We rely on in-house technology platforms to co-develop fully human monoclonal antibody drugs of new targets, such as HBM9378, in collaboration with Kelun-Biotech. This collaboration of HBM9378 has entered into clinical development stage.

HBM9378 is a fully human monoclonal antibody against TSLP (thymic stromal lymphopoietin) generated from H2L2 platform. It inhibits the TSLP mediated signalling pathway by blocking the interaction between TSLP and TSLP receptor. TSLP plays important roles in DC cell maturation, T helper 2 (Th2) cell polarization and inflammation, particularly in both eosinophilic and non-eosinophilic inflammation asthma. HBM9378 has fully human sequences with less immunogenicity risk and better bioavailability compared to other TSLP target competitors. The long half-life optimization and outstanding biophysical properties support its favorable dosing and formulation advantages.

HBM9378 obtained the IND approval in February 2022 and completed the dosing of the first subject in Phase I trial in China in September 2022.

## **Other Development Projects**

Apart from the main products mentioned above, we also developed multiple programs and we aim to deliver at least one IND submission generated from our discovery engine each year.

### **1. *HBM1020***

HBM1020 is a first-in-class fully human monoclonal antibody generated from H2L2 transgenic mice platform, targeting B7H7. The antibody can enhance anti-tumor immunity by blocking the novel immune checkpoint target. Preclinical data demonstrated its immune activation and anti-tumor functional activities.

B7H7, also known as HHLA2, is a novel immune modulatory molecule belongs to B7 family members. The B7 family is of central importance in regulating the T-cell response, making these pathways very attractive in cancer immunotherapy. Most of validated targets in immune-oncology so far are related to B7 family, including PD-(L)1, and CTLA-4. The therapies against B7 family targets have already shifted the paradigm for cancer therapy with outstanding clinical benefit. As a newly discovered member of the B7 family, B7H7 expression is found non-overlapping with PD-L1 expression in multiple tumor types, which indicates an alternative immune evasion pathway besides PD-(L)1. In PD-L1 negative/refractory patients, B7H7 potentially play a more important role for tumor cells to escape immune surveillance.



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With its innovative biology mechanisms, HBM1020 may present a novel anti-tumor therapeutic complementary to PD-(L)1 therapeutics to patients, especially for PD-L1 negative/refractory patients. In January 2023, HBM1020 obtained the IND approval from U.S. FDA to initiate Phase I trial in U.S..

### 2. *HBM1022*

HBM1022 is a monoclonal antibody generated from Harbour integrated G protein-coupled receptor (GPCR) platform. The antibody can enhance anti-tumor immunity by depleting CCR8 positive regulatory T cells, activating effector T cells. HBM1022 presented cynomolgus cross-reactive and demonstrated its anti-tumor functional activities in preclinical studies.

CCR8 is a novel G protein-coupled receptor (GPCR) target on tumor-specific Treg cells. The GPCRs is essential in the immunoregulation, especially for immuno-oncology, where numerous chemokines work through GPCRs. It has been an extremely challenging to target due to the structure complexity and low immunogenicity. CCR8 is expressed enhanced in tumor infiltrated Treg cells, and functional involved in Treg cells migration and infiltration. Tumor resident CCR8 positive Treg have been shown to be a major driver for immunosuppression.

Generated from the Company's platform, HBM1022 is one the few functional monoclonal antibody that can be cross-reactive to human and cynomolgus CCR8 with GPCR signaling modulation. With its unique characteristics, HBM1022 is expected to present therapeutic potentials in a variety of solid tumors with enriched CCR8-positive Tregs, including breast cancer, colon cancer, gastric cancer, non-small cell lung cancer and head and neck cancer.

In February 2023, HBM1022 obtained the IND approval from U.S. FDA to initiate Phase I trial in U.S..

### 3. *HBM1007*

HBM1007 is a fully human mAb against CD73 generated from our H2L2 platform. CD73 is an ecto-enzyme expressed on stromal cells and tumors that converts extracellular adenosine monophosphate (AMP) to adenosine. With unique epitopes to recognize CD73, HBM1007 works through dual modes of action: (1) it can block the enzymatic activity of both membrane and soluble CD73 independent of AMP concentration, suggesting its sustainable activity in TME, and (2) it reduces the surface expression of CD73. As a result, both enzymatic and non-enzymatic dependent functions of CD73 were significantly reduced.

In January 2023, HBM1007 obtained the IND approval from FDA to initiate Phase I trial in U.S..

#### 4. *HBM9033*

HBM9033 is an ADC drug that specifically target human Mesothelin (MSLN), a TAA that upregulated in various solid tumors, including mesothelioma, ovary cancer, lung cancer, breast cancer, and pancreatic cancers. The fully human mAb in HBM9033 is generated from the Harbour Mice® Platform with a well-tuned property that it showed decreased binding to shedding MSLN (sMSLN) while maintaining good binding and internalization to membrane bound MSLN. The ADC utilized a tumor specific cleavable linker with novel topoisomerase inhibitor for improved stability and activity. The unique design for both mAb and linker-payload together ensured the superior potency and safety of HBM9033 in pre-clinical studies to different tumor models with different MSLN expressing level. This product was developed by the Company, based on the collaboration with Medilink and we believe that HBM9033 will display a strong potential in Phase I trial as a globally best-in-class therapy.

#### 5. *HBM9027*

HBM9027 is a novel PD-L1xCD40 bispecific antibody. Using our proprietary fully human HBICE® bispecific technology and Harbour Mice® Platform, we discovered a crosslinking dependent PD-L1xCD40 bispecific antibody to provide novel solutions for cancer immunotherapy from both efficacy and safety angles. The development of PD-L1xCD40 bispecific HBICE® further expands our bispecific immune cell engager into the cutting-edge DC/myeloid cell engager field and demonstrates HBICE® Platform's versatile geometry formats and plug-and-play advantages.

- Mediates both PD-1/PD-L1 inhibitory pathway and CD40 agonistic pathway to achieve synergistic anti-tumor immune responses.
- Combination effects on both myeloid cells and lymphocytes in the innate and adaptive immune systems by stimulating APC cells and relieving the immunosuppression on T cells.
- Potent in vivo anti-tumor efficacy and remarkable in vivo stability with long half-life.
- Preclinical toxicology studies indicated that the crosslinking-dependent CD40 activation can overcome the liver and systemic toxicity of traditional anti-CD40 monoclonal antibody.
- The bispecific design on geometry and targets provide the cis-and trans-mode of actions on APC, DC, tumor and T cells, indicating the encouraging therapeutic window.



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### 6. *HBM7004*

HBM7004 is a novel B7H4xCD3 bispecific antibody. Using our proprietary fully human HBICE<sup>®</sup> bispecific technology and Harbour Mice<sup>®</sup> Platform, we discovered a B7H4xCD3 bispecific antibody to provide novel solutions for cancer immunotherapy from both efficacy and safety angles. The development of B7H4xCD3 bispecific HBICE<sup>®</sup> further consolidates our bispecific immune cell engager platform and demonstrates HBICE<sup>®</sup> platform's versatile geometry formats and plug-and-play advantages.

- Binds to target cells via bivalent B7H4 binding arms and demonstrates a intratumor B7H4-dependent T cell activation manner
- Optimized CD3-agonistic activity has stronger in vivo antitumor activity and reduced systemic toxicity.
- Engages endogenous T cells to cancer cells and mediates potent cytotoxicity in a MHC-TCR independent manner.
- Potent in vivo anti-tumor efficacy and remarkable in vivo stability with long half-life.
- Shows strong synergistic effect when combining with B7H4x4-1BB bispecific antibody at low Effector: Target ratio, indicating the encouraging therapeutic window.

### 7. *HBM9014*

HBM9014 is a first-in-class, fully human antibody targeting Leukemia inhibitory factor receptor for cancer treatment. It has been discovered using Harbour Mice<sup>®</sup> Platform. It:

- Blocks multiple IL6 family cytokine pathways to inhibit their function in promoting tumour progression, metastasis and chemo-resistance.
- Shows significant in vivo antitumor efficacy, enhanced efficacy in combination with Cisplatin in multiple tumor models.
- Shows great tolerability in monkey toxicology study.

### 8. *HBM1047*

HBM1047 is a fully human anti-CD200R1 antagonistic mAb generated from Harbour Mice® Platform (H2L2). HBM1047 selectively binds to CD200R1 that is highly expressed on tumor infiltrating T cells and myeloid cells. HBM1047 blocks CD200-induced CD200R1 inhibitory signaling and enhances immune responses.

- HBM1047 is a fully human anti-CD200R1 antibody with potent antagonistic activities.
- HBM1047 preferentially binds to tumor infiltrating T cells and myeloid cells.
- HBM1047 shows dramatic anti-tumor efficacy in different preclinical models.
- HBM1047 exhibits superior developability, PK and safety profile.
- HBM1047 was well tolerated up to the highest dose at 200 mg/kg in cynomolgus.

### **Research, Development and Technology**

We focus on innovative next-generation therapies in oncology and immunology. Our discovery and pre-clinical research teams conduct drug discovery, formulation development, process development and pre-clinical studies on new candidates.

Meanwhile, we have a professional team of scientists to optimize, upgrade and further develop our technology platforms. During the Reporting Period, the Company has made major progress in discovery, platform and patents as follows:

- Applied for 93 patents, and 30 patents have been granted invention patent license by the China National Intellectual Property Administration, with 201 patent applications still in progress as at 31 December 2022. These patent applications have further strengthened the protection of intellectual property rights of the Company's core products and technology platforms.
- Developed HBM9027 (PD-L1xCD40), a novel bispecific antibody, which was presented at the AACR Annual Meeting.



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- Developed a novel molecular named 87G7 which is an ACE2-blocking antibody conferring broad neutralization and protection against Omicron and other SARS-CoV-2 variants of concern, which was presented on Science Immunology in April 2022.
- Presented two topline data of HBM4003 in Phase I trial of mono therapy and Phase Ia trial of combination with PD-1 at ASCO 2022 Annual Meeting in June 2022.
- Presented preclinical results of the next-generation fully human heavy-chain antibody HBM4003 on PNAS in August 2022.
- Developed HBM7004 and presented a speech of “Innovative B7H4 x CD3 & B7H4 x 4-1BB Bispecifics for Solid Tumor Therapies” at 13th Annual Summit World Multispecifics, 2022.
- Presented the Phase I data of Porustobart + Toripalimab on patients in China with melanoma at ESMO Immuno-Oncology Congress 2022.
- Presented new preclinical data of five portfolio assets including HBM7008, HBM7004, HBM1047, HBM1020 and HBM1022 in five poster presentations at the 37th Society for Immunotherapy of Cancer’s (SITC) Annual Meeting.

For details of our progress in clinical development of our products, please see the section titled “Business Review – Our Product Development” in this section.

### **Business Development of Nona Biosciences**

With our unique leading edge and technological advantage of our technology platform, we established Nona Biosciences in 2022 to better empower the innovators in the industry and enable our collaborators from I to I™ (Idea to IND). Nona Biosciences is a global biotechnology company committed to providing a total solution for partners worldwide, from academies, biotech startups to biopharma giants.

We believe our flexible business models built around our proprietary technologies and our strong internal discovery capabilities can and will maximize our platform value by leveraging complementary advantages from the Company and our collaborators. To give full play to the value of our unique platform technologies, we continued to explore the expandability of platform technology application scenarios which generate impactful values to the Company.

### 1. *Multiple Collaborations in ADC*

In the first half of 2022, Harbour BioMed (Suzhou) Co. Ltd, the predecessor of Nona Biosciences, commenced collaborations on ADC projects with LCB and Duality Biologics, pursuant to which monoclonal antibodies were granted to the collaborators. Pursuant to the license agreements and subject to the terms and conditions thereof, the Company shall receive upfront payments, milestone payments and sales-based royalties. The Company believes that the aforementioned collaborations will contribute further to the Harbour Mice<sup>®</sup> Platform's ADC Ecosphere with the Company's other industrial leading partners.

### 2. *Collaborations with Moderna*

Nona Biosciences and Moderna entered into a license and collaboration agreement on the discovery and development of nucleic acid based immunotherapies using the Company's proprietary heavy chain only antibody discovery platform, pursuant to which the Company will receive an upfront payment of US\$6 million with the potential for additional payments of up to US\$500 million in aggregate and royalties.

### 3. *Collaborations with Dragonfly Therapeutics*

Nona Biosciences entered into a collaboration agreement with Dragonfly Therapeutics to discover and develop fully human heavy chain only antibodies for bispecific/multispecific therapeutic antibody generation based on Nona Biosciences' proprietary fully HCAb transgenic mice platform.

### 4. *Collaborations with Kelun-Biotech*

Nona Biosciences entered into two agreements with Kelun-Biotech, pursuant to which Kelun-Biotech is entitled to license the two ADC products jointly developed by Nona Biosciences and Kelun-Biotech to a licensed third party. The agreements were entered into and became effective in December 2022, according to which the Company is entitled to 30% of the upfront, milestones and royalty payment of product 1 and product 2.

### 5. *Collaborations with Mythic Therapeutics*

Nona Biosciences entered into a collaboration agreement with Mythic Therapeutics, a biotechnology company focused on the development of antibody-drug conjugate-based (ADC) therapies for the treatment of a wide range of cancers. Through the collaboration, Nona Biosciences will provide Mythic Therapeutics with access to its proprietary fully human heavy chain only antibody (HCAb) transgenic mice platform and antibody generation services to serve as input for Mythic Therapeutics' proprietary FateControl™ antibody engineering approach to generate next-generation ADCs for a wide range of cancers.

The Company has established a robust antibody discovery platform, protein engineering platform, ADC development platform, GPCR drug development platform and delivery technology platform to use mRNA-encoding target gene as immunogen to tackle difficult targets. Leveraging on these technology platforms, the Company may move towards more novel and challenging drug targets globally.



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## Manufacturing and Commercialization

As the development on batoclimab is close to commercialization, during the Reporting Period, we were exploring the best way to commercialize and develop HBM9161 going forward. In October 2022, we out-licensed the Greater China rights of batoclimab to CSPC Group to accelerate the development and commercialization of this product. Over the past few years, we are delighted to see the excellent clinical efficacy of batoclimab, and are also looking forward to the commercialization of this product. We believe that entering into this cooperation with CSPC enables the Company to optimize the market potential and advance the clinical development of HBM9161, so as to further maximize the value of batoclimab in Greater China.

As we adjusted the strategy of the development of batoclimab and tanfanercept, we have accordingly reallocated our resources between pipeline development, manufacturing and commercialization in order to make the company more robust and ultimately benefit on our Shareholders.

In 2022, the Company and a subsidiary of WuXi Vaccines (Cayman) Inc. (“**WuXi Vaccines**”, a third party) entered into an assets transfer agreement to transfer the clinical supply manufacturing facilities to WuXi Vaccines. The Company is of the view that the disposal is beneficial and in the best interest of the Company as a whole and also in line with the global innovation strategy currently implemented by the Company. In the meantime, considering the overall market status, the Company will develop strategically prioritized programs into clinical stage. The Company may reallocate its financial and other resources to maximize the platform value and to focus on its core competencies, invest in projects with growth prospects that can derive more steady income.

**Cautionary Statement required by Rule 18A.08(3) of the Listing Rules:** The Company cannot guarantee that it will be able to develop, or ultimately market, any of the products in its pipeline (including its core products) successfully. Shareholders and potential investors of the Company are advised to exercise due care when dealing in the shares of the Company.

## Material Investment, Acquisition and Disposals

### *Investment in NK Cell Tech*

In June 2021, the Company entered into an agreement with NK Cell Tech, a startup company established in the PRC with globally leading technology and talents in the NK cell field, in respect of the co-development of novel NK cell therapy. The Company, via Harbour BioMed (Shanghai) Technology Development Co., Ltd (“**HBM Shanghai**”), a subsidiary of the Company, as the co-founder, made an investment in NK Cell Tech. Pursuant to the shareholders’ agreement entered into by the parties, HBM Shanghai subscribed for redeemable ordinary shares with preferential shares of NK Cell Tech, representing 15.8% of the equity interest in the registered capital of NK Cell Tech, for a consideration of cash and technology sublicense agreement. Upon completion of the subscription, the Company, through its subsidiary, held 15.8% of the total equity interest of NK Cell Tech and has the right to appoint a person as a director of NK Cell Tech. This investment shows the expandability of our platform technology application scenarios which generate impactful values to the Company in the diversified deployment of next generation innovation. It opens up a new channel for our platform technology value creation and conversion. In June 2022, NK Cell Tech announced that it has completed its A round financing raising a fund of over RMB100 million. As of 31 December 2022, the Company, through its subsidiary, held 11.90% of the total equity interest of NK Cell Tech.

As of 31 December 2022, the fair value of the investment is US\$6.36 million, which represented 2.74% of the Company’s total assets. During the Reporting Period, the Group recorded unrealized gain of US\$1.04 million of its investment in NK Cell Tech.

## *Disposal of Clinical Supply Manufacturing Facilities*

In November 2022, the Company (as the vendor) and a subsidiary of WuXi Vaccines (as the purchaser) entered into an assets transfer agreement to transfer the production plant and related assets in relation to the Biomacromolecule R&D Innovation Center Project, also known as the clinical supply manufacturing facilities, to WuXi Vaccines for a total consideration of RMB146 million. For details, please refer to the announcements of the Company dated 15 November 2022 and 22 December 2022. The disposal resulted in an increase of other expense by US\$12.5 million for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Save as disclosed above and in this report, the Group did not make any investments, acquisitions or disposals in any company amounting to 5% or more of the value of the Group's total assets during the Reporting Period.

To give full play to the value of our unique platform technologies, we continued to explore the expandability of platform technology application scenarios which generate impactful values to the Company. With limited investments, we are incubating several joint ventures focusing on next generation innovation varying from multivalent to cell therapies, etc. Their common objective is to increase the application scenarios of our technology platform and create the incremental value for the Company. In other words, this “technology for equity” model allows us to integrate incremental resources for the diversification deployment of our next generation innovation which will constantly bring us more new value growth points with minimal marginal investment.

## **Impact of and response to COVID-19**

In 2022, to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in our offices and research facilities, we have implemented a comprehensive disease prevention program to protect our employees from COVID-19 infection.

During the Reporting Period, despite the epidemic control measures implemented in Shanghai, the impact of the epidemic on the Company's business was insignificant. Apart from the Mainland and Hong Kong, the Company's offices and laboratories in Rotterdam, the Netherlands and Boston, the U.S. have also taken effective measures in response to the epidemic, such as telecommuting and site disinfection. All of the Company's offices and laboratories are in good operating condition. With the government of the locations of each office adopted an open policy to recover to normal economic activities, the epidemic has minimal impact on the Company's operations and there was no significant delay, suspension or termination caused by the epidemic. In 2023, the Company will continue to closely monitor the epidemic and take proactive and effective measures to ensure the smooth operation of its global business, R&D and operations.

## **Prospects and Outlook**

The Company's achievements and growth momentum in 2022 give us confidence that we will be able to successfully address the complex market environment and provide innovative therapeutic drugs for immune diseases and cancer patients in the near future.

Since its establishment, we have been committed to developing innovative therapies for patients around the world and have become an innovative biopharmaceutical company with core technological advantages and a differentiated portfolio. In 2023, Harbour Therapeutics will further accelerate the progress of its portfolio. We will advance the multiple clinical trials of HBM4003, HBM7008 and other projects generated from our discovery engine with an approach of designing molecules against novel targets or innovative molecules against known targets. In addition, we expect to file INDs for at least one new products, and we will continue to identify new quality candidates through Harbour Mice<sup>®</sup> and HBICE<sup>®</sup>, our highly effective drug discovery engine.



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The values of the antibody discovery platforms and flexible partnership models of Nona Biosciences have been well validated through the collaboration achieved in 2022. With a big success of the launch of Nona Biosciences, we will enhance the approaches with partners worldwide, from academies, biotech startups to biopharma giants, providing a total solution. The platform-valued-maximized business collaborations will further drive the Company down the path of global development. We have seen very exciting value through these platform-based collaborations with top institutions around the world as our preclinical products become increasingly mature, more extensive global collaborations are expected in 2023.

With the transfer of our pilot scale facilities and the co-development/out-licensing collaborations achieved recently, we will re-allocate the internal resources to focus on the development of portfolio in which all assets are generated from our platform, and the exploration on expanding of Nona Biosciences' networks.

### FINANCIAL REVIEW

#### OVERVIEW

For the year ended 31 December 2022, the Group recorded a revenue of US\$40.7 million, which increased significantly by US\$36.4 million, or 843.8%, compared with US\$4.3 million for the year ended 31 December 2021. The research and development expenses increased by US\$28.0 million, or 26.1%, from US\$107.1 million for the year ended 31 December 2021 to US\$135.1 million for the year ended 31 December 2022. The administrative expenses saved US\$12.8 million, or 31.9%, from US\$40.1 million for the year ended 31 December 2021 down to US\$27.3 million for the year ended 31 December 2022. Other income and gains were US\$4.8 million for the year ended 31 December 2022, as compared with US\$6.0 million for the year ended 31 December 2021. The Group recorded the loss of US\$137.3 million for the year ended 31 December 2022.

#### REVENUE

Our revenue primarily consists of molecule license fee, technology license fee and platform-based research fee, the increase primarily attributable to our license and collaboration agreement with AstraZeneca, NBP Pharma and Moderna. Our platform-based research fee remained stable at US\$1.4 million and US\$2.0 million for the year ended 31 December 2022 and 2021, respectively.

#### COST OF SALES

Our cost of sales consists of mice feeding costs and transportation costs, which was US\$0.1 million for the year ended 31 December 2022, and was consistent with the US\$0.1 million for the year ended 31 December 2021.

#### OTHER INCOME AND GAINS

Other income and gains primarily consist of interest income, government grants recognized and other miscellaneous income, which decreased from US\$6.0 million for the year ended 31 December 2021 to US\$4.8 million for the year ended 31 December 2022, primarily due to a decrease of government subsidy and grants.

## RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT COSTS

This increase was primarily attributable to the combined impact of (i) an increase in materials and third-party contracting costs from US\$61.9 million for the year ended 31 December 2021 to US\$98.8 million for the year ended 31 December 2022 due to our increased investments in key clinical programs and molecule assets in discovery and pre-clinical stages; (ii) mainly partially offset by a decrease in upfront and milestone fees from US\$7.6 million for the year ended 31 December 2021 to US\$1.6 million for the year ended 31 December 2022.

	For the year ended December 31			
	2022 US\$ in thousands		2021 US\$ in thousands	
Upfront and milestone fees	1,589	1.2%	7,598	7.1%
Employee costs	25,950	19.2%	28,472	26.6%
Materials	11,904	8.8%	9,935	9.3%
Third-party contracting costs	86,917	64.3%	51,983	48.5%
Depreciation and amortization	5,609	4.2%	5,113	4.8%
Others	3,174	2.3%	4,002	3.7%
	<b>135,143</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	107,103	100.0%

## ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

Our administrative expenses decreased from US\$40.1 million for the year ended 31 December 2021 to US\$27.3 million for the year ended 31 December 2022, primarily attributable to (i) a decrease in employee cost from US\$28.0 million for the year ended 31 December 2021 to US\$14.8 million for the year ended 31 December 2022 caused by the decrease of salary and welfare in relation to our administration headcount; and (ii) partially offset by increased expenses of depreciation expense and the consulting and professional services.

	For the year ended December 31			
	2022 US\$ in thousands		2021 US\$ in thousands	
Employee costs	14,768	54.1%	28,046	70.0%
Professional expenses	8,905	32.7%	8,749	21.8%
Depreciation and amortization	2,426	8.9%	1,696	4.2%
Others	1,175	4.3%	1,576	4.0%
	<b>27,274</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	40,067	100.0%

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## LOSS FOR THE YEAR

As a result of the above factors, the loss for the year of the Group decreased by US\$0.6 million from US\$137.9 million for the year ended 31 December 2021 to US\$137.3 million for the year ended 31 December 2022.

## AGEING ANALYSIS OF ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

A majority of the accounts receivables aged less than one year.

### Ageing Analysis of Accounts Payables

An analysis of the trade payables as at the end of each year, based on the invoice date, is as follows:

	2022 USD'000	2021 USD'000
Within 1 month	19,978	23,358
1-3 months	1,171	2,562
3-6 months	826	26
6-12 months	54	47
	<b>22,029</b>	25,993

The trade payables are non-interest-bearing and are normally settled on terms of 1 to 3 months.

## LIQUIDITY AND SOURCE OF FUNDING

Our primary uses of cash are to fund our clinical trials, research, purchase of equipment and materials and other expenses. During the Reporting Period, we primarily funded our working capital requirements through proceeds from IPO, pre-IPO fund raising and bank loans. We closely monitor uses of cash and bank balances and strive to maintain a healthy liquidity for our operations.

### Key Financial Ratios

The following table sets forth the key financial ratios for the periods indicated:

	As of 31 December	
	2022	2021
Current ratio <sup>(1)</sup>	2.79	5.87
Gearing ratio <sup>(2)</sup>	N/A <sup>(3)</sup>	N/A <sup>(3)</sup>

- (1) Current ratio is calculated using current assets divided by current liabilities as of the same date.
- (2) Gearing ratio is calculated by net debt divided by the adjusted capital plus net debt. Net debt includes lease liabilities, trade payables and financial liabilities included in other payables and accruals, less cash and bank balances and restricted bank balances. Adjusted capital includes equity attributable to owners of the parent.
- (3) As at 31 December 2022 and 31 December 2021, the Group's cash and bank balances plus restricted bank balances exceeded the financial liabilities. As such, no gearing ratio as of 31 December 2022 and 31 December 2021 was presented.

## **MATERIAL ACQUISITIONS AND DISPOSALS**

In November 2022, the Company (as the vendor) and a subsidiary of WuXi Vaccines (as the purchaser) entered into an assets transfer agreement to transfer the production plant and related assets in relation to the Biomacromolecule R&D Innovation Center Project, also known as the clinical supply manufacturing facilities, to WuXi Vaccines. The disposal resulted in an increase of other expense by US\$12.5 million for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Save as disclosed above and in this report, the Group did not make any investment, acquisition or disposals in any company amounting to 5% or more of the value of the Group's total assets during the Reporting Period.

## **FUTURE PLANS FOR MATERIAL INVESTMENTS OR CAPITAL ASSET**

The Group did not have detailed future plans for material investments or capital assets.

## **PLEDGE OF ASSETS**

As of 31 December 2022, except the cash in bank amounting to US\$0.7(31 December 2021: Nil) was restricted, the Group had no other pledge of assets.

## **CONTINGENT LIABILITIES**

The Group had no material contingent liabilities as of 31 December 2022 (as of 31 December 2021: nil).

## **FOREIGN EXCHANGE EXPOSURE**

During the year ended 31 December 2022, the Group mainly operated in China and the majority of the transactions were settled in Renminbi ("**RMB**"), whereas the funding source of the Company was United States dollars ("**US\$**"), the functional currency of the Company. Our financial assets and liabilities are subject to foreign currency risk as a result of certain bank deposits, trade and other receivables and trade and other payables denominated in non-functional currency. Therefore, the fluctuations in the exchange rate of functional currency against non-functional currency could affect our results of operations. We have not entered into any hedging transactions to manage the potential fluctuation in foreign currency as of 31 December 2022.

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## BANK LOANS AND BORROWINGS

As of 31 December 2022, we had bank loans of US\$88.2 million and lease liabilities of US\$2.7 million.

The table below summarizes the maturity profile of the Group's bank loans and lease liabilities as of the dates indicated, based on contractual undiscounted payments:

	<b>Less than 1 year</b> US\$ in thousands	<b>Between 1-5 years</b> US\$ in thousands	<b>Total</b> US\$ in thousands
As of 31 December 2022			
Lease liabilities	1,299	1,438	2,737
Bank borrowings – unsecured*	43,867	49,193	93,060
As of 31 December 2021			
Lease liabilities	2,594	4,826	7,420
Bank borrowings – unsecured*	797	10,479	11,276

\* The bank borrowings carry interest at rates ranging from 3.45% to 4.65% (2021: 4.10% to 4.60%) per annum.

## EMPLOYEES AND REMUNERATION

As of 31 December 2022, 197 of our employees were located in the PRC, 18 were located in the United States, and one was located in the Netherlands. The following table sets forth the total number of employees by function as of 31 December 2022:

<b>Function</b>	<b>Number of Employees</b>	<b>% of Total Employees</b>
Research and Development	143	66.2
General and Administrative	73	33.8
Total	216	100.0

The total remuneration cost incurred by the Group for the year ended 31 December 2022 was US\$40.7 million (including share-based payment amounting to US\$5.8 million), as compared to US\$56.5 million for the year ended 31 December 2021.

The Group has also adopted a pre-IPO equity plan, a post-IPO share option scheme and a post-IPO share award scheme.

# Directors and Senior Management

## EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

**Dr. Jingsong Wang, M.D., Ph.D.** (王勁松), aged 58, is an executive Director, the chief executive officer and chairman of the Board. Dr. Wang is a member of Remuneration Committee and the chairman of Nomination Committee. Dr. Wang is also a director of HBM Holdings BVI and HBM Therapeutics, as well as the legal representative and chief executive officer of HBM Shanghai, Nona Biosciences Suzhou, HBM Guangzhou and HBM Beijing. Dr. Wang is the principal founder of the Group and joined the Group in July 2016.

Dr. Wang was the associate director of translational medicine at Wyeth from July 2005 to May 2007. After that, he served as director of clinical discovery immunology at Bristol-Myers Squibb from June 2007 to November 2011. From November 2011 to December 2015, Dr. Wang served as the head of China research and development at Sanofi.

Dr. Wang has served as an independent director of Xinjiang Bai Hua Cun Pharma Tech Co., Ltd. (新疆百花村醫藥集團股份有限公司) since September 2021 and an independent non-executive director of Frontage Holdings Corporation (HKEX: 1521) since April 2018. He has also served as independent non-executive director of Silicon Therapeutics since August 2016.

Dr. Wang received his M.D. in clinical medicine from Xuzhou Medical College in China in June 1986, his master's degree in medical science (immunology) from Jilin University in China in July 1989, and his Ph.D. in molecular pharmacology from China Pharmaceutical University in China in July 2011. Dr. Wang also obtained a physician qualification awarded by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Board of Registration in Medicine in May 2002, as well as a Diplomate in Internal Medicine and a Diplomate in Rheumatology, both awarded by the American Board of Internal Medicine in 2003 and 2004 respectively. He obtained an unrestricted licensure in medicine awarded by the State Board of Medicine of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in 2005. In addition, Dr. Wang served as a research/clinical fellow in rheumatology at Brigham and Women's Hospital and Harvard Medical School from June 2001 to June 2005.

**Dr. Yiping Rong, Ph.D.** (戎一平), aged 45, is an executive Director and the chief scientific officer of the Company.

Dr. Rong was an associate scientist at Shanghai Biochip Co., Ltd. between June 2002 and June 2003. He then served as the associate research investigator at Roche R&D Center (China), where he designed and led two oncology projects (tumor antigen target by antibody modality, protein interaction target by peptide or SMI) between January 2009 to September 2012, with his last position as a principal scientist. From September 2012 to July 2014, Dr. Rong served as senior scientist and group leader of Translation Research, Department of Oncology at Janssen Pharmaceutical R&D, Johnson & Johnson, Shanghai Discovery Center. He was in charge of preclinical translational oncology research for liver cancer indication. As a biology leader, he also successfully generated the preclinical data package and patient stratification biomarker strategy to support the first Janssen oncology Phase I filing in China. In July 2014, he joined Sanofi Asia Pacific R&D Hub, AP TSU Research as an associate director, where he led and managed the early stage cancer therapeutics projects for liver cancer until he departed from the position in May 2016 to join the Company.

Dr. Rong received his master's degree in Molecular Biology in June 2002 from East China University of Science and Technology & Chinese National Human Genome Center in China and his Ph.D in Pharmacology in May 2008 from Case Western Reserve University in the U.S.A.. Dr. Rong has also been a member of the American Association of Cancer Research.

### NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

**Mr. Yu Min Qiu** (裘育敏), aged 50, is a non-executive Director and was designated by Advantech Capital, one of our earlier investors. Mr. Qiu joined the Group in December 2016. Mr. Qiu is a member of the Audit Committee.

Mr. Qiu worked at Vancouver Coastal Health Authority from May 2004 to April 2007. From April 2007 to May 2010, he worked at the advisory department in PricewaterhouseCoopers Consultants (Shenzhen) Ltd. (Beijing branch) and his last position held was manager. From May 2010 to April 2013, he was a vice president of investment management firm GL Capital. He served as director at New Horizon Capital, a private equity fund, from May 2013 to December 2014 and as an executive director from January 2015 to December 2015. Thereafter, he joined Advantech Capital, a private equity fund, as an executive director in January 2016 and has been a partner at Advantech Capital since October 2017.

Mr. Qiu has served as a non-executive director of TOT BIOPHARM International Company Limited (HKEX: 1875) since September 2018 and a non-executive director of Alphamab Oncology (HKEX: 9966) since October 2018 to June 2022.

Mr. Qiu received his bachelor's degree in power engineering from the East China University of Technology (which was subsequently amalgamated with Shanghai Institute of Mechanical Technology to become the University of Shanghai for Science and Technology) in China in July 1994, and his master of business administration degree in finance from the University of British Columbia in Canada in May 2004. He has also been a Certified Management Accountant (conferred by the Institute of Management Accountants) since May 2006 and a Chartered Financial Analyst (conferred by the Chartered Financial Analyst Institute) since September 2007.

**Mr. Junfeng Wang** (王俊峰), aged 49, is a non-executive Director and was designated by Legend Capital, one of our early investors. Mr. Wang joined the Group in March 2018.

Mr. Wang served as the assistant general manager of the key accounts department of the Lenovo Group from April 1997 to May 2001, prior to joining Legend Capital in May 2004, where he has served as a managing director since October 2009.

Mr. Wang served as a non-executive director of the following listed companies during the past three years:

- Qingdao Huicheng Environmental Technology Co., Ltd. (SZSE: 300779), from September 2015 to September 2021;
- Shenzhen Colibri Technologies Co., Ltd. (SZSE: 002957) since September 2016;
- Berry Genomics Co., Ltd. (SZSE: 000710) since May 2018; and
- Beijing Kawin Technology Share-Holding Co., Ltd. (SZSE: 688687) since July 2011.

Mr. Wang received his bachelor's degree in polymer chemistry from Lanzhou University in China in June 1995, his master of business administration degree in international finance from McMaster University in Canada in June 2004 and his executive master of business administration degree from the PBC School of Finance, Tsinghua University in China in July 2019.

**Ms. Weiwei Chen** (陳維維), aged 57, is a non-executive Director. Ms. Chen had been re-designated as a non-executive Director in June 2021. Prior to that, Ms. Chen was an independent non-executive Director from December 2020 to June 2021. Ms. Chen joined the Group in December 2020.

Ms. Chen joined Sanofi Group in February 2004 as chief financial officer (China) and had subsequently served as the chief financial officer (Asia) since April 2011 until her departure in June 2012. Ms. Chen then served as the chief financial officer of Yum! Brands, Inc. (China Division) between July 2012 and May 2015. In June 2015, she joined Starbucks (China) where she has served as vice president and chief financial officer till December 2020.

Ms. Chen has served as a non-executive director of Dairy Farm International Holdings Limited, traded as DFI Retail Group (London stock exchange: DFIB, Singapore stock exchange: D01), a company listed on the London Stock Exchange, with secondary listings on the Bermuda and Singapore stock exchanges, since November 2021. She also joined the LianBio board, a Nasdaq listed company (symbol: LIAN), as an independent non-executive director in April 2022.

Ms. Chen received her bachelor's degree in accountancy from the University of Illinois in the United States in May 1993 and her master of business administration from Rutgers University in the United States in October 2002.

### INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

**Dr. Robert Irwin Kamen, Ph.D.**, aged 78, is an independent non-executive Director. Dr. Kamen is a member of the Nomination Committee. Dr. Kamen joined the Group in December 2016. He also served as a director of Harbour Antibodies from December 2007 to December 2016 prior to the acquisition of Harbour Antibodies by our Group. Dr. Kamen has served as an independent Director on our Board as well as a member of our scientific advisory board since December 2016. He provides our Group with independent consulting and advisory services and is not involved in the day-to-day management of the Group.

Dr. Kamen was the head of the transcription laboratory and a principal investigator of the Imperial Cancer Research Fund from 1976 to 1982, after which he served as the senior vice president of scientific affairs at Genetics Institute, Inc. from 1982 to 1989, where he was the overall head of research and development. He then served as the president of the BASF Research Corporation from 1991 to 2000, and the president and unit head of the Abbott Bioresearch Center, where he was also a member of the Abbott Labs executive committee, from 2000 to 2002. Dr. Kamen served as an executive in residence at Oxford Bioscience Partners, a venture capital firm, from 2002 to 2008. He has served as a venture partner at Third Rock Ventures since 2010.



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Dr. Kamen has served as a director of the following listed companies:

- Jounce Therapeutics (NASDAQ: JNCE), since June 2013; and
- Neon Therapeutics (which was formerly NASDAQ-listed with ticker symbol NTGN and subsequently acquired by Biopharmaceutical New Technologies (NASDAQ: BNTX), in May 2020), since October 2015.

Dr. Kamen received his bachelor's degree of arts in biophysics from Amherst College in the United States in 1965 and his Ph.D. in biochemistry and molecular biology from the Harvard University Graduate School of Arts and Sciences in the United States in 1970. He has also been a member of the European Molecular Biology Organization since 1976.

**Dr. Xiaoping Ye, Ph.D.** (葉小平), aged 59, is an independent non-executive Director of our Company. Dr. Ye is a member of Audit Committee and Nomination Committee and the chairman of Remuneration Committee. Dr. Ye joined the Group in December 2020.

From March 2005 to September 2010, Dr. Ye served successively as manager, director and general manager at Hangzhou Tigermed Limited, the predecessor of Hangzhou Tigermed Consulting Co., Ltd. (HKEX: 3347) ("**Hangzhou Tigermed**"). After the incorporation of Hangzhou Tigermed in September 2010, he served as the general manager from September 2010 to April 2019. He has served as the chairman of the board and a director of Hangzhou Tigermed since its incorporation in September 2010 and also as an executive director since April 2020. Dr. Ye is also the chairman of the Strategy Development Committee of Hangzhou Tigermed.

Dr. Ye has served as a director of Dian Diagnostics (SZSE: 300244) since March 2020 and Coland Holdings Limited (TWSE: 4144) since December 2010. Dr. Ye also served as a director of Shanghai Lide Biotech Co., Ltd., the shares of which ceased to be quoted on the National Equities Exchange and Quotations in April 2019.

Dr. Ye received his Ph.D. in immunology from Oxford University in April 2001.

**Mr. Ka Chi Yau** (邱家賜), aged 65, is an independent non-executive Director. Mr. Yau is the chairman of Audit Committee and a member of the Remuneration Committee. Mr. Yau joined the Group in June 2021.

Mr. Yau holds a professional diploma in company secretaryship and administration from the Hong Kong Polytechnic (now known as the Hong Kong Polytechnic University) and is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Mr. Yau has over 30 years of professional accounting services experience including 20 years in serving PRC-based enterprises. He had worked for Ernst & Young in its Hong Kong, Toronto and Beijing offices, with a primary focus in providing professional services in accounting and audit, initial public offering, and corporate restructuring, before retiring in September 2015. During the tenure with Ernst & Young, Mr. Yau was appointed, among others, as the professional practice director of Greater China and the assurance leader for China North Region. He joined the Group in 2021. From October 2016 to December 2021, Mr. Yau served as an independent non-executive director of China Mengniu Dairy Company Limited (HKEX: 2319). Mr. Yau is currently an independent non-executive director of Yihai International Holding Ltd. (HKEX: 1579), China Power International Development Limited (HKEX: 2380) and BetterLife Holding Limited (HKEX: 6909), all three companies are listed on the Main Board of the Hong Kong Stock Exchange.

### SENIOR MANAGEMENT

**Dr. Jingsong Wang, M.D., Ph.D.** (王勁松), aged 58, is an executive Director, the chief executive officer of our Company and chairman of the Board of our Company. For further details, see “Executive Directors” above.

**Dr. Yiping Rong, Ph.D.** (戎一平), aged 45, is an executive Director and the chief scientific officer of our Company. For further details, see “Executive Directors” above.

**Mr. Weihao Xu** (徐偉豪), aged 39, is the chief finance officer and chief business officer of our Company. Mr. Xu joined the group in December 2021.

Mr. Xu has more than fifteen years of experience in global biotech industry, equity investment and financial management. Mr. Xu held executive roles in several companies listed in the United States and global investment companies. Prior to joining our Company, Mr. Xu served as the chief financial officer at Alphamab Oncology (HKEX: 9966) and CASI Pharmaceuticals Inc. (NASDAQ: CASI). He also served as the chief financial officer and director for 111, Inc. (NASDAQ: YI). In the area of investment, Mr. Xu served as a Portfolio Manager in Matthews International and worked in several other international funds.

Mr. Xu received a master degree in finance and accounting from Columbia Business School.

**Dr. Humphrey Gardner**, aged 58, is the chief medical officer of our Company. Dr. Gardner joined the group in April 2022.

Before joining the Company, Dr. Gardner served as the chief medical officer at Silicon Therapeutics and the chief of medical oncology at Evelo Biosciences. He also served in leadership roles at Novartis, AstraZeneca and Biogen.

Dr. Gardner obtained his bachelor’s degree in Biochemistry and his medical degree from University of Cambridge, his diploma in Anatomic Pathology from the American Board of Pathology, his master of science degree in Bioinformatics from Brandeis University. He completed his residency in Anatomic Pathology at Beth Israel Hospital, Harvard Medical School, and postdoctoral training at Whitehead Institute, Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT).

Dr. Gardner is also a fellow of the College of American Pathologists, and a member of American Society of Clinical Oncology, and has previously been a member of a variety of professional organizations including the European Society of Clinical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases and the American Association for Clinical Chemistry.



## Directors and Senior Management

**Dr. Xiaolu Tao, Ph.D.** (陶曉路), aged 48, is our senior vice president and head of Translational Development of our Company. Dr. Tao joined the Group in July 2020.

Prior to joining the Group, Dr. Tao served as Associate Vice President at Cstone Pharmaceuticals from 2018 till 2020. She also served as Executive Director at Simcere Pharmaceutical Groups from 2016 to 2018, establishing and heading Drug metabolism and pharmacokinetics (DMPK) and Clinical Pharmacology department for these two companies. Before starting her career in China, Dr. Tao worked in the U.S. at Akros Pharma Inc., Bristol-Myers Squibb and Novartis in the area of clinical pharmacology and pharmacometrics as Senior Scientist and subsequently. She had successfully supported IND as well as BLA/NDA filings in the U.S., EU and China for multiple programs. Dr. Tao currently is one of the The International Council for Harmonisation of Technical Requirements for Pharmaceuticals for Human Use (ICH) M12 Experts working on globally harmonized Drug-Drug interaction guideline.

Dr. Tao received her Ph.D. from Temple University School of Pharmacy, and obtained both bachelor of science and masters of science degree from China Pharmaceutical University.

**Mr. Minghua Wu** (吳明華), aged 43, is our General Manager for HBM China. He joined the Group in 2021.

Prior to joining Harbour BioMed, he served as Head of Marketing and Medical Affairs Department at Simcere Pharmaceutical. Prior to that, he served companies including MSD, Pfizer and Roche with more than 20 years abundant experience in Sales and Marketing such as several new oncology, immunology, CV products launch; NRDL Access Strategy and BD transition. During his tenure at MSD, he established ANA business unit in MSD China. He is current committee member of CSCO (China Society of Clinical Oncology) Experts Committee on Patient Education.

The Board is pleased to present its Directors' Report for the year ended 31 December 2022.

## PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The principal activity of the Company is investment holding. The Group is principally engaged in the discovery and development of differentiated antibody therapeutics in oncology and immunology disease areas, also collaboration on multiple modalities of therapies in these disease areas. Details of the principal activities of the principal subsidiaries are set out in note 1 to the consolidated financial statements. There were no significant changes in the nature of the Group's principal activities during the year. Record of the Company's key relationships with its employees, customers, suppliers and others that have a significant impact on the Company will be set out in the "Environmental, Social and Governance Report" which will be published on the same day with this report.

## RESULTS

The Group's loss for the year ended 31 December 2022 and the Group's financial position at that date are set out in the consolidated financial statements.

## FINAL DIVIDEND

The Board does not recommend the distribution of a final dividend for the year ended 31 December 2022.

## BUSINESS REVIEW

The business review of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2022 and the business outlook of the Group are set out in the section headed "Management Discussion and Analysis" on pages 16 to 38 of this annual report.

## KEY FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

The key financial performance indicators of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2022 are set out in the section headed "Financial Highlights" on page 7 of this annual report.

## FINANCIAL SUMMARY

A summary of the Group's results, assets and liabilities for the last five financial years are set out on page 7 of this annual report. This summary does not form part of the audited consolidated financial statements.

## MAJOR CUSTOMERS AND SUPPLIERS

For the year ended 31 December 2022, the Group's purchases from its largest supplier accounted for 6.8% (2021: 13.0%) of its total purchases, and the purchases from the five largest suppliers in aggregate accounted for 19.9% (2021: 44.4%) of its total purchases.

For the year ended 31 December 2022, the Group's sales to its largest customer accounted for 60.7% (2021: 43.5%) of the Group's revenue, and the sales to the five largest customers in aggregate accounted for 95.6% (2021: 90.6%) of its total revenue.

None of the Directors or any of their close associates or any Shareholders (which, to the knowledge of the Directors, own more than 5% of the number of issued Shares of the Company) has any interest in the Group's five largest customers and suppliers.

### **SUBSIDIARIES**

Details of the major subsidiaries of the Company as of 31 December 2022 are set out in note 1 to the consolidated financial statements.

### **SHARE CAPITAL**

Details of the movements in the share capital of the Company during the year ended 31 December 2022 are set out in note 27 to the consolidated financial statements.

### **DISTRIBUTABLE RESERVES**

As at 31 December 2022, the Company did not have any distributable reserves.

### **BANK LOANS AND BORROWINGS**

Particulars of bank loans and borrowings of the Company and the Group as at 31 December 2022 are set out in note 25 to the consolidated financial statements.

### **EQUITY-LINKED AGREEMENTS**

Save for the share schemes as set out in the section headed "Equity incentive plans" below, the Group has not entered into any equity-linked agreements, nor there were any equity-linked agreements subsisted during the year ended 31 December 2022.

### **RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES RELATING TO THE GROUP'S BUSINESS**

The Group's financial positions, results of operations, businesses and prospects shall be subject to a number of risks and uncertainties. The Group's key risk exposures are summarised as follows:

- (i) Risks related to our reliance on third parties;
- (ii) Risks related to our financial positions and need for additional capital;
- (iii) Risks related to clinical development of our drug candidates;
- (iv) Risks related to obtaining regulatory approval for our drug candidates;
- (v) Risks related to commercialization of our drug candidates;
- (vi) Risks related to our intellectual property rights;

- (vii) Risks related to our industry, business and operations; and
- (viii) Risks related to doing business in China.

### **RISKS RELATED TO OUR RELIANCE ON THIRD PARTIES**

- As we rely on third parties (such as CROs and CMOs) to conduct our pre-clinical studies and clinical trials, we may have limited control over the manufacturing and clinical development of our drug candidates. In addition, if we lose our relationships with these third parties or if they do not successfully carry out their contractual duties or meet expected deadlines, we may not be able to obtain regulatory approval for or commercialize our drug candidates and our business could be substantially harmed.
- We expect to rely on third parties to manufacture our drug candidate supplies, and we intend to rely on third parties for the manufacturing process of our drug candidates, if approved. Our business could be harmed if those third parties fail to provide us with sufficient quantities of product or fail to do so at acceptable quality levels or prices.
- We have entered into collaborations and may form or seek collaborations or strategic alliances or enter into additional licensing arrangements in the future. We may not realize the benefits of such alliances or licensing arrangements.

### **RISKS RELATED TO OUR FINANCIAL POSITIONS AND NEED FOR ADDITIONAL CAPITAL**

- We have incurred net losses in previous years and anticipate that we may continue to incur net losses for the foreseeable future and may never achieve or maintain profitability. Investors are at risk of losing substantially all of their investments in our Shares.
- We have recorded net operating cash outflows during the Reporting Period.
- We have a large balance of intangible assets and we may incur significant impairment charges which could materially impact our financial positions.
- We have a limited operating history, which may make it difficult to evaluate our current business and predict our future performance. The risks involved in our business may cause prospective investors to substantially lose all of their investments in our business.
- We may need to obtain additional financing to fund our operations. If we fail to obtain such financing, we may be unable to complete the development and commercialization of our major drug candidates.
- Raising additional capital may cause dilution to the interests to the Shareholders, restrict our operations or require us to relinquish rights to our technologies or drug candidates.

Details of the Group's financial risk management are set out in note 36 to the consolidated financial statements.

### **RISKS RELATED TO CLINICAL DEVELOPMENT OF OUR DRUG CANDIDATES**

- Our approach to developing and identifying our antibodies using our antibody platforms is novel and unproven and may not result in marketable products.
- We were established in 2016 and our business, including most of our drug candidates, is in early stages of development. It may require a long time before we commercialize a drug candidate, if ever. If we are unable to advance our drug candidates to clinical development, obtain regulatory approval and ultimately commercialize our drug candidates, or experience significant delays in doing so, our business will be materially harmed.
- Clinical development involves a lengthy and expensive process with an uncertain outcome, and results of earlier studies and trials may not be predictive of future trial results.
- We depend substantially on the success of our drug candidates, all of which are in pre-clinical or clinical development. If we are unable to successfully complete clinical development, obtain regulatory approval and commercialize our drug candidates, or experience significant delays in doing so, our business will be materially harmed.
- We may not be successful in our efforts to use and expand our technology platforms to build a pipeline of drug candidates.
- If we encounter delays or difficulties in enrolling patients in our clinical trials, our clinical development progress could be delayed or otherwise adversely affected.
- If clinical trials of our drug candidates fail to demonstrate safety and efficacy to the satisfaction of regulatory authorities or do not otherwise produce positive results, we may incur additional costs or experience delays in completing, or ultimately be unable to complete, the development and commercialization of our drug candidates.

### **RISKS RELATED TO OBTAINING REGULATORY APPROVAL FOR OUR DRUG CANDIDATES**

- All material aspects of the research, development and commercialization of pharmaceutical products are heavily regulated.
- The regulatory approval processes of the NMPA, the U.S. FDA and other comparable regulatory authorities are time-consuming and may evolve over time. If we are ultimately unable to obtain regulatory approval for our drug candidates, our business will be substantially harmed.
- The absence of patent linkage, patent term extension and data and market exclusivity for NMPA-approved pharmaceutical products could increase the risk of early generic competition with our products in China.

- Our drug candidates may cause undesirable adverse events or have other properties that could delay or prevent their regulatory approval, limit the commercial profile of an approved label, or result in significant negative consequences following regulatory approval.
- If we are unable to obtain the NMPA approval for our drug candidates to be eligible for an expedited registration pathway as innovative or breakthrough treatment drug candidates, the time and cost we incur to obtain regulatory approvals may increase.
- Even if we receive regulatory approval for our drug candidates, we will be subject to ongoing regulatory obligations and continued regulatory review, which may result in significant additional expenses and we may be subject to penalties if we fail to comply with regulatory requirements or experience unanticipated problems with our drug candidates.

### **RISKS RELATED TO COMMERCIALIZATION OF OUR DRUG CANDIDATES**

- Our drug candidates may fail to achieve the degree of market acceptance by physicians, patients, third-party payors and others in the medical community necessary for commercial success.
- We may not be able to identify, discover or in-license new drug candidates, and may allocate our limited resources to pursue a particular drug candidate or indication and fail to capitalize on drug candidates or indications that may later prove to be more profitable, or for which there is a greater likelihood of success.
- We face intense competition and rapid technological change and the possibility that our competitors may develop therapies that are similar, more advanced, or more effective than ours, which may adversely affect our financial condition and our ability to successfully commercialize our drug candidates.
- The manufacture of biologics is a complex process which requires significant expertise and capital investment. If we encounter problems in manufacturing our future products, our business could suffer.
- We have no experience in launching and marketing drug candidates. We may not be able to effectively build and manage our sales network, or benefit from third-party collaborators' sales networks.
- Even if we are able to commercialize any approved drug candidates, reimbursement may be limited or unavailable in certain market segments for our drug candidates, and we may be subject to unfavorable pricing regulations, which could harm our business.
- Current and future legislation may increase the difficulty and cost for us to obtain marketing approval of and commercialize our drug candidates and affect the prices we may obtain.
- As we out-license some of our commercialization rights and engage in other forms of collaboration worldwide, including conducting clinical trials abroad, we may be exposed to specific risks of conducting our business and operations in international markets.

- If safety, efficacy, or other issues arise with any medical product that is used in combination with our drug candidates, we may be unable to market such drug candidate or may experience significant regulatory delays or supply shortages, and our business could be materially harmed.
- Illegal and/or parallel imports and counterfeit pharmaceutical products may reduce demand for our future approved drug candidates and could have a negative impact on our reputation and business.
- Lack of third-party combination drugs may materially and adversely affect demand for our drugs.

### **RISKS RELATED TO OUR INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS**

- If we are unable to obtain and maintain patent and other intellectual property protection for our drug candidates or technology platforms, or if the scope of such intellectual property rights obtained is not sufficiently broad, third parties could develop and commercialize products and technologies similar or identical to ours and compete directly against us. Our ability to successfully commercialize any product or technology may be adversely affected.
- Changes in either patent laws or in interpretations of patent laws may diminish the value of our intellectual property.
- We may from time to time be involved in lawsuits to protect or enforce our patents or defend against patent infringements by third parties, which could be expensive, time consuming and unsuccessful.
- We enjoy only limited geographical protection with respect to certain patents and may not be able to protect our intellectual property rights throughout the world, including in the PRC.
- Obtaining and maintaining our patent protection depends on compliance with various procedural, document submission, fee payment, and other requirements imposed by governmental patent agencies. Our patent protection could be reduced or eliminated for non-compliance with these requirements.
- Our owned and in-licensed patents and other intellectual property may be subject to further priority disputes or to inventorship disputes and similar proceedings. If we or our licensors are unsuccessful in any of these proceedings, we may be required to obtain licenses from third parties, which may not be available on commercially reasonable terms or at all, or to modify or cease the development, manufacture and commercialization of one or more of the drug candidates we may develop, which could have a material adverse impact on our business.
- Claims that our drug candidates or the sale or use of our future products infringe, misappropriate or otherwise violate the patents or other intellectual property rights of third parties could result in costly litigation or could require substantial time and money to resolve, even if litigation is avoided.
- Issued patents covering one or more of our drug candidates could be found invalid or unenforceable if challenged in court.

- Intellectual property litigation may lead to unfavorable publicity which may harm our reputation and cause the market price of our Shares to decline. Any unfavorable outcome from such litigation could limit our research and development activities and/or our ability to commercialize our drug candidates.
- Changes in patent law could diminish the value of patents in general, thereby impairing our ability to protect our drug candidates.
- If we are unable to protect the confidentiality of our trade secrets, our business and competitive position would be harmed. We may also be subject to claims that our employees, consultants, or advisers have wrongfully used or disclosed alleged trade secrets of their former employers or claims asserting ownership of what we regard as our own intellectual property.
- We may not be successful in obtaining or maintaining necessary rights for our development pipeline through acquisitions and in-licenses.
- Our rights to develop and commercialize our drug candidates are subject, in part, to the terms and conditions of licenses granted to us by others.
- If we fail to comply with our obligations in the agreements under which we license intellectual property rights from third parties or otherwise experience disruptions to our business relationships with our licensors, we could be required to pay monetary damages or could lose license rights that are important to our business.
- Intellectual property rights do not necessarily protect us from all potential threats to our competitive advantage.
- If our trademarks and trade names are not adequately protected, we may not be able to build name recognition in our markets of interest and our competitive position may be adversely affected.
- Terms of our future patents may not be sufficient to effectively protect our drug candidates and business.

### **RISKS RELATED TO OUR INDUSTRY, BUSINESS AND OPERATIONS**

- We face competition from entities that have developed or may develop technology platforms for the treatment of the diseases that we may target. If these entities develop technology platforms more rapidly than we do, or if their technology platforms are more effective, our ability to develop and successfully commercialize our technology platforms may be adversely affected.
- Our future success depends on our ability to attract, retain and motivate senior management and qualified scientific employees.
- We will need to increase the size and capabilities of our organization, and we may experience difficulties in managing our growth.



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- The data and information that we gather in our research and development process could be inaccurate or incomplete, which could harm our business, reputation, financial condition and results of operations.
- We may be subject to liability lawsuits arising from our clinical trials.
- We have limited insurance coverage. Any claims beyond our insurance coverage may result in our incurring substantial costs and a diversion of resources.
- Disruptions in the financial markets and economic conditions could affect our ability to raise capital.
- Our employees, independent contractors, consultants, commercial partners and vendors may engage in misconduct or other improper activities, including non-compliance with regulatory standards and requirements.
- If we engage in future acquisitions or strategic partnerships, this may increase our capital requirements, dilute the value of your investment in our Shares, cause us to incur debt or assume contingent liabilities, and subject us to other risks.
- If we fail to comply with applicable anti-bribery laws, our reputation may be harmed and we could be subject to penalties and significant expenses that have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.
- Any failure to comply with applicable regulations and industry standards or obtain various licenses and permits could harm our reputation and our business, results of operations and prospects.
- If we or our CROs or other contractors or consultants fail to comply with environmental, health and safety laws and regulations, we could become subject to fines or penalties or incur costs that could have a material adverse effect on the success of our business.
- If we face allegations of non-compliance with laws and encounter sanctions, our reputation, revenues and liquidity may suffer. Our drug candidates and future drugs could be subject to restrictions or withdrawal from the market.
- Our internal computer systems, or those used by our CROs or other contractors or consultants, may fail or suffer security breaches.
- Product liability claims or lawsuits could cause us to incur substantial liabilities.
- Failure to comply with existing or future laws and regulations related to privacy or data security could lead to government enforcement actions, which could include civil or criminal fines or penalties, private litigation, other liabilities, and/or adverse publicity. Compliance or the failure to comply with such laws could increase the costs of our products and services, could limit their use or adoption, and could otherwise negatively affect our operating results and business.

- Business disruptions could seriously harm our future revenue and financial condition and increase our costs and expenses.
- Any harm to our brand recognition and reputation may materially and adversely affect our business, results of operations and prospects.
- Negative publicity with respect to us, our management, employees, business partners, affiliates, or our industry, may materially and adversely affect our reputation, business, results of operations and prospects.
- We are subject to changing law and regulations regarding regulatory matters, corporate governance and public disclosure that have increased both our costs and the risk of non-compliance.

### **RISKS RELATED TO DOING BUSINESS IN CHINA**

- The biotechnology industry in China is highly regulated and such regulations are subject to change which may affect approval and commercialization of our drugs.
- Changes in the political and economic policies of the PRC government may materially and adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations and may result in our inability to sustain our growth and expansion strategies.
- There are uncertainties regarding the interpretation and enforcement of PRC laws, rules and regulations.
- It may be difficult to effect service of process upon us or our management that reside in China or to enforce against them or us in China any judgments obtained from foreign courts.
- Our business benefits from certain financial incentives and discretionary policies granted by local governments. Expiration of, or changes to, these incentives or policies would have an adverse effect on our results of operations.
- We may be restricted from transferring our scientific data abroad.
- Changes in U.S. and international policies, particularly with regard to China, may adversely impact our business and operating results.
- If we are classified as a PRC resident enterprise for PRC income tax purposes, such classification could result in unfavorable tax consequences to us and our non-PRC shareholders.
- Failure to renew our current leases could materially and adversely affect our business.
- All of our leasehold interests in leased properties in the PRC have not been registered with the relevant PRC governmental authorities as required by relevant PRC laws. The failure to register leasehold interests may expose us to potential fines.

- Fluctuations in exchange rates could have a material and adverse effect on our results of operations and the value of your investment.
- Certain PRC regulations may make it more difficult for us to pursue growth through acquisitions.
- We may rely on dividends and other distributions on equity paid by our PRC subsidiaries to fund any cash and financing requirements we may have. Any limitation on the ability of our PRC subsidiaries to make payments to us could have a material and adverse effect on our ability to conduct our business.
- Any failure to comply with PRC regulations regarding our share incentive plans may subject the PRC plan participants or us to fines and other legal or administrative sanctions.
- PRC regulations relating to offshore investment activities by PRC residents may limit our PRC subsidiaries' ability to change their registered capital or distribute profits to us or otherwise expose us or our PRC resident beneficial owners to liability and penalties under PRC laws.
- PRC regulation of loans to and direct investment in PRC entities by offshore holding companies and governmental control of currency conversion may delay or prevent us from using the proceeds of our Global Offering to make loans to our PRC subsidiaries in China, which could materially and adversely affect our liquidity and our ability to fund and expand our business.
- We and our shareholders face uncertainties with respect to indirect transfers of equity interests in PRC resident enterprises or other assets attributable to a PRC establishment of a non-PRC company.

There may be other risks and uncertainties in addition to those mentioned above which are not known to the Group or which may not be material now but could be material in the future.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL POLICIES AND PERFORMANCE**

The Group's business is principally to discover and develop differentiated antibody therapeutics in immunology and oncology disease areas, which in general does not have any material impact on the environment. The Group is committed to the long-term sustainability of the environment and communities in which it operates. Acting in an environmentally responsible manner, the Group endeavors to comply with laws and regulations regarding environmental protection and adopts effective measures to achieve efficient use of resources, energy saving and waste reduction. The "Environmental, Social and Governance Report" containing further details of the Group's environmental policies and performance will be published on the same day of this report.

### **DIRECTORS**

The Directors in office during the year ended 31 December 2022 and up to Latest Practicable Date were:

Executive Directors: Dr. Jingsong Wang (chairman of the Board, chief executive officer of the Company), Mr. Xiaoxiang Chen (resigned on 5 May 2022) and Dr. Yiping Rong (appointed on 5 May 2022).

Non-executive Directors: Mr. Yu Min Qiu, Mr. Junfeng Wang, and Ms. Weiwei Chen.

Independent non-executive Directors: Dr. Robert Irwin Kamen, Dr. Xiaoping Ye, and Mr. Ka Chi Yau.

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT**

Biographical details of the Directors and senior management of the Group are set out on pages 39 to 44 of this annual report.

### **CONFIRMATION OF INDEPENDENCE OF INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS**

The Company has received an annual confirmation of independence pursuant to Rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules from each of the independent non-executive Directors. The Company considers such Directors to be independent.

### **DIRECTORS' SERVICE CONTRACTS AND APPOINTMENT LETTERS**

#### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS**

Dr. Jingsong Wang has entered into a service contract with the Company on 23 November 2020 and Mr. Yiping Rong has entered into a service contract with the Company on 5 May 2022. The term of appointment is with a term of three years from 30 November 2020 or until the third annual general meeting of the Company after the Listing Date or an initial term of three years from the date of appointment (as the case maybe), whichever is sooner (subject to retirement as and when required under the Articles of Association). Either party may terminate the agreement by giving not less than three months' written notice.

The executive Directors are not entitled to receive any remuneration in their capacities as executive Directors under their respective service contracts.

#### **NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS**

Each of Mr. Junfeng Wang and Mr. Yu Min Qiu has entered into an appointment letter with the Company on 23 November 2020. Ms. Weiwei Chen has entered into an appointment letter with the Company on 9 June 2021. The term of appointment is with a term of three years from 30 November 2020 or until the third annual general meeting of the Company after the Listing Date or an initial term of three years from the date of appointment (as the case maybe), whichever is sooner (subject to retirement as and when required under the Articles of Association). Either party may terminate the agreement by giving not less than three months' written notice.

Under her appointment letter, Ms. Weiwei Chen is entitled to receive an annual fee of US\$50,000 for her position as a non-executive Director. The other non-executive Directors are not entitled to receive any remuneration and benefits in their capacities as non-executive Directors under their respective appointment letters.

### **INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS**

Each of Dr. Robert Irwin Kamen and Dr Xiaoping Ye entered into an appointment letter with the Company on 23 November 2020. Mr. Ka Chi Yau entered into an appointment letter with the Company on 9 June 2021. The term of appointment is with a term of three years from 30 November 2020 or until the third annual general meeting of the Company after the Listing Date, whichever is sooner (subject to retirement as and when required under the Articles of Association) or for an initial term of three year from the date of appointment (as the case maybe). Either party may terminate the agreement by giving not less than three months' written notice.

The annual director's fees payable to the independent non-executive Directors under their respective appointment letters is US\$50,000.

None of the Directors proposed for re-election at the forthcoming annual general meeting has a service contract unexpired with members of the Group that is not determinable by the Group within one year without payment of compensation, other than statutory compensation.

### **DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN TRANSACTIONS, ARRANGEMENTS OR CONTRACTS OF SIGNIFICANCE**

Save for those transactions disclosed in note 33 to the consolidated financial statements and in the section headed "Connected Transaction" below, no Director nor any entity connected with a Director is or was materially interested, either directly or indirectly, in any transaction, arrangement or contract of significance to the business of the Group to which the Company or any of its subsidiaries, its parent company or fellow subsidiaries was a party during or at the end of the Reporting Period.

### **MANAGEMENT CONTRACTS**

No contracts concerning the management and operation of the whole or any substantial part of the business of the Company were entered into or subsisted during the year ended 31 December 2022.

### **EMPLOYEES, DIVERSITY AND REMUNERATION POLICY**

As of 31 December 2022, the Group had an aggregate of 216 full-time and part-time employees. The Company has established the Remuneration Committee for reviewing the Group's remuneration policy and the emolument of all of the Directors and senior management of the Group taking into consideration the Group's operating results, individual performance of each of the Directors and senior management and comparable market practices.

## WORKFORCE DIVERSITY

The Company is committed to building a diverse workforce at all levels, without discrimination of any kind, to serve a diverse range of customers globally and to operate in a variety of environments. The Company makes employment decisions based on the principle of equal employment opportunity. As of 31 December 2022, the gender ratio of the workforce is shown as the following chart:

	Workforce	Senior Management
Male	81	5
Female	135	1
Total	216	6

The total gender diversity of the Group is balanced, at 62.5%, representing 135 females out of 216 employees (including senior management). The Group has a strong focus on promoting gender diversity in the workforce, having set an overall gender diversity target of over 50% female representation across the organisation. To support the achievement of these targets, specific initiatives have included a review of the recruitment process, with job descriptions and postings amended to motivate a broader applicant pool, as well as changes to applicant screening and interviews. In addition, to support diversity across all facets, the Group is enhancing diversity and inclusion efforts through employee networks, mentoring programmes, equitable hiring practices, policies and awareness raising events and training for all employees to support inclusive behaviours.

## REMUNERATION POLICIES

The Company has also adopted the Pre-IPO Equity Plan, the Post-IPO Share Option Scheme and the Post-IPO Share Award Scheme to incentivize eligible employees, details of which are set out in the section headed "Equity Incentive Plans" below.

Except Mr. Junfeng Wang and Mr. Yu Min Qiu, no Director has waived or agreed to waive any remuneration, and no remunerations were paid by the Group to any Directors as an inducement to join the Group or upon joining the Group or as compensation for loss of office.

The Group's employee remuneration policy is determined by taking into account factors such as remuneration in respect of the local market, the overall remuneration standard in the industry, the inflation level, corporate operating efficiency and employee performance. The Group conducts performance appraisals once every year for its employees, the results of which are applied in annual salary reviews and promotional assessments. The Group's employees are considered for annual bonuses according to certain performance criteria and appraisals results. Social insurance contributions and other pensions which are required by local laws are made by the Group for its employees in accordance with the relevant regulations.

The Group also provides continuous learning and training programs to its employees to enhance their skills and knowledge, so as to maintain their competitiveness and improve customer service. The Group did not experience any major difficulties in recruitment, nor did it experience any material loss in manpower or suffer from any material labour dispute during the Reporting Period.

### **EMOLUMENTS OF DIRECTORS AND FIVE HIGHEST PAID INDIVIDUALS**

Details of the emoluments of the Directors, the senior management and the five highest paid individuals are set out in note 9 and note 10 to the consolidated financial statements.

### **CHANGES IN INFORMATION OF DIRECTORS**

Pursuant to Rule 13.51B(1) of the Listing Rules, the changes in Directors' information during the Reporting Period and subsequent to the date of annual report for the year ended 31 December 2022 of the Company are set out below:

- Mr. Xiaoxiang Chen resigned as an executive Director on 5 May 2022.
- Mr. Yiping Rong was appointed as an executive Director on 5 May 2022.

Save as disclosed above, the Directors confirm that no information is required to be disclosed pursuant to Rule 13.51B(1) of the Listing Rules.

### **DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVES' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES, UNDERLYING SHARES AND DEBENTURES**

As at 31 December 2022, the interests or short positions of the Directors and chief executives of the Company in the Shares, underlying Shares and debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO), which will have to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO (including interests and short positions which he/she is taken or deemed to have under such provisions of the SFO), or which will be required, pursuant to section 352 of the SFO, to be entered in the register as referred to therein, or which will be required, pursuant to the "Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers" contained in the Listing Rules, to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange are set out below:

## INTEREST IN THE COMPANY

Name of Director	Nature of interest	Number of Shares <sup>(1)</sup>	Approximate percentage of interest in the Company <sup>(2)</sup>
Dr. Jingsong Wang <sup>(3)</sup>	Founder of a discretionary trust who can influence how the trustee exercises his discretion	60,334,400 (L)	7.86%
Dr. Jingsong Wang <sup>(4)</sup>	Beneficial interest	6,159,000 (L)	0.80%
Dr. Robert Irwin Kamen <sup>(5)</sup>	Beneficial interest	4,128,040 (L)	0.54%
Dr. Yiping Rong <sup>(6)</sup>	Beneficial interest	716,000 (L)	0.09%

Notes:

- (1) The letter "L" denotes the person's long position in the Shares.
- (2) The calculation is based on the total number of 767,929,910 Shares in issue as of 31 December 2022 and rounded off to two decimal places.
- (3) As of 31 December 2022, Dr. Wang's interests in the Shares were held by HARBOURBIO LLC the membership interests of which were in turned held in three trusts of which he is the settlor. South Dakota Trust Company LLC (acting on the instructions of Dr. Wang) is the trustee of two of the trusts which together own 99.96% equity interest in HARBOURBIO LLC.
- (4) Dr. Wang has been granted 3,381,000 options pursuant to the Post-IPO Share Option Scheme and 2,328,000 restricted shares pursuant to Post-IPO Share Award Scheme which are held on his behalf by Kastle Limited.
- (5) Dr. Kamen holds 2,625,960 shares in his personal capacity, and the other 1,502,080 shares are restricted shares granted to Dr Kamen pursuant to the Pre-IPO Equity Plan being held on his behalf by Shuxin Biotech Limited ("Shuxin").
- (6) Dr Rong has been granted 435,000 options pursuant to the Post-IPO Share Option Scheme and 281,000 restricted shares pursuant to Post-IPO Share Award Scheme which are held on his behalf by Kastle Limited.

## DIRECTORS' RIGHTS TO ACQUIRE SHARES OR DEBENTURES

Save as otherwise disclosed in this report, at any time during the year ended 31 December 2022, there were no rights to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of Shares in or debentures of the Company granted to any Director or their respective spouses or children under 18 years of age, nor were any such rights exercised by them; nor was the Company or any of its subsidiaries a party to any arrangement to enable the Directors or their respective spouses or children under 18 years of age to acquire such rights in any other body corporate.

## SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES AND UNDERLYING SHARES

As at 31 December 2022, so far as is known to the Directors, the following persons (not being a Director or chief executive of the Company) had interests or short positions in the Shares or underlying Shares which fall to be disclosed to the Company under the provisions of Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO as recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company pursuant to section 336 of the SFO:

Name of Shareholder	Capacity/Nature of interest	Number of Shares <sup>(1)</sup>	Approximate percentage of interest in the Company <sup>(2)</sup>
Golden Link Investment Limited <sup>(3)</sup>	Beneficial interest	93,561,360 (L)	12.18%
Advantech Master Investment Limited <sup>(3)</sup>	Interest in controlled corporations	93,561,360 (L)	12.18%
Advantech Capital L.P. <sup>(3)</sup>	Interest in controlled corporations	93,561,360 (L)	12.18%
Advantech Capital Partners Ltd. <sup>(3)</sup>	Interest in controlled corporations	93,561,360 (L)	12.18%
Advantech Capital Holdings Ltd. <sup>(3)</sup>	Interest in controlled corporations	93,561,360 (L)	12.18%
Pang Kee Chan Hebert <sup>(3)</sup>	Interest in controlled corporations	93,561,360 (L)	12.18%
LC Healthcare Fund I, L.P. <sup>(4)</sup>	Beneficial interest	68,601,000 (L)	8.93%
LC Healthcare Fund I GP, L.P. <sup>(4)</sup>	Interest in controlled corporations	68,601,000 (L)	8.93%
LC Fund GP Limited <sup>(4)</sup>	Interest in controlled corporations	68,601,000 (L)	8.93%
Union Season Holdings Limited <sup>(4)</sup>	Interest in controlled corporations	68,601,000 (L)	8.93%
Legend Capital Co., Ltd <sup>(4)</sup>	Interest in controlled corporations	68,601,000 (L)	8.93%
HARBOURBIO LLC <sup>(5)</sup>	Beneficial interest	60,334,400 (L)	7.86%
South Dakota Trust Company LLC	Trustee	60,334,400 (L)	7.86%
Jingsong Wang <sup>(5)</sup>	Interest in controlled corporations	60,334,400 (L)	7.86%
Jingsong Wang <sup>(6)</sup>	Beneficial interest	6,159,000 (L)	0.80%

Notes:

- (1) The letter "L" denotes the person's long position in the Shares. The letter "S" denotes the person's short position in the Shares.
- (2) The calculation is based on the total number of 767,929,910 Share in issue as of 31 December 2022 and rounded off two decimal places.
- (3) Golden Link Investment Limited is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Advantech Master Investment Limited, which is in turn a wholly-owned subsidiary of Advantech Capital L.P. ("**Advantech Capital**"). The general partner of Advantech Capital is Advantech Capital Partners Ltd., which is wholly-owned by Advantech Capital Holdings Ltd., which is in turn wholly-owned by Mr. Pang Kee Chan Hebert. Therefore, under the SFO, Advantech Master Investment Limited, Advantech Capital, Advantech Capital Partners Ltd., Advantech Capital Holdings Ltd. and Mr. Pang are deemed to be interested in the 2,339,034 Shares held by Golden Link Investment Limited.

- (4) Legend Capital Co., Ltd is deemed to be interested in the equity interests held by LC Healthcare Fund I, L.P., due to the fact that it is the sole shareholder of Union Season Holdings Limited, which is the sole shareholder of LC Fund GP Limited, which in turn is the general partner of LC Healthcare Fund I GP, L.P., which in turn is the general partner of LC Healthcare Fund I, L.P.. Legend Capital Co., Ltd is ultimately controlled by each of Zhu Linan, Chen Hao and Wang Nengguang. Therefore, under the SFO, LC Healthcare Fund I GP, L.P, LC Fund GP Limited, Union Season Holdings Limited and Legend Capital Co., Ltd are deemed to be interested in the 1,636,750 Shares (or 65,470,000 Shares after the Share Subdivision and Conversion) held by LC Healthcare Fund I, L.P..
- (5) HARBOURBIO LLC is a company incorporated in the State of South Dakota in the U.S. and is wholly owned and controlled by Dr. Jingsong Wang.
- (6) Dr. Wang has been granted 3,381,000 options pursuant to the Post-IPO Share Option Scheme and 2,328,000 restricted shares pursuant to Post-IPO Share Award Scheme which are held on his behalf by Kastle Limited.

Save as disclosed above, as of 31 December 2022, the Directors are not aware of any other person who have an interest or short position in the Shares or underlying Shares which would fall to be disclosed to the Company under the provisions of Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO, or, will be, directly or indirectly, interested in 10% or more of the issued voting Shares of the Company or any other member of the Group.

## EQUITY INCENTIVE PLANS

The Company has three existing share schemes, namely the Pre-IPO Equity Plan, the Post-IPO Share Option Scheme and the Post-IPO Share Award Scheme. From January 1, 2023, the Company will rely on the transitional arrangements provided for the existing share schemes and will comply with the new Chapter 17 accordingly (effective from January 1, 2023).

11,427,000 new Shares, representing approximately 1.49% of the weighted average of issued share capital of the Company, may be issued in respect of all options and awards granted during the Reporting Period to eligible participants pursuant to the Post-IPO Share Option Scheme and the Post-IPO Share Award Scheme. Further details and relevant breakdowns of each of the share schemes of the Company are set out below:

### 1. PRE-IPO EQUITY PLAN

The Pre-IPO Equity Plan was approved and adopted pursuant to the written resolution of the sole shareholder of the Company dated 11 November 2016 and amended on 26 October 2017, 6 August 2018, 19 September 2019 and 24 June 2020.

### **Purpose**

The purposes of the Pre-IPO Equity Plan are:

- (a) to attract and retain the best available personnel for positions of substantial responsibility;
- (b) to provide incentives that align the interests of employees, Directors and Consultants with those of the Company's shareholders; and
- (c) to promote the success of the Company's business.

The Pre-IPO Equity Plan permits the grant of incentive stock options, nonstatutory stock options (together with the incentive stock options, the "**Pre-IPO Options**"), stock appreciation rights, restricted stock (the "**RS**") and restricted stock units (the "**RSU**", together with the Pre-IPO Options, stock appreciation rights and RS, the "**Pre-IPO Award**").

Incentive stock options may be granted only to employees (as defined in the Pre-IPO Equity Plan), while nonstatutory stock options, stock appreciation rights, RS and RSU may be granted to employees, directors or consultants.

### **Maximum number of Shares available for grant**

The maximum aggregate number of Shares that are available for all Pre-IPO Awards is 132,499,240 Shares. During the term of the Pre-IPO Awards, the Company shall at all times reserve and keep available such number of Shares as will be sufficient to satisfy such Pre-IPO Awards. The Shares may be authorized but unissued Shares, reacquired Shares or a combination thereof.

### **Maximum entitlement of each participant**

There is no maximum entitlement of each participant.

### **Exercise period**

The period during which a Pre-IPO Option may be exercised will be determined by the scheme administrator at the time such Pre-IPO Option is granted, provided that no Pre-IPO Option may be exercised after the expiration of its term.

### **Vesting period**

The vesting criteria and conditions, and the vesting period are specified in the award agreement. Details of the vesting period of individual grants are stated in the table below.

### **Consideration and purchase price**

Pursuant to the Pre-IPO Equity Plan, there is no amount payable on application or acceptance of the Pre-IPO Award and no purchase price for grant of Pre-IPO Awards.

### **Exercise price**

The exercise price for Pre-IPO Option will be determined by the scheme administrator, but will be no less than 100% of the fair market value per Share on the date of grant. In addition, in the case of an incentive stock option granted to an employee who, at the time the incentive stock option is granted, owns (or, pursuant to Section 424(d) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, is deemed to own) stock representing more than 10% of the total combined voting power of all classes of stock of the Company or any affiliate, the exercise price will be no less than 110% of the fair market value per Share on the date of grant.

### **Remaining life of the Pre-IPO Equity Plan**

The Pre-IPO Equity Plan has a term of ten years commencing from 11 November 2016. The Scheme is administrated by the Board and the trustee of the Pre-IPO Equity Plan.

For details of the Pre-IPO Equity Plan, please refer to the prospectus of the Company.

### **Unvested RS and RSU granted under the Pre-IPO Equity Plan**

Details of the unvested RS granted under the Pre-IPO Equity Plan (to be satisfied by existing Shares) are as follows:

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Name	Date of grant	Vesting period	Purchase price	Unvested RS as of 1 January 2022	Granted during the period <sup>(1)</sup>	Vested during the period	Lapsed during the period	Cancelled during the period	Unvested RS as of 31 December 2022	Closing price of Shares	Fair value of RS on the date of grant <sup>(2)</sup>	Weighted average closing price of Shares
										immediately before the grant period	immediately before date of vesting period	
<b>Directors</b>												
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Five highest paid individuals during the Reporting Period in aggregate</b>	31 July 2020 & 20 July 2021	(a) 30% shall vest on the first anniversary of the respective grant date; (b) 30% shall vest on the second anniversary of the respective grant date; (c) 40% shall vest on the third anniversary of the respective grant date;	Nil	8,608,000	Nil	2,712,000	5,320,000	Nil	576,000	N/A	N/A	HK\$3.50
<b>Other grantees in aggregate</b>	31 July 2020 & 12 October, 2021	(a) 30% shall be vested on the first anniversary of the Grant Date; (b) 30% shall be vested on the second anniversary of the Grant Date; and (c) 40% shall be vested on the third anniversary of the Grant Date.	Nil	11,020,912	Nil	4,889,728	2,839,280	Nil	3,291,904	N/A	N/A	HK\$3.29
<b>Total</b>				19,628,912	Nil	7,601,728	8,159,280	Nil	3,867,904			

Notes:

- The fair value of RS are calculated in accordance with the accounting standards and policies adopted for preparing the Company's financial statements and based on the closing price on the date of grant.

Details of the unvested RSU granted under the Pre-IPO Equity Plan (to be satisfied by existing Shares) are as follows:

Name	Date of grant	Vesting period	Purchase price	Unvested RSU as of 1 January 2022	Granted during the period <sup>(1)</sup>	Vested during the period	Lapsed during the period	Cancelled during the period	Unvested RSU as of 31 December 2022	Closing price of Shares	Fair value of RSU on the date of grant	Weighted average closing price of Shares immediately before date of vesting during the period
										immediately before the grant during the period <sup>(1)</sup>	immediately before the date of grant	immediately before date of vesting during the period
<b>Directors</b>												
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Five highest paid individuals during the Reporting Period in aggregate</b>	7 November 2022	(a) 30% shall vest from 1 December 2022; (b) 30% shall vest from December 1, 2023; (c) 40% shall vest from December 1, 2024;	Nil	Nil	7,600,000	2,280,000	Nil	Nil	5,320,000	HK\$1.00	HK\$8,664,000	HK\$1.55
<b>Other grantees in aggregate</b>	31 July 2020 and 10 December 2022	For one participant, (a) 30% of the Award Shares shall be vested in you on March 1, 2023; (b) 30% of the Award Shares shall be vested in you on March 1, 2024; and (c) the remaining 40% of the Award Shares shall be vested in you on March 1, 2025. For another one, (a) 60% of the Award Shares shall be vested in you on January 10, 2023; (b) 40% of the Award Shares shall be vested in you on December 10, 2023; For others, (a) 30% shall vest from December 10, 2021; (b) 30% shall vest from December 10, 2022; (c) 40% shall vest from December 10, 2023;	Nil	6,037,320	1,510,400	1,610,000	2,531,160	Nil	3,406,560	HK\$2.07	HK\$3,322,880	HK\$2.07
<b>Total</b>	-	-		6,037,320	9,110,400	3,890,000	2,531,160	Nil	8,726,560		HK\$11,986,880	

Notes:

- The fair value of RSU are calculated in accordance with the accounting standards and policies adopted for preparing the Company's financial statements and based on the closing price on the date of grant.

### 2. POST-IPO SHARE OPTION SCHEME

The Post-IPO Share Option Scheme was conditionally adopted pursuant to the written resolutions of the Shareholders passed on 23 November 2020.

#### **Purpose**

The purpose of the Post-IPO Share Option Scheme is to provide selected participants with the opportunity to acquire proprietary interests in the Company and to encourage selected participants to work towards enhancing the value of our Company and its Shares for the benefit of our Company and Shareholders as a whole. The Post-IPO Share Option Scheme will provide our Company with a flexible means of retaining, incentivizing, rewarding, remunerating, compensating and/or providing benefits to selected participants.

#### **Eligible participants**

Any individual, being an employee, director, officer, consultant, advisor, distributor, contractor, customer, supplier, agent, business partner, joint venture business partner or service provider of any member of the Group or any affiliate who the Board or its delegate(s) considers, in their sole discretion, to have contributed or will contribute to our Group is entitled to be offered and granted options.

#### **Maximum number of Shares available for grant**

The total number of Shares which may be issued upon exercise of all options to be granted under the Post-IPO Share Option Scheme and any other share option schemes of our Company is 76,789,116, being no more than 10% of the Shares in issue on the Listing Date.

As of 1 January 2022, 76,789,116 Shares were available for grant under the Post-IPO Share Option Scheme. During the Reporting Period, 9,318,000 and 226,000 Shares were granted to eligible participants pursuant to the Post-IPO Share Option Scheme and lapsed/canceled, respectively. Therefore, as of 31 December 2022, the total number of Shares available for grant under the Post-IPO Share Option Scheme was 67,697,116 Shares. As at the Latest Practicable Date, 67,697,116 new Shares (representing approximately 8.82% of the number of the issued share capital of the Company) were available for grant under the Post-IPO Share Option Scheme.

#### **Maximum entitlement of a selected participant**

Unless approved by the Shareholders, the total number of Shares issued and to be issued upon exercise of the options granted and to be granted under the Post-IPO Share Option Scheme and any other share option scheme(s) of our Company to each selected participant (including both exercised and outstanding options) in any 12 month period shall not exceed 1% of the total number of Shares in issue.

### **Consideration**

A consideration of HK\$1.00 is payable within 20 business days from the date of grant of an option.

### **Exercise period**

An option may, subject to the rules of the Post-IPO Share Option Scheme and the terms and conditions upon which such option is granted, be exercised in whole or in part by the grantee giving notice in writing to our Company in such form as our Board may from time to time determine stating that the option is thereby exercised and the number of Shares in respect of which it is exercised.

### **Vesting period**

The vesting criteria and conditions, and the vesting period are specified in the offer letter. Details of the vesting period of individual grants are stated in the table below.

### **Exercise price**

Pursuant to the Post-IPO Share Option Scheme, the participants may subscribe for the Shares on the exercise of an option at the price determined by the Board provided that it shall be at least the highest of (a) the closing price of a Share as stated in the daily quotations sheet issued by the Stock Exchange on the date of grant; (b) the average closing price of the Shares as stated in the daily quotations sheets issued by the Stock Exchange for the five business days immediately preceding the date of grant; and (c) the nominal value of a Share on the date of grant.

### **Remaining life of the Post-IPO Share Option Scheme**

The Post-IPO Share Option Scheme shall be valid and effective for the period of ten years commencing on the Listing Date (after which no further options shall be offered or granted).

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Details of the outstanding options granted under the Post-IPO Share Option Scheme (to be satisfied by new Shares) are as follows:

Name	Role	Date of Grant	Vesting Period	Exercise price	Outstanding options as of 1 January 2022	Granted during the period <sup>(i)</sup>	Exercised during the period	Cancelled during the period	Lapsed during the period	Outstanding options as of 31 December 2022	Closing price of Shares immediately before the grant	Fair value of options at the date of grant <sup>(ii)</sup>	Weighted average closing price of the Share immediately before the date of vesting during the period
<b>Directors</b>													
Dr. Jingsong Wang	Executive Director, chief executive officer and chairman of the Board	27 July 2022	(i) 25% shall vest on 31 March 2023; (ii) 25% shall vest on 31 March 2024; (iii) 25% shall vest on 31 March 2025; and (iv) 25% shall vest from 31 March 2026 <sup>(a)</sup>	HK\$6.20	Nil	3,381,000	Nil	Nil	Nil	3,381,000	HK\$3.53	HK\$4,124,820	N/A
Dr. Yiping Fong	Executive Director	27 July 2022		HK\$6.20	Nil	435,000	Nil	Nil	Nil	435,000	HK\$3.53	HK\$530,700	N/A
<b>Other grantees in category Employee Participants<sup>(b)</sup></b>													
		27 July 2022	For one participant: (a) 25% of the Share Options shall be vested in you on March 31, 2022; (b) 25% of the Share Options shall be vested in you on March 31, 2023; (c) 25% of the Share Options shall be vested in you on March 31, 2024; and (d) the remaining 25% of the Share Options shall be vested in you on March 31, 2026. For another one: (a) 25% of the Share Options shall be vested in you on April 11, 2023; (b) 25% of the Share Options shall be vested in you on April 11, 2024; (c) 25% of the Share Options shall be vested in you on April 11, 2025; and (d) the remaining 25% of the Share Options shall be vested in you on April 11, 2026. For others: (a) 25% of the Share Options shall be vested in you on March 31, 2023; (b) 25% of the Share Options shall be vested in you on March 31, 2024; (c) 25% of the Share Options shall be vested in you on March 31, 2025; and (d) the remaining 25% of the Share Options shall be vested in you on March 31, 2026.	HK\$5.658	Nil	5,502,000	Nil	Nil	226,000	5,502,000	HK\$3.53	HK\$6,971,970	HK\$3.53
<b>Total</b>					9,318,000	116,250	-	226,000	8,975,750	9,318,000		HK\$11,627,490	

Notes:

1. The fair value of options granted are calculated in accordance with the accounting standards and policies adopted for preparing the Company's financial statements. The assumptions including the expected volatility, the exercise multiple, the risk-free rate, the dividend yield and the fair value of the ordinary shares. For expected volatility, we have made reference to historical volatility of several comparable companies in the same industry. The exercise multiple was estimated as the average ratio of the stock price to the exercise price of when employees would decide to voluntarily exercise their vested share options. The risk-free rate for periods within the contractual life of the share options is based on the market yield of Hong Kong Government Bonds in effect at the time of grant. The dividend yield is based on the expected dividend policy over the contractual life of the share options.
2. Employee Participants other than Dr. Jingsong Wang and Dr. Yiping Rong as disclosed above, on individual basis.
3. The options have a term of 10 years from the date of grant.
4. The Exercise period of the options granted under the Post-IPO Share Option Scheme shall commence from the date on which the relevant options become vested and end on the 10th anniversary of the grant date, subject to the terms of the Post-IPO Share Option Scheme and the share option award agreement signed by the grantee.

### 3. POST-IPO SHARE AWARD SCHEME

The Post-IPO Share Award Scheme conditionally adopted by resolutions passed in the meeting of our Shareholders dated 23 November 2020.

#### Purpose

The purposes of the Post-IPO Share Award Scheme are to align the interests of Eligible Persons' with those of the Group through ownership of Shares, dividends and other distributions paid on Shares and/or the increase in value of the Shares, and to encourage and retain Eligible Persons to make contributions to the long-term growth and profits of the Group.

#### Eligible Person

Any individual, being an employee, director (including executive Directors, non-executive Directors and independent non-executive Directors), officer, consultant, advisor, distributor, contractor, customer, supplier, agent, business partner, joint venture business partner or service provider of any member of the Group or any affiliate (an "**Eligible Person**" and, collectively "**Eligible Persons**") who the Board or its delegate(s) considers, in its sole discretion, to have contributed or will contribute to the Group is eligible to receive an award (the "**Post-IPO Award**"). An Post-IPO Award gives a selected participant a conditional right, when the Post-IPO Awards vest, to obtain the Shares underlying the Post-IPO Awards (the "**Award Shares**") or, if in the absolute discretion of the Board or its delegate(s), it is not practicable for the selected participant to receive the Post-IPO Award in Shares, the cash equivalent from the sale of the Award Shares.

### **Maximum number of Award Shares (which can be satisfied by new Shares or existing Shares) available for grant**

The aggregate number of Award Shares underlying all grants made pursuant to the Post-IPO Share Award Scheme (excluding Award Shares which have been forfeited in accordance with the Post-IPO Share Award Scheme) will not exceed 38,394,558 Shares (representing approximately 5% of the total issued Shares immediately after completion of the Global Offering) without Shareholders' approval, subject to an annual limit of 1% of the total number of issued Shares at the relevant time.

As of 1 January 2022, 30,708,558 Award Shares were available for grant under the Post-IPO Share Award Scheme. During the Reporting Period, 3,381,000 and 3,990,000 Award Shares were granted to Eligible Persons pursuant to the Post-IPO Share Award Scheme and lapsed/canceled, respectively. It follows that, as of 31 December 2022, 31,317,558 Award Shares were available for grant under the Post-IPO Share Award Scheme.

### **Maximum number of new Shares available for issue**

The total number of new Shares issued and may be issued pursuant to the Post-IPO Share Award Scheme will not exceed 38,394,558 Shares (the "**Scheme Mandate**").

As of 1 January 2022, 38,394,558 new Shares were available for issue under the Scheme Mandate. During the Reporting Period, 38,750 new Shares were issued pursuant to the Post-IPO Share Award Scheme. It follows that, as of December 31, 2022 and the Latest Practicable Date, 38,355,808 new Shares and 37,856,808 new Shares (representing approximately 4.93% of the issued share capital of the Company as of the Latest Practicable Date) were available for issue under the Scheme Mandate, respectively.

### **Maximum entitlement of an Eligible Person**

Under the Post-IPO Share Award Scheme, there is no specific limit on the maximum number of shares which may be granted to a single Eligible Person.

### **Vesting period**

The vesting criteria and conditions, and the vesting period are specified in the award letter. Details of the vesting period of individual grants are stated in the table below.

### **Consideration and purchase price**

Pursuant to the Post-IPO Share Award Scheme, there is no amount payable on application or acceptance of the Post-IPO Award and no purchase price of Shares awarded.

### **Remaining life of the Post-IPO Share Award Scheme**

The Post-IPO Share Award Scheme has a term of ten years commencing on the Listing Date.

Details of the unvested Post-IPO Award Shares granted under the Post-IPO Share Award Scheme (to be satisfied by new Shares) are as follows:

Name	Date of grant	Vesting period	Purchase price	Unvested Award Shares as of 1 January 2022	Granted during the period <sup>(1)</sup>	Vested during the period	Lapsed during the period	Cancelled during the period	Unvested Award Shares as of 31 December 2022	Closing price of Shares immediately before the grant during the period	Fair value of Award Shares on the date of grant <sup>(1)</sup>	Weighted average closing price of Shares immediately before the vesting period
												HK\$
<b>Directors</b>												
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Other grantees in category</b>												
Employee Participants	27 July, 2022	For one participant: (a) 25% of the Share Options shall be vested in you on March 31, 2022; (b) 25% of the Share Options shall be vested in you on March 31, 2023; (c) 25% of the Share Options shall be vested in you on March 31, 2024; and (d) the remaining 25% of the Share Options shall be vested in you on March 31, 2025. For another one: (a) 25% of the Share Options shall be vested in you on April 11, 2023; (b) 25% of the Share Options shall be vested in you on April 11, 2024; (c) 25% of the Share Options shall be vested in you on April 11, 2025; and (d) the remaining 25% of the Share Options shall be vested in you on April 11, 2026; For others:(a) 25% of the Share Options shall be vested in you on March 31, 2023; (b) 25% of the Share Options shall be vested in you on March 31, 2024; (c) 25% of the Share Options shall be vested in you on March 31, 2025; and (d) the remaining 25% of the Share Options shall be vested in you on March 31, 2026.	Nil	Nil	2,109,000	38,750	113,000	Nil	1,957,250	HK\$3.53	HK\$7,339,320	HK\$3.53
Total				Nil	2,109,000	38,750	113,000	Nil	1,957,250		HK\$7,339,320	

Notes:

- The fair value of Award Shares are calculated in accordance with the accounting standards and policies adopted for preparing the Company's financial statements and based on the closing price on the date of grant.

# Directors' Report

Details of the outstanding Award Shares granted under the Post-IPO Share Award Scheme (to be satisfied by existing Shares) are as follows:

Name	Role	Date of grant	Vesting period	Purchase price	Unvested Award Shares as of 1 January 2022	Granted during the period <sup>(i)</sup>	Vested during the period	Lapsed during the period	Cancelled during the period	Unvested Award Shares as of 31 December 2022	Closing price of Shares immediately before the grant during the period	Fair value of Award Shares on the date of grant <sup>(ii)</sup>	Weighted average closing price of Shares immediately before date of vesting during the period
<b>Directors</b>													
Dr. Jingsong Wang	Executive Director, chief executive officer and chairman of the Board	27 July 2022		Nil & HK\$8.20	1,201,000	1,127,000	Nil	Nil	Nil	2,328,000	HK\$3.53	HK\$3,921,960	N/A
Dr. Yiping Peng	Executive Director	27 July 2022	For the grant on December 31, 2021 (i) 50% of the Award Shares (the "First Tranche Award Shares") shall be vested upon the first anniversary of the Grant Date; and (ii) the remaining 50% of the Award Shares (the "Second Tranche Award Shares") shall be vested upon the occurrence of the following events (whichever is the earlier to occur): (i) the second anniversary of the Grant Date, and (ii) the first Business Day falling after the first anniversary of the Grant Date but before the second anniversary of the Grant Date on which the closing price of the Share as quoted on the Stock Exchange is HK\$12.38 or more. For the grant on July 27, 2022: (i) 25% shall vest from March 31, 2023; (ii) 25% shall vest from March 31, 2024; (iii) 25% shall vest from March 31, 2025; and (iv) 25% shall vest from March 31, 2026 <sup>(iii)</sup>	Nil & HK\$8.20	136,000	145,000	Nil	Nil	Nil	281,000	HK\$3.53	HK\$3,604,600	N/A
<b>Five highest paid individual during the Reporting Period in aggregate</b>													
		31 December, 2021	(a) 50% of the Award Shares (the "First Tranche Award Shares") shall be vested in you upon the first anniversary of the Grant Date; and (b) the remaining 50% of the Award Shares (the "Second Tranche Award Shares") shall be vested in you upon the occurrence of the following events (whichever is the earlier to occur): (i) the second anniversary of the Grant Date, and (ii) the first Business Day falling after the first anniversary of the Grant Date but before the second anniversary of the Grant Date on which the closing price of the Share as quoted on the Stock Exchange is HK\$12.38 or more.	HK\$8.2	1,169,000	Nil	Nil	1,169,000	Nil	Nil	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Other grantees in aggregate</b>													
		31 December, 2021	(a) 50% of the Award Shares (the "First Tranche Award Shares") shall be vested in you upon the first anniversary of the Grant Date; and (b) the remaining 50% of the Award Shares (the "Second Tranche Award Shares") shall be vested in you upon the occurrence of the following events (whichever is the earlier to occur): (i) the second anniversary of the Grant Date but before the second anniversary of the Grant Date on which the closing price of the Share as quoted on the Stock Exchange is HK\$12.38 or more.	HK\$8.2	5,190,000	Nil	Nil	2,718,000	Nil	2,472,000	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>					7,686,000	1,272,000	Nil	3,877,000	Nil	5,081,000		HK\$4,426,560	

Notes:

1. The fair value of Award Shares are calculated in accordance with the accounting standards and policies adopted for preparing the Company's financial statements. The methodology and assumptions used was based on the closing price on the date of grant.

### **CONTROLLING SHAREHOLDERS' INTERESTS IN TRANSACTIONS, ARRANGEMENTS OR CONTRACTS OF SIGNIFICANCE**

During the year ended 31 December 2022, the Company had no controlling shareholder.

### **PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF LISTED SECURITIES**

During the Reporting Period, the Company and its subsidiaries have neither sold, purchased nor redeemed any of its listed securities.

### **PRE-EMPTIVE RIGHTS**

There are no provisions for pre-emptive rights under the Articles of Association or the Companies Act, which would oblige the Company to offer new Shares on a pro rata basis to existing Shareholders.

### **TAX RELIEF AND EXEMPTION**

The Directors are not aware of any tax relief and exemption available to the Shareholders by reason of their holding of the Company's securities.

### **DIRECTORS' INTEREST IN COMPETING BUSINESS**

Save as disclosed in this annual report, as at 31 December 2022, none of the Directors or their respective associates engaged in or had any interest in any business which competes or may compete, either directly or indirectly, with the businesses of the Group.

### **CONNECTED TRANSACTIONS**

On 4 March 2022, Ms. Weiwei Chen ("Ms. Chen") and the Company entered into a renewed consultancy agreement (the "Renewed Consultancy Agreement") for a term commencing from 1 March 2022 to 31 December 2022, for the continued provision of consultancy services by Ms. Chen to the Group in relation to the business and operation of the Group, after the expiry of the consultancy agreements for the provision of the consultancy services entered into by Ms. Chen and the Company for a term for seven months commencing from 9 June 2021 to 31 December 2021 and for a term of two months ended on 28 February 2022 (the "Previous Consultancy Agreements"). The historical transaction amounts of the Previous Consultancy Agreements were RMB2,405,095.45. Ms. Chen is a non-executive Director of the Company, and therefore is a connected person of the Company according to Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules. The transactions contemplated under the Previous Consultancy Agreements and the Renewed Consultancy Agreement constitute continuing connected transactions of the Group under Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules. For details of the Renewed Consultancy Agreement and the Previous Consultancy Agreements, please refer to the Company's announcements dated 9 June 2021 and 4 March 2022. The Renewed Consultancy Agreement expired on 31 December 2022.

Save as disclosed above, during the Reporting Period, the Group has not entered into any other connected transactions (or continuing connected transactions) which are not exempt from the annual reporting requirements pursuant to Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules.

### **CONFIRMATION FROM INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS**

The above continuing connected transaction for the year ended 31 December 2022 has been reviewed by the independent non-executive Directors. The independent non-executive Directors have confirmed that the continuing connected transaction has been entered into:

- (a) in the ordinary and usual course of business of the Group;
- (b) either on normal commercial terms or on terms no less favourable to the Group than terms available to or from independent third parties; and
- (c) in accordance with the respective agreements governing them on terms that are fair and reasonable and in the interests of the Shareholders as a whole.

### **CONFIRMATIONS FROM THE AUDITOR**

Ernst & Young, the auditor of the Company, has confirmed that, with respect to the aforesaid continuing connected transaction entered into in the year ended 31 December 2022:

- (a) nothing has come to their attention that causes Ernst & Young to believe that the disclosed continuing connected transaction has not been approved by the Board;
- (b) nothing has come to their attention that causes Ernst & Young to believe that the transaction was not entered into, in all material respects, in accordance with the relevant agreements governing such transactions; and
- (c) nothing has come to their attention that causes Ernst & Young to believe that the disclosed continuing connected transaction have exceeded the annual cap as set by the Company.

A summary of all significant transactions with related parties (the “**Related Party Transactions**”) entered into by the Group during the Reporting Period is contained in note 33 to the consolidated financial statements. During the Reporting Period, other than the continuing connected transaction of the Group set out above, no related party transactions disclosed in note 33 to the consolidated financial statements constituted a connected transaction or continuing connected transaction which should be disclosed pursuant to the Listing Rules.

The Company has complied with the disclosure requirements prescribed in Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules with respect to the connected transactions and continuing connected transactions entered into by the Group during the year under review.

### **CHARITABLE DONATIONS**

During the Reporting Period, the Group has not made any charitable donations.

### SIGNIFICANT LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

Pursuant to the Articles of Association and subject to the applicable laws and regulations, every Director, Auditor or other officer of the Company shall be entitled to be indemnified out of the assets of the Company against all losses or liabilities incurred or sustained by him as a Director, Auditor or other officer of the Company in defending any proceedings, whether civil or criminal, in which judgment is given in his favour, or in which he is acquitted. Subject to the Companies Act, if any Director or other person shall become personally liable for the payment of any sum primarily due from the Company, the Board may execute or cause to be executed any mortgage, charge, or security over or affecting the whole or any part of the assets of the Company by way of indemnity to secure the Director or person so becoming liable as aforesaid from any loss in respect of such liability.

Such permitted indemnity provision has been in force for the year ended December 31, 2022. For the year ended 31 December 2022, the Company was not engaged in any litigation or arbitration of material importance and no litigation or claim of material importance as known to the Directors to be pending or threatened against the Company.

### PERMITTED INDEMNITY PROVISION

For the year ended 31 December 2022, the Company has arranged appropriate liability insurance to cover the Directors for their liabilities arising out of corporate activities. The insurance coverage will be reviewed on an annual basis.

Save as disclosed in this report, there are no significant events affecting our Company have occurred since the end of the Reporting Period to the Latest Practicable Date.

### DISCLOSURE UNDER RULES 13.20 TO 13.22 OF THE LISTING RULES

The Directors are not aware of any circumstances resulting in a disclosure obligation under Rules 13.20 to 13.22 of the Listing Rules.

### CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The Company is committed to maintaining the highest standard of corporate governance practices. Information on the corporate governance practices adopted by the Company is set out in the Corporate Governance Report on pages 78 to 95 of this annual report.

### USE OF NET PROCEEDS

The Company's shares were listed on the Stock Exchange on 10 December 2020 with a total of 138,221,000 offer shares issued and the net proceeds raised during the Global Offering were approximately HK\$1,656.6 million. On 10 October 2022, the Board has resolved to change the use of the remaining net proceeds allocated for the funding of HBM9161 as such product was out-licensed (the "**Reallocation**"). For details, please refer to the announcement of the Company dated 10 October 2022. The Company plans to utilize the balance of net proceeds of the Global Offering by the end of 2023.

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Set out below is the status of use of proceeds from the Global Offering as at 31 December 2022.

Purpose	Original allocation of net proceeds (HK\$ million)	Unutilised for the year ended 31 December 2021	Revised unutilised amount		Utilised for the year ended 31 December 2022	Unutilised amount as at 31 December 2022
			Unutilised amount as at 31 August 2022	after the Reallocation as at 31 August 2022		
Funding ongoing and planned clinical trials and other related research and development activities, preparation for registration filings and potential commercial launches in Greater China of batoclimab (HBM9161), one of our Core Products	405.4	315.1	106.1	31.1	240.1	0
Funding ongoing and planned clinical trials and other related research and development activities, preparation for registration filings and potential commercial launches in Greater China of tanfanercept (HBM9036), one of our Core Products	132.5	43.5	N/A	N/A	43.5	0
Funding ongoing and planned clinical trials in Greater China and Australia, preparation for registration filings and potential commercial launches of HBM4003, our anchor asset, in Greater China, the United States and other jurisdictions	431.0	273.3	N/A	222.8	150.8	172.5
Funding the research and development of our other drug candidates seeking IND approvals and yet to commence clinical trials or those in pre-clinical studies	273.5	149.1	N/A	113.2	91.4	82.7
Funding the discovery of innovative molecules generated from our Harbour antibody platforms	198.8	111.2	N/A	N/A	68.2	43.0
Funding the continued improvement of our platform technologies and our pursuit of licensing and collaboration opportunities utilizing our Harbour antibody platforms	82.9	49.7	N/A	N/A	28.8	20.9
Working capital and other general corporate purposes	132.5	79.5	N/A	N/A	47.2	32.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,656.6</b>	<b>1,021.5</b>			<b>670.0</b>	<b>351.4</b>

## SUFFICIENCY OF PUBLIC FLOAT

Based on the information publicly available to the Company and to the knowledge of the Directors, at least 25% of the Company's total issued Shares, the prescribed minimum percentage of public float approved by the Stock Exchange and permitted under the Listing Rules, were held by the public at all times as of the Latest Practicable Date.

## AUDITOR

The consolidated financial statements of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2022 have been audited by Ernst & Young. A resolution will be proposed by the Company in the forthcoming Annual General Meeting (“AGM”) to re-appoint Ernst & Young as the auditor of the Company.

## IMPORTANT EVENTS AFTER REPORTING DATE

There are no material events after the reporting period that may have a material impact on the Group up to the Latest Practicable Date.

On behalf of the Board  
Dr. Jingsong Wang  
*Chairman*  
29 March 2023



# Corporate Governance Report

The Board is pleased to present the corporate governance report of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2022. (the “**Review Period**”)

## **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES**

The Board is committed to achieving and establishing high standards of corporate governance, which are essential in providing a framework for the Group to safeguard the interests of shareholders, enhance corporate value, formulate its business strategies and policies, and enhance its transparency and accountability.

The Company has adopted and complied with the applicable code provisions of the Corporate Governance Code (the “**CG Code**”) as set out in Appendix 14 to the Listing Rules as its own code of corporate governance. The Company has devised its own Corporate Governance Policy which incorporates the principles and practices as set out in the CG Code. The Board will continue to review and enhance its corporate governance practice of the Company to ensure compliance and alignment with the latest measures and standards set out in the CG Code.

The Board is of the view that, during the Review Period, the Company has complied with all the code provisions of the CG Code, save and except for the deviation from code provision C.2.1 of the CG Code, details of which are set out below.

## **RISK MANAGEMENT AND INTERNAL CONTROL**

Our Board is responsible for establishing our internal control system and reviewing its effectiveness. Our Audit Committee would assist the Board in leading the management and overseeing the design, implementation and supervision of internal control.

During the Review Period, we regularly reviewed and enhanced our risk management and internal control system, which has been designed to manage the risks and uncertainties that could cause the Group’s financial condition or business performance to differ materially from expected or historical results. Below is a summary of the risk management and internal control policies, measures and procedures we have implemented or plan to implement:

- We have adopted various measures and procedures regarding each aspect of our business operation, such as protection of intellectual property, environment protection and occupational health and safety.
- We have established standard operating programs that govern our activities, including an integrated procure-to-pay process, standardized accrual methods, and budgeting and tracking mechanisms.
- We provide our staff with staff handbooks that are revised from time to time. To enhance compliance awareness, we established a staff induction training program and we also provide regular internal and external compliance training to our staff as a part of the staff training program.
- With the help of our legal advisers, the Directors who are responsible for monitoring the Group’s corporate governance also regularly review our compliance with all relevant laws and regulations.

- Our Audit Committee assists the Board in overseeing the effectiveness of the risk management of the internal control system. Our Audit Committee maintains a regular dialogue with the Company's external auditors and reviews the Company's financial statements. Our Audit Committee makes recommendations to the Directors on the appointment and removal of the external auditors and makes recommendations on financial reporting and supervision of the Group's internal control procedures. The Company has established a compliance team to review grants and sponsorships and other compliance initiatives.
- The Board evaluates the design and operational effectiveness of the Company's internal control system and no material weaknesses are revealed in the evaluation results.
- We have engaged a PRC law firm to regularly advise us on and keep us abreast with the PRC laws and regulations. We will continue to arrange various trainings to be provided by external advisers from time to time when necessary and/or by any appropriate accredited institution to update our Directors, senior management and relevant employees on the latest PRC laws and regulations.

We maintained strict anti-corruption policies among all our staff, personnel and distributors. We ensure that our employees comply with the requirements, including restrictions on the purchasing and business cooperation, restrictions on the promotion of drugs for unapproved uses or patient populations and restrictions on industry-sponsored scientific and educational activities.

We also established a whistleblowing policy and system for employees and those who deal with the Company (e.g. customers and suppliers) to raise concerns, in confidence and anonymity, with the Audit Committee (or any designated committee comprising a majority of independent non-executive directors) about possible improprieties in any matter related to the Company.

We currently do not have an internal audit function. We are committed to continuously monitoring and assessing the necessity to establish an internal audit function on an annual basis. During the Review Period, we reviewed and concluded that the current internal mechanism was adequate to enable the effectiveness of the Company's internal control and risk management systems. Furthermore, as an additional comfort, no material weakness with the Company's internal controls over financial reporting was identified during the course of audit by our external auditor.

As an ongoing monitoring and assessment process, we have taken, including but not limited to, the following consideration factors into account when reviewing and concluding if an internal audit function is required:

- Limited headcounts of the Company;
- Current clinical stage of the Company with a primary focus on research and development activities;
- Relying on CRO & CDMO over our significant business operations;
- Occasional and simple revenue sources mainly from licensing without any product sales;
- Limited, simple and straight forward expenditure items; and
- External consultants, including GxP audit to CRO/CDMO, providing ongoing guidance and advice, thereby ensuring the operations of the Company meeting the legal and regulatory-compliance requirements.

We have established procedures and internal controls for the handling and dissemination of inside information. We have reviewed the effectiveness of the risk management and internal control systems during the Review Period. We consider such procedures and internal controls as effective and adequate.

### MODEL CODE FOR SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS

The Company has adopted the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (the “**Model Code**”) as set out in Appendix 10 of the Listing Rules as its code of conduct regarding Directors’ securities transactions. The Company has made specific enquiry on all Directors and they confirmed that they have strictly complied with the Model Code during the Review Period.

The Company has also established written guidelines (the “**Employees Written Guidelines**”) no less exacting than the Model Code for securities transactions by employees who are likely to be in possession of unpublished price-sensitive information of the Company. No incident of non-compliance of the Employees Written Guidelines by the employees was noted by the Company.

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

### RESPONSIBILITY

The Board is responsible for the overall leadership of the Group and oversees the Group's strategic decisions and monitors the business and performance, ensuring that any changes to board composition can be managed without undue disruption. The Board has delegated to the Group's senior management the authority and responsibility for the day-to-day management and operations of the Group. To oversee specific aspects of the Company's affairs, the Board has established three Board committees, including the Audit Committee, the Remuneration Committee and the Nomination Committee (collectively, the "**Board Committees**"). The Board has delegated a number of responsibilities to the Board Committees, which are set out in their respective terms of reference.

All Directors ensure that they perform their duties in good faith, comply with applicable laws and regulations, and at all times act in the interests of the Company and its Shareholders.

As stipulated in Principle B.1 of the CG Code, the Board regularly reviews the contribution required from a Director to perform his role and responsibilities to the Company, and whether the Director is spending sufficient time performing them.

The Company has arranged for the Directors to take out appropriate liability insurance to indemnify them against liabilities arising from their corporate activities. The scope of the insurance will be reviewed annually.

### COMPOSITION OF THE BOARD

Our Board currently consists of two executive Directors (namely Dr. Jingsong Wang (chief executive officer and chairman of the Board) and Dr. Yiping Rong), three non-executive Directors (namely Mr. Yu Min Qiu, Mr. Junfeng Wang and Ms. Weiwei Chen) and three independent non-executive Directors (namely Dr. Robert Irwin Kamen, Dr. Xiaoping Ye and Mr. Ka Chi Yau). The biographical details of the Directors are set out in the section titled "Directors and Senior Management" on pages 39 to 44 in this annual report.

During the year ended 31 December 2022, the Board has complied with the requirements under Rules 3.10(1) and 3.10(2) of the Listing Rules in relation to the appointment of at least three independent non-executive Directors and at least one independent non-executive Director with appropriate professional qualifications or accounting or related financial management expertise.

Under Rule 3.10A of the Listing Rules, a listed issuer must appoint independent non-executive Directors representing at least one-third of the board. The Company currently has three independent non-executive Directors representing more than one-third of the Board, and hence the Company is in compliance with Rule 3.10A of the Listing Rules.

The Company has received from each of the independent non-executive Directors an annual written confirmation of independence in accordance with the independence guidelines set out in Rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules. The Company is of the view that all the independent non-executive Directors are independent.

None of the Directors has any personal relationships (including financial, business, family or other material/related relationships) with any other Directors and members of senior management.

All Directors, including the independent non-executive Directors, bring a variety of valuable business experience, knowledge and expertise to the Board for efficient and effective operation. The independent non-executive Directors are invited to join the Audit Committee, the Remuneration Committee and the Nomination Committee.

To the extent that the provisions of the CG Code require the Directors to disclose to the issuer the number and nature of offices held in public companies or organizations and other significant commitments and the duties and the time involved, the Directors have agreed to disclose their duties and commitments to the Company in a timely manner.

### **BOARD DIVERSITY POLICY**

The Board has established the board diversity policy (the “**Board Diversity Policy**”), which sets out the approach to achieve diversity of the Board. The Company recognizes and embraces the benefits of having a diverse Board and sees increasing diversity at the Board level. Pursuant to the Board Diversity Policy, in reviewing the suitability of a candidate to serve as a Director, the Nomination Committee will consider a number of aspects, including gender, age, cultural, educational background and professional experience. According to the policy, more than one female Director should be included as member of the Board, and members of the Board should include candidates from a diverse background, such as professionals with extensive industry experience, risk management skills and financial knowledge, so as to provide a holistic and integrated perspective and outlook to enhance corporate decision-making.

During the Review Period, the Board has reviewed and considered the implementation of the Board Diversity Policy to be effective. The Board Diversity Policy is well implemented as evidenced by the fact that there are both female and male Directors from a diversified age group with experience from different industries and sectors. The Directors have a balanced mix of knowledge and skills, including knowledge and experience in the areas of business management, e-commerce, engineering, finance, law and computer science. They obtained degrees in various areas including business administration, economics, computer science and technology. Gender diversity of the Board stands at 12.5%, representing one female out of eight Directors, which has met the goal of our gender diversity.

### **APPOINTMENT AND CONTINUOUS PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

Each newly appointed director will receive formal, comprehensive and individually tailored induction training upon his or her appointment to ensure that he or she has a proper understanding of the business and operations of the Company and is fully aware of the roles, functions, duties and responsibilities of directors under the Listing Rules and relevant statutory requirements.

The Company arranges regular seminars for the Directors from time to time to provide updates on the latest development and changes in the Listing Rules and other relevant laws and regulatory requirements. The Directors are also provided with regular updates on the performance, position and prospects of the Company to facilitate the discharge of their duties by the Board as a whole and each of the Directors.

The Company encourages the Directors to participate in continuous professional development to develop and update their knowledge and skills. During the Review Period, all the Directors participated in continuous professional development to develop and update their knowledge and skills in accordance with code provision C.1.4 of the CG Code. The Company's external lawyers also provided briefings, presentations and information to the Directors to enable each of them to have further training on the roles, functions and responsibilities of directors of listed companies. All Directors received this training. The Company's external company secretarial service organization updates and provides written training materials on the roles, functions and responsibilities of Directors from time to time and all Directors study such materials and are required to submit signed training records to the Company annually.

The training records of the Directors for the year ended 31 December 2022 and up to the Latest Practicable Date are summarized as follows:

Name of Directors	Types of Training <sup>Note</sup>
Dr. Jingsong Wang	A, B
Mr. Xiaoxiang Chen <sup>(1)</sup>	A, B
Dr. Yiping Rong <sup>(2)</sup>	A, B
Mr. Yu Min Qiu	A, B
Mr. Junfeng Wang	A, B
Ms. Weiwei Chen	A, B
Dr. Robert Irwin Kamen	A, B
Dr. Xiaoping Ye	A, B
Mr. Ka Chi Yau	A, B

Notes:

(1) Mr. Xiaoxiang resigned as an executive Director effective on 5 May 2022.

(2) Dr. Yiping Rong Chen was appointed as an executive Director effective on 5 May 2022.

Types of Training

A: Attending training sessions, including but not limited to, briefings, seminars, conferences and workshops

B: Reading relevant news alerts, newspapers, journals, magazines and relevant publications (such as the Stock Exchange's letters to authorized representatives of listed issuers)

### **CHAIRMAN AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

Pursuant to code provision C.2.1 of the CG Code, the responsibilities between the chairman and the chief executive officer should be separate and should not be performed by the same individual. Companies listed on the Stock Exchange are expected to comply with such requirement, but may choose to deviate from such requirement. Currently, the Company does not have a separate chairman and chief executive officer and Dr. Jingsong Wang currently performs both roles.

Our Board believes that vesting the roles of both chairman and chief executive officer in the same person has the benefit of ensuring consistent leadership within our Group and enables more effective and efficient overall strategic planning for our Group. Our Board considers that the balance of power and authority for the present arrangement will not be impaired and this structure will enable our Company to make and implement decisions promptly and effectively. Our Board will continue to review and consider splitting the roles of chairman of our Board and the chief executive officer of our Company at a time when it is appropriate by taking into account the circumstances of our Group as a whole.

### **APPOINTMENT AND RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTORS**

Dr. Jingsong Wang entered into a service contract with our Company on 23 November 2020 and Dr. Yiping Rong entered into a service contract with our Company on 5 May 2022. The term of appointment for is for an initial term of three years from 30 November 2020/the appointment date or until the third annual general meeting of our Company after the Listing Date/the appointment (as the case may be), whichever is sooner (subject to retirement as and when required under the Articles of Association). Either party may terminate the agreement by giving not less than three months' written notice.

Each of Mr. Junfeng Wang and Mr. Yu Min Qiu has entered into an appointment letter with the Company on 23 November 2020. Ms. Weiwei Chen has entered into an appointment letter with the Company on 9 June 2021. The term of appointment is for an initial term of three years from the appointment date or until the third annual general meeting of our Company after the Listing Date or an initial term of three years from the date of appointment (as the case maybe), whichever is sooner (subject to retirement as and when required under the Articles of Association). Either party may terminate the agreement by giving not less than three months' written notice.

Each of Dr. Robert Irwin Kamen and Dr. Xiaoping Ye entered into an appointment letter with the Company on 23 November 2020. Mr. Ka Chi Yau entered into an appointment letter with the Company on 9 June 2021. The term of appointment is for an initial term of three years from 30 November 2020 or until the third annual general meeting of our Company after the Listing Date or an initial term of three years from the date of appointment (as the case maybe), whichever is sooner (subject to retirement as and when required under the Articles of Association). Either party may terminate the agreement by giving not less than three months' written notice.

Pursuant to the Articles of Association, at every annual general meeting of the Company one-third of the Directors for the time being, or, if their number is not three or a multiple of three, then the number nearest to, but not less than, one-third, shall retire from office by rotation, provided that every Director (including those appointed for a specific term) shall be subject to retirement by rotation at least once every three years. A retiring Director shall retain office until the close of the meeting at which he retires and shall be eligible for re-election thereat. The Company at any annual general meeting at which any Directors retire may fill the vacated office by electing a like number of persons to be Directors.

The procedures and processes for the appointment, re-election and removal of the Directors are set out in the Articles of Association.

The Nomination Committee is responsible for reviewing the composition of the Board and monitoring the appointment, re-election and succession plan of the Directors.

### **BOARD MEETINGS AND DIRECTORS' ATTENDANCE RECORDS**

The Company adopts the practice of holding regular Board meetings at least four times a year and approximately once every quarter, involving active participation, either in person or through electronic means of communication, of a majority of Directors. The Company gives not less than 14 days' notice of all regularly scheduled Board meetings to give all Directors an opportunity to attend the regular meetings and to put relevant matters on the agenda. For other Board and committee meetings, reasonable notice will generally be given. The agenda and accompanying Board papers are sent to the Directors or committee members at least three days prior to the meeting to ensure that they have sufficient time to review the documents and prepare adequately for the meeting. When a Director or committee member is unable to attend a meeting, he or she will be informed of the matters to be discussed and will have an opportunity to express his or her views to the Chairman prior to the meeting. Minutes of the meetings are kept by the company secretary of the Company and copies will be sent to all Directors for reference and records.

Minutes of the Board and committee meetings record in sufficient detail of the matters considered and decisions reached by the Board and the respective committee, including any questions from the Directors. Draft minutes of each Board meeting and committee meeting are sent to the Directors for comment within a reasonable time after the date of the meeting. The Directors have the right to inspect the minutes of the Board meetings.

Code provision C.5.1 of the CG Code stipulates that the Board should meet regularly and board meetings should be held at least four times a year at approximately quarterly intervals. During the Review Period, the Board has held seven meetings and held one general meeting.

The Board will make arrangements for holding at least four regular Board meetings and a meeting between the Chairman and the non-executive Directors (including independent non-executive Directors) without the presence of executive Directors once a year.

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The attendance record of each of the Directors at such meetings are set out in the following table:

Director	Attendance/Eligible Attendance	
	Board meeting	General meeting
Dr. Jingsong Wang	7/7	1/1
Mr. Xiaoxiang Chen <sup>(1)</sup>	2/2	N/A
Dr. Yiping Rong <sup>(2)</sup>	3/3	1/1
Mr. Yu Min Qiu	7/7	1/1
Mr. Junfeng Wang	7/7	1/1
Ms. Weiwei Chen	7/7	1/1
Dr. Robert Irwin Kamen	7/7	1/1
Dr. Xiaoping Ye	7/7	1/1
Mr. Ka Chi Yau	7/7	1/1

Note:

(1) Mr Xiaoxiang Chen resigned as an executive Director effective on 5 May 2022.

(2) Dr Yiping Rong was appointed as executive Director effective on 5 May 2022.

During the Review Period, the Chairman of the Board held one meeting with the independent non-executive Directors without the presence of other Directors.

## AUTHORIZATION BY THE BOARD

The Board reserves the right of decision making on all major issues of the Company, including: approving and monitoring all policy matters, overall strategy and budget, internal control and risk management systems, material transactions (especially those with potential conflicts of interest), financial information, appointment of directors and other material financial and operational matters. Directors may seek independent professional advice at the Company's expense when they perform their duties and the Company encourages the Directors to seek independent advice from the Company's senior management.

Responsibility for the day-to-day management, administration and operations of the Group has been delegated to the senior management. The delegated functions and responsibilities are regularly reviewed by the Board. Management shall obtain the Board's approval before entering into any material transactions.

## CORPORATE GOVERNANCE FUNCTIONS

The Board is responsible for performing the functions set out in the code provision A.2.1 of the CG Code.

The Board would review the Company's corporate governance policies and practices, training and continuous professional development of the directors and the senior management, the Company's policies and practices on compliance with legal and regulatory requirements, and the Company's compliance with the CG Code and disclosure in this Corporate Governance Report. The Board has performed the above duties during the Review Period.

The Board is aware that corporate governance is a shared responsibility of all Directors, including:

- To develop, review and implement the Company's policies and practices on corporate governance and make recommendations to the Board;
- To review and monitor the training and continuous professional development of Directors and senior management;
- To review and monitor the Company's policies and practices on compliance with legal and regulatory requirements;
- To develop, review and monitor the code of conduct and compliance manual applicable to employees and directors;
- To review the Company's compliance with the CG Code and disclosure in the Corporate Governance Report; and
- To develop, review and monitor the implementation of shareholders' communication policy to ensure its effectiveness, and to make recommendations to the Board when appropriate to help strengthen the relationship between the Company and its shareholders.

During the year ended 31 December 2022, the Company has updated the compliance manual on disclosable transactions and inside information in accordance with the Listing Rules as a guide for employees to report undisclosed inside information to the Company to ensure consistent and timely disclosure and to meet the Company's continuous disclosure obligations.

## BOARD COMMITTEE

### NOMINATION COMMITTEE

For the year ended 31 December 2022, the Nomination Committee consists of three members, namely Dr. Jingsong Wang (executive Director), Dr. Robert Irwin Kamen (independent non-executive Director) and Dr. Xiaoping Ye (independent non-executive Director). Dr. Jingsong Wang is the chairman of the Nomination Committee.

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The major duties of the Nomination Committee include the following:

- To review the structure, size and composition of the Board, and to make recommendations for any proposed change;
- To identify suitable candidates to be appointed as directors;
- To make recommendations to the Board on the appointment or re-appointment of directors and succession planning; and
- To assess the independence of independent non-executive Directors.

The Nomination Committee will evaluate the candidates or incumbent candidates based on criteria such as integrity, experience, skills and ability to commit time and effort to perform their duties and responsibilities. The recommendation of the Nomination Committee will then be put to the Board for decision and its written terms of reference is available on the websites of the Stock Exchange and the Company.

During the Review Period, one Nomination Committee meeting was held.

<b>Director</b>	<b>Attendance/ Eligible Attendance</b>
Dr. Jingsong Wang (Chairman)	1/1
Dr. Robert Irwin Kamen	1/1
Dr. Xiaoping Ye	1/1

## **BOARD'S NOMINATION POLICY FOR THE NOMINATION OF DIRECTORS**

The Company has adopted a nomination policy for the election of directors (the “**Board's Nomination Policy**”), details of which are as follows:

### **Nomination criteria**

When considering a candidate nominated for directorship or a director's proposed re-appointment, the Nomination Committee will take into account the following factors:

- Age, skills, experience, professional and educational qualifications, background and other personal qualities of the candidate;
- Effect on the Board members' composition and diversity;
- Potential/actual conflicts of interest that may arise if the candidate is selected, and independence of the candidate;

- Commitment of the candidate to devote sufficient time to effectively carry out his/her duties;
- In the case of a proposed re-appointment of an independent non-executive Director, the number of years he/she has already served the Company; and
- Other factors considered to be relevant by the Nomination Committee on a case by case basis.

### **NOMINATION PROCEDURES**

The nomination procedures are as follows:

The Nomination Committee shall consider the suitability of such person and assess the independence of the proposed independent non-executive Director in accordance with the Listing Rules, the Board's Diversity Policy and the Board's Nomination Policy;

The Nomination Committee shall make recommendations to the Board;

The Board shall consider the people recommended by the Nomination Committee in accordance with the Listing Rules (including the CG Code in Appendix 14 of the Listing Rules), the Board's Nomination Policy and the Board's Diversity Policy;

When filling a vacancy and appointing a new director, the Board confirms the person appointed as a director and the new director is subject to re-election by the shareholders of the Company at the next annual general meeting in accordance with the Articles of Association;

Upon retirement of a retiring Director, the Board shall recommend the retiring Directors for re-election at the annual general meeting pursuant to the recommendation of the Nomination Committee. The appointment of the retiring Directors is subject to the approval of the Shareholders at the annual general meeting; and

The Board reserves the right of final decision on all matters relating to the selection and appointment of Directors.

### **REMUNERATION COMMITTEE**

As at 31 December 2022, the Remuneration Committee consists of three members, namely Dr. Jingsong Wang (executive Director), Dr. Xiaoping Ye (independent non-executive Director) and Mr. Ka Chi Yau (independent non-executive Director), Dr. Xiaoping Ye is the chairman of the Remuneration Committee.

The major duties of the Remuneration Committee include making recommendations to the Board on the Company's policy and structure for the remuneration of all Directors and senior management; reviewing and approving management's remuneration proposals with reference to the Board's corporate goals and objectives; making recommendations to the Board on specific remuneration packages for all executive Directors and senior management; and reviewing and/or approving matters relating to share schemes under Chapter 17 of the Listing Rules. The written terms of reference of the Remuneration Committee is available on the websites of the Stock Exchange and the Company.

## Directors' remuneration policy

The Remuneration Committee is also responsible for establishing a transparent process for developing such remuneration policy and structure to ensure that no Director or any of his/her associates is involved in determining his/her own remuneration. The remuneration of Directors comprises an annual directors' fee and may also be entitled to options and/or awards under the rules of the share option scheme or share award scheme adopted by the Company from time to time. Such remuneration is determined and recommended by the Remuneration Committee with reference to individual and Company performance as well as market practice and market conditions.

During the Review Period, one Remuneration Committee meeting was held.

<b>Director</b>	<b>Attendance/ Eligible Attendance</b>
Dr. Xiaoping Ye ( <i>Chairman</i> )	1/1
Dr. Jingsong Wang	1/1
Mr. Ka Chi Yau	1/1

During the Review Period, the Remuneration Committee met once to review and make recommendations to the Board on the remuneration policy and packages and other related matters.

Remuneration by band of the 5 members of the senior management of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2022 are set out below.

<b>Annual Remuneration</b>	<b>Number of Individual(s)</b>
HK\$2,500,001 to HK\$3,000,000	1
HK\$3,000,001 to HK\$3,500,000	1
HK\$3,500,001 to HK\$4,000,000	2
Above HK\$4,000,001	1
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## AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Company has established an audit committee with written terms of reference in compliance with Rule 3.21 of the Listing Rules and the CG Code set out in Appendix 14 to the Listing Rules. As at 31 December 2022, the Audit Committee consists of three members, namely Mr. Yu Min Qiu (non-executive Director), Dr. Xiaoping Ye (independent non-executive Director) and Mr. Ka Chi Yau (independent non-executive Director). Mr. Ka Chi Yau is the chairman of the Audit Committee and has appropriate qualification as required under Rules 3.10(2) and 3.21 of the Listing Rules.

The major duties of the Audit Committee include the following:

- To review the financial statements and reports before submission to the Board and to consider any significant or unusual items raised by the internal audit department or the external auditors;
- To review the relationship with the external auditor with reference to the work performed by the auditor, its fees and terms of engagement, and to make recommendations to the Board on the appointment, reappointment and removal of the external auditor; and
- To review the adequacy and effectiveness of the Company's financial reporting system, risk management and internal control system and related programs, including the adequacy of the Company's resources, staff qualifications and experience, training programs and budget for the accounting and financial reporting function.

During the Review Period, three Audit Committee meetings were held.

<b>Director</b>	<b>Attendance/ Eligible Attendance</b>
Mr. Ka Chi Yau ( <i>Chairman</i> )	3/3
Mr. Yu Min Qiu	3/3
Dr. Xiaoping Ye	3/3

Subsequent to 31 December 2022, the Audit Committee held a meeting to review the financial reporting system, compliance process, risk management and internal control system and its process and reappointed external auditor.

The Audit Committee also reviewed the final results for the financial year, and the audit report prepared by the external auditors on the accounting matters and significant findings arising from the audit process. The Company has made appropriate arrangements for employees to raise concerns in confidence about possible improprieties in financial reporting, risk management and other matters of the internal control system, and its written terms of reference is available on the websites of the Company and the Stock Exchange.

### **DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITY FOR FINANCIAL REPORTING IN RELATION TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The Directors are fully aware of their responsibilities in relation to the preparation of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 and give a true and fair view of the affairs of the Company and the Group and of the results and cash flows of the Group.

Our senior management has provided related explanation and information to the Board as is necessary to make an informed assessment of the Company's financial statements, which is subject to the Board's approval. The Company provides quarterly updates on the Company's performance, position and prospects to all members of the Board.

The Directors are not aware of any material uncertainties relating to matters or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern.

The statement of the Company's auditors regarding their reporting responsibilities on the Company's consolidated financial statements are set out in the Independent Auditor's Report on pages 98 to 102 of this Annual Report.

### **JOINT COMPANY SECRETARIES**

Mr. Richard Yu Fu and Mr. Wing Yat Christopher Lui, senior manager of Tricor Services Limited, an external service provider, have been appointed as the Company's joint company secretaries.

Mr. Richard Yu Fu has been designated as the primary contact person at the Company which would work and communicate with Mr. Wing Yat Christopher Lui on the Company's corporate governance and secretarial and administrative matters.

All Directors have access to the advice and services of the joint company secretaries on corporate governance and board practices and matters.

For the year ended 31 December 2022, Mr. Fu and Mr. Lui have undertaken not less than 15 hours of relevant professional training to update their skills and knowledge, thus in compliance with Rule 3.29 of the Listing Rules.

### **AUDITOR'S REMUNERATION**

The audit fees paid by the Group to the auditor in respect of audit and non-audit services for the year ended 31 December 2022 were approximately US\$0.48 million and nil, respectively.

### **COMMUNICATION WITH SHAREHOLDERS AND INVESTOR RELATIONS**

The Company believes that effective communication with shareholders is essential to improve investor relations and understanding of the Group's business, performance and strategy. The Company also recognizes the importance of timely and non-selective disclosures that will enable shareholders and investors to make informed investment decisions.

The annual general meeting provides an opportunity for shareholders to communicate directly with the Directors. The chairman of the Board will attend the annual general meeting to answer questions from Shareholders. The Company's external auditors will also attend the annual general meeting to answer questions about the audit, the preparation and content of the auditor's report, accounting policies and auditor independence.

In order to facilitate effective communication, the Company has adopted a shareholder communication policy aimed at establishing mutual relationship and communication between the Company and its Shareholders via maintaining a website at [www.harbourbiomed.com](http://www.harbourbiomed.com). The Company will post updates relating to its business operations and development, financial information, corporate governance practices and other information on its website for public access.

### SHAREHOLDERS' RIGHTS

In order to protect the interests and rights of shareholders, each matter will be proposed at a general meeting by way of individual resolution, including the election of individual directors.

All resolutions proposed at the AGM will be voted on by way of poll in accordance with the Listing Rules and the poll results will be published on the Company's website and the website of the Stock Exchange in due course after each AGM.

### DIVIDEND POLICY

The Board has approved and adopted a dividend policy (the "**Dividend Policy**"). Pursuant to the Dividend Policy, it is expected that, subject to compliance with applicable laws and regulations, the Company will declare dividends, which will be announced after the publication of the interim results announcement and the annual results announcement respectively. The dividend will be declared and paid in Hong Kong dollars.

In accordance with the Dividend Policy, the Board shall consider the following factors before declaring or recommending dividends:

- the Company's actual and expected financial performance;
- retained earnings and distributable reserves of the Company and each of the subsidiaries of the Group;
- the Group's working capital requirements, capital expenditure requirements and future expansion plans;
- the Group's liquidity position;
- general economic conditions, business cycle of the Group's business and other internal or external factors that may have an impact on the business or financial performance and position of the Group; and
- other factors that the Board may consider relevant.

The payment of dividend by the Company is also subject to applicable laws and regulations, including the Cayman Islands laws and the Articles of Association. The Board will review this Dividend Policy from time to time and does not guarantee that any particular amount of dividend will be paid for any specified period.

### BOARD INDEPENDENCE

The Company recognizes that Board independence is key to good corporate governance. As part of the established governance framework, the Group has adopted Board independence mechanism (the “**Mechanism**”), which demonstrates the Company’s commitment to high standards of corporate governance, and making good governance integral to the Company’s culture.

According to the Mechanism, the Board, Board committees or individual Directors may seek such independent professional advice, views and input as considered necessary to fulfil their responsibilities and in exercising independent judgement when making decisions in furtherance of their Directors’ duties at the Company’s expense. Independent professional advice shall include legal advice and advice of accountants and other professional financial advisers on matters of law, accounting, tax and other regulatory matters.

In the event that independent professional advice, views and input are considered necessary, the Board, Board committees or individual Directors shall communicate with the company secretary to start the Mechanism, providing background and details of the relevant incidents and/or transactions, and the issues involved which would require independent views and input. They may direct any questions, queries, concerns or specific advice to be sought to the company secretary who will then contact the Company’s professional advisers (including legal advisers, accountants, independent auditor, internal control adviser) or other independent professional parties to obtain such independent professional advice within a reasonable period of time. Any advice obtained through the Mechanism shall be duly documented and made available to other members of the Board.

Despite having obtained any information or advice from the chairperson of the Board and/or any independent professional advisers through the Mechanism, the Directors are expected to exercise independent judgement in forming their decisions.

During the Review Period, the Board has reviewed and considered the implementation of the Mechanism to be effective.

### SHAREHOLDERS’ COMMUNICATION POLICY

The Company considers effective communication with Shareholders is essential for enhancing investor relations and investor understanding of the Group’s business performance and strategies. The Company endeavors to maintain an on-going dialogue with Shareholders and in particular, through annual general meetings and other general meetings. Directors (or their delegates as appropriate), appropriate management executives and external auditor will use all reasonable endeavors to attend annual general meetings and answer enquiries from Shareholders.

The Company discloses information and publishes periodic reports and announcements to the public in accordance with the Listing Rules, the relevant laws and regulations. The primary focus of the Company is to ensure information disclosure is timely, fair, accurate, truthful and does not contain any material omission, thereby enabling Shareholders, investors as well as the public to make rational and informed decisions.

The Company has reviewed and considered the implementation of the Shareholders’ communication to be effective during the Review Period.

### **CONVENING EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING AND PUTTING FORWARD PROPOSALS**

Proposals may be put forward by Shareholders for consideration at general meetings in accordance with the Articles of Association. Pursuant to Article 12.3 of the Articles of Association, general meetings shall also be convened on the written requisition of any two or more members holding together, as at the date of deposit of the requisition, shares representing not less than one-tenth of the voting rights, on a one vote per share basis, in the share capital of the Company. The written requisition shall be deposited at the principal office of the Company in Hong Kong or, in the event the Company ceases to have such a principal office, the registered office of the Company, specifying the objects of the meeting and the resolutions to be added to the meeting agenda, and signed by the requisitionist(s). If the Board does not within 21 days from the date of deposit of the requisition proceed duly to convene the meeting to be held within a further 21 days, the requisitionist(s) themselves or any of them representing more than one-half of the total voting rights of all of them, may convene the general meeting in the same manner, as nearly as possible, as that in which meetings may be convened by the Board provided that any meeting so convened shall not be held after the expiration of three months from the date of deposit of the requisition, and all reasonable expenses incurred by the requisitionist(s) as a result of the failure of the Board shall be reimbursed to them by the Company. The procedures for nominating a person for election as a Director are available on the Company's website and the website of the Stock Exchange.

### **MAKING ENQUIRIES TO THE BOARD**

Shareholders who wish to make enquiries about the Company to the Board may send their enquiries to the Company's principal place of business in Hong Kong at 5/F, Manulife Place, 348 Kwun Tong Road, Kowloon, Hong Kong (email address: [ir@harbourbiomed.com](mailto:ir@harbourbiomed.com)).

### **AMENDMENT TO CONSTITUTIONAL DOCUMENTS**

In June 2022, the Seventh Amended and Restated Articles of Association of the Company was approved at the annual general meeting held on 8 June 2022. For details of the Articles, please refer to the announcement of the Company on 8 June 2022.

Save as disclosed in this report, no other changes were made to the memorandum and articles of association of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2022.

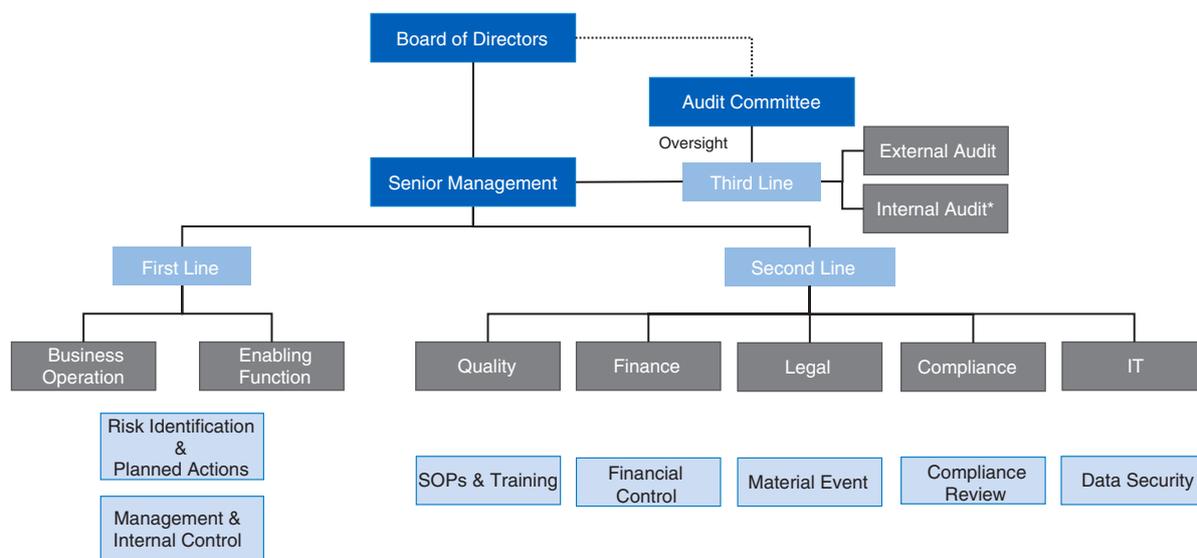
# Risk Management Report

## RISK MANAGEMENT CONCEPT

In pursuit of sustainable steady business growth, the Board acknowledges that the Group must maintain robust risk management to support the efficient portfolio development. The Board regards risk management as a proactive measure for creating efficiencies and promotes its responsibilities. The management and all staff members as well as its entire business system are fully engaged in the risk management mechanism including regular identification, assessment, effective control, escalation if needed and report.

## RISK MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK

The Group has established a risk management framework with “three lines of defence”:



**1st line of defence:** Business Functions – During the course of business activities, each of the functional departments and business units, as well as personnel holding the respective business position, shall be the first responsible unit for handling matters within their terms of reference for risk identification and management.

**2nd line of defence:** Supervision and support for risk management – The functional departments, including the departments responsible for the functions of legal affairs, compliance, IT, and finance/HR, shall assist the front-line business departments to assume joint responsibilities for overseeing, inspecting and evaluating those works relating to the implementation of risk management.

**3rd line of defence:** Independent assurance – The Audit Committee under the Board shall be responsible for overseeing and reviewing the results of the risk management and external audit report.

\* For the Internal Audit function, please refer to page 66 in the report.

During the Review Period, we regularly reviewed and enhanced our risk management and internal control system, which has been designed to manage the risks and uncertainties that could cause the Group's financial condition or business performance to differ materially from expected or historical results. We regularly review the various nodes of internal control to ensure that there are no material weaknesses in internal control and report the results to the Audit Committee and the Board of Directors. If a material weakness is identified, the Company will hold a high-level management meeting to develop an internal control plan and report the results of implementation to the Audit Committee and the Board of Directors. During the Review Period, we reviewed and concluded that the current internal mechanism was adequate to enable the effectiveness of the Company's internal control and risk management systems. Furthermore, as an additional comfort, no material weakness with the Company's internal controls over financial reporting was identified during the course of audit by our external auditor.

### **RISK MANAGEMENT IDENTIFICATION AND RESPONSE MEASURES**

Pursuant to the risk assessment at the beginning of 2023, the major risks of the Group in the next 12 months, which have been aligned with the ESG materiality issues of the company, are as below:

- (i) We believe the uncertainty in global monetary and fiscal policy is a major risk related to the trade environment impact, which may cause dramatic volatility in the supply chain price system and capital market system and we plan to pay our attention on market changes and restructure a more flexible strategy on the development of global immune-oncology therapy and continuous overseeing on the annual budget as well.
- (ii) Our future success depends on our ability to attract, retain and motivate senior management and qualified scientific employees. To improve our products development capability and achieve our sustainability objective on the development of human resources, we will make all efforts on people retention, establish the career success plan and enhance recruitment system.
- (iii) The regulatory approval processes of the China NMPA, the U.S. FDA and other comparable regulatory authorities may evolve over time. We believe that this factor may contribute to the uncertainty of our products development. To improve our products development capability and products & service quality, we will build a comprehensive guidance on global clinical development and enhance the data review and quality works for BLA purpose.
- (iv) Our business could be harmed with insufficient quantities of investigational product or failure at acceptable quality levels or prices during our clinical study activities. This factor spurs us to pay more attention on our products & service quality and we will enhance monitoring and management to ensure the quality & quantities of clinical supplies.

# Independent Auditor's Report



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## To the shareholders of HBM Holdings Limited

*(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)*

### OPINION

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of HBM Holdings Limited (the “Company”) and its subsidiaries (the “Group”) set out on pages 103 to 196, which comprise the consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 December 2022, and the consolidated statement of profit or loss, the consolidated statement of comprehensive income, the consolidated statement of changes in equity and the consolidated statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the consolidated financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements give a true and fair view of the consolidated financial position of the Group as at 31 December 2022, and of its consolidated financial performance and its consolidated cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (“IFRSs”) issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (“IASB”) and have been properly prepared in compliance with the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance.

### BASIS FOR OPINION

We conducted our audit in accordance with Hong Kong Standards on Auditing (“HKASAs”) issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (“HKICPA”). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the consolidated financial statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Group in accordance with the HKICPA's *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (the “Code”), and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

### KEY AUDIT MATTERS

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgement, were of most significance in our audit of the consolidated financial statements of the current period. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the consolidated financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters. For each matter below, our description of how our audit addressed the matter is provided in that context.

We have fulfilled the responsibilities described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the consolidated financial statements* section of our report, including in relation to these matters. Accordingly, our audit included the performance of procedures designed to respond to our assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements. The results of our audit procedures, including the procedures performed to address the matters below, provide the basis for our audit opinion on the accompanying consolidated financial statements.

## KEY AUDIT MATTERS *(Continued)*

Key audit matter	How our audit addressed the key audit matter
<b><i>Impairment of an indefinite-life intangible asset</i></b>	
<p>The carrying value of the indefinite-life intangible asset (technology licencing agreement) in the consolidated financial statements amounted to USD7,600,000 as at 31 December 2022.</p> <p>In accordance with IFRSs, the Group is required to perform an impairment test for the indefinite-life intangible asset at least on an annual basis. The impairment test is based on the recoverable amount of the individual asset which is determined based on fair value less costs of disposal. The impairment testing process is complex and involves significant management judgements and estimates.</p> <p>The disclosures about the impairment of the indefinite-life intangible asset are included in note 2.4 <i>Summary of significant accounting policies</i>, note 3 <i>Significant accounting judgements and estimates</i> and note 16 <i>Intangible assets</i>.</p>	<p>Our audit procedures included, among others, involving internal valuation specialists to assist us in evaluating the assumptions and methodologies used by management, in particular, discount rates, royalty rates and growth rates beyond the budget period used in the valuation method based on the cash flow forecast of the asset. We paid attention to the forecast used with respect to future revenues and operating results by comparing the forecasts with the business development plan of the indefinite-life intangible asset. We also evaluated the objectivity, competence and capability of the external valuer engaged by management.</p> <p>We also focused on the adequacy of the related disclosures in the consolidated financial statements.</p>
<b><i>Cut-off of research and development costs</i></b>	
<p>For the year ended 31 December 2022, the Group incurred research and development costs amounting to USD135,143,000. A large portion of the research and development costs was clinical trial expenses and service fees paid to contract research organisations (“CROs”). The research and development activities with these CROs are documented in detailed agreements and are typically performed over an extended period. Allocation of these costs to the appropriate reporting period based on the progress of the research and development projects requires estimations.</p> <p>The disclosures about the accounting policies of research and development cost are included in note 2.4 <i>Summary of significant accounting policies</i> and note 3 <i>Significant accounting judgements and estimates</i>.</p>	<p>We reviewed the key terms set out in the agreements with the CROs. We evaluated the progress of the research and development projects by inquiring of project managers, reviewing supporting documents, obtaining confirmations from the CROs and checking subsequent billings and payments, on a sample basis, in order to determine the completeness, cut-off and nature of the research and development costs.</p>

### **OTHER INFORMATION INCLUDED IN THE ANNUAL REPORT**

The directors of the Company are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Annual Report, other than the consolidated financial statements and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the consolidated financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the consolidated financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the consolidated financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

### **RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE DIRECTORS FOR THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation of the consolidated financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with IFRSs issued by the IASB and the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance, and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the consolidated financial statements, the directors of the Company are responsible for assessing the Group's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors of the Company either intend to liquidate the Group or to cease operations or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

The directors of the Company are assisted by the Audit Committee in discharging their responsibilities for overseeing the Group's financial reporting process.

### **AUDITOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE AUDIT OF THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Our report is made solely to you, as a body, and for no other purpose. We do not assume responsibility towards or accept liability to any other person for the contents of this report.

Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with HKSAAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these consolidated financial statements.

### **AUDITOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE AUDIT OF THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS** *(Continued)*

As part of an audit in accordance with HKSAAs, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Group's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the directors.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the consolidated financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Group to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the consolidated financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the consolidated financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the Group to express an opinion on the consolidated financial statements. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

We communicate with the Audit Committee regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide the Audit Committee with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, actions taken to eliminate threats or safeguards applied.



## Independent Auditor's Report

### **AUDITOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE AUDIT OF THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS** *(Continued)*

From the matters communicated with the Audit Committee, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the consolidated financial statements of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

The engagement partner on the audit resulting in this independent auditor's report is Siu Fung Terence Ho.

*Ernst & Young*  
Certified Public Accountants  
Hong Kong

29 March 2023

# Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss

Year ended 31 December 2022

	Notes	2022 USD'000	2021 USD'000
<b>REVENUE</b>	5	<b>40,659</b>	4,308
Cost of sales		<b>(130)</b>	(137)
Gross profit		<b>40,529</b>	4,171
Other income and gains	5	<b>4,768</b>	5,965
Administrative expenses		<b>(27,274)</b>	(40,067)
Research and development costs		<b>(135,143)</b>	(107,103)
Other expenses	6	<b>(17,913)</b>	(619)
Finance costs	7	<b>(1,987)</b>	(176)
<b>LOSS BEFORE TAX</b>	8	<b>(137,020)</b>	(137,829)
Income tax expense	11	<b>(248)</b>	(49)
<b>LOSS FOR THE YEAR</b>		<b>(137,268)</b>	(137,878)
Attributable to:			
Owners of the parent		<b>(137,222)</b>	(137,777)
Non-controlling interests		<b>(46)</b>	(101)
		<b>(137,268)</b>	(137,878)
<b>LOSS PER SHARE ATTRIBUTABLE TO ORDINARY EQUITY HOLDERS OF THE PARENT</b>			
Basic and diluted (USD)	13	<b>(0.19)</b>	(0.19)

# Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income

Year ended 31 December 2022

	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>USD'000</b>	USD'000
<b>LOSS FOR THE YEAR</b>	<b>(137,268)</b>	(137,878)
<b>OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME/(LOSS)</b>		
Other comprehensive income/(loss) that may be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods:		
Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations	<b>1,845</b>	(261)
<b>OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME/(LOSS) FOR THE YEAR, NET OF TAX</b>	<b>1,845</b>	(261)
<b>TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE LOSS FOR THE YEAR</b>	<b>(135,423)</b>	(138,139)
Attributable to:		
Owners of the parent	<b>(135,377)</b>	(138,038)
Non-controlling interests	<b>(46)</b>	(101)
	<b>(135,423)</b>	(138,139)

# Consolidated Statement of Financial Position

31 December 2022

	Notes	2022 USD'000	2021 USD'000
<b>NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Property, plant and equipment	14	5,290	11,789
Right-of-use assets	15	2,667	7,287
Intangible assets	16	8,168	8,492
Prepayments, other receivables and other assets	19	629	8,083
Other financial assets	20	6,357	5,843
<b>Total non-current assets</b>		<b>23,111</b>	41,494
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Inventories	17	1,044	–
Trade receivables	18	7,118	26
Prepayments, other receivables and other assets	19	28,482	24,537
Restricted bank balances	21	663	–
Cash and cash equivalents	21	171,705	216,304
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>209,012</b>	240,867
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Trade payables	22	22,029	25,993
Other payables and accruals	23	9,139	10,439
Contract liabilities	24	1,470	1,232
Interest-bearing bank borrowings	25	41,107	797
Lease liabilities	15	1,299	2,594
<b>Total current liabilities</b>		<b>75,044</b>	41,055
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<b>133,968</b>	199,812
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<b>157,079</b>	241,306

# Consolidated Statement of Financial Position

31 December 2022

	Notes	2022 USD'000	2021 USD'000
<b>NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Contract liabilities	24	13,860	363
Interest-bearing bank borrowings	25	47,085	11,256
Lease liabilities	15	1,438	4,826
Deferred tax liabilities	26	2,195	1,947
<b>Total non-current liabilities</b>		<b>64,578</b>	18,392
<b>Net assets</b>		<b>92,501</b>	222,914
<b>EQUITY</b>			
<b>Equity attributable to owners of the parent</b>			
Share capital	27	19	19
Treasury shares	27	(8,869)	(8,116)
Reserves	28	101,676	231,290
		<b>92,826</b>	223,193
Non-controlling interests		(325)	(279)
<b>Total equity</b>		<b>92,501</b>	222,914

Jingsong Wang  
Director

Yiping Rong  
Director

# Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity

Year ended 31 December 2022

	Attributable to owners of the parent							Non-controlling interests	Total
	Share capital	Treasury shares	Share premium*	Capital reserve*	Exchange fluctuation reserve*	Accumulated losses*	Sub-total		
	USD'000	USD'000	USD'000	USD'000	USD'000	USD'000	USD'000	USD'000	USD'000
At 1 January 2022	19	(8,116)	821,737	7,283	(851)	(596,879)	223,193	(279)	222,914
Loss for the year	-	-	-	-	-	(137,222)	(137,222)	(46)	(137,268)
Other comprehensive income for the year:									
Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations	-	-	-	-	1,845	-	1,845	-	1,845
Total comprehensive loss for the year	-	-	-	-	1,845	(137,222)	(135,377)	(46)	(135,423)
Share-based payments (note 29)	-	-	5,223	540	-	-	5,763	-	5,763
Equity-settled share award arrangements (note 29)	-	(753)	-	-	-	-	(753)	-	(753)
At 31 December 2022	19	(8,869)	826,960	7,823	994	(734,101)	92,826	(325)	92,501

# Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity

Year ended 31 December 2022

	Attributable to owners of the parent							Non-controlling interests	Total
	Share capital	Treasury shares	Share premium*	Capital reserve*	Exchange fluctuation reserve*	Accumulated losses*	Sub-total		
	USD'000	USD'000	USD'000	USD'000	USD'000	USD'000	USD'000	USD'000	USD'000
At 1 January 2021	19	(1)	817,871	2,989	(590)	(459,102)	361,186	(178)	361,008
Loss for the year	-	-	-	-	-	(137,777)	(137,777)	(101)	(137,878)
Other comprehensive loss for the year:									
Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations	-	-	-	-	(261)	-	(261)	-	(261)
Total comprehensive loss for the year	-	-	-	-	(261)	(137,777)	(138,038)	(101)	(138,139)
Share-based payments (note 29)	-	-	3,866	4,294	-	-	8,160	-	8,160
Equity-settled share award arrangements (note 29)	-	(8,115)	-	-	-	-	(8,115)	-	(8,115)
At 31 December 2021	19	(8,116)	821,737	7,283	(851)	(596,879)	223,193	(279)	222,914

\* These reserve accounts comprise the consolidated reserves of USD101,676,000 (2021: USD231,290,000) in the consolidated statement of financial position.

# Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

Year ended 31 December 2022

	Notes	2022 USD'000	2021 USD'000
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Loss before tax		<b>(137,020)</b>	(137,829)
Adjustments for:			
Finance costs	7	<b>1,987</b>	176
Foreign exchange losses/(gains), net	8	<b>5,376</b>	(691)
Bank interest income	5	<b>(2,866)</b>	(2,269)
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	6	<b>12,537</b>	–
Gain on disposal of right-of-use assets	8	<b>(183)</b>	–
Gain on fair value change of other financial assets	5	<b>(1,039)</b>	(185)
Share-based payment expenses	8	<b>5,763</b>	8,160
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	14	<b>4,821</b>	4,628
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	15	<b>2,596</b>	1,925
Amortisation of intangible assets	16	<b>618</b>	256
		<b>(107,410)</b>	(125,829)
Increase in inventories		<b>(1,044)</b>	–
(Increase)/decrease in trade receivables		<b>(7,091)</b>	1,033
Increase in restricted bank balances	21	<b>(663)</b>	–
Decrease/(increase) in prepayments, other receivables and other assets		<b>11,466</b>	(13,844)
(Decrease)/increase in trade payables		<b>(5,091)</b>	17,597
Increase/(decrease) in contract liabilities		<b>13,735</b>	(234)
Decrease in other payables and accruals		<b>(3,866)</b>	(4,330)
Cash used in operations		<b>(99,964)</b>	(125,607)
Income tax paid		<b>–</b>	(2)
Net cash flows used in operating activities		<b>(99,964)</b>	(125,609)

# Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

Year ended 31 December 2022

	Notes	2022 USD'000	2021 USD'000
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Interest received		2,866	2,269
Purchases of property, plant and equipment		(17,916)	(13,451)
Purchases of intangible assets		(522)	(751)
Disposal of property, plant and equipment		3,162	–
Decrease/(increase) in time deposits with original maturity of more than three months but less than one year when acquired, net		150,000	(60,000)
Purchases of equity investments designated at fair value through profit or loss		–	(5,123)
Proceeds from redemption of other financial assets		–	153
Net cash flows generated from/(used in) investing activities		137,590	(76,903)
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>			
New bank borrowings		77,491	12,040
Interest paid		(2,077)	(4)
Equity-settled share option arrangements	29	(753)	(8,115)
Principal portion of lease liabilities	15	(2,469)	(2,173)
Interest portion of lease liabilities	15	(265)	(159)
Repayment of bank loans		(1,352)	–
Net cash flows generated from financing activities		70,575	1,589
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		108,201	(200,923)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		56,304	256,794
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes, net		(2,800)	433
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year		161,705	56,304

# Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

Year ended 31 December 2022

	Notes	<b>2022</b> <b>USD'000</b>	2021 USD'000
<b>ANALYSIS OF BALANCES OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents as stated in the consolidated statement of financial position	21	<b>171,705</b>	216,304
Time deposits with original maturity of more than three months but less than one year when acquired	21	<b>(10,000)</b>	(160,000)
Cash and cash equivalents as stated in the consolidated statement of cash flows		<b>161,705</b>	56,304

# Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements

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## 1. CORPORATE INFORMATION

The Company is a limited liability company incorporated in the Cayman Islands on 20 July 2016. The registered office address of the Company is P.O. Box 472, 2nd Floor, 103 South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman KY1-1106, Cayman Islands.

The Company is an investment holding company. During the year, the Company's subsidiaries were engaged in the business of developing innovative therapeutics in the fields of immuno-oncology and immunology diseases.

### Information about subsidiaries

Particulars of the Company's principal subsidiaries are as follows:

Name	Place and date of incorporation/ registration and place of business	Nominal value of issued ordinary/ registered share capital	Percentage of equity interest attributable to the Company		Principal activities
			Direct	Indirect	
Harbour BioMed Holdings Limited	British Virgin Islands 8 June 2016	–	100%	–	Investment holding
Harbour BioMed Therapeutics Limited	People's Republic of China ("PRC")/ Hong Kong 19 July 2016	USD1	–	100%	Investment holding
Harbour BioMed (Shanghai) Co., Ltd.* (和铂醫藥(上海) 有限責任公司)	PRC/Mainland China 26 December 2016	USD80,000,000	–	100%	Research and development of innovative therapeutics
Nona Biosciences (Suzhou) Co., Ltd.* (諾納生物(蘇州) 有限公司, former name: Harbour BioMed (Suzhou) Co., Ltd.)	PRC/Mainland China 11 September 2018	USD90,000,000	–	100%	Research and development of innovative therapeutics
Harbour BioMed US, Inc.	United States 11 January 2019	USD0.1	–	100%	Clinical trial

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## 1. CORPORATE INFORMATION *(Continued)*

### Information about subsidiaries *(Continued)*

Name	Place and date of incorporation/ registration and place of business	Nominal value of issued ordinary/ registered share capital	Percentage of equity interest attributable to the Company		Principal activities
			Direct	Indirect	
Harbour Antibodies HCAb BV	Netherlands 17 September 2013	EUR1	–	100%	Development of biologic agents
Harbour Antibodies US, Inc	United States 29 January 2016	USD1	–	100%	Research and development of innovative therapeutics
Harbour BioMed Zhiyuan Medical (Beijing) Co., Ltd.* (和鉑志遠醫藥(北京)有限公司)	PRC/Mainland China 2 September 2020	RMB60,000,000	–	100%	Sale of medical products
Harbour BioMed Technology development (Shanghai) Co., Ltd.*(和鉑(上海)科技發展有限公司)	PRC/Mainland China 8 January 2021	USD20,000,000	–	100%	Research and development of innovative therapeutics

\* The English names of the companies represent the best effort made by management of the Company to directly translate the Chinese names as they do not register any official English names.

The above table lists the subsidiaries of the Company which, in the opinion of the directors, principally affected the results for the year or formed a substantial portion of the net assets of the Group. To give details of other subsidiaries would, in the opinion of the directors, result in particulars of excessive length.

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## 2.1 BASIS OF PREPARATION

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (“IFRSs”), which comprise all standards and interpretations approved by the International Accounting Standards Board (the “IASB”), and International Accounting Standards (“IASs”) and Standing Interpretations Committee interpretations approved by the International Accounting Standards Committee that remain in effect, and the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance. They have been prepared under the historical cost convention, except for other financial assets which have been measured at fair value. These financial statements are presented in United States dollars (“USD”) and all values are rounded to the nearest thousand except when otherwise indicated.

### **Basis of consolidation**

The consolidated financial statements include the financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively referred to as the “Group”) for the year ended 31 December 2022. A subsidiary is an entity (including a structured entity), directly or indirectly, controlled by the Company. Control is achieved when the Group is exposed, or has rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the investee and has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the investee (i.e., existing rights that give the Group the current ability to direct the relevant activities of the investee).

Generally, there is a presumption that a majority of voting rights results in control. When the Company has, directly or indirectly, less than a majority of the voting or similar rights of an investee, the Group considers all relevant facts and circumstances in assessing whether it has power over an investee, including:

- (a) the contractual arrangement with the other vote holders of the investee;
- (b) rights arising from other contractual arrangements; and
- (c) the Group’s voting rights and potential voting rights.

## 2.1 BASIS OF PREPARATION *(Continued)*

### **Basis of consolidation** *(Continued)*

The financial statements of the subsidiaries are prepared for the same reporting period as the Company, using consistent accounting policies. The results of subsidiaries are consolidated from the date on which the Group obtains control, and continue to be consolidated until the date that such control ceases.

Profit or loss and each component of other comprehensive income are attributed to the owners of the parent of the Group and to the non-controlling interests, even if this results in the non-controlling interests having a deficit balance. All intra-group assets and liabilities, equity, income, expenses and cash flows relating to transactions between members of the Group are eliminated in full on consolidation.

The Group reassesses whether or not it controls an investee if facts and circumstances indicate that there are changes to one or more of the three elements of control described above. A change in the ownership interest of a subsidiary, without a loss of control, is accounted for as an equity transaction.

If the Group loses control over a subsidiary, it derecognises (i) the assets (including goodwill) and liabilities of the subsidiary, (ii) the carrying amount of any non-controlling interest and (iii) the cumulative translation differences recorded in equity; and recognises (i) the fair value of the consideration received, (ii) the fair value of any investment retained and (iii) any resulting surplus or deficit in profit or loss. The Group's share of components previously recognised in other comprehensive income is reclassified to profit or loss or retained profits, as appropriate, on the same basis as would be required if the Group had directly disposed of the related assets or liabilities.

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## 2.2 CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND DISCLOSURES

The Group has adopted the following revised IFRSs for the first time for the current year's financial statements.

Amendments to IFRS 3	<i>Reference to the Conceptual Framework</i>
Amendments to IAS 16	<i>Property, Plant and Equipment: Proceeds before Intended Use</i>
Amendments to IAS 37	<i>Onerous Contracts – Cost of Fulfilling a Contract</i>
Annual Improvements to IFRS Standards 2018-2020	<i>Amendments to IFRS 1, IFRS 9, Illustrative Examples accompanying IFRS 16, and IAS 41</i>

The nature and the impact of the revised IFRSs are described below:

- (a) Amendments to IFRS 3 replace a reference to the previous Framework for the *Preparation and Presentation of Financial Statements* with a reference to the *Conceptual Framework for Financial Reporting* (the “Conceptual Framework”) issued in June 2018 without significantly changing its requirements. The amendments also add to IFRS 3 an exception to its recognition principle for an entity to refer to the Conceptual Framework to determine what constitutes an asset or a liability. The exception specifies that, for liabilities and contingent liabilities that would be within the scope of IAS 37 or IFRIC 21 if they were incurred separately rather than assumed in a business combination, an entity applying IFRS 3 should refer to IAS 37 or IFRIC 21 respectively instead of the Conceptual Framework. Furthermore, the amendments clarify that contingent assets do not qualify for recognition at the acquisition date. The Group has applied the amendments prospectively to business combinations that occurred on or after 1 January 2022. As there were no business combinations during the year, the amendments did not have any impact on the financial position and performance of the Group.

## 2.2 CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND DISCLOSURES *(Continued)*

- (b) Amendments to IAS 16 prohibit an entity from deducting from the cost of an item of property, plant and equipment any proceeds from selling items produced while bringing that asset to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management. Instead, an entity recognises the proceeds from selling any such items, and the cost of those items as determined by IAS 2 *Inventories*, in profit or loss. The Group has applied the amendments retrospectively to items of property, plant and equipment made available for use on or after 1 January 2021. Since there was no sale of items produced prior to the property, plant and equipment being available for use, the amendments did not have any impact on the financial position or performance of the Group.
- (c) Amendments to IAS 37 clarify that for the purpose of assessing whether a contract is onerous under IAS 37, the cost of fulfilling the contract comprises the costs that relate directly to the contract. Costs that relate directly to a contract include both the incremental costs of fulfilling that contract (e.g., direct labour and materials) and an allocation of other costs that relate directly to fulfilling that contract (e.g., an allocation of the depreciation charge for an item of property, plant and equipment used in fulfilling the contract as well as contract management and supervision costs). General and administrative costs do not relate directly to a contract and are excluded unless they are explicitly chargeable to the counterparty under the contract. The Group has applied the amendments prospectively to contracts for which it has not yet fulfilled all its obligations at 1 January 2022 and no onerous contracts were identified. Therefore, the amendments did not have any impact on the financial position or performance of the Group.
- (d) *Annual Improvements to IFRS Standards 2018-2020* sets out amendments to IFRS 1, IFRS 9, Illustrative Examples accompanying IFRS 16, and IAS 41. Details of the amendments that are applicable to the Group are as follows:
- Amendment to IFRS 1 *First-time Adoption of IFRS Standards*  
  
The amendment permits a subsidiary that elects to apply paragraph D16(a) of IFRS 1 to measure cumulative translation differences using the amounts reported in the parent's consolidated financial statements, based on the parent's date of transition to IFRSs, if no adjustments were made for consolidation procedures and for the effects of the business combination in which the parent acquired the subsidiary. This amendment is also applied to an associate or joint venture that elects to apply paragraph D16(a) of IFRS 1. Amendment had no impact on the consolidated financial statements of the Group as the Group is not a first-time adopter.

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## 2.2 CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND DISCLOSURES *(Continued)*

(d) *(Continued)*

- Amendment to IFRS 9 *Financial Instruments*

The amendment clarifies the fees that an entity includes when assessing whether the terms of a new or modified financial liability are substantially different from the terms of the original financial liability. These fees include only those paid or received between the borrower and the lender, including fees paid or received by either the borrower or lender on the other's behalf.

In accordance with the transitional provisions, the Group applies the amendment to financial liabilities that are modified or exchanged on or after the beginning of the annual reporting period in which the entity first applies the amendment (the date of initial application). The amendment had no impact on the consolidated financial statements of the Group as there were no modifications of the Group's financial instruments during the period.

- Amendment to illustrative examples accompanying IFRS 16 *Leases*

The amendment to illustrative example 13 accompanying IFRS 16 removes from the fact pattern a reimbursement relating to leasehold improvements, as the example had not explained clearly whether the reimbursement would meet the definition of a lease incentive in IFRS 16. The amendment had no impact on the consolidated financial statements of the Group as it is not applicable for the Group.

- IAS 41 *Agriculture*

The amendment removes the requirement in paragraph 22 of IAS 41 that entities exclude cash flows for taxation when measuring the fair value of assets within the scope of IAS 41. The amendment had no impact on the consolidated financial statements of the Group as the Group did not have assets in scope of IAS 41 as at the reporting date.

## 2.3 ISSUED BUT NOT YET EFFECTIVE INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS

The Group has not applied the following new and revised IFRSs, that have been issued but are not yet effective, in these financial statements.

Amendments to IFRS 10 and IAS 28 (2011)	<i>Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture</i> <sup>3</sup>
Amendments to IFRS 16	<i>Lease Liability in a Sale and Leaseback</i> <sup>2</sup>
IFRS 17	<i>Insurance Contracts</i> <sup>1</sup>
Amendments to IFRS 17	<i>Insurance Contracts</i> <sup>1,5</sup>
Amendment to IFRS 17	<i>Initial Application of IFRS 17 and IFRS 9 – Comparative information</i> <sup>6</sup>
Amendments to IAS 1	<i>Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current (the “2020 Amendments”)</i> <sup>2,4</sup>
Amendments to IAS 1	<i>Non-current Liabilities with Covenants (the “2022 Amendments”)</i> <sup>2</sup>
Amendments to IAS 1 and IFRS Practice Statement 2	<i>Disclosure of Accounting Policies</i> <sup>1</sup>
Amendments to IAS 8	<i>Definition of Accounting Estimates</i> <sup>1</sup>
Amendments to IAS 12	<i>Deferred Tax related to Assets and Liabilities arising from a Single Transaction</i> <sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023

<sup>2</sup> Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2024

<sup>3</sup> No mandatory effective date yet determined but available for adoption

<sup>4</sup> As a consequence of the 2022 Amendments, the effective date of the 2020 Amendments was deferred to annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2024.

<sup>5</sup> As a consequence of the amendments to IFRS 17 issued in June 2020, IFRS 4 was amended to extend the temporary exemption that permits insurers to apply IAS 39 rather than IFRS 9 for annual periods beginning before 1 January 2023

<sup>6</sup> An entity that chooses to apply the transition option relating to the classification overlay set out in this amendment shall apply it on initial application of IFRS 17

Further information about those IFRSs that are expected to be applicable to the Group is described below.

Amendments to IFRS 10 and IAS 28 (2011) address an inconsistency between the requirements in IFRS 10 and in IAS 28 (2011) in dealing with the sale or contribution of assets between an investor and its associate or joint venture. The amendments require a full recognition of a gain or loss resulting from a downstream transaction when the sale or contribution of assets between an investor and its associate or joint venture constitutes a business. For a transaction involving assets that do not constitute a business, a gain or loss resulting from the transaction is recognised in the investor’s profit or loss only to the extent of the unrelated investor’s interest in that associate or joint venture. The amendments are to be applied prospectively. The previous mandatory effective date of amendments to IFRS 10 and IAS 28 (2011) was removed by the IASB in January 2016 and a new mandatory effective date will be determined after the completion of a broader review of accounting for associates and joint ventures. However, the amendments are available for adoption now.



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## 2.3 ISSUED BUT NOT YET EFFECTIVE INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS *(Continued)*

Amendments to IFRS 16 specify the requirements that a seller-lessee uses in measuring the lease liability arising in a sale and leaseback transaction to ensure the seller-lessee does not recognise any amount of the gain or loss that relates to the right of use it retains. The amendments are effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2024 and shall be applied retrospectively to sale and leaseback transactions entered into after the date of initial application of IFRS 16 (i.e., 1 January 2019). Earlier application is permitted. In respect of sale and leaseback transactions with variable lease payments that do not depend on an index or a rate, the Group will develop an accounting policy for such transactions.

Amendments to IAS 1 *Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current* clarify the requirements for classifying liabilities as current or non-current, in particular the determination over whether an entity has a right to defer settlement of the liabilities for at least 12 months after the reporting period. Classification of a liability is unaffected by the likelihood that the entity will exercise its right to defer settlement of the liability. The amendments also clarify the situations that are considered a settlement of a liability. In 2022, the IASB issued the 2022 Amendments to further clarify that, among covenants of a liability arising from a loan arrangement, only those with which an entity must comply on or before the reporting date affect the classification of that liability as current or non-current. In addition, the 2022 Amendments require additional disclosures by an entity that classifies liabilities arising from loan arrangements as non-current when it has a right to defer settlement of those liabilities that are subject to the entity complying with future covenants within 12 months after the reporting period. The amendments are effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2024 and shall be applied retrospectively. Earlier application is permitted. An entity that applies the 2020 Amendments early is required to apply simultaneously the 2022 Amendments, and vice versa. The Group is currently assessing the impact of the amendments and whether existing loan agreements may require revision. Based on a preliminary assessment, the amendments are not expected to have any significant impact on the Group's financial statements.

Amendments to IAS 1 *Disclosure of Accounting Policies* require entities to disclose their material accounting policy information rather than their significant accounting policies. Accounting policy information is material if, when considered together with other information included in an entity's financial statements, it can reasonably be expected to influence decisions that the primary users of general purpose financial statements make on the basis of those financial statements. Amendments to IFRS Practice Statement 2 provide non-mandatory guidance on how to apply the concept of materiality to accounting policy disclosures. Amendments to IAS 1 are effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023 and earlier application is permitted. Since the guidance provided in the amendments to IFRS Practice Statement 2 is non-mandatory, an effective date for these amendments is not necessary. The Group is currently revisiting the accounting policy disclosures to ensure consistency with the amendments.

## 2.3 ISSUED BUT NOT YET EFFECTIVE INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS *(Continued)*

Amendments to IAS 8 clarify the distinction between changes in accounting estimates and changes in accounting policies. Accounting estimates are defined as monetary amounts in financial statements that are subject to measurement uncertainty. The amendments also clarify how entities use measurement techniques and inputs to develop accounting estimates. The amendments are effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023 and apply to changes in accounting policies and changes in accounting estimates that occur on or after the start of that period. Earlier application is permitted. The amendments are not expected to have any significant impact on the Group's financial statements.

Amendments to IAS 12 narrow the scope of the initial recognition exception in IAS 12 so that it no longer applies to transactions that give rise to equal taxable and deductible temporary differences, such as leases and decommissioning obligations. Therefore, entities are required to recognise a deferred tax asset (provided that sufficient taxable profit is available) and a deferred tax liability for temporary differences arising from these transactions. The amendments are effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023 and shall be applied to transactions related to leases and decommissioning obligations at the beginning of the earliest comparative period presented, with any cumulative effect recognised as an adjustment to the opening balance of retained profits or other component of equity as appropriate at that date. In addition, the amendments shall be applied prospectively to transactions other than leases and decommissioning obligations. Earlier application is permitted.

The Group has applied the initial recognition exception and did not recognise a deferred tax asset and a deferred tax liability for temporary differences for transactions related to leases. Upon initial application of these amendments, the Group will recognise deferred tax for all temporary differences related to leases at the beginning of the earliest comparative period presented. During the year, the Group has performed a detailed assessment on the impact of amendments to IAS 12. The amendments are not expected to have any significant impact on the Group's financial statements.



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## 2.4 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### **Fair value measurement**

The Group measures other financial assets at fair value at the end of each reporting period. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The fair value measurement is based on the presumption that the transaction to sell the asset or transfer the liability takes place either in the principal market for the asset or liability, or in the absence of a principal market, in the most advantageous market for the asset or liability. The principal or the most advantageous market must be accessible by the Group. The fair value of an asset or a liability is measured using the assumptions that market participants would use when pricing the asset or liability, assuming that market participants act in their economic best interest.

A fair value measurement of a non-financial asset takes into account a market participant's ability to generate economic benefits by using the asset in its highest and best use or by selling it to another market participant that would use the asset in its highest and best use.

The Group uses valuation techniques that are appropriate in the circumstances and for which sufficient data are available to measure fair value, maximising the use of relevant observable inputs and minimising the use of unobservable inputs.

All assets and liabilities for which fair value is measured or disclosed in the financial statements are categorised within the fair value hierarchy, described as follows, based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole:

Level 1 – based on quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities

Level 2 – based on valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is observable, either directly or indirectly

Level 3 – based on valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is unobservable

For assets and liabilities that are recognised in the financial statements on a recurring basis, the Group determines whether transfers have occurred between levels in the hierarchy by reassessing categorisation (based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole) at the end of each reporting period.

## 2.4 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)*

### **Impairment of non-financial assets**

Where an indication of impairment exists, or when annual impairment testing for an asset is required (other than inventories, financial assets and non-current assets), the asset's recoverable amount is estimated. An asset's recoverable amount is the higher of the asset's or cash-generating unit's value in use and its fair value less costs of disposal, and is determined for an individual asset, unless the asset does not generate cash inflows that are largely independent of those from other assets or the groups of assets, in which case the recoverable amount is determined for the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs. In testing a cash-generating unit for impairment, a portion of the carrying amount of a corporate asset (e.g., a headquarters building) is allocated to an individual cash-generating unit if it can be allocated on a reasonable and consistent basis or, otherwise, to the smallest group of cash-generating units.

An impairment loss is recognised only if the carrying amount of an asset exceeds its recoverable amount. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset. An impairment loss is charged to profit or loss in the period in which it arises in those expense categories consistent with the function of the impaired asset.

An assessment is made at the end of each reporting period as to whether there is an indication that previously recognised impairment losses may no longer exist or may have decreased. If such an indication exists, the recoverable amount is estimated. A previously recognised impairment loss of an asset other than goodwill is reversed only if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the recoverable amount of that asset, but not to an amount higher than the carrying amount that would have been determined (net of any depreciation/amortisation) had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset in prior years. A reversal of such an impairment loss is credited to profit or loss in the period in which it arises.

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## 2.4 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)*

### **Related parties**

A party is considered to be related to the Group if:

- (a) the party is a person or a close member of that person's family and that person
  - (i) has control or joint control over the Group;
  - (ii) has significant influence over the Group; or
  - (iii) is a member of the key management personnel of the Group or of a parent of the Group;

or

- (b) the party is an entity where any of the following conditions applies
  - (i) the entity and the Group are members of the same group;
  - (ii) one entity is an associate or joint venture of the other entity (or of a parent, subsidiary or fellow subsidiary of the other entity);
  - (iii) the entity and the Group are joint ventures of the same third party;
  - (iv) one entity is a joint venture of a third entity and the other entity is an associate of the third entity;
  - (v) the entity is a post-employment benefit plan for the benefit of employees of either the Group or an entity related to the Group;
  - (vi) the entity is controlled or jointly controlled by a person identified in (a);
  - (vii) a person identified in (a)(i) has significant influence over the entity or is a member of the key management personnel of the entity (or of a parent of the entity); and
  - (viii) the entity, or any member of a group of which it is a part, provides key management personnel services to the Group or to the parent of the Group.

**2.4 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** *(Continued)***Property, plant and equipment and depreciation**

Property, plant and equipment, other than construction in progress, are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and any impairment losses. The cost of an item of property, plant and equipment comprises its purchase price and any directly attributable costs of bringing the asset to its working condition and location for its intended use.

Expenditure incurred after items of property, plant and equipment have been put into operation, such as repairs and maintenance, is normally charged to profit or loss in the period in which it is incurred. In situations where the recognition criteria are satisfied, the expenditure for a major inspection is capitalised in the carrying amount of the asset as a replacement. Where significant parts of property, plant and equipment are required to be replaced at intervals, the Group recognises such parts as individual assets with specific useful lives and depreciates them accordingly.

Depreciation is calculated on the straight-line basis to write off the cost of each item of property, plant and equipment to its residual value over its estimated useful life. The principal annual rates used for this purpose are as follows:

Plant and machinery	20.00 – 33.33%
Electronic equipment	20.00 – 33.33%
Furniture and fixtures	20.00 – 33.33%
Leasehold improvements	The shorter of remaining lease terms and estimated useful lives

Where parts of an item of property, plant and equipment have different useful lives, the cost of that item is allocated on a reasonable basis among the parts and each part is depreciated separately. Residual values, useful lives and the depreciation method are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at least at each financial year end.

An item of property, plant and equipment and any significant part initially recognised is derecognised upon disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected from its use or disposal. Any gain or loss on disposal or retirement recognised in profit or loss in the year the asset is derecognised is the difference between the net sales proceeds and the carrying amount of the relevant asset.

Construction in progress represents a building under construction, which is stated at cost less any impairment losses, and is not depreciated. Cost comprises the direct costs of construction and capitalised borrowing costs on related borrowed funds during the period of construction. Construction in progress is reclassified to the appropriate category of property, plant and equipment when completed and ready for use.

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## 2.4 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)*

### **Intangible assets (other than goodwill)**

Intangible assets acquired separately are measured on initial recognition at cost. The cost of intangible assets acquired in a business combination is the fair value at the date of acquisition. The useful lives of intangible assets are assessed to be either finite or indefinite. Intangible assets with finite lives are subsequently amortised over the useful economic life and assessed for impairment whenever there is an indication that the intangible asset may be impaired. The amortisation period and the amortisation method for an intangible asset with a finite useful life are reviewed at least at each financial year end.

Intangible assets with indefinite useful lives are tested for impairment annually either individually or at the cash-generating unit level. Such intangible assets are not amortised. The useful life of an intangible asset with an indefinite life is reviewed annually to determine whether the indefinite life assessment continues to be supportable. If not, the change in the useful life assessment from indefinite to finite is accounted for on a prospective basis.

Intangible assets are amortised on the straight-line basis over the following useful economic lives:

Software	2 years
Backlog	4 years
Technology licencing agreement	Indefinite

The useful lives of software are assessed by the Group considering different purposes and usage of the software, and the authorised period for use. Backlog is stated at cost less any impairment losses and is amortised on the straight-line basis over its estimated useful lives of 4 years. Technology licencing agreement is assessed to have an indefinite useful life as there is no foreseeable limit to the period over which the asset is expected to generate net cash inflows.

### ***Research and development costs***

All research costs are charged to the statement of profit or loss as incurred.

Expenditure incurred on projects to develop new products is capitalised and deferred only when the Group can demonstrate the technical feasibility of completing the intangible asset so that it will be available for use or sale, its intention to complete and its ability to use or sell the asset, how the asset will generate future economic benefits, the availability of resources to complete the project and the ability to measure reliably the expenditure during the development. Product development expenditure which does not meet these criteria is expensed when incurred.

## 2.4 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)*

### **Leases**

The Group assesses at contract inception whether a contract is, or contains, a lease. A contract is, or contains, a lease if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration.

#### *Group as a lessee*

The Group applies a single recognition and measurement approach for all leases, except for short-term leases and leases of low-value assets. The Group recognises lease liabilities to make lease payments and right-of-use assets representing the right to use the underlying assets.

#### *(a) Right-of-use assets*

The Group recognises right-of-use assets at the commencement date of the lease (i.e., the date the underlying asset is available for use). Right-of-use assets are measured at cost, less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses, and adjusted for any remeasurement of lease liabilities. The cost of right-of-use assets includes the amount of lease liabilities recognised, initial direct costs incurred, and lease payments made at or before the commencement date less any lease incentives received. Unless the Group is reasonably certain to obtain ownership of the leased asset at the end of the lease term, the recognised right-of-use assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the shorter of their estimated useful lives and the lease terms. Right-of-use assets are subject to impairment.

#### *(b) Lease liabilities*

Lease liabilities are recognised at the commencement date of the lease at the present value of lease payments to be made over the lease term. The lease payments include fixed payments (including in-substance fixed payments) less any lease incentives receivable, variable lease payments that depend on an index or a rate, and amounts expected to be paid under residual value guarantees. The lease payments also include the exercise price of a purchase option reasonably certain to be exercised by the Group and payments of penalties for termination of a lease, if the lease term reflects the Group exercising the option to terminate the lease. The variable lease payments that do not depend on an index or a rate are recognised as an expense in the period in which the event or condition that triggers the payment occurs.

In calculating the present value of lease payments, the Group uses its incremental borrowing rate at the lease commencement date because the interest rate implicit in the lease is not readily determinable. After the commencement date, the amount of lease liabilities is increased to reflect the accretion of interest and reduced for the lease payments made. In addition, the carrying amount of lease liabilities is remeasured if there is a modification, a change in the lease term, a change in lease payments (e.g., a change to future lease payments resulting from a change in an index or rate) or a change in assessment of an option to purchase the underlying asset.

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## 2.4 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)*

### **Leases** *(Continued)*

#### *Group as a lessee (Continued)*

##### *(c) Short-term leases*

The Group applies the short-term lease recognition exemption to its short-term leases (that is those leases that have a lease term of 12 months or less from the commencement date and do not contain a purchase option). Lease payments on short-term leases are recognised as an expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

### **Investments and other financial assets**

#### *Initial recognition and measurement*

Financial assets are classified, at initial recognition, as subsequently measured at amortised cost, fair value through other comprehensive income, and fair value through profit or loss.

The classification of financial assets at initial recognition depends on the financial asset's contractual cash flow characteristics and the Group's business model for managing them. With the exception of trade receivables that do not contain a significant financing component or for which the Group has applied the practical expedient of not adjusting the effect of a significant financing component, the Group initially measures a financial asset at its fair value, plus in the case of a financial asset not at fair value through profit or loss, transaction costs. Trade receivables that do not contain a significant financing component or for which the Group has applied the practical expedient are measured at the transaction price determined under IFRS 15 in accordance with the policies set out for "Revenue recognition" below.

In order for a financial asset to be classified and measured at amortised cost or fair value through other comprehensive income, it needs to give rise to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest ("SPPI") on the principal amount outstanding. Financial assets with cash flows that are not SPPI are classified and measured at fair value through profit or loss, irrespective of the business model.

The Group's business model for managing financial assets refers to how it manages its financial assets in order to generate cash flows. The business model determines whether cash flows will result from collecting contractual cash flows, selling the financial assets, or both. Financial assets classified and measured at amortised cost are held within a business model with the objective to hold financial assets in order to collect contractual cash flows, while financial assets classified and measured at fair value through other comprehensive income are held within a business model with the objective of both holding to collect contractual cash flows and selling. Financial assets which are not held within the aforementioned business models are classified and measured at fair value through profit or loss.

All regular way purchases and sales of financial assets are recognised on the trade date, that is, the date that the Group commits to purchase or sell the asset. Regular way purchases or sales are purchases or sales of financial assets that require delivery of assets within the period generally established by regulation or convention in the marketplace.

## 2.4 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)*

### **Investments and other financial assets** *(Continued)*

#### *Subsequent measurement*

The subsequent measurement of financial assets depends on their classification as follows:

#### *Financial assets at amortised cost (debt instruments)*

Financial assets at amortised cost are subsequently measured using the effective interest method and are subject to impairment. Gains and losses are recognised in the statement of profit or loss when the asset is derecognised, modified or impaired.

#### *Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss*

Debt instruments that do not meet the criteria for amortised cost or financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income are measured at fair value through profit or loss. A gain or loss on a debt investment that is subsequently measured at fair value through profit or loss and is not part of a hedging relationship is recognised in profit or loss and presented net in the consolidated statement of profit or loss within other income and gains in the period in which it arises.

### **Derecognition of financial assets**

A financial asset (or, where applicable, a part of a financial asset or part of a group of similar financial assets) is primarily derecognised (i.e., removed from the Group's consolidated statement of financial position) when:

- the rights to receive cash flows from the asset have expired; or
- the Group has transferred its rights to receive cash flows from the asset or has assumed an obligation to pay the received cash flows in full without material delay to a third party under a "pass-through" arrangement; and either (a) the Group has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, or (b) the Group has neither transferred nor retained substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, but has transferred control of the asset.

When the Group has transferred its rights to receive cash flows from an asset or has entered into a pass-through arrangement, it evaluates if, and to what extent, it has retained the risk and rewards of ownership of the asset. When it has neither transferred nor retained substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset nor transferred control of the asset, the Group continues to recognise the transferred asset to the extent of the Group's continuing involvement. In that case, the Group also recognises an associated liability. The transferred asset and the associated liability are measured on a basis that reflects the rights and obligations that the Group has retained.

Continuing involvement that takes the form of a guarantee over the transferred asset is measured at the lower of the original carrying amount of the asset and the maximum amount of consideration that the Group could be required to repay.

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## 2.4 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)*

### **Impairment of financial assets**

The Group recognises an allowance for expected credit losses (“ECLs”) for all debt instruments not held at fair value through profit or loss. ECLs are based on the difference between the contractual cash flows due in accordance with the contract and all the cash flows that the Group expects to receive, discounted at an approximation of the original effective interest rate. The expected cash flows will include cash flows from the sale of collateral held or other credit enhancements that are integral to the contractual terms.

#### *General approach*

ECLs are recognised in two stages. For credit exposures for which there has not been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition, ECLs are provided for credit losses that result from default events that are possible within the next 12 months (a 12-month ECL). For those credit exposures for which there has been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition, a loss allowance is required for credit losses expected over the remaining life of the exposure, irrespective of the timing of the default (a lifetime ECL).

At each reporting date, the Group assesses whether the credit risk on a financial instrument has increased significantly since initial recognition. When making the assessment, the Group compares the risk of a default occurring on the financial instrument as at the reporting date with the risk of a default occurring on the financial instrument as at the date of initial recognition and considers reasonable and supportable information that is available without undue cost or effort, including historical and forward-looking information. The Group considers that there has been a significant increase in credit risk when contractual payments are more than 30 days past due.

The Group considers a financial asset in default when contractual payments are 90 days past due. However, in certain cases, the Group may also consider a financial asset to be in default when internal or external information indicates that the Group is unlikely to receive the outstanding contractual amounts in full before taking into account any credit enhancements held by the Group. A financial asset is written off when there is no reasonable expectation of recovering the contractual cash flows.

Financial assets at amortised cost are subject to impairment under the general approach and they are classified within the following stages for measurement of ECLs except for trade receivables which apply the simplified approach as detailed below.

Stage 1 – Financial instruments for which credit risk has not increased significantly since initial recognition and for which the loss allowance is measured at an amount equal to 12-month ECLs

Stage 2 – Financial instruments for which credit risk has increased significantly since initial recognition but that are not credit-impaired financial assets and for which the loss allowance is measured at an amount equal to lifetime ECLs

Stage 3 – Financial assets that are credit-impaired at the reporting date (but that are not purchased or originated credit-impaired) and for which the loss allowance is measured at an amount equal to lifetime ECLs

## 2.4 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)*

### **Impairment of financial assets** *(Continued)*

#### *Simplified approach*

For trade receivables that do not contain a significant financing component or when the Group applies the practical expedient of not adjusting the effect of a significant financing component, the Group applies the simplified approach in calculating ECLs. Under the simplified approach, the Group does not track changes in credit risk, but instead recognises a loss allowance based on lifetime ECLs at each reporting date. The Group has established a provision matrix that is based on its historical credit loss experience, adjusted for forward-looking factors specific to the debtors and the economic environment.

### **Financial liabilities**

#### *Initial recognition and measurement*

Financial liabilities are classified, at initial recognition, as financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss, loans and borrowings, or payables, as appropriate.

All financial liabilities are recognised initially at fair value and, in the case of loans and borrowings and payables, net of directly attributable transaction costs.

The Group's financial liabilities include trade payables, other payables and accruals and lease liabilities.

#### *Subsequent measurement*

The subsequent measurement of financial liabilities depends on their classification as follows:

#### *Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss*

Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss include financial liabilities designated upon initial recognition as at fair value through profit or loss.

Financial liabilities designated upon initial recognition as at fair value through profit or loss are designated at the initial date of recognition, and only if the criteria in IFRS 9 are satisfied. Gains or losses on liabilities designated at fair value through profit or loss are recognised in the statement of profit or loss, except for the gains or losses arising from the Group's own credit risk which are presented in other comprehensive income with no subsequent reclassification to the statement of profit or loss. The net fair value gain or loss recognised in the statement of profit or loss does not include any interest charged on these financial liabilities.

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### **Financial liabilities** *(Continued)*

#### *Financial liabilities at amortised cost (loans and borrowings)*

After initial recognition, loans and borrowings are subsequently measured at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method unless the effect of discounting would be immaterial, in which case they are stated at cost. Gains and losses are recognised in the statement of profit or loss when the liabilities are derecognised as well as through the effective interest rate amortisation process.

Amortised cost is calculated by taking into account any discount or premium on acquisition and fees or costs that are an integral part of the effective interest rate. The effective interest rate amortisation is included in finance costs in the statement of profit or loss.

#### **Derecognition of financial liabilities**

A financial liability is derecognised when the obligation under the liability is discharged or cancelled, or expires.

When an existing financial liability is replaced by another from the same lender on substantially different terms, or the terms of an existing liability are substantially modified, such an exchange or modification is treated as a derecognition of the original liability and a recognition of a new liability, and the difference between the respective carrying amounts is recognised in the statement of profit or loss.

#### **Offsetting of financial instruments**

Financial assets and financial liabilities are offset and the net amount is reported in the statement of financial position if there is a currently enforceable legal right to offset the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis, or to realise the assets and settle the liabilities simultaneously.

#### **Treasury shares**

Own equity instruments which are reacquired and held by the Company or the Group (treasury shares) are recognised directly in equity at cost. No gain or loss is recognised in the statement of profit or loss on the purchase, sale, issue or cancellation of the Group's own equity instruments.

## 2.4 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)*

### **Inventories**

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is determined on the weighted average basis and, in the case of work in progress and finished goods, comprises direct materials, direct labour and an appropriate proportion of overheads. Net realisable value is based on estimated selling prices less any estimated costs to be incurred to completion and disposal.

### **Cash and cash equivalents**

For the purpose of the consolidated statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and demand deposits, and short term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible into known amounts of cash, are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value, and have a short maturity of generally within three months when acquired, less bank overdrafts which are repayable on demand and form an integral part of the Group's cash management.

For the purpose of the consolidated statement of financial position, cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and at banks, including term deposits, and assets similar in nature to cash, which are not restricted as to use.

### **Provisions**

A provision is recognised when a present obligation (legal or constructive) has arisen as a result of a past event and it is probable that a future outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation, provided that a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

When the effect of discounting is material, the amount recognised for a provision is the present value at the end of the reporting period of the future expenditures expected to be required to settle the obligation. The increase in the discounted present value amount arising from the passage of time is included in finance costs in the statement of profit or loss.

### **Income tax**

Income tax comprises current and deferred tax. Income tax relating to items recognised outside profit or loss is recognised outside profit or loss, either in other comprehensive income or directly in equity.

Current tax assets and liabilities are measured at the amount expected to be recovered from or paid to the taxation authorities, based on tax rates (and tax laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period, taking into consideration interpretations and practices prevailing in the countries in which the Group operates.

Deferred tax is provided, using the liability method, on all temporary differences at the end of the reporting period between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts for financial reporting purposes.

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## 2.4 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)*

### **Income tax** *(Continued)*

Deferred tax liabilities are recognised for all taxable temporary differences, except:

- when the deferred tax liability arises from the initial recognition of goodwill or an asset or liability in a transaction that is not a business combination and, at the time of the transaction, affects neither the accounting profit nor taxable profit or loss; and
- in respect of taxable temporary differences associated with investments in subsidiaries, when the timing of the reversal of the temporary differences can be controlled and it is probable that the temporary differences will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

Deferred tax assets are recognised for all deductible temporary differences, and the carryforward of unused tax credits and any unused tax losses. Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which the deductible temporary differences, and the carryforward of unused tax credits and unused tax losses can be utilised, except:

- when the deferred tax asset relating to the deductible temporary differences arises from the initial recognition of an asset or liability in a transaction that is not a business combination and, at the time of the transaction, affects neither the accounting profit nor taxable profit or loss; and
- in respect of deductible temporary differences associated with investments in subsidiaries, deferred tax assets are only recognised to the extent that it is probable that the temporary differences will reverse in the foreseeable future and taxable profit will be available against which the temporary differences can be utilised.

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at the end of each reporting period and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profit will be available to allow all or part of the deferred tax asset to be utilised. Unrecognised deferred tax assets are reassessed at the end of each reporting period and are recognised to the extent that it has become probable that sufficient taxable profit will be available to allow all or part of the deferred tax asset to be recovered.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply to the period when the asset is realised or the liability is settled, based on tax rates (and tax laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period.

Deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities are offset if and only if the Group has a legally enforceable right to set off current tax assets and current tax liabilities and the deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority on either the same taxable entity or different taxable entities which intend either to settle current tax liabilities and assets on a net basis, or to realise the assets and settle the liabilities simultaneously, in each future period in which significant amounts of deferred tax liabilities or assets are expected to be settled or recovered.

## 2.4 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)*

### **Government grants**

Government grants are recognised at their fair value where there is reasonable assurance that the grant will be received and all attaching conditions will be complied with. When the grant relates to an expense item, it is recognised as income on a systematic basis over the periods that the costs, for which it is intended to compensate, are expensed.

Where the grant relates to an asset, the fair value is credited to a deferred income account and is released to the statement of profit or loss over the expected useful life of the relevant asset by equal annual instalments or deducted from the carrying amount of the asset and released to the statement of profit or loss by way of a reduced depreciation charge.

### **Revenue recognition**

#### *Revenue from contracts with customers*

Revenue from contracts with customers is recognised when control of goods or services is transferred to the customers at an amount that reflects the consideration to which the Group expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services.

When the consideration in a contract includes a variable amount, the amount of consideration is estimated to which the Group will be entitled in exchange for transferring the goods or services to the customer. The variable consideration is estimated at contract inception and constrained until it is highly probable that a significant revenue reversal in the amount of cumulative revenue recognised will not occur when the associated uncertainty with the variable consideration is subsequently resolved.

When the contract contains a financing component which provides the customer with a significant benefit of financing the transfer of goods or services to the customer for more than one year, revenue is measured at the present value of the amount receivable, discounted using the discount rate that would be reflected in a separate financing transaction between the Group and the customer at contract inception. When the contract contains a financing component which provides the Group with a significant financial benefit for more than one year, revenue recognised under the contract includes the interest expense accreted on the contract liability under the effective interest method. For a contract where the period between the payment by the customer and the transfer of the promised goods or services is one year or less, the transaction price is not adjusted for the effects of a significant financing component, using the practical expedient in IFRS 15.

The Group recognises revenue from the following major sources:

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## 2.4 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)*

### **Revenue recognition** *(Continued)*

#### *Revenue from contracts with customers (Continued)*

##### *(a) Technology license fee*

The Group provides licenses of its patented technology (the “Harbour Technology”) to customers so that customers can use the Group’s transgenic mouse platforms (the “Harbour Mice”) for the purpose of generating antibodies and commercialisation of antibodies and antibody products in identified fields. The consideration for the license comprises upfront fees, annual fees, and variable elements (including but not limited to per-mouse fees, development milestone payments and sales-based royalties). The upfront fees and annual fees are recognised as revenue throughout the license period when customers obtain rights to access the Harbour Technology. Per-mouse fees and development milestone payments are included in the transaction price and recognised as revenue throughout the license period when it is highly probable that there will not be a subsequent reversal of a significant amount of revenue. Sales-based royalties are not included in the transaction price until customers make the sales. Upfront fees received by the Group are initially recognised as a contract liability.

##### *(b) Molecule license fee*

The Group provides licenses of its developed molecules for further development and commercialisation in identified fields to customers and revenue is recognised when the customers obtain rights to use the underlying molecules.

##### *(c) Research service fee*

The Group earns revenues by providing research services to a customer. Upfront payments received by the Group are initially recognised as a contract liability. Service revenue is recognised at a point in time when the agreed research results are delivered to and accepted by the customer. For certain type of contracts, services are delivered to the customers based on the process towards completion of the performance obligation as the Group’s performance does not create an asset with an alternative future use and the contract terms specify that the Group has an enforceable right to payment for the performance completed to date. Therefore, revenue generated from such contracts is recognised over time based on the stage of completion of the contracts.

#### *Other income*

Interest income is recognised on an accrual basis using the effective interest method by applying the rate that exactly discounts the estimated future cash receipts over the expected life of the financial instrument or a shorter period, when appropriate, to the net carrying amount of the financial asset.

## 2.4 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)*

### **Contract balances**

#### *Contract liabilities*

A contract liability is recognised when a payment is received or a payment is due (whichever is earlier) from a customer before the Group transfers the related goods or services. Contract liabilities are recognised as revenue when the Group performs under the contract (i.e., transfers control of the related goods or services to the customer).

### **Share-based payments**

The Group operates a share award plan for the purpose of providing incentives and rewards to eligible participants who contribute to the success of the Group's operations. Employees (including directors) of the Group receive remuneration in the form of share-based payments, whereby employees render services in exchange for equity instruments ("equity-settled transactions").

The cost of equity-settled transactions with employees for share grants is measured by reference to the fair value at the date at which they are granted. The fair value is determined by an external valuer.

The cost of equity-settled transactions is recognised in employee benefit expense, together with a corresponding increase in equity, over the period in which the performance and/or service conditions are fulfilled. The cumulative expense recognised for equity-settled transactions at the end of each reporting period until the vesting date reflects the extent to which the vesting period has expired and the Group's best estimate of the number of equity instruments that will ultimately vest. The charge or credit to the statement of profit or loss for a period represents the movement in the cumulative expense recognised as at the beginning and end of that period.

Service and non-market performance conditions are not taken into account when determining the grant date fair value of awards, but the likelihood of the conditions being met is assessed as part of the Group's best estimate of the number of equity instruments that will ultimately vest. Market performance conditions are reflected within the grant date fair value. Any other conditions attached to an award, but without an associated service requirement, are considered to be non-vesting conditions. Non-vesting conditions are reflected in the fair value of an award and lead to an immediate expensing of an award unless there are also service and/or performance conditions.

For awards that do not ultimately vest because non-market performance and/or service conditions have not been met, no expense is recognised. Where awards include a market or non-vesting condition, the transactions are treated as vesting irrespective of whether the market or non-vesting condition is satisfied, provided that all other performance and/or service conditions are satisfied.

Where the terms of an equity-settled award are modified, as a minimum an expense is recognised as if the terms had not been modified, if the original terms of the award are met. In addition, an expense is recognised for any modification that increases the total fair value of the share-based payments, or is otherwise beneficial to the employee as measured at the date of modification.

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## 2.4 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)*

### **Share-based payments** *(Continued)*

Where an equity-settled award is cancelled, it is treated as if it had vested on the date of cancellation, and any expense not yet recognised for the award is recognised immediately. This includes any award where non-vesting conditions within the control of either the Group or the employee are not met. However, if a new award is substituted for the cancelled award, and is designated as a replacement award on the date that it is granted, the cancelled and new awards are treated as if they were a modification of the original award, as described in the previous paragraph.

### **Other employee benefits**

#### *Pension scheme*

The employees of the Group's subsidiaries which operate in Mainland China are required to participate in a central pension scheme operated by the local municipal government. The subsidiaries are required to contribute certain percentages of their payroll costs to the central pension scheme. The contributions are charged to the statement of profit or loss as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the central pension scheme.

### **Borrowing costs**

Borrowing costs directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of qualifying assets, i.e., assets that necessarily take a substantial period of time to get ready for their intended use or sale, are capitalised as part of the cost of those assets. The capitalisation of such borrowing costs ceases when the assets are substantially ready for their intended use or sale. Investment income earned on the temporary investment of specific borrowings pending their expenditure on qualifying assets is deducted from the borrowing costs capitalised. All other borrowing costs are expensed in the period in which they are incurred. Borrowing costs consist of interest and other costs that an entity incurs in connection with the borrowing of funds.

### **Dividends**

Final dividends are recognised as a liability when they are approved by the shareholders in a general meeting.

Interim dividends are simultaneously proposed and declared, because the Company's memorandum and articles of association grant the directors the authority to declare interim dividends. Consequently, interim dividends are recognised immediately as a liability when they are proposed and declared.

## 2.4 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)*

### **Foreign currencies**

These financial statements are presented in USD, which is the Company's functional currency. Each entity in the Group determines its own functional currency and items included in the financial statements of each entity are measured using that functional currency. Foreign currency transactions recorded by the entities in the Group are initially recorded using their respective functional currency rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the functional currency rates of exchange ruling at the end of the reporting period. Differences arising on settlement or translation of monetary items are recognised in profit or loss.

Non-monetary items that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates at the dates of the initial transactions. Non-monetary items measured at fair value in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates at the date when the fair value was measured. The gain or loss arising on translation of a non-monetary item measured at fair value is treated in line with the recognition of the gain or loss on change in fair value of the item (i.e., translation difference on the item whose fair value gain or loss is recognised in other comprehensive income or profit or loss is also recognised in other comprehensive income or profit or loss, respectively).

In determining the exchange rate on initial recognition of the related asset, expense or income on the derecognition of a non-monetary asset or non-monetary liability relating to an advance consideration, the date of initial transaction is the date on which the Group initially recognises the non-monetary asset or non-monetary liability arising from the advance consideration. If there are multiple payments or receipts in advance, the Group determines the transaction date for each payment or receipt of the advance consideration.

The functional currencies of certain subsidiaries are currencies other than USD. As at the end of the reporting period, the assets and liabilities of these entities are translated into USD at the exchange rates prevailing at the end of the reporting period and their statements of profit or loss are translated into USD at the exchange rates that approximate to those prevailing at the dates of the transactions.

The resulting exchange differences are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in the exchange fluctuation reserve. On disposal of a foreign operation, the component of other comprehensive income relating to that particular foreign operation is recognised in profit or loss.

For the purpose of the consolidated statement of cash flows, the cash flows of these entities are translated into USD at the exchange rates ruling at the dates of the cash flows. Frequently recurring cash flows of these entities which arise throughout the year are translated into USD at the weighted average exchange rates for the year.



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## 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND ESTIMATES

The preparation of the Group's financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of revenues, expenses, assets and liabilities, and their accompanying disclosures, and the disclosure of contingent liabilities. Uncertainty about these assumptions and estimates could result in outcomes that could require a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of the assets or liabilities affected in the future.

### Judgements

In the process of applying the Group's accounting policies, management has made the following judgements, apart from those involving estimations, which have the most significant effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements:

#### *Revenue from contracts with customers*

When determining whether a license granted to a customer provides the customer with rights to use, or access, the Group's intellectual property, the following criteria are considered: (a) the contract requires, or the customer reasonably expects, that the Group will undertake activities that significantly affect the intellectual property to which the customer has rights; (b) the rights granted by the license directly expose the customer to any positive or negative effects of the Group's activities identified in (a); and (c) those activities do not result in the transfer of a good or a service to the customer as those activities occur. When all criteria are met, the license granted provides the customer with rights to access the Group's intellectual property. Management judgements are required based on the terms of the contracts and the nature of the intellectual property to consider whether continuous activities, that do not transfer a good or service, will be undertaken by the Group to significantly affect the intellectual property.

The Group also makes judgements to determine the method used in estimating the variable consideration and whether the amount of variable consideration is constrained. The variable consideration is estimated at contract inception and constrained until it is highly probable that a significant revenue reversal in the amount of cumulative revenue recognised will not occur when the associated uncertainty with the variable consideration is subsequently resolved. The Group determined that the most likely amount method is the appropriate method to use in estimating the variable consideration, since reaching the requirements of a milestone or other variable consideration is an either-or situation. If a milestone or other variable consideration relates specifically to the Group's efforts to satisfy a single performance obligation or to a specific outcome from satisfying the performance obligation, the Group generally allocates that milestone amount entirely to that performance obligation once it is probable that a significant revenue reversal would not occur.

## 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND ESTIMATES *(Continued)*

### **Estimation uncertainty**

The key assumptions concerning the future and other key sources of estimation uncertainty at the end of the reporting period, that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year, are described below.

#### *Impairment of non-financial assets (other than goodwill)*

The Group assesses whether there are any indicators of impairment for all non-financial assets at the end of the reporting period. Indefinite life intangible asset is tested for impairment annually and at other times when such an indicator exists. Other non-financial assets are tested for impairment when there are indicators that the carrying amounts may not be recoverable. An impairment exists when the carrying value of an asset or a cash-generating unit exceeds its recoverable amount, which is the higher of its fair value less costs of disposal and its value in use. The calculation of the fair value less costs of disposal is based on available data from binding sales transactions in an arm's length transaction of similar assets or observable market prices less incremental costs for disposing of the asset or valuation techniques such as the relief from the royalty method. When value in use calculations are undertaken, management must estimate the expected future cash flows from the asset or cash-generating unit using key assumptions such as the growth rate, the gross margin and choose a suitable discount rate in order to calculate the present value of those cash flows. The carrying amounts of non-financial assets are set out in notes 14, 15 and 16 to the financial statements.

#### *Accrual of research and development costs*

The Group relies on contract research organizations, clinical site management operators, and clinical trial centres (collectively referred as "Outsourced Service Providers") to conduct, supervise, and monitor the Group's ongoing clinical trials. Determining the amounts of research and development costs incurred up to the end of each reporting period requires the management of the Group to estimate and measure the progress of receiving research and development services under the contracts with Outsourced Service Providers using inputs such as number of patient enrolments, time elapsed and milestone achieved.

#### *Fair value of unlisted equity investments*

The unlisted equity investments have been valued based on a market-based valuation technique as detailed in note 35 to the financial statements. The valuation requires the Group to determine the comparable public companies (peers) and select the price multiple. In addition, the Group makes estimates about the discount for illiquidity and size differences. The Group classifies the fair value of these investments as Level 3. The fair value of the unlisted equity investments at 31 December 2022 was USD6,357,000 (2021: USD5,843,000). Further details are included in note 20 to the financial statements.

#### *Share-based payments arrangements*

The Group has granted share awards to its employees and other qualifying participants as mentioned in note 29, The directors have adopted the binomial option pricing model to determine the total fair value of the options granted, which is to be expensed over the respective vesting periods. Significant judgment on parameters, such as risk-free interest rate, dividend yield and expected volatility, is required to be made by the directors in applying the option pricing model.

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## 4. OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION

### Operating segment information

For management purposes, the Group has only one reportable operating segment, which is the development of innovative therapeutics in the fields of immuno-oncology and immunology diseases. Since this is the only reportable operating segment of the Group, no further operating segment analysis thereof is presented.

### Geographical information

#### (a) Revenue from external customers

	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>USD'000</b>	USD'000
Europe	<b>24,851</b>	77
Mainland China	<b>8,557</b>	1,524
United States	<b>7,084</b>	2,669
Others	<b>167</b>	38
	<b>40,659</b>	4,308

The revenue information above is based on the locations of the customers.

#### (b) Non-current assets

	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>USD'000</b>	USD'000
Europe	<b>8,207</b>	7,600
Mainland China	<b>7,142</b>	26,805
United States	<b>1,405</b>	1,246
	<b>16,754</b>	35,651

Except for the intangible asset information which is based on the countries of the respective subsidiaries owning the assets, the non-current asset information above is based on the locations of the assets and excludes financial instruments.

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## 4. OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION *(Continued)*

### Information about major customers

Revenue from customers contributing over 10% of the total revenue of the Group is as follows:

	2022 USD'000	2021 USD'000
Customer A	24,663	–
Customer B	6,281	–
Customer C	6,000	–
Customer D	–	1,875
Customer E	–	993
Customer F	–	472
	<b>36,944</b>	3,340

## 5. REVENUE, OTHER INCOME AND GAINS

An analysis of revenue is as follows:

	2022 USD'000	2021 USD'000
<i>Types of goods or services</i>		
– Molecule license fee	38,437	2,347
– Technology license fee	1,404	1,961
– Research service fee	818	–
	<b>40,659</b>	4,308

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## 5. REVENUE, OTHER INCOME AND GAINS *(Continued)*

### Revenue from contracts with customers

#### (i) *Disaggregated revenue information*

	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>USD'000</b>	USD'000
Timing of revenue recognition		
<i>At a point in time</i>		
– Molecule license fee	<b>38,437</b>	2,347
– Research service fee	<b>500</b>	–
<i>Over time</i>		
– Technology license fee	<b>1,404</b>	1,961
– Research service fee	<b>318</b>	–
	<b>40,659</b>	4,308

The following table shows the amounts of revenue recognised in the current reporting period that were included in the contract liabilities at the beginning of the reporting period:

	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>USD'000</b>	USD'000
Technology license fee	<b>565</b>	536
	<b>565</b>	536

**5. REVENUE, OTHER INCOME AND GAINS** *(Continued)***Revenue from contracts with customers** *(Continued)**(ii) Performance obligations*

Information about the Group's performance obligations is summarised below:

*Technology license fee*

The performance obligation is satisfied over time throughout the license period as the customers are granted rights to access the know-hows which the Group has exclusive rights to use. Upfront payment is generally due within 10 days after the effective date of contract, whereas other payment is generally due within 30 to 45 days from the date of billing.

*Molecule license fee*

The performance obligation is satisfied at a point in time as the customers obtain rights to use of the underlying licenses and payment is generally due within 10 business days from the date of billing.

*Research service fee*

The performance obligation is satisfied at a point in time when research results are delivered to and accepted by the customer. For certain type of the contracts, the performance obligation is satisfied over the service period based on the stage of completion of the contract. The payment is generally due within 30 days from the date of billing.

The amounts of transaction prices allocated to the remaining performance obligations (unsatisfied or partially unsatisfied) as at 31 December are as follows:

	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>USD'000</b>	USD'000
Amounts expected to be recognised as revenue:		
– Within one year	<b>683</b>	388
– After one year	<b>278</b>	1,440
	<b>961</b>	1,828

The above remaining performance obligations mainly relate to the contracts of licenses and research service fee. The amounts expected to be recognised after one year relate to performance obligations that will be satisfied in the coming 3 years. The amounts disclosed above do not include variable consideration which is constrained.

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## 5. REVENUE, OTHER INCOME AND GAINS *(Continued)*

### Revenue from contracts with customers *(Continued)*

An analysis of other income and gains is as follows:

	2022 USD'000	2021 USD'000
Other income and gains		
– Interest income	2,866	2,269
– Government grants recognised*	561	2,820
– Gains on fair value change of other financial assets	1,039	185
– Foreign exchange gains, net	–	691
– Others	302	–
	<b>4,768</b>	5,965

\* Government grants have been received from the PRC local government authorities to support the subsidiaries' research and development activities. There are no unfulfilled conditions relating to these government grants.

## 6. OTHER EXPENSES

An analysis of other expenses is as follows:

	2022 USD'000	2021 USD'000
Disposals of property, plant and equipment	12,537	–
Foreign exchange losses, net	5,376	–
Others	–	619
	<b>17,913</b>	619

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## 7. FINANCE COSTS

An analysis of finance costs is as follows:

	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>USD'000</b>	USD'000
Interest on bank borrowings	<b>1,722</b>	17
Interest on lease liabilities	<b>265</b>	159
	<b>1,987</b>	176

## 8. LOSS BEFORE TAX

The Group's loss before tax is arrived at after (charging)/crediting:

	Notes	<b>2022</b>	2021
		<b>USD'000</b>	USD'000
Cost of sales		<b>(130)</b>	(137)
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	14	<b>(4,821)</b>	(4,628)
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	15	<b>(2,596)</b>	(1,925)
Amortisation of intangible assets	16	<b>(618)</b>	(256)
Disposals of property, plant and equipment		<b>(12,537)</b>	–
Disposals of right-of-use assets	15	<b>183</b>	–
Employee benefit expense (including directors' remuneration):			
– Wages and salaries		<b>(32,769)</b>	(46,477)
– Pension scheme contributions*		<b>(2,186)</b>	(1,881)
– Share-based payment expenses		<b>(5,763)</b>	(8,160)
Auditors' remuneration		<b>(484)</b>	(549)
Lease expenses arising from short-term leases	15	<b>(23)</b>	(493)
Foreign exchange (losses)/gains, net		<b>(5,376)</b>	691

\* There are no forfeited contributions that may be used by the Group as the employer to reduce the existing level of contributions.

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## 9. DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REMUNERATION

Directors' and chief executive's remuneration for the year, disclosed pursuant to the Listing Rules, section 383(1)(a), (b), (c) and (f) of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance and Part 2 of the Companies (Disclosure of Information about Benefits of Directors) Regulation, is as follows:

	2022 USD'000	2021 USD'000
Fees	170	161
Other emoluments:		
– Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind	1,304	14,830
– Pension scheme contributions	52	18
– Share-based payment expenses	925	2,351
	<b>2,281</b>	17,199
	<b>2,451</b>	17,360

During the year, certain directors were granted restricted shares and share award in respect of their services to the Group, under the share award plan of the Company, further details of which are included in note 29 to the financial statements. The fair values of such restricted shares, which have been recognised in the statement of profit or loss over the vesting period, were determined as at the grant date and the amounts included in the financial statements for the current year are included in the above directors' and chief executive's remuneration disclosures.

### (a) Independent non-executive directors

The fees paid to independent non-executive directors during the year were as follows:

	2022 USD'000	2021 USD'000
Dr. Robert Irwin Kamen	50	50
Dr. Xiaoping Ye	50	50
Mr. Ka Chi Yau (appointed in June 2021)	50	28
Ms. Weiwei Chen* (resigned from June 2021)	–	22
	<b>150</b>	150

\* Ms. Weiwei Chen has been an independent non-executive Director from December 2020 to June 2021 and was redesignated as a non-executive Director since June 2021.

**9. DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REMUNERATION** (Continued)**(a) Independent non-executive directors** (Continued)

The share-based payment expense of Dr. Robert Irwin Kamen during the year was USD146,000 (2021: USD303,000).

There were no other emoluments payable to the independent non-executive directors during the year (2021: Nil).

**(b) Executive directors, non-executive directors and the chief executive**

2022	Other emoluments				Total USD'000
	Fees USD'000	Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind USD'000	Pension scheme contributions USD'000	Share-based payment expenses USD'000	
Executive directors:					
Mr. Jingsong Wang*	-	781	39	696	1,516
Dr. Yiping Rong (appointed in May 2022)	-	334	9	83	426
Mr. Xiaoxiang Chen (resigned from May 2022)	-	189	4	-	193
Non-executive directors:					
Mr. Yumin Qiu**	-	-	-	-	-
Mr. Junfeng Wang**	-	-	-	-	-
Ms. Weiwei Chen	20	-	-	-	20
	20	1,304	52	779	2,155

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## 9. DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REMUNERATION *(Continued)*

### (b) Executive directors, non-executive directors and the chief executive *(Continued)*

2021	Fees USD'000	Other emoluments			Total USD'000
		Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind USD'000	Pension scheme contributions USD'000	Share-based payment expenses USD'000	
Executive directors:					
Mr. Jingsong Wang*	-	13,264	3	-	13,267
Mr. Xiaoxiang Chen (resigned from May 2022, appointed in September 2021)	-	529	9	-	538
Mr. Maijing Liao (resigned from September 2021)	-	284	6	-	290
Dr. Atul Mukund Deshpande (resigned from May 2021)	-	753	-	2,048	2,801
Non-executive directors:					
Mr. Yumin Qiu**	-	-	-	-	-
Mr. Junfeng Wang**	-	-	-	-	-
Ms. Weiwei Chen	11	-	-	-	11
	11	14,830	18	2,048	16,907

\* Mr. Jingsong Wang is also the chief executive of the Company, and his remuneration disclosed above included the services rendered by him as the chief executive.

\*\* Mr. Yumin Qiu and Mr. Junfeng Wang waived or agreed to waive their remuneration in 2021 and 2022.

**10. FIVE HIGHEST PAID EMPLOYEES**

The five highest paid employees during the year included one director (2021: two directors), respectively, details of whose remuneration are set out in note 9 above. Details of the remaining four (2021: three) highest paid employees are as follows:

	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>USD'000</b>	USD'000
Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind	<b>1,720</b>	1,246

The number of the non-director highest paid employees whose remuneration fell within the following bands is as follows:

	<b>2022</b>	2021
HK\$2,500,001 to HK\$3,000,000	<b>1</b>	1
HK\$3,000,001 to HK\$3,500,000	<b>1</b>	1
HK\$3,500,001 to HK\$4,000,000	<b>2</b>	1
	<b>4</b>	3

During the year, no remuneration was paid by the Group to the directors or any of the five highest paid employees as an inducement to join or upon joining the Group, or as compensation for loss of office (2021: Nil).

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## 11. INCOME TAX

The Group is subject to income tax on an entity basis on profits arising in or derived from the countries/jurisdictions in which members of the Group are domiciled and operate.

### **Cayman Islands**

Pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Cayman Islands, the Group is not subject to any income tax in the Cayman Islands.

### **British Virgin Islands**

Pursuant to the rules and regulations of the British Virgin Islands ("BVI"), the Group is not subject to any income tax in the BVI.

### **Hong Kong**

Hong Kong profits tax has been provided for at the rate of 16.5% (2021: 16.5%) on the estimated assessable profits arising in Hong Kong during the year, unless such profits are taxable at the half-rate of 8.25% (2021: 8.25%) that may apply for the first HK\$2,000,000 (2021: HK\$2,000,000) of the assessable profits.

### **Mainland China**

Pursuant to the Corporate Income Tax Law of the PRC and the respective regulations, the subsidiaries which operate in Mainland China are subject to corporate income tax ("CIT") at a rate of 25% (2021: 25%) on the taxable income, except the subsidiary, Harbour BioMed (Shanghai) Co., Ltd., which was certified as a High and New Technology Enterprise in 2020 and was entitled to a preferential CIT rate of 15% (2021: 15%), Nona Biosciences (Suzhou) Co., Ltd., which was certified as a High and New Technology Enterprise in 2021 and was entitled to a preferential CIT rate of 15% (2021: 15%).

### **Netherlands**

The subsidiaries which operate in the Netherlands are subject to profits tax at a rate of 15% (2021: 15%) for the first EUR395,000 (2021: EUR245,000) of taxable income, and the excess amount is subject to corporate income tax at a rate of 25.8% (2021: 25%) during the year.

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## 11. INCOME TAX *(Continued)*

### United States

The subsidiaries which operate in the US are subject to federal income tax at a rate of 21% (2021: 21%) and the Massachusetts state income tax at a rate of 8% (2021: 8%) on the taxable income.

The major components of income tax expense of the Group are as follows:

	2022 USD'000	2021 USD'000
Current income tax	–	2
Deferred income tax (note 26)	248	47
<b>Total tax expense for the year</b>	<b>248</b>	49

A reconciliation of the tax expense applicable to loss before tax at the statutory rate applicable in Mainland China to the tax expense at the effective tax rate is as follows:

	2022 USD'000	2021 USD'000
Loss before tax	(137,020)	(137,829)
Tax at a tax rate of 25%	(34,255)	(34,457)
Effect of different tax rates enacted by local authorities	10,707	15,885
Tax losses not recognised	24,015	20,390
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	9,443	5,065
Additional deductible allowance for qualified research and development costs	(9,662)	(6,834)
<b>Tax expense at the Group's effective tax rate</b>	<b>248</b>	49

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## 12. DIVIDENDS

No dividend has been paid or declared by the Company and its subsidiaries during the year (2021: Nil).

## 13. LOSS PER SHARE

The calculation of the basic loss per share amounts is based on the loss attributable to the owners of the parent and the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue excluding the treasury shares during the year, after giving due consideration to the share subdivision occurred on 10 December 2020. The share subdivision was treated as having been in issue for the whole year and also included in the loss per share calculation of the comparative period presented so as to give a comparable result.

Diluted loss per share is calculated by adjusting the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding to assume conversion of all dilutive potential ordinary shares into ordinary shares. As the Group incurred losses for the years ended 31 December 2022 and 2021, the potential ordinary shares were not included in the calculation of diluted loss per share as the potential ordinary shares had an anti-dilutive effect on the basic loss per share. Accordingly, the diluted loss per share amounts for the years ended 31 December 2022 and 2021 are the same as the basic loss per share amounts of the respective years.

	2022	2021
<b>Loss</b>		
Loss attributable to owners of the parent (USD'000)	<b>(137,222)</b>	(137,777)
<b>Shares</b>		
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the year	<b>729,435,207</b>	732,377,357
Basic and diluted loss per share (USD per share)	<b>(0.19)</b>	(0.19)

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## 14. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

	Plant and machinery USD'000	Electronic equipment USD'000	Furniture and fixtures USD'000	Leasehold improvements USD'000	Construction in process USD'000	Total USD'000
<b>31 December 2022</b>						
<b>Cost</b>						
As at 1 January 2022	16,399	814	360	6,071	841	24,485
Additions	1,515	117	11	96	25,982	27,721
Disposals	(2,110)	(98)	(17)	(1,003)	(26,775)	(30,003)
Exchange differences	(1,284)	(68)	(123)	(486)	(48)	(2,009)
As at 31 December 2022	14,520	765	231	4,678	-	20,194
<b>Accumulated depreciation</b>						
As at 1 January 2022	(7,905)	(435)	(153)	(4,203)	-	(12,696)
Charge for the year	(2,922)	(190)	(149)	(1,560)	-	(4,821)
Disposals	338	70	5	970	-	1,383
Exchange differences	703	40	114	373	-	1,230
As at 31 December 2022	(9,786)	(515)	(183)	(4,420)	-	(14,904)
<b>Net carrying amount</b>						
As at 31 December 2022	4,734	250	48	258	-	5,290
As at 31 December 2021	8,494	379	207	1,868	841	11,789
<b>31 December 2021</b>						
<b>Cost</b>						
As at 1 January 2021	12,987	481	193	4,442	-	18,103
Additions	3,093	318	161	1,508	841	5,921
Exchange differences	319	15	6	121	-	461
As at 31 December 2021	16,399	814	360	6,071	841	24,485
<b>Accumulated depreciation</b>						
As at 1 January 2021	(5,014)	(263)	(97)	(2,467)	-	(7,841)
Charge for the year	(2,751)	(163)	(54)	(1,660)	-	(4,628)
Exchange differences	(140)	(9)	(2)	(76)	-	(227)
As at 31 December 2021	(7,905)	(435)	(153)	(4,203)	-	(12,696)
<b>Net carrying amount</b>						
As at 31 December 2021	8,494	379	207	1,868	841	11,789
As at 31 December 2020	7,973	218	96	1,975	-	10,262

As at 31 December 2022, there were no pledged property, plant and equipment (2021: Nil).

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## 15. RIGHT-OF-USE ASSETS AND LEASE LIABILITIES

The Group leases certain buildings for its office and laboratory use. The movements in right-of-use assets and lease liabilities during the year are as follows:

	2022 USD'000	2021 USD'000
<u>Right-of-use assets</u>		
Carrying amount at 1 January	7,287	1,351
Additions	194	7,849
Depreciation charge	(2,596)	(1,925)
Exchange differences	(391)	12
Termination	(1,827)	–
Carrying amount at 31 December	2,667	7,287
<u>Lease liabilities</u>		
Carrying amount at 1 January	7,420	1,725
New leases	194	7,849
Interest during the year	265	159
Payments	(2,734)	(2,332)
Exchange differences	(398)	19
Termination	(2,010)	–
Carrying amount at 31 December	2,737	7,420
Analysed into:		
Current portion	1,299	2,594
Non-current portion	1,438	4,826

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## 15. RIGHT-OF-USE ASSETS AND LEASE LIABILITIES *(Continued)*

The amounts recognised in profit or loss in relation to leases are as follows:

	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>USD'000</b>	USD'000
Depreciation charge of right-of-use assets	<b>2,596</b>	1,925
Interest on lease liabilities	<b>265</b>	159
Expense relating to short-term leases	<b>23</b>	493
<b>Total amount recognised in profit or loss</b>	<b>2,884</b>	2,577

The total cash outflow for leases included in the consolidated statement of cash flows is as follows:

	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>USD'000</b>	USD'000
Within operating activities	<b>23</b>	493
Within financing activities	<b>2,734</b>	2,332
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,757</b>	2,825

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## 16. INTANGIBLE ASSETS

	Software USD'000	Backlog USD'000	Technology licencing agreement USD'000	Total USD'000
<b>31 December 2022</b>				
<b>Cost</b>				
As at 1 January 2022	1334	1,728	7,600	10,662
Additions	361	–	–	361
Exchange differences	(123)	–	–	(123)
As at 31 December 2022	1,572	1,728	7,600	10,900
<b>Amortisation</b>				
As at 1 January 2022	(442)	(1,728)	–	(2,170)
Charge for the year	(618)	–	–	(618)
Exchange differences	56	–	–	56
As at 31 December 2022	(1,004)	(1,728)	–	(2,732)
<b>Net carrying amount</b>				
As at 31 December 2022	568	–	7,600	8,168
<b>31 December 2021</b>				
<b>Cost</b>				
As at 1 January 2021	382	1,728	7,600	9,710
Additions	943	–	–	943
Exchange differences	9	–	–	9
As at 31 December 2021	1,334	1,728	7,600	10,662
<b>Amortisation</b>				
As at 1 January 2021	(182)	(1,728)	–	(1,910)
Charge for the year	(256)	–	–	(256)
Exchange differences	(4)	–	–	(4)
As at 31 December 2021	(442)	(1,728)	–	(2,170)
<b>Net carrying amount</b>				
As at 31 December 2021	892	–	7,600	8,492

**16. INTANGIBLE ASSETS** *(Continued)*

Technology licencing agreement was recognised from the Group's acquisition of Harbour Antibodies BV and its subsidiaries ("HA Group") in 2016 (the "2016 Acquisition") for HA Group's license agreement with the licensors, who exclusively licensed the Harbour Technology to HA Group to research, develop, manufacture, market, supply, keep or otherwise exploit antibodies in all fields of use and to sublicense the Harbour Technology, which the licensors will further develop together with the characteristic of the Harbour Mice through providing research consultancy services to Harbour Antibodies BV.

**Impairment testing of technology licencing agreement**

As the technology licencing agreement between HA Group and the licensors has no expiration date and HA Group had a long-term cooperation history with the licensors for further development of the Harbour Technology, the Group expects the technology licencing agreement with the licensors to have an indefinite useful life. Management tests the technology licencing agreement with indefinite useful life for impairment annually by comparing its carrying amount with its recoverable amount.

The recoverable amount of the technology licencing agreement is determined based on the fair value less costs of disposal, and the fair value of the technology licencing agreement is determined using the relief from royalty method taking into account the nature of the asset, using cash flow projections based on financial budgets covering a 14-year period, and the growth rate used to extrapolate the cash flows beyond the 14-year period is 3% (2021: 3%), which is close to the long-term inflation rate. Management believes that using a 14-year forecast period is appropriate because it generally takes longer for a biotechnology company to use the technologies to generate therapeutics and develop them into products to reach perpetual growth mode when the market of such products is developing with substantial growth potential. Hence, financial budget covering a 14-year period is more feasible and reflects a more accurate value. The fair value measurement hierarchy of the technology licencing agreement was Level 3. Other key assumptions to the valuation model used are as follows:

	<b>2022</b>	2021
Discount rates	<b>16.0%</b>	16.0%
Royalty rates	<b>6.0%</b>	6.0%

*Discount rates* – The discount rates used are before tax and reflect specific risks relating to the technology licencing agreement.

*Royalty rates* – The basis used to determine the value assigned to royalty rates is the market royalty rate where the technology licencing agreement is located, taking into account the profitability of the Group and other qualitative factors.

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## 17. INVENTORIES

	2022 USD'000	2021 USD'000
Raw materials	1,044	–
Less: Impairment allowance	–	–
	<b>1,044</b>	–

There were no inventories pledged as at 31 December 2022.

## 18. TRADE RECEIVABLES

	2022 USD'000	2021 USD'000
Within 3 months	7,118	26
Less: Impairment	–	–
	<b>7,118</b>	26

The Group's trading terms with its customers are based on the payment schedule of the contracts with normal credit terms of 10 to 45 days from the day of billing.

The ageing of trade receivables as at the end of the reporting period, based on the date of invoice or the date of the service rendered, is less than three months and the expected credit loss is minimal.

Trade receivables are non-interest-bearing. The carrying amounts of trade receivables approximate to their fair values.

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## 19. PREPAYMENTS, OTHER RECEIVABLES AND OTHER ASSETS

	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>USD'000</b>	USD'000
Other receivables	<b>16,349</b>	1,283
Loans provided to an associate	<b>2,872</b>	–
Prepayments (i)	<b>7,277</b>	26,424
Value-added tax recoverable	<b>1,813</b>	4,243
Deposits	<b>800</b>	670
	<b>29,111</b>	32,620
Less: Non-current portion		
Prepayments (i)	<b>629</b>	8,083
Current portion	<b>28,482</b>	24,537

(i) Prepayments primarily consist of prepayments made in connection with the purchase of reagents and research and development related devices and services, construction in process and other prepaid expenses.

The financial assets included in the above balances are non-interest-bearing, unsecured and repayable on demand.

The financial assets included in the above balances relate to receivables for which there were no recent history of default. In addition, there is no significant change in the economic factors based on the assessment of the forward-looking information, so the directors of the Company are of the opinion that the expected credit loss in respect of these balances is minimal.

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## 20. OTHER FINANCIAL ASSETS

	2022		2021	
	Categories	Carrying amount USD'000	Categories	Carrying amount USD'000
<b>Assets:</b>				
<b>Debt instruments (including hybrid contracts):</b>				
Unlisted equity investments	FVPL	6,357	FVPL	5,843
		<b>6,357</b>		5,843

FVPL: Financial assets or financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss

The unlisted equity investments represent the Group's equity interests in unlisted PRC companies.

On 10 June 2021, the Group subscribed 590,625 shares of Shanghai NK Cells Technology Limited ("NK") and held 15.7895% interests in NK. The consideration of the subscription was RMB32,660,000 (equivalent to USD5.1 million) in the form of cash and RMB3,400,000 (equivalent to USD0.5 million) in the form of technology sublicensing agreements.

The investment in NK is redeemable ordinary shares with preferential rights. The Group has the right to require and demand to redeem from the investee all of the shares held by the Group at a guaranteed predetermined fixed amount upon redemption events. The investment is accounted for as a debt instrument and is measured as a financial asset at fair value through profit or loss.

As at 31 December 2022, the interests of the Group held in NK were diluted to 11.90% when NK issued 1,023,750 series A redeemable shares to a group of investors for a cash consideration of RMB130,000,000 (equivalent to USD19.37 million) or RMB126.98 (equivalent to USD18.92) per share.

**21. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS**

	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>USD'000</b>	USD'000
Cash and cash balances	<b>162,368</b>	56,304
Time deposits with original maturity of more than three months but less than one year when acquired	<b>10,000</b>	160,000
	<b>172,368</b>	216,304
Less:		
Restricted bank balances (a)	<b>663</b>	–
Cash and cash equivalents	<b>171,705</b>	216,304
Denominated in:		
USD	<b>98,447</b>	182,606
RMB	<b>71,735</b>	32,243
Others	<b>1,523</b>	1,455
	<b>171,705</b>	216,304

(a) As at 31 December 2022, cash in bank amounting to USD663,000 (31 December 2021: Nil) is restricted.

The RMB is not freely convertible into other currencies, however, under Mainland China's Foreign Exchange Control Regulations and Administration of Settlement, Sale and Payment of Foreign Exchange Regulations, the Group is permitted to exchange RMB for other currencies through banks authorised to conduct foreign exchange business. The remittance of funds out of Mainland China is subject to exchange restrictions imposed by the PRC government.

Cash at banks earns interest at floating rates based on daily bank deposit rates. Time deposits are made for varying periods of between seven days and twelve months depending on the immediate cash requirements of the Group and earn interest at the respective short-term time deposit rates. The bank balances and time deposits are deposited with creditworthy banks with no recent history of default.

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## 22. TRADE PAYABLES

An analysis of the trade payables as at the end of each year, based on the invoice date, is as follows:

	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>USD'000</b>	USD'000
Within 1 month	<b>19,978</b>	23,358
1-3 months	<b>1,171</b>	2,562
3-6 months	<b>826</b>	26
6-12 months	<b>54</b>	47
	<b>22,029</b>	25,993

The trade payables are non-interest-bearing and are normally settled on terms of 1 to 3 months.

## 23. OTHER PAYABLES AND ACCRUALS

	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>USD'000</b>	USD'000
Other payables	<b>4,398</b>	1,808
Other accrued expenses	<b>3,542</b>	2,289
Payroll and welfare	<b>726</b>	5,850
Other tax payables	<b>473</b>	492
	<b>9,139</b>	10,439

Other payables are non-interest-bearing and repayable on demand. The carrying amounts of financial liabilities included in other payables and accruals approximate to their fair values.

**24. CONTRACT LIABILITIES**

	<b>31 December 2022 USD'000</b>	31 December 2021 USD'000	1 January 2021 USD'000
Amounts received in advance for research service fee	<b>817</b>	157	153
Amounts received in advance for the technology license fee	<b>790</b>	1,124	901
Amounts received in advance for molecule license fee	<b>13,723</b>	314	307
	<b>15,330</b>	1,595	1,361
Less: non-current portion	<b>13,860</b>	363	–
Current portion	<b>1,470</b>	1,232	1,361

The increase in contract liabilities as at 31 December 2022 was mainly due to the increase related to molecule license fee. The increase in contract liabilities as at 31 December 2021 was mainly due to the satisfaction of the performance obligation related to technology license fee.

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## 25. INTEREST-BEARING BANK BORROWINGS

	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>USD'000</b>	USD'000
Bank borrowings – unsecured	<b>88,192</b>	12,053
	<b>88,192</b>	12,053
Analysed into:		
On demand or within one year	<b>41,107</b>	797
More than one year, but not exceeding five years	<b>47,085</b>	11,256
	<b>88,192</b>	12,053
Current	<b>41,107</b>	797
Non-current	<b>47,085</b>	11,256

As at 31 December 2022, the Group's overdraft bank facilities amounted to RMB850,000,000 (31 December 2021: RMB250,000,000), of which RMB614,222,000 (31 December 2021: RMB76,765,000) had been utilized.

The bank borrowings carry interest at rates ranging from 3.45% to 4.65% (2021: 4.10% to 4.60%) per annum.

The directors estimate that the carrying amounts of the Group's current and non-current borrowings approximate to their fair values.

**26. DEFERRED TAX**

The movements in deferred tax liabilities during the year are as follows:

	<b>Fair value adjustments arising from acquisition of subsidiaries and investments USD'000</b>
<b>31 December 2022</b>	
As at 1 January 2022	1,947
Deferred tax charged to the consolidated statement of profit or loss during the year (note 11)	248
As at 31 December 2022	<b>2,195</b>
<b>31 December 2021</b>	
As at 1 January 2021	1,900
Deferred tax charged to the consolidated statement of profit or loss during the year (note 11)	47
As at 31 December 2021	1,947

Deferred tax assets have not been recognised in respect of the following items:

	<b>2022 USD'000</b>	2021 USD'000
Tax losses	<b>381,720</b>	252,119
	<b>381,720</b>	252,119

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## 26. DEFERRED TAX *(Continued)*

The following table shows the tax losses information based on the locations of subsidiaries:

	2022 USD'000	2021 USD'000
Mainland China (tax losses expire in one to ten years)	353,744	238,504
Netherlands (tax losses with no expiration)	12,730	8,079
United States (tax losses with no expiration)	15,246	5,536
	<b>381,720</b>	252,119

Deferred tax assets have not been recognised in respect of these losses as they have arisen in subsidiaries that have been loss-making for some time and it is not considered probable that taxable profits will be available against which the tax losses can be utilised.

## 27. SHARE CAPITAL AND TREASURY SHARES

### Issued and fully paid

	31 December 2022	
	Number of shares in issue	Share capital USD'000
Ordinary shares of USD0.000025 each*	764,382,070	19
Restricted shares of USD0.000025 each**	3,547,840	–
	<b>767,929,910</b>	<b>19</b>

	31 December 2021	
	Number of shares in issue	Share capital USD'000
Ordinary shares of USD0.000025 each*	749,967,080	19
Restricted shares of USD0.000025 each	17,924,080	–
	767,891,160	19

\* This includes treasury shares as set out in the table below.

\*\* Amount less than USD1,000

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## 27. SHARE CAPITAL AND TREASURY SHARES *(Continued)*

Movements in the share capital and treasury shares were as follows:

	Number of shares in issue				Share capital USD'000
	Ordinary shares	Treasury shares	Restricted shares	Total	
At 31 December 2020 and 1 January 2021	730,039,360	26,810,840	11,040,960	767,891,160	19
Grant of restricted shares (note 29)	-	(13,128,000)	13,128,000	-	-
Restricted shares vested (note 29)	5,025,200	-	(5,025,200)	-	-
Forfeiture of restricted shares	-	1,219,680	(1,219,680)	-	-
Repurchase of ordinary shares (note 29)	(7,700,000)	7,700,000	-	-	-
At 31 December 2021 and 1 January 2022	727,364,560	22,602,520	17,924,080	767,891,160	19
Ordinary share issued (note 29)	<b>38,750</b>	-	-	<b>38,750</b>	-
Grant of restricted shares (note 29)	-	-	-	-	-
Restricted shares vested (note 29)	<b>6,216,960</b>	-	<b>(6,216,960)</b>	-	-
Forfeiture of restricted shares	-	<b>8,159,280</b>	<b>(8,159,280)</b>	-	-
Repurchase of ordinary shares (note 29)	<b>(1,468,000)</b>	<b>1,468,000</b>	-	-	-
At 31 December 2022	<b>732,152,270</b>	<b>32,229,800</b>	<b>3,547,840</b>	<b>767,929,910</b>	<b>19</b>

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## 28. RESERVES

The amounts of the Group's reserves and the movements therein for the current and prior years are presented in the consolidated statement of changes in equity.

### Share premium

The share premium represents the difference between the par value of the shares issued and the consideration received.

### Capital reserve

The capital reserve represents the share-based payment granted to employees of the Group. The amount previously recognised in capital reserve will transfer to share premium when the equity-settled awards are exercised or expire. For the restricted shares units, the Group has elected to continue to present in capital reserve.

### Exchange fluctuation reserve

The exchange fluctuation reserve is used to record the exchange differences arising from the translation of the financial statements of subsidiaries whose functional currency is not USD.

## 29. SHARE-BASED PAYMENTS

### 2016 Equity Incentive Plan

On 11 November 2016, the Company adopted the 2016 Equity Incentive Plan (the "2016 Plan") for the purpose of providing incentives and rewards to eligible participants who have contributed or will contribute to the Group. Under the 2016 Plan, the Company initially reserved an aggregate of 1,500,000 ordinary shares of par value of USD0.001 each for issuance.

On 11 November 2016, the Company issued and granted an aggregate of 1,263,200 restricted shares to its founders and certain employees.

The vesting schedule pursuant to the grant agreements is as follows:

- 1) On 7 December 2016 (the "Vesting Commencement Date 1"), 10% of the total number of restricted shares granted shall vest.
- 2) So long as a grantee's continuous status as a service provider has not yet terminated, 22.5% of the total number of restricted shares granted shall vest on the first anniversary of the Vesting Commencement Date 1.
- 3) So long as a grantee's continuous status as a service provider has not yet terminated, the remaining 67.5% of the total number of restricted shares granted hereunder shall vest monthly in equal instalments over the next three consecutive years from the first anniversary of the Vesting Commencement Date 1.

## 29. SHARE-BASED PAYMENTS *(Continued)*

### 2016 Equity Incentive Plan *(Continued)*

The Company was incorporated on 20 July 2016. On the grant date of the restricted shares, the Company had not started business operations and only had issued one ordinary share with par value of USD0.001. The fair value of the restricted shares at that date approximates to the par value, which is minimal.

In 2019, one founder and two other employees resigned from the Group and the 44,625 unvested restricted shares granted to them were forfeited.

On 31 July 2020, the Company granted 1,742,862 restricted shares and 243,878 restricted share units to the Group's employees, directors and consultants under the 2016 Plan. The fair value of the restricted shares and restricted share units on the grant date was US\$22.06 per share/per unit. Among the 1,742,862 restricted shares:

- (a) all the restrictions with respect to 425,734 shares are removed on the grant date;
- (b) 1,257,024 shares are subject to the vesting schedule as follows:
  - 1) restrictions with respect to 30% of the restricted shares shall be removed on the first anniversary of the grant date;
  - 2) restrictions with respect to 30% of the restricted shares shall be removed on the second anniversary of the grant date; and
  - 3) restrictions with respect to 40% of the restricted shares shall be removed on the third anniversary of the grant date;
- (c) 22,552 shares are subject to the vesting schedule as follows:
  - 1) restrictions with respect to 7,552 restricted shares shall be removed on the grant date;
  - 2) restrictions with respect to 4,500 restricted shares shall be removed on the first anniversary of the grant date;
  - 3) restrictions with respect to 4,500 restricted shares shall be removed on the second anniversary of the grant date; and
  - 4) restrictions with respect to 6,000 restricted shares shall be removed on the third anniversary of the grant date;

and

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## 29. SHARE-BASED PAYMENTS *(Continued)*

### 2016 Equity Incentive Plan *(Continued)*

(d) 37,552 shares are subject to the vesting schedule as follows:

- 1) restrictions with respect to 7,552 restricted shares shall be removed on the grant date;
- 2) restrictions with respect to 9,000 restricted shares shall be removed on the first anniversary of the grant date;
- 3) restrictions with respect to 9,000 restricted shares shall be removed on the second anniversary of the grant date; and
- 4) restrictions with respect to 12,000 restricted shares shall be removed on the third anniversary of the grant date.

The vesting schedule of the 243,878 restricted share units granted on 31 July 2020 is as follows:

- 1) 30% of shares subject to the restricted shares units shall vest on the first anniversary of the date on which the shares of the Company are first listed on any internationally recognised stock exchange (including but not limited to The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited, The New York Stock Exchange, Shanghai Stock Exchange and Shenzhen Stock Exchange) (the “Vesting Commencement Date 2”);
- 2) 30% of shares subject to the restricted shares units shall vest on the second anniversary of the Vesting Commencement Date 2; and
- 3) 40% of shares subject to the restricted shares units shall vest on the third anniversary of the Vesting Commencement Date 2.

For the above restricted shares and restricted share units granted, the employees, directors and consultants shall remain as service providers during the vesting periods.

On 20 October 2020, the Company granted 25,585 restricted shares and 7,536 restricted share units to the Group’s ex-employees. On 25 December 2020, the Company granted 21,600 (after share subdivision) restricted share units to an ex-employee. On 15 June 2021, the Company granted 1,728,000 (after share subdivision) restricted shares to an ex-director. The fair values of the restricted shares and restricted share units granted on 20 October and 25 December 2020 and 15 June 2021 were US\$60.23 (before share subdivision), US\$1.29 and US\$1.18 per share/per unit, respectively. The restricted shares and restricted share units granted to the ex-employees are compensations for their past services provided to the Group and were fully vested on the date of grant.

## 29. SHARE-BASED PAYMENTS *(Continued)*

### 2016 Equity Incentive Plan *(Continued)*

On 20 July 2021, the Company granted 7,600,000 (after share subdivision) restricted shares to a Group's employee under the 2016 Plan, the vesting schedule is as follows:

- 1) restrictions with respect to 30% of the restricted shares shall be removed on the first anniversary of the grant date;
- 2) restrictions with respect to 30% of the restricted shares shall be removed on the second anniversary of the grant date; and
- 3) restrictions with respect to 40% of the restricted shares shall be removed on the third anniversary of the grant date;

On 12 October 2021, the Company granted 3,800,000 (after share subdivision) restricted shares to a Group's employee under the 2016 Plan, the vesting schedule is as follows:

- 1) restrictions with respect to 30% of the restricted shares shall be removed on the first anniversary of the employees on board date;
- 2) restrictions with respect to 30% of the restricted shares shall be removed on the second anniversary of the employees on board date; and
- 3) restrictions with respect to 40% of the restricted shares shall be removed on the third anniversary of the employees on board date;

On 7 November 2022, the Company granted 7,600,000 (after share subdivision) restricted share units to a Group's employee under the 2016 Plan, the vesting schedule is as follows:

- 1) restrictions with respect to 30% of the restricted share units shall be removed on 1 December 2022;
- 2) restrictions with respect to 30% of the restricted share units shall be removed on 1 December 2023; and
- 3) restrictions with respect to 40% of the restricted share units shall be removed on 1 December 2024;

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## 29. SHARE-BASED PAYMENTS *(Continued)*

### 2016 Equity Incentive Plan *(Continued)*

On 10 December 2022, the Company granted a total of 1,510,400 (after share subdivision) restricted share units to two certain eligible persons under the 2016 Plan, of which 1,208,320 restricted shares will be vested in part in 2023, the remaining of 302,080 restricted shares will be vested is as follows:

- 1) restrictions with respect to 30% of the restricted share units shall be removed on 1 March 2023;
- 2) restrictions with respect to 30% of the restricted share units shall be removed on 1 March 2024; and
- 3) restrictions with respect to 40% of the restricted share units shall be removed on 1 March 2025;

The fair values of the restricted shares and restricted share units granted on 20 July 2021, 12 October 2021, 7 November 2022, and 10 December 2022 were determined by the stock price on the date of grant.

In this year, 44 employees resigned from the Group and 8,159,280 unvested restricted shares (after share subdivision) and 2,531,160 unvested restricted share units (after share subdivision) granted to them were forfeited (31 December 2021: 20 employees resigned from the Group and 1,219,680 unvested restricted shares (after share subdivision) and 1,117,440 unvested restricted share units (after share subdivision) granted to them were forfeited).

The following table illustrates the number of the outstanding restricted shares and restricted share units under the 2016 Plan during the year:

	2022	2021
<b>Restricted shares:</b>		
At the beginning of the year	17,924,080	11,040,960
Granted during the year	–	13,128,000
Vested during the year	(6,216,960)	(5,025,200)
Forfeited during the year	(8,159,280)	(1,219,680)
At the end of the year	3,547,840	17,924,080

**29. SHARE-BASED PAYMENTS** *(Continued)***2016 Equity Incentive Plan** *(Continued)*

	2022	2021
<b>Restricted share units:</b>		
At the beginning of the year	<b>6,037,320</b>	9,776,720
Granted during the year	<b>9,110,400</b>	–
Forfeited during the year	<b>(2,531,160)</b>	(1,117,440)
Vested during the year	<b>(3,890,000)</b>	(2,621,960)
At the end of the year	<b>8,726,560</b>	6,037,320

The Group recognised share-based payment expenses of USD3,637,000 in 2022 (2021: USD8,160,000) in relation to the restricted shares and restricted share units under the 2016 Equity Incentive Plan.

**2020 Post-IPO Share Award Scheme**

On 23 November 2020, the Company adopted a share award scheme by a resolution passed by its shareholders (“2020 Post-IPO Share Award Scheme”) for the purpose of providing incentives and rewards (“Award Shares”) to eligible participants within the Group who contribute to the success of the Group’s operation. The 2020 Post-IPO Share Award Scheme became effective for the period of 10 years commencing on 10 December 2020. The maximum number of the Company’s shares in respect of which options may be granted pursuant to the 2020 Post-IPO Share Award Scheme is 38,394,558 shares, representing approximately 5% of the total issued shares immediately after the Company’s listing on the Stock Exchange.

Pursuant to the rules of the share award scheme, the Company has set up the trust for the purposes of administering the share award scheme and holding the Award Shares before vested and the expiry of the effective trust period. The Company can (i) remit payment to the trust from time to time for the purchase of the Award Shares under the trust deed agreement; (ii) instruct its broker to purchase existing shares in the Company from the market, settle payments and costs and deliver the same to the trustee to hold on trust for the eligible employees; and (iii) allot and issue new shares of the Company to the trustee to hold on trust for the eligible employees.

During this year, the Company repurchased its own ordinary shares of 1,468,000 (2021: 7,700,000) on the Stock Exchange through the trustee at an aggregate consideration of HK\$5,892,000 (2021: HK\$63,298,000), approximately equivalent to USD753,000 (2021: USD8,115,000), to grant these shares to any eligible employees in the future.

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## 29. SHARE-BASED PAYMENTS *(Continued)*

### 2020 Post-IPO Share Award Scheme *(Continued)*

On 31 December 2021, the Company granted 7,686,000 share awards to the Group's eligible person under the 2020 Post-IPO Share Award Scheme. The vesting schedule is as follows:

- 1) 50% of awards shall be vested on the first anniversary of the grant date;
- 2) The remaining 50% of awards shall be vested upon the occurrence of the following events (whichever is the earlier to occur):
  - (i) the second anniversary of the grant date, and
  - (ii) the first business day falling after the first anniversary of the grant date but before the second anniversary of the grant date on which the closing price of the share as quoted on the Stock Exchange is HK\$12.38 or more.

The fair values of equity-settled awards granted on 31 December 2021 were estimated as at the date of grant using a binomial model, taking into account of the terms and conditions upon which the options were granted. The following table lists the inputs to the model used:

	2020 Post-IPO Share Award Scheme
Expected dividend yield	0
Expected volatility	40%
Risk-free interest rate	1.13%
Expected life of options (year)	10
Weighted average exercise price	HK\$8.22

On 27 July 2022, the Company granted 3,381,000 restricted shares units to the Group's eligible person under the 2020 Post-IPO Share Award Scheme, of which 155,000 restricted shares units will be vested in four equal batches on each of the date of grant, 31 March 2023, 2024 and 2025, and 2,126,000 restricted shares units will be vested in four equal batches on each of 31 March 2023, 2024, 2025 and 2026, and the remaining 1,100,000 restricted shares units will be vested in four equal batches on each of 11 April 2023, 2024, 2025 and 2026,

**29. SHARE-BASED PAYMENTS** *(Continued)***2020 Post-IPO Share Award Scheme** *(Continued)*

The fair values of the restricted share units granted on 27 July 2022 were determined by the stock price on the date of grant.

In this year, 17 employees resigned from the Group and 3,877,000 unvested share awards and 113,000 unvested restricted share units granted to them under the 2020 Post-IPO Share Award Scheme were forfeited.

The following table illustrates the number of the share awards and restricted share units under the 2020 Post-IPO Share Award Scheme during the year:

	2022	2021
<b>Share awards:</b>		
At the beginning of the year	7,686,000	–
Granted during the year	–	7,686,000
Forfeited during the year	(3,877,000)	–
Vested during the year	(1,904,500)	–
At the end of the year	1,904,500	7,686,000
<b>Restricted share units:</b>		
At the beginning of the year	–	–
Granted during the year	3,381,000	–
Forfeited during the year	(113,000)	–
Vested during the year	(38,750)	–
At the end of the year	3,229,250	–

The Group recognised share-based payment expenses of USD1,691,000 in 2022 (2021: Nil) in relation to the share awards and restricted share units under the 2020 Post-IPO Share Award Scheme.

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## 29. SHARE-BASED PAYMENTS *(Continued)*

### 2020 Post-IPO Share Option Scheme

On 23 November 2020, the Company adopted a Share Option Scheme by a resolution passed by its shareholders (“2020 Post-IPO Share Option Scheme”) for the purpose of providing eligible participants with the opportunity to acquire proprietary interests in the Company and to encourage eligible participants to work towards enhancing the value of the Company and its shares for the benefit of the Company and Shareholders as a whole. The 2020 Post-IPO Share Option Scheme has become effective for the period of 10 years commencing on 10 December 2020. The maximum number of the Company’s shares which may be issued upon exercise of all options to be granted under any other share option scheme of the Company is 76,789,116, representing approximately 10% of the total issued Shares immediately after the Company’s listing on the Stock Exchange. The shares shall be allotted and issued pursuant to the exercise of options.

On 27 July 2022, the Company granted 9,318,000 options to the Group’s eligible person under the 2020 Post-IPO Share option Scheme, of which 465,000 options units will be vested in four equal batches on each of the date of grant, 31 March 2023, 2024 and 2025, and 5,544,000 options will be vested in four equal batches on each of 31 March 2023, 2024, 2025 and 2026, and the remaining 3,309,000 options will be vested in four equal batches on each of 11 April 2023, 2024, 2025 and 2026.

The fair values of options granted on 27 July 2022 were estimated as at the date of grant using a binomial model, taking into account of the terms and conditions upon which the options were granted. The following table lists the inputs to the model used:

	2020 Post-IPO Share Option Scheme
Expected dividend yield	0
Expected volatility	41%
Risk-free interest rate	2.53%
Expected life of options (year)	10
Weighted average exercise price	HK\$5.65, HK\$6.2

In this year, 2 employees resigned from the Group and 226,000 unvested options granted to them under the 2020 Post-IPO Share Option Scheme were forfeited.

**29. SHARE-BASED PAYMENTS** *(Continued)***2020 Post-IPO Share Option Scheme** *(Continued)*

The following table illustrates the number of the share awards and restricted share units under the 2020 Post-IPO Share Option Scheme during the year:

	2022
<b>Options:</b>	
At the beginning of the year	–
Granted during the year	<b>9,318,000</b>
Forfeited during the year	<b>(226,000)</b>
Vested during the year	<b>(116,250)</b>
At the end of the year	<b>8,975,750</b>

The Group recognised share-based payment expenses of USD435,000 in 2022 (2021: Nil) in relation to the options under the 2020 Post-IPO Share Option Scheme.

**30. NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS****(a) Major non-cash transactions**

During the year, the Group had non-cash additions to right-of-use assets and lease liabilities of USD194,000 (2021: USD7,849,000) and USD194,000 (2021: USD7,849,000), respectively, in respect of lease agreements for its office and laboratory use.

Except for the transaction above, there were no major non-cash transactions during the year.

**(b) Changes in liabilities arising from financing activities**

2022

	Lease liabilities USD'000
At 1 January 2022	7,420
Changes from financing cash flows	<b>(2,734)</b>
New leases	194
Interest during the year	265
Exchange differences	<b>(398)</b>
Termination	<b>(2,010)</b>
At 31 December 2022	<b>2,737</b>

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## 30. NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

*(Continued)*

### (b) Changes in liabilities arising from financing activities *(Continued)*

2021

	Lease liabilities USD'000
At 1 January 2021	1,725
Changes from financing cash flows	(2,332)
New leases	7,849
Interest during the year	159
Exchange differences	19
At 31 December 2021	7,420

### (c) Total cash outflow for leases

The total cash outflow for leases included in the statement of cash flows is as follows:

	2022 USD'000	2021 USD'000
Within operating activities	23	493
Within financing activities	2,734	2,332
	2,757	2,825

## 31. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The Group did not have any material contingent liabilities as of 31 December 2022 and 31 December 2021.

**32. COMMITMENTS**

The Group had the following capital commitments at the end of the reporting period:

	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>USD'000</b>	USD'000
Contracted, but not provided for:		
Plant and machinery	<b>3,862</b>	9,610

**33. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

(a) The Group had the following transactions with related parties during the year:

	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>USD'000</b>	USD'000
Loans provided to an associate	<b>2,872</b>	–
Key management personnel service fees paid by the Company		
Ms. Weiwei Chen*	<b>325</b>	316
Dr. Robert Irwin Kamen**	<b>24</b>	74
	<b>3,221</b>	390

\* The fee was paid for the consultancy services in relation to the business and operation of the Group provided by Ms. Weiwei Chen. The fee was charged pursuant to the terms in the agreements signed between the Company and Ms. Weiwei Chen on 9 June 2021, 6 January 2022 and 4 March 2022.

\*\* The fee was paid for the services in relation to the scientific advisory board of the Group provided by Dr. Robert Irwin Kamen. The fee was charged pursuant to the terms in the agreements signed between the Company and Dr. Robert Irwin Kamen on 16 December 2016, 5 January 2021 and 16 December 2021.

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## 33. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS *(Continued)*

### (b) Outstanding balances with related parties

The Group had the following balances with related parties:

	2022 USD'000	2021 USD'000
Amounts due from an associate	2,872	–
Amounts due from shareholders		
Xiaoxi Liu – Gross	–	50
– Provision	–	(50)
	<b>2,872</b>	–

The Group seeks to maintain strict control over its outstanding receivables to minimise credit risk. In 2019, Xiaoxi Liu resigned from the Group. Accordingly, the Group fully provided allowance on the amount due from Xiaoxi Liu of USD150,000 as management is of the opinion that the Group will no longer receive the amount. In 2020, the Group received USD100,000 from Xiaoxi Liu. The remaining amounts due from shareholders have been fully written off during this period.

### (c) Compensation of key management personnel of the Group

	2022 USD'000	2021 USD'000
Short term employee benefits	2,878	16,485
Contributions to the pension scheme	105	43
Share-based payment expenses	1,734	4,355
	<b>4,717</b>	20,883

Further details of directors' and the chief executive's emoluments are included in note 9 to the financial statements.

**34. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS BY CATEGORY**

The carrying amounts of each of the categories of financial instruments as at the end of each of the reporting periods were as follows:

**2022***Financial assets*

	Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss USD'000	Financial assets at amortised cost USD'000	Total USD'000
Other financial assets	6,357	–	6,357
Trade receivables	–	7,118	7,118
Financial assets included in prepayments, other receivables and other assets	–	20,021	20,021
Restricted bank balances	–	663	663
Cash and cash equivalents	–	171,705	171,705
	6,357	199,507	205,864

*Financial liabilities*

	Financial liabilities at amortised cost USD'000	Total USD'000
Trade payables	22,029	22,029
Financial liabilities included in other payables and accruals	7,211	7,211
Interest-bearing bank borrowings	86,392	86,392
Lease liabilities	2,737	2,737
	118,369	118,369

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## 34. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS BY CATEGORY *(Continued)*

**2021**

### *Financial assets*

	Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss USD'000	Financial assets at amortised cost USD'000	Total USD'000
Other financial assets	5,843	–	5,843
Trade receivables	–	26	26
Financial assets included in prepayments, other receivables and other assets	–	1,953	1,953
Cash and cash equivalents	–	216,304	216,304
	5,843	218,283	224,126

### *Financial liabilities*

	Financial liabilities at amortised cost USD'000	Total USD'000
Trade payables	25,993	25,993
Financial liabilities included in other payables and accruals	4,097	4,097
Interest-bearing bank borrowings	12,053	12,053
Lease liabilities	7,420	7,420
	49,563	49,563

**34. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS BY CATEGORY** *(Continued)*

The carrying amounts and fair values of the Group's financial instruments, other than those with carrying amounts that reasonably approximate to fair values, are as follows:

	2022		2021	
	Carrying amount USD'000	Fair value USD'000	Carrying amount USD'000	Fair value USD'000
<b>Financial assets:</b>				
Other financial assets	<b>6,357</b>	<b>6,357</b>	5,843	5,843

Management has assessed that the fair values of cash and cash equivalents, restricted bank balances, trade receivables, financial assets included in prepayments, other receivables and other assets, trade payables, financial liabilities included in other payables and accruals, and interest-bearing bank borrowings approximate to their carrying amounts largely due to the short term maturities of these instruments.

**35. FAIR VALUE AND FAIR VALUE HIERARCHY OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS**

The Group's finance department is responsible for determining the policies and procedures for the fair value measurement of financial instruments. At the end of each year, the finance department analyses the movements in the values of financial instruments and determines the major inputs applied in the valuation. The directors review the results of the fair value measurement of financial instruments periodically for financial reporting.

The fair values of investments in financial products have been calculated by discounting the expected future cash flows using rates currently available for instruments with similar terms, credit risk and remaining maturities. The fair values have been assessed to be approximate to their carrying amounts.

The fair values of unlisted equity investments have been estimated by the back-solve method taking into consideration from the most recent transaction price of series A redeemable shares. Management believes that the estimated fair values resulting from the valuation technique, which are recorded in the consolidated statements of financial position, and the related changes in fair values, which are recorded in profit or loss, are reasonable, and that they were the most appropriate values as at 31 December 2022.

The fair values of lease liabilities have been calculated by discounting the expected future cash flows using rates currently available for instruments with similar terms, credit risk and remaining maturities. The fair values have been assessed to be approximated as their carrying amounts.

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## 35. FAIR VALUE AND FAIR VALUE HIERARCHY OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS *(Continued)*

### Fair value hierarchy

The following tables illustrate the fair value measurement hierarchy of the Group's financial instruments:

As at 31 December 2022

	Fair value measurement using			Total USD'000
	Quoted prices in active markets (Level 1) USD'000	Significant observable inputs (Level 2) USD'000	Significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) USD'000	
<b>Financial assets:</b>				
Other financial assets				
– Unlisted equity investments	–	–	6,357	6,357

As at 31 December 2021

	Fair value measurement using			Total USD'000
	Quoted prices in active markets (Level 1) USD'000	Significant observable inputs (Level 2) USD'000	Significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) USD'000	
<b>Financial assets:</b>				
Other financial assets				
– Unlisted equity investments	–	–	5,843	5,843

**35. FAIR VALUE AND FAIR VALUE HIERARCHY OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS** *(Continued)***Fair value hierarchy** *(Continued)**Financial instruments in Level 3*

The movements in fair value measurements within Level 3 during the year are as follows:

	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>USD'000</b>	USD'000
At 1 January	<b>5,843</b>	–
Purchase – satisfied by cash (note 20)	–	5,123
Purchase – satisfied by sublicense agreements (note 20)	–	535
Total gains recognised in the statement of profit or loss	<b>514</b>	185
At year end	<b>6,357</b>	5,843

During the year, there were no transfers of fair value measurements between Level 1 and Level 2 and no transfers into or out of Level 3 for both financial assets and financial liabilities (2021: Nil).

Below is a summary of significant unobservable inputs to the valuation of financial instruments together with a quantitative sensitivity analysis as at 31 December 2022:

	<b>Valuation technique</b>	<b>Significant unobservable input</b>	<b>Range</b>	<b>Sensitivity of fair value to the input</b>
Investment in equity investment of NK	back-solve method	Risk-free interest rate	2.60%	1% increase/(decrease) in Risk-free interest rate would result in increase/(decrease) in fair value by USD148,000/(USD65,000)
		Volatility	72%	1% increase/(decrease) in Volatility would result in (decrease)/increase in fair value by (USD28,000)/USD30,000
		Discount of lack of marketability	28%	1% increase/(decrease) in discount of lack of marketability would result in (decrease)/increase in fair value by (USD616,000)/USD616,000

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## 36. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES

The Group's principal financial instruments comprise cash and cash equivalents, restricted bank balances, other financial assets, lease liabilities and interest-bearing bank borrowings. The main purpose of these financial instruments is to raise finance for the Group's operations. The Group has various other financial assets and liabilities such as trade receivables, financial assets included in prepayments, other receivables and other assets, trade payables and financial liabilities included in other payables and accruals which arise directly from its operations.

The main risks arising from the Group's financial instruments are interest rate risk, foreign currency risk, credit risk and liquidity risk. The directors of the Company review and agree the policies for managing each of these risks which are summarised below.

### Interest rate risk

The Group's exposure to interest rate risk for changes in interest rates relates primarily to the Group's bank balances and bank borrowings with floating interest rates. The Group does not use derivative financial instruments to hedge its interest rate risk.

The Group's bank balances have exposure to cash flow interest rate risk due to the fluctuation of the prevailing market interest rate on bank balances. Management considers the Group's exposure of the short-term bank deposits to interest rate risk is not significant as interest-bearing bank balances are within a short maturity period.

The sensitivity analysis below has been determined based on the exposure to interest rates for floating interest-bearing bank borrowings at the end of the reporting period assuming the stipulated changes had taken place at the beginning of the reporting period and were held constant throughout the reporting period.

The following table demonstrates the sensitivity to a reasonably possible change in interest rates, with all other variables held constant, of the Group's profit before tax (through the impact on floating rate borrowings).

**36. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES** *(Continued)***Interest rate risk** *(Continued)*

2022

	Increase/ (decrease) in basis points	(Decrease)/ increase in loss before tax USD'000	(Decrease)/ increase in equity USD'000
If Interest rate increases	100	(238)	(238)
If Interest rate decreases	(100)	238	238

As at 31 December 2021, the sensitivity to a reasonably possible change from 100 base points in interest rate, with all other variables held constant, is immaterial to the Group's profit before tax, the impact is less than USD1 thousand.

**Foreign currency risk**

Foreign currency risk is the risk of loss resulting from changes in foreign currency exchange rates.

The Group's financial assets and liabilities are subject to foreign currency risk as a result of certain bank deposits, trade and other receivables and trade and other payables denominated in non-functional currency. Therefore, the fluctuations in the exchange rate of functional currency against non-functional currency could affect the Group's results of operations. The Group does not enter into any hedging transactions to manage the potential fluctuations in foreign currencies.

The following table demonstrates the sensitivity at the end of each year to a reasonably possible change in the USD exchange rates, with all other variables held constant, of the Group's loss before tax (arising from EUR and RMB denominated financial instruments) and equity (due to changes in foreign currency exchange reserve).

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## 36. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES *(Continued)*

### Foreign currency risk *(Continued)*

2022

	Fluctuation in foreign exchange rate %	(Decrease)/ increase in loss before tax USD'000	(Decrease)/ increase in equity USD'000
If USD weakens against EUR	5	(124)	(124)
If USD strengthens against EUR	(5)	124	124
If USD weakens against RMB	5	(371)	130
If USD strengthens against RMB	(5)	371	(130)

2021

	Fluctuation in foreign exchange rate %	(Decrease)/ increase in loss before tax USD'000	(Decrease)/ increase in equity USD'000
If USD weakens against EUR	5	(16)	(16)
If USD strengthens against EUR	(5)	16	16
If USD weakens against RMB	5	(55)	3,706
If USD strengthens against RMB	(5)	55	(3,706)

**36. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES** *(Continued)***Credit risk**

The Group trades only with recognised and creditworthy third parties. It is the Group's policy that all customers who wish to trade on credit terms are subject to credit verification procedures. In addition, receivable balances are monitored on an ongoing basis and the Group's exposure to bad debts is not significant.

The credit risk of the Group's other financial assets, which comprise cash and cash equivalents, restricted bank balances, financial assets included in prepayments, other receivables and other assets and trade receivables arises from default of the counterparty, with a maximum exposure equal to the carrying amounts of these instruments.

Since the Group trades only with recognised and creditworthy third parties, there is no requirement for collateral. Concentrations of credit risk are managed by customer/counterparty, by geographical region and by industry sector. As at 31 December 2022 the Group had certain concentrations of credit risk as 91% (2021: 91%) of the Group's trade receivables were due from the customers with top five balances.

*Maximum exposure and year-end staging*

The table below shows the credit quality and the maximum exposure to credit risk based on the Group's credit policy, which is mainly based on past due information unless other information is available without undue cost or effort, and year-end staging classification. The amounts presented are gross carrying amounts for financial assets.

As at 31 December 2022

	12-month	Lifetime ECLs			Simplified approach	Total
	ECLs	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3		
	USD'000	USD'000	USD'000	USD'000	USD'000	USD'000
Trade receivables	-	-	-	-	7,118	7,118
Financial assets included in prepayments, other receivables and other assets – Normal*	20,021	-	-	-	-	20,021
Restricted bank balances						
Not yet past due	663	-	-	-	-	663
Cash and cash equivalents						
– Not yet past due	171,705	-	-	-	-	171,705
	192,389	-	-	-	7,118	199,507

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## 36. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES *(Continued)*

### Credit risk *(Continued)*

As at 31 December 2021

	12-month ECLs		Lifetime ECLs		Total USD'000
	Stage 1 USD'000	Stage 2 USD'000	Stage 3 USD'000	Simplified approach USD'000	
Trade receivables	-	-	-	26	26
Financial assets included in prepayments, other receivables and other assets – Normal*	1,953	-	-	-	1,953
Cash and cash equivalents – Not yet past due	216,304	-	-	-	216,304
	218,257	-	-	26	218,283

\* The credit quality of the financial assets included in prepayments, other receivables and other assets is considered to be “normal” when they are not past due and there is no information indicating that the financial assets had a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition. Otherwise, the credit quality of the financial assets is considered to be “doubtful”.

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## 36. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES *(Continued)*

### Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Group will encounter difficulty in meeting financial obligations due to shortage of funds. The Group's exposure to liquidity risk arises primarily from mismatches of the maturities of financial assets and liabilities. The Group monitors its risk to a shortage of funds by considering the maturities of both its financial liabilities and financial assets.

The Group's objective is to maintain a balance between continuity of funding and flexibility. The Group aims to maintain sufficient cash and cash equivalents to meet its liquidity requirements.

The maturity profile of the Group's financial liabilities as at the end of the reporting period, based on the contractual undiscounted payments, is as follows:

	31 December 2022			
	On demand or less than 12 months USD'000	1 to 5 years USD'000	More than 5 years USD'000	Total USD'000
Lease liabilities	1,299	1,438	–	2,737
Interest-bearing bank borrowings	43,867	49,193	–	93,060
Trade payables	22,029	–	–	22,029
Financial liabilities in other payables and accruals	7,211	–	–	7,211
	<b>74,406</b>	<b>50,631</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>125,037</b>
	31 December 2021			
	On demand or less than 12 months USD'000	1 to 5 years USD'000	More than 5 years USD'000	Total USD'000
Lease liabilities	2,594	4,826	–	7,420
Interest-bearing bank borrowings	797	10,479	–	11,276
Trade payables	25,993	–	–	25,993
Financial liabilities in other payables and accruals	4,097	–	–	4,097
	<b>33,481</b>	<b>15,305</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>48,786</b>

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## 36. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES *(Continued)*

### Capital management

The primary objectives of the Group's capital management are to safeguard the Group's ability to continue as a going concern and to maintain healthy capital ratios in order to support its business and maximise shareholders' value.

The Group manages its capital structure and makes adjustments to it in light of changes in economic conditions. To maintain or adjust the capital structure, the Group may adjust the dividend payment to shareholders, return capital to shareholders or issue new shares. The Group is not subject to any externally imposed capital requirements. No changes were made in the objectives, policies or processes during the years ended 31 December 2022 and 31 December 2021.

The Group monitors capital using a gearing ratio, which is net debt divided by the adjusted capital plus net debt. Net debt includes interest-bearing bank borrowings, lease liabilities, trade payables and financial liabilities included in other payables and accruals, less cash and cash equivalents and restricted bank balances. The gearing ratios as at the end of the reporting periods were as follows:

	2022 USD'000	2021 USD'000
Interest-bearing bank borrowings	88,192	12,053
Lease liabilities	2,737	7,420
Trade payables	22,029	25,993
Financial liabilities included in other payables and accruals	7,211	4,097
Less: Cash and cash equivalents	(171,705)	(216,304)
Restricted bank balances	(663)	–
Net debt	(52,199)	(166,741)
Equity attributable to owners of the parent	92,826	223,193
Adjusted capital and net debt	40,627	56,452
Gearing ratio*	N/A	N/A

\* As at 31 December 2022 and 2021, the Group's cash and cash balances exceeded the financial liabilities. As such, no gearing ratio as at 31 December 2022 and 2021 was presented.

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## 37. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION OF THE COMPANY

Information about the statement of financial position of the Company at the end of the reporting period is as follows:

	2022 USD'000	2021 USD'000
<b>NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
Investments in subsidiaries	13,110	13,110
<b>Total non-current assets</b>	<b>13,110</b>	13,110
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
Prepayments, other receivables and other assets	756	884
Amounts due from subsidiaries	433,074	298,421
Cash and cash equivalents	38,105	172,880
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>471,935</b>	472,185
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		
Other payables and accruals	286	515
Amount due to subsidiaries	857	857
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<b>1,143</b>	1,372
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<b>470,792</b>	470,813
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	<b>483,902</b>	483,923
<b>Net assets</b>	<b>483,902</b>	483,923
<b>EQUITY</b>		
Share capital	19	19
Treasury shares	(8,869)	(8,116)
Reserves	492,752	492,020
<b>Total equity</b>	<b>483,902</b>	483,923

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## 37. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION OF THE COMPANY *(Continued)*

A summary of the Company's reserves is as follows:

	Share premium USD'000	Capital reserve USD'000	Accumulated losses USD'000	Total USD'000
<b>Balance at 1 January 2021</b>	817,871	2,989	(315,862)	504,998
Loss for the year	–	–	(21,138)	(21,138)
Share-based payments	3,866	4,294	–	8,160
<b>At 31 December 2021 and 1 January 2022</b>	<b>821,737</b>	<b>7,283</b>	<b>(337,000)</b>	<b>492,020</b>
Loss for the year	–	–	(5,031)	(5,031)
Share-based payments	5,223	540	–	5,763
<b>At 31 December 2022</b>	<b>826,960</b>	<b>7,823</b>	<b>(342,031)</b>	<b>492,752</b>

## 38. EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

There are no material events after the reporting period that may have a material impact on the Group's reported financial position at 31 December 2022.

## 39. APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the board of directors on 29 March 2023.

# Definitions

“Articles” or “Articles of Association”	the seventh amended and restated articles of association of our Company adopted with effect from 8 June 2022
“associate(s)”	has the meaning ascribed to it under the Listing Rules
“Audit Committee”	the audit committee of the Board
“Board”	the board of Directors of the Company
“business day”	any day (other than a Saturday, Sunday or public holiday in Hong Kong) on which banks in Hong Kong are generally open for normal banking business
“Companies Act”	the Companies Act (Revised), Cap. 22 of the Cayman Islands and any amendments thereto or re-enactments thereof for the time being in force and includes every other law incorporated therewith or substituted therefor.
“China” or “the PRC”	the People’s Republic of China, and for the purposes of this document only, except where the context requires otherwise, references to China or the PRC exclude Hong Kong, the Macao Special Administrative Region of the People’s Republic of China and Taiwan
“China/PRC NMPA” or “NMPA”	National Medical Products Administration of the People’s Republic of China
“BLA”	Biologics License Application
“Companies Ordinance”	Companies Ordinance (Chapter 622 of the Laws of Hong Kong), as amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time
“Company”, “our Company”, or “the Company”	HBM Holdings Limited (和鉑醫藥控股有限公司), a company with limited liability incorporated in the Cayman Islands on 20 July 2016
“connected transaction(s)”	has the meaning ascribed to it under the Listing Rules
“Conversion”	conversion of each preferred share to ordinary share on a one-to-one basis immediately upon completion of the Share Subdivision
“Director(s)”	the director(s) of our Company
“Dr. Wang”	Dr. Jingsong Wang, M.D., Ph.D. (王勁松), an executive Director, the chief executive officer and chairman of the Board of our Company
“Global Offering”	the Hong Kong Public Offering and the International Offering



## Definitions

“Governmental Authority”	any governmental, regulatory, or administrative commission, board, body, authority, or agency, or any stock exchange, self-regulatory organisation, or other non-governmental regulatory authority, or any court, judicial body, tribunal, or arbitrator, in each case whether national, central, federal, provincial, state, regional, municipal, local, domestic, foreign, or supranational
“Group”, “our Group”, “the Group”, “we”, “us”, or “our”	the Company and its subsidiaries from time to time, and where the context requires, in respect of the period prior to our Company becoming the holding company of its present subsidiaries, such subsidiaries as if they were subsidiaries of our Company at the relevant time
“Harbour Antibodies”	Harbour Antibodies B.V., a limited liability company incorporated in the Netherlands on 27 December 2006 and a direct wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company
“HK” or “Hong Kong”	the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People’s Republic of China
“Hong Kong dollars” or “HK dollars” or “HK\$”	Hong Kong dollars, the lawful currency of Hong Kong
“IFRS”	International Financial Reporting Standards, as issued and amended from time to time by the International Accounting Standards Board
“Latest Practicable Date”	April 17, 2023
“Laws”	all laws, statutes, legislation, ordinances, rules, regulations, guidelines, opinions, notices, circulars, directives, requests, orders, judgments, decrees, or rulings of any Governmental Authority (including the Stock Exchange and the Securities and Futures Commission of Hong Kong) of all relevant jurisdictions
“Listing Date”	10 December 2020, the date on which the Shares were listed on the Stock Exchange
“Listing Rules”	the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited, as amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time
“Main Board”	the stock exchange (excluding the option market) operated by the Stock Exchange which is independent from and operates in parallel with the GEM of the Stock Exchange

“Nona Biosciences”	Nona Biosciences (Suzhou) Co., Ltd, a subsidiary wholly-owned by the Company
“Nomination Committee”	the nomination committee of the Board
“Post-IPO Share Award Scheme”	the post-IPO share award scheme adopted by the Company on 23 November 2020
“Post-IPO Share Option Scheme”	the post-IPO share option scheme adopted by the Company on 23 November 2020
“Pre-IPO Equity Plan”	the share incentive plan approved and adopted by our Company on 11 November 2016, as amended on 26 October 2017, 6 August 2018, 19 September 2019 and 24 June 2020
“RMB” or “Renminbi”	Renminbi, the lawful currency of China
“Remuneration Committee”	the remuneration committee of the Board
“Reporting Period”	from 1 January 2022 to 31 December 2022
“Share(s)”	ordinary share(s) in the share capital of the Company with a par value of US\$0.000025 each following the Share Subdivision and the Conversion
“Share Subdivision”	the subdivision of each share in the Company’s issued and unissued share capital with par value of US\$0.001 each into 40 shares of the corresponding class with par value of US\$0.000025 each
“Stock Exchange” or “Hong Kong Stock Exchange”	The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited
“subsidiary” or “subsidiaries”	has the meaning ascribed to it in section 15 of the Companies Ordinance
“substantial shareholder(s)”	has the meaning ascribed to it in the Listing Rules
“U.S. FDA”	U.S. Food and Drug Administration



## Definitions

“United States”, “U.S.” or “US”	United States of America, its territories, its possessions and all areas subject to its jurisdiction
“US dollars”, “U.S. dollars”, “US\$” or “USD”	United States dollars, the lawful currency of the United States
“%”	per cent