



**Strides Pharma Asia Pte. Ltd.**  
**Registration Number: 201135552C**

Annual Report  
Year ended 31 March 2021

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## Directors' statement

We are pleased to submit this annual report to the member of the Company together with the audited financial statements for the financial year ended 31 March 2021.

In our opinion:

- (a) the financial statements set out on pages FS1 to FS25 are drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Company as at 31 March 2021 and the financial performance, changes in equity and cash flows of the Company for the year ended on that date in accordance with the provisions of the Singapore Companies Act, Chapter 50 and Singapore Financial Reporting Standards; and
- (b) at the date of this statement, having regard to the financial support provided by the immediate holding company, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due, notwithstanding the deficiency in net current assets.

The Board of Directors has, on the date of this statement, authorised these financial statements for issue.

## Directors

The directors in office at the date of this statement are as follows:

Mohana Kumar Pillai  
 Dr. Kausalya Santhanam  
 Dr. Raghunathan Ananthanarayanan  
 Chia Loo Wai

## Directors' interests

According to the register kept by the Company for the purposes of Section 164 of the Companies Act, Chapter 50 (the Act), particulars of interests of directors who held office at the end of the financial year (including those held by their spouses and infant children) in shares, debentures, warrants and share options in the Company and in related corporations are as follows:

Name of directors and company in which interests are held	Shareholdings registered in the name of directors		Shareholdings in which directors are deemed to have an interest	
	At beginning of year	At end of year	At beginning of year	At end of year
<b>Ultimate holding company</b>				
Strides Pharma Science Limited				
<b>Equity shares</b>				
Mohana Kumar Pillai	150,000	150,000	175,000	190,000
Dr. Kausalya Santhanam (joint holding with Spouse)	–	3	1,000	1,000

Name of directors and company in which interests are held	Shareholdings registered in the name of directors		Shareholdings in which directors are deemed to have an interest	
	At beginning of year	At end of year	At beginning of year	At end of year

**Axis Dot Ventures Pte. Ltd.**

**Ordinary shares**

Mohana Kumar Pillai	1	1	—	—
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Neither at the end of, nor at any time during the financial year, was the Company a party to any arrangement whose objects are, or one of whose objects is, to enable the directors of the Company to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in or debentures of the Company or any other body corporate.

**Share options**

During the financial year, there were:

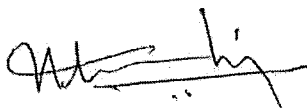
- (i) no options granted by the Company to any person to take up unissued shares in the Company; and
- (ii) no shares issued by virtue of any exercise of option to take up unissued shares of the Company.

As at the end of the financial year, there were no unissued shares of the Company under option.

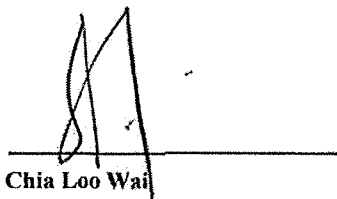
**Auditors**

The auditors, KPMG LLP, have indicated their willingness to accept re-appointment.

On behalf of the Board of Directors



Mohana Kumar Pillai  
Director



Chia Loo Wai  
Director

24 September 2021



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## Independent auditors' report

Member of the Company  
Strides Pharma Asia Pte. Ltd.

### Report on the audit of the financial statements

#### *Opinion*

We have audited the financial statements of Strides Pharma Asia Pte. Ltd. ('the Company'), which comprise the statement of financial position as at 31 March 2021, the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies, as set out on pages FS1 to FS25.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements are properly drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act, Chapter 50 ('the Act') and Financial Reporting Standards in Singapore ('FRSs') so as to give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Company as at 31 March 2021 and of the financial performance, changes in equity and cash flows of the Company for the year ended on that date.

#### *Basis for opinion*

We conducted our audit in accordance with Singapore Standards on Auditing ('SSAs'). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the '*Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements*' section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the Accounting and Corporate Regulatory Authority *Code of Professional Conduct and Ethics for Public Accountants and Accounting Entities* ('ACRA Code') together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Singapore, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the ACRA Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### *Other information*

Management is responsible for the other information contained in the annual report. Other information is defined as all information in the annual report other than the financial statements and our auditors' report thereon.

We have obtained all other information prior to the date of this auditors' report.

Our opinion on the 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 financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the 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 management and directors for the financial statements*

Management is responsible for the preparation of financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with the provisions of the Act and FRSS, and for devising and maintaining a system of internal accounting controls sufficient to provide a reasonable assurance that assets are safeguarded against loss from unauthorised use or disposition; and transactions are properly authorised and that they are recorded as necessary to permit the preparation of true and fair financial statements and to maintain accountability of assets.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Company'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 management either intends to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

The directors' responsibilities include overseeing the Company's financial reporting process.

*Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements*

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with SSAs 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 financial statements.

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

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the 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 controls.

Obtain an understanding of internal controls 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 Company's internal controls.



- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's 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 Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditors' report to the related disclosures in the 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 auditors' report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

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

#### **Report on other legal and regulatory requirements**

In our opinion, the accounting and other records required by the Act to be kept by the Company have been properly kept in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

*Public Accountants and  
Chartered Accountants*

**Singapore**  
24 September 2021

**Statement of financial position**  
**As at 31 March 2021**

	Note	2021 US\$	2020 US\$
<b>Assets</b>			
Investments in subsidiaries	5	210,742,158	213,571,137
Other receivables	7	421,749	133,718
<b>Non-current assets</b>		<u>211,163,907</u>	<u>213,704,855</u>
Cash and cash equivalents	6	319,241	237,591
Other receivables	7	63,603	63,002
<b>Current assets</b>		<u>382,844</u>	<u>300,593</u>
<b>Total assets</b>		<u>211,546,751</u>	<u>214,005,448</u>
<b>Equity</b>			
Share capital	8	175,329,360	175,329,360
Retained earnings		23,353,363	28,032,672
<b>Total equity</b>		<u>198,682,723</u>	<u>203,362,032</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
Other payables	9	4,811,459	2,590,847
Provisions	10	8,000,000	8,000,000
Current tax liabilities		52,569	52,569
<b>Current liabilities</b>		<u>12,864,028</u>	<u>10,643,416</u>
<b>Total liabilities</b>		<u>12,864,028</u>	<u>10,643,416</u>
<b>Total equity and liabilities</b>		<u>211,546,751</u>	<u>214,005,448</u>

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

**Statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income**  
**Year ended 31 March 2021**

	Note	2021 US\$	2020 US\$
Other gain/(loss)	11	1,936,706	(33,664)
Other income		2,652	–
Administrative expenses	12	(160,584)	(55,364)
Finance income		28,135	10,610
Finance costs		(1,679,518)	(2,007,190)
<b>Net finance costs</b>	13	(1,651,383)	(1,996,580)
<b>Profit/(Loss) before tax</b>		<u>127,391</u>	<u>(2,085,608)</u>
Tax expense	14	–	–
<b>Profit/(Loss) for the year, representing total comprehensive income for the year</b>		<u>127,391</u>	<u>(2,085,608)</u>

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.



**Statement of changes in equity**  
**Year ended 31 March 2021**

	<b>Share capital US\$</b>	<b>Retained earnings US\$</b>	<b>Total Equity US\$</b>
At 1 April 2019	175,329,360	32,120,480	207,449,840
<b>Total comprehensive income for the year</b>			
Loss for the year	–	(2,085,608)	(2,085,608)
<b>Total comprehensive income for the year</b>			
	–	(2,085,608)	(2,085,608)
<b>Transactions with owners, recognised directly in equity</b>			
<b>Distributions to owners</b>			
Equity dividend payable	–	(2,002,200)	(2,002,200)
<b>Total distributions to owners</b>			
	–	(2,002,200)	(2,002,200)
At 31 March 2020	<u>175,329,360</u>	<u>28,032,672</u>	<u>203,362,032</u>
At 1 April 2020	175,329,360	28,032,672	203,362,032
<b>Total comprehensive income for the year</b>			
Profit for the year	–	127,391	127,391
<b>Total comprehensive income for the year</b>			
	–	127,391	127,391
<b>Transactions with owners, recognised directly in equity</b>			
<b>Distributions to owners</b>			
Equity dividend payable	–	(4,806,700)	(4,806,700)
<b>Total distributions to owners</b>			
	–	(4,806,700)	(4,806,700)
At 31 March 2021	<u>175,329,360</u>	<u>23,353,363</u>	<u>198,682,723</u>

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

**Statement of cash flows**  
**Year ended 31 March 2021**

	Note	2021 US\$	2020 US\$
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>			
Profit/(Loss) for the year		127,391	(2,085,608)
Adjustments for:			
Finance income		(28,135)	(10,610)
Finance costs		1,679,518	2,007,190
Gain from sale of investment in a subsidiary	A	(1,873,512)	–
		(94,738)	(89,028)
Changes in:			
- other receivables		(601)	4,605,104
- other payables		516,612	(1,441,936)
<b>Cash generated from operations</b>		421,273	3,074,140
Income tax paid		–	(1,299)
<b>Net cash from operating activities</b>		421,273	3,072,841
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>			
Loan to a subsidiary		(259,896)	(123,108)
Share application money to a subsidiary	A	(31,021)	(2,000)
Refund of share application money from a subsidiary	A	2,860,000	4,800,000
Proceeds from sale of investment in subsidiary	11	1,978,524	–
Settlement of legal and professional fees related to the sale of investment in subsidiary	11	(105,012)	–
<b>Net cash from investing activities</b>		4,442,595	4,674,892
<b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>			
Repayment of guarantee commission and bank charges		(1,679,518)	(2,007,190)
Dividend paid		(3,102,700)	(5,708,400)
<b>Net cash used in financing activities</b>		(4,782,218)	(7,715,590)
<b>Net increase in cash and cash equivalents</b>		81,650	32,143
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the year		237,591	205,448
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at end of the year</b>	6	319,241	237,591

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

**Statement of cash flows (cont'd)**  
**Year ended 31 March 2021**

**Note A:**

During the year, the Company transferred additional funds to its subsidiary, Arrow Pharma Pte. Ltd., amounting to US\$31,021 (2020: US\$2,000), and received a refund of share application money from its subsidiary, Strides Pharma Global Pte. Limited, amounting to US\$2,860,000 (2020: US\$4,800,000).

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

## **Notes to the financial statements**

These notes form an integral part of the financial statements.

The financial statements were authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on [date of signing].

### **1 Domicile and activities**

Strides Pharma Asia Pte. Ltd. (the Company) is incorporated in the Republic of Singapore. The address of the Company's registered office is 3 Tuas South Avenue 4, Singapore 637610.

The principal activity of the Company is that of an investment holding company.

The immediate and ultimate holding company is Strides Pharma Science Limited, which is incorporated in India, and listed in National Stock Exchange and Bombay Stock Exchange in India.

As the Company meets the exemption criteria in FRS 110 *Consolidated Financial Statements*, it does not need to prepare consolidated financial statements and it only presents the Company's separate financial statements. Consolidated financial statements prepared by the ultimate holding company Strides Pharma Science Limited are available from [www.strides.com](http://www.strides.com).

### **2 Going concern**

The financial statements of the Company have been prepared on a going concern basis, notwithstanding the deficiency in net current assets of US\$12,481,184 for the year ended 31 March 2021 (2020: US\$10,342,823), as the immediate holding company will and is able to provide the necessary financial support to enable the Company to continue its operations as a going concern and to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

### **3 Basis of preparation**

#### **3.1 Statement of compliance**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Singapore Financial Reporting Standards (FRSs). The changes to significant accounting policies are described in note 3.5.

#### **3.2 Basis of measurement**

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis except as otherwise described in the notes below.

#### **3.3 Functional and presentation currency**

These financial statements are presented in United States dollars, which is the Company's functional currency. All financial information presented in United States dollars have been rounded to the nearest dollar, unless otherwise stated.

### **3.4 Use of estimates and judgements**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with FRSs requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

Estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimates are revised and in any future periods affected.

Information about assumptions and estimation uncertainties that have significant risk of resulting in a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are included in the following notes:

- Note 5 – measurement of impairment loss relating to investment in subsidiaries
- Note 17 – contingent liability

In the process of applying the Company's accounting policies, management is of the opinion that there is no instance of application of critical judgement which is expected to have a significant effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements, apart from those involving estimations as described above.

### **3.5 Changes in accounting policies**

#### **New standards and amendments**

The Company has applied the following FRSs, amendments to and interpretations of FRS for the first time for the annual period beginning on 1 April 2020:

- Amendments to References to Conceptual Framework in FRS Standards
- *Definition of a Business* (Amendments to FRS 103)
- *Definition of Material* (Amendments to FRS 1 and FRS 8)
- *Interest Rate Benchmark Reform* (Amendments to FRS 109, FRS 39 and FRS 107)

The application of these amendments to standards and interpretations does not have a material effect on the financial statements.

## **4 Significant accounting policies**

The accounting policies set out below have been applied consistently to all periods presented in these financial statements and have been applied consistently by the Company, except as explained in note 3.5, which addresses changes in accounting policies.

### **4.1 Subsidiaries**

Subsidiaries are entities controlled by the Company. The Company controls an entity when it is exposed to, or has rights to, variable returns from its involvement with the entity and has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the entity.

Investments in subsidiaries are stated in the Company's statement of financial position at cost less accumulated impairment losses. On disposal of an investment in subsidiary, the difference between net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the investment is recognised in profit or loss.

## **4.2 Foreign currency**

### **Foreign currency transactions**

Transactions in foreign currencies are translated to the functional currency of the Company at exchange rates at the dates of the transactions. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the reporting date are translated to the functional currency at the exchange rate at that date. The foreign currency gain or loss on monetary items is the difference between amortised cost in the functional currency at the beginning of the year, adjusted for effective interest and payments during the year, and the amortised cost in foreign currency translated at the exchange rate at the end of the year.

Non-monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies that are measured at fair value are translated to the functional currency at the exchange rate at the date that the fair value was determined. Non-monetary items in a foreign currency that are measured in terms of historical cost are translated using the exchange rate at the date of the transaction. Foreign currency differences arising on translation are recognised in profit or loss.

## **4.3 Financial instruments**

### **(i) Recognition and initial measurement**

#### **Non-derivative financial assets and financial liabilities**

Trade receivables are initially recognised when they are originated. All other financial assets and financial liabilities are initially recognised when the Company becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

A financial asset (unless it is a trade receivable without a significant financing component) or financial liability is initially measured at fair value plus, for an item not at FVTPL, transaction costs that are directly attributable to its acquisition or issue. A trade receivable without a significant financing component is initially measured at the transaction price.

### **(ii) Classification and subsequent measurement**

#### **Non-derivative financial assets**

On initial recognition, a financial asset is classified as measured at: amortised cost; FVOCI – equity investment; or FVTPL.

Financial assets are not reclassified subsequent to their initial recognition unless the Company changes its business model for managing financial assets, in which case all affected financial assets are reclassified on the first day of the first reporting period following the change in the business model.

### **Financial assets at amortised cost**

A financial asset is measured at amortised cost if it meets both of the following conditions and is not designated as at FVTPL:

- it is held within a business model whose objective is to hold assets to collect contractual cash flows; and
- its contractual terms give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

### **Financial assets: Business model assessment**

The Company makes an assessment of the objective of the business model in which a financial asset is held at a portfolio level because this best reflects the way the business is managed and information is provided to management. The information considered includes:

- the stated policies and objectives for the portfolio and the operation of those policies in practice. These include whether management's strategy focuses on earning contractual interest income, maintaining a particular interest rate profile, matching the duration of the financial assets to the duration of any related liabilities or expected cash outflows or realising cash flows through the sale of the assets;
- how the performance of the portfolio is evaluated and reported to the Company's management;
- the risks that affect the performance of the business model (and the financial assets held within that business model) and how those risks are managed;
- how managers of the business are compensated – e.g. whether compensation is based on the fair value of the assets managed or the contractual cash flows collected; and
- the frequency, volume and timing of sales of financial assets in prior periods, the reasons for such sales and expectations about future sales activity.

Transfers of financial assets to third parties in transactions that do not qualify for derecognition are not considered sales for this purpose, consistent with the Company's continuing recognition of the assets.

Financial assets that are held-for-trading or are managed and whose performance is evaluated on a fair value basis are measured at FVTPL.

### **Non-derivative financial assets: Assessment whether contractual cash flows are solely payments of principal and interest**

For the purposes of this assessment, 'principal' is defined as the fair value of the financial asset on initial recognition. 'Interest' is defined as consideration for the time value of money and for the credit risk associated with the principal amount outstanding during a particular period of time and for other basic lending risks and costs (e.g. liquidity risk and administrative costs), as well as a profit margin.

In assessing whether the contractual cash flows are solely payments of principal and interest, the Company considers the contractual terms of the instrument. This includes assessing whether the financial asset contains a contractual term that could change the timing or amount of contractual cash flows such that it would not meet this condition. In making this assessment, the Company considers:

- contingent events that would change the amount or timing of cash flows;
- terms that may adjust the contractual coupon rate, including variable rate features;
- prepayment and extension features; and
- terms that limit the Company's claim to cash flows from specified assets (e.g. non-recourse features).

A prepayment feature is consistent with the solely payments of principal and interest criterion if the prepayment amount substantially represents unpaid amounts of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding, which may include reasonable additional compensation for early termination of the contract. Additionally, for a financial asset acquired at a significant discount or premium to its contractual par amount, a feature that permits or requires prepayment at an amount that substantially represents the contractual par amount plus accrued (but unpaid) contractual interest (which may also include reasonable additional compensation for early termination) is treated as consistent with this criterion if the fair value of the prepayment feature is insignificant at initial recognition.

#### **Non-derivative financial assets: Subsequent measurement and gains and losses**

##### **Financial assets at amortised cost**

These assets are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. The amortised cost is reduced by impairment losses. Interest income, foreign exchange gains and losses and impairment are recognised in profit or loss. Any gain or loss on derecognition is recognised in profit or loss.

##### **Non-derivative financial liabilities: Classification, subsequent measurement and gains and losses**

Financial liabilities are classified as measured at amortised cost or FVTPL. A financial liability is classified as at FVTPL if it is classified as held-for-trading or it is designated as such on initial recognition. Financial liabilities at FVTPL are measured at fair value and net gains and losses, including any interest expense, are recognised in profit or loss. Directly attributable transaction costs are recognised in profit or loss as incurred.

Other financial liabilities are initially measured at fair value less directly attributable transaction costs. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Interest expense and foreign exchange gains and losses are recognised in profit or loss. Financial liabilities comprise other payables.



**(iii) Derecognition**

**Financial assets**

The Company derecognises a financial asset when:

- the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire; or
- it transfers the rights to receive the contractual cash flows in a transaction in which either
  - substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset are transferred;
  - or
  - the Company neither transfers nor retains substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership and it does not retain control of the financial asset.

Transferred assets are not derecognised when the Company enters into transactions whereby it transfers assets recognised in its statement of financial position, but retains either all or substantially all of the risks and rewards of the transferred assets.

**Financial liabilities**

The Company derecognises a financial liability when its contractual obligations are discharged or cancelled, or expire. The Company also derecognises a financial liability when its terms are modified and the cash flows of the modified liability are substantially different, in which case a new financial liability based on the modified terms is recognised at fair value.

On derecognition of a financial liability, the difference between the carrying amount extinguished and the consideration paid (including any non-cash assets transferred or liabilities assumed) is recognised in profit or loss.

**(iv) Offsetting**

Financial assets and financial liabilities are offset and the net amount presented in the statement of financial position when, and only when, the Company currently has a legally enforceable right to set off the amounts and it intends either to settle them on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

**(v) Cash and cash equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash balances and short-term deposits with maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition that are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in their fair value, and are used by the Company in the management of its short-term commitments.

**(vi) Share capital**

***Ordinary shares***

Ordinary shares are classified as equity. Incremental costs directly attributable to the issue of ordinary shares are recognised as a deduction from equity, net of any tax effects.

***Preference shares***

The Company's redeemable preference shares are classified as equity. Non-discretionary dividends and redemption in cash by the holders are subject to approval from the Board of Directors of the Company.

## **4.4 Impairment**

### **(i) Non-derivative financial assets**

The Company recognises loss allowances for ECLs on:

- financial assets measured at amortised costs; and
- intra-group financial guarantee contracts (FGC).

Loss allowances of the Company are measured on either of the following bases:

- 12-month ECLs: these are ECLs that result from default events that are possible within the 12 months after the reporting date (or for a shorter period if the expected life of the instrument is less than 12 months); or
- Lifetime ECLs: these are ECLs that result from all possible default events over the expected life of a financial instrument or contract asset.

#### ***General approach***

The Company applies the general approach to provide for ECLs on all other financial instruments and FGCs. Under the general approach, the loss allowance is measured at an amount equal to 12-month ECLs at initial recognition.

At each reporting date, the Company assesses whether the credit risk of a financial instrument has increased significantly since initial recognition. When credit risk has increased significantly since initial recognition, loss allowance is measured at an amount equal to lifetime ECLs.

When determining whether the credit risk of a financial asset has increased significantly since initial recognition and when estimating ECLs, the Company considers reasonable and supportable information that is relevant and available without undue cost or effort. This includes both quantitative and qualitative information and analysis, based on the Company's historical experience and informed credit assessment and includes forward-looking information.

If credit risk has not increased significantly since initial recognition or if the credit quality of the financial instruments improves such that there is no longer a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition, loss allowance is measured at an amount equal to 12-month ECLs.

The Company assumes that the credit risk on a financial asset has increased significantly if it is more than 30 days past due.

The Company considers a financial asset to be in default when:

- the borrower is unlikely to pay its credit obligations to the Company in full, without recourse by the Company to actions such as realising security (if any is held); or
- the financial asset is more than 180 days past due.

The Company considers a FGC to be in default when the debtor of the loan is unlikely to pay its credit obligations to the creditor and the Company in full, without recourse by the Company to actions such as realising security (if any is held). The Company only applies a discount rate if, and to the extent that, the risks are not taken into account by adjusting the expected cash shortfalls.

The maximum period considered when estimating ECLs is the maximum contractual period over which the Company is exposed to credit risk.

#### ***Measurement of ECLs***

ECLs are probability-weighted estimates of credit losses. Credit losses are measured at the present value of all cash shortfalls (i.e. the difference between the cash flows due to the entity in accordance with the contract and the cash flows that the Company expects to receive). ECLs are discounted at the effective interest rate of the financial asset.

#### ***Credit-impaired financial assets***

At each reporting date, the Company assesses whether financial assets carried at amortised cost is credit-impaired. A financial asset is 'credit-impaired' when one or more events that have a detrimental impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial asset have occurred.

Evidence that a financial asset is credit-impaired includes the following observable data:

- significant financial difficulty of the borrower or issuer;
- a breach of contract such as a default;
- the restructuring of a loan or advance by the Company on terms that the Company would not consider otherwise;
- it is probable that the borrower will enter bankruptcy or other financial reorganisation; or
- the disappearance of an active market for a security because of financial difficulties.

#### ***Presentation of allowance for ECLs in the statement of financial position***

Loss allowances for financial assets measured at amortised cost are deducted from the gross carrying amount of these assets.

Loss allowances for FGC are recognised as a financial liability to the extent that they exceed the initial carrying amount of the FGC less the cumulated income recognised.

#### ***Write-off***

The gross carrying amount of a financial asset is written off (either partially or in full) to the extent that there is no realistic prospect of recovery. This is generally the case when the Company determines that the debtor does not have assets or sources of income that could generate sufficient cash flows to repay the amounts subject to the write-off. However, financial assets that are written off could still be subject to enforcement activities in order to comply with the Company's procedures for recovery of amounts due.

#### **(ii) Non-financial assets**

The carrying amounts of the Company's non-financial assets, other than deferred tax assets, are reviewed at each reporting date to determine whether there is any indication of impairment. If any such indication exists, then the asset's recoverable amount is estimated. An impairment loss is recognised if the carrying amount of an asset or its related cash-generating unit (CGU) exceeds its estimated recoverable amount.

The recoverable amount of an asset or CGU is the greater of its value in use and its fair value less costs of disposal. 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 or CGU. For the purpose of impairment testing, assets that cannot be tested individually are grouped together into the smallest group of assets that generates cash inflows from continuing use that are largely independent of the cash inflows of other assets or CGUs.

The Company's corporate assets do not generate separate cash inflows and are utilised by more than one CGU. Corporate assets are allocated to CGUs on a reasonable and consistent basis and tested for impairment as part of the testing of the CGU to which the corporate asset is allocated.

Impairment losses are recognised in profit or loss. Impairment losses recognised in respect of CGUs are allocated first to reduce the carrying amount of any goodwill allocated to the CGU (group of CGUs), and then to reduce the carrying amounts of the other assets in the CGU (group of CGUs) on a *pro rata* basis.

Impairment losses recognised in prior periods are assessed at each reporting date for any indications that the loss has decreased or no longer exists. An impairment loss is reversed if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the recoverable amount. An impairment loss is reversed only to the extent that the asset's carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined, net of depreciation, if no impairment loss had been recognised.

#### 4.5 Provisions

A provision is recognised if, as a result of a past event, the Company has a present legal or constructive obligation that can be estimated reliably, and it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation. Provisions are determined by discounting the expected future cash flows at a pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risk specific to the liability.

#### 4.6 Finance income and finance costs

Interest income or expense is recognised on a time proportion basis, using the effective interest method.

The 'effective interest rate' is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments or receipts through the expected life of the financial instrument to:

- the gross carrying amount of the financial asset; or
- the amortised cost of the financial liability.

In calculating interest income and expense, the effective interest rate is applied to the gross carrying amount of the asset (when the asset is not credit-impaired) or to the amortised cost of the liability. However, for financial assets that have become credit-impaired subsequent to initial recognition, interest income is calculated by applying the effective interest rate to the amortised cost of the financial asset. If the asset is no longer credit-impaired, then the calculation of interest income reverts to the gross basis.

Bank charges are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they are incurred.

#### **4.7 Tax expense**

Tax expense comprises current and deferred tax. Current tax and deferred tax are recognised in profit or loss except to the extent that it relates to items recognised directly in equity or in other comprehensive income.

The Company has determined that interest and penalties related to income taxes, including uncertain tax treatments, do not meet the definition of income taxes, and therefore accounted for them under *FRS 37 Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets*.

Current tax is the expected tax payable or receivable on the taxable income or loss for the year, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date, and any adjustment to tax payable in respect of previous years. The amount of current tax payable or receivable is the best estimate of the tax amount expected to be paid or received that reflects uncertainty related to income taxes, if any. Current tax also includes any tax arising from dividends.

Current tax assets and liabilities are offset only if certain criteria are met.

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for taxation purposes. Deferred tax is not recognised for temporary differences on the initial recognition of assets or liabilities in a transaction that is not a business combination and that affects neither accounting nor taxable profit or loss.

The measurement of deferred taxes reflects the tax consequences that would follow the manner in which the Company expects, at the reporting date, to recover or settle the carrying amount of its assets and liabilities. Deferred tax is measured at the tax rates that are expected to be applied to temporary differences when they reverse, based on the laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting date and reflects uncertainty related to income taxes, if any.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset if there is a legally enforceable right to offset current tax liabilities and assets, and they relate to taxes levied by the same tax authority on the same taxable entity.

Deferred tax assets are recognised for unused tax losses, unused tax credits and deductible temporary differences to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which they can be used. Future taxable profits are determined based on the reversal of relevant taxable temporary differences. If the amount of taxable temporary differences is insufficient to recognise a deferred tax asset in full, then future taxable profits, adjusted for reversals of existing temporary differences, are considered, based on the business plans for the Company. Deferred tax assets are reviewed at each reporting date and are reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that the related tax benefit will be realised; such reductions are reversed when the probability of future taxable profits improves.

Unrecognised deferred tax assets are reassessed at each reporting date and recognised to the extent that it has become probable that future taxable profits will be available against which they can be used.

#### 4.8 New standards and interpretations not adopted

A number of new standards, interpretations and amendments to standards are effective for annual periods beginning after 1 April 2020 and earlier application is permitted; however, the Company has not early adopted the new or amended standards and interpretations in preparing these financial statements.

The following new FRSs, interpretations and amendments to FRSs are not expected to have a significant impact on the Company's financial statements.

- *Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current* (Amendments to FRS 1)
- *Annual Improvements to FRSs 2018 – 2020*

#### 5 Investments in subsidiaries

	2021 US\$	2020 US\$
Unquoted equity shares, at cost	6,242,158	6,242,158
Unquoted preference shares, at cost	178,226,979	178,226,979
Amount due from a subsidiary	26,273,021	29,102,000
	210,742,158	213,571,137

Details of the Company's subsidiaries at the end of the reporting period are as follows:

Name of subsidiaries	Country of incorporation (or residence)	Proportion of ownership interest and voting power held		Principal activities
		2021	2020	
		%	%	
Strides Pharma Global Pte. Limited	Singapore	100	100	Manufacturing and trading of pharmaceutical products
Stelis Biopharma (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd	Malaysia	100	100	Trading of pharmaceutical products
Trinity Pharma (Pty) Ltd.	South Africa	51.76	51.76	Trading of pharmaceutical products
Arrow Pharma Pte. Ltd.	Singapore	100	100	Trading of pharmaceutical products

#### Unquoted preference shares, at cost

In 2019, a wholly-owned subsidiary allotted redeemable preference shares amounting to US\$65,179,302 to the Company. They carry non-cumulative dividends at an annual rate of 12% of the issue price per share in preference to the ordinary shares, payable out of the distributable profits of the financial year, subject to approval by the ordinary shareholders at a general meeting.

**Amount due from a subsidiary**

Amount due from a subsidiary is unsecured, non-interest bearing and settlement is neither planned nor likely to occur in the foreseeable future as the amounts are intended for acquisition of additional equity shares in the subsidiaries in future periods. Accordingly, the amounts are recorded as the Company's investment in subsidiaries in the statement of financial position.

**6 Cash and cash equivalents**

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
	<b>US\$</b>	<b>US\$</b>
Cash at bank	319,241	237,591

**7 Other receivables**

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
	<b>US\$</b>	<b>US\$</b>
<b>Non-current</b>		
Loan to a subsidiary	421,749	133,718
<b>Current</b>		
Amounts due from subsidiaries (non-trade)	59,901	59,300
Amounts due from other related parties (non-trade)	3,702	3,702
	63,603	63,002
	485,352	196,720

Loan to a subsidiary is unsecured, denominated in South African Rand, with effective interest rate of 7% per annum and repayable in June 2022.

Non-trade balances due from subsidiaries and other related parties are unsecured, interest free and repayable on demand.

**8 Share capital**

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
	<b>Number of shares</b>		<b>US\$</b>	<b>US\$</b>
<b>Fully paid ordinary shares, with no par value:</b>				
Issued and paid up:				
At beginning and end of the year	142	142	175,329,360	175,329,360
Total issued capital			175,329,360	175,329,360

All shares rank equally with regard to the Company's residual assets, except that preference shareholders participate only to the extent of the face value of the shares.

**Fully paid ordinary shares, with no par value**

The holders of ordinary shares are entitled to receive dividends as declared from time to time and are entitled to one vote per share at meetings of the Company.

***Dividends***

The following exempt (one-tier) dividends were declared and paid by the Company:

**For the year ended 31 March**

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
	<b>US\$</b>	<b>US\$</b>
<b>Paid by the Company to owners of the Company</b>		
US\$33,850 per qualifying ordinary share (2020: US\$14,100)	4,806,700	2,002,200

***Capital management***

The capital structure of the Company consists of issued capital, monies pending allotment and retained earnings.

The Company manages its capital to ensure that the Company will be able to continue as a going concern while maximising the return to shareholders through the optimisation of the debt and equity balance.

There were no changes in the Company's approach to capital management during the year.

The Company is not subject to externally imposed capital requirements.

**9 Other payables**

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
	<b>US\$</b>	<b>US\$</b>
Amount due to a subsidiary	2,236,752	1,298,611
Amounts due to other related parties	302,241	300,000
Amounts due to immediate holding company	105,012	–
Dividend payable to ultimate holding company	1,704,000	–
Other payables	463,454	992,236
	4,811,459	2,590,847

The non-trade amounts due to a subsidiary and other related parties are unsecured, repayable on demand and non-interest bearing.



## 10 Provisions

	<b>Provision for claims – Mylan US\$</b>
At 1 April 2019 and 31 March 2020	8,000,000
At 1 April 2020	8,000,000
Provision reversed during the year	(7,215,033)
Provision made during the year	7,215,033
At 31 March 2021	8,000,000

On 4 December 2013, the ultimate holding company and the Company disposed their equity interest in Agila Specialties Private Limited and Agila Specialties Global Pte Limited (collectively known as ‘Agila’) to Mylan Laboratories Limited and Mylan Investments Inc. (collectively known as ‘Mylan’) pursuant to separate agreements, both dated 27 February 2013 (the “SPAs”) (Strides Pharma Science Limited and Strides Pharma Asia Pte. Ltd., together referred to as “Strides”).

In accordance with the terms of the SPAs and other transaction documents, certain amounts were set aside under separate deposit/escrow accounts which were required to be utilised for specified expenses during the specified period. These included separate escrow/deposit of US\$100,000,000 in respect of potential claims on certain regulatory concerns (“Regulatory escrow”) and US\$100,000,000 in respect of potential claims in relation to the warranties and indemnities, including tax (“General Claims Escrow”).

Given the uncertainties involved and in the absence of a right to receive, the amounts under the deposit/escrow arrangements were not included in the consideration accounted as income by the Company at the time of disposal of the investment. Receipts from these deposit/escrow accounts were recognised subsequently (net of related expenses incurred) in the period in which such amounts were received by the Company.

In previous years, the Company received notification of claims from Mylan under the terms of the SPAs. These include claims against the regulatory escrows, tax claims, warranty and indemnity claims, and third-party claims. Under the terms of the SPAs, claims against the Company can only be made under specific provisions contained in the SPAs which included the procedures and timelines for submission of notifications of claims and actual claims, and commencing arbitration proceedings.

A significant portion of these claims were settled out of the Regulatory Escrow deposit and the remaining balance of the Escrow account was recognised as income on full and final settlement of related claims. Further, the Company and Mylan also agreed on full and final settlement of warranty and indemnity claims to be adjusted against the General Claims Escrow.

In 2019, the arbitration proceedings with respect to third-party claims have been settled. The Company and Mylan entered into an agreement whereby Mylan released the pending balance in the Escrow account of US\$50,962,287. There are certain tax claims which are pending under the terms of the SPAs for which the Company has recorded a provision for claims of US\$8,000,000. As a result, the Company recognised a net gain on sale of investment in a subsidiary of US\$39,195,353 in other gain in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income after accounting for tax, professional and legal fees amounting to US\$2,159,267.

During the year, Mylan received a tax refund relating to previously settled tax claims of US\$1,978,524 which was subsequently transferred to the Company. The Company recognised a net gain on sale of investment in a subsidiary of US\$1,873,512 in other gain in the statement of profit and loss and other comprehensive income after accounting for professional and legal fees amounting to US\$105,012 (see note 11).

There was also a closure of a tax claim relating to service tax on research and development activities during the year that resulted in a reversal of provision for claims of US\$7,215,033. On 31 March 2021, Mylan received an order from the tax authorities disallowing a tax deduction from 2015. Management assessed that the Company would be liable to settle the additional tax payable and have recorded a provision amounting to US\$7,215,033.

## 11 Other gain/(loss)

	Note	2021 US\$	2020 US\$
Net foreign exchange gain/(loss)		63,194	(33,664)
Net gain from sale of investment in a subsidiary	10	1,873,512	—
		<u>1,936,706</u>	<u>(33,664)</u>

## 12 Administrative expenses

	2021 US\$	2020 US\$
Legal and professional fees	34,182	13,724
Others	126,402	41,640
	<u>160,584</u>	<u>55,364</u>

## 13 Net finance costs

	2021 US\$	2020 US\$
<b>Finance income</b>		
Interest income on loans due from a subsidiary	28,135	10,610
<b>Finance costs</b>		
Bank charges	(2,804)	(1,709)
Guarantee commission due to ultimate holding company	(1,676,714)	(2,005,481)
Finance costs	<u>(1,679,518)</u>	<u>(2,007,190)</u>
<b>Net finance costs</b>	<u>(1,651,383)</u>	<u>(1,996,580)</u>

## 14 Tax expense

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
	<b>US\$</b>	<b>US\$</b>
<b>Current tax expense</b>		
Current year	—	—
<i>Reconciliation of effective tax rate</i>		
Profit/(Loss) before tax	127,391	(2,085,608)
Tax using the Singapore tax rate of 17% (2020: 17%)	21,656	(354,553)
Non-deductible expenses	296,841	354,553
Non-taxable income	(318,497)	—
Income tax expense recognised in profit or loss	—	—

## 15 Financial instruments

### Financial risk management

#### Overview

The Company has exposure to the following risks from its use of financial instruments:

- credit risk
- liquidity risk
- market risk

The Company does not have a formal risk management policies and guidelines. However, the Board of Directors reviews and agrees policies for managing each of these risks and they are summarised below.

#### Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss to the Company if a counterparty to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligations, and arises principally from the Company's receivables from related parties.

The carrying amount of financial assets in the statement of financial position represents the Company's maximum exposure to credit risk, before taking into account any collateral held. The Company does not hold any collateral in respect of its financial assets.

The Company's major classes of financial assets are other receivables and cash and cash equivalents.

#### *Other receivables*

At the end of the reporting period, there were amounts due from subsidiaries and other related parties amounting to US\$481,650 (2020: US\$193,018) and US\$3,702 (2020: US\$3,702) respectively. The directors are of the opinion that these counterparties are not expected to have a significant risk of loss due to good credit records.

***Cash and cash equivalents***

The Company held cash and cash equivalents of US\$319,241 at 31 March 2021 (2020: US\$237,591) – these figures represent their maximum credit exposures on these assets. The cash and cash equivalents are held with bank and financial institution counterparties which are regulated.

***Impairment losses***

Financial assets comprise of other receivables and cash and cash equivalents. Accordingly, the Company's exposure to expected credit loss is insignificant.

***Liquidity risk***

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company will encounter difficulty in meeting the obligations associated with its financial liabilities that are settled by delivering cash or another financial asset. The Company's approach to managing liquidity is to ensure, as far as possible, that it will always have sufficient liquidity to meet its liabilities when due, under both normal and stressed conditions, without incurring unacceptable losses or risking damage to the Company's reputation.

The Company monitors its liquidity risk and maintains a level of cash and cash equivalents deemed adequate by management to finance the Company's operations and to mitigate the effects of fluctuations in cash flows. Typically the Company ensures that it has sufficient cash on demand to meet expected operational expenses, including the servicing of financial obligations; this excludes the potential impact of extreme circumstances that cannot reasonably be predicted, such as natural disasters.

The following are the expected contractual undiscounted cash outflows of financial liabilities, including interest payments and excluding the impact of netting arrangements:

	<b>Carrying amount US\$</b>	<b>Contractual cash flows US\$</b>	<b>Within 1 year US\$</b>
<b>2021</b>			
Other payables	<u>4,811,459</u>	<u>4,811,459</u>	<u>4,811,459</u>
<b>2020</b>			
Other payables	<u>2,590,847</u>	<u>2,590,847</u>	<u>2,590,847</u>

***Market risk***

Market risk is the risk that changes in market prices, such as foreign exchange rates, interest rates and equity prices will affect the Company's income or the value of its holdings of financial instruments.

The objective of market risk management is to manage and control market risk exposures within acceptable parameters, while optimising the return.

***Currency risk***

The Company incurs foreign currency exposure on other payables that are denominated in a currency other than United States dollar (“USD”). The currency giving rise to these risks are primarily South African rand and Singapore dollar. The Company monitors its net exposure to these foreign currencies to ensure it remains insignificant.

***Exposure to currency risk***

The Company’s exposures to foreign currency at the end of the reporting period are as follows:

	<b>2021</b>		<b>2020</b>	
	<b>Assets</b>	<b>Liabilities</b>	<b>Assets</b>	<b>Liabilities</b>
	<b>US\$</b>	<b>US\$</b>	<b>US\$</b>	<b>US\$</b>
South African rand	421,749	–	133,718	–
Singapore dollar	–	29,504	–	28,538

***Sensitivity analysis***

A 1% strengthening of United States dollar against the following currencies at the reporting date would have decreased equity and profit or loss before income tax by the amount shown below. This analysis assumes that all other variables, in particular interest rates, remain constant.

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
	<b>US\$</b>	<b>US\$</b>
<b>Profit/(Loss)</b>		
South African rand	(4,217)	(1,337)
Singapore dollar	295	285
	(3,922)	(1,052)

***Interest rate risk***

***Risk management policy***

Interest rate risk is the risk that the future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates.

At the reporting date, there are no interest-bearing financial instruments other than cash and cash equivalents. Hence, the Company’s exposure to interest rate risk is insignificant.

**Classifications and fair values of financial instruments**

Financial assets and financial liabilities are measured on an ongoing basis at amortised cost. The principal accounting policies in note 4 describe how the classes of financial instruments are measured.

The classifications of financial assets that are not measured at fair value and have carrying amounts which are a reasonable approximation of fair value. This includes cash and cash equivalents and other receivables that are classified as financial assets held at amortised cost.

All financial liabilities that are not measured at fair value have carrying amounts which are a reasonable approximation of fair value and are classified as financial liabilities at amortised cost.

## 16 Related parties transactions

For the purpose of these financial statements, parties are considered to be related to the Company if the Company has the ability, directly or indirectly, to control the party or exercise significant influence over the party in making financial and operating decisions, or vice versa, or where the Company and the party are subject to common control or common significant influence. Related parties may be individuals or other entities.

### *Key management personnel compensation*

Key management personnel of the Company are those persons having the authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Company. The directors of the Company are considered as key management personnel of the Company.

Key management personnel compensation comprised:

	2021 US\$	2020 US\$
Director fees paid	5,963	6,000

### *Other related party transactions*

Other than disclosed elsewhere in the financial statements, the transactions with related parties are as follows:

	2021 US\$	2020 US\$
<b>Ultimate holding company</b>		
Dividend declared	4,806,700	2,002,200
Reimbursement of expenses	105,012	436,725
<b>Subsidiary</b>		
Reimbursement of expenses	–	89,970
Interest income	28,135	10,610
<b>Other related parties</b>		
Support service expense	1,322	1,277

## 17 Contingent liability

### **Financial guarantee**

Financial guarantee comprises a guarantee given by the Company to banks in respect of banking facilities amounting to US\$77,335,000 (2020: US\$87,960,000) granted to a wholly-owned subsidiary. At the reporting date, the Company does not consider it probable that a claim will be made against the Company under the guarantee.

## **18 Comparative information**

A change was made to the comparative information in the statement of financial position to conform to current year's classification as follows:

	<b>As previously stated 2020 US\$</b>	<b>Reclassifica- tion US\$</b>	<b>As restated 2020 US\$</b>
Other payables	10,590,847	(8,000,000)	2,590,847
Provisions	–	8,000,000	8,000,000