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**FORM S-1**  
REGISTRATION STATEMENT  
UNDER  
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

**VACCITECH PLC**  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

England and Wales  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
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Classification Code Number)

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**Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public:** As soon as practicable after this registration statement becomes effective.

If any of the securities being registered on this Form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, check the following box.

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company," and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer       Accelerated filer       Non-accelerated filer       Smaller reporting company   
Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 7(a)(2)(B) of the Securities Act.

**CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE**

Title of each class of securities to be registered	Proposed maximum aggregate offering price <sup>(1)</sup>	Amount of registration fee <sup>(2)</sup>
Ordinary shares, nominal value £0.01 per share <sup>(3)</sup>	\$100,000,000	\$10,910

(1) Estimated solely for the purpose of computing the amount of the registration fee pursuant to Rule 457(o) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. Includes the aggregate offering price of additional ordinary shares represented by American Depositary Shares, or ADSs, that the underwriters have the option to purchase.

(2) Calculated pursuant to Rule 457(o) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, based on an estimate of the proposed maximum aggregate offering price.

(3) These ordinary shares are represented by ADSs, each of which represents ordinary shares of the registrant. ADSs issuable upon deposit of the ordinary shares registered hereby are being registered pursuant to a separate registration statement on Form F-6 (File No. 333- ).

**The registrant hereby amends this registration statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the registrant shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this registration statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or until the registration statement shall become effective on such date as the Securities and Exchange Commission, acting pursuant to said Section 8(a), may determine.**

**PRELIMINARY PROSPECTUS**  
**SUBJECT TO COMPLETION, DATED APRIL 9, 2021**

## American Depositary Shares

Representing Ordinary Shares



We are offering \_\_\_\_\_ American Depositary Shares, or ADSs, each representing \_\_\_\_\_ ordinary shares, nominal value £ \_\_\_\_\_ per share, of Vaccitech plc. This is the initial public offering of the ADSs, and no public market currently exists for the ADSs or ordinary shares. All of the ADSs are being sold by us. We expect that the initial public offering price will be between \$ \_\_\_\_\_ and \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per ADS. We have applied to have the ADSs listed on The Nasdaq Global Market under the symbol “VACC.”

We are an “emerging growth company” as defined in Section 2(a) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “Securities Act”), and have elected to comply with certain reduced public company reporting requirements. See “Prospectus Summary—Implications of Being an Emerging Growth Company.”

**Investing in the ADSs involves a high degree of risk. See the “Risk Factors” section beginning on page 15 of this prospectus.**

**Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense. The information contained in this preliminary prospectus is not complete and may be changed. We may not sell these securities until the registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission is effective. This preliminary prospectus is not an offer to sell these securities and we are not soliciting offers to buy these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted.**

	PER ADS	TOTAL
Initial public offering price	\$	\$
Underwriting commissions <sup>(1)</sup>	\$	\$
Proceeds to Vaccitech plc, before expenses	\$	\$

(1) We have agreed to reimburse the underwriters for certain expenses. See “Underwriting” for additional information regarding underwriting compensation.

Delivery of the ADSs is expected to be made on or about \_\_\_\_\_, 2021. We have granted the underwriters an option for a period of 30 days from the date of this prospectus to purchase up to \_\_\_\_\_ additional ADSs. If the underwriters exercise the option in full, the total underwriting discounts and commissions payable by us will be \$ \_\_\_\_\_, and the total proceeds to us, before expenses, will be \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

**Morgan Stanley**

**Jefferies**

**Barclays**

**William Blair**

**H.C. Wainwright & Co.**

Prospectus dated \_\_\_\_\_, 2021

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**Through and including** \_\_\_\_\_, 2021 (25 days after the date of this prospectus), all dealers that effect transactions in these securities, whether or not participating in this offering, may be required to deliver a prospectus. This delivery is in addition to a dealer's obligation to deliver a prospectus when acting as an underwriter and with respect to an unsold allotment or subscription.

Neither we nor any of the underwriters have authorized anyone to provide you with any information or to make any representations other than those contained in this prospectus, any amendment or supplement to this prospectus and any related free writing prospectus prepared by or on behalf of us or to which we have referred you. We and the underwriters take no responsibility for, and can provide no assurances as to the reliability of, any other information that others may give you. We are offering to sell, and seeking offers to buy, ADSs only in jurisdictions where offers and sales are permitted. The information contained in this prospectus or in any applicable free writing prospectus related thereto is current only as of its date, regardless of its time of delivery or any sale of ADSs. Our business, financial condition, results of operations and future prospects may have changed since that date.

For investors outside the United States: Neither we nor any of the underwriters have done anything that would permit this offering or possession or distribution of this prospectus in any jurisdiction where action for that purpose is required, other than in the United States. Persons outside the United States who come into possession of this prospectus must inform themselves about, and observe any restrictions relating to, the offering of the ADSs and the distribution of this prospectus outside of the United States.

## ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS

In connection with our corporate reorganization, on March 31, 2021, all shareholders of Vaccitech (UK) Limited (formerly Vaccitech Limited) exchanged each of the shares held by them for newly issued shares of the same class and with the same shareholder rights of Vaccitech Rx Limited. As a result, Vaccitech (UK) Limited (formerly Vaccitech Limited) became a wholly owned subsidiary of Vaccitech Rx Limited. Subsequently, the legal status of Vaccitech Rx Limited under the laws of England and Wales was altered from a private limited company by re-registering as a public limited company and our name was changed from Vaccitech Rx Limited to Vaccitech plc. Our audited consolidated financial statements for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2019 and 2020 pertained to Vaccitech (UK) Limited (formerly Vaccitech Limited). Because Vaccitech plc was not in existence for that period and its operations to date have been limited to the creation of its capital structure and the operations of Vaccitech (UK) Limited (formerly Vaccitech Limited), the financial statements of Vaccitech (UK) Limited (formerly Vaccitech Limited), included elsewhere in this prospectus, will be substantially the same as those of Vaccitech plc. Please see “Corporate Reorganization” beginning on page 96 for more information.

Unless otherwise indicated or the context otherwise requires, all references in this prospectus to the terms “Vaccitech,” “the company,” “we,” “us” and “our” refer to (i) Vaccitech (UK) Limited (formerly Vaccitech Limited) and its subsidiaries for the period prior to the completion of our corporate reorganization, (ii) Vaccitech Rx Limited and its subsidiaries following the completion of our corporate reorganization, but prior to the re-registration of Vaccitech Rx Limited as a public limited company and the change of its name to Vaccitech plc and (iii) Vaccitech plc and its subsidiaries following completion of the re-registration of Vaccitech Rx Limited as a public limited company.

We own various trademark registrations and applications, and unregistered trademarks, including our name and our corporate logo. All other trade names, trademarks and service marks of other companies appearing in this prospectus are the property of their respective holders. Solely for convenience, the trademarks and trade names in this prospectus may be referred to without the ® and ™ symbols, but such references should not be construed as any indicator that their respective owners will not assert, to the fullest extent under applicable law, their rights thereto. We do not intend to use or display other companies’ trademarks and trade names to imply a relationship with, or endorsement or sponsorship of us by, any other companies.

## PRESENTATION OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION

We maintain our books and records primarily in pounds sterling, our results are subsequently represented in U.S. dollars and we prepare our consolidated financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, or U.S. GAAP. Unless otherwise indicated, certain pounds sterling amounts contained in this prospectus for the period ended December 31, 2019 have been translated into U.S. dollars at the rate of \$1.3269 to £1.00, which was the noon buying rate of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York on December 31, 2019, the last business day of the year ended December 31, 2019 and certain pounds sterling amounts contained in this prospectus for the year ended December 31, 2020 have been translated into U.S. dollars at the rate of \$1.3662 to £1.00, which was the noon buying rate of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York on December 31, 2020, the last business day of the year ended December 31, 2020.

We have historically conducted our business through Vaccitech (UK) Limited (formerly Vaccitech Limited), and therefore our historical consolidated financial statements present the consolidated results of operations of Vaccitech (UK) Limited (formerly Vaccitech Limited) and its subsidiaries, Vaccitech Australia Pty Limited, Vaccitech Oncology Limited, Vaccitech USA Inc. and Vaccitech Italia S.R.L. Following the completion of this offering, and after the consummation of the transactions described under the section “Corporate Reorganization,” our consolidated financial results will represent the consolidated results of operations for Vaccitech plc and its subsidiaries.

Our board of directors approved the change of our fiscal year end from January 31 to December 31, beginning with the fiscal year ended December 31, 2019. References to “year ended December 31, 2019” relate to the period from February 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019. References to “year ended December 31, 2020” relate to the period from January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020. As a result, year ended December 31, 2019 is an eleven-month transition period, whereas year ended December 31, 2020 is, and our future fiscal years will be, twelve-month periods. Comparability of year ended December 31, 2019 to other fiscal years is therefore limited.

## PROSPECTUS SUMMARY

*The following summary highlights information contained elsewhere in this prospectus and does not contain all of the information you should consider before investing in the ADSs. You should carefully read the entire prospectus, and the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part, including “Risk Factors,” “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations,” and our consolidated financial statements and the related notes, in each case included in this prospectus, before making an investment decision.*

### Overview

We are a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company engaged in the discovery and development of novel immunotherapeutics and vaccines for the treatment and prevention of infectious diseases and cancer. We use our proprietary platform to develop product candidates that stimulate powerful, targeted immune responses against pathogens and tumor cells. We design our product candidates to stimulate immune responses that are robust, highly specific, and are differentiated by the magnitude of the T cell populations induced, which exhibit critical functionality and durability. We are focused on applying our platform capabilities and the expertise of our team to address significant unmet medical needs in two settings—the therapeutic setting, for the treatment of chronic infectious diseases and cancer, and the prophylactic setting, for the prevention of infectious diseases, based on our platform’s ability to respond rapidly to epidemic and pandemic threats.

We have a broad pipeline of both clinical and preclinical stage therapeutic and prophylactic programs. Our current therapeutic programs include VTP-300 for the treatment of chronic hepatitis B infection, or CHB, VTP-200 for the treatment of human papilloma virus infection, or HPV, VTP-850 for the treatment of prostate cancer and VTP-600 for the treatment of non-small cell lung cancer, or NSCLC. Our current prophylactic programs include VTP-400 for the prevention of herpes zoster, or shingles, and VTP-500 for the prevention of Middle East respiratory syndrome, or MERS. In addition, we co-invented a COVID-19 vaccine candidate with the University of Oxford, which we assigned to Oxford University Innovation, or OUI, to facilitate the license of those rights by OUI to AstraZeneca UK Limited, or AstraZeneca. This vaccine is now known as COVID-19 Vaccine AstraZeneca, which we refer to as AZD1222. AstraZeneca has exclusive worldwide rights to develop and commercialize AZD1222.

Scientists have successfully harnessed the immune system to prevent and treat diseases using a wide range of approaches over hundreds of years. In the prophylactic setting, vaccines aim to create lasting protective immunity, while in the therapeutic setting, immunotherapeutics aim to enhance the body’s immune response to pathogens and infected or cancerous cells to enable a cure. A key element of the immune system is specialized white blood cells, or lymphocytes. B cells and T cells are the two main types of lymphocytes. B cells are responsible for generating antibodies, while T cells assist in the clearance of acute and chronic infections, such as hepatitis B virus and HPV, and are involved in killing cells that become cancerous. Over the past three decades, hundreds of vaccine and immunotherapy trials have examined a wide variety of approaches that induce the production of cytotoxic, or CD8+, T cells against infected and cancerous cells. These trials have demonstrated that different vaccine and immunotherapy approaches induce different breadths and magnitudes of immune response. While there have been many successes, certain diseases requiring a robust CD8+ T cell response have remained resistant to existing approaches.

Infected or cancerous cells are recognized through pathogen-specific molecules, or antigens, which are foreign to the human body. Our platform is designed to stimulate the production of very high levels of T cells, in addition to antibodies, against such antigens. Our approach for the treatment or prevention of a disease with a known target antigen is to prime the immune system with an initial injection of a proprietary adenovirus vector encoded with the target antigen. In the therapeutic setting, this is typically followed by a boost with a second, different viral vector encoded with the same antigen. This is known as a heterologous prime-boost approach. We employ unique antigen design strategies to optimize immune presentation and maximize the desired type of antibody and/or T cell immunogenicity that we are seeking to induce. This heterologous prime-boost approach has been shown to provide the highest magnitude and durable immunogenic CD8+ T cell response induced in humans to date. Our platform is further differentiated by its flexibility, applicability across diseases in both the therapeutic and prophylactic setting, favorable tolerability profile and proven rapid production on a large scale.

The chart below provides key information about our programs.

Product Candidate	Program	IND-enabling	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Marketed	Vaccitech Rights	Upcoming Milestones
<b>Therapeutic Programs</b>								
VTP-300	HBV therapeutic						Worldwide	Phase 1/2a interim efficacy (Q4 2021)
VTP-200	HPV therapeutic						Worldwide	Phase 1/2a interim efficacy (Q1 2022)
VTP-800/850 <sup>(1)</sup>	Prostate cancer therapeutic in combo. with checkpoint inhibitor						Worldwide	Phase 1/2a trial initiation (Q1 2022)
VTP-600	NSCLC therapeutic in combo. with checkpoint inhibitor + chemo						Worldwide (76% of Sub.) <sup>(2)</sup>	Phase 1/2a trial initiation (Q2 2021)
<b>Prophylactic Programs</b>								
VTP-400	Zoster prophylactic	CanSinoBIO					Worldwide (excl. China)	Phase 1 trial initiation (H1 2022)
VTP-500	MERS prophylactic	Janssen CEPI					Worldwide	Phase 1 (Saudi Arabia) data readout (Q2 2021)
<b>Licensed Programs</b>								
AZD1222 <sup>(3)</sup>	COVID-19 Coronavirus prophylactic	AstraZeneca					Licensed by OUI to AZ <sup>(4)</sup>	Additional EUAs and licensure (2021)

<sup>1)</sup> Clinical status represents both VTP-800 and VTP-850 programs. VTP-850 builds on the Phase 1/2a clinical trial of VTP-800, our first generation product candidate for the treatment of prostate cancer

<sup>2)</sup> Vaccitech Oncology Limited (VOLT) is owned by Vaccitech and 24% owned by the Ludwig Institute for Cancer Research

<sup>3)</sup> AZD1222 has been granted a conditional marketing authorization or emergency use authorization in more than 70 countries, and the Emergency Use Listing granted by the World Health Organization in February 2021 will expand access to AZD1222 in up to 142 countries through the WHO's COVAX initiative

<sup>4)</sup> We assigned the rights to the product candidate to OUI to facilitate the license of those rights to AstraZeneca. AstraZeneca has exclusive worldwide rights to develop and commercialize AZD1222



### Our Platform

Our proprietary platform comprises several components that, when combined, allow us to develop product candidates designed to induce high and durable levels of antigen-specific T cells and B cells, to prevent and treat infectious diseases and cancer. The key elements of our platform include our proprietary modified simian adenoviral vectors, known as ChAdOx1 and ChAdOx2, as well as the modified vaccinia Ankara, or MVA, boost vector, both with an inability to replicate in humans. We believe both ChAdOx1 and MVA have favorable tolerability profiles, based on extensive clinical testing performed by us and others. MVA has also been administered in commercial use and in multiple clinical trials to over 130,000 people without significant safety issues, including 120,000 of whom received it as a next-generation smallpox vaccine in Germany. The combination of a ChAdOx prime with MVA boost has consistently generated significantly higher magnitudes of CD8+ T cells as compared to other technologies and approaches. We have also developed proprietary enhancements for both our ChAdOx and MVA vectors to increase T cell induction and response, and we employ unique antigen design strategies to optimize *in vivo* immune presentation and maximize the desired type of immunogenicity while maintaining an optimal tolerability profile. In addition, our understanding and expertise in manufacturing optimization has allowed us to manipulate adenovirus genomes to enable rapid generation of recombinant adenoviral vectors at Good Manufacturing Practice, or GMP, standards at exceptional speed and significant scale.

### Our Therapeutic Product Candidates

We have several therapeutic programs in our pipeline focusing on infectious diseases and oncology. We designed VTP-300 to enable a functional cure for patients with CHB, a life-threatening disease that affects an estimated 257 million people worldwide. VTP-300 is a novel immunotherapy candidate that we intend to administer in combination with a low-dose anti-PD-1 antibody in order to overcome the immune suppression and T cell exhaustion that results from CHB. We are currently conducting a Phase 1 safety and immunogenicity clinical trial in healthy volunteers and CHB patients. Safety and immunogenicity data from both healthy volunteers and CHB patients is expected to read out in the third quarter of 2021. We are also conducting a Phase 1/2a clinical trial in CHB patients, for which we expect to receive interim data in the fourth quarter of 2021. We are developing VTP-200 as a potential curative treatment for persistent high-risk HPV infection and associated pre-cancerous lesions. An estimated 291 million women worldwide are carriers of HPV DNA, which can progress to pre-cancerous cervical lesions if untreated. We initiated our Phase 1/2a clinical trial of VTP-200 in March 2021 in Europe and the UK with interim efficacy results expected in the first quarter of 2022.

We are developing our prostate cancer immunotherapy candidate, VTP-850, for castration resistant and metastatic prostate cancer. Prostate cancer is the fifth leading cause of cancer-related death in men

worldwide. VTP-850 builds on the positive data from a Phase 1/2a clinical trial of VTP-800, our first-generation product candidate which encodes 5T4, an antigen expressed by most prostate cancers. VTP-800 has been administered to patients with prostate cancer in two clinical trials sponsored by the University of Oxford. We are developing VTP-850 with the goal of inducing a broader immune response by targeting 5T4 plus additional important antigens expressed by prostate cancer cells. We plan to start a Phase 1/2 clinical trial of VTP-850 in the first quarter of 2022. In addition, we are developing VTP-600, our immunotherapy candidate designed to encode the tumor-associated antigens MAGE-A3 and NY-ESO-1 initially for the treatment of NSCLC in combination with standard of care treatment, chemotherapy and pembrolizumab. Lung cancer is the most common cancer diagnosis and cause of cancer death worldwide, with 85% of cases classified as NSCLC. About 25% to 30% of NSCLC patients have squamous histology and the remainder have non-squamous histology. MAGE-A3 is expressed in 48% of squamous NSCLC and 24% of non-squamous NSCLC. NY-ESO-1 has been shown to have an expression rate of 27% across all NSCLC types. We plan to initiate a first-in-human Phase 1/2a trial in the second quarter of 2021, in collaboration with and sponsored by Cancer Research UK.

#### *Our Prophylactic Product Candidates*

VTP-400 is our vaccine candidate in development to prevent shingles in adults aged 50 years and older. There are an estimated 140 million cases globally of shingles each year, which can result in significant post-infection pain, known as post-herpetic neuralgia, or even death. We plan to initiate a Phase 1 clinical trial of VTP-400 for shingles prevention in the UK in the first half of 2022. Our regional partner in China and Southeast Asia, CanSino, plans to initiate a Phase 1 clinical trial of VTP-400 for shingles prevention in China in the first half of 2022. We plan to seek non-dilutive funding to initiate a parallel Phase 1 clinical trial to be conducted in the UK.

We believe our platform also positions us to develop vaccines very rapidly against epidemic and pandemic threats, as demonstrated by the ongoing clinical trials of AZD1222 for the prevention of COVID-19, which entered the clinic within three months from initial antigen design. As of April 9, 2021, more than 132 million confirmed cases of COVID-19 have been reported worldwide. As of April 9, 2021, AstraZeneca has announced that AZD1222 has been granted a conditional marketing authorization or emergency use authorization in more than 70 countries, including the United Kingdom, India and Brazil, and the Emergency Use Listing granted by the WHO in February 2021 will expand access to AZD1222 in up to 142 countries through the WHO's COVAX initiative.

In March and April 2021, several countries announced that they were either temporarily suspending the use of a particular batch of AZD1222 or the use of AZD1222 altogether following reports of thromboembolic events in people at varying times following vaccination. On April 7, 2021, the European Medicine Agency, or EMA, and the UK's Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency, or MHRA, issued updates confirming that the overall benefit-risk profile of AZD1222 remains positive, but requesting that unusual blood clots with low blood platelets be listed as very rare side effects of AZD1222. Several countries have announced their intentions to resume use of AZD1222, although some countries have limited its use in certain age groups. The EMA, MHRA, and WHO, along with individual EU Member States, will continue to assess available safety data as AZD1222 continues to be administered, and these recommendations may change.

In addition, on March 22, 2021, AstraZeneca announced high-level results from an interim analysis of the Phase 3 trial of AZD1222 in the United States using a cut-off date of February 17, 2021, which indicated 76% efficacy at preventing symptomatic COVID-19. However, published studies have indicated that AZD1222 has a lower efficacy against certain variants of COVID-19, including the B.1.351 variant of COVID-19, which was first observed predominantly in South Africa, and the B117 variant, which was first observed in the United Kingdom in late 2020, but have since spread to other geographies. As a result, the use of the AZD1222 vaccine has been stopped in South Africa.

We are developing VTP-500 as a vaccine candidate to prevent infection and subsequent disease caused by the MERS coronavirus. Although human-to-human transmission appears to be rare, MERS coronavirus has the potential to cause epidemics, infecting hundreds to thousands of people and causing significant



morbidity and mortality in 34% of the infected individuals. Clinical efficacy trials to prevent MERS are challenging to execute due to the sporadic nature of infection, however we have demonstrated positive Phase 1 safety and immunogenicity data. A second Phase 1 clinical trial is ongoing in Saudi Arabia with topline data expected in the second quarter of 2021.

### **Our Strategy**

We aim to discover, develop and commercialize novel immunotherapeutics and vaccines. We pursue this by using our proprietary platform and deep understanding of vaccinology, immunology and oncology. Key elements of our strategy include working to:

- **Capitalize on our proprietary platform to develop novel immunotherapeutic and vaccine product candidates that address major unmet medical needs in infectious diseases and cancer.** We plan to apply the experience we and our collaborators have gained in developing our most advanced programs to drive the efficient development of our earlier stage product candidates.
- **Advance our infectious disease pipeline programs, including our lead HBV and HPV programs, through clinical development and regulatory approval.** Our platform stimulates powerful T cell and antibody-based immune responses that we use to target challenging infectious disease pathogens, in both the therapeutic and prophylactic settings.
- **Progress our lead oncology therapeutic programs in prostate cancer and lung cancer through clinical development and toward potential regulatory approval in combination with current standards of care.** Our platform is capable of stimulating robust CD8+ T cell-driven immune responses to target tumor cells. On the basis of the clinical data we generate with these product candidates in our initial indications, we may seek to expand development into additional indications and treatment settings.
- **Deploy our platform in order to respond rapidly to major new emerging diseases.** Using our platform, we have the capability to develop powerful targeted vaccine candidates rapidly against epidemic and pandemic threats. It has been demonstrated that these vaccine candidates can be advanced through preclinical studies and clinical development rapidly and we believe we will be capable of production at sufficient scale, costs and supply chain logistical requirements to meet high global demand.
- **Invest in our platform in order to enable next-generation product candidates.** We plan to continue investing in our platform in order to develop next-generation technologies, including novel viral vectors, which we believe will keep us at the cutting edge of the immunotherapy and vaccine fields. We also intend to evaluate novel technologies that have the potential to augment the immune response profile of our current product candidates.
- **Expand on the value of our product candidates through partnerships.** We currently intend to maintain full ownership of our HBV, HPV and prostate cancer programs through generation of proof-of-concept data. Once we have established proof-of-concept, we may evaluate potential collaborations or partnerships that could, for example, enhance the value of these programs for our shareholders through the expansion of the development plans and the ultimate commercial reach for these programs. Where appropriate in the future, however, we will retain control through to approval and launch.
- **Leverage the expertise of our scientific founders, key advisors and employees to remain at the forefront of immunotherapy and vaccinology.** We will use the collective expertise of this group, combined with the capabilities of our platform, to develop novel technology platforms and product candidates in order to maintain a leading role in the treatment and prevention of infectious diseases and cancer.

### **Our History and Team**

We were founded in May 2016 as a spin-out from a leading institution in the United Kingdom, the Jenner Institute at the University of Oxford, with the aim of developing and commercializing innovative immunotherapeutics and vaccines to treat and prevent major infectious diseases and cancer. Our scientific

founders, Professor Adrian Hill and Professor Sarah Gilbert, are leaders in the fields of infectious diseases, immunology, vaccine development and viral vectors.

We have assembled a management team with extensive expertise in building and operating biopharmaceutical organizations that have discovered, developed and delivered innovative medicines to patients. Our management team has broad experience and successful track records in biopharmaceutical research, clinical development, regulatory affairs, manufacturing and commercialization, as well as in business, operations, and finance. Our board of directors has extensive expertise in the fields of science, business and finance. To date, we have raised \$216 million from leading investors, including Gilead Sciences, GV, Korean Investment Partners, M&G Investment Management, Oxford Sciences Innovation, Sequoia Capital China and Tencent.

### **Recent Developments**

#### *Series B Financing*

In March 2021, we issued 28,957 Series B preferred shares, or the Series B Shares, at a subscription price of \$4,325.00 per share for a total of approximately \$125 million. At the time of completion of the Series B financing, our previously issued convertible loan notes, or the 2020 Notes, converted into Series B Shares for consideration of approximately \$43 million.

### **Corporate Information**

Vaccitech (UK) Limited (formerly Vaccitech Limited) was incorporated under the laws of England and Wales in January 2016 as a private limited company. As a result of our corporate reorganization described below, Vaccitech plc is the issuer of the securities described in this prospectus. Vaccitech plc is the ultimate parent company of five subsidiaries: Vaccitech (UK) Limited (formerly Vaccitech Limited), Vaccitech Australia Pty Limited, Vaccitech Oncology Limited, Vaccitech USA Inc. and Vaccitech Italia S.R.L. Our principal executive office is located at The Schrödinger Building, Heatley Road, The Oxford Science Park, Oxford OX4 4GE and our telephone number is +44 (0) 1865 818 808. Our website address is [www.vaccitech.co.uk](http://www.vaccitech.co.uk). We have included our website address in this prospectus solely as an inactive textual reference. The information contained on or accessible through our website is not incorporated by reference into this prospectus, and you should not consider any information contained on, or that can be accessed through, our website as part of this prospectus or in deciding whether to purchase the ADSs.

### **Corporate Reorganization**

Pursuant to the terms of a corporate reorganization effected prior to the completion of this offering, all shareholders of Vaccitech (UK) Limited (formerly Vaccitech Limited) exchanged each of the shares held by them for one of the same class of newly issued shares of Vaccitech Rx Limited and, as a result, Vaccitech (UK) Limited (formerly Vaccitech Limited) became a wholly owned subsidiary of Vaccitech Rx Limited. Subsequently, we re-registered Vaccitech Rx Limited as a public limited company and renamed it as Vaccitech plc. Please see “Corporate Reorganization” beginning on page 96 for more information.

### **Risks Associated With Our Business**

Our ability to implement our business strategy is subject to numerous risks that you should be aware of before making an investment decision. These risks are described more fully in the section titled “Risk Factors” in this prospectus. These risks include, among others:

- we are a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company with no approved products and a limited operating history. We have incurred significant losses since inception. We expect to incur losses for at least the next several years and may never achieve or maintain profitability;
- any payments we receive in connection with certain milestones or net sales under the AstraZeneca License Agreement may differ materially from those described in this prospectus, and there can be no assurance that we will receive any such payments at all;
- we have not generated any material revenue from our product candidates;

- even if we consummate this offering, we will need substantial additional funding. If we are unable to raise capital when needed, we would be compelled to delay, reduce or eliminate our product development programs or commercialization efforts;
- if we are unable to advance our current or future product candidates into and through clinical trials, obtain marketing approval and ultimately commercialize any product candidates we develop, 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 clinical trial results. We may encounter substantial delays in clinical trials, or may not be able to conduct or complete clinical trials on the expected timelines, if at all. If our preclinical and clinical studies are not sufficient to support marketing authorization of any of our product candidates, we may incur additional costs or experience delays in completing, or ultimately be unable to complete, the development of such product candidate;
- our product candidates are based on a novel approach to the treatment of cancer, which makes it difficult to predict the time and cost of product candidate development;
- the market opportunities for certain of our oncology product candidates may be relatively small as it may be limited to those patients who are ineligible for or have failed prior treatments and our estimates of the prevalence of our target patient populations may be inaccurate;
- we face substantial competition in an environment of rapid technological change, which may result in others discovering, developing, obtaining marketing authorization approval or commercializing products before or more successfully than we do, which may adversely affect our financial condition and our ability to successfully market or commercialize our product candidates;
- the outbreak of the novel coronavirus disease, COVID-19, has adversely impacted our business and we expect will continue to adversely impact some aspects of our business, including our preclinical studies and clinical trials;
- we rely, and expect to continue to rely, on third parties to conduct certain of our preclinical studies and clinical trials. If these third parties do not properly and successfully carry out their contractual duties or meet expected deadlines, we may not be able to obtain marketing authorizations for, or commercialize, our product candidates and our business could be substantially harmed;
- we may form or seek additional collaborations or strategic alliances or enter into additional licensing arrangements in the future, and we may not realize the benefits of such collaborations, alliances or licensing arrangements;
- the marketing authorization application processes of the FDA, the EMA, MHRA and other comparable foreign regulatory authorities are lengthy, time-consuming and inherently unpredictable, and if we are ultimately unable to obtain marketing authorizations for our product candidates, or the marketing authorization is for a narrower indication than we seek, our business will be substantially harmed;
- even if we receive marketing authorization for our product candidates, we will be subject to ongoing regulatory obligations and continued regulatory review, which may result in significant additional expense and we may be subject to penalties if we fail to comply with regulatory requirements or experience unanticipated problems with our product candidates;
- if we are unable to obtain and maintain patent protection for any products we develop and for our technology, or if the scope of the patent protection obtained is not sufficiently broad, our competitors could develop and commercialize products and technology similar or identical to ours, and our ability to successfully commercialize any product candidates we may develop and our technology may be adversely affected;

- our rights to develop and commercialize our technology and product candidates are subject, in part, to the terms and conditions of licenses granted to us by others and if we fail to comply with our current or future obligations in any agreements under which we license intellectual property rights from third parties or otherwise experience disruptions to our business relationships with our licensors, we could lose license rights that are important to our business;
- we are highly dependent on our key personnel, and if we are not successful in attracting and retaining highly qualified personnel, we may not be able to successfully implement our business strategy;
- we will need to grow the size of our organization and we may experience difficulties in managing this growth;
- we identified material weaknesses in connection with our internal control over financial reporting. Although we are taking steps to remediate these material weaknesses, we may not be successful in doing so in a timely manner, or at all, and we may identify other material weaknesses;
- if we were classified as a passive foreign investment company, it would result in adverse U.S. federal income tax consequences to U.S. Holders (as defined below);
- a variety of risks associated with operating our business internationally could materially adversely affect our business; and
- our business and results of operations may be negatively impacted by the UK's withdrawal from the EU.

#### **Implications of Being an Emerging Growth Company**

We qualify as an “emerging growth company” as defined in the Jumpstart Our Business Startups Act of 2012, as amended, or the JOBS Act. As an emerging growth company, we may take advantage of specified reduced disclosure and other requirements that are otherwise applicable generally to public companies. These provisions include:

- the ability to present only two years of audited financial statements, in addition to any required unaudited interim financial statements, with correspondingly reduced “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations” disclosure;
- reduced disclosure about our executive compensation arrangements;
- not being required to hold advisory votes on executive compensation or to obtain shareholder approval of any golden parachute arrangements not previously approved;
- exemption from the auditor attestation requirement in the assessment of our internal controls over financial reporting; and
- an exemption from compliance with the requirements of the PCAOB regarding the communication of critical audit matters in the auditor’s report on the financial statements.

We may take advantage of these “emerging growth company” exemptions for up to five years or such earlier time that we are no longer an emerging growth company. We would cease to be an emerging growth company on the date that is the earliest of (i) the last day of the fiscal year in which we have total annual gross revenues of \$1.07 billion or more, (ii) the last day of our fiscal year following the fifth anniversary of the date of the closing of this offering, (iii) the date on which we have issued more than \$1.0 billion in nonconvertible debt during the previous three years or (iv) the date on which we are deemed to be a large accelerated filer under the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission. We may choose to take advantage of some but not all of these exemptions. We have taken advantage of reduced reporting requirements in this prospectus. Accordingly, the information contained herein may be different from the information you receive from other public companies in which you hold stock.

The JOBS Act provides that an emerging growth company can take advantage of an extended transition period for complying with new or revised accounting standards. We have elected to avail ourselves of this exemption and, therefore, we will not be subject to the same timing of adoption of new or revised accounting standards as other public companies that are not emerging growth companies.

We are also a “smaller reporting company,” meaning that the market value of our shares held by non-affiliates plus the proposed aggregate amount of gross proceeds to us as a result of this offering is less than \$700 million and our annual revenue was less than \$100 million during the most recently completed fiscal year. We may continue to be a smaller reporting company after this offering if either (i) the market value of our shares held by non-affiliates is less than \$250 million or (ii) our annual revenue was less than \$100 million during the most recently completed fiscal year and the market value of our shares held by non-affiliates is less than \$700 million. If we are a smaller reporting company at the time we cease to be an emerging growth company, we may continue to rely on exemptions from certain disclosure requirements that are available to smaller reporting companies. Specifically, as a smaller reporting company, we may choose to present only the two most recent fiscal years of audited financial statements in our Annual Report on Form 10-K and, similar to emerging growth companies, smaller reporting companies have reduced disclosure obligations regarding executive compensation.

<b>THE OFFERING</b>	
Issuer	Vaccitech plc
ADSs offered by us	ADSs, each representing ordinary shares.
Ordinary shares (including in the form of ADSs) to be outstanding immediately after this offering	ordinary shares (or ordinary shares if the underwriters exercise in full their option to purchase up to additional ADSs).
Underwriters' option to purchase additional ADSs	The underwriters have an option for a period of 30 days from the date of this prospectus to purchase up to additional ADSs at the public offering price listed on the cover page of this prospectus, less underwriting discounts and commissions.
American Depositary Shares	Each ADS represents ordinary shares, nominal value £ per share. You will have the rights of an ADS holder as provided in the deposit agreement among us, the depositary and owners and holders of ADSs from time to time. To better understand the terms of the ADSs, see "Description of American Depositary Shares." We also encourage you to read the deposit agreement, the form of which is filed as an exhibit to the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part.
Depository	The Bank of New York Mellon
Directed Share Program	At our request, Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC, or the DSP Underwriter, has reserved up to ADSs, or % of the ADSs offered by this prospectus, for sale at the initial public offering price through a directed share program to certain of our directors, officers, employees and business associates and other parties related to us. If purchased by these persons, these ADSs will be subject to a 180-day lock-up restriction.  The number of ADSs available for sale to the general public will be reduced to the extent that such persons purchase such reserved ADSs. Any reserved ADSs not so purchased will be offered by the DSP Underwriter to the general public on the same basis as the other ADSs offered by this prospectus. The DSP Underwriter will administer our directed share program. See the sections titled "Related Party Transactions" and "Underwriting — Directed Share Program."
Use of proceeds	We estimate that the net proceeds to us from this offering, after deducting the estimated underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us, will be approximately \$ million, or approximately \$ million if the underwriters exercise their option to purchase additional ADSs in full, based on an assumed initial public offering price of \$ per ADS, which is the midpoint of the price range set forth on the cover page of this prospectus. We intend to use the net proceeds from this offering, together

with our existing cash, to (i) advance the development of VTP-300, VTP-200 and VTP-850, (ii) to support our collaborators' efforts in the development of VTP-600, VTP-400 and VTP-500 and (iii) to fund continued development of our next-generation platform technologies for use in rapid deployment against new and emerging pandemic and epidemic threats and other general corporate purposes. See "Use of Proceeds" for a more complete description of the intended use of proceeds from this offering.

Risk factors

See "Risk Factors" and the other information included in this prospectus for a discussion of factors you should carefully consider before deciding to invest in the ADSs.

Proposed Nasdaq Global Market  
trading symbol for the ADSs

"VACC"

The number of ordinary shares (including the ordinary shares represented by ADSs) to be outstanding after this offering is based on 89,205 of our ordinary shares outstanding as of December 31, 2020, after giving effect to the issuance of 41,378 Series B Shares in March 2021, which included the conversion of the 2020 Notes into Series B Shares, and excludes:

- 6,707 ordinary shares issuable upon the exercise of options for ordinary shares outstanding as of December 31, 2020, with a weighted-average exercise price of \$0.13 per share;
- 2,423 ordinary shares reserved for issuance under our EMI Option Scheme, or the Scheme, as of December 31, 2020, which shares will no longer be reserved following this offering;
- ordinary shares that will be made available for future issuance under our 2021 Share Option and Incentive Plan upon the effectiveness of the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part; and
- shares reserved for future issuance under our 2021 Employee Share Purchase Plan upon the effectiveness of the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part.

Unless otherwise indicated, all information contained in this prospectus also reflects and assumes:

- the consummation of our corporate reorganization;
- the filing and effectiveness of our amended and restated articles of association immediately prior to the completion of this offering;
- no issuance or exercise of outstanding options after December 31, 2020;
- no exercise by the underwriters of their option to purchase up to additional ADSs in this offering; and
- no purchase of ADSs through our directed share program described under "Underwriting — Directed Share Program."

### SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL DATA

The following tables set forth our summary consolidated financial data. We derived the summary consolidated statement of operations data for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2019 and December 31, 2020 and the summary consolidated balance sheet data as of December 31, 2020 from our audited consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus. We changed our fiscal year end from January 31 to December 31, beginning with the fiscal year ended December 31, 2019. References to “year ended December 31, 2019” relate to the period from February 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019. References to “year ended December 31, 2020” relate to the period from January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020. As a result, year ended December 31, 2019 is an eleven-month transition period, whereas year ended December 31, 2020 is, and our future fiscal years will be, twelve-month periods. Comparability of year ended December 31, 2019 to other fiscal years is therefore limited. When you read this summary consolidated financial data, it is important that you read it together with the historical consolidated financial statements and related notes to those statements, as well as the sections of this prospectus titled “Selected Consolidated Financial Data” and “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.” Our historical results are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected in any future period. Our reporting currency is the U.S. dollar.

	Year Ended December 31,	
	2019	2020
(in thousands, except share and per share data)		
<b>Consolidated Statement of Operations Data</b>		
License revenue	\$ 20	\$ 2,552
Service revenue	203	405
Sale of viral seeds	115	—
Research grants and contracts	6,507	1,863
Total revenue	<u>6,845</u>	<u>4,820</u>
<b>Operating expenses</b>		
Research and development	29,842	14,386
General and administrative	2,668	10,481
Total operating expenses	<u>32,510</u>	<u>24,867</u>
Loss from operations	<u>(25,665)</u>	<u>(20,047)</u>
<b>Other income (expense):</b>		
Change in fair value of derivatives	—	2,039
Unrealized foreign exchange gain on convertible loan notes	—	448
Interest expense	(133)	(3,600)
Interest income	40	—
Gain from disposal of property and equipment	4	—
Research and development incentives	2,976	3,279
Other income	80	42
Total other income	<u>2,967</u>	<u>2,208</u>
Tax expense	—	(95)
Net loss	<u>(22,698)</u>	<u>(17,934)</u>
Net loss attributable to noncontrolling interest	1,968	228
Net loss attributable to Vaccitech shareholders	<u>\$(20,730)</u>	<u>\$(17,706)</u>
Weighted-average ordinary shares outstanding, basic and diluted	<u>23,469</u>	<u>25,581</u>
Net loss per share attributable to ordinary shareholders, basic and diluted	<u>\$(883.27)</u>	<u>\$(692.16)</u>
Pro forma weighted-average ordinary shares outstanding, basic and diluted (unaudited) <sup>(1)</sup>	<u>—</u>	<u>47,646</u>
Pro forma net loss per share, basic and diluted (unaudited) <sup>(1)</sup>	<u>—</u>	<u>\$(371.62)</u>

(1) See Note 4 to our consolidated pro forma financial statements appearing at the end of this prospectus for further details on the calculation of pro forma basic and diluted pro forma net loss per share attributable to ordinary shareholders.



	December 31, 2020	
	ACTUAL	PRO FORMA <sup>(1)</sup>
(in thousands, except share data)		
(unaudited)		
<b>Consolidated Balance Sheet Data</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 43,266	\$
Working capital <sup>(3)</sup>	40,260	
Total assets	50,666	
Long-term debt <sup>(4)</sup>	46,172	
Total liabilities	53,813	
Series A Shares <sup>(5)</sup>	33,765	
Total shareholders' deficit	(36,912)	

(1) The unaudited pro forma balance gives effect to (i) the issuance of 41,378 Series B Shares in March 2021, including the conversion of our 2020 Notes into Series B Shares and (ii) our corporate reorganization.

(2) The unaudited pro forma as adjusted balance sheet gives further effect to the sale of ADSs in this offering, assuming an initial public offering price of \$ per ADS, which is the midpoint of the range set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, and the application of the net proceeds of this offering, after deducting estimated underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us, as set forth under "Use of Proceeds."

The pro forma as adjusted information discussed above is illustrative only and will depend on the actual initial public offering price and other terms of this offering determined at pricing. Each \$1.00 increase or decrease in the assumed initial public offering price of \$ per ADS, which is the midpoint of the range set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, would increase or decrease each of cash and cash equivalents, working capital, total assets and total shareholders' deficit by \$ million, assuming that the number of ADSs offered by us, as set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, remains the same, and after deducting estimated underwriting discounts and commissions. We may also increase or decrease the number of ADSs we are offering. Each increase or decrease of 1.0 million in the number of ADSs offered by us would increase or decrease each of cash and cash equivalents, working capital, total assets and total shareholders' deficit by \$ million, assuming that the assumed initial public offering price remains the same, and after deducting estimated underwriting discounts and commissions.

(3) Working capital is defined as current assets less current liabilities.

(4) Long-term debt is comprised of convertible loan notes (including derivative liabilities) and lease liability.

(5) We refer to our Series A redeemable convertible preferred shares as "Series A Shares."

## RISK FACTORS

*Investing in our ADSs involves a high degree of risk. You should carefully consider the risks described below, as well as the other information in this prospectus, including our financial statements and the related notes and “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations,” before deciding whether to invest in our ADSs. The occurrence of any of the events or developments described below could harm our business, financial condition, results of operations and growth prospects. In such an event, the market price of our ADSs could decline and you may lose all or part of your investment. Additional risks and uncertainties not presently known to us or that we currently deem immaterial also may impair our business operations.*

### Risks Related to Our Financial Position and Capital Needs

***We are a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company with no approved products and a limited operating history. We have incurred significant losses since inception. We expect to incur losses for at least the next several years and may never achieve or maintain profitability.***

We are a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company with no approved products and a limited operating history. Investment in biopharmaceutical product development is highly speculative because it entails substantial upfront capital expenditures and significant risk that any potential product candidate will fail to demonstrate adequate efficacy or an acceptable safety profile, obtain marketing authorization and become commercially viable. We have no products approved for commercial sale and have not generated any revenue from product sales. To date, we have devoted substantially all of our resources to organizing and staffing our company, business planning, raising capital, undertaking preclinical studies and clinical trials of our product candidates, securing related intellectual property rights and conducting discovery, research and development activities for our programs. As a result, we are not profitable and have incurred losses in each period since our inception in 2016. For the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2020, we reported net losses of \$22.7 million and \$17.9 million respectively. As of December 31, 2020, we had an accumulated deficit of \$55.6 million. We expect to continue to incur significant losses for the foreseeable future. We anticipate that our expenses will increase substantially if, and as, we:

- seek marketing authorizations for product candidates that successfully complete clinical trials, if any;
- conduct preclinical studies and clinical trials for our current and future product candidates based on our proprietary biologic platform, including the Chimpanzee Adenovirus Oxford, or ChAdOx, and Modified vaccinia Ankara, or MVA, vectors, and our other technologies;
- expand our operational, financial and management systems and increase personnel, including personnel to support our clinical development, manufacturing and commercialization efforts and our operations as a public company;
- establish our manufacturing capabilities through third parties or by ourselves and scale-up manufacturing to provide adequate supply for clinical trials and commercialization;
- expand, maintain, protect and enforce our intellectual property portfolio;
- establish a sales, marketing, medical affairs and distribution infrastructure to commercialize any products for which we may obtain marketing approval and intend to commercialize on our own or jointly;
- acquire or in-license other product candidates and technologies; and
- incur additional legal, accounting and other expenses in operating our business, including the additional costs associated with operating as a public company.

Even if we succeed in commercializing one or more of our product candidates, we will continue to incur substantial research and development costs and other expenditures to develop and market additional product candidates and we may never generate revenue that is significant or large enough to achieve profitability. We may also encounter unforeseen expenses, difficulties, complications, delays and other

unknown factors that may adversely affect our business. The size of our future net losses will depend, in part, on the rate of future growth of our expenses and our ability to generate revenue. Our prior losses and expected future losses have had and will continue to have an adverse effect on our shareholders' equity and working capital.

If we do achieve profitability, we may not be able to sustain or increase profitability on a quarterly or annual basis. Accordingly, our failure to become and remain profitable would decrease the value of our company and could impair our ability to raise capital, maintain our research and development efforts, expand our business or continue our operations. A decline in the value of our company also could cause you to lose all or part of your investment.

***Any payments we may receive in connection with certain milestones or net sales under the AstraZeneca License Agreement may differ materially from those described in this prospectus, and there can be no assurance that we will receive any such payments at all.***

While we expect to receive a share of certain milestones and net sales of certain vaccines under the research collaboration and exclusive worldwide license agreement, or the AstraZeneca License Agreement, between Oxford University Innovation Limited, or OUI, and AstraZeneca UK Limited, or AstraZeneca, there can be no assurance as to the timing or amount of any such milestones or net sales.

In particular, we are not party to the AstraZeneca License Agreement, and we do not have any direct claim against AstraZeneca to receive a share of any milestones or net sales, or any other payments under the AstraZeneca License Agreement. Instead, we are party to the amendment, assignment and revenue share agreement, or the OUI License Agreement Amendment, with OUI, to the 2016 OUI License Agreement (as defined in this prospectus), pursuant to which OUI agreed to pay us approximately 24% of payments, including royalties and milestones, received by OUI in connection with the commercialization of any ChAdOx1 vector-based or ChAdOx2 vector-based vaccine in the field of SARS-CoV2 covered by or disclosed in the assigned patent application, as described under "Business—Our Collaboration and License Agreements." As a result, we will only receive a share of any milestones or royalties paid on net sales of any such vaccine under the AstraZeneca License Agreement if, and to the extent that, OUI receives a share of any such milestones or royalties pursuant to that agreement.

Moreover, our understanding is that, under the AstraZeneca License Agreement, OUI agreed to forego its share of any royalties from the commercialization of AZD1222 until after the pandemic period, which will end on July 1, 2021 (or such later date when AstraZeneca, in good faith, determines that the COVID-19 pandemic is over). As a result, we do not expect to receive any share of net sales of the vaccine until after the pandemic is over, as determined in good faith by AstraZeneca, and in any event no earlier than July 1, 2021.

In addition, the announcement of adverse events observed in individuals who receive AZD1222 and any negative impact on the perceptions of AZD1222's safety may reduce sales of the vaccine and therefore the potential payments that we would receive from royalties paid on net sales of AZD1222. For example, in March 2021, several countries announced that they were either temporarily suspending the use of a particular batch of AZD1222 or the use of AZD1222 altogether following reports of thromboembolic events in people at varying times following vaccination. While the European Medicines Agency and the UK's Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency issued updates in April 2021 confirming that the overall benefit-risk profile of AZD1222 remains positive, the authorities requested that unusual blood clots with low platelets be listed as very rare side effects of AZD1222 in the vaccine's labeling. There can be no assurance that the vaccine is not associated with an increase in the overall risk of thromboembolic events. Further, if AZD1222 is found to be less effective against certain variants of COVID-19, then that may also reduce sales of the vaccine. For example, studies have indicated that AZD1222 has a lower efficacy against certain variants of COVID-19, including the B.1.351 variant of COVID-19, which was first observed predominantly in South Africa, and the B117 variant, which was first observed in the United Kingdom. As a result, use of AZD1222 has been stopped in South Africa. Any association of AZD1222 with adverse events, or the perception of such association, or any findings that AZD1222 is less effective against certain variants of COVID-19, may reduce sales of AZD1222 and therefore the potential payments that we may receive from net sales of the vaccine, and may otherwise adversely impact the development of, and our ability to commercialize, any of our product candidates.

Our understanding of the terms of the AstraZeneca License Agreement is based solely on an extract of the agreement provided by the parties to that agreement. We are not a party to the AstraZeneca License Agreement and do not have access to a copy of that agreement to verify such extract. In addition, no party to the AstraZeneca License Agreement has confirmed that there are no material terms in that agreement that are not included in the description of that agreement included in this prospectus under “Business—Our Collaboration and License Agreements—Impact of OUI’s Agreement with AstraZeneca” or that could adversely impact the economic and other terms of the AstraZeneca License Agreement included in that description. Moreover, there can be no assurance that the AstraZeneca License Agreement is an enforceable agreement, that the parties thereto will comply with their obligations under the agreement (including any obligations of AstraZeneca to make milestone or royalty payments to OUI), that the agreement will not be terminated pursuant to its terms or otherwise, or that the terms of the agreement (including royalty rates and other economic terms) will not be modified by the parties in the future. Accordingly, these and other factors could cause amounts received by OUI pursuant to the AstraZeneca License Agreement, and accordingly any share of the revenue under that agreement that we may receive, to differ from those that are described in this prospectus under “Business—Our Collaboration and License Agreements—OUI License Agreement Amendment” and “—Impact of OUI’s Agreement with AstraZeneca.” Any such differences could be material.

***We have not generated any material revenue from our product candidates.***

Our ability to become profitable depends upon our ability to generate revenue. We do not expect to generate significant revenue from our current or future product candidates unless or until we successfully complete clinical development and obtain marketing authorization for, and then successfully commercialize, at least one of our product candidates.

Certain of our product candidates are in the preclinical stages of development and will require additional preclinical studies, and all of our product candidates will require additional clinical development, regulatory review and approval, substantial investment, access to sufficient commercial manufacturing capacity and significant marketing efforts before we can generate any revenue from product sales. We have not yet administered certain of our product candidates to humans and, as such, we face significant translational risk as our product candidates advance into and through the clinical stage, as promising results in preclinical studies may not be replicated in subsequent clinical trials, and testing on animals may not accurately predict human experience. Our ability to generate revenue depends on a number of factors, including, but not limited to:

- timely completion of our preclinical studies and clinical trials, which may be significantly slower or cost more than we currently anticipate and will depend substantially upon the performance of third-party contractors;
- delays out of our control, such as those currently experienced with the unforeseen pandemic effect on clinical trial progress and participant willingness to enroll;
- our ability to complete investigational new drug application, or IND, enabling trials and successfully submit INDs or comparable applications, for our product candidates, including VTP-600 and VTP-850;
- whether we are required by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, or the FDA, the European Medicines Agency, or the EMA, or the United Kingdom Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency, or the MHRA, or similar foreign regulatory authorities, to conduct additional clinical trials or other studies beyond those planned to support the approval and commercialization of our product candidates or any future product candidates;
- our ability to demonstrate to the satisfaction of the FDA and similar foreign regulatory authorities the safety, potency, purity, efficacy and acceptable risk to benefit profile of our product candidates or any future product candidates and such regulatory authorities’ acceptance of our development strategy;
- the prevalence, duration and severity of potential side effects or other safety issues experienced with our product candidates or future product candidates, if any;

- the timely receipt of necessary marketing approvals from the FDA and similar foreign regulatory authorities;
- the willingness of physicians, operators of clinics and patients to utilize or adopt any of our product candidates or future product candidates over alternative or more conventional approaches, including antivirals, immune modulators, siRNA, CRISPR editing, capsid inhibitors, novel entry inhibitors, or other small molecules, RNA, DNA, nanoparticle, VLP, peptide, protein, whole-killed or other vaccine technologies;
- the actual and perceived availability, cost, risk profile and side effects and efficacy of our product candidates, if approved, relative to existing and future alternative immunotherapies, therapeutic and prophylactic vaccines and competitive product candidates and technologies;
- our ability and the ability of third parties with whom we contract to manufacture adequate clinical and commercial supplies of our product candidates or any future product candidates, remain in good standing with regulatory authorities and develop, validate and maintain commercially viable manufacturing processes that are compliant with current good manufacturing practices, or cGMP;
- our ability to successfully develop a commercial strategy and thereafter commercialize our product candidates or any future product candidates in the United States and internationally, if approved for marketing, reimbursement, sale and distribution in such countries and territories, whether alone or in collaboration with others;
- patient demand for our product candidates and any future product candidates, if approved;
- our ability to establish, maintain, protect and enforce intellectual property rights in and to our product candidates or any future product candidates;
- the ability of our licensees and collaborators to develop and commercialize our products effectively;
- the risk that some or all of the patients that receive AZD1222 develop neutralizing antibodies against ChAdOx, which could limit the immunogenicity from subsequent dosing with one of our product candidates;
- the possibility that immunogenicity may not translate into clinical benefit; and
- the increased costs and complexities associated with manufacturing both the prime and boost elements, ChAdOx and MVA, of our immunotherapeutics.

Many of the factors listed above are beyond our control and could cause us to experience significant delays or prevent us from obtaining marketing authorizations for, or commercializing, our product candidates. Even if we are able to commercialize our product candidates, we may not achieve profitability soon after generating product sales, if ever. If we are unable to generate sufficient revenue through the sale of our product candidates or any future product candidates, we may be unable to continue operations without continued funding.

***Even if we consummate this offering, we will need substantial additional funding. If we are unable to raise capital when needed, we would be compelled to delay, reduce or eliminate our product development programs or commercialization efforts.***

Since our inception, we have invested a significant portion of our efforts and financial resources in research and development activities for our platform and our product candidates developed using our platform. Preclinical studies, clinical trials and additional research and development activities will require substantial funds to complete. We expect our expenses to increase in parallel with our ongoing activities, particularly as we continue our preclinical and clinical development activities to identify new product candidates and conduct clinical trials of, and seek marketing approval for, our product candidates. In addition, if we obtain marketing approval for any of our product candidates, we expect to incur significant commercialization expenses related to product sales, marketing, manufacturing and distribution. Furthermore, upon the closing of this offering, we expect to incur significant additional costs associated with operating as a public

company. Accordingly, we will need to obtain substantial additional funding in connection with our continuing operations. However, we have estimated our current additional funding needs based on assumptions that may prove to be wrong. Additionally, changing circumstances may cause us to consume capital significantly faster than we currently anticipate, and we may need to spend more money than currently expected because of circumstances beyond our control. We cannot be certain that additional funding will be available on acceptable terms, or at all. Until such time, if ever, as we can generate substantial product revenue, we expect to finance our operations through a combination of public or private equity offerings, debt financings, governmental funding, collaborations, strategic partnerships and alliances or marketing, distribution or licensing arrangements with third parties. If we are unable to raise capital or generate revenue when needed or on attractive terms, we would be forced to delay, reduce or eliminate our discovery and preclinical development programs or any future commercialization efforts.

We had cash and cash equivalents of \$43.3 million as of December 31, 2020. We estimate that our net proceeds from this offering will be \$ , based on the initial public offering price of \$ per share, after deducting underwriting discounts and commissions and offering expenses payable by us. We believe that, based upon our current operating plan, our existing capital resources, including proceeds from the issuance of Series B Shares in March 2021, together with the net proceeds from this offering will be sufficient to fund our anticipated operations into . Our future capital requirements will depend on many factors, including:

- the scope, progress, results and costs of preclinical development and clinical trials for our product candidates;
- the extent to which we enter into additional collaboration arrangements with regard to product candidate development or acquire or in-license products or technologies;
- the costs, timing and outcome of regulatory review of our product candidates;
- the success of the COVID-19 vaccine program for which we licensed certain of our licensed intellectual property rights to OUI/AstraZeneca;
- the costs of future commercialization activities, including product sales, marketing, manufacturing and distribution, for any of our product candidates for which we receive marketing approval;
- revenue, if any, received from commercial sales of our product candidates, should any of our product candidates receive marketing approval; and
- the costs of preparing, filing and prosecuting patent applications, obtaining, maintaining, enforcing and protecting our intellectual property rights and defending intellectual property-related claims including litigation costs and any damages awarded in such litigation.

Identifying potential product candidates, manufacturing them and conducting preclinical testing and clinical trials is a time-consuming, expensive and uncertain process that takes years to complete, and we may never generate the necessary data or results required to obtain marketing approval and achieve product sales. In addition, our product candidates, if approved, may not achieve commercial success. Our commercial revenues, if any, will be derived from sales of products that we do not expect to be commercially available for many years, if at all. Accordingly, we will need to continue to rely on additional financing to achieve our business objectives. Adequate additional financing may not be available to us on acceptable terms, or at all.

***If we engage in acquisitions or future strategic partnerships, this may increase our capital requirements, dilute our shareholders, cause us to incur debt or assume contingent liabilities, and subject us to other risks.***

We may evaluate various acquisitions and strategic partnerships in the future, including licensing or acquiring complementary product candidates, intellectual property rights, technologies or businesses. Any acquisition or strategic partnership may entail numerous risks, including:

- increased operating expenses and cash requirements;
- the assumption of indebtedness or contingent liabilities;
- the issuance of our equity securities which would result in dilution to our shareholders;

- assimilation of operations, intellectual property, products and product candidates of an acquired company, including difficulties associated with integrating new personnel;
- the diversion of our management's attention from our existing product programs and initiatives in pursuing such an acquisition or strategic partnership;
- retention of key employees, the loss of key personnel, and uncertainties in our ability to maintain key business relationships;
- risks and uncertainties associated with the other party to such a transaction, including the prospects of that party and their existing products or product candidates to achieve marketing authorizations; and
- our inability to generate revenue from acquired intellectual property, technology and/or products sufficient to meet our objectives or even to offset the associated transaction and maintenance costs.

In addition, if we undertake such a transaction, we may assume or incur debt obligations, incur large one-time expenses and acquire intangible assets that could result in significant future amortization expense.

***Our limited operating history may make it difficult for you to evaluate the success of our business to date and to assess our future viability.***

We are a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company with no approved products and a limited operating history. Our operations to date have been limited to organizing and staffing our company, business planning, raising capital, filing patent applications, identifying potential product candidates, undertaking preclinical studies, in-licensing product candidates for development, and establishing arrangements with third parties for the manufacture of initial quantities of our product candidates and component materials, as well as sponsoring and conducting clinical trials up to Phase 2b. We have not yet demonstrated our ability to successfully complete clinical trials beyond Phase 2b, obtain marketing approvals, manufacture a commercial-scale product or arrange for a third party to do so on our behalf, or conduct sales, marketing and distribution activities necessary for successful product commercialization. Consequently, any predictions you make about our future success or viability may not be as accurate as they could be if we had a longer operating history.

In addition, as a young business, we may encounter unforeseen expenses, difficulties, complications, delays and other known and unknown factors. We will need to transition at some point from a company with a research and development focus to a company capable of supporting additional commercial activities. We may not be successful in such a transition.

***Raising additional capital may cause dilution to our shareholders, including purchasers of ordinary shares (represented by ADSs) in this offering, restrict our operations or require us to relinquish rights to our technologies or product candidates.***

We expect our expenses to increase in connection with our planned operations. Unless and until we can generate a substantial amount of revenue from our product candidates, we expect to finance our future cash needs through public or private equity offerings, debt financings, collaborations, licensing arrangements or other sources, or any combination of the foregoing. In addition, we may seek additional capital due to favorable market conditions or strategic considerations, even if we believe that we have sufficient funds for our current or future operating plans.

To the extent that we raise additional capital through the sale of ordinary shares, convertible securities or other equity securities, your ownership interest may be diluted, and the terms of these securities could include liquidation or other preferences and anti-dilution protections that could adversely affect your rights as a common shareholder. In addition, debt financing, if available, may result in fixed payment obligations and may involve agreements that include restrictive covenants that limit our ability to take specific actions, such as incurring additional debt, making capital expenditures, creating liens, redeeming shares or declaring dividends, that could adversely impact our ability to conduct our business. In addition, securing financing

could require a substantial amount of time and attention from our management and may divert a disproportionate amount of their attention away from day-to-day activities, which may adversely affect our management's ability to oversee the development of our product candidates.

If we raise additional funds through collaborations, strategic alliances, distribution or licensing arrangements with third parties, we may have to relinquish valuable rights to our technologies, future revenue streams or product candidates or grant licenses on terms that may not be favorable to us. If we are unable to raise additional funds when needed, we would be required to delay, limit, reduce or terminate our product development or future commercialization efforts or grant rights to develop and market product candidates that we would otherwise prefer to develop and market ourselves.

## **Risks Related to Our Business and Industry**

### Risks Related to Clinical Development

***If we are unable to advance our current or future product candidates into and through clinical trials, obtain marketing approval and ultimately commercialize any product candidates we develop, or experience significant delays in doing so, our business will be materially harmed.***

All of our product candidates are in early stages of development, including our lead product candidates, VTP-300, VTP-200, VTP-850 and VTP-600, and as such will require extensive preclinical and clinical testing, as applicable. Product candidates may not meet targeted clinical or safety endpoints during clinical trials such as the MVA-based influenza prophylactic, VTP-100, which did not meet defined primary clinical endpoints in two concurrent Phase 2b trials and we subsequently discontinued further development of this program. Our ability to generate product revenues, which we do not expect to occur for several years, if ever, will depend heavily on the successful development and eventual commercialization or out-license of the product candidates we develop, which may never occur. Before we are able to generate any revenues from product sales, our current product candidates, and any future product candidates we develop, will require additional preclinical and clinical development, management of clinical, preclinical and manufacturing activities, marketing approval in the United States and other markets, demonstrating effectiveness to pricing and reimbursement authorities, obtaining sufficient manufacturing supply for both clinical development and commercial production, building of a commercial organization, and substantial investment and significant marketing efforts. The success of our current and future product candidates will depend on several factors, including the following:

- successful completion, with sufficient efficacy and safety profiles, of preclinical studies and clinical trials;
- sufficiency of our financial and other resources to complete the necessary preclinical studies and clinical trials;
- acceptance of INDs or equivalent clinical trial authorizations in other regions for our planned clinical trials or future clinical trials;
- successful enrollment and completion of our ongoing and future clinical trials, including any delays in enrollment or completed due to the COVID-19 pandemic;
- sufficient data from our clinical program that support an acceptable risk-benefit profile of our product candidates in the intended populations;
- receipt and maintenance of marketing authorizations from applicable regulatory authorities;
- scale-up of our manufacturing processes and formulation of our product candidates for later stages of development and commercialization;
- establishing our own manufacturing capabilities or agreements with third-party manufacturers for clinical supply for our clinical trials and commercial manufacturing, if our product candidate is approved;
- ability to develop product candidate formulations that provide sufficient genetic and thermal stability for long term storage and shipment to meet market requirements;



- entry into collaborations, where needed, to further the development of our product candidates;
- obtaining and maintaining patent and trade secret protection or regulatory exclusivity for our product candidates;
- successfully launching commercial sales of our product candidates, if and when approved;
- acceptance of the product candidate's benefits and uses, if and when approved, by patients, the medical community and third-party payors;
- the prevalence and severity of adverse events experienced with our product candidates;
- maintaining a continued acceptable benefit/risk profile of the product candidates following authorization;
- effectively competing with other therapies, including new therapies that may be developed and approved;
- obtaining and maintaining healthcare coverage and adequate reimbursement from third-party payors;
- qualifying for, maintaining, enforcing and defending intellectual property rights and claims; and
- the risk that foreign regulatory authorities may not authorize our clinical trial protocols and other clinical trial documentation, including manufacturing documentation, even when previously authorized by the FDA, EMA or MHRA, which could lead to a delay in starting such clinical trials. For example, we intend to conduct our HBV002 clinical trial in South Korea and have experienced delays due to additional regulatory review of our clinical protocol. We have limited experience obtaining such approvals in foreign jurisdictions and therefore may need more time to navigate the regulatory process as a result.

We do not have complete control over many of these factors, including certain aspects of clinical development and the regulatory submission process, potential threats to our intellectual property rights and the manufacturing, marketing, distribution and sales efforts of any future collaborator. If we are not successful with respect to one or more of these factors in a timely manner or at all, we could experience significant delays or an inability to successfully commercialize the product candidates we develop, which would materially harm our business. We have no control over third-party use of ChAdOx and MVA technologies outside of our exclusively licensed field under license from OUI, and such third-party use could have a negative impact on our ability to develop current and future product candidates, which would materially harm our business.

***Clinical development involves a lengthy and expensive process with an uncertain outcome, and results of earlier preclinical studies and clinical trials may not be predictive of future clinical trial results. We may encounter substantial delays in clinical trials, or may not be able to conduct or complete clinical trials on the expected timelines, if at all. If our preclinical studies and clinical trials are not sufficient to support marketing authorization of any of our product candidates, we may incur additional costs or experience delays in completing, or ultimately be unable to complete, the development of such product candidate.***

We may experience delays in obtaining the FDA's authorization to initiate clinical trials under future INDs, completing ongoing preclinical studies of our other product candidates, and initiating our planned preclinical studies and clinical trials. Additionally, we cannot be certain that preclinical studies or clinical trials for our product candidates will begin on time, not require redesign, enroll an adequate number of participants on time, or be completed on schedule, if at all. We may experience numerous adverse or unforeseen events during, or as a result of, preclinical studies and clinical trials that could delay or prevent our ability to receive marketing authorization or commercialize our product candidates, including:

- we may receive feedback from regulatory authorities that requires us to modify the design of our clinical trials;
- new treatments may become standard of care during the process of completing a clinical trial, which may impact the initial clinical trial design or future patient care pathways;

- significant changes in relevant regulatory requirements may cause a delay in the start of a clinical trial, due to additional requirements needing to be met;
- clinical trials of our product candidates may produce negative or inconclusive results, and we may decide, or regulators may require us, to conduct additional clinical trials or abandon our research efforts for our other product candidates;
- clinical trials of our product candidates may not produce differentiated or clinically significant results across infectious diseases and cancers;
- the number of participants required for clinical trials of our product candidates may be larger than we anticipate, enrollment in these clinical trials may be slower than we anticipate or participants may drop out of our clinical trials at a higher rate than we anticipate;
- our third-party contractors may fail to comply with regulatory requirements, fail to maintain adequate quality controls or be unable to provide us with sufficient or timely product supply to conduct and complete preclinical studies or clinical trials of our product candidates in a timely manner, or at all;
- we or our investigators might have to suspend or terminate clinical trials of our product candidates for various reasons, including non-compliance with regulatory requirements, a finding that our product candidates have undesirable side effects or other unexpected characteristics or a finding that the participants are being exposed to unacceptable health risks;
- the cost of clinical trials of our product candidates may be greater than we anticipate, for example, if we experience delays or challenges in identifying participants with the eligibility criteria required for our clinical trials, we may have to reimburse sites for the cost of testing of additional participants in order to encourage enrollment of additional participants;
- the quality of our product candidates or other materials necessary to conduct preclinical studies or clinical trials of our product candidates may be insufficient or inadequate, and any transfer of manufacturing activities may require unforeseen manufacturing or formulation changes;
- regulators may revise the requirements for approving our product candidates, or such requirements may not be as we anticipate; and
- future collaborators may conduct clinical trials in ways they view as advantageous to them but that are suboptimal for us.

In addition, the ChAdOx vectors are currently evaluated in clinical trials outside of our licensed fields conducted by the University of Oxford and other third parties to which OUI has granted licenses, including trials conducted by AstraZeneca for AZD1222. We have no control over these other clinical trials and any adverse results in these clinical trials could impact public perception and regulatory approval of our product candidates. Even after any of our product candidates obtain regulatory marketing authorization, the announcement of adverse events observed in individuals who receive these products may impact public perception and may result in increased regulatory scrutiny across our platform. For example, in March 2021, several countries announced plans to either temporarily suspend the use of a particular batch of AZD1222 or the use of AZD1222 altogether following reports of thromboembolic events in people following vaccination. While the European Medicines Agency, or the EMA, subsequently issued an update confirming the overall risk-benefit profile of AZD1222 remains positive, the agency requested that unusual blood clots with low platelets be listed as very rare side effects of AZD1222 in the vaccine's labeling. The EMA, the UK's Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency, and the World Health Organization, along with individual EU Member States, continue to assess available safety data as AZD1222 continues to be administered, and these recommendations may change. Several countries have announced their intentions to resume use of AZD1222, although some countries have limited its use in certain age groups. These types of announcements may affect public perception of the safety of AZD1222, and this perception may extend to product candidates we are developing. In addition, published studies have indicated that AZD1222 has a lower efficacy against certain variants of COVID-19, including the B.1.351 variant of COVID-19, which was first observed predominantly in South Africa, and the B117 variant, which was first observed in the United Kingdom in late 2020, but have since spread to other

geographies. As a result, the use of the AZD1222 vaccine has been stopped in South Africa. Perception about the efficacy of AZD1222 may also impact perception of our product candidates. Additionally, these announcements may lead to additional inquiries or scrutiny from regulators on whether similar events have been observed with our other candidates.

If we are required to conduct additional clinical trials or other testing of our product candidates beyond those that we currently contemplate, if we are unable to successfully complete clinical trials of our product candidates or other testing, if the results of these trials or tests are not positive or are only moderately positive or if there are safety concerns, our business and results of operations may be adversely affected and we may incur significant additional costs.

We could also encounter delays if a clinical trial is suspended or terminated by us, by the Institutional Review Boards, or IRBs, or ethics committees of the institutions in which such clinical trials are being conducted, or by the FDA or other regulatory authorities, or suspended or terminated based on recommendations by the Data Safety Monitoring Board or equivalent for such clinical trial. Such authorities may suspend or terminate a clinical trial due to a number of factors, including failure to conduct the clinical trial in accordance with regulatory requirements or our clinical trial protocols, inspection of the clinical trial operations or trial site by the FDA or other regulatory authorities resulting in the imposition of a clinical hold, unforeseen safety issues or adverse side effects, failure to demonstrate a benefit from the product candidates, changes in governmental regulations or administrative actions or lack of adequate funding to continue the clinical trial. In addition, any disclosure of negative data of clinical trials being conducted by our collaborators could have an adverse impact on our business.

Moreover, principal investigators for our future clinical trials may serve as scientific advisors or consultants to us from time to time and receive compensation in connection with such services. Under certain circumstances, we may be required to report some of these relationships to the FDA or comparable foreign regulatory authorities. The FDA or comparable foreign regulatory authority may conclude that a financial relationship between us and a principal investigator has created a conflict of interest or otherwise affected interpretation of the clinical trial. The FDA or comparable foreign regulatory authority may therefore question the integrity of the data generated at the applicable clinical trial site and the utility of the clinical trial itself may be jeopardized. This could result in a delay in approval, or rejection, of our marketing applications by the FDA or comparable foreign regulatory authority, as the case may be, and may ultimately lead to the denial of marketing approval of one or more of our product candidates.

If we experience delays in the completion of any preclinical study or clinical trial of our product candidates, or our preclinical studies or clinical trials are terminated, the commercial prospects of our product candidates may be harmed, and our ability to generate revenues from any of these product candidates will be delayed or not realized at all. In addition, any delays in completing our preclinical studies or clinical trials may increase our costs, slow down our product candidate development and authorization procedure and jeopardize our ability to commence product sales and generate revenues. Any of these occurrences may significantly harm our business, financial condition and prospects. In addition, many of the factors that cause, or lead to, a delay in the commencement or completion of clinical trials may also ultimately lead to the denial of marketing authorization for our product candidates. If one or more of our product candidates generally prove to be ineffective, unsafe or commercially unviable, our entire pipeline may have little, if any, value, which would have a material and adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

***Interim, “topline,” and preliminary data from our clinical trials that we announce or publish from time to time may change as more participant data become available and are subject to audit and verification procedures that could result in material changes in the final data.***

From time to time, we may publicly disclose preliminary or topline data from our preclinical studies and clinical trials, which is based on a preliminary analysis of then-available data, and the results and related findings and conclusions are subject to change following a more comprehensive review of the more complete data related to the particular study or trial. We also make assumptions, estimations, calculations and conclusions as part of our analyses of data, and we may not have received or had the opportunity to fully and carefully evaluate all data. As a result, the topline or preliminary results that we report may differ from future results of the same studies or clinical trials, or different conclusions or considerations may

qualify such results, once additional data have been received and fully evaluated. Topline data also remain subject to audit and verification procedures that may result in the final data being materially different from the preliminary data we previously published. As a result, topline data should be viewed with caution until the final data are available. From time to time, we may also disclose interim data from our clinical trials. Interim data from clinical trials that we may complete are subject to the risk that one or more of the clinical outcomes may materially change as participant enrollment continues and more participant data become available or as participants from our clinical trials continue other treatments for their disease. Adverse differences between preliminary or interim data and final data could significantly harm our business prospects. Further, disclosure of interim data by us or by our competitors could result in volatility in the price of our ADSs after this offering.

In addition, the ChAdOx vectors are currently evaluated in clinical trials conducted by Oxford and other third parties to which the University of Oxford has granted licenses, including trials conducted by AstraZeneca for AZD1222. We have no control over these other clinical trials and any adverse results in these clinical trials could impact public perception and regulatory approval of our product candidates. The information these third parties choose to publicly disclose regarding a particular study or clinical trial is based on what is typically extensive information, and you or others may not agree with what these third parties determine is material or otherwise appropriate information to include in their disclosure.

Further, others, including regulatory authorities, may not accept or agree with our assumptions, estimates, calculations, conclusions or analyses or may interpret or weigh the importance of data differently, which could impact the value of the particular program, the approvability or commercialization of the particular product candidate or product and our company in general. In addition, the information we choose to publicly disclose regarding a particular study or clinical trial is based on what is typically extensive information, and you or others may not agree with what we determine is material or otherwise appropriate information to include in our disclosure.

If the interim, topline, or preliminary data that we report differ from more complete results, or if others, including regulatory authorities, disagree with the conclusions reached, our ability to obtain marketing authorization for, and commercialize, our product candidates may be harmed, which could harm our business, operating results, prospects or financial condition.

***Our product candidates are based on a novel approach to the treatment of cancer, which makes it difficult to predict the time and cost of product candidate development.***

We have concentrated our research and development efforts on our proprietary platform to develop product candidates that stimulate powerful, targeted immune responses against pathogens and tumor cells, which is a novel approach. Our future success depends on the successful development of this platform. There can be no assurance that any development problems we experience in the future will not cause significant delays or unanticipated costs, or that such development problems can be solved. Should we encounter development problems, including unfavorable preclinical or clinical trial results, the FDA or foreign regulatory authorities may refuse to approve our product candidates, or may require additional information, tests, or trials, which could significantly delay product development and significantly increase our development costs. Moreover, even if we are able to provide the requested information or trials to the FDA, there would be no guarantee that the FDA would accept them or approve our product candidates. We may also experience delays in developing a sustainable, reproducible and scalable manufacturing process, or developing other testing and manufacturing methods, which may prevent us from completing our clinical trials or commercializing our product candidates on a timely or profitable basis, if at all.

In addition, the clinical trial requirements of the FDA and comparable foreign regulatory authorities and the criteria these regulators use to determine the safety and efficacy of a product candidate vary substantially according to the type, complexity, novelty and intended use and market of the potential products. The FDA and comparable foreign regulatory authorities have limited experience with the approval of novel immunotherapies. Any novel immunotherapies that are approved may be subject to extensive post-approval regulatory requirements, including requirements pertaining to manufacturing, distribution and promotion. We may need to devote significant time and resources to compliance with these requirements.

***Difficulty in enrolling participants could delay or prevent clinical trials of our product candidates and prevent us from realizing the full commercial potential of any products we may develop.***

Identifying and qualifying participants to participate in clinical trials of our product candidates is critical to our success. The timing of completion of our clinical trials depends in part on the speed at which we can recruit participants to participate in testing our product candidates, and we may experience delays in our clinical trials if we encounter difficulties in enrollment. We may not be able to initiate or continue clinical trials for our product candidates if we are unable to locate and enroll a sufficient number of eligible participants to participate in these trials as required by the FDA, the EMA or other foreign regulatory authorities. For example, randomized clinical controlled trials for Middle East respiratory syndrome, or MERS, are difficult due to the sporadic and low incidence of cases. Our ability to enroll participants may be significantly delayed by the evolving COVID-19 pandemic and we do not know the extent and scope of such delays at this point. The initiation of our Phase 1/2a clinical trial for VTP-200 and our Phase 1 clinical trial for VTP-500, which are being conducted at the University of Oxford sites, have been delayed and paused, respectively due to COVID-19. We cannot anticipate the next pandemic or how that may or may not impact future clinical trial enrollment. In addition, some of our competitors have ongoing clinical trials for product candidates that treat the same indications as our product candidates, and participants who would otherwise be eligible for our clinical trials may instead enroll in clinical trials of our competitors' product candidates.

The enrollment of patients and participants further depends on many factors, including:

- the phase of clinical testing;
- the proximity of participants to clinical trial sites;
- the increased inconvenience to patients by participating in a clinical trial, such as increased doctor visits, missed work, travel costs and time;
- the design of the clinical trial, including the number of site visits, whether the clinical trial includes a placebo arm and invasive assessments required;
- our ability to recruit clinical trial investigators with the appropriate competencies and experience;
- our ability to obtain and maintain participant consents;
- reporting of the preliminary results of any of our clinical trials;
- the risk that some or all of the patients that receive AZD1222 develop neutralizing antibodies against ChAdOx, which could limit the immunogenicity from subsequent dosing with one of our product candidates;
- the risk that participants enrolled in clinical trials will drop out of the clinical trials before clinical trial completion; and
- factors we may not be able to control, such as current or potential pandemics that may limit participants, principal investigators or staff or clinical site availability (*e.g.*, the COVID-19 pandemic).

Since the number of qualified clinical investigators is limited, we expect to conduct some of our clinical trials at the same clinical trial sites that some of our competitors use, which will reduce the number of participants who are available for our clinical trials at such clinical trial sites. Moreover, because certain of our product candidates represent a departure from more commonly used methods for cancer treatment and because certain of our product candidates have not been tested in humans before, potential participants and their doctors may be inclined to use conventional therapies, such as chemotherapy, rather than enroll participants in any future clinical trial.

If we experience delays in the completion or termination of any clinical trial of our product candidates, the commercial prospects of our product candidates will be harmed, and our ability to generate product revenue from any of these product candidates could be delayed or prevented.

***Our product candidates may cause serious adverse events, serious side effects or have other properties that could halt their clinical development, prevent their marketing authorization, require expansion of the trial size, limit their commercial potential or result in significant negative consequences.***

Serious side effects caused by our product candidates could cause us or regulatory authorities, including IRBs and ethics committees, to interrupt, delay or halt clinical trials and could result in a more restrictive label or the delay or denial of marketing authorization by the FDA, the EMA or other comparable foreign regulatory authorities. Further, clinical trials by their nature utilize a sample of the potential patient population. Because of our dose escalation design for our clinical trials, undesirable side effects in initial cohorts could also result in the need to expand the size of our clinical trials, increasing the expected costs and timeline of our clinical trials. Additionally, because certain of our product candidates, including AZD1222, will be administered to substantial numbers of participants on a more rapid basis than is standard in clinical trials, undesirable side effects could result in a negative impact across a larger participant population. Results of our trials could reveal a high and unacceptable severity and prevalence of side effects or unexpected characteristics. If we do observe serious side effects in our clinical trials, our ongoing clinical trials may be halted or put on clinical hold prior to completion if there is an unacceptable safety risk for participants.

If unacceptable toxicities arise in the development of our product candidates, we could suspend or terminate our trials or the FDA, the EMA or other comparable foreign regulatory authorities, or local regulatory authorities such as IRBs or ethics committees, could order us to cease clinical trials. Competent national health authorities, such as the FDA, could also deny approval of our product candidates for any or all targeted indications. Even if the side effects presented do not preclude the product from obtaining or maintaining marketing authorization, treatment-related side effects could also affect participant recruitment or the ability of enrolled participants to complete the trial or result in potential product liability claims. In addition, these side effects may not be appropriately recognized or managed by the treating medical staff.

***We intend to develop certain of our product candidates in combination with other therapies, which exposes us to additional risks.***

We intend to develop certain of our product candidates in combination with one or more other approved therapies, such as anti-PD-1 antibodies and other checkpoint inhibitors to treat certain cancers and chronic infections. Even if any product candidate we develop were to receive marketing authorization or be commercialized for use in combination with other existing therapies, we would continue to be subject to the risks that the FDA, the EMA or comparable foreign regulatory authorities outside of the United States could revoke approval of the therapy used in combination with our product or that safety, efficacy, manufacturing or supply issues could arise with any of those existing therapies. If the therapies we use in combination with our product candidates are replaced as the standard of care for the indications we choose for any of our product candidates, the FDA, the EMA or comparable foreign regulatory authorities may require us to conduct additional clinical trials. The occurrence of any of these risks could result in our own products, if approved, being removed from the market or being less successful commercially.

We also may choose to evaluate our current product candidates and any other future product candidates in combination with one or more therapies that have not yet been approved for marketing by the FDA, the EMA or comparable foreign regulatory authorities. We will not be able to market and sell our current product candidates or any product candidate we develop in combination with any unapproved therapies for a combination indication if that unapproved therapy does not ultimately obtain marketing approval either alone or in combination with our product. In addition, unapproved therapies face the same risks described with respect to our product candidates currently in development and clinical trials, including the potential for serious adverse effects, delay in their clinical trials and lack of FDA approval.

If the FDA, the EMA or comparable foreign regulatory authorities do not approve these other products or revoke their approval of, or if safety, efficacy, quality, manufacturing or supply issues arise with, the products we choose to evaluate in combination with our product candidate we develop, we may be unable to obtain approval of or market such combination therapy.

**Risks Related to Our Approach**

***The market opportunities for certain of our oncology product candidates may be relatively small as it may be limited to those patients who are ineligible for or have failed prior treatments and our estimates of the prevalence of our target patient populations may be inaccurate.***

Cancer therapies are sometimes characterized by line of therapy (first line, second line, third line, fourth line, etc.), and the regulatory authorities, including the FDA, often approve new therapies initially only for a particular line or lines of use. When cancer is detected early enough, first line therapy is sometimes adequate to cure the cancer or prolong life without a cure. Whenever first line therapy, usually chemotherapy, antibody drugs, tumor-targeted small molecules, hormone therapy, radiation therapy, surgery, or a combination of these, proves unsuccessful, second line therapy may be administered. Second line therapies often consist of more chemotherapy, radiation, antibody drugs, tumor-targeted small molecules, or a combination of these. Third line therapies can include chemotherapy, antibody drugs and small molecule tumor-targeted therapies, more invasive forms of surgery and new technologies. We expect to seek approval of VTP-600 as a first line therapy but we expect to seek approval of our other oncology product candidates initially as second or third line therapy, for use in patients with relapsed or refractory metastatic cancer. Subsequently, for those product candidates that prove to be sufficiently safe and beneficial as third line or second line therapies, if any, we would expect to seek approval as earlier line therapies, but there is no guarantee that our product candidates, even if approved as a second or third line of therapy, would be approved for an earlier line of therapy, and, prior to any such approvals, we may have to conduct additional clinical trials.

Our projections of both the number of people who have the infectious diseases and cancers we are targeting, as well as the subset of people with these infectious diseases and cancers in a position to receive a particular line of therapy and who have the potential to benefit from treatment with our product candidates, are based on our beliefs and estimates. These estimates have been derived from a variety of sources, including scientific literature, commissioned reports, surveys of clinics, patient foundations or market research, and may prove to be incorrect. Further, new therapies may change the estimated incidence or prevalence of these cancers and chronic infections. The number of patients may turn out to be lower than expected. Additionally, the potentially addressable patient population for our product candidates may be limited or may not be amenable to treatment with our product candidates. Even if we obtain significant market share for our product candidates within our addressable patient population, because the potential target populations are small, we may never achieve profitability without obtaining marketing authorization for additional indications, including use as first or second line therapy.

***Negative developments in the field of infectious disease and immuno-oncology could damage public perception of any of our product candidates and negatively affect our business.***

The commercial success of our product candidates will depend in part on public acceptance of the use of immunotherapies and vector-based viral vaccines. Adverse events in clinical trials of VTP-300 and VTP-200, or in clinical trials of others developing similar products and the resulting publicity, as well as any other negative developments in the field of infectious disease and immuno-oncology that may occur in the future, including in connection with competitor therapies, could result in a decrease in demand for any product candidates that we may develop. These events could also result in the suspension, discontinuation, or clinical hold of or modification to our clinical trials. If public perception may be influenced by claims that the use of cancer immunotherapies is unsafe, whether related to our therapies or those of our competitors, our product candidates may not be accepted by the general public or the medical community and potential clinical trial participants may be discouraged from enrolling in our clinical trials. In addition, responses by national or state governments to negative public perception may result in new legislation or regulations that could limit our ability to develop or commercialize any product candidates, obtain or maintain marketing authorization or otherwise achieve profitability. More restrictive statutory regimes, government regulations or negative public opinion would have an adverse effect on our business, financial condition, prospects and results of operations and may delay or impair the development and commercialization of our product candidates or demand for any products we may develop. As a result, we may not be able to continue or may be delayed in conducting our development programs.

Our present product candidates consist of modified viruses. Adverse developments in clinical trials of other immunotherapy products based on viruses, such as oncolytic viruses, may result in a disproportionately negative effect for our platform as compared to other products in the field of infectious disease and

immuno-oncology that are not based on viruses. Future negative developments in the biopharmaceutical industry could also result in greater governmental regulation, stricter labeling requirements and potential regulatory delays in the testing or approvals of our products. Any increased scrutiny could delay or increase the costs of obtaining marketing approval for our product candidates.

***We may not be successful in our efforts to identify and successfully commercialize additional product candidates.***

Part of our strategy involves researching and developing novel product candidates. We have developed a pipeline of product candidates and intend to pursue clinical development of additional product candidates. The process by which we identify product candidates may fail to yield product candidates for clinical development for a number of reasons, including those discussed in these risk factors and also:

- we may not be able to assemble sufficient resources to acquire or discover additional product candidates;
- competitors may develop alternatives that render our potential product candidates obsolete or less attractive;
- potential product candidates we develop may nevertheless be covered by third parties' patents or other exclusive rights;
- potential product candidates may, on further study, be shown to have harmful side effects, toxicities or other characteristics that indicate that they are unlikely to be products that will receive marketing approval and achieve market acceptance;
- potential product candidates may not be effective in treating their targeted diseases or symptoms;
- the market for a potential product candidate may change so that the continued development of that product candidate is no longer reasonable;
- a potential product candidate may not be capable of being produced in commercial quantities at an acceptable cost, or at all; or
- the regulatory pathway for a potential product candidate is highly complex and difficult to navigate successfully or economically.

Developing, obtaining marketing authorization for and commercializing additional product candidates will require substantial additional funding beyond the net proceeds of this offering and is prone to the risks of failure inherent in medical product development. We cannot provide you any assurance that we will be able to successfully advance any of these additional product candidates through the development process.

***We may expend our limited resources to pursue a particular product candidate or indication and fail to capitalize on product candidates or indications that may be more profitable or for which there is a greater likelihood of success.***

We may choose to focus our efforts on and allocate resources to a potential product candidate that ultimately proves to be unsuccessful, or to license or purchase a marketed product that does not meet our financial expectations. As a result, we may fail to capitalize on viable commercial products or profitable market opportunities, be required to forego or delay pursuit of opportunities with other product candidates or other diseases that may later prove to have greater commercial potential, or relinquish valuable rights to such product candidates through collaboration, licensing or other royalty arrangements in cases in which it would have been advantageous for us to retain sole development and commercialization rights. Our spending on current and future research and development programs and product candidates for specific indications may not yield any commercially viable products. If we are unable to evaluate the commercial potential or target market for a particular product candidate, identify and successfully commercialize additional suitable product candidates, this would adversely impact our business strategy and our financial position.

**Risks Related to Sales, Marketing and Competition**



***We face substantial competition in an environment of rapid technological change, which may result in others discovering, developing, obtaining marketing authorization approval or commercializing products before or more successfully than we do, which may adversely affect our financial condition and our ability to successfully market or commercialize our product candidates.***

The biotechnology and pharmaceutical industries utilize rapidly advancing technologies and are characterized by intense competition. While we believe that our scientific knowledge, platform technology and development expertise provide us with competitive advantages, we face potential competition from many different sources, including major pharmaceuticals, specialty pharmaceuticals and biotechnology companies, academic institutions and government agencies, as well as public and private research institutes that conduct research, development, manufacturing and commercialization. Many of our competitors have significantly greater financial resources and expertise in research and development, manufacturing, preclinical testing, marketing authorizations and product marketing than we do. In addition, many of these competitors are active in seeking patent protection and licensing arrangements in anticipation of collecting royalties for use of technology that they have developed. Our competitors may compete with us in recruiting and retaining qualified scientific and management personnel and establishing clinical trial sites and participant registration for clinical trials, as well as in acquiring technologies complementary to, or necessary for, our programs. As a result, our competitors may discover, develop, license or commercialize products before or more successfully than we do.

Product candidates that we successfully develop and commercialize will compete with existing therapies and new therapies that may become available in the future. Specifically, we expect that our product candidates will compete against alternative or more conventional approaches, including antivirals, immune modulators, siRNA, CRISPR editing, capsid inhibitors, novel entry inhibitors, or other small molecules, RNA, DNA, nanoparticle, VLP, peptide, protein, whole-killed or other vaccine technologies.

If our product candidates are approved for the indications for which we are currently conducting or planning clinical trials, they will likely compete with the competitor products mentioned above and with other products that are currently in development. Key product features that would affect our ability to effectively compete with other therapeutics include the efficacy, safety, formulation, stability and convenience of our products. Our competitors may obtain patent protection or other intellectual property rights that limit our ability to develop or commercialize our product candidates. The availability of reimbursement from government and other third-party payors will also significantly affect the pricing and competitiveness of our products. Our competitors may also obtain marketing authorizations from the FDA or other regulatory authorities for their products more rapidly than we may obtain approval for ours, which could result in our competitors establishing a strong market position before we are able to enter the market. For additional information regarding our competition, see “Business—Competition.”

#### **Risks Related to the Development of Our Product Candidates**

***The outbreak of the novel coronavirus disease, COVID-19, has adversely impacted our business and we expect will continue to adversely impact some aspects of our business, including our preclinical studies and clinical trials.***

In December 2019, a novel strain of the coronavirus disease, COVID-19, was identified in Wuhan, China. This virus has since spread globally and in March 2020, the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a pandemic. The pandemic and government measures taken in response have also had a significant impact, both direct and indirect, on businesses and commerce, as worker shortages have occurred; supply chains have been disrupted; facilities and production have been suspended; and demand for certain goods and services, such as medical services and supplies, has spiked, while demand for other goods and services, such as travel, has fallen. In response to the spread of COVID-19, we have mandated that our non-laboratory based employees, such as clinical, manufacturing, finance, administrative, quality, regulatory and program managers continue their work outside of our offices and limited the number of staff in any given research and development laboratory at any time. The initiation of our Phase 1/2a clinical trial for VTP-200 and our Phase 1 clinical trial for VTP-500, which are being conducted at the University of Oxford sites, have been delayed and paused, respectively, due to COVID-19. In addition, we have experienced and we expect to continue to experience disruptions as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic that could severely impact our business, preclinical studies and clinical trials, including:

- continued delays or difficulties in enrolling and retaining participants in our clinical trials;
- continued delays or difficulties in clinical site initiation, including difficulties in recruiting clinical site investigators and clinical site staff;
- delays in receiving authorizations from regulatory authorities to initiate our planned clinical trials;
- diversion of healthcare resources away from the conduct of clinical trials, including the diversion of hospitals serving as our clinical trial sites and hospital staff supporting the conduct of our clinical trials;
- interruption of key clinical trial activities, such as clinical trial site data monitoring, due to limitations on travel imposed or recommended by federal or state governments, employers and others or interruption of clinical trial participant visits and trial procedures (such as endoscopies that are deemed non-essential), which may impact the integrity of participant data and clinical trial endpoints;
- risk that participants enrolled in our clinical trials will contract COVID-19 while the clinical trial is ongoing, which could impact the results of the clinical trial, including by increasing the number of observed adverse events;
- interruption or delays in the operations of the FDA or other regulatory authorities, which may impact review and approval timelines;
- interruption of, or delays in receiving, supplies of our product candidates from our contract manufacturing organizations due to staffing shortages, production slowdowns or stoppages, disruptions in delivery systems and the diversion of resources to prioritize manufacturing products that are related to treating or preventing COVID-19;
- increased price and longer lead time for our raw material requirements in response to the large-scale production of AZD1222;
- increased price and longer lead time for quality control and manufacturing slots due to delays in production of reagents and lack of capacity at specialized testing laboratories;
- interruptions in preclinical studies due to restricted or limited operations at our laboratory facility and those of our sub-contractors;
- delays in necessary interactions with local regulators, ethics committees and other important agencies and contractors due to limitations in employee resources or forced furlough of government employees;
- changes in local regulations as part of a response to the COVID-19 pandemic, which may require us to change the ways in which our clinical trials are conducted, which may result in unexpected costs, or to discontinue such clinical trials altogether;
- limitations on employee resources that would otherwise be focused on the conduct of our preclinical studies and clinical trials, including because of sickness of employees or their families or the desire of employees to avoid contact with large groups of people; and
- interruption or delays to our sourced discovery and clinical activities.

The global COVID-19 pandemic continues to rapidly evolve. The extent to which COVID-19 impacts our business, results of operations and financial condition will depend on future developments, which are highly uncertain and cannot be predicted with confidence, such as the ultimate geographic spread of the disease, duration of the outbreak, travel restrictions, new information that may emerge concerning the severity of COVID-19 or the effectiveness of actions taken in the United States and other countries to contain COVID-19 or treat its impact, among others. We cannot presently predict the scope and severity of any potential business shutdowns or disruptions, but if we or any of the third parties with whom we engage,

including the suppliers, clinical trial sites, service providers, regulators and other third parties with whom we conduct business, were to experience prolonged business shutdowns or other business disruptions, our ability to conduct our business in the manner and on the timelines presently planned could be materially and negatively impacted.

***Our preclinical studies and clinical trials may fail to demonstrate adequately the safety, potency, purity and efficacy of any of our product candidates, which would prevent or delay development, marketing authorization and commercialization. Furthermore, success in preclinical studies or clinical trials may not be indicative of results in future clinical trials for the same or other product candidates.***

Before obtaining marketing authorization for the commercial sale of our product candidates, we must demonstrate the safety, purity and potency of our investigational biologics for use in each target indication through lengthy, complex and expensive preclinical studies and clinical trials. Preclinical and clinical testing is expensive and can take many years to complete, and its outcome is inherently uncertain. Failure can occur at any time during the preclinical study and clinical trial processes, and, because our product candidates are in an early stage of development, there is a high risk of failure and we may never succeed in developing marketable products.

The results of preclinical studies and early clinical trials of our product candidates may not be predictive of the results of later-stage clinical trials. Although product candidates may demonstrate promising results in preclinical studies and early clinical trials, they may not prove to be effective in subsequent clinical trials. For example, testing on animals occurs under different conditions than testing in humans and therefore, the results of animal studies may not accurately predict human experience. There is typically an extremely high rate of attrition from the failure of product candidates proceeding through preclinical studies and clinical trials. Product candidates in later stages of clinical trials may fail to show the desired risk-benefit profile despite having progressed through preclinical studies and initial clinical trials. Likewise, early, smaller-scale clinical trials may not be predictive of eventual safety or effectiveness in large-scale pivotal clinical trials. VTP-100 demonstrated safety and immunogenicity during small Phase 1 clinical trials but did not demonstrate sufficient efficacy during adequately powered Phase 2b clinical trials to warrant continued development of this product candidate. A number of companies in the biopharmaceutical industry have suffered significant setbacks in later phase clinical trials due to lack of potency or efficacy, insufficient durability of potency or efficacy or unacceptable safety issues, notwithstanding promising results in earlier trials. The vast majority of product candidates that commence preclinical studies and early phase clinical trials are never approved as products.

Any preclinical studies or clinical trials that we may conduct may not demonstrate the safety, potency, purity and efficacy necessary to obtain regulatory authorization to market our product candidates. If the results of our ongoing or future preclinical studies and clinical trials are inconclusive with respect to the safety, potency, purity and efficacy of our product candidates, if we do not meet the clinical endpoints with statistical and clinically meaningful significance, or if there are safety concerns associated with our product candidates, we may be prevented or delayed in obtaining marketing authorization for certain of our product candidates. In some instances, there can be significant variability in safety, potency, purity or efficacy results between different preclinical studies and clinical trials of the same product candidate due to numerous factors, including changes in trial procedures set forth in protocols, differences in the size and type of the patient populations, changes in and adherence to the clinical trial protocols and the rate of dropout among clinical trial participants. While we have not yet initiated clinical trials for certain of our product candidates, VTP-400, VTP-850 and VTP-600, and are in early stages of clinical trials for certain of our product candidates, VTP-300, VTP-500 and VTP-200, as is the case with all novel immunotherapeutics and viral-vector based vaccines, it is likely that there may be side effects associated with their use. Results of our trials could reveal a high and unacceptable severity and prevalence of these side effects. In such an event, our trials could be suspended or terminated and the FDA or comparable foreign regulatory authorities could order us to cease further development of or deny authorization of certain of our product candidates for any or all targeted indications. Treatment-related side effects could also affect participant recruitment or the ability of enrolled participants to complete the trial or result in potential product liability claims. Any of these occurrences may harm our business, financial condition and prospects significantly.

Additionally, some of the clinical trials we conduct may be open-label in trial design and may be conducted at a limited number of clinical sites on a limited number of patients. An “open-label” clinical trial is one

where both the patient and investigator know whether the patient is receiving the investigational product candidate or either an existing approved drug or placebo. Most typically, open-label clinical trials test only the investigational product candidate and sometimes may do so at different dose levels. Open-label clinical trials are subject to various limitations that may exaggerate any therapeutic effect, as participants in open-label clinical trials are aware when they are receiving treatment. Open-label clinical trials may be subject to a “patient bias” where participants perceive their symptoms to have improved merely due to their awareness of receiving an experimental treatment. Moreover, patients selected for early clinical trials often include the most severe sufferers and their symptoms may have improved notwithstanding the new treatment. In addition, open-label clinical trials may be subject to an “investigator bias” where those assessing and reviewing the physiological outcomes of the clinical trials are aware of which patients have received treatment and may interpret the information of the treated group more favorably given this knowledge.

***Even if we obtain marketing authorization for our product candidates, the products may not gain market acceptance among physicians, patients, hospitals, cancer treatment centers and others in the medical community.***

The use of novel immunotherapeutics and viral-vector based product candidates to target the treatment and prevention of infectious diseases and cancer is a recent development and may not become broadly accepted by physicians, patients, hospitals, cancer treatment centers and others in the medical community. Various factors will influence whether our product candidates are accepted in the market, including:

- the clinical indications for which our product candidates are licensed;
- physicians, hospitals, cancer treatment centers and patients considering our product candidates as a safe and effective treatment;
- the potential and perceived advantages of our product candidates over alternative treatments, including the adoption of our treatment as the standard of care;
- our ability to demonstrate the advantages of our product candidates over other vaccines and cancer or chronic infectious disease medicines;
- the prevalence and severity of any side effects;
- the prevalence and severity of any side effects for other immunotherapeutics and public perception of other immunotherapeutics;
- the prevalence and severity of any side effects for other viral-vector based vaccines and public perception of other viral-vector based vaccines;
- product labeling or product insert requirements of the FDA or other regulatory authorities;
- limitations or warnings contained in the approved labeling;
- the timing of market introduction of our product candidates as well as competitive products;
- the cost of treatment in relation to alternative treatments;
- the availability of adequate coverage, reimbursement and pricing by third-party payors and government authorities;
- the willingness of patients to pay out-of-pocket in the absence of coverage by third-party payors and government authorities;
- relative convenience and ease of administration, including as compared to alternative treatments and competitive therapies; and
- the effectiveness of our sales and marketing efforts.

If our product candidates are licensed but fail to achieve market acceptance among physicians, patients, hospitals, cancer treatment centers or others in the medical community, we will not be able to generate significant revenue.

In addition, although our product candidates differ in certain ways from other immunotherapeutic and viral-vector based vaccine approaches, serious adverse events or deaths in other clinical trials involving immunotherapeutics and viral-vector based vaccines, even if not ultimately attributable to our product or product candidates, could result in increased government regulation, unfavorable public perception and publicity, potential regulatory delays in the testing or licensing of our product candidates, stricter labeling requirements for those product candidates that are licensed, and a decrease in demand for any such product candidates.

Even if our products achieve market acceptance, we may not be able to maintain that market acceptance over time if new products or technologies are introduced that are more favorably received than our products, are more cost effective or render our products obsolete.

***We currently have no marketing and sales organization and have no experience in marketing products. If we are unable to establish marketing and sales capabilities or enter into agreements with third parties to market and sell our product candidates, if approved, we may not be able to generate product revenue.***

We currently have no sales, marketing or distribution capabilities and have no experience in marketing products. We intend to develop an in-house marketing organization and sales force, which will require significant capital expenditures, management resources and time. We will have to compete with other pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies to recruit, hire, train and retain marketing and sales personnel. There are risks involved with both establishing our own sales and marketing capabilities and entering into arrangements with third parties to perform these services. For example, recruiting and training a sales force is expensive and time-consuming and could delay any product launch.

If we are unable or decide not to establish internal sales, marketing and distribution capabilities, we will pursue arrangements with third-party sales, marketing, and distribution collaborators regarding the sales and marketing of our products, if approved. However, there can be no assurance that we will be able to establish or maintain such arrangements on favorable terms or if at all, or if we are able to do so, that these third-party arrangements will provide effective sales forces or marketing and distribution capabilities. Any revenue we receive will depend upon the efforts of such third parties, which may not be successful. We may have little or no control over the marketing and sales efforts of such third parties and our revenue from product sales may be lower than if we had commercialized our product candidates ourselves. We also face competition in our search for third parties to assist us with the sales and marketing efforts of our product candidates.

There can be no assurance that we will be able to develop in-house sales and distribution capabilities or establish or maintain relationships with third-party collaborators to commercialize any product in the United States or overseas.

***Insurance policies are expensive and protect us only from some business risks, which leaves us exposed to significant uninsured liabilities.***

We do not carry insurance for all categories of risk that our business may encounter. Some of the policies we currently maintain include general liability, employment practices liability, property, umbrella, and directors' and officers' insurance.

Insurance coverage is becoming increasingly expensive and in the future we may not be able to maintain insurance coverage at a reasonable cost or in sufficient amounts to protect us against losses due to liability. We do not carry specific biological or hazardous waste insurance coverage, and our property, casualty and general liability insurance policies specifically exclude coverage for damages and fines arising from biological or hazardous waste exposure or contamination. Accordingly, in the event of contamination or injury, we could be held liable for damages or be penalized with fines in an amount exceeding our resources, and our clinical trials or marketing authorizations could be suspended.

We also expect that operating as a public company will make it more difficult and more expensive for us to obtain director and officer liability insurance, and we may be required to accept reduced policy limits and coverage or incur substantially higher costs to obtain the same or similar coverage. As a result, it may be more difficult for us to attract and retain qualified people to serve on our board of directors, our board

committees or as executive officers. We do not know, however, if we will be able to maintain existing insurance with adequate levels of coverage. Any significant uninsured liability may require us to pay substantial amounts, which would adversely affect our cash position and results of operations.

#### **Risks Related to Our Reliance on Third Parties**

***We rely, and expect to continue to rely, on third parties to conduct certain of our preclinical studies and clinical trials. If these third parties do not properly and successfully carry out their contractual duties or meet expected deadlines, we may not be able to obtain marketing authorizations for, or commercialize, our product candidates and our business could be substantially harmed.***

We utilize and depend, and expect to continue to utilize and depend, upon independent investigators and collaborators, such as medical institutions, contract research organizations, or CROs, contract manufacturing organizations, or CMOs, and strategic partners to conduct and support certain of our preclinical studies and clinical trials under agreements with us. For example, we are dependent on our regional partner, CanSino Biologics, to conduct a Phase 1 clinical trial of VTP-400 for herpes zoster prevention in China.

We expect to have to continue to negotiate budgets and contracts with CROs, trial sites and CMOs and we may not be able to do so on favorable terms, which may result in delays to our development timelines and increased costs. We will rely heavily on these third parties over the course of our preclinical studies and clinical trials, and we control only certain aspects of their activities. As a result, we will have less direct control over the conduct, timing and completion of these preclinical studies and clinical trials and the management of data developed through preclinical studies and clinical trials than would be the case if we were relying entirely upon our own staff. Nevertheless, we are responsible for ensuring that each of our preclinical studies and clinical trials is conducted in accordance with applicable protocol, legal and regulatory requirements and scientific standards, and our reliance on third parties does not relieve us of our regulatory responsibilities. We and these third parties are required to comply with GCP, which are regulations and guidelines enforced by the FDA and comparable foreign regulatory authorities for product candidates in clinical development. Regulatory authorities enforce GCP through periodic inspections of trial sponsors, principal investigators and trial sites. If we, or any of these third parties fail to comply with applicable GCP regulations, the clinical data generated in our clinical trials may be deemed unreliable and the FDA or comparable foreign regulatory authorities may require us to perform additional clinical trials before approving our marketing authorization applications, or MAA. We cannot assure you that, upon inspection, such regulatory authorities will determine that any of our clinical trials comply with the GCP regulations. In addition, our clinical trials must be conducted with pharmaceutical product produced under cGMP regulations and will require a large number of test participants. Our failure or any failure by these third parties to comply with these regulations or to recruit a sufficient number of participants may require us to repeat clinical trials, which would delay the marketing authorization process. Moreover, our business may be implicated if any of these third parties performing services or otherwise acting on our behalf violates federal or state fraud and abuse or false claims laws and regulations or healthcare privacy and security laws.

Any third parties conducting our clinical trials are not and will not be our employees and, except for remedies available to us under our agreements with such third parties, we cannot control whether or not they devote sufficient time and resources to our ongoing clinical and preclinical product candidates. These third parties may also have relationships with other commercial entities, including our competitors, for whom they may also be conducting clinical trials or other product development activities, which could affect their performance on our behalf. If these third parties do not successfully carry out their contractual duties or obligations or meet expected deadlines, if they need to be replaced or if the quality or accuracy of the clinical data they obtain is compromised due to the failure to adhere to our clinical protocols or regulatory requirements or for other reasons, our clinical trials may be extended, delayed or terminated and we may not be able to complete development of, obtain marketing authorization for, or successfully commercialize, our product candidates. As a result, our financial results and the commercial prospects for our product candidates would be harmed, our costs could increase and our ability to generate revenue could be delayed.

Switching or adding third parties to conduct our preclinical studies and clinical trials involves substantial cost and requires extensive management time and focus. In addition, there is a natural transition period

when a new third party commences work. As a result, delays occur, which can materially impact our ability to meet our desired clinical development timelines.

***We may form or seek additional collaborations or strategic alliances or enter into additional licensing arrangements in the future, and we may not realize the benefits of such collaborations, alliances or licensing arrangements.***

We may form or seek additional strategic alliances, create joint ventures or collaborations, or enter into additional licensing arrangements with third parties that we believe will complement or augment our development and commercialization efforts with respect to our product candidates and any future product candidates that we may develop. Any of these relationships may require us to incur non-recurring and other charges, increase our near and long-term expenditures, issue securities that dilute our existing shareholders or disrupt our management and business.

In addition, we face significant competition in seeking appropriate strategic partners and the negotiation process is time-consuming and complex. Moreover, we may not be successful in our efforts to establish a strategic partnership or other alternative arrangements for our product candidates because they may be deemed to be at too early of a stage of development for collaborative effort and third parties may not view our product candidates as having the requisite potential to demonstrate safety, potency, purity and efficacy and obtain marketing approval.

Further, collaborations involving our product candidates are subject to numerous risks, which may include the following:

- collaborators have significant discretion in determining the efforts and resources that they will apply to a collaboration;
- collaborators may not pursue development and commercialization of our product candidates or may elect not to continue or renew development or commercialization of our product candidates based on clinical trial results, changes in their strategic focus due to the acquisition of competitive products, availability of funding or other external factors, such as a business combination that diverts resources or creates competing priorities;
- collaborators may delay clinical trials, provide insufficient funding for a clinical trial, stop a clinical trial, abandon a product candidate, repeat or conduct new clinical trials or require a new formulation of a product candidate for clinical testing;
- despite agreements, collaborators may develop our product candidates to standards that only meet their local regulatory requirements and therefore clinical data cannot be applied in support regulatory submissions in other jurisdictions;
- collaborators in certain countries may require joint ventures to manufacture and commercialize products in their territory, which may increase costs, increase dilution to shareholders, and offer lack of clarity on revenue and intellectual property sharing;
- collaborators could independently develop, or develop with third parties, products that compete directly or indirectly with our product candidates;
- a collaborator with marketing and distribution rights to one or more products may not commit sufficient resources to their marketing and distribution;
- collaborators may not properly maintain or defend our intellectual property rights or may use our intellectual property or proprietary information in a way that gives rise to actual or threatened litigation that could jeopardize or invalidate our intellectual property or proprietary information or expose us to potential liability;
- disputes may arise between us and a collaborator that cause the delay or termination of the research, development or commercialization of our product candidates, or that result in costly litigation or arbitration that diverts management attention and resources;
- collaborations may be terminated and, if terminated, may result in a need for additional capital to pursue further development or commercialization of the applicable product candidates; and

- collaborators may own or co-own intellectual property covering our products that results from our collaborating with them, and in such cases, we would not have the exclusive right to commercialize such intellectual property.

As a result, if we enter into additional collaboration agreements and strategic partnerships or license our product candidates, we may not be able to realize the benefit of such transactions if we are unable to successfully integrate them with our existing operations and company culture, which could delay our timelines or otherwise adversely affect our business. We also cannot be certain that, following a strategic transaction or license, we will achieve the revenue or specific net income that justifies such transaction. Any delays in entering into new collaborations or strategic partnership agreements related to our product candidates could delay the development and commercialization of our product candidates in certain geographies for certain indications, which would harm our business prospects, financial condition and results of operations.

***We currently rely and expect to rely in the future on the use of manufacturing suites in third-party facilities or third parties to manufacture our product candidates, if approved. Our business could be harmed if we are unable to use third-party manufacturing suites or if the third party manufacturers fail to provide us with sufficient quantities of our product candidates or fail to do so at acceptable quality levels or prices.***

We do not currently own any facility that may be used as our clinical-scale manufacturing and processing facility and must currently rely on outside vendors to manufacture our product candidates. We will need to negotiate and maintain contractual arrangements with these outside vendors for the supply of our product candidates and we may not be able to do so on favorable terms. We have not yet manufactured our product candidates on a commercial scale and may not be able to do so for any of our product candidates.

Manufacturing of biological drug products is complex and requires significant expertise and capital investment, including the development of advanced manufacturing techniques and process controls. Manufacturers of biologic products often encounter difficulties in production, particularly in scaling up, validating the production process and assuring high reliability of the manufacturing process, including the absence of contamination. These problems include logistics and shipping, difficulties with production costs and yields, quality control, including lot consistency, stability of the product, product testing, operator error and availability of qualified personnel, as well as compliance with strictly enforced federal, state and foreign regulations. Furthermore, if contaminants are discovered in our supply of our product candidates or in the manufacturing facilities, such manufacturing facilities may need to be closed for an extended period of time to investigate and remedy the contamination. We cannot assure you that any stability failures or other issues relating to the manufacture of our product candidates will not occur in the future.

Our anticipated reliance on a limited number of third-party manufacturers exposes us to a number of risks, including the following:

- the production process for our product candidates is complex and requires specific know-how that only a limited number of CMOs can provide, as a result, we compete with other companies in the field for the scarce capacities of these organizations and may not be able to secure sufficient manufacturing capacity when needed;
- we may be unable to identify manufacturers on acceptable terms, or at all because the number of potential manufacturers is limited and the FDA or other regulatory authorities may inspect any manufacturers for current cGMP compliance as part of our marketing application;
- a new manufacturer would have to be educated in, or develop substantially equivalent processes for, the production of our product candidates;
- our third-party manufacturers might be unable to timely manufacture our product candidates or produce the quantity and quality required to meet our clinical and commercial needs, if any;
- contract manufacturers may not be able to execute our manufacturing procedures and other logistical support requirements appropriately;
- our future contract manufacturers may not perform as agreed, may not devote sufficient resources to our product candidates or may not remain in the contract manufacturing business for the time required to supply our clinical trials or to successfully produce, store, and distribute our products, if any;



- manufacturers are subject to ongoing periodic unannounced inspection by the FDA and corresponding state agencies to ensure strict compliance with cGMP and other government regulations and corresponding foreign standards and we have no control over third-party manufacturers' compliance with these regulations and standards;
- we may not own, or may have to share, the intellectual property rights to any improvements made by our third-party manufacturers in the manufacturing process for our product candidates;
- our third-party manufacturers could breach or terminate their agreements with us;
- our third-party manufacturers may prioritize another customer's needs in front of ours, especially in the event of a global pandemic;
- raw materials and components used in the manufacturing process, particularly those for which we have no other source or supplier, may not be available or may not be suitable or acceptable for use due to material or component defects, may be in short supply, and may significantly increase in price;
- our contract manufacturers and critical suppliers may be subject to inclement weather, pandemics, as well as natural or man-made disasters; and
- our contract manufacturers may have unacceptable or inconsistent product quality success rates and yields, and we have no direct control over our contract manufacturers' ability to maintain adequate quality control, quality assurance and qualified personnel.

Additionally, if any CMO with whom we contract fails to perform its obligations, we may be forced to manufacture the materials ourselves, for which we may not have the capabilities or resources, or enter into an agreement with a different CMO, which we may not be able to do on reasonable terms, if at all. While we have relationships with multiple CMOs, the technical skills required to manufacture our products or product candidates may be unique or proprietary to the original CMO and we may have difficulty, or there may be contractual restrictions prohibiting us from, transferring such skills to a back-up or alternate supplier, or we may be unable to transfer such skills at all. In addition, if we are required to change CMOs for any reason, we will be required to verify that the new CMO maintains facilities and procedures that comply with quality standards and with all applicable regulations. We will also need to verify, such as through a manufacturing comparability trial, that any new manufacturing process will produce our product candidate according to the specifications previously submitted to the FDA or another regulatory authority. The delays associated with the verification of a new CMO could negatively affect our ability to develop product candidates or commercialize our products in a timely manner or within budget. Furthermore, a CMO may possess technology related to the manufacture of our product candidate that such CMO owns independently. This would increase our reliance on such CMO or require us to obtain a license from such CMO in order to have another CMO manufacture our product candidates. In addition, changes in manufacturers often involve changes in manufacturing procedures and processes, which could require that we conduct bridging or comparability studies between our prior clinical supply used in our clinical trials and that of any new manufacturer. We may be unsuccessful in demonstrating the comparability of clinical supplies which could require the conduct of additional clinical trials. Additionally, three vaccines for COVID-19 were granted Emergency Use Authorization by the FDA in late 2020 and early 2021, and more are likely to be authorized in the coming months. The resultant demand for vaccines and potential for manufacturing facilities and materials to be commandeered under the Defense Production Act of 1950, or equivalent foreign legislation, may make it more difficult to obtain materials or manufacturing slots for the products needed for our clinical trials, which could lead to delays in these trials.

Each of these risks could delay or prevent the completion of our clinical trials or the approval of any of our product candidates by the FDA, EMA or other appropriate regulatory authorities and result in higher costs or adversely impact commercialization of our product candidates. In addition, we will rely on third parties to perform certain specification tests on our product candidates prior to delivery to patients. If these tests are not appropriately done and test data are not reliable, patients could be put at risk of serious harm and the FDA, or other regulatory authorities could place significant restrictions on our company until deficiencies are remedied.

***Our manufacturing process needs to comply with FDA and comparable foreign regulatory authority regulations relating to the quality and reliability of such processes. Any failure to comply with relevant regulations could result in delays in or termination of our clinical programs and suspension or withdrawal of any marketing authorizations.***

In order to commercially produce our products either at our own facility or at a third party's facility, we will need to comply with the FDA's cGMP regulations and guidelines and similar requirements from comparable foreign regulatory authorities. We may encounter difficulties in achieving quality control and quality assurance and may experience shortages in qualified personnel. We are subject to inspections by the FDA and comparable foreign regulatory authorities to confirm compliance with applicable regulatory requirements. Any failure to follow cGMP or other regulatory requirements or delay, interruption or other issues that arise in the manufacture, fill-finish, packaging, or storage of our biologic products as a result of a failure of our facilities or the facilities or operations of third parties to comply with regulatory requirements or pass any regulatory authority inspection could significantly impair our ability to develop and commercialize our product candidates, including leading to significant delays in the availability of our biological products for our clinical trials or the termination of or suspension of a clinical trial, or the delay or prevention of a filing or approval of marketing applications for our product candidates. Significant non-compliance could also result in the imposition of sanctions, including warning or untitled letters, fines, injunctions, civil penalties, failure of regulatory authorities to grant marketing approvals for our product candidates, delays, suspension or withdrawal of approvals, license revocation, seizures or recalls of products, operating restrictions and criminal prosecutions, any of which could damage our reputation and our business.

***If our third-party manufacturers use hazardous and biological materials in a manner that causes injury or violates applicable law, we may be liable for damages.***

Our research and development activities involve the controlled use of potentially hazardous substances, including biological materials, by our third-party manufacturers. Our manufacturers are subject to national, state and local laws and regulations governing the use, manufacture, storage, handling and disposal of medical and hazardous materials. Although we believe that our manufacturers' procedures for using, handling, storing and disposing of these materials comply with legally prescribed standards, we cannot completely eliminate the risk of contamination or injury resulting from medical or hazardous materials. As a result of any such contamination or injury, we may incur liability or local, city, state or national authorities may curtail the use of these materials and interrupt our business operations. In the event of an accident, we could be held liable for damages or penalized with fines, and the liability could exceed our resources. Compliance with applicable environmental laws and regulations is expensive, and current or future environmental regulations may impair our research, development and production efforts, which could harm our business, prospects, financial condition or results of operations.

#### **Risks Related to Government Regulation**

***The marketing authorization processes of the FDA, the EMA, MHRA and other comparable foreign regulatory authorities are lengthy, time-consuming and inherently unpredictable, and if we are ultimately unable to obtain marketing authorizations for our product candidates, or the marketing authorization is for a narrower indication than we seek, our business will be substantially harmed.***

The time required to obtain approval from the FDA, the EMA, MHRA and other comparable foreign regulatory authorities is unpredictable but typically takes many years following the commencement of clinical trials and depends upon numerous factors, including the substantial discretion of the regulatory authorities. In addition, approval policies, regulations, or the type and amount of clinical data necessary to gain approval may change during the course of a product candidate's clinical development and may vary among jurisdictions. We have not yet obtained a marketing authorization for any product candidate and it is possible that none of our current or future product candidates will ever obtain marketing authorizations.

Our current and future product candidates could fail to receive marketing authorizations for many reasons, including the following:

- the availability of financial resources to commence and complete planned clinical trials;

- the FDA, the EMA, MHRA or other comparable foreign regulatory authorities may disagree with the design or implementation of our clinical trials;
- the data collected from clinical trials of our product candidates may not be sufficient to support the submission of a Biologics Licensing Application, or BLA, to the FDA, or an MAA to the EMA or other comparable submission to regulatory authorities in other regions, to obtain authorization in the United States, the European Union or elsewhere;
- we may be unable to demonstrate to the satisfaction of the FDA, the EMA, MHRA or regulatory authorities in other regions that a product candidate has an overall suitable benefit/risk profile for its proposed indication;
- the FDA, the EMA, MHRA or other comparable foreign regulatory authorities may find deficiencies with or fail to approve the manufacturing processes or facilities of third-party manufacturers with which we contract for clinical and commercial supplies;
- the approval policies or regulations of the FDA, the EMA, MHRA or other comparable foreign regulatory authorities may significantly change in a manner rendering our clinical data insufficient for approval; and
- the risk that foreign regulatory authorities may not authorize our clinical trial protocols and other clinical trial documentation, including manufacturing documentation, even when previously authorized by the FDA, EMA or MHRA, which could lead to a delay in starting such clinical trials. For example, we intend to conduct our HBV002 clinical trial in South Korea and have experienced delays due to additional regulatory review of our clinical protocol. We have limited experience obtaining such approvals in foreign jurisdictions and therefore may need more time to navigate the regulatory process as a result.

The unpredictability of clinical trial results may result in our failing to obtain marketing authorizations for any product candidate we develop, which would significantly harm our business, results of operations and prospects. The lengthy approval process in many regions may cause delays in market access, particularly if regulatory authorities have a large number of objections to the initial applications for marketing authorization which need to be addressed.

We have conducted, and intend to conduct, clinical trials of certain of our product candidates outside the United States. Although the FDA may accept data from clinical trials conducted outside the United States, acceptance of these data are subject to certain conditions imposed by the FDA, including compliance with all applicable U.S. laws and regulations. For example, the clinical trial must be well designed and conducted and performed by qualified investigators in accordance with GCP, including review and approval by an independent ethics committee and informed consent from participants. The trial population must also adequately represent the U.S. population, and the data must be applicable to the U.S. population and U.S. medical practice in ways that the FDA deems clinically meaningful. In general, the participant population for any clinical trials conducted outside of the United States must be representative of the population for whom we intend to label the product in the United States. There can be no assurance the FDA will accept data from trials conducted outside of the United States.

The FDA, the EMA and other comparable foreign regulatory authorities have substantial discretion in the approval process, and determining when or whether marketing authorization will be obtained for any product candidate that we develop. Even if we believe the data collected from future clinical trials of our product candidates are promising, such data may not be sufficient to support approval by the FDA, the EMA, MHRA or any other comparable foreign regulatory authorities.

Even if we were to obtain marketing authorization, regulatory authorities may approve any of our product candidates for fewer or more limited indications than we request, may not approve the price we intend to charge for our products, may grant approval conditional on the performance of costly post-marketing clinical trials, or may approve a product candidate with a label that does not include the labeling claims necessary or desirable for the successful commercialization of that product candidate. Any of the foregoing scenarios could materially harm the commercial prospects for our product candidates.

***We may seek Orphan Drug Designation for drug candidates we develop, and we may be unsuccessful or may be unable to maintain the benefits associated with Orphan Drug Designation, including the potential for market exclusivity. In addition, even if we obtain orphan drug exclusivity for any of our product candidates, such exclusivity may not protect us from competition.***

As part of our business strategy, we may seek Orphan Drug Designation for any drug candidates we develop, and we may be unsuccessful in obtaining such designation. Regulatory authorities in some jurisdictions, including the United States and the EU, may designate drugs for relatively small patient populations as orphan drugs. Under the Orphan Drug Act, the FDA may designate a drug as an orphan drug if it is a drug intended to treat a rare disease or condition, which is generally defined as a patient population of fewer than 200,000 individuals annually in the United States, or a patient population greater than 200,000 in the United States where there is no reasonable expectation that the cost of developing the drug will be recovered from sales in the United States. In the United States, Orphan Drug Designation entitles a party to financial incentives such as opportunities for grant funding towards clinical trial costs, tax advantages and user-fee waivers.

Similarly, in the EU, the European Commission grants designation after receiving the opinion of the Committee for Orphan Medicinal Products on a designation application. Orphan Drug Designation is intended to promote the development of drugs that are intended for the diagnosis, prevention or treatment of life-threatening or chronically debilitating conditions affecting not more than five in 10,000 persons in Europe and for which no satisfactory method of diagnosis, prevention, or treatment has been authorized (or the product would be a significant benefit to those affected). Additionally, designation is granted for drugs intended for the diagnosis, prevention, or treatment of a life-threatening, seriously debilitating or serious and chronic condition and when, without incentives, it is unlikely that sales of the drug in Europe would be sufficient to justify the necessary investment in developing the drug. In Europe, Orphan Drug Designation entitles a party to a number of incentives, such as protocol assistance and scientific advice specifically for designated orphan medicines, and potential fee reductions depending on the status of the sponsor.

Generally, if a drug with an Orphan Drug Designation subsequently receives the first marketing approval for the indication for which it has such designation, the drug is entitled to a period of marketing exclusivity, which precludes the EMA or the FDA from approving another marketing application for the same drug and indication for that time period, except in limited circumstances. The applicable period is seven years in the United States and ten years in the EU. The EU exclusivity period can be reduced to six years if a drug no longer meets the criteria for Orphan Drug Designation or if the drug is sufficiently profitable such that market exclusivity is no longer justified.

Even if we obtain orphan drug exclusivity for a drug candidate, that exclusivity may not effectively protect the drug candidate from competition because different therapies can be approved for the same condition. Even after an orphan drug is approved, the FDA can subsequently approve the same drug for the same condition if the FDA concludes that the later drug is clinically superior in that it is shown to be safer, more effective or makes a major contribution to patient care. In addition, a designated orphan drug may not receive orphan drug exclusivity if it is approved for a use that is broader than the indication for which it received orphan designation. Moreover, orphan drug exclusive marketing rights in the United States may be lost if the FDA later determines that the request for designation was materially defective or if the manufacturer is unable to assure sufficient quantity of the drug to meet the needs of patients with the rare disease or condition. Orphan Drug Designation neither shortens the development time or regulatory review time of a drug candidate nor gives the drug candidate any advantage in the regulatory review or approval process. While we may seek Orphan Drug Designation for applicable indications for our current and any future drug candidates, we may never receive such designations. Even if we do receive such designations, there is no guarantee that we will enjoy the benefits of those designations.

***A Breakthrough Therapy designation by the FDA, even if granted for any of our product candidates, may not lead to a faster development or regulatory review or approval process and it does not increase the likelihood that our product candidates will receive marketing approval.***

We may seek Breakthrough Therapy designation for certain of our current and future product candidates. A breakthrough therapy is defined as a drug or biologic that is intended, alone or in combination with one or more other drugs or biologics, to treat a serious or life-threatening disease or condition and preliminary

clinical evidence indicates that the drug or biologic may demonstrate substantial improvement over existing therapies on one or more clinically significant endpoints, such as substantial treatment effects observed early in clinical development. For product candidates that have been designated as breakthrough therapies, interaction and communication between the FDA and the sponsor of the trial can help to identify the most efficient path for clinical development while minimizing the number of patients placed in ineffective control regimens. Drugs and biologics designated as breakthrough therapies by the FDA may also be eligible for other expedited approval programs, including accelerated approval.

Designation as a breakthrough therapy is within the discretion of the FDA. Accordingly, even if we believe one of our product candidates meets the criteria for designation as a breakthrough therapy, the FDA may disagree and instead determine not to make such designation. In any event, the receipt of a Breakthrough Therapy designation for a product candidate may not result in a faster development process, review or approval compared to candidate products considered for approval under non-expedited FDA review procedures and does not assure ultimate approval by the FDA. In addition, even if one or more of our product candidates qualify as breakthrough therapies, the FDA may later decide that the product no longer meets the conditions for qualification. Thus, even though we intend to seek Breakthrough Therapy designation for certain of our current and future product candidates for the treatment and prevention of infectious diseases and cancer, there can be no assurance that we will receive breakthrough therapy designation.

***A Fast Track designation by the FDA, even if granted for certain of our current or future product candidates, may not lead to a faster development or regulatory review or approval process, and does not increase the likelihood that our product candidates will receive marketing approval.***

If a drug or biologic is intended for the treatment of a serious or life-threatening condition and the product demonstrates the potential to address unmet medical needs for this condition, the product sponsor may apply for FDA Fast Track designation for a particular indication. We may seek Fast Track designation for certain of our current or future product candidates, but there is no assurance that the FDA will grant this status to any of our proposed product candidates. Marketing applications filed by sponsors of products in Fast Track development may qualify for priority review under the policies and procedures offered by the FDA, but the Fast Track designation does not assure any such qualification or ultimate marketing approval by the FDA. The FDA has broad discretion whether or not to grant Fast Track designation, so even if we believe a particular product candidate is eligible for this designation, there can be no assurance that the FDA would decide to grant it. Even if we do receive Fast Track designation, we may not experience a faster development process, review or approval compared to conventional FDA procedures, and receiving a Fast Track designation does not provide assurance of ultimate FDA approval. In addition, the FDA may withdraw Fast Track designation if it believes that the designation is no longer supported by data from our clinical development program. In addition, the FDA may withdraw any Fast Track designation at any time.

***Accelerated approval by the FDA, even if granted for certain of our current or future product candidates, may not lead to a faster development or regulatory review or approval process and it does not increase the likelihood that our product candidates will receive marketing approval.***

We may seek approval of certain of our current or future product candidates using the FDA's accelerated approval pathway. A product may be eligible for accelerated approval if it treats a serious or life-threatening condition, generally provides a meaningful advantage over available therapies, and demonstrates an effect on a surrogate endpoint that is reasonably likely to predict clinical benefit. As a condition of approval, the FDA may require that a sponsor of a product receiving accelerated approval perform adequate and well-controlled post-marketing clinical trials. These confirmatory trials must be completed with due diligence. In addition, the FDA currently requires as a condition for accelerated approval pre-approval of promotional materials, which could adversely impact the timing of the commercial launch of the product. Even if we do receive accelerated approval, we may not experience a faster development or regulatory review or approval process, and receiving accelerated approval does not provide assurance of ultimate full FDA approval.

***If approved, our investigational products regulated as biologics may face competition from biosimilars approved through an abbreviated regulatory pathway.***

The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, as amended by the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010, or collectively the ACA, includes a subtitle called the Biologics Price

Competition and Innovation Act of 2009, or BPCIA, which created an abbreviated approval pathway for biologic products that are biosimilar to or interchangeable with an FDA-licensed reference biologic product. Under the BPCIA, an application for a biosimilar product may not be submitted to the FDA until four years following the date that the reference product was first licensed by the FDA. In addition, the approval of a biosimilar product may not be made effective by the FDA until 12 years from the date on which the reference product was first licensed. During this 12-year period of exclusivity, another company may still market a competing version of the reference product if the FDA approves a BLA for the competing product containing the sponsor's own preclinical data and data from adequate and well-controlled clinical trials to demonstrate the safety, purity, and potency of the other company's product. The law is complex and is still being interpreted and implemented by the FDA. As a result, its ultimate impact, implementation, and meaning are subject to uncertainty.

We believe that any of our product candidates approved as a biologic product under a BLA should qualify for the 12-year period of exclusivity. However, there is a risk that this exclusivity could be shortened due to congressional action or otherwise, or that the FDA will not consider our investigational medicines to be reference products for competing products, potentially creating the opportunity for generic competition sooner than anticipated. Other aspects of the BPCIA, some of which may impact the BPCIA exclusivity provisions, have also been the subject of recent litigation. Moreover, the extent to which a biosimilar, once licensed, will be substituted for any one of our reference products in a way that is similar to traditional generic substitution for non-biologic products is not yet clear, and will depend on a number of marketplace and regulatory factors that are still developing.

If competitors are able to obtain marketing approval for biosimilars referencing our products, our products may become subject to competition from such biosimilars, with the attendant competitive pressure and consequences.

***Even if we obtain FDA, EMA or MHRA approval for our current or future product candidates that we may identify and pursue in the United States, Europe or the United Kingdom, we may never obtain approval to commercialize any such product candidates outside of those jurisdictions, which would limit our ability to realize their full market potential.***

Obtaining and maintaining marketing authorization for our product candidates in one jurisdiction does not guarantee that we will be able to obtain or maintain marketing authorizations in any other jurisdiction, while a failure or delay in obtaining marketing authorization in one jurisdiction may have a negative effect on the approval process in others. In order to market any products outside of the United States, we must establish and comply with numerous and varying regulatory requirements of other countries regarding safety and effectiveness. Approval processes vary among countries and can involve additional product testing and validation and additional or different administrative review periods from those in the United States, including additional preclinical studies or clinical trials, as clinical trials conducted in one jurisdiction may not be accepted by regulatory authorities in other jurisdictions. In many jurisdictions outside the United States, a product candidate must be approved for reimbursement before it can be approved for sale in that jurisdiction. In some cases, the price that we intend to charge for our products is also subject to approval.

Seeking foreign marketing authorization could result in difficulties and costs and require additional preclinical studies or clinical trials which could be costly and time-consuming. Regulatory requirements can vary widely from country to country and could delay or prevent the introduction of our current or future product candidates in those countries. The foreign marketing authorization process may include all of the risks associated with obtaining FDA, EMA or MHRA approval. We do not have any product candidates approved for sale in any jurisdiction, including international markets, and we do not have experience in obtaining marketing authorizations in international markets for our current or future product candidates. If we fail to comply with regulatory requirements in international markets or to obtain and maintain required approvals, or if marketing authorization in international markets is delayed, our target market will be reduced and our ability to realize the full market potential of our current or future product candidates will be harmed.

***Future changes to tax laws could materially adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations, and reduce net returns to our shareholders.***

We conduct business globally and file income tax returns in multiple jurisdictions. The tax treatment of the company or any of the group companies could be materially adversely affected by several factors, including: changing tax laws, regulations and treaties, or the interpretation thereof; tax policy initiatives and reforms under consideration (such as those related to the Organization for Economic Co-Operation and Development's Base Erosion and Profit Shifting Project, the European Commission's state aid investigations and other initiatives); the practices of tax authorities in jurisdictions in which we operate; the resolution of issues arising from tax audits or examinations and any related interest or penalties. Such changes may include (but are not limited to) the taxation of operating income, investment income, dividends received or (in the specific context of withholding tax) dividends paid.

We are unable to predict what tax reform may be proposed or enacted in the future or what effect such changes would have on our business, but such changes, to the extent they are brought into tax legislation, regulations, policies or practices in jurisdictions in which we operate, could affect our financial position, future results of operations, cash flows in a particular period and overall or effective tax rates in the future in countries where we have operations, reduce post-tax returns to our shareholders and increase the complexity, burden and cost of tax compliance.

***Tax authorities may disagree with our positions and conclusions regarding certain tax positions, or may apply existing rules in an unforeseen manner, resulting in unanticipated costs, taxes or non-realization of expected benefits.***

We operate in a number of countries throughout the world. Consequently, we are subject to tax laws, treaties, and regulations in the countries in which we operate, and these laws and treaties are subject to interpretation. We have taken, and will continue to take, tax positions based on our interpretation of such tax laws. A tax authority may disagree with tax positions that we have taken, which could result in increased tax liabilities. For example, Her Majesty's Revenue & Customs, or HMRC, the IRS or another tax authority could challenge our allocation of income by tax jurisdiction and the amounts paid between our affiliated companies pursuant to our intercompany arrangements and transfer pricing policies, including amounts paid with respect to our intellectual property development. There can be no assurance that a taxing authority will not have a different interpretation of applicable law and assess us with additional taxes. Similarly, a tax authority could assert that we are subject to tax in a jurisdiction where we believe we have not established a taxable connection, often referred to as a "permanent establishment" under international tax treaties, and such an assertion, if successful, could increase our expected tax liability in one or more jurisdictions. A tax authority may take the position that material tax liabilities, interest and penalties are payable by us, for example where there has been a technical violation of contradictory laws and regulations that are relatively new and have not been subject to extensive review or interpretation, in which case we expect that we might contest such assessment. Contesting such an assessment may be lengthy and costly and if we were unsuccessful in disputing the assessment, the implications could increase our anticipated effective tax rate, where applicable, or result in other liabilities. If we are assessed with additional taxes, this may result in a material adverse effect on our results of operations and/or financial condition.

***We may be unable to use net operating loss and tax credit carryforwards and certain built-in losses or tax credits to reduce future tax payments or to benefit from favorable UK tax legislation.***

As a UK incorporated and tax resident entity, we are subject to UK corporate taxation. Due to the nature of our business, we have generated losses since inception and therefore have not paid any UK corporation tax. As of December 31, 2020, we had cumulative carryforward tax losses of approximately \$23.2 million. Subject to any relevant criteria and restrictions (including those that limit the percentage of profits that can be reduced by carried forward losses and those that can restrict the use of carried forward losses where there is a change of ownership of more than half of our ordinary shares and a major change in the nature, conduct or scale of the trade), we expect these to be eligible for carry forward and utilization against future operating profits. The use of loss carryforwards in relation to UK profits incurred on or after April 1, 2017 is generally limited each year to £5.0 million plus an incremental 50% of UK taxable profits. In addition, if we were to have a major change in the nature of the conduct of our trade, loss carryforwards may be restricted or extinguished.

As a company that carries out extensive research and development activities, we seek to benefit from the UK research and development tax relief programs, being the Small and Medium-sized Enterprises R&D tax relief program, or SME Program, and, to the extent that our projects are grant funded or relate to work subcontracted to us by third parties, the Research and Development Expenditure Credit program. Under the SME Program, where available, we may be able to surrender some of our trading losses that arise from our qualifying research and development activities for cash or carry forward such losses for potential offset against future profits (subject to relevant restrictions). The majority of our research, clinical trials management and manufacturing development activities are eligible for inclusion within these tax credit cash rebate claims. Our eligibility to claim payable research and development tax credits may be limited or eliminated because we may no longer qualify as a small or medium-sized company. In addition, proposed changes to the SME Program are scheduled to begin from April 2021 and will cap the available claim under the SME Program to a multiple of payroll taxes (broadly, to a maximum payable credit equal to £20,000 plus three times the total PAYE and NICs liability of the company). This cap may limit the value we can claim.

We may benefit in the future from the UK's "patent box" regime, which allows certain profits attributable to revenue from patented products (and other qualifying income) to be taxed at an effective rate of 10% by giving an additional tax deduction. When taken in combination with the enhanced relief available on our research and development expenditures, we expect a long-term rate of corporation tax lower than the statutory to apply to us. If, however, there are unexpected adverse changes to the UK research and development tax credit regime or the "patent box" regime, or for any reason we are unable to qualify for such advantageous tax legislation, or we are unable to use net operating loss and tax credit carryforwards and certain built-in losses to reduce future tax payments then our business, results of operations and financial condition may be adversely affected. This may impact our ongoing requirement for investment and the timeframes within which additional investment is required.

#### Risks Related to Ongoing Regulatory Obligations

***Even if we receive marketing authorization for our product candidates, we will be subject to ongoing regulatory obligations and continued regulatory review, which may result in significant additional expense and we may be subject to penalties if we fail to comply with regulatory requirements or experience unanticipated problems with our product candidates.***

Any marketing authorizations that we receive for our product candidates will require surveillance to monitor the safety and efficacy of the product candidate. The FDA may also require a risk evaluation and mitigation strategy, or REMS, and the EMA may also require additional rapid microbiological method approvals or educational materials in order to approve our product candidates, which could entail requirements for a medication guide, physician communication plans or additional elements to ensure safe use, such as restricted distribution methods, patient registries and other risk minimization tools. In addition, if the FDA or a comparable foreign regulatory authority approves our product candidates, the manufacturing processes, labeling, packaging, distribution, adverse event reporting, storage, advertising, promotion, import, export and recordkeeping for our product candidates will be subject to extensive and ongoing regulatory requirements. These requirements include submissions of safety and other post-marketing information and reports, registration, as well as continued compliance with cGMPs, good laboratory practice regulations and GCPs, for any clinical trials that we conduct post-approval. Later discovery of previously unknown problems with our product candidates, including adverse events of unanticipated severity or frequency, or with our third-party manufacturers or manufacturing processes, or failure to comply with regulatory requirements, may result in, among other things:

- restrictions on the marketing or manufacturing of our product candidates, withdrawal of the product from the market or voluntary or mandatory product recalls;
- manufacturing delays and supply disruptions where regulatory inspections identify observations of noncompliance requiring remediation;
- revisions to the labeling, including limitation on approved uses or the addition of additional warnings, contraindications or other safety information, including boxed warnings;
- imposition of a REMS, which may include distribution or use restrictions;



- requirements to conduct additional post-market clinical trials to assess the safety of the product;
- fines, warning letters or holds on clinical trials;
- refusal by the FDA to approve pending applications or supplements to approved applications filed by us or suspension or revocation of approvals;
- product seizure or detention, or refusal to permit the import or export of our product candidates; and
- injunctions or the imposition of civil, criminal, or administrative penalties.

The FDA's and other regulatory authorities' policies may change and additional government regulations may be enacted that could prevent, limit or delay marketing authorization of our product candidates. We cannot predict the likelihood, nature or extent of government regulation that may arise from future legislation or administrative action, either in the United States or abroad. If we are slow or unable to adapt to changes in existing requirements or the adoption of new requirements or policies, or if we are not able to maintain regulatory compliance, we may lose any marketing approval that we may have obtained and we may not achieve or sustain profitability.

***The FDA and other regulatory authorities actively enforce the laws and regulations prohibiting the promotion of off-label uses.***

If any of our product candidates are approved and we are found to have improperly promoted off-label uses of those products, we may become subject to significant liability. The FDA and other regulatory authorities strictly regulate the promotional claims that may be made about prescription products, if approved. In particular, while the FDA permits the dissemination of truthful and non-misleading information about an approved product, a manufacturer may not promote a product for uses that are not approved by the FDA or such other regulatory authorities as reflected in the product's approved labeling. If we are found to have promoted such off-label uses, we may become subject to significant liability. The federal government has levied large civil and criminal fines against companies for alleged improper promotion of off-label use and has enjoined several companies from engaging in off-label promotion. The FDA has also requested that companies enter into consent decrees, corporate integrity agreements or permanent injunctions under which specified promotional conduct must be changed or curtailed. If we cannot successfully manage the promotion of our product candidates, if approved, we could become subject to significant liability, which would materially adversely affect our business and financial condition.

***The insurance coverage and reimbursement status of newly approved products is uncertain. The success of our product candidates, if approved, will depend significantly on our ability to obtain and maintain adequate coverage and reimbursement of, or the willingness of patients to pay for, our product candidates. Failure to obtain or maintain adequate coverage and reimbursement for our product candidates could limit our ability to market those products and decrease our ability to generate product revenue.***

In the United States and in other countries, patients who are provided medical treatment for their conditions generally rely on third-party payors to reimburse all or part of the costs associated with their treatment. We believe our success depends on obtaining and maintaining coverage and adequate reimbursement for our product candidates, and the extent to which patients will be willing to pay out-of-pocket for such products. The availability of coverage and adequacy of reimbursement for our products by third-party payors, including government health care programs (e.g., Medicare, Medicaid, TRICARE), managed care providers, private health insurers, health maintenance organizations, and other organizations is essential for most patients to be able to afford medical services and novel pharmaceutical products such as our product candidates. The principal decisions about reimbursement for new medicines in the United States are typically made by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, or CMS, an agency within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, or HHS. Third-party payors often rely upon Medicare coverage policy and payment limitations in setting their own coverage and reimbursement policies. It is difficult to predict what CMS will decide with respect to reimbursement for fundamentally novel products such as ours.

Moreover, decisions regarding the extent of coverage and amount of reimbursement to be provided are made on a payor-by-payor basis. One payor's determination to provide coverage for a drug or biological product does not assure that other payors will also provide coverage for the same product. Eligibility for reimbursement does not imply that any drug will be paid for in all cases or at a rate that covers our costs, including research, development, manufacture, sale, and distribution. Interim reimbursement levels for new drugs, if applicable, may also not be sufficient to cover our costs and may not be made permanent. Reimbursement rates may vary according to the use of the drug and the clinical setting in which it is used, may be based on reimbursement levels already set for lower cost drugs and may be incorporated into existing payments for other services.

Patients who are treated in-office for a medical condition generally rely on third-party payors to reimburse all or part of the costs associated with the procedure, including costs associated with products used during the procedure, and may be unwilling to undergo such procedures in the absence of such coverage and adequate reimbursement. Physicians may be unlikely to offer procedures for such treatment if they are not covered or inadequately covered by insurance and may be unlikely to purchase and use our product candidates, if approved, for our stated indications unless coverage is provided and reimbursement is adequate. In addition, for products administered under the supervision of a physician, obtaining coverage and adequate reimbursement may be particularly difficult because of the higher prices often associated with such drugs.

Reimbursement by a third-party payor may depend upon a number of factors, including the third-party payor's determination that a product is safe, effective and medically necessary; appropriate for the specific patient; cost-effective; supported by peer-reviewed medical journals; included in clinical practice guidelines; and neither cosmetic, experimental, nor investigational. Further, increasing efforts by third-party payors in the United States and abroad to cap or reduce healthcare costs may cause such organizations to limit both coverage and the level of reimbursement for newly approved products and, as a result, they may not cover or provide adequate payment for our product candidates. In order to secure coverage and reimbursement for any product that might be approved for sale, we may need to conduct expensive pharmacoeconomic studies in order to demonstrate the medical necessity and cost-effectiveness of our products, in addition to the costs required to obtain FDA or comparable marketing authorizations. Additionally, we may also need to provide discounts to purchasers, private health plans or government healthcare programs. Our product candidates may nonetheless not be considered medically necessary or cost-effective. If third-party payors do not consider a product to be cost-effective compared to other available therapies, they may not cover the product after approval as a benefit under their plans or, if they do, the level of payment may not be sufficient to allow a company to sell its products at a profit. We expect to experience pricing pressures in connection with the sale of any of our product candidates due to the trend toward managed healthcare, the increasing influence of health maintenance organizations and additional legislative changes. The downward pressure on healthcare costs in general, particularly prescription drugs, has become very intense. As a result, increasingly high barriers are being erected to the entry of new products.

Foreign governments also have their own healthcare reimbursement systems, which vary significantly by country and region, and we cannot be sure that coverage and adequate reimbursement will be made available with respect to our product candidates under any foreign reimbursement system. To that end, reimbursement agencies in Europe may be more conservative than CMS. For example, a number of cancer drugs have been approved for reimbursement in the United States and have not been approved for reimbursement in certain European countries.

There can be no assurance that any of our product candidates, if approved for sale in the United States or in other countries, will be considered medically reasonable and necessary, that it will be considered cost-effective by third-party payors, that coverage or an adequate level of reimbursement will be available or that reimbursement policies and practices in the United States and in foreign countries where our products are sold will not adversely affect our ability to sell our product candidates profitably, even if they are approved for sale.

***Healthcare legislative or regulatory reform measures may have a material adverse effect on our business and results of operations.***

The United States and many foreign jurisdictions have enacted or proposed legislative and regulatory changes affecting the healthcare system that could prevent or delay marketing approval of our product

candidates or any future product candidates, restrict or regulate post-approval activities and affect our ability to profitably sell a product for which we obtain marketing approval. Changes in applicable laws, rules, and regulations or the interpretation of existing laws, rules, and regulations could impact our business in the future by requiring, for example: (i) changes to our manufacturing arrangements; (ii) additions or modifications to product labeling; (iii) the recall or discontinuation of our products; or (iv) additional record-keeping requirements. If any such changes were to be imposed, they could adversely affect the operation of our business.

Among policy makers and payors in the United States and elsewhere, there is significant interest in promoting changes in healthcare systems with the stated goals of containing healthcare costs, improving quality and/or expanding access. In the United States, the pharmaceutical industry has been a particular focus of these efforts and has been significantly affected by major legislative initiatives. For example, in March 2010, the ACA was passed, which substantially changed the way healthcare is financed by both the government and private insurers, and significantly impacts the United States pharmaceutical industry. The ACA, among other things: (i) established an annual, nondeductible fee on any entity that manufactures or imports certain specified branded prescription drugs and biologic agents apportioned among these entities according to their market share in some government healthcare programs; (ii) expanded the entities eligible for discounts under the 340B drug pricing program; (iii) increased the statutory minimum rebates a manufacturer must pay under the Medicaid Drug Rebate Program to 23.1% and 13% of the average manufacturer price, or AMP, for most branded and generic drugs, respectively, and capped the total rebate amount for innovator drugs at 100% of the AMP; (iv) expanded the eligibility criteria for Medicaid programs by, among other things, allowing states to offer Medicaid coverage to additional individuals and by adding new eligibility categories for individuals with income at or below 133% (as calculated, it constitutes 138%) of the federal poverty level, thereby potentially increasing manufacturers' Medicaid rebate liability; (v) addressed a new methodology by which rebates owed by manufacturers under the Medicaid Drug Rebate Program are calculated for certain drugs and biologics that are inhaled, infused, instilled, implanted or injected; (vi) introduced a new Medicare Part D coverage gap discount program in which manufacturers must now agree to offer 70% point-of-sale discounts off negotiated prices of applicable brand drugs to eligible beneficiaries during their coverage gap period as a condition for the manufacturer's outpatient drugs to be covered under Medicare Part D (increased from 50%, effective January 1, 2019, pursuant to the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018); (vii) created a new Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute to oversee, identify priorities in, and conduct comparative clinical effectiveness research, along with funding for such research; and (viii) established the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation at CMS to test innovative payment and service delivery models to lower Medicare and Medicaid spending, potentially including prescription drugs.

There remain judicial and Congressional challenges to certain aspects of the ACA. While Congress has not passed comprehensive repeal legislation to date, several bills affecting the implementation of certain taxes under the ACA have been signed into law. The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017, or Tax Act, includes a provision that repealed, effective January 1, 2019, the tax-based shared responsibility payment imposed by the ACA on certain individuals who fail to maintain qualifying health coverage for all or part of a year that is commonly referred to as the "individual mandate." In addition, the 2020 federal spending package permanently eliminated, effective January 1, 2020, the ACA-mandated "Cadillac" tax on high-cost employer-sponsored health coverage and medical device tax and, effective January 1, 2021, also eliminates the health insurer tax. The Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018, or the BBA, among other things, amended the ACA, effective January 1, 2019, to close the coverage gap in most Medicare drug plans, commonly referred to as the "donut hole." In December 2018, CMS published a new final rule permitting further collections and payments to and from certain ACA qualified health plans and health insurance issuers under the ACA risk adjustment program in response to the outcome of federal district court litigation regarding the method CMS uses to determine this risk adjustment. On April 27, 2020, the United States Supreme Court reversed a Federal Circuit decision that previously upheld Congress' denial of \$12 billion in "risk corridor" funding. On December 14, 2018, a Texas United States District Court Judge ruled that the ACA is unconstitutional in its entirety because the "individual mandate" was repealed by Congress as part of the Tax Act. Additionally, on December 18, 2019, the United States Court of Appeals for the 5th Circuit upheld the District Court ruling that the individual mandate was unconstitutional and remanded the case back to the District Court to determine whether the remaining provisions of the ACA are invalid as well.

On March 2, 2020, the United States Supreme Court granted the petitions for writs of certiorari to review this case, and oral arguments occurred on November 10, 2020. It is unclear how such litigation and other efforts to repeal and replace the ACA will impact the ACA and our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Other legislative changes have been proposed and adopted since the ACA was enacted. These changes include aggregate reductions to Medicare payments to providers of 2% per fiscal year pursuant to the Budget Control Act of 2011, which began in 2013, and due to subsequent legislative amendments to the statute, including the BBA, will remain in effect through 2030, unless additional Congressional action is taken. The Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act, or the CARES Act, which was signed into law in March 2020 and is designed to provide financial support and resources to individuals and businesses affected by the COVID-19 pandemic, and subsequent legislation, suspended the 2% Medicare sequester from May 1, 2020 through March 31, 2021, and extended the sequester by one year, through 2030. Proposed legislation, if passed, would extend this suspension until the end of the pandemic. The American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012, among other things, further reduced Medicare payments to several providers, including hospitals, imaging centers and cancer treatment centers, and increased the statute of limitations period for the government to recover overpayments to providers from three to five years. These laws and similar future legislative initiatives may result in additional reductions in Medicare and other healthcare funding, which could have an adverse effect on customers for our product candidates, if approved, and, accordingly, our financial operations.

Additionally, there has been heightened governmental scrutiny in the United States of pharmaceutical pricing practices in light of the rising cost of prescription drugs and biologics. Such scrutiny has resulted in several recent congressional inquiries and proposed and enacted federal and state legislation designed to, among other things, bring more transparency to product pricing, review the relationship between pricing and manufacturer patient programs, and reform government program reimbursement methodologies for products. On March 10, 2020, the Trump administration sent “principles” for drug pricing to Congress, calling for legislation that would, among other things, cap Medicare Part D beneficiary out-of-pocket pharmacy expenses, provide an option to cap Medicare Part D beneficiary monthly out-of-pocket expenses, and place limits on pharmaceutical price increases. Further, the Trump administration previously released a plan to lower drug prices and reduce out-of-pocket costs of drugs that contained proposals to increase drug manufacturer competition, increase the negotiating power of certain federal healthcare programs, incentivize manufacturers to lower the list price of their products, and reduce the out-of-pocket costs of drug products paid by consumers. The HHS has solicited feedback on some of these measures and has implemented others under its existing authority.

In 2020, former President Trump announced several executive orders related to prescription drug pricing that seek to implement several of the administration's proposals. The FDA released a final rule on September 24, 2020, which went into effect on November 30, 2020, providing guidance for states to build and submit importation plans for drugs from Canada. Further, on November 20, 2020, CMS issued an Interim Final Rule implementing the Most Favored Nation, or MFN, Model under which Medicare Part B reimbursement rates will be calculated for certain drugs and biologicals based on the lowest price drug manufacturers receive in Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development countries with a similar gross domestic product per capita. The MFN Model regulations mandate participation by identified Part B providers and would have applied to all U.S. states and territories for a seven-year period beginning January 1, 2021, and ending December 31, 2027. However, in response to a lawsuit filed by several industry groups, on December 28, the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California issued a nationwide preliminary injunction enjoining government defendants from implementing the MFN Rule pending completion of notice-and-comment procedures under the Administrative Procedure Act. On January 13, 2021, in a separate lawsuit brought by industry groups in the U.S. District of Maryland, the government defendants entered a joint motion to stay litigation on the condition that the government would not appeal the preliminary injunction granted in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California and that performance for any final regulation stemming from the MFN Interim Final Rule shall not commence earlier than 60 days after publication of that regulation in the Federal Register. Further, authorities in Canada have passed rules designed to safeguard the Canadian drug supply from shortages. If implemented, importation of drugs from Canada and the MFN Model may materially and adversely affect the price we receive for any of our product candidates. Additionally, on December 2, 2020, HHS published a regulation

removing safe harbor protection for price reductions from pharmaceutical manufacturers to plan sponsors under Part D, either directly or through pharmacy benefit managers, unless the price reduction is required by law. The rule also creates a new safe harbor for price reductions reflected at the point-of-sale, as well as a safe harbor for certain fixed fee arrangements between pharmacy benefit managers and manufacturers. Pursuant to an order entered by the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia, the portion of the rule eliminating safe harbor protection for certain rebates related to the sale or purchase of a pharmaceutical product from a manufacturer to a plan sponsor under Medicare Part D has been delayed to January 1, 2023. Further, implementation of this change and new safe harbors for point-of-sale reductions in price for prescription pharmaceutical products and pharmacy benefit manager service fees are currently under review by the Biden administration and may be amended or repealed. While some of these and other measures may require additional authorization to become effective, and some of these measures may be reversed or withdrawn by a new presidential administration, Congress and President Joseph Biden have indicated that they will continue to seek new legislative and/or administrative measures to control drug costs.

At the state level, individual states are increasingly aggressive in passing legislation and implementing regulations designed to control pharmaceutical and biological product pricing, including price or patient reimbursement constraints, discounts, restrictions on certain product access and marketing cost disclosure and transparency measures, and, in some cases, designed to encourage importation from other countries and bulk purchasing.

We expect that these and other healthcare reform measures that may be adopted in the future may result in more rigorous coverage criteria and in additional downward pressure on the price that we receive for any approved product candidate. Any reduction in reimbursement from Medicare or other government programs may result in a similar reduction in payments from private payors. The implementation of cost containment measures or other healthcare reforms may prevent us from being able to generate revenue, attain profitability, or commercialize our drugs, and could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, and results of operations.

***Our business activities will be subject to the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, or FCPA, and similar anti-bribery and anti-corruption laws in other jurisdictions.***

As we engage in and expand our business activities outside of the United States, including our clinical trial efforts, we will be subject to the FCPA and similar anti-bribery or anti-corruption laws, regulations or rules of other countries in which we operate. The FCPA generally prohibits offering, promising, giving, or authorizing others to give anything of value, either directly or indirectly, to a non-United States government official in order to influence official action, or otherwise obtain or retain business. The FCPA also requires public companies to make and keep books and records that accurately and fairly reflect the transactions of the corporation and to devise and maintain an adequate system of internal accounting controls. Our business is heavily regulated and therefore involves significant interaction with public officials, including officials of non-United States governments. Additionally, in many other countries, the healthcare providers who prescribe pharmaceuticals are employed by their government, and the purchasers of pharmaceuticals are government entities; therefore, our dealings with these prescribers and purchasers will be subject to regulation under the FCPA. Recently the Securities and Exchange Commission, or the SEC, and Department of Justice have increased their FCPA enforcement activities with respect to biotechnology and pharmaceutical companies. There is no certainty that all of our employees, agents, suppliers, manufacturers, contractors, or collaborators, or those of our affiliates, will comply with all applicable laws and regulations, particularly given the high level of complexity of these laws. Violations of these laws and regulations could result in fines, criminal sanctions against us, our officers, or our employees, the closing down of facilities, including those of our suppliers and manufacturers, requirements to obtain export licenses, cessation of business activities in sanctioned countries, implementation of compliance programs, and prohibitions on the conduct of our business. Any such violations could include prohibitions on our ability to offer our products in one or more countries as well as difficulties in manufacturing or continuing to develop our products, and could materially damage our reputation, our brand, our international expansion efforts, our ability to attract and retain employees, and our business, prospects, operating results, and financial condition.

***Inadequate funding for the FDA, the SEC and other government agencies, including from government shutdowns, or other disruptions to these agencies' operations, could hinder their ability to hire and retain key leadership and other personnel, prevent new products and services from being developed or commercialized in a timely manner or otherwise prevent those agencies from performing normal business functions on which the operation of our business may rely, which could negatively impact our business.***

The ability of the FDA to review and approve new products can be affected by a variety of factors, including government budget and funding levels, ability to hire and retain key personnel and accept the payment of user fees, and statutory, regulatory and policy changes. Average review times at the agency have fluctuated in recent years as a result. Disruptions at the FDA and other agencies may also slow the time necessary for new product candidates to be reviewed and/or approved by necessary government agencies, which would adversely affect our business. In addition, government funding of the SEC and other government agencies on which our operations may rely, including those that fund research and development activities, is subject to the political process, which is inherently fluid and unpredictable.

Disruptions at the FDA and other agencies may also slow the time necessary for new product candidates to be reviewed and/or approved by necessary government agencies, which would adversely affect our business. For example, over the last several years the U.S. government has shut down several times and certain regulatory authorities, such as the FDA and the SEC, have had to furlough critical FDA, SEC and other government employees and stop critical activities. If a prolonged government shutdown occurs, it could significantly impact the ability of the FDA to timely review and process our regulatory submissions, which could have a material adverse effect on our business. Further, future government shutdowns could impact our ability to access the public markets and obtain necessary capital in order to properly capitalize and continue our operations.

Separately, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, on March 10, 2020 the FDA announced its intention to postpone most inspections of foreign manufacturing facilities and products through while local, national and international conditions warrant. On March 18, 2020, the FDA announced its intention to temporarily postpone routine surveillance inspections of domestic manufacturing facilities and provided guidance regarding the conduct of clinical trials which the FDA continues to update. As of June 23, 2020, the FDA noted it was continuing to ensure timely reviews of applications for medical products during the COVID-19 pandemic in line with its user fee performance goals and conducting mission critical domestic and foreign inspections to ensure compliance of manufacturing facilities with FDA quality standards. As of July 2020, utilizing a rating system to assist in determining when and where it is safest to conduct such inspections based on data about the virus' trajectory in a given state and locality and the rules and guidelines that are put in place by state and local governments, FDA is either continuing to, on a case-by-case basis, conduct only mission critical inspections, or, where possible to do so safely, resuming prioritized domestic inspections, which generally include pre-approval inspections. Foreign pre-approval inspections that are not deemed mission-critical remain postponed, while those deemed mission-critical will be considered for inspection on a case-by-case basis. FDA will use similar data to inform resumption of prioritized operations abroad as it becomes feasible and advisable to do so. Although the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, which was enacted in March 2021, provided funding to support FDA inspections that have been delayed or canceled due to COVID-19, delays or setbacks in inspections may continue and are possible in the future. Should FDA determine that an inspection is necessary for approval and an inspection cannot be completed during the review cycle due to restrictions on travel, FDA has stated that it generally intends to issue a complete response letter. Further, if there is inadequate information to make a determination on the acceptability of a facility, FDA may defer action on the application until an inspection can be completed. In 2020, several companies announced receipt of complete response letters due to the FDA's inability to complete required inspections for their applications. Additionally, regulatory authorities outside the U.S. may adopt similar restrictions or other policy measures in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and may experience delays in their regulatory activities. If a prolonged government shutdown or other disruption occurs, it could significantly impact the ability of the FDA to timely review and process our regulatory submissions, which could have a material adverse effect on our business. Future shutdowns or other disruptions could also affect other government agencies such as the SEC, which may also impact our business by delaying review of our public filings, to the extent such review is necessary, and our ability to access the public markets.

***Our business operations and current and future relationships with principal investigators, health care providers, including physicians, consultants, third-party payors and customers may be subject, directly or indirectly, to U.S. federal and state, as well as foreign, healthcare fraud and abuse laws, false claims laws, health information privacy and security laws, and other healthcare laws and regulations. If we are unable to comply, or have not fully complied, with such laws, we could face substantial penalties.***

Healthcare providers, including physicians and third-party payors in the United States and elsewhere will play a primary role in the recommendation and prescription of any product candidates for which we obtain marketing approval. Our current and future arrangements with healthcare professionals, principal investigators, consultants, customers and third-party payors subject us to various U.S. federal and state fraud and abuse laws and other healthcare laws, including, without limitation, the federal Anti-Kickback Statute, or AKS, the federal civil and criminal false claims laws, and the law commonly referred to as the Physician Payments Sunshine Act, or Sunshine Act, along with regulations promulgated under such laws. These laws impact, among other things, our clinical research activities, proposed sales, marketing and educational programs, and other arrangements and relationships with third-party payors, healthcare professionals, and other parties through which we market, sell and distribute our product candidates for which we obtain marketing approval. In addition, we may be subject to patient data privacy and security regulation by both the U.S. federal government and the states in which we conduct our business, along with foreign regulators (including European data protection authorities). The laws that will affect our operations include, but are not limited to, the following:

- the federal AKS, which prohibits, among other things, persons or entities from knowingly and willfully soliciting, offering, receiving or paying any remuneration (including any kickback, bribe, or rebate), directly or indirectly, overtly or covertly, in cash or in kind, to induce or reward either the referral of an individual for, or the purchase, lease, order or recommendation of, any good, facility, item or service, for which payment may be made, in whole or in part, under U.S. federal and state healthcare programs such as Medicare and Medicaid. A person does not need to have actual knowledge of the statute or specific intent to violate it in order to have committed a violation. Violations may result in significant civil, criminal, and administrative fines and penalties for each violation, plus up to three times the remuneration involved, imprisonment, and exclusion from government healthcare programs. In addition, the government may assert that a claim that includes items or services resulting from a violation of the federal AKS constitutes a false or fraudulent claim for purposes of the civil False Claims Act, or FCA. The definition of “remuneration” under the federal AKS has been broadly interpreted to include anything of value. Further, courts have found that if “one purpose” of the remuneration is to induce or reward referrals, the federal AKS is violated. Although there are a number of statutory exceptions and regulatory safe harbors protecting some common activities from prosecution, the exceptions and safe harbors are drawn narrowly. Practices that involve remuneration that may be alleged to be intended to induce prescribing, purchases or recommendations may be subject to scrutiny if they do not qualify for an exception or safe harbor. On December 2, 2020, the Office of Inspector General, or OIG, published further modifications to the federal Anti-Kickback Statute. Under the final rules, OIG added safe harbor protections under the Anti-Kickback Statute for certain coordinated care and value-based arrangements among clinicians, providers, and others. This rule (with exceptions) became effective January 19, 2021. Implementation of this change and new safe harbors for point-of-sale reductions in price for prescription pharmaceutical products and pharmacy benefit manager service fees are currently under review by the Biden administration and may be amended or repealed. We continue to evaluate what effect, if any, the rule will have on our business;
- the federal civil and criminal false claims laws, including, without limitation, the FCA, which prohibits individuals or entities from, among other things, knowingly presenting, or causing to be presented, false or fraudulent claims for payment to, or approval by, Medicare, Medicaid, or other federal healthcare programs, knowingly making, using or causing to be made or used a false record or statement material to a false or fraudulent claim or an obligation to pay or transmit money to the federal government, or knowingly concealing or knowingly and improperly avoiding or decreasing or concealing an obligation to pay money to the U.S. federal government. Manufacturers can be held liable under the FCA even when they do not submit claims directly to

government payors if they are deemed to “cause” the submission of false or fraudulent claims. The FCA also permits a private individual acting as a “whistleblower” to bring actions on behalf of the federal government alleging violations of the FCA and to share in any monetary recovery. When an entity is determined to have violated the FCA, the government may impose civil fines and penalties for each false claim, plus treble damages, and exclude the entity from participation in Medicare, Medicaid and other federal healthcare programs. Several pharmaceutical and other healthcare companies have been prosecuted under these laws for allegedly providing free product to customers with the expectation that the customers would bill federal programs for the product. Other companies have been prosecuted for causing false claims to be submitted because of the companies’ marketing of products for unapproved, and thus non-reimbursable, uses;

- the U.S. federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, or HIPAA, which imposes criminal and civil liability for, among other things, knowingly and willfully executing, or attempting to execute, a scheme to defraud any healthcare benefit program or obtain, by means of false or fraudulent pretenses, representations, or promises, any of the money or property owned by, or under the custody or control of, any healthcare benefit program, regardless of the payor (*i.e.*, public or private), and knowingly and willfully falsifying, concealing or covering up by any trick or device a material fact or making any materially false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements, in connection with the delivery of, or payment for, healthcare benefits, items or services. Similar to the federal AKS, a person can be found guilty of violating HIPAA without actual knowledge of the statute or specific intent to violate it;
- HIPAA, as amended by the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act of 2009, or HITECH, and their respective implementing regulations, which imposes certain requirements relating to the privacy, security and transmission of individually identifiable health information on health plans, healthcare clearinghouses and certain healthcare providers, known as “covered entities,” and their respective HIPAA “business associates,” which are independent contractors that perform certain services for or on behalf of covered entities involving the use or disclosure of individually identifiable health information. HITECH also created new tiers of civil monetary penalties, amended HIPAA to make civil and criminal penalties directly applicable to business associates, and gave state attorneys general new authority to file civil actions for damages or injunctions in federal courts to enforce HIPAA and seek attorneys’ fees and costs associated with pursuing federal civil actions;
- the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act, which prohibits, among other things, the adulteration or misbranding of drugs, biologics and medical devices;
- the federal Sunshine Act, and its implementing regulations, which requires certain manufacturers of drugs, medical devices, biologics and medical supplies that are reimbursable under Medicare, Medicaid, or the Children’s Health Insurance Program to report annually to the CMS information related to certain payments and other transfers of value to physicians (defined to include doctors of medicine or osteopathy, dentists, optometrists, podiatrists, and chiropractors) and teaching hospitals, as well as ownership and investment interests held by physicians and their immediate family members. Effective January 1, 2022, these reporting obligations will extend to include transfers of value made during the previous year to certain non-physician providers such as physician assistants and nurse practitioners; and
- analogous state and foreign laws and regulations, including the following: state anti-kickback and false claims laws, which may be broader in scope than their federal equivalents; state laws that require pharmaceutical companies to comply with the pharmaceutical industry’s voluntary compliance guidelines and the relevant compliance guidance promulgated by the U.S. federal government, or that otherwise restrict payments that may be made to healthcare providers and other potential referral sources; state laws that require drug manufacturers to report information related to payments and other transfers of value to physicians and other healthcare providers, marketing expenditures or drug pricing; state and local laws that require the registration of pharmaceutical sales representatives; and state and foreign laws governing the privacy and security of health information in certain circumstances, many of which differ from each other in significant ways and often are not preempted by HIPAA, thus complicating compliance efforts.



Because of the breadth of these laws and the narrowness of the statutory exceptions and regulatory safe harbors available, it is possible that some of our business activities could be subject to challenge under one or more of such laws. Even if precautions are taken, it is possible that governmental authorities will conclude that our business practices may not comply with current or future statutes, regulations or case law involving applicable fraud and abuse or other healthcare laws and regulations. If our operations are found to be in violation of any of these laws or any other governmental regulations that may apply to us, we may be subject to significant penalties, including without limitation, civil, criminal and administrative penalties, damages, fines, disgorgement, imprisonment, exclusion from participating in federal and state funded healthcare programs, such as Medicare and Medicaid, additional reporting requirements and oversight if we become subject to a corporate integrity agreement or similar agreement to resolve allegations of non-compliance with these laws, contractual damages, diminished profits and future earnings, reputational harm and the curtailment or restructuring of our operations. If any of the physicians or other healthcare providers or entities with whom we expect to do business is found not to be in compliance with applicable laws, that person may be subject to significant criminal, civil or administrative sanctions, including exclusions from government funded healthcare programs. Prohibitions or restrictions on sales or withdrawal of future marketed products could materially affect business in an adverse way.

The risk of our being found in violation of these laws is increased by the fact that many of them have not been fully interpreted by applicable regulatory authorities or the courts, and their provisions are open to a variety of interpretations. Efforts to ensure that our business arrangements with third parties will comply with applicable healthcare laws and regulations will involve substantial costs. Any action against us for violation of these laws, even if we successfully defend against it, could cause us to incur significant legal expenses and divert our management's attention from the operation of our business. The shifting compliance environment and the need to build and maintain robust and expandable systems to comply with multiple jurisdictions with different compliance and/or reporting requirements increases the possibility that a healthcare company may run afoul of one or more of the requirements.

***Our employees, independent contractors, consultants, commercial partners and vendors may engage in misconduct or other improper activities, including noncompliance with regulatory standards and requirements.***

We are exposed to the risk that our employees, independent contractors, consultants, collaborators, CROs or CMOs, principal investigators, suppliers and vendors may engage in fraudulent conduct or other illegal activity. Misconduct by these parties could include intentional, reckless and negligent conduct that fails to: comply with the regulations of the FDA and other comparable foreign regulatory bodies, provide true, complete and accurate information to the FDA and other comparable foreign regulatory bodies, comply with manufacturing standards we have established, comply with healthcare fraud and abuse laws in the United States and similar foreign fraudulent misconduct laws or report financial information or data accurately or to disclose unauthorized activities to us. If we obtain FDA approval of any of our product candidates and begin commercializing those products in the United States, our potential exposure under such laws and regulations will increase significantly, and our costs associated with compliance with such laws and regulations are also likely to increase. In particular, the promotion, sales and marketing of healthcare items and services, as well as certain business arrangements in the healthcare industry, are subject to extensive laws designed to prevent fraud, kickbacks, self-dealing and other abusive practices. These laws and regulations may restrict or prohibit a wide range of pricing, discounting, marketing and promotion, structuring and commission(s), certain customer incentive programs and other business arrangements generally. Misconduct by persons acting on our behalf could also involve the improper use of individually identifiable information, including, without limitation, information obtained in the course of clinical trials, which could result in regulatory sanctions and serious harm to our reputation.

Effective upon the closing of this offering, we will adopt a code of business conduct and ethics, but it is not always possible to identify and deter employee misconduct, and the precautions we take to detect and prevent inappropriate conduct may not be effective in controlling unknown or unmanaged risks or losses or in protecting us from governmental investigations or other actions or lawsuits stemming from a failure to be in compliance with such laws or regulations. If any such actions are instituted against us, and we are not successful in defending ourselves or asserting our rights, those actions could have a significant impact on our business, including the imposition of significant civil, criminal and administrative penalties, including, without limitation, damages, fines, disgorgement, imprisonment, exclusion from participation in

government healthcare programs, such as Medicare and Medicaid, additional reporting requirements and oversight if we become subject to a corporate integrity agreement or similar agreement to resolve allegations of non-compliance with these laws, and the curtailment or restructuring of our operations.

***If we 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.***

We are subject to numerous environmental, health and safety laws and regulations, including those governing laboratory procedures and the handling, use, storage, treatment and disposal of hazardous materials and wastes. Our operations involve the use of hazardous and flammable materials, including chemicals and biological and radioactive materials. Our operations also produce hazardous waste products. We generally contract with third parties for the disposal of these materials and wastes. We cannot eliminate the risk of contamination or injury from these materials. In the event of contamination or injury resulting from our use of hazardous materials, we could be held liable for any resulting damages, and any liability could exceed our resources. We also could incur significant costs associated with civil or criminal fines and penalties.

Although we maintain workers' compensation insurance to cover us for costs and expenses we may incur due to injuries to our employees resulting from the use of hazardous materials, this insurance may not provide adequate coverage against potential liabilities. We do not maintain insurance for environmental liability or toxic tort claims that may be asserted against us in connection with our storage or disposal of biological, hazardous or radioactive materials.

***Failure to comply with current or future national, supranational, federal or state laws and regulations, regulatory guidance and industry standards relating to data protection, privacy and information security, including restrictive European regulations, could lead to government enforcement actions (which could include civil or criminal penalties), private litigation, and/or adverse publicity and could negatively affect our operating results and business.***

We and our collaborators and third-party providers are subject to national, supranational, federal or state laws and regulations, regulatory guidance and industry standards relating to data protection, privacy and information security. This includes the EU General Data Protection Regulation, or GDPR, as well as other national data protection legislation in force in relevant EU member states (including the Data Protection Act 2018 in the UK), which governs the collection, use, storage, disclosure, transfer, or other processing of personal data (including health data processed in the context of clinical trials) (i) regarding individuals in the EU, and/or (ii) carried out in the context of the activities of our establishment in any EU member state. Following the UK's withdrawal from the EU on January 31, 2020, pursuant to the transitional arrangements agreed between the UK and the EU, the GDPR continued to have effect in English law, in the same fashion as was the case prior to that withdrawal as if the UK remained an EU member state for such purposes. As of January 1, 2021, and the expiry of such transitional arrangements, data processing in the UK is governed by a UK version of the GDPR (combining the GDPR and the Data Protection Act 2018), exposing us to two parallel regimes, each of which potentially authorizes similar fines and other potentially divergent enforcement actions for certain violations.

The GDPR is wide-ranging in scope and imposes numerous additional requirements on companies that process personal data, including imposing special requirements in respect of the processing of health and other sensitive data, requiring that consent of individuals to whom the personal data relates is obtained in certain circumstances, requiring additional disclosures to individuals regarding data processing activities, requiring that safeguards are implemented to protect the security and confidentiality of personal data, creating mandatory data breach notification requirements in certain circumstances, and requiring that certain measures (including contractual requirements) are put in place when engaging third-party processors. The GDPR also provides individuals with various rights in respect of their personal data, including rights of access, erasure, portability, rectification, restriction and objection. The GDPR defines personal data to include pseudonymised or coded data and requires different informed consent practices and more detailed notices for clinical trial participants and investigators than applies to clinical trials conducted in the United States. We are required to apply GDPR standards to any clinical trials that our EU established businesses carry out anywhere in the world.

The GDPR imposes strict rules on the transfer of personal data to countries outside the European Economic Area, or EEA, and Switzerland, including the United States. The United Kingdom and Switzerland have adopted similar restrictions. Pursuant to the Trade and Cooperation Agreement, which went into effect on January 1, 2021, the UK and the EU agreed to a specified period during which the UK will be treated like an EU member state in relation to transfers of personal data to the UK for four months from January 1, 2021. This period may be extended by two further months. Unless the European Commission makes an adequacy finding in respect of the UK before the expiration of such specified period, the UK will become an inadequate third country under the GDPR and transfers of data from the European Economic Area to the UK will require a transfer mechanism, such as the standard contractual clauses. We may be required to change our business practices, including how we store and transfer personal data, and put in place additional compliance mechanisms, and we may incur increased costs, as a result of this development.

The GDPR may increase our responsibility and liability in relation to personal data that we process where such processing is subject to the GDPR. While we have taken steps to comply with the GDPR, and implementing legislation in applicable EU member states, including by seeking to establish appropriate lawful bases for the various processing activities we carry out as a controller or joint controller, reviewing our security procedures and those of our vendors and collaborators, and entering into data processing agreements with relevant vendors and collaborators, we cannot be certain that our efforts to achieve and remain in compliance have been, and/or will continue to be, fully successful. Given the breadth and depth of changes in data protection obligations, preparing for and complying with the GDPR and similar laws' requirements are rigorous and time intensive and require significant resources and a review of our technologies, systems and practices, as well as those of any third-party collaborators, service providers, contractors or consultants that process or transfer personal data.

In the United States, numerous federal and state laws and regulations, including federal health information privacy laws, state data breach notification laws, state health information privacy laws and federal and state consumer protection laws (e.g., Section 5 of the FTCA), that govern the collection, use, disclosure and protection of health-related and other personal information could apply to our operations or the operations of our collaborators and third-party providers. For example, California recently enacted the California Consumer Privacy Act, or the CCPA, which became effective on January 1, 2020. The CCPA gives California residents expanded rights to access and delete their personal information, opt out of certain personal information sharing and receive detailed information about how their personal information is used. The CCPA provides for civil penalties for violations, as well as a private right of action for data breaches that is expected to increase data breach litigation. US states are constantly amending existing laws, requiring attention to frequently changing regulatory requirements. At this time, we do not collect personal data on residents of California but should we begin to do so, the CCPA will impose new and burdensome privacy compliance obligations on our business and will raise new risks for potential fines and class actions.

Many jurisdictions have adopted legislation that regulates how businesses operate online and enforces information security, including measures relating to privacy, data security and data breaches. Laws in the EEA, UK and Switzerland require businesses to notify regulators and data participants in the event of a data breach. Meanwhile, in the United States, all 50 states of the United States require businesses to provide notice to customers whose personal data has been disclosed as a result of a data breach. These laws are not consistent, and compliance in the event of a widespread data breach is costly.

In many jurisdictions, enforcement actions and consequences for non-compliance with protection, privacy and information security laws and regulations are rising. In the EU, data protection authorities may impose large penalties for violations of the data protection laws, including potential fines of up to €20 million or 4% of annual global revenue, whichever is greater. The authorities have shown a willingness to impose significant fines and issue orders preventing the processing of personal data on non-compliant businesses. Data participants also have a private right of action, as do consumer associations, to lodge complaints with supervisory authorities, seek judicial remedies, and obtain compensation for damages resulting from violations of applicable data protection laws. In the United States, possible consequences for non-compliance include enforcement actions in response to rules and regulations promulgated under the authority of federal agencies and state attorneys general and legislatures and consumer protection agencies.

In addition, privacy advocates and industry groups have regularly proposed, and may propose in the future, self-regulatory standards that may legally or contractually apply to us. If we fail to follow these security standards, even if no customer information is compromised, we may incur significant fines or experience a significant increase in costs.

The risk of our being found in violation of these laws is increased by the fact that many of them have not been fully interpreted by applicable regulatory authorities or the courts, and their provisions are open to a variety of interpretations. Efforts to ensure that our business arrangements with third parties will comply with applicable healthcare laws and regulations will involve substantial costs. Any action against us for violation of these laws, even if we successfully defend against it, could cause us to incur significant legal expenses and divert our management's attention from the operation of our business. The shifting compliance environment and the need to build and maintain robust and expandable systems to comply with multiple jurisdictions with different compliance and/or reporting requirements increases the possibility that a healthcare company may run afoul of one or more of the requirements.

Compliance with data protection laws and regulations could require us to take on more onerous obligations in our contracts, restrict our ability to collect, use and disclose data, or in some cases, impact our ability to operate in certain jurisdictions. It could also require us to change our business practices and put in place additional compliance mechanisms, may interrupt or delay our development, regulatory and commercialization activities and increase our cost of doing business. Failure by us or our collaborators and third-party providers to comply with data protection laws and regulations could result in government enforcement actions (which could include civil or criminal penalties and orders preventing us from processing personal data), private litigation and result in significant fines and penalties against us. Moreover, clinical trial participants about whom we or our potential collaborators obtain information, as well as the providers who share this information with us, may contractually limit our ability to use and disclose the information. Claims that we have violated individuals' privacy rights, failed to comply with data protection laws or breached our contractual obligations, even if we are not found liable, could be expensive and time-consuming to defend, could result in adverse publicity and could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

#### **Risks Related to Our Intellectual Property**

***If we are unable to obtain and maintain patent protection for any products we develop and for our technology, or if the scope of the patent protection obtained is not sufficiently broad, our competitors could develop and commercialize products and technology similar or identical to ours, and our ability to successfully commercialize any product candidates we may develop and our technology may be adversely affected.***

Our success depends in large part on our ability to obtain and maintain patent protection in the United States and other countries with respect to our product candidates. We seek to protect our proprietary position by in-licensing intellectual property relating to our platform technology and filing patent applications relating to our technologies that are important to our business. If we or our licensors are unable to obtain or maintain patent protection with respect to our product candidates, our competitive position, business, financial conditions, results of operations, and prospects could be materially harmed. We do not own any issued patents with respect to our product candidates and rely primarily on in-licensed patents and patent applications. We can provide no assurance that any of our current or future patent applications will result in issued patents or that any issued patents will provide us with any competitive advantage. Failure to obtain issued patents could have a material adverse effect on our ability to develop and commercialize our product candidates.

Changes in either the patent laws or their interpretation in the United States and other countries may diminish our ability to protect our inventions, obtain, maintain, and enforce our intellectual property rights and, more generally, could affect the value of our intellectual property or narrow the scope of our patents. With respect to both our in-licensed and owned intellectual property, we cannot predict whether the patent applications that we and our licensors are currently pursuing or that we may pursue in the future will issue as patents in any particular jurisdiction or whether the claims of any issued patents will provide sufficient protection from competitors.

The patent prosecution process is expensive, time-consuming, and complex, and we and our licensors may not be able to file, prosecute, maintain, enforce, or license all necessary or desirable patent applications at a

reasonable cost or in a timely manner. It is also possible that we will fail to identify patentable aspects of our research and development output in time to obtain patent protection. Although we enter into non-disclosure and confidentiality agreements with parties who have access to confidential or patentable aspects of our research and development output, such as our employees, corporate collaborators, outside scientific collaborators, CROs, contract manufacturers, consultants, advisors, and other third parties, any of these parties may breach the agreements and disclose such output before a patent application is filed, thereby jeopardizing our ability to seek patent protection. In addition, publications of discoveries in the scientific literature often lag behind the actual discoveries, and patent applications in the United States and other jurisdictions are typically not published until 18 months after filing, or in some cases not at all. Therefore, we cannot be certain that we were the first to make the inventions claimed in our owned or any licensed patents or pending patent applications, or that we were the first to file for patent protection of such inventions.

The patent position of biotechnology and pharmaceutical companies generally is highly uncertain, involves complex legal and factual questions, and has been the subject of much litigation in recent years. As a result, the issuance, scope, validity, enforceability, and commercial value of our patent rights are highly uncertain. Our pending and future patent applications may not result in patents being issued which protect our technology or product candidates or which effectively prevent others from commercializing competitive technologies and product candidates.

The issuance of a patent is not conclusive as to its inventorship, scope, validity, or enforceability, and our patents may be challenged in the courts or patent offices in the United States and abroad. We or our licensors may become subject to a third party pre-issuance submission of prior art to the United States Patent and Trademark Office, or the USPTO, or opposition, derivation, revocation, reexamination, post-grant and *inter partes* review, or interference proceedings and other similar proceedings challenging our patent rights or the patent rights of others. An adverse determination in any such submission, proceeding or litigation could reduce the scope of, or invalidate, our patent rights, allow third parties to commercialize our technology or products and compete directly with us, without payment to us, or result in our inability to manufacture or commercialize products without infringing third-party patent rights. Moreover, we, or one of our licensors, may have to participate in interference proceedings declared by the USPTO to determine priority of invention or in post-grant challenge proceedings, such as oppositions in a foreign patent office, that challenge priority of invention or other features of patentability. Such challenges may result in loss of patent rights, loss of exclusivity, or in patent claims being narrowed, invalidated, or held unenforceable, which could limit our ability to stop others from using or commercializing similar or identical technology and products, or limit the duration of the patent protection of our technology and product candidates. Such proceedings also may result in substantial cost and require significant time from our scientists and management, even if the eventual outcome is favorable to us.

In addition, given the amount of time required for the development, testing, and regulatory review of new product candidates, patents protecting such candidates might expire before or shortly after such candidates are commercialized. As a result, our intellectual property may not provide us with sufficient rights to exclude others from commercializing products similar or identical to ours.

***Our rights to develop and commercialize our technology and product candidates are subject, in part, to the terms and conditions of licenses granted to us by others and if we fail to comply with our current or future obligations in any agreements under which we license intellectual property rights from third parties or otherwise experience disruptions to our business relationships with our licensors, we could lose license rights that are important to our business.***

We are heavily reliant upon licenses to certain patent rights and proprietary technology from third parties that are important or necessary to the development of our product candidates. These and other future agreements impose, and may continue to impose, numerous obligations, such as development, diligence, payment, commercialization, funding, milestone, royalty, sublicensing, insurance, patent prosecution and enforcement obligations on us and may require us to meet development timelines, or to exercise commercially reasonable efforts to develop and commercialize licensed products, in order to maintain the licenses. The terms of our material license agreements are described more fully under “Business—Our Collaboration and License Agreements.” In spite of our best efforts, our current and future licensors might conclude that we have materially breached our license agreements and might therefore terminate the license

agreements, thereby removing or limiting our ability to develop and commercialize products and technologies covered by these license agreements.

In addition, we may not have the right to control the preparation, filing, prosecution, maintenance, enforcement, and defense of patents and patent applications covering the technology that we license from third parties. For example, we do not control the preparation, filing, prosecution or maintenance of patents in-licensed from OUI. Therefore, we cannot be certain that these patents and patent applications will be prepared, filed, prosecuted, maintained, enforced, and defended in a manner consistent with the best interests of our business. If our licensors fail to prosecute, maintain, enforce, and defend such patents, or lose rights to those patents or patent applications, the rights we have licensed may be reduced or eliminated, and our right to develop and commercialize any of our products that are the subject of such licensed rights could be adversely affected.

Any termination of these licenses, or any failure of the underlying patents to provide the intended exclusivity, could result in the loss of significant rights and could harm our ability to commercialize our product candidates, and competitors or other third parties would have the freedom to seek marketing authorization for, and to market, products identical to ours and we may be required to cease our development and commercialization of certain of our product candidates. Any of the foregoing could have a material adverse effect on our competitive position, business, financial conditions, results of operations, and prospects.

Disputes may arise between us and our current and future licensors regarding intellectual property subject to a license agreement, including:

- the scope of rights granted under the license agreement and other interpretation-related issues;
- whether and the extent to which our technology and processes infringe, misappropriate or otherwise violate intellectual property rights of the licensor that are not subject to the licensing agreement;
- our right to sublicense patent and other rights to third parties under collaborative development relationships and the amount of fees payable as a result of sublicensing arrangements;
- our diligence obligations with respect to the use of the licensed technology in relation to our development and commercialization of our product candidates, and what activities satisfy those diligence obligations;
- the priority of invention of any patented technology; and
- the ownership of inventions and know-how resulting from the joint creation or use of intellectual property by our current or future licensors and/or us and/or our partners.

In addition, the agreements under which we license intellectual property or technology from third parties are complex, and certain provisions in such agreements may be susceptible to multiple interpretations. The resolution of any contract interpretation disagreement that may arise could narrow what we believe to be the scope of our rights to the relevant intellectual property or technology, or increase what we believe to be our financial or other obligations under the relevant agreement, either of which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects. Moreover, if disputes over intellectual property that we license prevent or impair our ability to maintain our licensing arrangements on acceptable terms, we may be unable to successfully develop and commercialize the affected product candidates, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial conditions, results of operations and prospects.

***If we are unable to protect the confidentiality of our trade secrets, our business and competitive position would be harmed.***

In addition to the protection afforded by patents, we seek to rely on trade secret protection and confidentiality agreements to protect proprietary know-how that is not patentable, processes for which patents are difficult to enforce and other elements of our product discovery and development processes. Although we require all of our employees, consultants, advisors and any third parties who have access to our proprietary know-how, information, or technology to enter into confidentiality agreements, trade

secrets can be difficult to protect and we have limited control over the protection of trade secrets used by our collaborators and suppliers. We cannot be certain that we have or will obtain these agreements in all circumstances and we cannot guarantee that we have entered into such agreements with each party that may have or has had access to our trade secrets or proprietary information.

Moreover, any of these parties might breach the agreements and intentionally or inadvertently disclose our trade secret information and we may not be able to obtain adequate remedies for such breaches. In addition, competitors and other third parties may otherwise gain access to our trade secrets or independently develop substantially equivalent information and techniques. If any of our trade secrets were to be lawfully obtained or independently developed by a competitor or other third party, we would have no right to prevent them from using that technology or information to compete with us and our competitive position would be materially and adversely harmed. Furthermore, the laws of some foreign countries do not protect proprietary rights and trade secrets to the same extent or in the same manner as the laws of the United States. As a result, we may encounter significant problems in protecting and defending our intellectual property both in the United States and abroad. If we are unable to prevent unauthorized material disclosure of our intellectual property to third parties, we will not be able to establish or maintain a competitive advantage in our market, which could materially adversely affect our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

Enforcing a claim that a party illegally disclosed or misappropriated a trade secret is difficult, expensive and time-consuming, and the outcome is unpredictable. If we choose to go to court to stop a third party from using any of our trade secrets, we may incur substantial costs. These lawsuits may consume our time and other resources even if we are successful and could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial conditions, results of operations and prospects.

***The intellectual property landscape around immunotherapeutics and viral-vector based vaccines is crowded and dynamic, and third parties may initiate legal proceedings alleging that we are infringing, misappropriating or otherwise violating their intellectual property rights and such claims may be costly and time-consuming and may prevent or delay our product discovery and development efforts.***

The intellectual property landscape around immunotherapeutics and viral-vector based vaccines is crowded and dynamic, and third parties may initiate legal proceedings alleging that we are infringing, misappropriating, or otherwise violating their intellectual property rights, the outcome of which would be uncertain and could have a material adverse effect on the success of our business. Our commercial success depends upon our ability to develop, manufacture, market and sell our current and future product candidates and use our proprietary technologies without infringing, misappropriating or otherwise violating the intellectual property rights of third parties. There is a substantial amount of litigation involving patents and other intellectual property rights in the biotechnology and pharmaceutical industries, as well as administrative proceedings for challenging patents, including derivation, interference, reexamination, *inter partes* review, and post-grant review proceedings before the USPTO or oppositions and other comparable proceedings in foreign jurisdictions. We or any of our licensors or strategic partners may be party to, exposed to, or threatened with, adversarial proceedings or litigation by third parties having patent or other intellectual property rights alleging that our current or future product candidates and/or proprietary technologies infringe, misappropriate or otherwise violate their intellectual property rights. We cannot assure you that our product candidates and other technologies that we have developed, are developing or may develop in the future do not or will not infringe, misappropriate or otherwise violate existing or future patents or other intellectual property rights owned by third parties. Numerous U.S. and foreign issued patents and pending patent applications, which are owned by third parties, including our competitors, exist in the fields in which we are developing our product candidates. As the biotechnology and pharmaceutical industries expand and more patents are issued, the risk increases that our product candidates may give rise to claims of infringement of the patent rights of others. Moreover, it is not always clear to industry participants, including us, which patents cover various types of viral vectors and vaccines or their methods of use or manufacture. Thus, because of the large number of patents issued and patent applications filed in our fields, there may be a risk that third parties may allege they have patent rights encompassing our product candidates, technologies or methods. For example, we are aware of third-party patents in the United States with claims which may be relevant to our VTP-300 product candidate. In the event that these

patents were asserted against us in an infringement action, we may have to argue that the manufacture, use, sale or importation of our VTP-300 product candidate in the United States does not infringe any valid claim of the asserted patents. There is no assurance that a court would find in our favor on questions of infringement or validity.

If a third party (including any third party that controls the above referenced patents) claims that we infringe, misappropriate or otherwise violate its intellectual property rights (including the above referenced patents), we may face a number of risks, including, but not limited to:

- infringement, misappropriation and other intellectual property claims which, regardless of merit, may be expensive and time-consuming to litigate and may divert our management's attention from our core business and may impact our reputation;
- substantial damages for infringement, misappropriation or other violations, which we may have to pay if a court decides that the product candidate or technology at issue infringes, misappropriates or violates the third party's rights, and, if the court finds that the infringement was willful, we could be ordered to pay treble damages and the patent owner's attorneys' fees;
- a court prohibiting us from developing, manufacturing, marketing or selling our product candidates, or from using our proprietary technologies, unless the third party licenses its product rights to us, which it is not required to do, on commercially reasonable terms, or at all;
- if a license is available from a third party, we may have to pay substantial royalties, upfront fees and other amounts, and/or grant cross-licenses to intellectual property rights for our products, or the license to us may be non-exclusive, which would permit third parties to use the same intellectual property to compete with us;
- redesigning our product candidates or processes so they do not infringe, misappropriate or violate third party intellectual property rights, which may not be possible or may require substantial monetary expenditures and time; and
- there could be public announcements of the results of hearings, motions or other interim proceedings or developments, and, if securities analysts or investors perceive these results to be negative, it could have a substantial adverse effect on our share price.

Some of our competitors may be able to sustain the costs of complex patent litigation more effectively than we can because they have substantially greater resources. In addition, any uncertainties resulting from the initiation and continuation of any litigation could have a material adverse effect on our ability to raise the funds necessary to continue our operations or could otherwise have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations, financial condition and prospects. The occurrence of any of the foregoing could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations or prospects.

We may choose to challenge the patentability of claims in a third party's U.S. patent by requesting that the USPTO review the patent claims in an *ex-parte* reexamination, *inter partes* review or post-grant review proceedings. These proceedings are expensive and may consume our time or other resources. We may choose to challenge a third party's patent in patent opposition proceedings in the European Patent Office, or EPO, or other foreign patent office. The costs of these opposition proceedings could be substantial, and may consume our time or other resources. If we fail to obtain a favorable result at the USPTO, EPO or other patent office then we may be exposed to litigation by a third party alleging that the patent may be infringed by our product candidates or proprietary technologies.

Third parties may assert that we are employing their proprietary technology without authorization. Patents issued in the United States by law enjoy a presumption of validity that can be rebutted only with evidence that is "clear and convincing," a heightened standard of proof. There may be issued third-party patents of which we are currently unaware with claims to compositions of matter, methods of manufacture or methods for treatment related to our product candidates, their manufacture or use. Patent applications can take many years to issue. In addition, because some patent applications in the United States may be maintained in secrecy until the patents are issued, patent applications in the United States and many foreign jurisdictions are typically not published until 18 months after filing, and publications in the scientific literature often lag behind actual discoveries, we cannot be certain that others have not filed patent



applications covering our product candidates or technology. If any such patent applications issue as patents, and if such patents have priority over our patent applications or patents we may own or in-license, we may be required to obtain rights to such patents owned by third parties which may not be available on commercially reasonable terms, or at all, or may only be available on a non-exclusive basis. There may be currently pending patent applications which may later result in issued patents that our product candidates may infringe. It is also possible that patents owned by third parties of which we are aware, but which we do not believe are relevant to our product candidates or other technologies, could be found to be infringed by our product candidates or other technologies. In addition, third parties may obtain patents in the future and claim that use of our technologies infringes upon these patents. Moreover, we may fail to identify relevant patents or incorrectly conclude that a patent is invalid, not enforceable, exhausted, or not infringed by our activities. If any third-party patents were held by a court of competent jurisdiction to cover the manufacturing process of our product candidates, molecules used in or formed during the manufacturing process, or any final product itself, the holders of any such patents may be able to block our ability to commercialize the product candidate unless we obtained a license under the applicable patents, or until such patents expire or they are finally determined to be held invalid or unenforceable. Similarly, if any third-party patent were held by a court of competent jurisdiction to cover aspects of our product candidates, process for their manufacture or methods of use, including combination therapies or participant selection methods, the holders of any such patent may be able to block our ability to develop and commercialize the product candidate unless we obtained a license or until such patent expires or is finally determined to be held invalid or unenforceable. In either case, such a license may not be available on commercially reasonable terms, or at all. If we are unable to obtain a necessary license to a third-party patent on commercially reasonable terms, or at all, our ability to commercialize our product candidates may be impaired or delayed, which could in turn significantly harm our business. Even if we obtain a license, it may be non-exclusive, thereby giving our competitors access to the same technologies licensed to us. In addition, if the breadth or strength of protection provided by our patent applications or any patents we in-license or may own in the future is threatened, it could dissuade companies from collaborating with us to license, develop or commercialize current or future product candidates.

Parties making claims against us may seek and obtain injunctive or other equitable relief, which could effectively block our ability to further develop and commercialize our product candidates. Defense of these claims, regardless of their merit, could involve substantial litigation expense and would be a substantial diversion of employee resources from our business. In the event of a successful claim of infringement, misappropriation or other violation against us, we may have to pay substantial damages, including treble damages and attorneys' fees for willful infringement, obtain one or more licenses from third parties, pay royalties or redesign our infringing products, which may be impossible or require substantial time and monetary expenditure. We cannot predict whether any such license would be available at all or whether it would be available on commercially reasonable terms. Furthermore, even in the absence of litigation, we may need or may choose to obtain licenses from third parties to advance our research or allow commercialization of our product candidates. We may fail to obtain any of these licenses at a reasonable cost or on reasonable terms, if at all. Even if we were able to obtain a license, it could be non-exclusive, thereby giving our competitors and other third parties access to the same technologies licensed to us, and it could require us to make substantial licensing and royalty payments. We also could be forced, including by court order, to cease developing, manufacturing, and commercializing the infringing technology or product candidates. In that event, we would be unable to further develop and commercialize our product candidates, which could harm our business significantly.

***We may not be successful in obtaining or maintaining necessary rights to product components and processes for our development pipeline through acquisitions and in-licenses.***

We currently have rights to intellectual property, through licenses from third parties, to develop and commercialize our product candidates. Many pharmaceutical companies, biotechnology companies, and academic institutions are competing with us in the field of infectious disease and oncology and filing patent applications potentially relevant to our business. Because our current and future product candidates may require the use of proprietary rights held by third parties, the growth of our business will likely depend in part on our ability to acquire, in-license or use these proprietary rights.

Our product candidates may also require particular vector components or gene sequences encoding antigenic peptides to work effectively and efficiently and these rights may be held by others. Similarly,

efficient production, delivery or use of our product candidates may also require specific compositions or methods, and the rights to these may be owned by third parties. We may be unable to acquire or in-license any compositions, methods of use, processes or other third-party intellectual property rights from third parties that we identify as necessary or important to our business operations. We may fail to obtain any of these licenses at a reasonable cost or on reasonable terms, if at all, which would harm our business. We may need to cease use of the compositions or methods covered by such third-party intellectual property rights, and may need to seek to develop alternative approaches that do not infringe on such intellectual property rights which may entail additional costs and development delays, even if we were able to develop such alternatives, which may not be feasible. Even if we are able to obtain a license, it may be non-exclusive, thereby giving our competitors access to the same technologies licensed to us. We may be required to expend significant time and resources to develop or license replacement technology. Moreover, the molecules that will be used with our product candidates may be covered by the intellectual property rights of others.

Additionally, we sometimes collaborate with academic institutions to accelerate our preclinical research or development under written agreements with these institutions. In certain cases, these institutions provide us with an option to negotiate a license to any of the institution's rights in technology resulting from the collaboration. Regardless of such option, we may be unable to negotiate a license within the specified timeframe or under terms that are acceptable to us. If we are unable to do so, the institution may offer the intellectual property rights to others, potentially blocking our ability to pursue our program and allowing third parties to compete with us. If we are unable to successfully obtain rights to required third-party intellectual property or to maintain the existing intellectual property rights we have, we may have to abandon development of such program and our business and financial condition could suffer.

The licensing and acquisition of third-party intellectual property rights is a competitive area, and companies, which may be more established, or have greater resources than we do, may also be pursuing strategies to license or acquire third-party intellectual property rights that we may consider necessary or attractive in order to commercialize our product candidates. More established companies may have a competitive advantage over us due to their size, cash resources and greater clinical development and commercialization capabilities. In addition, companies that perceive us to be a competitor may be unwilling to assign or license rights to us. We also may be unable to license or acquire third-party intellectual property rights on terms that would allow us to make an appropriate return on our investment or at all. There can be no assurance that we will be able to successfully complete such negotiations and ultimately acquire the rights to the intellectual property surrounding the additional product candidates that we may seek to acquire. If we are unable to successfully obtain rights to required third-party intellectual property or to maintain the existing intellectual property rights we have, we may have to abandon development of such program and our business, results of operations, financial condition and prospects could suffer.

***We may be involved in lawsuits to protect or enforce our intellectual property rights, including any patents we may own or in-license in the future, which could be expensive, time-consuming and unsuccessful.***

Competitors may infringe any patents we in-license or may own in the future. In addition, any patents we may in-license or own also may become involved in inventorship, priority, validity or unenforceability disputes. To counter infringement or unauthorized use, we may be required to file infringement claims, which can be expensive and time-consuming. We may not prevail in any lawsuits that we initiate, and the damages or other remedies awarded, if any, may not be commercially meaningful. In addition, in an infringement proceeding, a court may decide that one or more of any patents we may in-license or own in the future is not valid or is unenforceable or that the other party's use of our technology falls under the safe harbor to patent infringement under 35 U.S.C. §271(e)(1). There is also the risk that, even if the validity of these patents is upheld, the court may refuse to stop the other party from using the technology at issue on the grounds that our patents do not cover the technology in question or that such third party's activities do not infringe our patents. An adverse result in any litigation or defense proceedings could put one or more of any patents we in-license or may own in the future at risk of being invalidated, held unenforceable, or interpreted narrowly and could put our patent applications at risk of not issuing. Defense of these claims, regardless of their merit, would involve substantial litigation expense and would be a substantial diversion of employee resources from our business. In the event of a successful claim of infringement against us, we may have to pay substantial damages, including treble damages and attorneys' fees for willful infringement,

obtain one or more licenses from third parties, pay royalties or redesign our infringing products, which may be impossible or require substantial time and monetary expenditure. Such litigation or proceedings could substantially increase our operating losses and reduce the resources available for development activities or any future sales, marketing, or distribution activities. We may not have sufficient financial or other resources to conduct such litigation or proceedings adequately. Some of our competitors may be able to sustain the costs of such litigation or proceedings more effectively than we can because of their greater financial resources and more mature and developed intellectual property portfolios. Uncertainties resulting from the initiation and continuation of patent litigation or other proceedings could have a material adverse effect on our ability to compete in the marketplace.

Post-grant proceedings provoked by third parties or brought by the USPTO may be necessary to determine the validity or priority of inventions with respect to our patent applications or any patents we may in-license or own in the future. These proceedings are expensive and an unfavorable outcome could result in a loss of our current patent rights and could require us to cease using the related technology or to attempt to license rights to it from the prevailing party. Our business could be harmed if the prevailing party does not offer us a license on commercially reasonable terms. In addition to potential USPTO review proceedings, we may become a party to patent opposition proceedings in the EPO, or similar proceedings in other foreign patent offices, where our foreign patents are challenged. For example, one of our in-licensed European patents relating to our now discontinued MVA influenza product candidate has been revoked in a European opposition proceeding. This decision is currently on appeal, although there can be no assurance that any such appeal will be successful. The costs of opposition or similar proceedings could be substantial, and may result in a loss of scope of some claims or a loss of the entire patent. An unfavorable result at the USPTO, EPO or other patent office may result in the loss of our right to exclude others from practicing one or more of our inventions in the relevant country or jurisdiction, which could have a material adverse effect on our business.

Litigation or post-grant proceedings may result in a decision adverse to our interests and, even if we are successful, may result in substantial costs and distract our management and other employees. We may not be able to prevent misappropriation of our trade secrets or confidential information, particularly in countries where the laws may not protect those rights as fully as in the United States.

Furthermore, because of the substantial amount of discovery required in connection with intellectual property litigation, there is a risk that some of our confidential information could be compromised by disclosure during this type of litigation. In addition, there could be public announcements of the results of hearings, motions or other interim proceedings or developments. If securities analysts or investors perceive these results to be negative, it could have a substantial adverse effect on the price of our ADSs.

We may not be able to detect infringement of any patents we may in-license or own. Even if we detect infringement by a third party of any such patents, we may choose not to pursue litigation against or settlement with the third party. If we later sue such third party for patent infringement, the third party may have certain legal defenses available to it, which otherwise would not be available except for the delay between when the infringement was first detected and when the suit was brought. Such legal defenses may make it impossible for us to enforce any patents we may own or in-license against such third party.

***Obtaining and maintaining patent protection depends on compliance with various procedural, document submission, fee payment and other requirements imposed by governmental patent agencies, and patent protection could be reduced or eliminated for non-compliance with these requirements.***

Periodic maintenance fees, renewal fees, annuity fees and various other government fees on any issued patents and patent applications are due to be paid to the USPTO and foreign patent agencies in several stages over the lifetime of the patent. The USPTO and various foreign governmental patent agencies require compliance with a number of procedural, documentary, fee payment and other similar provisions during the patent application process and following the issuance of a patent. While an inadvertent lapse can in some cases be cured by payment of a late fee or by other means in accordance with the applicable rules, there are situations in which non-compliance can result in abandonment or lapse of the patent or patent application, resulting in partial or complete loss of patent rights in the relevant jurisdiction. Non-compliance events that could result in abandonment or lapse of a patent include, but are not limited to, failure to respond to official actions within prescribed time limits, non-payment of fees and failure to

properly legalize and submit formal documents. In such an event, our competitors and other third parties might be able to enter the market with similar or identical products or platforms, which could have a material adverse effect on our business prospects and financial condition.

***Any issued patents we in-license or may own now or in the future covering our product candidates could be narrowed or found invalid or unenforceable if challenged in court or before administrative bodies in the United States or abroad, including the USPTO.***

If we or our licensors or strategic partners initiate legal proceedings against a third party to enforce a patent covering one of our product candidates, the defendant could counterclaim that the patent covering our product candidate, as applicable, is invalid and/or unenforceable. In patent litigation in the United States, defendant counterclaims alleging invalidity and/or unenforceability are commonplace, and there are numerous grounds upon which a third party can assert invalidity or unenforceability of a patent. Grounds for a validity challenge could be an alleged failure to meet any of several statutory requirements, including lack of patentable subject matter, lack of written description, lack of novelty, obviousness, or non-enablement. Grounds for an unenforceability assertion could be an allegation that someone connected with prosecution of the patent withheld relevant information from the USPTO, or made a misleading statement, during prosecution. Third parties may also raise similar claims before administrative bodies in the United States or abroad, even outside the context of litigation. Such mechanisms include reexamination, *inter partes* review, post-grant review, interference proceedings, derivation proceedings and equivalent proceedings in foreign jurisdictions (such as opposition proceedings). Such proceedings could result in revocation or amendment to our in-licensed patent applications or patents or any patent applications or patents we may own in the future in such a way that they no longer cover our product candidates. The outcome following legal assertions of invalidity and unenforceability is unpredictable. An adverse determination in any such submission, proceeding or litigation could reduce the scope of, or invalidate or render unenforceable, any rights we may have from our patent applications or any patents we in-license or may own in the future, allow third parties to commercialize our product candidates or other technologies and compete directly with us, without payment to us, or result in our inability to manufacture or commercialize products without infringing third-party patent rights.

Such proceedings also may result in substantial cost and require significant time from our scientists and management, even if the eventual outcome is favorable to us. If we are unsuccessful in any such proceeding or other priority or inventorship dispute, we may be required to obtain and maintain licenses from third parties, including parties involved in any such interference proceedings or other priority or inventorship disputes. Such licenses may not be available on commercially reasonable terms, or at all, or may be non-exclusive. If we are unable to obtain and maintain such licenses, we may need to cease the development, manufacture, and commercialization of one or more of the product candidates we may develop. The loss of exclusivity or the narrowing of our patent application claims could limit our ability to stop others from using or commercializing similar or identical technology and products. Any of the foregoing could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations, financial condition and prospects.

***We may be subject to claims challenging the inventorship or ownership of any intellectual property, including any patents we may in-license or own in the future.***

We may be subject to claims that former employees, collaborators or other third parties have an interest in any patents we in-license or may own in the future, trade secrets, or other intellectual property as an inventor or co-inventor. For example, we may have inventorship disputes arise from conflicting obligations of employees, consultants or others who are involved in developing our product candidates or other technologies. We generally enter into confidentiality and intellectual property assignment agreements with our employees, consultants, and contractors. These agreements generally provide that inventions conceived by the party in the course of rendering services to us will be our exclusive property. However, those agreements may not be honored and may not effectively assign intellectual property rights to us. Moreover, there may be some circumstances, where we are unable to negotiate for such ownership rights. Disputes regarding ownership or inventorship of intellectual property can also arise in other contexts, such as collaborations and sponsored research. If we are subject to a dispute challenging our rights in or to patents or other intellectual property, such a dispute could be expensive and time-consuming. Litigation may be

necessary to defend against these and other claims challenging inventorship of any patents we in-license or may own in the future, trade secrets or other intellectual property. If we were unsuccessful, in addition to paying monetary damages, we could lose valuable rights in intellectual property that we regard as our own, such as exclusive ownership of, or right to use, intellectual property that is important to our product candidates and other technologies. Even if we are successful in defending against such claims, litigation could result in substantial costs and be a distraction to management and other employees. Any of the foregoing could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

***We may be subject to claims that our employees, consultants or independent contractors have wrongfully used or disclosed confidential information or alleged trade secrets of third parties or competitors or are in breach of non-competition or non-solicitation agreements with our competitors or other third parties.***

We have received confidential and proprietary information from third parties. In addition, as is common in the biotechnology and pharmaceutical industries, we employ individuals who were previously employed at universities or other biotechnology or pharmaceutical companies, including our competitors or potential competitors. We may be subject to claims that we or our employees, consultants or independent contractors have inadvertently or otherwise used or disclosed confidential information or trade secrets of these third parties. In addition, we may in the future be subject to claims that we caused an employee to breach the terms of his or her non-competition or non-solicitation agreement. Litigation or arbitration may be necessary to defend against these claims. If we fail in defending any such claims, in addition to paying monetary damages, we may lose valuable intellectual property rights or personnel. Even if we are successful in defending against such claims, litigation or other legal proceedings relating to intellectual property claims and possible aftermath could result in substantial cost and be a distraction to our management and employees. Any litigation or the threat thereof may adversely affect our ability to hire employees. A loss of key personnel or their work product could hamper or prevent our ability to commercialize product candidates, which could have an adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition. In addition, there could be public announcements of the results of hearings, motions or other interim proceedings or developments, and, if securities analysts or investors perceive these results to be negative, it could have a substantial adverse effect on our share price. This type of litigation or proceeding could substantially increase our operating losses and reduce our resources available for development activities. We may not have sufficient financial or other resources to adequately conduct such litigation or proceedings. Some of our competitors may be able to sustain the costs of such litigation or proceedings more effectively than we can because of their substantially greater financial resources. Uncertainties resulting from the initiation and continuation of patent litigation or other intellectual property related proceedings could adversely affect our ability to compete in the marketplace.

In addition, while it is our policy to require our employees and contractors who may be involved in the development of intellectual property to execute agreements that provide that all inventions conceived by the individual, and which are related to our current or planned business or research and development or made during normal working hours, on our premises or using our equipment or proprietary information, are our exclusive property, we may be unsuccessful in executing such an agreement with each party who, in fact, develops intellectual property that we regard as our own. The assignment of intellectual property rights may not be self-executing, or the assignment agreements may be breached, and we may be forced to bring claims against third parties, or defend claims that they may bring against us, to determine the ownership of what we regard as our intellectual property. Such claims could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations, and prospects.

***If we do not obtain patent term extension and data exclusivity for any of our current or future product candidates we may develop, our business may be materially harmed.***

Depending upon the timing, duration and specifics of any FDA marketing approval of any of our current or future product candidates we may develop, one or more U.S. patents we in-license or may own in the future may be eligible for limited patent term extension under the Drug Price Competition and Patent Term Restoration Act of 1984, or the Hatch-Waxman Amendments. The Hatch-Waxman Amendments permit a patent term extension of up to five years as compensation for patent term lost during the FDA regulatory review process. A patent term extension cannot extend the remaining term of a patent beyond a total of

14 years from the date of product approval, only one patent may be extended and only those claims covering the approved drug, a method for using it, or a method for manufacturing it may be extended. However, we may not be granted an extension because of, for example, failing to exercise due diligence during the testing phase or regulatory review process, failing to apply within applicable deadlines, failing to apply prior to expiration of relevant patents, or otherwise failing to satisfy applicable requirements. Moreover, the applicable time period or the scope of patent protection afforded could be less than we request. If we are unable to obtain patent term extension or the term of any such extension is shorter than what we request, our competitors or other third parties may obtain approval of competing products following expiration of any patents that issue from our patent applications, and our business, financial condition, results of operations, and prospects could be materially harmed.

***Changes to patent law in the United States and in foreign jurisdictions could diminish the value of patents in general, thereby impairing our ability to protect our products.***

As is the case with other biotechnology and pharmaceutical companies, our success is heavily dependent on intellectual property, particularly patents. Obtaining and enforcing patents in the biopharmaceutical industry involve both technological and legal complexity, and is therefore costly, time-consuming and inherently uncertain. Recent U.S. Supreme Court rulings have narrowed the scope of patent protection available in certain circumstances and weakened the rights of patent owners in certain situations. In addition to increasing uncertainty with regard to our ability to obtain patents in the future, this combination of events has created uncertainty with respect to the value of patents, once obtained. Depending on decisions by the U.S. Congress, the federal courts, and the USPTO, the laws and regulations governing patents could change in unpredictable ways that would weaken our ability to obtain new patents or to enforce patents that we might obtain in the future. For example, in the case *Assoc. for Molecular Pathology v. Myriad Genetics, Inc.*, the U.S. Supreme Court held that certain claims to DNA molecules are not patentable. Any adverse changes in the patent laws of other jurisdictions could have a material adverse effect on our business and financial condition. Changes in the laws and regulations governing patents in other jurisdictions could similarly have an adverse effect on our ability to obtain and effectively enforce any rights we may have in our patent applications or any patents we may own or in-license in the future.

Recent or future patent reform legislation could also increase the uncertainties and costs surrounding the prosecution of our patent applications and the enforcement or defense of any patents we in-license or may own in the future. The United States has enacted and implemented wide-ranging patent reform legislation. On September 16, 2011, the Leahy-Smith America Invents Act, or America Invents Act, was signed into law, which includes a number of significant changes to U.S. patent law. These include provisions that affect the way patent applications are prosecuted, redefine prior art, may affect patent litigation, establish a new post-grant review system and switch the U.S. patent system from a “first-to-invent” system to a “first-to-file” system. Under a “first-to-file” system, assuming the other requirements for patentability are met, the first inventor to file a patent application generally will be entitled to a patent on the invention regardless of whether another inventor had made the invention earlier. Since patent applications in the United States and most other countries are confidential for a period of time after filing or until issuance, we cannot be certain that we or our licensors were the first to either (i) file any patent application related to our product candidates or other technologies or (ii) invent any of the inventions claimed in our patent applications or any patents we may own or in-license. These changes also allow third party submission of prior art to the USPTO during patent prosecution and additional procedures to attack the validity of a patent by USPTO administered post-grant proceedings, including post-grant review, inter partes review, and derivation proceedings. Because of a lower evidentiary standard in USPTO proceedings compared to the evidentiary standard in United States federal courts necessary to invalidate a patent claim, a third party could potentially provide evidence in a USPTO proceeding sufficient for the USPTO to hold a claim invalid even though the same evidence would be insufficient to invalidate the claim if first presented in a district court action. Accordingly, a third party may attempt to use the USPTO procedures to invalidate our patent claims that would not have been invalidated if first challenged by the third party as a defendant in a district court action. An adverse determination in any such proceeding could reduce the scope of, or invalidate, our patent rights, allow third parties to commercialize our technology or products and compete directly with us, without payment to us, or result in our inability to manufacture or commercialize products without infringing third-party patent rights. Accordingly, the America Invents Act and its implementation could

increase the uncertainties and costs surrounding the prosecution of our patent applications and the enforcement or defense of any issued patents we in-license or may own in the future, all of which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations, and prospects.

***We may not be able to protect our intellectual property and proprietary rights throughout the world.***

Filing, prosecuting, and defending patents on product candidates in all countries throughout the world would be prohibitively expensive, and the laws of foreign countries may not protect our rights to the same extent as the laws of the United States. In addition, our intellectual property license agreements may not always include worldwide rights. Consequently, we may not be able to prevent third parties from practicing our inventions in all countries outside the United States, or from selling or importing products made using our inventions in and into the United States or other jurisdictions. Competitors may use our technologies in jurisdictions where we have not obtained patent protection to develop their own products and, further, may export otherwise infringing products to territories where we have patent protection or licenses but enforcement is not as strong as that in the United States. These products may compete with our products, and our patents or other intellectual property rights may not be effective or sufficient to prevent them from competing.

Many companies have encountered significant problems in protecting and defending intellectual property rights in foreign jurisdictions. The legal systems of certain countries, particularly certain developing countries, do not favor the enforcement of patents, trade secrets, and other intellectual property protection, particularly those relating to biotechnology products, which could make it difficult for us to stop the infringement of our patents or marketing of competing products in violation of our intellectual property and proprietary rights generally. Proceedings to enforce our intellectual property and proprietary rights in foreign jurisdictions could result in substantial costs and divert our efforts and attention from other aspects of our business, could put our patents at risk of being invalidated or interpreted narrowly, could put our patent applications at risk of not issuing, and could provoke third parties to assert claims against us. We may not prevail in any lawsuits that we initiate, and the damages or other remedies awarded, if any, may not be commercially meaningful. Accordingly, our efforts to enforce our intellectual property and proprietary rights around the world may be inadequate to obtain a significant commercial advantage from the intellectual property that we develop or license.

Many countries have compulsory licensing laws under which a patent owner may be compelled to grant licenses to third parties. As a result, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, it is possible that certain countries may take steps to facilitate compulsory licenses that permit the distribution of a COVID-19 vaccine in those countries. In addition, many countries limit the enforceability of patents against government agencies or government contractors. In these countries, the patent owner may have limited remedies, which could materially diminish the value of the relevant patent rights. If we or any of our licensors is forced to grant a license to third parties with respect to any patents relevant to our business, our competitive position may be impaired, and our business, financial condition, results of operations, and prospects may be adversely affected.

***If our trademarks and trade names are not adequately protected, then we may not be able to build name recognition in our marks of interest and our business may be adversely affected.***

Our trademarks or trade names may be challenged, infringed, diluted, circumvented or declared generic or determined to be infringing on other marks. We intend to rely on both registration and common law protection for our trademarks. We may not be able to protect our rights to these trademarks and trade names or may be forced to stop using these names, which we need for name recognition by potential partners or customers in our markets of interest. During the trademark registration process, we may receive Office Actions from the USPTO objecting to the registration of our trademarks. Although we would be given an opportunity to respond to those objections, we may be unable to overcome such rejections. In addition, at the USPTO and at comparable agencies in many foreign jurisdictions, third parties are given an opportunity to oppose pending trademark applications and/or to seek the cancellation of registered trademarks. Opposition or cancellation proceedings may be filed against our trademarks, and our trademarks may not survive such proceedings. If we are unable to obtain a registered trademark or establish name recognition based on our trademarks and trade names, we may not be able to compete effectively and our business may be adversely affected.

***Numerous factors may limit any potential competitive advantage provided by the relevant patent rights.***

The degree of future protection afforded by our intellectual property rights, whether owned or in-licensed, is uncertain because intellectual property rights have limitations, and may not adequately protect our business, provide a barrier to entry against our competitors or potential competitors, or permit us to maintain our competitive advantage. Moreover, if a third party has intellectual property rights that cover the practice of our technology, we may not be able to fully exercise or extract value from our intellectual property rights. The following examples are illustrative:

- patent applications that we own or in-license may not lead to issued patents;
- patents, that we in-license or may own in the future, may not provide us with any competitive advantages, may be narrowed in scope, or may be challenged and held invalid or unenforceable;
- others may be able to develop and/or practice technology, including compounds that are similar to the chemical compositions of our product candidates, that is similar to our technology or aspects of our technology but that is not covered by the claims of any patents we in-license or may own in the future;
- third parties may compete with us in jurisdictions where we do not pursue and obtain patent protection;
- we, or our licensors or collaborators, might not have been the first to make the inventions covered by a patent application that we own or in-license;
- we, or our licensors or collaborators, might not have been the first to file patent applications covering a particular invention;
- others may independently develop similar or alternative technologies without infringing, misappropriating or otherwise violating our intellectual property rights;
- our competitors or other third parties might conduct research and development activities in the United States and other countries that provide a safe harbor from patent infringement claims for certain research and development activities, as well as in countries where we do not have patent rights, and may then use the information learned from such activities to develop competitive products for sale in our major commercial markets;
- we may not be able to obtain and/or maintain necessary licenses on reasonable terms, or at all;
- third parties may assert an ownership interest in our intellectual property and, if successful, such disputes may preclude us from exercising exclusive rights, or any rights at all, over that intellectual property;
- we may choose not to file a patent in order to maintain certain trade secrets or know-how, and a third party may subsequently file a patent covering such trade secrets or know-how;
- we may not be able to maintain the confidentiality of our trade secrets or other proprietary information;
- we may not develop or in-license additional proprietary technologies that are patentable; and
- the patents of others may have an adverse effect on our business.

Should any of these events occur, they could significantly harm our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.



## **Risks Related to Employee Matters, Managing Our Growth and Other Risks**

### Risks Related to Our Employee Matters

***We are highly dependent on our key personnel, and if we are not successful in attracting and retaining highly qualified personnel, we may not be able to successfully implement our business strategy.***

Our ability to compete in the highly competitive biotechnology and pharmaceutical industries depends upon our ability to attract and retain highly qualified managerial, scientific and medical personnel. We are highly dependent on our management, scientific and medical personnel, including Bill Enright, our Chief Executive Officer. The loss of the services of any of our executive officers, other key employees and other scientific and medical advisors, and an inability to find suitable replacements could result in delays in product development and harm our business.

We conduct our operations at our facilities in Oxford, UK. This region is headquarters to many other biopharmaceutical companies and many academic and research institutions. Competition for skilled personnel in our market is intense and may limit our ability to hire and retain highly qualified personnel on acceptable terms, or at all. Changes to UK, U.S. or similar foreign immigration and work authorization laws and regulations, including those that restrain the flow of scientific and professional talent, can be significantly affected by political forces and levels of economic activity. Our business may be materially adversely affected if legislative or administrative changes to the UK (including, but not limited to, those that result as a direct or indirect consequence of Brexit), U.S. or similar foreign immigration or visa laws and regulations impair our hiring processes and goals or projects involving personnel who are not U.S. citizens.

To encourage valuable employees to remain at our company, in addition to salary and cash incentives, we have provided stock options that vest over time. The value to employees of stock options that vest over time may be significantly affected by movements in our share price that are beyond our control, and may at any time be insufficient to counteract more lucrative offers from other companies. Despite our efforts to retain valuable employees, members of our management, scientific and development teams may terminate their employment with us on short notice. Although we have employment agreements with all our employees, these employment agreements with US employees provide for at-will employment, which means that any of our US employees could leave our employment at any time, by providing the required contractual notification of their intent to leave. The standard notice period for UK employed personnel is three calendar months. Our success also depends on our ability to continue to attract, retain and motivate highly skilled junior, mid-level and senior managers as well as junior, mid-level and senior scientific and medical personnel.

### Risks Related to Our Business Operations and Growth

***We will need to grow the size of our organization, and we may experience difficulties in managing this growth.***

As of April 9, 2021, we had 48 full-time and part-time employees. As our development and commercialization plans and strategies develop, and as we transition into operating as a public company, we expect to need additional managerial, operational, sales, marketing, financial and other personnel, as well as additional facilities to expand our operations. Future growth would impose significant added responsibilities on members of management, including:

- identifying, recruiting, integrating, maintaining and motivating additional and existing employees;
- managing our internal development efforts effectively, including the clinical and FDA review process for our product candidates, while complying with our contractual obligations to contractors and other third parties; and
- improving our operational, financial and management controls, reporting systems and procedures.

Our future financial performance and our ability to commercialize our product candidates will depend, in part, on our ability to effectively manage any future growth, and our management may also have to divert a disproportionate amount of its attention away from day-to-day activities in order to devote a substantial amount of time to managing these growth activities.

There can be no assurance that the services of independent organizations, advisors and consultants will continue to be available to us on a timely basis when needed, or that we can find qualified replacements. In addition, if we are unable to effectively manage our outsourced activities or if the quality or accuracy of the services provided by consultants is compromised for any reason, our clinical trials may be extended, delayed or terminated, and we may not be able to obtain marketing authorization for our product candidates or otherwise advance our business. There can be no assurance that we will be able to manage our existing consultants or find other competent outside contractors and consultants on economically reasonable terms, or at all.

If we are not able to effectively expand our organization by hiring new employees and expanding our groups of consultants and contractors, or we are not able to effectively build out new facilities to accommodate this expansion, we may not be able to successfully implement the tasks necessary to further develop and commercialize our product candidates and, accordingly, may not achieve our research, development and commercialization goals.

***Our internal computer systems, or those used by our third-party CROs or other contractors or consultants, may fail or suffer security breaches, which could result in the disclosure of confidential or proprietary information, including personal data, damage to our reputation, and subject us to significant financial and legal exposure and cause a material disruption of the development programs of our product candidates.***

We and our third-party CROs and other contractors and consultants rely extensively on information technology systems to conduct and manage our business. Despite the implementation of security measures, our internal computer systems and those of our current and future third-party providers are vulnerable to damage from computer viruses and unauthorized access. The risk of a security breach or disruption, particularly through cyberattacks or cyber intrusion, including by computer hackers, foreign governments, and cyber terrorists, has generally increased as the number, intensity and sophistication of attempted attacks and intrusions from around the world have increased. Cyberattacks could include wrongful conduct by hostile foreign governments, industrial espionage, wire fraud and other forms of cyber fraud, the deployment of harmful malware, denial-of-service, social engineering fraud or other means to threaten data security, confidentiality, integrity and availability. If such an event were to occur, it could result in the theft or destruction of intellectual property, data or other misappropriation of assets, or otherwise compromise our confidential or proprietary information and result in a material disruption of our development programs and our business operations, such as the loss of clinical trial data from completed or future clinical trials. Such loss could result in delays in our marketing authorization efforts and significantly increase our costs to recover or reproduce the data.

Although we devote resources to protect our information systems, we realize that cyberattacks are a threat, and there can be no assurance that our efforts will prevent information security breaches that would result in business, legal, financial or reputational harm to us, or would have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects. Likewise, we rely on third parties for the manufacture of our product candidates and to conduct clinical trials, and similar events relating to their computer systems could also have a material adverse effect on our business. We rely on our third-party providers to implement effective security measures and identify and correct for any such failures, deficiencies or breaches.

Any breach in our or our third-party providers' information technology systems could lead to the unauthorized access, disclosure and use of non-public information, including information from our participant registry or other participant information, which is protected by HIPAA, and other laws. Any such access, disclosure, or other loss of information could result in legal claims or proceedings, liability under laws that protect the privacy of personal information, damage to our reputation and the further development and commercialization of our product candidates could be delayed. If we or our third-party providers fail to maintain or protect our information technology systems and data integrity effectively or fail to anticipate, plan for or manage significant disruptions to our information technology systems, we or our third-party providers could have difficulty preventing, detecting and controlling such cyberattacks and any such attacks could result in losses described above as well as disputes with physicians, participants and our partners, regulatory sanctions or penalties, increases in operating expenses, expenses or lost revenues or other adverse consequences, any of which could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of

operations, financial condition, prospects and cash flows. If we are unable to prevent or mitigate the impact of such security or data privacy breaches, we could be exposed to litigation and governmental investigations, which could lead to a potential disruption to our business.

***Business disruptions could seriously harm our future revenue and financial condition and increase our costs and expenses.***

Our operations, and those of our CROs, CMOs and other contractors and consultants, could be subject to earthquakes, power shortages, telecommunications failures, water shortages, floods, hurricanes, typhoons, fires, extreme weather conditions, medical epidemics, pandemics and other natural or man-made disasters or business interruptions, for which we are predominantly self-insured. The occurrence of any of these business disruptions could seriously harm our operations and financial condition and increase our costs and expenses. We rely on third-party manufacturers to produce our product candidates. Our ability to obtain clinical supplies of our product candidates could be disrupted if the operations of these suppliers are affected by a man-made or natural disaster or other business interruption.

***If product liability lawsuits are brought against us, we may incur substantial liabilities and may be required to limit commercialization of our product candidates.***

We face an inherent risk of product liability as a result of the clinical testing of our product candidates and will face an even greater risk if we commercialize any product candidate for which we receive marketing authorization. For example, we may be sued if our product candidates cause or are perceived to cause injury or are found to be otherwise unsuitable during clinical testing, manufacturing, marketing or sale. Any such product liability claims may include allegations of defects in manufacturing, defects in design, a failure to warn of dangers inherent in the product, negligence, strict liability or a breach of warranties. Claims could also be asserted under state consumer protection acts. If we cannot successfully defend ourselves against product liability claims, we may incur substantial liabilities or be required to limit commercialization of our product candidates. Even successful defense would require significant financial and management resources. Regardless of the merits or eventual outcome, liability claims may result in:

- decreased demand for our product candidates or products that we may develop;
- injury to our reputation;
- withdrawal of clinical trial participants;
- initiation of investigations by regulators;
- costs to defend the related litigation;
- a diversion of management's time and our resources;
- substantial monetary awards to trial participants or participants;
- product recalls, withdrawals or labeling, marketing or promotional restrictions;
- loss of revenue;
- exhaustion of any available insurance and our capital resources;
- the inability to commercialize any product candidate; and
- a decline in our share price.

Failure to obtain or retain sufficient product liability insurance at an acceptable cost to protect against potential product liability claims could prevent or inhibit the commercialization of products we develop, alone or with corporate collaborators. Although we have clinical trial insurance, our insurance policies also have various exclusions, and we may be subject to a product liability claim for which we have no coverage. In the future, we may be unable to maintain this insurance coverage, or we may not be able to obtain additional or replacement coverage at a reasonable cost, if at all. We may have to pay any amounts awarded by a court or negotiated in a settlement that exceed our coverage limitations or that are not covered by our

insurance, and we may not have, or be able to obtain, sufficient capital to pay such amounts. Even if our agreements with any future corporate collaborators entitle us to indemnification against losses, such indemnification may not be available or adequate should any claim arise.

***Unfavorable global economic conditions could adversely affect our business, financial condition or results of operations.***

Our results of operations could be adversely affected by general conditions in the global economy and in the global financial markets. The most recent global financial crisis caused extreme volatility and disruptions in the capital and credit markets. A severe or prolonged economic downturn, including due to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, could result in a variety of risks to our business, including a reduced ability to raise additional capital when needed on acceptable terms, if at all. A weak or declining economy or international trade disputes could also strain our third-party suppliers, possibly resulting in supply disruption. Any of the foregoing could harm our business and we cannot anticipate all of the ways in which the current economic climate and financial market conditions could adversely impact our business.

**Risks Related to Our International Operations**

***A variety of risks associated with operating our business internationally could materially adversely affect our business.***

We plan to seek marketing authorization for our product candidates outside of the United States and, accordingly, we expect that we, and any potential collaborators in those jurisdictions, will be subject to additional risks related to operating in foreign countries, including:

- differing regulatory requirements in foreign countries;
- unexpected changes in tariffs, trade barriers, price and exchange controls, and other regulatory requirements;
- economic weakness, including inflation, or political instability in particular foreign economies and markets;
- compliance with tax, employment, immigration, and labor laws for employees living or traveling abroad;
- foreign taxes, including withholding of payroll taxes;
- foreign currency fluctuations, which could result in increased operating expenses and reduced revenue, and other obligations incident to doing business in another country;
- difficulties staffing and managing foreign operations;
- workforce uncertainty in countries where labor unrest is more common than in the United States;
- potential liability under the FCPA Office of Foreign Assets Control Anti-Money Laundering Program as required by the Bank Secrecy Act and its implementing regulations, or comparable foreign laws, including the UK Bribery Act 2010, or Bribery Act;
- challenges enforcing our contractual and intellectual property rights, especially in those foreign countries that do not respect and protect intellectual property rights to the same extent as the United States;
- production shortages resulting from any events affecting raw material supply or manufacturing capabilities abroad; and
- business interruptions resulting from geo-political actions, including war and terrorism.

These and other risks associated with our planned international operations may materially adversely affect our ability to attain or maintain profitable operations.

***Our business is subject to economic, political, regulatory and other risks associated with international operations.***

Our business is subject to risks associated with conducting business internationally. Accordingly, our future results could be harmed by a variety of factors, including the following:

- economic weakness, including inflation, political instability in particular in foreign economies and markets, and the potentially severe continued United States and global economic impact caused by the COVID-19 pandemic;
- differing regulatory requirements for drug approvals;
- differing jurisdictions potentially presenting different issues for securing, maintaining or obtaining freedom to operate in such jurisdictions;
- potentially reduced protection for intellectual property rights;
- difficulties in compliance with different, complex and changing laws, regulations and court systems of multiple jurisdictions and compliance with a wide variety of foreign laws, treaties and regulations;
- changes in regulations and customs, tariffs and trade barriers;
- changes in currency exchange rates of the euro, U.S. dollar, pound sterling and currency controls;
- changes in a specific country's or region's political or economic environment;
- trade protection measures, import or export licensing requirements or other restrictive actions by governments;
- differing reimbursement regimes and price controls in certain international markets;
- negative consequences from changes in tax laws;
- compliance with tax, employment, immigration and labor laws for employees living or traveling abroad;
- workforce uncertainty in countries where labor unrest is more common than in the United States and EU;
- difficulties associated with staffing and managing international operations, including differing labor relations;
- production shortages resulting from any events affecting raw material supply or manufacturing capabilities abroad; and
- business interruptions resulting from geo-political actions, including war, terrorism, pandemics, or natural disasters including earthquakes, typhoons, floods and fires.

***Claims of U.S. civil liabilities may not be enforceable against us.***

We are incorporated under English law and have our registered office in England. Most of the members of our senior management and certain members of our board of directors are non-residents of the United States, and all or a substantial portion of our assets and the assets of such persons are held outside the United States. As a result, it may not be possible to serve process on such persons or us in the United States or to enforce judgments obtained in U.S. courts against them or us based on civil liability provisions of the U.S. federal securities laws.

The United States and the UK do not currently have a treaty providing for recognition and enforcement of judgments (other than arbitration awards) in civil and commercial matters. Consequently, a final judgment for payment given by a court in the United States, whether or not predicated solely upon U.S. securities laws, would not automatically be recognized or enforceable in the UK. In addition, uncertainty exists as to whether the courts of England and Wales would entertain original actions brought in the UK against us or our directors or senior management predicated upon securities laws of the U.S. or any state in the United States. Any final and conclusive monetary judgment for a definite sum obtained against us in U.S. courts

would be treated by the courts of England and Wales as a cause of action in itself and sued upon as a debt at common law so that no retrial of the issues would be necessary, provided that certain requirements are met. Whether these requirements are met in respect of a judgment based upon the civil liability provisions of the U.S. securities laws, including whether the award of monetary damages under such laws would constitute a penalty, is an issue for the court making such decision. If the courts of England and Wales give a judgment for the sum payable under a U.S. judgment, the English judgment will be enforceable by methods generally available for this purpose. These methods generally permit the courts of England and Wales discretion to prescribe the manner of enforcement.

As a result, U.S. investors may not be able to enforce against us or certain of our senior management, board of directors or certain experts named herein who are residents of the UK or countries other than the United States any judgments obtained in U.S. courts in civil and commercial matters, including judgments under the U.S. federal securities laws.

***Fluctuations in the exchange rate between the U.S. dollar and the pound sterling may increase the risk of holding our ADSs and may materially affect our results of operations and financial condition.***

We expect that our ADSs will trade on Nasdaq in U.S. dollars. Due to the international scope of our operations, our assets, earnings and cash flows are influenced by movements in exchange rates of several currencies, particularly the U.S. dollar, the pound sterling and the euro. Our reporting currency is denominated in U.S. dollars and our functional currency is the pound sterling (except that the functional currency of our U.S. subsidiaries is the U.S. dollar) and the majority of our operating expenses are paid in pound sterling. We also regularly acquire services, consumables and materials in U.S. dollars, pound sterling, AUS dollars and the euro. Further potential future revenue may be derived from abroad, particularly from the United States. As a result, our business and the price of our ADSs may be affected by fluctuations in foreign exchange rates between the pound sterling and these other currencies, which may also have a significant impact on our results of operations and cash flows from period to period. Currently, we do not have any exchange rate hedging arrangements in place. See Note 3 in the notes to our annual financial statements appearing elsewhere in this prospectus for a description of foreign exchange risks.

The possible abandonment of the euro by one or more members of the European Union, or the EU, could materially affect our business in the future. Despite measures taken by the EU to provide funding to certain EU member states in financial difficulties and by a number of European countries to stabilize their economies and reduce their debt burdens, it is possible that the euro could be abandoned in the future as a currency by countries that have adopted its use. This could lead to the re-introduction of individual currencies in one or more EU member states, or in more extreme circumstances, the dissolution of the EU. The effects on our business of a potential dissolution of the EU, the exit of one or more EU member states from the EU or the abandonment of the euro as a currency, are impossible to predict with certainty, and any such events could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

In addition, as a result of fluctuations in the exchange rate between the U.S. dollar and the pound sterling, the U.S. dollar equivalent of the proceeds that a holder of ADSs would receive upon the sale in the UK of any ordinary shares withdrawn from the depositary and the U.S. dollar equivalent of any cash dividends paid in euros on our ordinary shares represented by ADSs could also decline.

**Risks Related to This Offering and Ownership of Our ADSs**

Risks Related to This Offering

***We have broad discretion in the use of the net proceeds from this offering and may not use them effectively.***

Our management will have broad discretion in the application of the net proceeds from this offering, including for any of the purposes described in the section titled “Use of Proceeds,” and you will not have the opportunity as part of your investment decision to assess whether the net proceeds are being used appropriately. Because of the number and variability of factors that will determine our use of the net proceeds from this offering, their ultimate use may vary substantially from their currently intended use. Our management might not apply our net proceeds in ways that ultimately increase or maintain the value of

your investment. We expect to use the net proceeds from this offering, together with our existing cash and cash equivalents, to advance the development of our clinical and preclinical product candidates and to fund working capital, including general operating expenses. The failure by our management to apply these funds effectively could harm our business. Pending their use, we may invest the net proceeds from this offering to short term, investment grade, interest-bearing securities. These investments may not yield a favorable return to our shareholders and holders of our ADSs. If we do not invest or apply the net proceeds from this offering in ways that enhance shareholder value, we may fail to achieve expected financial results, which could cause the price of our ADSs to decline.

***If you purchase our ADSs in this offering, you will incur immediate and substantial dilution in the book value of your shares.***

The initial public offering price is substantially higher than the net tangible book value per share of our ADSs. Investors purchasing ADSs in this offering will pay a price per share that substantially exceeds the book value of our tangible assets after subtracting our liabilities. As a result, investors purchasing ADSs in this offering will incur immediate dilution of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per ADS, based on the initial public offering price of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per share, which is the midpoint of the price range set forth on the cover page of this prospectus. Further, investors purchasing ADSs in this offering will contribute approximately \_\_\_\_\_ % of the total amount invested by shareholders (including holders of ordinary shares represented by ADSs) since our inception, but will own only approximately \_\_\_\_\_ % of the total number of shares of our ADSs outstanding after this offering.

This dilution is due to our investors who purchased shares prior to this offering having paid substantially less when they purchased their shares than the price offered to the public in this offering, and the exercise of stock options granted to our employees. To the extent that outstanding stock options or warrants are exercised, there will be further dilution to new investors. As a result of the dilution to investors purchasing ADSs in this offering, investors may receive significantly less than the purchase price paid in this offering, if anything, in the event of our liquidation. For a further description of the dilution that you will experience immediately after this offering, see the section of this prospectus titled “Dilution.”

**Risks Related to Ownership of Our ADSs**

***We do not know whether an active, liquid and orderly trading market will develop for our ADSs or what the market price of our ADSs will be and, as a result, it may be difficult for you to sell your ADSs at or above the initial public offering price.***

Prior to this offering, there was no public trading market for our ADSs. Although we have applied to list our ADSs on The Nasdaq Global Market, an active trading market for our shares may never develop or be sustained following this offering. You may not be able to sell your ADSs quickly or at the market price if trading our ADSs is not active. The initial public offering price for our ADSs will be determined through negotiations with the underwriters, and the negotiated price may not be indicative of the market price of the ADSs after the offering. As a result of these and other factors, you may be unable to resell your shares of our ADSs at or above the initial public offering price. Further, an inactive market may also impair our ability to raise capital by selling our ADSs and may impair our ability to enter into strategic partnerships or acquire companies or products by using our ADSs as consideration.

***Our principal shareholders and management own a significant percentage of our stock and will be able to exert significant influence over matters subject to shareholder approval.***

Prior to this offering, our executive officers, directors, and 5% shareholders beneficially owned approximately \_\_\_\_\_ % of our voting stock as of December 31, 2020, and, after giving effect to the Series B financing and assuming the sale by us of \_\_\_\_\_ ADSs in this offering, based on the initial public offering price of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per ADS, and not accounting for any shares purchased in this offering by certain of our existing shareholders (or their affiliates), including through our directed share program, we anticipate that same group will hold approximately \_\_\_\_\_ % of our outstanding voting stock following this offering (assuming no exercise of the underwriters’ option to purchase additional shares). Therefore, even after this offering, these shareholders will have the ability to influence us through this ownership position. These shareholders may be able to determine all matters requiring shareholder approval. For example, these

shareholders may be able to control elections of directors, amendments of our organizational documents, or approval of any merger, sale of assets, or other major corporate transaction. This may prevent or discourage unsolicited acquisition proposals or offers for our ADSs that you may feel are in your best interest as one of our shareholders.

***The price of our ADSs may be volatile, and you could lose all or part of your investment.***

The trading price of our ADSs following this offering is likely to be highly volatile and could be subject to wide fluctuations in response to various factors, some of which are beyond our control, including limited trading volume. In addition to the factors discussed in this “Risk Factors” section and elsewhere in this prospectus, these factors include:

- the results of our ongoing, planned or any future preclinical studies, clinical trials or clinical development programs and those of third parties, such as those of AstraZeneca’s with respect to AZD1222;
- the commencement, enrollment, or results of clinical trials of our product candidates or any future clinical trials we may conduct, or changes in the development status of our product candidates;
- adverse results or delays in preclinical studies and clinical trials;
- our decision to initiate a clinical trial, not to initiate a clinical trial, or to terminate an existing clinical trial;
- any delay in our regulatory filings or any adverse regulatory decisions, including failure to receive marketing authorization for our product candidates;
- changes in laws or regulations applicable to our products, including but not limited to clinical trial requirements for approvals;
- adverse developments concerning our manufacturers or our manufacturing plans;
- our inability to obtain adequate product supply for any licensed product or inability to do so at acceptable prices;
- our inability to establish collaborations if needed;
- our failure to commercialize our product candidates;
- additions or departures of key scientific or management personnel;
- unanticipated serious safety concerns related to the use of our product candidates;
- introduction of new products or services offered by us or our competitors;
- announcements of significant acquisitions, strategic partnerships, joint ventures or capital commitments by us or our competitors;
- our ability to effectively manage our growth;
- the size and growth of our initial cancer target markets;
- our ability to successfully treat additional types of cancers or at different stages;
- actual or anticipated variations in quarterly operating results;
- our cash position;
- our failure to meet the estimates and projections of the investment community or that we may otherwise provide to the public;
- publication of research reports about us or our industry, or immunotherapy in particular, or positive or negative recommendations or withdrawal of research coverage by securities analysts;
- changes in the market valuations of similar companies;



- overall performance of the equity markets;
- sales of our ADSs by us or our shareholders in the future;
- trading volume of our ADSs;
- changes in accounting practices;
- ineffectiveness of our internal controls;
- disputes or other developments relating to intellectual property or proprietary rights, including patents, litigation matters and our ability to obtain patent protection for our technologies;
- significant lawsuits, including intellectual property or shareholder litigation;
- general political and economic conditions; and
- other events or factors, many of which are beyond our control.

In addition, the stock market in general, and the market for biopharmaceutical companies in particular, have experienced extreme price and volume fluctuations that have often been unrelated or disproportionate to the operating performance of these companies. Broad market and industry factors may negatively affect the market price of our ADSs, regardless of our actual operating performance. If the market price of our ADSs after this offering does not exceed the initial public offering price, you may not realize any return on your investment in us and may lose some or all of your investment. In the past, securities class action litigation has often been instituted against companies following periods of volatility in the market price of a company's securities. This type of litigation, if instituted, could result in substantial costs and a diversion of management's attention and resources, which would harm our business, financial condition, results of operation and future prospects.

***If securities or industry analysts do not publish research or publish inaccurate or unfavorable research about our business, our stock price and trading volume could decline.***

The trading market for our ADSs will depend in part on the research and reports that securities or industry analysts publish about us or our business. Securities and industry analysts do not currently, and may never, publish research on our company. If no securities or industry analysts commence coverage of our company, the trading price for our stock would likely be negatively impacted. In the event securities or industry analysts initiate coverage, if one or more of the analysts who cover us downgrades our stock or publishes inaccurate or unfavorable research about our business, our stock price may decline. If one or more of these analysts ceases coverage of our company or fails to publish reports on us regularly, demand for our stock could decrease, which might cause our stock price and trading volume to decline.

***We are an emerging growth company and a smaller reporting company, and we cannot be certain if the reduced reporting requirements applicable to emerging growth companies and smaller reporting companies will make our ADSs less attractive to investors.***

We are an emerging growth company, as defined in the Jumpstart Our Business Startups Act, or JOBS Act, enacted in April 2012. For as long as we continue to be an emerging growth company, we may take advantage of exemptions from various reporting requirements that are applicable to other public companies that are not emerging growth companies, including not being required to comply with the auditor attestation requirements of Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, as amended, or Sarbanes-Oxley Act, reduced disclosure obligations regarding executive compensation in this prospectus and our periodic reports and proxy statements, and exemptions from the requirements of holding nonbinding advisory votes on executive compensation and shareholder approval of any golden parachute payments not previously approved. We could be an emerging growth company for up to five years following the year in which we complete this offering, although circumstances could cause us to lose that status earlier. We will remain an emerging growth company until the earlier of (1) the last day of the fiscal year (a) following the fifth anniversary of the closing of this offering, (b) in which we have total annual gross revenue of at least \$1.07 billion or (c) in which we are deemed to be a large accelerated filer, which requires the market value of our ADSs that are held by non-affiliates to exceed \$700 million as of the prior June 30th, and (2) the date on which we have issued more than \$1 billion in non-convertible debt during the prior three-year period.

Under the JOBS Act, emerging growth companies can also delay adopting new or revised accounting standards until such time as those standards apply to private companies. We have elected to avail ourselves of this exemption and, therefore, we will not be subject to the same timing of adoption of new or revised accounting standards as other public companies that are not emerging growth companies.

Even after we no longer qualify as an emerging growth company, we may still qualify as a “smaller reporting company,” which may allow us to continue to take advantage of many of the same exemptions from disclosure requirements, including not being required to comply with the auditor attestation requirements of Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act and reduced disclosure obligations regarding executive compensation in this prospectus and our periodic reports and proxy statements. We cannot predict if investors will find our ADSs less attractive because we may rely on these exemptions. If some investors find our ADSs less attractive as a result, there may be a less active trading market for our ADSs and our stock price may be more volatile.

***We will incur increased costs as a result of operating as an English public company listed in the U.S., and our board of directors will be required to devote substantial time to new compliance initiatives and corporate governance practices.***

As an English public company listed in the U.S., and particularly after we no longer qualify as an emerging growth company, we will incur significant legal, accounting and other expenses that we did not incur as a private company. In addition, the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, the listing requirements of Nasdaq, and other applicable securities rules and regulations impose various requirements on foreign reporting public companies, including the establishment and maintenance of effective disclosure and financial controls and corporate governance practices. Our board of directors, management and other personnel will need to devote a substantial amount of time to these compliance initiatives. Moreover, these rules and regulations will increase our legal and financial compliance costs and will make some activities more time-consuming and costly. For example, we expect that these rules and regulations may make it more difficult and more expensive for us to obtain director and officer liability insurance, which in turn could make it more difficult for us to attract and retain qualified members of our board of directors.

However, these rules and regulations are often subject to varying interpretations, in many cases due to their lack of specificity, and, as a result, their application in practice may evolve over time as new guidance is provided by regulatory and governing bodies. This could result in continuing uncertainty regarding compliance matters and higher costs necessitated by ongoing revisions to disclosure and governance practices.

Pursuant to Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, or Section 404, we will be required to furnish a report by our board of directors on our internal control over financial reporting. However, while we remain an emerging growth company, we will not be required to include an attestation report on internal control over financial reporting issued by our independent registered public accounting firm. To achieve compliance with Section 404 within the prescribed period, we will be engaged in a process to document and evaluate our internal controls over financial reporting, which is both costly and challenging. In this regard, we will need to continue to dedicate internal resources, potentially engage outside consultants and adopt a detailed work plan to assess and document the adequacy of internal control over financial reporting, continue steps to improve control processes as appropriate, validate through testing that controls are functioning as documented and implement a continuous reporting and improvement process for internal control over financial reporting. Despite our efforts, there is a risk that we will not be able to conclude, within the prescribed timeframe, that our internal controls over financial reporting are effective as required by Section 404. If we identify one or more material weaknesses, it could result in an adverse reaction in the financial markets due to a loss of confidence in the reliability of our financial statements.

***Sales of a substantial number of shares of our ADSs by our existing shareholders in the public market could cause our stock price to fall.***

If our existing shareholders sell, or indicate an intention to sell, substantial amounts of our ADSs in the public market after the lockup and other legal restrictions on resale discussed in this prospectus lapse, the trading price of our ADSs could decline. Upon the closing of this offering, we will have outstanding a total

of ordinary shares (or ordinary shares if the underwriters exercise in full their option to purchase additional shares). Of these shares, only the shares represented by ADSs sold in this offering by us, plus any shares represented by ADSs sold upon exercise of the underwriters' option to purchase additional shares, will be freely tradable without restriction in the public market immediately following this offering. In connection with this offering, our officers, directors and substantially all of our shareholders have agreed to be subject to a contractual lock-up with the underwriters, which will expire 180 days after the date of this prospectus.

The lock-up agreements contain important exceptions that govern their applicability. Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC and Jefferies LLC, however, may, in their sole discretion, permit our officers, directors and other shareholders who are subject to these lock-up agreements to sell shares prior to the expiration of the lock-up agreements.

In addition, ordinary shares or ADSs that are either subject to outstanding options or reserved for future issuance under our 2021 Plan and our 2021 Employee Share Purchase Plan, each of which became effective upon the effectiveness of the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part, will become eligible for sale in the public market to the extent permitted by the provisions of various vesting schedules, the lock-up agreements and Rule 144 and Rule 701 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Act. If these additional ADSs are sold, or if it is perceived that they will be sold, in the public market, the trading price of our ADSs could decline.

After this offering, the holders of ADSs will be entitled to rights with respect to the registration of their shares under the Securities Act, subject to the 180-day lock-up agreements described above. See "Description of Share Capital and Articles of Association—Registration Rights." Registration of these shares under the Securities Act would result in such shares becoming freely tradable without restriction under the Securities Act, except for shares held by affiliates, as defined in Rule 144 under the Securities Act. Any sales of securities by these shareholders could have a material adverse effect on the trading price of our ADSs.

***We will be relying on the one-year phase-in period for Compensation Committee independence under the Nasdaq and SEC rules.***

Under the Nasdaq listing standards, we are required to have a majority independent board and a fully independent Compensation Committee, subject to limited exceptions and phase-in periods. Upon the closing of this offering, two out of the three members on our Compensation Committee will be independent. We intend to appoint one additional independent director to our Compensation Committee to replace the non-independent director on that committee within one year following this offering pursuant to the applicable Nasdaq and SEC phase-in provisions for initial public offerings. During this phase-in period, our shareholders will not have the same protections afforded to shareholders of companies of which the majority of directors on the compensation committee of such companies are fully independent. If, within the phase-in period, we are not able to appoint an independent director to the Compensation Committee, or otherwise comply with the Nasdaq listing requirements, we may be subject to enforcement actions by Nasdaq.

**General Risk Factors**

***Our operating results may fluctuate significantly, which makes our future operating results difficult to predict and could cause our operating results to fall below expectations or our guidance.***

Our quarterly and annual operating results may fluctuate significantly in the future, which makes it difficult for us to predict our future operating results. From time to time, we may enter into license or collaboration agreements with other companies that include development funding and significant upfront and milestone payments and/or royalties, which may become an important source of our revenue. Accordingly, our revenue may depend on development funding and the achievement of development and clinical milestones under current and any potential future license and collaboration agreements and, if approved, sales of our product candidates. These upfront and milestone payments may vary significantly from period to period and any variance could cause a significant fluctuation in our operating results from one period to the next.

Further, our operating results may fluctuate due to a variety of other factors, many of which are outside of our control and may be difficult to predict, including the following:

- the timing and cost of, and level of investment in, research and development activities relating to our current and any future product candidates, which will change from time to time;
- the timing and outcomes of clinical trials for our current and any other future product candidates;
- the cost of manufacturing our current and any future product candidates, which may vary depending on FDA guidelines and requirements, the quantity of production and the terms of our agreements with manufacturers;
- our ability to adequately support our future growth;
- potential unforeseen business disruptions that increase our costs or expenses;
- future accounting pronouncements or changes in our accounting policies; and
- the changing and volatile global economic environment.

The cumulative effect of these factors could result in large fluctuations and unpredictability in our quarterly and annual operating results. As a result, comparing our operating results on a period-to-period basis may not be meaningful. Investors should not rely on our past results as an indication of our future performance. This variability and unpredictability could also result in our failing to meet the expectations of industry or financial analysts or investors for any period. If our revenue or operating results fall below the expectations of analysts or investors or below any forecasts we may provide to the market, or if the forecasts we provide to the market are below the expectations of analysts or investors, the price of our ADSs could decline substantially. The price of our ADSs could decline even when we have met any previously publicly stated revenue and/or earnings guidance we may provide.

***You may not receive distributions on our ordinary shares represented by the ADSs or any value for them if it is illegal or impractical to make them available to holders of ADSs.***

The depository for the ADSs has agreed to pay to you the cash dividends or other distributions it or the custodian receives on our ordinary shares or other deposited securities after deducting its fees and expenses. You will receive these distributions in proportion to the number of our ordinary shares your ADSs represent. However, in accordance with the limitations set forth in the deposit agreement, it may be unlawful or impractical to make a distribution available to holders of ADSs. We have no obligation to take any other action to permit distribution on the ADSs, ordinary shares, rights or anything else to holders of the ADSs. This means that you may not receive the distributions we make on our ordinary shares or any value from them if it is unlawful or impractical to make them available to you. These restrictions may have an adverse effect on the value of your ADSs.

***We do not intend to pay dividends on our ADSs, so any returns will be limited to the value of our ordinary shares.***

Under current English law, a company's accumulated realized profits must exceed its accumulated realized losses (on a non-consolidated basis) before dividends can be declared and paid. Therefore, we must have distributable profits before declaring and paying a dividend. In addition, as a public limited company incorporated in England & Wales, we will only be able to make a distribution if the amount of our net assets is not less than the aggregate of our called-up share capital and undistributable reserves and if, and to the extent that, the distribution does not reduce the amount of those assets to less than that aggregate.

We have not paid dividends in the past on our ordinary shares. We currently anticipate that we will retain future earnings for the development, operation, and expansion of our business and do not anticipate declaring or paying any cash dividends for the foreseeable future. In addition, we may enter into agreements that prohibit us from paying cash dividends without prior written consent from our contracting parties, or which other terms prohibiting or limiting the amount of dividends that may be declared or paid on our ADSs. Any return to shareholders and holders of our ADSs will therefore be limited to the appreciation of their stock, which may never occur. Investors seeking cash dividends should not purchase our ADSs in this offering.

***Holders of our ADSs are not treated as holders of our ordinary shares.***

By participating in this offering you will become a holder of ADSs with underlying ordinary shares in a company incorporated under English law. Holders of ADSs are not treated as holders of our ordinary shares, unless they withdraw the ordinary shares underlying their ADSs in accordance with the deposit agreement and applicable laws and regulations. The depositary is the holder of the ordinary shares underlying our ADSs. Holders of ADSs therefore do not have any rights as holders of our ordinary shares, other than the rights that they have pursuant to the deposit agreement.

***Holders of our ADSs will not have the same voting rights as the holders of our ordinary shares, and may not receive voting materials or any other documents that would need to be provided to our shareholders pursuant to English corporate law, including the UK Companies Act 2006, or Companies Act 2006, in time to be able to exercise their right to vote.***

Except as described elsewhere in this prospectus and the deposit agreement, holders of the ADSs will not be able to exercise voting rights attaching to the ordinary shares represented by the ADSs. The deposit agreement provides that, upon receipt of notice of any meeting of holders of our ordinary shares, the depositary will fix a record date for the determination of ADS holders who shall be entitled to give instructions for the exercise of voting rights. Upon our request, the depositary shall distribute to the holders as of the record date (i) the notice of the meeting or solicitation of consent or proxy sent by us and (ii) a statement as to the manner in which instructions may be given by the holders. We cannot guarantee that ADS holders will receive the voting materials in time to ensure that they can instruct the depositary to vote the ordinary shares underlying their ADSs.

Otherwise, ADS holders will not be able to exercise their right to vote, unless they withdraw the ordinary shares underlying the ADSs they hold to vote them in person or by proxy in accordance with applicable laws and regulations and our Articles. However, ADS holders may not know about the meeting far enough in advance to withdraw those ordinary shares. A shareholder is only entitled to participate in, and vote at, the meeting of shareholders, provided that it holds our ordinary shares as of the record date set for such meeting and otherwise complies with our Articles. In addition, the depositary's liability to ADS holders for failing to execute voting instructions or for the manner of executing voting instructions is limited by the deposit agreement. As a result, ADS holders may not be able to exercise their right to vote, and there may be nothing they can do if the ordinary shares underlying their ADSs are not voted as they requested or if their shares cannot be voted.

***Holders of ADSs may not be able to participate in equity offerings we may conduct from time to time.***

Certain shareholders and holders of ADSs, including those in the United States, may, even in the case where preferential subscription rights have not been cancelled or limited, not be entitled to exercise such rights, unless the offering is registered or the ordinary shares are qualified for sale under the relevant regulatory framework. As a result, there is the risk that investors may suffer dilution of their holdings should they not be permitted to participate in preference right equity or other offerings that we may conduct in the future.

***Holders of ADSs may be subject to limitations on the transfer of their ADSs and the withdrawal of the underlying ordinary shares.***

ADSs are transferable on the books of the depositary. However, the depositary may close its books at any time or from time to time when it deems expedient in connection with the performance of its duties. The depositary may refuse to deliver, transfer or register transfers of ADSs generally when our books or the books of the depositary are closed, or at any time if we or the depositary think it is advisable to do so because of any requirement of law, government or governmental body, or under any provision of the deposit agreement, or for any other reason, subject to the right of ADS holders to cancel their ADSs and withdraw the underlying ordinary shares. Temporary delays in the cancellation of your ADSs and withdrawal of the underlying ordinary shares may arise because the depositary has closed its transfer books or we have closed our transfer books, the transfer of ordinary shares is blocked to permit voting at a shareholders meeting or we are paying a dividend on our ordinary shares. In addition, ADS holders may not be able to cancel their ADSs and withdraw the underlying ordinary shares when they owe money for

fees, taxes and similar charges and when it is necessary to prohibit withdrawals in order to comply with any laws or governmental regulations that apply to ADSs or to the withdrawal of ordinary shares or other deposited securities. See “Description of American Depositary Shares—Dividends and Other Distributions—How will you receive dividends and other distributions on the shares?”

***ADS holders may not be entitled to a jury trial with respect to claims arising under the deposit agreement, which could result in less favorable outcomes to the plaintiff(s) in any such action.***

The deposit agreement governing our ADSs representing our ordinary shares provides that, to the fullest extent permitted by law, holders and beneficial owners of ADSs irrevocably waive the right to a jury trial of any claim they may have against us or the depositary arising out of or relating to our ADSs or the deposit agreement.

If this jury trial waiver provision is not permitted by applicable law, an action could proceed under the terms of the deposit agreement with a jury trial. If we or the depositary opposed a jury trial demand based on the waiver, the court would determine whether the waiver was enforceable based on the facts and circumstances of that case in accordance with the applicable state and federal law. To our knowledge, the enforceability of a contractual pre-dispute jury trial waiver in connection with claims arising under the federal securities laws has not been finally adjudicated by the United States Supreme Court. However, we believe that a contractual pre-dispute jury trial waiver provision is generally enforceable, including under the laws of the State of New York, which govern the deposit agreement, by a federal or state court in the City of New York, which has non-exclusive jurisdiction over matters arising under the deposit agreement. In determining whether to enforce a contractual pre-dispute jury trial waiver provision, courts will generally consider whether a party knowingly, intelligently and voluntarily waived the right to a jury trial. We believe that this is the case with respect to the deposit agreement and our ADSs. It is advisable that you consult legal counsel regarding the jury waiver provision before entering into the deposit agreement.

If you or any other holders or beneficial owners of ADSs bring a claim against us or the depositary in connection with matters arising under the deposit agreement or our ADSs, including claims under federal securities laws, you or such other holder or beneficial owner may not be entitled to a jury trial with respect to such claims, which may have the effect of limiting and discouraging lawsuits against us and/or the depositary. If a lawsuit is brought against us and/or the depositary under the deposit agreement, it may be heard only by a judge or justice of the applicable trial court, which would be conducted according to different civil procedures and may result in different outcomes than a trial by jury would have had, including results that could be less favorable to the plaintiff(s) in any such action, depending on, among other things, the nature of the claims, the judge or justice hearing such claims, and the venue of the hearing.

No condition, stipulation or provision of the deposit agreement or ADSs serves as a waiver by any holder or beneficial owner of ADSs or by us or the depositary of compliance with U.S. federal securities laws and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

***As an English public limited company, certain capital structure decisions will require shareholder approval, which may limit our flexibility to manage our capital structure.***

English law provides that a board of directors may only allot shares (or grant rights to subscribe for or to convert any security into shares) with the prior authorization of shareholders, such authorization stating the aggregate nominal amount of shares that it covers and being valid for a maximum period of five years, each as specified in the new articles of association, to be adopted with effect from the completion of this offering, or Articles, or relevant ordinary resolution passed by shareholders at a general meeting. Such authority from our shareholders to allot additional shares for a period of five years from \_\_\_\_\_, 2021 was included in the ordinary resolution passed by our shareholders on \_\_\_\_\_, 2021, which authorization will need to be renewed upon expiration (*i.e.*, at least every five years) but may be sought more frequently for additional five-year terms (or any shorter period).

English law also generally provides shareholders with preemptive rights when new shares are issued for cash. However, it is possible for the Articles, or for shareholders to pass a special resolution at a general meeting, being a resolution passed by at least 75% of the votes cast, to disapply preemptive rights. Such a disapplication of preemptive rights may be for a maximum period of up to five years from the date of

adoption of the Articles, if the disapplication is contained in the Articles, but not longer than the duration of the authority to allot shares to which this disapplication relates or from the date of the shareholder special resolution, if the disapplication is by shareholder special resolution. In either case, this disapplication would need to be renewed by our shareholders upon its expiration (*i.e.*, at least every five years). Such authority from our shareholders to disapply preemptive rights for a period of five years was included in the special resolution passed by our shareholders on \_\_\_\_\_, 2021, which disapplication will need to be renewed upon expiration (*i.e.*, at least every five years) to remain effective, but may be sought more frequently for additional five-year terms (or any shorter period).

English law also generally prohibits a public company from repurchasing its own shares without the prior approval of shareholders by ordinary resolution, being a resolution passed by a simple majority of votes cast, and other formalities. Such approval may be for a maximum period of up to five years.

***Shareholder protections found in provisions under the UK City Code on Takeovers and Mergers, or the Takeover Code, will not apply if our place of central management and control is considered to be outside of the UK (or the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man).***

We believe that, as of the date of this prospectus, our place of central management and control is not in the United Kingdom (or the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man) for the purposes of the jurisdictional criteria of the Takeover Code. Accordingly, we believe that we are not currently subject to the Takeover Code and, as a result, our shareholders are not currently entitled to the benefit of certain takeover offer protections provided under the Takeover Code, including the rules regarding mandatory takeover bids.

In the event that this changes, or if the interpretation and application of the Takeover Code by the Panel on Takeovers and Mergers, or Takeover Panel, changes (including changes to the way in which the Takeover Panel assesses the application of the Takeover Code to English companies whose shares are listed outside of the United Kingdom), the Takeover Code may apply to us in the future.

The Takeover Code provides a framework within which takeovers of companies which are subject to the Takeover Code are regulated and conducted. The following is a brief summary of some of the most important rules of the Takeover Code:

- in connection with a potential offer, if following an approach by or on behalf of a potential bidder, the company is “the subject of rumor or speculation” or there is an “untoward movement” in the company’s share price, there is a requirement for the potential bidder to make a public announcement about a potential offer for the company, or for the company to make a public announcement about its review of a potential offer;
- when any person acquires, whether by a series of transactions over a period of time or not, an interest in shares which (taken together with shares already held by that person and an interest in shares held or acquired by persons acting in concert with him or her) carry 30% or more of the voting rights of a company that is subject to the Takeover Code, that person is generally required to make a mandatory offer to all the holders of any class of equity share capital or other class of transferable securities carrying voting rights in that company to acquire the balance of their interests in the company;
- when any person who, together with persons acting in concert with him or her, is interested in shares representing not less than 30% but does not hold more than 50% of the voting rights of a company that is subject to the Takeover Code, and such person, or any person acting in concert with him or her, acquires an additional interest in shares which increases the percentage of shares carrying voting rights in which he or she is interested, then such person is generally required to make a mandatory offer to all the holders of any class of equity share capital or other class of transferable securities carrying voting rights of that company to acquire the balance of their interests in the company;
- a mandatory offer triggered in the circumstances described in the two paragraphs above must be in cash (or be accompanied by a cash alternative) and at not less than the highest price paid within the preceding 12 months to acquire any interest in shares in the company by the person required to make the offer or any person acting in concert with him or her;

- in relation to a voluntary offer (*i.e.*, any offer which is not a mandatory offer), when interests in shares representing 10% or more of the voting rights of a class have been acquired for cash by an offeror (*i.e.*, a bidder) and any person acting in concert with it in the offer period and the previous 12 months, the offer must be in cash or include a cash alternative for all shareholders of that class at not less than the highest price paid for any interest in shares of that class by the offeror and by any person acting in concert with it in that period. Further, if an offeror acquires for cash any interest in shares during the offer period, a cash alternative must be made available at not less than the highest price paid for any interest in the shares of that class;
- if, after making an offer for a company, the offeror or any person acting in concert with them acquires an interest in shares in an offeree company (*i.e.*, a target) at a price higher than the value of the offer, the offer must be increased to not less than the highest price paid for the interest in shares so acquired;
- an offeree company must appoint a competent independent adviser whose advice on the financial terms of the offer must be made known to all the shareholders, together with the opinion of the board of directors of the offeree company;
- special or favorable deals for selected shareholders are not permitted, except in certain circumstances where independent shareholder approval is given and the arrangements are regarded as fair and reasonable in the opinion of the financial adviser to the offeree;
- all shareholders must be given the same information;
- each document published in connection with an offer by or on behalf of the offeror or offeree must state that the directors of the offeror or the offeree, as the case may be, accept responsibility for the information contained therein;
- profit forecasts, quantified financial benefits statements and asset valuations must be made to specified standards and must be reported on by professional advisers;
- misleading, inaccurate or unsubstantiated statements made in documents or to the media must be publicly corrected immediately;
- actions during the course of an offer by the offeree company, which might frustrate the offer are generally prohibited unless shareholders approve these plans. Frustrating actions would include, for example, lengthening the notice period for directors under their service contract or agreeing to sell off material parts of the target group;
- stringent and detailed requirements are laid down for the disclosure of dealings in relevant securities during an offer, including the prompt disclosure of positions and dealing in relevant securities by the parties to an offer and any person who is interested (directly or indirectly) in 1% or more of any class of relevant securities; and
- employees of both the offeror and the offeree company and the trustees of the offeree company's pension scheme must be informed about an offer. In addition, the offeree company's employee representatives and pension scheme trustees have the right to have a separate opinion on the effects of the offer on employment appended to the offeree board of directors' circular or published on a website.

***The rights of our shareholders may differ from the rights typically offered to shareholders of a U.S. corporation.***

We are incorporated under the laws of England and Wales. The rights of holders of ordinary shares and, therefore, certain of the rights of holders of ADSs, are governed by the laws of England and Wales, including the provisions of the Companies Act 2006, and by our Articles. These rights differ in certain respects from the rights of shareholders in typical U.S. corporations. See "Description of Share Capital and Articles of Association—Differences in Corporate Law" in this prospectus for a description of the principal differences between the provisions of the Companies Act 2006 applicable to us and, for example, the Delaware General Corporation Law relating to shareholders' rights and protections.



The principal differences include the following:

- under English law and our Articles, each shareholder present at a meeting has only one vote unless demand is made for a vote on a poll, in which case each holder gets one vote per share owned. Under U.S. law, each shareholder typically is entitled to one vote per share at all meetings;
- under English law, it is only on a poll that the number of shares determines the number of votes a holder may cast. You should be aware, however, that the voting rights of ADSs are also governed by the provisions of a deposit agreement with our depository bank;
- under English law, subject to certain exceptions and disapplications, each shareholder generally has preemptive rights to subscribe on a proportionate basis to any issuance of ordinary shares or rights to subscribe for, or to convert securities into, ordinary shares for cash. Under U.S. law, shareholders generally do not have preemptive rights unless specifically granted in the certificate of incorporation or otherwise;
- under English law and our Articles, certain matters require the approval of 75% of the shareholders who vote (in person or by proxy) on the relevant resolution (or on a poll of shareholders representing 75% of the ordinary shares voting (in person or by proxy)), including amendments to the Articles. This may make it more difficult for us to complete corporate transactions deemed advisable by our board of directors. Under U.S. law, generally only majority shareholder approval is required to amend the certificate of incorporation or to approve other significant transactions;
- in the UK, takeovers may be structured as takeover offers or as schemes of arrangement. Under English law, for so long as we are subject to the Takeover Code, a bidder seeking to acquire us by means of a takeover offer would need to make an offer for all of our outstanding ordinary shares/ADSs. If acceptances are not received for 90% or more of the ordinary shares/ADSs under the offer, under English law, the bidder cannot complete a “squeeze out” to obtain 100% control of us. Accordingly, acceptances of 90% of our outstanding ordinary shares (including those represented by ADSs) will likely be a condition in any takeover offer to acquire us, not 50% as is more common in tender offers for corporations organized under Delaware law. By contrast, a scheme of arrangement, the successful completion of which would result in a bidder obtaining 100% control of us, requires the approval of a majority of shareholders voting at the meeting and representing 75% of the ordinary shares (including those represented by ADSs) voting at the meeting for approval;
- under English law and our Articles, shareholders and other persons whom we know or have reasonable cause to believe are, or have been, interested in our shares may be required to disclose information regarding their interests in our shares upon our request, and the failure to provide the required information could result in the loss or restriction of rights attaching to the shares, including prohibitions on certain transfers of the shares, withholding of dividends and loss of voting rights. Comparable provisions generally do not exist under U.S. law; and
- the quorum requirement for a shareholders’ meeting is one or more qualifying persons present at a meeting and between them holding (or being the proxy or corporate representative of the holders of) at least thirty-three and one-third percent (33 1/3%) in number of the issued shares (excluding any shares held as treasury shares) entitled to attend and vote on the business to be transacted. Under U.S. law, a majority of the shares eligible to vote must generally be present (in person or by proxy) at a shareholders’ meeting in order to constitute a quorum. The minimum number of shares required for a quorum can be reduced pursuant to a provision in a company’s certificate of incorporation or bylaws, but typically not below one-third of the shares entitled to vote at the meeting.

***Our Articles will provide that the courts of England and Wales will be the exclusive forum for the resolution of all shareholder complaints other than complaints asserting a cause of action arising under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act, and that the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York will be the exclusive forum for the resolution of any shareholder complaint asserting a cause of action arising under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act.***

Our Articles will provide that, unless we consent by ordinary resolution to the selection of an alternative forum, the courts of England and Wales shall, to the fullest extent permitted by law, be the exclusive forum

for: (a) any derivative action or proceeding brought on our behalf; (b) any action or proceeding asserting a claim of breach of fiduciary duty owed by any of our directors, officers or other employees to us; (c) any action or proceeding asserting a claim arising out of any provision of the Companies Act 2006 or our Articles (as may be amended from time to time); or (d) any action or proceeding asserting a claim or otherwise related to our affairs, or the England and Wales Forum Provision. The England and Wales Forum Provision will not apply to any causes of action arising under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act. Our Articles will further provide that unless we consent by ordinary resolution to the selection of an alternative forum, the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York shall be the exclusive forum for resolving any complaint asserting a cause of action arising under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act, or the U.S. Federal Forum Provision. In addition, our Articles will provide that any person or entity purchasing or otherwise acquiring any interest in our shares is deemed to have notice of and consented to the England and Wales Forum Provision and the U.S. Federal Forum Provision; provided, however, that our shareholders cannot and will not be deemed to have waived our compliance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the rules and regulations thereunder.

The England and Wales Forum Provision and the U.S. Federal Forum Provision in our Articles may impose additional litigation costs on our shareholders in pursuing any such claims. Additionally, the forum selection clauses in our Articles may limit the ability of our shareholders to bring a claim in a judicial forum that they find favorable for disputes with us or our directors, officers or employees, which may discourage the filing of lawsuits against us and our directors, officers and employees, even though an action, if successful, might benefit our shareholders. In addition, while the Delaware Supreme Court ruled in March 2020 that federal forum selection provisions purporting to require claims under the Securities Act be brought in federal court are “facially valid” under Delaware law, there is uncertainty as to whether other courts, including the courts of England and Wales and other courts within the U.S., will enforce our U.S. Federal Forum Provision. If the U.S. Federal Forum Provision is found to be inapplicable or unenforceable in an action, we may incur additional costs associated with resolving such action in other jurisdictions, which could adversely affect our results of operations and financial condition. The U.S. Federal Forum Provision may also impose additional litigation costs on our shareholders who assert that the provision is not enforceable or invalid. The courts of England and Wales and the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York may also reach different judgments or results than would other courts, including courts where a shareholder considering an action may be located or would otherwise choose to bring the action, and such judgments may be more or less favorable to us than our shareholders.

***Changes in U.S. tax law could adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations.***

The rules dealing with U.S. federal, state, and local income taxation are constantly under review by persons involved in the legislative process and by the Internal Revenue Service and the U.S. Treasury Department. Changes to tax laws (which changes may have retroactive application) could adversely affect us or holders of our ordinary shares or ADSs. In recent years, many such changes have been made and changes are likely to continue to occur in the future. For example, on March 27, 2020, President Trump signed into law the CARES Act, which included certain changes in tax law intended to stimulate the U.S. economy in light of the COVID-19 coronavirus outbreak, including temporary beneficial changes to the treatment of net operating losses, interest deductibility limitations and payroll tax matters. Future changes in U.S. tax laws could have a material adverse effect on our business, cash flow, financial condition or results of operations. We urge investors to consult with their legal and tax advisors regarding the implications of potential changes in U.S. tax laws on an investment in our ordinary shares or ADSs.

***If we were classified as a passive foreign investment company, it would result in adverse U.S. federal income tax consequences to U.S. Holders.***

Under the Code, we will be a passive foreign investment company, or PFIC, for any taxable year in which (i) 75% or more of our gross income consists of passive income or (ii) 50% or more of the average quarterly value of our assets consists of assets that produce, or are held for the production of, passive income. For purposes of these tests, passive income includes dividends, interest, gains from the sale or exchange of investment property and certain rents and royalties. In addition, for purposes of the above calculations, a non-U.S. corporation that directly or indirectly owns at least 25% by value of the shares of another corporation is treated as holding and receiving directly its proportionate share of assets and income of such

corporation. If we are a PFIC for any taxable year during which a U.S. Holder (as defined below under “Material Income Tax Considerations—Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations for U.S. Holders”) holds our ordinary shares or ADSs, the U.S. Holder may be subject to adverse tax consequences regardless of whether we continue to qualify as a PFIC, including ineligibility for any preferred tax rates on capital gains or on actual or deemed dividends, interest charges on certain taxes treated as deferred and additional reporting requirements.

Our PFIC status for the 2020 taxable year is currently not certain. However, based on the current and expected composition of our income and the value of our assets, we believe we were not a PFIC for 2020, and we do not expect to be a PFIC for our current taxable year. However, no assurances regarding our PFIC status can be provided for the current taxable year or any future taxable years. The determination of whether we are a PFIC is a fact-intensive determination made on an annual basis applying principles and methodologies that in some circumstances are unclear and subject to varying interpretation. In addition, our belief that we do not expect to be a PFIC for the current taxable year is based in part upon proposed Treasury Regulations and there is a risk that those proposed Treasury Regulations may be modified or withdrawn, which could result in our being classified as a PFIC for the current taxable year. Under the income test, our status as a PFIC depends on the composition of our income which will depend on the transactions we enter into in the future and our corporate structure. The composition of our income and assets is also affected by the spending of the cash we raise in any offering, including this offering.

For further discussion of the PFIC rules and adverse U.S. federal income tax consequences in the event we are classified as a PFIC, see the section titled “Material Income Tax Considerations—Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations for U.S. Holders” in this prospectus. Each U.S. Holder should consult its own tax advisors with respect to the potential adverse U.S. tax consequences to it if we are or were to become a PFIC.

***If we are a controlled foreign corporation, there could be adverse U.S. federal income tax consequences to certain U.S. Holders.***

Each “Ten Percent Shareholder” (as defined below) in a non-U.S. corporation that is classified as a “controlled foreign corporation,” or a CFC, for U.S. federal income tax purposes generally is required to include in income for U.S. federal tax purposes such Ten Percent Shareholder’s pro rata share of the CFC’s “Subpart F income,” “global intangible low-taxed income” and investment of earnings in U.S. property, even if the CFC has made no distributions to its shareholders. In addition, if a non-U.S. corporation owns at least one U.S. subsidiary, under current law, any current non-U.S. subsidiaries and any future newly formed or acquired non-U.S. subsidiaries of the non-U.S. corporation will be treated as CFCs, regardless of whether the non-U.S. corporation is treated as a CFC. Subpart F income generally includes dividends, interest, rents, royalties, gains from the sale of securities and income from certain transactions with related parties. In addition, a Ten Percent Shareholder that realizes gain from the sale or exchange of shares in a CFC may be required to classify a portion of such gain as dividend income rather than capital gain. A non-U.S. corporation generally will be classified as a CFC for U.S. federal income tax purposes if Ten Percent Shareholders own, directly or indirectly, more than 50% of either the total combined voting power of all classes of stock of such corporation entitled to vote or of the total value of the stock of such corporation. A “Ten Percent Shareholder” is a United States person (as defined by the Code) who owns or is considered to own 10% or more of the value or total combined voting power of all classes of stock entitled to vote of such corporation.

We do not believe that we were a CFC in 2019, and we do not expect to be a CFC in 2020. The determination of CFC status is complex and includes attribution rules, the application of which is not entirely certain. An individual that is a Ten Percent Shareholder with respect to a CFC generally would not be allowed certain tax deductions or foreign tax credits that would be allowed to a Ten Percent Shareholder that is a U.S. corporation. Failure to comply with CFC reporting obligations may subject a United States shareholder to significant monetary penalties. We cannot provide any assurances that we will furnish to any Ten Percent Shareholder information that may be necessary to comply with the reporting and tax paying obligations applicable under the CFC rules of the Code. U.S. Holders should consult their own tax advisors with respect to the potential adverse U.S. tax consequences of becoming a Ten Percent Shareholder in a CFC.

***Our disclosure controls and procedures may not prevent or detect all errors or acts of fraud.***

Upon the closing of this offering, we will become subject to the periodic reporting requirements of the Exchange Act. We are continuing to refine our disclosure controls and procedures to provide reasonable assurance that information we must disclose in reports we file or submit under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to management, and recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the rules and forms of the SEC. We believe that any disclosure controls and procedures, no matter how well-conceived and operated, can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance that the objectives of the control system are met.

These inherent limitations include the realities that judgments in decision-making can be faulty, and that breakdowns can occur because of simple error or mistake. Additionally, controls can be circumvented by the individual acts of some persons, by collusion of two or more people or by an unauthorized override of the controls. Accordingly, because of the inherent limitations in our control system, misstatements due to error or fraud may occur and not be detected.

***If we fail to establish and maintain proper internal controls, our ability to produce accurate financial statements or comply with applicable regulations could be impaired. As a result, shareholders could lose confidence in our financial and other public reporting, which would harm our business and the trading price of our ADSs.***

Ensuring that we have adequate internal financial and accounting controls and procedures in place so that we can produce accurate financial statements on a timely basis is a costly and time-consuming effort that needs to be re-evaluated frequently. Our internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. In connection with this offering, we intend to begin the process of documenting, reviewing, and improving our internal controls and procedures for compliance with Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, which will require annual management assessment of the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting. We have begun recruiting additional finance and accounting personnel with certain skill sets that we will need as a public company. Our independent registered public accounting firm will not be required to formally attest to the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting until the later of our second annual report or the first annual report required to be filed with the SEC following the date we are no longer an emerging growth company, depending on whether we choose to rely on certain exemptions set forth in the JOBS Act.

Implementing any appropriate changes to our internal controls, including compliance with the requirements of Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, may distract our officers and employees, entail substantial costs to modify our existing processes, and take significant time to complete. These changes may not, however, be effective in maintaining the adequacy of our internal controls, and any failure to maintain that adequacy, or consequent inability to produce accurate financial statements on a timely basis, could increase our operating costs and harm our business. In addition, investors' perceptions that our internal controls are inadequate or that we are unable to produce accurate financial statements on a timely basis may harm our stock price and make it more difficult for us to continue to discover and develop novel immunotherapeutics and vaccines for the treatment and prevention of infectious diseases and cancer.

***We identified material weaknesses in connection with our internal control over financial reporting. Although we are taking steps to remediate these material weaknesses, we may not be successful in doing so in a timely manner, or at all, and we may identify other material weaknesses.***

In connection with the audits of our consolidated financial statements for each of the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2020, our management and independent registered public accounting firm identified material weaknesses in our internal control over financial reporting. The material weaknesses related to: (i) our lack of a sufficient number of personnel with an appropriate level of knowledge and experience in the application of U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, or U.S. GAAP, commensurate with our financial reporting requirements; (ii) our IT general control environment has not been sufficiently designed to include appropriate user access rights and (iii) policies and procedures with respect to the review, supervision and monitoring of our accounting and reporting functions were either not designed and in place or not operating effectively. As a result, a number of adjustments to our consolidated financial statements for each of the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2020 were identified and made during the course of the audit process.

We are currently not required to comply with Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, and are therefore not required to make an assessment of the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting. Further, our independent registered public accounting firm has not been engaged to express, nor have they expressed, an opinion on the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting. Had we and our independent registered public accounting firm performed an evaluation of our internal control over financial reporting in accordance with the provisions of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, additional control deficiencies may have been identified by our management or independent registered public accounting firm, and those control deficiencies could have also represented one or more material weaknesses. In an effort to remediate the material weaknesses, we have hired a Chief Financial Officer with public company experience and we plan to increase the number of our finance and accounting personnel.

Assessing our procedures to improve our internal control over financial reporting is an ongoing process. We can provide no assurance that our remediation efforts described herein will be successful and that we will not have material weaknesses in the future. Any material weaknesses we identify could result in an adverse reaction in the financial markets due to a loss of confidence in the reliability of our consolidated financial statements.

***After the completion of this offering, we may be at an increased risk of securities class action litigation.***

Historically, securities class action litigation has often been brought against a company following a decline in the market price of its securities. This risk is especially relevant for us because biotechnology and pharmaceutical companies have experienced significant stock price volatility in recent years. If we were to be sued, it could result in substantial costs and a diversion of management's attention and resources, which could harm our business.

***Our business and results of operations may be negatively impacted by the UK's withdrawal from the EU.***

On June 23, 2016, the UK held a referendum in which a majority of voters approved an exit from the EU, or Brexit. After nearly three years of negotiation and political and economic uncertainty, the UK's withdrawal from the EU became effective on January 31, 2020. There was a transitional period, during which EU laws continued to apply in the UK, which ended on December 31, 2020. The UK and EU have signed a EU-UK Trade and Cooperation Agreement, which became provisionally applicable on January 1, 2021 and which will become formally applicable once ratified by both the UK and the EU. This agreement provides details on how some aspects of the UK and EU's relationship regarding medicinal products will operate, particularly in relation to Good Manufacturing Practice; however, there are still many uncertainties.

Brexit may affect our results of operations in a number of ways, including increasing currency exchange risk, generating instability in the global financial markets or negatively impacting the economies of the UK and Europe. In addition, as we are headquartered in the UK, it is possible that Brexit may impact some or all of our current operations. For example, Brexit will impact our ability to freely move employees from our headquarters in the UK to other locations in Europe. Furthermore, if other EU member states pursue withdrawal, barrier-free access among the EU overall could be diminished or eliminated.

The long-term effects of Brexit will depend in part on how the EU-UK Trade and Cooperation Agreement, and any future agreements signed by the UK and the EU, play out in practice. Such a withdrawal from the EU is unprecedented, and it is unclear how the restrictions on the UK's access to the European single market for goods, capital, services and labor within the EU, or single market, and the wider commercial, legal and regulatory environment, will impact our current and future operations (including business activities conducted by third parties and contract manufacturers on our behalf) and clinical activities in the UK. In addition to the foregoing, our UK operations support our current and future operations and clinical activities in the EU and EEA and these operations and clinical activities could be disrupted by Brexit.

We may also face new regulatory costs and challenges that could have an adverse effect on our operations as a result of Brexit. The UK will lose the benefits of global trade agreements negotiated by the EU on behalf of its member states, which may result in increased trade barriers that could make our doing business in the EU and the EEA more difficult. Since the regulatory framework in the UK covering quality, safety and efficacy of therapeutic substances, clinical trials, marketing authorization, commercial sales and distribution

of therapeutic substances is derived from EU directives and regulations, Brexit could materially impact the future regulatory regime with respect to the approval of our current or future product candidates in the UK, now that the UK legislation has the potential to diverge from EU legislation. It remains to be seen how Brexit will impact regulatory requirements for product candidates and therapies in the UK in the long term. Any delay in obtaining, or an inability to obtain, any marketing authorizations, as a result of Brexit or otherwise, would delay or prevent us from commercializing our current or future product candidates in the UK and/or the EU and restrict our ability to generate revenue and achieve and sustain profitability. If any of these outcomes occur, we may be forced to restrict or delay efforts to seek marketing authorization in the UK and/or EU for our current or future product candidates, which could significantly and materially harm our business. Even prior to any change to the UK's relationship with the EU, the announcement of Brexit had created economic uncertainty surrounding the terms of Brexit and its consequences could adversely impact customer confidence resulting in customers reducing their spending budgets on our current or future product candidates, if approved, which could adversely affect our business, financial condition, results of operations and could adversely affect the market price of our ADSs.

We expect that Brexit could lead to legal uncertainty and potentially divergent national laws and regulations as the UK determines which EU laws to replicate or replace, including those related to data privacy and the regulation of medicinal products, as described above. Any of these effects of Brexit, and others we cannot anticipate, could negatively impact our business and results of operations.

***Legal, political and economic uncertainty surrounding the United Kingdom's withdrawal from the European Union may be a source of instability in international markets, create significant currency fluctuations and risks of additional taxation, adversely affect our operations in the United Kingdom and pose additional risks to our business, revenue, financial condition, and results of operations.***

Since a significant proportion of the regulatory framework in the United Kingdom applicable to our business and our product candidates is derived from European Union directives and regulations, Brexit could materially impact the regulatory regime with respect to the development, manufacture, importation, approval and commercialization of our product candidates in the United Kingdom or the European Union. For example, Great Britain will no longer be covered by the centralized procedures for obtaining EEA-wide marketing and manufacturing authorizations from the EMA (centralized marketing authorizations will continue to be valid in Northern Ireland under the Northern Ireland Protocol) and a separate process for authorization of drug products will be required in Great Britain resulting in an authorization covering the United Kingdom or Great Britain only. For a period of two years from January 1, 2021, the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency, or MHRA (the UK medicines and medical devices regulator) may rely on a decision taken by the European Commission on the approval of a new marketing authorization in the centralized procedure, in order to more quickly grant a Great Britain marketing authorization. A separate application will, however, still be required. The MHRA has published a series of guidance notes on how the process for authorization of medicines will now work, however exactly what implications this will have in practice remain unclear. Any delay in obtaining, or an inability to obtain, any marketing approvals, as a result of Brexit or otherwise, would prevent us from commercializing our product candidates in the United Kingdom or the European Union and limit our ability to generate revenue and achieve and sustain profitability. If any of these outcomes occur, we may be forced to restrict or delay efforts to seek marketing authorization in the United Kingdom or the European Union for our product candidates, or incur significant additional expenses to operate our business, which could significantly and materially harm or delay our ability to generate revenues or achieve profitability of our business. Any further changes in international trade, tariff and import/export regulations as a result of Brexit or otherwise may impose unexpected duty costs or other non-tariff barriers on us. These developments, or the perception that any of them could occur, may significantly reduce global trade and, in particular, trade between the impacted nations and the United Kingdom. It is also possible that Brexit may negatively affect our ability to attract and retain employees, particularly those from the European Union.

The uncertainty concerning the United Kingdom's legal, political and economic relationship with the European Union following Brexit may be a source of instability in the international markets, create significant currency fluctuations, and/or otherwise adversely affect trading agreements or similar cross-border co-operation arrangements (whether economic, tax, fiscal, legal, regulatory or otherwise).

### SPECIAL NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus contains express or implied forward-looking statements that involve substantial risks and uncertainties. In some cases, you can identify forward-looking statements by the words “may,” “might,” “will,” “could,” “would,” “should,” “expect,” “intend,” “plan,” “objective,” “anticipate,” “believe,” “estimate,” “predict,” “potential,” “continue,” “ongoing,” or the negative of these terms, or other comparable terminology intended to identify statements about the future. These statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other important factors that may cause our actual results, levels of activity, performance or achievements to be materially different from the information expressed or implied by these forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements and opinions contained in this prospectus are based upon information available to our management as of the date of this prospectus and, while we believe such information forms a reasonable basis for such statements, such information may be limited or incomplete, and our statements should not be read to indicate that we have conducted an exhaustive inquiry into, or review of, all potentially available relevant information. Forward-looking statements contained in this prospectus include, but are not limited to, statements about:

- the success, cost and timing of our product development activities and clinical trials;
- the timing, scope or likelihood of regulatory filings and approvals, including timing of Investigational New Drug Application and Biological License Application filings for our current and future product candidates, and final U.S. Food and Drug Administration, European Medicines Agency, United Kingdom Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency or other foreign regulatory authority approval of our current and future product candidates;
- our ability to develop and advance our current and future product candidates and programs into, and successfully complete, clinical trials;
- our ability to establish future or maintain current collaborations or strategic relationships or obtain additional funding;
- the rate and degree of market acceptance and clinical utility of our current and future product candidates;
- the ability and willingness of our third-party collaborators to continue research and development activities relating to our product candidates;
- our and our collaborators’ ability to obtain, maintain, defend and enforce our intellectual property protection for our product candidates, and the scope of such protection;
- our manufacturing, commercialization and marketing capabilities and strategy;
- future agreements with third parties in connection with the commercialization of our product candidates and any other approved products;
- regulatory developments in the United States and foreign countries;
- competitive companies, technologies and our industry and the success of competing therapies that are or may become available;
- our ability to attract and retain key scientific or management personnel;
- our ability to obtain funding for our operations, including funding necessary to complete further development and commercialization of our product candidates;
- the accuracy of our estimates of our annual total addressable markets, future revenue, expenses, capital requirements and needs for additional financing;
- our expectations about market trends;
- our ability to overcome the challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic to the conduct of our business;
- our expectations regarding the period during which we qualify as an emerging growth company under the Jumpstart Our Business Startups Act of 2012, as amended; and

- our expectations regarding use of the proceeds from this offering.

You should refer to the section titled “Risk Factors” for a discussion of important factors that may cause our actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied by our forward-looking statements. As a result of these factors, we cannot assure you that the forward-looking statements in this prospectus will prove to be accurate. Furthermore, if our forward-looking statements prove to be inaccurate, the inaccuracy may be material. In light of the significant uncertainties in these forward-looking statements, you should not regard these statements as a representation or warranty by us or any other person that we will achieve our objectives and plans in any specified time frame, or at all. We undertake no obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as required by law.

You should read this prospectus and the documents that we reference in this prospectus and have filed as exhibits to the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part completely and with the understanding that our actual future results may be materially different from what we expect. We qualify all of our forward-looking statements in this prospectus by these cautionary statements.



## USE OF PROCEEDS

We estimate that the net proceeds to us in this offering will be approximately \$            million, based on an assumed initial public offering price of \$            per ADS, which is the midpoint of the price range set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, after deducting estimated underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us. If the underwriters exercise their option to purchase

additional ADSs in full, we estimate that the net proceeds to us from this offering will be approximately \$            million, after deducting the estimated underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us.

Each \$1.00 increase (decrease) in the assumed initial public offering price of \$            per ADS would increase (decrease) the net proceeds to us from this offering by \$            million, assuming that the number of ADSs offered by us, as set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, remains the same. An increase (decrease) of 1,000,000 in the number of ADSs we are offering would increase (decrease) the net proceeds to us from this offering by \$            million, assuming the assumed initial public offering price remains the same.

As of December 31, 2020, we had cash and cash equivalents of \$43.3 million. In March 2021, we issued Series B Shares for aggregate gross proceeds of \$125.2 million. We expect to use the net proceeds to us from this offering, together with our existing cash and cash equivalents, as follows:

- approximately \$            million to advance the development of VTP-300 for the treatment of HBV, VTP-200 for the treatment of HPV and VTP-850 for the treatment of prostate cancer;
- approximately \$            million to support our collaborators' efforts in the development of VTP-600 for the treatment of NSCLC, VTP-400 for the prevention of zoster and VTP-500 for the prevention of MERS; and
- the remaining proceeds for continued development of our next-generation platform technologies for use in rapid deployment against new and emerging pandemic and epidemic threats and other general corporate purposes.

This expected use of net proceeds from this offering represents our intentions based upon our current plans and business conditions, which could change in the future as our plans and business conditions evolve. We may also use a portion of the net proceeds to in-license, acquire or invest in additional businesses, technologies, products or assets. We cannot predict with certainty all of the particular uses for the net proceeds to be received upon the consummation of this offering or the amounts that we will actually spend on the uses set forth above. Predicting the cost necessary to develop product candidates and commercialize approved products can be difficult and the amounts and timing of our actual expenditures may vary significantly depending on numerous factors, including the progress of our development, our plans to develop our in-house product manufacturing capabilities, the status of and results from clinical trials, any collaborations that we may enter into with third parties for our product candidates and any unforeseen cash needs. As a result, our management will retain broad discretion over the allocation of the net proceeds from this offering.

Based on our planned use of the net proceeds from this offering and our existing cash and cash equivalents, we estimate that such funds will be sufficient to fund our operations and capital expenditure requirements for at least the next            months. We have based this estimate on assumptions that may prove to be wrong, and we could use our available capital resources sooner than we currently expect.

Pending our use of proceeds from this offering, we plan to invest these net proceeds in a variety of capital preservation instruments, including short-term, interest bearing obligations and investment-grade instruments.

**DIVIDEND POLICY**

We have never declared or paid any cash dividend, and we do not anticipate declaring or paying any cash dividends in the foreseeable future. We intend to retain all available funds and any future earnings to fund the development and expansion of our business. See “Risk Factors—General Risk Factors—We do not intend to pay dividends on our ADSs, so any returns will be limited to the value of our ordinary shares.” We do not intend to pay dividends on our ADSs, so it is expected that any returns will be limited to the value of our ordinary shares.

Any future determination to pay dividends will be made at the discretion of our board of directors and will depend on a number of factors, including our future operations and earnings, capital requirements and surplus, general financial condition, contractual restrictions and other factors that our board of directors may deem relevant. If we pay any dividends, we will pay the ADS holders to the same extent as holders of our ordinary shares, subject to the terms of the deposit agreement, including the fees and expenses payable thereunder. See “Description of American Depositary Shares.” Cash dividends on our ordinary shares, if any, will be paid in U.S. dollars.

## CORPORATE REORGANIZATION

Vaccitech plc is a public limited company with limited liability originally incorporated pursuant to the laws of England and Wales in March 2021 as a private limited company named Vaccitech Rx Limited, with nominal assets and liabilities, for the purpose of becoming the holding company of Vaccitech (UK) Limited (formerly Vaccitech Limited) and for the purpose of consummating the corporate reorganization described herein. Vaccitech (UK) Limited (formerly Vaccitech Limited) was formed as a separate company in January 2016. Vaccitech plc is a holding company which has not or will not have conducted any operations prior to this offering other than activities incidental to its formation, the corporate reorganization, and this offering.

Prior to the completion of this offering:

- Vaccitech Rx Limited became the direct holding company of Vaccitech (UK) Limited (formerly Vaccitech Limited).
- Vaccitech Limited changed its name to Vaccitech (UK) Limited.
- Vaccitech Rx Limited re-registered as a public limited company and changed its name to Vaccitech plc.

Vaccitech plc has five direct and indirect subsidiaries: Vaccitech (UK) Limited (formerly Vaccitech Limited), Vaccitech Australia Pty Limited, Vaccitech Oncology Limited, Vaccitech USA Inc. and Vaccitech Italia S.R.L.

Therefore, investors in this offering will only acquire, and this prospectus only describes the offering of, ADSs representing ordinary shares of Vaccitech plc. The corporate reorganization will take place in several steps, some of which will be completed following the completion of this offering. We refer to the following steps, which are discussed in more detail below, as our “corporate reorganization”:

Prior to completion of this offering:

- **Exchange of Vaccitech (UK) Limited (formerly Vaccitech Limited) Shares for Vaccitech Rx Limited Shares:** All shareholders of Vaccitech (UK) Limited (formerly Vaccitech Limited) exchanged each of the shares held by them for one share of Vaccitech Rx Limited to result in them holding the same percentage and class of newly issued shares of Vaccitech Rx Limited and, as a result, Vaccitech Rx Limited became the sole shareholder of Vaccitech (UK) Limited (formerly Vaccitech Limited). The series A shares and series B shares in Vaccitech Rx Limited had a nominal value at the time of issue of £2,500.00 and the ordinary shares in Vaccitech Rx Limited had a nominal value at the time of issue of £250.00.
- **Subdivision of each series A share and series B share in the share capital of Vaccitech Rx Limited:** Each series A share and each series B share resulting from the exchange described in the previous step was subdivided into (i) one share of the same class, with a nominal value of £2,499.00, and (ii) one deferred A share with a nominal value of £1.00.
- **Reduction of capital of Vaccitech Rx Limited:** Vaccitech Rx Limited reduced its issued share capital pursuant to Chapter 10 of Part 17 of the Companies Act 2006.
- **Re-registration of Vaccitech Rx Limited:** Vaccitech Rx Limited re-registered as a public limited company and changed its name to Vaccitech plc.
- **Reorganization of separate classes of shares of Vaccitech plc into a single class of ordinary shares and deferred B shares:** The different classes of issued share capital of Vaccitech plc will be reorganized into a single class of ordinary shares and deferred B shares.

Following completion of this offering:

- **Reorganization of separate classes of shares of Vaccitech (UK) Limited into a single class of ordinary shares:** The different classes of issued share capital of Vaccitech (UK) Limited will be reorganized into a single class of ordinary shares.



that each current shareholder of Vaccitech plc receives will be rounded up or down to the nearest whole share. Therefore, upon consummation of the corporate reorganization and prior to the completion of this offering, assuming an initial public offering price of \$            per ADS, which is the midpoint of the price range set forth on the cover of this prospectus, the current shareholders of Vaccitech plc will hold an aggregate of            ordinary shares of Vaccitech plc. In the event of a \$1.00 increase in the assumed initial public offering price per ADS to \$            per ADS, the current shareholders of Vaccitech plc will hold an aggregate of            ordinary shares of Vaccitech plc. In the event of a \$1.00 decrease in the assumed initial public offering price per ADS to \$            per ADS, the current shareholders of Vaccitech plc will hold an aggregate of            ordinary shares of Vaccitech plc.

**Reorganization of separate classes of shares of Vaccitech (UK) Limited into a single class of ordinary shares**

Pursuant to the terms of the articles of association of Vaccitech (UK) Limited in effect at such time, the series A shares of Vaccitech (UK) Limited will be converted on a one to one basis into ordinary shares of Vaccitech (UK) Limited, and the series B shares of Vaccitech (UK) Limited will be converted on a one to one basis into ordinary shares of Vaccitech (UK) Limited.

**Reduction of capital of Vaccitech (UK) Limited**

Vaccitech (UK) Limited may reduce its issued share capital pursuant to Chapter 10 of Part 17 of the Companies Act 2006 by way of reduction in the nominal value of shares issued and outstanding and/or reduction of the amounts credited to the company's share premium account or other permitted undistributable reserve. Any such reduction of capital will be credited to the company's reserves that are available for distribution.

## CAPITALIZATION

The following table sets forth our cash and cash equivalents and capitalization as of December 31, 2020 on:

- an actual basis;
- a pro forma basis to give effect to (i) the issuance of 41,378 Series B Shares in March 2021, which included the conversion of our 2020 Notes into Series B Shares, and (ii) our corporate reorganization; and
- on a pro forma as adjusted basis giving effect to the pro forma adjustments set forth above and to give further effect to the sale of ADSs in this offering, assuming an initial public offering price of \$ per ADS, which is the midpoint of the range set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, after deducting estimated underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us.

You should read this information together with our consolidated financial statements and related notes appearing elsewhere in this prospectus and the information set forth under the sections titled “Selected Consolidated Financial Data,” “Use of Proceeds” and “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.”

	AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2020		
	ACTUAL	PRO FORMA	PRO FORMA AS ADJUSTED <sup>(1)</sup>
	(in thousands, except share and per share data)		
	(unaudited)		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 43,266	\$	\$
Long-term debt <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 46,172	\$	\$
Series A Shares	33,765		
Shareholders’ equity:			
Ordinary shares	—		
Additional paid-in capital	19,531		
Accumulated deficit	(55,591)		
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(1,243)		
Non controlling interest	391		
Total shareholders’ deficit	(36,912)		
Total capitalization	\$ 43,025	\$	\$

(1) Each \$1.00 increase (decrease) in the assumed initial public offering price of \$ per ADS, which is the midpoint of the price range set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, would increase (decrease) the pro forma as adjusted amount of each of cash and cash equivalents, total equity and total capitalization by £ million, assuming that the number of ADSs offered by us, as set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, remains the same. An increase (decrease) of 1,000,000 in the number of ADSs offered by us, as set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, would increase (decrease) the pro forma as adjusted amount of each of cash and cash equivalents, total equity and total capitalization by £ million, assuming no change in the assumed initial public offering price per ADS.

(2) Long-term debt is comprised of convertible loan notes (including derivative liabilities) and lease liability.

The number of ordinary shares outstanding in the table above does not include:

- 6,707 ordinary shares issuable upon the exercise of options for ordinary shares outstanding as of December 31, 2020, with a weighted-average exercise price of \$0.13 per share;
- 2,423 ordinary shares reserved for issuance under our EMI Option Scheme, or the Scheme, as of December 31, 2020, which shares will no longer be reserved following this offering;
- ordinary shares that will be made available for future issuance under our 2021 Share Option and Incentive Plan upon the effectiveness of the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part; and
- shares reserved for future issuance under our 2021 Employee Share Purchase Plan upon the effectiveness of the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part.

## DILUTION

If you invest in the ADSs in this offering, your interest will be immediately diluted to the extent of the difference between the initial public offering price per ADS in this offering and the pro forma as adjusted net tangible book value per ADS after this offering. Dilution results from the fact that the initial public offering price per ADS is substantially in excess of the net tangible book value per ADS. As of December 31, 2020, we had a historical net tangible book value of \$(3.1 million), or \$(122.16) per ordinary share (\$ ( ) per ADS). Our net tangible book value per share represents total tangible assets (total assets less intangible assets) less total liabilities, divided by the number of ordinary shares outstanding on December 31, 2020.

Our pro forma net tangible book value as of December 31, 2020 was \$ million, or \$ per ordinary share (\$ per ADS). Pro forma net tangible book value represents the amount of our net tangible book value, after giving effect to (i) the issuance of 41,378 Series B Shares in March 2021, which included the conversion of our 2020 Notes into Series B Shares and (ii) our corporate reorganization.

After giving effect to (i) the issuance of 41,378 Series B Shares in March 2021, which included the conversion of our 2020 Notes into Series B Shares, (ii) our corporate reorganization and (iii) the sale of ADSs in this offering at an assumed initial public offering price of \$ per ADS, which is the midpoint of the price range set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, and after deducting the estimated underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us, our pro forma as adjusted net tangible book value at December 31, 2020 would have been \$ per ordinary share (\$ per ADS). This represents an immediate increase in pro forma as adjusted net tangible book value of \$ per ordinary share (\$ per ADS) to existing shareholders and immediate dilution of \$ per ADS to new investors. The following table illustrates this dilution to new investors purchasing ADSs in this offering:

Assumed initial public offering price per ADS	\$
Historical net tangible book value per ADS as of December 31, 2020	\$
Increase per ADS attributable to the pro forma adjustments described above	_____
Pro forma net tangible book value per ADS as of December 31, 2020	
Increase in pro forma as adjusted net tangible book value attributable to new investors purchasing ADSs in this offering	_____
Pro forma as adjusted net tangible book value per ADS as of December 31, 2020	
Dilution per share to new investors purchasing ADSs in this offering	\$ _____

Each \$1.00 increase (decrease) in the assumed initial public offering price of \$ per ADS, which is the midpoint of the price range set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, would increase (decrease) our pro forma as adjusted net tangible book value after this offering by \$ per ADS, and would increase (decrease) dilution to new investors by \$ per ADS, assuming that the number of ADSs offered by us, as set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, remains the same and after deducting estimated underwriting discounts and commissions and the estimated offering expenses payable by us. Each increase (or decrease) of 1,000,000 in the number of ADSs we are offering would increase (or decrease) our pro forma as adjusted net tangible book value after this offering by \$ per ADS, and would increase (or decrease) dilution to new investors by \$ per ADS, assuming the assumed initial public offering price per ADS remains the same. The pro forma as adjusted information is illustrative only, and we will adjust this information based on the actual initial public offering price and after deducting estimated underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us.

If the underwriters exercise their option to purchase additional ADSs in full, the pro forma as adjusted net tangible book value per ADS after the offering would be \$ , the increase in net tangible book value per ADS to existing shareholders would be \$ and the immediate dilution in net tangible book value per ADS to new investors in this offering would be \$ .

The following table summarizes, on the pro forma as adjusted basis described above as of December 31, 2020, the differences between the existing shareholders and the new investors in this offering with respect to the number of ordinary shares purchased from us (including ordinary shares in the form of ADSs), the



total consideration paid to us and the average price per ordinary share (including ordinary shares in the form of ADSs), based on an assumed initial public offering price of \$            per ADS, which is the midpoint of the price range set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, before deducting estimated underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us.

	ORDINARY SHARES/ADS PURCHASED		TOTAL CONSIDERATION		AVERAGE PRICE PER ORDINARY SHARE/ADS
	NUMBER	PERCENT	AMOUNT	PERCENT	\$
Existing shareholders		%	\$	%	\$
New investors participating in this offering					
<b>Total</b>		<b>100.0%</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	

If the underwriters exercise their option to purchase additional ADSs in full, the percentage of ordinary shares held by existing shareholders will decrease to    % of the total number of ordinary shares outstanding after the offering, and the number of shares held by new investors will be increased to    , or    % of the total number of ordinary shares outstanding after this offering.

The above discussions and tables are based on 89,205 ordinary shares issued and outstanding as of December 31, 2020, and excludes:

- 6,707 ordinary shares issuable upon the exercise of options for ordinary shares outstanding as of December 31, 2020, with a weighted-average exercise price of \$0.13 per share;
- 2,423 ordinary shares reserved for issuance under our EMI Option Scheme, or the Scheme, as of December 31, 2020, which shares will no longer be reserved following this offering;
- ordinary shares that will be made available for future issuance under our 2021 Share Option and Incentive Plan upon the effectiveness of the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part; and
- shares reserved for future issuance under our 2021 Employee Share Purchase Plan upon the effectiveness of the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part.

## SELECTED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL DATA

The following tables set forth our selected consolidated financial data for the periods ended on and as of the dates indicated. We derived the selected consolidated statements of operations data for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2019 and 2020 and the selected consolidated balance sheet data as of December 31, 2019 and 2020 from our audited consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus. We changed our fiscal year end from January 31 to December 31, beginning with the fiscal year ended December 31, 2019. References to “year ended December 31, 2019” relate to the period from February 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019. References to “year ended December 31, 2020” relate to the period from January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020. As a result, year ended December 31, 2019 is an eleven-month transition period, whereas year ended December 31, 2020 is, and our future fiscal years will be, twelve-month periods. Comparability of year ended December 31, 2019 to other fiscal years is therefore limited. Our historical results are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected in any future period.

The selected consolidated financial data below should be read in conjunction with “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations” and our consolidated financial statements and related notes included elsewhere in this prospectus. The selected consolidated financial data in this section are not intended to replace the consolidated financial statements and are qualified in their entirety by our consolidated financial statements and related notes included elsewhere in this prospectus. Our reporting currency is the U.S. dollar.

	Year ended December 31, 2019	Year ended December 31, 2020
		(in thousands, except share and per share data)
<b>Consolidated Statement of Operations Data</b>		
License revenue	\$ 20	\$ 2,552
Service revenue	203	405
Sale of viral seeds	115	—
Research grants and contracts	6,507	1,863
Total revenue	<u>6,845</u>	<u>4,820</u>
Operating expenses		
Research and development	29,842	14,386
General and administrative	2,668	10,481
Total operating expenses	<u>32,510</u>	<u>24,867</u>
Loss from operations	<u>(25,665)</u>	<u>(20,047)</u>
Other income (expense):		
Change in fair value of derivatives	—	2,039
Unrealized foreign exchange gain on convertible loan notes	—	448
Interest expense	(133)	(3,600)
Interest income	40	—
Gain from disposal of property and equipment	4	—
Research and development incentives	2,976	3,279
Other income	80	42
Total other income	<u>2,967</u>	<u>2,208</u>
Tax expense	—	(95)
Net loss	<u>(22,698)</u>	<u>(17,934)</u>
Net loss attributable to noncontrolling interest	1,968	228
Net loss attributable to Vaccitech shareholders	<u>\$(20,730)</u>	<u>\$(17,706)</u>
Weighted-average ordinary shares outstanding, basic and diluted	<u>23,469</u>	<u>25,581</u>
Net loss per share attributable to ordinary shareholders, basic and diluted	<u>\$(883.27)</u>	<u>\$(692.16)</u>
Pro forma weighted-average ordinary shares outstanding, basic and diluted (unaudited) <sup>(1)</sup>	<u>—</u>	<u>47,646</u>
Pro forma net loss per share, basic and diluted (unaudited) <sup>(1)</sup>	<u>—</u>	<u>\$(371.62)</u>

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- (1) See Note 4 to our consolidated financial statements appearing at the end of this prospectus for further details on the calculation of pro forma basic and diluted net loss per share attributable to ordinary shareholders.

	December 31,	
	2019	2020
	(in thousands)	
<b>Consolidated Balance Sheet Data</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 11,432	\$ 43,266
Working capital <sup>(1)</sup>	10,497	40,260
Total assets	19,043	50,666
Long-term debt <sup>(2)</sup>	1,606	46,172
Total liabilities	7,358	53,813
Series A Shares	33,765	33,765
Total shareholders' deficit	(22,079)	(36,912)

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- (1) Working capital is defined as current assets less current liabilities.
- (2) Long-term debt includes convertible loan notes and lease liability.

## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

*You should read the following discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations together with the section titled "Selected Consolidated Financial Data" and our audited consolidated financial statements and related notes included elsewhere in this prospectus. This discussion and other parts of this prospectus contain forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties, such as our plans, objectives, expectations, intentions and beliefs. Our actual results could differ materially from those discussed in these forward-looking statements. Factors that could cause or contribute to such differences include, but are not limited to, those identified below and those discussed in the section titled "Risk Factors" included elsewhere in this prospectus. For convenience of presentation, some of the numbers have been rounded in the text below.*

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### Overview

We are a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company engaged in the discovery and development of novel immunotherapeutics and vaccines for the treatment and prevention of infectious diseases and cancer. We use our proprietary platform to develop product candidates that stimulate powerful, targeted immune responses against pathogens and tumor cells. We design our product candidates to stimulate immune responses that are robust, highly specific, and are differentiated by the magnitude of the T cell populations induced, which exhibit critical functionality and durability. We are focused on applying our platform capabilities and the expertise of our team to address significant unmet medical needs in two settings—the therapeutic setting, for the treatment of chronic infectious diseases and cancer, and the prophylactic setting, for the prevention of infectious diseases, based on our platform's ability to respond rapidly to epidemic and pandemic threats.

We have a broad pipeline of both clinical and preclinical stage therapeutic and prophylactic programs. Our current therapeutic programs include VTP-300 for the treatment of chronic hepatitis B infection, or CHB, VTP-200 for the treatment of human papilloma virus infection, or HPV, VTP-850 for the treatment of prostate cancer and VTP-600 for the treatment of non-small cell lung cancer, or NSCLC. Our current prophylactic programs include VTP-400 for the prevention of herpes zoster, or shingles, and VTP-500 for the prevention of Middle East respiratory syndrome, or MERS. In addition, we co-invented a COVID-19 vaccine candidate with the University of Oxford, which we assigned to Oxford University Innovation, or OUI, to facilitate the license of those rights by OUI to AstraZeneca UK Limited, or AstraZeneca. The product candidate is now known as COVID-19 Vaccine AstraZeneca, which we refer to as AZD1222.

We have funded our operations to date primarily from private placements of our ordinary and preferred shares, with aggregate gross proceeds of approximately \$175.2 million, private placements of loan notes convertible into ordinary shares with aggregate gross proceeds of \$41.2 million, as well as from grants and licensing agreements, including a \$8.6 million grant received from Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Agency, or BARDA, as part of funding agreements for our influenza studies, research tax credit payments of \$7.0 million, investments from non-controlling interest of \$3.0 million and a \$2.5 million upfront payment from OUI in July 2020 in connection with the Amendment, Assignment and Revenue Share Agreement, or the OUI License Agreement Amendment, related to the licensing of the COVID-19 vaccine candidate now known as AZD1222. We do not expect to generate revenue from any of our own product candidates until we obtain regulatory authorization for one or more of such product candidates, if at all, and commercialize our products, or we enter into out-licensing agreements with third parties. We may receive some revenue pursuant to the OUI License Agreement Amendment with OUI with respect to the AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccine candidate AZD1222 in certain circumstances if it receives marketing approval from regulatory authorities and is sold commercially. Substantially all of our net losses have resulted from costs incurred in connection with our research and development activities and from general and administrative costs associated with our operations.

We have incurred net losses each year since inception. In 2019, we changed our financial year end from January 31 to December 31. Our net losses include net losses of \$22.7 million and \$17.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 and for the year ended December 31, 2020, respectively. As of December 31, 2020, we had an accumulated deficit of \$55.6 million and we do not expect positive cash flows from operations in the foreseeable future. We expect to continue to incur net operating losses for at least the next several years as we advance our product candidates through clinical development, seek regulatory approval, prepare for approval, and in some cases proceed to commercialization of our product candidates, as well as continue our research and development efforts and invest to establish a commercial manufacturing facility, as and when appropriate.

At this time, we cannot reasonably estimate, or know the nature, timing and estimated costs of all of the efforts that will be necessary to complete the development of any of our product candidates that we develop through our programs. We are also unable to predict when, if ever, material net cash inflows will commence from sales of product candidates we develop, if at all. This is due to the numerous risks and uncertainties associated with developing product candidates to approval and commercialization, including the uncertainty of:

- successful completion of preclinical studies and clinical trials;
- sufficiency of our financial and other resources to complete the necessary preclinical studies and clinical trials;
- acceptance of investigational new drug applications, or INDs, for our planned clinical trials or future clinical trials;
- successful enrollment and completion of clinical trials;
- data from our clinical program supporting approvable and commercially acceptable risk/benefit profiles for our product candidates in the intended populations;
- receipt and maintenance of necessary regulatory and marketing approvals from applicable regulatory authorities, in the light of the commercial environment then existent;
- scale-up of our manufacturing processes and formulation of our product candidates for later stages of development and commercial production;
- establishing either our own manufacturing capabilities or satisfactory agreements with third-party manufacturers for clinical supply for later stages of development and commercial manufacturing;
- entry into collaborations where appropriate to further the development of our product candidates;
- obtaining and maintaining intellectual property and trade secret protection or regulatory exclusivity for our product candidates as well as qualifying for, maintaining, enforcing and defending such intellectual property rights and claims;
- successfully launching or assisting with the launch of commercial sales of our product candidates following approval;
- acceptance of each product's benefits and uses by patients, the medical community and third-party payors following approval;
- the prevalence and severity of any adverse events experienced with our product candidates in development;
- establishing and maintaining a continued acceptable safety profile of the product candidates following approval;
- obtaining and maintaining healthcare coverage and adequate reimbursement from third-party payors if necessary or desirable; and
- effectively competing with other therapies.

A change in the outcome of any of these variables with respect to the development of a product candidate could mean a significant change in the costs and/or timing associated with the development of that product candidate or could prevent continuation of that program being in the company's interests. For example, if the FDA or another regulatory authority were to require us to conduct clinical trials beyond those that we anticipate will be required for the completion of clinical development of a product candidate, or if we experience significant delays in our clinical trials due to patient enrollment or other reasons, we might be required to expend significant additional financial resources and time on the completion of clinical development. In some circumstances, such as the emergence of a significantly more effective therapy from a competitor, it may be appropriate to discontinue a product candidate program.

Without giving effect to the net proceeds from this offering, we expect that our cash balance at December 31, 2020 together with the cash proceeds received from the issuance of our Series B Shares in March 2021 will enable us to fund our operating expenses and capital requirements for the foreseeable future. To address our capital needs, including our planned clinical trials and other expenditures, we may need to obtain additional capital. Adequate financing opportunities might not be available, when and if needed, on acceptable terms or at all. See Note 2 to our consolidated financial statements appearing at the end of this prospectus for additional information on our assessment.

### **Impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic**

The spread of COVID-19, which we refer to as the COVID-19 pandemic, and the policies and regulations implemented by governments in response to the COVID-19 pandemic have had a significant impact, both directly and indirectly, on the global economy and our business and operations, including in particular the interruption of our clinical trial activities and potential interruption to our supply chain. For example, the initiation of our Phase 1/2a clinical trial for VTP-200 and our Phase 1 clinical trial for VTP-500, which are being conducted at the University of Oxford sites, have been delayed and paused, respectively due to COVID-19. If the disruption due to the COVID-19 pandemic continues, our planned future preclinical and clinical development for our other product candidates could also be delayed due to government orders and site policies as a result of the pandemic. The pandemic and government measures taken in response have also had a significant impact, both direct and indirect, on businesses and commerce, as worker shortages have occurred; supply chains have been disrupted; facilities and production have been suspended; and demand for certain goods and services, such as medical services and supplies, has spiked, while demand for other goods and services, such as travel, has fallen. In response to the spread of COVID-19, we have mandated that our non-laboratory based employees, such as clinical, manufacturing, finance, administrative, quality, regulatory and program managers continue their work outside of our offices and limited the number of staff in any given research and development laboratory at any time. Our increased reliance on personnel working from home may negatively impact productivity, increase the potential risks of data privacy or security breaches, or disrupt, delay, or otherwise adversely impact our business.

We are still assessing our business plans and the impact the COVID-19 pandemic may have on our ability to advance the development of our product candidates as a result of adverse impacts on the research sites, service providers, vendors, or suppliers on whom we rely, or to raise financing to support the development of our ongoing product candidate development. No assurances can be given that this analysis will enable us to avoid part or all of any impact from the COVID-19 pandemic, including downturns in business sentiment generally or in our sector in particular. We cannot currently predict the scope and severity of any potential business shutdowns or disruptions, but if we or any of the third parties on whom we rely or with whom we conduct business were to experience shutdowns or other business disruptions, our ability to conduct our business in the manner and on the timelines presently planned could be materially and adversely impacted.

### **Components of Our Operating Results**

#### ***Revenue***

To date, we have not generated any revenue from product sales and do not expect to do so in the near future, if at all. Our revenue to date has been derived from a research grant from BARDA, a research, collaboration and license agreement with Enara Bio and the OUI License Agreement Amendment with OUI relating to AZD1222.

In April 2020, we entered into the OUI License Agreement Amendment with OUI in respect of our rights to use the ChAdOx1 technology in COVID-19 vaccines to facilitate the license of those rights by OUI to AstraZeneca. Under this agreement, we are entitled to receive from OUI a share of payments, including royalties and milestones, received by OUI from AstraZeneca in respect of this vaccine. Further details on the OUI License Agreement Amendment can be found under the section titled “Business—Our Collaboration and License Agreements—OUI License Agreement Amendment.” As a direct result of the OUI License Agreement Amendment, we received a payment of \$2.5 million, of which we recognized \$2.5 million as revenue during the year ended December 31, 2020.

We determined that we have no further performance obligations under the terms of the OUI License Agreement Amendment, which comprised the transfer of intellectual property rights only. Accordingly, we plan to recognize these and any future amounts as revenue when received.

### ***Operating Expenses***

Our operating expenses since inception have consisted of research and development costs and general administrative costs.

#### *Research and Development Expenses*

Since our inception, we have focused significant resources on our research and development activities, including establishing and building on our adenovirus platform, further enhancing our in-licensed ChAdOx1, ChAdOx2 and MVA vectors, developing a new next-generation adenoviral vector, conducting preclinical studies, developing various manufacturing processes, and advancing clinical development of our programs including Phase 2 clinical trials for VTP-100, which we subsequently discontinued development of, as well as initiating the clinical trials for VTP-200 and VTP-300, and readying VTP-600 and VTP-850 for clinical trials. Research and development activities account for the major portion of our operating expenses. Research and development costs are expensed as incurred. These costs include:

- salaries, benefits and other related costs, including share-based compensation, for personnel engaged in research and development functions;
- expenses incurred in connection with the development of our programs including preclinical studies and clinical trials of our product candidates, under agreements with third parties, such as consultants, contractors, academic institutions and CROs;
- the cost of manufacturing drug products for use in preclinical development and clinical trials, including under agreements with third parties, such as CMOs, consultants and contractors;
- laboratory costs;
- leased facility costs, equipment depreciation and other expenses, which include direct and allocated expenses; and
- intellectual property costs incurred in connection with filing and prosecuting patent applications as well as third-party license fees.

#### *General and Administrative Expenses*

Our general and administrative expenses consist primarily of personnel costs in our executive, finance, business development and other administrative functions. Other general and administrative expenses include consulting fees and professional service fees for auditing, tax and legal services, rent expenses related to our offices, depreciation and other central non-research costs. We expect our general and administrative expenses to continue to increase in the future as we expand our operating activities and potentially prepare for manufacturing and/or commercialization of our current and future product candidates. These costs would normally increase as our headcount rises to allow full support for our operations as a public company, including increased expenses related to legal, accounting, regulatory and tax-related services associated with maintaining compliance with requirements of the Nasdaq Global Market and the Securities and Exchange Commission, directors and officers liability insurance premiums and investor relations activities.

**Other Income (Expense), Net****Interest Expense**

Interest expense results primarily from our convertible loan notes, which carry a market rate of interest. These notes have been issued since July 2020.

**Research and development incentives**

We have received an aggregate total of \$7.0 million of research and development relief since inception under corporation tax relief on research and development projects incentive programs in the United Kingdom and Australia since inception. We account for such relief received as other income. For the year ended December 31, 2019 and for the year ended December 31, 2020, we recognized a total of \$3.0 million and \$3.3 million of research and development incentives, respectively.

**Income Taxes**

Income tax expense results from foreign minimum income tax and profit on a legal entity basis. The losses that we have incurred since inception result primarily from the losses of our main United Kingdom operating entity and its Australian subsidiary. As of December 31, 2020, we had foreign net operating loss balances to be carried forward for tax purposes of \$23.2 million, resulting in a potential unrecognised net deferred tax asset of \$4.5 million. We have considered that at present there is not sufficient certainty that these tax losses carried forward can be used in all or in part, and so it is more likely than not that we will not realize the benefits of the deferred tax asset. As a result, we have not taken the deferred tax asset to the balance sheet as a full valuation allowance as of December 31, 2020.

**Results of Operations**

We changed our fiscal year end from January 31 to December 31, beginning with the fiscal year ended December 31, 2019. The change was intended to more closely align our fiscal year end with our business cycle and that of our industry. References to “year ended December 31, 2019” relate to the period from February 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019. References to “year ended December 31, 2020” relate to the period from January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020. As a result, year ended December 31, 2019 is an eleven-month transition period, whereas year ended December 31, 2020 is, and our future fiscal years will be, twelve-month periods. Comparability of year ended December 31, 2019 to other fiscal years is therefore limited.

**Comparison of the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2020**

The following table sets forth the significant components of our results of operations (in thousands for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2020):

	Year ended December 31, 2019	Year ended December 31, 2020
Total revenue	\$ 6,845	\$ 4,820
Operating expenses:		
Research & development	29,842	14,386
General and administrative	2,668	10,481
Total operating expenses	<u>32,510</u>	<u>24,867</u>
Loss from operations	<u>(25,665)</u>	<u>(20,047)</u>
Other income (expense)		
Change in fair value of derivatives	—	2,039
Unrealized foreign exchange gain on convertible loan notes	—	448
Interest expense	(133)	(3,600)
Research and development incentives	2,976	3,279
Other income	124	42
Total other income	<u>2,967</u>	<u>2,208</u>
Tax expense	—	(95)
Net loss	<u>\$ (22,698)</u>	<u>\$ (17,934)</u>



### Revenue

For the year ended December 31, 2019, our revenue primarily consisted of \$6.5 million of reimbursement of research and development expenses from BARDA. For the year ended December 31, 2020, our revenue primarily consisted of \$2.5 million of license revenue from OUI and \$1.6 million of reimbursement of research and development expenses from BARDA.

### Research and Development Expenses

Our research and development expenses for the year ended December 31, 2019 and for the year ended December 31, 2020 were \$29.8 million and \$14.4 million, respectively. Personnel-related expenses were \$3.1 million and \$3.0 million, respectively, as result of our static headcount growth owing to the COVID-19 pandemic. Facility-related expenses were \$0.1 million and \$0.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 and the year ended December 31, 2020, respectively, reflecting the full-period cost of a move made to a larger laboratory and office space in 2019 as a result of our increased research and development needs and headcount. Direct expenses for outside services and consultants and laboratory materials were \$26.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 and \$10.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2020 and mainly comprised costs for manufacturing of clinical trial materials, costs for clinical trials and costs for external preclinical services and sample testing.

The following table summarizes our research and development expenses by product candidate or program (in thousands):

	Year ended December 31, 2019	Year ended December 31, 2020
Direct research and development expenses by program:		
VTP-200 HPV:	\$ 4,168	\$ 1,716
VTP-300 HBV	1,993	3,646
VTP-600 NSCLC	5,313	1,598
VTP-800/VTP-850 Prostate cancer	7	119
Other and earlier-stage programs	14,470	3,245
Internal research and development expenses:		
Personnel-related (including share-based compensation)	3,098	2,966
Facility-related	101	191
Other internal costs	692	905
Total research and development expenses	<u>\$29,842</u>	<u>\$14,386</u>

### General and Administrative Expenses

General and administrative expenses for the year ended December 31, 2019 were \$2.7 million, which were mainly attributable to operating lease costs, plus personnel expenses of \$0.9 million and professional fees and consulting fees of \$1.0 million. For the year ended December 31, 2020, general and administrative expenses were \$10.5 million, mainly attributable to an increase in fundraising activities, including personnel expenses of \$5.4 million, professional fees and consulting fees of \$3.2 million.

### Change in Fair Value of Derivatives

Change in the fair value of derivatives for the year ended December 31, 2020 was \$2.0 million, which was mainly attributable to bifurcation of embedded conversion options of convertible loan notes issued throughout 2020.

### Unrealized Foreign Exchange Gain on Convertible Loan Notes

Unrealized foreign exchange on convertible loan notes for the year ended December 31, 2020 was \$0.4 million, which resulted from part of the convertible loan notes issued in British Pound Sterling.

### Interest Expense

For the year ended December 31, 2019, interest expense was \$0.1 million, which primarily relate to operating lease expense. For the year ended December 31, 2020, interest expense was \$3.6 million, mainly comprising of interest on convertible loan notes issued throughout 2020.

*Research and Development Incentives*

Research and development incentives for the year ended December 31, 2019 and for the year ended December 31, 2020 were \$3.0 million and \$3.3 million, respectively, and primarily consisted of our entitlement to a research and development tax relief for small and medium-sized enterprises in the United Kingdom.

**Liquidity and Capital Resources***Sources of Liquidity*

Since our inception, we have funded our operations primarily through private placements of our ordinary and preferred shares as well as from grants and research incentives, various agreements with public funding agencies, and most recently from an upfront payment from OUI in connection with the OUI License Agreement Amendment and the issuance of convertible loan notes. Through December 31, 2020, we had received gross proceeds of approximately \$89.1 million from the issuance of our ordinary and preferred shares and convertible loan notes. As of December 31, 2020, we had cash and cash equivalents of \$43.3 million. Key financing and corporate milestones include the following:

- In March 2016, we raised gross proceeds of approximately \$14.0 million from the issuance of our seed round of ordinary shares.
- Between November 2017 and December 2018, we raised gross proceeds of \$33.9 million from the issuance of our Series A Shares.
- Between July 2020 and November 2020, we raised gross proceeds of \$41.2 million from the issuance of convertible loan notes.
- In March 2021, we raised gross proceeds of \$125.2 million from the issuance of our Series B Shares.

We do not expect positive cash flows from operations in the foreseeable future, if at all. Historically, we have incurred operating losses as a result of ongoing efforts to develop our heterologous ChAdOx1-MVA prime-boost immunotherapy platform and our product candidates, including conducting ongoing research and development, preclinical studies, clinical trials, providing general and administrative support for these operations and developing our intellectual property portfolio. We expect to continue to incur net operating losses for at least the next few years as we progress clinical development, seek regulatory approval, prepare for and, if approved, proceed to manufacture and commercialization of our most advanced product candidates. Operating profits may arrive earlier if programs are licensed or sold to third parties before final approval, but this cannot be guaranteed.

*Cash Flows*

The following table sets forth a summary of the primary sources and uses of cash (in thousands for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2020):

	Year ended December 31, 2019	Year ended December 31, 2020
Net cash used in operating activities	\$(18,682)	\$(11,028)
Net cash used in investing activities	(124)	(293)
Net cash provided by financing activities	2,044	41,435
Effect of exchange rates on cash and cash equivalents	(444)	1,720
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	<u>\$(17,206)</u>	<u>\$ 31,834</u>

*Cash Used in Operating Activities*

During the year ended December 31, 2019, net cash used in operating activities was \$18.7 million, primarily resulting from our net loss of \$22.7 million, adjusted by share based compensation of \$0.8 million, depreciation of \$0.3 million and changes in our operating assets and liabilities, net of \$2.9 million. During

the year ended December 31, 2020, net cash used in operating activities was \$11.0 million, primarily resulting from our net loss of \$17.9 million, adjusted by share based compensation of \$3.6 million, depreciation of \$0.2 million and changes in our operating assets and liabilities, net of \$2.0 million.

#### *Net Cash Used in Investing Activities*

During the year ended December 31, 2019 and the year ended December 31, 2020, cash used in investing activities was \$0.1 million and \$0.3 million, respectively, which resulted from capital expenditures in connection with the new labs and improvements to expand our laboratory space and for purchase of property and equipment.

#### *Net Cash Provided by Financing Activities*

During the year ended December 31, 2019, cash provided by financing activities was \$2.0 million primarily representing capital contributions from non-controlling interest. During the year ended December 31, 2020, cash provided by financing activities was \$41.4 million, consisting of \$41.2 million of proceeds from the issuance of convertible loan notes and \$0.3 million of capital contributions from non-controlling interest.

#### *Options Granted*

The following table sets forth by grant date the number of shares underlying options granted since February 1, 2019, the exercise price per share of the options, the fair value per share on each grant date, and the estimated fair value per share of the options on each grant date:

Year ended December 31, 2019					
Grant Date	Number Granted	Underlying Security per Share	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Estimated Fair Value per Option at Grant Date	Intrinsic Value at Grant Date
August 2019	855	\$0.01 Ordinary shares	\$0.13	\$1,319.38	\$1,319.25
Year ended December 31, 2020					
Grant Date	Number Granted	Underlying Security per Share	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Estimated Fair Value per Option at Grant Date	Intrinsic Value at Grant Date
January 2020	980	\$0.01 Ordinary shares	\$0.11	\$1,539.37	\$1,539.26
November 2020	1,490	\$0.01 Ordinary shares	\$0.13	\$1,941.40	\$1,941.27
Year ended December 31, 2021					
Grant Date	Number Granted	Underlying Security per Share	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Estimated Fair Value per Option at Grant Date	Intrinsic Value at Grant Date
February 2021	1,180	\$0.01 Ordinary shares	\$0.01	\$2,824.70	\$2,824.69

In determining the compensation expense in our consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive loss, we estimated the fair value of our ordinary shares as of the date of each option grant. See “Critical Accounting Policies and Use of Estimates—Share based Compensation.”

#### *Future Funding Requirements*

To date, we have devoted substantially all of our resources to organizing and staffing our company, business planning, raising capital, undertaking preclinical studies and conducting clinical trials of our product candidates. As a result, we are not yet profitable and have incurred losses in each period since our inception in 2016. As of December 31, 2020, we had an accumulated deficit of \$55.6 million. We expect to continue to incur significant losses for the foreseeable future. We anticipate that our expenses will increase substantially as we:

- pursue the clinical and preclinical development of our current product candidates;
- use our technologies to advance additional product candidates into preclinical and clinical development;
- seek marketing authorizations for product candidates that successfully complete clinical trials, if any;
- attract, hire and retain additional clinical, regulatory, quality control and other scientific personnel;
- establish our manufacturing capabilities through third parties or by ourselves and scale-up manufacturing to provide adequate supply for clinical trials and commercialization, including any manufacturing finishing and logistics personnel;
- expand our operational, financial and management systems and increase personnel appropriately, including personnel to support our manufacturing and commercialization efforts and our operations as a public company;
- maintain, expand, enforce, and protect our intellectual property portfolio as appropriate;
- establish sales, marketing, medical affairs and distribution teams and infrastructure to commercialize any products for which we may obtain marketing approval and intend to commercialize on our own or jointly;
- acquire or in-license other product candidates and technologies; and
- incur additional legal, accounting and other expenses in operating our business, including office expansion and the additional costs associated with operating as a public company.

Even if we succeed in commercializing one or more of our product candidates, we will continue to incur substantial research and development and other expenditure to develop and market additional product candidates. We may encounter unforeseen expenses, difficulties, complications, delays and other factors that may adversely affect our business. The size of our future net losses will depend on the rate of future growth of our expenses combined with our ability to generate revenue. Our prior losses and expected future losses have had and will continue to have an adverse effect on our shareholders' equity and working capital unless and until eliminated by revenue growth.

Even if we consummate this offering, we may require substantial additional financing in the future to meet any such unanticipated factors and a failure to obtain this necessary capital could force us to delay, limit, reduce or terminate our product development programs, commercialization efforts or other operations.

Since our foundation, we have invested a significant portion of our efforts and financial resources in research and development activities for our ChAdOx1, ChAdOx2 and MVA technologies and our product candidates derived from these technologies. Preclinical studies and especially clinical trials and additional research and development activities will require substantial funds to complete. We believe that we will continue to expend substantial resources for the foreseeable future in connection with the development of our current product candidates and programs as well as any future product candidates we may elect to pursue, as well as the gradual gaining of control over our required manufacturing capabilities and other corporate functions. These expenditures will include costs associated with conducting preclinical studies and clinical trials, obtaining regulatory approvals, and potentially in-house manufacturing and supply, as well as marketing and selling any products approved for sale. In addition, other unanticipated costs may arise as outlined above. Because the outcome of any preclinical study or clinical trial is uncertain and the rate of change of third party costs is also unpredictable, we cannot reasonably estimate now the actual amounts which will be necessary to complete the development and commercialization of our current or future product candidates successfully.

Our future capital requirements may depend on many factors, including:

- the scope, progress, results and costs of researching and developing our current and future product candidates and programs, and of conducting preclinical studies and clinical trials;

- the number and development requirements of other product candidates that we may pursue, and of other indications for our current product candidates that we may pursue;
- the stability, scale and yield of future manufacturing processes as we scale-up production and formulation of our product candidates either internally or externally for later stages of development and commercialization;
- the timing of, success achieved and the costs involved in obtaining regulatory and marketing approvals and developing our ability to establish license or sale transactions and/or sales and marketing capabilities, if any, for our current and future product candidates if clinical trials and approval processes are successful;
- the success of our collaborations with CanSino, CRUK and the Ludwig Institute and any future collaboration partners;
- the success of OUI's licensed product candidate with AstraZeneca;
- our ability to establish and maintain collaborations, strategic licensing or other arrangements and the financial terms of such agreements;
- the cost to the company of commercialization activities for our current and future product candidates that we may take on, whether alone or with a collaborator;
- the costs involved in preparing, filing, prosecuting, maintaining, expanding, defending and enforcing patent and other intellectual property claims, including litigation costs and the outcome of such litigation;
- the timing, receipt and amount of sales of, or royalties or other income from, our future products, if any; and
- the emergence and success or otherwise of competing oncology and infectious disease therapies and other market developments.

A change in the outcome of any of these or other variables with respect to the development of any of our current and future product candidates could significantly change the costs and timing associated with the development of that product candidate, in either direction. Furthermore, our operating plans may change in the future owing to research outcomes or other opportunities, and we may need additional funds to meet operational needs and capital requirements associated with such altered operating plans.

We do not have any committed external source of funds or other support for our development efforts at this time. It is expected that the license agreement between OUI and AstraZeneca may produce some revenue, of which a share would be due to us pursuant to the OUI License Agreement Amendment, but at present it is not possible to predict how much this revenue would be, or when it may be received, with much certainty. Until we can generate sufficient product and royalty revenue to finance our cash requirements, which we may never do, we expect to finance our future cash needs through a combination of public or privately-placed equity offerings, debt financings, collaborations, strategic alliances, licensing arrangements and other marketing or distribution arrangements as well as grant funding. Based on our research and development plans, we expect that the net proceeds from this offering, together with our existing cash and cash equivalents, plus the proceeds from the issuance of Series B Shares in March 2021, will enable us to fund our operating expenses and capital expenditure requirements for at least the next \_\_\_\_\_ months. These estimates are based on assumptions that may prove to be wrong, and we could use our available capital resources more quickly than we expect.

If we raise additional capital through marketing and distribution arrangements or other collaborations, strategic alliances or licensing arrangements with third parties, we may have to relinquish certain valuable rights to our product candidates, technologies, future revenue streams or research programs or grant licenses on terms that may not be favorable to us. If we raise additional capital through public or privately-placed equity offerings of securities, the terms of these securities or offerings may include liquidation or other preferences that adversely affect our other shareholders' rights. Furthermore, to the extent that we raise additional capital through the sale of ordinary or preferred shares, or of securities convertible or exchangeable into ordinary shares, existing ownership interests will be diluted. If we raise additional capital through debt financing, we would most probably be subject to fixed payment obligations

and may be subject to covenants limiting or restricting our ability to take specific actions, such as incurring additional debt, licensing or selling assets, making capital expenditures or declaring dividends. If we are unable to obtain additional funding on favorable terms as and when needed, we may have to delay, reduce the scope of or terminate one or more of our research and development programs or clinical trials, or license or sell one or more assets which were originally planned to be retained.

## **Contractual Obligations and Commitments**

### ***Operating Leases***

We lease office and laboratory space from OSI in Oxford, England under a non-cancellable operating lease with a contractual term expiring in 2028. As of December 31, 2020, our future lease payments under this operating lease were \$2.2 million of which \$0.3 million is payable with the next 12 months and \$1.9 million beyond the next 12 months.

Between July 2020 and November 2020, we raised gross proceeds of \$41.2 million from the issuance of convertible loan notes which mature in June 2023 if not converted before then. As of December 31, 2020, we had a liability \$44.7 million. As a result of completion of our Series B funding, the convertible loan notes were converted automatically at the time of completion into Series B Shares for a consideration of approximately \$43 million. The Series B Shares will automatically convert into one ordinary share and nine deferred shares on completion of the sale of ADS in this offering. See “Capitalization” and “Dilution” for additional information.

We have contractual obligations to make certain potential contingent payments under license agreements we have entered into with various universities and partners pursuant to which we have in-licensed certain intellectual property, including our license agreements with OUI and CanSino. We are unable to estimate the quantum of these potential contingent payments in the next 12 months from the most recent fiscal period end or beyond the next 12 months as of the date of this prospectus as the timing, quantum and likelihood of these contingent payments are not known and dependent upon the achievement by us of specified clinical, regulatory and commercial events, as applicable, which have not occurred as of the date of this prospectus. See “Business—Our Collaboration and License Agreements” for additional information about these license agreements, including with respect to potential payments thereunder.

We enter into contracts in the normal course of business with CROs for clinical trials, preclinical research studies and testing, as well as with CMOs for manufacturing and other services and with other parties for products for operating purposes. These contracts generally provide for termination upon notice, and therefore we believe that our non-cancellable obligations under these agreements are not material.

### ***Intellectual Property Licenses***

In March 2016, we entered into a license agreement, or the 2016 OUI License Agreement (as amended in January 2019 and April 2020), with OUI for the development and commercialization of vaccines for influenza, cancer (including therapeutic and prophylactic vaccines and including cancer associated with viral infections), varicella zoster and MERS. Pursuant to the 2016 OUI License Agreement, OUI granted us a worldwide license under certain patent rights of OUI, which are exclusive in certain fields and non-exclusive in others. Pursuant to the 2016 OUI License Agreement, we are obligated to pay OUI a low single-digit royalty (that varies based on indications) on net sales of any product or process produced by or using the technology licensed under the agreement, and to pay a mid-single digit royalty on any royalties paid to us by any sublicensee and a high-single digit royalty on non-royalty sublicensing income (excluding milestone payment income overlapping with milestone payments paid to OUI and income used to fund research and development). In addition, we are required to pay OUI milestone payments of up to an aggregate of £14.8 million upon the achievement of specified development, regulatory and commercial milestones.

In the year ended December 31, 2019 or in the year ended December 31, 2020, we did not incur any licensing fee payments from intellectual property licenses as research and development expenses.

For additional information on these license agreements, please see “Business—Our Collaboration and License Agreements.”

**Critical Accounting Policies and Use of Estimates**

This discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operations is based on our financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States, or US GAAP. The preparation of financial statements requires management to make estimates and judgments that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities as of the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of expenses during the reporting period. On an ongoing basis, management evaluates its estimates, including those related to accruals for external manufacturing of clinical trial material as well as clinical study conduct, fair value of assets and liabilities, and the fair value of ordinary shares and share-based compensation. Management bases its estimates on historical experience and on various other market-specific and relevant assumptions that management believes to be reasonable under the circumstances. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

While our significant accounting policies are more fully described in the notes to our audited financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus, we believe that the following accounting policies are critical to the process of making significant judgments and estimates in the preparation of our financial statements and understanding and evaluating our reported financial results.

***Going Concern***

The consolidated financial statements included elsewhere herein have been presented on a going concern basis, which contemplates the realization of assets and the satisfaction of liabilities in the normal course of business. We have financed our activities principally from the issuance of ordinary and preferred equity securities and convertible loan notes. We have experienced recurring losses since inception and expect to incur additional losses in the future in connection with research and development activities. Our ability to continue as a going concern is dependent upon our ability to raise additional debt and equity capital. There can be no assurance that such capital will be available in sufficient amounts or on terms acceptable to us. The consolidated financial statements included elsewhere herein do not include any adjustments relating to the recoverability of the recorded assets or the classification of liabilities that may be necessary should we be unable to continue as a going concern.

We incurred a net loss of \$22.7 million and used \$18.7 million in cash to fund operations during the year ended December 31, 2019 and \$17.9 million and \$11.0 million, respectively, for the year ended December 31, 2020. We had an accumulated deficit of \$55.6 million as of December 31, 2020. As of December 31, 2020, we had \$43.3 million in cash and cash equivalents. We also raised \$125.2 million in equity issuances subsequent to December 31, 2020 and through the issuance date of the financial statements for the period ended December 31, 2020 (see Note 16 to the Consolidated Financial Statements). Our management believes that we have sufficient cash to support our operations at least through April 2023. In order to address our capital needs, including our planned clinical trials and other expenditure, we are actively pursuing additional equity financing in the form of a public offering. We have been in ongoing discussions with institutional investors and investment banks with respect to such possible offerings. Adequate financing opportunities might not be available to us, when and if needed, on acceptable terms or at all. If we are unable to obtain additional financing in sufficient amounts or on acceptable terms or if we fail to consummate a public offering, we may be forced to delay, reduce or eliminate some or all of our research and development programs and product portfolio expansion, which could adversely affect our operating results or business prospects. Although our management continues to pursue these plans, there is no assurance that we will be successful in obtaining sufficient funding on terms acceptable to us to fund continuing operations, if at all. After considering the uncertainties, management consider it is appropriate to continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the consolidated financial statements.

***Convertible Loan Notes and Embedded Derivatives***

In 2020, we entered into a series of unsecured convertible loan notes arrangements on various dates between July through November 2020. The convertible loan notes accrue interest daily at 8% per annum, which is payable in (a) cash upon an event of default or (b) cash or shares at the Board's discretion upon conversion. The convertible loan notes will mature on June 6, 2023. On maturity, the lenders can elect cash redemption in lieu of conversion, in an amount that equals all outstanding principal plus a redemption premium. The convertible loan notes may not be prepaid without the consent of the lenders.

We review the terms of convertible loan notes and other financing arrangements to determine whether there are embedded derivative instruments, including embedded conversion options that are required to be bifurcated and accounted for separately as a derivative financial instrument. Derivative financial instruments are initially measured at fair value, and then re-valued at each reporting date, with changes in the fair value reported as charges or credits to consolidated statement of operations and comprehensive loss. To the extent that the initial fair values of the freestanding and/or bifurcated derivative instrument exceed the total proceeds received an immediate charge to consolidated statement of operations and comprehensive loss is recognized in order to initially record the derivative instrument at fair value.

The discount from the face value of the convertible loan notes resulting from allocating some or all of the proceeds to the derivative instruments, together with the stated rate of interest on the instrument, is amortized over the life of the instrument through periodic charges to consolidated statement of operations and comprehensive loss, using the effective interest method.

Embedded derivatives bifurcated are presented along with the host contract on the balance sheet.

#### ***Recognition of Revenue from Contracts with Customers***

We have entered into the OUI License Agreement Amendment with OUI during 2020 to facilitate the license of our rights to the COVID-19 vaccine we co-invented with OUI to AstraZeneca, which is now known as AZD1222. Our performance obligations under the terms of this agreement are limited to the transfer of intellectual property rights (licenses and other rights). Payments by AstraZeneca to OUI under this agreement included an up-front payment and may include payments based upon the achievement of defined milestones, commercial milestones and royalties on product sales if certain future conditions are met. We are entitled to a specified percentage of payments, including royalties and milestones, received by OUI from that license agreement with AstraZeneca as set out in the OUI License Agreement Amendment.

We evaluate our collaboration and licensing arrangements pursuant to Accounting Standards Codification 606, or ASC 606. To determine the recognition of revenue from arrangements that fall within the scope of ASC 606, we perform the following five steps: (i) identify the contract(s) with a customer; (ii) identify the performance obligations in the contract; (iii) determine the transaction price; (iv) allocate the transaction price to the performance obligations in the contract; and (v) recognize determinable revenue when, or as, the company satisfies a performance obligation or (if later) when such revenue becomes payable. We present revenues from collaboration and licensing arrangements separately from other sources of revenue.

Amounts received by us as non-refundable upfront payments under the OUI License Agreement Amendment prior to satisfying the above revenue recognition criteria would be recorded as deferred revenue in our consolidated balance sheets. Such amounts would be recognized as revenue over the performance period of the respective services on a percent of completion basis for each of the obligations. Contingent milestone payments related to specified preclinical and clinical development milestones are not initially recognized within the transaction price as they are fully constrained under the guidance in ASC 606.

#### ***Research and Development Costs***

Research and development costs are expensed as incurred. Research and development expenses consist of costs incurred in performing research and development activities, including salaries and bonuses, share-based compensation, employee benefits, facilities costs, laboratory supplies, depreciation, manufacturing expenses and external costs of vendors engaged to conduct preclinical development activities and clinical trials as well as the cost of licensing technology. Advance payments for goods or services to be received in the future for use in research and development activities are recorded as prepaid expenses. The prepaid amounts are then expensed as the related goods are delivered or the services are performed.

All patent-related costs incurred in connection with filing and prosecuting patent applications are classified as research and development costs and expensed as incurred due to the uncertainty about any future recovery of the expenditure. Upfront payments, milestone payments and annual payments made for the licensing of technology are generally expensed as research and development in the period in which they are incurred. Incremental sublicense fees triggered by contracts with customers are capitalized and expensed as research and development expenses over the period in which the relating revenue is recognized.



### Share based Compensation

We grant options and restricted shares to employees and directors and account for share-based compensation using a fair value method. All of these arrangements are settled in equity at a predetermined price and generally vest over a period of four years. All share options have a life of 10 years before expiration. To the extent such incentives are in the form of share options, the options may have been granted pursuant bilateral EMI option awards or unapproved option awards. The EMI option award agreements provide for the grant of potentially tax favored Enterprise Management Incentive, or EMI, options, to our U.K. employees and directors. Options issued pursuant to such agreements have an exercise price agreed with HM Revenue & Customs. The exercise price for unapproved share options is £0.01 per share. Exercise prices of our options to subscribe for ordinary shares and restricted shares are in British Pound Sterling.

Share based compensation awards are measured at the grant date fair value. For service-based awards, compensation expense is generally recognized over the requisite service period of the awards, usually the vesting period. The Company applies the “multiple option” method of allocating expense. In applying this method, each vesting tranche of an award is treated as a separate grant and recognized on a straight-line basis over that tranche’s vesting period. For performance-based awards where the vesting of the awards may be accelerated upon the achievement of certain milestones, vesting and the related share-based compensation is recognized as an expense when it is probable the milestone will be met. The Company has elected to recognize the effect of forfeitures on share-based compensation when they occur. Any differences in compensation recognized at the time of forfeiture are recorded as a cumulative adjustment in the period where the forfeiture occurs.

We measure share-based awards granted to employees and directors based on the fair value on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model for options. The fair values of options granted during the year ended December 31, 2019 and the year ended December 31, 2020 were determined by independent third-party valuations which were performed at the time of such grants. Black-Scholes utilizes assumptions related to expected term, forfeitures, volatility, the risk-free interest rate, the dividend yield (which is assumed to be zero, as we have not paid any cash dividends).

The assumptions used in the Black-Scholes model to determine fair value for the share option grants during the year ended December 31, 2019 and the year ended December 31, 2020 and were:

	Year ended December 31, 2019	Year ended December 31, 2020
Risk-free interest rate	2.43%	1.10%
Expected term (in years)	6.25	6.40
Expected volatility	102.68%	117.73
Expected dividends	Nil	Nil

In the year ended December 31, 2019, 855 share options were granted, and in the year ended December 31, 2020, 2,470 share options were granted.

As there is no public market for our ordinary shares to date, we estimated fair value of our ordinary shares as of the date of each option grant, considering third-party valuations. These valuations considered both objective and subjective factors, including:

- the prices at which we sold ordinary shares and the investor rights and preferences of each sale of our ordinary shares at the time of each grant;
- the progress of our research and development programs, including the status of preclinical studies and planned clinical trials for our product candidates;
- our stage of development and our business strategy;
- external market conditions affecting the biotechnology industry, and trends within the biotechnology industry;

- our financial position, including cash on hand, and our historical and forecasted performance and operating results;
- the lack of any active public market for our ordinary shares and our convertible loan notes; and
- the likelihood of achieving a liquidity event, such as an initial public offering or a sale of our company in light of prevailing market conditions, based on the status of the company at each date of valuation.

The valuations were re-performed in October 2020 in accordance with the guidance outlined in the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants' Accounting and Valuation Guide, Valuation of Privately-Held-Company Equity Securities Issued as Compensation. The methods used to derive total equity value varied, depending on the availability of objective valuation-related information. Inputs used in our retrospective valuations include the issue prices of our periodic investment rounds and market factors based on recent mergers and acquisitions within the biotechnology and pharmaceutical industries. An option pricing allocation method, or OPM, was selected to allocate the total equity value. The OPM treats ordinary shares and preferred shares loan notes as call options on the total equity value of a company, with exercise prices based on the value thresholds at which the allocation among the various holders of a company's securities changes. Under this method, the ordinary shares have value only if the funds which would be expected to be available for distribution to shareholders exceeds the value of other liquidation preference at the time of the liquidity event, such as a strategic sale or a merger.

The assumptions underlying these valuations represented management's best estimate, which involved inherent uncertainties and the application of management's judgment. As a result, if we had used significantly different assumptions or estimates, the fair value of our ordinary shares and our share-based compensation expense could have been materially different.

Once a public trading market for our ADSs has been established in connection with the completion of this offering, it will no longer be necessary for our board of directors to estimate the fair value of our ordinary shares in connection with our accounting for granted options and other such awards as we may grant, as the fair value of our ordinary shares will be determined based on the quoted market price of our ADSs.

#### ***Internal Control over Financial Reporting***

In connection with the audits of our consolidated financial statements for each of the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2020, our management and independent registered public accounting firm identified material weaknesses in our internal control over financial reporting. The material weaknesses related to: (i) our lack of a sufficient number of personnel with an appropriate level of knowledge and experience in the application of U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, or U.S. GAAP, commensurate with our financial reporting requirements; (ii) our IT general control environment has not been sufficiently designed to include appropriate user access rights and (iii) policies and procedures with respect to the review, supervision and monitoring of our accounting and reporting functions were either not designed and in place or not operating effectively. As a result, a number of adjustments to our consolidated financial statements for each of the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2020 were identified and made during the course of the audit process.

We are currently not required to comply with Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, and are therefore not required to make an assessment of the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting. Further, our independent registered public accounting firm has not been engaged to express, nor have they expressed, an opinion on the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting. Had we and our independent registered public accounting firm performed an evaluation of our internal control over financial reporting in accordance with the provisions of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, additional control deficiencies may have been identified by our management or independent registered public accounting firm, and those control deficiencies could have also represented one or more material weaknesses. In an effort to remediate the material weaknesses, we have hired a Chief Financial Officer with public company experience and we plan to increase the number of our finance and accounting personnel.

Assessing our procedures to improve our internal control over financial reporting is an ongoing process. We can provide no assurance that our remediation efforts described herein will be successful and that we will not have material weaknesses in the future. Any material weaknesses we identify could result in an adverse

reaction in the financial markets due to a loss of confidence in the reliability of our consolidated financial statements. See “Risk Factors—General Risk Factors.”

**Emerging Growth Company Status**

We are an emerging growth company under the Jumpstart Our Business Startups Act of 2012, as amended, or the JOBS Act. As an emerging growth company, we may delay the adoption of certain accounting standards until those standards would otherwise apply to private companies.

We will remain an emerging growth company until the earliest of (1) the last day of the fiscal year (a) following the fifth anniversary of the consummation of this offering, (b) in which we have total annual gross revenue of at least \$1.07 billion, or (c) in which we are deemed to be a “large accelerated filer” as defined in Rule 12b-2 under the Exchange Act, which would occur if the market value of our ADSs held by non-affiliates exceeded \$700.0 million as of the prior June 30th, and (2) the date on which we have issued more than \$1.0 billion in non-convertible debt securities during the prior three-year period.

**Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements**

We did not have during the periods presented, and we do not currently have, any off-balance sheet arrangements as defined in the rules and regulations of the SEC.

**Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

See Note 3 to our audited consolidated financial statements and related notes included elsewhere in this prospectus.

**Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk*****Foreign Currency and Currency Translation***

We are subject to the risk of fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates, specifically with respect to the euro, pound sterling and Australian dollar. Our reporting currency is the U.S. dollar, our functional currency is the pound sterling and the functional currency of our wholly owned foreign subsidiary, Vaccitech Australia Pty, is the Australian dollar. Our cash and cash equivalents as of December 31, 2020 consisted primarily of cash balances held by Vaccitech (UK) Limited (formerly Vaccitech Limited) in pounds sterling.

Assets and liabilities are translated into U.S. dollars at the exchange rate in effect on the balance sheet date. Revenue and expenses are translated at the average exchange rate in effect during the period. Translation adjustments are included in the consolidated Balance Sheet as a component of accumulated other comprehensive loss. Adjustments that arise from exchange rate changes on transactions denominated in a currency other than the local currency are included in operating expenses, net in the consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Loss as incurred.

***Interest Rate Sensitivity***

We are not currently exposed significantly to market risk related to changes in interest rates, as we have no significant variable interest-bearing liabilities. We had cash and cash equivalents of \$43.3 million as of December 31, 2020, which were primarily held as account balances with banks in the United Kingdom, United States and Australia. A hypothetical 10% relative change in interest rates during any of the periods presented would not have had a material impact on our financial statements.

## BUSINESS

### Overview

We are a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company engaged in the discovery and development of novel immunotherapeutics and vaccines for the treatment and prevention of infectious diseases and cancer. We use our proprietary platform to develop product candidates that stimulate powerful, targeted immune responses against pathogens and tumor cells. We design our product candidates to stimulate immune responses that are robust, highly specific, and are differentiated by the magnitude of the T cell populations induced, which exhibit critical functionality and durability. We are focused on applying our platform capabilities and the expertise of our team to address significant unmet medical needs in two settings — the therapeutic setting, for the treatment of chronic infectious diseases and cancer, and the prophylactic setting, for the prevention of infectious diseases, based on our platform’s ability to respond rapidly to epidemic and pandemic threats.

We have a broad pipeline of both clinical and preclinical stage therapeutic and prophylactic programs. Our current therapeutic programs include VTP-300 for the treatment of chronic hepatitis B infection, or CHB, VTP-200 for the treatment of human papilloma virus infection, or HPV, VTP-850 for the treatment of prostate cancer and VTP-600 for the treatment of non-small cell lung cancer, or NSCLC. Our current prophylactic programs include VTP-400 for the prevention of herpes zoster, or shingles, and VTP-500 for the prevention of Middle East respiratory syndrome, or MERS. In addition, we co-invented a COVID-19 vaccine candidate with the University of Oxford, which we assigned to Oxford University Innovation, or OUI, to facilitate the license of those rights by OUI to AstraZeneca UK Limited, or AstraZeneca. This product candidate is now known as COVID-19 Vaccine AstraZeneca, which we refer to as AZD1222.

Scientists have successfully harnessed the immune system to prevent and treat diseases using a wide range of approaches over hundreds of years. In the prophylactic setting, vaccines aim to create lasting protective immunity, while in the therapeutic setting, immunotherapeutics aim to enhance the body’s immune response to pathogens and infected or cancerous cells to enable a cure. A key element of the immune system is specialized white blood cells, or lymphocytes. B cells and T cells are the two main types of lymphocytes. B cells are responsible for generating antibodies while T cells assist in the clearance of acute and chronic infections, such as hepatitis B virus and HPV, and are involved in killing cells that become cancerous. Over the past three decades, hundreds of vaccine and immunotherapy trials have examined a wide variety of approaches that induce the production of cytotoxic, or CD8+, T cells against infected and cancerous cells. These trials have demonstrated that different vaccine and immunotherapy approaches induce different breadths and magnitudes of immune response. While there have been many successes, certain diseases requiring a robust CD8+ T cell response have remained resistant to existing approaches.

Infected or cancerous cells are recognized through pathogen-specific molecules, or antigens, which are foreign to the human body. Our platform is designed to stimulate the production of very high levels of T cells, in addition to antibodies, against such antigens. Our approach for the treatment or prevention of a disease with a known target antigen is to prime the immune system with an initial injection of a proprietary adenovirus vector encoded with the target antigen. In the therapeutic setting, this is typically followed by a boost with a second, different, viral vector encoded with the same antigen. This is known as a heterologous prime-boost approach. We employ unique antigen design strategies to optimize immune presentation and maximize the desired type of antibody and/or T cell immunogenicity that we are seeking to induce. This heterologous prime-boost approach has been shown to provide the highest magnitude and durable immunogenic CD8+ T cell response induced in humans to date. Our platform is further differentiated by its flexibility, applicability across diseases in both the therapeutic and prophylactic setting, favorable tolerability profile and proven rapid production on a large scale.

## Our Pipeline

The chart below provides key information about our programs.

Product Candidate	Program	IND-enabling	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Marketed	Vaccitech Rights	Upcoming Milestones
<b>Therapeutic Programs</b>								
VTP-300	HBV therapeutic						Worldwide	Phase 1/2a interim efficacy (Q4 2021)
VTP-200	HPV therapeutic						Worldwide	Phase 1/2a interim efficacy (Q1 2022)
VTP-800/850 <sup>(1)</sup>	Prostate cancer therapeutic in combo. with checkpoint inhibitor						Worldwide	Phase 1/2a trial initiation (Q1 2022)
VTP-600	NSCLC therapeutic in combo. with checkpoint inhibitor + chemo						Worldwide (76% of Sub.) <sup>(2)</sup>	Phase 1/2a trial initiation (Q2 2021)
<b>Prophylactic Programs</b>								
VTP-400	Zoster prophylactic						Worldwide (excl. China)	Phase 1 trial initiation (H1 2022)
VTP-500	MERS prophylactic						Worldwide	Phase 1 (Saudi Arabia) data readout (Q2 2021)
<b>Licensed Programs</b>								
AZD1222 <sup>(3)</sup>	COVID-19 Coronavirus prophylactic						Licensed by OUI to AZ <sup>(4)</sup>	Additional EUAs and licensure (2021)

1) Clinical status represents both VTP-800 and VTP-850 programs. VTP-850 builds on the Phase 1/2a clinical trial of VTP-800, our first generation product candidate for the treatment of prostate cancer

2) Vaccitech Oncology Limited (VOLI) is owned by Vaccitech and 24% owned by the Ludwig Institute for Cancer Research

3) AZD1222 has been granted a conditional marketing authorization or emergency use authorization in more than 70 countries, and the Emergency Use Listing granted by the World Health Organization in February 2021 will expand access to AZD1222 in up to 142 countries through the WHO's COVAX initiative

4) We assigned the rights to the product candidate to OUI to facilitate the license of those rights to AstraZeneca. AstraZeneca has exclusive worldwide rights to develop and commercialize AZD1222



Our proprietary platform comprises several components that, when combined, allow us to develop product candidates designed to induce high and durable levels of antigen-specific T cells and B cells to prevent and treat infectious diseases and cancer. The key elements of our platform include our proprietary modified simian adenoviral vectors, known as ChAdOx1 and ChAdOx2, as well as the well-validated modified vaccinia Ankara, or MVA, boost vector, both with demonstrable tolerability profiles and an inability to replicate in humans. We believe both ChAdOx1 and MVA have favorable tolerability profiles, based on extensive clinical testing performed by us and others. MVA has also been administered in commercial use and in multiple clinical trials to over 130,000 people without significant safety issues, including 120,000 of whom received it as a next-generation smallpox vaccine in Germany. The combination of a ChAdOx prime with MVA boost has consistently generated significantly higher magnitudes of CD8+ T cells as compared to other technologies and approaches. We have also developed proprietary enhancements for both our ChAdOx and MVA vectors to increase T cell induction and response, and we employ unique antigen design strategies to optimize *in vivo* immune presentation and maximize the desired type of immunogenicity while maintaining an optimal tolerability profile. In addition, our understanding and expertise in manufacturing optimization has allowed us to manipulate adenovirus genomes to enable rapid generation of recombinant adenoviral vectors at Good Manufacturing Practice, or GMP, standards at exceptional speed and significant scale.

We have several therapeutic programs in our pipeline focusing on infectious diseases and oncology. We designed VTP-300 to enable a functional cure for patients with CHB, a life-threatening disease that affects an estimated 257 million people worldwide. VTP-300 is a novel immunotherapy candidate that we intend to administer in combination with a low-dose anti-PD-1 antibody to overcome the immune suppression and T cell exhaustion that results from CHB. We are currently conducting a Phase 1 safety and immunogenicity clinical trial in healthy volunteers and CHB patients. Safety and immunogenicity data from both healthy volunteers and CHB patients is expected to read out in the third quarter of 2021. We are also conducting a Phase 1/2a clinical trial in CHB patients, for which we expect to receive interim data in the fourth quarter of 2021. We are developing VTP-200 as a potential curative treatment for persistent high-risk HPV infection and associated pre-cancerous lesions. An estimated 291 million women worldwide are carriers of HPV DNA, which can progress to pre-cancerous cervical lesions if untreated. We initiated our Phase 1/2a clinical trial of VTP-200 in March 2021 in Europe and the UK with interim results expected in the first quarter of 2022.

We are developing our next-generation immunotherapy candidate, VTP-850, as a treatment for castration resistant and metastatic prostate cancer. Prostate cancer is the fifth leading cause of cancer-related death in

men worldwide. VTP-850 builds on the positive data from a Phase 1/2a clinical trial of VTP-800, our first generation product candidate which encodes 5T4, an antigen expressed by most prostate cancers. VTP-800 has been administered to patients with prostate cancer in two clinical trials sponsored by the University of Oxford. We are developing VTP-850 with the goal of inducing a broader immune response by targeting 5T4 plus additional important antigens expressed by prostate cancer cells. We plan to start a Phase 1/2 clinical trial of VTP-850 in the first quarter of 2022. In addition, we are developing VTP-600, our immunotherapy candidate designed to encode the tumor-associated antigens MAGE-A3 and NY-ESO-1 initially for the treatment of NSCLC in combination with standard of care treatment, chemotherapy and pembrolizumab. Lung cancer is the most common cancer diagnosis and cause of cancer death worldwide, with 85% of cases classified as NSCLC. About 25% to 30% of NSCLC patients have squamous histology and the remainder have non-squamous histology. MAGE-A3 is expressed in 48% of squamous NSCLC and 24% of non-squamous NSCLC. NY-ESO-1 has been shown to have an expression rate of 27% across all NSCLC types. We plan to initiate a first-in-human Phase 1/2a trial in the second quarter of 2021, in collaboration with Cancer Research UK, or CRUK.

Beyond our therapeutic programs, we are also developing several prophylactic vaccine candidates. VTP-400 is our vaccine candidate in development to prevent shingles in adults aged 50 years and older. There are an estimated 140 million cases globally of shingles each year, which can result in significant post-infection pain, known as post-herpetic neuralgia, or even death. We plan to initiate a Phase 1 clinical trial of VTP-400 for shingles prevention in the UK in the first half of 2022. Our regional partner in China and Southeast Asia, CanSino, plans to initiate a Phase 1 clinical trial of VTP-400 for shingles prevention in China in the first half of 2022. We are seeking non-dilutive funding to initiate a parallel Phase 1 clinical trial to be conducted in the UK.

We believe our platform also positions us to develop vaccines rapidly to address epidemic and pandemic threats, as demonstrated by the ongoing clinical trials of AZD1222 for the prevention of COVID-19, which entered the clinic within three months from initial antigen design. As of April 9, 2021, AstraZeneca has announced that AZD1222 has been granted a conditional marketing authorization or emergency use authorization in more than 70 countries, including the United Kingdom, India and Brazil, and the Emergency Use Listing granted by the WHO in February 2021 will expand access to AZD1222 in up to 142 countries through the WHO's COVAX initiative.

In March and April 2021, several countries announced that they were either temporarily suspending the use of a particular batch of AZD1222 or the use of AZD1222 altogether following reports of thromboembolic events in people at varying times following vaccination. On April 7, 2021, the EMA and the MHRA issued updates confirming that the overall benefit-risk profile of AZD1222 remains positive, but requesting that unusual blood clots with low blood platelets be listed as very rare side effects of AZD1222. Several countries have announced their intentions to resume use of AZD1222, although some countries have limited its use in certain age groups. The EMA, MHRA, and WHO, along with individual EU Member States, will continue to assess available safety data as AZD1222 continues to be administered, and these recommendations may change.

In addition, on March 22, 2021, AstraZeneca announced high-level results from an interim analysis of the Phase 3 trial of AZD1222 in the United States using a cut-off date of February 17, 2021, which indicated 76% efficacy at preventing symptomatic COVID-19. However, published studies have indicated that AZD1222 has a lower efficacy against certain variants of COVID-19, including the B.1.351 variant of COVID-19, which was first observed predominantly in South Africa, and the B117 variant, which was first observed in the United Kingdom in late 2020, but have since spread to other geographies. As a result, the use of the AZD1222 vaccine has been stopped in South Africa.

We are developing VTP-500 as a vaccine product candidate to prevent infection and subsequent disease caused by the MERS coronavirus. Although human-to-human transmission appears to be rare, MERS coronavirus has the potential to cause epidemics, infecting hundreds of thousands of people and causing significant morbidity and mortality in 34% of infected individuals. Clinical efficacy trials to prevent MERS are challenging to execute due to the sporadic nature of infection, however studies have demonstrated positive Phase 1 safety and immunogenicity data. A second Phase 1 clinical trial is ongoing in Saudi Arabia with topline data expected in the second quarter of 2021.

## Our History and Team

We were founded in May 2016 as a spin-out from a leading institution in the United Kingdom, the Jenner Institute at the University of Oxford, with the aim of developing and commercializing innovative immunotherapeutics and vaccines to treat and prevent infectious diseases and cancer. Our platform uses technologies that were developed at the Jenner Institute over 15 years and through clinical trials involving thousands of participants. Our scientific founders, Professor Adrian Hill and Professor Sarah Gilbert, are leaders in the fields of infectious diseases, immunology, vaccine development and viral vectors. Professor Hill is the founding Director of the Jenner Institute at the University of Oxford and is also the Lakshmi Mittal and Family Professor of Vaccinology at the University of Oxford. Professor Gilbert is Professor of Vaccinology at the University of Oxford and leads programmes on the development of vaccines against multiple emerging viral pathogens as well as research into vaccine manufacturing. She is the Oxford Project Lead for the Oxford/AstraZeneca Covid-19 vaccine project.

To date, we have raised \$216 million from leading investors, including Gilead Sciences, GV, Korean Investment Partners, M&G Investment Management, Oxford Sciences Innovation, Sequoia Capital China and Tencent.

We have assembled a management team with extensive expertise in building and operating biopharmaceutical organizations that have discovered, developed and delivered innovative medicines to patients. Our management team has broad experience and successful track records in biopharmaceutical research, clinical development, regulatory affairs, manufacturing and commercialization, as well as in business, operations, and finance. Our management team's experience was gained at leading institutions that include Aeras, Agalimmune, Altimmune, Aptiv Solutions, Exscientia, GenVec, Goldman Sachs, Kite Pharma, Pfizer, Novartis, PsiOxus, UBS and Vical.

Our board of directors has extensive expertise in the fields of science, business and finance. Our scientific advisory board, or SAB, works with our management team in the planning and development of scientific, clinical, and research and development initiatives and strategies. The SAB is composed of scientific and clinical thought leaders in the fields of vaccine development, immunology, infectious diseases and oncology.

## Our Strategy

We aim to discover, develop and commercialize novel immunotherapeutics and vaccines. We pursue this by using our proprietary platform and deep understanding of vaccinology, immunology and oncology. Key elements of our strategy include working to:

- **Capitalize on our proprietary platform to develop novel immunotherapeutic and vaccine product candidates that address major unmet medical needs in infectious diseases and cancer.** Since our founding in 2016, we and our collaborators have advanced a pipeline of eight development programs across infectious diseases and oncology indications, including five programs that are currently in clinical trials. We expect to generate potential proof-of-concept data from our HBV and HPV programs by the fourth quarter of 2021 and the first quarter of 2022, respectively, and have generated encouraging preliminary clinical data in our prostate cancer program. We assigned rights to our initial vaccine candidate for COVID-19 to OUI to facilitate the license of those rights by OUI to AstraZeneca, and we have secured multiple additional pipeline collaborations with leading institutions including CRUK and CanSino, our regional partner in China and Southeast Asia for our zoster vaccine candidate, VTP-400. We plan to apply the experience we have gained in developing our most advanced programs to drive the efficient development of our earlier stage product candidates.
- **Advance our infectious disease pipeline programs, including our lead HBV and HPV programs, through clinical development and regulatory approval.** Our platform allows us to develop product candidates designed to stimulate powerful T cell and antibody-based immune responses that we use to target challenging infectious disease pathogens, in both the therapeutic and prophylactic settings. Our lead therapeutic infectious disease programs, VTP-300 for HBV and VTP-200 for HPV, are currently in Phase 1/2a clinical trials, and we expect to generate potential proof-of-concept data for both programs by the first quarter of 2022. Our prophylactic infectious disease program is VTP-400 for the prevention of shingles. VTP-400 is currently in investigational

new drug application, or IND, enabling trials, and we expect to progress this program into a Phase 1 clinical trial by the first half of 2022. Our second prophylactic infectious disease program, VTP-500 for the prevention of MERS, is currently in a Phase 1 clinical trial in Saudi Arabia, following the successful completion of a Phase 1 clinical trial in the UK. We expect topline results from the Phase 1 clinical trial in Saudi Arabia to be reported by the second quarter of 2021. Our most advanced program for the treatment of COVID-19, AZD1222, formerly VTP-900, has been assigned to OUI. OUI out-licensed the rights to AstraZeneca.

- **Progress our lead oncology therapeutic programs in prostate cancer and lung cancer through clinical development and toward potential regulatory approval in combination with current standards of care.** Our platform allows us to develop product candidates designed to stimulate robust CD8+ T cell-driven immune responses to target tumor cells. We expect our lead oncology product candidate, VTP-850 for the treatment of prostate cancer, to enter a Phase 1/2 clinical trial in the first quarter of 2022. In this program, we have generated promising preliminary clinical data that supports our advancement into further clinical trials in combination with a checkpoint inhibitor. Our second oncology product candidate, VTP-600 for NSCLC, is expected to enter a Phase 1/2a clinical trial the second quarter of 2021 as part of our collaboration with CRUK. We intend to evaluate VTP-600's ability to improve patient outcomes when added to current standard of care for newly-diagnosed patients with NSCLC, a regimen of a checkpoint inhibitor in combination with chemotherapy. On the basis of the clinical data we generate with these product candidates in our initial indications, we may seek to expand development into additional indications and treatment settings.
- **Deploy our platform in order to respond rapidly to major new emerging diseases.** Using our platform, we have the capability to develop powerful targeted vaccines rapidly against epidemic and pandemic threats. This has been demonstrated in the ongoing development of AZD1222, our initial product candidate for the prevention of COVID-19 infection, which entered clinic trials within three months of initial antigen design. AZD1222 is being developed by AstraZeneca. We have an additional program that aims to prevent infectious disease, VTP-500, which is in Phase 1 clinical trials for prevention of MERS. It has been demonstrated that these vaccine candidates can be advanced through preclinical studies and clinical development rapidly and we believe we will be capable of production at sufficient scale, costs and supply chain logistical requirements to meet high global demand.
- **Invest in our platform in order to enable next-generation product candidates.** We plan to continue investing in our platform in order to develop next-generation technologies, including novel viral vectors, which we believe will keep us at the cutting edge of the immunotherapy and vaccine fields. We also intend to evaluate novel technologies that have the potential to augment the immune response profile of our current product candidates.
- **Expand on the value of our product candidates through partnerships.** We currently intend to maintain full ownership of our HBV, HPV and prostate cancer programs until we have data from Phase 2 clinical trials. Once we have established proof-of-concept in humans, we may evaluate potential collaborations or partnerships that could, for example, enhance the value of our programs for our shareholders through the expansion of the development plans and, ultimately, commercialization of these programs, if approved. We have selected collaborators and partners for a number of our pipeline programs. These include our initial vaccine candidate for COVID-19, which we assigned to OUI to facilitate that license of those rights by OUI to AstraZeneca, as well as our program for zoster, for which we have established a regional partnership with CanSino in China and Southeast Asia. To progress MERS, we licensed non-exclusive development rights to the University of Oxford, which has established subsequent collaborations with Janssen and the Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovation, or CEPI. Furthermore, we intend to seek partners that are developing novel complementary therapeutic modalities in which the combination of one of our assets with another therapeutic could lead to potential synergistic improvements in patient care. Where appropriate in the future, however, we will retain control of our product candidates through to commercialization, if approved.
- **Leverage the expertise of our scientific founders, key advisors and employees to remain at the**

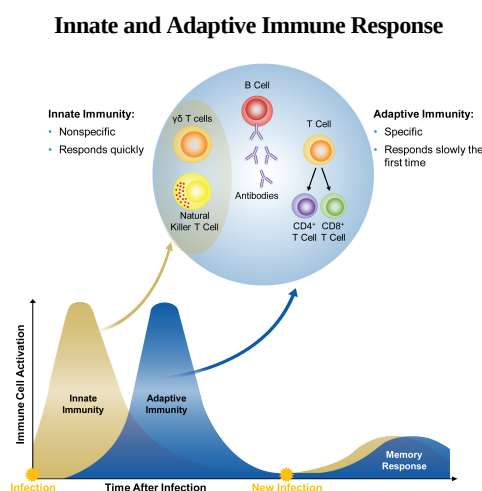


**forefront of immunotherapy and vaccinology.** We have built and will continue to expand our outstanding team of scientists, clinicians and network of advisors. We will use the collective expertise of this group, combined with the capabilities of our platform, to develop novel technology platforms and product candidates in order to maintain a leading role in the treatment and prevention of infectious diseases and cancer. Furthermore, we have a dedicated team that focuses on manufacturing optimization in order to reduce production times and costs.

### The Immune System and the Role of B and T Cells

The immune system is a complex network of molecules, cells, tissues and organs that cooperate to help the body fight disease. The immune system is able to detect pathogens, such as viruses, bacteria, and parasites, and can distinguish abnormal cells, such as tumor cells, from healthy tissue. Lymphocytes are a central element in the immune system's defense against pathogens. Lymphocytes can secrete antibodies that target molecules on pathogens and abnormal cells, such as proteins. Lymphocytes can also directly eliminate infected or abnormal cells.

When exposed to pathogens or abnormal cells, the immune system is activated to defend against them. The first line of biological defense is a general response by the innate immune system. This system activates an immediate response network and triggers a more targeted response by the adaptive immune system. Through such adaptive immune responses, the body can develop long-term immunity, or immunologic memory, to specific pathogens. Immunologic memory leads among other things to the production of antibodies, B cells and T cells, all of which are directed to counteract specific antigens. The differences between the innate and adaptive immune responses are shown in the figure below.



There are two main types of lymphocytes, B cells and T cells, which have the following key characteristics:

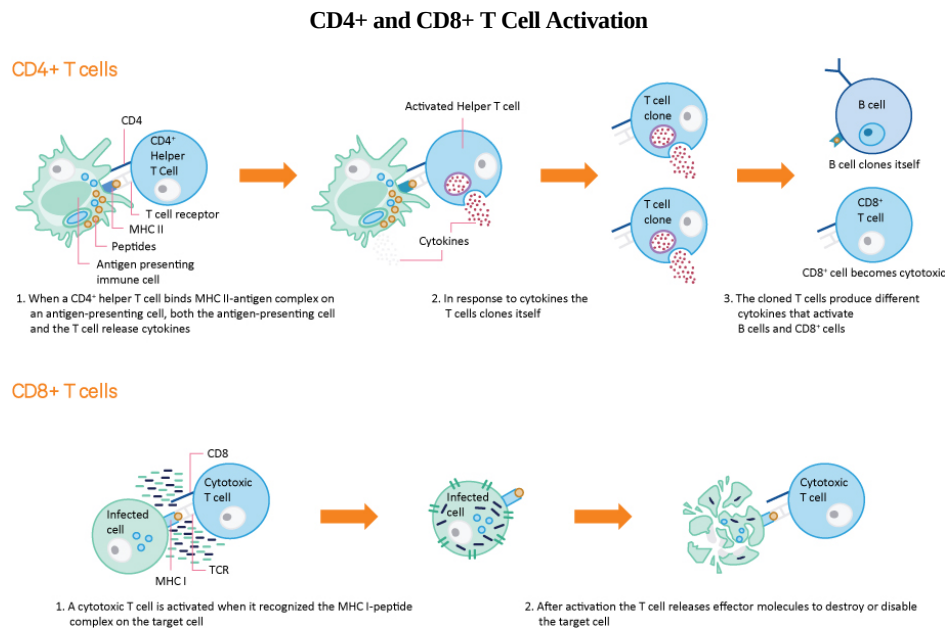
- **B cells:** B cells are primarily responsible for generating antibodies, which circulate in the blood and tissues to detect and bind to specific antigens to prevent pathogens from invading cells, as part of the humoral immune response. Once an antibody binds to its target antigen, it creates an antibody-antigen complex, which can then be cleared from the body through multiple mechanisms.
- **T cells:** T cells are responsible for reacting to abnormal or infected cells. There are two main types of T cells: (i) those that express a surface marker known as CD4, or CD4+ T cells, and (ii) those that express a surface marker known as CD8, or CD8+ T cells. CD4+ T cells are commonly referred to as T helper cells for their ability to regulate B cell activation and help coordinate other immune responses through signal molecules such as cytokines. CD8+ T cells are commonly referred to as cytotoxic T cells because they directly kill cells that they identify as

foreign. Cells are recognized as foreign because they are either infected or, in the case of cancer cells, are producing abnormal proteins. Together with other components of the immune system, CD4+ T cells and CD8+ T cells produce a focused response, known as cell-mediated, to abnormal cells.

Vaccines and immunotherapies are generally designed to induce B cells and T cells in order to prevent and treat disease.

### T Cell Activation

CD4+ and CD8+ T cells are usually stimulated by peptide fragments of antigens, which are short sequences of amino acids presented on host molecules known as the major histocompatibility complex, or MHC. There are two primary classes of MHC molecules: MHC Class I and MHC Class II, which typically present peptides on the cell surface to CD8+ and CD4+ T cells, respectively, to trigger an immune response. Once activated, the CD4+ and CD8+ T cells assist in the initial clearance of acute infections and are involved in killing cells that could become cancerous. The figure below depicts the activation processes for CD4+ and CD8+ T cells.



Immunogenicity is the ability of a substance to generate an immune response and can be measured by the magnitude, durability, functionality and breadth of the response generated. The magnitude of the immune response is generally measured by the number of B cells and respective antibodies or functions, and T cells or T cell effector molecules. Durability is the extent to which levels of the antibodies or cellular responses are maintained over time. Functionality refers to the quality of biological activity. Breadth refers to how broadly the immune response targets multiple antigens and/or multiple parts of each antigen.

To activate a T cell response, a number of additional molecules, known as co-stimulatory molecules, are needed to initiate and augment the correct T cell response. However, that response is regulated through the presence of immune checkpoints that control the extent and duration of the response to minimize damage to healthy tissue. Some cancers and infections can activate these checkpoints to weaken immune responses against themselves. Following the initial establishment of an infection or tumor, the responding T cells can become non-functional, or the activated checkpoints can block the required T cell activity. One example of a checkpoint is the suppression of T cell stimulation by the binding of programmed cell death-ligand 1, or

PD-L1, on the target cell to the programmed cell death-1, or PD-1, receptor on the T cell. This checkpoint activation can be overcome by using checkpoint inhibitor drugs, including a number of anti-PD-1 or anti-PD-L1 molecules. These drugs then allow the relevant T cells to function normally to eliminate cancerous cells.

#### *Historical Approaches to Vaccination*

As our understanding of immunology has developed, scientists have engaged the immune system to prevent and fight diseases using many approaches. Prophylactic vaccines have been in use since a smallpox vaccine was first developed in 1796 by Edward Jenner. The basic principle of prophylactic vaccines is to introduce a harmless form of all or part of the target pathogen into a healthy person. This stimulates an innate and adaptive immune response, enabling the creation of immunologic memory in advance of any exposure to the real pathogen. The vaccination of children shows the broad societal impact of vaccination. Most childhood vaccines are 90% to 99% effective, and these save the lives of 2.5 million children every year.

Early methods of vaccination that rely mainly on humoral, B cell driven antibody responses have proven effective against many infections, including infections that cause rabies, diphtheria, tetanus, measles, and polio. Other diseases likely need a robust T cell-mediated response for control, such as HIV, tuberculosis, malaria and cancer. Decades of research has demonstrated that different vaccine technologies induce different immune responses, because the immune system responds to each vaccine with a bespoke response. Only a few technologies have been shown to induce a broad adaptive immune response, comprising antibody, CD4+ and CD8+ T cell responses, and even fewer induce high levels of CD8+ T cells. The ability to induce a broad immune response including large populations of durable, functional CD8+ T cells opens the possibility of therapies to prevent, reduce or clear infections and cancers.

For decades, vaccine and immunotherapy trials have examined many approaches for their ability to stimulate CD8+ T cells to prevent or treat specific diseases, especially in HIV and oncology. These included early DNA vaccines, viral vectored vaccines (including various pox- and adenoviruses), adjuvanted proteins or synthetic peptides, messenger ribonucleic acid, virus-like particles, or VLPs, and others. These are given as multiple sequential administrations of the same vaccine, known as homologous boost, or as sequential administrations of combinations of different vectors or vaccine platforms, known as heterologous boost. Published trials have demonstrated that not all approaches are able to induce clinically significant CD8+ T cell responses.

#### *Development Efforts by the Jenner Institute*

Since 2000, groups at the Jenner Institute, led by Professor Adrian Hill, have evaluated many different approaches aimed at stimulating potent and durable CD8+ T cell responses. The Jenner Institute's research demonstrated that the approach that leads to the highest CD8+ T cell response in humans is to prime with an adenoviral vector to which the participant has not been previously exposed, and to boost this later with a pox virus vector carrying the same antigen. This heterologous prime-boost is superior to homologous viral vectors, DNA vaccines, and even heterologous DNA-vector approaches.

To overcome any pre-existing immunity caused by natural human adenoviral infection which would interfere with the vaccine response, the Jenner teams used simian adenoviruses to which humans had no prior exposure. The teams developed proprietary simian adenoviral vectors known as ChAdOx1 and ChAdOx2, for use as priming agents. The vectors were modified to be non-replicating, and for improved immunogenicity and increased antigen-carrying capacity. The pox-virus, MVA, was chosen as the boost vector, since it is replication deficient and provides an enhanced immune response compared to other boosts. We believe that this prime-boost combination, which induces a high magnitude, durable CD8+ T cell response, is ideal for targeting chronic infections such as CHB or HPV as well as the cancers that can be associated with these viruses. Additionally, these vectors generate sufficient T cell responses for use in potential cancer therapies by targeting tumor-associated antigens or neoantigens.

#### **Our Approach to Inducing T Cells to Prevent and Treat Disease**

Vaccines are believed to save more lives per year than any other medical intervention. However, some major diseases are resistant to prevention and treatment using classical antibody-inducing vaccine and immunotherapy technologies.

Our approach for the treatment or prevention of a disease with a known target antigen is to prime the immune system with an initial injection of a proprietary adenovirus vector encoding the target antigen. In the therapeutic setting, this is typically followed by a boost with a second, different viral vector that encodes the same antigen, which is known as a heterologous prime-boost approach. Our platform stimulates the production of very high levels of T cells, as well as antibodies against such antigens.

### The Key Elements of Our Platform

Our proprietary platform comprises several components that, when combined, allow us to develop product candidates designed to induce high and durable levels of antigen-specific T cells and B cells to prevent and treat infectious diseases and cancer while maintaining the desired tolerability profile. Our platform generates excellent immunogenicity in terms of B cell and T cell responses and is differentiated by its ability to induce very high numbers of functional and durable CD8+ T cells. The key elements of our platform are:

- **Proprietary Simian Vectors:** ChAdOx1 and ChAdOx2 are modified simian adenoviral vectors which deliver target antigens into cells to generate a specific immune response. These viruses were originally isolated from chimpanzees to avoid pre-existing immunity issues affecting the use of human adenovirus vectors. Researchers at the Jenner Institute modified the ChAdOx viruses to be non-replicating and to have an increased antigen-carrying capacity. To date, we have developed several vaccine and immunotherapy candidates with the ChAdOx vectors, each carrying target antigens that are specific to desired pathogens and diseases. Adenoviral vectors have demonstrable safety profiles and are immunogenic in all age groups evaluated to date.
- **Well-Validated Boost Vector:** MVA is a highly attenuated vaccinia virus used to deliver target antigens into cells to generate or boost an immune response. MVA has a large antigen-carrying capacity and is especially immunogenic when used as a boosting vector in a heterologous prime-boost regimen. MVA is replication-deficient and has a well-documented safety profile in over 130,000 people.
- **Proprietary Promoters and Enhancers:** Promoters and molecular enhancers are genetic codes that influence antigen expression. For our adenoviral vectors, we use a proprietary promoter that is modified from cytomegalovirus. The use of this modified promoter has been shown to increase antigen expression and also the resulting immune response. For our MVA vector, we use a proprietary promoter to control expression of recombinant antigens and thereby enhance T cell induction levels. We use proprietary molecular adjuvants to enhance the CD8+ T cell response.
- **Antigen Selection and Design:** We select full-length and subunit antigenic sequences from target pathogens or cancers. We employ unique antigen design strategies to optimize *in vivo* immune presentation and maximize the desired type of immunogenicity while maintaining the desired tolerability profile. For example, some target diseases may require a greater T cell-mediated response, whereas others may require a more balanced T and B cell response. We use bioinformatics methods to design and optimize our antigen-encoding vectors. To select antigen targets for pathogens, we use databases to rank options based on factors including global distribution of genetic strains, evolutionary competitive advantage, known pathogenicity and sequence upload bias.
- **Rapid Vector Generation and Manufacturing:** We employ manipulation of adenovirus genomes to enable rapid generation of recombinant adenoviral vectors to meet GMP standards. We believe our sequencing techniques have the potential to result in safer, more stable, product candidates. Our adenovirus product candidates can be manufactured at exceptional speed and to significant scale, as it has been demonstrated with the COVID-19 vaccine candidate AZD1222. AZD1222, which is based on the ChAdOx1 vector, was designed, constructed and manufactured for human use within three months. Normal GMP production processes typically take six to ten months each for adenovirus and for MVA.

### Strengths of Our Platform

We believe the following strengths of our platform technologies will allow us to make multiple safe, effective therapeutic or prophylactic treatments for infectious diseases and cancer:

### *Favorable tolerability profile*

Our vectors have modified genomes, which makes them unable to replicate. As a result, our vectors are unable to disseminate or cause disease and are usually cleared within days of administration. Since replication-incompetent adenoviruses and MVA have a known safety profile, we believe that we can move our product candidates into clinical trials more quickly than many other vaccine platforms.

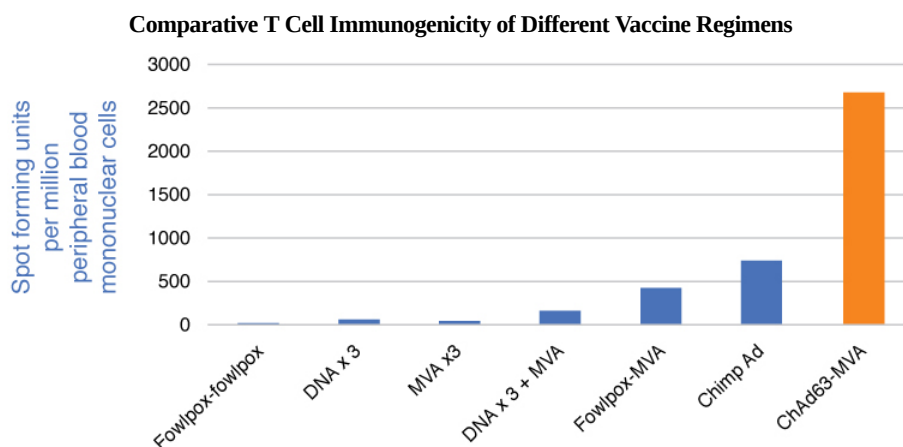
To date, the ChAdOx1 vector has been evaluated in eleven clinical trials, ranging from Phase 1 to 3, including the ongoing AZD1222 COVID-19 Phase 3 clinical trials. Based on these trials, related side effects so far have been mostly mild to moderate, such as fever and injection site reactions, which are common to most vaccines. AstraZeneca has reported that very rare events of neuroinflammatory disorders have been reported following vaccination with AZD1222. A causal relationship between AZD1222 and the adverse events has not been established. Since we are not involved in the clinical trials of AZD1222, we are only aware of safety data related to the clinical trials that AstraZeneca publishes publicly, and no assurance can be provided as to whether there may be other data related to clinical trials for AZD1222 that could be material with respect to any of our clinical trials or product candidates.

The MVA vector has been administered to over 130,000 people, 120,000 of whom received it as a next-generation smallpox vaccine in Germany. It has shown no significant safety issues in commercial use or in multiple clinical trials, and an MVA vaccine is being stockpiled by the US government in preparedness for a future smallpox outbreak.

### *Superior T cell immunogenicity*

Our ChAdOx1-MVA prime-boost combination has consistently generated a significantly higher magnitude of CD8+ T cells compared to other published approaches to date. In a natural state, the induction of high levels of CD8+ T cells can play an important role in an immune-system-led clearance of chronic and novel infections, such as in HBV and HPV. In addition, ChAdOx1-MVA also induces high levels of CD4+ T cells, which allows for greater concentrations of relevant antibodies. By using our proprietary promoters to drive antigen expression, we can further enhance immunogenicity.

A clear demonstration of the ability of our heterologous prime-boost platform to induce high levels of T cells in humans is shown in the figure below. As depicted in the figure, the magnitude of the T cell responses to the same antigen, a malaria antigen known as ME-TRAP, expressed by different vaccine platforms such as DNA, chimpanzee adenovirus, MVA, and fowl pox is shown using a standard assay. While different assays were employed by different groups, the ChAd63-MVA combination in humans elicited the largest T cell response, and we have seen this repeated in later trials. ChAd63 is a chimpanzee adenovirus and has been shown to have similar levels of activity as ChAdOx1.



In human trials, we have reproducibly demonstrated across different age groups that the ChAd-MVA boost combination consistently induces high T cell populations against various foreign antigens in infectious diseases, as well as measurable T cell populations against self-antigens in tumor situations — both higher

than for other approaches. Triggering an immune response in infectious diseases is easier than inducing a response against self-antigens in oncology, because the body may already have eliminated a majority of the self-reactive T cells, which results in a level of immune tolerance. Our platform has shown the ability to overcome this tolerance against self-antigens, as demonstrated in the case of 5T4, a tumor self-antigen, in the Phase 1 VANCE clinical trial, producing T cell responses that were higher than for other approaches.

ChAdOx1 has also been shown to be a valuable stand-alone vaccine technology. The COVID-19 vaccine candidate AZD1222, formerly VTP-900, uses the ChAdOx1 nCoV vector which encodes the SARS-CoV-2 spike protein to induce high T cell immunogenicity and comparable B cell immunogenicity. A Phase 1 clinical trial of AZD1222 demonstrated that the product candidate had a favorable tolerability profile and also induced both humoral and cellular immune responses. In addition, homologous boosting increased the antibody responses. As of April 9, 2021, AstraZeneca has announced that AZD1222 has been granted a conditional marketing authorization or emergency use authorization in more than 70 countries, including the United Kingdom, India and Brazil, and the Emergency Use Listing granted by the WHO in February 2021 will expand access to AZD1222 in up to 142 countries through the WHO's COVAX initiative.

#### *Low seroprevalence enables dose-sparing*

Seroprevalence reflects the extent to which the immune system has previously been exposed to a virus. The general population has had natural exposure to most human adenoviruses, which results in an immune response against the virus itself when used as a vector. This acquired immunity to a vector often results in lower immunogenicity, as the existing immune response reduces the functional dose of the vector. Since ChAdOx1 is a simian adenovirus that was originally isolated from a chimpanzee and then modified, the general population has rarely been naturally exposed to it. Immunization with ChAdOx1 transiently raises seroprevalence to the vector. The seroprevalence is different from natural exposure and does not have a lasting effect on vaccine immunogenicity. Pre-existing anti-MVA immunity is also very rare. This provides us with an advantage over vaccines based on human adenovirus vectors targeting the same antigens. A stronger, more effective immune response at the same dose level has the potential to result in improved safety, tolerability and better outcomes.

#### *Large antigen capacity of vectors enables multiple targets*

The antigen-carrying capacity of our modified ChAdOx1 and MVA vectors is 6kb and 20kb, respectively, which compares favorably with the antigen-carrying capacity of other platforms.

This capacity is valuable as it allows us to insert large or multiple antigens into the vectors. A larger antigen cargo is able to induce an immune response of increased breadth, by targeting larger or more varied pathogen targets. Including multiple antigens in one vector also reduces risk of tumor escape and may increase durability of response in cancer. Moreover, it may also enable us to target multiple strains of a pathogen in infectious diseases, broadening the likely target population that could benefit from our product candidates.

#### *Scalability of manufacturing*

The ability to engineer our vectors accurately with necessary deletions and insertions to maximize efficacy and potency whilst still ensuring the resultant vector is as safe as possible, stable and easily scalable to mass production is also important. Both of our primary vectors, ChAdOx1 and MVA, have been successfully GMP-manufactured many times, supporting our belief that process development issues have largely been addressed. Our processes help us minimize timelines from identifying an antigen through to the clinic. For standalone ChAdOx1 programs, we have shown a best-case lead time of three months, enabling a rapid response to emerging pathogens.

In addition to speed, the scalability of our vector manufacture is also robust. For example, AstraZeneca has publicly announced that they expect their vaccine capacity in 2021 to be almost three billion doses. For our adenoviral vectors, we use a proprietary cell line that supports high yields in suspension culture. For MVA, we are developing our own manufacturing processes for scale based on one of the several commercially-available avian cell lines which have been used in the past to make batches of MVA vectors at the 200L and larger scale. The proven manufacturing processes and scalability enable a relatively low cost of goods per dose, which is a potential competitive advantage in the marketplace versus other technologies.

*Self-adjuvanting nature of vectors enhances immunogenicity*

Protein or virus-like particle vaccines usually require the addition of separate synthetic or natural product adjuvants along with the vaccine antigen. These can increase reactogenicity and manufacturing and regulatory complexity. Adenoviral and poxvirus vectors inherently contain foreign viral protein and nucleic acids, which induce immunogenicity. We refer to this characteristic as self-adjuvanting.

*Flexibility of administration allows targeted delivery*

Inducing a targeted immune response near the site of infection or tumor can increase efficacy and/or eliminate undesired off-target effects in other organs. Animal studies of our adenoviral vectors have shown that aerosol delivery induces greater lung mucosal immunity and comparable systemic immunity to intramuscular delivery. Most tumors and many infections are specific in their locations within the body and may benefit from targeted vector delivery. HBV, for example, is largely resident in the liver. Other infections are generally located in specific organs such as the lungs or the skin. Our platform has the advantage of flexible administration routes. For example, in addition to intramuscular injection, other chimpanzee adenoviruses have been given to humans by aerosol and intravenous routes, and MVA has been administered intradermally, subcutaneously, intravenously and by aerosol in clinical trials.

*Thermostability facilitates distribution*

At present, our product candidates are stored and transported in a frozen state at -80°C. Long-term stability at this temperature has been recorded up to seven years for both ChAdOx1 and MVA. After shipping, the liquid formulation of these product candidates is stable for six months to two years at temperatures ranging from 4 to 8 degrees Celsius. Long-term stability at room temperature can be achieved through lyophilization, in which the product candidate is freeze-dried, resulting in a highly thermostable powder. Immediately before administration, the lyophilized product candidate is then resuspended in a liquid buffer solution. We are working to achieve specific long-term thermostable formulations of our ChAdOx1 and MVA products.

**Ongoing Investments in our Platform**

We plan to make ongoing investments in our platform in order to keep us at the forefront of immunotherapy and vaccine development for cancer and infectious diseases. We are also seeking ways to accelerate and scale manufacturing. The key focus areas for our platform investments include:

- **Next-Generation Technologies.** Our dedicated research team is composed of molecular virology, biology and immunology experts working at the cutting edge of the vaccine and immunotherapy field, to develop next-generation technologies that deliver enhanced immunogenicity. Our internal research team is capable of designing, building and *in vitro* testing new vectors to enable preclinical studies for further evaluation. This internal capability keeps control of critical early development timelines within our hands.
- **Manufacturing Optimization.** We have a dedicated process development team that is refining and developing new manufacturing processes in order to optimize and maximize vector product candidate yield and quality. We have developed a simplified downstream manufacturing process that requires fewer steps than traditional adenoviral harvesting and purification methods. We believe that this simplified process will allow a speedier purification of high-quality product candidate at greatly reduced cost.
- **Accelerated GMP construct generation.** Our process development team is also developing a technology that has the potential to reduce the time to produce GMP grade adenoviral vectored product candidates from 33-44 weeks to as little as under five weeks. The rapid deployment of adenoviral vectors for epidemic and pandemic response and other urgent needs has been hindered in the past by extensive GMP production timelines of up to 33-44 weeks for any given vector, and therefore our method, once fully developed, may offer the possibility to apply adenoviral vectors in more rapid response to infectious diseases and precision oncology.

## **Our Therapeutic Programs**

### **Infectious Diseases**

Infectious diseases are caused by pathogenic microorganisms, such as viruses, bacteria, fungi, and parasites and are a leading cause of death worldwide. Approximately 10 million people died from infectious diseases in 2016, accounting for 20% of global deaths. Fifteen percent of all global cancer diagnoses and up to 25% of diagnoses in low- and middle-income countries are attributable to viral infections such as HBV and HPV. The ability of viruses to spread between animal and human hosts is an epidemiological root for devastating emerging infectious diseases, including COVID-19 and MERS.

Our prime-boost platform is positioned to generate novel candidates which can treat chronic viral infectious disease. We are developing immunotherapeutic product candidates utilizing the heterologous prime-boost of ChAdOx and MVA to elicit a durable immune response that is characterized by the magnitude of virus specific CD8+ T cells generated to clear virally infected cells. These product candidates include VTP-300, our product candidate for the treatment of CHB, and VTP-200, our product candidate for the treatment of persistent high-risk HPV, with associated low-grade lesions.

### **VTP-300: An Immunotherapeutic Targeting Chronic HBV Infection**

#### *Overview*

We are developing VTP-300 to enable a functional cure for patients with CHB, a life-threatening disease that affects an estimated 257 million people worldwide. VTP-300 is an immunotherapeutic agent that we intend to administer in combination with a low-dose anti-PD-1 antibody, to counterbalance the immune suppression and T cell exhaustion in the liver caused by CHB. We are currently conducting HBV001, our Phase 1 clinical trial of VTP-300 in healthy volunteers and CHB patients. We expect to report safety and immunogenicity data from HBV001 in healthy volunteers in the second quarter of 2021 and in CHB patients in the third quarter of 2021. We are currently conducting HBV002, our Phase 1/2a clinical trial in CHB patients, and we expect to receive interim data in the fourth quarter of 2021. The first patient in HBV002 was dosed in January 2021. In the HBV002 Phase 1/2a clinical trial, VTP-300 will be administered as a prime-boost in patients on stable antiviral therapy and in combination with an anti-PD-1 antibody.

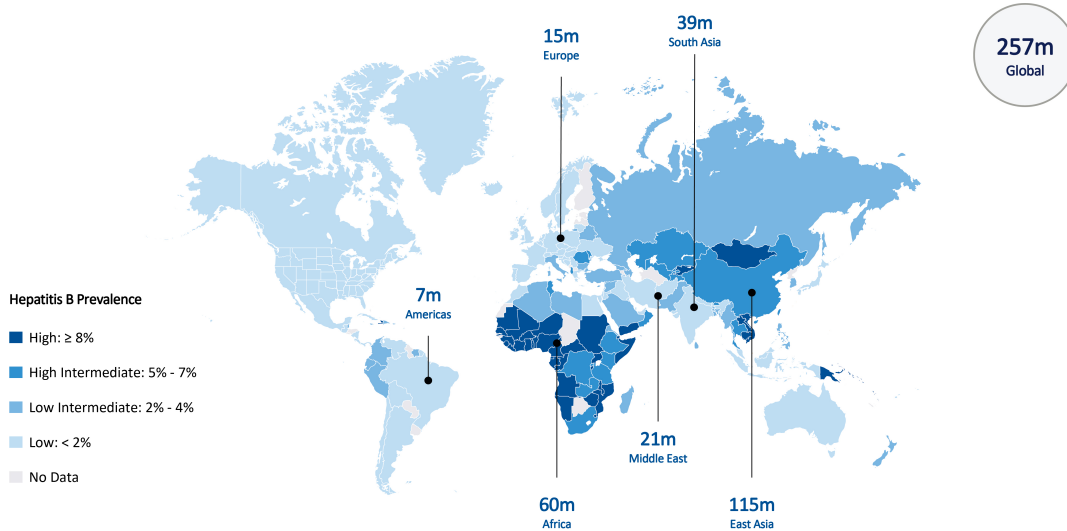
Hepatitis B is a viral infection of the liver that is transmitted through blood and body fluids. It often is asymptomatic in adults, most of whom will successfully fight off the virus. If symptoms do develop, they tend to happen during the two to three month periods following exposure to the hepatitis B virus and are typically flu-like symptoms, including tiredness, a fever, and general aches and pains, jaundice and diarrhea. For such patients with acute hepatitis B, symptoms will usually resolve within one to three months, although occasionally the infection can last for six months or more and becomes chronic. In contrast, hepatitis B infection passed from mother to child becomes chronic in most cases. As a result, CHB affects around 90% of people infected with hepatitis B as infants, 20% of people infected as older children and 5-10% people infected as adults. CHB leads to potential life-threatening complications, including liver fibrosis, cirrhosis and/or hepatocellular carcinoma, or HCC. The burden of CHB is underscored by the fact that 20-30% of patients develop cirrhosis or liver cancer with CHB accounting for at least 50% of HCC cases.

Hepatitis B is considered a “silent epidemic” because most people are asymptomatic while chronically infected. Thus, they can unknowingly spread the virus to others and continue the spread of hepatitis B. Although asymptomatic, their liver is still being silently damaged.

Globally it is estimated that there are 257 million people, including more than two million in the U.S. and 13 million in Europe, living with CHB infection. Prevalence is highest in East Asia and Africa as illustrated in the figure below. Approximately 880,000 people die each year from hepatitis B and related complications, such as liver cancer as a result of late stage diagnosis. Hepatitis B diagnosis rates remain low, and as of 2016, only an estimated 10% of all those infected were aware of their infection. As a result of low diagnosis rates and strict treatment eligibility guidelines, only an estimated 4.5 million of the people with CHB were on treatment. In recent years, screening has become more prevalent, particularly in East Asia where in some countries screening is a requirement for employment, which we believe will increase the addressable patient population.

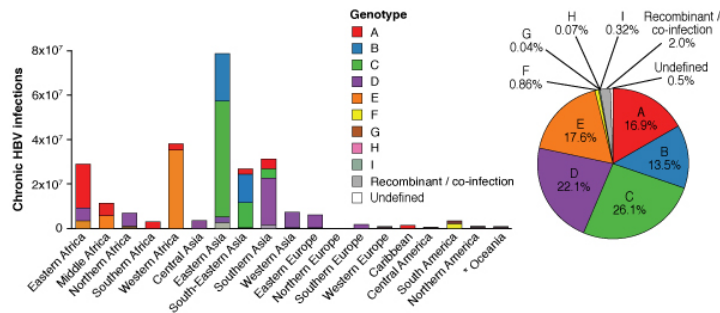


Prevalence of Hepatitis B Around the World



Although there are numerous HBV genotypes that circulate in the world, the most common genotype, and that found in many regions of the Asia-Pacific, is genotype C, as illustrated in the figure below. Ninety-six percent of CHB infections worldwide are estimated to be caused by five of the nine genotypes: genotype C (26%), genotype D (22%), genotype E (18%), genotype A (17%) and genotype B (14%).

Distribution of HBV Genotypes by Region



An acute HBV infection is characterized by the presence of circulating Hepatitis B surface antigen, or HBsAg. A chronic hepatitis B infection is characterized by the persistence of circulating HBsAg and hepatitis B DNA for at least six months. Many of these patients with CHB require antiviral therapy for viral suppression, but clearance of the virus, as measured by loss of seroconversion to HBsAg, is still rare. As a result, patients require prolonged or life-long treatments, with frequent flares when antiviral therapy is halted. When the CHB infection persists, patients run the risk of developing chronic liver disease and HCC later in life. Ongoing viral production in the liver is due to covalently closed circular DNA, or cccDNA, a source of new HBV virus particles. HBsAg is presently used as the surrogate for the quantity of cccDNA activity.

Current Treatment Options and Limitations

The ultimate goal for CHB treatment is functional cure, which is defined as the sustained clearance of HBsAg after discontinuing antiviral therapy. Currently, pegylated  $\alpha$ -interferon is considered to be the most effective therapy. However, pegylated  $\alpha$ -interferon only leads to functional cure in less than 10 percent of

patients, is often poorly tolerated, cannot be used in cirrhotic patients and is rarely employed in the US or Europe. In most treated patients, the goal is suppression of circulating viral DNA using antiviral therapy, as functional cure is very rarely achieved. First generation antiviral treatments included lamivudine, adefovir, and telbivudine, but responses were often sub-optimal and resistance emergence was frequently observed. These antiviral therapies have been replaced with either entecavir, tenofovir disoproxil or tenofovir alafenamide, in most settings, which have superior DNA viral load response and rare emergence of resistance. However, these second-generation antiviral therapies almost never lead to a functional cure and development of HCC remains a risk. Discontinuation of these antivirals, even after years of use, commonly leads to viral rebound, although some increase in the rate of functional cure has been seen with discontinuation, varying from 2% to 10% of responses in different trials.

Safe and effective prophylactic HBV vaccines comprise subunits derived from the HBsAg and confer immunity primarily through antibody mediated protection. These vaccines offer nearly 100% preventative protection over a long period, and, since their introduction, there has been a dramatic fall in new HBV infections globally. Most of the people living with the chronic disease were born before the vaccine became widely available in 1990s.

#### *Competition*

Multiple companies are attempting to address CHB by taking advantage of different aspects of the immune system. We believe it will likely take a combination approach, including antiviral agents and immune recovery, to achieve a functional cure. Some companies are attempting to directly decrease cccDNA levels, based on the hypothesis that the T cell exhaustion will then recover and control viral replication. Such approaches include siRNA, CRISPR editing, capsid inhibitors, novel entry inhibitors or other small molecules. Other companies are attempting to up-regulate the innate immune system by using pathway agonists of the STING or TLR 7/8 systems and yet others are attempting to overcome checkpoint blockade through a number of novel compounds including anti-PD-1 or anti-PD-L1 antibodies. While many companies have product candidates in various stages of preclinical and clinical development, there are currently no approved products that provide a functional cure for CHB.

#### *Current Development Status*

We are developing our therapeutic CHB product candidate, VTP-300, using ChAdOx1-HBV viral vector as a prime and MVA-HBV viral vector as a boost.

We designed VTP-300 to enable a potential functional cure of CHB. Natural clearance of infection, or that induced by treatments such as pegylated  $\alpha$ -interferon, is associated with the development of a robust hepatitis B-specific CD8+ T cell response. However, following chronic infection, both the CD4+ and the CD8+ T cell response becomes exhausted, and are lower than levels seen during earlier stages of infection. VTP-300 is designed to deliver highly immunogenic HBV antigens in combination with low dose anti-PD-1 antibody to generate a functional T cell response capable of eliminating circulating HBsAg in patients with CHB.

We have used genotype C HBV antigen sequences in our VTP-300 vectors to target the most prevalent CHB genotype. However, we believe VTP-300 may induce cross-reactive T cell responses with other prevalent genotypes. We will assess the degree of cross-reactivity of the T cells induced by our vaccine in the HBV001 Phase 1 clinical trial by stimulating T cells from ChAdOx1-HBV immunized healthy volunteers and CHB patients with peptides representing genotype D antigens. The results from these assays may inform potential next-generation product candidate design.

#### *Preclinical Studies*

Preclinical studies were conducted for VTP-300, often comparing VTP-300 with relevant controls, with resulting data showing that:

- VTP-300 was immunogenic in inbred, outbred and transgenic mice; and
- VTP-300 was well tolerated in preclinical toxicology studies.

VTP-300 is currently being assessed in a biodistribution study, and preliminary data indicate that there has been no shedding of the virus in urine and feces.

#### *Immunogenic in Inbred, Outbred and Transgenic Mice*

The ability of the VTP-300 vectors to induce an immune response was assessed in three mouse strains. When given alone, the ChAdOx1 vector generated HBV-specific T cell responses in an inbred mouse strain. An MVA-boost vaccination after a ChAdOx1 prime further enhanced the magnitude and breadth of the T cell response. To demonstrate a T cell response against the core antigen, which was absent in these inbred mice, VTP-300 was also assessed in a transgenic mouse strain expressing human HLA-A2 and a response to the core antigen was shown. Taken together, these data demonstrate that all major HBV antigens were able to elicit a T cell response in mice. Intra-cellular cytokine staining was also performed and showed that HBV specific CD8<sup>+</sup> and CD4<sup>+</sup> T cells were polyfunctional and produced combinations of cytokines, including IFN, TNF- $\alpha$ , and IL-2. Anti-HBsAg antibodies were also detected in some mice, with variable titers.

#### *Well Tolerated in Preclinical Toxicology Studies*

We conducted a good laboratory practices, or GLP, compliant study to assess the toxicity of ChAdOx1-HBV following intramuscular administration to inbred mice. These mice were administered a dose level of 0 (vehicle) or  $2.5 \times 10^{10}$  vp of ChAdOx1-HBV.

We assessed mortality, clinical observations, body weight, food consumption, body temperature, hematology, clinical chemistry, immune response in splenocytes (IFN- $\gamma$  secretion), organ weight and gross and microscopic pathology at day 17 of the study. At the anticipated therapeutic dose, we observed ChAdOx1-HBV to be well tolerated, with an immune response that was sustained for two weeks following dosing, with no adverse effects.

#### *Biodistribution Study*

We are currently assessing VTP-300 vectors in a biodistribution and shedding study in inbred mice. The objective of the study is to quantify the VTP-300 vectors in mouse tissues and various liquid matrices obtained from mice following intramuscular injections. Preliminary data indicates that there has been no shedding of the virus in urine and feces.

#### *Clinical Development*

We are currently conducting our HBV001 Phase 1 clinical trial in the United Kingdom in two groups: healthy participants and participants with CHB infection whose infection has been suppressed with oral antiviral medication therapies. The primary objective of the HBV001 trial is to evaluate the safety and tolerability of different doses of a single vaccination of ChAdOx1-HBV. In addition, the secondary objectives are to determine the immunogenicity of ChAdOx1-HBV and to determine the effect of ChAdOx1-HBV on the level of HBsAg in the participants with CHB infection.

The first two cohorts of ten healthy volunteers have now all received a single dose of ChAdOx1-HBV at either a low or high dose,  $2.5 \times 10^9$  vp or  $2.5 \times 10^{10}$  vp, respectively. The first CHB patient received a low dose of ChAdOx1-HBV in October 2020 and a further five CHB patients will be enrolled in the low dose cohort followed by six CHB patients in the high dose cohort. Nine healthy volunteers have now completed their day 84 trial visit post dose. We intend to enroll 12 additional CHB patients in the trial and enrollment is ongoing. As of April 9, 2021, no severe adverse events have been reported in the ongoing trial. Final trial results are expected in the fourth quarter of 2021.

We also aim to determine if the T cell responses induced by the ChAdOx1-HBV viral vector used in this trial can potentially cross-react with other common HBV genotypes. The criteria for CHB patients to be enrolled in this trial are (i) infection that has been suppressed with oral antiviral medication (HBV DNA < 40 copies/mL) and (ii) relatively low levels of cccDNA markers (HBsAg < 10,000 IU/ml). As higher levels of CD8<sup>+</sup> T cell induction are likely to occur in healthy controls, these samples will be utilized to map the responses induced by VTP-300, to reactivity with peptides, representing consensus sequences from genotypes B and D, which are more common in both the United States and Europe.

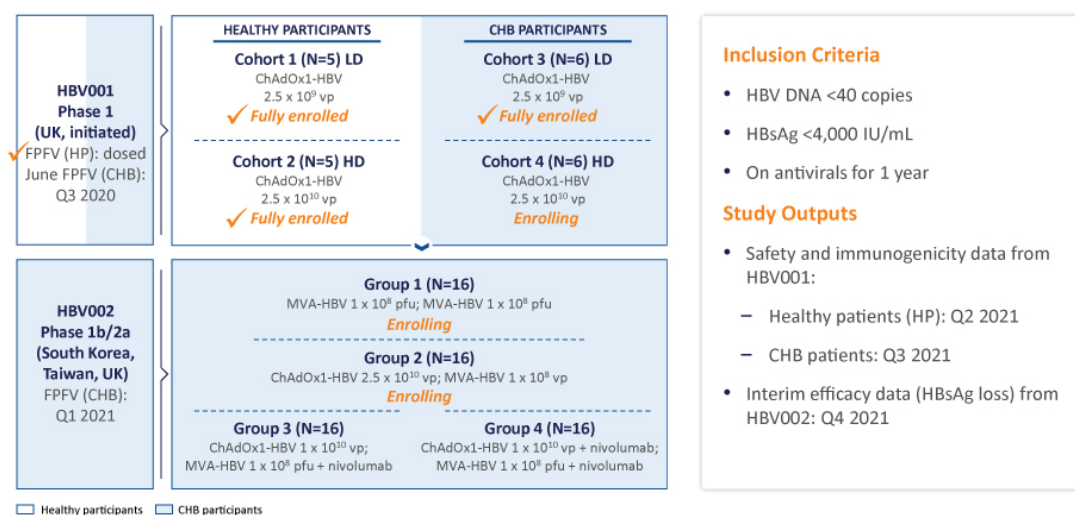
In addition, we are conducting a Phase 1/2a clinical trial, HBV002, to evaluate the safety and reactogenicity of VTP-300 with or without an anti-PD-1 in CHB patients whose infection has been suppressed with oral antiviral medication. We intend to enroll 64 CHB patients in this portion of the trial and expect to receive interim efficacy data in the fourth quarter of 2021. The first patient in HBV002 was dosed in January 2021.

Based on the available results from the ongoing HBV001 trial, the planned dose to be administered to CHB patients in the HBV002 Phase 1/2a clinical trial is a high dose of ChAdOx1-HBV,  $2.5 \times 10^{10}$  vp. The primary objective of this trial is to determine the safety and reactogenicity of the following in participants with CHB infection and virally suppressed with oral antiviral medication: 1. MVA-HBV (prime-boost); 2. ChAdOx1-HBV and MVA-HBV (prime-boost); 3. ChAdOx1-HBV and MVA-HBV and nivolumab (prime-boost + anti-PD-1). The secondary objectives are: immunogenicity, anti-PD-1 blockade timing, and the effect on the levels of hepatitis B markers, including HBsAg, hepatitis B surface antibody seroconversion, hepatitis B DNA, HBeAg, in CHB patients. In the HBV002 trial, we plan to enroll a total of 64 CHB patients in four groups of 16 and follow the patients for a 10-month period. The majority of the patients will be recruited in Taiwan and South Korea due to the high prevalence of HBV genotype C virus in Asia. We will also open enrollment in the United Kingdom.

In participants already immunologically primed by prior infection, it is possible that natural priming may eliminate the need for the prime-boost regimen, as was noted in human trials using the ChAdOx1 and MVA vector for influenza, in which all participants had pre-existing T cell responses induced by natural infection. Hence, group one of the HBV002 trial will compare MVA-HBV given twice, with the ChAdOx1-HBV plus MVA-HBV heterologous approach used in group 2. We expect that group two will be more immunogenic and plan to further explore this group two regimen in groups three and four. The dosing regimen will be ChAdOx1-HBV (day 0) and MVA-HBV and low-dose nivolumab (day 28) for group three and ChAdOx1-HBV and low-dose nivolumab (day 0) and MVA-HBV and low-dose nivolumab (day 28) for group 4.

In the cancer field, the use of the anti-PD-1 prior to vaccination has resulted in diminished T cell responses as compared to later administration. Whether the anti-PD-1 can be given simultaneously with the priming dose, or should follow it, is yet to be determined. Thus, in this protocol, we are planning to evaluate both regimens. Group three employs the low dose nivolumab given only at the boost, whereas group four administers the nivolumab at both the prime and the boost dose. Nivolumab has been used safely in earlier immunotherapy trials at 1/10 the licensed dose for oncology indications and has been shown to give full peripheral blood T cell receptor occupancy for up to one month.

The results of the interim analysis of HBV002 are intended to provide the basis for a decision to proceed to planning and execution of the next trial, a Phase 2b clinical trial. The schematic below shows the trial design for the HBV001 Phase 1 clinical trial and the HBV002 Phase 1/2a clinical trial.



### *Future Development*

We believe that the interim analysis from the HBV002 Phase 1/2a will indicate whether a functional cure from VTP-300 is attainable. If sufficient HBsAg reduction is observed in HBV002, we plan to commence a Phase 2b clinical trial in a wider patient population who have higher levels of HBV DNA and hepatitis B surface antigen than the population enrolled in HBV002. Although VTP-300 encodes genotype C antigens, some of these are also expressed by other HBV genotypes. If data indicate that VTP-300 may be capable of clearing additional genotypes of HBV, then we will aim to demonstrate activity against non-genotype C infected patients. If the interim analysis from the HBV002 trial shows signs of a functional cure, we will also plan to evaluate additional combination regimens, such as next-generation antiviral modalities including RNA interference molecules and may evaluate potential collaboration partnerships. We may also evaluate VTP-300 in a trial in mainland China.

### **VTP-200: Developing a Potential Non-Invasive Treatment for Persistent High-Risk HPV**

#### *Overview*

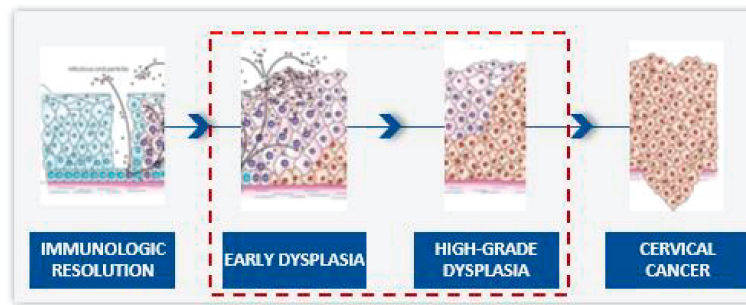
We are developing our therapeutic HPV product candidate, VTP-200, as a potential non-invasive treatment for persistent high-risk HPV, or hrHPV, infections, and associated pre-cancerous lesions. It is estimated that approximately 291 million women worldwide are carriers of HPV DNA. Persistent genital HPV infection is responsible for almost all cases of cervical pre-cancerous lesions, which can lead to cervical carcinoma. Treatment of high-grade cervical lesions requires invasive interventions, such as Loop Electrosurgical Excision Procedure, or LEEP, or cryoablation, which are associated with potentially dangerous complications. Thus, there is an unmet need for non-invasive therapeutic options to treat existing HPV infections and prevent cervical cancer. Persistent hrHPV also results in debilitating and difficult to treat vulval intraepithelial neoplasia, or VIN, and anal intraepithelial neoplasia, or AIN, as well as many vaginal and oropharyngeal cancers and some penile cancers. VTP-200 is an immunotherapeutic agent that we intend to initially develop as a monotherapy. Our initial clinical development efforts are focused on patients with low-grade cervical lesions and over time we intend to target patients with all HPV-related pre-cancerous lesions. The first patient in our HPV001 Phase 1/2a clinical trial was dosed in March 2021. This will be a dose-finding trial in women with persistent hrHPV infection and low-grade cervical lesions.

There are over 200 types of HPV, which are split into two groups: low risk and high risk. Most HPV types are considered low risk, although some cause genital and hand and feet warts. The virus infects the skin and mucosal membranes and it is usually passed on through sexual contact. About 80% of sexually active people globally will be infected with HPV at some point in their life. Nearly all cases of cervical cancer are caused by infection with hrHPV. There are at least 14 hrHPV types that are considered oncogenic, and two of these, HPV type 16 and type 18, are responsible for up to 75% of all cervical cancers.

Following hrHPV infection of the basal epithelium layer of cells on the cervix, the virus replicates and disrupts normal cell-cycle control. The infection promotes uncontrolled cell division and genetic damage, which lead to the growth of pre-cancerous lesions and may progress to cervical cancer. HPV produces two important oncogenic proteins, E6 and E7, which together promote cell growth, prolong cell-cycle progression and prevent apoptosis, a type of cell death.

Most cases of HPV infection tend to be cleared by the immune system without intervention within one to two years post-exposure. For those cases that are not cleared naturally by the immune system, persistent infection is believed to be caused by a lack of HPV-specific T cell immunity. Studies show that HPV-induced diseases correlate with a weak HPV-specific CD4+ and CD8+ T cell response. The progression of hrHPV infection is shown in the figure below.

### Progression of hrHPV Infection



Cervical cancer was the fourth most common cancer in women in 2018, with approximately 570,000 cases and 311,000 deaths from the disease worldwide. The American Cancer Society predicts that, in 2020, about 13,800 new cases of invasive cervical cancer will be diagnosed in the US with over 4,000 women dying from the disease. Over 99% of cervical cancers are caused by HPV infection. Cervical cancer results from progression of pre-cancerous lesions. These lesions are categorized by their severity; based on the extent of the cervical intraepithelial neoplasia, or CIN, which is graded by the depth of the abnormal cells in the epithelial layer of the cervix. The first grade, CIN 1, represents one third of the depth of the epithelium; the second grade, CIN 2, represents two thirds of the epithelium and the third grade, CIN 3, represents the whole depth of the epithelium. CIN 1 and early CIN 2 lesions are characterized as low-grade squamous intraepithelial lesions, or LSIL, whereas more severe CIN 2 and CIN 3 are characterized as high-grade squamous intraepithelial lesions, or HSIL.

During active cervical HPV infection, low-grade cytological abnormalities may be clinically detectable in screening, but are usually transient. However, carcinogenic HPV infections that persist beyond 12 months increase the likelihood of precancerous or cancerous lesions. In the United States, the median age of cytologically detected precancerous cervical lesions occurs approximately 10 years after the median age of initial sexual activity. It is estimated that there are at least 7 million new cases of high-risk HPV in the US each year. Around 1.7 million cases of CIN 1, CIN 2 and CIN 3 occur in the US each year, of which 70% to 90% are associated with hrHPV infection, resulting in a target population of approximately 8.2 million to 8.5 million patients in the US. There is a similar number of patients in the EU.

hrHPV also causes VIN and AIN. hrHPV is believed to cause 69% of vulval cancers and 91% of anal cancers. In total over 35,000 cancers, cervical, head and neck, penile, vaginal, anal and vulvar are attributed to hrHPV in the US per year, which cause thousands of deaths.

#### *Current Treatment Options and Limitations*

HPV infections remain extremely common globally, representing a significant public health burden. Prevention of hrHPV-related cancers is targeted in two ways: prophylactic vaccination and screening for pre-cancerous lesions and cancer. Prophylactic HPV vaccination programs began in 2006. Despite their potency in providing protection against HPV infection, HPV prophylactic vaccines have no effect on pre-existing HPV infections. Additionally, only 49% to 60% of eligible females in the US receive the prophylactic multivalent HPV vaccines each year, while in countries such as France, only 21% to 30% of females receive prophylactic vaccines. Further, most women born before 1991 will not directly benefit from the vaccination programs due to the age groups targeted at the onset of vaccination programs and are predicted to remain at a relatively high risk of cervical cancer over the next two decades, with current screening coverage. There are also significant worldwide vaccination program gaps, especially in Africa and Asia.

Historically, cervical screening mainly referred women to colposcopy cervical examinations based on liquid cytology-based PAP smears. However, cervical cancer screening in the US and many EU countries is now driven by primary hrHPV screening through *in vitro* diagnostic testing, a more sensitive method of testing compared to PAP smear cytology. Thus, millions more women in these countries are being diagnosed with hrHPV infections each year.

The current standard of care for early stage CIN is watchful waiting, while later stage CIN is treated with invasive ablative techniques. Disease progression to high grade lesions leads to the requirement for invasive interventions such as LEEP, or cryoablation, which excise, or destroy the affected cells via freezing, respectively. These invasive procedures can damage local tissue and are associated with possible complications, such as the narrowing and hardening of the cervix, or cervical stenosis, and obstetric complications, which can lead to fetal morbidity and mortality.

Where employed, prophylactic measures and population-based screening can positively impact HPV-related cancer incidence. In countries where vaccine adoption is low, infection continues to be problematic. More than 80% of cervical cancer related deaths occur in low- and middle-income countries. An increasing number of women are also being diagnosed with persistent hrHPV infection where there are currently no treatment options and so they can only be followed until either disease progression or HPV clearance and regression of any associated low-grade lesions.

#### *Competition*

There are no pharmacological agents approved for the treatment of CIN. There are a number of companies actively developing treatments for CIN and other HPV-related pre-cancers and cancers, including a number of immunotherapies. We believe the most advanced immunotherapeutic candidate is VGX-3100, which is being developed by Inovio to target CIN 2/3 and is currently in a Phase 3 clinical trial. To date, VGX-3100's ability to clear CIN 2/3 has been associated with the induction of an antigen-specific CD8+ T cell response. We believe that our approach of induction of high-magnitude, durable, and polyfunctional antigen-specific CD8+ T cells is well suited to this indication. While VGX-3100 has been successful in establishing proof of mechanism, it faces a number of limitations, including significant patient acceptability issues driven by the need for delivery by electroporation of multiple doses, which some recipients have found uncomfortable.

#### *Current Development Status*

The first target indication for VTP-200 is hrHPV infection and associated precancerous lesions. Our initial objective is to demonstrate proof-of-concept in CIN 1, before expanding the target indications to include CIN2 and CIN 3 as well as anal and vulval hrHPV infection and associated lesions.

We have designed VTP-200 to strengthen HPV T cell adaptive immunity, unlike prophylactic vaccines which rely on inducing specific antibodies and memory B cells. We believe that VTP-200 may strengthen HPV T cell adaptive immunity through priming naïve T cells to produce cytotoxic T lymphocytes that target HPV-infected cells, generating CD4+ and CD8+ T cells that have the appropriate functionality. VTP-200 uses our proprietary ChAdOx1 and MVA heterologous prime-boost vectors to induce an immune response against conserved regions of HPV, specifically VTP-200 contains 59 amino acid fragments, covering six early proteins, from the five most prevalent hrHPV strains. The first patient in our HPV001 Phase 1/2a clinical trial was dosed in March 2021.

#### *Preclinical Studies*

Extensive preclinical studies were conducted using VTP-200, with resulting data showing that:

- VTP-200 was well tolerated in preclinical toxicology studies; and
- VTP-200 is highly immunogenic in inbred and outbred mice.

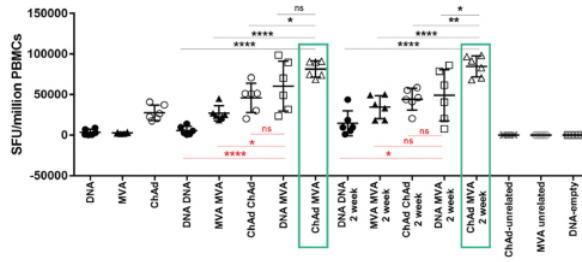
#### *Toxicology Studies*

In a GLP-compliant toxicology study, outbred mice were dosed with ChAdOx1-HPV and MVA-HPV at dose levels approximating the maximum anticipated clinical dose. Dosing resulted in an immune response, but with no significant toxicology findings.

#### *Immunogenicity Studies*

In preclinical immunogenicity studies, the HPV antigen was delivered by plasmid DNA, ChAdOx1 and MVA vectors in prime-boost regimens to inbred and outbred mice. ChAdOx1-HPV prime followed by MVA-HPV boost was shown to induce higher magnitude and more durable HPV-specific T cell responses than other regimens, as shown in the figure below. VTP-200-induced T cells were polyfunctional and persisted at high frequencies for at least six weeks.

**Heterologous and Homologous Prime Boost Regimens in Inbred and Outbred Mice**



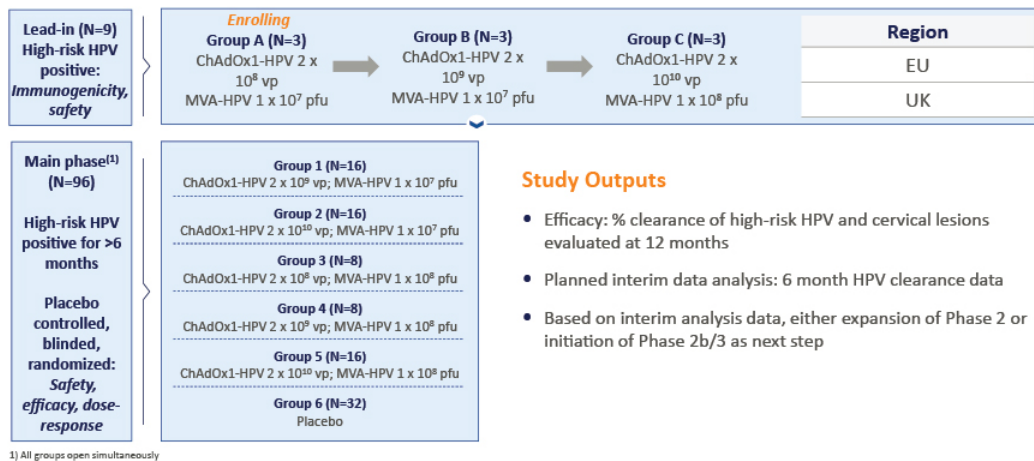
Mice were primed on day 0 with DNA-5GHPV3, MVA-5GHPV3 or ChAdOx1-5GHPV3 and boosted two weeks later with a homologous or heterologous vaccine. A tail vein bleed was performed at 2 weeks post prime and 1 and 2 weeks post boost. Single vaccinations (DNA only / MVA only / ChAd only) were tested in parallel. PBMCs were used in an IFN $\gamma$  ELISPOT assay with peptides spanning the entire immunogen sequence. Data expressed as spot forming units/million PBMCs. \*p $\leq$ 0.05, \*\*p $\leq$ 0.01, \*\*\*p $\leq$ 0.001, \*\*\*\*p $\leq$ 0.0001

In the preclinical immunogenicity studies, HPV-specific effector CD8+ T cells were detected in the cervix following systemic administration of ChAdOx1-HPV prime and followed by MVA-HPV boost and increased in frequency over time, indicating continued trafficking of T cells to the cervix. Finally, T cells specific for the HPV-encoded antigens were detected in women with current or past hrHPV infections, confirming the presence of immunogens relevant to natural immune control.

The MVA vector assessed in initial studies contains the HPV antigen at the thymidine kinase locus under the control of the p7.5 promoter. However, a more immunogenic MVA vector, which contains the HPV antigen under the control of the endogenous F11 promoter, was constructed. We determined that the T cell immunogenicity of the more immunogenic MVA promoter was superior to the MVA vector assessed in the initial preclinical studies and decided to use the next-generation vector in our clinical trials.

*Clinical Development*

Our planned HPV001 Phase 1/2a clinical trial of VTP-200 is designed to assess the safety and efficacy of VTP-200 and determine the optimal immunotherapeutic dose regimen. We plan to enroll 105 healthy women with low grade lesions who have had persistent hrHPV for at least six months. Patients with HSIL or early cancer will be excluded. The trial will run in the UK and EU, and the first patient in our HPV001 Phase 1/2a clinical trial was dosed in March 2021. We expect the initial data in the first quarter of 2022 when 60 of the patients in the main phase of the trial have reached the six-month evaluation timepoint. The diagram below provides an overview of the Phase 1/2a clinical trial design.



The HPV001 Phase 1/2a clinical trial is designed to identify an efficacious dose based on a joint response index of CD8+ T cell magnitude, CD4+T cell magnitude and CD4+ T cell avidity. The primary objective of the trial is to determine the safety and tolerability of ChAdOx1-HPV plus MVA-HPV when administered in



a prime-boost regimen. The secondary objectives of the trial are to determine the optimal dose and to determine the efficacy on the clearance of hrHPV infection and on CIN.

#### *Future Development*

Following the HPV001 Phase 1/2a clinical trial, if successful, we intend to initiate further clinical trials of VTP-200, such as an expansion trial in patients with early grade CIN (LSIL) indication and additional trials in patients with more advanced CIN, AIN and VIN. We are in the early stages of collaborating on an NIH-funded trial to be conducted by the University of California San Francisco in more advanced CIN and AIN in HIV positive patients, to be recruited in Mexico and Puerto Rico. Although our program focuses on the treatment of pre-cancerous lesions, we believe that VTP-200 could also be used in combination with checkpoint inhibitors in HPV-associated cancers, such as cervical, head-and-neck and anal malignancies.

#### **Oncology**

We are developing immunotherapeutics for the treatment of selected cancers, including prostate cancer and NSCLC. Cancers develop various strategies to avoid being attacked by the immune system. One such strategy is to create an environment around the tumor cells in which T cells cannot be stimulated effectively. Cancer cells also trigger the PD-1 pathway, which leads to downregulation of T cell responses. Using this mechanism, tumors can turn off activated T cells that enter the tumor microenvironment. Drugs that block the ability of tumor cells to trigger the PD-1 pathway, amongst others, in T cells can induce dramatic, long-lived regressions in established tumors. These drugs, known as checkpoint inhibitors, have also been shown to improve survival in multiple tumor types and settings and are considered a major breakthrough in cancer therapy. However, in most settings, they induce responses in only a minority of patients. Our therapeutic cancer immunotherapy platform comprises a heterologous prime-boost of ChAdOx plus MVA in order to introduce the immune system to cancer antigens outside of the suppressive environment of the tumor, so that T cells can be induced without interference by the tumor. We plan to combine our immunotherapeutics with approved PD-1 inhibitors to prevent downregulation of the activated T cells once they enter the tumor. Our goal is to expand the number of cancer patients who can benefit from immunotherapy.

#### **VTP-850: Our Next-Generation Immunotherapeutic Candidate for Prostate Cancer**

##### *Overview*

We are developing our prostate cancer immunotherapy candidate, VTP-850, for castration resistant and metastatic prostate cancer. The product candidate will build upon the positive data from a Phase 1/2 clinical trial of VTP-800, an earlier version of the product, sponsored by the University of Oxford. VTP-800 is composed of a heterologous prime-boost regimen with ChAdOx1 prime and MVA boost; both components encode 5T4, an antigen expressed by most prostate cancers. VTP-800 has been administered to patients with prostate cancer in two clinical trials sponsored by the University of Oxford. We are developing VTP-850 as our next-generation prostate cancer immunotherapeutic, with the goal of inducing a broader response by targeting additional antigens expressed by prostate cancer cells.

Prostate cancer is the second most frequent cancer diagnosis in men and the fifth leading cause of cancer-related death in men worldwide. In 2018, approximately 1.2 million new cases were diagnosed, and approximately 360,000 deaths occurred. The incidence and mortality of prostate cancer increase with age, with the average age of diagnosis being 66 years. Furthermore, the incidence of prostate cancer is expected to increase due to longer life expectancy and lifestyle factors.

Prostate cancer begins in the prostate gland, which is part of the male reproductive system. Prostate cells produce prostate specific antigen, or PSA, which is released into the blood. The blood level of PSA is usually elevated in men with prostate cancer and is used to monitor the progression of prostate cancer in men who have already been diagnosed with the disease. If prostate cancer spreads to other parts of the body, it is most likely to go to the bones first. Bone metastases can be painful and can lead to broken bones and other problems such as compression of the spinal cord. Prostate cancer that has spread outside the prostate or that has become castration-resistant is not currently considered curable.

### *Current Treatment Options and Limitations*

About 76% of prostate cancer patients have localized or regional disease at the time of diagnosis. Localized or regional prostate cancer can be treated with radiation or surgical removal of the prostate. These localized therapies can be curative, but the cancer recurs in approximately 20% to 50% of patients. Patients with localized prostate cancer may also receive drugs to stop production of male hormones, or androgens, in the testicles, as these hormones stimulate the growth of prostate cancer cells. If a patient has evidence that their cancer is progressing despite androgen depletion therapy, such as increasing PSA in their blood or new bone metastases, it signifies that their disease is castration resistant.

Once the disease becomes metastatic, it is currently considered incurable. The prognosis for patients with metastatic castration resistant prostate cancer remains poor, with five-year survival rates for a patient diagnosed with metastatic disease at approximately 30%. Current treatment options for metastatic prostate cancer include androgen receptor inhibitors, such as enzalutamide and abiraterone; chemotherapy including docetaxel and cabazitaxel; a radioactive isotope Radium 223; and sipuleucel-T, a patient-specific immunotherapeutic. All of these treatments have been shown to improve survival, but once the cancer is castration resistant, the median overall survival is typically less than three years, in spite of these therapies.

Recent Phase 3 clinical trials have shown that drugs such as enzalutamide, apalutamide, abiraterone, and docetaxel can provide a survival advantage when used earlier in a patient's course of treatment, but the optimal sequence for the different treatment types has yet to be determined. It is expected that a significant number of patients with metastatic castration-resistant prostate cancer, or mCRPC, will become refractory to their existing options during their course of therapy.

Sipuleucel-T was approved for prostate cancer in the US based on an improvement in duration of survival of about four months. Sipuleucel-T is a personalized immunotherapy made from a patient's own white blood cells that have been activated with a prostate antigen, prostatic acid phosphatase, or PAP, which is fused to GM-CSF, an immune-cell activator.

Furthermore, in May 2020, the FDA approved two drugs from the poly (ADP-ribose) polymerase inhibitor class for patients with mCRPC, known as PARP inhibitors. Rucaparib was approved for patients with a deleterious BRCA mutation-associated mCRPC who have been previously treated with androgen receptor-directed therapy and a taxane-based chemotherapy. Olaparib was approved for the treatment of adult patients with certain rare gene alterations, and was recently shown to improve overall survival in this population. The target population for both rucaparib and olaparib is the 12 to 25% of mCRPC patients who have BRCA or other specific mutations.

Prostate cancers are rarely responsive to currently approved checkpoint inhibitors, such as anti-PD-(L)1 and anti-CTLA4 antibodies. In a recent trial, the tumor response rate to pembrolizumab, an anti-PD-1 antibody, was 5% in patients whose tumors expressed PD-L1 and 3% in patients whose tumors did not express PD-L1.

### *Competition*

The treatment landscape for prostate cancer is constantly evolving with advances in biological T cell therapies. There are multiple immunotherapies in early stages of development for the treatment of prostate cancer, such as those in development by Inovio and Hookipa. Furthermore, there are multiple chimeric antigen receptor therapies, which are personalized cell-based therapies, directed at PSMA or other antigens that are in early clinical trials in prostate cancer. AMG160 is a bispecific T cell engager which binds to CD3, a part of the T cell receptor that is the same on all T cells, and also to PSMA, an antigen on the surface of prostate cells. The effect is to engage T cells, regardless of their specificity, and redirect them to kill cells with PSMA on their surface. PSA reduction and tumor responses have been reported in a Phase 1 clinical trial of AMG160.

### *Current Development Status*

We are developing VTP-850, our next-generation prostate cancer product candidate, to improve upon VTP-800. Both VTP-800 and VTP-850 are composed of a heterologous prime-boost regimen with ChAdOx1 prime and MVA boost; however, VTP-800 encodes only one antigen while VTP-850 encodes four

antigens, including 5T4. We designed VTP-850 to induce a broader immune response by encoding multiple antigens to reduce the ability of cancer cells to evade the immune response by mutating or losing expression of any one antigen. The antigens we encode in VTP-850 are expressed in most prostate cancers but have very little or no expression on other tissues.

VTP-850 is at an early stage of development, and no preclinical studies or clinical trials have been performed to date. However, there are preclinical data and clinical data from our first-generation prostate cancer immunotherapy, VTP-800, which we believe are informative for the development of VTP-850 as it contains the same 5T4 antigen encoded in VTP-850. We plan to submit regulatory authorization requests to initiate a Phase 1/2 clinical trial of VTP-850 in the fourth quarter of 2021.

### Preclinical Studies

Preclinical studies were conducted using VTP-800, with resulting data demonstrating that:

- VTP-800 was generally well tolerated in preclinical toxicology studies; and
- VTP-800 delayed tumor growth in inbred mice.

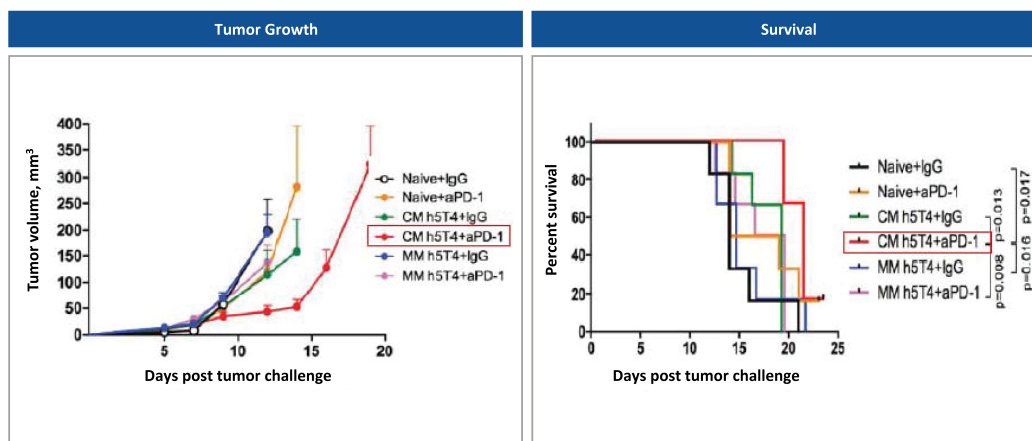
### Toxicology

Toxicology studies of ChAdOx1-5T4 and an earlier version of the MVA-5T4 component, the components of VTP-800, were conducted in mice and no signs of toxicity were observed.

### Effect on Tumor Growth and Survival

Our partners at the University of Oxford conducted a study in six groups of inbred mice where we demonstrated that the mice receiving an anti-PD-1 antibody and a heterologous prime-boost with ChAdOx1 and MVA vectors expressing human 5T4 (shown as CM h5T4+aPD-1 in the charts below), which were later challenged with mouse melanoma tumors expressing human 5T4, achieved a greater delay in tumor growth and longer survival than mice that received either approach alone, as shown in the figure below.

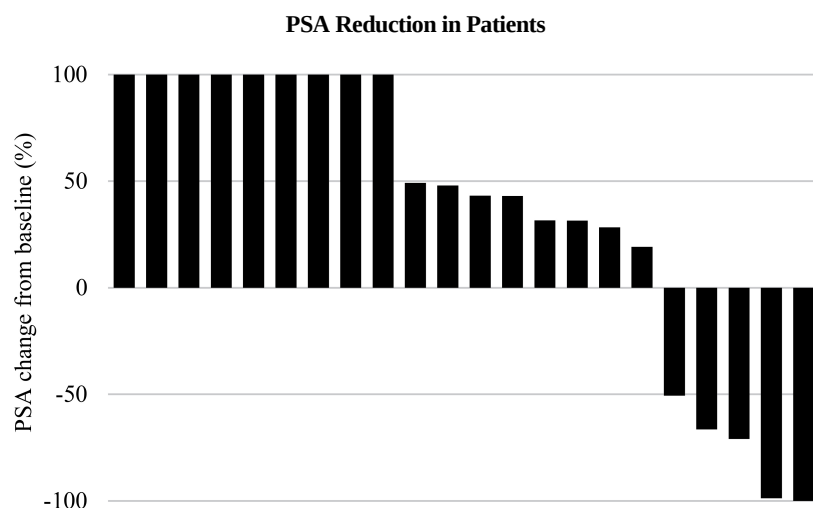
### Tumor Growth and Survival in Inbred Mice



### Clinical Development

Two Phase 1/2a clinical trials of VTP-800 were sponsored and conducted by the University of Oxford in the United Kingdom. VANCE01 was a first-in-human, open-label, randomized, Phase 1 clinical trial designed to evaluate the safety and immunogenicity of heterologous prime-boost ChAdOx1-MVA administration as compared with homologous prime-boost with MVA alone, with and without low dose cyclophosphamide in localized prostate cancer. Thirty-nine patients with early stage localized, castration-sensitive prostate cancer were treated. Thirty-three patients received heterologous prime-boost with ChAdOx1-5T4 and MVA-5T4,





#### *Future Development*

We are planning a Phase 1/2 open-label clinical trial of VTP-850 in patients with minimally symptomatic or asymptomatic mCRPC to begin in the first quarter of 2022. We are finalizing the clinical trial sites for VTP-850 but plan to conduct the trial in several countries, including the United States and the United Kingdom. The trial will involve a Phase 1 dose escalation stage with boost dose administered either intramuscularly or intravenously to determine the Phase 2 recommended dose and route of administration, followed by an expansion phase of VTP-850, in combination with a checkpoint inhibitor, to evaluate immunogenicity and anti-tumor activity of the immunotherapeutic regimen. We believe that using VTP-850 in combination with checkpoint inhibitors may provide enhanced therapeutic benefits, as indicated by data from the ADVANCE trial.

#### **VTP-600: Our Immunotherapeutic Candidate Targeting MAGE-A3 and NY-ESO-1 Antigens**

##### *Overview*

VTP-600 is a heterologous prime-boost product candidate with ChAdOx1 and MVA components encoding tumor-associated antigens MAGE-A3 and NY-ESO-1. The table below shows the broad tumor expression of MAGE-A3 and NY-ESO-1, in several tumor types, including metastatic melanoma, lung carcinoma, colorectal carcinoma, breast carcinoma and prostate carcinoma. We are initially developing VTP-600 for non-small cell lung cancer in combination with standard of care treatment. We plan to initiate a first-in-human Phase 1/2a trial in the second quarter of 2021, in collaboration with CRUK, a leading cancer research institution.

**MAGE-A3 and NY-ESO-1 Expression in Tumors (%)**

	MAGE-A3	NY-ESO-1
Metastatic Melanoma	74	35
Lung Carcinoma	47	27
Colorectal Carcinoma	17	0
Breast Carcinoma	13	23
Prostate Carcinoma	18	27

Lung cancer is the most frequent cancer diagnosis and cause of cancer death worldwide. In 2018, approximately 2.1 million new cases were diagnosed and 1.8 million deaths occurred. Approximately 85% of lung cancers are cases classified as NSCLC. The most important histological distinction is squamous versus non-squamous, as it impacts selection of systemic therapy. About 25% to 30% of patients have tumors with

squamous histology, which is associated with a worse prognosis and a worse response to chemotherapy. A small proportion of patients with non-squamous NSCLC have specific mutations, including epidermal growth factor receptor, or EGFR, anaplastic lymphoma kinase, or ALK and ROS1, for which there are targeted therapies available and often used first line.

MAGE-A3 and NY-ESO-1 are believed to be important target antigens for NSCLC as well as other tumors. MAGE-A3 and NY-ESO-1 are cancer/testis antigens, which are frequently expressed on cancer cells but have limited expression in normal tissues. MAGE-A3 is expressed in 48% of squamous NSCLC and 24% of non-squamous NSCLC. NY-ESO-1 has been shown to have an expression rate of 27% across all NSCLC types.

#### *Current Treatment Options and Limitations*

Treatment for lung cancer depends on the stage of the cancer, patient performance status (which is a measure of how frail the patient is on a scale of zero to five) and the histological and molecular characteristics of the cancer cell. Common treatment modalities include surgery, chemotherapy, radiation therapy, targeted therapy, angiogenesis inhibitors, and immunotherapy.

Surgical resection provides the best chance to cure NSCLC but is usually not an option for patients whose cancer has become metastatic. Chemotherapy is usually given as combinations of two agents with or without radiation. Platinum-based chemotherapy regimens prolong survival, improve symptom control, and yield superior quality of life compared to best supportive care. However, platinum-based doublet chemotherapy is toxic and causes significant side effects and is therefore restricted to patients with performance status of zero or one and does not cure metastatic lung cancer.

There are several approved targeted drugs that inhibit specific mutations found in NSCLC such as the receptor for EGFR, ALK, and ROS1. Mutation incidence for EGFR can be high, for example up to 50% in Asian populations and 10% to 15% in Western populations. Incidence of ALK and ROS1 is lower, occurring in less than 10% of NSCLC cases. These targeted agents are associated with very high response rates, but they are not considered curative. A class of drugs called angiogenesis inhibitors block formation of tumor blood vessels. These drugs are sometimes used in combination with chemotherapy to treat the 70% of NSCLC patients with non-squamous histology.

There are several immunotherapy products that are used for metastatic NSCLC. These agents block specific mechanisms, such as the PD-1 pathway, which cancers exploit in order to weaken the immune response against themselves. These therapies help the immune system to recognize and destroy abnormal cancer cells. They can be used alone as first-line treatment or after chemotherapy or in combination regimens which may include chemotherapy. Immunotherapy can induce very prolonged tumor responses that can last for many years, even after stopping therapy, but only in a minority of patients.

#### *Competition*

While no products that induce an immune response to MAGE-A3 and NY-ESO-1 have been approved to date, these antigens have been widely studied in clinical trials. For example, GSK, Kite Pharma and the National Cancer Institute have all conducted clinical trials of T cell therapies targeting either MAGE-A3 or NY-ESO-1.

#### *Current Development Status*

VTP-600 is composed of three components: one prime component and two boost components. The prime component is a ChAdOx1 vector that expresses both MAGE-A3 and NY-ESO-1. The boost components are an MVA vector that expresses MAGE-A3 and another MVA vector that expresses NY-ESO-1. NY-ESO-1 is a more immunogenic antigen than MAGE-A3, and the two vectors are administered at different sites to prevent potential interference when the two antigens are presented on the same antigen presenting cell.

#### *Preclinical Studies*

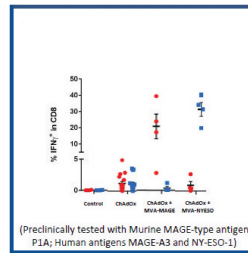
We are developing VTP-600 in conjunction with CRUK, a leading cancer research institution. The Ludwig Institute conducted preclinical studies for VTP-600, with resulting data showing that:

- VTP-600 was immunogenic in mice; and
- VTP-600 showed effects on tumors in murine tumor models.

*Immunogenicity*

We conducted experiments to assess immunogenicity of VTP-600 in inbred mice in which the animals were treated with the three VTP-600 vectors. The mice received the ChAdOx1-MAGEA3-NYESO prime followed by either MVA-MAGEA3, or MVA-NYESO, and robust CD8+ T cell immune responses were included in the majority of mice following prime-boost administration. As shown in the figure below, immunogenicity responses were substantially higher after the boost than after the prime dose alone.

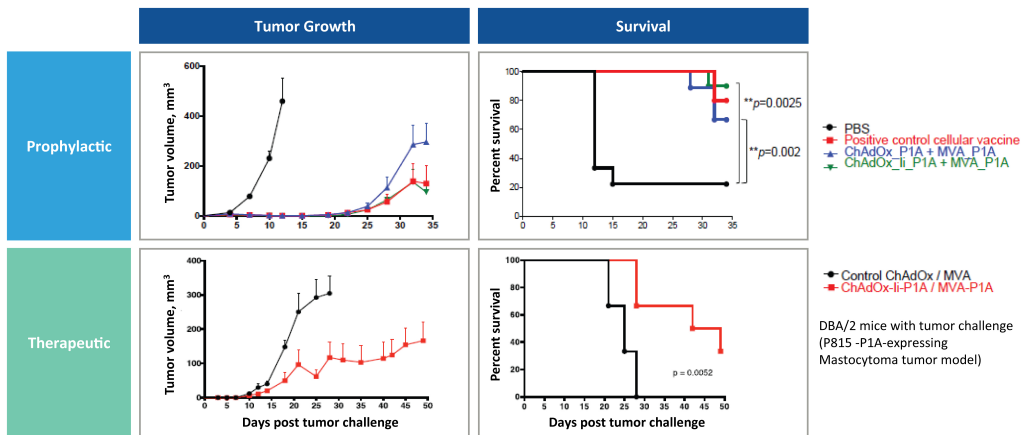
**Induction of CD8+ T Cells Against MAGE/NY-ESO-1**



*Activity in Murine Tumor Models*

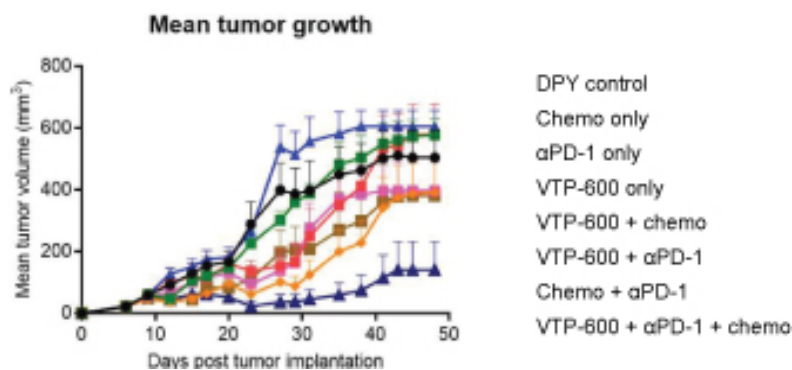
We conducted experiments to determine whether prophylactic prime-boost vaccination could cause inbred mice to reject tumors. To prevent a cross-species immune response, a murine MAGE homologue, P1A, was used instead of MAGE in the vector components. Mice were challenged with tumor cells that express P1A 14 days after receiving the MVA boost. The figure below shows that the immunotherapy regimen slowed the growth of the tumor and increased the survival of the mice.

**Tumor Growth and Survival in Murine Tumor Models**



We also explored the efficacy of regimens that combine ChAdOx1/MVA prime-boost doses with chemotherapy and checkpoint inhibitors in experiments using the P1A model. The figure below shows that the triplet combination regimen was able to control tumor growth better than any of the therapies alone or as doublets. This study supports the rationale for the combination of prime-boost vaccination with chemotherapy and pembrolizumab in the upcoming first in human trial.

### Tumor Growth in Murine Tumor Models



#### Future Development

The first in human trial of VTP-600, CRUKD/20/001, will initially enroll patients with previously untreated NSCLC. We expect the trial will be conducted by CRUK in the United Kingdom and we expect it to begin in the second quarter of 2021. The primary objective of the trial is to assess the safety and tolerability of VTP-600 in combination with chemotherapy and pembrolizumab. Secondary objectives are to determine the efficacy and immunogenicity of VTP-600 given in combination with chemotherapy and pembrolizumab. After a six patient safety lead-in, eighty patients with NSCLC will be randomized on a one to one ratio with or without VTP-600 in addition to their standard of care treatment consisting of pembrolizumab and chemotherapy.

#### Prophylactic Vaccines and Epidemic and Pandemic Preparedness

Animal-derived coronaviruses that spread to humans remain a deadly threat, as shown by the emergence of three novel coronavirus infections in humans over the past two decades. In 2003, severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus, or SARS-CoV-1, infected over 8,000 people globally, with a 10% fatality rate. As of December 10, 2020, the ongoing outbreak of SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19, has led to over 1.5 million deaths worldwide. The ChAdOx1 and ChAdOx2 vectors are capable of inducing antibody and T cell responses after a single dose. Immunogenicity using this vector has been demonstrated in animal models of MERS, COVID-19, Lassa fever, Nipah, and Chikungunya virus. Human trials of Zika, MERS, SARS-CoV-2, and influenza have shown the immunogenicity of the vector when used as either one or two immunizations in a homologous approach. In addition, speed to the clinic has also been demonstrated by the AZD1222 vaccine candidate being advanced by AstraZeneca, which entered the clinic within three months from initial antigen design.

#### VTP-400: A Prophylactic Vaccine Product Candidate for Shingles

##### Overview

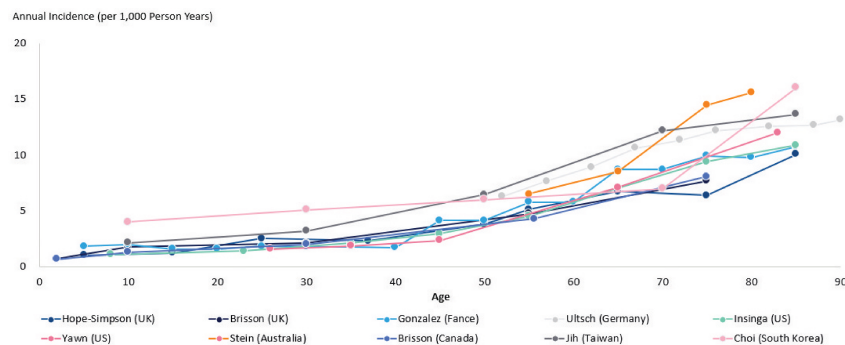
We are developing VTP-400, a next-generation shingles prophylactic product candidate, to prevent shingles in adults aged 50 years and older. The vaccine candidate is based on one or two doses of ChAdOx1 encoding the validated varicella zoster virus glycoprotein E antigen. It is estimated that more than 99% of adults over 40 years of age are latently infected with varicella zoster virus, which is responsible for causing both varicella/chickenpox and shingles. We hold global commercial rights to the vaccine candidate outside China (including Taiwan, Hong Kong and Macao), Malaysia, Thailand, Myanmar, Indonesia, Laos, Vietnam, and the Philippines, while these territories are licensed to our regional partner in China and Southeast Asia, CanSino. CanSino is planning to start GMP manufacturing the second quarter of 2021.

Shingles is the local recurrence of previous chickenpox infection and causes extreme morbidity throughout the world. Due to a natural decline in cell-mediated immunity with increasing age, approximately 80% of the 140 million global annual shingles cases occur in individuals over the age of 50, and



immunocompromised patients, who together experience seven to 25 deaths per 100,000 cases. The most devastating consequence of shingles is the occurrence of localized pain at the site of recurrence, known as post-herpetic neuralgia, which increases with age and can be debilitating to the point of requiring opioid-based analgesia.

### Age-specific Zoster Incidence Rates Around the World



Shingles also occurs in 9% of treatment naïve, HIV-positive patients in low- and middle-income countries. Analyses from the US, Europe and Asia-Pacific indicate that shingles incidence is broadly similar across the different countries, as shown in the figure above. The lifetime risk is between 25% and 30%, and the average national incidence of 3-5 per 1000 person-years in those under age 80 (and more than 11 per 1000 person-years after age 80) continues to rise. Direct costs in Thailand are estimated at 1.1% of annual income *per capita*, comparable to those recorded in more developed countries, supporting the case for broad, international adoption of vaccines for shingles.

#### Current Treatment and Vaccination Options and Limitations

Currently, shingles cases are treated using antivirals such as acyclovir or similar class compounds, and glucocorticoids under specific conditions. Treatment of post-herpetic neuralgia consist of pain relief, and occasionally requires nerve ablation. The first licensed zoster vaccine, Zostavax, is a live-attenuated virus vaccine which comprises a 14-fold higher dose of the childhood chickenpox vaccine. Its main limitations are lower efficacy in the elderly, limited durability, and contraindication in immunosuppressed individuals. Sales in the U.S. are expected to cease within the next 12 months as an alternative, protein-in-adjuvant vaccine, Shingrix, has been commercially available since 2017 and provides over 90% efficacy and lasting effectiveness. However, Shingrix has been limited to date by supply issues, high cost, and relatively severe reactogenicity; with post-vaccination reactions observed as being severe enough to prevent normal activities for two to three days.

A definitive correlate of immunity has not emerged for either product, but a combination of antibodies and CD4+ T cell responses have been postulated. In preclinical studies, we have observed that CD8+ T cell responses, which are believed to play a role in protection against zoster, are superior after VTP-400 administration compared to Shingrix.

#### Current Development Status

VTP-400 is based on the ChAdOx1 vector encoding the surface glycoprotein E of the varicella zoster virus (Oka strain). The vaccine candidate is intended for intramuscular administration at  $2.5 \times 10^{10}$  vp per dose.

Extensive preclinical studies have been performed by us and our partners, the University of Oxford and CanSino, our regional partner in China and Southeast Asia, in which the immune response after immunization with VTP-400 has been analysed in detail. We examined the likely immune correlates of protection (antibodies and CD4+ T cells) and importantly also demonstrated the induction of a CD8+ T cell response, which is known to be relevant in the course of natural VZV disease.

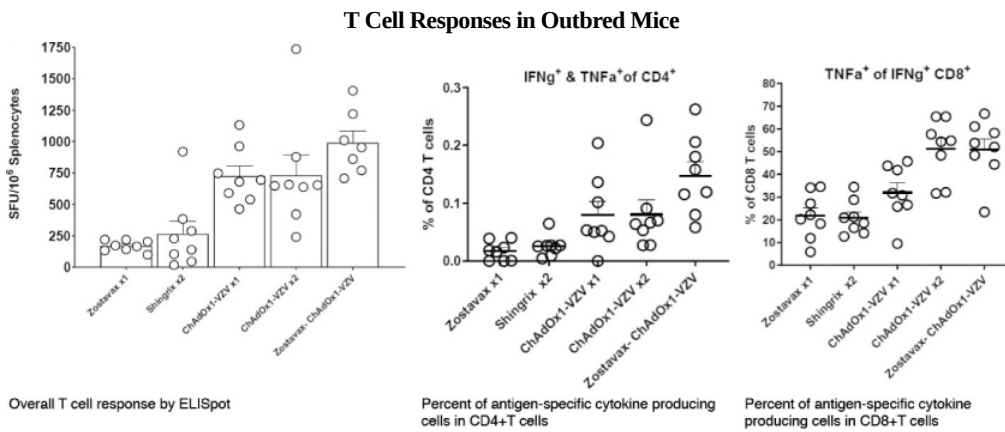
#### Preclinical Studies

Preclinical studies have been conducted for VTP-400, with resulting data showing that:

- VTP-400 generated a superior T cell response in outbred mice as compared to Shingrix; and
- VTP-400 generated a similar antibody response in both young and aged mice.

*T Cell Responses in Outbred Mice*

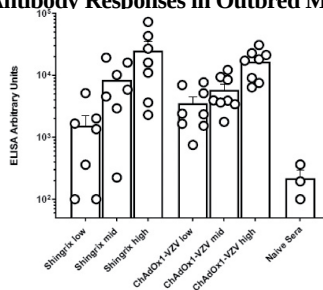
Groups of outbred mice were vaccinated intramuscularly with  $1 \times 10^7$  IU of ChAdOx1-VZV, 1ug Shingrix or  $1.3 \times 10^3$  pfu Zostavax and splenocytes were collected 26 days after final immunization and the cellular immune response was measured by ELISpot. As shown in the figure on the right below, a single immunization with ChAdOx1-VZV induced a significantly higher T cell response when compared with two doses of Shingrix, and also when compared with one dose of Zostavax. Multifunctional CD4+ T cells are thought to play an important role in protective immunity in shingles and these were robustly induced with ChAdOx1-VZV regimens, as shown in the figure in the middle below. The T cell response after a single immunization with ChAdOx1-VZV was higher than that measured after single immunization with Shingrix across three doses in further experiments. Two immunizations with ChAdOx1-VZV also induced a significantly higher percentage of multifunctional CD8+ T cells when compared with two immunizations of Shingrix and when compared with one dose of Zostavax, as shown in the figure on the right below.



*Antibody Responses in Outbred Mice*

Groups of outbred mice were vaccinated with either ChAdOx1-VZV or Shingrix, at doses indicated. As shown in the figure below, the antibody response four weeks after single immunization with ChAdOx1-VZV was also comparable with that measured after single immunization with Shingrix. The antibody response after two immunizations with ChAdOx1-VZV was lower, but not statistically significantly thus comparable to the two immunizations with Shingrix.

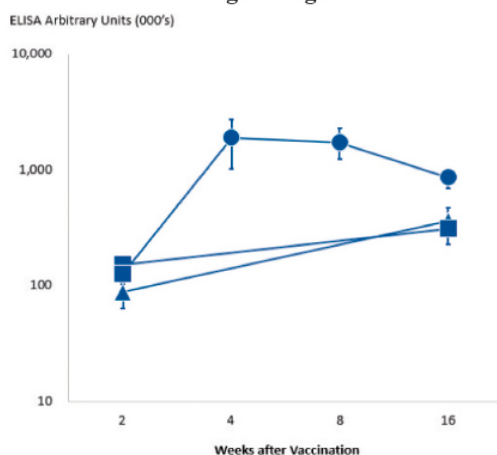
**Antibody Responses in Outbred Mice**



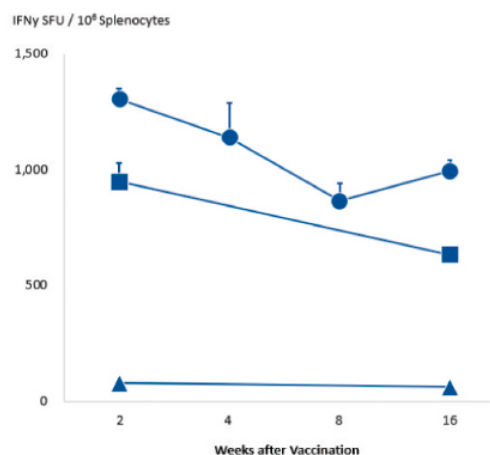
*Responses in Young and Aged Mice*

Antibody responses induced in aged, inbred mice were comparable to the level measured in young mice after single immunization with ChAdOx1-VZV. Both humoral and cellular immunogenicity after single immunization with ChAdOx1-VZV were higher than that measured after single immunization with Zostavax in young and aged mice, as shown in the figures on the left and right below, and were sustained.

### Humoral and Cellular Immunogenicity in Young and Aged Mice



### Antibody Responses in Young and Aged Mice



#### Future Development

CanSino, our regional partner in China and Southeast Asia, is planning a Phase 1 clinical trial in China, using GMP material manufactured at its Tianjin, China facility. We plan to conduct a parallel clinical trial using the CanSino-produced material in the UK in order to show regulatory acceptability of the drug product. Phase 2b and Phase 3 clinical trials of zoster prevention, even using a placebo control, require large number of elderly participants, which we aim to accomplish by accessing both the large Chinese population, as well as by using other key global populations. China and Southeast Asia clinical development will be funded by CanSino.

#### VTP-500: A Vaccine Candidate to Prevent MERS

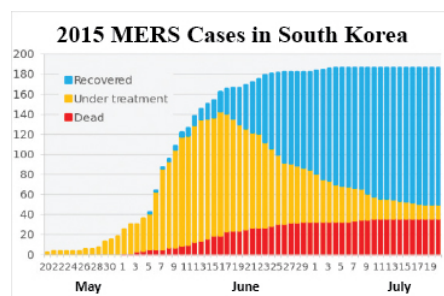
##### Overview

We are developing VTP-500, our prophylactic vaccine product candidate, to prevent infection and subsequent disease caused by MERS-CoV. VTP-500 is based on the use of one or two doses of ChAdOx1 encoding the spike glycoprotein of MERS-CoV and was developed at the University of Oxford. MERS is a viral respiratory illness that is new to humans, caused by MERS-CoV. MERS-CoV was first detected in humans in 2012 and has infected more than 2,400 people globally, with a 34.4% mortality rate. Preclinical activity in transgenic mice, camels and monkeys, along with positive data from a human Phase 1 safety and immunogenicity clinical trial funded by the UK government, led to further grant awards in 2018 to the University of Oxford, with Janssen as a partner, by the CEPI. To enable the CEPI-Janssen non-profit collaboration, we licensed non-exclusive development rights to the University of Oxford.

The CEPI funding award to the University of Oxford and Janssen is sufficient to conduct a Phase 2 clinical trial and establish a limited stockpile of the vaccine candidate for emergency use in outbreaks. A second Phase 1 clinical trial is being conducted in Saudi Arabia at the King Abdullah International Medical Research Center and is expected to report topline data in the second quarter of 2021. A Phase 1b extension clinical trial to evaluate two doses versus a single dose is open in the UK, but recruitment is on hold at present due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The next step in development towards submission of an application for marketing authorization will be a Phase 2 clinical trial and manufacturing scale up.

As with disease caused by other coronaviruses, MERS varies from asymptomatic infection to a respiratory illness, including fever, cough, and shortness of breath, and in some patients, severe respiratory disease and death. Although human-to-human transmission appears to be rare and cases have been historically limited to the Middle East, the below figure highlights the impact of a single traveler from the Middle East, who caused an outbreak in South Korea involving 186 diagnosed individuals and 36 fatalities, in 2015. The

Asian outbreak lasted from May to July, and 16,752 people were isolated with MERS-like symptoms. This outbreak in South Korea demonstrates the potential of MERS to cause epidemics outside of the Middle East, and ongoing transmission from the camel host to humans continues.



To date, 61 MERS-CoV cases have been reported in 2020. Fifty-seven of these cases were in the Saudi Kingdom, where there were 20 fatalities. The past outbreaks in the human population, along with new MERS cases and the COVID-19 pandemic have highlighted and reinforced the need for a MERS vaccine.

#### Competition

There is no approved antiviral therapy or prophylactic vaccine for MERS. Randomized clinical controlled trials are difficult to execute due to the sporadic incidence of cases of MERS. Individuals with MERS often receive supportive medical care to help relieve symptoms.

The vaccine design approaches currently under investigation are based on various platforms including DNA, viral-vectors, inactivated, live-attenuated, protein-based and virus-like particles. Six vaccines based on these approaches are in various stages of clinical development — five viral vectored-vaccines and one DNA vaccine. Three, including VTP-500, have completed Phase 1 clinical trials, where each has demonstrated immunogenicity and has generally been well tolerated. Most vaccines in development focus on the MERS-CoV spike protein. In addition to human vaccine development, a MERS vaccine for camels to block transmission to humans is also under development.

MERS vaccines have entered into Phase 1 clinical trials, but no Phase 2 data have been reported. This includes an electroporated DNA vaccine from Inovio and an MVA-based vaccine developed by German academic investigators. Antigen-specific antibody titers following a single immunization of ChAdOx1 compare favorably to multiple doses of MVA or DNA.

#### Current Development Status

We have designed VTP-500 as a prophylactic MERS vaccine product candidate using the ChAdOx1 vector. The antigen encoded in the vector comprises the full-length spike (S) glycoprotein from MERS-CoV to induce both B and T cell responses. In order to enhance immunogenicity further, the spike antigen is linked to the tissue plasminogen activator leader sequence, a genetic adjuvant that was shown to increase the magnitude of antibodies to the spike protein in mouse studies.

#### Preclinical Studies

Preclinical studies have been conducted for VTP-500, with resulting data showing that:

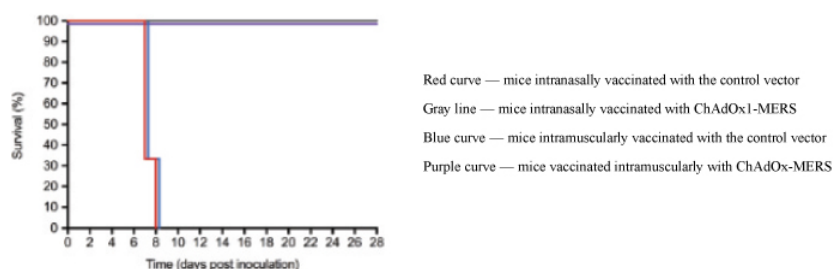
- VTP-500 was well tolerated, immunogenic and biologically active in mice;
- VTP-500 was well tolerated and biologically active in camels; and
- VTP-500 was well tolerated, immunogenic and biologically active in non-human primates.

#### Activity and Tolerability in Murine Models

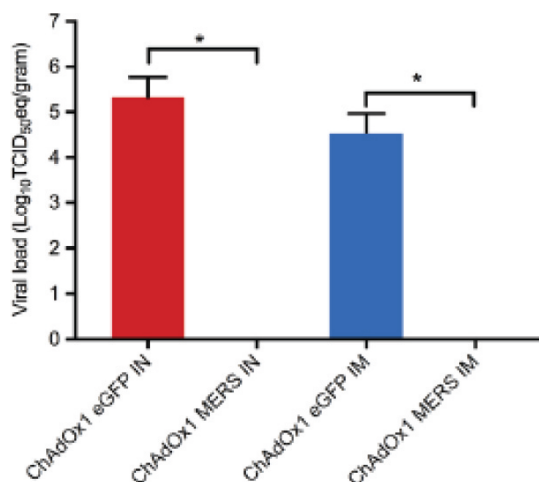
The ChAdOx1-MERS vaccine candidate, which we now refer to as VTP-500, was shown to be immunogenic and well tolerated in mouse studies, eliciting both cellular immune responses and neutralizing antibodies. The vaccine candidate was then studied in transgenic mice, which support MERS-CoV infection

and replication, and was shown to protect against viral replication and lethal disease. Groups of six transgenic mice were vaccinated with  $10^8$  Infectious Units of control vector or ChAdOx1-MERS via the intranasal or intramuscular route and challenged with MERS-CoV four weeks after vaccination. The length of survival of the mice following administration is shown in top figure below and the effect of the ChAdOx1-MERS vaccine candidate on viral replication is shown in the bottom figure below.

**Survival of Vaccinated Transgenic Mice Post-Challenge**



**Effect of ChAdOx1-MERS on Viral Replication Post-Challenge**



#### *Tolerability and Biological Activity in Camels*

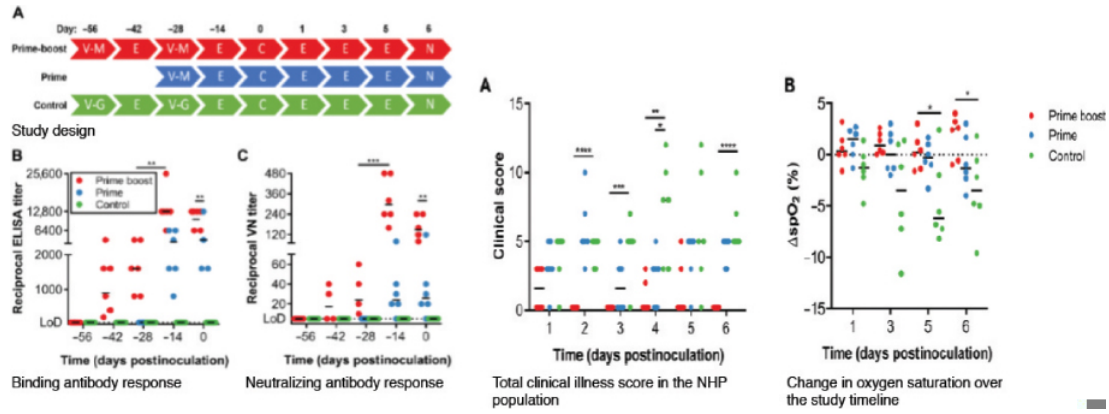
ChAdOx1-MERS was further evaluated in both MERS-CoV seropositive and seronegative camels that were exposed to MERS-CoV through co-housing with naturally infected camels. A single dose of ChAdOx1-MERS given intramuscularly into the thigh muscle was shown to be immunogenic and decreased nasal viral shedding of MERS-CoV in seropositive camels.

#### *Tolerability, Immunogenicity and Activity in Non-Human Primates*

In non-human primate studies, a single dose of ChAdOx1-MERS elicited high levels of T cells and antibodies, the latter of which could be boosted by a second dose. Importantly, antibodies induced by ChAdOx1-MERS immunization were able to neutralize a panel of six different MERS-CoV isolates, indicating the candidate's ability to target divergent viral strains.

In the context of MERS-CoV challenge, an improvement in symptoms, lung pathology and oxygenation and decreased viral replication were demonstrated in immunized animals, as shown in the figure below. In addition, no pulmonary immunopathology was found to be associated with ChAdOx1-MERS immunization and subsequent challenge with MERS-CoV. Such immunopathology had previously been seen with a SARS-CoV-1 vaccine candidate and has therefore been a concern with coronavirus vaccines in general.

**Virological Effects in Non-Human Primates Following Administration of ChAdOx1-MERS**



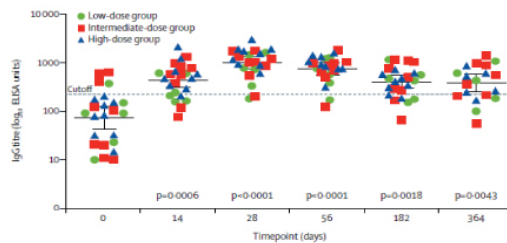
*Clinical Development*

ChAdOx1-MERS was evaluated in a Phase 1 clinical trial at the Clinical Centre for Vaccinology and Tropical Medicine at the University of Oxford, which assessed three different doses of a single intramuscular injection of the vaccine candidate. The trial was designed as an open-label, dose escalation trial. Three escalating dose levels of ChAdOx1-MERS administered by intramuscular injection were tested in 24 healthy adult volunteers. Six participants received  $1.5 \times 10^9$  vp of ChAdOx1-MERS in Group 1, nine participants received  $2.5 \times 10^{10}$  vp of ChAdOx1-MERS in group two and nine participants received  $5 \times 10^{10}$  vp of ChAdOx1-MERS in Group 3.

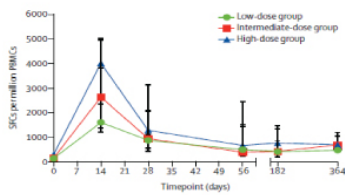
ChAdOx1-MERS was shown to be well tolerated and to elicit high levels of MERS-CoV spike binding antibodies (as shown in Figure A below), neutralization of wild type MERS-CoV in a stringent neutralization assay, especially at the highest dose, as shown in Figure C below, and robust cellular immune responses, as shown in Figure B below. In addition, *in vitro* neutralization activity against varying geographic isolates of MERS-CoV was demonstrated.

**Humoral Responses to ChAdOx1-MERS**

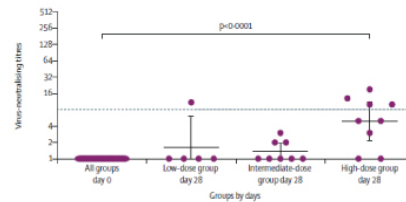
**Figure A: Individual IgG titres at each dose group**



**Figure B: IQRs for IgG titres in each group**



**Figure C: Virus-neutralizing titres at day 0 and day 28 for each group**



The clinical trial was amended in 2019 to include additional evaluation of boosting doses at 4 and 26 weeks (groups 4 and 5).

The clinical trial will continue with groups four and five to evaluate the boost doses when the COVID-19 epidemic allows. Discussions of the Phase 2 clinical trial with CEPI are ongoing but are currently limited due to CEPI's primary focus on COVID-19 vaccine candidate production and roll out.

A second Phase 1 clinical trial sponsored by the University of Oxford is being conducted in Saudi Arabia at a single site that mirrors the University of Oxford-based trial in doses and patient number. As of April 9, 2021, no serious adverse events have been publicly reported. Data is expected in the second quarter of 2021.

#### *Future Development*

The University of Oxford has received grant funding from the CEPI of up to \$63 million to work with Janssen Vaccines to manufacture a stockpile of up to 100,000 doses of VTP-500 and to conduct a Phase 2 clinical trial. The University of Oxford and CEPI have development rights following the completion of the Phase 2 clinical trial, limited rights to sell licensed products to public sector agencies and non-commercial rights to create a stockpile, however, we retain all commercial rights. We are currently exploring options for additional collaborations to progress the development of VTP-500.

### **Prophylactic Vaccine Candidates for the Prevention of COVID-19 Infection**

#### *Overview*

SARS-CoV-2 is a coronavirus, which is an enveloped virus with a positive-sense single-stranded RNA genome. There are currently seven coronaviruses known to infect humans, with four responsible for mild-to-moderate upper respiratory tract infections. In vulnerable groups, such as infants and older age groups, infection can lead to more severe lower respiratory tract infections. To date, no vaccines have been approved for preventing any of the seven identified coronavirus infections.

SARS-CoV-2 is structurally similar to two other life-threatening coronaviruses: SARS-CoV-1 and MERS-CoV. SARS-CoV-2 impairs respiratory function and spreads primarily from person to person via respiratory droplets among close contacts. Symptoms include fever, cough, shortness of breath and fatigue, with symptoms generally appearing two to 12 days after exposure. Severe complications include pneumonia, multi-organ failure, and death.

SARS-CoV-2 has caused a worldwide pandemic of respiratory illness, commonly referred to as COVID-19. As of April 9, 2021, more than 132 million confirmed cases of COVID-19 have been reported worldwide, with more than 30 million cases and over 552,000 deaths from COVID-19 in the United States. This rate of mortality has COVID-19 on track to become one of the deadliest pandemics of the century.

COVID-19 has caused a global public health and economic crisis. Without a sustained level of immunity in the majority of the population, there will always be a risk that new outbreaks of the disease will emerge and continue to be responsible for significant morbidity and mortality. Current estimates suggest only 2-3% of the population could currently be immune to COVID-19. One fast and safe way to introduce widespread COVID-19 immunity in the population includes the use of effective prophylactic vaccination to induce a durable immune response. Several countries, including the US, UK, Japan and the EU, have already started pre-ordering over two billion doses of coronavirus vaccines in order to boost immunity rates and lower infection rates and overcome the major disruption caused thus far.

In partnership with the University of Oxford's Jenner Institute, we co-invented and jointly developed our first-generation COVID-19 vaccine candidate VTP-900, now AZD1222, which we assigned to OUI to facilitate the licensing of those rights by OUI to AstraZeneca. AZD1222, which is currently in Phase 3 clinical trials, uses our first-generation vector, ChAdOx1, and encodes the SARS-CoV-2 spike protein. As of April 9, 2021, AstraZeneca has announced that AZD1222 has been granted a conditional marketing authorization or emergency use authorization in more than 70 countries, including the United Kingdom, India and Brazil, and the Emergency Use Listing granted by the WHO in February 2021 will expand access to AZD1222 in up to 142 countries through the WHO's COVAX initiative.

There are currently 10 vaccines in Phase 3 development utilizing a variety of different mechanisms to induce an immune response. We believe AZD1222 has several advantages over its competitors that could result in broader uptake, including manufacturing speed and capacity, increased T cell response and an ability to

induce an immune response in older age groups and well-known safety from prior use of ChAdOx1 vector in over 20,000 individuals. However, widespread adoption of AZD1222 could be limited due to concerns about the classification of AZD1222 as a genetically modified organism and the initial Phase 3 clinical efficacy results announced by AstraZeneca in November 2020, in which efficacy rates were lower than those reported for vaccines developed using messenger ribonucleic acid technology. AstraZeneca has publicly announced that they expect their vaccine capacity in 2021 to be almost three billion doses.

In March and April 2021, several countries announced that they were either temporarily suspending the use of a particular batch of AZD1222 or the use of AZD1222 altogether following reports of thromboembolic events in people at varying times following vaccination. On April 7, 2021, the EMA and the MHRA issued updates confirming that the overall benefit-risk profile of AZD1222 remains positive, but requesting that unusual blood clots with low blood platelets be listed as very rare side effects of AZD1222. Several countries have announced their intentions to resume use of AZD1222, although some countries have limited its use in certain age groups. The EMA, MHRA, and WHO, along with individual EU Member States, will continue to assess available safety data as AZD1222 continues to be administered, and these recommendations may change.

In addition, on March 22, 2021, AstraZeneca announced high-level results from an interim analysis of the Phase 3 trial of AZD1222 in the United States using a cut-off date of February 17, 2021, which indicated 76% efficacy at preventing symptomatic COVID-19. However, published studies have indicated that AZD1222 has a lower efficacy against certain variants of COVID-19, including the B.1.351 variant of COVID-19, which was first observed predominantly in South Africa, and the B117 variant, which was first observed in the United Kingdom in late 2020, but have since spread to other geographies. As a result, the use of the AZD1222 vaccine has been stopped in South Africa.

We are eligible to receive a share of royalties and other revenue received by OUI pursuant to its agreement with AstraZeneca for AZD1222.

## **Our Collaboration and License Agreements**

### *2016 License Agreement with OUI*

In March 2016, we entered into a license agreement, or the 2016 OUI License Agreement (as amended in January 2019 and April 2020), with OUI (previously known as Isis Innovation Limited) for the development and commercialization of vaccines for influenza, cancer (including therapeutic and prophylactic vaccines and including cancer associated with viral infections), varicella zoster and MERS. We refer to these areas together as the “Field.”

Pursuant to the 2016 OUI License Agreement, OUI granted us a worldwide license under certain patent rights of OUI, including rights related to the use of ChAdOx1, ChAdOx2, adenoviral and MVA promoters and influenza product candidates, among other rights, or the Licensed Technology, to develop, manufacture, use and commercialize licensed products. The rights are exclusive in certain fields and non-exclusive in others. Our license to certain patents and applications relating to certain adenoviral vectors encoding a pathogen or tumor antigen and certain pox virus expression systems is exclusive within the Field, non-exclusive in all other fields, and excludes veterinary applications. Our license to certain patents and applications relating to certain compositions and methods is exclusive in all fields, and excludes veterinary applications. Our license for the use of the ChAdOx1 vector under certain patents and applications relating to certain simian adenovirus and hybrid adenoviral vectors is exclusive in the Field, non-exclusive in all other fields, and excludes veterinary applications (apart from MERS) and certain specified indications. Furthermore, our license with respect to the use of the ChAdOx2 vector under certain patents and applications relating to certain adenoviral vectors is exclusive in certain vaccine-related fields, non-exclusive in all other fields, and excludes all veterinary applications (apart from MERS) and certain other specified indications. In addition, we also obtained a license to certain clinical data generated from OUI projects and related confidential know-how to develop, manufacture, use and commercialize licensed products, and such license is exclusive in the Field, other than with respect to know-how related to ChAdOx2, which is licensed non-exclusively. The Licensed Technology is sublicensable subject to obtaining OUI’s prior written consent (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed) and inclusion in any sublicense agreement of restrictions on further sub-licensing, among other terms and conditions.



Pursuant to the 2016 OUI License Agreement, all intellectual property rights resulting from improvements made prior to the second anniversary of the agreement (i) to the licensed patent rights by the inventor belong to OUI, and (ii) to the Licensed Technology by us belong to us. OUI retains the right for the University of Oxford and any person who works or has worked on the Licensed Technology to use the Licensed Technology, as well as any improvements that we made to that technology during the first two years of the license, for education, research and limited clinical patient care. Furthermore, the University of Oxford may publish the Licensed Technology and those improvements without our consent provided that they have first given us advance notice and delayed the publication if necessary for us to obtain patent protection. In addition, OUI retains the right to grant academic and research licenses to any third parties under the Licensed Technology to encourage basic research for education and limited clinical patient care but may not grant licenses for commercialization of the Licensed Technology that is exclusively licensed to us, nor for development or marketing of products or services that are produced or supplied using the Licensed Technology.

Upon execution of the 2016 OUI License Agreement, we paid OUI a one-time upfront fee of £100,000. We are obligated to pay OUI a low single-digit royalty (that varies based on the indication) on net sales of any product or process produced by or using the Licensed Technology. If we sublicense the Licensed Technology, we will be required to pay OUI a mid-single-digit royalty on any royalties paid to us by the sublicensee and a high single-digit royalty on non-royalty sublicensing income (excluding milestone payment income overlapping with milestone payments paid to OUI and income used to fund research and development). As of April 9, 2021, we had paid OUI £18,750 in royalties under the 2016 OUI License Agreement. In the event that the royalties (excluding the royalty on sublicensing income) owed to OUI do not amount to a specified minimum ranging from the mid five figures to low six figures based on the license year in each year following March 2020, we must also pay OUI the difference between the royalty paid and the applicable minimum sum payable. In addition, we are required to pay OUI milestone payments of up to an aggregate of £14.8 million upon the achievement of specified development, regulatory and commercial milestones.

Unless earlier terminated, the 2016 OUI License Agreement will continue until the later of the expiration of the last claim of a licensed patent or 20 years from the date of the agreement. The last patent under the 2016 OUI License Agreement, if granted, is expected to expire in November 2039, without giving effect to any potential patent term extensions or patent term adjustments. Either party may terminate for the uncured breach of the other party. We may terminate the agreement at any time upon three months' prior written notice. OUI may terminate the agreement upon us filing for bankruptcy or in the event of liquidation or receivership proceedings, or upon 30 days' prior written notice upon the occurrence of certain other events. Upon termination of the 2016 OUI License Agreement, we are required to, among other things, grant to OUI an irrevocable, transferable, non-exclusive license to develop, make and use any improvements to the Licensed Technology which we made prior to the second anniversary of the date of the agreement.

#### *2017 License Agreement with OUI*

In September 2017, we entered into a further license agreement with OUI, or the 2017 OUI License Agreement, for the development and commercialization of vaccines for HBV and HPV.

Pursuant to the 2017 OUI License Agreement, we acquired a worldwide license under certain additional patent rights of OUI, including rights related to the use of HBV vaccine product candidates, HPV vaccine product candidates and shark invariant chain polypeptides, among other rights, or the 2017 Licensed Technology, to develop, manufacture, use and commercialize licensed products. The rights are exclusive in some fields and non-exclusive in others. Our license to certain patents and applications relating to certain HBV and HPV vaccines is exclusive in all fields. Our license to certain patents and applications relating to molecular adjuvants is non-exclusive in the field of HBV. Our license to certain patents and applications relating to certain simian and hybrid adenoviral vectors is exclusive in the fields of HPV associated diseases and HBV. Further, our license to certain patents and applications relating to certain other vectors is exclusive in the field of HBV.

Pursuant to the 2017 OUI License Agreement, we also obtained a non-exclusive license under related know-how to develop, manufacture, use and commercialize licensed products in all fields. The 2017

Licensed Technology is sublicensable subject to obtaining OUI's prior written consent (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed) and inclusion in any sublicense agreement of restrictions on further sub-licensing, among other terms.

Pursuant to the 2017 OUI License Agreement, all intellectual property rights resulting from improvements made prior to the second anniversary of the agreement (i) to the licensed patent rights by the inventor belong to OUI, and (ii) to the 2017 Licensed Technology by us belong to us. OUI retains the right for the University of Oxford and any person who works or has worked on the 2017 Licensed Technology to use the 2017 Licensed Technology, as well as any improvements that we made to that technology during the first two years of the license, for education, research and limited clinical patient care. Furthermore, the University of Oxford may publish the 2017 Licensed Technology and those improvements without our consent provided that they have first given us advance notice and delayed the publication if necessary for us to obtain patent protection. In addition, OUI retains the right to grant academic and research licenses to any third parties under the 2017 Licensed Technology to encourage basic research for education and limited clinical patient care but may not grant licenses for commercialization of the 2017 Licensed Technology that is exclusively licensed to us, nor for development or marketing of products or services that are produced or supplied using the 2017 Licensed Technology.

Upon execution of the 2017 OUI License Agreement, we paid OUI a one-time upfront fee of £50,000. We are obligated to pay OUI a low single-digit royalty (that varies based on the indication) on net sales made by us or our sublicensees of any product or process produced by or using the 2017 Licensed Technology. In the event that such sales royalties owed to OUI do not amount to a specified minimum ranging from the mid five figures to low six figures based on the license year in each year following September 2020, we must also pay OUI the difference between the royalty paid and the applicable minimum sum payable. If we sublicense the 2017 Licensed Technology, we will be required to pay OUI a mid-single-digit royalty on non-royalty sublicensing income (excluding milestone payment income overlapping with milestone payments paid to OUI and income used to fund research and development). In addition, we are required to pay OUI milestone payments of up to an aggregate of £9.85 million upon the achievement of specified development, regulatory and commercial milestones.

Unless earlier terminated, the 2017 OUI License Agreement will continue until the later of the expiration of the last claim of a licensed patent or 20 years from the date of the agreement. The last patent under the 2017 OUI License Agreement, if granted, is expected to expire in August 2038, without giving effect to any potential patent term extensions or patent term adjustments. Either party may terminate for the uncured breach of the other party. We may terminate the agreement at any time upon three months' prior written notice. OUI may terminate the agreement upon us filing for bankruptcy or in the event of liquidation or receivership proceedings, or upon 30 days' prior written notice upon the occurrence of certain other events. Upon termination of the 2017 OUI License Agreement, we are required to, among other things, grant to OUI an irrevocable, transferable, non-exclusive license to develop, make and use any improvements to the Licensed Technology which we made prior to the second anniversary of the date of the agreement.

#### *2019 License Agreement with OUI*

In January 2019, we entered into an additional license agreement with OUI, or the 2019 OUI License Agreement. Pursuant to the 2019 OUI License Agreement, OUI granted us a worldwide, license under an additional patent application of OUI related to the rapid production of recombinant adenovirus constructs, to be used as personalized cancer vaccines or emerging pathogen vaccines, and related confidential know-how, or the 2019 Licensed Technology, to develop, manufacture, use and commercialize licensed products. The license is exclusive in the field of personalized cancer vaccines for therapeutic use in humans, non-exclusive in all other fields and excludes veterinary applications (apart from MERS) and certain other specified indications. The license is sublicensable subject to obtaining OUI's prior written consent (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed) and inclusion in any sublicense agreement of restrictions on further sub-licensing, among other terms.

Pursuant to the 2019 OUI License Agreement, all intellectual property rights resulting from improvements made prior to the second anniversary of the agreement (i) to the licensed patent rights by the inventor belong to OUI, and (ii) to the 2019 Licensed Technology by us belong to us. OUI retains the right for the University of Oxford and any person who works or has worked on the Licensed Technology to use the 2019

Licensed Technology, as well as any improvements that we make to that technology during the first two years of the license, for education, research and limited clinical patient care. Furthermore, the University of Oxford may publish the 2019 Licensed Technology and those improvements without our consent provided that they have first given us advance notice and delayed the publication if necessary for us to obtain patent protection. In addition, OUI retains the right to grant academic and research licenses to any third parties under the 2019 Licensed Technology to encourage basic research for education and limited clinical patient care but may not grant licenses for commercialization of the 2019 Licensed Technology that is exclusively licensed to us, nor for development or marketing of products or services that are produced or supplied using the 2019 Licensed Technology.

Upon execution of the 2019 OUI License Agreement, we paid OUI a nominal upfront fee. We are required to pay OUI a variable low single-digit royalty on net sales of products we develop using the 2019 Licensed Technology, which varies depending on whether the sales are within or outside of the field of personalized cancer vaccines for therapeutic use in humans. While we are continuing to develop the 2019 Licensed Technology, no product candidate that we are currently developing incorporates this technology. If we sublicense the 2019 Licensed Technology, we will be required to pay OUI a 15% or 7% royalty (for licensed products within the field and outside the field respectively) on any royalties paid to us by the sublicensee and 15% or 7.5% of non-royalty sublicensing income (for sublicenses granted before or after three years after the date of the agreement respectively). In the event that the aforementioned royalties (excluding the royalty on non-royalty sublicensing income) owed to OUI do not amount to a specified minimum ranging from the mid five figures to low six figures based on the license year in each year following January 2022, we must also pay to OUI the difference between the royalty paid and the applicable minimum sum payable. In addition, if we develop at least two products in the Field, we are required to pay OUI milestone payments of up to an aggregate of £1.9 million upon the achievement of specified development, regulatory and commercial milestones.

Subject to earlier termination, the 2019 OUI License Agreement will continue until the later of the expiration of the last claim of a licensed patent or 20 years from the date of the agreement. The last patent under the 2019 OUI License Agreement, if granted, is expected to expire in August 2039, without giving effect to any potential patent term extensions or patent term adjustments. Either party may terminate for the uncured breach of the other party. At any time after the third anniversary of the agreement, we may terminate the agreement at any time upon three months' prior written notice. OUI may terminate the agreement upon us filing for bankruptcy or in the event of liquidation or receivership proceedings, or upon 30 days' prior written notice upon the occurrence of certain other events. Upon termination of the 2019 OUI License Agreement, we are required to, among other things, grant to OUI an irrevocable, transferable, non-exclusive license to develop, make and use any improvements (to the technology embodied by the relevant licensed patent and know-how) which we made prior to the second anniversary of the date of the agreement.

#### *2018 License Agreement with OUI and Oxford*

In September 2018, we entered into a license agreement, or the 2018 License Agreement, with The Chancellor, Masters and Scholars of the University of Oxford, or Oxford, and OUI. Pursuant to the 2016 OUI License Agreement, OUI had granted us certain exclusive rights related to the Licensed Technology, as defined in the 2016 OUI License Agreement, in the field of diagnosis, prevention and treatment of MERS. The 2018 License Agreement enables Oxford to grant a further sublicense to CEPI in the field of MERS, or the Field, and to enable Oxford to conduct related activities.

Pursuant to the 2018 License Agreement, we agreed to grant to Oxford a fully-paid-up, worldwide, non-exclusive license under the Licensed Technology, as defined in the 2016 OUI License Agreement, and developments and improvements to such technology controlled by us during the term of the 2016 OUI License Agreement, or the MERS Technology, in the Field solely for the purpose of enabling Oxford to develop any product or process which uses or is within the scope of the MERS Technology, or Licensed Product. This license includes the right to generate investigational stockpiles, but excludes any commercial use or sale of Licensed Products and is sublicensable by Oxford solely to its collaborators under the framework agreement entered into on or about the same date as the 2018 License Agreement between Oxford, CEPI and Janssen Vaccines & Prevention B.V. Furthermore, we agreed that the rights retained by

OUI under the 2016 OUI License Agreement include the right to allow Oxford to use the MERS Technology to carry out research activities (including in collaboration with other parties) up to and including the performance of Phase 1/2 clinical trials and related activities, and the generation of Licensed Product for research use (but excluding any commercial use or sale of such Licensed Product).

In addition, we agreed to grant to Oxford a fully-paid-up, worldwide, non-exclusive license under the MERS Technology in the Field solely for the purpose of enabling Oxford to grant a sublicense to CEPI in order to address (i) circumstances in which CEPI determines there to be a heightened need for the Licensed Product and that steps should be taken to prepare for such need; and/or (ii) material increases in the number of cases of people infected with MERS in particular geographical areas that are declared a public health emergency. Oxford is permitted to grant CEPI a fully-paid-up, worldwide, non-exclusive sublicense under the MERS Technology to develop, manufacture and commercialize the Licensed Product in the Field anywhere in the world, provided that all end users (i) are in a relevant affected territory, or (ii) are healthcare workers going to an affected territory under the direction of one or more governments or recognized not-for-profit organizations, or Public Sector Agencies, in order to help address a public healthcare issue. However, the sublicense must exclude the right for CEPI to (i) apply for or obtain any marketing approval or conduct any post-marketing activities, (ii) sell Licensed Product other than to Public Sector Agencies on a “cost plus” basis, where “cost plus” means the cost of manufacturing and supply plus a margin of 10% percent on such cost, or (iii) further sublicense its rights other than to its affiliates and/or to Public Sector Agencies and their appointees for the sole purpose of accelerating epidemic preparedness for public health applications.

Pursuant to the 2018 License Agreement, OUI agreed that, notwithstanding our payment obligations under the 2016 OUI License Agreement, we are not obligated to make any payment to OUI in connection with the 2018 License Agreement.

Unless earlier terminated, the 2018 License Agreement shall remain in full force until the expiry or termination of the 2016 OUI License Agreement. We may terminate the 2018 License Agreement immediately upon notice to Oxford in the event of Oxford’s uncured material breach. In the event of termination of the 2018 License Agreement, provided that CEPI is not in breach of the terms of its sublicense, we shall at CEPI’s request grant it a sublicense under the MERS Technology in the Field solely of the scope outlined above and on materially the same terms, to the extent that we are able to do so.

#### *OUI License Agreement Amendment*

In April 2020, we entered into an amendment, assignment and revenue share agreement, or the OUI License Agreement Amendment, with OUI to amend the 2016 OUI License Agreement. Pursuant to the 2016 OUI License Agreement and among other rights and obligations, OUI granted to us a non-exclusive license to certain patent applications relating to its ChAdOx1 and ChAdOx2 vaccine vectors and the adenovirus long promoter for use in certain fields, or the Field, including SARS-CoV2, which is the virus known to cause COVID-19. The OUI License Agreement Amendment was entered into to enable a single exclusive license agreement for a COVID-19 vaccine co-developed by us and the University of Oxford’s Jenner Institute to be negotiated with a suitable pharmaceutical partner.

Under the OUI License Agreement Amendment, we agreed to exclude SARS-CoV2 from the Field and to cease use of the ChAdOx1 vector, ChAdOx2 vector and the adenovirus long promoter in SARS-CoV2. In addition, we assigned to OUI our rights to a jointly owned U.K. patent application relating to the composition of matter related to a ChAdOx1 vector-based or a ChAdOx2 vector-based vaccine to prevent COVID-19, or the Assigned Patent Application, as well as certain other intellectual property rights related to any ChAdOx1 vector-based or ChAdOx2 vector-based COVID-19 vaccine covered by the Assigned Patent Application and its manufacture, including rights to the variations, improvements and modifications thereof, whether existing at or arising after the date of the OUI License Agreement Amendment. In consideration of the rights granted by us, OUI agreed to pay us approximately 24% of payments, including royalties and milestones, received by OUI in connection with the commercialization of any ChAdOx1 vector-based or ChAdOx2 vector-based vaccine in the field of SARS-CoV2 covered by or disclosed in the assigned patent application. The last patent under the OUI License Agreement Amendment, which is owned by OUI, if granted, is expected to expire in March 2041, without giving effect to any potential patent term extensions or patent term adjustments.

*Impact of OUI's Agreement with AstraZeneca*

OUI has entered into an exclusive research collaboration and worldwide license agreement, or the AstraZeneca License Agreement, with AstraZeneca UK Limited, or AstraZeneca. The following description of the impact of AstraZeneca License Agreement with respect to our rights under the OUI License Agreement Amendment is based solely on an extract of the AstraZeneca License Agreement provided by the parties to that agreement. We are not a party to the AstraZeneca License Agreement and do not have access to a copy of that agreement to verify the accuracy of such extract. In addition, no party to the AstraZeneca License Agreement has confirmed that there are no material terms in that agreement that are not included in the description below that could adversely impact the economic and other terms of the AstraZeneca License Agreement described below. Moreover, there can be no assurance that the AstraZeneca License Agreement is an enforceable agreement, that the parties thereto will comply with their obligations under that agreement (including any obligations of AstraZeneca to make milestone or royalty payments to OUI), or that the terms of that agreement (including royalty rates and other economic terms) will not be modified by the parties in the future. Accordingly, these and other factors could cause amounts received by OUI pursuant to the AstraZeneca License Agreement to differ from those described below, and any such differences could be material.

The AstraZeneca License Agreement allows AstraZeneca to pursue, among other things, the commercialization of a vaccine product candidate for the prevention of COVID-19 containing one or more of the ChAdOx1 or ChAdOx2 vectors or their derivatives. AstraZeneca has announced that as of April 9, 2021, the Oxford/Vaccitech COVID-19 vaccine developed using those vectors, now known as AZD1222, has been granted a conditional marketing authorization or emergency use authorization in more than 70 countries, including the United Kingdom, India and Brazil, and the Emergency Use Listing granted by the WHO in February 2021 will expand access to AZD1222 in up to 142 countries through the WHO's COVAX initiative.

Pursuant to the OUI License Agreement Amendment, we received \$2.4 million in July 2020 as our share of the upfront fee paid by AstraZeneca. We are also entitled to receive a share of certain regulatory and sales milestones and royalties on net sales of AZD1222, as well as a portion of any sublicensing income payable by AstraZeneca. Our share of the royalties on net sales of AZD1222 is approximately 1.4%.

Our understanding is that we will not be entitled to receive any royalties or payments from sub-licensees from the commercialization of AZD1222 until after the pandemic period, which period will end on July 1, 2021 (or such later date when AstraZeneca, in good faith, determines that the COVID-19 pandemic is over). However, our understanding is that we will be entitled to receive our share of any regulatory milestone payments during the pandemic period.

The royalty term for net sales of AZD1222 shall commence once the pandemic period has ended and continue, on a country-by-country basis, until the later of (i) the date upon which the vaccine is no longer subject to patent protection in such country, (ii) expiration of regulatory exclusivity for the vaccine in such country or (iii) ten years from the first commercial sale of the vaccine in such country.

*Master Collaboration Agreement with CanSino Biologics Inc.*

In September 2018, we entered into a master collaboration agreement, or the CanSino Agreement, with CanSino Biologics Inc., or CanSino. The CanSino Agreement provides a framework under which we can agree with CanSino (in separate project agreements) the details of one or more collaborative projects for the development and commercialization of certain products, and carry out those projects under the terms of the CanSino Agreement and the respective project agreements in our respective territories. Under the CanSino Agreement, the CanSino Territory includes China (including Taiwan, Hong Kong and Macao), Malaysia, Thailand, Myanmar, Indonesia, Laos, Vietnam, and the Philippines, while our territory, or the Vaccitech Territory, includes the rest of the world.

Under the CanSino Agreement, each party grants to the other party a royalty-free, non-exclusive license to use its relevant background intellectual property rights, or Background IPR, solely to perform the project in the other party's territory, together with a right to sub-license to any agreed-upon subcontractor performing services for and on behalf of the other party. For any collaborative project, each party is obliged to provide to the other party all applicable materials specified in that project agreement and to grant to the other party

a non-exclusive license to use such materials solely for the purpose of that project. In addition, each party grants to the other party a non-exclusive license to use its Background IPR and an exclusive license to any new intellectual property created in the course of activities performed by such party in relation to a project or otherwise under the CanSino Agreement, or New IPR, to the extent necessary to commercialize and exploit collaboration products in the other party's territory. Such commercialization licenses are sublicensable (without further right to sub-license) and subject to the payment of royalties and milestones as set out in the relevant project agreement. CanSino is permitted to commercialize such products only in the CanSino Territory and we are entitled to commercialize such products in the Vaccitech Territory. Both parties are under obligations to use commercially reasonable efforts to maximize sales of products that are the subject of collaboration.

During the term of any project agreement entered into as contemplated by the CanSino Agreement and for three months thereafter, neither party is permitted to enter into discussions, collaborations or similar arrangements with any third parties regarding matters or products which are materially the same as set forth in the project agreement or related to the project that is the subject of the project agreement, unless such party reasonably believes such an arrangement with such third party would not be detrimental to the relevant project or project arrangement. Furthermore, unless agreed otherwise in a project agreement, for any product which we collaboratively develop, CanSino has the exclusive and sub-licensable right to manufacture and supply all master virus seed and clinical adenoviral material necessary for the development and sale of any products by either party in their respective territories. CanSino will supply any such material to be used by us for the manufacture of products to be sold by us (or our sub-licensees) at the price of 15% to 30% over cost of goods sold, or COGS. COGS is equal to the reasonable COGS for equivalent material manufactured by CanSino or its subcontractors for sale by CanSino or its sub-licensees.

Unless agreed otherwise in a project agreement: (i) any improvements of a party's Background IPR will be owned by the party with rights to such Background IPR, and will be treated as Background IPR; and (ii) New IPR will be owned by one or both parties in accordance with the respective inventive contribution of each party as determined by the principles of United Kingdom patent law. Where any New IPR is wholly owned by a party, that party is obliged to endeavor to file patent applications to the extent required to provide reasonable protection for the relevant product. Where any New IPR is jointly owned by the parties, we are obliged to endeavor to file patent applications to the extent required to provide reasonable protection for the relevant product, in consultation with CanSino, with costs shared between the parties. Before we abandon a jointly-owned patent claiming any New IPR, we must give CanSino at least three months' notice, and CanSino can request assignment of our rights on terms to be agreed. We are obliged to discuss with CanSino the enforcement of jointly owned patent rights but are entitled to enforce such patent rights outside the CanSino Territory.

Unless earlier terminated, the CanSino Agreement will continue for ten years from the date of the agreement. Either party can terminate by written notice for the uncured material breach or persistent breaches of the other party. Either party may terminate by written notice if the other party cannot pay its debts, takes any step in connection with entering administration, liquidation, or other arrangement with creditors (other than a solvent arrangement), or suspends all or part of its business; or suffers a force majeure event that continues for 60 days. Furthermore, a project agreement entered into pursuant to the CanSino Agreement shall automatically terminate if the 2016 OUI License Agreement or the 2017 OUI License Agreement terminates or expires, Background IPR licensed from OUI is necessary under such project agreement and the parties are unable to agree to a modification of the project or relevant collaboration product that would not require use of such Background IPR.

#### *2018 ChAdOx Zoster Project Agreement (under the CanSino Agreement)*

Pursuant to the CanSino Agreement, we entered into a project agreement in September 2018 with CanSino, or the ChAdOx Zoster Project Agreement, with the goal of developing a Zoster vaccine to become a competitor to Shingrix.

Under the ChAdOx Zoster Project Agreement, we are responsible for funding and undertaking various development tasks, including (subject to availability of funding) conducting a Phase 1 clinical trial in the UK. CanSino is responsible for funding and undertaking various development tasks, including conducting a Phase 1 clinical trial in China. The parties' rights and responsibilities in relation to Phase 2 and 3 clinical

trials are pending, subject to further negotiation. In addition, the parties agreed to use all reasonable efforts to enter into a separate supply agreement pursuant to which CanSino will manufacture all product necessary for clinical trials and commercialization under the project agreement. If the parties cannot agree upon such supply agreement, they must follow a specified dispute resolution process set forth in the CanSino Agreement. For all products manufactured by CanSino under a supply agreement that we wish to sell in the Vaccitech Territory, we have agreed to pay the costs incurred by CanSino to manufacture the products plus 20% of such costs.

We received an upfront payment of £50,000 under this project agreement. We will also receive milestone payments of up to an aggregate of £1.125 million based on successful conduct of clinical trials and commercialization of the product. We will receive mid-single-digit royalties on the net sales of the product by or on behalf of CanSino or its sub-licensees in the CanSino Territory. If CanSino sublicense their rights in the product to a non-affiliate third party, we are also entitled to receive a mid-teens royalty on the transaction value (excluding royalties). We must pay to CanSino mid-single-digit royalties on the net sales of the product by or on behalf of us or our sub-licensees in the Vaccitech Territory. A party will benefit from a reduction of its royalties (in the low single digits) where it requires a license from a third party to sell the product in its territory.

Unless earlier terminated, the term of the ChAdOx Zoster Project Agreement will expire upon the later of expiry of all registered patents in the New IP developed under the project, or ten years from first commercial sale of the product. The last patent under the ChAdOx Zoster Project Agreement, if granted, is expected to expire in November 2039, without giving effect to any potential patent term extensions or patent term adjustments. A party may terminate the ChAdOx Zoster Project Agreement by written notice if the other party unreasonably delays the performance of its obligations. Upon the expiration of the term, we agreed to grant CanSino a royalty-free, perpetual, sub-licensable, non-exclusive license to use our Background IPR and our New IPR used to develop, incorporated in, or referenced in any products that are the subject of the project agreement to the extent necessary for CanSino to undertake research, develop, manufacture and commercialize such products in the CanSino Territory. Pursuant to the CanSino Agreement, upon the expiration or earlier termination of the project agreement, except for termination by CanSino for our breach, CanSino agreed to grant us a royalty-free, perpetual, sub-licensable, non-exclusive license to use their Background IPR and New IPR used to develop, incorporated in, or referenced in any products that are the subject of the project agreement to the extent necessary for us to undertake research, develop, manufacture and commercialize such products in the Vaccitech Territory. Unless we terminate the project agreement early for CanSino's breach, upon early termination after completion of a Phase 1 trial, we will continue to pay CanSino a low single-digit royalty on net sales of the product by us or our sub-licensees in the Vaccitech Territory, for the remainder of the Term. If such early termination is after completion of a Phase 2 trial, the royalty we must pay rises to mid-single-digit.

#### *Clinical Trial and Option Agreement with Cancer Research UK*

In December 2019, Vaccitech Oncology Limited, or VOLT, entered into a clinical trial and option agreement, or the Clinical Trial Agreement, with CRUK and CRUK's subsidiary, Cancer Research Technology Limited, or CRT, relating to the conduct of a Phase 1/2a clinical trial of VOLT's VTP-600 immunotherapy product in patients with non-small cell lung cancer, or the Clinical Trial. The trial is anticipated to begin in the second quarter of 2021 across multiple clinical sites in the UK.

VOLT is our oncology focused strategic collaboration with the Ludwig Institute for Cancer Research, an international non-profit organization that conducts innovative cancer research and is looking to enable the clinical development of new treatments that induce and harness CD8+ T cells of the immune system to fight cancer. VOLT has a license to our proprietary CD8+ T cell induction platform and research by Benoit Van den Eynde's group at the Ludwig Oxford Branch.

Pursuant to the Clinical Trial Agreement, CRUK is responsible for, among other things, designing, preparing, carrying out and sponsoring the Clinical Trial, at its cost, and VOLT has granted to CRUK a license under its intellectual property to enable CRUK to perform such activities. VOLT is responsible for supplying agreed quantities of its VTP-600 immunotherapy product. VOLT retains the right to continue the development of the product during the Clinical Trial, provided that the parties have first agreed appropriate terms for sharing of safety data. CRUK owns all results, including all intellectual property therein,

generated in the performance of the Clinical Trial. Upon the completion of the Clinical Trial, VOLT has the option to obtain a license to use such results, or the VTP-600 License. The terms of the VTP-600 License have been pre-agreed and are set out in the Clinical Trial Agreement.

If VOLT exercises the option to take the VTP-600 License, CRT agrees to grant VOLT an exclusive license under the results of the Clinical Trial that exclusively relate to the VTP-600 immunotherapy product, or the Exclusive Results, and a non-exclusive license under any results that are not Exclusive Results, in each case, to develop and commercialize any product which makes use of the results of the Clinical Trial in an application for regulatory authorization, contains the relevant active ingredients, or is covered by the patent application PCT/EP2019/070555, or the Product. The rights under the VTP-600 License are sublicensable (except to a tobacco company). The exclusive rights granted under the VTP-600 License are subject to the right of certain third-party contributors associated with the Clinical Trial, CRUK and scientists funded or employed by CRUK to use the Exclusive Results for non-commercial scientific or clinical research purposes and to publish the Exclusive Results and the results of non-commercial research performed using the Exclusive Results (subject to the publication process set out in the Clinical Trial Agreement). Upon exercise of the option, VOLT is required to pay a one-time upfront fee of an amount in pounds Sterling in the high six-digits. VOLT is also obligated to make future milestone payments upon the achievement of development, regulatory and commercial milestones, with an aggregate total value of £40,750,000. VOLT is required to pay to CRT a low single-digit royalty on net sales of Products sold by VOLT or its sublicensees. If VOLT sublicenses the right to sell Products, VOLT will also be required to pay to CRT a royalty of between 5% and 20% on non-royalty amounts due to VOLT from a sublicensee, with the precise rate depending on the stage in development at which such sublicense was granted. VOLT is obligated to use commercially reasonable efforts to meet certain development, regulatory and commercialization obligations, including commencement of a Phase 2 clinical trial of a Product in an oncology indication before the second anniversary of the date of the VTP-600 License. CRT may terminate the VTP-600 License in respect of any given Product if VOLT is not actively developing it or fails to launch it after receiving marketing authorization. CRT may also terminate the VTP-600 License as a whole if no Product is being actively developed or commercialized.

If VOLT does not exercise the option to take the VTP-600 License, or if the VTP-600 License or Clinical Trial Agreement is subsequently terminated by CRUK (as described below) VOLT will enter into a step-in agreement with CRT, or the Step-In Agreement. Pursuant to the Step-In Agreement, the terms of which have been pre-agreed and are set out in the Clinical Trial Agreement, VOLT will assign to CRT certain know-how and materials owned or controlled by VOLT. In addition, we agreed to grant to CRT an exclusive sublicense to a third-party patent family relating to viral vectors and methods for the prevention or treatment of cancer and non-exclusive sub-licenses to the HEK293 TetR Cell Line as well as certain third party patents and patent applications relating to certain adenovirus vectors and poxvirus expression systems, in each case, to develop and commercialize the Products on a revenue sharing basis. VOLT will receive a share of between 55% and 80% of the net revenue received by CRT for commercialization of the Product, with the precise share depending on the stage in development at which such Step-In Agreement is entered into.

The term of the Clinical Trial Agreement continues until it is otherwise terminated by the parties or, if the option is not exercised, upon the execution of the Step-In Agreement. The Clinical Trial Agreement can be terminated by either party upon an insolvency event in respect of the other party, for material breach of the other party, or upon a change of control of the other party (if the new controlling entity generates its revenue from the sale of tobacco products). If the Clinical Trial Agreement is terminated by CRUK for such causes prior to VOLT's exercise of its option, VOLT will reimburse CRUK for all costs incurred or committed in connection with the Clinical Trial. In addition, CRUK may terminate the Clinical Trial Agreement at any time before the last cycle of treatment under the Clinical Trial is complete, in which case, upon VOLT's request, CRT will grant the VTP-600 License to VOLT with appropriately reduced payments, to reflect the stage of the Clinical Trial at the date of termination. If the Clinical Trial Agreement is terminated for any reason after VOLT's exercise of its option, VOLT may for three months following such termination continue to manufacture Products to the extent necessary to satisfy orders for Products accepted before such termination, and sell, use or otherwise dispose of Product inventory.



*VOLT License Agreement*

In November 2018, we entered into a license agreement, or the VOLT License Agreement, with VOLT. Pursuant to the VOLT License Agreement, we granted to VOLT a non-exclusive worldwide license under certain patent rights, know-how and materials related to the use of ChAdOx1, ChAdOx2, adenoviral and MVA promoters, and the TR293 Tet-Repressed Cell Line, or the VOLT Licensed Technology, to manufacture, use and commercialize any product which uses or is within the scope of the VOLT Licensed Technology, or VOLT Licensed Product. In part, the rights granted are a sublicense of rights granted to us by OUI under the 2016 OUI License Agreement. The license is sublicensable subject to obtaining OUI's prior consent with respect to sublicensing of any of the VOLT Licensed Technology licensed to us by OUI (with such consent not to be unreasonably withheld).

Pursuant to the VOLT License Agreement, we are required to make available to VOLT such further know-how relating to the manufacture of VOLT Licensed Products as we consider to be reasonably necessary or useful. We are also required to notify VOLT on a confidential basis of any improvements to the VOLT Licensed Technology that we develop or acquire rights in, and such improvements will be included within the scope of the license.

Unless earlier terminated, the VOLT License Agreement will continue until the later of the expiration of all patents included in the VOLT Licensed Technology or the know-how included in the VOLT Licensed Technology ceasing to be secret and substantial. The last patent under the VOLT License Agreement, if granted, is expected to expire in July 2039, without giving effect to any potential patent term extensions or patent term adjustments. Either party may terminate for the uncured material breach or insolvency of the other party. In the event of termination of the 2016 OUI License Agreement, we may terminate the VOLT License Agreement in respect of any of the VOLT Licensed Technology that is licensed to us by OUI, and VOLT and OUI shall enter into a direct license containing the same obligations and liabilities as set forth in the VOLT License Agreement.

The VOLT License Agreement was subsequently amended in July 2019 by two separate agreements for the research, development, and commercialization of cancer vaccines targeting MAGE-A3 and NY-ESO-1 for the treatment of various forms of cancer under the VOLT Licensed Technology. Such amendments further elaborated on the parties' respective rights and obligations, including with respect to VOLT's payment obligations to us.

**Intellectual Property**

Our success depends, in part, on our ability to obtain and maintain intellectual property protection for our product candidates, technology and know-how, to defend and enforce our intellectual property rights, in particular, our patent rights, to preserve the confidentiality of our know-how and trade secrets, and to operate without infringing the proprietary rights of others. We seek to protect our product candidates and technologies by, among other methods, filing U.S. and foreign patent applications related to our proprietary technology, inventions and improvements that are important to the development of our business. We also rely on trade secrets, know-how, continuing technological innovation and in-licensing of third-party intellectual property to develop and maintain our proprietary position. We, or our collaborators and licensors, file patent applications directed to our key product candidates in an effort to establish intellectual property positions to protect our product candidates as well as uses of our product candidates for the prevention and/or treatment of diseases.

As of January 29, 2021, we own a pending patent application filed in the United Kingdom relating to our *novel simian expression vector*. In addition, we have in-licensed certain patent families relating to our key technology platforms and product candidates, including seven issued U.S. patents, three pending U.S. patent applications, ten issued foreign patents, 39 pending foreign patent applications and four pending Patent Cooperation Treaty, or PCT, patent applications.

**Universal Vector Technology Platforms*****ChAdOx-1 Expression Vector***

As of January 29, 2021, with regard to our *ChAdOx-1 expression vector*, we in-license from OUI a patent family that includes two issued U.S. patents with claims directed to the composition of matter of the

ChAdOx-1 adenovirus vector and methods of using such a vector, and 5 foreign patents granted in such jurisdictions as Australia, China, Europe (validated in 12 countries including Denmark, France, Germany, Italy, Spain, and Great Britain) and Japan. This patent family also includes a pending U.S. patent application and 4 pending foreign patent applications. The granted patents and pending applications, if issued, are expected to expire in 2032, without giving effect to any potential patent term extensions and patent term adjustments and assuming payment of all appropriate maintenance, renewal, annuity or other governmental fees.

#### ***Novel Simian Expression Vector***

As of January 29, 2021, with regard to our *novel simian expression vector* technology, we own a pending patent application filed in the United Kingdom with claims directed to our *novel simian expression vector*. If a patent were to issue from a patent application claiming the benefit of this United Kingdom patent application, such a patent would be expected to expire in 2041 without giving effect to any potential patent term extensions and patent term adjustments and assuming payment of all appropriate maintenance, renewal, annuity or other governmental fees.

#### ***Adenoviral Promoter***

Certain of our *ChAdOx-1 vectors* incorporate a proprietary *adenoviral promoter*, which is covered by a patent family that we in-license from OUI. As of January 29, 2021, the patent family includes two issued U.S. patents and one granted patent in Europe (validated in 7 countries including France, Germany, Italy, Spain, and Great Britain). The patents in this family are expected to expire in 2028, without giving effect to any potential patent term extensions and patent term adjustments and assuming payment of all appropriate maintenance, renewal, annuity or other governmental fees.

#### ***MVA-poxvirus Promoter***

Our MVA vector incorporates a proprietary poxvirus promoter, or *MVA-poxvirus promoter*, which is covered by a patent family that we in-license from OUI. As of January 29, 2021, the patent family includes two issued U.S. patents and one granted European patent (validated in 9 countries including Denmark, France, Germany, Italy, Spain, and Great Britain) that are expected to expire in 2031, without giving effect to any potential patent term extensions and patent term adjustments and assuming payment of all appropriate maintenance, renewal, annuity or other governmental fees.

#### **Product Candidates**

Our VTP-200 product candidate comprises a ChAdOx1-HPV vector and a MVA-HPV vector, where each vector incorporates an engineered HPV antigen. We in-license from OUI a patent family directed to the HPV antigen with claims directed to a nucleic acid encoding a polypeptide comprising certain peptide sequences based on certain HPV proteins. As of January 29, 2021, the patent family includes a pending U.S. patent application and 9 foreign patent applications pending in jurisdictions including Europe, Australia, Canada, China, and Japan. If patents were to issue from such patent applications, they would be expected to expire in 2038, without giving effect to any potential patent term extensions or patent term adjustments and assuming payment of all appropriate maintenance, renewal, annuity or other governmental fees. In addition, we also rely on patent protection afforded by the patent family directed to the *ChAdOx-1 expression vector*, which is expected to expire in 2032, and the patent family directed to our *MVA-poxvirus promoter*, which is expected to expire in 2031, as discussed above.

Our VTP-300 product candidate comprises a ChAdOx1-HBV vector and a MVA-HBV vector, where each vector incorporates an engineered HBV antigen. As of January 29, 2021, we in-license from OUI a patent family with claims directed to a multi-HBV immunogen viral vector vaccine that includes a pending U.S. patent application and 16 foreign patent applications pending in jurisdictions including Europe, Australia, Canada, China, and Japan. If patents were to issue from such patent applications they would be expected to expire in 2038, without giving effect to any potential patent term extensions or patent term adjustments and assuming payment of all appropriate maintenance, renewal, annuity or other governmental

fees. In addition, we also rely on patent protection afforded by the patent family directed to the *ChAdOx-1 expression vector*, which is expected to expire in 2032, and the patent family directed to our *MVA-poxvirus promoter*, which is expected to expire in 2031, as discussed above.

Our VTP-600 product candidate comprises a ChAdOx1-MAGE-NYESO vector, a MVA-MAGE vector, and a MVA-NYESO vector. We in-license from Ludwig Institute a patent family with claims directed to a chimpanzee adenovirus vector encapsidating a nucleic acid molecule encoding a MAGE antigen, a NY-ESO-1 antigen or both a MAGE antigen and a NY-ESO-1 antigen. As of January 29, 2021, the patent family includes a pending PCT application. If a patent were to issue from a patent application claiming the benefit of this PCT application, such a patent would be expected to expire in 2039, without giving effect to any potential patent term extensions or patent term adjustments and assuming payment of all appropriate maintenance, renewal, annuity or other governmental fees. In addition, we also rely on patent protection afforded by the patent family directed to the *ChAdOx-1 expression vector*, which is expected to expire in 2032, the patent family directed to our *adenoviral promotor*, which is expected to expire in 2028, and the patent family directed to our *MVA-poxvirus promoter*, which is expected to expire in 2031, as discussed above.

Our VTP-800 product candidate comprises a ChAdOx1-5T4 vector and a MVA-5T4 vector, where each vector incorporates an engineered 5T4 antigen. We in-license from OUI a patent family with claims directed to a composition for inducing a T Cell response comprising a MVA vector expressing the 5T4 antigen polypeptide. As of January 29, 2021, the patent family includes a pending PCT application. If a patent were to issue from a patent application claiming the benefit of this PCT application, such a patent would be expected to expire in 2039, without giving effect to any potential patent term extensions or patent term adjustments and assuming payment of all appropriate maintenance, renewal, annuity or other governmental fees. In addition, we also rely on patent protection afforded by the patent family directed to the *ChAdOx-1 expression vector*, which is expected to expire in 2032, the patent family directed to our *adenoviral promotor*, which is expected to expire in 2028, and the patent family directed to our *MVA-poxvirus promoter*, which is expected to expire in 2031, as discussed above.

Our VTP-500 product candidate comprises a ChAdOx1-MERS vector that incorporates an engineered MERS antigen. We rely on patent protection afforded by the patent family directed to the *ChAdOx-1 expression vector*, which is expected to expire in 2032 and the patent family directed to our *adenoviral promotor*, which is expected to expire in 2028, as discussed above.

Our VTP-400 product candidate comprises a ChAdOx1-VZVgE vector that incorporates an engineered VZVgE antigen. We in-license from OUI a patent family with claims directed to an adenoviral vector comprising a nucleic acid encoding the varicella-zoster virus antigen. As of January 29, 2021, the patent family includes a pending PCT application. If a patent were to issue from a patent application claiming the benefit of this PCT application, such a patent would be expected to expire in 2039, without giving effect to any potential patent term extensions or patent term adjustments and assuming payment of all appropriate maintenance, renewal, annuity or other governmental fees. We also rely on patent protection afforded by the patent family directed to the *ChAdOx-1 expression vector*, which is expected to expire in 2032 and the patent family directed to our *adenoviral promotor*, which is expected to expire in 2028, as discussed above.

Individual patents have terms for varying periods depending on the date of filing of the patent application or the date of patent issuance and the legal term of patents in the countries in which they are obtained. Generally, utility patents issued for applications filed in the United States are granted a term of 20 years from the earliest effective filing date of a non-provisional patent application. The duration of foreign patents varies in accordance with provisions of applicable local law, but typically is also 20 years from the earliest effective filing date. All taxes, annuities or maintenance fees for a patent, as required by the USPTO and certain foreign jurisdictions, must be timely paid in order for the patent to remain in force during this period of time.

The actual protection afforded by a patent may vary on a product by product basis, from country to country and can depend upon many factors, including the type of patent, the scope of its coverage, the availability of regulatory-related extensions and the availability of legal remedies in a particular country and the validity and enforceability of the patent. Our patents and patent applications may be subject to

procedural or legal challenges by others. We may be unable to obtain, maintain and protect the intellectual property rights necessary to conduct our business, and we may be subject to claims that we infringe or otherwise violate the intellectual property rights of others, which could materially harm our business. For more information about the risks associated with our efforts to obtain adequate intellectual property protection for our product candidates, and the enforcement of such intellectual property rights, as well as the risks associated with third party intellectual property rights, see the section titled “Risk Factors — Risks Related to Our Intellectual Property.” With regard to our VTP-300 product candidate, we are aware of third-party patents in the United States with claims which may be relevant to this product candidate. See “Risk Factors—Risks Related to Intellectual Property—The intellectual property landscape around immunotherapeutics and viral-vector based vaccines is crowded and dynamic, and third parties may initiate legal proceedings alleging that we are infringing, misappropriating or otherwise violating their intellectual property rights and such claims may be costly and time-consuming and may prevent or delay our product discovery and development efforts.”

### **Government Regulation**

In the United States, biological products are subject to regulation under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (the “FD&C Act”), and the Public Health Service Act (the “PHS Act”), and other federal, state, local and foreign statutes and regulations. Both the FD&C Act and the PHS Act and their corresponding regulations govern, among other things, the research, development, clinical trial, testing, manufacturing, quality control, approval, safety, efficacy, labeling, packaging, storage, record keeping, distribution, reporting, marketing, promotion, export and import, advertising, post-approval monitoring, and post-approval reporting involving biological products. The process of obtaining regulatory approvals and the subsequent compliance with appropriate federal, state, local and foreign statutes and regulations require the expenditure of substantial time and financial resources and we may not be able to obtain the required regulatory approvals.

Further, even if we obtain the required regulatory approvals for our products, pharmaceutical companies are subject to myriad federal, state, and foreign healthcare laws, rules, and regulations governing all aspects of our operations, including, but not limited to, our relationships with healthcare professionals, healthcare institutions, distributors of our products, and sales and marketing personnel; governmental and other third-party payor coverage and reimbursement of our products; and data privacy and security. Such laws, rules, and regulations are complex, continuously evolving, and, in many cases, have not been subject to extensive interpretation by applicable regulatory agencies or the courts. We are required to invest significant time and financial resources in policies, procedures, processes, and systems to ensure compliance with these laws, rules, and regulations, and our failure to do so may result in the imposition of substantial monetary or other penalties by federal or state regulatory agencies, give rise to reputational harm, or otherwise have a material adverse effect on our results of operations and financial condition.

#### *U.S. Biological Products Development Process*

The process required by the FDA before a biological product may be marketed in the United States generally involves the following:

- completion of nonclinical laboratory tests and animal studies according to GLPs and applicable requirements for the humane use of laboratory animals or other applicable regulations;
- submission to the FDA of an application for an IND which must become effective before human clinical trials may begin;
- approval of the protocol and related documentation by an independent institutional review board, or IRB, or ethics committee at each clinical trial site before each trial may be initiated;
- performance of adequate and well-controlled human clinical trials according to the FDA’s regulations commonly referred to as good clinical practices, or GCPs, and any additional requirements for the protection of human research subjects and their health information, to establish the safety and efficacy of the proposed biological product for its intended use;

- preparation of and submission to the FDA of a biologics license application, or BLA, for marketing approval that includes sufficient evidence of establishing the safety, purity, and potency of the proposed biological product for its intended indication, including from results of nonclinical testing and clinical trials;
- satisfactory completion of an FDA inspection of the manufacturing facility or facilities where the biological product is produced to assess compliance with current good manufacturing practices, or cGMPs, to assure that the facilities, methods and controls are adequate to preserve the biological product's identity, strength, quality and purity;
- potential FDA audit of the nonclinical study and clinical trial sites that generated the data in support of the BLA;
- review of the product candidate by an FDA advisory committee, where appropriate and if applicable;
- payment of user fees for FDA review of the BLA (unless a fee waiver applies); and
- FDA review and approval of the BLA, resulting in the licensure of the biological product for commercial marketing.

Before testing any biological product candidate, in humans, the product candidate enters the preclinical testing stage. Preclinical tests, also referred to as nonclinical studies, include laboratory evaluations of the product's biological characteristics, chemistry, toxicity and formulation, as well as animal studies to assess the potential safety and activity of the product candidate. The conduct of the preclinical tests must comply with federal regulations and requirements including GLPs.

Prior to commencing an initial clinical trial in humans with a product candidate in the United States, an IND must be submitted to the FDA and the FDA must allow the IND to proceed. An IND is an exemption from the FD&C Act that allows an unapproved product candidate to be shipped in interstate commerce for use in an investigational clinical trial and a request for FDA allowance that such investigational product may be administered to humans in connection with such trial. Such authorization must be secured prior to interstate shipment and administration. In support of a request for an IND, applicants must submit a protocol for each clinical trial and any subsequent protocol amendments must be submitted to the FDA as part of the IND. In addition, the results of the preclinical tests, together with manufacturing information, analytical data, any available clinical data or literature to support the use of the biological product and plans for clinical trials, among other things, must be submitted to the FDA as part of an IND. An IND must become effective before human clinical trials may begin. Once submitted, the IND automatically becomes effective 30 days after receipt by the FDA, unless the FDA, within the 30-day time period, raises safety concerns or questions about the proposed clinical trial. In such a case, the IND may be placed on clinical hold or partial clinical hold and the IND sponsor and the FDA must resolve any outstanding concerns or questions before clinical trials can begin. Submission of an IND therefore may or may not result in FDA authorization to begin a clinical trial.

Clinical trials involve the administration of the biological product candidate to healthy volunteers or patients under the supervision of qualified investigators which generally are physicians not employed by, or under the control of, the trial sponsor. Clinical trials are conducted under written trial protocols detailing, among other things, the objectives of the clinical trial, dosing procedures, subject selection and exclusion criteria and the parameters and criteria to be used to monitor subject safety, including stopping rules that assure a clinical trial will be stopped if certain adverse events should occur.

An IRB representing each institution participating in the clinical trial must review and approve the plan for any clinical trial before it commences at that institution, and the IRB must conduct continuing review and reapprove the trial at least annually. The IRB must review and approve, among other things, the trial protocol and informed consent information to be provided to trial subjects. An IRB must operate in compliance with FDA regulations. An IRB can suspend or terminate approval of a clinical trial at its institution, or an institution it represents, if the clinical trial is not being conducted in accordance with the IRB's requirements or if the product candidate has been associated with unexpected serious harm to patients.

Some trials are overseen by an independent group of qualified experts organized by the trial sponsor, known as a data safety monitoring board or committee. This group provides authorization as to whether or not a trial may move forward at designated check points based on access that only the group maintains to available data from the trial and may recommend halting the clinical trial if it determines that there is an unacceptable safety risk for subjects or other grounds, such as no demonstration of efficacy.

Certain information about certain clinical trials must also be submitted within specific timeframes to the NIH for public dissemination on its ClinicalTrials.gov website.

Human clinical trials are typically conducted in three sequential phases that may overlap or be combined:

- Phase 1. The investigational product is initially introduced into healthy human subjects and tested for safety. In the case of some products for severe or life-threatening diseases, the initial human testing is often conducted in patients.
- Phase 2. The investigational product is evaluated in a limited patient population to identify possible adverse side effects and safety risks, to preliminarily evaluate the efficacy of the product for specific targeted diseases and to determine dosage tolerance, optimal dosage and dosing schedule. Multiple Phase 2 clinical trials may be conducted to obtain information prior to beginning larger and more expensive Phase 3 clinical trials.
- Phase 3. The investigational product is administered to an expanded patient population to further evaluate dosage, clinical efficacy, potency, and safety in an expanded patient population at geographically dispersed clinical trial sites. These clinical trials are intended to establish the overall risk/benefit ratio of the investigational product and provide an adequate basis for approval and product labeling.

In some cases, FDA may require, or firms may voluntarily pursue, post-approval clinical trials, sometimes referred to as Phase 4 clinical trials, after initial marketing approval. These clinical trials are used to gain additional experience from the treatment of patients in the intended therapeutic indication, particularly for long-term safety follow-up. During all phases of clinical development, regulatory agencies require extensive monitoring and auditing of all clinical activities, clinical data, and clinical trial investigators. Annual progress reports detailing the results of the clinical trials must be submitted to the FDA. Written IND safety reports must be promptly submitted to the FDA and the investigators for serious and unexpected adverse events, any findings from other studies, tests in laboratory animals or *in vitro* testing that suggest a significant risk for human subjects, or any clinically important increase in the rate of a serious suspected adverse reaction over that listed in the protocol or investigator brochure. The sponsor must submit an IND safety report within 15 calendar days after the sponsor determines that the information qualifies for reporting. The sponsor also must notify the FDA of any unexpected fatal or life-threatening suspected adverse reaction within seven calendar days after the sponsor's initial receipt of the information. Phase 1, Phase 2 and Phase 3 clinical trials may not be completed successfully within any specified period, if at all. The FDA or the sponsor, acting on its own or based on a recommendation from the sponsor's data safety monitoring board may suspend a clinical trial at any time on various grounds, including a finding that the research subjects or patients are being exposed to an unacceptable health risk. Similarly, an IRB can suspend or terminate approval of a clinical trial at its institution if the clinical trial is not being conducted in accordance with the IRB's requirements or if the biological product has been associated with unexpected serious harm to patients.

Concurrent with clinical trials, companies usually complete additional animal studies and also must develop additional information about the chemistry and physical characteristics of the biological product and finalize a process for manufacturing the product in commercial quantities in accordance with cGMP. To help reduce the risk of the introduction of adventitious agents with use of biological products, the PHS Act emphasizes the importance of manufacturing control for products whose attributes cannot be precisely defined. The manufacturing process must be capable of consistently producing quality batches of the product candidate and, among other things, the sponsor must develop methods for testing the identity, strength, quality, potency and purity of the final biological product. Additionally, appropriate packaging must be selected and tested and stability studies must be conducted to demonstrate that the biological product candidate does not undergo unacceptable deterioration over its shelf life.

### *U.S. Review and Approval Processes*

Assuming successful completion of all required testing in accordance with all applicable regulatory requirements, the results of product development, nonclinical studies and clinical trials are submitted to the FDA as part of a BLA requesting approval to market the product for one or more indications. The BLA must include results of product development, laboratory and animal studies, human trials, information on the manufacture and composition of the product, proposed labeling and other relevant information.

Within 60 days following submission of the application, the FDA reviews a BLA submitted to determine if it is substantially complete before the FDA accepts it for filing. The FDA may refuse to file any BLA that it deems incomplete or not properly reviewable at the time of submission and may request additional information. In this event, the BLA must be resubmitted with the additional information. The resubmitted application also is subject to review to determine if it is substantially complete before the FDA accepts it for filing. In most cases, the submission of a BLA is subject to a substantial application user fee, although the fee may be waived under certain circumstances. Under the performance goals and policies implemented by the FDA under the Prescription Drug User Fee Act, or PDUFA, for original BLAs, the FDA targets ten months from the filing date in which to complete its initial review of a standard application and respond to the applicant, and six months from the filing date for an application with priority review. The FDA does not always meet its PDUFA goal dates, and the review process is often significantly extended by FDA requests for additional information or clarification.

Once the submission is accepted for filing, the FDA begins an in-depth substantive review of the BLA. The FDA reviews the BLA to determine, among other things, whether the proposed product is safe, pure and potent for its intended use, and whether the product is being manufactured in accordance with cGMP to ensure its continued safety, purity and potency. The FDA may refer applications for novel biological products or biological products that present difficult or novel questions of safety or efficacy to an advisory committee, typically a panel that includes clinicians and other experts, for review, evaluation and a recommendation as to whether the application should be approved and under what conditions. The FDA is not bound by the recommendations of an advisory committee, but it considers such recommendations carefully when making decisions. During the biological product approval process, the FDA also will determine whether a Risk Evaluation and Mitigation Strategy, or REMS, is necessary to assure the safe use of the biological product. If the FDA concludes a REMS is needed, the sponsor of the BLA must submit a proposed REMS; the FDA will not approve the BLA without a REMS, if required.

Before approving a BLA, the FDA typically will inspect the facilities at which the product is manufactured. The FDA will not approve the product unless it determines that the manufacturing processes and facilities are in compliance with cGMP requirements and adequate to assure consistent production of the product within required specifications. Additionally, before approving a BLA, the FDA will typically inspect one or more clinical sites to assure that the clinical trials were conducted in compliance with IND trial requirements and GCP requirements. To assure cGMP and GCP compliance, an applicant must incur significant expenditure of time, money and effort in the areas of training, record keeping, production and quality control.

Under the Pediatric Research Equity Act, or PREA, a BLA or supplement to a BLA for a novel product (*e.g.*, new active ingredient, new indication, etc.) must contain data to assess the safety and effectiveness of the biological product for the claimed indications in all relevant pediatric subpopulations and to support dosing and administration for each pediatric subpopulation for which the product is safe and effective. The FDA may grant deferrals for submission of data or full or partial waivers. Unless otherwise required by regulation, PREA does not apply to any biological product for an indication for which orphan designation has been granted.

After the FDA evaluates a BLA and conducts inspections of manufacturing facilities where the investigational product and/or its drug substance will be produced, the FDA may issue an approval letter or a Complete Response Letter. An approval letter authorizes commercial marketing of the product with specific prescribing information for specific indications. A Complete Response Letter will describe all of the deficiencies that the FDA has identified in the BLA, except that where the FDA determines that the data supporting the application are inadequate to support approval, the FDA may issue the Complete Response Letter without first conducting required inspections, testing submitted product lots, and/or reviewing

proposed labeling. In issuing the Complete Response Letter, the FDA may recommend actions that the applicant might take to place the BLA in condition for approval, including requests for additional information or clarification. The FDA may delay or refuse approval of a BLA if applicable regulatory criteria are not satisfied, require additional testing or information and/or require post-marketing testing and surveillance to monitor safety or efficacy of a product.

If a product receives regulatory approval, the approval may be significantly limited to specific diseases and dosages or the indications for use may otherwise be limited, including to subpopulations of patients, which could restrict the commercial value of the product. Further, the FDA may require that certain contraindications, warnings, precautions or interactions be included in the product labeling. The FDA may impose restrictions and conditions on product distribution, prescribing, or dispensing in the form of a REMS, or otherwise limit the scope of any approval. The FDA also may condition approval on, among other things, changes to proposed labeling or the development of adequate controls and specifications. Once approved, the FDA may withdraw the product approval if compliance with pre- and post-marketing requirements is not maintained or if problems occur after the product reaches the marketplace. The FDA may require one or more Phase 4 post-market trials and surveillance to further assess and monitor the product's safety and effectiveness after commercialization, and may limit further marketing of the product based on the results of these post-marketing trials. In addition, new government requirements, including those resulting from new legislation, may be established, or the FDA's policies may change, which could impact the timeline for regulatory approval or otherwise impact ongoing development programs.

#### *Orphan Drug Designation*

Under the Orphan Drug Act, the FDA may grant orphan designation to a drug or biological product intended to treat a rare disease or condition, which is generally a disease or condition that affects fewer than 200,000 individuals in the United States, or 200,000 or more individuals in the United States and for which there is no reasonable expectation that the cost of developing and making a drug or biological product available in the United States for this type of disease or condition will be recovered from sales of the product. Orphan product designation must be requested before submitting a BLA. After the FDA grants orphan product designation, the identity of the therapeutic agent and its potential orphan use are disclosed publicly by the FDA. Orphan product designation does not convey any advantage in or shorten the duration of the regulatory review and approval process.

If a product that has orphan drug designation subsequently receives the first FDA approval for a particular active ingredient for the disease for which it has such designation, the product is entitled to orphan product exclusivity, which means that the FDA may not approve any other applications, including a full BLA, to market the same biologic for the same indication for seven years, except in limited circumstances, such as a showing of clinical superiority to the product with orphan drug exclusivity or if the FDA finds that the holder of the orphan drug exclusivity has not shown that it can assure the availability of sufficient quantities of the orphan drug to meet the needs of patients with the disease or condition for which the drug was designated. Orphan drug exclusivity does not prevent the FDA from approving a different drug or biologic for the same disease or condition, or the same drug or biologic for a different disease or condition. Among the other benefits of orphan drug designation are tax credits for certain research and a waiver of the BLA application user fee.

A designated orphan drug may not receive orphan drug exclusivity if it is approved for a use that is broader than the indication for which it received orphan designation. In addition, orphan drug exclusive marketing rights in the United States may be lost if the FDA later determines that the request for designation was materially defective or, as noted above, if the second applicant demonstrates that its product is clinically superior to the approved product with orphan exclusivity or the manufacturer of the approved product is unable to assure sufficient quantities of the product to meet the needs of patients with the rare disease or condition.

Orphan drug designation may also entitle a party to financial incentives such as opportunities for grant funding towards clinical trial costs, tax advantages and user-fee waivers.

#### *Expedited Development and Review Programs*

The FDA has various programs, including fast track designation, breakthrough therapy designation, accelerated approval and priority review, that are intended to expedite or simplify the process for the



development and FDA review of drugs and biologics that are intended for the treatment of serious or life-threatening diseases or conditions. To be eligible for fast track designation, new drugs and biological product candidates must be intended to treat a serious or life-threatening disease or condition and demonstrate the potential to address unmet medical needs for the disease or condition. Fast track designation applies to the combination of the product and the specific indication for which it is being studied. The sponsor of a new drug or biologic may request the FDA to designate the drug or biologic as a fast track product at any time during the clinical development of the product. One benefit of fast track designation, for example, is that the FDA may consider for review sections of the marketing application on a rolling basis before the complete application is submitted if certain conditions are satisfied, including an agreement with the FDA on the proposed schedule for submission of portions of the application and the payment of applicable user fees before the FDA may initiate a review.

Under the FDA's breakthrough therapy program, a sponsor may seek FDA designation of its product candidate as a breakthrough therapy if the product candidate is intended, alone or in combination with one or more other drugs or biologics, to treat a serious or life-threatening disease or condition and preliminary clinical evidence indicates that it may demonstrate substantial improvement over existing therapies on one or more clinically significant endpoints, such as substantial treatment effects observed early in clinical development. Breakthrough therapy designation comes with all of the benefits of fast track designation. The FDA may take other actions appropriate to expedite the development and review of the product candidate, including holding meetings with the sponsor and providing timely advice to, and interactive communication with, the sponsor regarding the development program.

A product candidate is eligible for priority review if it treats a serious or life-threatening disease or condition and, if approved, would provide a significant improvement in the safety or effectiveness of the treatment, diagnosis or prevention of a serious disease or condition. The FDA will attempt to direct additional resources to the evaluation of an application for a new drug or biological product designated for priority review in an effort to facilitate the review. Under priority review, the FDA's goal is to review an application in six months once it is filed, compared to ten months for a standard review. Priority review designation does not change the scientific/medical standard for approval or the quality of evidence necessary to support approval.

Additionally, a product candidate may be eligible for accelerated approval. Drug or biological products studied for their safety and effectiveness in treating serious or life-threatening illnesses and that provide meaningful therapeutic benefit over existing treatments may receive accelerated approval, which means that they may be approved on the basis of adequate and well-controlled clinical trials establishing that the product has an effect on a surrogate endpoint that is reasonably likely to predict a clinical benefit, or on the basis of an effect on an intermediate clinical endpoint other than survival or irreversible morbidity or mortality, that is reasonably likely to predict irreversible morbidity or mortality or other clinical benefit, taking into account the severity, rarity, or prevalence of the condition and the availability or lack of alternative treatments. As a condition of approval, the FDA generally requires that a sponsor of a drug or biological product receiving accelerated approval perform adequate and well-controlled post-marketing clinical trials to verify the clinical benefit in relationship to the surrogate endpoint or ultimate outcome in relationship to the clinical benefit. In addition, the FDA currently requires as a condition for accelerated approval pre-approval of promotional materials, which could adversely impact the timing of the commercial launch of the product. The FDA may withdraw approval of a drug or indication approved under accelerated approval if, for example, the confirmatory trial fails to verify the predicted clinical benefit of the product.

#### *Post-approval Requirements*

Rigorous and extensive FDA regulation of biological products continues after approval, particularly with respect to cGMP requirements, as well as requirements relating to record-keeping, reporting of adverse experiences, periodic reporting, product sampling and distribution, and advertising and promotion of the product. We currently rely, and may continue to rely, on third parties for the production of clinical and commercial quantities of any products that we may commercialize. Manufacturers of our products are required to comply with applicable requirements in the cGMP regulations, including quality control and quality assurance and maintenance of records and documentation. Other post-approval requirements

applicable to biological products include reporting of cGMP deviations that may affect the identity, potency, purity and overall safety of a distributed product, record-keeping requirements, reporting of adverse effects, reporting updated safety and efficacy information, and complying with electronic record and signature requirements. As part of the manufacturing process, the manufacturer is required to perform certain tests on each lot of the product before it is released for distribution. After a BLA is approved for a biological product, the product also may be subject to official lot release. If the product is subject to official release by the FDA, the manufacturer submits samples of each lot of product to the FDA together with a release protocol showing a summary of the history of manufacture of the lot and the results of all of the manufacturer's tests performed on the lot. The FDA also may perform certain confirmatory tests on lots of some products before releasing the lots for distribution by the manufacturer. In addition, the FDA conducts laboratory research related to the regulatory standards on the safety, purity, potency, and effectiveness of biological products.

Manufacturers also must comply with the FDA's advertising and promotion requirements, such as those related to direct-to-consumer advertising, the prohibition on promoting products for uses or in patient populations that are not described in the product's approved labeling (known as "off-label use"), industry-sponsored scientific and educational activities, and promotional activities involving the internet. Discovery of previously unknown problems or the failure to comply with the applicable regulatory requirements may result in restrictions on the marketing of a product or withdrawal of the product from the market as well as possible civil or criminal sanctions.

Failure to comply with the applicable United States requirements at any time during the product development process, approval process, or after approval, may subject an applicant or manufacturer to administrative or judicial civil or criminal sanctions and adverse publicity. FDA sanctions could include refusal to approve pending applications, withdrawal of an approval, clinical holds, warning or untitled letters, product recalls, product seizures, total or partial suspension of production or distribution, product detentions or refusal to permit the import or export of the product, restrictions on the marketing or manufacturing of the product, injunctions, fines, refusals of government contracts, mandated corrective advertising or communications with physicians or other stakeholders, debarment, restitution, disgorgement of profits, or civil or criminal penalties. Any agency or judicial enforcement action could have a material adverse effect on us.

Biological product manufacturers and other entities involved in the manufacture and distribution of approved biological products are required to register their establishments with the FDA and certain state agencies, and are subject to periodic unannounced inspections by the FDA and certain state agencies for compliance with cGMP and other laws. Accordingly, manufacturers must continue to expend time, money, and effort in the area of production and quality control to maintain cGMP compliance. Discovery of problems with a product after approval may result in restrictions on a product, manufacturer, or holder of an approved BLA, including withdrawal of the product from the market. In addition, changes to the manufacturing process or facility generally require prior FDA approval before being implemented and other types of changes to the approved product, such as adding new indications and additional labeling claims, are also subject to further FDA review and approval.

#### *Marketing Exclusivity*

Depending upon the timing, duration and specifics of the FDA approval of the use of our product candidates, some of our United States patents may be eligible for limited patent term extension under the Hatch-Waxman Amendments. The Hatch-Waxman Amendments permit a patent restoration term of up to five years as compensation for patent term lost during product development and the FDA regulatory review process. However, patent term restoration cannot extend the remaining term of a patent beyond a total of 14 years from the product's approval date. The patent term restoration period is generally one-half the time between the effective date of an IND and the submission date of a BLA plus the time between the submission date of a BLA and the approval of that application. Only one patent applicable to an approved biological product is eligible for the extension and the application for the extension must be submitted prior to the expiration of the patent. In addition, a patent can only be extended once and only for a single product. The U.S. PTO, in consultation with the FDA, reviews and approves the application for any patent term extension or restoration. In the future, we may intend to apply for restoration of patent term for one of our patents, if and as applicable, to add patent life beyond its current expiration date, depending on the expected length of the clinical trials and other factors involved in the filing of the relevant BLA.

The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, as amended by the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act, or collectively the ACA, includes a subtitle called the Biologics Price Competition and Innovation Act of 2009, or BPCIA, which created an abbreviated approval pathway for biological products shown to be biosimilar to, or interchangeable with, an FDA-licensed reference biological product. This amendment to the PHS Act attempts to minimize duplicative testing. Biosimilarity, which requires that there be no clinically meaningful differences between the biological product and the reference product in terms of safety, purity, and potency, can be shown through analytical studies, animal studies, and a clinical trial or trials. Interchangeability requires that a product is biosimilar to the reference product and the product must demonstrate that it can be expected to produce the same clinical results as the reference product and, for products administered multiple times, the biologic and the reference biologic may be switched after one has been previously administered without increasing safety risks or risks of diminished efficacy relative to exclusive use of the reference biologic.

FDA will not accept an application for a biosimilar or interchangeable product based on the reference biological product until four years after the date of first licensure of the reference product, and FDA will not approve an application for a biosimilar or interchangeable product based on the reference biological product until twelve years after the date of first licensure of the reference product. "First licensure" typically means the initial date the particular product at issue was licensed in the United States. Date of first licensure does not include the date of licensure of (and a new period of exclusivity is not available for) a biological product if the licensure is for a supplement for the biological product or for a subsequent application by the same sponsor or manufacturer of the biological product (or licensor, predecessor in interest, or other related entity) for a change (not including a modification to the structure of the biological product) that results in a new indication, route of administration, dosing schedule, dosage form, delivery system, delivery device or strength, or for a modification to the structure of the biological product that does not result in a change in safety, purity, or potency.

The BPCIA is complex and continues to be interpreted and implemented by the FDA. In addition, government proposals have sought to reduce the 12-year reference product exclusivity period. Other aspects of the BPCIA, some of which may impact the BPCIA exclusivity provisions, have also been the subject of recent litigation. As a result, the ultimate implementation and impact of the BPCIA is subject to significant uncertainty.

In addition to exclusivity under the BPCIA, a biological product can obtain pediatric market exclusivity in the United States. Pediatric exclusivity, if granted, adds six months to existing exclusivity periods, including some regulatory exclusivity periods tied to patent terms. This six-month exclusivity, which runs from the end of other exclusivity protection or patent term, may be granted based on the voluntary completion of a pediatric trial in accordance with an FDA-issued "Written Request" for such a trial.

#### *Additional Regulation*

In addition to the foregoing, state and federal laws regarding environmental protection and hazardous substances, including the Occupational Safety and Health Act, the Resource Conservancy and Recovery Act and the Toxic Substances Control Act, affect our business. These and other laws govern our use, handling and disposal of various biological, chemical and radioactive substances used in, and wastes generated by, our operations. If our operations result in contamination of the environment or expose individuals to hazardous substances, we could be liable for damages and governmental fines. We believe that we are in material compliance with applicable environmental laws and that continued compliance therewith will not have a material adverse effect on our business. We cannot predict, however, how changes in these laws may affect our future operations.

#### *Government Regulation Outside of the United States*

In addition to regulations in the United States, we are subject to a variety of regulations in other jurisdictions governing, among other things, research and development, clinical trials, testing, manufacturing, safety, efficacy, labeling, packaging, storage, record keeping, distribution, reporting, advertising and other promotional practices involving biological products as well as authorization and approval of our products. Because biologically sourced raw materials are subject to unique contamination risks, their use may be restricted in some countries.

Whether or not we obtain FDA approval for a product, we must obtain the requisite approvals from regulatory authorities in foreign countries prior to the commencement of clinical trials or marketing of the product in those countries. Certain countries outside of the United States have a similar process that requires the submission of a clinical trial application much like the IND prior to the commencement of human clinical trials. In the European Union, for example, a CTA must be submitted for each clinical trial to each country's National Competent Authority, or NCA, and at least one independent Ethics Committee, or EC, much like the FDA and an IRB, respectively. Once the CTA is approved in accordance with a country's requirements, the corresponding clinical trial may proceed. Under the current regime (the EU Clinical Trials Directive 2001/20/EC and corresponding national laws) all suspected unexpected serious adverse reactions to the investigated drug that occur during the clinical trial have to be reported to the NCA and ECs of the Member State where they occurred.

In April 2014, the EU adopted a new Clinical Trials Regulation (EU) No 536/2014, which is set to replace the current Clinical Trials Directive 2001/20/EC. It will overhaul the current system of approvals for clinical trials in the EU. Specifically, the new regulation, which will be directly applicable in all member states (meaning that no national implementing legislation in each EU Member State is required), aims at simplifying and streamlining the approval of clinical trials in the EU. For instance, the new Clinical Trials Regulation provides for a streamlined application procedure via a single entry point and strictly defined deadlines for the assessment of clinical trial applications. It is expected that the new Clinical Trials Regulation (EU) No 536/2014 will come into effect following confirmation of full functionality of the Clinical Trials Information System, the centralized EU portal and database for clinical trials foreseen by the new Clinical Trials regulation, through an independent audit.

The requirements and process governing the conduct of clinical trials, product licensing, pricing and reimbursement vary from country to country. In all cases, the clinical trials must be conducted in accordance with GCP and the applicable regulatory requirements and the ethical principles that have their origin in the Declaration of Helsinki.

If we fail to comply with applicable foreign regulatory requirements, we may be subject to, among other things, fines, suspension of clinical trials, suspension or withdrawal of regulatory approvals, product recalls, seizure of products, operating restrictions and criminal prosecution.

#### *European Union Drug Review and Approval*

In the European Union, medicinal products, including biological medicinal products, are subject to extensive pre- and post-market regulation by regulatory authorities at both the European Union and national levels.

To obtain regulatory approval of a biological medicinal product under the European Union regulatory system, we must submit a marketing authorization application, or MAA, either under a centralized procedure administered by the European Medicines Agency, or EMA, or one of the procedures administered by competent authorities in EEA Member States (which are all the European Union Member States, as well as Iceland, Norway and Liechtenstein): the decentralized procedure, national procedure, or mutual recognition procedure. A marketing authorization may be granted only to an applicant established in the EEA.

The centralized procedure provides for the grant of a single marketing authorization by the European Commission that is valid for all EEA. Pursuant to Regulation (EC) No. 726/2004, the centralized procedure is compulsory for specific products, including for medicines produced by certain biotechnological processes, products designated as orphan medicinal products, advanced therapy products and products with a new active substance indicated for the treatment of certain diseases, including products for the treatment of viral diseases and cancer. For those products for which the use of the centralized procedure is not mandatory, applicants may elect to use the centralized procedure where either the product contains a new active substance not yet authorized in the EEA, or where the applicant can show that the product constitutes a significant therapeutic, scientific or technical innovation or for which a centralized process is in the interest of patients at a European Union level.

Under the centralized procedure, the Committee for Medicinal Products for Human Use, or the CHMP, established at the EMA is responsible for conducting an initial assessment of whether a product meets the

required quality, safety and efficacy requirements, and whether a product has a positive benefit/risk profile. Under the centralized procedure in the European Union, the maximum timeframe for the evaluation of an MAA is 210 days from receipt of a valid MAA, excluding clock stops when additional information or written or oral explanation is to be provided by the applicant in response to questions of the CHMP. Clock stops may extend the timeframe of evaluation of an MAA considerably beyond 210 days. Where the CHMP gives a positive opinion, it provides the opinion together with supporting documentation to the European Commission, who make the final decision to grant a marketing authorization, which is issued within 67 days of receipt of the EMA's recommendation. Accelerated evaluation may be granted by the CHMP in exceptional cases, when a medicinal product is of major interest from the point of view of public health and, in particular, from the viewpoint of therapeutic innovation. If the CHMP accepts such a request, the timeframe of 210 days for assessment will be reduced to 150 days (excluding clock stops), but it is possible that the CHMP may revert to the standard time limit for the centralized procedure if it determines that the application is no longer appropriate to conduct an accelerated assessment.

For products not falling within the mandatory scope of the centralized procedure, national marketing authorizations may be obtained, which are issued by the competent authorities of the EEA Member States and only cover their respective territory. Where a product has already been authorized for marketing in an EEA Member State, this national marketing authorization can be recognized in another EEA Member State through the mutual recognition procedure. If the product has not received a national marketing authorization in any Member State at the time of application, it can be approved simultaneously in various EEA Member States through the decentralized procedure. As with the centralized procedure, the competent authorities of the EEA Member States assess the risk-benefit balance of the product on the basis of scientific criteria concerning its quality, safety and efficacy before granting the marketing authorization.

The application used to submit the BLA in the United States is similar to that required in the European Union, with certain exceptions. Directive 2001/83/EC and the laws in the Member States transposing this Directive into national law set out the requirements for an MAA. An MAA for a biological medicinal product must contain certain additional requirements to applications for other medicinal products, such as a description of the origin and history of the starting materials used for the product.

#### *Data and Marketing Exclusivity*

The EEA also provides opportunities for market exclusivity. Upon receiving marketing authorization in the EEA, innovative medicinal products generally receive eight years of data exclusivity and an additional two years of market exclusivity. Data exclusivity prevents generic or biosimilar applicants from referencing the innovator's preclinical and clinical trial data contained in the dossier of the reference product when applying for a generic or biosimilar marketing authorization in the EEA during a period of eight years from the date on which the reference product was first authorized in the EEA. During the additional two-year period of market exclusivity, a generic or biosimilar marketing authorization can be submitted, and the innovator's data may be referenced, but no generic or biosimilar product can be marketed until the expiration of the market exclusivity period. The overall ten-year period will be extended to a maximum of eleven years if, during the first eight years of those ten years, the marketing authorization holder obtains an authorization for one or more new therapeutic indications which, during the scientific evaluation prior to authorization, is held to bring a significant clinical benefit in comparison with existing therapies. Even if a compound is considered to be a new chemical entity so that the innovator gains the prescribed period of data exclusivity, another company may market another version of the product if such company obtained marketing authorization based on an MAA with a complete independent data package of pharmaceutical tests, preclinical tests and clinical trials.

#### *Orphan Drug Designation and Exclusivity*

Products with an orphan designation in the EEA can receive ten years of market exclusivity, during which time "no similar medicinal product" for the same indication may be placed on the market. A "similar medicinal product" is defined as a medicinal product containing a similar active substance or substances as contained in an authorized orphan medicinal product, and which is intended for the same therapeutic indication. An orphan product can also obtain an additional two years of market exclusivity where an agreed Pediatric Investigation Plan for pediatric trials has been complied with. No extension to any

supplementary protection certificate can be granted on the basis of pediatric trials for orphan indications. The ten-year market exclusivity may be reduced to six years if, at the end of the fifth year, it is established that the product no longer meets the criteria for orphan designation, for example, if the product is sufficiently profitable not to justify maintenance of market exclusivity.

The criteria for designating an “orphan medicinal product” in the EEA are similar in principle to those in the United States. Under Article 3 of Regulation (EC) 141/2000, a medicinal product may be designated as an orphan medicinal product if it meets the following criteria: (i) it is intended for the diagnosis, prevention or treatment of a life-threatening or chronically debilitating condition; **and** (ii) the prevalence of such condition must not be more than five in 10,000 persons in the EEA when the application is made, **or** without the benefits derived from orphan status, it must be unlikely that the marketing of the medicine would generate sufficient return in the EEA to justify the investment needed for its development; **and** (iii) there exists no satisfactory method of diagnosis, prevention or treatment of such condition, or if such a method exists, the product will be of significant benefit to those affected by the condition, as defined in Regulation (EC) 847/2000. Orphan medicinal products are eligible for financial incentives such as reduction of fees or fee waivers made available by the EU and its Member States to support research into, and the development and availability of, orphan drugs. The application for orphan drug designation must be submitted before the application for marketing authorization. The applicant will receive a fee reduction for the MAA if the orphan drug designation has been granted, but not if the designation is still pending at the time the marketing authorization is submitted. Orphan drug designation does not convey any advantage in, or shorten the duration of, the regulatory review and approval process.

Orphan medicine marketing exclusivity may be revoked only in very select cases, such as:

- it is established that a similar medicinal product is safer, more effective or otherwise clinically superior;
- consent from the marketing authorization holder; or
- the marketing authorization holder cannot supply enough orphan medicinal product.

#### *Pediatric Development*

In the EEA, companies developing a new medicinal product must agree upon a Pediatric Investigation Plan, or PIP, with the EMA’s Pediatric Committee, or PDCO, and must conduct pediatric clinical trials in accordance with that PIP, unless a waiver applies, (*e.g.*, because the relevant disease or condition occurs only in adults). The PIP sets out the timing and measures proposed to generate data to support a pediatric indication of the drug for which marketing authorization is being sought. The MAA for the product must include the results of pediatric clinical trials conducted in accordance with the PIP, unless a waiver applies, or a deferral has been granted by the PDCO of the obligation to implement some or all of the measures of the PIP until there are sufficient data to demonstrate the efficacy and safety of the product in adults, in which case the pediatric clinical trials must be completed at a later date. Products that are granted a marketing authorization with the results of pediatric clinical trials conducted in accordance with the PIP are eligible for a six month extension of the protection under a supplementary protection certificate (if any is in effect at the time of approval) even where the trial results are negative. In the case of orphan medicinal products, a two year extension of the orphan market exclusivity may be available. This pediatric reward is subject to specific conditions and is not automatically available when data in compliance with the PIP are developed and submitted.

#### *PRIME Designation*

In March 2016, the European Medicines Agency (EMA), launched an initiative to facilitate development of product candidates in indications, often rare, for which few or no therapies currently exist. The PRiority MEDicines (PRIME), scheme is intended to encourage drug development in areas of unmet medical need (where there is no satisfactory method of diagnosis, prevention or treatment in the European Union or, if there is, the new medicine will bring a major therapeutic advantage) and provides accelerated assessment of products representing substantial innovation. The PRIME scheme is open to medicines under development and for which the applicant intends to apply for an initial MAA through under the centralized procedure. Applicants will typically be at the exploratory clinical trial phase of development, and will have preliminary

clinical evidence in patients to demonstrate the promising activity of the medicine and its potential to address to a significant extent an unmet medical need. In exceptional cases, products from small- and medium-sized enterprises may qualify for earlier entry into the PRIME scheme than larger companies, if compelling non-clinical data in a relevant model provide early evidence of promising activity, and first in man trials indicate adequate exposure for the desired pharmacotherapeutic effects and tolerability. Many benefits accrue to sponsors of product candidates with PRIME designation, including but not limited to, early and proactive regulatory dialogue with the EMA, frequent discussions on clinical trial designs and other development program elements, and accelerated MAA assessment once a dossier has been submitted. Importantly, a dedicated Agency contact and rapporteur from the CHMP or Committee for Advanced Therapies are appointed early in PRIME scheme facilitating increased understanding of the product at EMA's Committee level. A kick-off meeting initiates these relationships and includes a team of multidisciplinary experts at the EMA to provide guidance on the overall development and regulatory strategies. Where, during the course of development, a medicine no longer meets the eligibility criteria, support under the PRIME scheme may be withdrawn.

#### *Post-Approval Controls*

Following approval, the holder of the marketing authorization is required to comply with a range of requirements applicable to the manufacturing, marketing, promotion and sale of the medicinal product. These include the following:

- The holder of a marketing authorization must establish and maintain a pharmacovigilance system and appoint an individual qualified person for pharmacovigilance, who is responsible for oversight of that system. Key obligations include expedited reporting of suspected serious adverse reactions and submission of periodic safety update reports, or PSURs.
- All new MAAs must include a risk management plan, or RMP, describing the risk management system that the company will put in place and documenting measures to prevent or minimize the risks associated with the product. The regulatory authorities may also impose specific obligations as a condition of the marketing authorization. Such risk-minimization measures or post-authorization obligations may include additional safety monitoring, more frequent submission of PSURs, or the conduct of additional clinical trials or post-authorization safety trials. RMPs and PSURs are routinely available to third parties requesting access, subject to limited redactions.
- All advertising and promotional activities for the product must be consistent with the approved SmPC and therefore all off-label promotion is prohibited. Direct-to-consumer advertising of prescription medicines is also prohibited in the European Union. Although general requirements for advertising and promotion of medicinal products are established under European Union directives, the details are governed by regulations in each European Union Member State and can differ from one country to another.

#### *Brexit and the Regulatory Framework in the United Kingdom*

In June 2016, the electorate in the United Kingdom voted in favor of leaving the European Union (commonly referred to as “Brexit”). Thereafter, in March 2017, the country formally notified the European Union of its intention to withdraw pursuant to Article 50 of the Lisbon Treaty. The United Kingdom formally left the European Union on January 31, 2020. There was a transitional period, during which EU laws continued to apply in the UK, which ended on December 31, 2020. The UK and EU have signed a EU-UK Trade and Cooperation Agreement, which became provisionally applicable on January 1, 2021 and which will become formally applicable once ratified by both the UK and the EU. This agreement provides details on how some aspects of the UK and EU's relationship regarding medicinal products will operate, particularly in relation to Good Manufacturing Practice; however, there are still many uncertainties. Since the regulatory framework for pharmaceutical products in the United Kingdom covering quality, safety and efficacy of pharmaceutical products, clinical trials, marketing authorization, commercial sales and distribution of pharmaceutical products is derived from European Union directives and regulations, Brexit could materially impact the future regulatory regime which applies to products and the approval of product candidates in the United Kingdom or the EU, as there is now potential for the UK regulations on medicinal

products to diverge from the EU regulations. It remains to be seen how Brexit will impact regulatory requirements for product candidates and products in the United Kingdom in the long-term. In the meantime, the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency, the UK medicines and medical devices regulator, has published detailed guidance for industry and organizations to follow from January 1, 2021, which will be updated as necessary.

#### *Coverage and Reimbursement*

Significant uncertainty exists as to the coverage and reimbursement status of any pharmaceutical or biological product for which we may seek regulatory approval. Sales of any product, if approved, depend, in part, on the extent to which such product will be covered by third-party payors, such as federal, state, and foreign government healthcare programs, commercial insurers, and managed healthcare organizations. Decisions regarding whether to cover any of our product candidates, if approved, the extent of coverage, and amount of reimbursement to be provided are made on a plan-by-plan basis. Further, no uniform policy for coverage and reimbursement exists in the United States, and coverage and reimbursement can differ significantly from payor to payor.

Moreover, product candidates may not be considered medically necessary or cost-effective. A decision by a third-party payor not to cover any product candidates we may develop could reduce physician utilization of such product candidates once approved and have a material adverse effect on our sales, results of operations, and financial condition. Third-party payors often rely upon Medicare coverage policy and payment limitations in setting their own reimbursement rates, but also have their own methods and approval process apart from Medicare determinations. As a result, the coverage determination process is often a time-consuming and costly process that will require us to provide scientific and clinical support for the use of our product candidates to each payor separately, with no assurance that coverage and adequate reimbursement will be applied consistently or obtained in the first instance. For products administered under the supervision of a physician, obtaining coverage and adequate reimbursement may be particularly difficult because of the higher prices often associated with such drugs. Additionally, separate reimbursement for the product itself or the treatment or procedure in which the product is used may not be available, which may impact physician utilization of the product.

In addition, the U.S. government and state legislatures have continued implementing cost-containment programs, including price controls, restrictions on coverage and reimbursement, and requirements for substitution of generic products. Third-party payors are increasingly challenging the prices charged for medical products and services; examining the medical necessity of pharmaceutical or biological products; reviewing the cost-effectiveness of such products; and questioning the safety and efficacy of such products. Adoption of new price controls and cost-containment measures, or adoption of more restrictive policies in jurisdictions with existing controls and measures, could further limit sales of any product that receives approval. Furthermore, there is no assurance that a product will be considered medically reasonable and necessary for a specific indication, that it will be considered cost-effective by third-party payors, that an adequate level of reimbursement will be established even if coverage is available, or that the third-party payors' reimbursement policies will not adversely affect the ability of manufacturers to sell products profitably. Decreases in third-party reimbursement for any product or a decision by a third party not to cover a product could reduce physician usage and patient demand for such product.

In international markets, reimbursement and healthcare payment systems vary significantly by country, and many countries have instituted price ceilings on specific products and therapies. For example, the European Union provides options for its member states to restrict the range of medicinal products for which their national health insurance systems provide reimbursement and to control the prices of medicinal products for human use. A member state may approve a specific price for the medicinal product, or it may instead adopt a system of direct or indirect controls on the profitability of the company placing the medicinal product on the market. Pharmaceutical products may face competition from lower-priced products in foreign countries that have placed price controls on pharmaceutical products and may also compete with imported foreign products.

#### *Other Healthcare Laws and Compliance Requirements*

Pharmaceutical companies are subject to additional healthcare regulation and enforcement by the federal government and by authorities in the states and foreign jurisdictions in which they conduct their business.



Such laws include, without limitation: the U.S. federal Anti-Kickback Statute, or AKS; the civil False Claims Act, or FCA; the federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, or HIPAA; and similar foreign, federal, and state fraud and abuse, transparency, and privacy laws.

The AKS prohibits, among other things, persons and entities from knowingly and willfully soliciting, receiving, offering, or paying remuneration to induce, or in return for, either the referral of an individual, or the purchase, lease, ordering, or arranging for or recommending the purchase, lease, or ordering, of any item or service for which payment may be made under any federal healthcare program. The term remuneration has been interpreted broadly to include anything of value, whether given directly or indirectly, in cash or in kind. The AKS has been interpreted to apply to arrangements between pharmaceutical manufacturers on one hand and prescribers, third-party payors, patients, and others on the other hand. There are a number of statutory exceptions and regulatory safe harbors protecting some common activities from prosecution, but they are drawn narrowly, and practices that involve remuneration, such as consulting agreements, that may be alleged to be intended to induce prescribing, purchasing, or recommending may be subject to scrutiny if they do not qualify for an exception or safe harbor. Failure to meet all of the requirements of an applicable statutory exception or regulatory safe harbor does not make the conduct per se illegal under the AKS. Instead, the legality of the arrangement will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis based on a cumulative review of all of its facts and circumstances. Our practices may not in all cases meet all of the criteria for protection under a statutory exception or regulatory safe harbor. A person or entity does not need to have actual knowledge of the statute or specific intent to violate it in order to have committed a violation. In addition, a claim submitted to a federal healthcare program that includes items or services resulting from a violation of the AKS constitutes a false or fraudulent claim that may result in civil liability under the FCA.

Civil and criminal false claims laws, and civil monetary penalty laws, including the FCA, which can be enforced through civil whistleblower or qui tam actions, prohibit, among other things, individuals or entities from knowingly presenting, or causing to be presented, claims for payment to the federal government, including federal healthcare programs, that are false or fraudulent. For example, the FCA prohibits any person or entity from knowingly presenting, or causing to be presented, a false claim for payment to the federal government or knowingly making, using, or causing to be made or used a false record or statement material to a false or fraudulent claim to the federal government. A claim includes “any request or demand” for money or property presented to the U.S. government. Several pharmaceutical companies have been prosecuted under these laws for allegedly providing free product to customers with the expectation that the customers would bill federal healthcare programs for the product, or for subsidizing copays for patients, including indirectly through charitable patient assistance programs, as an inducement for patients to utilize their products.

HIPAA created additional federal civil and criminal liability for, among other things, knowingly and willfully executing a scheme to defraud any healthcare benefit program, or obtain, by means of false or fraudulent pretenses, representations, or promises, any of the money or property owned by, or under the custody or control of, any healthcare benefit program, regardless of the payor (*e.g.*, public or private) and knowingly and willfully falsifying, concealing, or covering up by any trick or device a material fact or making any materially false statements in connection with the delivery of, or payment for, healthcare benefits, items, or services relating to healthcare matters. Similar to the AKS, a person or entity can be found guilty of violating HIPAA’s fraud and abuse provisions without actual knowledge of the statute or specific intent to violate it.

In addition, HIPAA, as amended by the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act of 2009, or HITECH, and their respective implementing regulations, impose certain requirements on HIPAA covered entities, which include certain healthcare providers, healthcare clearinghouses, and health plans, and individuals and entities that provide services on their behalf that involve individually identifiable health information, known as business associates, relating to the privacy, security, and transmission of individually identifiable health information. In particular, regulations promulgated pursuant to HIPAA establish privacy and security standards that limit the use and disclosure of protected health information and require the implementation of administrative, physical and technological safeguards to protect the privacy of protected health information and ensure the confidentiality, integrity and availability of electronic protected health information. Determining whether protected health information has been

handled in compliance with applicable privacy standards and our contractual obligations can require complex factual and statistical analyses, and may be complicated by the fact that the applicable rules are subject to changing interpretation. HIPAA mandates the reporting of certain breaches of health information to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, or HHS, affected individuals, and if the breach is large enough, the media. In addition to reputational harm, entities that are found to be in violation of HIPAA as the result of a breach of unsecured protected health information, a complaint about privacy practices, or an audit by HHS, may be subject to significant civil, criminal, and administrative fines and penalties and/or additional reporting and oversight obligations if required to enter into a resolution agreement and corrective action plan with HHS to settle allegations of HIPAA non-compliance. HITECH also created new tiers of civil monetary penalties, amended HIPAA to make civil and criminal penalties directly applicable to business associates, and gave state attorneys general new authority to file civil actions for damages or injunctions in federal courts to enforce the federal HIPAA laws and seek attorneys' fees and costs associated with pursuing civil actions.

The U.S. federal Physician Payments Sunshine Act requires certain manufacturers of drugs, devices, biologics, and medical supplies for which payment is available under Medicare, Medicaid, or the Children's Health Insurance Program, with specific exceptions, to annually report to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, or CMS, information related to payments or other transfers of value made to physicians (currently defined to include doctors of medicine or osteopathy, dentists, optometrists, podiatrists, and chiropractors) and teaching hospitals, as well as ownership and investment interests held by physicians and their immediate family members. Effective January 1, 2022, these reporting obligations will extend to include transfers of value made to certain non-physician practitioners, such as physician assistants and nurse practitioners.

We are also subject to additional similar U.S. state and foreign equivalents of each of the above federal laws, such as anti-kickback and false claims laws which may apply to sales or marketing arrangements and claims involving healthcare items or services reimbursed by non-governmental third-party payors, including private insurers, or that apply regardless of payor; state laws which require pharmaceutical companies to comply with the pharmaceutical industry's voluntary compliance guidelines and the relevant compliance guidance promulgated by the federal government; state and local laws which require pharmaceutical companies to report information related to payments and other transfers of value to physicians and other healthcare providers or marketing expenditures; state laws which require the reporting of information related to drug pricing; state and local laws requiring the registration of pharmaceutical sales representatives; and state and foreign laws governing the privacy and security of health information which, in some cases, differ from each other in significant ways, and may not have the same effect, thus complicating compliance efforts. If our operations are found to be in violation of any of such laws or any other governmental regulations that apply, we or our officers, directors, employees, contractors, or agents may be subject to penalties, including, without limitation, significant civil, criminal, and administrative penalties; damages; fines; exclusion from government-funded healthcare programs, such as Medicare and Medicaid or similar programs in other countries or jurisdictions; entry into a corporate integrity agreement or similar reporting obligations to resolve allegations of non-compliance; disgorgement; imprisonment; contractual damages; reputational harm; diminished profits; and the curtailment or restructuring of our operations.

#### **Data Privacy and Security Laws**

We may also be subject to data privacy and security laws in the United States and various jurisdictions around the world in which we operate or process personally identifiable information ("personal information" or "personal data"). Even when HIPAA does not apply, according to the Federal Trade Commission, or the FTC, failing to take appropriate steps to keep consumers' personal information secure constitutes unfair acts or practices in or affecting commerce in violation of Section 5(a) of the Federal Trade Commission Act, or the FTCA, 15 U.S.C. § 45(a). The FTC expects a company's data security measures to be reasonable and appropriate in light of the sensitivity and volume of consumer information it holds, the size and complexity of its business, and the cost of available tools to improve security and reduce vulnerabilities. Individually identifiable health information is considered sensitive data that merits stronger safeguards. The FTC's guidance for appropriately securing consumers' personal information is similar to what is required by the HIPAA security regulations.

In addition, certain states have enacted laws that govern the privacy and security of health information and other personal information in certain circumstances, some of which are more stringent than HIPAA and many of which differ from each other in significant ways and may not have the same effect, thus complicating compliance efforts. Failure to comply with these laws, where applicable, can result in the imposition of significant civil and/or criminal penalties and private litigation as well as reputational harm. For example, California recently enacted the California Consumer Privacy Act, or the CCPA, which provides for civil penalties for violations and creates new individual privacy rights for California consumers (as defined in the law) for certain data breaches that result in the loss of personal information that may increase the likelihood of, and risks associated with, data breach litigation, and places increased privacy and security obligations on entities handling personal data of consumers or households. The CCPA requires covered businesses to provide certain disclosures to consumers about their data collection, use and sharing practices, and to provide affected California residents with ways to opt-out of certain sales or transfers of personal information. The CCPA went into effect on January 1, 2020 and became enforceable by the California Attorney General on July 1, 2020. While there is currently an exception for protected health information that is subject to HIPAA and clinical trial regulations, as currently written, the CCPA may impact our business activities with respect to other personal information that we collect regarding California residents. Although the CCPA is now in force, there continues to be uncertainty about how it will be enforced and about how certain of its provisions will be interpreted. The uncertainty surrounding the implementation of CCPA exemplifies the vulnerability of our business to the evolving regulatory environment related to personal information and protected health information.

In addition, on November 3, 2020, California voters approved a new privacy law, the California Privacy Rights Act, or the CPRA. Effective starting on January 1, 2023, the CPRA will significantly modify the CCPA, including by expanding consumers' rights with respect to certain sensitive personal information. The CPRA also creates a new state agency that will be vested with authority to implement and enforce the CCPA and the CPRA. Laws protecting personal data privacy and/or imposing data security requirements have also been proposed in other states and at the federal level, and if passed, such laws may have potentially conflicting requirements that would make compliance challenging.

The collection, use, storage, disclosure, transfer, or other processing of personal information regarding individuals in the European Economic Area, or EEA, including personal health data, is subject to the GDPR, which became effective on May 25, 2018. The GDPR is wide-ranging in scope and imposes numerous requirements on companies that process personal data, including requirements relating to processing health and other sensitive data, obtaining consent of the individuals to whom the personal data relates, providing information to individuals regarding data processing activities, implementing safeguards to protect the security and confidentiality of personal data, providing notification of data breaches, and taking certain measures when engaging third-party processors. The GDPR also imposes strict rules on the transfer of personal data to countries outside the European Union, including the United States, and permits data protection authorities to impose large penalties for violations of the GDPR, including potential fines of up to €20 million or 4% of annual global revenues, whichever is greater. The GDPR also confers a private right of action on data subjects and consumer associations to lodge complaints with supervisory authorities, seek judicial remedies, and obtain compensation for damages resulting from violations of the GDPR. In addition, the GDPR includes restrictions on cross-border data transfers. Compliance with the GDPR will be a rigorous and time-intensive process that may increase our cost of doing business or require us to change our business practices, and despite those efforts, there is a risk that we may be subject to fines and penalties, litigation, and reputational harm in connection with our European activities. Data protection authorities from the different EU member states may interpret the GDPR and national laws differently and impose additional requirements, which add to the complexity of processing personal data in the EU. In addition, further to the United Kingdom's (U.K.) exit from the EU ("Brexit") on January 31, 2020, the GDPR continued to apply in the U.K. until the end of the transition period on December 31, 2020. As of January 1, 2021, the GDPR was brought into U.K. law as the 'U.K. GDPR', but there may be further developments about the regulation of particular issues such as U.K.-EU data transfers. Pursuant to the Trade and Cooperation Agreement, which went into effect on January 1, 2021, the U.K. and the EU agreed to a specified period during which the U.K. will be treated like an EU member state in relation to transfers of personal data to the U.K. for four months from January 1, 2021. This period may be extended by two further months. Unless the European Commission makes an adequacy finding in respect

of the U.K. before the expiration of such specified period, the U.K. will become an inadequate third country under the GDPR and transfers of data from the European Economic Area to the U.K. will require a transfer mechanism, such as the standard contractual clauses. If we engage in personal data processing activities that cause us to be subject to UK data protection law, we may be required to take steps to ensure the lawfulness of our cross-border data transfers, particularly if by the end of the specified period there will not be an adequacy decision by the European Commission regarding the U.K.

In addition, various jurisdictions around the world continue to propose new laws that regulate the privacy and/or security of certain types of personal data. Complying with these laws, if enacted, would require significant resources and leave us vulnerable to possible fines, penalties, litigation, and reputational harm if we are unable to comply.

#### *Healthcare Reform and Legislative Changes*

The United States and some foreign jurisdictions are considering or have enacted a number of reform proposals to change the healthcare system. There is significant interest in promoting changes in healthcare systems with the stated goals of containing healthcare costs, improving quality, or expanding access. In the United States, the pharmaceutical industry has been a particular focus of these efforts and has been significantly affected by federal and state legislative initiatives, including those designed to limit the pricing, coverage, and reimbursement of pharmaceutical and biological products, especially under government-funded healthcare programs, and increased governmental control of drug pricing.

The ACA, which was enacted in March 2010, substantially changed the way healthcare is financed by both governmental and private insurers in the United States, and significantly affected the pharmaceutical industry. The ACA contains a number of provisions of particular import to the pharmaceutical and biotechnology industries, including, but not limited to, those governing enrollment in federal healthcare programs and expanding enrollment in commercial health plans through new Health Insurance Marketplaces operated by the federal and state governments; a new methodology by which rebates owed by manufacturers under the Medicaid Drug Rebate Program are calculated for drugs that are inhaled, infused, instilled, implanted, or injected; and annual fees based on pharmaceutical companies' share of sales to federal healthcare programs. Since its enactment, there have been judicial, Congressional, and executive branch challenges to certain aspects of the ACA, and we expect there will be additional challenges and amendments to the ACA in the future. For example, Congress has considered legislation that would repeal, or repeal and replace, all or part of the ACA. While Congress has not passed comprehensive repeal legislation, it has enacted laws that modify certain provisions of the ACA such as removing penalties, which started on January 1, 2019, for not complying with the ACA's individual mandate to carry health insurance, delaying the implementation of certain ACA-mandated fees, and increasing the point-of-sale discount that is owed by pharmaceutical manufacturers who participate in Medicare Part D.

On December 14, 2018, a U.S. District Court Judge in Texas ruled that the ACA is unconstitutional in its entirety because the "individual mandate" was repealed by Congress as part of legislation enacted in 2017, informally titled the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act. On December 18, 2019, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 5th Circuit ruled that the individual mandate was unconstitutional and remanded the case back to the District Court to determine whether the remaining provisions of the ACA are invalid as well. On March 2, 2020, the United States Supreme Court granted the petitions for writs of certiorari to review this case. Oral arguments occurred on November 10, 2020, though it is unclear when a decision will be reached. It is also unclear how such litigation and other efforts to repeal or replace the ACA will impact the ACA and our business.

Other legislative changes have been proposed and adopted since the ACA was enacted, including aggregate reductions of Medicare payments to providers of 2% per fiscal year and reduced payments to several types of Medicare providers. These reductions went into effect in April 2013 and, due to subsequent legislative amendments to the statute, will remain in effect through 2030 unless additional action is taken by Congress. However, pursuant to the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act, and subsequent legislation, these Medicare sequester reductions are suspended from May 1, 2020 through March 31, 2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Further regulatory changes include passage of the Right to Try Act on May 30, 2018. The law, among other things, provides a federal framework for certain patients to access certain investigational new medical

products that have completed a Phase 1 clinical trial and that are undergoing investigation for FDA approval. Under certain circumstances, eligible patients can seek treatment without enrolling in clinical trials and without obtaining FDA permission under the FDA expanded access program. There is no obligation for a pharmaceutical manufacturer to make its drug products available to eligible patients as a result of the Right to Try Act.

Moreover, there has recently been heightened governmental scrutiny over the manner in which manufacturers set prices for their marketed products, which has resulted in several Congressional inquiries and proposed and enacted federal and state legislation designed to, among other things, bring more transparency to product pricing, review the relationship between pricing and manufacturer patient programs, and reform government program reimbursement methodologies for drug products. The former Trump administration's budget proposal for fiscal year 2021 included a \$135 billion allowance to support legislative proposals seeking to reduce drug prices, increase competition, lower out-of-pocket drug costs for patients, and increase patient access to lower-cost generic and biosimilar drugs. On March 10, 2020, the former Trump administration sent "principles" for drug pricing to Congress, calling for legislation that would, among other things, cap Medicare Part D beneficiary out-of-pocket pharmacy expenses, provide an option to cap Medicare Part D beneficiary monthly out-of-pocket expenses, and place limits on pharmaceutical price increases. Further, the former Trump administration also previously released a "Blueprint" to lower drug prices and reduce out of pocket costs of drugs that contains additional proposals to increase manufacturer competition, increase the negotiating power of certain federal healthcare programs, incentivize manufacturers to lower the list price of their products and reduce the out of pocket costs of drug products paid by consumers. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, or HHS, has already started the process of soliciting feedback on some of these measures and, at the same time, is immediately implementing others under its existing authority. For example, in May 2019, CMS issued a final rule to allow Medicare Advantage Plans the option of using step therapy for Part B drugs beginning January 1, 2020. However, it is unclear whether the Biden administration will challenge, reverse, revoke or otherwise modify these executive and administrative actions after January 20, 2021.

In 2020, President Trump announced several executive orders related to prescription drug pricing that seek to implement several of the administration's proposals. The FDA released a final rule on September 24, 2020, which went into effect on November 30, 2020, providing guidance for states to build and submit importation plans for drugs from Canada. Further, on November 20, 2020 CMS issued an Interim Final Rule implementing the Most Favored Nation, or MFN, Model under which Medicare Part B reimbursement rates will be calculated for certain drugs and biologicals based on the lowest price drug manufacturers receive in Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development countries with a similar gross domestic product per capita. The MFN Model regulations mandate participation by identified Part B providers and would have applied to all U.S. states and territories for a seven-year period beginning January 1, 2021, and ending December 31, 2027. However, in response to a lawsuit filed by several industry groups, on December 28, the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California issued a nationwide preliminary injunction enjoining government defendants from implementing the MFN Rule pending completion of notice-and-comment procedures under the Administrative Procedure Act. On January 13, 2021, in a separate lawsuit brought by industry groups in the U.S. District of Maryland, the government defendants entered a joint motion to stay litigation on the condition that the government would not appeal the preliminary injunction granted in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California and that performance for any final regulation stemming from the MFN Interim Final Rule shall not commence earlier than 60 days after publication of that regulation in the Federal Register. Further, authorities in Canada have passed rules designed to safeguard the Canadian drug supply from shortages. If implemented, importation of drugs from Canada and the MFN Model may materially and adversely affect the price we receive for any of our product candidates. Additionally, on December 2, 2020, HHS published a regulation removing safe harbor protection for price reductions from pharmaceutical manufacturers to plan sponsors under Part D, either directly or through pharmacy benefit managers, unless the price reduction is required by law. The rule also creates a new safe harbor for price reductions reflected at the point-of-sale, as well as a safe harbor for certain fixed fee arrangements between pharmacy benefit managers and manufacturers. Pursuant to an order entered by the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia, the portion of the rule eliminating safe harbor protection for certain rebates related to the sale or purchase of a pharmaceutical product from a manufacturer to a plan sponsor under Medicare Part D has been delayed to

January 1, 2023. Further, implementation of this change and new safe harbors for point-of-sale reductions in price for prescription pharmaceutical products and pharmacy benefit manager service fees are currently under review by the Biden administration and may be amended or repealed.

Although a number of these and other proposed measures may require additional authorization to become effective, Congress and President Joseph Biden have each indicated that they will continue to seek new legislative and/or administrative measures to control drug costs. Additional state and federal healthcare reform measures may be adopted in the future. Further, it is possible that additional governmental action is taken in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. At the state level, legislatures have increasingly passed legislation and implemented regulations designed to control pharmaceutical product pricing, including price or patient reimbursement constraints, discounts, restrictions on certain product access and marketing cost disclosure and transparency measures, and, in some cases, designed to encourage importation from other countries and bulk purchasing.

### **Employees and Human Capital Resources**

As of April 9, 2021, we had 48 full-time employees and part-time employees. Of our full and part-time employees, 11 have Ph.D. or M.D. degrees and are engaged in research and development activities.

Our human capital resources objectives include, as applicable, identifying, recruiting, retaining, incentivizing and integrating our existing and new employees, advisors and consultants. The principal purposes of our equity incentive plans are to attract, retain and reward personnel through the granting of equity-based compensation awards in order to increase shareholder value and the success of our company by motivating such individuals to perform to the best of their abilities and achieve our objectives.

### **Facilities**

Our principal executive offices are located in Oxford, United Kingdom, where we lease and occupy approximately 5,059 square feet of office and laboratory space. We believe that our current facilities are adequate to meet our ongoing needs and that, if we require additional space, we will be able to obtain additional facilities on commercially reasonable terms.

### **Legal Proceedings**

We are not currently a party to any material legal proceedings. From time to time, we may become involved in other litigation or legal proceedings relating to claims arising from the ordinary course of business.

## MANAGEMENT

### Executive Officers and Directors

The following table sets forth the name, age and position of each of our executive officers and directors as of the date of this prospectus. Unless otherwise stated, the business address of our executive officers and directors is care of Vaccitech plc, The Schrödinger Building, Heatley Road, The Oxford Science Park, Oxford OX4 4GE, United Kingdom.

Name	Age	Position(s)
<i>Executive Officers:</i>		
William Enright	58	Chief Executive Officer and Director
Thomas G. Evans, MD	65	Chief Scientific Officer
Chris Ellis	61	Chief Operating Officer
Meg Marshall, MD	64	Chief Medical Officer
Graham Griffiths	42	Chief Business Officer
Georgy Egorov	44	Chief Financial Officer
<i>Non-Executive Directors:</i>		
Robin Wright <sup>(1)</sup>	56	Chairman of the Board of Directors
Alex Hammacher <sup>(2)</sup>	40	Director
Pierre A. Morgon, PharmD <sup>(1)(3)</sup>	58	Director
Anne M. Phillips, MD <sup>(2)</sup>	67	Director
Karen T. Dawes <sup>(1)(3)</sup>	69	Director
Joseph C.F. Scheeren <sup>(2)(3)</sup>	65	Director
Carl Vine <sup>(4)</sup>	45	Director

(1) Member of Audit Committee

(2) Member of Compensation Committee

(3) Member of Nominating Committee

(4) Mr. Vine will be resigning immediately before the effectiveness of the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part.

### Executive Officers

*William Enright* has been our Chief Executive Officer and a member of our board of directors since August 2019. From June 2008 to November 2018, Mr. Enright served as the Chief Executive, President and Director of Altimmune, Inc., a biopharmaceutical company. Prior to joining Altimmune, Inc., Mr. Enright held various positions at GenVec, Inc., leaving as Head of Business Development. Mr. Enright holds a MA and BS in Biology from SUNY at Buffalo and a MS in Business Management from Johns Hopkins University. We believe that Mr. Enright is qualified to serve on our board of directors because of his considerable management experience in the biopharmaceutical industry.

*Dr. Thomas Evans* has been our Chief Scientific Officer since August 2019. Prior to becoming our Chief Scientific Officer, Dr. Evans served as our Chief Executive Officer from April 2017 to August 2019. From September 2010 to May 2016, Dr. Evans served in roles of increasing responsibility at Aeras, a non-profit product development partnership with the mission to develop global tuberculosis vaccines, where he had previously served as Chief Scientific Officer and most recently served as Chief Executive Officer. Dr. Evans was a member of our board of directors from 2016 to March 2021. Dr. Evans received a MD from the University of Virginia and a BA in Physics from Williams College.

*Chris Ellis* has been our Chief Operating Officer since March 2018. Prior to becoming Chief Operating Officer, Mr. Ellis was our Head of Clinical Operations from August 2016 to February 2018. Prior to that, Mr. Ellis was a Project Leader at PsiOxus Therapeutics Limited, a gene therapy company, from January 2013 to August 2016. Mr. Ellis is a Registered General Nurse and Registered Mental Nurse and received his qualifications from Mansfield & Worksop School of Nursing and Nottingham School of Nursing.

*Meg Marshall* has been our Chief Medical Officer since November 2020. Prior to becoming our Chief Medical Officer, Dr. Marshall served as a biotech consultant from March 2018 to October 2020. From October 2014 to February 2018, Dr. Marshall was Senior Director, Clinical Research at Kyowa Kirin Pharmaceutical Development, Inc., a pharmaceutical company. Dr. Marshall received a BS from California Institute of Technology and a MD from the University of California, San Diego.

*Graham Griffiths* has been our Chief Business Officer since October 2017. Prior to becoming our Chief Business Officer, Mr. Griffiths served as Chief Operating Officer, co-founder and a member of the board of directors of Agalimmune Limited, a clinical stage biotechnology company, from May 2013 to September 2017. Mr. Griffiths received a BA Hons degree from Newcastle University.

*Georgy Egorov* has been our Chief Financial Officer since October 2020. Prior to becoming our Chief Financial Officer, Mr. Egorov served as Chief Financial Officer and a member of the board of directors of Exscientia Limited from October 2018 to August 2020. Prior to joining Exscientia, Mr. Egorov was Chief Financial Officer and a member of the board of directors of CompareEuropeGroup from June 2017 to September 2018. Before that, Mr. Egorov held multiple positions at UBS Group AG from July 2010 to June 2017, most recently serving as Managing Director, Head of Emerging Markets Equity Capital Markets. Mr. Egorov received a BS/MS in Economics and Finance (Financial Analysis) from Plekhanov Russian University of Economics and a MSt in Social Innovation from the University of Cambridge.

#### **Non-Executive Directors**

*Robin Wright* has served as our chairman since October 2018 and a member of our board of directors since August 2018. From September 2020 to October 2020, Mr. Wright was our interim Chief Financial Officer. From September 2015 to May 2020, Mr. Wright was the Chief Financial Officer of Pharming Group N.V., a biopharmaceutical company. Mr. Wright received a BA from Oxford and is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales. We believe Mr. Wright is qualified to serve on our board of directors because of his extensive management experience and financial expertise in the life sciences industry.

*Alex Hammacher* has been a member of our board of directors since January 2020. Dr. Hammacher is Head of Corporate Finance at Oxford Sciences Innovation, a venture capital firm partnered with Oxford University, a position he has held since October 2019. Prior to joining Oxford Sciences Innovation, Dr. Hammacher held positions of increasing seniority at Lazard, an investment banking firm, from October 2015 to October 2019, most recently as Director of Healthcare Investment Banking, and UBS, an investment banking firm, from July 2007 to September 2015. Dr. Hammacher received a BA and BM BCh from Oxford University. We believe Dr. Hammacher is qualified to serve on our board of directors because of his extensive investment experience in the life sciences industry.

*Pierre A. Morgon* has been a member of our board of directors since January 2018. Dr. Morgon is Chief Executive Officer of MRGN Advisors, an investment strategy advisor, a position he has held since January 2015. Dr. Morgon is also Regional Partner for Switzerland at Mérieux Equity Partners, an investment firm, a position he has held since October 2014. Dr. Morgon is also chair of the board of directors of Health Technologies Holding (HTH) Srl, a position he has held since June 2020, chair of the board of directors of MYCB1, a position he has held since July 2020, chair of the board of directors of Eurocine Vaccines, a position he has held since May 2019, chair of the board of directors of Theradiag, a position he has held since 2017, and a member of the board of directors of UNIVERCELLS, a position he has held since July 2018. Dr. Morgon also served as a member of the board of directors of CanSino Biologics during 2019, a member of the board of directors of Alma Biotherapeutics from 2017 to 2018 and chair of the board of directors of Virometix AG from January 2017 to November 2019. We believe Dr. Morgon is qualified to serve on our board of directors due to his extensive experience as a director of life sciences companies.



*Dr. Anne M. Phillips* has been a member of our board of directors since February 2021. Dr. Phillips is Senior Vice President of Clinical, Medical & Regulatory Affairs at Novo Nordisk, a position she has held since 2013. Prior to joining Novo Nordisk, Dr. Phillips held positions of increasing seniority at GlaxoSmithKline from 1998 to 2010, most recently as Vice President, Medicine Development Leader. Dr. Phillips also serves on the board of directors of Trevena Corporation, a biopharmaceutical company, a position she has held since 2014. Dr. Phillips also served as a member of the board of directors of AMAG Pharmaceuticals, Inc., a pharmaceutical company, from 2019 to 2020, and Biotechnology Innovation Organization, a biotechnology trade organization, from 2017 to 2018. Dr. Phillips received a BSc in Zoology from the University of Western Ontario and an MD from the University of Toronto. We believe Dr. Phillips is qualified to serve on our board of directors because of her extensive expertise in the life sciences industry.

*Karen T. Dawes* has been a member of our board of directors since February 2021. Ms. Dawes is the President of Knowledgeable Decisions, LLC, a position she has held since 2003. Ms. Dawes served from 1999 to 2003 as Senior Vice President and U.S. Business Group Head for Bayer Corporation's U.S. Pharmaceuticals Group. Prior to joining Bayer, she was Senior Vice President, Global Strategic Marketing, at Wyeth LLC, a pharmaceutical company (formerly known as American Home Products). Ms. Dawes also served as Vice President, Chief Commercial Officer, for Genetics Institute, Inc. Ms. Dawes began her pharmaceuticals industry career at Pfizer, Inc. where, from 1984 to 1994, she held a number of marketing positions, serving most recently as Vice President, Marketing of the Pratt Division. Ms. Dawes also serves on the boards of directors of two publicly traded companies, Repligen Corporation, and Medicenna Therapeutics Corporation, one privately-held company, PaxMedica Therapeutics, and one not-for-profit organization, Medicines 360. Ms. Dawes received a BA and an MA from Simmons College in English Literature and an MBA from Harvard University. We believe Ms. Dawes is qualified to serve on our board of directors because of her extensive experience with biopharmaceutical companies as well as her considerable background in the development and commercialization of pharmaceutical products.

*Joseph C. F. Scheeren* has been a member of our board of directors since March 2021. Dr. Scheeren served as President and Chief Executive Officer of Critical Path Institute, or C-Path, a non-profit organization, from April 2019 to March 2021. Prior to joining C-Path, Dr. Scheeren served in various senior roles at Bayer AG, a global pharmaceutical company, for 15 years, including serving as Senior Vice President, Senior Advisor to Research and Development from January 2018 to December 2018 and Senior Vice President, Head of Global Regulatory Affairs, Pharmaceuticals and Consumer Health from January 2015 to December 2017. He previously also held numerous executive positions at Aventis Pharmaceuticals, Roussel UCLAF, Ares Serono and Les Laboratoires Servier. Dr. Scheeren currently serves as a director on several boards of non-profit organizations, is an adjunct Professor of Regulatory Science at Peking University, Beijing, and is a lecturer at Yale University. Dr. Scheeren earned his PharmD, MSc and BS degrees at the University of Leiden, Leiden, the Netherlands, School of Pharmacy. We believe Dr. Scheeren is qualified to serve on our board of directors because of his global expertise in research and development and regulatory affairs in the pharmaceutical industry.

Carl Vine has been a member of our board of directors since March 2021. Mr. Vine has served as a director and as Co-Head APAC Equity Investing of M&G Investments since September 2019. From February 2014 to September 2019, Mr. Vine was a partner and Chief Investment Officer at Port Meadow Capital Management. From 1997 to 2013, Mr. Vine held various positions at SAC Capital Advisors, UBS Securities Limited, TPG-Axon and Prudential Portfolio Managers. Since 2014, Mr. Vine has served as a director of Union House Ltd. Mr. Vine received a BA from Oxford and is an IMC and CFA Certificate Holder. We believe Mr. Vine is qualified to serve on our board of directors because of his extensive experience in investment management and the financial industry.

#### **Family Relationships**

There are no family relationships among any of our executive officers or directors.

#### **Corporate Governance Practices**

We intend to adopt, effective upon the effectiveness of the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part, a written code of business conduct and ethics that applies to our directors, officers and employees, including our principal executive officer, principal financial officer, principal accounting officer

or controller, or persons performing similar functions. Following the completion of this offering, a current copy of the code will be posted on the Corporate Governance section of our website, which is located at [www.vaccitech.co.uk](http://www.vaccitech.co.uk). If we make any substantive amendments to, or grant any waivers from, the code of business conduct and ethics for any officer, we will disclose the nature of such amendment or waiver on our website or in a current report on Form 8-K.

### **Composition of Our Board Of Directors**

Upon completion of this offering, our board of directors will be composed of seven members. One of our eight current directors, Carl Vine, will be resigning prior to the completion of this offering. Our board of directors has determined that, of our seven directors upon completion of this offering, no director, other than William Enright and Alex Hammacher, has a relationship that would interfere with the exercise of independent judgment in carrying out his or her responsibilities as a director and that each of these directors is “independent” as that term is defined under Nasdaq rules.

The Articles of Association that will be in effect upon completion of this offering provide that our board of directors will be divided into three classes, each of which will consist, as nearly as possible, of one-third of the total number of directors constituting our entire board and which will serve staggered three-year terms. At each annual general meeting, the successors of directors whose terms then expire will be elected to serve from the time of election and qualification until the third annual meeting following election. Our directors will be divided among the three classes as follows:

- Class I, which will consist of Pierre A. Morgon and Joseph C. F. Scheeren, whose terms will expire at our first annual general meeting to be held after the completion of this offering;
- Class II, which will consist of Karen T. Dawes and Anne M. Phillips, whose terms will expire at our second annual general meeting to be held after the completion of this offering; and
- Class III, which will consist of William Enright, Alex Hammacher and Robin Wright, whose terms will expire at our third annual general meeting to be held after the completion of this offering.

Each director shall serve until his or her successor is duly elected and qualified or until his or her earlier death, resignation or removal. See “Description of Share Capital and Articles of Association — Key Provisions of our Post-IPO Articles of Association — Board of directors.”

### **Committees of Our Board of Directors**

Our board of directors has three standing committees: an audit committee, a compensation committee and a nominating committee. Following the consummation of this offering, the full text of our audit committee charter, compensation committee charter, and nominating committee charter will be posted on the investor relations portion of our website at [www.vaccitech.co.uk](http://www.vaccitech.co.uk). We do not incorporate the information contained on, or accessible through, our corporate website into this prospectus, and you should not consider it a part of this prospectus.

#### ***Audit committee***

Upon the effectiveness of the registration of which this prospectus forms a part, our audit committee will consist of Karen T. Dawes, Pierre A. Morgon and Robin Wright, and will be chaired by Mr. Wright.

The functions of the audit committee upon the completion of this offering will include:

- recommending the appointment of the independent auditor to the general meeting of shareholders;
- the appointment, compensation, retention and oversight of any accounting firm engaged for the purpose of preparing or issuing an audit report or performing other audit services;
- pre-approving the audit services and non-audit services to be provided by our independent auditor before the auditor is engaged to render such services;

- evaluating the independent auditor’s qualifications, performance and independence, and presenting its conclusions to the full board of directors on at least an annual basis;
- reviewing the adequacy of our internal controls with management and any remediation plan associated with any significant control deficiencies or material weaknesses;
- reviewing and discussing with management and our independent registered public accounting firm our financial statements and our financial reporting process; and
- reviewing, approving or ratifying any related party transactions.

All members of our audit committee will meet the requirements for financial literacy under the applicable rules and regulations of the SEC and the Nasdaq listing rules. Our board of directors has determined that Mr. Wright qualifies as an “audit committee financial expert” within the meaning of applicable SEC regulations. In making this determination, our board of directors considered the nature and scope of experience that Mr. Wright has previously had with public reporting companies, including service as the Chief Executive Officer of Pharming Group N.V. Our board of directors has determined that all of the directors that will become members of our audit committee upon the effectiveness of the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part satisfy the relevant independence requirements for service on the audit committee set forth in the rules of the SEC and the Nasdaq listing rules. Both our independent registered public accounting firm and management will periodically meet privately with our audit committee.

#### ***Compensation committee***

Upon effectiveness of the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part, our compensation committee will consist of Anne M. Phillips, Alex Hammacher and Joseph C. F. Scheeren, and will be chaired by Dr. Phillips. The functions of the compensation committee upon the completion of this offering will include:

- annually reviewing and recommending to the board of directors the corporate goals and objectives relevant to the compensation of our Chief Executive Officer;
- evaluating the performance of our Chief Executive Officer in light of such corporate goals and objectives and based on such evaluation (i) recommending to the board of directors the cash compensation of our Chief Executive Officer and (ii) reviewing and approving grants and awards to our Chief Executive Officer under equity-based plans;
- reviewing and approving the cash compensation of our other executive officers;
- reviewing and establishing our overall management compensation, philosophy and policy;
- overseeing and administering our compensation and similar plans;
- evaluating and assessing potential and current compensation advisors in accordance with the independence standards identified in the applicable Nasdaq rules;
- reviewing and approving our policies and procedures for the grant of equity-based awards;
- reviewing and recommending to the board of directors the compensation of our directors;
- preparing our compensation committee report if and when required by SEC rules;
- reviewing and discussing annually with management our “Compensation Discussion and Analysis,” if and when required, to be included in our annual proxy statement; and
- reviewing and approving the retention or termination of any consulting firm or outside advisor to assist in the evaluation of compensation matters.

Our board of directors has determined that Dr. Phillips and Dr. Scheeren, but not Mr. Hammacher, are “independent” as defined in the applicable Nasdaq rules except for Mr. Hammacher. The Board determined that Mr. Hammacher’s continued service on the compensation committee is in the best interest of the Company’s shareholders due to his past service on the compensation committee and his familiarity with the Company’s compensation policies and practices. We intend to rely on the phase-in rules of Nasdaq with

respect to the independence of our compensation committee. Each member of our compensation committee will be a non-employee director, as defined in Rule 16b-3 promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”).

***Nominating committee***

Upon the effectiveness of the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part, our nominating committee will consist of Pierre A. Morgon, Karen T. Dawes and Joseph C. F. Scheeren, which will be chaired by Mr. Morgon.

Upon completion of this offering, the functions of the nominating committee will include:

- determining selection criteria and appointment procedures for directors;
- recommending nominees for election to our board of directors and appointment to its committees;
- assessing the functioning of our board of directors and executive officers and reporting the results of such assessment to the board of directors; and
- developing corporate governance guidelines and any other governance policies.

**Code of business conduct and ethics**

Prior to the completion of this offering, we intend to adopt a Code of Business Conduct and Ethics, or Code of Ethics, applicable to our and our subsidiaries’ employees, independent contractors, executive officers and directors, including our principal executive officer, principal financial officer, principal accounting officer or controller, or persons performing similar functions.

## EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

## Executive Compensation Overview

Historically, our executive compensation program has reflected our growth and development-oriented corporate culture. To date, the compensation of the other executive officers identified in the summary compensation table below, who we refer to as the named executive officers, has consisted of a combination of base salary, bonuses and long-term incentive compensation in the form of share options or restricted shares. Our executive officers and all salaried employees are also eligible to receive health and welfare benefits.

As we transition from a private company to a publicly-traded company, we will evaluate our compensation values and philosophy and compensation plans and arrangements as circumstances require. At a minimum, we expect to review executive compensation annually with input from a compensation consultant if and when determined appropriate by the compensation committee. As part of this review process, we expect the board of directors and the compensation committee to apply our values and philosophy, while considering the compensation levels needed to ensure our executive compensation program remains competitive. We will also review whether we are meeting our retention objectives and the potential cost of replacing a key employee.

## Summary Compensation Table — 2020

The following table presents information regarding the total compensation awarded to, earned by, and paid to our principal executive officer and the two most highly-compensated executive officers (other than our principal executive officer) who were serving as our executive officers at the end of the last completed fiscal year for services rendered in all capacities to us. We refer to these individuals as our named executive officers. Our named executive officers for 2020 are:

- William Enright, our Chief Executive Officer;
- Georgy Egorov, our Chief Financial Officer; and
- Meg Marshall, MD, our Chief Medical Officer.

The following table provides information regarding the total compensation awarded to, earned by, and paid to our named executive officers for services rendered to us in all capacities for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2020.

Name and Principal Position	Year <sup>(1)</sup>	Salary (\$)	Stock Awards (\$) <sup>(2)</sup>	Option Awards (\$) <sup>(2)</sup>	Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation (\$) <sup>(3)</sup>	All Other Compensation (\$) <sup>(4)</sup>	Total (\$)
William Enright <sup>(5)</sup>	2020	350,000	2,795,744	—	175,000	47,884	\$3,368,628
	2019	127,957	—	—	67,614	6,476	\$ 202,047
Georgy Egorov <sup>(6)</sup>	2020	54,185	—	1,043,699	16,272	2,709	\$1,116,865
Meg Marshall, MD <sup>(7)</sup>	2020	45,833	—	522,629	17,500	98,200	\$ 684,162

(1) The company changed its fiscal year end from January 31 to December 31 in 2019. Accordingly, the amounts reported for 2019 for Mr. Enright represent the 11-month period ending December 31, 2019.

(2) The amounts reported reflect the grant date fair value of restricted share unit awards and option awards granted in 2020 and 2019 in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board accounting Standards Codification Topic 718, service-vesting conditions. The assumptions used in calculating the grant date fair value of the shares are set forth in the notes to our consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus. These amounts do not correspond to the actual value that may be recognized by the named executive officers upon vesting of the applicable awards.

(3) The amounts reported for 2019 represent Mr. Enright's 2019 annual bonus that was paid in February 2020, based on achievement of Company goals. The amounts reported for 2020 represent the annual bonuses paid by us in February 2021 to our named executive officers for the year ended December 31, 2020.

- (4) The amounts reported for Mr. Enright represent 401(k) matching contributions and reimbursement for COBRA premiums paid to Mr. Enright's former employer for his continued health insurance coverage. The amount reported for Mr. Egorov represents employer pension contributions. The amounts reported for Dr. Marshall represent \$1,900 in 401(k) matching contributions and \$96,300 in consulting fees for consulting services Dr. Marshall provided prior to her commencement of employment with us.
- (5) Mr. Enright commenced employment with us in August 2019. Accordingly, his salary and bonus for 2019 reflect his partial year of service.
- (6) Mr. Egorov commenced employment with us in October 2020. Accordingly, his salary and bonus for 2020 reflect his partial year of service. The amounts reported for Mr. Egorov have been converted from pounds sterling to U.S. dollars using the average monthly exchange rate in effect during each applicable month in 2020, which rate ranged from £0.745 to £0.770 to \$1.00.
- (7) Dr. Marshall commenced employment with us in November 2020. Accordingly, her salary and bonus for 2020 reflect her partial year of service.

### **Narrative to the Summary Compensation Table**

#### ***Base Salaries***

For the fiscal year ending December 31, 2020, the base salaries for Mr. Enright, Mr. Egorov and Dr. Marshall were \$350,000, £200,000 and \$275,000, respectively.

#### ***Annual Cash Bonuses***

We do not sponsor or maintain a formal annual bonus plan. However, subject to the attainment of certain company and individual performance goals, the Board may approve discretionary bonuses based on a percentage of the executive's base salary. The amounts for performance in 2019, in the case of Mr. Enright, and for 2020, in the case of all our named executive officers, is set forth above in the "Summary Compensation Table."

#### **Employment Agreements with Our Named Executive Officers**

***William Enright.*** We intend to enter into an employment agreement with Mr. Enright to be effective upon consummation of this offering, which shall generally supersede his prior employment agreement with us. Pursuant to this employment agreement, Mr. Enright will continue to serve as our chief executive officer. Mr. Enright shall be entitled to an annual base salary, subject to periodic increase (but not decrease), target annual bonus opportunity and employee benefits. Under Mr. Enright's new employment agreement, in the event that Mr. Enright's employment is terminated by us without "cause" or Mr. Enright resigns for "good reason" (as such terms are defined in the employment agreement), subject to the execution and effectiveness of a separation agreement, including a general release of claims in our favor, he will be entitled to receive (i) an amount equal to 12 months of his base salary, payable over the 12 month period following his termination, (ii) if his termination occurs following completion of a calendar year but prior to payment of an annual bonus, payment of such annual bonus, and (iii) if Mr. Enright is participating in our group health plans immediately prior to his termination and elects COBRA health continuation, continuation of such group health coverage at the same rate as if he were an active employee, until the earliest of (A) the 12 month anniversary of his termination; (B) his eligibility for group medical plan benefits under any other employer's group medical plan; or (C) the cessation of his continuation rights under COBRA. The employment agreement also provides that, in lieu of the payments and benefits described above, in the event that Mr. Enright's employment is terminated by us without cause or Mr. Enright resigns for good reason, in either case within 12 months following a "change in control" (as defined in the employment agreement), subject to the execution and effectiveness of a general release of claims in our favor, he will be entitled to receive (i) a lump sum cash payment equal to 1.5 times the sum of his then-current base salary (or his base salary in effect immediately prior to the change in control, if higher) plus his annual target bonus for the then-current year (or the annual target bonus in effect immediately prior to the change in control, if higher), and (ii) if Mr. Enright is participating in our group health plans immediately prior to his termination and elects COBRA health continuation, continuation of such group health coverage at the same rate as if he

were an active employee, until the earliest of (A) the 18 month anniversary of his termination; (B) his eligibility for group medical plan benefits under any other employer's group medical plan; or (C) the cessation of his continuation rights under COBRA. Mr. Enright's new employment agreement further provides that in the event Mr. Enright's employment is terminated by us without cause or Mr. Enright resigns for good reason, in either case within 12 months following a change in control, then any outstanding time-based equity awards shall immediately accelerate and become fully vested and exercisable or nonforfeitable on the date of termination.

Mr. Enright is also subject to an agreement relating to confidentiality, assignment of inventions, and a twelve-month nonsolicitation and noncompetition covenant.

**Georgy Egorov.** We intend to enter into an employment agreement with Mr. Egorov to be effective upon consummation of this offering, which shall generally supersede his prior employment agreement with us. Pursuant to this employment agreement, Mr. Egorov will continue to serve as our chief financial officer. Mr. Egorov shall be entitled to an annual base salary, which is subject to annual review and increase, but not decrease. Mr. Egorov is also eligible for an annual discretionary bonus of up to forty percent (40%) of his salary (based on the achievement of certain performance objectives) and customary employee benefits. Mr. Egorov's employment has no specified term, but can be terminated at will by either party upon months' notice (or, in the Company's sole discretion, payment in lieu of notice equal to the basic salary Mr. Egorov would have been entitled to receive during any remaining notice period). The Company may terminate Mr. Egorov's employment immediately without notice or payment in lieu of notice in the case of certain "cause" terminations including, but not limited to, serious or repeated or continued breach by Mr. Egorov of his obligations under the employment agreement.

Mr. Egorov's employment agreement contains standard intellectual property and confidentiality provisions which survive termination and also six (6) month non-competition and non-solicitation restrictive covenants.

**Meg Marshall, MD.** We intend to enter into an employment agreement with Dr. Marshall to be effective upon consummation of this offering, which shall generally supersede her prior employment agreement with us. Pursuant to this employment agreement, Dr. Marshall will continue to serve as our chief medical officer. Dr. Marshall shall be entitled to an annual base salary, subject to periodic review, target annual bonus opportunity and employee benefits. Under Dr. Marshall's new employment agreement, in the event that Dr. Marshall's employment is terminated by us without "cause" or Dr. Marshall resigns for "good reason" (as such terms are defined in the employment agreement), subject to the execution and effectiveness of a separation agreement, including a general release of claims in our favor), she will be entitled to receive (i) an amount equal to nine months of her base salary, payable over the nine month period following her termination, and (ii) if Dr. Marshall is participating in our group health plans immediately prior to her termination and elects COBRA health continuation, continuation of such group health coverage at the same rate as if she were an active employee, until the earliest of (A) the nine month anniversary of her termination; (B) her eligibility for group medical plan benefits under any other employer's group medical plan; or (C) the cessation of her continuation rights under COBRA. The employment agreement also provides that, in lieu of the payments and benefits described above, in the event that Dr. Marshall's employment is terminated by us without cause or Dr. Marshall resigns for good reason, in either case within 12 months following a "change in control" (as defined in the employment agreement), subject to the execution and effectiveness of a general release of claims in our favor, she will be entitled to receive (i) a lump sum cash payment equal to one times the sum of her then-current base salary (or her base salary in effect immediately prior to the change in control, if higher) plus her annual target bonus for the then-current year (or the annual target bonus in effect immediately prior to the change in control, if higher), and (ii) if Dr. Marshall is participating in our group health plans immediately prior to her termination and elects COBRA health continuation, continuation of such group health coverage at the same rate as if she were an active employee, until the earliest of (A) the 12 month anniversary of her termination; (B) her eligibility for group medical plan benefits under any other employer's group medical plan; or (C) the cessation of her continuation rights under COBRA. Dr. Marshall's new employment agreement further provides that in the event Dr. Marshall's employment is terminated by us without cause or Dr. Marshall resigns for good reason, in either case within 12 months following a change in control, then any outstanding time-based equity awards shall immediately accelerate and become fully vested and exercisable or nonforfeitable on the date of termination.

Dr. Marshall is also subject to an agreement relating to confidentiality, assignment of inventions, and a one-year non-solicitation and non-competition covenant.

### Outstanding Equity Awards at Fiscal Year-End — 2020

The following table summarizes, for each of our named executive officers, the number of ordinary shares underlying outstanding share options and share awards held as of December 31, 2020.

Name	Vesting Commencement Date	Option Awards <sup>(1)</sup>				Stock Awards	
		Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options (#) Exercisable	Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options (#) Unexercisable	Option Exercise Price <sup>(2)</sup>	Option Expiration Date	Equity Incentive Plan Awards: Number of Unearned Shares, Units or Other Rights that have not Vested <sup>(3)</sup>	Equity Incentive Plan Awards: Market or Payout Value of Shares, Units or Other Rights that have not Vested <sup>(4)</sup>
William Enright						855	
Georgy Egorov	October 29, 2020 <sup>(5)</sup>	142	428	0.13	October 31, 2030		
Meg Marshall	November 3, 2020	0	285	0.13	November 3, 2030		

(1) Unless otherwise specified below, each option vests in four equal annual installments, with the first such annual installment vesting upon the first anniversary of the vesting commencement date, subject to such named executive officer's continued employment with us as of each such date.

(2) The exercise price of each outstanding option is £0.10 per share. The exercise prices have been converted from pounds sterling to U.S. dollars using an average exchange rate of £0.745 to \$1.00 in December 2020.

(3) Mr. Enright was granted 1,552 restricted share units in January 2020. (the "January Grant"). The terms of Mr. Enright's award provided him with anti-dilution protection, such that he was entitled to an additional grant of restricted shares units upon a funding round or a vesting date to ensure his aggregate restricted shares units equal 1.5% of the total fully-diluted share capital at the relevant vesting date (the "Antidilution Provisions"). Accordingly, an additional 158 restricted share units were granted to Mr. Enright in October 2020 pursuant to the Antidilution Provisions. 855 of the restricted share units vested in December 2020 upon the initial submission of our confidential registration statement on Form S-1 in connection with this offering. The remaining 855 restricted share units (plus any additional restricted share units granted pursuant to the Antidilution Provisions) shall vest upon the resolution of the board of directors to commence our initial public offering following completion of all registration and listing requirements and agreement upon the pricing and quantum of the offering (the "IPO Resolution Date").

(4) Assumes an initial offering price of \_\_\_\_\_ per share, which is the midpoint of the estimated price range set forth on the cover page of this prospectus.

(5) Mr. Egorov was granted an option to purchase 570 ordinary shares. This option vested 25% upon the vesting commencement date, with the remainder vesting 25% upon the IPO Resolution Date, and in two equal installments following the vesting commencement date. In the event there is not a successful initial public offering, then 25% of the option vests on the vesting commencement date, and 25% of the option shall vest on each anniversary thereof.

### Equity Grants to Named Executive Officers in Connection with our Initial Public Offering

In February 2021, the board of directors approved option grants to certain of our named executive officers that will be effective upon our initial public offering. The options will be granted contingent and effective



upon the execution of the underwriting agreement for this offering. The options will be granted under our 2021 Plan (as defined below) and have an exercise price per share equal to the initial public offering price in this offering. The options will vest and become exercisable one year following completion of the initial public offering. We will grant options to purchase an aggregate of 38 ordinary shares to our named executive officers, with Dr. Marshall and Mr. Egorov being granted options to purchase 20 and 18 common shares, respectively. In addition, in order to provide equity incentives to our leadership team consistent with the ownership levels of our peer group, our board of directors also approved additional option grants under our 2021 Plan to each of our executive officers, including each of our named executive officers, that will be granted contingent and effective upon the execution of the underwriting agreement for this offering. We will grant options to purchase an aggregate of 1,785 ordinary shares to our named executive officers, with Mr. Enright, Dr. Marshall and Mr. Egorov being granted options to purchase 570, 730 and 485 ordinary shares, respectively. These options will vest over the three-year period following our initial public offering.

### **Employee Benefit and Stock Plan**

#### ***EMI Share Option Scheme***

In December 2018, the Company adopted the EMI Share Option Scheme (the “Scheme”). On October 22, 2020 the board of directors authorized the addition of 3,658 ordinary shares to the scheme to allow issuance to new employees and standard year end awards. The Scheme allows for the grant of options to our employees. The board of directors has determined not to grant any further awards under the Scheme following completion of this offering.

The Scheme is administered by our board of directors. The board of directors has the discretion to amend or add to the Scheme or impose additional conditions or requirements on the awards granted under the Scheme. The board of directors also has the authority to make such alterations as are necessary to secure EMI treatment of EMI options thereunder.

The Scheme provides for the grant of EMI options or unapproved options. All awards under the Scheme will be set forth in an option agreement, which will detail the terms and conditions of the awards, including any exercise conditions and lapse information.

In connection with certain corporate transactions, including a change of control, our board of directors has broad discretion to take action under the Scheme to prevent the dilution or enlargement of intended benefits, or to facilitate the transaction or event. This includes providing for the substitution of awards by a successor entity. In addition, in the event of a change in control, the board of directors may accelerate the vesting and exercisability of any option in its discretion. The board of directors may also specify a period of up to 90 days following a change in control during which such options must be exercised and, if not so exercised, such options will terminate.

Our board of directors may amend or terminate the Scheme at any time; however, no amendment, other than an amendment that increases the number of shares available under the Scheme, may affect an award outstanding under the Scheme without the consent of the affected participant (unless the amendment affects all or a class of optionholders and the amendment is approved by at least 75% of the affected optionholders).

Except as our board of directors may determine or provide in an option agreement, options granted under the Scheme are generally non-transferrable, except by will or the laws of descent and distribution, and are generally exercisable only by the participant. With regard to tax withholding obligations arising in connection with awards under the Scheme, and exercise price obligations arising in connection with the exercise of options under the Scheme, the board of directors may, in its discretion, accept cash, wire transfer or check, or a net exercise arrangement.

As of December 31, 2020, options to purchase 2,368 ordinary shares were outstanding under the Scheme. Our board of directors has determined not to make any further awards under the Scheme following the pricing of this offering.

#### **Share Award Plan 2021**

We intend to adopt the Share Award Plan 2021, or the 2021 Plan, which will be effective the day prior to the listing of our ADSs on Nasdaq. The 2021 Plan allows the compensation committee to make equity-based

and cash-based incentive awards to our officers, employees, directors and other key persons (including consultants). The material terms of the 2021 Plan are summarized below. Except where the context indicates otherwise, references hereunder to our ordinary shares shall be deemed to include a number of ADSs equal to one ordinary share.

We have initially reserved \_\_\_\_\_ ordinary shares, or the Initial Limit, for the issuance of awards under the 2021 Plan. The 2021 Plan provides that the number of shares reserved and available for issuance under the plan will automatically increase each January 1, beginning on January 1, 2022, by \_\_\_\_\_ of the outstanding number of ordinary shares on the immediately preceding December 31, or such lesser number of shares as determined by our compensation committee, or the Annual Increase. This number is subject to adjustment in the event of a sub-division, consolidation, share dividend or other change in our capitalization.

The ordinary shares underlying any awards that are forfeited, cancelled, held back upon exercise or settlement of an award to satisfy the exercise price or tax withholding, reacquired by us prior to vesting, satisfied without any issuance of shares, expire or are otherwise terminated (other than by exercise) under the 2021 Plan will be added back to the ordinary shares available for issuance under the 2021 Plan.

The maximum aggregate number of shares that may be issued in the form of incentive share options shall not exceed \_\_\_\_\_ ordinary shares.

The 2021 Plan will be administered by our compensation committee. Our compensation committee has full power to select, from among the individuals eligible for awards, the individuals to whom awards will be granted, to make any combination of awards to participants, and to determine the specific terms and conditions of each award, subject to the provisions of the 2021 Plan. Persons eligible to participate in the 2021 Plan will be employees as selected from time to time by our compensation committee in its discretion. Non-employee directors and consultants as selected from time to time by our compensation committee will be eligible to participate in the 2021 Plan pursuant to the non-employee sub-plan to the 2021 Plan.

The 2021 Plan permits the granting of both options to purchase ordinary shares intended to qualify as incentive share options under Section 422 of the Code, and options that do not so qualify. The option exercise price of each option will be determined by our compensation committee but may not be less than 100% of the fair market value of our ordinary shares on the date of grant. The term of each option will be fixed by our compensation committee and may not exceed 10 years from the date of grant. Our compensation committee will determine at what time or times each option may be exercised.

Our compensation committee may award restricted share units to participants subject to such conditions and restrictions as it may determine. These conditions and restrictions may include the achievement of certain performance goals and/or continued employment with us through a specified vesting period.

Our compensation committee may award restricted shares, share appreciation rights and other share-based awards, on such terms and conditions as it may determine and set forth in the applicable award agreement.

The 2021 Plan provides that in the case of takeover and other corporate events (including where a change of control), the compensation committee shall determine if and to the extent unvested awards shall accelerate and vest and any options or share appreciation rights must be exercised within one month of the applicable event. In addition to and/or in lieu of the foregoing, the compensation committee may provide for the cancellation of awards in exchange for either an amount in cash or other property with a value equal to the amount that could have been obtained upon the exercise or settlement of the vested portion of such award.

Our board of directors may amend or discontinue the 2021 Plan and our compensation committee may amend the exercise price of options without shareholder consent and amend or cancel outstanding awards for purposes of satisfying changes in law or any other lawful purpose but no such action may adversely affect rights under an award without the consent of a majority of those affected. Certain amendments to the 2021 Plan require the approval of our shareholders. No awards may be granted under the 2021 Plan after the date that is 10 years from the date of adoption by our board of directors. No awards under the 2021 Plan have been made prior to the date of this prospectus.

### **2021 Employee Share Purchase Plan**

We intend to adopt the 2021 Employee Share Purchase Plan, or ESPP, which will be effective upon consummation of this offering. We may elect to implement the ESPP in the future following this offering.

The ESPP initially reserves and authorizes up to a total of \_\_\_\_\_ ordinary shares to participating employees. The ESPP provides that the number of shares reserved and available for issuance will automatically increase each January 1, beginning on January 1, 2022, by the least of (i) \_\_\_\_\_ ordinary shares, or (ii) up to 1% of the outstanding number of ordinary shares on the immediately preceding December 31, or such lesser number of ordinary shares as determined by the plan administrator. The share reserve is subject to adjustment in the event of a share split, share dividend or other change in our capitalization.

The ESPP is administered by our compensation committee. The administrator has the authority to make all determinations for administration of the ESPP. The compensation committee may adopt subplans under the 2021 ESPP for our non-U.S. employees, and may permit such employees to participate in the ESPP on different terms, to the extent permitted by applicable law.

All employees employed by us or by any of our designated affiliates whose customary employment is for more than 20 hours a week (unless this exclusion is not permitted by applicable law) are eligible to participate in the ESPP. Any employee who owns 5% or more of the total combined voting power or value of all classes of our shares is not eligible to purchase ordinary shares under the ESPP.

Offerings to our employees to purchase ordinary shares under the ESPP may be made at such times as determined by the administrator. Offerings will continue for such period, referred to as offering periods, as the administrator may determine, but may not be longer than 27 months. Each eligible employee may elect to participate in any offering by submitting an enrollment form before the applicable offering date.

Each employee who is a participant in the ESPP may purchase ordinary shares by authorizing payroll deductions of up to 15% of his or her eligible compensation during an offering period. Unless the participating employee has previously withdrawn from the offering, his or her accumulated payroll deductions will be used to purchase ordinary shares on the last business day of the applicable offering period equal to the lower of (i) the accumulated payroll deductions divided by either a per share price equal to 85% of the fair market value of a share of our ordinary shares on the first business day or the last business day of the offering period, whichever is lower, (ii) a number of ordinary shares determined by dividing the product of (A) \$2,500 and (B) the number of months in the offering period, by the fair market value on the first day of the offering period, or (iii) such other lesser maximum number of ordinary shares as shall have been established by the administrator in advance of the offering. Under applicable tax rules, an employee may purchase no more than \$25,000 worth of ordinary shares, valued at the start of the purchase period, under the ESPP in any calendar year.

The accumulated payroll deductions of any employee who is not a participant on the last day of an offering period will be refunded. An employee's rights under the ESPP terminate upon voluntary withdrawal from the plan or when the employee ceases employment with us for any reason.

The ESPP may be terminated or amended by our compensation committee or board of directors at any time. An amendment that increases the number of our ordinary shares that are authorized under the ESPP and certain other amendments require the approval of our shareholders.

## NON-EMPLOYEE DIRECTOR COMPENSATION

Other than as set forth in the table and described more fully below, we did not pay any compensation or make any equity awards or non-equity awards to any of our non-employee directors during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2020. Directors may be reimbursed for travel and other expenses directly related to their activities as directors. Directors who also serve as employees receive no additional compensation for their service as directors. During the fiscal year ended December 31, 2020, Mr. Enright, our Chief Executive Officer, and Dr. Evans, our Chief Scientific Officer, were members of our board of directors, as well as employees, and thus received no additional compensation for their services as directors. See the section titled “Executive Compensation” for more information about Mr. Enright’s compensation for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2020. The following table presents the total compensation for each person who served as a non-employee director during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2020.

Name	Fees Earned or Paid in Cash (\$) <sup>(1)</sup>	Option Awards <sup>(2)</sup>	Total (\$)
Sarah Gilbert <sup>(3)</sup>	\$48,983	—	\$ 48,983
Adrian Hill <sup>(4)</sup>	\$61,606	—	\$ 61,606
Pierre Morgon <sup>(5)</sup>	\$25,870	\$161,430	\$187,300
Robin Wright <sup>(6)</sup>	\$26,415	\$162,259	\$188,674

- (1) The amounts reported have been converted from pounds sterling to U.S. dollars using the average quarterly exchange rate for 2020 of £0.7809 to \$1.00, £0.8061 to \$1.00, £0.7740 to \$1.00 and £0.7571 to \$1.00, respectively.
- (2) The amounts reported reflect the grant date fair value of option awards granted in 2020 in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standards Codification Topic 718, service-vesting conditions. The assumptions used in calculating the grant date fair value of the shares are set forth in the notes to our consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus. These amounts do not correspond to the actual value that may be recognized by the named executive officers upon vesting of the applicable awards.
- (3) Dr. Gilbert resigned from the Board in September 2020.
- (4) Dr. Hill resigned from the Board in August 2018.
- (5) As of December 31, 2020, Dr. Morgon held an unexercised option to purchase 66 ordinary shares.
- (6) As of December 31, 2020, Mr. Wright held an unexercised option to purchase 66 ordinary shares.

Immediately prior to the completion of this offering, we intend to implement a formal policy pursuant to which our non-employee directors will be eligible to receive cash and equity retainers.

### Non-Employee Director Compensation Program

Prior to the effectiveness of the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part, we did not have a formal policy to compensate our non-employee directors. As of the effectiveness of the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part, we intend to implement a formal policy pursuant to which our non-employee directors will be eligible to receive the following cash retainers and equity awards:

<b>Annual Retainer for Board Membership</b>	
Annual service on the board of directors	£30,000
Additional compensation for service as non-executive chair of the board of directors	£22,000
<b>Additional Annual Retainer for Committee Membership</b>	
Annual service as chair of the audit committee	£11,000
Annual service as member of the audit committee (other than chair)	£ 5,500
Annual service as chair of the compensation committee	£ 8,000

Annual service as member of the compensation committee (other than chair)	£ 4,000
Annual service as chair of the nomination and corporate governance committee	£ 6,000
Annual service as member of the nomination and corporate governance committee (other than chair)	£ 3,000

Our policy will provide that, upon initial election to our board of directors following the completion of this offering, each non-employee director will be granted an option to purchase a number of ordinary shares equal to 0.10% of the outstanding ordinary shares as of the date of grant, or the Initial Grant. Furthermore, on the date of each of our annual meeting of shareholders following the completion of this offering, each non-employee director who will continue as a non-employee director following such meeting will be granted an option to purchase a number of ordinary shares equal to 0.05% of the outstanding ordinary shares as of the date of grant, or the Annual Grant. The Annual Grant will vest in full on the earlier of (i) the one-year anniversary of the grant date or (ii) the next annual meeting of shareholders, subject to continued service as a director through the applicable vesting date. The Initial Grant will vest in 36 equal monthly installments, subject to continued service as a director through the applicable vesting date. Such awards are subject to full accelerated vesting upon the sale of the Company.

Employee directors will receive no additional compensation for their service as a director.

We will reimburse all reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred by directors for their attendance at meetings of our board of directors or any committee thereof.

## RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Within this section, we have calculated the dollar amounts using the historical exchange rate as of the date of each transaction. The following is a description of transactions or series of transactions since January 1, 2017, to which we were or will be a party, in which:

- the amount involved in the transaction exceeds, or will exceed, \$120,000; and
- in which any of our executive officers, directors or holder of five percent or more of any class of our capital stock, including their immediate family members or affiliated entities, had or will have a direct or indirect material interest.

Compensation arrangements for our named executive officers and our directors are described elsewhere in this prospectus under “Management — Director Compensation,” “Executive Compensation” and Non-Executive Director Compensation.”

### Private Placements of Securities

#### Series A Financing

In November 2017, with subsequent closings in January 2018 and December 2018, we issued an aggregate of 22,065 of our Series A Shares at a subscription price of £1,087.65 (\$1,432.50) per share for the November 2017 and January 2018 closing and £1,631.48 (\$2,064.25) per share for the December 2018 closing for an aggregate amount of approximately \$33.9 million. The following table summarizes the participation in the Series A financing across all closings by any of our directors, executive officers, holders of more than 5% of our share capital or any member of the immediate family of the foregoing persons.

Name	Series A Shares	Aggregate Purchase Price Paid	
		in Pound Sterling	in US dollar
<b>5% or Greater Shareholders:</b>			
Oxford Sciences Innovation plc <sup>(1)</sup>	5,516	£5,999,477.40	\$7,901,687
Entities affiliated with GV <sup>(2)</sup>	5,516	£5,999,477.40	\$7,901,687
SCC Venture VI Holdco, Ltd. <sup>(3)</sup>	4,597	£5,000,000.00	\$6,532,698

(1) Oxford Sciences Innovation plc, or OSI, holds more than 5% of our voting securities.

(2) Entities affiliated with GV, including GV Europe 2014, L.P. and GV 2017, L.P., collectively hold more than 5% of our voting securities.

(3) SCC Venture VI Holdco, Ltd. holds more than 5% of our voting securities.

#### Series B Financing

On March 15, 2021, we issued 28,957 Series B Shares at a subscription price of \$4,325.00 per share for a total of approximately \$125 million. At the time of completion of the Series B financing, convertible loan notes issued by the Company totalling approximately \$43 million converted automatically on their terms and the Company applied such amount as a subscription of 12,420 Series B Shares at a price of approximately \$3,460 per share. The following table summarizes the participation in the Series B financing by any of our directors, executive officers, holders of more than 5% of our share capital or any member of the immediate family of the foregoing persons.

Name	Series B Shares		Aggregate Purchase Price Paid in US dollar
	Converted	Issuance	
<b>5% or Greater Shareholders:</b>			
OSI <sup>(1)</sup>	1,908	3,468	\$21,600,840.00
M&G plc <sup>(2)</sup>		11,561	\$50,001,325.00
Tencent Holdings Ltd. <sup>(3)</sup>		4,624	\$19,998,800.00

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- (1) OSI holds more than 5% of our voting securities.
  - (2) M&G plc holds more than 5% of our voting securities.
  - (3) Tencent Holdings Ltd. holds more than 5% of our voting securities.

**Lease Agreement**

In March 2019, we formalized a lease agreement with OSI, pursuant to which we leased our corporate headquarters beginning in May 2018. In 2018 and 2019, we paid OSI £144,000 and £221,991, respectively, for annual rent. Pursuant to the lease agreement, we are obligated to pay annual rent of £210,000 through the expiration of the lease in 2028.

**Agreements with Shareholders**

In connection with the subscriptions of our Series A and Series B Shares, we entered into a subscription and shareholder agreements containing information rights, among other things, with certain holders of our preferred shares. These shareholder agreements will terminate upon the consummation of this offering, except for the registration rights granted under our shareholders' agreement, as more fully described in "Description of Share Capital and Articles of Association — Registration Rights."

**Executive Officer and Director Compensation**

See the sections titled "Executive Compensation" and Non-Employee Director Compensation for information regarding compensation of our executive officers and directors.

**Agreements with our Executive Officers and Directors**

We have entered into employment agreements with certain of our executive officers. These agreements contain customary provisions and representations, including confidentiality, non-competition, non-solicitation and inventions assignment undertakings by the executive officers and non-executive directors. The enforceability of the non-competition provisions may be limited under applicable law.

**Indemnification Agreements**

We intend to enter into a deed of indemnity with each of our directors and executive officers prior to the completion of this offering. These agreements and our Articles of Association that will be in effect upon completion of this offering require us to indemnify our directors and executive officers to the fullest extent permitted by law.

**Directed Share Program**

At our request, Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC, or the DSP Underwriter, has reserved up to ADSs, or % of the ADSs offered by this prospectus, for sale at the initial public offering price through a directed share program to certain of our directors, officers, employees and business associates and other parties related to us. If purchased by these persons, these ADSs will be subject to a 180-day lock-up restriction. The DSP Underwriter will administer our directed share program. See the section titled "Underwriting — Directed Share Program."

**Related Party Transactions Policy**

In connection with this offering, we expect to adopt a written related party transactions policy that will provide that such transactions must be approved by our audit committee. This policy will become effective on the date on which the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part is declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission, or SEC. Pursuant to this policy, the audit committee has the primary responsibility for reviewing and approving or disapproving "related party transactions," which are transactions between us and related persons in which the aggregate amount involved exceeds or may be expected to exceed \$120,000 and in which a related person has or will have a direct or indirect material interest. For purposes of this policy, a related person will be defined as a director, executive officer, nominee for director, or greater than 5% beneficial owner of our common shares, in each case since the beginning of the most recently completed year, and their immediate family members.

## PRINCIPAL SHAREHOLDERS

The following table sets forth information with respect to the beneficial ownership of our ordinary shares as of March 15, 2021, for:

- each beneficial owner of 5% or more of our outstanding ordinary shares;
- each of our directors and executive officers; and
- all of our directors and executive officers as a group.

Beneficial ownership is determined in accordance with the rules of the SEC. These rules generally attribute beneficial ownership of securities to persons who possess sole or shared voting power or investment power with respect to those securities and include ordinary shares that can be acquired within 60 days of March 15, 2021. Percentage ownership calculations before the offering are based on 90,012 ordinary shares outstanding as of March 15, 2021, but also give effect to (i) the issuance of 41,378 Series B Shares in March 2021, which included the conversion of our 2020 Notes and (ii) our corporate reorganization.

The percentage of shares beneficially owned after completion of this offering is based on ordinary shares outstanding after this offering, including ordinary shares in the form of ADSs issued in connection with this offering.

Except as otherwise indicated, all of the shares reflected in the table are ordinary shares and all persons listed below have sole voting and investment power with respect to the shares beneficially owned by them, subject to applicable community property laws. The information is not necessarily indicative of beneficial ownership for any other purpose.

The following table does not reflect any ADSs that may be purchased in this offering pursuant to our directed share program described under “Underwriting — Directed Share Program.” If any ADSs are purchased by our existing principal shareholders, directors, executive officers or their affiliated entities, the number and percentage of ADSs beneficially owned by them after this offering will differ from those set forth in the following table.

Except as otherwise indicated in the table below, addresses of the directors, executive officers and named beneficial owners are in care of Vaccitech plc, The Schrödinger Building, Heatley Road, The Oxford Science Park, Oxford OX4 4GE, United Kingdom.

Name of beneficial owner	Number of shares beneficially owned	Percentage of shares beneficially owned	
		Before offering	After offering
<i>5% or Greater Shareholders:</i>			
Oxford Sciences Innovation plc <sup>(1)</sup>	26,530	29.47%	
Prudential Credit Opportunities SCSp <sup>(2)</sup>	11,561	12.84%	
Entities affiliated with Google Ventures <sup>(3)</sup>	5,516	6.13%	
Image Frame Investment (HK) Limited <sup>(4)</sup>	4,624	5.14%	
SCC Venture VI Holdco, Ltd. <sup>(5)</sup>	4,597	5.11%	
<i>Executive Officers and Directors:</i>			
William Enright <sup>(6)</sup>	3,881	4.24%	
Georgy Egorov <sup>(7)</sup>	285	*	
Thomas G. Evans <sup>(8)</sup>	1,033	1.14%	
Meg Marshall	—	—	
Robin Wright <sup>(9)</sup>	100	*	
Alex Hammacher	—	—	
Pierre A. Morgon <sup>(10)</sup>	100	*	
Anne M. Philips	—	—	
Karen T. Dawes	—	—	
Joseph C. F. Scheeren	—	—	
Carl Vine	—	—	
All executive officers and directors as a group (13 persons)	6,000	6.44%	



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\* Represents beneficial ownership of less than one percent.

- (1) Consists of (i) 15,638 ordinary shares, (ii) 5,516 ordinary shares issuable upon conversion of our Series A Shares and (iii) 5,376 ordinary shares issuable upon conversion of our Series B Shares. Alex Hammacher, a member of our board of directors, is the Head of Corporate Finance at Oxford Sciences Innovation plc. The business address for each person and entity named in this footnote is 46 Woodstock Road, Oxford, OX2 6HT, United Kingdom.
- (2) Consists of 11,561 ordinary shares issuable upon conversion of our Series B Shares. Prudential Credit Opportunities SCSp is advised by M&G Alternatives Investment Management Ltd. The business address for each entity named in this footnote is 10 Fenchurch Avenue, London, EC3M 5AG, UK.
- (3) Consists of (i) 2,758 ordinary shares issuable upon conversion of our Series A Shares held by GV 2017, L.P. and (ii) 2,758 ordinary shares issuable upon conversion of our Series A Shares held by GV Europe 2014, L.P. GV 2017 GP, L.P. (the general partner of GV 2017, L.P.), GV 2017 GP, L.L.C. (the general partner of GV 2017 GP, L.P.), Alphabet Holdings LLC (the managing member of GV 2017 GP, L.L.C.), XXVI Holdings Inc. (the managing member of Alphabet Holdings LLC) and Alphabet Inc. (the controlling stockholder of XXVI Holdings Inc.) may each be deemed to have sole power to vote or dispose of the shares held directly by GV 2017, L.P. GV Europe 2014 GP, L.P. (the general partner of GV Europe 2014, L.P.), GV Europe 2014 GP, L.L.C. (the general partner of GV Europe 2014 GP, L.P.), Alphabet Holdings LLC (the managing member of GV Europe 2014 GP, L.L.C.), XXVI Holdings Inc. (the managing member of Alphabet Holdings LLC) and Alphabet Inc. (the controlling stockholder of XXVI Holdings Inc.) may each be deemed to have sole power to vote or dispose of the shares held directly by GV Europe 2014, L.P. The principal business address for each entity named in this footnote is 1600 Amphitheatre Parkway, Mountain View, CA 94043.
- (4) Consists of 4,624 ordinary shares issuable upon conversion of our Series B Shares. Image Frame Investment (HK) Limited is a subsidiary of Tencent Holdings Limited. The business address for Image Frame Investment (HK) Limited is 29/F., Three Pacific Place, No. 1 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong.
- (5) Consists of 4,597 Series A Shares held by SCC Venture VI Holdco, Ltd., an exempted company with limited liability incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands. The sole shareholder of SCC Venture VI Holdco, Ltd. is Sequoia Capital China Venture Fund VI, L.P., whose general partner is SC China Venture VI Management, L.P. The general partner of SC China Venture VI Management, L.P. is SC China Holding Limited. SC China Holding Limited is wholly owned by SNP China Enterprises Limited, which in turn is wholly owned by Neil Nanpeng Shen. The registered address of SCC Venture VI Holdco, Ltd. is Maples Corporate Services Limited, PO Box 309, Uglund House, Grand Cayman, KY1-1104, Cayman Islands.
- (6) Consists of (a) 2,406 ordinary shares held by Mr. Enright and (b) 1,475 ordinary shares underlying options exercisable within 60 days of March 15, 2021.
- (7) Consists of 285 ordinary shares underlying options exercisable within 60 days of March 15, 2021.
- (8) Consists of (a) 414 ordinary shares held by Mr. Evans and (b) 619 ordinary shares underlying options exercisable within 60 days of March 15, 2021.
- (9) Consists of (a) 34 ordinary shares held by Mr. Wright and (b) 66 ordinary shares underlying options exercisable within 60 days of March 15, 2021.
- (10) Consists of (a) 34 ordinary shares held by Mr. Morgon and (b) 66 ordinary shares underlying options exercisable within 60 days of March 15, 2021.

## DESCRIPTION OF SHARE CAPITAL AND ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

*The following describes our issued share capital, summarizes the material provisions of our Articles of Association and highlights certain differences in corporate law in England and Wales and Delaware. Please note that this summary is not intended to be exhaustive. For further information, please refer to the full version of our Articles of Association, which are included as an exhibit to the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part.*

We were incorporated pursuant to the laws of England and Wales as Vaccitech Rx Limited in March 2021 to become the holding company for Vaccitech (UK) Limited (formerly Vaccitech Limited). Pursuant to the terms of a share for share exchange agreement entered into on March 31, 2021, as part of our corporate reorganization, all shareholders of Vaccitech (UK) Limited (formerly Vaccitech Limited) exchanged each of the shares held by them for one share of the same class, with the same shareholder rights, of newly issued shares of Vaccitech Rx Limited and, as a result, Vaccitech (UK) Limited (formerly Vaccitech Limited) became a wholly owned subsidiary of Vaccitech Rx Limited. Subsequently, we re-registered Vaccitech Rx Limited as a public limited company and renamed it as Vaccitech plc. See “Corporate Reorganization” for more information.

We are registered with the Registrar of Companies in England and Wales under number 13282620, and our registered office is at The Schrodinger Building 2nd Floor, Heatley Road, Oxford Science Park, Oxford, Oxfordshire, England, OX4 4GE.

As part of our corporate reorganization, certain resolutions will be required to be passed by our shareholders prior to the completion of this offering. These will include resolutions for the:

- adoption of our Articles. See “Key Provisions of our Post-IPO Articles of Association” below;
- general authorization of our directors for purposes of section 551 of the Companies Act 2006 to issue our shares and grant rights to subscribe for or convert any securities into shares up to a maximum aggregate nominal amount of £                      for a period of                      years; and
- empowering of our directors pursuant to section 570 of the Companies Act 2006 to issue equity securities for cash pursuant to the section 551 authority referred to above as if the statutory preemption rights under section 561(1) of the Companies Act 2006 did not apply to such allotments.

### Issued Share Capital

Prior to our corporate reorganization, as of March 16, 2021, the issued share capital of Vaccitech (UK) Limited (formerly Vaccitech Limited) was 26,616 ordinary shares, 22,065 series A shares and 41,378 series B shares. The nominal value of its ordinary shares was £0.01 per share and the nominal value of its series A shares and series B shares was £0.10. Each issued ordinary share, series A share, and series B share was fully paid. Following the exchange of shares of Vaccitech (UK) Limited (formerly Vaccitech Limited) for shares of Vaccitech Rx Limited on March 31, 2021 whereby all shareholders of Vaccitech (UK) Limited (formerly Vaccitech Limited) exchanged each of the shares held by them for one of the same class, with the same shareholder rights, of newly issued shares of Vaccitech Rx Limited, the issued share capital of Vaccitech Rx Limited (now Vaccitech plc following its re-registration as a public limited company) was 26,616 ordinary shares, 22,065 Series A Shares, and 41,378 Series B Shares. As part of the exchange of shares, Vaccitech (UK) Limited (formerly Vaccitech Limited) became a wholly owned subsidiary of Vaccitech Rx Limited (now Vaccitech plc following its re-registration as a public limited company).

### Ordinary Shares

Our ordinary shares have the rights and restrictions described in “Key Provisions of our Post-IPO Articles of Association” below. In accordance with our Articles, the following summarizes the rights of holders of our ordinary shares:

- each holder of our ordinary shares is entitled to one vote per ordinary share on all matters to be voted on by shareholders generally;

- the holders of our ordinary shares shall be entitled to receive notice of, attend, speak and vote at our general meetings and receive a copy of every report, accounts, circular or other documents sent out by us to our shareholders; and
- holders of our ordinary shares are entitled to receive such dividends as are recommended by our directors and declared by our shareholders.

### **Deferred Shares**

In accordance with our Articles, the following summarizes the rights of holders of our deferred shares:

- deferred shares shall confer no rights to dividends or to participate in our profits;
- on a return of assets on liquidation, the deferred shares shall confer on the holders thereof an entitlement to receive out of the assets of the Company available for distribution amongst the members (subject to the rights of any new class of shares with preferred rights) the amount credited as paid up on the deferred shares held by them respectively after (but only after) payment shall have been made to the holders of the ordinary shares of the amounts paid up or credited as paid up on such shares and the sum of £1,000,000 in respect of each ordinary share held by them respectively. The deferred shares shall confer on the holders thereof no further right to participate in the assets of the Company; and
- the holders of the deferred shares shall not be entitled in their capacity as holders of such shares to receive notice of, attend, speak, form part of the quorum of, or vote at our general meetings.

### **Registered Shares**

We are required by the Companies Act 2006 to keep a register of our shareholders. Under English law, the ordinary shares are deemed to be issued when the name of the shareholder is entered in our register of members. The register of members therefore is prima facie evidence of the identity of our shareholders, and the shares that they hold. The register of members generally provides limited, or no, information regarding the ultimate beneficial owners of our ordinary shares. Our register of members is maintained by our registrar, Computershare Investor Services plc. Holders of the ADSs will not be treated as our shareholders and their names will therefore not be entered in our register of members. The depositary, the custodian or their nominees will be the holder of the ordinary shares underlying the ADSs. Holders of the ADSs have a right to receive the ordinary shares underlying their ADSs. For discussion on the ADSs and ADS holder rights, see “Description of American Depositary Shares” in this prospectus.

Under the Companies Act 2006, we must enter an allotment of shares in our register of members as soon as practicable and in any event within two months of the allotment. We will perform all procedures necessary to update the register of members to reflect the ordinary shares being allotted and issued in this offering, including updating the share register with the number of ordinary shares to be issued to the depositary upon the closing of this offering. We also are required by the Companies Act 2006 to register a transfer of shares (or give the transferee notice of and reasons for refusal as the transferee may reasonably request) as soon as practicable and in any event within two months of receiving notice of the transfer.

We, any of our shareholders or any other affected person may apply to the court for rectification of the register of members if:

- the name of any person, without sufficient cause, is wrongly entered in or omitted from our register of members; or
- there is a default or unnecessary delay in entering on the register the fact of any person having ceased to be a shareholder or on which we have a lien, provided that such delay does not prevent dealings in the shares taking place on an open and proper basis.

### **Registration Rights**

Upon the completion of this offering, certain holders of \_\_\_\_\_ of our ordinary shares will be entitled to rights with respect to the registration of these securities under the Securities Act. These rights will be provided under the terms of a registration rights agreement between us and holders of our shares, or the registration rights agreement. The registration rights agreement will provide for two demand registrations commencing six months after the completion of this offering and unlimited short-form and piggyback registration rights.

### **Key Provisions of our Post-IPO Articles of Association**

Our Articles were approved by our shareholders on \_\_\_\_\_ and will be adopted immediately prior to the completion of the offering. A summary of certain key provisions of our Articles is set out below. The summary below is not a complete copy of the terms of our Articles. For further information, please refer to the full version of our Articles filed as an exhibit to the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part.

Our Articles contain no specific restrictions on our purpose and therefore, by virtue of section 31(1) of the Companies Act 2006, our purpose is unrestricted.

Our Articles contain, among other things, provisions to the following effect:

#### ***Share Capital***

Our share capital will consist of ordinary shares and deferred shares. We may, in accordance with section 551 of the Companies Act 2006, be authorized by our shareholders to generally and unconditionally allot our shares or grant rights to subscribe for or to convert any security into our shares by way of an ordinary resolution. We may issue these shares with such rights and restrictions as may be determined by the ordinary resolution, or if no ordinary resolution is passed or so far as the resolution does not make specific provision, as our board of directors may determine, including shares which are to be redeemed, or are liable to be redeemed at our option or the option of the holder of such shares. However, an amendment to our Articles, which requires the passing of a special resolution, will be required to issue any shares other than ordinary shares.

#### ***Voting***

The shareholders have the right to receive notice of, and to attend and vote at, our general meetings. Subject to any other provisions of our Articles and without prejudice to any special rights, privileges or restrictions as to voting attached to any shares forming part of our share capital, each shareholder who is present in person (or, in the case of a corporation, by representative) or by proxy at a general meeting on a show of hands has one vote and, on a poll, every such shareholder who is present in person (or, being a corporation, by representative) or by proxy has one vote in respect of every share held by him or her.

#### ***Variation of Rights***

Whenever our share capital is divided into different classes of shares, the special rights attached to any class may be varied or abrogated either: (i) with the consent in writing of the holders of not less than three-quarters in nominal value of the issued shares of that class (excluding any shares of that class held as treasury shares), or (ii) with the authority of a special resolution passed at a general meeting of the holders of the shares of that class, and may be so varied and abrogated while we are a going concern.

#### ***Dividends***

We may, subject to the provisions of the Companies Act 2006 and our Articles, by ordinary resolution from time to time declare dividends to be paid to shareholders according to their respective rights and interests in our profits, however no dividend shall exceed the amount recommended by our board of directors.

Subject to the provisions of the Companies Act 2006, our board of directors may declare interim dividends (including any dividend at a fixed rate) as appears our board of directors to be justified by our profits available for distribution. Except as provided otherwise by the rights attached to shares, all dividends may be declared or paid in any currency. Our board of directors may decide the rate of exchange for any currency conversions that may be required and how any costs involved in such conversions are to be met.

All dividends that remain unclaimed after a period of twelve (12) years from the date after they were first declared or became due for payment shall, if our board of directors so resolves, be forfeited and shall cease to remain owing by us.

Unless otherwise provided by the rights attached to the share, no dividend or other monies payable by us or in respect of a share shall bear interest as against us.

**Liquidation**

On a distribution of assets on a liquidation, dissolution or winding-up the surplus assets remaining after payment of our liabilities shall be distributed among the holders of our ordinary shares in proportion to the number of our ordinary shares held, irrespective of the amount paid or credited as paid on any share.

**Transfer of Ordinary Shares**

Each shareholder may transfer all or any of his shares which are in certificated form by means of an instrument of transfer in any usual form or in any other form which our board of directors may approve. Each shareholder may transfer all or any of his shares which are in uncertificated form by means of a “relevant system” (*i.e.*, the CREST System) in such manner provided for, and subject as provided in, the uncertificated securities rules (as defined in our Articles) (*i.e.*, the CREST Regulations).

Our board of directors may, in its absolute discretion, refuse to register a transfer of shares in certificated form unless:

- (i) it is for a share which is fully paid up;
- (ii) it is for a share upon which we have no lien;
- (iii) it is only for one class of share;
- (iv) it is in favor of a single transferee or no more than four joint transferees;
- (v) it is duly stamped or is duly certificated or otherwise shown to the satisfaction of our board of directors to be exempt from stamp duty; and
- (vi) it is delivered for registration to our registered office (or such other place as our board of directors may determine), accompanied (except in the case of a transfer by a person to whom we are not required by law to issue a certificate and to whom a certificate has not been issued or in the case of a renunciation) by the certificate for the shares to which it relates and such other evidence as our board of directors may reasonably require to prove the title of the transferor (or person renouncing) and the due execution of the transfer or renunciation by such transferor or, if the transfer or renunciation is executed by some other person on his behalf, the authority of that person to do so.

Our board of directors shall not refuse to register any transfer of partly paid shares in respect of which ADSs are admitted to Nasdaq on the grounds that they are partly paid shares in circumstances where such refusal would prevent dealings in such shares from taking place on an open and proper basis.

Our board of directors may refuse to register a transfer of uncertificated shares in any circumstances that are allowed or required by the uncertificated securities rules and the relevant system (in each case as defined in our Articles) (*i.e.*, the CREST Regulations and the CREST System).

**Allotment of Shares and Preemption Rights**

Subject to the Companies Act 2006 and to any rights attached to existing shares, any share may be issued with or have attached to it such rights and restrictions as we may by ordinary resolution determine, or if no ordinary resolution has been passed or so far as the resolution does not make specific provision, as our board of directors may determine (including shares which are to be redeemed, or are liable to be redeemed at our option or the holder of such shares). However, an amendment to our Articles, which requires the passing of a special resolution, will be required to issue any shares other than ordinary shares.

In accordance with section 551 of the Companies Act 2006, our board of directors may be generally and unconditionally authorized to exercise for each prescribed period of up to five years all of our powers to allot shares or grant rights to subscribe for or to convert any security into our shares up to an aggregate nominal amount equal to the amount stated in the relevant ordinary resolution authorizing such allotment. The authorities referred to above were included in the ordinary resolution of our shareholders passed on \_\_\_\_\_, 2021 and remain in force at the date of this prospectus.

Pursuant to section 561 of the Companies Act 2006, shareholders are granted preemptive rights when new shares are issued for cash. However, it is possible for our Articles, or shareholders at a general meeting representing at least 75% of our ordinary shares present (in person or by proxy) and eligible to vote at that general meeting, to disapply these preemptive rights. Such a disapplication of preemption rights may be for a maximum period of up to five years from the date of the shareholder special resolution. In either case, this disapplication would need to be renewed by our shareholders upon its expiration (*i.e.*, at least every five years) to remain effective.

On \_\_\_\_\_, our shareholders approved the disapplication of preemptive rights for a period of five years from the date of approval by way of a special resolution of our shareholders. This included the disapplication of preemption rights in relation to the allotment of our ordinary shares in connection with this offering. This disapplication will need to be renewed upon expiration (*i.e.*, at least every five years) to remain effective, but may be sought more frequently for additional five-year terms (or any shorter period).

### ***Alteration of Share Capital***

We may, in accordance with the Companies Act 2006, by ordinary resolution consolidate all or any of our share capital into a smaller number of shares of a larger nominal amount than our existing shares, or cancel any shares which, at the date of that ordinary resolution, have not been taken or agreed to be taken by any person and diminish the amount of our share capital by the amount of shares so cancelled, or sub-divide our shares, or any of them, into shares of a smaller nominal amount than our existing shares.

We may, in accordance with the Companies Act 2006, reduce or cancel our share capital or any capital redemption reserve or share premium account in any manner and with and subject to any conditions, authorities and consents required by law.

### ***Board of Directors***

#### ***Appointment of Directors***

Unless otherwise determined by ordinary resolution, the number of directors (other than any alternate directors) shall not be less than two, but there shall be no maximum number of directors.

Subject to our Articles and the Companies Act 2006, we may by ordinary resolution appoint a person who is willing to act as a director and our board of directors shall have power at any time to appoint any person who is willing to act as a director, in both cases either to fill a vacancy or as an addition to the existing board of directors.

Our Articles provide that, our board of directors will be divided into three classes, designated as “Class I”, “Class II” and “Class III”, each of which will consist, as nearly as possible, of one-third of the total number of directors constituting our entire board of directors and which will serve staggered three-year terms. At each annual general meeting, the successors of directors whose terms then expire will be elected to serve from the time of election and qualification until the third annual meeting following election. Directors of the class retiring at the annual general meeting shall be eligible for re-appointment by ordinary resolution at such annual general meeting.

At every subsequent annual general meeting any director who has been appointed by our board of directors since the last annual general meeting must retire from office and may offer themselves for reappointment by the shareholders by ordinary resolution.

#### ***Proceedings of Directors***

Subject to the provisions of our Articles, our board of directors may regulate their proceedings as they deem appropriate. A director may, and the secretary at the request of a director shall, call a meeting of the directors.

The quorum for a meeting of our board of directors shall be fixed from time to time by decision of the board of directors, but it must never be fewer than two directors (or duly appointed alternate directors).

Questions and matters requiring resolution arising at a meeting shall be decided by a majority of votes of the participating directors, with each director having one vote. In the case of an equality of votes, the chairperson will have a second or casting vote (unless the chairperson is not entitled to vote on the resolution in question).

#### *Directors' Compensation*

Directors shall be entitled to receive such fees as our board of directors shall determine for their services as our directors, and for any other service which they undertake on our behalf provided that the aggregate fees payable to the directors must not exceed \$            per annum or such higher amount as may from time to time be decided by ordinary resolution. Directors shall be entitled to reasonable additional remuneration (whether by way of salary, commission, participation in profits or otherwise) for any special duties or services performed or rendered to us, as determined by our board of directors, and in respect of any employment or executive office. The directors shall also be entitled to be paid reasonable travel, hotel and other expenses properly incurred by them in connection with their attendance at meetings of shareholders or class meetings, board of director or committee meetings or otherwise in connection with the performance of their duties as directors.

#### *Conflicts of Interest*

Our board of directors may, in accordance with the requirements in our Articles, authorize any matter proposed to them by any director which would, if not authorized, involve a director breaching his duty under the Companies Act 2006, to avoid conflicts of interests.

A director seeking authorization in respect of such conflict shall declare to our board of directors the nature and extent of his interest in a conflict as soon as is reasonably practicable. The director shall provide our board of directors with such details of the matter as are necessary for our board of directors to decide how to address the conflict together with such additional information as may be requested by our board of directors.

Any authorization by our board of directors will be effective only if:

- (i) to the extent permitted by the Companies Act 2006, the matter in question shall have been proposed by any director for consideration in the same way that any other matter may be proposed to the directors under the provisions of our Articles;
- (ii) any requirement as to the quorum for consideration of the relevant matter is met without counting the conflicted director and any other conflicted director; and
- (iii) the matter is agreed to without the conflicted director voting or would be agreed to if the conflicted director's and any other interested director's vote is not counted.

#### *Permitted Interests*

Under our Articles, certain transactions which would otherwise give rise to a conflict are considered to be permitted interests of our directors. In the event that these permitted interests arise, the director in question will still count towards the quorum requirements of the relevant meeting and be entitled to vote on resolutions relating to such permitted interests, including but not limited to the following matters:

- (i) the giving by such director of any security, guarantee or indemnity for any money or any liability which such director, or any other person, has lent or obligations such director or any other person has undertaken at the request, or for the benefit, of us or any of our subsidiary undertakings;
- (ii) the giving of any security, guarantee or indemnity to any other person for a debt or obligation which is owed by us or any of our subsidiary undertakings, to that other person if such director has taken responsibility for some or all of that debt or obligation. Such director can take this responsibility by giving a guarantee, indemnity or security;
- (iii) a proposal or contract relating to an offer of any shares or debentures or other securities for subscription or purchase by us or any of our subsidiary undertakings, if such director takes part because such director is a holder of shares, debentures or other securities, or if such director takes part in the underwriting or sub-underwriting of the offer;

- (iv) any arrangement for the benefit of our employees or the employees of any of our subsidiary undertakings which only gives such director benefits which are also generally given to employees to whom the arrangement relates;
- (v) any arrangement involving any other company if such director (together with any person connected with such director) has an interest of any kind in that company (including an interest by holding any position in that company or by being a shareholder of that company). This does not apply if such director knows that that such director has a relevant interest in a company. A company shall be deemed to be one in which such director has a relevant interest if and so long as (but only if and so long as) such director is to their knowledge (either directly or indirectly) the holder of or beneficially interested in one percent or more of any class of the equity share capital of that company (calculated exclusive of any shares of that class in that company held as treasury shares) or of the voting rights available to shareholders of that company;
- (vi) a contract relating to insurance which we can buy or renew for the benefit of our directors or a group of people which includes our directors; and
- (vii) a contract relating to a pension, superannuation or similar scheme or a retirement, death, disability benefits scheme or employees' share scheme which gives such director benefits which are also generally given to the employees to whom the scheme relates.

A director is not permitted to vote (or count towards the quorum) on a resolution relating to their own appointment or the settlement or variation of the terms of their appointment to an office or place of profit with us, or any other company in which we have an interest.

#### *Directors' Indemnity*

Subject to the provisions of the Companies Act 2006, all of our directors, secretaries or other officers (other than an auditor) shall be indemnified against any loss or liability incurred by them in connection with their duties or powers in relation to us or any of our subsidiaries or any pension fund or employees' share scheme of us or any of our subsidiaries or in relation to our activities as trustee of any occupational pension scheme which is operated by us from time to time. This indemnity includes any liability incurred by a director in defending any civil or criminal proceedings in which judgment is given in that director's favor or the director is acquitted or the proceedings are otherwise disposed of without any finding or admission of any material breach of duty on his part and we may provide the director with funds to meet expenditure incurred in connection with the proceedings set out above.

#### *General Meetings*

We must convene and hold annual general meetings once a year in accordance with the Companies Act 2006. Under the Companies Act 2006, an annual general meeting must be called by notice of at least 21 clear days and a general meeting must be called by notice of at least 14 clear days.

No business shall be transacted at any general meeting unless a quorum is present when the meeting proceeds to business, but the absence of a quorum shall not preclude the choice or appointment of a chairperson of the meeting, which shall not be treated as part of the business of the meeting. Save as otherwise provided by our Articles, shareholders holding thirty-three and one-third percent (33 1/3%) of our issued shares (excluding any shares held as treasury shares) present in person or by proxy (or in the case of a corporation, by a representative) and entitled to vote shall be a quorum for all purposes.

#### *Choice of Forum/Governing Law*

Our Articles provide that the courts of England and Wales will be the exclusive forum for resolving all shareholder complaints other than shareholder complaints asserting a cause of action arising under the Securities Act and the Exchange Act, for which, unless we consent by ordinary resolution to the selection of an alternative forum, the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York will be the exclusive forum. As a company incorporated in England and Wales, the choice of the courts of England and Wales as our exclusive forum for resolving all shareholder complaints, other than complaints arising under the Securities Act and the Exchange Act, allows us to more efficiently and affordably respond to such



actions, and provides consistency in the application of the laws of England and Wales to such actions. Similarly, we have selected the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York as our exclusive forum for resolving shareholder complaints arising under the Securities Act and the Exchange Act in order to more efficiently and affordably respond to such claims. This choice of forum also provides both us and our shareholders with a forum that is familiar with and regularly reviews cases involving U.S. securities law. Although we believe this choice of forum benefits us by providing increased consistency in the application of U.S. securities law for the specified types of action, it may have the effect of discouraging lawsuits against our directors and officers. Any person or entity purchasing or otherwise acquiring any interest in our ordinary shares will be deemed to have notice of and consented to the provisions of our articles of association, including the exclusive forum provision. However, it is possible that a court could find our forum selection provision to be inapplicable or unenforceable. The enforceability of similar exclusive forum provisions (including exclusive federal forum provisions for actions, suits or proceedings asserting a cause of action arising under the Securities Act) in other companies' organizational documents has been challenged in legal proceedings, and there is uncertainty as to whether courts would enforce the exclusive forum provisions in our articles of association. Additionally, our shareholders cannot waive compliance with the federal securities laws and the rules and regulations thereunder. See "Risk Factors — Risks Related to this Offering and Ownership of The ADSs — Our Articles will provide that the courts of England and Wales will be the exclusive forum for the resolution of all shareholder complaints other than complaints asserting a cause of action arising under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act, and that the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York will be the exclusive forum for the resolution of any shareholder complaint asserting a cause of action arising under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act."

#### **Borrowing Powers**

Subject to our Articles and the Companies Act 2006, our board of directors may exercise all of our powers to:

- (a) borrow money;
- (b) indemnify and guarantee;
- (c) mortgage or charge;
- (d) create and issue debentures and other securities; and
- (e) give security either outright or as collateral security for any of our debt, liability or obligation or any of a third party.

#### **Capitalization of Profits**

The directors may, if they are so authorized by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders, decide to capitalize any of our undistributed profits not required for paying any preferential dividend (whether or not they are available for distribution), or any sum standing to the credit of any reserve or fund which is available for distribution or standing to the credit of our share premium account, capital redemption reserve or other undistributable reserve. The directors may also, subject to the aforementioned ordinary resolution, appropriate any sum which they so decide to capitalize to the persons who would have been entitled to it if it were distributed by way of dividend and in the same proportions.

#### **Limitation on Owning Securities**

Neither English law nor our Articles restrict in any way the ownership or voting of our shares by non-residents.

#### **Uncertificated Shares**

Subject to the Companies Act 2006 and any applicable uncertificated securities rules (as defined in our Articles), our board of directors may permit title to shares of any class to be issued or held otherwise than by a certificate and to be transferred by means of a "relevant system" (*i.e.*, the CREST System) without a certificate and may make arrangements for a class of shares to be transferred to that relevant system.

Our board of directors may, subject to compliance with the uncertificated securities rules (as defined in our Articles), determine at any time that title to any class of shares must be in certificated form and that such class of shares will cease to be transferred to a relevant system from a date specified by our board of directors. Our board of directors may take such steps as it sees fit in relation to the evidencing of and transfer of title to uncertificated shares, any records relating to the holding of uncertificated shares and the conversion of uncertificated shares to certificated shares, or vice-versa. Ordinary shares may be changed from uncertificated to certified form (and vice versa) in accordance with and subject to the uncertificated securities rules (as defined in our Articles).

We may, by notice to the holder of an uncertificated share, require that share to be converted into certificated form.

If, and subject to under our Articles or pursuant to the Companies Act 2006, we are entitled to sell, transfer or otherwise dispose of, forfeit, re-allot, accept the surrender of or otherwise enforce a lien over an uncertificated share, such entitlement shall include the right of our board of directors to:

- (i) require the holder of the uncertificated share by notice in writing to change that share from uncertificated to certificated form;
- (ii) appoint any person to act on behalf of the holder of the uncertificated share to take such steps as may be required in order to effect the transfer of that share; and
- (iii) take such other action that our board of directors considers appropriate to achieve the sale, transfer, disposal, forfeiture, re-allotment or surrender of that share or otherwise to enforce a lien in respect of that share.

Unless our board of directors determines otherwise, shares which a shareholder holds in uncertificated form shall be treated as separate holdings from any shares which that shareholder holds in certificated form and any shares issued or created out of or in respect of any uncertificated shares shall be uncertificated shares and any shares issued or created out of or in respect of any certificated shares shall be certificated shares.

Our board of directors may take such other action that our board of directors considers appropriate to achieve the sale, transfer, disposal, forfeiture, re-allotment or surrender of an uncertificated share or otherwise to enforce a lien in respect of it.

#### **Other Relevant UK Laws and Regulations**

##### ***Mandatory Bid***

We believe that, as of the date of this prospectus, our place of central management and control is not in the UK (or the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man) for the purposes of the jurisdictional criteria of the Takeover Code. Accordingly, we believe that we are not currently subject to the Takeover Code and, as a result, our shareholders are not currently entitled to the benefit of certain takeover offer protections provided under the Takeover Code, including the rules regarding mandatory takeover bids (a summary of which is set out below). In the event that this changes, or if the interpretation and application of the Takeover Code by the Takeover Panel changes (including changes to the way in which the Takeover Panel assesses the application of the Takeover Code to English companies whose shares are listed outside of the UK), the Takeover Code may apply to us in the future.

The Takeover Code provides a framework within which takeovers of companies subject to it are conducted. In particular, the Takeover Code contains certain rules in respect of mandatory offers. Under the Takeover Code:

- (a) any person who acquires, whether by a series of transactions over a period of time or not, an interest in shares which (taken together with shares in which he is already interested, and in which persons acting in concert with him are interested) carry 30% or more of the voting rights of a company; or
- (b) any person who, together with persons acting in concert with him, is interested in shares which in the aggregate carry not less than 30% of the voting rights of a company but does not hold shares

carrying more than 50% of such voting rights and such person, or any person acting in concert with him, acquires an interest in any other shares which increases the percentage of shares carrying voting rights in which he is interested, such person shall, except in limited circumstances, be obliged to extend offers, on the basis set out in Rules 9.3, 9.4 and 9.5 of the Takeover Code, to the holders of any class of equity share capital, whether voting or non-voting, and also to the holders of any other class of transferable securities carrying voting rights. Offers for different classes of equity share capital must be comparable; the Takeover Panel should be consulted in advance in such cases.

- (i) An offer under Rule 9 of the Takeover Code must be in cash and at the highest price paid for any interest in the shares by the person required to make an offer or any person acting in concert with him during the 12 months prior to the announcement of the offer.
- (ii) Under the Takeover Code, a “concert party” arises where persons acting together pursuant to an agreement or understanding (whether formal or informal and whether or not in writing) actively cooperate, through the acquisition by them of an interest in shares in a company, to obtain or consolidate control of the company. “Control” means holding, or aggregate holdings, of an interest in shares carrying 30% or more of the voting rights of the company, irrespective of whether the holding or holdings give de facto control.

#### ***Squeeze-out***

- (i) Under Sections 979 to 982 of the Companies Act 2006, where a takeover offer has been made for us and the offeror has acquired, or unconditionally contracted to acquire, not less than 90% in value of the shares to which the offer relates and not less than 90% of the voting rights carried by those shares, it could then compulsorily acquire the remaining 10%. It would do so by sending a notice to the outstanding shareholders telling them that it will compulsorily acquire their shares, provided that no such notice may be served after the end of: (a) the period of three months beginning with the day after the last day on which the offer can be accepted; or (b) if earlier, and the offer is not one to which section 943(1) of the Companies Act 2006 applies, the period of six months beginning with the date of the offer.
- (ii) Six weeks following service of the notice, the offeror must send a copy of it to the company together with the consideration for the ordinary shares to which the notice relates, and an instrument of transfer executed on behalf of the outstanding shareholder(s) by a person appointed by the offeror.
- (iii) The company will hold the consideration on trust for the outstanding shareholders.

#### ***Sell-out***

- (i) Sections 983 to 985 of the Companies Act 2006 also give minority shareholders in the company a right to be bought out in certain circumstances by an offeror who has made a takeover offer. If a takeover offer relating to all the ordinary shares of the company is made and the offeror has acquired or unconditionally agreed to acquire not less than 90% in value of the voting shares and not less than 90% of the voting rights carried by those shares, at any time before the end of the period within which the offer could be accepted, any holder of shares to which the offer related who had not accepted the offer could by a written communication to the offeror require it to acquire those shares. The offeror is required to give any shareholder notice of his right to be bought out within one month of that right arising. The offeror may impose a time limit on the rights of minority shareholders to be bought out, but that period cannot end less than three months after the end of the acceptance period, or, if longer a period of three months from the date of the notice.
- (ii) If a shareholder exercises his rights, the offeror is bound to acquire those shares on the terms of the offer or on such other terms as may be agreed.

***Disclosure of Interest in Shares***

Pursuant to Part 22 of the Companies Act 2006, a company incorporated in England and Wales is empowered by notice in writing to require any person whom the company knows to be, or has reasonable cause to believe to be, interested in the company's shares or at any time during the three years immediately preceding the date on which the notice is issued to have been so interested, within a reasonable time to disclose to the company details of that person's interest and (so far as is within such person's knowledge) details of any other interest that subsists or subsisted in those shares.

Under our Articles, if a shareholder defaults in supplying us with the required details in relation to the shares in question, or the Default Shares, within the prescribed period of 14 days, the shareholder shall not be entitled to vote or exercise any other right conferred by membership in relation to general meetings. Where the Default Shares represent 0.25% or more in nominal value of the issued shares of the class in question (calculated exclusive of any shares held as treasury shares), the directors may direct that:

- any dividend or other money payable in respect of the Default Shares shall be retained by us without any liability to pay interest on it when such dividend or other money is finally paid to the shareholder; and/or
- no transfer by the relevant shareholder of shares (other than a transfer permitted in accordance with the provisions of our Articles) may be registered (unless such shareholder is not in default and the transfer does not relate to Default Shares).

***Purchase of Own Shares***

English law permits a public limited company to purchase its own shares out of the distributable profits of the company or the proceeds of a fresh issue of shares made for the purpose of financing the purchase, subject to complying with procedural requirements under the Companies Act 2006 and provided that its articles of association do not prohibit it from doing so. Our Articles, a summary of which is provided above, do not prohibit us from purchasing our own shares. A public limited company must not purchase its own shares if, as a result of the purchase, there would no longer be any issued shares of the company other than redeemable shares or shares held as treasury shares. Shares must be fully paid in order to be repurchased.

Any such purchase will be either a "market purchase" or "off-market purchase," each as defined in the Companies Act 2006. A "market purchase" is a purchase made on a "recognized investment exchange" (other than an overseas exchange) as defined in the UK Financial Services and Markets Act 2000, as amended, or FSMA. An "off-market purchase" is a purchase that is not made on a "recognized investment exchange." Both "market purchases" and "off-market purchases" require prior shareholder approval by way of an ordinary resolution. In the case of an "off-market purchase," a company's shareholders, other than the shareholders from whom the company is purchasing shares, must approve the terms of the contract to purchase shares and in the case of a "market purchase," the shareholders must approve the maximum number of shares that can be purchased and the maximum and minimum prices to be paid by the company. Both resolutions authorizing "market purchases" and "off-market purchases" must specify a date, not later than five years after the passing of the resolution, on which the authority to purchase is to expire.

Nasdaq is an "overseas exchange" for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006 and does not fall within the definition of a "recognized investment exchange" for the purposes of FSMA and any purchase made by us would need to comply with the procedural requirements under the Companies Act 2006 that regulate "off-market purchases."

A buy-back by a company of its shares will generally give rise to UK stamp duty at the rate of 0.5% of the amount or value of the consideration payable by the company (rounded up to the next £5.00).

Our Articles do not have conditions governing changes to our capital which are more stringent than those required by law.

***Distributions and Dividends***

Under the Companies Act 2006, before a company can lawfully make a distribution or dividend, it must ensure that it has sufficient distributable reserves, as determined on a non-consolidated basis. The basic rule

is that a company's profits available for the purpose of making a distribution are its accumulated, realized profits, so far as not previously utilized by distribution or capitalization, less its accumulated, realized losses, so far as not previously written off in a reduction or reorganization of capital duly made. The requirement to have sufficient distributable reserves before a distribution or dividend can be paid applies to us and to each of our subsidiaries that has been incorporated under English law.

As a public company, it is also not sufficient that we have made a distributable profit for the purpose of making a distribution. An additional capital maintenance requirement is imposed on us to ensure that our net worth is at least equal to the amount of our capital. A public company can only make a distribution:

- if, at the time that the distribution is made, the amount of its net assets (that is, the total excess of assets over liabilities) is not less than the total of its called up share capital and undistributable reserves; and
- if, and to the extent that, the distribution itself, at the time that it is made, does not reduce the amount of the net assets to less than that total.

### ***Shareholder Rights***

Certain rights granted under the Companies Act 2006, including the right to requisition a general meeting or require a resolution to be put to shareholders at the annual general meeting, are only available to our shareholders. For English law purposes, our shareholders are the persons who are registered as the owners of the legal title to the shares and whose names are recorded in our share register. If a person who holds their ADSs in DTC wishes to exercise certain of the rights granted under the Companies Act 2006, they may be required to first take steps to withdraw their ADSs from the settlement system operated by DTC and become the registered holder of the shares in our share register. A withdrawal of shares from DTC may have tax implications. For additional information on the potential tax implications of withdrawing your shares from the settlement system operated by DTC, see "Material Income Tax Considerations — UK Taxation."

### ***Exchange Controls***

There are no governmental laws, decrees, regulations or other legislation in the UK that may affect the import or export of capital, including the availability of cash and cash equivalents for use by us, or that may affect the remittance of dividends, interest, or other payments by us to non-resident holders of our ordinary shares or ADSs, other than, on current law, withholding tax requirements that may apply in respect of interest. There is no limitation imposed by English law or in our Articles on the right of non-residents to hold or vote shares.

### ***Differences in Corporate Law***

The applicable provisions of the Companies Act 2006 differ from laws applicable to U.S. corporations and their shareholders. Set forth below is a summary of certain differences between the provisions of the Companies Act 2006 applicable to us and the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware relating to shareholders' rights and protections. This summary is not intended to be a complete discussion of the respective rights and it is qualified in its entirety by reference to Delaware law and the laws of England and Wales.

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Number of Directors	Under the Companies Act 2006, a public limited company must have at least two directors and the number of directors may be fixed by or in the manner provided for in a company's articles of association.	Under Delaware law, a corporation must have at least one director and the number of directors shall be fixed by or in the manner provided in the bylaws.
Removal of Directors	Under the Companies Act 2006, shareholders may remove a director without cause by an ordinary resolution (which is passed by a simple majority of those voting in person or by proxy at a general meeting) irrespective of any provisions of any service contract the director has with the company, provided 28 clear days' notice of the resolution has been given to the company and its shareholders. On receipt of notice of an intended resolution to remove a director, the company must forthwith send a copy of the notice to the director concerned. Certain other procedural requirements under the Companies Act 2006 must also be followed, such as allowing the director to make representations against his or her removal either at the meeting or in writing.	Under Delaware law, any director or the entire board of directors may be removed, with or without cause, by the holders of a majority of the shares then entitled to vote at an election of directors, except (i) unless the certificate of incorporation provides otherwise, in the case of a corporation whose board of directors is classified, shareholders may effect such removal only for cause, or (ii) in the case of a corporation having cumulative voting, if less than the entire board of directors is to be removed, no director may be removed without cause if the votes cast against his or her removal would be sufficient to elect him or her if then cumulatively voted at an election of the entire board of directors, or, if there are classes of directors, at an election of the class of directors of which he is a part.
Vacancies on the Board of Directors	Under English law, the procedure by which directors, other than a company's initial directors, are appointed is generally set out in a company's articles of association, provided that where two or more persons are appointed as directors of a public limited company by resolution of the shareholders, resolutions appointing each director must be voted on individually.	Under Delaware law, vacancies and newly created directorships may be filled by a majority of the directors then in office (even though less than a quorum) or by a sole remaining director unless (i) otherwise provided in the certificate of incorporation or bylaws of the corporation or (ii) the certificate of incorporation directs that a particular class of stock is to elect such director, in which case a majority of the other directors elected by such class, or a sole remaining director elected by such class, will fill such vacancy.
Annual General Meeting	Under the Companies Act 2006, a public limited company must hold an annual general meeting within the six-month period beginning with the day following the company's annual accounting reference date.	Under Delaware law, the annual meeting of shareholders shall be held at such place, on such date and at such time as may be designated from time to time by the board of directors or as provided in the certificate of incorporation or by the bylaws.

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General Meeting	<p>Under the Companies Act 2006, a general meeting of the shareholders of a public limited company may be called by the directors.</p> <p>Shareholders holding at least 5% of the paid-up capital of the company carrying voting rights at general meetings (excluding any paid up capital held as treasury shares) can require the directors to call a general meeting and, if the directors fail to do so within a certain period, may themselves (or any of them representing more than one half of the total voting rights of all of them) convene a general meeting.</p>	<p>Under Delaware law, special meetings of the shareholders may be called by the board of directors or by such person or persons as may be authorized by the certificate of incorporation or by the bylaws.</p>
Notice of General Meetings	<p>Under the Companies Act 2006, at least 21 clear days' notice must be given for an annual general meeting and any resolutions to be proposed at the meeting, subject to a company's articles of association providing for a longer period. Subject to a company's articles of association providing for a longer period, at least 14 clear days' notice is required for any other general meeting of a public limited company. In addition, certain matters, such as the removal of directors or auditors, require special notice, which is 28 clear days' notice. The shareholders of a company may in all cases consent to a shorter notice period, the proportion of shareholders' consent required being 100% of those entitled to attend and vote in the case of an annual general meeting and, in the case of any other general meeting, a majority in number of the members having a right to attend and vote at the meeting, being a majority who together hold not less than 95% in nominal value of the shares giving a right to attend and vote at the meeting.</p>	<p>Under Delaware law, unless otherwise provided in the certificate of incorporation or bylaws, written notice of any meeting of the shareholders must be given to each shareholder entitled to vote at the meeting not less than ten nor more than 60 days before the date of the meeting and shall specify the place, date, hour and purpose or purposes of the meeting.</p>
Quorum	<p>Subject to the provisions of a company's articles of association, the Companies Act 2006 provides that two shareholders present at a</p>	<p>The certificate of incorporation or bylaws may specify the number of shares, the holders of which shall be present or represented by proxy at any</p>

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	meeting (in person, by proxy or authorized representative under the Companies Act 2006) shall constitute a quorum for companies with more than one shareholder.	meeting in order to constitute a quorum, but in no event shall a quorum consist of less than one third of the shares entitled to vote at the meeting. In the absence of such specification in the certificate of incorporation or bylaws, a majority of the shares entitled to vote, present in person or represented by proxy, shall constitute a quorum at a meeting of stockholders.
Proxy	Under the Companies Act 2006, at any meeting of shareholders, a shareholder may designate another person to attend, speak and vote at the meeting on their behalf by proxy.	Under Delaware law, at any meeting of shareholders, a shareholder may designate another person to act for such shareholder by proxy, but no such proxy shall be voted or acted upon after three years from its date, unless the proxy provides for a longer period. A director of a Delaware corporation may not issue a proxy representing the director's voting rights as a director.
Preemptive Rights	Under the Companies Act 2006, "equity securities," being (i) shares in the company other than shares that, with respect to dividends and capital, carry a right to participate only up to a specified amount in a distribution, referred to as "ordinary shares," or (ii) rights to subscribe for, or to convert securities into, ordinary shares, proposed to be allotted for cash must be offered first to the existing equity shareholders in the company in proportion to the respective nominal value of their holdings, unless an exception applies or a special resolution to the contrary has been passed by shareholders in a general meeting or the articles of association provide otherwise in each case in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006.	Under Delaware law, shareholders have no preemptive rights to subscribe to additional issues of stock or to any security convertible into such stock unless, and except to the extent that, such rights are expressly provided for in the certificate of incorporation.
Authority to Allot	Under the Companies Act 2006, the directors of a company must not allot shares or grant rights to subscribe for or convert any security into shares unless an exception applies or an ordinary resolution has been passed by shareholders in a	Under Delaware law, if the corporation's charter or certificate of incorporation so provides, the board of directors has the power to authorize the issuance of stock. The board of directors may authorize capital stock to be issued for



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	<p>general meeting authorizing such allotment or the articles of association provide for such authorization, in each case in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006.</p>	<p>consideration consisting of cash, any tangible or intangible property or any benefit to the corporation or any combination thereof. It may determine the amount of such consideration by approving a formula. In the absence of actual fraud in the transaction, the judgment of the directors as to the value of such consideration is conclusive.</p>
Liability of Directors and Officers	<p>Under the Companies Act 2006, any provision, whether contained in a company's articles of association or any contract or otherwise, that purports to exempt a director of a company, to any extent, from any liability that would otherwise attach to him or her in connection with any negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust in relation to the company, is void. Any provision by which a company directly or indirectly provides an indemnity, to any extent, for a director of the company or of an associated company against any liability attaching to him or her in connection with any negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust in relation to the company of which he or she is a director is also void except as permitted by the Companies Act 2006, which provides exceptions for the company to (i) purchase and maintain insurance against such liability; (ii) provide a "qualifying third party indemnity," or an indemnity against liability incurred by the director to a person other than the company or an associated company as long as he or she is successful in defending the claim or criminal proceedings; and (iii) provide a "qualifying pension scheme indemnity," or an indemnity against liability incurred in connection with the company's activities as trustee of an occupational pension plan.</p>	<p>Under Delaware law, a corporation's certificate of incorporation may include a provision eliminating or limiting the personal liability of a director to the corporation and its shareholders for damages arising from a breach of fiduciary duty as a director. However, no provision can limit the liability of a director for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• any breach of the director's duty of loyalty to the corporation or its shareholders;</li> <li>• acts or omissions not in good faith or that involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law;</li> <li>• intentional or negligent payment of unlawful dividends or stock purchases or redemptions; or</li> <li>• any transaction from which the director derives an improper personal benefit.</li> </ul>

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Voting Rights	<p>For an English company it is usual for the articles of association to provide that, unless a poll is demanded by the shareholders of a company or is required by the chairperson of the meeting or the company's articles of association, shareholders shall vote on all resolutions on a show of hands. Under the Companies Act 2006, a poll may be demanded by (i) not fewer than five shareholders having the right to vote on the resolution; (ii) any shareholder(s) representing not less than 10% of the total voting rights of all the shareholders having the right to vote on the resolution (excluding any voting rights attaching to treasury shares); or (iii) any shareholder(s) holding shares in the company conferring a right to vote on the resolution (excluding any voting rights attaching to treasury shares) being shares on which an aggregate sum has been paid up equal to not less than 10% of the total sum paid up on all the shares conferring that right. A company's articles of association may provide more extensive rights for shareholders to call a poll. Under English law, an ordinary resolution is passed on a show of hands if it is approved by a simple majority (more than 50%) of the votes cast by shareholders present (in person or by proxy) and entitled to vote. If a poll is demanded, an ordinary resolution is passed if it is approved by holders representing a simple majority of the total voting rights of shareholders present, in person or by proxy, who, being entitled to vote on the resolution. Special resolutions require the affirmative vote of not less than 75% of the votes cast by shareholders present, in person or by proxy, at the meeting.</p>	<p>Delaware law provides that, unless otherwise provided in the certificate of incorporation, each shareholder is entitled to one vote for each share of capital stock held by such shareholder.</p>

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Shareholder Vote on Certain Transactions	<p>The Companies Act 2006 provides for schemes of arrangement, which are arrangements or compromises between a company and any class of shareholders or creditors and used in certain types of reconstructions, amalgamations, capital reorganizations or takeovers. These arrangements require:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the approval at a shareholders' or creditors' meeting convened by order of the court, of a majority in number of shareholders or creditors or a class thereof representing 75% in value of the capital held by, or debt owed to, the class of shareholders or creditors, or class thereof present and voting, either in person or by proxy; and</li> <li>• the approval of the court.</li> </ul>	<p>Generally, under Delaware law, unless the certificate of incorporation provides for the vote of a larger portion of the stock, completion of a merger, consolidation, sale, lease or exchange of all or substantially all of a corporation's assets or dissolution requires:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the approval of the board of directors; and</li> <li>• the approval by the vote of the holders of a majority of the outstanding stock or, if the certificate of incorporation provides for more or less than one vote per share, a majority of the votes of the outstanding stock of the corporation entitled to vote on the matter.</li> </ul>
Standard of Conduct for Directors	<p>Under English law, a director owes various statutory and fiduciary duties to the company, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• to act in the way he considers, in good faith, would be most likely to promote the success of the company for the benefit of its members as a whole, and in doing so have regard (amongst other matters) to: (i) the likely consequences of any decision in the long-term, (ii) the interests of the company's employees, (iii) the need to foster the company's business relationships with suppliers, customers and others, (iv) the impact of the company's operations on the community and the environment, (v) the desirability to maintain a reputation for high standards of business conduct, and (vi) the need to act fairly as between members of the company;</li> <li>• to avoid a situation in which he has, or can have, a direct or indirect interest that conflicts, or possibly conflicts, with the</li> </ul>	<p>Delaware law does not contain specific provisions setting forth the standard of conduct of a director. The scope of the fiduciary duties of directors is generally determined by the courts of the State of Delaware. In general, directors have a duty to act without self-interest, on a well-informed basis and in a manner they reasonably believe to be in the best interest of the shareholders.</p> <p>Directors of a Delaware corporation owe fiduciary duties of care and loyalty to the corporation and to its shareholders. The duty of care generally requires that a director act in good faith, with the care that an ordinarily prudent person would exercise under similar circumstances. Under this duty, a director must inform himself or herself of all material information reasonably available regarding a significant transaction. The duty of loyalty requires that a director act in a manner he or she reasonably believes to be in the best interests of the corporation. He or she must not use his corporate position for personal gain or advantage. In general, but</p>

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	<p>interests of the company;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• to act in accordance with the company’s constitution and only exercise his powers for the purposes for which they are conferred;</li> <li>• to exercise independent judgment;</li> <li>• to exercise reasonable care, skill and diligence;</li> <li>• not to accept benefits from a third party conferred by reason of his being a director or doing, or not doing, anything as a director; and</li> <li>• a duty to declare any interest that he has, whether directly or indirectly, in a proposed or existing transaction or arrangement with the company.</li> </ul>	<p>subject to certain exceptions, actions of a director are presumed to have been made on an informed basis, in good faith and in the honest belief that the action taken was in the best interests of the corporation. However, this presumption may be rebutted by evidence of a breach of one of the fiduciary duties. Delaware courts have also imposed a heightened standard of conduct upon directors of a Delaware corporation who take any action designed to defeat a threatened change in control of the corporation. In addition, under Delaware law, when the board of directors of a Delaware corporation approves the sale or break-up of a corporation, the board of directors may, in certain circumstances, have a duty to obtain the highest value reasonably available to the shareholders.</p>
Shareholder Suits	<p>Under English law, generally, the company, rather than its shareholders, is the proper claimant in an action in respect of a wrong done to the company or where there is an irregularity in the company’s internal management. Notwithstanding this general position, the Companies Act 2006 provides that (i) a court may allow a shareholder to bring a derivative claim (that is, an action in respect of and on behalf of the company) in respect of a cause of action arising from a director’s negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust and (ii) a shareholder may bring a claim for a court order where the company’s affairs have been or are being conducted in a manner that is unfairly prejudicial to some of its shareholders.</p>	<p>Under Delaware law, a shareholder may initiate a derivative action to enforce a right of a corporation if the corporation fails to enforce the right itself. The complaint must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• state that the plaintiff was a shareholder at the time of the transaction of which the plaintiff complains or that the plaintiff’s shares thereafter devolved on the plaintiff by operation of law; and</li> <li>• allege with particularity the efforts made by the plaintiff to obtain the action the plaintiff desires from the directors and the reasons for the plaintiff’s failure to obtain the action; or</li> <li>• state the reasons for not making the effort.</li> </ul> <p>Additionally, the plaintiff must remain a shareholder through the duration of the derivative suit. The action will not be dismissed or compromised without the approval of the Delaware Court of Chancery.</p>

**Stock exchange listing**

We have applied to list the ADSs on The Nasdaq Global Market under the trading symbol “VACC.”

**Transfer agent and registrar of shares**

Our share register will be maintained by Computershare Investor Services plc upon the consummation of this offering. The share register reflects only record owners of our ordinary shares. Holders of the ADSs will not be treated as our shareholders and their names will therefore not be entered in our share register. The depository, the custodian or their nominees will be the holder of the ordinary shares underlying the ADSs. Holders of the ADSs have a right to receive the ordinary shares underlying their ADSs. For discussion on the ADSs and ADS holder rights, see “Description of American Depositary Shares” in this prospectus.

## DESCRIPTION OF AMERICAN DEPOSITARY SHARES

### American Depositary Shares

The Bank of New York Mellon, as depositary, will register and deliver American Depositary Shares, also referred to as ADSs. Each ADS will represent \_\_\_\_\_ shares (or a right to receive \_\_\_\_\_ shares) deposited with The Bank of New York Mellon, as custodian, acting through an office located in the United Kingdom. Each ADS will also represent any other securities, cash or other property that may be held by the depositary. The deposited shares together with any other securities, cash or other property held by the depositary are referred to as the deposited securities. The depositary's office at which the ADSs will be administered and its principal executive office are located at 240 Greenwich Street, New York, New York 10286.

You may hold ADSs either (A) directly (i) by having an American Depositary Receipt, also referred to as an ADR, which is a certificate evidencing a specific number of ADSs, registered in your name, or (ii) by having uncertificated ADSs registered in your name, or (B) indirectly by holding a security entitlement in ADSs through your broker or other financial institution that is a direct or indirect participant in The Depository Trust Company, also called DTC. If you hold ADSs directly, you are a registered ADS holder, also referred to as an ADS holder. This description assumes you are an ADS holder. If you hold the ADSs indirectly, you must rely on the procedures of your broker or other financial institution to assert the rights of ADS holders described in this section. You should consult with your broker or financial institution to find out what those procedures are.

Registered holders of uncertificated ADSs will receive statements from the depositary confirming their holdings.

As an ADS holder, we will not treat you as one of our shareholders and you will not have shareholder rights. English law governs shareholder rights. The depositary will be the holder of the shares underlying your ADSs. As a registered holder of ADSs, you will have ADS holder rights. A deposit agreement among us, the depositary, ADS holders and all other persons indirectly or beneficially holding ADSs sets out ADS holder rights as well as the rights and obligations of the depositary. New York law governs the deposit agreement and the ADSs.

The following is a summary of the material provisions of the deposit agreement. For more complete information, you should read the entire deposit agreement and the form of ADR.

### Dividends and Other Distributions

#### *How will you receive dividends and other distributions on the shares?*

The depositary has agreed to pay or distribute to ADS holders the cash dividends or other distributions it or the custodian receives on shares or other deposited securities, upon payment or deduction of its fees and expenses. You will receive these distributions in proportion to the number of shares your ADSs represent.

**Cash.** The depositary will convert any cash dividend or other cash distribution we pay on the shares into U.S. dollars, if it can do so on a reasonable basis and can transfer the U.S. dollars to the United States. If that is not possible or if any government approval is needed and cannot be obtained, the deposit agreement allows the depositary to distribute the foreign currency only to those ADS holders to whom it is possible to do so. It will hold the foreign currency it cannot convert for the account of the ADS holders who have not been paid. It will not invest the foreign currency and it will not be liable for any interest.

Before making a distribution, any withholding taxes, or other governmental charges that must be paid will be deducted. See "Material Income Tax Considerations." The depositary will distribute only whole U.S. dollars and cents and will round fractional cents to the nearest whole cent. *If the exchange rates fluctuate during a time when the depositary cannot convert the foreign currency, you may lose some of the value of the distribution.*

**Shares.** The depositary may distribute additional ADSs representing any shares we distribute as a dividend or free distribution. The depositary will only distribute whole ADSs. It will sell shares which would require it to deliver a fraction of an ADS (or ADSs representing those shares) and distribute the net

proceeds in the same way as it does with cash. If the depository does not distribute additional ADSs, the outstanding ADSs will also represent the new shares. The depository may sell a portion of the distributed shares (or ADSs representing those shares) sufficient to pay its fees and expenses in connection with that distribution.

***Rights to purchase additional shares.*** If we offer holders of our securities any rights to subscribe for additional shares or any other rights, the depository may (i) exercise those rights on behalf of ADS holders, (ii) distribute those rights to ADS holders or (iii) sell those rights and distribute the net proceeds to ADS holders, in each case after deduction or upon payment of its fees and expenses. To the extent the depository does not do any of those things, it will allow the rights to lapse. *In that case, you will receive no value for them.* The depository will exercise or distribute rights only if we ask it to and provide satisfactory assurances to the depository that it is legal to do so. If the depository will exercise rights, it will purchase the securities to which the rights relate and distribute those securities or, in the case of shares, new ADSs representing the new shares, to subscribing ADS holders, but only if ADS holders have paid the exercise price to the depository. U.S. securities laws may restrict the ability of the depository to distribute rights or ADSs or other securities issued on exercise of rights to all or certain ADS holders, and the securities distributed may be subject to restrictions on transfer.

***Other Distributions.*** The depository will send to ADS holders anything else we distribute on deposited securities by any means it thinks is legal, fair and practical. If it cannot make the distribution in that way, the depository has a choice. It may decide to sell what we distributed and distribute the net proceeds, in the same way as it does with cash. Or, it may decide to hold what we distributed, in which case ADSs will also represent the newly distributed property. However, the depository is not required to distribute any securities (other than ADSs) to ADS holders unless it receives satisfactory evidence from us that it is legal to make that distribution. The depository may sell a portion of the distributed securities or property sufficient to pay its fees and expenses in connection with that distribution. U.S. securities laws may restrict the ability of the depository to distribute securities to all or certain ADS holders, and the securities distributed may be subject to restrictions on transfer.

The depository is not responsible if it decides that it is unlawful or impractical to make a distribution available to any ADS holders. We have no obligation to register ADSs, shares, rights or other securities under the Securities Act. We also have no obligation to take any other action to permit the distribution of ADSs, shares, rights or anything else to ADS holders. *This means that you may not receive the distributions we make on our shares or any value for them if it is illegal or impractical for us to make them available to you.*

## **Deposit, Withdrawal and Cancellation**

### ***How are ADSs issued?***

The depository will deliver ADSs if you or your broker deposits shares or evidence of rights to receive shares with the custodian. Upon payment of its fees and expenses and of any taxes or charges, such as stamp taxes or stock transfer taxes or fees, the depository will register the appropriate number of ADSs in the names you request and will deliver the ADSs to or upon the order of the person or persons that made the deposit.

### ***How can ADS holders withdraw the deposited securities?***

You may surrender your ADSs to the depository for the purpose of withdrawal. Upon payment of its fees and expenses and of any taxes or charges, such as stamp taxes or stock transfer taxes or fees, the depository will deliver the shares and any other deposited securities underlying the ADSs to the ADS holder or a person the ADS holder designates at the office of the custodian. Or, at your request, risk and expense, the depository will deliver the deposited securities at its office, if feasible. However, the depository is not required to accept surrender of ADSs to the extent it would require delivery of a fraction of a deposited share or other security. The depository may charge you a fee and its expenses for instructing the custodian regarding delivery of deposited securities.

### ***How do ADS holders interchange between certificated ADSs and uncertificated ADSs?***

You may surrender your ADR to the depository for the purpose of exchanging your ADR for uncertificated ADSs. The depository will cancel that ADR and will send to the ADS holder a statement

confirming that the ADS holder is the registered holder of uncertificated ADSs. Upon receipt by the depositary of a proper instruction from a registered holder of uncertificated ADSs requesting the exchange of uncertificated ADSs for certificated ADSs, the depositary will execute and deliver to the ADS holder an ADR evidencing those ADSs.

### **Voting Rights**

#### ***How do you vote?***

ADS holders may instruct the depositary how to vote the number of deposited shares their ADSs represent. If we request the depositary to solicit your voting instructions (and we are not required to do so), the depositary will notify you of a shareholders' meeting and send or make voting materials available to you. Those materials will describe the matters to be voted on and explain how ADS holders may instruct the depositary how to vote. For instructions to be valid, they must reach the depositary by a date set by the depositary. The depositary will try, as far as practical, subject to the laws of England and Wales and the provisions of our articles of association or similar documents, to vote or to have its agents vote the shares or other deposited securities as instructed by ADS holders. If we do not request the depositary to solicit your voting instructions, you can still send voting instructions, and, in that case, the depositary may try to vote as you instruct, but it is not required to do so.

*Except by instructing the depositary as described above, you won't be able to exercise voting rights unless you surrender your ADSs and withdraw the shares. However, you may not know about the meeting enough in advance to withdraw the shares. In any event, the depositary will not exercise any discretion in voting deposited securities and it will only vote or attempt to vote as instructed.*

We cannot assure you that you will receive the voting materials in time to ensure that you can instruct the depositary to vote your shares. In addition, the depositary and its agents are not responsible for failing to carry out voting instructions or for the manner of carrying out voting instructions. *This means that you may not be able to exercise voting rights and there may be nothing you can do if your shares are not voted as you requested.*

In order to give you a reasonable opportunity to instruct the depositary as to the exercise of voting rights relating to Deposited Securities, if we request the depositary to act, we agree to give the depositary notice of any such meeting and details concerning the matters to be voted upon at least 45 days in advance of the meeting date.



**Fees and Expenses****Persons depositing or withdrawing shares or ADS holders must pay:****For:**

\$5.00 (or less) per 100 ADSs (or portion of 100 ADSs)

Issuance of ADSs, including issuances resulting from a distribution of shares or rights or other property

Cancellation of ADSs for the purpose of withdrawal, including if the deposit agreement terminates

\$.05 (or less) per ADS

Any cash distribution to ADS holders

A fee equivalent to the fee that would be payable if securities distributed to you had been shares and the shares had been deposited for issuance of ADSs

Distribution of securities distributed to holders of deposited securities (including rights) that are distributed by the depositary to ADS holders

\$.05 (or less) per ADS per calendar year

Depositary services

Registration or transfer fees

Transfer and registration of shares on our share register to or from the name of the depositary or its agent when you deposit or withdraw shares

Expenses of the depositary

Cable (including SWIFT) and facsimile transmissions (when expressly provided in the deposit agreement)  
Converting foreign currency to U.S. dollars

Taxes and other governmental charges the depositary or the custodian has to pay on any ADSs or shares underlying ADSs, such as stock transfer taxes, stamp duty or withholding taxes

As necessary

Any charges incurred by the depositary or its agents for servicing the deposited securities

As necessary

The depositary collects its fees for delivery and surrender of ADSs directly from investors depositing shares or surrendering ADSs for the purpose of withdrawal or from intermediaries acting for them. The depositary collects fees for making distributions to investors by deducting those fees from the amounts distributed or by selling a portion of distributable property to pay the fees. The depositary may collect its annual fee for depositary services by deduction from cash distributions or by directly billing investors or by charging the book-entry system accounts of participants acting for them. The depositary may collect any of its fees by deduction from any cash distribution payable (or by selling a portion of securities or other property distributable) to ADS holders that are obligated to pay those fees. The depositary may generally refuse to provide fee-attracting services until its fees for those services are paid.

From time to time, the depositary may make payments to us to reimburse us for costs and expenses generally arising out of establishment and maintenance of the ADS program, waive fees and expenses for services provided to us by the depositary or share revenue from the fees collected from ADS holders. In performing its duties under the deposit agreement, the depositary may use brokers, dealers, foreign currency dealers or other service providers that are owned by or affiliated with the depositary and that may earn or share fees, spreads or commissions.

The depositary may convert currency itself or through any of its affiliates, or the custodian or we may convert currency and pay U.S. dollars to the depositary. Where the depositary converts currency itself or through any of its affiliates, the depositary acts as principal for its own account and not as agent, advisor, broker or fiduciary on behalf of any other person and earns revenue, including, without limitation, transaction spreads, that it will retain for its own account. The revenue is based on, among other things, the difference between the exchange rate assigned to the currency conversion made under the deposit agreement and the rate that the depositary or its affiliate receives when buying or selling foreign currency for its own account. The depositary makes no representation that the exchange rate used or obtained by it or its

affiliate in any currency conversion under the deposit agreement will be the most favorable rate that could be obtained at the time or that the method by which that rate will be determined will be the most favorable to ADS holders, subject to the depositary's obligation to act without negligence or bad faith. The methodology used to determine exchange rates used in currency conversions made by the depositary is available upon request. Where the custodian converts currency, the custodian has no obligation to obtain the most favorable rate that could be obtained at the time or to ensure that the method by which that rate will be determined will be the most favorable to ADS holders, and the depositary makes no representation that the rate is the most favorable rate and will not be liable for any direct or indirect losses associated with the rate. In certain instances, the depositary may receive dividends or other distributions from the us in U.S. dollars that represent the proceeds of a conversion of foreign currency or translation from foreign currency at a rate that was obtained or determined by us and, in such cases, the depositary will not engage in, or be responsible for, any foreign currency transactions and neither it nor we make any representation that the rate obtained or determined by us is the most favorable rate and neither it nor we will be liable for any direct or indirect losses associated with the rate.

#### **Payment of Taxes**

You will be responsible for any taxes or other governmental charges payable on your ADSs or on the deposited securities represented by any of your ADSs. The depositary may refuse to register any transfer of your ADSs or allow you to withdraw the deposited securities represented by your ADSs until those taxes or other charges are paid. It may apply payments owed to you or sell deposited securities represented by your ADSs to pay any taxes owed and you will remain liable for any deficiency. If the depositary sells deposited securities, it will, if appropriate, reduce the number of ADSs to reflect the sale and pay to ADS holders any proceeds, or send to ADS holders any property, remaining after it has paid the taxes.

#### **Tender and Exchange Offers; Redemption, Replacement or Cancellation of Deposited Securities**

The depositary will not tender deposited securities in any voluntary tender or exchange offer unless instructed to do so by an ADS holder surrendering ADSs and subject to any conditions or procedures the depositary may establish.

If deposited securities are redeemed for cash in a transaction that is mandatory for the depositary as a holder of deposited securities, the depositary will call for surrender of a corresponding number of ADSs and distribute the net redemption money to the holders of called ADSs upon surrender of those ADSs.

If there is any change in the deposited securities such as a sub-division, combination or other reclassification, or any merger, consolidation, recapitalization or reorganization affecting the issuer of deposited securities in which the depositary receives new securities in exchange for or in lieu of the old deposited securities, the depositary will hold those replacement securities as deposited securities under the deposit agreement. However, if the depositary decides it would not be lawful and practical to hold the replacement securities because those securities could not be distributed to ADS holders or for any other reason, the depositary may instead sell the replacement securities and distribute the net proceeds upon surrender of the ADSs.

If there is a replacement of the deposited securities and the depositary will continue to hold the replacement securities, the depositary may distribute new ADSs representing the new deposited securities or ask you to surrender your outstanding ADRs in exchange for new ADRs identifying the new deposited securities.

If there are no deposited securities underlying ADSs, including if the deposited securities are cancelled, or if the deposited securities underlying ADSs have become apparently worthless, the depositary may call for surrender of those ADSs or cancel those ADSs upon notice to the ADS holders.

#### **Amendment and Termination**

##### ***How may the deposit agreement be amended?***

We may agree with the depositary to amend the deposit agreement and the ADRs without your consent for any reason. If an amendment adds or increases fees or charges, except for taxes and other governmental charges or expenses of the depositary for registration fees, facsimile costs, delivery charges or similar items,

or prejudices a substantial right of ADS holders, it will not become effective for outstanding ADSs until 30 days after the depositary notifies ADS holders of the amendment. *At the time an amendment becomes effective, you are considered, by continuing to hold your ADSs, to agree to the amendment and to be bound by the ADRs and the deposit agreement as amended.*

***How may the deposit agreement be terminated?***

The depositary will initiate termination of the deposit agreement if we instruct it to do so. The depositary may initiate termination of the deposit agreement if:

- 60 days have passed since the depositary told us it wants to resign but a successor depositary has not been appointed and accepted its appointment;
- we delist the ADSs from an exchange in the United States on which they were listed and do not list the ADSs on another exchange in the United States or make arrangements for trading of ADSs on the U.S. over-the-counter market;
- we delist our shares from an exchange outside the United States on which they were listed and do not list the shares on another exchange outside the United States;
- the depositary has reason to believe the ADSs have become, or will become, ineligible for registration on Form F-6 under the Securities Act of 1933;
- we appear to be insolvent or enter insolvency proceedings;
- all or substantially all the value of the deposited securities has been distributed either in cash or in the form of securities;
- there are no deposited securities underlying the ADSs or the underlying deposited securities have become apparently worthless; or
- there has been a replacement of deposited securities.

If the deposit agreement will terminate, the depositary will notify ADS holders at least 90 days before the termination date. At any time after the termination date, the depositary may sell the deposited securities. After that, the depositary will hold the money it received on the sale, as well as any other cash it is holding under the deposit agreement, unsegregated and without liability for interest, for the pro rata benefit of the ADS holders that have not surrendered their ADSs. Normally, the depositary will sell as soon as practicable after the termination date.

After the termination date and before the depositary sells, ADS holders can still surrender their ADSs and receive delivery of deposited securities, except that the depositary may refuse to accept a surrender for the purpose of withdrawing deposited securities or reverse previously accepted surrenders of that kind that have not settled if it would interfere with the selling process. The depositary may refuse to accept a surrender for the purpose of withdrawing sale proceeds until all the deposited securities have been sold. The depositary will continue to collect distributions on deposited securities, but, after the termination date, the depositary is not required to register any transfer of ADSs or distribute any dividends or other distributions on deposited securities to the ADSs holder (until they surrender their ADSs) or give any notices or perform any other duties under the deposit agreement except as described in this paragraph.

**Limitations on Obligations and Liability**

***Limits on our Obligations and the Obligations of the Depositary; Limits on Liability to Holders of ADSs***

The deposit agreement expressly limits our obligations and the obligations of the depositary. It also limits our liability and the liability of the depositary. We and the depositary:

- are only obligated to take the actions specifically set forth in the deposit agreement without negligence or bad faith, and the depositary will not be a fiduciary or have any fiduciary duty to holders of ADSs;

- are not liable if we are or it is prevented or delayed by law or by events or circumstances beyond our or its ability to prevent or counteract with reasonable care or effort from performing our or its obligations under the deposit agreement;
- are not liable if we or it exercises discretion permitted under the deposit agreement;
- are not liable for the inability of any holder of ADSs to benefit from any distribution on deposited securities that is not made available to holders of ADSs under the terms of the deposit agreement, or for any special, consequential or punitive damages for any breach of the terms of the deposit agreement;
- have no obligation to become involved in a lawsuit or other proceeding related to the ADSs or the deposit agreement on your behalf or on behalf of any other person;
- may rely upon any documents we believe or it believes in good faith to be genuine and to have been signed or presented by the proper person;
- are not liable for the acts or omissions of any securities depository, clearing agency or settlement system; and
- the depository has no duty to make any determination or provide any information as to our tax status, or any liability for any tax consequences that may be incurred by ADS holders as a result of owning or holding ADSs or be liable for the inability or failure of an ADS holder to obtain the benefit of a foreign tax credit, reduced rate of withholding or refund of amounts withheld in respect of tax or any other tax benefit.

In the deposit agreement, we and the depository agree to indemnify each other under certain circumstances.

#### **Requirements for Depository Actions**

Before the depository will deliver or register a transfer of ADSs, make a distribution on ADSs, or permit withdrawal of shares, the depository may require:

- payment of stock transfer or other taxes or other governmental charges and transfer or registration fees charged by third parties for the transfer of any shares or other deposited securities;
- satisfactory proof of the identity and genuineness of any signature or other information it deems necessary; and
- compliance with regulations it may establish, from time to time, consistent with the deposit agreement, including presentation of transfer documents.

The depository may refuse to deliver ADSs or register transfers of ADSs when the transfer books of the depository or our transfer books are closed or at any time if the depository or we think it advisable to do so.

#### **Your Right to Receive the Shares Underlying your ADSs**

ADS holders have the right to cancel their ADSs and withdraw the underlying shares at any time except:

- when temporary delays arise because: (i) the depository has closed its transfer books or we have closed our transfer books; (ii) the transfer of shares is blocked to permit voting at a shareholders' meeting; or (iii) we are paying a dividend on our shares;
- when you owe money to pay fees, taxes and similar charges; or
- when it is necessary to prohibit withdrawals in order to comply with any laws or governmental regulations that apply to ADSs or to the withdrawal of shares or other deposited securities.

This right of withdrawal may not be limited by any other provision of the deposit agreement.

**Direct Registration System**

In the deposit agreement, all parties to the deposit agreement acknowledge that the Direct Registration System, also referred to as DRS, and Profile Modification System, also referred to as Profile, will apply to the ADSs. DRS is a system administered by DTC that facilitates interchange between registered holding of uncertificated ADSs and holding of security entitlements in ADSs through DTC and a DTC participant. Profile is a feature of DRS that allows a DTC participant, claiming to act on behalf of a registered holder of uncertificated ADSs, to direct the depository to register a transfer of those ADSs to DTC or its nominee and to deliver those ADSs to the DTC account of that DTC participant without receipt by the depository of prior authorization from the ADS holder to register that transfer.

In connection with and in accordance with the arrangements and procedures relating to DRS/Profile, the parties to the deposit agreement understand that the depository will not determine whether the DTC participant that is claiming to be acting on behalf of an ADS holder in requesting registration of transfer and delivery as described in the paragraph above has the actual authority to act on behalf of the ADS holder (notwithstanding any requirements under the Uniform Commercial Code). In the deposit agreement, the parties agree that the depository's reliance on and compliance with instructions received by the depository through the DRS/Profile system and in accordance with the deposit agreement will not constitute negligence or bad faith on the part of the depository.

**Shareholder communications; inspection of register of holders of ADSs**

The depository will make available for your inspection at its office all communications that it receives from us as a holder of deposited securities that we make generally available to holders of deposited securities. The depository will send you copies of those communications or otherwise make those communications available to you if we ask it to. You have a right to inspect the register of holders of ADSs, but not for the purpose of contacting those holders about a matter unrelated to our business or the ADSs.

**Jury Trial Waiver**

The deposit agreement provides that, to the extent permitted by law, ADS holders waive the right to a jury trial of any claim they may have against us or the depository arising out of or relating to our shares, the ADSs or the deposit agreement, including any claim under the U.S. federal securities laws. If we or the depository opposed a jury trial demand based on the waiver, the court would determine whether the waiver was enforceable in the facts and circumstances of that case in accordance with applicable case law.

You will not, by agreeing to the terms of the deposit agreement, be deemed to have waived our or the depository's compliance with U.S. federal securities laws or the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

## SHARES AND ADSS ELIGIBLE FOR FUTURE SALE

Prior to this offering, there has been no public market for our ordinary shares or ADSs. Upon completion of this offering, we will have \_\_\_\_\_ ordinary shares (including in the form of ADSs) outstanding, based on an assumed offering price of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per ADS, which is the midpoint of the price range set forth on the cover of this prospectus. Future sales of ADSs in the public market after this offering, and the availability of ADSs for future sale, could adversely affect the market price of the ADSs prevailing from time to time. Some of our ordinary shares are subject to contractual and legal restrictions on resale as described below. There may be sales of substantial amounts of the ADSs in the public market after such restrictions lapse, which could adversely affect prevailing market prices of the ADSs.

We expect \_\_\_\_\_ ADSs, or \_\_\_\_\_ ADSs if the underwriters exercise in full their option to purchase additional ADSs, sold in this offering will be freely transferable without restriction, except for any shares purchased by one or more of our existing “affiliates,” as that term is defined in Rule 144 under the Securities Act. We expect \_\_\_\_\_ of our ordinary shares will be subject to the contractual 180-day lock-up period described below. This may adversely affect the prevailing market price of the ADSs and our ability to raise capital in the future.

### **Rule 144**

In general, persons who have beneficially owned restricted ordinary shares for at least six months, and any affiliate of the company who owns either restricted or unrestricted securities, are entitled to sell their securities without registration with the SEC under an exemption from registration provided by Rule 144 under the Securities Act.

### ***Non-Affiliates***

Any person who is not deemed to have been one of our affiliates at the time of, or at any time during the three months preceding, a sale may sell an unlimited number of restricted securities under Rule 144 if:

- the restricted securities have been held for at least six months, including the holding period of any prior owner other than one of our affiliates;
- we have been subject to the Exchange Act periodic reporting requirements for at least 90 days before the sale; and
- we are current in our Exchange Act reporting at the time of sale.

Any person who is not deemed to have been an affiliate of ours at the time of, or at any time during the three months preceding, a sale and has held the restricted securities for at least one year, including the holding period of any prior owner other than one of our affiliates, will be entitled to sell an unlimited number of restricted securities without regard to the length of time we have been subject to Exchange Act periodic reporting or whether we are current in our Exchange Act reporting.

### ***Affiliates***

Persons seeking to sell restricted securities who are our affiliates at the time of, or any time during the three months preceding, a sale, would be subject to the restrictions described above.

They are also subject to additional restrictions, by which such person would be required to comply with the manner of sale and notice provisions of Rule 144 and would be entitled to sell within any three-month period only that number of securities that does not exceed the greater of either of the following:

- 1% of the number of ordinary shares then outstanding (including in the form of ADSs), which will equal approximately \_\_\_\_\_ shares immediately after the consummation of this offering based on the number of ordinary shares outstanding as of \_\_\_\_\_ ; or
- the average weekly trading volume of our ordinary shares in the form of ADSs on The Nasdaq Global Market during the four calendar weeks preceding the filing of a notice on Form 144 with respect to the sale.

Additionally, persons who are our affiliates at the time of, or any time during the three months preceding, a sale may sell unrestricted securities under the requirements of Rule 144 described above, without regard to the six-month holding period of Rule 144, which does not apply to sales of unrestricted securities.

**Rule 701**

Rule 701 under the Securities Act, as in effect on the date of this prospectus, permits resales of shares in reliance upon Rule 144 but without compliance with certain restrictions of Rule 144, including the holding period requirement. Most of our employees, executive officers or directors who purchased shares under a written compensatory plan or contract may be entitled to rely on the resale provisions of Rule 701, but all holders of Rule 701 shares are required to wait until 90 days after the date of this prospectus before selling their shares. However, substantially all Rule 701 shares are subject to lock-up agreements as described below and in the section of this prospectus titled “Underwriting” and will become eligible for sale upon the expiration of the restrictions set forth in those agreements.

**Form S-8 Registration Statements**

As soon as practicable after the closing of this offering, we intend to file with the SEC one or more registration statements on Form S-8 under the Securities Act to register the ordinary shares subject to outstanding options or reserved for issuance under the Scheme and the 2021 Plan. These registration statements will become effective immediately upon filing. Shares covered by these registration statements will then be eligible for sale in the open market, subject to vesting restrictions, any applicable lock-up agreements described below and Rule 144 limitations applicable to affiliates.

**Regulation S**

Regulation S provides generally that sales made in offshore transactions are not subject to the registration or prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act.

**Lock-up agreements**

We expect that all of our directors and executive officers and the holders of substantially all of our share capital will agree, subject to limited exceptions, not to offer, pledge, announce the intention to sell, sell, contract to sell, sell any option or contract to purchase, purchase any option or contract to sell, grant any option, right or warrant to purchase or otherwise dispose of, directly or indirectly, or enter into any swap or other agreement that transfers, in whole or in part, any of the economic consequences of ownership of the ADSs, ordinary shares or such other securities for a period of 180 days after the date of this prospectus, without the prior consent of Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC and Jefferies LLC on behalf of the underwriters. See “Underwriting.”

**Registration Rights**

The registration rights agreement grants certain registration rights with respect to our ordinary shares. See “Description of Share Capital and Articles of Association—Registration Rights.”

## MATERIAL INCOME TAX CONSIDERATIONS

*The following summary contains a description of material United Kingdom and U.S. federal income tax consequences of the acquisition, ownership and disposition of our ordinary shares or ADSs. This summary should not be considered a comprehensive description of all the tax considerations that may be relevant to the decision to acquire ordinary shares or ADSs in this offering.*

### **Material U.S. federal income tax considerations for U.S. holders**

The following is a description of certain material U.S. federal income tax considerations for U.S. Holders (defined below) with respect to their ownership and disposition of our ordinary shares or ADSs. It is not a comprehensive description of all tax considerations that may be relevant to a particular person's decision to acquire securities. This discussion applies only to a U.S. Holder that is an initial purchaser of the ordinary shares or ADSs pursuant to the offering and that holds our ordinary shares or ADSs as a capital asset for tax purposes (generally, property held for investment). In addition, it does not describe all of the tax consequences that may be relevant in light of a U.S. Holder's particular circumstances, including state and local tax consequences, estate tax consequences, alternative minimum tax consequences, the potential application of the Medicare contribution tax, and tax consequences applicable to U.S. Holders subject to special rules, such as:

- banks, insurance companies, and certain other financial institutions;
- U.S. expatriates and certain former citizens or long-term residents of the United States;
- dealers or traders in securities who use a mark-to-market method of tax accounting;
- persons holding ordinary shares or ADSs as part of a hedging transaction, "straddle," wash sale, conversion transaction or integrated transaction or persons entering into a constructive sale with respect to ordinary shares or ADSs;
- persons whose "functional currency" for U.S. federal income tax purposes is not the U.S. dollar;
- brokers, dealers or traders in securities, commodities, currencies or notional principal contracts;
- tax-exempt entities or government organizations, including an "individual retirement account" or "Roth IRA" as defined in Section 408 or 408A of the Code (as defined below), respectively;
- S corporations, partnerships (including entities or arrangements classified as partnerships for U.S. federal income tax purposes) or other pass-through entities, or persons that will hold our ordinary shares or ADSs through such an entity;
- certain former citizens or long term residents of the United States;
- regulated investment companies, grantor trusts or real estate investment trusts;
- persons who acquired our ordinary shares or ADSs pursuant to the exercise of any employee stock option or otherwise as compensation;
- persons subject to Section 451(b) of the Code;
- persons holding our ordinary shares or ADSs in connection with a trade or business, permanent establishment, or fixed base outside the United States; and
- persons who own (directly, constructively or through attribution) 10% or more (by vote or value) of our outstanding ordinary shares or ADS.

If an entity that is classified as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes holds ordinary shares or ADSs, the U.S. federal income tax treatment of a partner will generally depend on the status of the partner and the activities of the partnership. Partnerships holding ordinary shares or ADSs and partners in such partnerships are encouraged to consult their tax advisors as to the particular U.S. federal income tax consequences of holding and disposing of ordinary shares or ADSs.



The discussion is based on the Code, administrative pronouncements, judicial decisions, final, temporary and proposed Treasury Regulations, and the income tax treaty between the United Kingdom and the United States, or the Treaty, all as of the date hereof, changes to any of which may affect the tax consequences described herein — possibly with retroactive effect. There can be no assurances that the IRS will not take a contrary or different position concerning the tax consequences of the ownership and disposition of our ordinary shares or ADSs or that such a position would not be sustained by a court. We have not obtained, nor do we intend to obtain, a ruling with respect to the U.S. federal income tax considerations relating to the purchase, ownership or disposition of our ordinary shares or ADSs. Holders should consult their own tax advisers concerning the U.S. federal, state, local and non-U.S. tax consequences of owning and disposing of our ordinary shares or ADSs in their particular circumstances.

A “U.S. Holder” is a holder who, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, is a beneficial owner of ordinary shares or ADSs and is:

- (i) an individual who is a citizen or individual resident of the United States;
- (ii) a corporation, or other entity taxable as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes, created or organized in or under the laws of the United States, any state therein or the District of Columbia;
- (iii) an estate the income of which is subject to U.S. federal income taxation regardless of its source; or
- (iv) a trust if (1) a U.S. court is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and one or more U.S. persons have authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust or (2) the trust has a valid election to be treated as a U.S. person under applicable U.S. Treasury Regulations.

The discussion below assumes that the representations contained in the deposit agreement are true and that the obligations in the deposit agreement and any related agreement will be complied with in accordance with their terms. Accordingly, a holder of an ADS should be treated for U.S. federal income tax purposes as holding the ordinary shares represented by the ADS.

As indicated below, this discussion is subject to U.S. federal income tax rules applicable to a “passive foreign investment company” (“PFIC”).

**PERSONS CONSIDERING AN INVESTMENT IN ORDINARY SHARES OR ADSs SHOULD CONSULT THEIR OWN TAX ADVISORS AS TO THE PARTICULAR TAX CONSEQUENCES APPLICABLE TO THEM RELATING TO THE ACQUISITION, OWNERSHIP AND DISPOSITION OF THE ORDINARY SHARES OR ADSs, INCLUDING THE APPLICABILITY OF U.S. FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL TAX LAWS.**

#### ***PFIC Rules***

If we are classified as a PFIC in any taxable year, a U.S. Holder will be subject to special rules generally intended to reduce or eliminate any benefits from the deferral of U.S. federal income tax that a U.S. Holder could derive from investing in a non-U.S. company that does not distribute all of its earnings on a current basis.

A non-U.S. corporation will be classified as a PFIC for any taxable year in which, after applying certain look-through rules, either:

- at least 75% of its gross income is passive income (such as interest income); or
- at least 50% of its gross assets (determined on the basis of a quarterly average) is attributable to assets that produce passive income or are held for the production of passive income.

We will be treated as owning our proportionate share of the assets and earning our proportionate share of the income of any other corporation, the equity of which we own, directly or indirectly, 25% or more (by value).

A separate determination must be made after the close of each taxable year as to whether we are a PFIC for that year. As a result, our PFIC status may change from year to year. The total value of our assets for purposes of the asset test generally will be calculated using the market price of the ordinary shares or ADSs, which may fluctuate considerably. Fluctuations in the market price of the ordinary shares or ADSs may result in our being a PFIC for any taxable year. If we are a “controlled foreign corporation”, or CFC, for U.S. federal income tax purposes for a taxable period (including in the current year) in which our ordinary shares or ADSs are not publicly traded, the value of our assets for purposes of the asset test would be determined based on the tax basis of such assets, which could increase the likelihood that we are treated as a PFIC. We do not believe that we were a CFC in 2020, and we do not expect to be a CFC in 2021.

Our PFIC status for the 2020 taxable year is currently not certain. However, based on the current and expected composition of our income and the value of our assets, we do not believe we were a PFIC for 2020, and we do not expect to be a PFIC for our current taxable year. However, our status as a PFIC is a fact-intensive determination made on an annual basis applying principles and methodologies that in some circumstances are unclear and subject to varying interpretation. With respect to the current taxable year, the value of our assets would be subject to some uncertainty if we are treated as a CFC. As a result, we cannot provide any assurances regarding our PFIC status for the current, prior or future taxable years.

If we are determined to be a PFIC, U.S. holders may be able to make certain elections that could alleviate some of the adverse consequences of PFIC status and would result in an alternative treatment of the ordinary shares or ADSs. Such elections include a “mark to market” election, a “deemed sale” election, and a “qualified electing fund” election. We may or may not be able to provide the information required to make any such elections, and U.S. holders should therefore not assume that any particular election will be available to them.

If we were a PFIC for any taxable year during which a U.S. Holder held Shares or ADSs, gain recognized by a U.S. Holder on a sale or other disposition (including certain pledges) of the ordinary shares or ADSs would be allocated ratably over the U.S. Holder’s holding period for the ordinary shares or ADSs. The amounts allocated to the taxable year of the sale or other disposition and to any year before the Company became a PFIC would be taxed as ordinary income. The amount allocated to each other taxable year would be subject to tax at the highest rate in effect for individuals or corporations, as appropriate, for that taxable year, and an interest charge would be imposed on the tax on such amount. Further, to the extent that any distribution received by a U.S. Holder on its ordinary shares or ADSs exceeds 125% of the average of the annual distributions on the Shares or ADSs received during the preceding three years or the U.S. Holder’s holding period, whichever is shorter, that distribution would be subject to taxation in the same manner as gain, described immediately above.

If we are classified as a PFIC in any year with respect to which a U.S. Holder owns the ordinary shares or ADSs, we will continue to be treated as a PFIC with respect to such U.S. Holder in all succeeding years during which the U.S. Holder owns the ordinary shares or ADSs, regardless of whether we continue to meet the tests described above unless (i) we cease to be a PFIC and the U.S. Holder has made a “deemed sale” election under the PFIC rules, or (ii) the U.S. Holder makes a Qualified Electing Fund Election, or QEF Election, with respect to all taxable years during such U.S. Holder’s holding period in which we are a PFIC.

If a U.S. Holder makes an effective QEF Election, the U.S. Holder will be required to include in gross income each year, whether or not we make distributions, as capital gains, such U.S. Holder’s pro rata share of our net capital gains and, as ordinary income, such U.S. Holder’s pro rata share of our earnings in excess of our net capital gains. We intend to determine our PFIC status at the end of each taxable year and to satisfy any applicable record keeping and reporting requirements that apply to a QEF Election, and expect to provide to U.S. Holders, for each taxable year that we determine we are a PFIC, a PFIC Annual Information Statement containing information necessary for a U.S. Holder to make a QEF Election with respect to us. We may elect to provide such information on our website.

If a U.S. holder owns ordinary shares or ADSs during any taxable year in which we are a PFIC, the U.S. holder generally will be required to file an IRS Form 8621 (Information Return by a Shareholder of a Passive Foreign Investment Company or Qualified Electing Fund) with respect to the company, generally with the U.S. holder’s federal income tax return for that year. If our company were a PFIC for a given taxable year, then you should consult your tax advisor concerning your annual filing requirements.

The U.S. federal income tax rules relating to PFICs are complex. Prospective U.S. investors are urged to consult their own tax advisers with respect to the ownership and disposition of the ordinary shares or ADSs, the consequences to them of an investment in a PFIC, any elections available with respect to the ordinary shares or ADSs and the IRS information reporting obligations with respect to the ownership and disposition of the ordinary shares or ADSs.

WE STRONGLY URGE YOU TO CONSULT YOUR TAX ADVISOR REGARDING THE IMPACT OF OUR PFIC STATUS ON YOUR INVESTMENT IN THE ORDINARY SHARES OR ADSs AS WELL AS THE APPLICATION OF THE PFIC RULES TO YOUR INVESTMENT IN THE ORDINARY SHARES OR ADSs.

#### ***Taxation of distributions***

Subject to the discussion above under “PFIC rules,” distributions paid on ordinary shares or ADSs, other than certain pro rata distributions of ordinary shares or ADSs, will generally be treated as dividends to the extent paid out of our current or accumulated earnings and profits (as determined under U.S. federal income tax principles). Distributions in excess of earnings and profits will be non-taxable to the U.S. holder to the extent of, and will be applied against and reduce, the U.S. holder’s adjusted tax basis in the ordinary shares or the ADSs. Distributions in excess of earnings and profits and such adjusted tax basis will generally be taxable to the U.S. holder as either long-term or short-term capital gain depending upon whether the U.S. holder has held the ordinary shares or the ADSs for more than one year as of the time such distribution is received. However, because we may not calculate our earnings and profits under U.S. federal income tax principles, we expect that distributions generally will be reported to U.S. Holders as dividends, even if that distribution would otherwise be treated as a non-taxable return of capital or as capital gain under the rules described above. Subject to applicable limitations, dividends paid to certain non-corporate U.S. Holders may be taxable at preferential rates applicable to “qualified dividend income” if we are a “qualified foreign corporation” and certain other requirements are met. However, the qualified dividend income treatment will not apply if we are treated as a PFIC with respect to the U.S. Holder. The amount of the dividend will be treated as foreign-source dividend income to U.S. Holders and will not be eligible for the dividends-received deduction generally available to U.S. corporations under the Code. Dividends will generally be included in a U.S. Holder’s income on the date of the U.S. Holder’s receipt of the dividend. The amount of any dividend income paid in foreign currency will be the U.S. dollar amount calculated by reference to the exchange rate in effect on the date of actual or constructive receipt, regardless of whether the payment is in fact converted into U.S. dollars. If the dividend is converted into U.S. dollars on the date of receipt, a U.S. Holder should not be required to recognize foreign currency gain or loss in respect of the dividend income. A U.S. Holder may have foreign currency gain or loss if the dividend is converted into U.S. dollars after the date of receipt. Such gain or loss would generally be treated as U.S.-source ordinary income or loss.

For foreign tax credit limitation purposes, our dividends will generally be treated as passive category income. Because no UK income taxes are expected to be withheld from dividends on ordinary shares or ADSs, there will be no creditable foreign taxes associated with any dividends that a U.S. Holder will receive. The rules governing foreign tax credits are complex and U.S. Holders should therefore consult their tax advisors regarding the effect of the receipt of dividends for foreign tax credit limitation purposes.

#### ***Sale or other taxable disposition of ordinary shares and ADSs***

Subject to the discussion above under “PFIC rules,” gain or loss realized on the sale or other taxable disposition of ordinary shares or ADSs will be capital gain or loss, and will be long-term capital gain or loss if the U.S. Holder held the ordinary shares or ADSs for more than one year. The amount of the gain or loss will equal the difference between the U.S. Holder’s tax basis in the ordinary shares or ADSs disposed of and the amount realized on the disposition, in each case as determined in U.S. dollars. This gain or loss will generally be U.S.-source gain or loss for foreign tax credit purposes. The deductibility of capital losses is subject to limitations.

#### ***Information reporting and backup withholding***

Payments of dividends and sales proceeds that are made within the United States or through certain U.S.-related financial intermediaries generally are subject to information reporting, and may be subject to

backup withholding, unless (i) the U.S. Holder is a corporation or other exempt recipient or (ii) in the case of backup withholding, the U.S. Holder provides a correct taxpayer identification number and certifies that it is not subject to backup withholding on a duly executed IRS Form W-9 or otherwise establishes an exemption.

Backup withholding is not an additional tax. The amount of any backup withholding from a payment to a U.S. Holder will be allowed as a credit against the U.S. Holder's U.S. federal income tax liability and may entitle the U.S. Holder to a refund, provided that the required information is timely furnished to the IRS.

### **UK Taxation**

The following is intended as a general guide to current UK tax law and HM Revenue & Customs, or HMRC, published practice (which is not binding) applying as at the date of this prospectus (both of which are subject to change at any time, possibly with retrospective effect) relating to the holding of ADSs. It does not constitute legal or tax advice and does not purport to be a complete analysis of all UK tax considerations relating to the holding of ADSs, or all of the circumstances in which holders of ADSs may benefit from an exemption or relief from UK taxation. It is written on the basis that we do not (and will not) directly or indirectly at any time derive 75% or more of our qualifying asset value from UK land, and that we are and will remain solely resident in the UK for tax purposes and will therefore be subject to the UK tax regime and not the U.S. tax regime save as set out above under "Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations for U.S. Holders."

Except to the extent that the position of non-UK resident persons is expressly referred to, this guide relates only to persons who are resident (and in the case of individuals, domiciled or deemed domiciled) for tax purposes solely in the UK and do not have a permanent establishment, branch or agency (or equivalent) in any other jurisdiction with which the holding of the ADSs is connected, or UK Holders, who are absolute beneficial owners of the ADSs (and do not hold the ADSs through an Individual Savings Account or a Self-Invested Personal Pension) and any dividends paid in respect of the ADSs or underlying ordinary shares (where the dividends are regarded for U.K. tax purposes as that person's own income) and who hold their ADSs as investments.

This guide may not relate to certain classes of UK Holders, such as (but not limited to):

- persons who are connected with us;
- financial institutions;
- insurance companies;
- charities or tax-exempt organizations;
- collective investment schemes;
- pension schemes;
- market makers, intermediaries, brokers or dealers in securities or persons who hold ADSs otherwise than as an investment;
- persons who have (or are deemed to have) acquired their ADSs by virtue of an office or employment or who are or have been our (or any of our affiliates') officers or employees; and
- individuals who are subject to UK taxation on a remittance basis or to whom split-year treatment applies.

The decision of the First-tier Tribunal (Tax Chamber) in *HSBC Holdings PLC and The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation v HMRC* (2012) casts some doubt on whether a holder of a depositary receipt is the beneficial owner of the underlying shares. However, based on published HMRC guidance we would expect that HMRC will regard a holder of ADSs as holding the beneficial interest in the underlying shares and therefore these paragraphs assume that a holder of ADSs is the beneficial owner of the underlying ordinary shares and any dividends paid in respect of the underlying ordinary shares (where the dividends are regarded for UK purposes as that person's own income) for UK direct tax purposes.

THESE PARAGRAPHS ARE A SUMMARY OF CERTAIN UK TAX CONSIDERATIONS AND ARE INTENDED AS A GENERAL GUIDE ONLY. IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT ALL HOLDERS OF ADSs OBTAIN ADVICE AS TO THE CONSEQUENCES OF THE ACQUISITION, OWNERSHIP AND DISPOSAL OF THE ADSs IN THEIR OWN PARTICULAR CIRCUMSTANCES FROM THEIR OWN TAX ADVISORS. IN PARTICULAR, NON-UK RESIDENT OR DOMICILED PERSONS OR PERSONS SUBJECT TO TAXATION IN ANY JURISDICTION OTHER THAN THE UK ARE ADVISED TO CONSIDER THE POTENTIAL IMPACT OF ANY RELEVANT DOUBLE TAXATION AGREEMENTS.

### ***Dividends***

#### *Withholding Tax*

Dividends that we pay will not be subject to any withholding or deduction for or on account of UK tax.

#### *Income Tax*

An individual UK Holder may, depending on his or her particular circumstances, be subject to UK tax on dividends received from us. An individual holder of ADSs who is not resident for tax purposes in the UK should not be chargeable to UK income tax on dividends received from us unless he or she carries on (whether solely or in partnership) a trade, profession or vocation in the UK through a permanent establishment, branch or agency to which the ADSs are attributable. There are certain exceptions for trading in the UK through independent agents, such as some brokers and investment managers.

Dividend income is treated as the top slice of the total income chargeable to UK income tax for an individual UK Holder. An individual UK Holder who receives a dividend in the 2021/2022 tax year will be entitled to a tax-free allowance of £2,000. Income within the dividend allowance counts towards an individual's basic or higher rate limits and may, therefore, affect the level of personal allowance to which they are entitled. Dividend income in excess of this tax-free allowance will (subject to the availability of any income tax personal allowance) be charged at 7.5% (for the tax year 2021/2022) to the extent the excess amount falls within the basic rate band, 32.5% (for the tax year 2021/2022) to the extent the excess amount falls within the higher rate band, and 38.1% (for the tax year 2021/2022) to the extent the excess amount falls within the additional rate band.

#### *Corporation Tax*

A corporate holder of ADSs who is not resident for tax purposes in the UK should not be chargeable to UK corporation tax on dividends received from us unless it carries on (whether solely or in partnership) a trade in the UK through a permanent establishment to which the ADSs are attributable.

Corporate UK Holders should not be subject to UK corporation tax on any dividend received from us so long as the dividends qualify for exemption, which should be the case, although certain conditions must be met. It should be noted that the exemptions, whilst of wide application, are not comprehensive and are subject to anti-avoidance rules in relation to a dividend. If the conditions for the exemption are not satisfied, or such anti-avoidance provisions apply or such UK Holder elects for an otherwise exempt dividend to be taxable, UK corporation tax will be chargeable on the amount of any dividends (at the current rate of 19% for the tax year 2021/2022 rising to 25% in the tax year 2023/2024 for companies with profits of more than £50,000 while the rate of 19% will apply to companies with profits not exceeding £50,000 with a tapered rate applying to profits between £50,000 and £250,000).

### ***Chargeable Gains***

A disposal or deemed disposal of ADSs by a UK Holder may, depending on the UK Holder's circumstances and subject to any available exemptions or reliefs (such as the annual exemption), give rise to a chargeable gain or an allowable loss for the purposes of UK capital gains tax and corporation tax on chargeable gains.

If an individual UK Holder who is subject to UK income tax at either the higher or the additional rate is liable to UK capital gains tax on the disposal of ADSs, the current applicable rate will be 20% (for the tax year 2021/2022). For an individual UK Holder who is subject to UK income tax at the basic rate and liable

to UK capital gains tax on such disposal, the current applicable rate would be 10% (for the tax year 2021/2022), save to the extent that any capital gains when aggregated with the UK Holder's other taxable income and gains in the relevant tax year exceed the unused basic rate tax band. In that case, the rate currently applicable to the excess would be 20% (for the tax year 2021/2022).

If a corporate UK Holder becomes liable to UK corporation tax on the disposal (or deemed disposal) of ADSs, the main rate of UK corporation tax would apply (currently at 19% for the tax year 2021/2022 rising to 25% in the tax year 2023/2024 for companies with profits of more than £50,000 while the rate of 19% will apply to companies with profits not exceeding £50,000 with a tapered rate applying to profits between £50,000 and £250,000).

A holder of ADSs that is not resident for tax purposes in the UK should not normally be liable to UK capital gains tax or corporation tax on chargeable gains on a disposal (or deemed disposal) of ADSs, unless the person is carrying on (whether solely or in partnership) a trade, profession or vocation in the UK through a branch or agency (or, in the case of a corporate holder of ADSs, through a permanent establishment) to which the ADSs are attributable. However, an individual holder of ADSs who has ceased to be resident for tax purposes in the UK or is treated as resident outside the UK for the purposes of a double taxation treaty for a period of five years or less and who disposes of ADSs during that period of temporary non-residence may be liable on his or her return to the UK (or upon ceasing to be regarded as resident outside the UK for the purposes of double taxation treaty) to UK tax on any capital gain realized (subject to any available exemption or relief).

#### ***Stamp Duty and Stamp Duty Reserve Tax***

The discussion below relates to the holders of our ordinary shares or ADSs wherever resident, however it should be noted that special rules may apply to certain persons such as market makers, brokers, dealers or intermediaries.

#### ***Issue of Ordinary Shares***

As a general rule, no UK stamp duty or stamp duty reserve tax, or SDRT, is payable on the issue of the ordinary shares underlying the ADSs.

#### ***Transfers of Ordinary Shares***

An unconditional agreement to transfer ordinary shares will normally give rise to a charge to SDRT at the rate of 0.5% of the amount or value of the consideration payable for the transfer. The purchaser of the shares is liable for the SDRT. Transfers of ordinary shares in certificated form are generally also subject to stamp duty at the rate of 0.5% of the amount or value of the consideration given for the transfer (rounded up to the next £5.00). Stamp duty is normally paid by the purchaser. The charge to SDRT will be cancelled or, if already paid, repaid (generally with interest), where a transfer instrument has been duly stamped within six years of the charge arising, (either by paying the stamp duty or by claiming an appropriate relief) or if the instrument is otherwise exempt from stamp duty.

#### ***Clearance Services and Depositary Receipts***

Under current U.K. tax law and published HMRC practice, no SDRT (and, where the transfer is effected by a written instrument, stamp duty) is generally payable where an issue or transfer of ordinary shares (including an unconditional agreement to transfer ordinary shares to a clearance service or a depositary receipt system (including to a nominee or agent for, a person whose business is or includes the issue of depositary receipts or the provision of clearance services)) is an integral part of an issue of share capital unless the clearance service has made and maintained an election under section 97A of the UK Finance Act 1986, or a section 97A election. It is understood that HMRC regards the facilities of DTC as a clearance service for these purposes and we are not aware of any section 97A election having been made by the DTC.

#### ***Issue or Transfers of ADSs***

No UK SDRT or stamp duty is required to be paid in respect of the issue of or an agreement to transfer ADSs (including by way of a paperless transfer of ADSs through the facilities of DTC).

## UNDERWRITING

Under the terms and subject to the conditions in an underwriting agreement dated the date of this prospectus, the underwriters named below, for whom Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC, Jefferies LLC, Barclays Capital Inc. and William Blair & Company, L.L.C. are acting as representatives, have severally agreed to purchase, and we have agreed to sell to them, severally, the number of ADSs indicated below:

Name	Number of ADSs
Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC	
Jefferies LLC	
Barclays Capital Inc.	
William Blair & Company, L.L.C.	
H.C. Wainwright & Co., LLC	
Total	

The underwriters and the representatives are collectively referred to as the “underwriters” and the “representatives,” respectively. The underwriters are offering the ADSs subject to their acceptance of the ADSs from us and subject to prior sale. The underwriting agreement provides that the obligations of the several underwriters to pay for and accept delivery of the ADSs offered by this prospectus are subject to the approval of certain legal matters by their counsel and to certain other conditions. The underwriters are obligated to take and pay for all of the ADSs offered by this prospectus if any such ADSs are taken. However, the underwriters are not required to take or pay for the ADSs covered by the underwriters’ over-allotment option to purchase additional ADSs described below.

The underwriters initially propose to offer part of the ADSs directly to the public at the offering price listed on the cover page of this prospectus and part to certain dealers at a price that represents a concession not in excess of \$            per ADS under the public offering price. After the initial offering of the ADSs, the offering price and other selling terms may from time to time be varied by the representatives.

We have granted to the underwriters an option, exercisable for 30 days from the date of this prospectus, to purchase up to            additional ADSs at the public offering price listed on the cover page of this prospectus, less underwriting discounts and commissions. The underwriters may exercise this option solely for the purpose of covering over-allotments, if any, made in connection with the offering of the ADSs offered by this prospectus. To the extent the option is exercised, each underwriter will become obligated, subject to certain conditions, to purchase about the same percentage of the additional ADSs as the number listed next to the underwriter’s name in the preceding table bears to the total number of ADSs listed next to the names of all underwriters in the preceding table.

The following table shows the per ADS and total public offering price, underwriting discounts and commissions, and proceeds before expenses to us. These amounts are shown assuming both no exercise and full exercise of the underwriters’ option to purchase up to an additional            ADSs.

	Per ADS	Total	
		No Exercise	Full Exercise
Public offering price	\$	\$	\$
Underwriting discounts and commissions to be paid by us:	\$	\$	\$
Proceeds, before expenses, to us	\$	\$	\$

The estimated offering expenses payable by us, exclusive of the underwriting discounts and commissions, are approximately \$           . We have agreed to reimburse the underwriters for expenses of up to \$            relating to clearance of this offering with the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, or FINRA.

The underwriters have informed us that they do not intend sales to discretionary accounts to exceed 5% of the total number of ADSs offered by them.

We have applied to have the ADSs listed on the Nasdaq Global Market under the trading symbol “VACC”.

We and all directors and officers and certain of our other shareholders have agreed that, without the prior consent of the representatives, including the prior written consent of Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC and Jefferies LLC, on behalf of the underwriters, we and they will not, and will not publicly disclose an intention to, during the period ending 180 days after the date of this prospectus (the “restricted period”):

- offer, pledge, sell, contract to sell, sell any option or contract to purchase, purchase any option or contract to sell, grant any option, right or warrant to purchase, lend or otherwise transfer or dispose of, directly or indirectly, any ordinary shares or ADSs or any securities convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for ordinary shares or ADSs;
- file any registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission (or the equivalent thereof in non-U.S. jurisdictions) relating to the offering of any ordinary shares or ADSs or any securities convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for ordinary shares or ADSs; or
- enter into any swap or other arrangement that transfers to another, in whole or in part, any of the economic consequences of ownership of ordinary shares or ADSs;

whether any such transaction described above is to be settled by delivery of ordinary shares or ADSs or such other securities, in cash or otherwise. In addition, we and each such person have agreed that, without the prior consent of Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC and Jefferies LLC, on behalf of the underwriters, we or such other person will not, during the restricted period, make any demand for, or exercise any right with respect to, the registration of any ordinary shares or ADSs or any security convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for ordinary shares or ADSs.

The restrictions described in the immediately preceding paragraph do not apply to:

- a) participation in the corporate reorganization, and all securities convertible into or exchangeable or exercisable for ordinary shares of the Company, for equivalent equity interests in the Company, provided that any lock-up securities received upon such exchange would be subject to restrictions similar to those in the immediately preceding paragraph;
- b) the deposit of ordinary shares with the depository, in exchange for the issuance of ADSs, or the cancellation of ADSs in exchange for the issuance of ordinary shares, provided that such ADSs or ordinary shares issued pursuant to such exchange would be subject to restrictions similar to those in the immediately preceding paragraph;
- c) the sale of ordinary shares or ADSs to the underwriters;
- d) the issuance by the Company of shares of ordinary shares upon the exercise of an option or a warrant or the conversion of a security outstanding on the date of this prospectus of which the underwriters have been advised in writing;
- e) transactions relating to ordinary shares, ADSs or other securities acquired in this offering or in open market transactions after the completion of this offering; provided that no filing under Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”), is required or voluntarily made in connection with subsequent sales of the ordinary shares or ADSs other securities acquired in this offering or such open market transactions;
- f) transfers of ordinary shares, ADSs or any security convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for ordinary shares or ADSs as a bona fide gift;
- g) transfers or dispositions of ordinary shares, ADSs or any security convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for ordinary shares or ADSs to any member of the immediate family of the lock-up party or any trust for the direct or indirect benefit of the lock-up party or the immediate family of the lock-up party in a transaction not involving a disposition for value;
- h) transfers or dispositions of ordinary shares, ADSs or any security convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for ordinary shares or ADSs (i) by will, other testamentary document or intestate succession to the legal representative, heir, beneficiary or a member of the immediate family of the lock-up party upon the death of the lock-up party or (ii) by operation of law pursuant to orders of a court or regulatory agency, in connection with a negotiated divorce settlement or pursuant to a qualified domestic relations order;



- i) if the lock-up party is an entity, (x) transfers or distributions of ordinary shares, ADSs or any security convertible into ordinary shares or ADSs to general or limited partners, members or shareholders of the lock-up party, its direct or indirect affiliates (as defined in Rule 405 promulgated under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended) or to an investment fund or other entity that controls or manages, or is under common control with, the lock-up party, or (y) distributions of ordinary shares, ADSs or any security convertible into ordinary shares or ADSs to partners, members, shareholders, beneficiaries or other equity holders of the lock-up party;
- j) transfers or dispositions of ordinary shares, ADSs or any security convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for ordinary shares or ADSs to the Company pursuant to any contractual arrangement in effect on the date of the lock-up agreement and disclosed to the underwriters in writing that provides for the repurchase of the lock-up party's ordinary shares, ADSs or any security convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for ordinary shares or ADSs or in connection with the termination of the lock-up party's employment with or service to the Company; provided that any filing under Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act reporting a reduction in beneficial ownership of ordinary shares or ADSs shall indicate by footnote disclosure or otherwise the nature of the transfer or disposition;
- k) transfers or dispositions of ordinary shares, ADSs or any security convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for ordinary shares or ADSs or other securities to the Company in connection with the conversion of any convertible security into, or the exercise of any option or warrant for, ordinary shares or ADSs (including by way of "net" or "cashless" exercise solely to cover withholding tax obligations in connection with such exercise and any transfer to the Company for the payment of taxes as a result of such exercise) pursuant to existing plans disclosed in the registration statement (as defined in the underwriting agreement), pricing disclosure package and this prospectus; provided that (i) any such ordinary shares or ADSs received by the lock-up party shall be subject to the terms of the lock-up agreement and (ii) no filing under Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act reporting a reduction in beneficial ownership of ordinary shares or ADSs shall be required or shall be voluntarily made during the restricted period (other than a required filing on a Form 4 that reports such disposition under the transaction code "F" and indicates by footnote disclosure or otherwise the nature of the transfer or disposition);
- l) the establishment of a trading plan on behalf of a shareholder, officer or director of the Company pursuant to Rule 10b5-1 under the Exchange Act for the transfer of ordinary shares or ADSs, provided that (i) such plan does not provide for the transfer of ordinary shares or ADSs during the restricted period and (ii) to the extent a public announcement or filing under the Exchange Act, if any, is required of or voluntarily made by or on behalf of the lock-up party or the Company regarding the establishment of such plan, such announcement or filing shall include a statement to the effect that no transfer of ordinary shares or ADSs may be made under such plan during the restricted period;
- m) (i) transfers of ordinary shares, ADSs or any security convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for ordinary shares or ADSs pursuant to a bona fide third-party tender offer for shares of the Company's capital stock made to all holders of the Company's securities, merger, consolidation or other similar transaction approved by the Company's board of directors the result of which is that any person (as defined in Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act), or group of persons, other than the Company, becomes the beneficial owner (as defined in Rules 13d-3 and 13d-5 of the Exchange Act) of more than 50% of the total voting power of the voting stock of the Company and (ii) entry into any lock-up, voting or similar agreement pursuant to which the lock-up party may agree to transfer, sell, tender or otherwise dispose of ordinary shares, ADSs or such other securities in connection with a transaction described in (i) above; provided that in the event that such change of control transaction is not completed, the ordinary shares, ADSs or any security convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for ordinary shares or ADSs owned by the lock-up party shall remain subject to the restrictions contained in the lock-up agreement; or
- n) transfers of ordinary shares, ADSs or any security convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for ordinary shares or ADSs pursuant to the underwriting agreement,

provided, further, that in the case of any transfer or distribution pursuant to clause (f), (g), (h) or (i) above, (1) each transferee, donee or distributee shall sign and deliver a lock up letter substantially in the form of this letter and (2) no filing under Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act, reporting a reduction in beneficial ownership of ordinary shares or ADSs, shall be required or shall be voluntarily made during the restricted period (other than, in the case of a transfer or other disposition pursuant to clause (h)(ii) above, any Form 4 or 5 required to be filed under the Exchange Act if the lock-up party is subject to Section 16 reporting with respect to the Company under the Exchange Act; any such filing will indicate by footnote disclosure or otherwise the nature of the transfer or disposition and a statement to the effect that such transfer is pursuant to the circumstances described in the lock-up agreement).

Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC and Jefferies LLC, in their sole discretion, may release the ordinary shares, ADSs and other securities subject to the lock-up agreements described above in whole or in part at any time. In addition, in the event that Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC and Jefferies LLC grant an early release to certain beneficial holders of any ordinary shares, ADSs or other securities subject to the lock-up agreements with respect to ordinary shares that, in the aggregate, exceed a specified percentage of our then outstanding ordinary shares, then certain other lock-up parties shall also be granted an early release, on the same terms, from their obligations on a pro rata basis, subject to certain exceptions.

In order to facilitate the offering of the ADSs, the underwriters may engage in transactions that stabilize, maintain or otherwise affect the price of the ADSs. Specifically, the underwriters may sell more ADSs than they are obligated to purchase under the underwriting agreement, creating a short position. A short sale is covered if the short position is no greater than the number of ADSs available for purchase by the underwriters under the over-allotment option to purchase additional ADSs. The underwriters can close out a covered short sale by exercising the over-allotment option to purchase additional ADSs or purchasing ADSs in the open market. In determining the source of ADSs to close out a covered short sale, the underwriters will consider, among other things, the open market price of ADSs compared to the price available under the over-allotment option to purchase additional ADSs. The underwriters may also sell ADSs in excess of the over-allotment option to purchase additional ADSs, creating a naked short position. The underwriters must close out any naked short position by purchasing ADSs in the open market. A naked short position is more likely to be created if the underwriters are concerned that there may be downward pressure on the price of the ADSs in the open market after pricing that could adversely affect investors who purchase in this offering. As an additional means of facilitating this offering, the underwriters may bid for, and purchase, ADSs in the open market to stabilize the price of the ADSs. These activities may raise or maintain the market price of the ADSs above independent market levels or prevent or retard a decline in the market price of the ADSs. The underwriters are not required to engage in these activities and may end any of these activities at any time.

We and the underwriters have agreed to indemnify each other against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act.

A prospectus in electronic format may be made available on websites maintained by one or more underwriters, or selling group members, if any, participating in this offering. The representatives may agree to allocate a number of ADSs to underwriters for sale to their online brokerage account holders. Internet distributions will be allocated by the representatives to underwriters that may make Internet distributions on the same basis as other allocations.

The underwriters and their respective affiliates are full service financial institutions engaged in various activities, which may include securities trading, commercial and investment banking, financial advisory, investment management, investment research, principal investment, hedging, financing and brokerage activities. Certain of the underwriters and their respective affiliates have, from time to time, performed, and may in the future perform, various financial advisory and investment banking services for us, for which they received or will receive customary fees and expenses.

In addition, in the ordinary course of their various business activities, the underwriters and their respective affiliates may make or hold a broad array of investments and actively trade debt and equity securities (or related derivative securities) and financial instruments (including bank loans) for their own account and for the accounts of their customers and may at any time hold long and short positions in such securities and instruments. Such investment and securities activities may involve our securities and instruments. The underwriters and their respective affiliates may also make investment recommendations or publish or express independent research views in respect of such securities or instruments and may at any time hold, or recommend to clients that they acquire, long or short positions in such securities and instruments.

### **Pricing of the Offering**

Prior to this offering, there has been no public market for our ordinary shares. The initial public offering price will be determined by negotiations between us and the representatives. Among the factors considered in determining the initial public offering price will be our future prospects and those of our industry in general, our sales, earnings and certain other financial and operating information in recent periods, and the price-earnings ratios, price-sales ratios, market prices of securities, and certain financial and operating information of companies engaged in activities similar to ours.

### **Directed Share Program**

At our request, Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC, or the DSP Underwriter, has reserved up to ADSs, or % of the ADSs offered by this prospectus, for sale at the initial public offering price through a directed share program to certain of our directors, officers, employees and business associates and other parties related to us. If purchased by these persons, these ADSs will be subject to a 180-day lock-up restriction.

The number of ADSs available for sale to the general public will be reduced to the extent that such persons purchase such reserved ADSs. Any reserved ADSs not so purchased will be offered by the DSP Underwriter to the general public on the same basis as the other ADSs offered by this prospectus. Other than the underwriting discount described on the front cover of this prospectus, the DSP Underwriter will not be entitled to any commission with respect to ADSs sold pursuant to the directed share program. We will agree to indemnify the DSP Underwriter against certain liabilities and expenses, including liabilities under the Securities Act, in connection with sales of the ADSs reserved for the directed share program. The DSP Underwriter will administer our directed share program.

### **Selling Restrictions**

Other than in the United States, no action has been taken by us or the underwriters that would permit a public offering of the securities offered by this prospectus in any jurisdiction where action for that purpose is required. The securities offered by this prospectus may not be offered or sold, directly or indirectly, nor may this prospectus or any other offering material or advertisements in connection with the offer and sale of any such securities be distributed or published, in any jurisdiction, except under circumstances that will result in compliance with the applicable rules and regulations of that jurisdiction. Persons into whose possession this prospectus comes are advised to inform themselves about and to observe any restrictions relating to the offering and the distribution of this prospectus. This prospectus does not constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to buy any securities offered by this prospectus in any jurisdiction in which such an offer or a solicitation is unlawful.

### **Australia**

No placement document, prospectus, product disclosure statement or other disclosure document has been lodged with the Australian Securities and Investments Commission in relation to the offering. This prospectus does not constitute a prospectus, product disclosure statement or other disclosure document under the Corporations Act, and does not purport to include the information required for a prospectus, product disclosure statement or other disclosure document under the Corporations Act.

Any offer in Australia of the ADSs may only be made to persons, or to the Exempt Investors, who are “sophisticated investors” (within the meaning of section 708(8) of the Corporations Act), “professional investors” (within the meaning of section 708(11) of the Corporations Act) or otherwise pursuant to one or

more exemptions contained in section 708 of the Corporations Act so that it is lawful to offer the ADSs without disclosure to investors under Chapter 6D of the Corporations Act.

The ADSs applied for by Exempt Investors in Australia must not be offered for sale in Australia in the period of 12 months after the date of allotment under the offering, except in circumstances where disclosure to investors under Chapter 6D of the Corporations Act would not be required pursuant to an exemption under section 708 of the Corporations Act or otherwise or where the offer is pursuant to a disclosure document which complies with Chapter 6D of the Corporations Act. Any person acquiring ADSs must observe such Australian on-sale restrictions.

This prospectus contains general information only and does not take into account the investment objectives, financial situation or particular needs of any particular person. It does not contain any securities recommendations or financial product advice. Before making an investment decision, investors need to consider whether the information in this prospectus is appropriate for their needs, objectives and circumstances, and, if necessary, seek expert advice on those matters.

### ***Canada***

The ADSs may be sold in Canada only to purchasers purchasing, or deemed to be purchasing, as principal that are accredited investors, as defined in National Instrument 45-106 Prospectus Exemptions or subsection 73.3(1) of the Securities Act (Ontario), and are permitted clients, as defined in National Instrument 31-103 Registration Requirements, Exemptions and Ongoing Registrant Obligations. Any resale of the ADSs must be made in accordance with an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the prospectus requirements of applicable securities laws.

Securities legislation in certain provinces or territories of Canada may provide a purchaser with remedies for rescission or damages if this prospectus (including any amendment thereto) contains a misrepresentation, provided that the remedies for rescission or damages are exercised by the purchaser within the time limit prescribed by the securities legislation of the purchaser's province or territory. The purchaser should refer to any applicable provisions of the securities legislation of the purchaser's province or territory for particulars of these rights or consult with a legal advisor.

Pursuant to section 3A.3 of National Instrument 33-105 Underwriting Conflicts (NI 33-105), the underwriters are not required to comply with the disclosure requirements of NI 33-105 regarding underwriter conflicts of interest in connection with this offering.

### ***European Economic Area***

In relation to each Member State of the European Economic Area (each, a "Relevant State"), no ADSs have been offered or will be offered pursuant to the offering to the public in that Relevant State prior to the publication of a prospectus in relation to the ADSs which has been approved by the competent authority in that Relevant State or, where appropriate, approved in another Relevant State and notified to the competent authority in that Relevant State, all in accordance with the Prospectus Regulation, except that offers of ADSs may be made to the public in that Relevant State at any time under the following exemptions under the Prospectus Regulation:

- (a) to any legal entity which is a qualified investor as defined in the Prospectus Regulation;
- (b) to fewer than 150 natural or legal persons (other than qualified investors as defined in the Prospectus Regulation), subject to obtaining the prior consent of the representatives; or
- (c) in any other circumstances falling within Article 1(4) of the Prospectus Regulation,

provided that no such offer of ADSs shall require us or any of our representatives to publish a prospectus pursuant to Article 3 of the Prospectus Regulation or supplement a prospectus pursuant to Article 23 of the Prospectus Regulation and each person who initially acquires any ADSs or to whom any offer is made will be deemed to have represented, acknowledged and agreed to and with each of the representatives and us that it is a "qualified investor" as defined in the Prospectus Regulation.

In the case of any ADSs being offered to a financial intermediary as that term is used in Article 5 of the Prospectus Regulation, each such financial intermediary will be deemed to have represented, acknowledged and agreed that the ADSs acquired by it in the offer have not been acquired on a nondiscretionary basis on behalf of, nor have they been acquired with a view to their offer or resale to, persons in circumstances which may give rise to an offer of any ADSs to the public other than their offer or resale in a Relevant State to qualified investors as so defined or in circumstances in which the prior consent of the representatives has been obtained to each such proposed offer or resale.

For the purposes of this provision, the expression an “offer of ADSs to the public” in relation to any of the ADSs in any Relevant State means the communication in any form and by any means of sufficient information on the terms of the offer and any of the ADSs to be offered so as to enable an investor to decide to purchase or subscribe for any of the ADSs, and the expression “Prospectus Regulation” means Regulation (EU) 2017/1129 (as amended).

#### ***United Kingdom***

No ADSs have been offered or will be offered pursuant to the offering to the public in the United Kingdom prior to the publication of a prospectus in relation to the ADSs which has been approved by the Financial Conduct Authority, except that the ADSs may be offered to the public in the United Kingdom at any time:

- (a) to any legal entity which is a qualified investor as defined under Article 2 of the U.K. Prospectus Regulation;
- (b) to fewer than 150 natural or legal persons (other than qualified investors as defined under Article 2 of the U.K. Prospectus Regulation), subject to obtaining the prior consent of the Representatives for any such offer; or
- (c) in any other circumstances falling within Section 86 of the FSMA.

*provided* that no such offer of the ADSs shall require us or any underwriter to publish a prospectus pursuant to Section 85 of the FSMA or supplement a prospectus pursuant to Article 23 of the U.K. Prospectus Regulation. For the purposes of this provision, the expression an “offer to the public” in relation to the ADSs in the United Kingdom means the communication in any form and by any means of sufficient information on the terms of the offer and any ADSs to be offered so as to enable an investor to decide to purchase or subscribe for any ADSs and the expression “U.K. Prospectus Regulation” means Regulation (EU) 2017/1129 as it forms part of domestic law by virtue of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018. In addition, in the United Kingdom, this document is being distributed only to, and is directed only at, and any offer subsequently made may only be directed at persons who are “qualified investors” (as defined in the U.K. Prospectus Regulation) (i) who have professional experience in matters relating to investments falling within Article 19(5) of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Financial Promotion) Order 2005, as amended, or the “Order,” and/or (ii) who are high net worth companies (or persons to whom it may otherwise be lawfully communicated) falling within Article 49(2)(a) to (e) of the Order (all such persons together being referred to as “relevant persons”) or otherwise in circumstances which have not resulted and will not result in an offer to the public of the ADSs in the United Kingdom within the meaning of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000. In the United Kingdom, any investment or investment activity to which this document relates is only available to, and will be engaged in with, relevant persons. Any person in the UK who is not a relevant person must not act on or rely upon this document or any of its contents.

#### ***Dubai International Financial Centre***

This prospectus relates to an Exempt Offer in accordance with the Offered Securities Rules of the Dubai Financial Services Authority (“DFSA”). This prospectus is intended for distribution only to persons of a type specified in the Offered Securities Rules of the DFSA. It must not be delivered to, or relied on by, any other person. The DFSA has no responsibility for reviewing or verifying any documents in connection with Exempt Offers. The DFSA has not approved this prospectus nor taken steps to verify the information set forth herein and has no responsibility for the prospectus. The ADSs to which this prospectus relates may be illiquid and/or subject to restrictions on their resale. Prospective purchasers of the ADSs offered should conduct their own due diligence on the ADSs. If you do not understand the contents of this prospectus you should consult an authorized financial advisor.

***Hong Kong***

The ADSs may not be offered or sold in Hong Kong by means of any document other than (1) in circumstances which do not constitute an offer to the public within the meaning of the Companies Ordinance (Cap.32, Laws of Hong Kong); (2) to “professional investors” within the meaning of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Cap.571, Laws of Hong Kong) and any rules made thereunder; or (3) in other circumstances which do not result in the document being a “prospectus” within the meaning of the Companies Ordinance (Cap.32, Laws of Hong Kong), and no advertisement, invitation, or document relating to the ADSs may be issued or may be in the possession of any person for the purpose of issue (in each case whether in Hong Kong or elsewhere), which is directed at, or the contents of which are likely to be accessed or read by, the public in Hong Kong (except if permitted to do so under the laws of Hong Kong) other than with respect to ADSs which are or are intended to be disposed of only to persons outside Hong Kong or only to “professional investors” within the meaning of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Cap.571, Laws of Hong Kong) and any rules made thereunder.

***Israel***

In the State of Israel this prospectus shall not be regarded as an offer to the public to purchase ADSs under the Israeli Securities Law, 5728—1968, which requires a prospectus to be published and authorized by the Israel Securities Authority, if it complies with certain provisions of Section 15 of the Israeli Securities Law, 5728—1968, including, inter alia, if: (i) the offer is made, distributed or directed to not more than 35 investors, subject to certain conditions (the “Addressed Investors”); or (ii) the offer is made, distributed or directed to certain qualified investors defined in the First Addendum of the Israeli Securities Law, 5728—1968, subject to certain conditions (the “Qualified Investors”). The Qualified Investors shall not be taken into account in the count of the Addressed Investors and may be offered to purchase securities in addition to the 35 Addressed Investors. The company has not and will not take any action that would require it to publish a prospectus in accordance with and subject to the Israeli Securities Law, 5728—1968. We have not and will not distribute this prospectus or make, distribute or direct an offer to subscribe for the ADSs to any person within the State of Israel, other than to Qualified Investors and up to 35 Addressed Investors.

Qualified Investors may have to submit written evidence that they meet the definitions set out in of the First Addendum to the Israeli Securities Law, 5728—1968. In particular, we may request, as a condition to be offered ADSs, that Qualified Investors will each represent, warrant and certify to us and/or to anyone acting on our behalf: (i) that it is an investor falling within one of the categories listed in the First Addendum to the Israeli Securities Law, 5728—1968; (ii) which of the categories listed in the First Addendum to the Israeli Securities Law, 5728—1968 regarding Qualified Investors is applicable to it; (iii) that it will abide by all provisions set forth in the Israeli Securities Law, 5728—1968 and the regulations promulgated thereunder in connection with the offer to be issued ADSs; (iv) that the ADSs that it will be issued are, subject to exemptions available under the Israeli Securities Law, 5728—1968: (a) for its own account; (b) for investment purposes only; and (c) not issued with a view to resale within the State of Israel, other than in accordance with the provisions of the Israeli Securities Law, 5728—1968; and (v) that it is willing to provide further evidence of its Qualified Investor status. Addressed Investors may have to submit written evidence in respect of their identity and may have to sign and submit a declaration containing, inter alia, the Addressed Investor’s name, address and passport number or Israeli identification number.

***Japan***

No registration pursuant to Article 4, paragraph 1 of the Financial Instruments and Exchange Law of Japan (Law No. 25 of 1948, as amended) (the “FIEL”) has been made or will be made with respect to the solicitation of the application for the acquisition of the ADSs.

Accordingly, the ADSs have not been, directly or indirectly, offered or sold and will not be, directly or indirectly, offered or sold in Japan or to, or for the benefit of, any resident of Japan (which term as used herein means any person resident in Japan, including any corporation or other entity organized under the laws of Japan) or to others for re-offering or re-sale, directly or indirectly, in Japan or to, or for the benefit of, any resident of Japan except pursuant to an exemption from the registration requirements, and otherwise in compliance with, the FIEL and the other applicable laws and regulations of Japan.

**For Qualified Institutional Investors (“QII”)**

Please note that the solicitation for newly issued or secondary securities (each as described in Paragraph 2, Article 4 of the FIEL) in relation to the ADSs constitutes either a “QII only private placement” or a “QII only secondary distribution” (each as described in Paragraph 1, Article 23-13 of the FIEL). Disclosure regarding any such solicitation, as is otherwise prescribed in Paragraph 1, Article 4 of the FIEL, has not been made in relation to the ADSs. The ADSs may only be transferred to QIIs.

**For Non-QII Investors**

Please note that the solicitation for newly issued or secondary securities (each as described in Paragraph 2, Article 4 of the FIEL) in relation to the ADSs constitutes either a “small number private placement” or a “small number private secondary distribution” (each as is described in Paragraph 4, Article 23-13 of the FIEL). Disclosure regarding any such solicitation, as is otherwise prescribed in Paragraph 1, Article 4 of the FIEL, has not been made in relation to the ADSs. The ADSs may only be transferred en bloc without subdivision to a single investor.

**Singapore**

This prospectus has not been registered as a prospectus with the Monetary Authority of Singapore. Accordingly, this prospectus and any other document or material in connection with the offer or sale, or invitation for subscription or purchase, of the ADSs may not be circulated or distributed, nor may the ADSs be offered or sold, or be made the subject of an invitation for subscription or purchase, whether directly or indirectly, to persons in Singapore other than (i) to an institutional investor under Section 274 of the Securities and Futures Act, Chapter 289 of Singapore (the “SFA”), (ii) to a relevant person pursuant to Section 275(1), or any person pursuant to Section 275(1A), and in accordance with the conditions specified in Section 275, of the SFA, or (iii) otherwise pursuant to, and in accordance with the conditions of, any other applicable provision of the SFA.

Where the ADSs are subscribed or purchased under Section 275 of the SFA by a relevant person which is:

- (a) a corporation (which is not an accredited investor (as defined in Section 4A of the SFA)) the sole business of which is to hold investments and the entire share capital of which is owned by one or more individuals, each of whom is an accredited investor; or
- (b) a trust (where the trustee is not an accredited investor) whose sole purpose is to hold investments and each beneficiary of the trust is an individual who is an accredited investor,

securities (as defined in Section 239(1) of the SFA) of that corporation or the beneficiaries’ rights and interest (howsoever described) in that trust shall not be transferred within six months after that corporation or that trust has acquired the ADSs pursuant to an offer made under Section 275 of the SFA except:

- (a) to an institutional investor or to a relevant person defined in Section 275(2) of the SFA, or to any person arising from an offer referred to in Section 275(1A) or Section 276(4)(i)(B) of the SFA;
- (b) where no consideration is or will be given for the transfer;
- (c) where the transfer is by operation of law;
- (d) as specified in Section 276(7) of the SFA; or
- (e) as specified in Regulation 37A of the Securities and Futures (Offers of Investments) (Securities and Securities-based Derivatives Contracts) Regulations 2018 of Singapore.

Singapore Securities and Futures Act Product Classification: Solely for the purposes of our obligations pursuant to sections 309B(1)(a) and 309B(1)(c) of the SFA, we have determined, and hereby notify all relevant persons (as defined in Section 309A of the SFA), that the ADSs are “prescribed capital markets products” (as defined in the Securities and Futures (Capital Markets Products) Regulations 2018) and Excluded Investment Products (as defined in MAS Notice SFA 04-N12: Notice on the Sale of Investment Products and MAS Notice FAA-N16: Notice on Recommendations on Investment Products).

**Switzerland**

This document is not intended to constitute an offer or solicitation to purchase or invest in the ADSs described herein. The ADSs may not be publicly offered, directly or indirectly, in Switzerland within the meaning of the Swiss Financial Services Act (“FinSA”) and will not be listed or admitted to trading on the SIX Swiss Exchange or on any trading venue (exchange or multilateral trading facility) in Switzerland. Neither this document nor any other offering or marketing material relating to the ADSs constitutes a prospectus as such term is understood pursuant to the FinSA, and neither this document nor any other offering or marketing material relating to the ADSs may be publicly distributed or otherwise made publicly available in Switzerland.



**LEGAL MATTERS**

The validity of the ADSs and our ordinary shares and certain other matters of U.S. federal law and English law will be passed upon for us by Goodwin Procter LLP, Boston, Massachusetts and Goodwin Procter (UK) LLP, London, United Kingdom, respectively. Legal counsel to the underwriters in connection with this offering are Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP, New York, New York with respect to U.S. federal law and Davis Polk & Wardwell London LLP, London, United Kingdom with respect to English law.

### **EXPERTS**

The financial statements of Vaccitech (UK) Limited (formerly Vaccitech Limited) as of December 31, 2020 and 2019 and for the two periods ended December 31, 2020 included in this Prospectus and in the Registration Statement has been so included in reliance on the report of BDO LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm appearing elsewhere herein and in the Registration Statement, given on the authority of said firm as experts in auditing and accounting.

BDO LLP, London, United Kingdom, is a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales.

### SERVICE OF PROCESS AND ENFORCEMENT OF LIABILITIES

We are incorporated and currently existing under the laws of England and Wales. In addition, certain of our directors and officers reside outside of the United States and most of the assets of our non-U.S. subsidiaries are located outside of the United States. As a result, it may be difficult for investors to effect service of process on us or those persons in the United States or to enforce in the United States judgments obtained in United States courts against us or those persons based on the civil liability or other provisions of the United States securities laws or other laws.

In addition, uncertainty exists as to whether the courts of England and Wales would:

- recognize or enforce judgments of United States courts obtained against us or our directors or officers predicated upon the civil liabilities provisions of the securities laws of the United States or any state in the United States; or
- entertain original actions brought in England and Wales against us or our directors or officers predicated upon the securities laws of the United States or any state in the United States.

We have been advised by Goodwin Procter LLP that there is currently no treaty between (i) the United States and (ii) England and Wales providing for reciprocal recognition and enforcement of judgments of United States courts in civil and commercial matters (although the United States and the UK are both parties to the New York Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards) and that a final judgment for the payment of money rendered by any general or state court in the United States based on civil liability, whether or not predicated solely upon the United States securities laws, would not be automatically enforceable in England and Wales. We have also been advised by Goodwin Procter LLP that any final and conclusive monetary judgment for a definite sum obtained against us in United States courts would be treated by the courts of England and Wales as a cause of action in itself and sued upon as a debt at common law so that no retrial of the issues would be necessary, provided that:

- the relevant U.S. court had jurisdiction over the original proceedings according to English conflicts of laws principles at the time when proceedings were initiated;
- the courts of England and Wales had jurisdiction over the matter on enforcement and we either submitted to such jurisdiction or were resident or carrying on business within such jurisdiction and were duly served with process;
- the U.S. judgment was final and conclusive on the merits in the sense of being final and unalterable in the court that pronounced it and being for a definite sum of money;
- the judgment given by the courts was not in respect of penalties, taxes, fines or similar fiscal or revenue obligations (or otherwise based on a U.S. law that the courts of England and Wales consider to relate to a penal, revenue or other public law);
- the judgment was not procured by fraud;
- recognition or enforcement of the judgment in England and Wales would not be contrary to public policy or the Human Rights Act 1998;
- the proceedings pursuant to which judgment was obtained were not contrary to natural justice;
- the U.S. judgment was not arrived at by doubling, trebling or otherwise multiplying a sum assessed as compensation for the loss or damages sustained and not being otherwise in breach of Section 5 of the UK Protection of Trading Interests Act 1980, or is a judgment based on measures designated by the Secretary of State under Section 1 of that Act;
- there is not a prior decision of the courts of England and Wales or the court of another jurisdiction on the issues in question between the same parties; and
- the English enforcement proceedings were commenced within the limitation period.

Whether these requirements are met in respect of a judgment based upon the civil liability provisions of the United States securities laws, including whether the award of monetary damages under such laws would constitute a penalty, is an issue for the court making such decision.

Subject to the foregoing, investors may be able to enforce in England and Wales judgments in civil and commercial matters that have been obtained from U.S. federal or state courts. Nevertheless, we cannot assure you that those judgments will be recognized or enforceable in England and Wales.

If the courts of England and Wales give a judgment for the sum payable under a U.S. judgment, the English judgment will be enforceable by methods generally available for this purpose. These methods generally permit the courts of England and Wales discretion to prescribe the manner of enforcement. In addition, it may not be possible to obtain an English judgment or to enforce that judgment if the judgment debtor is or becomes subject to any insolvency or similar proceedings, or if the judgment debtor has any set-off or counterclaim against the judgment creditor. Also note that, in any enforcement proceedings, the judgment debtor may raise any counterclaim that could have been brought if the action had been originally brought in England unless the subject of the counterclaim was in issue and denied in the U.S. proceedings. It should also be noted that in the courts of England and Wales system the usual rule is that the losing party is ordered to pay the legal costs of the litigation that were incurred by the successful party. These costs are assessed by the courts of England and Wales at the conclusion of the litigation.

**WHERE YOU CAN FIND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

We have filed with the SEC a registration statement (including amendments and exhibits to the registration statement) on Form S-1 under the Securities Act. A related registration statement on Form F-6 will be filed with the SEC to register the ADSs. This prospectus, which forms a part of the registration statement, does not contain all of the information included in the registration statement and the exhibits and schedules to the registration statement. Certain information is omitted and you should refer to the registration statement and its exhibits and schedules for that information. If a document has been filed as an exhibit to the registration statement, we refer you to the copy of the document that has been filed. Each statement in this prospectus relating to a document filed as an exhibit is qualified in all respects by the filed exhibit.

The SEC maintains an Internet website (<http://www.sec.gov>) that contains reports, proxy and information statements and other information regarding issuers, like us, that file electronically with the SEC. We maintain a corporate website at [www.vaccitech.co.uk](http://www.vaccitech.co.uk). Information contained in, or that can be accessed through, our website is not a part of, and shall not be incorporated by reference into, this prospectus. We have included our website address in this prospectus solely as an inactive textual reference.

We intend to furnish the depositary with our annual reports, which will include a review of operations and annual audited consolidated combined financial statements prepared in conformity with U.S. GAAP, and all notices of shareholders' meetings and other reports and communications that are made generally available to our shareholders. The depositary will make such notices, reports and communications available to holders of ADSs and will mail to all record holders of ADSs the information contained in any notice of a shareholders' meeting received by the depositary from us.

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**REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM**

Shareholders and Board of Directors  
Vaccitech Limited  
Oxford, United Kingdom

**Opinion on the Consolidated Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Vaccitech Limited (the “Company”) as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, the related consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive income (loss), changes in redeemable convertible preferred shares and shareholders’ deficit, and cash flows for the year ended December 31, 2020 and for the eleven month period ended December 31, 2019, and the related notes (collectively referred to as the “consolidated financial statements”). In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company at December 31, 2020 and 2019, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year ended December 31, 2020 and for the eleven-month period ended December 31 2019, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

**Basis for Opinion**

These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Company’s management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company’s consolidated financial statements based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (“PCAOB”) and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud.

Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

/s/ BDO LLP

BDO LLP

We have served as the Company’s auditor since 2017.

London, United Kingdom

March 22, 2021

**VACCITECH LIMITED AND SUBSIDIARIES**  
**CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS**

	Pro forma Shareholders' Deficit (Unaudited)	As at December 31, 2020	As at December 31, 2019
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Current assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents		\$ 43,265,709	\$ 11,432,139
Accounts receivable		518,077	991,371
Research and development incentives receivable		2,708,048	2,916,503
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		1,409,437	909,223
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>47,901,271</b>	<b>16,249,236</b>
Property and equipment, net		629,105	520,303
Right of use assets, net		2,135,550	2,273,701
<b>Total assets</b>		<b>\$ 50,665,926</b>	<b>\$ 19,043,240</b>
<b>LIABILITIES, REDEEMABLE CONVERTIBLE PREFERRED SHARES AND SHAREHOLDERS' DEFICIT</b>			
Current liabilities:			
Accounts payable		\$ 4,665,912	\$ 3,888,523
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities		2,537,144	1,421,434
Deferred revenue		245,488	269,912
Current portion of lease liability		192,479	171,979
<b>Total current liabilities</b>		<b>7,641,023</b>	<b>5,751,848</b>
Convertible loan notes — non current		44,700,360	—
Lease liability — non current		1,471,594	1,605,794
<b>Total liabilities</b>		<b>53,812,977</b>	<b>7,357,642</b>
Commitments and contingencies (Note 13)			
Series A redeemable convertible preferred shares; £0.10 (\$0.14) nominal value; 22,065 shares issued and outstanding; aggregate liquidation preference of \$33,764,725 (December 31, 2019: issued and outstanding: 22,065); pro forma no shares issued and outstanding (unaudited)			
	\$ —	33,764,725	\$ 33,764,725
Shareholders' deficit:			
Ordinary shares, £0.01 \$(0.01) nominal value; 25,762 shares authorized, issued and outstanding (December 31, 2019: authorized, issued and outstanding: 23,548); pro forma 47,817 shares issued and outstanding (unaudited)			
	\$ 478	359	\$ 330
Additional paid-in capital	53,295,468	19,530,862	15,905,975
Accumulated deficit	(55,667,469)	(55,591,326)	(37,885,261)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss — foreign currency translation adjustments	(1,243,990)	(1,242,478)	(467,358)
Noncontrolling interest	390,807	390,807	367,187
<b>Total shareholders' deficit</b>	<b>\$ (3,224,706)</b>	<b>(36,911,776)</b>	<b>\$ (22,079,127)</b>
<b>Total liabilities, redeemable convertible preferred shares and shareholders' deficit</b>		<b>\$ 50,665,926</b>	<b>\$ 19,043,240</b>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.



**VACCITECH LIMITED AND SUBSIDIARIES**  
**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS AND COMPREHENSIVE LOSS**

	Year ended December 31, 2020	Period ended December 31, 2019
License revenue	\$ 2,552,549	\$ 19,714
Service revenue	405,171	202,749
Sale of viral seeds	—	115,345
Research grants and contracts	1,862,537	6,507,228
<b>Total revenue</b>	<b>4,820,257</b>	<b>6,845,036</b>
Operating expenses		
Research and development	14,386,506	29,842,341
General and administrative	10,480,699	2,667,367
<b>Total operating expenses</b>	<b>24,867,205</b>	<b>32,509,708</b>
Loss from operations	(20,046,948)	(25,664,672)
Other income (expense):		
Change in fair value of derivatives	2,039,253	—
Unrealized foreign exchange gain on convertible loan notes	448,073	—
Interest expense	(3,599,686)	(132,750)
Interest income	265	40,199
Gain from disposal of property and equipment	—	3,461
Research and development incentives	3,278,805	2,975,872
Other income	41,690	79,991
<b>Total other income</b>	<b>2,208,400</b>	<b>2,966,773</b>
Tax expense	(95,010)	—
<b>Net loss</b>	<b>(17,933,558)</b>	<b>(22,697,899)</b>
Net loss attributable to noncontrolling interest	227,493	1,968,307
<b>Net loss attributable to Vaccitech shareholders</b>	<b>\$(17,706,065)</b>	<b>\$(20,729,592)</b>
Weighted-average ordinary shares outstanding, basic and diluted	25,581	23,469
<b>Net loss per share attributable to ordinary shareholders, basic and diluted</b>	<b>\$ (692.16)</b>	<b>\$ (883.27)</b>
Pro forma weighted-average ordinary shares outstanding, basic and diluted (unaudited)	47,646	45,534
<b>Pro forma net loss per share, basic and diluted (unaudited)</b>	<b>\$ (371.62)</b>	<b>\$ (455.25)</b>
<b>Net loss</b>	<b>\$(17,933,558)</b>	<b>\$(22,697,899)</b>
Other comprehensive loss — foreign currency translation adjustments	(774,945)	(54,822)
<b>Comprehensive loss</b>	<b>(18,708,503)</b>	<b>(22,752,721)</b>
<b>Comprehensive loss attributable to noncontrolling interest</b>	<b>(227,317)</b>	<b>(1,951,033)</b>
<b>Comprehensive loss attributable to Vaccitech shareholders</b>	<b>\$(18,481,186)</b>	<b>\$(20,801,688)</b>

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**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN REDEEMABLE CONVERTIBLE PREFERRED**  
**SHARES AND SHAREHOLDERS' DEFICIT**

	Series A		Ordinary Shares		Additional Paid-in Capital	Accumulated Deficit	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss	Noncontrolling Interest	Total Shareholders' Deficit
	Redeemable Convertible Preferred Shares		Shares						
	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount					
<b>Balance, January 1, 2020</b>	<b>22,065</b>	<b>\$ 33,764,725</b>	<b>23,548</b>	<b>\$ 330</b>	<b>\$15,905,975</b>	<b>\$(37,885,261)</b>	<b>\$ (467,358)</b>	<b>\$ 367,187</b>	<b>\$(22,079,127)</b>
Share based compensation					3,624,867				3,624,867
Issue of shares			2,214	29	20				49
Contributions from noncontrolling interest								250,938	250,938
Foreign currency translation adjustments							(775,120)	175	(774,945)
Net loss						(17,706,065)		(227,493)	(17,933,558)
<b>Balance, December 31, 2020</b>	<b>22,065</b>	<b>\$ 33,764,725</b>	<b>25,762</b>	<b>\$ 359</b>	<b>\$19,530,862</b>	<b>\$(55,591,326)</b>	<b>\$ (1,242,478)</b>	<b>\$ 390,807</b>	<b>\$(36,911,776)</b>

	Series A		Ordinary Shares		Additional Paid-in Capital	Accumulated Deficit	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss	Noncontrolling Interest	Total Shareholders' Deficit
	Redeemable Convertible Preferred Shares		Shares						
	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount					
<b>Balance, February 1, 2019</b>	<b>22,065</b>	<b>\$ 33,764,725</b>	<b>23,466</b>	<b>\$ 329</b>	<b>\$15,075,373</b>	<b>\$(17,155,669)</b>	<b>\$ (395,262)</b>	<b>\$ 357,129</b>	<b>\$(2,118,100)</b>
Share based compensation					830,602				830,602
Exercise of stock options			82	1					1
Contributions from noncontrolling interest								1,961,091	1,961,091
Foreign currency translation adjustments							(72,096)	17,274	(54,822)
Net loss						(20,729,592)		(1,968,307)	(22,697,899)
<b>Balance, December 31, 2019</b>	<b>22,065</b>	<b>\$ 33,764,725</b>	<b>23,548</b>	<b>\$ 330</b>	<b>\$15,905,975</b>	<b>\$(37,885,261)</b>	<b>\$ (467,358)</b>	<b>\$ 367,187</b>	<b>\$(22,079,127)</b>

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**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**

	Year ended December 31, 2020	Period ended December 31, 2019
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Net loss	\$(17,933,558)	\$(22,697,899)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used in operating activities:		
Share based compensation	3,624,867	830,602
Depreciation and amortization	208,398	345,431
Fair valuation gain on embedded derivatives	(2,039,253)	—
Unrealized foreign exchange gain on convertible loan notes	(448,073)	—
Non cash interest expense on convertible loan notes	3,598,109	—
Non cash contributions from noncontrolling interest	—	(83,380)
Gain on disposal of property and equipment	—	(3,461)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Accounts receivable	478,434	(959,195)
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	(434,735)	1,050,010
Research and development incentives receivable	295,271	(776,607)
Accounts payable	585,997	2,965,133
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	1,028,509	580,228
Deferred revenue	(32,148)	208,653
Lease liability	39,879	(141,522)
Net cash used in operating activities	<u>(11,028,303)</u>	<u>(18,682,007)</u>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Purchases of property and equipment	(292,770)	(127,819)
Proceeds from sale of property and equipment	—	3,461
Net cash used in investing activities	<u>(292,770)</u>	<u>(124,358)</u>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Issue of shares and exercise of stock options	49	1
Contributions from noncontrolling interest	250,938	2,044,469
Transaction costs for convertible loan notes	(57,339)	—
Proceeds from convertible loan notes	41,240,835	—
Net cash provided by financing activities	<u>41,434,483</u>	<u>2,044,470</u>
<b>EFFECT OF EXCHANGE RATES ON CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>		
	1,720,160	(444,021)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	31,833,570	(17,205,916)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of the period	11,432,139	28,638,055
Cash and cash equivalents, end of the period	<u>\$ 43,265,709</u>	<u>\$ 11,432,139</u>
<b>Supplemental cash flow disclosures:</b>		
Cash paid for interest	\$ 1,577	\$ —
Cash paid for income taxes	\$ —	\$ —

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**1. Nature of Business and Basis of Presentation**

***Nature of business***

Vaccitech Limited (“Vaccitech”) is a clinical stage biopharmaceutical company incorporated in January 2016 under the laws of England and Wales. Vaccitech is engaged in the discovery and development of novel immunotherapeutics and vaccines that was Vaccitech is headquartered in Oxford, United Kingdom. Vaccitech and its four subsidiaries, Vaccitech Australia Pty Limited, Vaccitech Oncology Limited (“VOLT”), Vaccitech USA Inc. and Vaccitech Italia S.R.L, are collectively referred to as the “Company”.

The Company’s operations to date has been focused on business planning; raising capital; acquiring and developing its technology; identifying potential vaccine candidates; and undertaking preclinical and clinical studies. The Company has financed its operations primarily through the issuance of ordinary, preferred shares, convertible loan notes and proceeds from research grants. The Company has not generated any revenues from sale of vaccine products to date, nor is there any assurance of any future revenues from product sales.

The Company operates in an environment of rapid technological change and substantial competition from pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies. The Company is subject to risks common to companies in the biopharmaceutical industry in similar stage of its life cycle including, but not limited to, the need to obtain adequate additional funding, possible failure of preclinical testing or clinical trials, the need to obtain marketing approval for its vaccine product candidates, competitors developing new technological innovations, the need to successfully commercialize and gain market acceptance of any of its products that are approved, and protection of proprietary technology. There can be no assurance that the Company’s research and development will be successfully completed, that adequate protection for the Company’s intellectual property will be obtained, that any products developed will obtain required regulatory approval or that any approved products will be commercially viable. Even if the Company’s development efforts are successful, it is uncertain when, if ever, the Company will generate significant product sales. If the Company does not successfully commercialize any of its products or mitigate any of these other risks, it will be unable to generate revenue or achieve profitability.

The future viability of the Company is largely dependent on its ability to raise additional capital to finance its operations. The Company’s failure to raise capital as and when needed could have a negative impact on its financial condition and its ability to pursue its business strategies. If adequate funds are not available to the Company, the Company may be required to delay, reduce or eliminate research and development programs, reduce or eliminate commercialization efforts, obtain funds through arrangements with collaborators on terms unfavorable to the Company or pursue merger or acquisition strategies. There is no assurance that the Company will be successful in obtaining sufficient funding on terms acceptable to the Company to fund continuing operations, if at all.

***Basis of presentation***

The Directors have prepared these consolidated financial statements for inclusion in a Form S-1 to be submitted to the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”). The accompanying financial statements are prepared in conformity with accounting principles general accepted in the United States of America (“U.S. GAAP”). The Company’s reporting currency is the U.S. dollar. The financial statements have been prepared on the basis of continuity of operations, realization of assets and the satisfaction of liabilities in the ordinary course of business. The financial statements do not include any adjustments relating to the recoverability and classification of recorded assets and liabilities that might be necessary should the Company be unable to continue as a going concern.

***Change of fiscal year end***

In 2019, the board of directors approved the change of the Company’s fiscal year end from January 31 to December 31, beginning with the fiscal period ended December 31, 2019. The change was intended to more closely align its fiscal year end with the Company’s business cycle and that of the Company’s industry. As a

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result of this change, the accompanying comparative financial statements include the Company's consolidated financial results for the eleven-month period beginning on February 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019.

***Guarantees and indemnifications***

As permitted under the laws of England and Wales, the Company indemnifies its officers, directors, consultants and employees for certain events or occurrences that happen by reason of the relationship with, or position held at, the Company. Through the year ended December 31, 2020 and the period ended December 31, 2019, the Company had not experienced any losses related to these indemnification obligations, and no claims were outstanding. The Company does not expect significant claims related to these indemnification obligations and, consequently, concluded that the fair value of these obligations is negligible, and no related reserves were established.

***Use of estimates***

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenue, and expenses, and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities as of and during the reporting periods. The Company bases estimates and assumptions on historical experience when available and on various factors that it believes to be reasonable under the circumstances. Significant estimates relied upon in preparing the accompanying financial statements related to revenue recognition, the fair value of ordinary shares and other equity instruments, noncontrolling interest, accounting for share based compensation, right of use asset, lease liability, income taxes, useful lives of long-lived assets, and accounting for certain accruals and convertible loan notes. The Company assesses the above estimates on an ongoing basis; however, actual results could materially differ from those estimates.

***Reclassification***

The company has reclassified certain items of the prior year to conform with the current year presentation.

**2. Going Concern**

The accompanying consolidated financial statements have been presented on a going concern basis, which contemplates the realization of assets and the satisfaction of liabilities in the normal course of business. The Company has historically financed its activities principally from the issuance of ordinary shares, Series A redeemable convertible preferred shares ("Series A Shares") and convertible loan notes. The Company has experienced recurring losses since inception and expects to incur additional losses in the future in connection with research and development activities.

During the year ended December 31, 2020, the Company incurred a net loss of \$17,933,558 (2019: \$22,697,899) and used \$11,028,303 in cash from operations (2019: \$18,682,007). As of December 31, 2020, the Company had an accumulated deficit of \$55,591,326 (2019: \$37,885,261) and \$43,265,709 (2019: \$11,432,139) in cash and cash equivalents.

On March 15, 2021, the Company raised \$125,239,025 in Series B funding (see note 16). As a result of this, and based on forecasts, management believes that the Company has sufficient cash to support its operations and to meet its obligations as they become due within one year after the date that the consolidated financial statements are issued. Accordingly, the accompanying consolidated financial statements have been presented on a going concern basis.

**3. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

***Principles of consolidation***

The accompanying consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Vaccitech and those entities in which it has a controlling interest. Intercompany amounts are eliminated in consolidation. Amounts

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attributable to the noncontrolling interest are presented as a separate element of equity in the accompanying consolidated financial statements.

***Comprehensive loss***

Comprehensive loss for all periods presented is comprised primarily of net loss and other comprehensive loss, which solely relates to foreign currency translation adjustments.

***Foreign currency translation***

The Company's reporting currency is the U.S. dollar. The functional currency of the parent and each subsidiary is the currency of the country and economic environment in which it is located. Assets and liabilities of each legal entity are first translated into British pounds and consolidated. The consolidated balances are then converted into U.S. dollars at period-end exchange rates. Revenues and expenses are translated into British pounds, then into U.S. dollars at average exchange rates for each reporting period. Translation adjustments are reflected as accumulated other comprehensive income within shareholders' deficit. Gains and losses on foreign currency transactions are included in the consolidated statement of operations and comprehensive loss. The aggregate, net foreign exchange gain or loss included in determining net loss was a gain of \$461,852 and gain of \$68,280 for the year ended December 31, 2020 and the period ended December 31, 2019, respectively.

***Segment information***

Operating segments are identified as components of an enterprise about which separate discrete financial information is available for evaluation by the chief operating decision maker, the Company's Chief Executive Officer, in making decisions regarding resource allocation and assessing performance. The Company views its operations and manages its business in one operating segment, the research and development of immunotherapies and vaccines.

***Noncontrolling interest***

Vaccitech established VOLT with a related party. As at December 31, 2020, Vaccitech contributed cash and intellectual property with an aggregate value of \$10,949,602 for a 76% controlling interest. The related party contributed cash and intellectual property with an aggregate value of \$3,457,754 for a 24% noncontrolling interest. The contributed intellectual properties were initially recorded at investment date fair value by VOLT and immediately expensed as research and development costs. The Company accounts for the noncontrolling interest in the accompanying consolidated financial statements initially at fair value with the subsequent carrying value adjusted for the noncontrolling shares of VOLT's comprehensive loss.

***Cash and cash equivalents***

The Company considers all highly liquid investments purchased with remaining maturities of three months or less on the purchase date to be cash and cash equivalents. Cash and cash equivalents include bank demand deposits and money market funds that are actively traded (a Level 1 input).

***Revenue***

The Company recognizes revenue when its customer obtains control of promised goods or services, in an amount that reflects the consideration which the entity expects to receive in exchange for those goods or services. To determine revenue recognition for an arrangement, the Company performs the following five step analysis:

- Identify the contract with a customer,
- Identify the performance obligations in the contract,
- Determine the transaction price,

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- Allocate the transaction price to the performance obligations in the contract, and
- Recognize revenue when or as the Company satisfies a performance obligation.

The Company has entered into collaboration and license agreements, which are within the scope of Financial Accounting Standards Board (“FASB”) Accounting Standards Codification (“ASC”) 606, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers*, to discover, develop, manufacture and commercialize product candidates. The terms of these agreements typically contain multiple promises or obligations, which may include: (i) licenses, or options to obtain licenses, to product candidates or future product candidates and (ii) research and development activities to be performed on behalf of the collaboration partner related to the licensed targets. The Company also derives revenue from government grants.

As part of the accounting for these arrangements, the Company must use judgment to determine:

- The number of performance obligations and whether those performance obligations are distinct from other performance obligations in the contract,
- The transaction price, and
- The standalone selling price for each performance obligation identified in the contract for the allocation of transaction price.

The Company uses judgment to determine whether milestones or other variable consideration, except for sales-based royalties, should be included in the transaction price. The transaction price is allocated to each performance obligation on a relative standalone selling price basis, for which the Company recognizes revenue as or when the performance obligations under the contract are satisfied. In validating its estimated standalone selling price, the Company evaluates whether changes in the key assumptions used to determine its estimated standalone selling price will have a significant effect on the allocation of arrangement consideration between performance obligations.

Amounts received prior to revenue recognition are recorded as deferred revenue. Amounts expected to be recognized as revenue within the 12 months following the balance sheet date are classified as current portion of deferred revenue in the accompanying consolidated balance sheet. Amounts not expected to be recognized as revenue within the 12 months following the balance sheet date are classified as long-term deferred revenue, net of current portion. Amounts recognized as revenue, but not yet received or invoiced are generally recognized as accounts receivable.

*License revenue*

If the license to the Company’s intellectual property is determined to be distinct from the other promises or performance obligations identified in the arrangement, which generally include research and development services, the Company recognizes revenue from nonrefundable, upfront fees allocated to the license when the license is transferred to the customer and the customer is able to use and benefit from the license.

In assessing whether a license is distinct from the other promises, the Company considers relevant facts and circumstances of each arrangement, including the rights and obligations set out in the contract, the research and development capabilities of the collaboration partner and the availability of the associated expertise in the general marketplace. In addition, the Company considers whether the collaboration partner can benefit from the license for its intended purpose without the receipt of the remaining promises, whether the value of the license is dependent on the unsatisfied promises, whether there are other vendors that could provide the remaining promises, and whether it is separately identifiable from the remaining promises.

For licenses that are combined with other promises, the Company utilizes judgment to assess the nature of the combined performance obligation to determine whether the combined performance obligation is satisfied over time or at a point in time and, if over time, the appropriate method of measuring progress for purposes of recognizing revenue.

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The Company evaluates the measure of progress each reporting period and, if necessary, adjusts the measure of performance and related revenue recognition. The measure of progress, and thereby periods over which revenue should be recognized, are subject to estimates by management and may change over the course of the research and development and licensing agreement.

The Company's arrangements may provide the collaboration partner with the right to select a target for licensing either at the inception of the arrangement or in the future. Under these arrangements, fees may be due to the Company (i) at the inception of the arrangement as an upfront fee or payment, (ii) upon the exercise of an option to acquire a license or (iii) upon extending the selection period as an extension fee or payment. If an arrangement is determined to contain customer options that allow the customer to acquire additional goods or services, the goods and services underlying the customer options are not considered to be performance obligations at the outset of the arrangement, as they are contingent upon option exercise. The Company evaluates the customer options for material rights, or options to acquire additional goods or services for free or at a discount. If the customer options are determined to represent a material right, the material right is recognized as a separate performance obligation at the inception of the arrangement. The Company allocates the transaction price to material rights based on the relative standalone selling price, which is determined based on the identified discount and the probability that the customer will exercise the option. Amounts allocated to a material right are not recognized as revenue until, at the earliest, the option is exercised or expires.

For arrangements that include sales-based milestones and royalties, and the license is deemed to be the predominant item to which the royalties relate, the Company recognizes revenue at the later of (i) when the related sales occur or (ii) when the performance obligation to which some or all of the royalty has been allocated has been satisfied (or partially satisfied). To date, the Company has not recognized any sales-based milestones or royalty revenue resulting from any of its arrangements.

*Research and development services*

The promises under the Company's collaboration and license agreements generally include research and development services to be performed by the Company on behalf of the collaboration partner. For performance obligations that include research and development services, the Company recognizes revenue allocated to such performance obligations based on an appropriate measure of progress. The Company utilizes judgment to determine the appropriate method of measuring progress for purposes of recognizing revenue, which may include input measure such as costs incurred during the reporting period or ratably over the service period.

Reimbursements from the partner are evaluated as to whether the Company acts as a principal or an agent in such relationships. The Company evaluates whether control over the underlying goods or services were obtained prior to transferring these goods or services to the collaboration partner. Where the Company does not control the goods or services prior to transferring these goods or services to the collaboration partner, such reimbursements are presented net of costs.

At the inception of each arrangement that includes development milestone payments in respect of development efforts, the Company evaluates whether the development milestones are considered probable of being achieved and estimates the amount to be included in the transaction price using the most likely amount method. If it is probable that a significant revenue reversal would not occur, the associated development milestone value is included in the transaction price. Development milestone payments that are not within the control of the Company or the licensee, such as regulatory approvals, are not considered probable of being achieved until those approvals are received. The Company evaluates factors such as the scientific, clinical, regulatory, commercial, and other risks that must be overcome to achieve the particular development milestone in making this assessment. There is judgment involved in determining whether it is probable that a significant revenue reversal would not occur.

At the end of each reporting period, the Company reevaluates the probability of achievement of all development milestones subject to constraint and, if necessary, adjusts its estimate of the overall transaction price. Any such adjustments are recorded on a cumulative catch-up basis, which would affect



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revenues and earnings in the period of adjustment. If a milestone or other variable consideration relates specifically to the Company's efforts to satisfy a single performance obligation or to a specific outcome from satisfying the performance obligation, the Company generally allocates the milestone amount entirely to that performance obligation once it is probable that a significant revenue reversal would not occur. To date, the Company has not recognized any development milestone revenue resulting from any of its arrangements.

*Sale of viral seeds*

In 2019, the Company sold viral seeds for a number of programs mainly to the University of Oxford. In the case of viral seeds for sale that were already in inventory, the revenue was recognized upon invoice which coincides with delivery and in the case it was necessary to produce those viral seeds, the revenue was recognized over the expected life of the contract.

**Research grants**

The Company receives certain government grants which support its research efforts in defined projects and include contributions towards the research and development costs. When there is reasonable assurance that the Company will comply with the conditions attached to a received grant, and when there is reasonable assurance that the grant will be received, government grants are recognized as revenue on a gross basis in the consolidated statement of operations and comprehensive loss on a systematic basis over the periods in which the Company recognizes expenses for the related costs for which the grants are intended to compensate. Government grant revenue may be subject to review by a government authority in periods subsequent to its recognition and may result in the reversal of grant revenue previously recognized. Payments received in advance of incurring reimbursable expenses are recorded as deferred revenue.

**Concentrations of credit risk**

Financial instruments that potentially subject the Company to significant concentration of credit risk consist primarily of cash and cash equivalents and accounts receivable. Periodically, the Company maintains deposits in financial institutions in excess of government insured limits. Management believes that the Company is not exposed to significant credit risk as the Company's deposits are held at financial institutions that management believes to be of high credit quality and the Company has not experienced any losses in these deposits.

The Company recognizes revenue earned in connection with the license and services provided to customers and grantors. The Company provides credit to the grantors in the normal course of providing such services based on evaluations of their financial condition and generally does not require collateral. To manage accounts receivable credit risk, the Company monitors the creditworthiness of its grantors. Historically, the Company has not experienced any credit losses related to accounts receivable and does not maintain allowances for uncollectible amounts.

Licensees and grantors that represented 10% or more of the Company's revenue and accounted for 10% or more of accounts receivable are presented below:

	Year ended December 31, 2020	Period ended December 31, 2019
<b>Revenue</b>		
Oxford University Innovation	51%	—
U.S. Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority ("BARDA")	34%	95%
Enara Bio	10%	2%
	As at December 31, 2020	As at December 31, 2019
<b>Accounts Receivable</b>		
U.S. Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority ("BARDA")	51%	74%
Department of Health and Social Care	49%	—

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***Allowance for credit losses***

The Company evaluates its cash equivalents and accounts receivable for expected credit losses. Expected credit losses represent the portion of the amortized cost basis of a financial asset that an entity does not expect to collect. An allowance for expected credit losses is meant to reflect a risk of loss even if remote, irrespective of the expectation of collection from a particular issuer or debt security. The Company has not historically experienced any credit losses on any of its financial assets. With respect to cash equivalents and accounts receivable, given consideration of their short maturity, historical losses and the current market environment, the Company concluded there are no expected credit losses for these financial assets.

***Property and equipment***

Property and equipment are stated at cost, net of accumulated depreciation. Expenditures for maintenance and repairs are charged to operating expenses as incurred, whereas major betterments are capitalized as additions to property and equipment. Depreciation is recorded using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets as follows:

Asset Category	Estimated Useful Life
Office furniture and equipment	3 years
Laboratory equipment	4 years
Leasehold improvements	Lesser of lease term or estimated useful lives

***Impairment of long-lived assets***

The Company reviews long-lived assets to be held and used, including property and equipment and operating lease right-of-use asset, for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of the assets or asset group may not be recoverable. Evaluation of recoverability is first based on an estimate of undiscounted future cash flows resulting from the use of the asset or asset group and its eventual disposition. In the event such cash flows are not expected to be sufficient to recover the carrying amount of the asset or asset group, the assets are written down to their estimated fair values. No such impairments were recorded during the year ended December 31, 2020 and the period ended December 31, 2019.

***Financial instruments***

The Company's financial instruments consist of cash, cash equivalents, accounts receivable, accounts payable, certain accrued expenses, ordinary shares, and Series A Shares and convertible loan notes. The carrying amounts of cash, cash equivalents, accounts receivable, accounts payable, and accrued expenses approximate their fair value due to the short-term nature of those financial instruments. Ordinary shares are permanent equity initially recorded at their issuance date fair value which is not subsequently remeasured. Series A Shares are recorded at issuance date fair value net of discounts and issuance costs and adjusted to reflect their ultimate redemption value. Convertible loan notes are evaluated for embedded features that should be bifurcated and separately accounted for as freestanding derivatives. The proceeds, net of issuance costs from convertible loan notes are first allocated to the embedded derivatives at their initial fair values with the residual amount recorded as the initial net carrying value of the convertible loan notes. The convertible loan notes are subsequently measured at amortized cost using the effective interest method that results in recognition of interest expense equal to a constant rate of interest that is applied to the carrying amount of the convertible loan at the beginning of each period (i.e. the outstanding face amount less any unamortized discount plus any unamortized premium less deferred issuance costs).

***Fair value measurements***

The Company follows the guidance in ASC 820, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures*, which defines fair value and establishes a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to

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measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are described below:

- Level 1 — Inputs are quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the reporting entity has the ability to access at the measurement date.
- Level 2 — Valuations based on quoted prices in markets that are not active or for which all significant inputs are observable, either directly or indirectly.
- Level 3 — Prices or valuations that require inputs that are both significant to the fair value measurement and unobservable.

To the extent that valuation is based on models or inputs that are less observable or unobservable in the market, the determination of fair value requires more judgment. Accordingly, the degree of judgment exercised by the Company in determining fair value is greatest for instruments categorized in Level 3. A financial instrument's level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

Fair value is a market-based measure considered from the perspective of a market participant rather than an entity-specific measure. Therefore, even when market assumptions are not readily available, the Company's own assumptions are set to reflect those that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability at the measurement date. The Company uses prices and inputs that are current as of the measurement date, including during periods of market dislocation. In periods of market dislocation, the observability of prices and inputs may change for many instruments. This condition could cause an instrument to be reclassified within levels in the fair value hierarchy. There were no transfers within the fair value hierarchy during the year ended December 31, 2020 and the period ended December 31, 2019.

***Leases***

Leases are accounted for under ASC 842, Leases ("ASC 842") resulting in the recognition of lease liabilities and right-of-use assets. The Company only has operating leases. The Company has elected the practical expedient allowed under ASC 842 to account for each lease component (e.g., the right to use office space) and the associated non-lease components (e.g., maintenance services) as a single lease component. The Company also elected the short-term lease accounting policy for all asset classes; therefore, the Company is not recognizing a lease liability or right-of-use asset for any lease that, at the commencement date, has a lease term of 12 months or less and does not include an option to purchase the underlying asset that the Company is reasonably certain to exercise.

Variable lease payments such as the Company's share of real estate taxes, utilities, and common area maintenance, are reported as non-lease operating expenses.

Right-of-use assets represent the Company's right to use an underlying asset for the lease term and lease liabilities represent the Company's obligation to make lease payments arising from the lease. Right-of-use assets and liabilities are recognized at the lease commencement date based on the present value of lease payments over the lease term. As the Company's leases typically do not provide an implicit rate, the Company uses an estimate of its incremental borrowing rate based on the information available at the lease commencement date in determining the present value of lease payments.

Right-of-use assets also include the effect of any lease payments made and excludes lease incentives. The lease terms may include options to extend or terminate the lease when it is reasonably certain that the Company will exercise that option. Operating lease expense is recognized as part of total operating expenses on a straight-line basis over the lease term. The difference between the value of the right of use asset and lease liability is due to the reclassification of prepaid rent and unamortized lease incentives.

***Research and development***

Research and development costs are expensed as incurred. Research and development costs include payroll and personnel expense, consulting costs, external contract research and development expenses, raw

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materials, drug product manufacturing costs, and allocated overhead including depreciation and amortization, facility costs, and utilities. Research and development costs that are paid in advance of performance are capitalized as a prepaid expense and amortized over the service period as the services are provided.

***Clinical trial costs***

Clinical trial costs are a component of research and development expenses. The Company accrues and expenses clinical trial activities performed by third parties based on an evaluation of the progress to completion of specific tasks using data such as patient enrollment, clinical site activation, and other information provided to the Company by its vendors.

***Patent and licensing costs***

Patent and licensing costs are expensed as incurred because their realization is uncertain. These costs are classified as research and development expenses in the accompanying consolidated statement of operations and comprehensive loss.

***Embedded derivatives***

The Company reviews the terms of convertible loan notes and other financing arrangements to determine whether there are embedded derivative instruments, including embedded conversion options that are required to be bifurcated and accounted for separately as a derivative financial instrument.

Derivative financial instruments are initially measured at fair value, and then re-valued at each reporting date, with changes in the fair value reported as charges or credits to consolidated statement of operations and comprehensive loss. To the extent that the initial fair values of the freestanding and/or bifurcated derivative instrument exceed the total proceeds received an immediate charge to consolidated statement of operations and comprehensive loss is recognized in order to initially record the derivative instrument at fair value.

The discount from the face value of the convertible loan notes resulting from allocating some or all of the proceeds to the derivative instruments, together with the stated rate of interest on the instrument, is amortized over the life of the instrument through periodic charges to consolidated statement of operations and comprehensive loss, using the effective interest method.

Embedded derivatives bifurcated are presented along with the host contract on the balance sheet.

***Ordinary shares valuation***

Due to the absence of an active market for the Company's ordinary shares, the Company utilized methodologies in accordance with the framework of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants Technical Practice Aid, *Valuation of Privately-Held Company Equity Securities Issued as Compensation*, to estimate the fair value of its ordinary shares. In determining the exercise prices for options to be issued, the estimated fair value of the Company's ordinary shares on each grant date was estimated based upon a variety of factors, including:

- The issuance price of ordinary shares
- The rights and preference of preferred shareholders
- The progress of the Company's research and development programs, including the status of preclinical studies and planned clinical trials
- The Company's stage of development and our business strategy
- External market conditions affecting the biotechnology industry and trends within the biotechnology industry

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- The Company’s financial position, including cash on hand
- The lack of any active public market for our ordinary shares
- The likelihood of achieving a liquidity event, such as an initial public offering or a sale of our Company’s shares

Significant changes to the key assumptions underlying the factors used could result in different fair values of ordinary shares at each valuation date.

Ordinary shares are classified in shareholders’ deficit and represent issued share capital.

***Series A Shares***

The Company’s Series A Shares are redeemable and are classified as temporary equity in the accompanying balance sheet due to redemption rights granted to the holders that are outside of the Company’s sole control. Series A Shares are initially recorded at the original issuance price net of issuance costs and discounts. The carrying value is adjusted for dividends expected to be paid upon conversion, redemption or liquidation according to the Series A Share terms. Series A Shares do not have stated redemption date and they are not currently redeemable. If and when the redemption contingency becomes probable of occurring, the carrying amount will be adjusted by either accreting the carrying amount up to the maximum redemption value over the period through the earliest redemption date using the interest method or adjusting the carrying value to the maximum redemption value at the end of each reporting period until redeemed.

***Additional paid-in capital***

Additional paid-in capital is classified in shareholders’ deficit and represents the share premium account, where the difference between the price paid per share and the nominal value is recognized.

***Share based compensation***

The Company grants options over ordinary shares and restricted shares units to employees and accounts for share based compensation using the grant date fair value. Share based compensation awards are measured at the grant date fair value. For service-based awards, compensation expense is generally recognized over the requisite service period of the awards, usually the vesting period. The Company applies the “multiple option” method of allocating expense. In applying this method, each vesting tranche of an award is treated as a separate grant and recognized on a straight-line basis over that tranche’s vesting period. For performance-based awards where the vesting of the awards may be accelerated upon the achievement of certain milestones, vesting and the related share-based compensation is recognized as an expense when it is probable the milestone will be met.

When awards are modified, the Company compares the fair value of the affected award measured immediately prior to modification to its value after modification. To the extent that the fair value of the modified award exceeds the original award, the incremental fair value of the modified award is recognized as compensation on the date of modification for vested awards, and over the remaining vesting period for unvested awards.

The Company has elected to recognize the effect of forfeitures on share-based compensation when they occur. Any differences in compensation recognized at the time of forfeiture are recorded as a cumulative adjustment in the period where the forfeiture occurs.

***Income taxes***

The financial statements reflect provisions for income taxes in the United Kingdom and foreign jurisdictions. Deferred tax assets and liabilities represent future tax consequences of temporary differences between the financial statement carrying amounts and the tax basis of assets and liabilities and for loss carryforwards using enacted tax rates expected to be in effect in the years in which the differences reverse. A valuation allowance is recorded when it is more likely than not that some or all of the deferred tax assets will not be realized.

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The Company determines whether it is more likely than not that a tax position will be sustained upon examination. If it is not more likely than not that a position will be sustained, none of the benefit attributable to the position is recognized. The tax benefit to be recognized for any tax position that meets the more-likely-than-not recognition threshold is calculated as the largest amount that is more than 50% likely of being realized upon resolution of the contingency. The Company accounts for interest and penalties related to uncertain tax positions as part of its provision for income taxes. To date, the Company has not incurred interest and penalties related to uncertain tax positions nor has it recorded any unrecognized tax benefits.

***Research and development incentives***

In the United Kingdom, the Company is entitled to a research and development tax relief for small and medium-sized enterprises which allows for an enhanced deduction rate of 230% on qualifying research and development expenditure (the tax relief). If the Company incurs tax losses, the Company is entitled to surrender the lesser of unrelieved tax loss sustained and the tax relief. As the realization of the tax relief does not depend on our generation of future taxable income or the Company's ongoing tax status or tax position, the Company does not consider the tax relief as an element of income tax accounting under ASC 740, *Income taxes* and records the tax relief as a form of government grant or assistance. For the year ended December 31, 2020 and for the period ended December 31, 2019, the Company recognized research and development incentives of \$3,278,805 and \$2,975,872 respectively.

***Net loss per share***

Basic net loss per share is computed by dividing the net loss attributable to ordinary shareholders by the weighted-average number of ordinary shares outstanding for the reporting period without consideration for potentially dilutive securities. Net loss attributable to ordinary shareholders as if all of the net loss for the period had been distributed. During periods in which the Company incurred a net loss, the Company allocates no net loss to participating securities because they do not have a contractual obligation to share in the net loss of the Company. The Company's Series A Shares are non-participating securities.

The Company computes diluted net loss per ordinary share after giving consideration to all potentially dilutive ordinary equivalents, including stock options and Series A Shares outstanding during the period except where the effect of such non-participating securities would be antidilutive.

Diluted net loss per share is computed by dividing the net loss attributable to ordinary shareholders by the weighted-average number of ordinary shares and dilutive ordinary share equivalents outstanding for the period, determined using the treasury-stock and if-converted methods. Dilutive ordinary share equivalents for the year ended December 31, 2020 and the period ended December 31, 2019 are comprised of Series A Shares and share options.

Unaudited pro forma basic and diluted net loss per share for the year ended December 31, 2020 have been computed using the weighted-average ordinary shares outstanding after giving pro forma effect to the automatic conversion of all Series A Shares into ordinary shares as if such conversions had occurred at the beginning of the fiscal year ended December 31, 2020 or the date of original issuance, if later.

***Contingent liabilities***

A provision for contingent liabilities is recorded when it is both probable that a liability has been incurred and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated. With respect to legal matters, provisions are reviewed and adjusted to reflect the impact of negotiations, estimated settlements, legal rulings, advice of legal counsel and other information and events pertaining to a particular matter. The Company is a party to certain litigation and disputes arising in the normal course of business. As of December 31, 2020, the Company does not expect that such matters will have a material adverse effect on the Company's business, financial position, results of operations, or cash flows.

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***Deferred offering costs***

Direct and incremental legal and accounting costs associated with the Company's proposed initial public offering are deferred and classified as a component of other assets in the consolidated balance sheets. Such costs will be offset against the proceeds received in the offering. If the proposed initial public offering is no longer probable of occurring, the deferred costs will be expensed at that time. There have been no deferred offering costs incurred during the year ended December 31, 2020 and the period ended December 31, 2019.

***Unaudited pro forma shareholders' deficit***

The unaudited pro forma shareholders' deficit as of December 31, 2020 reflects the automatic conversion of each Series A Share into one ordinary share upon completion of the proposed initial public offering.

***Recently issued accounting pronouncements***

In August 2018, the FASB issued ASU No. 2018-15, *Intangibles-Goodwill and Other-Internal-Use Software (Subtopic 350-40): Customer's Accounting for Implementation Costs Incurred in a Cloud Computing Arrangement That Is a Service Contract* ("ASU 2018-15"). ASU 2018-15 aligns the requirements for capitalizing implementation costs incurred in a cloud-based hosting arrangement that is a service contract with the requirements for capitalizing implementation costs incurred to develop or obtain internal-use software (and hosting arrangements that include an internal-use software license). This ASU is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2020. The Company does not expect the impact of adopting ASU 2018-15 will be material.

In December 2019, the FASB issued amended guidance on the accounting and reporting of income taxes. The guidance is intended to simplify the accounting for income taxes by removing exceptions related to certain intraperiod tax allocations and deferred tax liabilities; clarifying guidance primarily related to evaluating the step-up tax basis for goodwill in a business combination; and reflecting enacted changes in tax laws or rates in the annual effective tax rate. The amended guidance is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2021, and interim periods within fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2022. Early adoption is permitted. The application of the amendments in the new guidance are to be applied on a retrospective basis, on a modified retrospective basis through a cumulative-effect adjustment to retained earnings or prospectively, depending on the amendment. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of adoption on its consolidated financial statements.

In August 2020, the FASB issued ASU No. 2020-06, *Debt—Debt with Conversion and Other Options (Subtopic 470-20) and Derivatives and Hedging—Contracts in Entity's Own Equity (Subtopic 815-40)* ("ASU No. 2020-06"). The new guidance eliminates two of the three models in ASC 470-20 that require separating embedded conversion features from convertible instruments. As a result, only conversion features accounted for under the substantial premium model in ASC 470-20 and those that require bifurcation in accordance with ASC 815-15 will be accounted for separately. For contracts in an entity's own equity, the new guidance eliminates some of the requirements in ASC 815-40 for equity classification. The guidance also addresses how convertible instruments are accounted for in the diluted earnings per share calculation and requires enhanced disclosures about the terms of convertible instruments and contracts in an entity's own equity. ASU 2020-06 is effective for the Company after December 15, 2023. Early adoption is permitted for fiscal periods beginning after December 15, 2020. The Company is currently evaluating the effect of adopting ASU 2020-06 on its financial statements.

**4. Net Loss Per Share**

Because the Company has reported a net loss attributable to ordinary shareholders for the period presented, basic and diluted net loss per share attributable to ordinary shareholders are the same for the period presented. All Series A Shares and stock options have been excluded from the computation of diluted weighted-average shares outstanding because such securities would have an antidilutive impact.

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The following table sets forth the computation of basic and diluted net loss per share for the year ended December 31, 2020 and the period ended December 31, 2019:

	Year ended December 31, 2020	Period ended December 31, 2019
<b>Numerator:</b>		
Net loss	\$(17,933,558)	\$(22,697,899)
Net loss attributable to noncontrolling interest	227,493	1,968,307
Net loss attributable to Vaccitech shareholders	<u>\$(17,706,065)</u>	<u>\$(20,729,592)</u>
<b>Denominator:</b>		
Weighted-average ordinary shares outstanding, basic and diluted	25,581	23,469
Net loss per share attributable to ordinary shareholders, basic and diluted	<u>\$ (692.16)</u>	<u>\$ (883.27)</u>

Potential ordinary shares issuable upon conversion or exercise of Series A Shares and stock options that are excluded from the computation of diluted weighted-average shares outstanding are as follows:

	Year ended December 31, 2020	Period ended December 31, 2019
Series A Shares	22,065	22,065
Stock options	3,742	3,601

The unaudited pro forma basic and diluted net loss per share attributable to ordinary shareholders for the year ended December 31, 2020 has been computed using the weighted average ordinary shares outstanding after giving pro forma effect to the automatic conversion of Series A Shares into ordinary shares as if such conversions had occurred at the beginning of the period or the date of original issuance, if later.

Unaudited pro forma basic and diluted net loss per share for the year ended December 31, 2020 are computed as follows:

	Year ended December 31, 2020	Period ended December 31, 2019
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Net loss attributable to noncontrolling interest	227,493	(1,968,307)
Net loss attributable to Vaccitech shareholders	<u>\$(17,706,065)</u>	<u>\$(20,729,592)</u>
<b>Denominator:</b>		
Weighted-average ordinary shares outstanding, basic and diluted	25,581	23,469
Adjustment for assumed effect of conversion of Series A Shares	22,065	22,065
Pro forma weighted-average ordinary shares outstanding, basic and diluted	47,646	45,534
Pro forma net loss per share, basic and diluted	<u>\$ (371.62)</u>	<u>\$ (455.25)</u>



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**5. Property and Equipment, Net**

Property and equipment, net consists of the following as at:

	December 31, 2020	December 31, 2019
Office furniture and equipment	\$ 167,855	\$ 143,604
Laboratory equipment	890,253	624,589
Leasehold improvements	49,606	—
Property and equipment, at cost	1,107,714	768,193
Less: accumulated depreciation	(478,609)	(247,890)
Property and equipment, net	<u>\$ 629,105</u>	<u>\$ 520,303</u>

Depreciation expense for the year ended December 31, 2020 was \$208,398 (period ended December 31, 2019: \$167,622).

**6. Accrued Expenses and Other Current Liabilities**

Accrued expenses and other current liabilities consist of the following:

	December 31, 2020	December 31, 2019
Accrued manufacturing and clinical expenses	\$ 461,561	\$ 734,893
Accrued board of director compensation	4,554	160,096
Accrued bonus	749,301	213,794
Accrued payroll and employee benefits	250,184	235,869
Accrued professional fees	805,694	34,316
Accrued other	265,850	42,466
Total	<u>\$2,537,144</u>	<u>\$1,421,434</u>

**7. Out-licenses and Grants***Enara research collaboration and license agreement*

In 2017, the Company entered into a research collaboration and license agreement with Enara Bio (the “Enara Agreement”) to provide research services and granted a nonexclusive license to Enara to produce and characterize potential product candidates using the Company’s viral vector technology. In June 2019, the Enara Agreement was amended to grant Enara additional license rights. Under the Enara Agreement, as amended, the Company is to provide enhanced research services to Enara during the research term which commenced on June 2019 through the end of 66 months and for up to six vaccine products based on antigens discovered via Enara’s proprietary platform. The Enara Agreement, as amended, is effective until the later of termination by either party; expiry of relevant patents covering a product generated under the enhanced research services; or ten years following first commercial sale of the product on a country-by-country basis generated under the enhanced research services.

Under the Enara Agreement, as amended, the Company received non-refundable upfront payments of \$317,062 (£250,000) which is recognized as revenue over the research term. The Company may receive up to \$30,000,000 (£22,500,000) in additional milestone payments and tiered 1.5-4.0% royalties on net sales of each product candidate selected for further development by Enara. The Enara Agreement, as amended, also provides for the Company to receive prespecified payments in return for the provision of research services to Enara. During the year ended December 31, 2020, the Company recognized service revenue totaling \$385,560 (period ended December 31, 2019: \$126,204) and license revenue totaling \$69,519 (period ended December 31, 2019: \$19,714).

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*BARDA contract*

BARDA is a division of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services in the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response that supports the advanced research and development, manufacturing, acquisition and stockpiling of medical countermeasures. Our contracts with BARDA, like those awarded by other U.S. government agencies, contain provisions not typically found in commercial contracts. Most notably, BARDA, or the U.S. government acting through BARDA, may terminate, modify or amend our contract, in whole or in part, for nearly any reason or no reason.

In February 2019, the Company entered into an agreement with BARDA to fund its clinical development of an influenza vaccine known as VTP-100. Under the contract, BARDA will reimburse the Company up to \$8,592,886 over two years for the research and development of VTP-100 through Investigational New Drug application, regulatory review, and development and execution of a Phase 2b human challenge protocol to assess safety, immunogenicity and efficacy as compared to placebo. The Company owns the intellectual property rights to inventions made in the performance of work under the BARDA contract, provided that the Company discloses such inventions to the U.S. government and notifies the U.S. government of the Company's election to retain title. The U.S. government will have a nonexclusive, nontransferable, irrevocable, paid-up license to practice, or have practiced for or on its behalf, such inventions throughout the world, in addition to other rights customarily reserved by the U.S. government for intellectual property generated using government funds. During the year ended December 31, 2020, the Company recognized \$1,650,920 (period ended December 31, 2019: \$6,507,228) in revenue under the BARDA contract and had outstanding receivable of \$262,585 as of December 31, 2020 (2019: \$730,468).

*OUI license*

In April 2020, the Company entered into an Amendment, Assignment and Revenue Sharing Agreement ("License Agreement Amendment") with Oxford University Innovation, or OUI, which vested and assigned all intellectual property rights in relation to any ChAdOx1 or ChAdOx2 vector-based vaccine jointly owned by the Company and OUI in OUI in order to facilitate the license of vaccines based on the ChAdOx1 by OUI to AstraZeneca plc ("AstraZeneca"). Under this agreement, the Company is entitled to receive from OUI a share of all payments received by OUI from AstraZeneca in respect of the vaccine based on the ChAdOx1. On December 30, 2020, AstraZeneca announced that the vaccine based on the ChAdOx1 which we refer to as AZD1222 had been approved for emergency supply in the United Kingdom by the United Kingdom Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency.

The Company determined that the intellectual property vested and assigned under the License Agreement Amendment is a functional intellectual property (that is, it has significant standalone functionality in the form of its ability to treat a disease or condition) and there is no expectation under the License Agreement Amendment that the Company will undertake activities to change the functionality. Consequently, the Company concluded that the nature of the Company's promise in transferring the intellectual property is to provide a right to use the Company's functional intellectual property. Accordingly, the Company recognizes revenue in manner that depicts, the Company's progress toward satisfying its performance obligation of providing access to its intellectual property throughout the license period based on the terms of OUI's agreement with AstraZeneca.

During the year ended December 31, 2020, the Company recognized revenue amounting to \$2,483,030.

**8. Convertible loan notes**

In 2020, the Company entered into a series of unsecured convertible loan notes arrangements on various dates between July through November 2020 for a total amount of \$41,183,496, net of transaction costs of \$57,339.

The convertible loan notes accrue interest daily at 8% per annum, which is payable in (a) cash upon an event of default or (b) cash or shares at the Board's discretion upon conversion. The convertible loan notes will mature on June 6, 2023. On maturity, the lenders can elect cash redemption in lieu of conversion, in an

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amount that equals all outstanding principal plus a redemption premium. The convertible loan notes may not be prepaid without the consent of the lenders.

The convertible loan notes are automatically converted (a) upon an equity financing occurring after the issuance date and before maturity raising at least £10 million (“qualified equity financing”); or (b) upon an exit event, including a change of control or an initial public offering, if the cash value to be received for the converted shares is greater than the redemption value or if the lenders do not elect cash redemption for an exit event that settles in noncash consideration.

The convertible loan notes are also convertible at the lenders’ option upon a nonqualified equity financing. If an exit occurs within six months of a nonqualified financing event where the lenders had elected to convert, the lenders will receive consideration in cash or other assets so that the aggregate value they receive equals the greater of:

- The as-converted value of the convertible loan notes that the lenders would have received if the convertible loan notes were converted upon the exit event, or
- The amount of outstanding principal plus the redemption premium.

All conversion features, the cash redemption feature on maturity and the cash redemption feature upon an exit event that settles in noncash consideration; meet the characteristics of embedded derivatives in accordance with ASC 815 Derivatives and Hedging, that are required to be bifurcated and accounted for as separate derivative liabilities. The derivative liabilities are originally recorded at its estimated fair value and are required to be revalued at each conversion event and reporting period. Changes in the derivative liabilities’ fair value are reported in consolidated statement of operations and comprehensive loss at each reporting period.

On initial recognition of the convertible loan notes, the Company fair valued the conversion and redemptions features resulting in an initial fair value of \$20,943,851. The proceeds, net of financing costs from convertible loan notes of \$41,183,496 was first allocated to the compound embedded derivatives at its initial fair values, the residual amount of \$20,239,646 was recorded as the initial net carrying value of the convertible loan notes. The Company valued the cash redemption features based on the difference of the present value of cash flows with and without the redemption features. The conversion features upon a nonqualified equity financing and qualified equity financing were valued based on the conversion formula stated in the convertible agreement, present valued at the risk-free rate for the expected period until the nonqualified equity financing and qualified equity financing (assumed and adjusted for the present value of cash flows of debt without the feature. The conversion features upon an exit event or maturity were valued using a Monte Carlo simulation model to fair value the convertible loan notes upon an exit event and maturity adjusted for the cash redemption value discounted at the risk free rate. The probability of exercise of conversion feature or the cash redemption upon an exit event, nonqualified equity financing, qualified equity financing and maturity ranged from 5% -75%, the risk free rate was 0.22% and the market cost of debt without the features was 11.80%. As of December 31, 2020, the Company had an embedded derivative liability of \$20,109,386 related to the convertible loan notes. The fair value of the embedded derivatives is a Level 3 valuation with the significant unobservable inputs being the probability of exercise of conversion and cash redemption features. Significant judgment is employed in determining the appropriateness of certain of these inputs. Changes to the inputs described above could have a material impact on the Company’s financial position and results of operations in any given period.

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The changes in the fair value of the embedded derivatives was as follows:

	Year ended December 31, 2020	Period ended December 31, 2019
Beginning balance	\$ —	\$—
Additions	20,943,850	—
Change in fair value recognized in the net loss	(2,039,253)	—
Foreign exchange translation	1,204,789	—
Ending balance	<u>\$20,109,386</u>	<u>\$—</u>

**9. Series A Shares**

On November 10, 2017, January 10, 2018 and December 21, 2018, the Company issued 13,790, 4,597, and 3,678 shares, respectively, of its £0.10 (\$0.14) nominal value, Series A Shares. The November 2017 and January 2018 Series A Shares were issued at £1,087.72 per share (\$1,432.49 on November 10, 2017 and \$1,471.01 on January 10, 2018) and the December 2018 Series A Shares were issued at £1,631.48 per share (\$2,064.26 on December 21, 2018) for total gross proceeds of £14,999,659 (\$19,754,216), £5,000,249 (\$6,532,695) and £6,000,583 (\$7,592,334), respectively.

The rights, preferences, and privileges of the Series A Shares are summarized below:

*Voting*

Series A shareholders have full voting rights and powers similar to the rights and powers of the ordinary shareholders on an as-converted basis. Certain significant actions, including board size, mergers, acquisition, liquidation, dissolution, wind up of business, and deemed liquidation events, must be approved by at least a simple majority of Series A and ordinary shareholders voting as a single class on an as-converted basis.

*Dividends*

Series A shareholders are entitled to dividends when and if declared by the Company's board of directors. In the event of optional or mandatory conversion, holders of Series A Shares may receive unpaid accrued dividends if the Company has sufficient funds available for distribution. Series A Share dividends are non-cumulative at an annual rate of 6% of the Series A Share issuance price.

*Optional conversion*

Each Series A Share is convertible into one ordinary share and nine deferred shares at the holders' option at any time.

*Mandatory conversion*

Each Series A Share is automatically converted into one ordinary share and nine deferred shares upon a vote by a simple majority of the Series A shareholders or upon the completion of a qualified public offering at a price per share of at least three times the original Series A Share issuance price (adjusted for stock splits or stock dividends) and aggregate gross proceeds of at least \$50,000,000.

*Liquidation preference*

Upon liquidation, dissolution, or winding up of business, Series A Shares have liquidation preference in priority to holders of ordinary shares at their original issuance price. If assets available for distribution are insufficient to satisfy the liquidation payment amounts in full, assets available for distribution will be

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allocated among Series A shareholders ratably based on their original investment. When Series A shareholders are satisfied in full, any excess assets available for distribution will be allocated ratably among ordinary shareholders based on the number of ordinary shares held by each shareholder.

*Classification*

The Company has classified Series A Shares outside of permanent equity in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets. Series A Shares are contingently redeemable upon a deemed liquidation event such as a change in control that is not solely within the Company's control and there is no guarantee that all shareholders would be entitled to receive the same form of consideration.

**10. Ordinary Shares**

Ordinary shareholders are entitled to one vote for each ordinary share held at all shareholder meetings. Ordinary shareholders are entitled to receive dividends declared out of funds legally available, subject to the payment in full of all preferential dividends to which the Series A shareholders are entitled. In the event of any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Company, after the payment of all preferential amounts that the holders of Series A Shares are entitled, the ordinary shareholders share ratably in the remaining assets of the Company available for distribution.

As of December 31, 2020, the Company has reserved the following shares of ordinary shares for future issuance:

Conversion of Series A Shares	22,065
Exercise of stock options	4,998
Exercise of restricted stock units	1,709
Shares available for future stock incentive plan awards	2,423
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>31,195</u></b>

**11. Share-Based Compensation**

In 2017, the Company's board of directors adopted the Enterprise Management Incentive Share Option Scheme (the "Plan") which provided for the grant of incentive stock options and nonqualified stock options to non-director employees of the Company. The Company also has a nonqualified stock option plan for officers and directors. The awards generally vest based on the grantee's continued service with the Company during a specified period following grant as determined by the board of directors and generally expire ten years from the grant date. Option awards generally vest over four years but vesting conditions can vary at the discretion of the Company's board of directors. A total of 11,426 ordinary shares were reserved for issuance in accordance with the provisions of the Plan and restricted stock unit ("RSUs") plan. As of December 31, 2020, 744 options and 1,552 RSUs have been exercised to date with 2,423 available for future grants.

The fair value of each stock option issued to employees was estimated at the date of grant using Black-Scholes with the following weighted-average assumptions:

	Year ended December 31, 2020	Period ended December 31, 2019
Expected volatility	117.73%	102.68%
Expected term (years)	6.40	6.25
Risk-free interest rate	1.10%	2.43%
Expected dividend yield	0.00%	0.00%

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The fair value of RSUs issued to employees was estimated at the date of grant using Black-Scholes with the following assumptions:

	Year ended December 31, 2020	Period ended December 31, 2019
Expected volatility	110.8%	—%
Expected term (years)	2.75	—
Risk-free interest rate	1.6%	—%
Expected dividend yield	0.00%	—%

The Company applies a discount for lack of marketability calculated using the Finnerty model.

*Exercise price:* In determining the exercise prices for stock options granted, the board of directors considered the fair value of ordinary shares as of each grant date based upon a variety of factors, including the results obtained from independent third-party valuations, the Company's financial position and historical financial performance, the status of technological developments within the Company's products, the composition and ability of the current clinical and management team, an evaluation or benchmark of the Company's competition, the current business climate in the marketplace, the illiquid nature of ordinary shares, arm's length sales of the Company's capital shares, the effect of the rights and preferences of the Series A shareholders, and the prospects of a liquidity event, among others.

*Expected volatility:* Since there is no trading history for the Company's ordinary shares, the expected price volatility for our ordinary shares was estimated using the average historical volatility of industry peers' shares as of the grant date of our options over a period of history commensurate with the expected life of the options. To the extent that volatility of our share price increases in the future, our estimates of the fair value of options to be granted in the future could increase, thereby increasing share-based payment expense in future periods. When selecting industry peers to be used in measuring implied volatility, the Company considered the similarity of their products and business lines, as well as their stage of development, size and financial leverage. The Company intends to continue to consistently apply this process using the same or similar public companies until sufficient historical information on volatility of its share price becomes available.

*Expected term (years):* Expected term represents the period that the Company's option grants are expected to be outstanding. There is not sufficient historical share exercise data to calculate the expected term of the stock options. Therefore, the Company elected to utilize the simplified method to value option grants. Under this approach, the weighted-average expected life is presumed to be the average of the vesting term and the contractual term of the option.

*Risk-free interest rate:* The Company determined the risk-free interest rate by using a weighted-average equivalent to the expected term based on the daily U.S. Treasury yield curve rate in effect as of the date of grant.

*Expected dividend yield:* The Company does not anticipate paying any dividends in the foreseeable future.

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A summary of stock option activity under the Plan is presented below:

	Number of Stock Options	Weighted- average Exercise Price	Weighted- average Remaining Contractual Term (Years)	Aggregate Intrinsic Value
Outstanding, January 1, 2020	3,601	\$0.09	8.35	\$ 5,867,947
Granted	2,470	0.12		
Exercised	(662)	0.04		
Forfeited/expired	(411)	0.13		
Outstanding, December 31, 2020	<u>4,998</u>	<u>\$0.11</u>	8.85	\$11,021,183
Exercisable, December 31, 2020	<u>1,778</u>	<u>\$0.07</u>	8.16	\$ 5,186,525
Vested and expected to vest, December 31, 2020	<u>3,220</u>	<u>\$0.12</u>	9.03	\$ 7,100,450

The weighted-average grant date per-share fair value of stock options granted during the year ended December 31, 2020 was \$1,748 (period ended December 31, 2019: \$1,395). The aggregate intrinsic value of stock options exercised during the year ended December 31, 2020 was \$1,000,159 (period ended December 31, 2019: \$131,983). At December 31, 2020, there was \$3,089,344 (2019: \$2,597,946) of unrecognized compensation cost related to stock options, which is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 2.67 years.

On January 9, 2020, the Company granted 1,552 restricted stock units (“RSUs”) to an employee which vest in two equal tranches of 776 each. The grant date fair value of the RSUs was \$1,615. The first tranche vests on IPO Filing Date which is defined as the date on which the Company makes a confidential submission to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission or its equivalent under the listing rules of the relevant comparable exchange and the second tranche vests on the IPO Resolution Date which is defined as the date on which the board of the Company resolves to initiate an initial public offering on any recognized exchange after (x) completion of all registration and other listing formalities and (y) agreement on pricing and quantum of the offer. The grant contains a nondiscretionary antidilution provision which entitles the grantee to additional RSUs to ensure that the aggregate RSUs granted equal 1.5% of the total fully diluted share capital of the Company. During the year a further 157 RSUs were granted as a result of this antidilution provision. The grant of additional RSUs was treated as a modification as it results in changes in the fair-value-based measure of the award. The incremental compensation cost as a result of the modification was \$147,338. At December 31, 2020 1,709 RSUs were outstanding with a remaining contractual term of 9.03 years of which 855 were vested and exercisable with an intrinsic value of \$1,884,377. No compensation cost has been recognized in respect the second tranche which vests on the IPO Resolution Date as the initial public offering is not considered probable until it occurs.

Share based compensation expense is classified in the consolidated statement of operations and comprehensive loss as follows:

	Year ended December 31, 2020	Period ended December 31, 2019
Research and development	\$ 613,860	\$394,003
General and administrative	3,011,007	436,599
Total	<u>\$3,624,867</u>	<u>\$830,602</u>

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**12. Income Taxes**

The components of income tax benefit are as follows:

	Year ended December 31, 2020	Period ended December 31, 2019
United Kingdom	\$ —	\$—
Foreign	95,010	—
Total income tax benefit, current	<u>\$95,010</u>	<u>\$—</u>

A reconciliation of income tax benefit computed at the UK statutory income tax rate to income tax benefit as reflected in the financial statements is as follows:

	Year ended December 31, 2020	Period ended December 31, 2019
Statutory tax rate	19.00%	19.00%
Increase (decreases) resulting from:		
Permanent differences	10.57	(2.07)
Provision to return adjustments	1.24	1.27
Research and development credits	(18.73)	(4.96)
Foreign rate differential	0.20	3.15
Change in valuation allowance	(11.37)	(20.08)
Other	(1.44)	3.68
Effective tax rate	<u>(0.53)%</u>	<u>(0.01)%</u>

Deferred income taxes reflect the net tax effects of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for income and for tax carryforwards. Significant components of the Company's deferred tax assets and liabilities are as follows:



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	December 31, 2020	December 31, 2019
<b>Deferred tax assets:</b>		
Net operating loss carryforwards	\$ 3,758,531	\$ 2,759,099
Research and development credit carryforwards	3,533,260	3,215,002
Deferred revenue	46,643	51,283
Share based compensation	1,043,559	308,647
Lease liability	350,036	337,777
Other	133,287	57,633
Gross deferred tax asset	8,865,316	6,729,441
Valuation allowance	(7,282,931)	(6,240,951)
Net deferred tax assets	1,582,385	488,490
<b>Deferred tax liabilities:</b>		
Depreciation	(101,868)	(56,487)
Right-of-use lease asset	(447,682)	(432,003)
Unrealized gain on investment	(1,032,835)	—
Net deferred tax liabilities	(1,582,385)	(488,490)
Total net deferred tax	\$ —	\$ —

As of December 31, 2020, the Company had a valuation allowance of \$7,282,931 (2019: \$6,240,951) against its deferred tax assets, which consisted principally of net operating loss and research and development credit carryforwards. The Company considered the positive and negative evidence bearing upon its ability to realize the deferred tax assets. In addition to the Company's history of cumulative losses, the Company cannot be certain that future taxable income will be sufficient to realize its deferred tax assets. Accordingly, a full valuation allowance has been provided against its net deferred tax assets. When the Company changes its determination as to the amount of its deferred tax assets that can be realized, the valuation allowance is adjusted with a corresponding impact to the provision for income taxes in the period in which such determination is made.

At December 31, 2020, the Company had NOL carryforwards totaling approximately \$19,509,995 which have an unlimited carryforward period. At December 31, 2020, the Company had \$3,533,260 of research and development tax credit carryforwards which also have an unlimited carryforward period.

As of December 31, 2020, the Company does not have any material unrecognized tax benefit liabilities. The Company files income tax returns in the United Kingdom, Australia, and the United States. The associated tax filings remain subject to examination by applicable tax authorities for a certain length of time following the tax year to which those filings relate. In the United Kingdom, tax years from 2019 remain subject to examination by Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs. In all other jurisdictions, the tax years since inception remain subject to examination by the applicable taxing authorities as of December 31, 2020.

### **13. Commitments and Contingencies**

#### *In-License Agreements*

The Company is party to a number of licensing agreements most of which are with related parties. These agreements serve to provide the Company with the right to develop and exploit the counterparties' intellectual property for certain medical indications. As part of execution of these arrangements, the Company paid certain upfront fees, which have been expensed as incurred because the developing technology has not yet reached technical feasibility, the lack of alternative use, and the lack of proof of potential value. The agreements cover a variety of fields, including influenza, cancer, HPV, HBV and

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MERS. The Company's obligations for future payments under these arrangements are dependent on its ability to develop promising drug candidates, the potential market for these candidates and potential competing products, and the payment mechanisms in place in countries where the Company retains the right to sell. Each agreement provides for specific milestone payments, typically triggered by achievement of certain testing phases in human candidates, and future royalties ranging from 1 to 5% for direct sales of a covered product to 3 to 7% of net payments received for allowable sublicenses of technology developed by the Company. The obligation to make these payments is contingent upon the Company's ability to develop candidates for submission for phased testing and approvals, and for the development of markets for the products developed by the Company. The Company has not made any material payments under these license agreements during the year ended December 31, 2020.

*Leases*

The Company leases an office and laboratory space from a related party in Oxford, England under an operating lease with a contractual term expiring in 2028. The lease does not contain renewal terms. Variable payments include amounts due to the lessor for additional services and cost reimbursements.

The Company recorded a right-of-use asset and a lease liability on the effective date of the lease term. The Company's right-of-use asset and lease liability are as follows:

	December 31, 2020	December 31, 2019
Right-of-use asset	\$2,135,550	\$2,273,701
Lease liability, current	\$ 192,479	\$ 171,979
Lease liability, noncurrent	\$1,471,594	\$1,605,794
<b>Other information</b>		
Operating cash flows from operating leases	\$ 300,985	\$ 223,111

During the year ended December 31, 2020, the Company recorded \$340,860 (period ended December 31, 2019: \$310,559) in operating lease costs (including short-term lease expense and variable lease costs).

Maturities of the Company's minimum lease liability as of December 31, 2020 were as follows:

Maturity of lease liabilities:	
2021	\$ 320,416
2022	320,416
2023	320,416
2024	320,416
2025	320,416
Thereafter	587,457
Total minimum lease payments	2,189,537
Less: imputed interest	(525,464)
Total lease liability	<u>\$1,664,073</u>

The weighted-average remaining lease terms are 7.33 years, and the weighted-average discount rate is 8% which approximates the Company's incremental borrowing rate.

Non-lease and other costs paid to the lessor are primarily related to services provided by the lessor in operating the premises that includes fees, operating costs, taxes, and insurance related to the leased premises.

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*Other contingencies*

The Company is a party in various contractual disputes, litigation, and potential claims arising in the ordinary course of business. The Company does not believe that the resolution of these matters will have a material adverse effect on its financial position or results of operations.

**14. Employee Benefit Plans**

In the United Kingdom, the Company has adopted a defined contribution plan (the U.K. Plan) which qualifies under the rules established by HM Revenue & Customs. The U.K. Plan allows all U.K. employees to contribute a minimum of 5% of salary with no maximum limit. The contribution is matched by the Company, up to a maximum of 5% of salary. Contributions to the U.K. Plan are charged to the consolidated statement of operations and comprehensive income in the year to which they relate.

The Company has a 401(k) defined contribution retirement plan in which all its employees located in the U.S. are eligible to participate. Eligible employees may elect to contribute up to the maximum limits, as set by the Internal Revenue Service, of their eligible compensation. Contributions to the plan are charged to the consolidated statement of operations and comprehensive income in the year to which they relate.

During the year ended December 31, 2020, the Company provided a total of \$142,813 (period ended December 31, 2019: \$103,105) in matching contribution under both the U.K. Plan and the 401(k) plan.

**15. Related Party Transactions**

During the year ended December 31, 2020, Company incurred expenses of \$281,453 (period ended December 31, 2019: \$302,786) to its shareholder, Oxford Sciences Innovation Plc, mostly related to the lease of a laboratory and office space in Oxford (see note 13). At December 31, 2020, the Company owed \$0 (2019: \$74,052) to Oxford Sciences Innovation Plc.

During the year ended December 31, 2020, the Company incurred expenses of \$477,766 (period ended December 31, 2019: \$857,245) to its shareholder, the University of Oxford, related to clinical study costs. At December 31, 2020, the Company owed \$300,408 (2019: \$119,742).

During the year ended December 31, 2020, the Company incurred expenses of \$208,629 (period ended December 31, 2019: \$177,714) for services from Oxford University Innovation Limited which is a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company's shareholder, the University of Oxford. At December 31, 2020, the Company owed \$25,175 (2019: \$48,874) to Oxford University Innovation Limited. During the period ended December 31, 2020, the Company also received license fees of \$2,483,030 (period ended December 31, 2019: \$0) from Oxford University Innovation Limited for assigning all intellectual property rights in relation to any ChAdOx1 or ChAdOx2 vector-based vaccine jointly owned by the Company and Oxford University Innovation Limited to Oxford University Innovation Limited.

On July 8, 2020, Oxford Sciences Innovation PLC and the University of Oxford subscribed to the Company's convertible loan notes in an amount of \$5,929,755 (£4,750,000) and \$312,092 (£250,000) respectively. At December 31, 2020 these convertible loan notes including the embedded derivative was \$7,355,522 (2019:\$0).

**16. Subsequent Events**

In February 2021, the Company granted 1,180 options to employees and directors.

On March 15, 2021, the Company issued 28,957 Series B preferred shares ("Series B Shares") amounting to \$125,239,025. Series B shareholders have full voting rights and powers similar to the rights and powers of Series A and ordinary shareholders. Each Series B Share is convertible into one ordinary share and nine deferred shares at the holders' option at any time. Each Series B Share is automatically converted into one ordinary share and nine deferred shares upon a vote by a simple majority of the Series B shareholders or upon the completion of a qualified public offering at a price per share of at least 1.2 times the Series B

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Share issuance price (adjusted for stock splits or stock dividends) and aggregate gross proceeds of at least \$100,000,000. Upon liquidation, dissolution, or winding up of business, Series B Shares have liquidation preference in priority to holders of Series A Shares and ordinary shares.

The Series B funding constituted a qualified equity financing in accordance with the terms of the convertible loan notes. As a result, the convertible loan notes were converted on March 15, 2021 into 12,421 Series B Shares with the conversion price being 0.8 times the Series B Shares issue price.

Consequent to the issue of Series B Shares, the aggregate gross proceeds required for a mandatory conversion upon the completion of a qualified public offering for Series A Shares has been increased from at least \$50,000,000 to at least \$100,000,000.

As of March 22, 2021, AstraZeneca has announced that AZD1222 has been granted a conditional marketing authorization or emergency use authorization in more than 70 countries, including the United Kingdom, India and Brazil, and that the Emergency Use Listing granted by the World Health Organization (“WHO”) in February 2021 will expand access to AZD1222 in up to 142 countries through the WHO’s COVAX initiative.

**American Depositary Shares**



**Representing      Ordinary Shares**

***Morgan Stanley***

***Jefferies***

***Barclays***

***William Blair***

***H.C. Wainwright & Co.***

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**PART II**  
**INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS**

**Item 13. Other Expenses of Issuance and Distribution.**

Set forth below is an itemization of the total expenses, excluding the underwriting discounts and commissions, which are expected to be incurred in connection with the sale of ADSs in this offering. With the exception of the registration fee payable to the Securities and Exchange Commission, The Nasdaq Global Market initial listing fee and the filing fee payable to FINRA, all amounts are estimates.

	<u>Amount</u>
SEC registration fee	\$10,910*
FINRA filing fee	15,500*
Nasdaq Global Market initial listing fee	*
Printing expenses	*
Legal fees and expenses	*
Accountants' fees and expenses	*
Blue Sky fees and expenses (including legal fees)	*
Transfer agent and registrar fees and expenses	*
Miscellaneous	*
Total	<u>\$</u> *

\* To be provided by amendment.

**Item 14. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.**

Subject to the Companies Act 2006, members of the registrant's board of directors and its officers (excluding auditors) have the benefit of the following indemnification provisions in our articles of association, or the Articles:

Current and former members of the registrant's board of directors or officers shall be:

- (i) indemnified against any loss or liability which has been or may be incurred by them in connection with their duties or powers in relation to the company, any associated company (as defined in the Articles) or any pension fund or employees' share scheme of the company or associated company and in relation to the company's (or associated company's) activities as trustee of an occupational pension scheme, including any liability incurred in defending any civil or criminal proceedings in which judgment is given in his or her favor or in which he or she is acquitted or the proceedings are otherwise disposed of without any finding or admission of any material breach of duty on his or her part or in connection with any application in which the court grants him or her, in his or her capacity as a relevant officer, relief from liability for negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust in relation to the company's (or associated company's) affairs; and
- (ii) provided with funds to meet expenses incurred or to be incurred in defending any criminal or civil proceedings or application referred to above.

In the case of current or former members of the registrant's board of directors, in compliance with the Companies Act 2006, there shall be no entitlement to reimbursement as referred to above for (i) any liability incurred to the registrant or any associated company, (ii) the payment of a fine imposed in any criminal proceeding or a penalty imposed by a regulatory authority for non-compliance with any requirement of a regulatory nature, (iii) the defense of any criminal proceeding if the director is convicted, (iv) the defense of any civil proceeding brought by the registrant or an associated company in which judgment is given against the director, and (v) any application for relief under the statutes of the UK and any other statutes that concern and affect the registrant as a company in which the court refuses to grant relief to the director.

In addition, members of the registrant's board of directors and its officers who have received payment from the registrant under these indemnification provisions must repay the amount they received in accordance with the Companies Act 2006 or in any other circumstances that the registrant may prescribe or where the registrant has reserved the right to require repayment.

The board of directors may decide to purchase and maintain insurance, at the expense of the company, for the benefit of any relevant officer in respect of any relevant loss.

The underwriting agreement the registrant will enter into in connection with the offering of ADSs being registered hereby provides that the underwriters will indemnify, under certain conditions, the registrant's board of directors and its officers against certain liabilities arising in connection with this offering.

**Item 15. Recent Sales of Unregistered Securities.**

In the three years preceding the filing of this registration statement, we have issued the following securities that were not registered under the Securities Act:

*(a) Issuances of Share Capital*

In November 2017, five accredited investors purchased an aggregate of 13,790 shares our Series A preferred stock for approximately £14,999,781.15 at £1,087.65 per share.

In February 2018, one accredited investor purchased an aggregate of 4,597 shares of our Series A preferred stock for approximately £4,999,927.05 at £1,087.65 per share.

In December 2018, two accredited investors purchased an aggregate of 3,678 shares of our Series A preferred stock for approximately £6,000,583.44 at £1,631.48 per share.

In March 2021, 13 accredited investors purchased an aggregate of 28,902 shares of Series B Shares for approximately \$125,000,000 at \$4,325.00 per share. In addition, as part of the Series B financing, 12,429 convertible loan notes converted into Series B Shares for approximately \$43,000,000 at \$3,459.65 per share, resulting in aggregate proceeds of approximately \$168,000,000.

No underwriters were involved in the foregoing sales of securities. The sales of securities described above were deemed to be exempt from registration pursuant to either (i) Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act, as transactions by an issuer not involving a public offering or (ii) Regulation S promulgated under the Securities Act in that the offers, sales and issuances were not made to persons in the United States and no directed selling efforts were made in the United States.

*(b) Grants and Exercises of Options and Restricted Share Awards*

Through April 9, 2021, we have granted stock options to purchase an aggregate of 5,039 ordinary shares net of forfeitures, with an exercise price of £0.10 or £0.01 per share, to certain employees, directors and consultants pursuant to the EMI Share Option Scheme. Through April 9, 2021, 662 ordinary shares have been issued upon the exercise of stock options pursuant to the EMI Share Option Scheme.

The issuances of the securities described above were deemed to be exempt from registration pursuant to Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act or Rule 701 promulgated under the Securities Act as transactions pursuant to compensatory benefit plans. The ordinary shares issued upon the exercise of options are deemed to be restricted securities for purposes of the Securities Act.

**Item 16. Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules****(a) Exhibits**

Exhibits number	Description of exhibit
1.1*	Form of Underwriting Agreement.
3.1	<a href="#">Articles of Association of Vaccitech plc, as currently in effect.</a>
3.2	<a href="#">Form of Articles of Association of the Registrant (to be effective upon the consummation of this offering).</a>
4.1*	Form of Deposit Agreement.
4.2*	Form of American Depositary Receipt (included in Exhibit 4.1).
5.1*	Opinion of Goodwin Procter (UK) LLP, counsel to the Registrant.
10.1#	<a href="#">EMI Option Scheme and form of award agreement thereunder.</a>
10.2#*	2021 Stock Option and Incentive Plan and forms of award agreements thereunder (to be adopted prior to the effectiveness of this registration statement).
10.3†	<a href="#">License of Technology by and between the Registrant and Oxford University Innovation Limited, dated as of March 4, 2016, as amended on January 14, 2019 and as further amended April 29, 2020.</a>
10.4†	<a href="#">License Agreement by and between the Registrant and Oxford University Innovation Limited, dated as of September 8, 2017.</a>
10.5†	<a href="#">Master Collaboration Agreement by and between the Registrant and CanSino Biologics, Inc., dated as of September 4, 2018.</a>
10.6†	<a href="#">License Agreement by and among the Registrant, The Chancellor, Masters and Scholars of the University of Oxford and Oxford University Innovation Limited, dated as of September 27, 2018.</a>
10.7†	<a href="#">License Agreement by and between the Registrant and Vaccitech Oncology Limited, dated as of November 14, 2018.</a>
10.8†	<a href="#">Clinical Trial and Option Agreement by and among Vaccitech Oncology Limited, Cancer Research Technology Limited, and Cancer Research UK, dated as of December 16, 2019.</a>
10.9#	<a href="#">Form of Deed of Indemnity between the Registrant and each of its directors and officers.</a>
10.10#**	<a href="#">Form of Employment Agreement between the Registrant and William Enright, to be in effect upon the closing of this offering.</a>
10.11#*	Form of Employment Agreement between the Registrant and Georgy Egorov to be in effect upon the closing of this offering.
10.12#**	<a href="#">Form of Employment Agreement between the Registrant and Thomas G. Evans, MD, to be in effect upon the closing of this offering.</a>
10.13#**	<a href="#">Form of Employment Agreement between the Registrant and Margaret Marshall, MD, to be in effect upon the closing of this offering.</a>
10.14#*	Form of Employment Agreement between the Registrant and Chris Ellis, to be in effect upon the closing of this offering.
10.15#*	Form of Employment Agreement between the Registrant and Graham Griffiths, to be in effect upon the closing of this offering.
10.16	<a href="#">Lease Agreement by and between the Registrant and Oxford Sciences Innovation plc, dated March 27, 2019.</a>
21.1	<a href="#">Subsidiaries of the Registrant.</a>
23.1	<a href="#">Consent of BDO LLP, independent registered public accounting firm.</a>
23.2*	Consent of Goodwin Procter (UK) LLP, counsel to the Registrant (included in Exhibit 5.1).
24.1	<a href="#">Power of Attorney (included on signature page to this registration statement).</a>



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† Certain portions of this exhibit have been omitted because they are not material and the Registrant customarily and actually treats that information as private or confidential.

\* To be submitted by amendment.

# Indicates a management contract or any compensatory plan, contract or arrangement.

\*\* Certain exhibits and schedules to these agreements have been omitted pursuant to Item 601(b)(2) of Regulation S-K. The Registrant will furnish copies of any of the exhibits and schedules to the Securities and Exchange Commission upon request.

**(b) Financial Statement Schedules**

None. All schedules have been omitted because the information required to be set forth therein is not applicable or has been included in the audited consolidated financial statements and notes thereto.

**Item 17. Undertakings.**

The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes to provide to the underwriters at the closing specified in the underwriting agreements, certificates in such denominations and registered in such names as required by the underwriters to permit prompt delivery to each purchaser.

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the registrant pursuant to the provisions described in Item 6 hereof, or otherwise, the registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes that:

- (i) For purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, the information omitted from the form of prospectus filed as part of this registration statement in reliance upon Rule 430A and contained in a form of prospectus filed by the registrant pursuant to Rule 424(b)(1) or (4) or 497(h) under the Securities Act shall be deemed to be part of this registration statement as of the time it was declared effective.
- (ii) For the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each post-effective amendment that contains a form of prospectus shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial *bona fide* offering thereof.



Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this registration statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities indicated on the 9th day of April, 2021.

NAME	TITLE
/s/ William Enright _____ William Enright	<i>Chief Executive Officer and Director (Principal Executive Officer)</i>
/s/ Georgy Egorov _____ Georgy Egorov	<i>Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)</i>
/s/ Robin Wright _____ Robin Wright	<i>Chairman and Director</i>
/s/ Alex Hammacher _____ Alex Hammacher	<i>Director</i>
/s/ Pierre A. Morgon _____ Pierre A. Morgon	<i>Director</i>
/s/ Anne M. Phillips _____ Anne M. Phillips	<i>Director</i>
/s/ Karen T. Dawes _____ Karen T. Dawes	<i>Director</i>
/s/ Joseph C. F. Scheeren _____ Joseph C. F. Scheeren	<i>Director</i>
/s/ Carl Vine _____ Carl Vine	<i>Director</i>

By: /s/ William Enright \_\_\_\_\_ Authorized Representative in the United States  
 Name: William Enright  
 Title: Chief Executive Officer

**THE COMPANIES ACT 2006**  
**PUBLIC COMPANY LIMITED BY SHARES**  
**NEW**  
**ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION**  
**of**  
**VACCITECH PLC**

(Adopted by a special resolution passed on 1 April 2021)



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**THE COMPANIES ACT 2006**  
**PUBLIC COMPANY LIMITED BY SHARES**  
**NEW**  
**ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION**  
**of VACCITECH PLC**

(Adopted by a special resolution passed on 1 April 2021)

**1. INTRODUCTION**

- 1.1 The model articles for public companies limited by shares contained or incorporated in Schedule 3 to the Companies (Model Articles) Regulations 2008 (SI 2008/3229) as amended prior to the date of adoption of these Articles (the "**Model Articles**") shall apply to the Company, save insofar as they are varied or excluded by, or are inconsistent with, the following Articles.
- 1.2 In these Articles and the Model Articles any reference to any statutory provision shall be deemed to include a reference to each and every statutory amendment, modification, re-enactment and extension thereof for the time being in force.
- 1.3 In these Articles:
- (a) Article headings are used for convenience only and shall not affect the construction or interpretation of these Articles;
  - (b) words denoting the singular include the plural and vice versa and reference to one gender includes the other gender and neuter and vice versa;
  - (c) articles 7(b), 8(6), 9(3), 10(2), 13(3), 14, 16, 21, 23, 26, 27, 37, 41, 50, 51, 63(5), 64, 65 to 68, 70(5) to 70(7), 76(2), 80, 84, 85 and 86 of the Model Articles shall not apply to the Company.
  - (d) reference to "**issued Shares**" of any class shall exclude any Shares of that class held as Treasury Shares from time to time, unless stated otherwise; and
  - (e) reference to the "**holders**" of Shares or a class of Share shall exclude the Company holding Treasury Shares from time to time, unless stated otherwise.
- 1.4 In respect of any actions or matters requiring or seeking the acceptance, approval, agreement, consent or words having similar effect of an Investor Director under these Articles, if at any time an Investor Director has not been appointed by a person entitled to make such an appointment (each such person, an "**Appointer**"), or an Investor Director declares in writing to the Company and his Appointer that he considers that providing such consent gives rise or may give rise to a conflict of interest to his duties as a Director, such action or matter shall require the consent of the relevant Appointer.
- 1.5 Where there is reference to Series A Shares or Series B Shares under these Articles, this reference shall be treated, where appropriate in the context, on an as converted basis if the Conversion Ratio has been adjusted.
- 1.6 Where there is reference under these Articles to a proportion or percentage of the Shares or Equity Shares or any class of classes of Shares, this reference shall (unless the context otherwise requires) be treated as a reference to a proportion or percentage by number and not by nominal value.

## 2. DEFINITIONS

In these Articles the following words and expressions shall have the following meanings:

"**Act**" means the Companies Act 2006 (as amended from time to time);

"**Acting in Concert**" has the meaning given to it in The City Code on Takeovers and Mergers published by the Panel on Takeovers and Mergers (as amended from time to time);

"**Actions**" shall have the meaning given in Article 6.3;

"**Admission Date**" means the date upon which an IPO becomes effective;

"**Anti-Dilution Shares**" means the Series A Anti-Dilution Shares and/or the Series B Anti-Dilution Shares;

"**Arrears**" means in relation to any Share, all arrears of any dividend or other sums payable in respect of that Share, whether or not earned or declared and irrespective of whether or not the Company has had at any time sufficient Available Profits to pay such dividend or sums, together with all interest and other amounts payable on that Share;

"**Asset Sale**" means the disposal by the Company (in one transaction or a series of related transactions) of all or substantially all of its undertaking and assets (where disposal may include, without limitation, the grant by the Company of an exclusive licence of intellectual property not entered into in the ordinary course of business) except where such disposal is to a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company;

"**Associate**" in relation to any person means:

- (a) any person who is an associate of that person and the question of whether a person is an associate of another is to be determined in accordance with section 435 of the Insolvency Act 1986 and (whether or not an associate as so determined);
- (b) any Member of the same Group;
- (c) any Member of the same Fund Group;

"**Associated Government Entities**" means:

- (a) any UK Government departments, including their executive agencies, other subsidiary bodies and other parts of UK Government;
- (b) companies wholly or partly owned by UK Government departments and their subsidiaries;
- (c) non-departmental public bodies, other public bodies, public corporations and their subsidiary bodies sponsored by UK Government departments; and/or
- (d) any successors to any of the entities set out in (a), (b) and (c) above or any new bodies which fall within the same criteria;

"**Auditors**" means the auditors of the Company from time to time, or, if the Company has not appointed auditors, its accountants for the time being;

"**Available Profits**" means profits available for distribution within the meaning of part 23 of the Act;

"**Bad Leaver**" means a person who ceases to be an Employee as a consequence of:

- (a) such person's dismissal as an Employee for cause, where "**cause**" shall mean:
- (i) his fraud or dishonesty;
  - (ii) his having committed any crime punishable by imprisonment;
- (b) such person's resignation as an Employee in circumstances where a Group Company would have been entitled to dismiss such person for cause (as defined in paragraph (a) above,

provided that, in each case, the Board (acting with Investor Director Consent) may decide that a person is not a Bad Leaver.

"**Board**" means the board of Directors and any committee of the board constituted for the purpose of taking any action or decision contemplated by these Articles;

"**Bonus Issue**" or "**Reorganisation**" means any return of capital, bonus issue of shares or other securities of the Company by way of capitalisation of profits or reserves (other than a capitalisation issue in substitution for or as an alternative to a cash dividend which is made available to the Series A Shareholders and/or Series B Shareholders) or any issue of Anti-Dilution Shares pursuant to Article 10.3(a) or any consolidation or subdivision or redenomination or any repurchase or redemption of shares (other than Series A Shares and/or Series B Shares) or any variation in the subscription price or conversion rate applicable to any other outstanding shares of the Company, in each case other than in respect of the grant of options under any Share Option Plan(s);

"**Business Day**" means a day on which English clearing banks are ordinarily open for the transaction of normal banking business in the City of London (other than a Saturday or Sunday);

"**Civil Partner**" means in relation to a Shareholder, a civil partner (as defined in the Civil Partnership Act 2004) of the Shareholder;

"**Commencement Date**" means, in the case of any Employee other than a Founder, the date on which the employment or consultancy of the relevant Employee with the Company or any member of the Group commences;

"**Company**" means Vaccitech plc;

"**Company's Lien**" has the meaning given in Article 37.1;

"**Conditions**" has the meaning given in Article 9.1;

"**Controlling Interest**" means an interest in shares giving to the holder or holders control of the Company within the meaning of section 1124 of the CTA 2010;

"**Conversion Date**" has the meanings given in Article 9.1 and Article 9.3 (as applicable);

"**Conversion Ratio**" means one Ordinary Share and nine Deferred B Shares for each Series A Share or Series B Share (as applicable), subject to adjustment from time to time in accordance with Article 9.10;

"**CTA 2010**" means the Corporation Tax Act 2010;

"**Date of Adoption**" means the date on which these Articles were adopted;

"**Deferred A Shares**" means deferred A shares of £1.00 each in the capital of the Company from time to time;



"**Deferred B Shares**" means deferred B shares of £0.01 each in the capital of the Company from time to time;

"**Deferred Shares**" means the Deferred A Shares and the Deferred B Shares from time to time;

"**Director(s)**" means a director or directors of the Company from time to time;

"**Effective Termination Date**" means the date on which the Employee's employment or consultancy terminates;

"**electronic address**" has the same meaning as in section 333 of the Act;

"**electronic form**" and "electronic means" have the same meaning as in section 1168 of the Act;

"**Eligible Director**" means a Director who would be entitled to vote on a matter had it been proposed as a resolution at a meeting of the Directors;

"**Employee**" means an individual who is employed by or who provides consultancy services to, the Company or any member of the Group;

"**Employee Option Shares**" means any Ordinary Shares that an Employee holds as result of exercising option(s) under any Share Option Plan(s);

"**Employee Shares**" in relation to an Employee means all Ordinary Shares held by:

- (a) the Employee in question; and
- (b) any Permitted Transferee of that Employee other than those Ordinary Shares held by those persons that an Investor Majority declares itself satisfied were not acquired directly or indirectly from the Employee or by reason of that person's relationship with the Employee;

"**Encumbrance**" means any mortgage, charge, security, interest, lien, pledge, assignment by way of security, equity, claim, right of pre-emption, option, covenant, restriction, reservation, lease, trust, order, decree, judgment, title defect (including without limitation any retention of title claim), conflicting claim of ownership or any other encumbrance of any nature whatsoever (whether or not perfected other than liens arising by operation of law);

"**Equity Securities**" has the meaning given in sections 560(1) to (3) inclusive of the Act and for the avoidance of doubt an allotment of Equity Securities includes a transfer of shares which immediately before such transfer were held by the Company as Treasury Shares;

"**Equity Shares**" means the Shares other than the Deferred Shares;

"**Exercising Investor**" means a Series A Exercising Investor and/or Series B Exercising Investor;

"**Exit**" means a Share Sale, an Asset Sale or an IPO;

"**Expert Valuer**" is as determined in accordance with Article 17.2;

"**Fair Value**" is as determined in accordance with Article 17;

"**Family Trusts**" means as regards any particular individual member or deceased or former individual member, trusts (whether arising under a settlement, declaration of trust or other instrument by whomsoever or wheresoever made or under a testamentary disposition or on an intestacy) under which no immediate beneficial interest in any of the shares in question is for the time being vested in any person other than the individual and/or Privileged Relations of that individual; and so that for this purpose a person shall be considered to be beneficially interested in a share if such share or the income thereof is liable to be transferred or paid or applied or appointed to or for the benefit of such person or any voting or other rights attaching thereto are exercisable by or as directed by such person pursuant to the terms of the relevant trusts or in consequence of an exercise of a power or discretion conferred thereby on any person or persons;

"**Financial Year**" has the meaning set out in section 390 of the Act;

"**Founders**" means Adrian Hill and Sarah Gilbert;

"**Fractional Holders**" has the meaning given in Article 9.11;

"**Fund Manager**" means a person whose principal business is to make, manage or advise upon investments in securities;

"**Future Fund**" means UK FF Nominees Limited and its Permitted Transferees;

"**Good Leaver**" means a person who ceases to be an Employee and who is not a Bad Leaver and shall include, without limitation, when the Board (including Investor Director Consent) determines that a person is not a Bad Leaver;

"**Group**" means the Company and its Subsidiary Undertaking(s) (if any) from time to time and "Group Company" shall be construed accordingly;

"**GV**" means GV Europe 2014, L.P. and GV 2017, L.P. and their respective Permitted Transferees;

"**hard copy form**" has the same meaning as in section 1168 of the Act;

"**Holding Company**" means a newly formed holding company, incorporated in any jurisdiction, which has no previous trading history and has resulted from a Holding Company Reorganisation;

"**Holding Company Reorganisation**" means any transaction involving the issue of shares in the capital of a Holding Company to the Shareholders, the object or intent of which is to interpose the Holding Company as the sole owner of the Company such that immediately subsequent to such transaction:

- (a) the membership, pro rata shareholdings and classes of shares comprised in the Holding Company is substantially the same as that of the Company (excluding Treasury Shares) immediately prior to such transaction (save for the fact that such shares are issued by a different company);
- (b) the rights attaching to each class of share comprised in the Holding Company are substantially the same as those rights attaching to the like class of share comprised in the share capital of the Company immediately prior to such transaction (save for the fact that such shares are issued by a different company and/or in a different jurisdiction with attendant differences in company law); and
- (c) the constitutional documents of the Holding Company are the same in substantive effect as the articles of association of the Company immediately prior to such acquisition (save for the fact that they apply in respect of a different company, and as to matters and modifications to reflect that the Holding Company may be incorporated in a jurisdiction other than England and Wales);

"**Institutional Investor**" means any fund, partnership, body corporate, trust or other person or entity whose principal business is to make investments or a person whose business is to make, manage or advise upon investments for any of the foregoing, other than an Institutional Investor who the Board determines in its reasonable discretion is a competitor with the business of the Company;

"**Investment Fund**" means GV, OSI, the Lead Series B Investor and any other fund, partnership, company, syndicate or other entity whose business is managed by a Fund Manager;

"**Investor Directors**" means the OSI Director and the Lead Series B Investor Director;

"**Investor Director Consent**" means the prior written consent of any one Investor Director;

"**Investor Majority**" means (i) a Series A Majority; and (ii) a Series B Majority;

"**Investor Majority Consent**" means the prior written consent of the Investor Majority;

"**Investors**" has the meaning given in the Shareholders' Agreement;

"**IPO**" means the admission of all or any of the Shares or securities representing those shares (including without limitation depositary interests, American depositary receipts, American depositary shares and/or other instruments) on NASDAQ or the New York Stock Exchange or the Official List of the United Kingdom Listing Authority or the AIM Market operated by the London Stock Exchange Plc or any other recognised investment exchange (as defined in section 285 of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000);

"**TTEPA**" means Income Tax (Earnings and Pensions) Act 2003;

"**Issue Price**" means the price at which the relevant Share is issued, including any premium;

"**Lead Series B Investor**" means Prudential Credit Opportunities SCSp (an investment vehicle advised by M&G Alternatives Investment Management Ltd);

"**Lead Series B Investor Director**" means the director of the Company nominated by the Lead Series B Investor pursuant to Article 28.1(d);

"**Leaver's Percentage**" means, in relation to and for the purposes of determining the number of Employee Shares (other than Employee Option Shares) that are required (pursuant to Article 19) to be converted into Deferred B Shares or to be transferred as a result of an Employee (other than a Founder) ceasing to be an Employee within the Relevant Period, the percentage (rounded to the nearest two decimal places) as calculated using the formula below:

$$100 - ((1/48 \times 100) \times NM)$$

where NM = number of full calendar months from the Commencement Date to the Effective Termination Date such that the Leaver's Percentage shall be zero on the first day of the 49th month after the Commencement Date and thereafter;

"**Lien Enforcement Notice**" has the meaning given in Article 37.3;

"**a Member of the same Fund Group**" means if the Shareholder is an Investment Fund or is a nominee of an Investment Fund:

- (a) any participant or partner in or member of any such Investment Fund or the holders of any unit trust which is a participant or partner in or member of any Investment Fund (but only in connection with the dissolution of the Investment Fund or any distribution of assets of the Investment Fund pursuant to the operation of the Investment Fund in the ordinary course of business);
- (b) any Investment Fund managed or advised by that Fund Manager (or a Fund Manager in the same group);

- (c) any Parent Undertaking or Subsidiary Undertaking of that Fund Manager, or any Subsidiary Undertaking of any Parent Undertaking of that Fund Manager; or
- (d) any trustee, nominee or custodian of such Investment Fund and vice versa;

"**a Member of the same Group**" means as regards any company, a company which is from time to time a Parent Undertaking or a Subsidiary Undertaking of that company or a Subsidiary Undertaking of any such Parent Undertaking;

"**Member of the University Group**" means the University, its subsidiaries, any colleges of the University and any Investment Fund in respect of which the University or any of its subsidiaries or any of the colleges of the University acts as a partner, investor, shareholder, adviser, manager, trustee or unit holder and shall include but is not limited to Oxford University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust and the Wellcome Trust (but excluding OSI);

"**NASDAQ**" means the NASDAQ Stock Market of the NASDAQ OMX Group Inc.;

"**New Securities**" means any shares or other securities convertible into, or carrying the right to subscribe for, those shares issued by the Company after the Date of Adoption (other than shares or securities issued as a result of the events set out in Article 13.7) excluding for the avoidance of doubt any Treasury Shares transferred by the Company after the Date of Adoption;

"**Offer**" has the meaning set out in Article 20.2;

"**Offer By Way of Rights**" has the meaning set out in Article 9.13;

"**Offer Period**" has the meaning set out in Article 20.3;

"**Ordinary Shareholders**" means the holders from time to time of the Ordinary Shares (but excludes the Company holding Treasury Shares);

"**Ordinary Shares**" means the ordinary shares of £0.01 each in the capital of the Company from time to time;

"**Original Shareholder**" has the meaning set out in Article 15.1;

"**OSI**" means Oxford Sciences Innovation pie and its Permitted Transferees;

"**OSI Director**" means the director of the Company nominated by OSI pursuant to Article 29.1(a);

"**Permitted Transfer**" means a transfer of Shares in accordance with Article 15;

"**Permitted Transferee**" means:

- (a) in relation to a Shareholder who is an individual, any of his Privileged Relations, Trustees or Qualifying Companies provided that the transfer is effected for good faith estate planning reasons;
- (b) in relation to a Shareholder which is an undertaking (as defined in section 1161(1) of the Act) means any Member of the same Group;
- (c) in relation to a Shareholder which is an Investment Fund means any Member of the same Fund Group; and
- (d) in relation to an Investor:
  - (i) to any Member of the same Group;

- (ii) to any Member of the same Fund Group; or
- (iii) any nominee of that Investor;
- (e) in relation to the University, OSI; and
- (f) in relation to any Member of University Group, any other Member of the University Group or OSI; and
- (g) in relation to the Future Fund:
  - (i) any transfer by the Future Fund to any Associated Government Entities;
  - (ii) any transfer by the Future Fund of any shares in the capital of the Company that are held by the Future Fund in connection with any sale to an Institutional Investor that is acquiring the whole or part (being not fewer than 10 companies, including the Company) of the Future Fund's interest in a portfolio of investments which comprise or result from the conversion of unsecured convertible loans substantially on the same terms as the convertible loan agreement relating to the Company and entered into by the Future Fund dated 6 July 2020, provided always that such transaction(s) is bona fide in all respects;

**"Preference Amount"** means a price per share equal to:

- (a) in respect of the Series A Shares, the amount that was paid up or credited as paid up on the underlying share in Vaccitech Limited which was exchanged for the relevant Series A Share in the Company; and
- (b) in respect of the Series B Shares, the amount that was paid up or credited as paid up on the underlying share in Vaccitech Limited which was exchanged for the relevant Series B Share in the Company;

**"Priority Rights"** means the rights of Shareholders to purchase Shares contained in a Transfer Notice in the priority stipulated in Article 16.6 or Article 19.4(b) (as the case may be);

**"Privileged Relation"** in relation to a Shareholder who is an individual member or deceased or former member means a spouse, Civil Partner, child or grandchild (including step or adopted or illegitimate child and their issue);

**"Proceeds of Sale"** means the consideration payable (including any deferred and/or contingent consideration and any other consideration which, having regard to the substance of the transaction as a whole, can be reasonably regarded as an addition to the price paid or payable for the Shares being sold) whether in cash or otherwise to those Shareholders selling Shares under a Share Sale less any fees, costs and expenses payable in respect of such Share Sale as approved by an Investor Majority;

**"Proposed Exit"** has the meaning given in Article 6.3;

**"Proposed Purchaser"** means a proposed purchaser who at the relevant time has made an offer on arm's length terms;

**"Proposed Sale Date"** has the meaning given in Article 20.3;

**"Proposed Sale Notice"** has the meaning given in Article 20.3;

**"Proposed Sale Shares"** has the meaning given in Article 20.3;

"**Proposed Seller**" means any person proposing to transfer any shares in the capital of the Company;

"**Proposed Transfer**" has the meaning given in Article 20.1;

"**Qualifying Company**" means a company in which a Shareholder or Trustee(s) holds the entire issued share capital and over which that Shareholder or Trustee(s) exercises control (within the meaning of section 1124 of the CTA 2010);

"**Qualifying IPO**" means an IPO in which the net aggregate subscription amount in respect of new Ordinary Shares issued at the time of the IPO is not less than US\$100,000,000 at an issue price per Ordinary Share of at least \$5,190 (being 1.2x the Issue Price of the Series B Shares subscribed by the Lead Series B Investor) (subject to appropriate adjustment following any Bonus Issue or Reorganisation);

"**Qualifying Person**" has the meaning given in section 318(3) of the Act;

"**Relevant Drag Sale**" means a Proposed Drag Sale within two years from the Date of Adoption in which the consideration to be paid to the Lead Series B Investor in respect of each Series B Share held by it is less than \$6,487.50 (being 1.5x the Issue Price of the Series B Shares subscribed by the Lead Series B Investor) (subject to appropriate adjustment following any Bonus Issue or Reorganisation);

"**Relevant Interest**" has the meaning set out in Article 32.5;

"**Relevant Period**" means 48 months from the Commencement Date;

"**Restricted Shares**" has the meaning set out in Article 19.6; "Sale Shares" has the meaning set out in Article 16.2(a);

"**Seller**" has the meaning set out in Article 16.2;

"**Series A Anti-Dilution Shares**" shall have the meaning given in Article 10.1;

"**Series A Exercising Investor**" means any holder of Series A Shares who exercises its rights to acquire Series A Anti-Dilution Shares in accordance with Article 10.1;

"**Series A Majority**" means the holders of in excess of 50 per cent of Series A Shares from time to time;

"**Series A Majority Consent**" means the prior written consent of the Series A Majority;

"**Series A Shareholders**" means the holders of Series A Shares (but excludes the Company holding Treasury Shares);

"**Series A Shares**" means the series A shares of £0.10 each in the capital of the Company from time to time;

"**Series A Starting Price**" means £1,087.65 (if applicable, adjusted as referred to in Article 10.4);

"**Series B Anti-Dilution Shares**" shall have the meaning given in Article 10.2;

"**Series B Exercising Investor**" means any holder of Series B Shares who exercises its rights to acquire Series B Anti-Dilution Shares in accordance with Article 10.2;

"**Series B Majority**" means the holders of in excess of 50 per cent of Series B Shares from time to time;

"**Series B Majority Consent**" means the prior written consent of the Series B Majority;

"**Series B Shareholders**" means the holders of the Series B Shares (but excludes the Company holding Treasury Shares);

"**Series B Shares**" means the series B shares of £0.10 each in the capital of the Company from time to time;

"**Series B Starting Price**" means the price per share equal to the amount paid (including premium) for a Series B Share (if applicable, adjusted as referred to in Article 10.4);

"**Shareholder**" means any holder of any Shares (but excludes the Company holding Treasury Shares);

"**Share Option Plan(s)**" means the Company's existing share option plan, any other share option plan that may be adopted with Investor Majority Consent, and any share option agreement entered into between the Company and any Employee;

"**Shares**" means the Ordinary Shares, Deferred Shares, the Series A Shares and the Series B Shares from time to time;

"**Share Sale**" means the sale of (or the grant of a right to acquire or to dispose of) any of the shares in the capital of the Company (in one transaction or as a series of related transactions) which will result in the purchaser of those shares (or grantee of that right) and persons Acting in Concert with him together acquiring a Controlling Interest in the Company, except where following completion of the sale the shareholders and the proportion of shares held by each of them are the same as the shareholders and their shareholdings in the Company immediately prior to the sale;

"**Shareholders' Agreement**" means the shareholders' agreement dated [•] 2021 between, amongst others, the Company, the Founders, the University and the Investors;

"**Subsidiary**", "**Subsidiary Undertaking**" and "**Parent Undertaking**" have the respective meanings set out in sections 1159 and 1162 of the Act;

"**Transfer Notice**" shall have the meaning given in Article 16.2;

"**Transfer Price**" shall have the meaning given in Article 16.2(c);

"**Treasury Shares**" means shares in the capital of the Company held by the Company as treasury shares from time to time within the meaning set out in section 724(5) of the Act;

"**Trustees**" in relation to a Shareholder means the trustee or the trustees of a Family Trust;

"**University**" means The Chancellor, Masters and Scholars of the University of Oxford; and

"**Unvested**" means those Employee Shares which may be required to be transferred under Article 19.

### 3. **SHARE CAPITAL**

- 3.1 In these Articles, unless the context requires otherwise, references to shares of a particular class shall include shares allotted and/or issued after the Date of Adoption and ranking *pari passu* in all respects (or in all respects except only as to the date from which those shares rank for dividend) with the shares of the relevant class then in issue.

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- 3.2 Except as otherwise provided in these Articles, the Series A Shares, the Series B Shares and the Ordinary Shares shall rank pari passu in all respects but shall constitute separate classes of shares.
- 3.3 The words "and the directors may determine the terms, conditions and manner of redemption of any such shares" shall be deleted from Article 43(2) of the Model Articles.
- 3.4 In Article 49(2) of the Model Articles, the words "evidence, indemnity and the payment of a reasonable fee as the directors decide" in paragraph (b) shall be deleted and replaced with the words "evidence, indemnity and the payment of reasonable expenses".
- 3.5 For the avoidance of doubt, the Company shall not exercise any right in respect of any Treasury Shares, including without limitation any right to:
- (a) receive notice of or to attend or vote at any general meeting of the Company; and
  - (b) receive a dividend or other distribution
- save as otherwise permitted by section 726(4) of the Act.
- 3.6 The Company shall be entitled to retain any share certificate(s) relating to Employee Shares while any such Shares remain Unvested.
4. **DIVIDENDS**
- 4.1 In respect of any Financial Year, the Company's Available Profits will be applied as set out in this Article 4.
- 4.2 Any Available Profits which the Company may determine, with Investor Majority Consent, to distribute in respect of any Financial Year; will be distributed among the holders of the Equity Shares (pari passu as if the Equity Shares constituted one class of share) pro rata to their respective holdings of Equity Shares (on an as converted basis in accordance with Article 1.5).
- 4.3 Subject to the Act and these Articles, the Board may, provided Investor Majority Consent is given, pay interim dividends if justified by the Available Profits in respect of the relevant period.
- 4.4 Every dividend shall accrue on a daily basis assuming a 365 day year. All dividends are expressed net and shall be paid in cash.
- 4.5 If there are nil paid or partly paid share(s), any holder of such share(s) shall only be entitled, in case of any dividend, to be paid an amount equal to the amount of the dividend multiplied by the percentage of the amount that is paid up (if any) on such share(s) during any portion or portions of the period in respect of which a dividend is paid.
- 4.6 A capitalised sum which was appropriated from profits available for distribution may be applied in or towards paying up any sums unpaid on existing Shares held by the persons entitled to such capitalised sum.
- 4.7 If:
- (a) a Share is subject to the Company's Lien; and



(b) the Directors are entitled to issue a Lien Enforcement Notice in respect of it,

they may, instead of issuing a Lien Enforcement Notice, deduct from any dividend or other sum payable in respect of the Share any sum of money which is payable to the Company by the holder of that Share to the extent that they are entitled to require payment under a Lien Enforcement Notice. Money so deducted shall be used to pay any of the sums payable in respect of that Share and/or used to discharge any other indebtedness owing from the holder of that Share to the Company (as the Board may decide). The Company shall notify the distribution recipient in writing of:

- (i) the fact and sum of any such deduction;
- (ii) any non-payment of a dividend or other sum payable in respect of a Share resulting from any such deduction; and
- (iii) how the money deducted has been applied.

4.8 Article 72(1) of the Model Articles shall be amended by:

- (a) the replacement of the words "either in writing or as the directors may otherwise decide" at the end of paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) of that Article 72(1) with the words "in writing"; and
- (b) the replacement of the words "either in writing or by such other means as the directors decide" from the end of paragraph (d) of that Article 72(1) with the words "in writing".

## 5. LIQUIDATION PREFERENCE

On a distribution of assets on a liquidation or a return of capital (other than a conversion, redemption or purchase of Shares) the surplus assets of the Company remaining after payment of its liabilities shall be applied (to the extent that the Company is lawfully permitted to do so):

- (a) first in paying to each of the Series B Shareholders, in priority to any other classes of Shares, the greater of:
  - (i) an amount per Series B Share held equal to the Preference Amount (provided that if there are insufficient surplus assets to pay the amounts per share equal to the Preference Amount, the remaining surplus assets shall be distributed to the Series B Shareholders pro rata to the amounts paid up on the Series B Shares); or
  - (ii) the amount such Series B Shareholder would receive pursuant to Article 5.1(d) if the Series B Shares held by such holder were converted into Ordinary Shares immediately prior to the distribution of assets;
- (b) second in paying to each of the Series A Shareholders the greater of:
  - (i) an amount per Series A Share held equal to the Preference Amount (provided that if there are insufficient surplus assets to pay the amounts per share equal to the Preference Amount, the remaining surplus assets shall be distributed to the Series A Shareholders pro rata to the amounts paid up on the Series A Shares); or
  - (ii) the amount such Series A Shareholder would receive pursuant to Article 5.1(d) if the Series A Shares held by such holder were converted into Ordinary Shares immediately prior to the distribution of assets;
- (c) third in paying to the holders of the Deferred Shares, if any, a total of £1.00 for each entire class of Deferred Shares (which payment shall be deemed satisfied by payment to any one holder of such class of Deferred Shares);
- (d) the balance of the surplus assets (if any) shall be distributed among the holders of Ordinary Shares pro rata to the number of Ordinary Shares held.

## 6. EXIT PROVISIONS

6.1 Unless the Board and an Investor Majority determines otherwise, on a Share Sale the Proceeds of Sale shall be distributed in the order of priority set out in Article 5 and the Directors shall not register any transfer of Shares if the Proceeds of Sale are not so distributed save in respect of any Shares not sold in connection with that Share Sale provided that if the Proceeds of Sale are not settled in their entirety upon completion of the Share Sale:

- (a) the Directors shall not be prohibited from registering the transfer of the relevant Shares so long as the Proceeds of Sale that are settled have been distributed in the order of priority set out in Article 5; and
- (b) the Shareholders shall take any action required by an Investor Majority to ensure that the Proceeds of Sale in their entirety are distributed in the order of priority set out in Article 5.

In the event that the Proceeds of Sale are distributed on more than one occasion (for any deferred or contingent consideration or otherwise), the consideration so distributed on any further occasion shall be paid by continuing the distribution from the previous distribution of consideration in the order of priority set out in Article 5.

6.2 Unless the Board and an Investor Majority determines otherwise, on an Asset Sale the surplus assets of the Company remaining after payment of its liabilities shall be distributed (to the extent that the Company is lawfully permitted to do so) in the order of priority set out in Article 5 provided always that if it is not lawful for the Company to distribute its surplus assets in accordance with the provisions of these Articles, the Shareholders shall take any action required by an Investor Majority (including, but without prejudice to the generality of this Article 6.2, actions that may be necessary to put the Company into voluntary liquidation) so that Article 5 applies.

6.3 In the event of an Exit approved by the Board and an Investor Majority in accordance with the terms of these Articles (the "**Proposed Exit**"), all Shareholders shall consent to, vote for, raise no objections to and waive any applicable rights in connection with the Proposed Exit ("**Actions**"). The Shareholders shall be required to take all Actions with respect to the Proposed Exit as are required by the Board to facilitate the Proposed Exit, provided that the principles in Article 22.6 shall apply mutatis mutandis. If any Shareholder fails to comply with the provisions of this Article, the Company shall be constituted the agent of each defaulting Shareholder for taking the Actions as are necessary to effect the Proposed Exit and the Directors may authorise an officer or member to execute and deliver on behalf of such defaulting Shareholder the necessary documents and the Company may receive any purchase money due to the defaulting Shareholder in trust for each of the defaulting Shareholders.

## 7. VOTES IN GENERAL MEETING

7.1 The Series A Shares shall confer on each holder of Series A Shares the right to receive notice of and to attend, speak and vote at all general meetings of the Company.

7.2 The Series B Shares shall confer on each holder of Series B Shares the right to receive notice of and to attend, speak and vote at all general meetings of the Company.

7.3 The Ordinary Shares shall confer on each holder of Ordinary Shares the right to receive notice of and to attend, speak and vote at all general meetings of the Company.

7.4 The Deferred Shares (if any) shall not entitle the holders of them to receive notice of, to attend, to speak or to vote at any general meeting of the Company.

7.5 Where Shares confer a right to vote, on a show of hands each holder of such shares who (being an individual) is present in person or by proxy or (being a corporation) is present by a duly authorised representative or by proxy shall have one vote and on a poll each such holder so present shall have one vote for each Share held by him (on an as converted basis in accordance with Article 1.5).

7.6 No voting rights attached to a share which is nil paid or partly paid may be exercised at any general meeting, at any adjournment of it or at any poll called at or in relation to it unless all of the amounts payable to the Company in respect of that share have been paid.

## 8. CONSOLIDATION OF SHARES

8.1 Whenever as a result of a consolidation of Shares any Shareholders would become entitled to fractions of a Share, the Directors may, on behalf of those Shareholders, sell the Shares representing the fractions for the best price reasonably obtainable to any person (including, subject to the provisions of the Act, the Company) and distribute the net proceeds of sale in due proportion among those Shareholders, and the Directors may authorise any person to execute an instrument of transfer of the Shares to, or in accordance with the directions of, the purchaser. The transferee shall not be bound to see to the application of the purchase money nor shall his title to the Shares be affected by any irregularity in or invalidity of the proceedings in reference to the sale.

8.2 When the Company sub-divides or consolidates all or any of its Shares, the Company may, subject to the Act and to these Articles, by ordinary resolution determine that, as between the Shares resulting from the sub-division or consolidation, any of them may have any preference or advantage or be subject to any restriction as compared with the others.

## 9. CONVERSION OF SERIES A SHARES AND SERIES B SHARES

9.1 Any holder of Series A Shares and/or Series B Shares shall be entitled, by notice in writing to the Company, to require conversion of all of the fully paid Series A Shares and/or Series B Shares held by them at any time into Ordinary Shares and Deferred B Shares and those Series A Shares and/or Series B Shares shall convert automatically on the date of such notice (the "**Conversion Date**"), provided that the holder may in such notice, state that conversion of its Series A Shares and/or Series B Shares is conditional upon the occurrence of one or more events (the "**Conditions**").

9.2 All of the fully paid Series A Shares and Series B Shares shall automatically convert into Ordinary Shares and Deferred B Shares immediately upon the occurrence of a Qualifying IPO.

9.3 All of the fully paid Series A Shares shall automatically convert into Ordinary Shares and Deferred B Shares on the date of a notice given by the Series A Majority (which date shall be treated as the Conversion Date).

9.4 All of the fully paid Series B Shares shall automatically convert into Ordinary Shares and Deferred B Shares on the date of a notice given by the Series B Majority (which date shall be treated as the Conversion Date).

9.5 In the case of (i) Articles 9.1, 9.3 and 9.4, not more than five Business Days after the Conversion Date or (ii) in the case of Article 9.2, at least five Business Days prior to the occurrence of the Qualifying IPO, each holder of the relevant Series A Shares and/or Series B Shares shall deliver the certificate (or an indemnity for lost certificate in a form acceptable to the Board) in respect of the Series A Shares and/or Series B Shares being converted to the Company at its registered office for the time being.

9.6 Where conversion is mandatory on the occurrence of a Qualifying IPO, that conversion will be effective only immediately prior to and conditional upon such Qualifying IPO (and "**Conversion Date**" shall be construed accordingly) and, if such Qualifying IPO does not become effective or does not take place, such conversion shall be deemed not to have occurred. In the event of a conversion under Article 9.1, if the Conditions have not been satisfied or waived by the relevant holder by the Conversion Date such conversion shall be deemed not to have occurred.

- 9.7 On the Conversion Date, the relevant Series A Shares and/or Series B Shares shall without further authority than is contained in these Articles stand converted into Ordinary Shares and Deferred B Shares on the basis of the Conversion Ratio, and the Ordinary Shares and Deferred B Shares resulting from that conversion shall in all other respects rank pari passu with the existing issued Ordinary Shares and Deferred B Shares (as the case may be).
- 9.8 The Company shall on the Conversion Date enter the holder of the converted Series A Shares and/or Series B Shares on the register of members of the Company as the holder of the appropriate number of Ordinary Shares and Deferred B Shares and, subject to the relevant holder delivering its certificate(s) (or an indemnity for lost certificate in a form acceptable to the Board) in respect of the Series A Shares and/or Series B Shares in accordance with this Article, the Company shall within 10 Business Days of the Conversion Date forward to such holder of Series A Shares and/or Series B Shares by post to his address shown in the register of members, free of charge, a definitive certificate for the appropriate number of fully paid Ordinary Shares and Deferred B Shares.
- 9.9 On the Conversion Date (or as soon afterwards as it is possible to calculate the amount payable), the Company will, if it has sufficient Available Profits, pay to holders of the Series A Shares and/or Series B Shares falling to be converted a dividend equal to all Arrears and accruals of dividends in relation to those Series A Shares and/or Series B Shares to be calculated on a daily basis down to and including the day immediately preceding the Conversion Date. If the Company has insufficient Available Profits to pay all such Arrears and accruals of dividends in full then it will pay the same to the extent that it is lawfully able to do so and any Arrears and accruals of dividends that remain outstanding shall continue to be at debt due from and immediately payable by the Company.
- 9.10 The Conversion Ratio shall from time to time be adjusted in accordance with the provisions of this Article:
- (a) if Series A Shares and/or Series B Shares remain capable of being converted into new Ordinary Shares and Deferred B Shares and there is a consolidation and/or sub-division of Ordinary Shares or Deferred B Shares, the Conversion Ratio shall be adjusted by an amount, which in the opinion of the Board (with Investor Director Consent) is fair and reasonable, to maintain the right to convert so as to ensure that each Series A Shareholder and Series B Shareholder is in no better or worse position as a result of such consolidation or sub-division, such adjustment to become effective immediately after such consolidation or sub-division;
  - (b) if Series A Shares and/or Series B Shares remain capable of being converted into Ordinary Shares and Deferred B Shares, on an allotment of fully-paid Ordinary Shares or Deferred B Shares pursuant to a capitalisation of profits or reserves to holders of Ordinary Shares or Deferred B Shares (as applicable) the Conversion Ratio shall be adjusted by an amount, which in the opinion of the Board (with Investor Director Consent) is fair and reasonable, to maintain the right to convert so as to ensure that each Series A Shareholder and Series B Shareholder is in no better or worse position as a result of such capitalisation of profits or reserves, such adjustment to become effective as at the record date for such issue.
- 9.11 If any Series A Shareholder and/or Series B Shareholder becomes entitled to fractions of an Ordinary Share or Deferred B Share as a result of conversion ("**Fractional Holders**"), the Directors may (in their absolute discretion) deal with these fractions as they think fit on behalf of the Fractional Holders. In particular, the Directors may aggregate and sell the fractions to a person for the best price reasonably obtainable and distribute the net proceeds of sale in due proportions among the Fractional Holders or may ignore fractions or accrue the benefit of such fractions to the Company rather than the Fractional Holder. For the purposes of completing any such sale of fractions, the chairman of the Company or, failing him, the secretary will be deemed to have been appointed the Fractional Holder's agent for the purpose of the sale.
- 9.12 If a doubt or dispute arises concerning an adjustment of the Conversion Ratio in accordance with Article 9.10, or if so requested by an Investor Majority, the Board shall refer the matter to the Auditors for determination who shall make available to all Shareholders their report and whose certificate as to the amount of the adjustment is, in the absence of manifest error, conclusive and binding on all concerned and their costs shall be met by the Company.

9.13 If Series A Shares and/or Series B Shares remain capable of being converted into Ordinary Shares or Deferred B Shares and new Ordinary Shares or Deferred B Shares are offered by the Company by way of rights to holders of Ordinary Shares or Deferred B Shares (as applicable) (an "**Offer By Way of Rights**"), the Company shall on the making of each such offer, make a like offer to each Series A Shareholder and Series B Shareholder as if immediately before the record date for the Offer By Way Of Rights, his Series A Shares and Series B Shares had been converted into fully-paid Ordinary Shares and Deferred B Shares at the then applicable Conversion Ratio.

## 10. ANTI-DILUTION PROTECTION

### *Series A Shares*

10.1 If New Securities are issued by the Company at a price per New Security which equates to less than the Series A Starting Price (a "**Series A Qualifying Issue**") (which in the event that the New Security is not issued for cash shall be a price certified by the Auditors acting as experts and not as arbitrators as being in their opinion the current cash value of the new consideration for the allotment of the New Securities) then the Company shall, unless and to the extent that any of the holders of Series A Shares shall have specifically waived their rights under this Article in writing, issue to each holder of Series A Shares (the "**Series A Exercising Investor**") a number of new Series A Shares determined by applying the following formula (and rounding the product, N, down to the nearest whole share), subject to adjustment as certified in accordance with Article 10.4 (the "**Series A Anti-Dilution Shares**"):

$$N = \left( \left( \frac{SIP}{WA} \right) \times Z \right) - Z$$

Where:

N= Number of Series A Anti-Dilution Shares to be issued to the Series A Exercising Investor

$$WA = \frac{(SIP \times ESC) + (QISP \times NS)}{(ESC + NS)}$$

SIP = Series A Starting Price

ESC = the number of Equity Shares in issue plus the aggregate number of shares in respect of which options to subscribe have been granted, or which are subject to convertible securities (including but not limited to warrants) in each case immediately prior to the Series A Qualifying Issue (excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, any Anti-Dilution Shares issued or to be issued in connection with such Series A Qualifying Issue)

QISP = the lowest per share price of the New Securities issued pursuant to the Series A Qualifying Issue (which in the event that that New Security is not issued for cash shall be the sum certified by the Auditors acting as experts and not arbitrators as being in their opinion the current cash value of the non cash consideration for the allotment of the New Security)

NS = the number of New Securities issued pursuant to the Series A Qualifying Issue (excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, any Anti-Dilution Shares issued or to be issued in connection with such Series A Qualifying Issue)

Z = the number of Series A Shares held by the Exercising Investor prior to the Series A Qualifying Issue.

*Series B Shares*

- 10.2 If New Securities are issued by the Company at a price per New Security which equates to less than the Series B Starting Price (a "**Series B Qualifying Issue**") (which in the event that the New Security is not issued for cash shall be a price certified by the Auditors acting as experts and not as arbitrators as being in their opinion the current cash value of the new consideration for the allotment of the New Securities) then the Company shall, unless and to the extent that Series B Majority shall have waived the rights of the holders of Series B Shares under this Article in writing, issue to each holder of Series B Shares (the "**Series B Exercising Investor**") a number of new Series B Shares determined by applying the following formula (and rounding the product, N, down to the nearest whole share), subject to adjustment as certified in accordance with Article 10.4 (the "**Series B Anti-Dilution Shares**"):

$$N = \left( \left( \frac{SIP}{WA} \right) \times Z \right) - Z$$

Where:

N= Number of Series B Anti-Dilution Shares to be issued to the Series B Exercising Investor

$$WA = \frac{(SIP \times ESC) + (QISP \times NS)}{(ESC + NS)}$$

SIP = Series B Starting Price

ESC = the number of Equity Shares in issue plus the aggregate number of shares in respect of which options to subscribe have been granted, or which are subject to convertible securities (including but not limited to warrants) in each case immediately prior to the Series B Qualifying Issue (excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, any Anti-Dilution Shares issued or to be issued in connection with such Series B Qualifying Issue)

QISP = the lowest per share price of the New Securities issued pursuant to the Series B Qualifying Issue (which in the event that that New Security is not issued for cash shall be the sum certified by the Auditors acting as experts and not arbitrators as being in their opinion the current cash value of the non cash consideration for the allotment of the New Security)

NS = the number of New Securities issued pursuant to the Series B Qualifying Issue (excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, any Anti-Dilution Shares issued or to be issued in connection with such Series B Qualifying Issue)

Z = the number of Series B Shares held by the Exercising Investor prior to the Series B Qualifying Issue.

- 10.3 The Anti-Dilution Shares shall:

- (a) be paid up by the automatic capitalisation of available reserves of the Company, unless and to the extent that the same shall be impossible or unlawful or a majority of the Exercising Investors shall agree otherwise, in which event the Exercising Investors shall be entitled to subscribe for the Anti-Dilution Shares in cash at par (being the par value approved in advance by the Board with Investor Director Consent) and the entitlement of such Exercising Investors to Anti-Dilution Shares shall be increased by adjustment to the formula set out in Article 10.1 and/or Article 10.2 (as applicable) so that the Exercising Investors shall be in no worse position than if they had not so subscribed at par. In the event of any dispute between the Company and any Exercising Investor as to the effect of Article 10.1, Article 10.2 or this Article 10.3, the matter shall be referred (at the cost of the Company) to the Auditors for certification of the number of Anti-Dilution Shares to be issued. The Auditor's certification of the matter shall in the absence of manifest error be final and binding on the Company and the Exercising Investor; and

- (b) subject to the payment of any cash payable pursuant to Article 10.3(a) (if applicable), be issued, credited fully paid up in cash and shall rank pari passu in all respects with the existing Series A Shares and/or Series B Shares (as applicable), within five Business Days of the expiry of the offer being made by the Company to the Exercising Investor and pursuant to Article 10.3(a).
- 10.4 In the event of any Bonus Issue or Reorganisation (other than a Bonus Issue or Reorganisation in which shares are issued as a result of the events set out in Article 13.7(b) or 13.7(d)), the Series A Starting Price and the Series B Starting Price shall also be subject to adjustment on such basis as may be agreed by the Company with the Investor Majority within 10 Business Days after any Bonus Issue or Reorganisation. If the Company and the Investor Majority cannot agree such adjustment it shall be referred to the Auditors whose determination shall, in the absence of manifest error, be final and binding on the Company and each of the Shareholders. The costs of the Auditors shall be borne by the Company.
- 10.5 For the purposes of Articles 10.2 – 10.4, it is acknowledged that the Series B Starting Price may comprise of more than one value and that the calculations in Article 10.2 shall be applied separately for each such value as regards to those Series B Shares with such value.
- 10.6 For the purposes of this Article 10 any Shares held as Treasury Shares by the Company shall be disregarded when calculating the number of Anti-Dilution Shares to be issued.
11. **DEFERRED SHARES**
- 11.1 Subject to the Act, any Deferred Shares may be purchased or (if such shares are issued as redeemable shares) redeemed by the Company at any time at its option for one penny for all the Deferred Shares registered in the name of any holder(s) without obtaining the sanction of the holder(s).
- 11.2 The allotment or issue of Deferred Shares or the conversion or re-designation of shares into Deferred Shares shall be deemed to confer irrevocable authority on the Company at any time after their allotment, issue, conversion or re-designation, without obtaining the sanction of such holder(s), to:
- (a) appoint any person to execute any transfer (or any agreement to transfer) such Deferred Shares to such person(s) as the Company may determine (as nominee or custodian thereof or otherwise); and/or
  - (b) give, on behalf of such holder, consent to the cancellation of such Deferred Shares; and/or
  - (c) purchase such Deferred Shares in accordance with the Act,
- in any such case (i) for a price being not more than an aggregate sum of one penny for all the Deferred Shares registered in the name of such holder(s) and (ii) with the Company having authority pending such transfer, cancellation and/or purchase to retain the certificates (if any) in respect thereof.
- 11.3 No Deferred Share may be transferred without the prior consent of the Board.

12. **VARIATION OF RIGHTS**

12.1 Whenever the share capital of the Company is divided into different classes of shares, the special rights attached to any such class may only be varied or abrogated (either whilst the Company is a going concern or during or in contemplation of a winding-up) with the consent in writing of the holders of more than 50 per cent. in nominal value of the issued shares of that class save that the special rights attaching to the Series A Shares may only be varied or abrogated with Series A Majority Consent and the special rights attaching to the Series B Shares may only be varied or abrogated with Series B Majority Consent.

12.2 The creation of a new class of shares which has preferential rights to one or more existing classes of shares shall not constitute a variation of the rights of those existing classes of shares.

13. **ALLOTMENT OF NEW SHARES OR OTHER SECURITIES: PRE-EMPTION**

13.1 Subject to the remaining provisions of this Article 13, the Directors are generally and unconditionally authorised for the purpose of section 551 of the Act to exercise any power of the Company to:

- (a) allot Shares; or
- (b) grant rights to subscribe for or convert any securities into Shares,

to any persons, at any times and subject to any terms and conditions as the Directors think proper, provided that:

- (c) this authority shall be limited to a maximum nominal amount of £82.76;
- (d) this authority shall only apply insofar as the Company has not by resolution waived or revoked it; and
- (e) (this authority may only be exercised for a period of five years commencing upon the Date of Adoption, save that the Directors may make an offer or agreement which would or might require Shares to be allotted or rights granted to subscribe for or convert any security into Shares after the expiry of such authority (and the Directors may allot Shares or grant such rights in pursuance of an offer or agreement as if such authority had not expired).

This authority is in substitution for all subsisting authorities to the extent unused.

13.2 Sections 561(1) and 562(1) to (5) (inclusive) of the Act do not apply to an allotment of Equity Securities made by the Company.

13.3 Unless otherwise agreed by special resolution, if the Company proposes to allot any New Securities prior to a Qualifying IPO, those New Securities shall not be allotted to any person unless the Company has in the first instance offered them to all holders of Equity Shares (the "**Subscribers**") on the same terms and at the same price as those New Securities are being offered to other persons on a pari passu and pro rata basis to the number of Equity Shares (as if the Equity Shares constituted one and the same class) held by those holders (as nearly as may be without involving fractions). The offer:

- (a) shall be in writing, be open for acceptance from the date of the offer to the date 10 Business Days after the date of the offer (inclusive) (the "**Subscription Period**") and give details of the number and subscription price of the New Securities; and
- (b) may stipulate that any Subscriber who wishes to subscribe for a number of New Securities in excess of the proportion to which each is entitled shall in their acceptance state the number of excess New Securities for which they wish to subscribe.



- 13.4 If, at the end of the Subscription Period, the number of New Securities applied for is equal to or exceeds the number of New Securities, the New Securities shall be allotted to the Subscribers who have applied for New Securities on a pro rata basis to the number of Equity Shares held by such Subscribers which procedure shall be repeated until all New Securities have been allotted (as nearly as may be without involving fractions or increasing the number allotted to any Subscriber beyond that applied for by him).
- 13.5 If, at the end of the Subscription Period, the number of New Securities applied for is less than the number of New Securities, the New Securities shall be allotted to the Subscribers in accordance with their applications and any remaining New Securities shall be offered to any other person as the Directors may determine at the same price and on the same terms as the offer to the Subscribers.
- 13.6 Subject to the requirements of Articles 13.3 to 13.5 (inclusive) and to the provisions of section 551 of the Act, any New Securities shall be at the disposal of the Board who may allot, grant options over or otherwise dispose of them to any persons at those times and generally on the terms and conditions they think proper, provided that the allotment or grant to that person must be approved in writing by an Investor Majority.
- 13.7 The provisions of Articles 13.3 to 13.6 (inclusive) shall not apply to:
- (a) options to subscribe for Ordinary Shares under the Share Option Plans;
  - (b) New Securities issued or granted in order for the Company to comply with its obligations under these Articles including, but not limited to, the Anti-Dilution Shares;
  - (c) New Securities issued in consideration of the acquisition by the Company of any company or business which has been approved in writing by an Investor Majority;
  - (d) New Securities which the Board and an Investor Majority have agreed in writing should be issued without complying with the procedure set out in this Article 13; and
  - (e) New Securities issued as a result of a Bonus Issue or Reorganisation which has been approved in writing by an Investor Majority.
- 13.8 Any New Securities offered under this Article 13 to an Investor may be accepted in full or part only by a Member of the same Fund Group as that Investor or a Member of the same Group as that Investor in accordance with the terms of this Article 13.
- 13.9 No Shares shall be allotted (nor any Treasury Shares be transferred) to any Employee, Director, prospective Employee or prospective director of the Company, who in the opinion of the Board is subject to taxation in the United Kingdom, unless such person has entered into a joint section 431 ITEPA election with the Company if so required by the Company.
14. **TRANSFERS OF SHARES - GENERAL**
- 14.1 In Articles 14 to 22 inclusive, reference to the transfer of a Share includes the transfer or assignment of a beneficial or other interest in that Share or the creation of a trust or Encumbrance over that Share and reference to a Share includes a beneficial or other interest in a Share.
- 14.2 No Share may be transferred unless the transfer is made in accordance with these Articles.
- 14.3 If a Shareholder transfers or purports to transfer a Share otherwise than in accordance with these Articles he will be deemed immediately to have served a Transfer Notice in respect of all Shares held by him.
- 14.4 Any transfer of a Share by way of sale which is required to be made under Articles 16 to 22 (inclusive) will be deemed to include a warranty that the transferor sells with full title guarantee.

14.5 The Directors may refuse to register a transfer if:

- (a) it is a transfer of a Share to a bankrupt, a minor or a person of unsound mind;
- (b) the transfer is to an Employee, Director or prospective Employee or prospective director of the Company, who in the opinion of the Board is subject to taxation in the United Kingdom, and such person has not entered into a joint section 431 ITEPA election with the Company;
- (c) it is a transfer of a Share which is not fully paid:
  - (i) to a person of whom the Directors do not approve; or
  - (ii) on which Share the Company has a lien;
- (d) the transfer is not lodged at the registered office or at such other place as the Directors may appoint;
- (e) the transfer is not accompanied by the certificate for the Shares to which it relates (or an indemnity for lost certificate in a form acceptable to the Board) and such other evidence as the Directors may reasonably require to show the right of the transferor to make the transfer;
- (f) the transfer is in respect of more than one class of Shares;
- (g) the transfer is in favour of more than four transferees; or
- (h) these Articles otherwise provide that such transfer shall not be registered.

If the Directors refuse to register a transfer, the instrument of transfer must be returned to the transferee with the notice of refusal unless they suspect that the proposed transfer may be fraudulent.

14.6 The Directors may, as a condition to the registration of any transfer of shares in the Company (whether pursuant to a Permitted Transfer or otherwise), require the transferee to execute and deliver to the Company a deed agreeing to be bound by the terms of any shareholders' agreement or similar document in force between some or all of the Shareholders and the Company in any form as the Directors may reasonably require (but not so as to oblige the transferee to have any obligations or liabilities greater than those of the proposed transferor under any such agreement or other document) and if any condition is imposed in accordance with this Article 14.6 the transfer may not be registered unless that deed has been executed and delivered to the Company's registered office by the transferee.

14.7 To enable the Directors to determine whether or not there has been any disposal of shares in the capital of the Company (or any interest in shares in the capital of the Company) in breach of these Articles the Directors may, with Investor Director Consent, require any holder or the legal personal representatives of any deceased holder or any person named as transferee in any transfer lodged for registration or any other person who the Directors or the Investor Directors may reasonably believe to have information relevant to that purpose, to furnish to the Company that information and evidence the Directors may request regarding any matter which they deem relevant to that purpose, including (but not limited to) the names, addresses and interests of all persons respectively having interests in the shares in the capital of the Company from time to time registered in the holder's name. If the information or evidence is not provided to enable the Directors to determine to their reasonable satisfaction that no breach has occurred, or where as a result of the information and evidence the Directors are reasonably satisfied that a breach has occurred, the Directors shall immediately notify the holder of such shares in the capital of the Company in writing of that fact and the following shall occur:

- (a) the relevant shares shall cease to confer upon the holder of them (including any proxy appointed by the holder) any rights to vote (whether on a show of hands or on a poll and exercisable at a general meeting or at any separate meeting of the class in question) provided that, at the election of the relevant Investor, such rights shall not cease if as a result of such cessation the Company shall become a Subsidiary of an Investor; or

- (b) the withholding of payment of all dividends or other distributions otherwise attaching to the relevant shares or to any further shares issued in respect of those shares; and
- (c) the holder may be required at any time following receipt of the notice to transfer some or all of its Shares to any person(s) at the price that the Directors may require by notice in writing to that holder.

The rights referred to in (a) and (b) above may be reinstated by the Board subject to Investor Director Consent and shall in any event be reinstated upon the completion of any transfer referred to in (c) above.

- 14.8 In any case where the Board requires a Transfer Notice to be given in respect of any Shares, if a Transfer Notice is not duly given within a period of 10 Business Days of demand being made, a Transfer Notice shall be deemed to have been given at the expiration of that period.
- 14.9 If a Transfer Notice is required to be given by the Board or is deemed to have been given under these Articles, the Transfer Notice, unless otherwise specified in the Articles, will be treated as having specified that:
- (a) the Transfer Price for the Sale Shares will be as agreed between the Board (including Investor Director Consent) (any director who is a Seller or with whom the Seller is connected (within the meaning of section 252 of the Act) not voting) and the Seller, or, failing agreement within five Business Days after the date on which the Board becomes aware that a Transfer Notice has been deemed to have been given, will be the Fair Value of the Sale Shares;
  - (b) it does not include a Minimum Transfer Condition (as defined in Article 16.2(d)); and
  - (c) the Seller wishes to transfer all of the Shares held by it.
- 14.10 Shares may be transferred by means of an instrument of transfer in any usual form or any other form approved by the directors, which is executed by or on behalf of:
- (a) the transferor; and
  - (b) (if any of the shares is partly or nil paid) the transferee.

## 15. **PERMITTED TRANSFERS**

- 15.1 A Shareholder (who is not a Permitted Transferee) (the "**Original Shareholder**") may transfer all or any of his or its Shares to a Permitted Transferee without restriction as to price or otherwise.
- 15.2 Shares previously transferred as permitted by Article 15.1 may be transferred by the transferee to any other Permitted Transferee of the Original Shareholder without restriction as to price or otherwise.
- 15.3 Where under the provision of a deceased Shareholder's will or laws as to intestacy, the persons legally or beneficially entitled to any Shares, whether immediately or contingently, are Permitted Transferees of the deceased Shareholder, the legal representative of the deceased Shareholder may transfer any Share to those Permitted Transferees, in each case without restriction as to price or otherwise.

- 15.4 If a Permitted Transferee who was a Member of the same Group as the Original Shareholder ceases to be a Member of the same Group as the Original Shareholder, the Permitted Transferee must not later than five Business Days after the date on which the Permitted Transferee so ceases, transfer the Shares held by it to the Original Shareholder or a Member of the same Group as the Original Shareholder (which in either case is not in liquidation) without restriction as to price or otherwise failing which it will be deemed to have given a Transfer Notice in respect of those Shares.
- 15.5 If a Permitted Transferee who was a Member of the same Fund Group as the Original Shareholder ceases to be a Member of the same Fund Group, the Permitted Transferee must not later than five Business Days after the date on which the Permitted Transferee so ceases, transfer the Shares held by it to the Original Shareholder or a Member of the same Fund Group as the Original Shareholder (which in either case is not in liquidation) without restriction as to price or otherwise failing which it will be deemed to give a Transfer Notice in respect of such Shares.
- 15.6 If a Permitted Transferee who was a Member of the University Group ceases to be a Member of the University Group, the Permitted Transferee must not later than five Business Days after the date on which the Permitted Transferee so ceases, transfer the Shares held by it to the Original Shareholder or another Member of the University Group (which in either case is not in liquidation) without restriction as to price or otherwise failing which it will be deemed to have given a Transfer Notice in respect of those Shares.
- 15.7 Trustees may (i) transfer Shares to a Qualifying Company or (ii) transfer Shares to the Original Shareholder or to another Permitted Transferee of the Original Shareholder or (iii) transfer Shares to the new or remaining trustees upon a change of Trustees without restrictions as to price or otherwise.
- 15.8 No transfer of Shares may be made to Trustees unless the Board is satisfied:
- (a) with the terms of the trust instrument and in particular with the powers of the trustees;
  - (b) with the identity of the proposed trustees;
  - (c) the proposed transfer will not result in 50 per cent or more of the aggregate of the Company's equity share capital being held by trustees of that and any other trusts; and
  - (d) that no costs incurred in connection with the setting up or administration of the Family Trust in question are to be paid by the Company.
- 15.8 If a Permitted Transferee who is a Qualifying Company of the Original Shareholder ceases to be a Qualifying Company of the Original Shareholder, it must within five Business Days of so ceasing, transfer the Shares held by it to the Original Shareholder (or, to any Permitted Transferee of the Original Shareholder) (and may do so without restriction as to price or otherwise) failing which it will be deemed (unless it obtains the approval of the Board (to include Investor Director Consent) to have given a Transfer Notice in respect of such Shares.
- 15.9 If a Permitted Transferee who is a spouse or Civil Partner of the Original Shareholder ceases to be a spouse or Civil Partner of the Original Shareholder whether by reason of divorce or otherwise he must, within 15 Business Days of so ceasing either:
- (a) execute and deliver to the Company a transfer of the Shares held by him to the Original Shareholder (or, to any Permitted Transferee of the Original Shareholder) for such consideration as may be agreed between them; or
  - (b) give a Transfer Notice to the Company in accordance with Article 16.2, failing which he shall be deemed to have given a Transfer Notice.
- 15.10 On the death (subject to Article 15.3), bankruptcy, liquidation, administration or administrative receivership of a Permitted Transferee (other than a joint holder) his personal representatives or trustee in bankruptcy, or its liquidator, administrator or administrative receiver must within five Business Days after the date of the grant of probate, the making of the bankruptcy order or the appointment of the liquidator, administrator or the administrative receiver execute and deliver to the Company a transfer of the Shares held by the Permitted Transferee without restriction as to price or otherwise. The transfer shall be to the Original Shareholder if still living (and not bankrupt or in liquidation) or, if so directed by the Original Shareholder, to any Permitted Transferee of the Original Shareholder. If the transfer is not executed and delivered within five Business Days of such period or if the Original Shareholder has died or is bankrupt or is in liquidation, administration or administrative receivership, the personal representative or trustee in bankruptcy or liquidator, administrator or administrative receiver will be deemed to have given a Transfer Notice.

- 15.11 A transfer of any Shares approved by the Board and the Investor Majority may be made without restriction as to price or otherwise and with any such conditions as may be imposed and each such transfer shall be registered by the Directors. For the avoidance of doubt, the restrictions imposed by Article 16 shall not apply in relation to any such transfer.
- 15.12 Any Shares may at any time be transferred where there is a sale of the entire issued share capital of the Company to a Holding Company, which has been approved by the Board and an Investor Majority.
- 15.13 The Company shall only be permitted to sell or transfer any Shares held as Treasury Shares to any person with Investor Majority Consent.

16. **TRANSFERS OF SHARES SUBJECT TO PRE-EMPTION RIGHTS**

- 16.1 Save where the provisions of Articles 15, 20, 21 and 22 apply, any transfer of Shares by a Shareholder prior to a Qualifying IPO shall be subject to the pre-emption rights contained in this Article 16.
- 16.2 A Shareholder who wishes to transfer Shares (a "**Seller**") shall, except as otherwise provided in these Articles, before transferring or agreeing to transfer any Shares give notice in writing (a "**Transfer Notice**") to the Company specifying:
- (a) the number of Shares which he wishes to transfer (the "**Sale Shares**");
  - (b) if he wishes to sell the Sale Shares to a third party, the name of the proposed transferee;
  - (c) the price at which he wishes to transfer the Sale Shares; and
  - (d) whether the Transfer Notice is conditional on all or a specific number of the Sale Shares being sold to Shareholders ( a "**Minimum Transfer Condition**").

If no cash price is specified by the Seller, the price at which the Sale Shares are to be transferred (the "**Transfer Price**") must be agreed by the Board (including Investor Director Consent). In addition, if the price is not specified in cash, an equivalent cash value price must be agreed between the Seller and the Board (including Investor Director Consent). In both cases, the price will be deemed to be the Fair Value of the Sale Shares if no price is agreed within 5 Business Days of the Company receiving the Transfer Notice.

- 16.3 Unless otherwise determined by the Board (with Investor Director Consent), no Transfer Notice once given or deemed to have been given under these Articles may be withdrawn.
- 16.4 A Transfer Notice constitutes the Company the agent of the Seller for the sale of the Sale Shares at the Transfer Price.
- 16.5 As soon as practicable following the later of:
- (a) receipt of a Transfer Notice; and

(b) in the case where the Transfer Price has not been agreed, the determination of the Transfer Price under Article 17,

the Board shall offer the Sale Shares for sale to the Shareholders in the manner set out in Articles 16.6 and 16.7. Each offer must be in writing and give details of the number and Transfer Price of the Sale Shares offered.

16.6 Priority for offer of Sale Shares

- (a) If the Sale Shares are Series A Shares or Series B Shares, the Company shall offer them to the Series A Shareholders and Series B Shareholders (as if the Series A Shares and Series B Shares constituted one and the class); and
- (b) Save as set out in Article 19.4(b), if the Sale Shares are Ordinary Shares, the Sale Shares shall be offered to the holders of Equity Shares (as if the Equity Shares constituted one and the same class),

in each case on the basis set out in Article 16.7.

16.7 Transfers: Offer

- (a) The Board shall offer the Sale Shares pursuant to the Priority Rights to all shareholders specified in the offer other than the Seller (the "**Continuing Shareholders**") inviting them to apply in writing within the period from the date of the offer to the date 10 Business Days after the offer (inclusive) (the "**Offer Period**") for the maximum number of Sale Shares they wish to buy.
- (b) If the Sale Shares are subject to a Minimum Transfer Condition then any allocation made under this Article 16.7 will be conditional on the fulfilment of the Minimum Transfer Condition.
- (c) If, at the end of the Offer Period, the number of Sale Shares applied for is equal to or exceeds the number of Sale Shares, the Board shall allocate the Sale Shares to each Continuing Shareholder who have applied for Sale Shares in the proportion (fractional entitlements being rounded to the nearest whole number) which his existing holding of the relevant class(es) of Shares bears to the total number of the relevant class(es) of Shares held by those Continuing Shareholders who have applied for Sale Shares which procedure shall be repeated until all Sale Shares have been allocated but no allocation shall be made to a Shareholder of more than the maximum number of Sale Shares which he has stated he is willing to buy.

16.8 If, at the end of the Offer Period, the number of Sale Shares applied for is less than the number of Sale Shares, the Board shall allocate the Sale Shares to the Continuing Shareholders in accordance with their applications and the balance will be dealt with in accordance with Article 16.9(e).

16.9 Completion of transfer of Sale Shares

- (a) If the Transfer Notice includes a Minimum Transfer Condition and the total number of Shares applied for does not meet the Minimum Transfer Condition the Board shall notify the Seller and all those to whom Sale Shares have been conditionally allocated under Article 16.7 stating the condition has not been met and that the relevant Transfer Notice has lapsed with immediate effect.
- (b) If:
  - (i) the Transfer Notice does not include a Minimum Transfer Condition; or

- (ii) the Transfer Notice does include a Minimum Transfer Condition and allocations have been made in respect of all or the minimum required number of the Sale Shares,

the Board shall, when no further offers are required to be made under Article 16.7 and once the requirements of Articles 20 and/or 21 have been fulfilled to the extent required, give written notice of allocation (an "**Allocation Notice**") to the Seller and each Shareholder to whom Sale Shares have been allocated (an "**Applicant**") specifying the number of Sale Shares allocated to each Applicant and the place and time (being not less than 5 Business Days nor more than 10 Business Days after the date of the Allocation Notice) for completion of the transfer of the Sale Shares.

- (c) Upon service of an Allocation Notice, the Seller must, against payment of the Transfer Price, transfer the Sale Shares in accordance with the requirements specified in it.
- (d) If the Seller fails to comply with the provisions of Article 16.9(c):
  - (i) the chairman of the Company or, failing him, one of the directors, or some other person nominated by a resolution of the Board, may on behalf of the Seller:
    - (A) complete, execute and deliver in his name all documents necessary to give effect to the transfer of the relevant Sale Shares to the Applicants;
    - (B) receive the Transfer Price and give a good discharge for it; and
    - (C) (subject to the transfer being duly stamped) enter the Applicants in the register of Shareholders as the holders of the Shares purchased by them; and
  - (ii) the Company shall pay the Transfer Price into a separate bank account in the Company's name on trust (but without interest) or otherwise hold the Transfer Price on trust for the Seller until he has delivered to the Company his certificate or certificates for the relevant Shares (or an indemnity for lost certificate in a form acceptable to the Board).
- (e) If an Allocation Notice does not relate to all the Sale Shares then, subject to Article 16.9(f), the Seller may, within eight weeks after service of the Allocation Notice, transfer the unallocated Sale Shares to any person at a price at least equal to the Transfer Price.
- (f) The right of the Seller to transfer Shares under Article 16.9(e) does not apply if the Board is of the opinion on reasonable grounds that:
  - (i) the transferee is a person (or a nominee for a person) who the Board (with Investor Director Consent) determine in their absolute discretion is a competitor with (or an Associate of a competitor with) the business of the Company or with a Subsidiary Undertaking of the Company;
  - (ii) the sale of the Sale Shares is not bona fide or the price is subject to a deduction, rebate or allowance to the transferee; or
  - (iii) the Seller has failed or refused to provide promptly information available to it or him and reasonably requested by the Board for the purpose of enabling it to form the opinion mentioned above.

16.10 Any Sale Shares offered under this Article 16 to an Investor may be accepted in full or part only by a Member of the same Fund Group as that Investor or a Member of the same Group as that Investor in accordance with the terms of this Article 16.

17. **VALUATION OF SHARES**

- 17.1 If no Transfer Price can be agreed between the Seller and the Board in accordance with the provisions of Articles 14.9, 16.2 or 19.4(a) or otherwise then, on the date of failing agreement, the Board shall either:
- (a) appoint an expert valuer in accordance with Article 17.2 (the "**Expert Valuer**") to certify the Fair Value of the Sale Shares; or
  - (b) (if the Fair Value has been certified by an Expert Valuer within the preceding 12 weeks) specify that the Fair Value of the Sale Shares will be calculated by dividing any Fair Value so certified by the number of Sale Shares to which it related and multiplying such Fair Value by the number of Sale Shares the subject of the Transfer Notice.
- 17.2 The Expert Valuer will be either:
- (a) the Auditors; or
  - (b) (if otherwise agreed by the Board and the Seller) an independent firm of Chartered Accountants to be agreed between the Board and the Seller or failing agreement not later than the date 10 Business Days after the date of service of the Transfer Notice to be nominated by the then President of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales on the application of either party and approved by the Company.
- 17.3 The "**Fair Value**" of the Sale Shares shall be determined by the Expert Valuer on the following assumptions and bases:
- (a) valuing the Sale Shares as on an arm's-length sale between a willing seller and a willing buyer;
  - (b) if the Company is then carrying on business as a going concern, on the assumption that it will continue to do so;
  - (c) that the Sale Shares are capable of being transferred without restriction;
  - (d) valuing the Sale Shares as a rateable proportion of the total value of all the issued Shares (excluding any Shares held as Treasury Shares) without any premium or discount being attributable to the percentage of the issued share capital of the Company which they represent but taking account of the rights attaching to the Sale Shares; and
  - (e) reflect any other factors which the Expert Valuer reasonably believes should be taken into account.
- 17.4 If any difficulty arises in applying any of these assumptions or bases then the Expert Valuer shall resolve that difficulty in whatever manner they shall in their absolute discretion think fit.
- 17.5 The Expert Valuer shall be requested to determine the Fair Value within 20 Business Days of their appointment and to notify the Board of their determination.
- 17.6 The Expert Valuer shall act as experts and not as arbitrators and their determination shall be final and binding on the parties (in the absence of fraud or manifest error).
- 17.7 The Board will give the Expert Valuer access to all accounting records or other relevant documents of the Company subject to them agreeing to such confidentiality provisions as the Board may reasonably impose.
- 17.8 The Expert Valuer shall deliver their certificate to the Company. As soon as the Company receives the certificate it shall deliver a copy of it to the Seller. Unless the Sale Shares are to be sold under a Transfer Notice, which is deemed to have been served, the Seller may by notice in writing to the Company within five Business Days of the service on him of the copy certificate, cancel the Company's authority to sell the Sale Shares.



- 17.9 The cost of obtaining the certificate shall be paid by the Company unless:
- (a) the Seller cancels the Company's authority to sell; or
  - (b) the Sale Price certified by the Expert Valuer is less than the price (if any) offered by the directors to the Seller for the Sale Share before Expert Valuer was instructed,

in which case the Seller shall bear the cost.

## 18. **COMPULSORY TRANSFERS - GENERAL**

18.1 A person entitled to a Share in consequence of the bankruptcy of a Shareholder shall be deemed to have given a Transfer Notice in respect of that Share at a time determined by the Directors.

18.2 If a Share remains registered in the name of a deceased Shareholder for longer than one year after the date of his death the Directors may require the legal personal representatives of that deceased Shareholder either:

- (a) to effect a Permitted Transfer of such Shares (including for this purpose an election to be registered in respect of the Permitted Transfer); or
- (b) to show to the satisfaction of the Directors that a Permitted Transfer will be effected before or promptly upon the completion of the administration of the estate of the deceased Shareholder.

If either requirement in this Article 18.2 shall not be fulfilled to the satisfaction of the Directors a Transfer Notice shall be deemed to have been given in respect of each such Share save to the extent that, the Directors may otherwise determine.

18.3 If a Shareholder which is a company, either suffers or resolves for the appointment of a liquidator, administrator or administrative receiver over it or any material part of its assets (other than as part of a bona fide restructuring or reorganisation), the relevant Shareholder (and all its Permitted Transferees) shall be deemed to have given a Transfer Notice in respect of all the shares held by the relevant Shareholder and its Permitted Transferees save to the extent that, and at a time, the Directors may determine.

18.4 If there is a change in control (as control is defined in section 1124 of the CTA 2010) of any Shareholder which is a company, it shall be bound at any time, if and when required in writing by the Directors to do so, to give (or procure the giving in the case of a nominee) a Transfer Notice in respect of all the Shares registered in its and their names and their respective nominees' names save that, in the case of the Permitted Transferee, it shall first be permitted to transfer those Shares back to the Original Shareholder from whom it received its Shares or to any other Permitted Transferee before being required to serve a Transfer Notice. This Article 18.4 shall not apply to a member that is an Investor.

## 19. **DEPARTING EMPLOYEES**

### **Bad Leavers**

19.1 Unless and to the extent that the Board and the Investor Majority determine that this Article 19.1 shall not apply, if an Employee ceases to be an Employee by reason of being a Bad Leaver, all of the Employee Shares relating to such Employee shall automatically convert into Deferred B Shares (on the basis of one Deferred B Share for each Ordinary Share held) on the Effective Termination Date (rounded down to the nearest whole share).

19.2 Upon such conversion into Deferred B Shares, the Company shall be entitled to enter the holder of the Deferred B Shares on the register of members of the Company as the holder of the appropriate number of Deferred B Shares as from the Deferred Conversion Date. Upon the Deferred Conversion Date, the Employee (and his Permitted Transferee(s)) shall deliver to the Company at its registered office the share certificate(s) (to the extent not already in the possession of the Company) (or an indemnity for lost certificate in a form acceptable to the Board) for the Employee Shares so converting and upon such delivery there shall be issued to him (or his Permitted Transferee(s)) share certificate(s) for the number of Deferred B Shares resulting from the relevant conversion.

#### **Good Leavers**

19.3 Unless and to the extent that the Board and the Investor Majority determine that this Article 19.3 shall not apply, if an Employee (other than a Founder) ceases to be an Employee during the Relevant Period by reason of being a Good Leaver, the relevant Employee shall be deemed to have given a Transfer Notice in respect of the Leaver's Percentage of the Employee Shares (other than Employee Option Shares) on the Effective Termination Date save that if such Employee ceases to be an Employee within 12 months from the Commencement Date a Transfer Notice shall be deemed to have been given in respect of all the Employee Shares.

19.4 In such circumstances:

- (a) the Transfer Price shall be the Fair Value as agreed between the Board (including Investor Director Consent) and the relevant Employee, or failing agreement within five Business Days of seeking to agree such price, shall be as determined in accordance with Article 17; and
- (b) the Priority Rights shall be such that the Employee Shares are offered in the following order of priority:
  - (i) to any person(s) approved by the Board (other than the departing Employee) and an Investor Majority; and/or
  - (ii) to the Company (subject always to the provisions of the Act).

#### **Suspension of voting rights**

19.5 All voting rights attached to Employee Shares held by an Employee or by any Permitted Transferee of that Employee (the "**Restricted Member**"), if any, shall at the time he ceases to be an Employee be suspended unless the Board and the Investor Majority notify him otherwise.

19.6 Any Employee Shares whose voting rights are suspended pursuant to Article 19.5 ("**Restricted Shares**") shall confer on the holders of Restricted Shares the right to receive a notice of and attend all general meetings of the Company but shall have no right to vote either in person or by proxy. Voting rights suspended pursuant to Article 19.5 shall be automatically restored immediately prior to an IPO. If a Restricted Member transfers any Restricted Shares in accordance with these Articles all voting rights attached to the Restricted Shares so transferred shall upon completion of the transfer (as evidenced by the transferee's name being entered in the Company's register of members) automatically be restored.

#### **20. MANDATORY OFFER ON A CHANGE OF CONTROL**

20.1 Subject to Article 20.8 and except in the case of Permitted Transfers and transfers pursuant to Articles 18, 19 and 22, after going through the pre-emption procedure in Article 16, the provisions of Article 20.2 will apply if one or more Proposed Sellers propose to transfer in one or a series of related transactions prior to a Qualifying IPO any Equity Shares (the "**Proposed Transfer**") which would, if put into effect, result in any Proposed Purchaser (and Associates of his or persons Acting in Concert with him) acquiring a Controlling Interest in the Company.

- 20.2 A Proposed Seller must, before making a Proposed Transfer procure the making by the Proposed Purchaser of an offer (the "**Offer**") to any Shareholders who have not taken up their pre-emptive rights under Article 16 to acquire all of the Equity Shares for a consideration per share the value of which is at least equal to the Specified Price (as defined in Article 20.7).
- 20.3 The Offer must be given by written notice (a "Proposed Sale Notice") at least 10 Business Days (the "**Offer Period**") prior to the proposed sale date ("**Proposed Sale Date**"). The Proposed Sale Notice must set out, to the extent not described in any accompanying documents, the identity of the Proposed Purchaser, the purchase price and other terms and conditions of payment, the Proposed Sale Date and the number of Shares proposed to be purchased by the Proposed Purchaser (the "**Proposed Sale Shares**").
- 20.4 If any other holder of Equity Shares is not given the rights accorded him by this Article, the Proposed Sellers will not be entitled to complete their sale and the Company will not register any transfer intended to carry that sale into effect.
- 20.5 If the Offer is accepted by any Shareholder (an "**Accepting Shareholder**") within the Offer Period, the completion of the Proposed Transfer will be conditional upon the completion of the purchase of all the Shares held by Accepting Shareholders.
- 20.6 The Proposed Transfer is subject to the pre-emption provisions of Article 16 but the purchase of the Accepting Shareholders' shares shall not be subject to Article 16.
- 20.7 For the purpose of this Article:
- (a) the expression "**Specified Price**" shall mean in respect of each Share a sum in cash equal to the highest price per Share offered or paid by the Proposed Purchaser:
- (i) in the Proposed Transfer; or
- (ii) in any related or previous transaction by the Proposed Purchaser or any person Acting in Concert with the Proposed Purchaser in the 12 months preceding the date of the Proposed Transfer,
- plus an amount equal to the Relevant Sum, as defined in Article 20.7(b), of any other consideration (in cash or otherwise) paid or payable by the Proposed Purchaser or any other person Acting in Concert with the Proposed Purchaser, which having regard to the substance of the transaction as a whole, can reasonably be regarded as an addition to the price paid or payable for the Shares (the "**Supplemental Consideration**") provided that the total consideration paid by the Proposed Purchaser in respect of the Proposed Transfer is distributed to the Proposed Seller and the Accepting Shareholders in accordance with the provisions of Articles 5 and 6; and
- (b) Relevant Sum =  $C \div A$
- where: A = number of Equity Shares being sold in connection with the relevant Proposed Transfer;
- C = the Supplemental Consideration.
- 20.8 The provisions of this Article 20.1 shall not apply in the case of a Proposed Transfer to OSI unless such Proposed Transfer would result in OSI (and Associates of OSI or persons Acting in Concert with OSI) holding in excess of 60% of the Equity Shares in issue from time to time.
21. **CO-SALE RIGHT**
- 21.1 No transfer (other than a Permitted Transfer) of any of the Employee Shares relating to an Employee may be made or validly registered prior to a Qualifying IPO unless the relevant Employee and any Permitted Transferee of that Employee (each a "**Selling Employee**") shall have observed the following procedures of this Article unless the Investor Majority has determined that this Article 21 shall not apply to such transfer.

- 21.2 After the Selling Employee has gone through the pre-emption process set out in Article 16, the Selling Employee shall give to each holder of Series A Shares and Series B Shares who has not taken up their pre-emptive rights under Article 16 (an "**Equity Holder**") not less than 15 Business Days' notice in advance of the proposed sale (a "**Co-Sale Notice**"). The Co-Sale Notice shall specify:
- (a) the identity of the proposed purchaser (the "**Buyer**");
  - (b) the price per share which the Buyer is proposing to pay;
  - (c) the manner in which the consideration is to be paid;
  - (d) the number of Equity Shares which the Selling Employee proposes to sell; and
  - (e) the address where the counter-notice should be sent.

For the purposes of this Article 21, it is acknowledged that Shares of different classes will be transferable at different prices, such price per class of Share being a sum equal to that to which they would be entitled if the consideration payable by the Buyer to the Selling Employee were used to determine the valuation of the entire issued share capital of the Company and such valuation was then allocated as between the Shares in accordance with Articles 5 and 6.

- 21.3 Each Equity Holder shall be entitled within five Business Days after receipt of the Co- Sale Notice, to notify the Selling Employee that they wish to sell a certain number of Equity Shares held by them at the proposed sale price, by sending a counter-notice which shall specify the number of Equity Shares which such Equity Holder wishes to sell. The maximum number of shares which an Equity Holder can sell under this procedure shall be:

$$\left( \frac{X}{Y} \right) \times Z$$

where:

- X is the number of Series A Shares and Series B Shares held by the Equity Holder;
- Y is the total number of Equity Shares;
- Z is the number of Equity Shares the Selling Employee proposes to sell.

Any Equity Holder who does not send a counter-notice within such five Business Day period shall be deemed to have specified that they wish to sell no shares.

- 21.4 Following the expiry of five Business Days from the date the Equity Holders receive the Co-Sale Notice, the Selling Employee shall be entitled to sell to the Buyer on the terms notified to the Equity Holders a number of shares not exceeding the number specified in the Co-Sale Notice less any shares which Equity Holders have indicated they wish to sell, provided that at the same time the Buyer (or another person) purchases from the Equity Holders the number of shares they have respectively indicated they wish to sell on terms no less favourable than those obtained by the Selling Employee from the Buyer.
- 21.5 No sale by the Selling Employee shall be made pursuant to any Co-Sale Notice more than three months after service of that Co-Sale Notice.
- 21.6 Sales made in accordance with this Article 21 shall not be subject to Article 16.

## 22. DRAG-ALONG

22.1 If (i) the holders of seventy five (75) per cent of the Equity Shares (excluding any Treasury Shares) (the "**Selling Shareholders**") and (ii) in the event of a Relevant Drag Sale, the Series B Majority (including the Lead Series B Investor), wish to transfer all their interest in Shares prior to a Qualifying IPO (the "**Sellers' Shares**") to a Proposed Purchaser (the "**Proposed Drag Sale**"), the Selling Shareholders shall have the option (the "**Drag Along Option**") to compel each other holder of Shares (each a "**Called Shareholder**" and together the "**Called Shareholders**") to sell and transfer all their Shares to the Proposed Purchaser or as the Proposed Purchaser shall direct (the "**Drag Purchaser**") in accordance with the provisions of this Article.

22.2 The Selling Shareholders may exercise the Drag Along Option by giving a written notice to that effect (a "**Drag Along Notice**") to the Company which the Company shall as soon as reasonably practicable copy to the Called Shareholders at any time before the transfer of the Sellers' Shares to the Drag Purchaser. A Drag Along Notice shall specify that:

- (a) the Called Shareholders are required to transfer all their Shares (the "**Called Shares**") under this Article;
- (b) the person to whom they are to be transferred;
- (c) the consideration for which the Called Shares are to be transferred (which may be cash or non-cash consideration or a combination of both and which shall be calculated or determined in accordance with this Article);
- (d) the proposed date of transfer, and
- (e) the form of any sale agreement or form of acceptance or any other document of similar effect that the Called Shareholders are required to sign in connection with such sale (the "**Sale Agreement**"),

(and, in the case of paragraphs (b) to (d) above, whether actually specified or to be determined in accordance with a mechanism described in the Drag Along Notice). No Drag Along Notice or Sale Agreement may require a Called Shareholder to agree to any terms unless such terms are (a) specifically provided for or referred to in this Article; or (b) apply equally (or on a substantially equivalent basis) to each Selling Shareholder that holds the same class of Shares.

22.3 Drag Along Notices shall be irrevocable but will lapse if for any reason there is not a sale of the Sellers' Shares by the Selling Shareholders to the Drag Purchaser within 60 Business Days after the date of service of the Drag Along Notice. The Selling Shareholders shall be entitled to serve further Drag Along Notices following the lapse of any particular Drag Along Notice.

22.4 The consideration (in cash or otherwise) for which the Called Shareholders shall be obliged to sell each of the Called Shares shall be that to which they would be entitled if the total consideration proposed to be paid by the Drag Purchaser were distributed to the holders of the Called Shares and the Sellers' Shares in accordance with the provisions of Articles 5 and 6 (the "**Drag Consideration**"). Where the consideration (or any part thereof) is non-cash consideration, any valuation of such consideration applicable to the consideration payable to the Selling Shareholders shall also be applicable to the consideration payable to the Called Shareholders. The Drag Consideration may be subject to adjustment (on the basis of completion accounts or another similar mechanisms) on the same terms as the consideration payable to the Selling Shareholders.

22.5 If any Investors are given an option as to the form of consideration to be received for any of their Shares, all Investors will be given the same option.

22.6 In respect of a transaction that is the subject of a Drag-Along Notice and with respect to any Drag Document, a Called Shareholder shall be obliged to undertake to transfer his Shares with full title guarantee (and provide an indemnity for lost certificate in a form acceptable to the Board if so necessary) on receipt of the Drag Consideration when due and:

- (a) may be required to accept that some or all of the Drag Consideration will be paid as deferred consideration, provided that the Called Shareholders shall receive any Drag Consideration due to them no later than the Selling Shareholders;
- (b) may be required to make a contribution towards any escrow, retention of consideration or similar arrangement on the same basis as the Selling Shareholders, on a pro-rata basis to their respective entitlement to the Drag Consideration;
- (c) shall be required to provide representations and warranties related to capacity, authority, ownership and the ability to convey title to the Called Shares, including, but not limited to, representations and warranties that the Called Shareholder holds all right, title and interest in and to the Called Shares such Called Shareholder purports to hold, free and clear of all encumbrances, on a several and not joint basis with any other person;
- (d) shall not be required to give any other warranties or indemnities;
- (e) no Called Shareholder shall be liable for the inaccuracy of any representation or warranty made by any other person in connection with the Drag Along Sale, other than the Company, except to the extent that funds may be paid out of an escrow established to cover, or a holdback of the purchase monies in respect of, breach of representations, warranties and covenants of the Company;
- (f) shall not be required to agree to (i) any covenant to not compete or not solicit customers, employees or suppliers of the Company or any other party to the Drag-Along Sale or which otherwise limits or restricts such Called Shareholder's or its Associates' business activities or (ii) to any release or waive of claims other than those arising solely in such Called Shareholder's capacity as a shareholder of the Company or (iii) any amendment to any collaboration agreement, licence or similar commercial agreement which may have been entered into between such Called Shareholder and the Company.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the liability, if any, of a Called Shareholder for indemnification or for the inaccuracy of any representations and warranties made by the Company in connection with the Drag Along Sale, shall be several and not joint with any other person and shall be pro rata in proportion to the amount of consideration to be paid to the Called Shareholder in connection with the Drag Along Sale and any liability shall be limited to the Called Shareholder's applicable share of any negotiated aggregate indemnification amount that applies equally to all Shareholders but that in no event exceeds the amount of consideration otherwise payable to such Called Shareholder in connection with such Drag Along Sale.

22.7 Within three Business Days of the Company copying the Drag Along Notice to the Called Shareholders (or such later date as may be specified in the Drag Along Notice) (the "**Drag Completion Date**"), each Called Shareholder shall deliver:

- (a) duly executed stock transfer form(s) for its Shares in favour of the Drag Purchaser;
  - (b) the relevant share certificate(s) (or a duly executed indemnity for lost certificate in a form acceptable to the Board) to the Company; and
  - (c) duly executed Sale Agreement, if applicable, in the form specified in the Drag Along Notice or as otherwise specified by the Company,
- (together the "**Drag Documents**").

22.8 On the Drag Completion Date, the Drag Purchaser (or, to the extent the Drag Purchaser has paid such consideration to the Company, the Company on behalf of the Drag Purchaser) shall:

- (a) pay or otherwise deliver or make available to each Called Shareholder the Drag Consideration that is due (less any amount to be deducted or retained pursuant to this Article or pursuant to any Sale Agreement, including in respect of transaction fees and expenses); and/or
- (b) if the consideration (or any part thereof) is non-cash consideration, the Drag Purchaser shall satisfy the consideration due to the Called Shareholders through the issue of shares or securities or the payment or transfer or other settlement of any other non-cash consideration which forms the non-cash consideration due to be issued, paid, transferred or otherwise settled to the Called Shareholders.

The Company's receipt of the Drag Consideration shall be a good discharge to the Drag Purchaser. The Company shall hold the Drag Consideration in trust for each of the Called Shareholders without any obligation to pay interest.

22.9 To the extent that the Drag Purchaser has not, on the Drag Completion Date, paid the Drag Consideration that is due to the Called Shareholders (or to the Company on their behalf) or, in the case of any non-cash consideration, to the extent the Drag Purchaser has not made available or settled such non-cash consideration or satisfied the Board that the Drag Purchaser is in a position to issue, pay, transfer or otherwise settle such non-cash consideration, the Called Shareholders shall be entitled to the immediate return of the Drag Documents for the relevant Shares and the Called Shareholders shall have no further rights or obligations under this Article 22 in respect of the relevant Drag Along Notice (without prejudice to any party's right to serve a further Drag Along Notice at any time thereafter).

22.10 If a Called Shareholder fails to deliver the Drag Documents for its Shares to the Company by the Drag Completion Date, the Company and each Director shall be constituted the agent of such defaulting Called Shareholder to take such actions and enter into any Drag Document or such other agreements or documents as are necessary to effect the transfer of the Called Shareholder's Shares pursuant to this Article 22 and the Directors shall, if requested by the Drag Purchaser, authorise any Director to transfer the Called Shareholder's Shares on the Called Shareholder's behalf to the Drag Purchaser to the extent the Drag Purchaser has, by the Drag Completion Date:

- (a) paid the Drag Consideration to the Company for the Called Shareholder's Shares offered to him; and/or
- (b) in the case of any non-cash consideration, has otherwise made available or settled such non-cash consideration or has satisfied the Board that the Drag Purchaser is in a position to issue, pay, transfer or otherwise settle such non-cash consideration,

The Board shall then authorise registration of the transfer once appropriate stamp duty has been paid. The defaulting Called Shareholder shall surrender his share certificate for his Shares (or suitable executed indemnity) to the Company. On surrender, he shall be entitled to the Drag Consideration due to him.

22.11 Any transfer of Shares to a Drag Purchaser pursuant to a sale in respect of which a Drag Along Notice has been duly served shall not be subject to the provisions of Article 16.

22.12 On any person, following the issue of a Drag Along Notice, becoming a Shareholder pursuant to the exercise of a pre-existing option or warrant to acquire shares in the Company or pursuant to the conversion of any convertible security of the Company (a "**New Shareholder**"), a Drag Along Notice shall be deemed to have been served on the New Shareholder on the same terms as the previous Drag Along Notice who shall then be bound to sell and transfer all Shares so acquired to the Drag Purchaser and the provisions of this Article shall apply with the necessary changes to the New Shareholder except that completion of the sale of the Shares shall take place immediately on the Drag Along Notice being deemed served on the New Shareholder.

## Asset Sale

- 22.13 In the event that an Asset Sale is approved by the Board and the holders of seventy- five (75) per cent of the Equity Shares (excluding any Treasury Shares), such consenting Shareholders shall have the right, by notice in writing to all other Shareholders, to require such Shareholders to take any and all such actions as it may be necessary for Shareholders to take in order to give effect to or otherwise implement such Asset Sale, subject always to the proceeds from such Asset Sale being distributed to Shareholders in accordance with the provisions of Articles 5 and 6 and provided that the principles in Article 22.6 shall apply mutatis mutandis.

## 23. HOLDING COMPANY REORGANISATION

- 23.1 In the event of a Holding Company Reorganisation approved by the Board and Investor Majority Consent (a "**Proposed Reorganisation**"), each of the Shareholders shall (i) consent to, vote for, raise no objections to and waive any applicable rights in connection with the Proposed Reorganisation and (ii) take all such actions to tender their Shares as required pursuant to the Proposed Reorganisation (the "**Reorganisation Actions**"). The Shareholders shall be required to take all Reorganisation Actions with respect to the Proposed Reorganisation as are required by the Board to facilitate the Proposed Reorganisation. If any Shareholder fails to comply with the provisions of this Article 23.1, the Company shall be constituted the agent of each defaulting Shareholder for taking the Reorganisation Actions as are necessary to effect the Proposed Reorganisation and the Directors may authorise an officer or member to execute and deliver on behalf of such defaulting Shareholder the necessary documents to effect the Proposed Reorganisation, including, without limitation, any share exchange agreement and/or stock transfer form.
- 23.2 The Company shall procure that the shares issued by the Holding Company to the Shareholders (or any subsequent holder, as the case may be) pursuant to the Holding Company Reorganisation will be credited as fully paid. Such Holding Company shares shall be subject to the constitutional documents of the Holding Company and otherwise (subject to the express provisions of such constitutional documents) shall have the same rights and obligations as all other Holding Company shares of the same class in issue at the time.
- 23.3 On any person, following the date of completion of a Holding Company Reorganisation, becoming a Shareholder pursuant to the exercise of a pre-existing option or warrant to acquire shares in the Company or pursuant to the conversion of any convertible security of the Company or otherwise (a "**Post-Reorganisation Shareholder**"), the Post-Reorganisation Shareholder shall then be bound to do all such acts and things necessary in order to transfer to the Holding Company all such resulting shares held by the Post-Reorganisation Shareholder, and the provisions of this Article 23 shall apply with the necessary changes to the Post-Reorganisation Shareholder.

## 24. GENERAL MEETINGS

- 24.1 If the Directors are required by the Shareholders under section 303 of the Act to call a general meeting, the Directors shall convene the meeting for a date not later than 28 days after the date on which the Directors became subject to the requirement under section 303 of the Act.
- 24.2 The provisions of section 318 of the Act shall apply to the Company, save that if a quorum is not present at any meeting adjourned for the reason referred to in Article 33 of the Model Articles, then, provided that the Qualifying Person present holds or represents the holder of at least 25 per cent both in nominal value and in number of the Equity Shares (excluding Treasury Shares), any resolution agreed to by such Qualifying Person shall be as valid and effectual as if it had been passed unanimously at a general meeting of the Company duly convened and held.
- 24.3 If any two or more Shareholders (or Qualifying Persons representing two or more Shareholders) attend the meeting in different locations, the meeting shall be treated as being held at the location specified in the notice of the meeting, save that if no one is present at that location so specified, the meeting shall be deemed to take place where the largest number of Qualifying Persons is assembled or, if no such group can be identified, at the location of the chairman.
- 24.4 If a demand for a poll is withdrawn under Article 36(3) of the Model Articles, the demand shall not be taken to have invalidated the result of a show of hands declared before the demand was made and the meeting shall continue as if the demand had not been made.
- 24.5 Polls must be taken in such manner as the chairman directs. A poll demanded on the election of a chairman or on a question of adjournment must be held immediately. A poll demanded on any other question must be held either immediately or at such time and place as the chairman directs not being more than 14 days after the poll is demanded. The demand for a poll shall not prevent the continuance of a meeting for the transaction of any business other than the question on which the poll was demanded.



- 24.6 No notice need be given of a poll not held immediately if the time and place at which it is to be taken are announced at the meeting at which it is demanded. In any other case at least seven clear days' notice shall be given specifying the time and place at which the poll is to be taken.
- 24.7 If the poll is to be held more than 48 hours after it was demanded the Shareholders shall be entitled to deliver Proxy Notices in respect of the poll at any time up to 24 hours before the time appointed for taking that poll. In calculating that period, no account shall be taken of any part of a day that is not a working day.

25. **PROXIES**

- 25.1 Paragraph (c) of Article 38(1) of the Model Articles shall be deleted and replaced by the words: "is signed by or on behalf of the shareholder appointing the proxy and accompanied by any the authority under which it is signed (or a certified copy of such authority or a copy of such authority in some other way approved by the directors)".
- 25.2 The instrument appointing a proxy and any authority under which it is signed or a certified copy of such authority or a copy in some other way approved by the Directors may:
- (a) be sent or supplied in hard copy form, or (subject to any conditions and limitations which the Board may specify) in electronic form, to the registered office of the Company or to such other address (including electronic address) as may be specified for this purpose in the notice convening the meeting or in any instrument of proxy or any invitation to appoint a proxy sent or supplied by the Company in relation to the meeting at any time before the time for holding the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the person named in the instrument proposes to vote;
  - (b) be delivered at the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the person named in the instrument proposes to vote to the chairman or to the company secretary or to any Director; or
  - (c) in the case of a poll, be delivered at the meeting at which the poll was demanded to the chairman or to the company secretary or to any Director, or at the time and place at which the poll is held to the Chairman or to the company secretary or to any Director or scrutineer, and an instrument of proxy which is not deposited or delivered in a manner so permitted shall be invalid.

26. **DIRECTORS' BORROWING POWERS**

The Directors may, with Investor Director Consent or Investor Majority Consent where required, exercise all the powers of the Company to borrow or raise money and to mortgage or charge its undertaking, property and uncalled capital and to issue debentures, debenture stock and other securities as security for any debt, liability of obligation of the Company or of any third party.

27. **ALTERNATE DIRECTORS**

27.1 Notwithstanding any provision of these Articles to the contrary, any person appointed as a Director (the "**Appointer**") may appoint any director or any other person as he thinks fit to be his alternate Director to:

- (a) exercise that Director's powers; and
- (b) carry out that Director's responsibilities in relation to the taking of decisions by the Directors in the absence of the alternate's Appointer.

The appointment of an alternate Director shall not require approval by a resolution of the Directors.

27.2 Any appointment or removal of an alternate must be effected by notice in writing to the Company signed by the Appointer, or in any other manner approved by the Directors.

27.3 The notice must:

- (a) identify the proposed alternate; and
- (b) in the case of a notice of appointment, contain a statement signed by the proposed alternate that the proposed alternate is willing to act as the alternate of the Director giving the notice.

27.4 An alternate Director may act as an alternate to more than one Director and has the same rights, in relation to any Directors' meeting (including as to notice) or Directors' written resolution, as the alternate's Appointer.

27.5 Except as these Articles specify otherwise, alternate directors:

- (a) are deemed for all purposes to be Directors;
- (b) are liable for their own acts and omissions;
- (c) are subject to the same restrictions as their Appointers; and
- (d) are not deemed to be agents of or for their Appointers,

and, in particular (without limitation), each alternate director shall be entitled to receive notice of all meetings of Directors and of all meetings of committees of Directors of which his Appointer is a member.

27.6 A person who is an alternate Director but not a Director:

- (a) may be counted as participating for the purposes of determining whether a quorum is participating (but only if that person's Appointer is not participating); and
- (b) may sign a Directors' written resolution (but only if his Appointer is an Eligible Director in relation to that decision, but does not participate).

No alternate may be counted as more than one Director for such purposes.

27.7 A Director who is also an alternate Director is entitled, in the absence of his Appointer, to a separate vote on behalf of each Appointer, in addition to his own vote on any decision of the Directors (provided that his Appointer is an Eligible Director in relation to that decision).

- 27.8 An alternate Director is not entitled to receive any remuneration from the company for serving as an alternate Director, except such part of the alternate's Appointer's remuneration as the Appointer may direct by notice in writing made to the Company.
- 27.9 An alternate Director's appointment as an alternate shall terminate:
- (a) when the alternate's Appointer revokes the appointment by notice to the Company in writing specifying when it is to terminate;
  - (b) on the occurrence in relation to the alternate of any event which, if it occurred in relation to the alternate's Appointer, would result in the termination of the Appointer's appointment as a Director;
  - (c) on the death of the alternate's Appointer; or
  - (d) when the alternate's Appointer's appointment as a Director terminates.

28. **NUMBER OF DIRECTORS**

Unless and until the Company shall otherwise determine by ordinary resolution, the number of Directors shall be not less than two and not more than eight.

29. **APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTORS**

29.1 In addition to the powers of appointment under Article 20(1) of the Model Articles:

- (a) OSI, for so long as it and its Permitted Transferees holds not less than 10 per cent of the Equity Shares in issue (excluding Treasury Shares), shall be entitled to nominate one person to act as a Director;
- (b) the Lead Series B Investor, for so long as it and its Permitted Transferees holds not less than 10 per cent of the Equity Shares in issue (excluding Treasury Shares), shall be entitled to nominate one person to act as a Director;

in each case by notice in writing addressed to the Company from time to time and the holders of Shares other than the appointing holder(s) shall not vote their Shares so as to remove a Director from office. A person entitled to nominate a Director under this Article 29.1 shall be entitled to remove their nominated Director so appointed at any time by notice in writing to the Company served at its registered office and appoint another person to act in his place.

29.2 An appointment or removal of a Director under Article 29.1 will take effect at and from the time when the notice is received at the registered office of the Company or produced to a meeting of the directors of the Company.

29.3 Each Investor Director shall be entitled at his request to be appointed to any committee of the Board established from time to time and to the board of directors of any Subsidiary Undertaking.

30. **DISQUALIFICATION OF DIRECTORS**

In addition to that provided in Article 22 of the Model Articles, the office of a Director shall also be vacated if:

- (a) he is convicted of a criminal offence (other than a minor motoring offence) and the Directors resolve that his office be vacated; or
- (b) in the case of Directors other than an Investor Director, if a majority of his co-Directors (including Investor Director Consent) serve notice on him in writing, removing him from office.

## 31. PROCEEDINGS OF DIRECTORS

- 31.1 The quorum for Directors' meetings shall be a majority of the Directors appointed from time to time who must include at least one Investor Director (if appointed) (save that where a Relevant Interest of an Investor Director is being authorised by other Directors in accordance with section 175(5)(a) of the Act, the relevant Investor Director and any other interested Director shall not be included in the quorum required for the purpose of such authorisation but shall otherwise be included for the purpose of forming the quorum at the meeting). If such a quorum is not present within half an hour from the time appointed for the meeting, or if during a meeting such quorum ceases to be present, the meeting shall stand adjourned to the same day in the next week at the same time and place or at such time and place as determined by the Directors present at such meeting. If a quorum is not present at any such adjourned meeting within half an hour from the time appointed, then the meeting shall proceed.
- 31.2 In the event that a meeting of the Directors is attended by a Director who is acting as alternate for one or more other Directors, the Director or Directors for whom he is the alternate shall be counted in the quorum despite their absence, and if on that basis there is a quorum the meeting may be held despite the fact (if it is the case) that only one Director is physically present.
- 31.3 If all the Directors participating in a meeting of the Directors are not physically in the same place, the meeting shall be deemed to take place where the largest group of participators in number is assembled. In the absence of a majority the location of the chairman shall be deemed to be the place of the meeting.
- 31.4 Notice of a Directors' meeting need not be given to Directors who waive their entitlement to notice of that meeting, by giving notice to that effect to the Company at any time before or after the date on which the meeting is held. Where such notice is given after the meeting has been held, that does not affect the validity of the meeting, or of any business conducted at it.
- 31.5 Provided (if these Articles so require) that he has declared to the Directors, in accordance with the provisions of these Articles, the nature and extent of his interest (and subject to any restrictions on voting or counting in a quorum imposed by the Directors in authorising a Relevant Interest), a Director may vote at a meeting of the Directors or of a committee of the Directors on any resolution concerning a matter in which he has an interest, whether a direct or an indirect interest, or in relation to which he has a duty and shall also be counted in reckoning whether a quorum is present at such a meeting.
- 31.6 Questions arising at any meeting of the Directors shall be decided by a majority of votes. In the case of any equality of votes, the chairman shall not have a second or casting vote.
- 31.7 A decision of the Directors may take the form of a resolution in writing, where each Eligible Director has signed one or more copies of it, or to which each Eligible Director has otherwise indicated agreement in writing (including confirmation given by electronic means).

## 32. DIRECTORS' INTERESTS

### Specific interests of a Director

- 32.1 Subject to the provisions of the Act and provided (if these Articles so require) that he has declared to the Directors in accordance with the provisions of these Articles, the nature and extent of his interest, a Director may (save as to the extent not permitted by law from time to time), notwithstanding his office, have an interest of the following kind:
- (a) where a Director (or a person connected with him) is party to or in any way directly or indirectly interested in, or has any duty in respect of, any existing or proposed contract, arrangement or transaction with the Company or any other undertaking in which the Company is in any way interested;
  - (b) where a Director (or a person connected with him) is a director, employee or other officer of, or a party to any contract, arrangement or transaction with, or in any way interested in, any body corporate promoted by the Company or in which the Company is in any way interested;

- (c) where a Director (or a person connected with him) is a shareholder in the Company or a shareholder in, employee, director, member or other officer of, or consultant to, a Parent Undertaking of, or a Subsidiary Undertaking of a Parent Undertaking of, the Company;
- (d) where a Director (or a person connected with him) holds and is remunerated in respect of any office or place of profit (other than the office of auditor) in respect of the Company or body corporate in which the Company is in any way interested;
- (e) where a Director is given a guarantee, or is to be given a guarantee, in respect of an obligation incurred by or on behalf of the Company or any body corporate in which the Company is in any way interested;
- (f) where a Director (or a person connected with him or of which he is a member or employee) acts (or any body corporate promoted by the Company or in which the Company is in any way interested of which he is a director, employee or other officer may act) in a professional capacity for the Company or any body corporate promoted by the Company or in which the Company is in any way interested (other than as auditor) whether or not he or it is remunerated for this;
- (g) an interest which cannot reasonably be regarded as likely to give rise to a conflict of interest; or
- (h) any other interest authorised by ordinary resolution.

#### **Interests of an Investor Director**

32.2 In addition to the provisions of Article 32.1, subject to the provisions of the Act and provided (if these Articles so require) that he has declared to the Directors in accordance with the provisions of these Articles, the nature and extent of his interest, where a Director is an Investor Director he may (save as to the extent not permitted by law from time to time), notwithstanding his office, have an interest arising from any duty he may owe to, or interest he may have as an employee, director, trustee, member, partner, officer or representative of, or a consultant to, or direct or indirect investor (including without limitation by virtue of a carried interest, remuneration or incentive arrangements or the holding of securities) in:

- (a) an Investor;
- (b) a Fund Manager which advises or manages an Investor;
- (c) any of the funds advised or managed by a Fund Manager who advises or manages an Investor from time to time; or
- (d) another body corporate or firm in which a Fund Manager who advises or manages an Investor or any fund advised or managed by such Fund Manager has directly or indirectly invested, including without limitation any portfolio companies.

#### **Interests of which a Director is not aware**

32.3 For the purposes of this Article 32, an interest of which a Director is not aware and of which it is unreasonable to expect him to be aware shall not be treated as an interest of his.

#### **Accountability of any benefit and validity of a contract**

32.4 In any situation permitted by this Article 32 (save as otherwise agreed by him) a Director shall not by reason of his office be accountable to the Company for any benefit which he derives from that situation and no such contract, arrangement or transaction shall be avoided on the grounds of any such interest or benefit.

### **Terms and conditions of Board authorisation**

- 32.5 Subject to Article 32.6, any authority given in accordance with section 175(5)(a) of the Act in respect of a Director ("**Interested Director**") who has proposed that the Directors authorise his interest ("**Relevant Interest**") pursuant to that section may, for the avoidance of doubt:
- (a) be given on such terms and subject to such conditions or limitations as may be imposed by the authorising Directors as they see fit from time to time, including, without limitation:
    - (i) restricting the Interested Director from voting on any resolution put to a meeting of the Directors or of a committee of the Directors in relation to the Relevant Interest;
    - (ii) restricting the Interested Director from being counted in the quorum at a meeting of the Directors or of a committee of the Directors where such Relevant Interest is to be discussed; or
    - (iii) restricting the application of the provisions in Articles 32.7 and 32.8, so far as is permitted by law, in respect of such Interested Director;
  - (b) be withdrawn, or varied at any time by the Directors entitled to authorise the Relevant Interest as they see fit from time to time; and
  - (c) subject to Article 32.6, an Interested Director must act in accordance with any such terms, conditions or limitations imposed by the authorising Directors pursuant to section 175(5)(a) of the Act and this Article 32.

### **Terms and conditions of Board authorisation for an Investor Director**

- 32.6 Notwithstanding the other provisions of this Article 32, it shall not (save with the consent in writing of the relevant Investor Director) be made a condition of any authorisation of a matter in relation to that Investor Director in accordance with section 175(5)(a) of the Act, that he shall be restricted from voting or counting in the quorum at any meeting of, or of any committee of the Directors or that he shall be required to disclose, use or apply confidential information as contemplated in Article 32.8.

### **Director's duty of confidentiality to a person other than the Company**

- 32.7 Subject to Article 32.8 (and without prejudice to any equitable principle or rule of law which may excuse or release the Director from disclosing information, in circumstances where disclosure may otherwise be required under this Article 32), if a Director, otherwise than by virtue of his position as director, receives information in respect of which he owes a duty of confidentiality to a person other than the Company, he shall not be required:
- (a) to disclose such information to the Company or to any Director, or to any officer or employee of the Company; or
  - (b) otherwise to use or apply such confidential information for the purpose of or in connection with the performance of his duties as a Director.
- 32.8 Where such duty of confidentiality arises out of a situation in which a Director has, or can have, a direct or indirect interest that conflicts, or possibly may conflict, with the interests of the Company, Article 32.7 shall apply only if the conflict arises out of a matter which falls within Article 32.1 or Article 32.2 or has been authorised under section 175(5)(a) of the Act.

### **Additional steps to be taken by a Director to manage a conflict of interest**

- 32.9 Where a Director has an interest which can reasonably be regarded as likely to give rise to a conflict of interest, the Director shall take such additional steps as may be necessary or desirable for the purpose of managing such conflict of interest, including compliance with any procedures laid down from time to time by the Directors for the purpose of managing conflicts of interest generally and/or any specific procedures approved by the Directors for the purpose of or in connection with the situation or matter in question, including without limitation:
- (a) absenting himself from any discussions, whether in meetings of the Directors or otherwise, at which the relevant situation or matter falls to be considered; and
  - (b) excluding himself from documents or information made available to the Directors generally in relation to such situation or matter and/or arranging for such documents or information to be reviewed by a professional adviser to ascertain the extent to which it might be appropriate for him to have access to such documents or information.

### **Requirement of a Director is to declare an interest**

- 32.10 Subject to section 182 of the Act, a Director shall declare the nature and extent of any interest permitted by Article 32.1 or Article 32.2 at a meeting of the Directors, or by general notice in accordance with section 184 (notice in writing) or section 185 (general notice) of the Act or in such other manner as the Directors may determine, except that no declaration of interest shall be required by a Director in relation to an interest:
- (a) falling under Article 32.1(g);
  - (b) if, or to the extent that, the other Directors are already aware of such interest (and for this purpose the other Directors are treated as aware of anything of which they ought reasonably to be aware); or
  - (c) if, or to the extent that, it concerns the terms of his service contract (as defined by section 227 of the Act) that have been or are to be considered by a meeting of the Directors, or by a committee of Directors appointed for the purpose under these Articles.

### **Shareholder approval**

- 32.11 Subject to section 239 of the Act, the Company may by ordinary resolution ratify any contract, transaction or arrangement, or other proposal, not properly authorised by reason of a contravention of any provisions of this Article 32.
- 32.12 For the purposes of this Article 32:
- (a) a conflict of interest includes a conflict of interest and duty and a conflict of duties;
  - (b) the provisions of section 252 of the Act shall determine whether a person is connected with a Director; and
  - (c) a general notice to the Directors that a Director is to be regarded as having an interest of the nature and extent specified in the notice in any transaction or arrangement in which a specified person or class of persons is interested shall be deemed to be a disclosure that the Director has an interest in any such transaction of the nature and extent so specified.

33. **NOTICES**

33.1 Subject to the requirements set out in the Act, any notice given or document sent or supplied to or by any person under these Articles, or otherwise sent by the Company under the Act, may be given, sent or supplied:

- (a) in hard copy form; or
- (b) in electronic form,

or partly by one of these means and partly by another of these means, save that any notice or document which is to be given, sent or supplied to Gilead Sciences, Inc., must be given, sent or supplied in hard copy form.

Notices shall be given and documents supplied in accordance with the procedures set out in the Act, except to the extent that a contrary provision is set out in this Article 33.

**Notices in hard copy form**

33.2 Any notice or other document in hard copy form given or supplied under these Articles may be delivered or sent by first class post (airmail if overseas):

- (a) to the Company or any other company at its registered office; or
- (b) to the address notified to or by the Company for that purpose; or
- (c) in the case of an intended recipient who is a member or his legal personal representative or trustee in bankruptcy, to such member's address as shown in the Company's register of members; or
- (d) in the case of an intended recipient who is a Director or alternate, to his address as shown in the register of Directors; or
- (e) to any other address to which any provision of the Companies Acts (as defined in the Act) authorises the document or information to be sent or supplied; or
- (f) where the Company is the sender, if the Company is unable to obtain an address falling within one of the addresses referred to in (a) to (e) above, to the intended recipient's last address known to the Company.

33.3 Any notice or other document in hard copy form given or supplied under these Articles shall be deemed to have been served and be effective:

- (a) if delivered, at the time of delivery;
- (b) if posted, on receipt or 48 hours after the time it was posted, whichever occurs first.

**Notices in electronic form**

33.4 Subject to the provisions of the Act, any notice or other document in electronic form given or supplied under these Articles may:

- (a) if sent by fax or email (provided that a fax number or an address for email has been notified to or by the Company for that purpose), be sent by the relevant form of communication to that address;
- (b) if delivered or sent by first class post (airmail if overseas) in an electronic form (such as sending a disk by post), be so delivered or sent as if in hard copy form under Article 33.2; or



- (c) be sent by such other electronic means (as defined in section 1168 of the Act) and to such address(es) as the Company may specify:
  - (i) on its website from time to time; or
  - (ii) by notice (in hard copy or electronic form) to all members of the Company from time to time.

33.5 Any notice or other document in electronic form given or supplied under these Articles shall be deemed to have been served and be effective:

- (a) if sent by fax or email (where a fax number or an address for email has been notified to or by the Company for that purpose), on receipt or 48 hours after the time it was sent, whichever occurs first;
- (b) if posted in an electronic form, on receipt or 48 hours after the time it was posted, whichever occurs first;
- (c) if delivered in an electronic form, at the time of delivery; and
- (d) if sent by any other electronic means as referred to in Article 33.4(c), at the time such delivery is deemed to occur under the Act.

33.6 Where the Company is able to show that any notice or other document given or sent under these Articles by electronic means was properly addressed with the electronic address supplied by the intended recipient, the giving or sending of that notice or other document shall be effective notwithstanding any receipt by the Company at any time of notice either that such method of communication has failed or of the intended recipient's non-receipt.

#### **General**

33.7 In the case of joint holders of a share all notices shall be given to the joint holder whose name stands first in the register of members of the Company in respect of the joint holding (the "**Primary Holder**"). Notice so given shall constitute notice to all the joint holders.

33.8 Anything agreed or specified by the Primary Holder in relation to the service, sending or supply of notices, documents or other information shall be treated as the agreement or specification of all the joint holders in their capacity as such (whether for the purposes of the Act or otherwise).

#### **34. INDEMNITIES AND INSURANCE**

34.1 Subject to the provisions of and so far as may be permitted by, the Act:

- (a) every Director or other officer of the Company (excluding the Company's auditors) shall be entitled to be indemnified by the Company (and the Company shall also be able to indemnify directors of any associated company (as defined in section 256 of the Act)) out of the Company's assets against all liabilities incurred by him in the actual or purported execution or discharge of his duties or the exercise or purported exercise of his powers or otherwise in relation to or in connection with his duties, powers or office, provided that no Director or any associated company is indemnified by the Company against:
  - (i) any liability incurred by the director to the Company or any associated company; or
  - (ii) any liability incurred by the director to pay a fine imposed in criminal proceedings or a sum payable to a regulatory authority by way of a penalty in respect of non-compliance with any requirements of a regulatory nature; or

(iii) any liability incurred by the director:

(A) in defending any criminal proceedings in which he is convicted;

(B) in defending civil proceedings brought by the Company or any associated company in which final judgment (within the meaning set out in section 234 of the Act) is given against him; or

(C) in connection with any application under sections 661(3) or 661(4) or 1157 of the Act (as the case may be) for which the court refuses to grant him relief,

save that, in respect of a provision indemnifying a director of a company (whether or not the Company) that is a trustee of an occupational pension scheme (as that term is used in section 235 of the Act) against liability incurred in connection with that company's activities as trustee of the scheme, the Company shall also be able to indemnify any such director without the restrictions in Articles 34.1(a)(i), 34.1(a)(iii)(B) and 33.1(a)(C) applying; and

(b) the Directors may exercise all the powers of the Company to purchase and maintain insurance for any such Director or other officer against any liability which by virtue of any rule of law would otherwise attach to him in respect of any negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust of which he may be guilty in relation to the Company, or any associated company including (if he is a director of a company which is a trustee of an occupational pension scheme) in connection with that company's activities as trustee of an occupational pension scheme.

34.2 The Company shall (at the cost of the Company) effect and maintain for each Director policies of insurance insuring each Director against risks in relation to his office as each director may reasonably specify including without limitation, any liability which by virtue of any rule of law may attach to him in respect of any negligence, default of duty or breach of trust of which he may be guilty in relation to the Company.

### 35. DATA PROTECTION

The Company may process the following categories of personal data in respect of the Shareholders and the Directors: (i) identifying information, such as names, addresses and contact details; (ii) details of participation in the Company's affairs, including without limitation attendance at and contribution to Company meetings and voting records; (iii) in the case of Shareholders, details of their respective shareholdings in the Company; and (iv) any other information which is required to be recorded by law or may have a bearing on the prudence or commercial merits of investing, or disposing of any shares (or other investment or security), in the Company (together, "**Personal Data**"). The Company will only use the Personal Data where it has a valid legal basis to do so. The Company has a legitimate interest in processing Personal Data where it is necessary for the purposes of the proper administration of the Company and its affairs, the undertaking of due diligence exercises and compliance with applicable laws, regulations and procedures. The Company will use appropriate technical and organisational measures to safeguard Personal Data. The Company will retain Personal Data for no longer than is reasonably required. The Company may disclose Personal Data to: (i) other Shareholders and Directors (each a "**Recipient**"); (ii) a Member of the same Group or Member of the same Fund Group as a Recipient ("**Recipient Group Companies**"); (iii) employees, directors and professional advisers of that Recipient or the Recipient Group Companies; (iv) funds managed by any of the Recipient Group Companies; and (v) current or potential investors in the Company or purchasers of any Equity Shares, provided always that the Company takes reasonable steps to ensure that Personal Data is treated in accordance with relevant data protection laws. The Personal Data will only be processed and stored within the European Economic Area, except to the extent permitted by applicable law.

36. **SECRETARY**

Subject to the provisions of the Act, the Directors may appoint a secretary for such term, at such remuneration and upon such conditions as they may think fit; and any secretary so appointed may be removed by them.

37. **LIEN**

37.1 The Company shall have a first and paramount lien (the "**Company's Lien**") over every Share (not being a fully paid share) for all moneys (whether presently payable or not) payable at a fixed time or called in respect of that Share.

37.2 The Company's Lien over a Share:

- (a) shall take priority over any third party's interest in that Share; and
- (b) extends to any dividend or other money payable by the Company in respect of that Share and (if the lien is enforced and the Share is sold by the Company) the proceeds of sale of that Share.

The Directors may at any time decide that a Share which is, or would otherwise be, subject to the Company's Lien shall not be subject to it, either wholly or in part.

37.3 Subject to the provisions of this Article 37, if:

- (a) a notice complying with Article 37.4 (a "**Lien Enforcement Notice**") has been given by the Company in respect of a Share; and
- (b) the person to whom the notice was given has failed to comply with it,

the Company shall be entitled to sell that Share in such manner as the Directors decide.

37.4 A Lien Enforcement Notice:

- (a) may only be given by the Company in respect of a Share which is subject to the Company's Lien, in respect of which a sum is payable and the due date for payment of that sum has passed;
- (b) must specify the Share concerned;  
must require payment of the sum payable within 14 days of the notice;
- (c) must be addressed either to the holder of the Share or to a person entitled to it by reason of the holder's death, bankruptcy or otherwise; and
- (d) must state the Company's intention to sell the Share if the notice is not complied with.

37.5 Where any Share is sold pursuant to this Article 37:

- (a) the Directors may authorise any person to execute an instrument of transfer of the Share to the purchaser or a person nominated by the purchaser; and
- (b) the transferee shall not be bound to see to the application of the consideration, and the transferee's title shall not be affected by any irregularity in or invalidity of the process leading to the sale.

- 37.6 The net proceeds of any such sale (after payment of the costs of sale and any other costs of enforcing the lien) must be applied:
- (a) first, in payment of so much of the sum for which the lien exists as was payable at the date of the Lien Enforcement Notice; and
  - (b) secondly, to the person entitled to the Share at the date of the sale, but only after the certificate for the Share sold has been surrendered to the Company for cancellation or an indemnity for lost certificate in a form acceptable to the Board has been given for any lost certificate, and subject to a lien equivalent to the Company's Lien for any money payable (whether or not it is presently payable) as existing upon the Share before the sale in respect of all Shares registered in the name of that person (whether as the sole registered holder or as one of several joint holders) after the date of the Lien Enforcement Notice.
- 37.7 A statutory declaration by a Director or the company secretary that the declarant is a Director or the company secretary and that a Share has been sold to satisfy the Company's Lien on a specified date:
- (a) shall be conclusive evidence of the facts stated in it as against all persons claiming to be entitled to the Share; and
  - (b) subject to compliance with any other formalities of transfer required by these Articles or by law, shall constitute a good title to the Share.
38. **CALL NOTICES**
- 38.1 Subject to these Articles and the terms on which Shares are allotted, the Directors may send a notice (a "**Call Notice**") to a Shareholder who has not fully paid for that Shareholder's Share(s) requiring the Shareholder to pay the Company a specified sum of money (a "**call**") which is payable to the Company by that Shareholder when the Directors decide to send the Call Notice.
- 38.2 A Call Notice:
- (a) may not require a Shareholder to pay a call which exceeds the total sum unpaid on that Shareholder's Shares (whether as to the Share's nominal value or any sum payable to the Company by way of premium);
  - (b) shall state when and how any call to which it relates it is to be paid; and
  - (c) may permit or require the call to be paid by instalments.
- 38.3 A Shareholder shall comply with the requirements of a Call Notice, but no Shareholder shall be obliged to pay any call before 14 days have passed since the notice was sent.
- 38.4 Before the Company has received any call due under a Call Notice the Directors may:
- (a) revoke it wholly or in part; or
  - (b) specify a later time for payment than is specified in the Call Notice, by a further notice in writing to the Shareholder in respect of whose Shares the call is made.
- 38.5 liability to pay a call shall not be extinguished or transferred by transferring the Shares in respect of which it is required to be paid. Joint holders of a Share shall be jointly and severally liable to pay all calls in respect of that Share.
- 38.6 Subject to the terms on which Shares are allotted, the Directors may, when issuing Shares, provide that Call Notices sent to the holders of those Shares may require them to:
- (a) pay calls which are not the same; or
  - (b) pay calls at different times.

- 38.7 A Call Notice need not be issued in respect of sums which are specified, in the terms on which a Share is issued, as being payable to the Company in respect of that Share (whether in respect of nominal value or premium):
- (a) on allotment;
  - (b) on the occurrence of a particular event; or
  - (c) on a date fixed by or in accordance with the terms of issue.
- 38.8 If the due date for payment of such a sum as referred to in Article 38.7 has passed and it has not been paid, the holder of the Share concerned shall be treated in all respects as having failed to comply with a Call Notice in respect of that sum, and shall be liable to the same consequences as regards the payment of interest and forfeiture.
- 38.9 If a person is liable to pay a call and fails to do so by the Call Payment Date (as defined below):
- (a) the Directors may issue a notice of intended forfeiture to that person; and
  - (b) until the call is paid, that person shall be required to pay the Company interest on the call from the Call Payment Date at the Relevant Rate (as defined below).
- 38.10 For the purposes of Article 38.9:
- (a) the "**Call Payment Date**" shall be the time when the call notice states that a call is payable, unless the Directors give a notice specifying a later date, in which case the "**Call Payment Date**" is that later date; and
  - (b) the "**Relevant Rate**" shall be:
    - (i) the rate fixed by the terms on which the Share in respect of which the call is due was allotted;
    - (ii) such other rate as was fixed in the Call Notice which required payment of the call, or has otherwise been determined by the Directors; or
    - (iii) if no rate is fixed in either of these ways, five per cent. a year,provided that the Relevant Rate shall not exceed by more than five percentage points the base lending rate most recently set by the Monetary Policy Committee of the Bank of England in connection with its responsibilities under Part 2 of the Bank of England Act 1998(a).
- 38.11 The Directors may waive any obligation to pay interest on a call wholly or in part.
- 38.12 The Directors may accept full payment of any unpaid sum in respect of a Share despite payment not being called under a Call Notice.
39. **FORFEITURE OF SHARES**
- 39.1 A notice of intended forfeiture:
- (a) may be sent in respect of any Share for which there is an unpaid sum in respect of which a call has not been paid as required by a Call Notice;
  - (b) shall be sent to the holder of that Share or to a person entitled to it by reason of the holder's death, bankruptcy or otherwise;

- (c) shall require payment of the call and any accrued interest and all expenses that may have been incurred by the Company by reason of such non-payment by a date which is not fewer than 14 days after the date of the notice;
  - (d) shall state how the payment is to be made; and
  - (e) shall state that if the notice is not complied with, the Shares in respect of which the call is payable will be liable to be forfeited.
- 39.2 If a notice of intended forfeiture is not complied with before the date by which payment of the call is required in the notice of intended forfeiture, then the Directors may decide that any Share in respect of which it was given is forfeited, and the forfeiture is to include all dividends or other moneys payable in respect of the forfeited Shares and not paid before the forfeiture
- 39.3 Subject to these Articles, the forfeiture of a Share extinguishes:
- (a) all interests in that Share, and all claims and demands against the Company in respect of it; and
  - (b) all other rights and liabilities incidental to the Share as between the person whose Share it was prior to the forfeiture and the Company.
- 39.4 Any Share which is forfeited in accordance with these Articles:
- (a) shall be deemed to have been forfeited when the Directors decide that it is forfeited;
  - (b) shall be deemed to be the property of the Company; and
  - (c) may be sold, re-allotted or otherwise disposed of as the Directors think fit.
- 39.5 If a person's Shares have been forfeited then:
- (a) the Company shall send that person notice that forfeiture has occurred and record it in the register of members;
  - (b) that person shall cease to be a Shareholder in respect of those Shares;
  - (c) that person shall surrender the certificate for the Shares forfeited to the Company for cancellation;
  - (d) that person shall remain liable to the Company for all sums payable by that person under the Articles at the date of forfeiture in respect of those Shares, including any interest (whether accrued before or after the date of forfeiture); and
  - (e) the Directors shall be entitled to waive payment of such sums wholly or in part or enforce payment without any allowance for the value of the Shares at the time of forfeiture or for any consideration received on their disposal.
- 39.6 At any time before the Company disposes of a forfeited Share, the Directors shall be entitled to decide to cancel the forfeiture on payment of all calls and interest and expenses due in respect of it and on such other terms as they think fit.
- 39.7 If a forfeited Share is to be disposed of by being transferred, the Company shall be entitled to receive the consideration for the transfer and the Directors shall be entitled to authorise any person to execute the instrument of transfer.

- 39.8 A statutory declaration by a Director or the company secretary that the declarant is a Director or the company secretary and that a Share has been forfeited on a specified date:
- (a) shall be conclusive evidence of the facts stated in it as against all persons claiming to be entitled to the Share; and
  - (b) subject to compliance with any other formalities of transfer required by the Articles or by law, constitutes a good title to the Share.
- 39.9 A person to whom a forfeited Share is transferred shall not be bound to see to the application of the consideration (if any) nor shall that person's title to the Share be affected by any irregularity in or invalidity of the process leading to the forfeiture or transfer of the Share.
- 39.10 If the Company sells a forfeited Share, the person who held it prior to its forfeiture shall be entitled to receive the proceeds of such sale from the Company, net of any commission, and excluding any sum which:
- (a) was, or would have become, payable; and
  - (b) had not, when that Share was forfeited, been paid by that person in respect of that Share,
- but no interest shall be payable to such a person in respect of such proceeds and the Company shall not be required to account for any money earned on such proceeds.

#### 40. SURRENDER OF SHARES

40.1 A Shareholder shall be entitled to surrender any Share:

- (a) in respect of which the Directors issue a notice of intended forfeiture;
- (b) which the Directors forfeit; or
- (c) which has been forfeited.

The Directors shall be entitled to accept the surrender of any such Share.

40.2 The effect of surrender on a Share shall be the same as the effect of forfeiture on that Share.

40.3 The Company shall be entitled to deal with a Share which has been surrendered in the same way as a Share which has been forfeited.

#### 41. AUTHORITY TO CAPITALISE AND APPROPRIATION OF CAPITALISED SUMS

41.1 The Board may, if authorised to do so by an ordinary resolution (with Investor Majority Consent):

- (a) decide to capitalise any profits of the Company (whether or not they are available for distribution) which are not required for paying a preferential dividend, or any sum standing to the credit of the Company's share premium account or capital redemption reserve; and
- (b) appropriate any sum which they so decide to capitalise (a "**Capitalised Sum**") to such Shareholders and in such proportions as the Board may in their absolute discretion deem appropriate (the "**Shareholders Entitled**").

Article 78 of the Model Articles shall not apply to the Company.

41.2 Capitalised Sums may be applied on behalf of such Shareholders and in such proportions as the Board may (in its absolute discretion) deem appropriate.

- 41.3 Any Capitalised Sum may be applied in paying up new Shares up to the nominal amount (or such amount as is unpaid) equal to the Capitalised Sum, which are then allotted credited as fully paid to the Shareholders Entitled or as they may direct.
- 41.4 A Capitalised Sum which was appropriated from profits available for distribution may be applied in paying up new debentures of the Company which are allotted credited as fully paid to the Shareholders Entitled or as they may direct.
- 41.5 Subject to the Articles the Board may:
- (a) apply Capitalised Sums in accordance with Articles 41.3 and 41.4 partly in one way and partly another;
  - (b) make such arrangements as they think fit to deal with Shares or debentures becoming distributable in fractions under this Article 41; and
  - (c) authorise any person to enter into an agreement with the Company on behalf of all of the Shareholders Entitled which is binding on them in respect of the allotment of Shares or debentures under this Article 41.
42. **LOCK-UP**
- 42.1 Other than the sale of any Shares to an underwriter pursuant to an underwriting agreement, no Shareholder shall, without the prior written consent of the Company's underwriters, during the period commencing on the date of the final offering document relating to an IPO and ending on the date specified by the Board (not to exceed 180 days):
- (a) lend, offer, pledge, sell, contract to sell, sell any option or contract to purchase, purchase any option or contract to sell, grant any option, right or warrant to purchase, or otherwise transfer or dispose of, directly or indirectly, any Shares held immediately prior to the effectiveness of the registration statement for the IPO; or
  - (b) enter into any swap or other arrangement that transfers to another, in whole or in part, any of the economic consequences of ownership of the Shares,
  - (c) whether or not any such transaction is to be settled by delivery of Shares or other securities, in cash or otherwise.
- 42.2 In order to enforce the foregoing covenant, the Company may impose stop-transfer instructions with respect to the Shares (and transferees and assignees thereof) until the end of such restricted period.
- 42.3 Each Shareholder shall enter into a separate lock-up agreement in respect of the IPO if and to the extent required by the Company's underwriters in order to facilitate the IPO, on terms consistent with the foregoing and which shall supersede the terms in Article 42.1. If any Shareholder fails to comply with the provisions of this Article, the Company shall be constituted the agent of each defaulting Shareholder for taking such actions as are necessary to effect the lock-up and the Directors may authorise an officer or member to execute and deliver on behalf of such defaulting Shareholder the necessary documents to effect the lock-up, including, without limitation, a lock-up agreement, in a form approved by the Board.
43. **LISTING**
- 43.1 In the event the Board (with Investor Majority Consent) has resolved to pursue an IPO, each Shareholder shall take all steps necessary or desirable to implement such IPO on such terms as are approved by the Board, including (without limitation):
- (a) consenting to, voting for, raising no objections to and waiving any applicable rights as are necessary or desirable (in the opinion of the Board) to:



- (i) give effect to a Holding Company Reorganisation in accordance with Article 23;
  - (ii) undertake a capital reduction of the Company (or any Holding Company) which is necessary or desirable as part of the Holding Company Reorganisation, the re-registration as a public listed company referred to in Article 43.1(a)(iii) below or as otherwise approved by the Board, provided that such capital reduction applies proportionately to all Shares (or shares in such Holding Company);
  - (iii) re-register the Company (or any Holding Company) as a public listed company (if applicable);
  - (iv) undertake any: (A) consolidation; (B) consolidation and sub-division; (C) sub-division; and/or (D) redesignation of any or all of the share capital of the Company (or any Holding Company);
  - (v) adopt with effect from the Admission Date new articles of association of the Company (or any Holding Company), depending on which entity is the subject of the IPO in a form appropriate for a listed public company (in each case in such form as determined by the Board; and
  - (vi) make all applications needed to a relevant investment exchange to apply for the listing or registration of any shares in the Company (or any Holding Company); and
  - (vii) giving effect to any general meeting (including any annual general meeting) of the Company (or any Holding Company) to be held in connection with the Holding Company Reorganisation and/or the IPO being held on short notice provided that each Investor has been given at least five (5) Business Days' notice of the meeting or attends in person or proxy; and
- (b) the entry into an underwriting agreement by the Company, any Shareholder who is selling in the IPO and the underwriters on terms approved by the Board and any such Shareholder, it being agreed that no Shareholder shall be required to sell any securities in an IPO unless it wishes to do so.

43.2 The Board shall not require any Investor (and no Investor shall be required) to take any action pursuant to this Article 43 which would:

- (a) have an adverse effect on any Investor's rights save where each other Investor suffers the same or substantially the same adverse effect;
- (b) have a positive effect on any Investor's rights which is not also experienced by the other Investors; or
- (c) cause an Investor to be in violation of any applicable laws or regulations.

44. **PUT OPTION**

In the event that it is determined by the Future Fund (in its absolute discretion) that it would be prejudicial to the reputation of the Future Fund and/or the UK Government to continue holding any shares in the capital of the Company, the Future Fund shall have the option to require the Company to purchase all of the shares in the capital of the Company held by the Future Fund (subject to and in accordance with the Act), for an aggregate price of £1.00 at any time (the "**Put Option**"), provided that: (i) the Put Option shall be exercisable by notice in writing from the Future Fund to the Company, such notice being revocable only with the consent of the Board (acting in its absolute discretion) (the "**Put Option Notice**"); (ii) the terms of the completion of the Put Option have been authorised by a resolution of the Company; and (iii) completion of the Put Option shall take place as soon as reasonably practicable and in any event no later than 20 Business Days following the Company's receipt of the Put Option Notice; and (iv) each of the Shareholders and the Company shall execute, and the Company shall procure so far as it lies within its power to do so the execution of, all such documents and deeds and do all such acts and things as may be reasonably required from time to time to implement the Put Option and transfer the legal and beneficial ownership of the relevant shares being sold to the Company under this Article 44, including waiving any pre-emption rights relating to such transfer.

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**THE COMPANIES ACT 2006**  
**PUBLIC COMPANY LIMITED BY SHARES**

**NEW**  
**ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION**

**of**  
**VACCITECH PLC**  
**(the "Company")**

(Adopted by a special resolution passed on \_\_\_\_\_ 2021)

**1. Applicability of the Model Articles**

1.1 No regulations or articles set out in any statute, or in any statutory instrument or other subordinate legislation made under any statute, concerning companies (including the regulations in the Companies (Model Articles) Regulations 2008 (SI 2008/3229)) shall apply as the articles of the Company. The following shall be the articles of association of the Company.

**2. Definitions and Interpretation**

2.1 In these Articles, unless the context requires otherwise, the following words and expressions shall have the meanings set out below:

"**Act**" means the Companies Act 2006

"**address**" includes any number or address used for the purposes of sending or receiving documents or information by electronic means

"**Articles**" means these articles of association as altered from time to time and Article shall be construed accordingly

"**Board**" means the board of Directors for the time being of the Company or the Directors present or deemed to be present at a duly convened quorate meeting of the Directors

"**certificated shares**" a share which is not an uncertificated share and references in these Articles to a share being held in certificated form shall be construed accordingly

"**clear days**" in relation to a period of notice means that period excluding the day when the notice is served or deemed to be served and the day for which it is given or on which it is to take effect

"**Companies Acts**" means the Act, the Companies Act 1985 and, where the context requires, every other statute from time to time in force concerning companies and affecting the Company

"**Deferred Shares**" has the meaning given to it in Article 4

"**Director**" means a director for the time being of the Company

"**FSMA**" means the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000

"**electronic form**" has the meaning given to it in section 1168 of the Act

"**electronic means**" has the meaning given to it in section 1168 of the Act

"**Exchange Act**" means the U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934

"**Listing**" means the listing of the Company's Ordinary Shares (in the form of American depositary shares) on Nasdaq

"**member**" means a member of the Company, or where the context requires, a member of the Board or of any committee

"**Nasdaq**" means The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC

"**Nasdaq Rules**" means the rules of Nasdaq

"**Office**" means the registered office from time to time of the Company

"**Operator**" means Euroclear UK and Ireland Limited or such other person as may for the time being be approved by HM Treasury as Operator under the uncertificated securities rules

"**Ordinary Shares**" has the meaning given to it in Article 4

"**paid up**" means paid up or credited as paid up

"**participating class**" means a class of shares title to which is permitted by the Operator to be transferred by means of a relevant system

"**present**" means, for the purpose of physical general meetings, present in person or, for the purposes of electronic general meetings, present by electronic means

"**Register**" means the register of members of the Company to be maintained under the Act or as the case may be any overseas branch register maintained under Article 119

"**relevant system**" means a computer-based system which allows units of securities without written instruments to be transferred and endorsed pursuant to the uncertificated securities rules

"**Seal**" means the common seal of the Company or, where the context allows, any official seal kept by the Company under section 50 of the Act

"**Secretary**" means the secretary of the Company for the time being

"**Securities Act**" means the U.S. Securities Act of 1933

"**Share Warrant**" means a warrant to bearer issued by the Company in respect of its shares



"**uncertificated securities rules**" means any provision of the Companies Acts relating to the holding, evidencing of title to, or transfer of uncertificated shares and any legislation, rules or other arrangements made under or by virtue of such provision (including the Uncertificated Securities Regulations 2001 as amended or replaced from time to time and any subordinate legislation or rules made under them for the time being in force)

"**uncertificated share**" means a share of a class which is at the relevant time a participating class, title to which is recorded on the Register as being held in uncertificated form and references in these Articles to a share being held in uncertificated form shall be construed accordingly

- 2.2 Headings are used for convenience only and shall not affect the construction or interpretation of these Articles.
- 2.3 A **person** includes a corporate and an unincorporated body (whether or not having separate legal personality).
- 2.4 Words in the singular shall include the plural and vice versa.
- 2.5 A reference to one gender shall include a reference to all other genders.
- 2.6 A reference to a statute or statutory provision is a reference to it as it is in force for the time being, taking account of any amendment, extension, or re-enactment and includes any subordinate legislation for the time being in force made under it.
- 2.7 Any words or expressions defined in the Companies Acts in force when these Articles or any part of these Articles are adopted shall (if not inconsistent with the subject or context in which they appear) have the same meaning in these Articles or that part, save that the word **company** shall include any body corporate.
- 2.8 A reference to a document **being signed** or to **signature** includes references to its being executed under hand or under seal or by any other method and, in the case of a communication in electronic form, such references are to its being authenticated as specified by the Companies Acts.
- 2.9 A reference to **writing** or **written** includes references to any method of representing or reproducing words in a legible and non-transitory form whether sent or supplied in electronic form or otherwise.
- 2.10 A reference to documents or information **being sent or supplied by or to** a company (including the Company) shall be construed in accordance with section 1148(3) of the Act.
- 2.11 A reference to a **meeting** shall not be taken as requiring more than one person to be present if any quorum requirement can be satisfied by one person.
- 2.12 If any Article (or part thereof) is or becomes inconsistent with any laws or regulations of any country to which affairs of the Company are subject such laws or regulations shall prevail and the relevant Article (or part thereof) shall be construed accordingly.
- 2.13 A reference to an **electronic platform** or **electronic platforms** include, without limitation, website addresses and conference call systems, and references to persons attending meetings by **electronic means** means attendance at electronic general meetings via the electronic platform(s) stated in the notice of such meeting.



3. **Form of Resolution**

Subject to the Companies Acts, where anything can be done by passing an ordinary resolution, this can also be done by passing a special resolution.

4. **Capital**

4.1 The capital of the Company is divided into:

- (a) an unlimited number of ordinary shares of £[●] each ("**Ordinary Shares**");
- (b) an unlimited number of deferred shares of £1.00 each (the "**Deferred A Shares**"); and
- (c) an unlimited number of deferred shares of £0.01 each (the "**Deferred B Shares**" and together with the Deferred A Shares, the "**Deferred Shares**"),

in each case conferring on the holders the rights and being subject to the restrictions set out in Article 10.

5. **Limited Liability**

The liability of the members of the Company is limited to the amount, if any, unpaid on the shares in the Company held by them.

6. **Change of Name**

The Company may change its name by resolution of the Board.

7. **Power to Attach Rights to Shares**

Subject to the Companies Acts and to any rights attached to existing shares, any share may be issued with or have attached to it such rights and restrictions as the Company may by ordinary resolution determine, or if no ordinary resolution has been passed or so far as the resolution does not make specific provision, as the Board may determine.

8. **Allotment of Shares and Pre-Emption**

8.1 Subject to the Companies Acts, these Articles and to any relevant authority of the Company in general meeting required by the Act, the Board may offer, allot (with or without conferring rights of renunciation), grant options over or otherwise deal with or dispose of shares or grant rights to subscribe for or convert any security into shares to such persons, at such times and upon such terms as the Board may decide. No share may be issued at a discount to its nominal value.

8.2 The Board may, at any time after the allotment of any share but before any person has been entered in the Register, recognise a renunciation by the allottee in favour of some other person and accord to the allottee of a share a right to effect such renunciation and/or allow the rights to be represented by one or more participating securities, in each case upon and subject to such terms and conditions as the Board may think fit to impose.



- 8.3 Under and in accordance with section 551 of the Act, the Directors shall be generally and unconditionally authorised to exercise for each prescribed period all the powers of the Company to allot shares or to grant rights to subscribe for or to convert any security into shares up to an aggregate nominal amount equal to the Section 551 Amount (as defined below).
- 8.4 Under and within the terms of the said authority or otherwise in accordance with section 570 of the Act, the Directors shall be empowered during each prescribed period to allot equity securities (as defined by the Act) wholly for cash:
- (a) in connection with a rights issue; and
  - (b) otherwise than in connection with a rights issue up to an aggregate nominal amount equal to the Section 561 Amount (as defined below).
- 8.5 During each prescribed period the Company and its Directors by such authority and power may make offers or agreements which would or might require equity securities or other securities to be allotted after the expiry of such period.
- 8.6 For the purposes of this Article 8:
- (a) "**rights issue**" means an offer of equity securities (as defined by the Act) open for acceptance for a period fixed by the Board to holders of equity securities on the Register on a fixed record date in proportion to their respective holdings of such securities or in accordance with the rights attached to them but subject to such exclusions or other arrangements as the Board may deem necessary or expedient with regard to treasury shares, fractional entitlements or legal or practical problems under the laws of any territory or under the requirements of any recognised regulatory body or stock exchange in any territory;
  - (b) "**prescribed period**" means any period (not exceeding five years on any occasion) for which the authority, in the case of Article 8.3, is conferred or renewed by ordinary or special resolution stating the Section 551 Amount and in the case of Article 8.4 is conferred or renewed by special resolution stating the Section 561 Amount;
  - (c) "**Section 551 Amount**" means for any prescribed period, the amount stated in the relevant ordinary or special resolution;
  - (d) "**Section 561 Amount**" means for any prescribed period, the amount stated in the relevant special resolution; and
  - (e) the nominal amount of any securities shall be taken to be, in the case of rights to subscribe for or to convert any securities into shares of the Company, the nominal amount of such shares which may be allotted pursuant to such rights.

## 9. Redeemable Shares

Subject to the Companies Acts and to any rights attaching to existing shares, any share may be issued which can be redeemed or is liable to be redeemed at the option of the Company or the holder. The Board may determine the terms, conditions and manner of redemption of any redeemable shares which are issued. Such terms and conditions shall apply to the relevant shares as if the same were set out in these Articles.





10. **Shareholder Rights**

- 10.1 The Ordinary Shares shall rank pari passu as a single class. The Deferred Shares shall rank pari passu as a single class.
- 10.2 In the event of the liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Company, the assets of the Company available for distribution to members shall be distributed amongst all holders of the Ordinary Shares in proportion to the number of shares held irrespective of the amount paid or credited as paid on any share.
- 10.3 Any:
- (a) consolidation or merger of the Company with or into another entity or entities (whether or not the Company is the surviving entity) as a result of which the holders of the Company's outstanding shares possessing the voting power (under ordinary circumstances) to elect a majority of the Board immediately prior to such sale or issue cease to own the Company's outstanding shares possessing the voting power (under ordinary circumstances) to elect a majority of the Board;
  - (b) sale or transfer by the Company of all or substantially all of its assets (determined either for the Company alone or together with its subsidiaries on a consolidated basis); or
  - (c) sale, transfer or issuance or series of sales, transfers and/or issues of shares by the Company or the holders thereof, as a result of which the holders of the Company's outstanding shares possessing the voting power (under ordinary circumstances) to elect a majority of the Board immediately prior to such sale or issue cease to own the Company's outstanding shares possessing the voting power (under ordinary circumstances) to elect a majority of the Board,
- shall be deemed to be a liquidation, dissolution and winding up of the Company for purposes of Article 10.2 (unless the Board determine otherwise), and the holders of the Ordinary Shares shall be entitled to receive from the Company the amounts payable with respect to the Ordinary Shares on a liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Company under Article 10.2 in cancellation of their Ordinary Shares upon the completion of any such transaction.
- 10.4 At a general meeting of the Company and at any separate class meeting of the holders of Ordinary Shares, where a holder of Ordinary Shares is entitled to vote, such holder is entitled to one vote for each Ordinary Share held.
- 10.5 A holder of Ordinary Shares is entitled to receive notice of any general meeting of the Company (and notice of any separate class meeting of the holders of Ordinary Shares) and a copy of every report, accounts, circular or other document sent out by the Company to members.
- 10.6 Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the special rights, privileges, restrictions and limitations attaching to the Deferred Shares are as follows:
- (a) the Deferred Shares shall not be entitled to any dividends or to any other right of participation in the profits of the Company;



- (b) on return of assets on liquidation, the Deferred Shares shall confer on the holders thereof an entitlement to receive out of the assets of the Company available for distribution amongst the members (subject to the rights of any new class of shares with preferred rights) the amount credited as paid up on the Deferred Shares held by them respectively after (but only after) payment shall have been made to the holders of the Ordinary Shares of the amounts paid up or credited as paid up on such shares and the sum of £1,000,000 in respect of each Ordinary Share held by them respectively. The Deferred Shares shall confer on the holders thereof no further right to participate in the assets of the Company;
- (c) the Deferred Shares do not entitle the holder thereof to vote on any resolution or to receive notice of, attend any general meeting, or be part of the quorum thereof as the holders of the Deferred Shares;
- (d) any reduction of capital involving the cancellation of the Deferred Shares for no consideration shall not be deemed to be a variation of the rights attaching to them nor a modification or abrogation of the rights or privileges attaching to the Deferred Shares and the Company shall be authorised at any time to reduce its capital (in accordance with the Act) without obtaining the consent of the holders of the Deferred Shares;
- (e) any special rights conferred upon the holders of the Deferred Shares shall be deemed to not be modified, varied or abrogated by the creation or issue of further shares ranking pari passu with or in priority to the Deferred Shares;
- (f) no transfer of any Deferred Shares shall be permitted save as provided in Article 10.6(g);
- (g) the Company shall have irrevocable authority at any time to appoint any person to execute on behalf of the holders of the Deferred Shares a transfer thereof and/or an agreement to transfer the same, without making any payment to the holders thereof, or to such person as the Company may determine as custodian thereof and/or to cancel the same without making any payment to the holders thereof and/or acquire the same (in accordance with the provisions of the Act) without making any payment to or obtaining the sanction of the holders thereof;
- (h) subject to the Act, the Company shall be entitled to purchase any Deferred Shares in issue at any time for no consideration; and
- (i) the Company shall be entitled to cancel all or any of the Deferred Shares so acquired by the Company in accordance with the Act.

11. **Pari Passu Issues**

If new shares are created or issued which rank equally with any other existing shares, or the Company purchases any of its own shares, the rights of the existing shares will not be regarded as changed or abrogated unless the terms of the existing shares expressly say otherwise.



12. **Variation of Rights**

- 12.1 Subject to the Companies Acts, the rights attached to any class of shares can be varied or abrogated either with the consent in writing of the holders of not less than three-quarters in nominal value of the issued shares of that class (excluding any shares of that class held as treasury shares) or with the authority of a special resolution passed at a separate meeting of the holders of the relevant class of shares known as a **class meeting**.
- 12.2 The provisions of this Article 12 will apply to any variation or abrogation of rights of shares forming part of a class. Each part of the class which is being treated differently is treated as a separate class in applying this Article 12.
- 12.3 All the provisions in these Articles as to general meetings shall apply, with any necessary modifications, to every class meeting except that the necessary quorum at every such meeting shall be not less than two persons present and between them holding or representing by proxy at least 33 ⅓ per cent in number of the issued shares of the relevant class (excluding any shares of that class held as treasury shares) provided that where a person is present by proxy or proxies, they are treated as holding only the shares in respect of those proxies which are authorised to exercise voting rights.
- 12.4 The Board may convene a class meeting whenever it thinks fit and whether or not the business to be transacted involves a variation or abrogation of class rights.

13. **Payment of Commission**

The Company may in connection with the issue of any shares or the sale for cash of treasury shares exercise all powers of paying commission and brokerage conferred or permitted by the Companies Acts. Any such commission or brokerage may be satisfied by the payment of cash or by the allotment of fully or partly paid shares or other securities or the grant of an option to call for an allotment of shares or any combination of such methods.

14. **Trusts Not Recognised**

Except as otherwise expressly provided by these Articles, required by law or as ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction, the Company shall not recognise any person as holding any share on any trust, and the Company shall not be bound by or required in any way to recognise (even when having notice of it) any equitable, contingent, future, partial or other claim to or interest in any share other than an absolute right of the holder of the whole of the share.

15. **Uncertificated Shares**

- 15.1 Under and subject to the uncertificated securities rules, the Board may permit title to shares of any class to be evidenced otherwise than by certificate and title to shares of such a class to be transferred by means of a relevant system and may make arrangements for a class of shares (if all shares of that class are in all respects identical) to become a participating class. Title to shares of a particular class may only be evidenced otherwise than by a certificate where that class of shares is at the relevant time a participating class. The Board may also, subject to compliance with the uncertificated securities rules, determine at any time that title to any class of shares may from a date specified by the Board no longer be evidenced otherwise than by a certificate or that title to such a class shall cease to be transferred by means of any particular relevant system.



- 15.2 In relation to a class of shares which is a participating class and for so long as it remains a participating class, no provision of these Articles shall apply or have effect to the extent that it is inconsistent in any respect with:
- (a) the holding of shares of that class in uncertificated form;
  - (b) the transfer of title to shares of that class by means of a relevant system; or
  - (c) any provision of the uncertificated securities rules,
- and, without prejudice to the generality of this Article 15.2, no provision of these Articles shall apply or have effect to the extent that it is in any respect inconsistent with the maintenance, keeping or entering up by the Operator, so long as that is permitted or required by the uncertificated securities rules, of an Operator register of securities in respect of that class of shares in uncertificated form.
- 15.3 Ordinary Shares of a class which is at the relevant time a participating class may be changed from uncertificated to certificated form, and from certificated to uncertificated form, in accordance with and subject as provided in the uncertificated securities rules.
- 15.4 If, under these Articles or the Companies Acts, the Company is entitled to sell, transfer or otherwise dispose of, forfeit, re-allot, accept the surrender of or otherwise enforce a lien over an uncertificated share, then, subject to these Articles and the Companies Acts, such entitlement shall include the right of the Board to:
- (a) require the holder of the uncertificated share by notice in writing to change that share from uncertificated to certificated form within such period as may be specified in the notice and keep it as a certificated share for as long as the Board requires;
  - (b) appoint any person to take such other steps, by instruction given by means of a relevant system or otherwise, in the name of the holder of such share as may be required to effect the transfer of such share and such steps shall be as effective as if they had been taken by the registered holder of that share; and
  - (c) take such other action that the Board considers appropriate to achieve the sale, transfer, disposal, forfeiture, re-allotment or surrender of that share or otherwise to enforce a lien in respect of that share.
- 15.5 Unless the Board determines otherwise, shares which a member holds in uncertificated form shall be treated as separate holdings from any shares which that member holds in certificated form but a class of shares shall not be treated as two classes simply because some shares of that class are held in certificated form and others in uncertificated form.
- 15.6 Unless the Board determines otherwise or the uncertificated securities rules require otherwise, any shares issued or created out of or in respect of any uncertificated shares shall be uncertificated shares and any shares issued or created out of or in respect of any certificated shares shall be certificated shares.
- 15.7 The Company shall be entitled to assume that the entries on any record of securities maintained by it in accordance with the uncertificated securities rules and regularly reconciled with the relevant Operator register of securities are a complete and accurate reproduction of the particulars entered in the Operator register of securities and shall accordingly not be liable in respect of any act or thing done or omitted to be done by or on behalf of the Company in reliance on such assumption. Any provision of these Articles which requires or envisages that action will be taken in reliance on information contained in the Register shall be construed to permit that action to be taken in reliance on information contained in any relevant record of securities (as so maintained and reconciled).

16. **Share Certificates**

- 16.1 Other than as provided in Article 16.6 below, every person (except a person to whom the Company is not by law required to issue a certificate) whose name is entered in the Register as a holder of any certificated shares shall be entitled, without charge, to receive within the time limits prescribed by the Companies Acts (unless the terms of issue prescribe otherwise) one certificate for all of the shares of that class registered in their name.
- 16.2 The Company shall not be bound to issue more than one certificate in respect of shares held jointly by two or more persons. Delivery of a certificate to the person first named in the Register shall be sufficient delivery to all joint holders.
- 16.3 Where a member has transferred part only of the shares comprised in a certificate, they shall be entitled without charge to a certificate for the balance of such shares to the extent that the balance is to be held in certificated form. Where a member receives more shares of any class, they shall be entitled without charge to a certificate for the extra shares of that class to the extent that the balance is to be held in certificated form.
- 16.4 A share certificate may be issued under Seal (by affixing the Seal to or printing (whether mechanically or electronically) the Seal or a representation of it on the certificate) or signed by at least two Directors or by at least one Director and the Secretary. Such certificate shall specify the number and class of the shares in respect of which it is issued and the amount or respective amounts paid up on it. The Board may by resolution decide, either generally or in any particular case or cases, that any signatures on any share certificates need not be autographic but may be applied to the certificates by some mechanical or other means or may be printed on them or that the certificates need not be signed by any **person**.
- 16.5 Every share certificate sent in accordance with these Articles will be sent at the risk of the member or other person entitled to the certificate. The Company will not be responsible for any share certificate lost or delayed in the course of delivery.
- 16.6 No share certificates shall be issued in respect of the Deferred Shares.

17. **Replacement Certificates**

- 17.1 Any two or more certificates representing shares of any one class held by any member may at their request be cancelled and a single new certificate for such shares issued in lieu without charge on surrender of the original certificates for cancellation.
- 17.2 Any certificate representing shares of any one class held by any member may at their request be cancelled and two or more certificates for such shares may be issued instead.
- 17.3 If a share certificate is defaced, worn out or said to be stolen, lost or destroyed, it may be replaced on such terms as to evidence and indemnity in respect of such share certificate only as the Board may decide and, where it is defaced or worn out, after delivery of the old certificate to the Company.



17.4 The Board may require the payment of any exceptional out-of-pocket expenses of the Company incurred in connection with the issue of any certificates under this Article. In the case of shares held jointly by several persons, any such request as is mentioned in this Article 17 may be made by any one of the joint holders.

**18. Lien on Shares not Fully Paid**

The Company shall have a first and paramount lien on every share, not being a fully paid share, for all amounts payable to the Company (whether presently or not) in respect of that share. The Company's lien over a share takes priority over any third party's interest in that share, and extends to any dividend or other money payable by the Company in respect of that share (and, if the lien is enforced and the share is sold by the Company, the proceeds of sale of that share). The Board may at any time, either generally or in any particular case, waive any lien that has arisen or declare any share to be wholly or in part exempt from the provisions of this Article 18.

**19. Enforcement of Lien by Sale**

The Company may sell, in such manner as the Board may decide, any share over which the Company has a lien if a sum in respect of which the lien exists is presently payable and is not paid within 14 clear days after a notice has been served on the holder of the share or the person who is entitled by transmission to the share, demanding payment and stating that if the notice is not complied with the share may be sold. For giving effect to the sale, in the case of a certificated share, the Board may authorise some person to sign an instrument of transfer of the share sold to, or in accordance with the directions, of the buyer. In the case of an uncertificated share, the Board may require the Operator to convert the share into certificated form and after such conversion, authorise any person to sign the instrument of transfer of the share to effect the sale of the share. The buyer shall not be bound to see to the application of the purchase money, nor shall their title to the share be affected by any irregularity or invalidity in the proceedings in reference to the sale.

**20. Application of Proceeds of Sale**

The net proceeds of any sale of shares subject to any lien, after payment of the costs, shall be applied:

- (a) first, in or towards satisfaction of so much of the amount due to the Company or of the liability or engagement (as the case may be) as is presently payable or is liable to be presently fulfilled or discharged; and
- (b) second, any residue shall be paid to the person who was entitled to the share at the time of the sale but only after the certificate for the shares sold has been surrendered to the company for cancellation, or an indemnity in a form reasonably satisfactory to the Directors has been given for any lost certificates, and subject to a like lien for debts or liabilities not presently payable as existed on the share prior to the sale.



21. **Calls**

21.1 Subject to these Articles and the terms on which the shares are allotted, the Board may from time to time make calls on the members in respect of any monies unpaid on their shares (whether in respect of nominal value or premium) and not payable on a date fixed by or in accordance with the terms of issue.

21.2 Each member shall (subject to the Company serving upon them at least 14 clear days' notice specifying when and where payment is to be made and whether or not by instalments) pay to the Company as required by the notice the amount called on for their shares.

21.3 A call shall be deemed to have been made at the time when the resolution of the Board authorising the call was passed.

21.4 A call may be revoked or postponed, in whole or in part, as the Board may decide.

21.5 Liability to pay a call is not extinguished or transferred by transferring the shares in respect of which the call is required to be paid.

22. **Liability of Joint Holders**

The joint holders of a share shall be jointly and severally liable to pay all calls in respect of the share.

23. **Interest on Calls**

If a call remains unpaid after it has become due and payable, the person from whom it is due and payable shall pay all expenses that have been incurred by the Company by reason of such non-payment together with interest on the amount unpaid from the day it is due and payable to the time of actual payment at such rate (not exceeding the Bank of England base rate by more than five percentage points) as the Board may decide. The Board may waive payment of the interest or the expenses in whole or in part.

24. **Power to Differentiate**

On or before the issue of shares, the Board may decide that allottees or holders of shares can be called on to pay different amounts or that they can be called on at different times.

25. **Payment of Calls in Advance**

The Board may, if it thinks fit, receive from any member willing to advance the same, all or any part of the monies uncalled and unpaid on the shares held by them. Such payment in advance of calls shall, to the extent of the payment, extinguish the liability on the shares on which it is made. The Company may pay interest on the money paid in advance, or so much of it as exceeds the amount for the time being called upon the shares in respect of which such advance has been made, at such rate as the Board may decide. The Board may at any time repay the amount so advanced by giving at least three months' notice in writing to such member of its intention to do so, unless before the expiration of such notice the amount so advanced shall have been called up on the shares in respect of which it was advanced.



26. **Notice if Call or Instalment Not Paid**

If any member fails to pay the whole of any call (or any instalment of any call) by the date when payment is due, the Board may at any time give notice in writing to such member (or to any person entitled to the shares by transmission), requiring payment of the amount unpaid (and any accrued interest and any expenses incurred by the Company by reason of such non-payment) by a date not less than 14 clear days from the date of the notice. The notice shall name the place where the payment is to be made and state that, if the notice is not complied with, the shares in respect of which such call was made will be liable to be forfeited.

27. **Forfeiture for Non-Compliance**

If the notice referred to in Article 26 is not complied with, any share for which it was given may be forfeited, by resolution of the Board to that effect, at any time before the payment required by the notice has been made. Such forfeiture shall include all dividends declared or other monies payable in respect of the forfeited shares and not paid before the forfeiture.

28. **Notice After Forfeiture**

When any share has been forfeited, notice of the forfeiture shall be served on the holder of the share or the person entitled to such share by transmission (as the case may be) before forfeiture. An entry of such notice having been given and of the forfeiture and the date of forfeiture shall immediately be made in the Register in respect of such share. However, no forfeiture shall be invalidated by any omission to give such notice or to make such entry in the Register.

29. **Forfeiture May Be Annulled**

The Board may annul the forfeiture of a share, at any time before any forfeited share has been cancelled or sold, re-allotted or otherwise disposed of, on the terms that payment shall be made of all calls and interest due on it and all expenses incurred in respect of the share and on such further terms (if any) as the Board shall see fit.

30. **Surrender**

The Board may accept the surrender of any share liable to be forfeited and, in any event, references in these Articles to forfeiture shall include surrender.

31. **Sale of Forfeited Shares**

31.1 A forfeited share shall become the property of the Company.

31.2 Subject to the Companies Acts, any such share may be sold, re-allotted or otherwise disposed of, on such terms and in such manner as the Board thinks fit.

31.3 The Board may, for the purposes of the disposal, authorise some person to transfer the share in question and may enter the name of the transferee in respect of the transferred share in the Register even if no share certificate is lodged and may issue a new certificate to the transferee. An instrument of transfer executed by that person shall be as effective as if it had been executed by the holder of or the person entitled by transmission to, the share. The Company may receive the consideration (if any) given for the share on its disposal.





32. **Effect of Forfeiture**

A member whose shares have been forfeited shall cease to be a member in respect of such forfeited shares and shall surrender the certificate for such shares to the Company for cancellation. Such member shall remain liable to pay to the Company all sums which at the date of forfeiture were presently payable by them to the Company in respect of such shares with interest at a rate (not exceeding the Bank of England base rate by two percentage points) determined by the Board from the date of the forfeiture to the date of payment. The Directors may waive payment of interest wholly or in part and may enforce payment, without any reduction or allowance for the value of the shares at the time of forfeiture or for any consideration received on their disposal.

33. **Evidence of Forfeiture**

A statutory declaration by a Director or the Secretary that a share has been forfeited on a specified date shall be conclusive evidence of the facts stated in it as against all persons claiming to be entitled to the share. The declaration shall (subject to the execution of an instrument of transfer if necessary) constitute a good title to the share. The person to whom the share is transferred or sold shall not be bound to see to the application of the purchase money or other consideration (if any), nor shall their title to the share be affected by any act, omission or irregularity relating to or connected with the proceedings in reference to the forfeiture or disposal of the share.

34. **Form of Transfer**

34.1 Subject to these Articles:

- (a) each member may transfer all or any of their shares which are in certificated form by instrument of transfer in writing in any usual form or in any form approved by the Board. Such instrument shall be executed by or on behalf of the transferor and (in the case of a transfer of a share which is not fully paid up) by or on behalf of the transferee. All instruments of transfer, when registered, may be retained by the Company; and
- (b) each member may transfer all or any of their shares which are in uncertificated form by means of a relevant system in such manner provided for, and subject as provided in, the uncertificated securities rules. No provision of these Articles shall apply in respect of an uncertificated share to the extent that it requires or contemplates the effecting of a transfer by an instrument in writing or the production of a certificate for the share to be transferred.

34.2 The transferor of a share shall be deemed to remain the holder of the share concerned until the name of the transferee is entered in the Register in respect of it.

35. **Right to Refuse Registration of Transfer**

35.1 The Board may, in its absolute discretion, refuse to register any transfer of a share in certificated form (or renunciation of a renounceable letter of allotment) unless:

- (a) it is for a share which is fully paid up;
- (b) it is for a share upon which the Company has no lien;
- (c) it is only for one class of share;



- (d) it is in favour of a single transferee or no more than four joint transferees;
- (e) it is duly stamped or is duly certificated or otherwise shown to the satisfaction of the Board to be exempt from stamp duty (in each case if this is required); and
- (f) is delivered for registration to the Office (or such other place as the Board may determine), accompanied (except in the case of a transfer by a person to whom the Company is not required by law to issue a certificate and to whom a certificate has not been issued or in the case of a renunciation) by the certificate for the shares to which it relates and such other evidence as the Board may reasonably require to prove the title of the transferor (or person renouncing) and the due execution of the transfer or renunciation by them or, if the transfer or renunciation is executed by some other person on their behalf, the authority of that person to do so.

35.2 The Board shall not refuse to register any transfer or renunciation of partly paid shares which are admitted to trading on Nasdaq, or for which certificated or uncertificated depositary instruments over such shares are admitted to trading on Nasdaq on the grounds that they are partly paid shares in circumstances where such refusal would prevent dealings in such shares from taking place on an open and proper basis.

35.3 Transfers of shares will not be registered in the circumstances referred to in Article 74.

35.4 The Board may refuse to register a transfer of uncertificated shares in any circumstances that are allowed or required by the uncertificated securities rules and the relevant system.

36. **Notice of Refusal to Register a Transfer**

If the Board refuses to register a transfer of a share it shall notify the transferee of the refusal and the reasons for it within two months after the date on which the transfer was lodged with the Company or the instructions to the relevant system received. Any instrument of transfer which the Board refuses to register shall be returned to the person depositing it (except if there is suspected or actual fraud). All instruments of transfer which are registered may be retained by the Company.

37. **No Fees on Registration**

No fee shall be charged for registration of a transfer or other document or instruction relating to or affecting the title to any share or for making any other entry in the Register.

38. **Other Powers in Relation to Transfers**

Nothing in these Articles shall prevent the Board:

- (a) from recognising a renunciation of the allotment of any share by the allottee in favour of another person; or
- (b) (if empowered to do so by these Articles) from authorising any person to execute an instrument of transfer of a share and from authorising any person to transfer that share in accordance with any procedures implemented under Article 19.



39. **Transmission of Shares on Death**

If a member dies, the survivors or survivor (where they were a joint holder), and their executors or administrators (where they were a sole or the only survivor of joint holders), shall be the only persons recognised by the Company as having any title to their shares. Nothing in these Articles shall release the estate of a deceased member from any liability for any share which has been solely or jointly held by them.

40. **Election of Person Entitled By Transmission**

40.1 Any person becoming entitled to a share because of the death or bankruptcy of a member, or otherwise by operation of law, may (on such evidence as to their title being produced as the Board may require) elect either to become registered as a member or to have some person nominated by them registered as a member. If they elect to become registered themselves, they shall notify the Company to that effect. If they elect to have some other person registered, they shall execute an instrument of transfer of such share to that person. All the provisions of these Articles relating to the transfer of shares shall apply to the notice or instrument of transfer (as the case may be) as if it were an instrument of transfer executed by the member and their death, bankruptcy or other event had not occurred. Where the entitlement of a person to a share because of the death or bankruptcy of a member or otherwise by operation of law is proved to the satisfaction of the Board, the Board shall within 30 days after proof cause the entitlement of that person to be noted in the Register.

40.2 A person entitled by transmission to a share in uncertificated form who elects to have some other person registered shall either:

- (a) procure that instructions are given by means of the relevant system to effect transfer of such uncertificated share to that person; or
- (b) change the uncertificated share to certificated form and execute an instrument of transfer of that certificated share to that person.

41. **Rights on Transmission**

Where a person becomes entitled to a share because of the death or bankruptcy of any member, or otherwise by operation of law, the rights of the holder in relation to such share shall cease. However, the person so entitled may give a good discharge for any dividends and other monies payable in respect of it and shall have the same rights to which they would be entitled if they were the holder of the share, except that they shall not be entitled to receive notice of, or to attend or vote at, any meeting of the Company or any separate meeting of the holders of any class of shares of the Company before they are registered as the holder of the share. The Board may at any time give notice requiring any such person to elect either to be registered themselves or to transfer the share. If the notice is not complied with within 30 days, the Board may withhold payment of all dividends and any other monies payable in respect of such share until the requirements of the notice have been complied with.

42. **Destruction of Documents**

42.1 The Company may destroy any:

- (a) instrument of transfer, after six years from the date on which it is registered;



- (b) dividend mandate or any variation or cancellation of a dividend mandate or any notification of change of name or address, after two years from the date on which it is recorded;
- (c) share certificate, after one year from the date on which it is cancelled;
- (d) instrument of proxy which has been used for the purpose of a poll at any time after one year has elapsed from the date of use;
- (e) instrument of proxy which has not been used for the purpose of a poll at any time after a period of one month has elapsed from the end of the meeting to which the instrument of proxy relates;
- (f) Share Warrant (including coupons or tokens detailed from it) which has been cancelled at any time after seven years from the date on which it was cancelled; or
- (g) other document for which any entry in the Register is made, after six years from the date on which an entry was first made in the Register in respect of it,

provided that the Company may destroy any such type of document at a date earlier than that authorised by this Article 42.1 if a copy of such document is made and retained (whether electronically, by microfilm, by digital imaging or by other similar means) until the expiration of the period applicable to the destruction of the original of such document.

42.2 It shall be conclusively presumed in favour of the Company that every:

- (a) entry in the Register purporting to have been made on the basis of a document so destroyed was duly and properly made;
- (b) instrument of transfer so destroyed was duly registered;
- (c) share certificate so destroyed was duly cancelled; and
- (d) other document so destroyed had been properly dealt with under its terms and was valid and effective according to the particulars in the records of the Company.

42.3 This Article 42 shall only apply to the destruction of a document in good faith and without notice of any claim (regardless of the parties to it) to which the document might be relevant. Nothing in this Article 42 shall be construed as imposing any liability on the Company in respect of the destruction of any such document other than as provided for in this Article 42 which would not attach to the Company in the absence of this Article 42. References in this Article 42 to the destruction of any document include references to the disposal of it in any manner.

42.4 References in this Article 42 to instruments of transfer shall include, in relation to uncertificated shares, instructions and/or notifications made in accordance with the relevant system relating to the transfer of such shares.



43. **Sub-Division**

Any resolution authorising the Company to sub-divide its shares or any of them may determine that, as between the shares resulting from the sub-division, any of them may have any preference or advantage or be subject to any restriction as compared with the others.

44. **Fractions**

If any shares are consolidated or consolidated and then divided, the Board has power to deal with any fractions of shares which result. If the Board decides to sell any shares representing fractions, it can do so for the best price reasonably obtainable and distribute the net proceeds of sale among members in proportion to their fractional entitlements. The Board can arrange for any shares representing fractions to be entered in the Register as certificated shares if they consider that this makes it easier to sell them. The Board can sell those shares to anyone, including the Company if the legislation allows, and may authorise any person to transfer or deliver the shares to the buyer or in accordance with the buyer's instructions. The buyer shall not be bound to see to the application of the purchase money, nor shall their title to the share(s) be affected by any irregularity or invalidity in the proceedings in reference to the sale.

45. **Annual General Meetings**

An annual general meeting shall be held once a year, at such time and places (including electronic platforms) as may be determined by the Board in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Acts.

46. **Convening of General Meetings**

All meetings other than annual general meetings shall be called general meetings. The Board may, whenever it thinks fit, and shall on requisition in accordance with the Companies Acts, proceed to convene a general meeting which may be held as a physical general meeting or an electronic general meeting.

47. **Notice of General Meetings**

A general meeting shall be called by at least such minimum notice as is required or permitted by the Companies Acts. The period of notice shall in either case be exclusive of the day on which it is served or deemed to be served and of the day on which the meeting is to be held and shall be given to all members other than those who are not entitled to receive such notices from the Company. The Company may give such notice by any means or combination of means permitted by the Companies Acts.

48. **Contents of Notice of Meetings**

48.1 Subject to the provisions of the Companies Acts, every notice calling a meeting shall include all information required to be included by the Act, applicable securities laws, including US securities laws, the Nasdaq Rules or the rules of any other stock exchange or quotation system on which any shares of the Company (and/or depositary instruments over such shares) are then listed or quoted and, further, shall specify:

- (a) whether the meeting shall be a physical and/or electronic general meeting;



- (b) for physical general meetings, the time, date and place of the meeting (including without limitation any satellite meeting place arranged for the purposes of Article 60, which shall be identified as such in the notice);
- (c) for electronic general meetings, the time, date and electronic platform for the meeting, which electronic platforms may vary from time to time and from meeting to meeting as the Board, in its sole discretion, sees fit; and
- (d) with reasonable prominence in every such notice a statement that a member entitled to attend and vote is entitled to a proxy or (if they have more than one share) proxies to exercise all or any of their rights to attend, speak and vote and that a proxy need not be a member of the Company. Such notice shall also include the address of the website on which the information required by the Act is published, state the procedures with which members must comply in order to be able to attend and vote at the meeting (including the date by which they must comply), provide details of any forms to be used for the appointment of a proxy and state that a member has the right to ask questions at the meeting in accordance with the Act.

48.2 The notice shall specify the general nature of the business to be transacted at the meeting and shall set out the text of all resolutions to be considered by the meeting and shall state in each case whether it is proposed as an ordinary resolution or as a special resolution.

48.3 In the case of an annual general meeting, the notice shall also specify the meeting as such.

48.4 For the purposes of determining which persons are entitled to attend or vote at a meeting and how many votes a person may cast, the Company may specify in the notice of meeting a time, not more than 48 hours before the time fixed for the meeting (not taking into account non-working days) by which a person must be entered in the Register in order to have the right to attend or vote at the meeting or appoint a proxy to do so.

49. **Omission to Give Notice and Non-Receipt of Notice**

The accidental omission to give notice of any meeting or to send an instrument of proxy (where this is intended to be sent out with the notice) to or the non-receipt of either by, any person entitled to receive the same shall not invalidate the proceedings of that meeting.

50. **Postponement of General Meeting**

If the Board considers that it is impracticable or unreasonable to hold the physical general meeting at the declared place (or any of the declared places, in the case of a meeting to which Article 60 applies) and/or the electronic general meeting on the electronic platform specified in the notice on the date or at the time stated in the notice calling the meeting, it may change the place (or any of the places, in the case of a meeting to which Article 60 applies) or electronic platform and/or postpone the time and/or date at which the meeting is to be held (or do both). The Board shall take reasonable steps to ensure that notice of the date, time and place of, or electronic platform for, the rearranged meeting is given to any member trying to attend the meeting at the original time and place or on the original electronic platform. Notice of the date, time and place of, or electronic platform for, the rearranged meeting shall, if practicable, also be placed in at least two national newspapers published in the United Kingdom. Notice of the business to be transacted at such rearranged meeting shall not be required. If a meeting is rearranged in accordance with this Article 50, appointments of proxy will be valid if they are received as required by these Articles not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the rearranged meeting and for the purpose of calculating this period, the Board can decide in their absolute discretion, not to take account of any part of a day that is not a working day. The Board may also postpone or move the rearranged meeting (or do both) under this Article 50.



51. **Quorum at General Meeting**

No business shall be transacted at any general meeting unless a quorum is present. If a quorum is not present a chairman of the meeting can still be chosen and this will not be treated as part of the business of the meeting. One or more qualifying persons present at a meeting and between them holding (or being the proxy or corporate representative of the holders of) at least 33 ⅓ per cent in number of the issued shares (excluding any shares held as treasury shares) entitled to attend and vote on the business to be transacted shall constitute a quorum.

For the purposes of this Article 51:

- (a) a "**qualifying person**" is an individual who is a member, a person authorised to act as the representative of a member (being a corporation) in relation to the meeting or a person appointed as proxy of a member in relation to the meeting; and
- (b) where a qualifying person is present as proxy of a member in relation to the meeting, they are treated as holding only the shares in respect of which they are authorised to exercise voting rights.

52. **Procedure if Quorum Not Present**

If a quorum is not present within 15 minutes (or such longer interval as the chairman in their absolute discretion thinks fit) from the time appointed for holding a general meeting, or if a quorum ceases to be present during a meeting, the meeting shall be dissolved if convened on the requisition of members. In any other case, the meeting shall stand adjourned to another day, (not being less than ten clear days after the date of the original meeting), and at such time and place or electronic platform as the chairman (or, in default, the Board) may determine. If at such adjourned meeting a quorum is not present within 15 minutes from the time appointed for holding the meeting, the meeting shall be dissolved.

53. **Chairman of General Meeting**

53.1 The chairman of the Board shall preside at every general meeting of the Company. If there is no such chairman or if at any meeting they shall not be present within five minutes after the time appointed for holding the meeting, or shall be unwilling to act as chairman, the deputy chairman (if any) of the Board shall, if present and willing to act, preside at such meeting. If more than one deputy chairman is present they shall agree amongst themselves who is to take the chair or, if they cannot agree, the deputy chairman who has been in office as a director the longest shall take the chair.

53.2 If no chairman or deputy chairman shall be so present and willing to act, the Directors present shall choose one of their number to act or, if there be only one Director present, they shall be chairman if willing to act. If there be no Director present and willing to act, the members present and entitled to vote shall choose one of their number to be chairman of the meeting. Nothing in these Articles shall restrict or exclude any of the powers or rights of a chairman of a meeting which are given by law.



54. **Entitlement to Attend and Speak**

A Director (and any other person invited by the chairman to do so) may attend and speak at any general meeting and at any separate meeting of the holders of any class of shares of the Company, whether or not they are a member.

55. **Adjournments**

The chairman may, with the consent of a meeting at which a quorum is present, and shall, if so directed by the meeting, adjourn any meeting from time to time (or indefinitely) and from place to place (which place may include electronic platforms) as the meeting shall determine. However, without prejudice to any other power which they may have under these Articles or at common law, the chairman may, without the need for the consent of the meeting, interrupt or adjourn any meeting from time to time and from place to place (which place may include electronic platforms) for an indefinite period if they are of the opinion that it has become necessary to do so in order to secure the proper and orderly conduct of the meeting or to give all persons entitled to do so a reasonable opportunity of attending, speaking and voting at the meeting or to ensure that the business of the meeting is properly disposed of.

56. **Notice of Adjournment**

If the meeting is adjourned indefinitely or for more than three months, notice of the adjourned meeting shall be given in the same manner as in the case of the original meeting. Except as provided in these Articles, there is no need to give notice of the adjourned meeting or of the business to be considered there.

57. **Business of Adjourned Meeting**

No business shall be transacted at any adjourned meeting other than the business which might properly have been transacted at the meeting from which the adjournment took place.

58. **Security Arrangements and Orderly Conduct**

58.1 The Board at any physical general meeting may direct that any person wishing to attend any meeting should provide such evidence of identity and submit to such searches or other security arrangements or restrictions as the Board shall consider appropriate in the circumstances and shall be entitled in its absolute discretion to refuse entry to any meeting to any person who fails to provide such evidence of identity or to submit to such searches or to otherwise comply with such security arrangements or restrictions.

58.2 The chairman at any physical general meeting shall take such action or give directions as they think fit to promote the orderly conduct of the business of the meeting as laid down in the notice of the meeting and to ensure the security of the meeting and the safety of the people attending the meeting. The chairman's decision on matters of procedure or arising incidentally from the business of the meeting shall be final as shall be their determination as to whether any matter is of such a nature.





58.3 The Board and, at any electronic general meeting, the chairman may make any arrangement and impose any requirement or restriction as is:

- (a) necessary to ensure the identification of those taking part and the security of the electronic communication; and
- (b) proportionate to those objectives.

In this respect, the Company is able to authorise any voting application, system or facility for electronic general meetings as it sees fit.

59. **Other Arrangements for Viewing and Hearing Proceedings at Physical General Meetings**

59.1 The Board may, in accordance with this Article 59, make arrangements for members and proxies who are entitled to attend and participate in a general meeting, but who cannot be seated in the main meeting room where the chairman will be, to attend and take part in a general meeting in an overflow room or rooms. Any overflow room will have appropriate links to the main room and will enable audio-visual communication between the meeting rooms throughout the meeting. The Board will decide how to divide members and proxies between the main room and the overflow room. If an overflow room is used, the meeting will be treated as being held and taking place in the main meeting room and the meeting will consist of all the members and proxies who are attending both in the main meeting room and the overflow room.

59.2 Details of any arrangements for overflow rooms will be set out in the notice of the meeting but failure to do so will not invalidate the meeting.

59.3 The Board may make arrangements for members and proxies who are entitled to attend and participate in a general meeting or an adjourned general meeting, to be able to view and hear the proceedings of the general meeting or adjourned general meeting and to speak at the meeting (whether by use of microphones, loudspeakers, audio-visual communications equipment or otherwise) by attending at a venue anywhere in the world not being a satellite meeting place. If the general meeting is only held as a physical meeting and not also as an electronic meeting, those attending at any such venue shall not be regarded as present at the general meeting or adjourned general meeting and shall not be entitled to vote at the general meeting at or from that venue. The inability for any reason of any member present in person or by proxy at such a venue to view or hear all or any of the proceedings of the physical general meeting or to speak at the meeting shall not in any way affect the validity of the proceedings of the general meeting.

60. **Satellite Meeting Places**

60.1 To facilitate the organisation and administration of any general meeting, the Board may decide that the meeting shall be held at two or more locations.

60.2 For the purposes of these Articles, any general meeting of the Company taking place at two or more locations shall be treated as taking place where the chairman of the meeting presides (the **principal meeting place**) and any other location where that meeting takes place is referred in these Articles as a **satellite meeting**.



- 60.3 A member present in person or by proxy at a satellite meeting may be counted in the quorum and may exercise all rights that they would have been able to exercise if they were present at the principal meeting place.
- 60.4 The Board may make and change from time to time such arrangements as they shall in their absolute discretion consider appropriate to:
- (a) ensure that all members and proxies for members wishing to attend the meeting can do so;
  - (b) ensure that all persons attending the meeting are able to participate in the business of the meeting and to hear anyone else addressing the meeting (whether by the use of microphones, loudspeakers, audio-visual communications equipment or otherwise) in the principal meeting place and any satellite meeting place, and be heard by all other persons so present in the same way;
  - (c) ensure the safety of persons attending the meeting and the orderly conduct of the meeting; and
  - (d) restrict the numbers of members and proxies at any one location to such number as can safely and conveniently be accommodated there (including without limitation the issue of tickets or the imposition of some other means of selection).
- 60.5 The entitlement of any member or proxy to attend a satellite meeting shall be subject to any such arrangements then in force and stated by the notice of the meeting or adjourned meeting to apply to the meeting.
- 60.6 If there is a failure of communication equipment or any other failure in the arrangements for participation in the meeting at more than one place, the chairman may adjourn the meeting in accordance with Article 55. Such adjournment will not affect the validity of such meeting, or any business conducted at such meeting up to the point of adjournment, or any action taken pursuant to such meeting.
- 60.7 A person (**satellite chairman**) appointed by the Board shall preside at each satellite meeting. Every satellite chairman shall carry out all requests made of them by the chairman of the meeting, may take such action as they think necessary to maintain the proper and orderly conduct of the satellite meeting and shall have all powers necessary or desirable for such purposes.
61. **Electronic General Meetings**
- 61.1 Without prejudice to Article 60, the Board may resolve to enable persons entitled to attend a general meeting hosted on an electronic platform (such meeting being an **electronic general meeting**) to do so by simultaneous attendance by electronic means with no member necessarily in physical attendance at the electronic general meeting. The members or their proxies present shall be counted in the quorum for, and entitled to vote at, the general meeting in question, and that meeting shall be duly constituted and its proceedings valid if the chairman of the meeting is satisfied that adequate facilities are available throughout the electronic general meeting to ensure that members attending the electronic general meeting who are not present together at the same place may, by electronic means, attend, speak and vote at it.



61.2 If there is a failure of communication equipment, electronic platform, facilities, security or any other failure in the arrangements for participation in the electronic general meeting, the chairman may, without the consent of the meeting, interrupt or adjourn the meeting in accordance with Article 55. Such adjournment will not affect the validity of such meeting, or any business conducted at such meeting up to the point of adjournment, or any action taken pursuant to such meeting.

61.3 If, at any electronic general meeting, any document is required to be on display or to be available for inspection at that meeting (whether prior to or for the duration of the meeting or both), the Company shall ensure that it is available in electronic form to persons entitled to inspect it for at least the required period of time, and this will be deemed to satisfy any such requirements.

61.4 Nothing in these Articles prevents a general meeting being held both physically and electronically.

## 62. **Meaning of Participate**

62.1 For the purposes of Articles 50, 59 and 60 in relation to physical general meetings, the right of a member to participate in the business of any general meeting shall include without limitation the right to speak, vote on a show of hands, vote on a poll, be represented by a proxy and have access to all documents which are required by the Companies Acts or these Articles to be made available at the meeting.

62.2 For the purposes of Articles 50, 59, 61 in relation to electronic general meetings, the right of a member to participate in the business of any general meetings shall include without limitation the right to speak, vote on a poll, be represented by a proxy and have access (including electronic access) to all documents which are required by the Companies Acts or these Articles to be made available at the meeting.

## 63. **Amendment to Resolutions**

63.1 If an amendment to any resolution under consideration is proposed but is ruled out of order by the chairman of the meeting in good faith, any error in such ruling shall not invalidate the proceedings on the original resolution.

63.2 In the case of a resolution duly proposed as a special resolution, no amendment to it (other than an amendment to correct a patent error) may in any event be considered or voted on. In the case of a resolution duly proposed as an ordinary resolution no amendment to it (other than an amendment to correct a patent error) may be considered or voted on unless either at least 48 hours prior to the time appointed for holding the meeting or adjourned meeting at which such ordinary resolution is to be proposed, notice in writing of the terms of the amendment and intention to move the same has been lodged at the Office or received in electronic form at the electronic address at which the Company has or is deemed to have agreed to receive it or the chairman of the meeting in their absolute discretion decides that it may be considered or voted on.



64. **Members' Resolutions**

64.1 Members of the Company shall have the rights provided by the Companies Acts to have the Company circulate and give notice of a resolution which may be properly moved, and is intended to be moved, at the Company's next annual general meeting.

64.2 Expenses of complying with these rights shall be borne in accordance with the Companies Acts.

65. **Method of Voting**

65.1 At any general meeting a resolution put to a vote of the meeting shall be decided on a show of hands, unless (before or on the declaration of the result of the show of hands) a poll is duly demanded. Subject to the Companies Acts, a poll may be demanded by:

- (a) the chairman of the meeting; or
- (b) at least two members present in person (or by proxy) and entitled to vote at the meeting; or
- (c) a member or members present in person (or by proxy) representing at least one-tenth of the total voting rights of all the members having the right to vote at the meeting; or
- (d) a member or members present in person (or by proxy) holding shares conferring a right to vote at the meeting, being shares on which an aggregate sum has been paid up equal to at least one-tenth of the total sum paid up on all the shares conferring that right.

65.2 If so determined by the chairman of the meeting, resolutions put to the members at electronic general meetings may be voted on by a poll, which poll votes may be cast by such electronic means as the board in its sole discretion deems appropriate for the purposes of the meeting.

65.3 The chairman of the meeting may also demand a poll before a resolution is put to the vote on a show of hands.

65.4 At general meetings, resolutions shall be put to the vote by the chairman of the meeting and there shall be no requirement for the resolution to be proposed or seconded by any person.

65.5 Unless a poll is duly demanded and the demand is not withdrawn, a declaration by the chairman of the meeting that a resolution has on a show of hands been carried, or carried unanimously or by a particular majority, or lost, or not carried by a particular majority, and an entry to that effect in the book containing the minutes of proceedings of the Company, shall be conclusive evidence of the fact, without proof of the number or proportion of the votes recorded in favour of or against such resolution.

66. **Objection to Error in Voting**

No objection shall be raised to the qualification of any voter or to the counting of, or failure to count, any vote, except at the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the vote objected to is given or tendered or at which the error occurs. Any objection or error shall be referred to the chairman of the meeting and shall only vitiate the decision of the meeting on any resolution if the chairman decides that the same is of sufficient magnitude to vitiate the resolution or may otherwise have affected the decision of the meeting. The decision of the chairman of the meeting on such matters shall be final and conclusive.



**67. Procedure on a Poll**

- 67.1 Any poll duly demanded on the election of a chairman or on any question of adjournment shall be taken immediately. A poll duly demanded on any other matter shall be taken in such manner (including the use of ballot or voting papers or tickets) and at such time and place or electronic platform, not more than 30 days from the date of the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the poll was demanded, as the chairman shall direct. The chairman may appoint scrutineers who need not be members. It is not necessary to give notice of a poll not taken immediately if the time and place at, or electronic platform on, which it is to be taken are announced at the meeting at which it is demanded. In any other case, at least seven clear days' notice shall be given specifying the time, date and place at, or electronic platform on, which the poll shall be taken. The result of the poll shall be deemed to be the resolution of the meeting at which the poll was demanded.
- 67.2 The demand for a poll (other than on the election of a chairman or any question of adjournment) shall not prevent the continuance of the meeting for the transaction of any business other than the question on which a poll has been demanded.
- 67.3 The demand for a poll may, before the poll is taken, be withdrawn, but only with the consent of the chairman of the meeting. A demand so withdrawn validates the result of a show of hands declared before the demand was made. If a poll is demanded before the declaration of the result of a show of hands and the demand is duly withdrawn, the meeting shall continue as if the demand had not been made.
- 67.4 On a poll votes may be given in person or by proxy. A member entitled to more than one vote need not, if he votes, use all his votes or cast all the votes he uses in the same way.

**68. Votes of Members**

- 68.1 Subject to Article 68.2, the Companies Acts, to any special terms as to voting on which any shares may have been issued or may for the time being be held and to any suspension or abrogation of voting rights under these Articles, at any general meeting every member who is present in person (or by proxy) shall on a show of hands have one vote and every member present in person (or by proxy) shall on a poll have one vote for each share of which they are the holder.
- 68.2 On a show of hands, a duly appointed proxy has one vote for and one vote against a resolution if the proxy has been appointed by more than one member entitled to vote on the resolution and the proxy has been instructed:
- (a) by one or more of those members to vote for the resolution and by one or more other of those members to vote against it; or
  - (b) by one or more of those members to vote either for or against the resolution and by one or more other of those members to use his/her discretion as to how to vote.
- 68.3 If two or more persons are joint holders of a share, then in voting on any question the vote of the most senior joint holder who tenders a vote, whether in person or by proxy, shall be accepted to the exclusion of the votes of the other joint holders. For this purpose seniority shall be determined by the order in which the names of the holders stand in the Register.



68.4 Where in England or elsewhere a receiver or other person (by whatever name called) has been appointed by any court claiming jurisdiction in that behalf to exercise powers with respect to the property or affairs of any member on the ground (however formulated) of mental disorder, the Board may in its absolute discretion, upon or subject to production of such evidence of the appointment as the Board may require, permit such receiver or other person on behalf of such member to vote in person, on a show of hands or on a poll, by proxy on behalf of such member at any general meeting or to exercise any other right conferred by membership in relation to meetings of the Company. Evidence to the satisfaction of the Board of the authority of the person claiming to exercise the right to vote shall be deposited at the Office, or at such other place as is specified in accordance with these Articles for the deposit of instruments of proxy, at least 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the right to vote is to be exercised and, in default, the right to vote shall not be exercisable.

68.5 In the case of equality of votes whether on a show of hands or on a poll, the chairman of the meeting at which the show of hands takes place or at which the poll is demanded shall not be entitled to a casting vote.

69. **No Right to Vote Where Sums Overdue on Shares**

No member may vote at a general meeting (or any separate meeting of the holders of any class of shares), either in person or by proxy, or to exercise any other right or privilege as a member in respect of a share held by them unless:

- (a) all calls or other sums presently due and payable by them in respect of that share whether alone or jointly with any other person together with interest and expenses (if any) have been paid to the Company; or
- (b) the Board determines otherwise.

70. **Voting by Proxy**

70.1 Subject to Article 70.2, an instrument appointing a proxy shall be in writing in any usual form (or in another form approved by the Board) executed under the hand of the appointer or their duly constituted attorney or, if the appointer is a corporation, under its seal or signed by a duly authorised officer or attorney or other person authorised to sign.

70.2 Subject to the Companies Acts, the Board may accept the appointment of a proxy received by electronic means on such terms and subject to such conditions as it considers fit. The appointment of a proxy received by electronic means shall not be subject to the requirements of Article 70.1.

70.3 For the purposes of Articles 70.1 and 70.2, the Board may require such reasonable evidence it considers necessary to determine:

- (a) the identity of the member and the proxy; and
- (b) where the proxy is appointed by a person acting on behalf of the member, the authority of that person to make the appointment.



- 70.4 A member may appoint another person as their proxy to exercise all or any of their rights to attend and to speak and to vote (both on a show of hands and on a poll) on a resolution or amendment of a resolution, or on other business arising, at a meeting or meetings of the Company. Unless the contrary is stated in it, the appointment of a proxy shall be deemed to confer authority to exercise all such rights, as the proxy thinks fit.
- 70.5 A proxy need not be a member.
- 70.6 A member may appoint more than one proxy in relation to a meeting, provided that each proxy is appointed to exercise the rights attached to different shares held by the member. When two or more valid but differing appointments of proxy are delivered or received for the same share for use at the same meeting, the one which is last validly delivered or received (regardless of its date or the date of its execution) shall be treated as replacing and revoking the other or others as regards that share. If the Company is unable to determine which appointment was last validly delivered or received, none of them shall be treated as valid in respect of that share.
- 70.7 Delivery or receipt of an appointment of proxy does not prevent a member attending and voting in person at the meeting or an adjournment of the meeting or on a poll.
- 70.8 The appointment of a proxy shall (unless the contrary is stated in it) be valid for an adjournment of the meeting as well as for the meeting or meetings to which it relates. The appointment of a proxy shall be valid for 12 months from the date of execution or, in the case of an appointment of proxy delivered by electronic means, for 12 months from the date of delivery unless otherwise specified by the Board.
- 70.9 Subject to the Companies Acts, the Company may send a form of appointment of proxy to all or none of the persons entitled to receive notice of and to vote at a meeting. If sent, the form shall provide for three-way voting on all resolutions (other than procedural resolutions) set out in the notice of meeting.
71. **Receipt of Proxy**
- 71.1 An instrument appointing a proxy and any reasonable evidence required by the Board in accordance with Article 70.3 shall:
- (a) subject to Articles 71.1(c) and (d), in the case of an instrument of proxy in hard copy form, delivered to the Office, or another place in the United Kingdom specified in the notice convening the meeting or in the form of appointment of proxy or other accompanying document sent by the Company in relation to the meeting (a **proxy notification address**) not less than 48 hours before the time for holding the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the person named in the form of appointment of proxy proposes to vote or by such later time as is specified in the notice or instrument;
  - (b) subject to Articles 71.1(c) and (d), in the case of an appointment of a proxy sent by electronic means, where the Company has given an electronic address (a proxy notification electronic address):
    - (i) in the notice calling the meeting;



- (ii) in an instrument of proxy sent out by or on behalf of the Company in relation to the meeting;
- (iii) in an invitation to appoint a proxy issued by or on behalf of the Company in relation to the meeting; or
- (iv) on a website maintained by or on behalf of the Company on which any information relating to the meeting is required by the Act to be kept,

it shall be received at such proxy notification electronic address not less than 48 hours before the time for holding the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the person named in the form of appointment of proxy proposes to vote or by such later time as is specified in any of the methods of notice in Articles 71.1(b)(i) to 71.1(b)(iv) above;

- (c) in the case of a poll taken more than 48 hours after it is demanded, delivered or received at a proxy notification address or a proxy notification electronic address and not less than 24 hours before the time appointed for the holding of the adjourned meeting or the taking of the poll; or
- (d) in the case of a poll which is not taken at the meeting at which it is demanded but is taken 48 hours or less after it is demanded, or in the case of an adjourned meeting to be held 48 hours or less after the time fixed for holding the original meeting, received:
  - (i) at a proxy notification address or a proxy notification electronic address in accordance with Articles 71.1(a) or (b);
  - (ii) by the chairman of the meeting or the secretary or any director at the meeting at which the poll is demanded or, as the case may be, at the original meeting; or
  - (iii) at a proxy notification address or a proxy notification electronic address by such time as the chairman of the meeting may direct at the meeting at which the poll is demanded.

In calculating the periods in this Article, no account shall be taken of any part of a day that is not a working day.

- 71.2 The Board may decide, either generally or in any particular case, to treat a proxy appointment as valid notwithstanding that the appointment or any of the information required under Article 70.3 has not been received in accordance with the requirements of this Article.
- 71.3 Subject to Article 71.2, if the proxy appointment and any of the information required under Article 70.3 is not received in the manner set out in Article 71.1, the appointee shall not be entitled to vote in respect of the shares in question.
- 71.4 Without limiting the foregoing, in relation to any uncertificated shares, the Board may from time to time:
  - (a) permit appointments of a proxy by means of a communication sent in electronic form in the form of an uncertificated proxy instruction; and
  - (b) permit supplements to, or amendments or revocations of, any such uncertificated proxy instruction by the same means.





The Board may in addition prescribe the method of determining the time at which any such uncertificated proxy instruction is to be treated as received by the Company or a participant acting on its behalf. The Board may treat any such uncertificated proxy instruction which purports to be or is expressed to be sent on behalf of a holder of a share as sufficient evidence of the authority of the person sending that instruction to send it on behalf of that holder.

**72. Revocation of Proxy**

A vote given or poll demanded by a proxy shall be valid in the event of the death or mental disorder of the principal or the revocation of the instrument of proxy, or of the authority under which the instrument of proxy was executed, or the transfer of the share for which the instrument of proxy is given, unless notice in writing of such death, mental disorder, revocation or transfer shall have been received by the Company at the Office, or at such other place as has been appointed for the deposit of instruments of proxy, no later than the last time at which an appointment of a proxy should have been received in order for it to be valid for use at the meeting or on the holding of the poll at which the vote was given or the poll taken.

**73. Corporate Representatives**

73.1 A corporation (whether or not a company within the meaning of the Act) which is a member may, by resolution of its directors or other governing body, authorise such person as it thinks fit to act as its representative (or, as the case may be, representatives) at any meeting of the Company or at any separate meeting of the holders of any class of shares.

73.2 Any person so authorised shall be entitled to exercise the same powers on behalf of the corporation (in respect of that part of the corporation's holdings to which the authority relates) as the corporation could exercise if it were an individual member.

73.3 The corporation shall for the purposes of these Articles be deemed to be present in person and at any such meeting if a person so authorised is present at it, and all references to attendance and voting in person shall be construed accordingly.

73.4 A Director, the Secretary or some person authorised for the purpose by the Secretary may require the representative to produce a certified copy of the resolution so authorising them or such other evidence of their authority reasonably satisfactory to them before permitting them to exercise their powers.

73.5 A vote given or a poll demanded by a corporate representative shall be valid notwithstanding that they are no longer authorised to represent the member unless notice of the revocation of appointment was delivered in writing to the Company at such place or address and by such time as is specified in Article 72 for the revocation of the appointment of a proxy.



74. **Failure to Disclose Interests in Shares**

74.1 If a member, or any other person appearing to be interested in shares held by that member, has been issued with a notice under section 793 of the Act (**section 793 notice**) and has failed in relation to any shares (**default shares**, which expression includes any shares issued after the date of such notice in right of those shares) to give the Company the information required by the section 793 notice within the prescribed period from the service of the notice, the following sanctions shall apply unless the Board determines otherwise:

- (a) the member shall not be entitled in respect of the default shares to be present or to vote (either in person or by representative or proxy) at any general meeting or at any separate meeting of the holders of any class of shares or on any poll or to exercise any other right conferred by membership in relation to any such meeting or poll; and
- (b) where the default shares represent at least 0.25% in nominal value of the issued shares of their class (calculated exclusive of any shares held as treasury shares):
  - (i) any dividend or other money payable for such shares shall be withheld by the Company, which shall not have any obligation to pay interest on it, and the member shall not be entitled to elect, pursuant to Article 132, to receive shares instead of that dividend; and
  - (ii) no transfer, other than an excepted transfer, of any shares held by the member shall be registered unless the member themselves is not in default of supplying the required information and the member proves to the satisfaction of the Board that no person in default of supplying such information is interested in any of the shares that are the subject of the transfer.

For the purposes of ensuring Article 74.1(b)(ii) can apply to all shares held by the member, the Company may in accordance with the uncertificated securities rules, issue a written notification to the Operator requiring conversion into certificated form of any share held by the member in uncertificated form.

74.2 Where the sanctions under Article 74.1 apply in relation to any shares, they shall cease to have effect (and any dividends withheld under Article 74.1(b) shall become payable):

- (a) if the shares are transferred by means of an excepted transfer but only in respect of the shares transferred; or
- (b) at the end of the period of seven days (or such shorter period as the Board may determine) following receipt by the Company of the information required by the section 793 notice and the Board being fully satisfied that such information is full and complete.

74.3 Where, on the basis of information obtained from a member in respect of any share held by them, the Company issues a section 793 notice to any other person, it shall at the same time send a copy of the notice to the member, but the accidental omission to do so, or the non-receipt by the member of the copy, shall not invalidate or otherwise affect the application of Article 74.1.



74.4 For the purposes of this Article 74:

- (a) a person, other than the member holding a share, shall be treated as appearing to be interested in that share if the member has informed the Company that the person is, or may be, so interested, or if the Company (after taking account of any information obtained from the member or, pursuant to a section 793 notice, from anyone else) knows or has reasonable cause to believe that the person is, or may be, so interested;
- (b) **interested** shall be construed as it is for the purpose of section 793 of the Act;
- (c) reference to a person having failed to give the Company the information required by a notice, or being in default as regards supplying such information, includes reference:
  - (i) to them having failed or refused to give all of any part of it; and
  - (ii) to them having given information which they know to be false in a material particular or having recklessly given information which is false in a material particular;
- (d) **prescribed period** means 14 days;
- (e) **excepted transfer** means, in relation to any shares held by a member:
  - (i) a transfer by way of or pursuant to acceptance of a takeover offer for the Company (within the meaning of section 974 of the Act); or
  - (ii) a transfer in consequence of a sale made through a recognised investment exchange (as defined in section 285 of the FSMA) or any other stock exchange outside the United Kingdom on which the Company's shares or depositary instruments representing such shares are normally traded; or
  - (iii) a transfer which is shown to the satisfaction of the Board to be made in consequence of a sale of the whole of the beneficial interest in the shares to a person who is unconnected with the member and with any other person appearing to be interested in the shares.

74.5 Nothing contained in this Article 74 shall be taken to limit the powers of the Company under section 794 of the Act.

75. **Power of Sale of Shares of Untraced Members**

75.1 The Company shall be entitled to sell at the best price reasonably obtainable any share of a member, or any share to which a person is entitled by transmission, if and provided that:



- (a) during the period of 12 years before the date of sending of the notice referred to in Article 75.1(b) no cheque, order or warrant in respect of such share sent by the Company through the post in a pre-paid envelope addressed to the member or to the person entitled by transmission to the share, at their address on the Register or other last known address given by the member or person to which cheques, orders or warrants in respect of such share are to be sent has been cashed and the Company has received no communications in respect of such share from such member or person entitled, provided that during such period of 12 years the Company has paid at least three cash dividends (whether interim or final) and no such dividend has been claimed by the person entitled to it;
- (b) on or after expiry of the said period of 12 years, the Company has given notice of its intention to sell such share by sending a notice to the member or person entitled by transmission to the share at their address on the Register or other last known address given by the member or person entitled by transmission to the share and before sending such a notice to the member or other person entitled by transmission, the Company must have used reasonable efforts to trace the member or other person entitled, engaging, if considered appropriate, a professional asset reunification company or other tracing agent and/or giving notice of its intention to sell the share by advertisement in a national newspaper and in a newspaper circulating in the area of the address of the member or person entitled by transmission to the share shown in the Register;
- (c) during the further period of three months following the date of such notice and prior to the exercise of the power of sale the Company has not received any communication in respect of such share from the member or person entitled by transmission; and
- (d) the Company has given notice to Nasdaq of its intention to make such sale, if shares of the class concerned, or certificated or uncertificated depository instruments over such shares, are listed on Nasdaq or dealt in on any other recognised stock exchange on which the shares are listed.

75.2 To give effect to any sale of shares under this Article 75, the Board may authorise some person to transfer the shares in question and may enter the name of the transferee in respect of the transferred shares in the Register even if no share certificate has been lodged for such shares and may issue a new certificate to the transferee. An instrument of transfer executed by that person shall be as effective as if it had been executed by the holder of or the person entitled by transmission to, the shares. The buyer shall not be bound to see to the application of the purchase monies, nor shall their title to the shares be affected by any irregularity or invalidity in the proceedings in reference to the sale. If the shares are in uncertificated form, in accordance with the uncertificated securities rules, the Board may issue a written notification to the Operator requiring the conversion of the share to certificated form.

75.3 If during the period of 12 years referred to in Article 75.1, or during any period ending on the date when all the requirements of Articles 75.1(a) to 75.1(d) have been satisfied, any additional shares have been issued in respect of those held at the beginning of, or previously so issued during, any such period and all the requirements of Articles 75.1(b) to 75.1(d) have been satisfied in regard to such additional shares, the Company shall also be entitled to sell the additional shares.



76. **Application of Proceeds of Sale of Shares of Untraced Members**

The Company shall account to the member or other person entitled to the share for the net proceeds of a sale under Article 75 by carrying all monies relating to such sale to a separate account. The Company shall be deemed to be a debtor to, and not a trustee for, such member or other person in respect of such monies. Monies carried to such separate account may either be employed in the business of the Company or invested in such investments as the Board may think fit. No interest shall be payable to such member or other person in respect of such monies and the Company does not have to account for any money earned on them.

77. **Number of Directors**

Unless otherwise determined by the Company by ordinary resolution, the number of Directors (other than any alternate Directors) shall be at least two but shall not be subject to any maximum number.

78. **Power of Company to Appoint Directors**

Subject to these Articles and the Companies Acts, the Company may by ordinary resolution appoint a person who is willing to act to be a Director, either to fill a vacancy or as an addition to the existing Board but the total number of Directors shall not exceed any maximum number fixed in accordance with these Articles.

79. **Power of Board to Appoint Directors**

79.1 Subject to these Articles, the Board shall have power at any time to appoint any person who is willing to act as a Director, either to fill a vacancy or as an addition to the existing Board but the total number of Directors shall not exceed any maximum number fixed in accordance with these Articles.

79.2 A Director so appointed shall hold office only until:

- (a) the next annual general meeting following their appointment, when they shall retire, but shall then be eligible for re-election and a Director so retiring shall not be taken into account in determining the number of Directors to retire by rotation at such meeting in accordance with Article 81; or
- (b) his earlier resignation or removal in accordance with these Articles.

80. **Eligibility of New Directors**

80.1 No person, other than a retiring Director (by rotation or otherwise), shall be appointed or re-appointed a Director at any general meeting unless:

- (a) they are recommended by the Board; or
- (b) at least seven but not more than 42 clear days before the date appointed for the meeting the Company has received notice from a member (other than the person proposed) entitled to vote at the meeting of their intention to propose a resolution for the appointment or re-appointment of that person, stating the particulars which would, if they were so appointed or re-appointed, be required to be included in the Company's register of Directors and a notice executed by that person of their willingness to be appointed or re-appointed, is lodged at the Office.



80.2 A Director need not be a member of the Company.

## 81. **Classes and Retirement of Directors**

81.1 Following the Listing, the Directors shall be divided into three classes designated as "**Class I**", "**Class II**" and "**Class III**", respectively. The Board is authorised to assign (i) members of the Board already in office such classes at the time the classification becomes effective and (ii) members of the Board who are appointed following the Listing, such classes at the time of such appointment.

81.2 At the first annual general meeting of the Company following the Listing, each Director in Class I shall retire from office but shall be eligible for re-appointment by ordinary resolution at such annual general meeting and, in each case, where such Director is so re-appointed, they shall be entitled to serve until the third anniversary of such annual general meeting of the Company, at which stage such Director shall retire from office but shall be eligible for further re-appointment.

81.3 At the second annual general meeting of the Company following the Listing, each Director in Class II shall retire from office but shall be eligible for re-appointment by ordinary resolution at such annual general meeting and, in each case, where such Director is so re-appointed, they shall be entitled to serve until the third anniversary of such annual general meeting of the Company, at which stage such Director shall retire from office but shall be eligible for further re-appointment.

81.4 At the third annual general meeting of the Company following the Listing, each Director in Class III shall retire from office but shall be eligible for re-appointment by ordinary resolution at such annual general meeting and, in each case, where such Director is so re-appointed, they shall be entitled to serve until the third anniversary of such annual general meeting of the Company, at which stage such Director shall retire from office but shall be eligible for further re-appointment.

81.5 At each succeeding annual general meeting of the Company following the third annual general meeting of the Company after the Listing, Directors shall be elected to serve for a term of three years to succeed the Directors of the class whose terms expire at such annual general meeting.

81.6 Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions, each Director shall serve until their successor is duly elected and qualified or until their earlier death, resignation or removal.

## 82. **Deemed Re-Appointment**

82.1 A Director who retires at an annual general meeting shall (unless they are removed from office or their office is vacated in accordance with these Articles) retain office until the close of the meeting at which they retire or (if earlier) when a resolution is passed at that meeting not to fill the vacancy or to elect another person in their place or the resolution to re-appoint them is put to the meeting and lost.

82.2 If the Company, at any meeting at which a Director retires in accordance with these Articles does not fill the office vacated by such Director, the retiring Director, if willing to act, shall be deemed to be re-appointed unless at that meeting a resolution is passed not to fill the vacancy or elect another person in their place or unless the resolution to re-appoint them is put to the meeting and lost.



**83. Procedure if Insufficient Directors Appointed**

- 83.1 If:
- (a) at the annual general meeting in any year any resolution or resolutions for the appointment or re-appointment of the persons eligible for appointment or re- appointment as Directors are put to the meeting and lost; and
  - (b) at the end of that meeting the number of Directors is fewer than any minimum number of Directors required under Article 77,
- all retiring Directors who stood for re-appointment at that meeting (**Retiring Directors**) shall be deemed to have been re-appointed as Directors and shall remain in office but the Retiring Directors may only act for the purpose of filling vacancies, convening general meetings of the Company and performing such duties as are essential to maintain the Company as a going concern, and not for any other purpose.
- 83.2 The Retiring Directors shall convene a general meeting as soon as reasonably practicable following the meeting referred to in Article 83.1 and they shall retire from office at that meeting. If at the end of any meeting convened under this Article the number of Directors is fewer than any minimum number of Directors required under Article 77, the provisions of this Article shall also apply to that meeting.

**84. Removal of Directors**

In addition to any power of removal conferred by the Companies Acts, the Company may by special resolution, or by ordinary resolution of which special notice has been given in accordance with section 312 of the Act, remove a Director before the expiry of their period of office (without prejudice to a claim for damages for breach of contract or otherwise) and may (subject to these Articles) by ordinary resolution appoint another person who is willing to act to be a Director in their place.

**85. Vacation of Office by Director**

- 85.1 Without prejudice to the provisions for retirement (by rotation or otherwise) contained in these Articles, the office of a Director shall be vacated if:
- (a) the Director resigns by notice in writing delivered to the Secretary at the Office or at an address specified by the Company for the purposes of communication by electronic means or tendered at a Board meeting;
  - (b) the Director offers to resign by notice in writing delivered to the Secretary at the Office or at an address specified by the Company for the purposes of communication by electronic means or tendered at a Board meeting and the Board resolves to accept such offer;
  - (c) the Director is requested to resign by all of the other Directors by notice in writing addressed to them at their address as shown in the register of Directors (without prejudice to any claim for damages which they may have for breach of any contract between themselves and the Company);



- (d) the Director ceases to be a Director by virtue of any provision of the Companies Acts, is removed from office pursuant to these Articles or the Act or becomes prohibited by law or by the rules of any applicable stock exchange from being a Director;
- (e) the Director becomes bankrupt or makes an arrangement or composition with their creditors generally;
- (f) a registered medical practitioner who is treating that Director gives a written opinion to the Company stating that that Director has become physically or mentally incapable of acting as a Director and may remain so for more than three months, or they are or have been suffering from mental or physical ill health and the Board resolves that their office be vacated; or
- (g) the Director is absent (whether or not their alternate Director appointed by them attends), without the permission of the Board, from Board meetings for six consecutive months and a notice is served on them personally, or at their residential address provided to the Company under section 165 of the Act signed by all the other Directors stating that they shall cease to be a Director with immediate effect (and such notice may consist of several copies each signed by one or more Directors).

85.2 If the office of a Director is vacated for any reason, they shall cease to be a member of any committee or sub-committee of the Board.

**86. Resolution as to Vacancy Conclusive**

A resolution of the Board declaring a Director to have vacated office under the terms of Article 85 shall be conclusive as to the fact and ground of vacation stated in the resolution.

**87. Appointment of Alternate Directors**

87.1 Each Director may appoint any person (including another Director) to be their alternate and may at their discretion remove an alternate Director so appointed. Any appointment or removal of an alternate Director must be by written notice delivered to the Office or at an address specified by the Company for the purposes of communication by electronic means or tendered at a Board meeting or in any other manner approved by the Board. The appointment requires the approval of the Board unless it has been previously approved or the appointee is another Director.

87.2 An alternate Director must provide the particulars, and sign any form for public filing required by the Companies Acts relating to their appointment.

**88. Alternate Directors' Participation in Board Meetings**

88.1 Every alternate Director is (subject to them giving to the Company an address within the United Kingdom at which notices may be served on them (and, if applicable, an address in relation to which electronic communications may be received by them)) entitled to receive notice of all meetings of the Board and all committees of the Board of which their appointor is a member and, in their appointor's absence, to attend and vote at such meetings and to exercise all the powers, rights, duties and authorities of their appointor. Each person acting as an alternate Director shall have a separate vote at Board meetings for each Director for whom they act as alternate Director in addition to their own vote if they are also a Director, but they shall count as only one for the purpose of determining whether a quorum is present.





88.2 Signature by an alternate Director of any resolution in writing of the Board or a committee of the Board will, unless the notice of their appointment provides otherwise, be as effective as signature by their appointor.

89. **Alternate Directors Responsible for Own Acts**

Each person acting as an alternate Director will be an officer of the Company, will alone be responsible to the Company for their own acts and defaults and will not be deemed to be the agent of the Director appointing them.

90. **Interests of Alternate Director**

An alternate Director is entitled to contract and be interested in and benefit from contracts or arrangements with the Company, to be repaid expenses and to be indemnified to the same extent as if they were a Director. However, they are not entitled to receive from the Company any fees for their services as alternate, except such part (if any) of the fee payable to their appointor as such appointor may by written notice to the Company direct.

91. **Revocation of Alternate Director**

An alternate Director will cease to be an alternate Director:

- (a) if their appointor revokes their appointment; or
- (b) if they resign their office by notice in writing to the Company; or
- (c) if their appointor ceases for any reason to be a Director, provided that if any Director retires but is re-appointed or deemed to be re-appointed at the same meeting, any valid appointment of an alternate Director which was in force immediately before their retirement shall remain in force; or
- (d) if any event happens in relation to them which, if they were a Director otherwise appointed, would cause them to vacate their office.

92. **Arrangements with Non-Executive Directors**

Subject to the provisions of the Act, the Board may enter into, vary and terminate an agreement or arrangement with any Director who does not hold executive office for the provision of his services to the Company. Any such agreement or arrangement may be made on such terms as the Board determines (including as to fees), provided that the terms of any such agreement comply with the requirements of Nasdaq (including the Nasdaq Rules) and applicable law. Any fees payable under this Article 92 shall be distinct from any salary, remuneration or other amounts payable to a Director under any other provisions of these Articles and shall accrue from day to day.



93. **Expenses**

Each Director may be paid their reasonable travelling, hotel and other expenses properly incurred by them in or about the performance of their duties as Director, including any expenses incurred in attending meetings of the Board or any committee of the Board or general meetings or separate meetings of the holders of any class of shares or debentures of the Company. Subject to the Act, the Directors shall have the power to make arrangements to provide a Director with funds to meet expenditure incurred or to be incurred by them for the purposes of the Company or for the purpose of enabling them to perform their duties as an officer of the Company or to enable them to avoid incurring any such expenditure.

94. **Additional Remuneration**

If by arrangement with the Board any Director shall perform or render any special duties or services outside their ordinary duties as a Director and not in their capacity as a holder of employment or executive office, they may be paid such reasonable additional remuneration (whether by way of salary, commission, participation in profits or otherwise) as the Board may determine.

95. **Remuneration of Executive Directors**

The salary or remuneration of any Director appointed to hold any employment or executive office in accordance with these Articles may be either a fixed sum of money, or may altogether or in part be governed by business done or profits made or otherwise determined by the Board, and may be in addition to or instead of any fee payable to them for their services as Director under these Articles.

96. **Pensions and Other Benefits**

96.1 The Board may exercise all the powers of the Company to provide pensions or other retirement or superannuation benefits and to provide death or disability benefits or other allowances or gratuities (whether by insurance or otherwise) for any person who is or has at any time been a Director or employee of:

- (a) the Company;
- (b) any company which is or was a holding company or a subsidiary undertaking of the Company;
- (c) any company which is or was allied to or associated with the Company or a subsidiary undertaking or holding company of the Company;  
or
- (d) a predecessor in business of the Company or of any holding company or subsidiary undertaking of the Company,

and, in each case, for any member of their family (including a spouse or former spouse) and any person who is or was dependent on them.

96.2 The Board may establish, maintain, subscribe and contribute to any scheme, institution, association, club, trust or fund and pay premiums and, subject to the Companies Acts, lend money or make payments to, guarantee or give an indemnity in respect of, or give any financial or other assistance in connection with any of the matters set out in Article 96.1 above. The Board may procure any of such matters to be done by the Company either alone or in conjunction with any other person. Any Director or former Director shall be entitled to receive and retain for their own benefit any pension or other benefit provided under this Article and shall not have to account for it to the Company. The receipt of any such benefit will not disqualify any person from being or becoming a Director of the Company.



97. **Powers of the Board**

97.1 Subject to the Companies Acts, these Articles and to any directions given by special resolution of the Company, the business of the Company will be managed by the Board, which may exercise all the powers of the Company, whether relating to the management of the business or not.

97.2 No alteration of these Articles and no such direction given by the Company shall invalidate any prior act of the Board which would have been valid if such alteration had not been made or such direction had not been given. Provisions contained elsewhere in these Articles as to any specific power of the Board shall not be deemed to limit the general powers given by this Article 97.

98. **Powers of Directors if Less Than Minimum Number**

If the number of Directors is less than the minimum prescribed in Article 77 or decided by the Company by ordinary resolution, the remaining Director or Directors may act only for the purposes of appointing an additional Director or Directors to make up that minimum or convening a general meeting of the Company for the purpose of making such appointment. If no Director or Directors is or are able or willing to act, a general meeting may be convened in accordance with these Articles for the purpose of appointing Directors. An additional Director appointed in this way holds office (subject to these Articles) only until the dissolution of the next annual general meeting after their appointment unless they are reappointed during the annual general meeting.

99. **Powers of Executive Directors**

The Board or any committee authorised by the Board may:

- (a) delegate or entrust to and confer on any Director holding executive office (including a chief executive or managing director, if appointed) such of its powers, authorities and discretions (with power to sub-delegate) for such time, on such terms and subject to such conditions as it thinks fit; and
- (b) revoke, withdraw, alter or vary all or any of such powers.

100. **Delegation to Committees**

100.1 The Board may delegate any of its powers, authorities and discretions (with power to sub-delegate) for such time on such terms and subject to such conditions as it thinks fit to any committee consisting of one or more Directors and (if thought fit) one or more other persons provided that:

- (a) a majority of the members of a committee shall be Directors; and
- (b) no resolution of a committee shall be effective unless a majority of those present when it is passed are Directors or alternate Directors.



100.2 The Board may confer such powers either collaterally with, or to the exclusion of and in substitution for, all or any of the powers of the Board in that respect and may revoke, withdraw, alter or vary any such powers and discharge any such committee in whole or in part. Insofar as any power, authority or discretion is so delegated, any reference in these Articles to the exercise by the Board of such power, authority or discretion shall be construed as if it were a reference to the exercise of such power, authority or discretion by such committee.

101. **Local Management**

101.1 The Board may establish any local or divisional boards or agencies for managing any of the affairs of the Company in any specified locality, either in the United Kingdom or elsewhere, and appoint any persons to be members of such local or divisional board, or any managers or agents, and may fix their remuneration.

101.2 The Board may delegate to any local or divisional board, manager or agent so appointed any of its powers, authorities and discretions (with power to sub-delegate) and may authorise the members of any such local or divisional board, or any of them, to fill any vacancies and to act notwithstanding vacancies. Any such appointment or delegation under this Article 101 may be made, on such terms and conditions as the Board may think fit. The Board may confer such powers either collaterally with, or to the exclusion of and in substitution for, all or any of the powers of the Board in that respect and may revoke, withdraw, alter or vary all or any of such powers.

101.3 Subject to any terms and conditions expressly imposed by the Board, the proceedings of any local or divisional board or agency with two or more members shall be governed by such of these Articles as regulate the proceedings of the Board, so far as they are capable of applying.

102. **Board Meetings**

102.1 The Board can decide when and where to have meetings and how they will be conducted. They may also adjourn meetings.

102.2 A Board meeting can be called by any Director. The Secretary must call a Board meeting if asked to do so by a Director.

103. **Notice of Board Meetings**

103.1 Notice of a Board meeting shall be deemed to be duly given to a Director if it is given to them personally or by word of mouth or given in writing or by electronic means to them at their last known address or any other address given by them to the Company for that purpose.

103.2 A Director may waive the requirement that notice be given to them of any Board meeting, either prospectively or retrospectively and any retrospective waiver shall not affect the validity of the meeting or of any business conducted at the meeting.

104. **Quorum**

104.1 The quorum necessary for the transaction of business may be determined by the Board (but shall be no less than two persons) and until otherwise determined shall be two persons, each being a Director or an alternate Director. A duly convened meeting of the Board at which a quorum is present shall be competent to exercise all or any of the authorities, powers, and discretions for the time being vested in or exercisable by the Board.



104.2 If a Director ceases to be a Director at a Board meeting, they can continue to be present and to act as a Director and be counted in the quorum until the end of the meeting if no other Director objects and if otherwise a quorum of Directors would not be present.

105. **Chairman**

105.1 The Board may appoint one or more of its body as chairman or joint chairman and one or more of its body as deputy chairman of its meetings and may determine the period for which they are to hold office and may at any time remove them from office.

105.2 If no such chairman or deputy chairman is elected, or if at any meeting neither a chairman nor a deputy chairman is present within ten minutes of the time appointed for holding the same, the Directors present shall choose one of their number to be chairman of such meeting. In the event two or more joint chairmen or, in the absence of a chairman, two or more deputy chairman being present, the joint chairman or deputy chairman to act as chairman of the meeting shall be decided by those Directors present.

106. **Voting**

Questions arising at any Board meeting shall be determined by a majority of votes. In the case of an equality of votes the chairman of that meeting shall have a second or casting vote (unless they are not entitled to vote on the resolution in question).

107. **Participation by Telephone or Other Form of Communication**

107.1 Any Director or their alternate may validly participate in a meeting of the Board or a committee of the Board through the medium of conference telephone or any other form of communications equipment (whether in use when these Articles are adopted or developed subsequently), provided that all persons participating in the meeting are able to hear and speak to each other throughout such meeting.

107.2 A person so participating by telephone or other communication shall be deemed to be present in person at the meeting and shall be counted in a quorum and entitled to vote. Such a meeting shall be deemed to take place where the largest group of those participating is assembled or, if there is no group which is larger than any other group, where the chairman of the meeting then is.

107.3 A resolution passed at any meeting held in the above manner, and signed by the chairman of the meeting, shall be as valid and effectual as if it had been passed at a meeting of the Board (or committee, as the case may be) duly convened and held.

108. **Resolution in Writing**

108.1 A resolution in writing signed or confirmed electronically by all the Directors for the time being entitled to receive notice of a Board meeting and to vote on the resolution and not being less than a quorum (or by all the members of a committee of the Board for the time being entitled to receive notice of such committee meeting and to vote on the resolution and not being less than a quorum of that committee), shall be as valid and effective for all purposes as a resolution duly passed at a meeting of the Board (or committee, as the case may be).



108.2 Such a resolution may consist of several documents or electronic communications in the same form each signed or authenticated by one or more of the Directors or members of the relevant committee.

109. **Proceedings of Committees**

All committees of the Board shall, in the exercise of the powers delegated to them and in the transaction of business, conform with any mode of proceedings and regulations which the Board may prescribe and subject to this shall be governed by such of these Articles as regulate the proceedings of the Board as are capable of applying.

110. **Minutes of Proceedings**

110.1 The Board shall keep minutes of all shareholder meetings, all Board meetings and meetings of committees of the Board. The minutes must include the names of the Directors present.

110.2 Any such minutes, if purporting to be signed by the chairman of the meeting at which the proceedings were held or by the chairman of the next meeting or the Secretary, shall be evidence of the matters stated in such minutes without any further proof.

111. **Validity of Proceedings**

All acts done by a meeting of the Board, or of a committee of the Board, or by any person acting as a Director, alternate Director or member of a committee shall be valid even if it is discovered afterwards that there was some defect in the appointment of any person or persons acting, or that they or any of them were or was disqualified from holding office or not entitled to vote, or had in any way vacated their office.

112. **Transactions or Other Arrangements With the Company**

112.1 Subject to the Companies Acts and provided they have declared the nature and extent of their interest in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Acts, a Director who is in any way, whether directly or indirectly, interested in an existing or proposed transaction or arrangement with the Company may:

- (a) be a party to, or otherwise interested in, any transaction or arrangement with the Company or in which the Company is otherwise (directly or indirectly) interested;
- (b) act by themselves or through their firm in a professional capacity for the Company (otherwise than as auditor) and they shall be entitled to remuneration for professional services as if they were not a Director;
- (c) be or become a director or other officer of, or employed by, or a party to a transaction or arrangement with, or otherwise interested in, any body corporate in which the Company is otherwise (directly or indirectly) interested; and
- (d) hold any office or place of profit with the Company (except as auditor) in conjunction with their office of Director for such period and upon such terms, including as to remuneration as the Board may decide.



112.2 A Director shall not, save as they may otherwise agree, be accountable to the Company for any benefit which they derive from any such contract, transaction or arrangement or from any such office or employment or from any interest in any such body corporate and no such contract, transaction or arrangement shall be liable to be avoided on the grounds of any such interest or benefit nor shall the receipt of any such remuneration or other benefit constitute a breach of their duty under section 176 of the Act.

113. **Authorisation of Directors' Conflicts of Interest**

113.1 The Board may, in accordance with the requirements set out in this Article 113, authorise any matter or situation proposed to them by any Director which would, if not authorised, involve a Director (an **Interested Director**) breaching their duty under the Act to avoid conflicts of interest.

113.2 A Director seeking authorisation in respect of a conflict of interest shall declare to the Board the nature and extent of their interest in a conflict of interest as soon as is reasonably practicable. The Director shall provide the Board with such details of the matter as are necessary for the Board to decide how to address the conflict of interest together with such additional information as may be requested by the Board.

113.3 Any authorisation under this Article 113 will be effective only if:

- (a) to the extent permitted by the Act, the matter in question shall have been proposed by any Director for consideration in the same way that any other matter may be proposed to the Directors under the provisions of these Articles;
- (b) any requirement as to the quorum for consideration of the relevant matter is met without counting the Interested Director and any other interested Director; and
- (c) the matter is agreed to without the Interested Director voting or would be agreed to if the Interested Director's and any other interested Director's vote is not counted.

113.4 Any authorisation of a conflict of interest under this Article 113 must be recorded in writing (but the authority shall be effective whether or not the terms are so recorded) and may (whether at the time of giving the authorisation or subsequently):

- (a) extend to any actual or potential conflict of interest which may reasonably be expected to arise out of the matter or situation so authorised;
- (b) provide that the Interested Director be excluded from the receipt of documents and information and the participation in discussions (whether at meetings of the Directors or otherwise) related to the conflict of interest;
- (c) impose upon the Interested Director such other terms for the purposes of dealing with the conflict of interest as the Directors think fit;



- (d) provide that, where the Interested Director obtains, or has obtained (through their involvement in the conflict of interest and otherwise than through their position as a Director) information that is confidential to a third party, they will not be obliged to disclose that information to the Company, or to use it in relation to the Company's affairs where to do so would amount to a breach of that confidence; and
  - (e) permit the Interested Director to absent themselves from the discussion of matters relating to the conflict of interest at any meeting of the Directors and be excused from reviewing papers prepared by, or for, the Directors to the extent they relate to such matters.
- 113.5 Where the Directors authorise a conflict of interest, the Interested Director will be obliged to conduct themselves in accordance with any terms and conditions imposed by the Directors in relation to the conflict of interest.
- 113.6 The Directors may revoke or vary such authorisation at any time, but this will not affect anything done by the Interested Director, prior to such revocation or variation, in accordance with the terms of such authorisation.
- 113.7 A Director is not required, by reason of being a Director (or because of the fiduciary relationship established by reason of being a Director), to account to the Company for any remuneration, profit or other benefit which they derive from or in connection with a relationship involving a conflict of interest which has been authorised by the directors or by the Company in general meeting (subject in each case to any terms, limits or conditions attaching to that authorisation) and no contract shall be liable to be avoided on such grounds.
- 113.8 A Director's receipt of any remuneration or other benefit referred to in Article 113.7 does not constitute an infringement of their duties under the Act.
- 113.9 A transaction or arrangement referred to in Article 113.7 is not liable to be avoided on the ground of any remuneration, benefit or interest referred to in that Article.
114. **Directors' Permitted Interests**
- 114.1 A Director cannot vote or be counted in the quorum on any resolution relating to any transaction or arrangement with the Company in which they have an interest and which may reasonably be regarded as likely to give rise to a conflict of interest but can vote (and be counted in the quorum) on the following:
- (a) giving them any security, guarantee or indemnity for any money or any liability which they, or any other person, has lent or obligations they or any other person has undertaken at the request, or for the benefit, of the Company or any of its subsidiary undertakings;
  - (b) giving any security, guarantee or indemnity to any other person for a debt or obligation which is owed by the Company or any of its subsidiary undertakings, to that other person if the Director has taken responsibility for some or all of that debt or obligation. The Director can take this responsibility by giving a guarantee, indemnity or security;





- (c) a proposal or contract relating to an offer of any shares or debentures or other securities for subscription or purchase by the Company or any of its subsidiary undertakings, if the Director takes part because they are a holder of shares, debentures or other securities, or if they take part in the underwriting or sub- underwriting of the offer;
  - (d) any arrangement for the benefit of employees of the Company or any of its subsidiary undertakings which only gives them benefits which are also generally given to employees to whom the arrangement relates;
  - (e) any arrangement involving any other company if the Director (together with any person connected with the Director) has an interest of any kind in that company (including an interest by holding any position in that company or by being a shareholder of that company). This does not apply if they know that they have a Relevant Interest;
  - (f) a contract relating to insurance which the Company can buy or renew for the benefit of the Directors or a group of people which includes Directors; and
  - (g) a contract relating to a pension, superannuation or similar scheme or a retirement, death, disability benefits scheme or employees' share scheme which gives the Director benefits which are also generally given to the employees to whom the scheme relates.
- 114.2 A Director cannot vote or be counted in the quorum on a resolution relating to their own appointment or the settlement or variation of the terms of their appointment to an office or place of profit with the Company or any other company in which the Company has an interest.
- 114.3 Where the Directors are considering proposals about the appointment, or the settlement or variation of the terms or the termination of the appointment of two or more Directors to other offices or places of profit with the Company or any company in which the Company has an interest, a separate resolution may be put in relation to each Director and in that case each of the Directors concerned shall be entitled to vote and be counted in the quorum in respect of each resolution unless it concerns their own appointment or the settlement or variation of the terms or the termination of their own appointment or the appointment of another director to an office or place of profit with a company in which the Company has an interest and the Director seeking to vote or be counted in the quorum has a Relevant Interest in it.
- 114.4 A company shall be deemed to be one in which the Director has a **Relevant Interest** if and so long as (but only if and so long as) they are to their knowledge (either directly or indirectly) the holder of or beneficially interested in one per cent or more of any class of the equity share capital of that company (calculated exclusive of any shares of that class in that company held as treasury shares) or of the voting rights available to members of that company. In relation to an alternate Director, an interest of their appointor shall be treated as an interest of the alternate Director without prejudice to any interest which the alternate Director has otherwise. Where a company in which a Director has a Relevant Interest is interested in a contract, they also shall be deemed interested in that contract.
- 114.5 If a question arises at a Board meeting about whether a Director (other than the chairman of the meeting) has an interest which is likely to give rise to a conflict of interest, or whether they can vote or be counted in the quorum, and the Director does not agree to abstain from voting on the issue or not to be counted in the quorum, the question must be referred to the chairman of the meeting. The chairman's ruling about the relevant Director is final and conclusive, unless the nature and extent of the Director's interests have not been fairly disclosed to the Directors. If the question arises about the chairman of the meeting, the question must be directed to the Directors. The chairman cannot vote on the question but can be counted in the quorum. The Directors' resolution about the chairman is final and conclusive, unless the nature and extent of the chairman's interests have not been fairly disclosed to the Directors.



115. **General**

115.1 For the purposes of Articles 112 to 114 inclusive (which shall apply equally to alternate Directors):

- (a) An interest of a person who is connected (which word shall have the meaning given to it by section 252 of the Act) with a Director shall be treated as an interest of the Director.
- (b) A contract includes references to any proposed contract and to any transaction or arrangement or proposed transaction or arrangement whether or not constituting a contract.
- (c) A conflict of interest includes a conflict of interest and duty and a conflict of duties.
- (d) Subject to the Companies Acts, the Company may by ordinary resolution suspend or relax the provisions of Articles 112 to 114 to any extent or ratify any contract not properly authorised by reason of a contravention of any of the provisions of Articles 112 to 114.

116. **Power of Attorney**

The Board may, by power of attorney or otherwise, appoint any person or persons to be the agent or attorney of the Company and may delegate to any such person or persons any of its powers, authorities and discretions (with power to sub-delegate), in each case for such purposes and for such time, on such terms (including as to remuneration) and conditions as it thinks fit. The Board may confer such powers either collaterally with, or to the exclusion of and in substitution for, all or any of the powers of the Board in that respect and may revoke, withdraw, alter or vary any of such powers.

117. **Exercise of Voting Power**

The Board may exercise or cause to be exercised the voting power conferred by the shares in any other company held or owned by the Company, or any power of appointment to be exercised by the Company, in such manner as it thinks fit (including the exercise of the voting power or power of appointment in favour of the appointment of any Director as a director or other officer or employee of such company or in favour of the payment of remuneration to the directors, officers or employees of such company).

118. **Provision for Employees on Cessation of Business**

The Board may, by resolution, sanction the exercise of the power to make provision for the benefit of persons employed or formerly employed by the Company or any of its subsidiary undertakings, in connection with the cessation or the transfer to any person of the whole or part of the undertaking of the Company or that subsidiary undertaking, but any such resolution shall not be sufficient for payments to or for the benefit of directors, former directors or shadow directors.



119. **Overseas Registers**

Subject to the Companies Acts, the Company may keep an overseas, local or other register and the Board may make and vary such regulations as it thinks fit respecting the keeping of any such register.

120. **Borrowing Powers**

Subject to these Articles and the Companies Acts, the Board may exercise all the powers of the Company to:

- (a) borrow money;
- (b) indemnify and guarantee;
- (c) mortgage or charge all or any part of the undertaking, property and assets (present and future) and uncalled capital of the Company;
- (d) create and issue debentures and other securities; and
- (e) give security either outright or as collateral security for any debt, liability or obligation of the Company or of any third party.

121. **Power to Authenticate Documents**

121.1 Any Director, the Secretary or any person appointed by the Board for the purpose shall have power to authenticate any documents affecting the constitution of the Company and any resolution passed by the Company or the Board or any committee, and any books, records, documents and accounts relating to the business of the Company, and to certify copies or extracts as true copies or extracts. Where any books, records, documents or accounts are not at the Office, the local manager or other officer of the Company who has their custody shall be deemed to be a person appointed by the Board for this purpose. A document purporting to be a copy of a resolution, or an extract from the minutes of a meeting, of the Company or the Board or any committee which is so certified shall be conclusive evidence in favour of all persons dealing with the Company that such resolution has been duly passed or, as the case may be, that any minute so extracted is a true and accurate record of proceedings at a duly constituted meeting.

122. **Use of Seals**

122.1 The Board shall provide for the safe custody of the Seal. A Seal shall not be used without the authority of the Board or of a committee of the Board so authorised.

122.2 Subject as otherwise provided in these Articles, every document which is sealed using the Seal must be signed by at least one authorised person in the presence of a witness who attests the signature. An authorised person for this purpose is any Director, the Secretary or any other person authorised by the Directors for the purpose of signing documents to which the Seal is applied.



122.3 The Seal shall be used only for sealing securities issued by the Company and documents creating or evidencing securities so issued. Any such securities or documents sealed with the Seal are not required to be signed unless the Board decides otherwise or the law otherwise requires.

122.4 The Board may decide who will sign an instrument to which a Seal is affixed (or in the case of a share certificate, on which the Seal may be printed or affixed by either mechanical or electronic means) either generally or in relation to a particular instrument or type of instrument and may also determine either generally or in a particular case that a signature may be dispensed with or affixed by mechanical means.

123. **Declaration of Dividends**

Subject to the Act and these Articles, the Company may by ordinary resolution declare dividends to be paid to members according to their respective rights and interests in the profits of the Company. However, no dividend shall exceed the amount recommended by the Board.

124. **Interim Dividends**

Subject to the Act, the Board may declare and pay such interim dividends (including any dividend at a fixed rate) as appears to the Board to be justified by the profits of the Company available for distribution. If the Board acts in good faith, it shall not incur any liability to the holders of shares for any loss that they may suffer by the lawful payment of any interim dividend on any other class of shares ranking with or after those shares.

125. **Calculation and Currency of Dividends**

Except as provided otherwise by these Articles or the rights attached to shares, all dividends:

- (a) shall be declared and paid according to the amounts paid up (otherwise than in advance of calls) on the shares on which the dividend is paid;
- (b) shall be apportioned and paid proportionately to the amounts paid up on the shares during any portion or portions of the period in respect of which the dividend is paid, but if any share is issued on terms that it shall rank for dividend as from a particular date, it shall rank for dividend accordingly; and
- (c) may be declared or paid in any currency. The Board may decide the rate of exchange for any currency conversions that may be required and how any costs involved are to be met.

126. **Amounts Due on Shares can be Deducted from Dividends**

The Board may deduct from any dividend or other money payable to any person on or in respect of a share all such sums as may be due from them to the Company on account of calls or otherwise in relation to the shares of the Company. Sums so deducted can be used to pay amounts owing to the Company in respect of the shares.



**127. Dividends Not in Cash**

The Board may, by ordinary resolution of the Company direct, or in the case of an interim dividend may without the authority of an ordinary resolution direct, that payment of any dividend declared may be satisfied wholly or partly by the distribution of assets, and in particular of paid up shares or debentures of any other company, or in any one or more of such ways. Where any difficulty arises regarding such distribution, the Board may settle it as it thinks fit. In particular, the Board may:

- (a) issue fractional certificates (or ignore fractions);
- (b) fix the value for distribution of such assets or any part of them and determine that cash payments may be made to any members on the footing of the values so fixed, in order to adjust the rights of members; and
- (c) vest any such assets in trustees on trust for the person entitled to the dividend.

**128. No Interest on Dividends**

Unless otherwise provided by the rights attached to the share, no dividend or other monies payable by the Company or in respect of a share shall bear interest as against the Company.

**129. Method of Payment**

- 129.1 The Company may pay any dividend, interest or other sum payable in respect of a share in cash or by direct debit, bank transfer, cheque, dividend warrant, or money order or by any other method, including by electronic means, as the Board may consider appropriate. For uncertificated shares, any payment may be made by means of the relevant system (subject always to the facilities and requirements of the relevant system) and such payment may be made by the Company or any person on its behalf by sending an instruction to the operator of the relevant system to credit the cash memorandum account of the holder or joint holders of such shares or, if permitted by the Company, of such person as the holder or joint holders may in writing direct.
- 129.2 The Company may send such payment by post or other delivery service (or by such means offered by the Company as the member or person entitled to it may agree in writing) to the registered address of the member or person entitled to it (or, if two or more persons are holders of the share or are jointly entitled to it because of the death or bankruptcy of the member or otherwise by operation of law, to the registered address of such of those persons as is first named in the Register) or to such person and such address as such member or person may direct in writing.
- 129.3 Every cheque, warrant, order or other form of payment is sent at the risk of the person entitled to the money represented by it, shall be made payable to the person or persons entitled, or to such other person as the person or persons entitled may direct in writing. Payment of the cheque, warrant, order or other form of payment (including transmission of funds through a bank transfer or other funds transfer system or by such other electronic means as permitted by these Articles or in accordance with the facilities and requirements of the relevant system concerned) shall be good discharge to the Company. If any such cheque, warrant, order or other form of payment has or shall be alleged to have been lost, stolen or destroyed the Company shall not be responsible.



- 129.4 Any joint holder or other person jointly entitled to a share may give an effective receipt for any dividend or other monies payable in respect of such share.
- 129.5 The Board may, at its discretion, make provisions to enable any member as the Board shall determine to receive duly declared dividends in a currency or currencies other than sterling. For the purposes of the calculation of the amount receivable in respect of any dividend, the rate of exchange to be used to determine the foreign currency equivalent of any sum payable as a dividend shall be such rate or rates and the payment shall be on such terms and conditions as the Board may in its absolute discretion determine.

130. **Uncashed Dividends**

If cheques, warrants or orders for dividends or other sums payable in respect of a share sent by the Company to the person entitled to them are returned to the Company or left uncashed on two consecutive occasions or, following one occasion, reasonable enquiries have failed to establish any new address to be used for the purpose, the Company does not have to send any dividends or other monies payable in respect of that share due to that person until they notify the Company of an address to be used for the purpose. If any such cheque, warrant or order has or is alleged to have been lost, stolen or destroyed, the Directors may, on request of the person entitled to it, issue a replacement cheque, warrant or order.

131. **Unclaimed Dividends**

All dividends, interest or other sums payable and unclaimed for 12 months after having become payable may be invested or otherwise made use of by the Board for the benefit of the Company until claimed. The Company shall not be a trustee in respect of such unclaimed dividends and will not be liable to pay interest on it. All dividends that remain unclaimed for 12 years after they were first declared or became due for payment shall (if the Board so resolves) be forfeited and shall cease to remain owing by the Company.

132. **Scrip Dividends**

Subject to the Act, the Board may, by ordinary resolution of the Company and subject to such terms and conditions as the Board may determine, offer to any holders of Ordinary Shares (excluding any member holding shares as treasury shares) the right to elect to be (or direct that another person, including a nominee, be) issued with Ordinary Shares, credited as fully paid, instead of cash in respect of the whole (or some part, to be determined by the Board) of any dividend specified by the ordinary resolution. The following provisions shall apply:

- (a) the said resolution may specify a particular dividend, or may specify all or any dividends declared within a specified period or periods but such period may not end later than the fifth anniversary of the date of the meeting at which the ordinary resolution is passed;
- (b) the entitlement of each holder of Ordinary Shares to new Ordinary Shares shall be such that the relevant value of the entitlement shall be as nearly as possible equal to (but not greater than) the cash amount (disregarding any tax credit) of the dividend that such holder would have received by way of dividend. For this purpose **relevant value** shall be calculated by reference to the average of the middle market quotations for the Ordinary Shares, certificated or uncertificated depository instruments in respect of such shares, on Nasdaq (or any other publication of a recognised investment exchange showing quotations for the Ordinary Shares), for the day on which the Ordinary Shares are first quoted "ex" the relevant dividend and the four subsequent dealing days, or in such other manner as the Board may determine on such basis as it considers to be fair and reasonable. A certificate or report by the Company's auditors as to the amount of the relevant value in respect of any dividend shall be conclusive evidence of that amount;



- (c) no fractions of a share shall be allotted. The Board may make such provisions as it thinks fit for any fractional entitlements including provisions where, in whole or in part, the benefit accrues to the Company and/or under which fractional entitlements are accrued and/or retained and in each case accumulated on behalf of any member and such accruals or retentions are applied to the allotment by way of bonus to or cash subscription on behalf of any member of fully paid Ordinary Shares and/or provisions where cash payments may be made to members in respect of their fractional entitlements;
- (d) the Board shall, after determining the basis of allotment, notify the holders of Ordinary Shares in writing of the right of election offered to them, and specify the procedure to be followed and place at which, and the latest time by which, elections must be lodged in order to be effective. No such notice need to be given to holders of Ordinary Shares who have previously given election mandates in accordance with this Article 132(d) and whose mandates have not been revoked. The accidental omission to give notice of any right of election to, or the non-receipt (even if the Company becomes aware of such non-receipt) of any such notice by, any holder of Ordinary Shares entitled to the same shall neither invalidate any offer of an election nor give rise to any claim, suit or action;
- (e) the Board shall not proceed with any election unless the company has sufficient reserves or funds that may be capitalised, and the Board has authority to allot sufficient shares, to give effect to it after the basis of the allotment is determined;
- (f) the Board may exclude from any offer or make other arrangements in relation to any holders of Ordinary Shares where the Board considers that the making of the offer to them or in respect of such shares would or might involve the contravention of the laws of any territory or that for any other reason the offer should not be made to them or in respect of such shares;
- (g) the Board may establish or vary a procedure for election mandates in respect of future rights of election and may determine that every duly effected election in respect of any Ordinary Shares shall be binding on every successor in title to the holder;
- (h) the dividend (or that part of the dividend in respect of which a right of election has been offered) shall not be payable on Ordinary Shares in respect of which an election has been duly made (**Elected Ordinary Shares**) and instead additional Ordinary Shares shall be allotted to the holders of the Elected Ordinary Shares (or such person as they may direct) on the basis of allotment determined as stated above. For such purpose the Board may capitalise, out of any amount for the time being standing to the credit of any reserve or fund (including any share premium account or capital redemption reserve) or of any of the profits which could otherwise have been applied in paying dividends in cash as the Board may determine, a sum equal to the aggregate nominal amount of the additional Ordinary Shares to be allotted on such basis and apply it in paying up in full the appropriate number of unissued Ordinary Shares for allotment and distribution to the holders of the Elected Ordinary Shares on such basis. The Board may do all acts and things considered necessary or expedient to give effect to any such capitalisation;



- (i) the Board may decide how any costs relating to the new shares available in place of a cash dividend will be met, including to deduct an amount from the entitlement of a holder of Ordinary Shares under this Article 132;
- (j) the additional Ordinary Shares so allotted shall rank pari passu in all respects with each other (save as otherwise provided for in these Articles) and with the fully paid Ordinary Shares in issue on the record date for the dividend in respect of which the right of election has been offered, except that they will not rank for any dividend or other distribution or other entitlement which has been declared, paid or made by reference to such record date; and
- (k) the Board may terminate, suspend, or amend any offer of the right to elect to be (or direct that another person, including a nominee, be) issued with Ordinary Shares in lieu of any cash dividend at any time and generally may implement any scrip dividend scheme on such terms and conditions as the Board may determine and take such other action as the Board may deem necessary or desirable in respect of any such scheme.

### 133. Capitalisation of Reserves

133.1 The Board may, with the authority of an ordinary resolution of the Company:

- (a) subject as provided in this Article 133, resolve to capitalise any undivided profits of the Company not required for paying any preferential dividend (whether or not they are available for distribution) or any sum standing to the credit of any reserve or fund of the Company which is available for distribution or standing to the credit of the share premium account or capital redemption reserve or other undistributable reserve;
- (b) appropriate the sum resolved to be capitalised to the members in proportion to the nominal amounts of the shares (whether or not fully paid) held by them respectively which would entitle them to participate in a distribution of that sum if the shares were fully paid and the sum were then distributable and were distributed by way of dividend and apply such sum on their behalf either in or towards paying up the amounts, if any, for the time being unpaid on any shares held by them respectively, or in paying up in full unissued shares or debentures of the Company of a nominal amount equal to that sum, and allot the shares or debentures credited as fully paid to those members or as they may direct, in those proportions, or partly in one way and partly in the other, provided that:
  - (i) the share premium account, the capital redemption reserve, any other undistributable reserve and any profits which are not available for distribution may, for the purposes of this Article 133, only be applied in paying up in full shares to be allotted to members credited as fully paid;
  - (ii) the Company will also be entitled to participate in the relevant distribution in relation to any shares of the relevant class held by it as treasury shares and the proportionate entitlement of the relevant class of members to the distribution will be calculated accordingly; and





- (iii) in a case where any sum is applied in paying amounts for the time being unpaid on any shares of the Company or in paying up in full debentures of the Company, the amount of the net assets of the Company at that time is not less than the aggregate of the called up share capital of the Company and its undistributable reserves as shown in the latest audited accounts of the Company or such other accounts as may be relevant and would not be reduced below that aggregate by the payment of it;
- (c) resolve that any shares so allotted to any member in respect of a holding by them of any partly paid shares shall, so long as such shares remain partly paid, rank for dividends only to the extent that such partly paid shares rank for dividends;
- (d) make such provision by the issue of fractional certificates (or by ignoring fractions or by accruing the benefit of it to the Company rather than to the members concerned) or by payment in cash or otherwise as it thinks fit in the case of shares or debentures becoming distributable in fractions;
- (e) authorise any person to enter on behalf of such members concerned into an agreement with the Company providing for either:
  - (i) the allotment to them respectively, credited as fully paid up, of any shares or debentures to which they may be entitled on such capitalisation; or
  - (ii) the payment up by the Company on behalf of such members by the application of their respective proportions of the reserves or profits resolved to be capitalised, of the amounts or any part of the amounts remaining unpaid on their existing shares,  
  
(any agreement made under such authority being effective and binding on all such members); and
- (f) generally do all acts and things required to give effect to such resolution.

134. **Record Dates**

- 134.1 Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles but without prejudice to the rights attached to any shares and subject always to the Act, the Company or the Board may by resolution specify any date (**record date**) as the date at the close of business (or such other time as the Board may determine) on which persons registered as the holders of shares or other securities shall be entitled to receipt of any dividend, distribution, interest, allotment, issue, notice, information, document or circular. Such record date may be before, on or after the date on which the dividend, distribution, interest, allotment, issue, notice, information, document or circular is declared, made, paid, given, or served.
- 134.2 In the absence of a record date being fixed, entitlement to any dividend, distribution, interest, allotment, issue, notice, information, document or circular shall be determined by reference to the date on which the dividend is declared, the distribution allotment or issue is made or the notice, information, document or circular made, given or served.



135. **Inspection of Records**

No member (other than a Director) shall have any right to inspect any accounting record or other document of the Company unless they are authorised to do so by law, by order of a court of competent jurisdiction, by the Board or by ordinary resolution of the Company.

136. **Accounts to be Sent to Members**

136.1 In respect of each financial year, a copy of the Company's annual accounts, the strategic report, the Directors' report, the Directors' remuneration report, the auditor's report on those accounts and on the auditable part of the Directors' remuneration report shall be sent or supplied to:

- (a) every member (whether or not entitled to receive notices of general meetings);
- (b) every holder of debentures (whether or not entitled to receive notice of general meetings); and
- (c) every other person who is entitled to receive notice of general meetings;

not less than 21 clear days before the date of the meeting at which copies of those documents are to be laid in accordance with the Act.

136.2 This Article 136 does not require copies of the documents to which it applies to be sent or supplied to:

- (a) a member or holder of debentures of whose address the Company is unaware; or
- (b) more than one of the joint holders of shares or debentures.

136.3 The Board may determine that persons entitled to receive a copy of the Company's annual accounts, the strategic report, the Directors' report, the Directors' remuneration report, the auditor's report on those accounts and on the auditable part of the Directors' remuneration report are those persons entered on the Register at the close of business on a day determined by the Board, provided that the day determined by the Board may not be more than 21 days before the day that the relevant copies are being sent.

136.4 Where permitted by the Act, a strategic report with supplementary material in the form and containing the information prescribed by the Act may be sent or supplied to a person so electing in place of the documents required to be sent or supplied by Article 136.1.

137. **Service of Notices**

137.1 The Company can send, deliver or serve any notice or other document, including a share certificate, to or on a member:

- (a) personally;
- (b) by sending it through the postal system addressed to the member at their registered address or by leaving it at that address addressed to the member;



- (c) through a relevant system, where the notice or document relates to uncertificated shares;
- (d) where appropriate, by sending or supplying it in electronic form to an address notified by the member to the Company for that purpose;
- (e) where appropriate, by making it available on a website and notifying the member of its availability in accordance with this Article 137; or
- (f) by any other means authorised in writing by the member.

137.2 In the case of joint holders of a share:

- (a) service, sending or supply of any notice, document or other information on or to one of the joint holders shall for all purposes be deemed a sufficient service on, sending or supplying to all the joint holders; and
- (b) anything to be agreed or specified in relation to any notice, document or other information to be served on, sent or supplied to them may be agreed or specified by any one of the joint holders and the agreement or specification of the first named in the Register shall be accepted to the exclusion of that of the other joint holders.

137.3 Where a member (or, in the case of a joint holders, the person first named in the Register) has a registered address outside the United Kingdom but has (i) notified the Company of an address within the United Kingdom at which notices, documents or other information may be given to them or (ii) has given to the Company an address for the purposes of communications by electronic means at which notices, documents or other information may be served, sent or supplied to them, they shall be entitled to have notices served, sent or supplied to them at such address or, where applicable, the Company may make them available on a website and notify the holder of that address. Otherwise no such member shall be entitled to receive any notice, document or other information from the Company.

137.4 If on three consecutive occasions any notice, document or other information has been sent to any member at their registered address or their address for the service of notices (by electronic means or otherwise) but has been returned undelivered, such member shall not be entitled to receive notices, documents or other information from the Company until they have communicated with the Company and supplied in writing a new registered address or address within the United Kingdom for the service of notices or has informed the Company of an address for the service of notices and the sending or supply of documents and other information in electronic form. For these purposes, any notice, document or other information served, sent or supplied by post shall be treated as returned undelivered if the notice, document or other information is served, sent or supplied back to the Company (or its agents) and a notice, document or other information served, sent or supplied in electronic form shall be treated as returned undelivered if the Company (or its agents) receives notification that the notice, document or other information was not delivered to the address to which it was served, sent or supplied.

137.5 The Company may at any time and in its sole discretion choose to serve, send or supply notices, documents or other information in hard copy form alone to some or all of the members.



138. **Notice on Person Entitled By Transmission**

The Company may give notice to the person entitled to a share because of the death or bankruptcy of a member or otherwise by operation of law, by sending or delivering it in any manner authorised by these Articles for the giving of notice to a member, addressed to that person by name, or by the title of representative of the deceased or trustee of the bankrupt or representative by operation of law or by any like description, at the address (if any) within the United Kingdom supplied for the purpose by the person claimed to be so entitled or to which notices may be sent in electronic form. Until such an address has been so supplied, a notice may be given in any manner in which it might have been given if the death or bankruptcy or operation of law had not occurred.

139. **Record Date for Service**

Any notice, document or other information may be served, sent or supplied by the Company by reference to the register as it stands at any time not more than 15 days before the date of service, sending or supplying. No change in the register after that time shall invalidate that service, sending or supply. Where any notice, document or other information is served on, sent or supplied to any person in respect of a share in accordance with these Articles, no person deriving any title or interest in that share shall be entitled to any further service, sending or supplying of that notice, document or other information.

140. **Evidence of Service**

140.1 Any notice, document or other information, addressed to a member at their registered address or address for service in the United Kingdom shall, if served, sent or supplied by first class post, be deemed to have been served or delivered on the day after the day when it was put in the post (or, where second class post is employed, on the second day after the day when it was put in the post). Proof that an envelope containing the notice, document or other information was properly addressed and put into the post as a prepaid letter shall be conclusive evidence that the notice was given.

140.2 Any notice, document or other information not served, sent or supplied by post but delivered or left at a registered address or address for service in the United Kingdom (other than an address for the purposes of communications by electronic means) shall be deemed to have been served or delivered on the day on which it was so delivered or left.

140.3 Any notice, document or other information, if served, sent or supplied by electronic means shall be deemed to have been received on the day on which the electronic communication was sent by or on behalf of the Company notwithstanding that the Company subsequently sends a hard copy of such notice, document or other information by post. Any notice, document or other information made available on a website shall be deemed to have been received on the day on which the notice, document or other information was first made available on the website or, if later, when a notice of availability is received or deemed to have been received pursuant to this Article. Proof that the notice, document or other information was properly addressed shall be conclusive evidence that the notice by electronic means was given.

140.4 Any notice, document or other information served, sent or supplied by the Company by means of a relevant system shall be deemed to have been received when the Company or any sponsoring system-participant acting on its behalf sends the issuer- instruction relating to the notice, document or other information.



140.5 Any notice, document or other information served, sent or supplied by the Company by any other means authorised in writing by the member concerned shall be deemed to have been received when the Company has carried out the action it has been authorised to take for that purpose.

#### 141. **Notice When Post not Available**

If at any time by reason of the suspension, interruption or curtailment of postal services within the United Kingdom the Company is unable effectively to convene a general meeting by notices sent through the post, the Company need only give notice of a general meeting to those members with whom the Company can communicate by electronic means and who have provided the Company with an address for this purpose. The Company shall also advertise the notice in at least one national newspaper published in the United Kingdom and make it available on its website from the date of such advertisement until the conclusion of the meeting or any adjournment of it. In any such case the Company shall send confirmatory copies of the notice by post to those members to whom notice cannot be given by electronic means if, at least seven days prior to the meeting, the posting of notices to addresses throughout the United Kingdom again becomes practicable.

#### 142. **Winding Up**

142.1 If the Company is wound up and subject to the rights and restrictions attached to any share or classes of shares, the liquidator may, with the sanction of a special resolution and any other sanction required by law, divide among the members in specie the whole or any part of the assets of the Company and may, for that purpose, value any assets and determine how the division shall be carried out as between the members or different classes of members. The liquidator may, with the like sanction(s), vest the whole or any part of the assets in trustees upon such trusts for the benefit of the members as he, she or it may with the like sanction determine. Where the liquidator divides or transfers any assets in pursuance of the powers in this Article 142, no member shall be compelled to accept any assets upon which there is a liability.

#### 143. **Indemnity and Insurance**

143.1 In this Article:

- (a) companies are **associated** if one is a subsidiary of the other or both are subsidiaries of the same body corporate;
- (b) a **relevant officer** means any Director or other officer or former director or other officer of the Company or an associated company (including any company which is a trustee of an occupational pension scheme (as defined by section 235(6) of the Act), but excluding in each case any person engaged by the Company (or associated company) as auditor (whether or not they are also a director or other officer), to the extent they act in their capacity as auditor); and
- (c) **relevant loss** means any loss or liability which has been or may be incurred by a relevant officer in connection with that relevant officer's duties or powers in relation to the company, any associated company or any pension fund or employees' share scheme of the company or associated company.



- 143.2 Subject to Article 143.4, but without prejudice to any indemnity to which a relevant officer is otherwise entitled, so far as may be permitted by the Act:
- (a) each relevant officer shall be indemnified out of the Company's assets against all relevant loss and in relation to the Company's (or any associated company's) activities as trustee of an occupational pension scheme (as defined in section 235(6) of the Act), including any liability incurred by them in defending any civil or criminal proceedings, in which judgment is given in their favour or in which they are acquitted or the proceedings are otherwise disposed of without any finding or admission of any material breach of duty on their part or in connection with any application in which the court grants them, in their capacity as a relevant officer, relief from liability for negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust in relation to the Company's (or any associated company's) affairs; and
  - (b) the Company may provide any relevant officer with funds to meet expenditure incurred or to be incurred by them in connection with any proceedings or application referred to in Article 143.2(a) and otherwise may take any action to enable any such relevant officer to avoid incurring such expenditure.
- 143.3 This Article 143 does not authorise any indemnity which would be prohibited or rendered void by any provision of the Companies Acts or by any other provision of law.
- 143.4 The Directors may decide to purchase and maintain insurance, at the expense of the Company, for the benefit of any relevant officer in respect of any relevant loss.
144. **Exclusive Jurisdiction**
- 144.1 Save in respect of any cause of action arising under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act, unless the Company by ordinary resolution consents to the selection of an alternative forum, the courts of England and Wales shall be the exclusive forum for the resolution of:
- (a) any derivative action or proceeding brought on behalf of the Company;
  - (b) any action or proceeding asserting a claim of breach of fiduciary duty owed by any director, officer or other employee to the Company;
  - (c) any action or proceeding asserting a claim arising out of any provision of the Companies Acts or these Articles; or
  - (d) any action or proceeding asserting a claim or otherwise related to the affairs of the Company.
- 144.2 Unless the Company by ordinary resolution consents to the selection of an alternative forum in the United States, the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York shall be the exclusive forum for the resolution of any complaint asserting a cause of action arising under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act.
- 144.3 Any person or entity purchasing or otherwise acquiring any interest in the Company's shares shall be deemed to have notice of and consented to the provisions of this Article 144.



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1.1 <i>Definitions</i>	
In the Rules, unless the context requires otherwise, the following words and expressions are defined or otherwise explained by the provisions indicated:	
<b>“Acquiring Company”</b>	any company which has obtained Control of the Company in accordance with any of the provisions of Rule 12;
<b>“Adoption Date”</b>	the date on which the Rules are adopted by the Directors;
<b>“Bad Leaver”</b>	any director or employee of any Group Company who ceases to be a director or employee without becoming a director or employee of any other Group Company as a consequence of:  (a) Such director or employee’s dismissal for Cause; or  (b) Such director or employee’s resignation in circumstances where a Group Company would have been entitled to dismiss such director or employee for Cause, provided that, in each case, the Directors (acting with Investor Director Consent) may decide that that director or employee is not a Bad Leaver;
<b>“Cause”</b>	in relation to a director or employee, that director or employee’s fraud or dishonesty, or having committed any crime punishable by imprisonment;
<b>“Committed Time”</b>	the meaning given by paragraph 26 of Schedule 5;
<b>“Companies Act”</b>	the Companies Act 2006;
<b>“Company”</b>	Vaccitech Limited (registered number 09973585) whose registered office is at Magdalen Centre, 1 Robert Robinson Avenue, The Oxford Science Park, Oxford, Oxfordshire OX4 4GA;

<b>“Compromise”</b>	the meaning given by Rule 12.5;
<b>“Control”</b>	shall mean the ability of a person to secure that the affairs of a company are conducted in accordance with the person’s wishes by the holding of shares or voting power in that or any other company (or as a result of any powers in the articles of association or other document relating to that or any other company) (in accordance with section 995 Income Tax Act 2007);
<b>“Date of Grant”</b>	the date on which an Option is granted to an Employee;
<b>“Directors”</b>	the board of Directors of the Company or a duly authorised committee thereof;
<b>“Disqualifying Event”</b>	the meaning given by Sections 534 to 536 of ITEPA;
<b>“Eligible Employee”</b>	any person who is an employee of the Company or any Qualifying Subsidiary PROVIDED THAT where an Option is intended to be an EMI Option the employee is an individual; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) whose Committed Time amounts to at least 25 hours a week, or if less, 75% of his Working Time; and</li> <li>(b) who does not have a Material Interest in any Group Company;</li> </ul>
<b>“EMI”</b>	Enterprise Management Incentive;
<b>“EMI Option”</b>	any right to acquire Shares: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) In relation to which the requirements of Schedule 5 are met at the Date of Grant; and</li> <li>(b) of which Notice of Grant is given to HM Revenue &amp; Customs in accordance with paragraph 44 of Schedule 5;</li> </ul> and, where the circumstances permit, a Replacement Option in relation to that EMI Option;
<b>“Employee”</b>	any individual who is an employee of a Group Company;

<b>“Employer Company”</b>	the company by reference to which the Option Holder is an Eligible Employee or Employee;
<b>“Employer’s NICs”</b>	secondary Class 1 national insurance contributions;
<b>“Good Leaver”</b>	any director or any employee of any Group Company who ceases to be a director or employee without becoming a director or employee of any other Group Company and is not a Bad Leaver;
<b>“Group” and “Group Company”</b>	“Group”, in relation to a Parent Company, means that company and its Subsidiaries and “Group Company” shall be construed accordingly;
<b>“Independence Requirement”</b>	the meaning given by paragraph 9 of Schedule 5;
<b>“Investor Director Consent”</b>	shall have the meaning in the Articles of Association of the Company;
<b>“ITEPA”</b>	the Income Tax (Earnings and Pensions) Act 2003;
<b>“Market Value”</b>	shall be determined in accordance with Part VIII of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992;
<b>“Material Interest”</b>	the meaning given by paragraph 29 of Schedule 5;
<b>“Notice of Exercise”</b>	a notice of exercise in accordance with the form set out in schedule 2 of the Rules or such other form as may be prescribed or required by the Directors from time to time;
<b>“Notice of Grant”</b>	the notice of grant of the EMI Option submitted by the Employer Company to HM Revenue & Customs in accordance with Rule 4.1;
<b>“Option”</b>	a right to acquire Shares which shall include an EMI Option or an Unapproved Option;

<b>“Option Agreement ”</b>	an agreement between the Company and an Eligible Employee (or the Company and an Employee) which shall evidence the grant of the Option, which shall be in accordance with the Rules of the Scheme and which shall be in such form as may be prescribed by the Directors;
<b>“Option Holder”</b>	an Eligible Employee who has been granted an EMI Option or an Employee who has been granted an Unapproved Option (or his legal personal representatives where the circumstances permit);
<b>“Option Price”</b>	the price per Share determined by the Directors which shall not be less than the Market Value of a Share on the Date of Grant (unless the Directors in their discretion decide otherwise) and, in the case of an Option which is a right to subscribe for Shares, not less than the nominal value of a Share;
<b>“Ordinary Share Capital”</b>	the meaning given by section 989 of the Income Tax Act 2007;
<b>“Parent Company”</b>	a company that has one or more Subsidiaries;
<b>“Personal Representatives”</b>	in relation to an Option Holder, the Option Holder’s legal personal representatives (being either the executors of his will to whom a valid grant of probate has been made or the duly appointed administrators of his estate) who in either case have provided the Directors with satisfactory evidence of their appointment;
<b>“Qualifying Exchange”</b>	an exchange of Shares in accordance with Rule 13.3;
<b>“Qualifying Subsidiary”</b>	the meaning given by paragraph 11 of Schedule 5 to ITEPA;
<b>“Relevant Company”</b>	the company (being either the Company or any Group Company) which incurs a Tax Liability as set out in Rule 10.4;
<b>“Replacement Option”</b>	an Option granted in accordance with Rule 13;
<b>“Restrictions”</b>	any condition attaching to the Shares which makes the interest in the Shares restricted within the meaning of Chapter 2 of Part VII of ITEPA;
<b>“Rules”</b>	these rules together with any schedules or appendices to these rules;

<b>“Sale of the Business”</b>	any transfer (whether through a single transaction or a series of transactions) of all or substantially all of the assets or undertaking of the Group (including goodwill) to any person (or persons connected with each other or act in concert with each other);
<b>“Schedule 5”</b>	Schedule 5 to ITEPA;
<b>“Scheme”</b>	this scheme as governed by the Rules;
<b>“Section 431 Election”</b>	means an election in accordance with Section 431 of ITEPA being in the form as set out in Schedule 3 to this Scheme or in such other form as HM Revenue & Customs may determine from time to time;
<b>“Share”</b>	Ordinary Shares in the capital of the Company (and in the context of an EMI Option, which satisfies the requirements of paragraph 35 of Schedule 5);
<b>“Subsidiary”</b>	means any body corporate which is a subsidiary of the Company within the meaning of section 1159 of the Companies Act 2006;
<b>“Tax Liability”</b>	<p>a liability to account for any employee’s tax, national insurance, social security or other levies in respect of the Option (whether by reason of grant, exercise, or otherwise or by reason of a Disqualifying Event in relation to EMI Options only), including for the avoidance of doubt and without limitation any liability arising after the termination of the Option Holder’s employment for whatever reason and which:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) may arise or be incurred in any jurisdiction whatsoever and,</li> <li>(b) by the law of the same jurisdiction may or shall be recovered from the person entitled to the Option;</li> </ul>
<b>“Trading Activities Requirement”</b>	the meaning given by paragraph 13 to 14 of Schedule 5;
<b>“Unapproved Options”</b>	any right to acquire Shares granted pursuant to this Scheme which does not satisfy the requirements of Schedule 5;

<b>“Unvested”</b>	such number or the proportion of the Shares subject to an Option that are not Vested;
<b>“Vested”</b>	such number or the proportion of the Shares subject to an Option that shall become vested according to the Vesting Schedule and “Vest” shall be construed accordingly;
<b>“Vesting Schedule”</b>	the schedule set out in any Option Holder’s Option Agreement;
<b>“Working Time”</b>	the meaning given by paragraph 27 of Schedule 5; and
<b>“Working Time Declaration”</b>	means a written declaration made and signed by the Option Holder within the Option Agreement in accordance with paragraph 44(6) of Schedule 5 that he satisfies the Committed Time requirement.

## 1.2 Construction

Words or expressions used herein shall where appropriate:

- (a) when denoting the masculine gender include the feminine and vice-versa;
- (b) when denoting the singular include the plural and vice versa;
- (c) when referring to any enactment be construed as a reference to that enactment as for the time being consolidated, amended, re-enacted or replaced and shall include any regulations made thereunder;
- (d) when a period of time is specified and starts from a given day or the day of an act or event, be calculated exclusive of that day; and
- (e) be construed such that the headings and sub-headings are for ease of reference only, and do not affect the interpretation of any Rule;
- (f) be construed where not otherwise defined in the Rules to have the same meanings as in Schedule 5.

## 2. Statement of Purpose

EMI Options granted at any time pursuant to the Rules are granted for commercial reasons in order to recruit or retain an Eligible Employee and not as part of a scheme or arrangement the main purpose, or one of the main purposes, of which is the avoidance of tax.

### 3. Grant of Options

#### 3.1 General

- (a) Subject to the Rules, the Company may, at any time, grant
  - (i) any Eligible Employee an EMI Option; or
  - (ii) any Employee an Unapproved Optionover such number of Shares at such Option Price and with such conditions of exercise as the Company may determine.
- (b) An EMI Option shall be granted in accordance with the provisions of Schedule
- (c) EMI Options shall only be granted to individuals who are Eligible Employees.
- (d) Unapproved Options shall only be granted to individuals who are Employees.
- (e) An Option shall not be granted by any person other than the Company without the prior approval of the Directors.

#### 3.2 Contents of Option Agreement

The Option shall be agreed in writing between the Company and the Option Holder, and shall state:

- (a) the Date of Grant;
- (b) that the EMI Option is granted under the provisions of Schedule 5;
- (c) the number or maximum number of Shares over which the Option is granted;
- (d) the Option Price, or the method by which the Option Price is to be determined;
- (e) the Vesting Schedule, which shall provide that the Option shall Vest in four equal annual instalments from the Vesting Commencement Date;
- (f) the Vesting Commencement Date, which shall be either:
  - (i) the date on which the Option Holder became an Employee; or
  - (ii) the Date of Grant;
- (g) details of any Restrictions attaching to the Shares and, if so, shall contain details of such Restrictions; and
- (h) shall include the Working Time Declaration.

- 3.3 The Option Agreement for an Unapproved Option shall be in the same form as Rule apart from Rule 3.2(b), (g) and (h) which shall not apply.

#### **4. Notice of Grant**

4.1 On the grant of an EMI Option, a Notice of Grant shall be given by the Employer Company to HM Revenue & Customs within 92 days of the Date of Grant (or such further or other period as HM Revenue & Customs or statute may allow, permit or require) and shall:

- (a) be in such form and using such method as required by HM Revenue & Customs from time to time;
- (b) contain a declaration by a director or the secretary of the Employer Company that:
  - (i) in his opinion the requirements of Schedule 5 are met;
  - (ii) the information provided is to the best of his knowledge correct and complete; and
  - (iii) the Option Holder has made and signed a Working Time Declaration and that the Working Time Declaration is held by the Employer Company;
- (c) contain any other information that HMRC may require from time to time.

4.2 On the grant of an Unapproved Option a Notice of Grant shall not be required.

#### **5. EMI Options: Limit for individual Eligible Employee**

5.1 The number of Shares over which an EMI Option may be granted to any one Eligible Employee shall be limited and take effect so that the total value of Shares (as determined by paragraphs 5(6) to (8) of Schedule 5) subject to unexercised EMI Options granted to that Eligible Employee by the Company or any other Group Company does not exceed £250,000 (or such other limit as may apply from time to time in paragraph 5 of Schedule 5), SAVE WHERE an EMI Option is granted under the provisions of Part 6 (Company Reorganisation) of Schedule 5.

5.2 Provided that if an EMI Option exceeds the limit in Rule 5.1 the Option shall be treated as two Options, one shall be an EMI Option as to the number of Shares within the limit in Rule 5.1 and the other Option shall be an Unapproved Option.

#### **6. Overall limits for Company on the Grant of Options**

6.1 Subject to such adjustments as may be made in accordance with Rule 15, no Option shall be granted on any Date of Grant if as a result the total value of Shares of the Company (as determined by paragraphs 5(6) to (8) of Schedule 5) in respect of which unexercised EMI Options exist would exceed £3 million or such other limit as may apply from time to time in paragraph 7 of Schedule 5.

6.2 For the purpose of the limit contained in Rule 6.1 above, any Option or right which has been released, cancelled or lapsed without being exercised shall be ignored.

6.3 If following the purported grant of an EMI Option the limit in Rule 6.1 would be exceeded such an Option shall not be an EMI Option insofar as it relates to the excess and the excess shall be treated as an Unapproved Option.



## **7. Ordinary Share Capital**

### *7.1 Availability of Shares*

The Company shall at all times keep available Shares to satisfy the exercise to the full extent still possible of all Options which have neither lapsed nor been fully exercised taking account of any other obligations of the Company to provide shares of the same class of Shares.

## **8. Non-Transferable**

Save as provided in Rule 9.4, no Option nor any right thereunder shall be capable of being transferred, assigned or charged in any manner whatsoever. Upon any such purported transfer, assignment, or charge the Option shall immediately lapse and cease to be exercisable.

## **9. Rights to Exercise Options**

### *9.1 General*

Subject to Rules 9.2, 9.3, 9.4 and 9.5 below an Option:

- (a) shall not be exercisable before it has Vested in accordance with the Vesting Schedule set out in the relevant Option Holder's Option Agreement; and
- (b) shall only be exercisable in accordance with Rule 12; and
- (c) shall not be exercised later than the day before the tenth anniversary of the Date of Grant.

### *9.2 Termination of Employment - Bad Leaver*

If the Option Holder is a Bad Leaver, the Option, whether Vested and unexercised or Unvested shall lapse immediately on the date upon which the Option Holder ceases to hold employment or office within the Group, or in the case of termination for Cause, on the date of occurrence of such Cause.

### *9.3 Termination of Employment - Good Leaver*

If the Option Holder is a Good Leaver:

- (a) the Option shall be exercisable to the extent Vested as at the date of ceasing employment:
  - (i) within 90 days of ceasing employment (or within any longer time period as referred to in section 532(1)(b) ITEPA); or
  - (ii) in accordance with Rule 12.
- (b) the Option to the extent Unvested shall lapse immediately on the date upon which the Option Holder ceases employment unless otherwise decided by the Directors (acting with Investor Director Consent) before the date of cessation at their discretion. If the Directors (acting with Investor Director Consent) use their discretion to permit exercise of the Unvested Option, it may be in relation to part or all of the Unvested Option, but may only be exercisable within the time periods set out in Rule 9.3(a)(i) and Rule 9.3(a)(ii).

#### 9.4 *Death of the Option Holder*

If an Option Holder dies,

- (a) the Option shall be exercisable to the extent Vested as at the date of the Option Holder's death by the Option Holder's Personal Representatives within 12 months of the date of the Option Holder's death; and
- (b) the Option to the extent Unvested as at the date of the Option Holder's death shall lapse on the expiry of 12 months from the date of the Option Holder's death and the Directors (acting with Investor Director Consent) may use their discretion to permit exercise of part or all of the Unvested Option within such 12 months period.

#### 9.5 *Special exercise ten years from Date of Grant*

Where there is no event as provided for in Rule 12 which will occur within 10 years of the Date of Grant, an Option, to the extent Vested, may be exercised within the period of 60 days ending on the day before the tenth anniversary of the Date of Grant of the Option. For the avoidance of doubt, nothing in these Rules shall require the Company to facilitate the disposal in any manner whatsoever of any Shares acquired on any such exercise pursuant to this Rule 9.5.

### **10. Exercise of Options**

#### 10.1 *Procedure on exercise*

An Option shall be exercisable, in whole or in part, by the delivery to the secretary of the Company of the following:

- (a) an Option Agreement covering all of the Shares over which the Option is then to be exercised;
- (b) the Notice of Exercise in the prescribed form duly completed and signed by the Option Holder (or by his duly authorised agent);
- (c) a Section 431 Election (or a similar election should the Directors so require);
- (d) payment (or such arrangements for the making of such a payment as the Directors shall permit) of a sum equal to the aggregate Option Price for the number of Shares over which the Option is to be exercised;
- (e) payment (or such arrangements for the making of such a payment as the Directors shall permit) of any Tax Liability and Employer's NICs in accordance with Rule 10.4; and

- (f) if and to the extent that existing shareholders in the Company are subject to Restrictions on the exercise of any rights attaching to their Shares in the Company as embodied in any shareholders' agreement or other such document, is accompanied by a deed of adherence in a form acceptable to the Company and executed by the Option Holder whereby the Option Holder agrees to be bound by the terms of such shareholders' agreement or other such document.

10.2 *Issue or transfer of Shares*

The Company shall issue or procure the transfer of Shares to be allotted or transferred pursuant to the exercise of an Option to the Option Holder such number of Shares within 30 days following the effective date of exercise of the Option.

- 10.3 Shares issued pursuant to the Scheme will rank pari passu in all respects with the Shares then already in issue except that they and any Shares transferred pursuant to the Scheme will not rank for any dividend or other distribution of the Company paid or made by reference to a record date falling prior to the date of receipt of the Notice of Exercise of the Option pursuant to Rule 10.1.

10.4 *Deductions*

- (a) Where in relation to Options, the Company or any Group Company (the "**Relevant Company**") is liable, or is in accordance with current practice believed to be liable under any statute or regulation or otherwise, to account to any revenue or other authority for sums in respect of a Tax Liability in relation to the Option, the Option Holder shall indemnify and shall keep indemnified the Relevant Company for the Tax Liability and the Option Holder shall pay the Relevant Company a sum equal to the Tax Liability immediately upon written notice of the quantum of the said liability.
- (b) Notwithstanding the above, the Company may impose such conditions upon the exercise of the Options as are necessary to ensure that the Relevant Company is able to meet any or all of such liabilities, including, without limitation, a condition that no exercise may take place unless the Option Holder has provided the Relevant Company with cash funds sufficient to meet such Tax Liability, or has entered into arrangements acceptable to the Relevant Company to secure that such cash funds are available, or to allow the Relevant Company to deduct the amount of such Tax Liability from any cash amounts (including salary and bonuses) which may become payable to the Option Holder by any Group Company.
- (c) The Company may require the Option Holder as a condition of the exercise of any Option that the Option Holder shall:
- (i) agree to reimburse the Relevant Company for any Employer's NICs arising on the exercise of an Option; or
  - (ii) enter into an election with the Relevant Company to assume the liability for any Employer's NICs, payable on the exercise of the Option, including an election under paragraph 3B of Schedule 1 to the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992;  
OR

(iii) agree to pay the employer's social security contributions, to the extent permitted by law, in any other jurisdiction.

(d) If the Option Holder shall fail to:

(i) make payment to the Relevant Company immediately upon receipt of a written notice in accordance with Rule 10.4(a); or

(ii) reimburse the Relevant Company in accordance with an agreement or election in whole or in part for any liability to Employer's NIC or employer's social security contributions pursuant to Rule 10.4(a);

then the Company shall be authorised by the Option Holder to reduce the number of Shares otherwise deliverable to the Option Holder upon the exercise of an Option as may be sufficient to produce a sum which (after allowance for the costs and expenses of such a sale) may discharge (and shall be applied in discharge of) the Option Holder's liability to the Relevant Company under Rule 10.4(a) or any agreement or election pursuant to Rule 10.4(a) and the Company may exercise all such powers and may appoint any of its officers to sign all such documents in the name of the Option Holder and as his act and deed as may be necessary for this purpose.

(e) If the Option Holder shall fail to make payment to the Relevant Company immediately upon receipt of a written notice in accordance with Rule 10.4(a) then the Option Holder shall be liable to make good any amount outstanding on demand.

## **11. Lapse of Options**

### *11.1 General*

An Option shall immediately cease to be exercisable and shall lapse on the earliest of:

(a) the tenth anniversary of the Date of Grant;

(b) the date upon which the Option Holder ceases to hold employment or office within the Group if the Option Holder is a Bad Leaver, or in the case of termination for Cause, on the date of occurrence of such Cause;

(c) the expiry of the periods in Rule 9.3, except that if the Option Holder dies during the exercise period specified in Rule 9.3 or before exercise in accordance with Rule 12 an Option shall not lapse by reason of this Rule 11.1 until the first anniversary of the Option Holder's death, if later;

(d) the first anniversary of the Option Holder's death;

(e) subject to Rule 13.1, the expiry of any of the periods referred to in Rule 12;

(f) the date on which it is purported to be transferred or assigned (other than by reason of death in accordance with Rule 9.4), mortgaged, charged or otherwise disposed of by the Option Holder;

- (g) the successful presentation of any petition to any court of competent jurisdiction by which an order is sought for the bankruptcy of the Option Holder;
- (h) upon the Option Holder making an application for an interim order or any proposal for a voluntary arrangement within Part VIII of the Insolvency Act 1986;
- (i) upon the Option Holder proposing any form of compromise with his creditors or any class of creditors; and
- (j) the date on which the Option Holder is deprived (otherwise than on death) of the legal or beneficial ownership of the Option by operation of law or by the Option Holder doing or omitting to do anything which causes him to be so deprived.

## 12. Takeover, Reconstruction, Liquidation and Sale of the Business

### 12.1 Offer

If any person obtains Control of the Company as a result of:

- (a) making an offer to acquire the whole of the issued share capital of the Company which is made on a condition such that, if it is satisfied, the person making the offer will have Control of the Company; or
- (b) making a general offer to acquire all the shares in the Company which are of the same class as those to which the Option relates;
- (c) negotiating a share sale and purchase agreement with the shareholders of the Company which contemplates that the person will acquire the whole of the issued share capital of the Company on completion;

(an “**Offer**”), an Option may be exercised to the extent set out in Rule 12.2, in accordance with the provisions of Rule 12.3.

- 12.2 An Option may be exercised under Rule 12.1 (and, for the avoidance of doubt) under Rules 12.5, 12.6, 12.7 and 12.9) to the extent Vested as at the date of such Offer or other event under this Rule 12, and the Directors (acting with Investor Director Consent) may, at their discretion, allow an Option Holder to exercise any Unvested Option(s).

### 12.3 Notification of Offer

- (a) If the Directors (acting on behalf of the Company) notify the Option Holder in writing as soon as practicable of the fact that such person has made an Offer under Rule 12.1 (the “**Notification**”) which may result in that person obtaining Control of the Company (and for the purposes of this Rule 12.3 the time that Control is obtained shall be referred to as the “**Unconditional Time**”), the Option Holder may deliver his Notice of Exercise and the aggregate Option Price (under the procedure in Rule 10.1) at any time in the period commencing on the Option Holder’s receipt of the Notification and ending immediately before the Unconditional Time. Any Notice of Exercise delivered in accordance with this Rule 12.3 shall be exercised immediately before the Unconditional Time. The Option shall not be exercisable following the Unconditional Time but may still be released under Rule 13 within the period of six months following the change of Control of the Company and on the expiry of the said six month period the Option shall lapse; or

- (b) In the event that no Notification is made (as permitted by Rule 12.3(a), the Option may be exercised within 90 days (or within any longer time period as referred to in section 532(1)(b) ITEPA) of such change of Control. The Option shall not be exercisable after 90 days (or within any longer time period as referred to in section 532(1)(b) ITEPA) from the date of the change of Control but may still be released under Rule 13 within the period of six months following the change of Control of the Company and on the expiry of the said six month period the Option shall lapse.
- (c) For the avoidance of doubt, where a Notification is made in Rule 12.3(a) and the Directors become aware that the proposed Offer will not proceed, the Directors shall return the Notice of Exercise and the aggregate Option Price to the Option Holder, and no exercise of the Option shall be treated as having occurred in relation to such offer under Rule 12.1.

#### 12.4 *Control*

For the purposes of Rule 12.1 a person shall be deemed to have obtained Control of the Company if he and others acting in concert with him have together obtained Control of it.

#### 12.5 *Scheme of arrangement*

If any person obtains Control of the Company in pursuance of a compromise or arrangement sanctioned by the court under section 899 of the Companies Act (a “**Compromise**”), an Option may be exercised to the extent set out in Rule 12.2 within 90 days (or within any longer time period as referred to in section 532(1)(b) ITEPA) of the court sanctioning the Compromise. An Option shall not be exercisable after the said 90 days (or longer time period as referred to in section 532(1)(b) ITEPA) but may still be released under Rule 13 within the period of six months following the court sanction of the Compromise and, on the expiry of the said six month period, the Option shall lapse.

#### 12.6 *Chapter 3, Part 28 of the Companies Act - Squeeze out provisions*

If any person becomes bound or entitled to acquire shares under Chapter 3, Part 28 of the Companies Act, an Option may be exercised to the extent set out in Rule 12.2 at any time when that person remains so bound or entitled.

#### 12.7 *Liquidation*

If a general meeting of the Company is called at which it is proposed to pass a resolution for the members’ voluntary winding up of the Company, the Company shall notify the Option Holder as soon as practicable of this fact. An Option may be exercised to the extent set out in Rule 12.2 during the period of such notice (such exercise being conditional on such resolution being passed and taking effect immediately thereafter) and such portion of the Option not otherwise exercised before such resolution has been passed shall thereupon lapse. Where the Option Holder has exercised the Option pursuant to this Rule 12.7 and the resolution referred to above has been passed then (subject to the consent of the Company’s liquidator where such is required by section 88 of the Insolvency Act 1986) the exercise of the Option shall take effect immediately and the Option Holder shall be entitled to share in the assets of the Company with the existing shareholders in the same manner as the Option Holder would have been entitled had the Option Holder been the registered owner of the relevant Shares before the resolution was passed. For the avoidance of doubt, this Rule 12.7 will not apply to a creditors’ voluntary winding up.

### 12.8 *Reorganisation*

An Option may not be exercised under Rule 12.1 if the Offer is part of a reorganisation so that the shareholders of the Acquiring Company hold their shares in the Acquiring Company in the same proportions as they held their shares in the Company.

### 12.9 *Sale of Business*

An Option may be exercised to the extent set out in Rule 12.2 within 90 days (or within any longer time period as referred to in section 532(1)(b) ITEPA) of a Sale of the Business and the Company shall notify the Option Holder as soon as practicable of this fact. The Directors (acting with the Investor Director Consent) may permit exercise of an Option at their discretion in the event of a sale of a material part of the business (which does not constitute a Sale of the Business).

### 12.10 *Admission to Listing*

If the Company's shares are admitted to listing on the Main Market of the London Stock Exchange, AIM or to or any other securities exchange, an Option may be exercised to the extent Vested during such periods as the Directors shall determine in their discretion, and the Directors (acting with Investor Director Consent) may, at their discretion, allow an Option Holder to exercise any Unvested part of an Option during such periods.

## 13. **Replacement Options**

### 13.1 *Grant of Replacement Options*

If any company (the "**Acquiring Company**"):

- (a) obtains Control of the Company as a result of making an Offer in accordance with Rule 12.1(a) or 12.1(b); or
- (b) obtains Control of the Company as a result of a Compromise in accordance with Rule 12.5; or
- (c) becomes bound or entitled to acquire the Shares under Chapter 3, Part 28 of the Companies Act in accordance with Rule 12.6, or
- (d) obtains all the Shares as a result of a Qualifying Exchange within Rule 13.3,

an Option Holder may at any time within the period set out in Rule 13.2, by agreement with the Acquiring Company, release any Option which has not lapsed (the "**Old Option**") in consideration of the grant to him of an Option (the "**New Option**") which is equivalent to the Old Option but relates to shares in the Acquiring Company and qualifies as a Replacement Option as set out in Rules 13.4 and 13.5.

### 13.2 *Period within which Replacement Option to be granted*

The New Option must be granted within the following periods:

- (a) if the change of Control is by reason of a general offer in accordance with Rule 12.1, the period of six months beginning with the time when the person making the offer has obtained control of the Company and any condition subject to which the offer is made is satisfied;
- (b) if the change of Control is by reason of a Compromise (in accordance with Rule 12.5) or a Qualifying Exchange the period of six months beginning with the time when the Acquiring Company obtains Control of the Company whose shares are subject to the Old Option;
- (c) if the change of Control occurs under Chapter 3, Part 28 of the Companies Act, the period during which the Acquiring Company remains bound or entitled in accordance with those procedures.

### 13.3 *Exchange of Shares*

- (a) An exchange of shares will be treated as a Qualifying Exchange where arrangements are made in accordance with which a company (the “**New Company**”) acquires all the shares (the “**Old Shares**”) in another company (the “**Old Company**”) and the following conditions are met:
  - (i) that the consideration for the Old Shares consists wholly of the issue of shares (the “**New Shares**”) in the New Company;
  - (ii) that New Shares are issued in consideration of Old Shares only at times when there are no issued shares in the New Company other than:
    - (A) subscriber shares, and
    - (B) New Shares previously issued in consideration of Old Shares;
  - (iii) that the consideration for New Shares of each description consists wholly of Old Shares of the corresponding description;
  - (iv) that New Shares of each description are issued to the holders of Old Shares of the corresponding description in respect of, and in proportion to, their holdings; and
  - (v) that by virtue of section 127 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 as applied by section 135(3) of that Act, the exchange of shares is not treated as involving a disposal of the Old Shares or an acquisition of the New Shares.
- (b) For the purposes of this Rule Old Shares and New Shares are of a corresponding description if, on the assumption that they were shares in the same company, they would be of the same class and carry the same rights, and references to “shares”, except in the expression “subscriber shares”, includes securities.



#### 13.4 *Qualifying requirements for Replacement Option*

Subject to Rule 13.5, a New Option qualifies as a Replacement Option only if:

- (a) the New Option is granted to the Option Holder by reason of his employment:
  - (i) with the Acquiring Company, or
  - (ii) if that company is a Parent Company, with that company or another Group Company;
- (b) at the time of the release of rights under the Old Option, the purpose for granting the New Option is for commercial reasons in order to recruit or retain an Eligible Employee, and not as part of a scheme or arrangement the main purpose, or one of the main purposes, of which is the avoidance of tax;
- (c) at that time,
  - (i) the Independence Requirement and the Trading Activities Requirement are met in relation to the Acquiring Company;
  - (ii) the individual to whom the New Option is granted is an Eligible Employee in relation to the Acquiring Company; and
  - (iii) the New Option would satisfy the requirements of being an EMI Option set out in Part V of Schedule 5;
- (d) the total Market Value, immediately before the release, of the Shares which were subject to the Old Option is equal to the total Market Value, immediately after the grant, of the Shares in respect of which the New Option is granted; and
- (e) the total amount payable by the employee for the acquisition of shares in pursuance of the New Option is equal to the total amount that would have been payable for the acquisition of shares in pursuance of the Old Option.

13.5 Provided that a Replacement Option for an Unapproved Option shall not have to satisfy the requirements in Rule 13.4(b) and Rule 13.4(c).

13.6 Where, in accordance with this Rule 13, an Option is released and a New Option granted, the New Option shall not be exercisable in accordance with Rule 12 by virtue of the event which gave rise to the New Option being granted.

#### **14. Loss of Office or Employment**

14.1 The grant of an Option does not form part of the Option Holder's entitlement to remuneration or benefits pursuant to his contract of employment nor does the existence of a contract of employment between an Eligible Employee and any company give such Eligible Employee any right or entitlement to have an Option granted to him in respect of any number of Shares or any expectation that an Option might be granted to him whether subject to any conditions or at all and the grant of an Option shall not give him any entitlement or expectation that further Options will be granted.

- 14.2 The rights and obligations of an Option Holder under the terms and conditions of his office or employment shall not be affected by his participation under the Rules or any right he may have to participate.
- 14.3 An individual who participates under the Rules waives all and any rights to compensation or damages in consequence of the termination of his office or employment with any company for any reason whatsoever, whether lawful or not, in so far as those rights arise, or may arise, from his ceasing to have rights under or be entitled to exercise any Option under the Rules as a result of such termination or from the loss or diminution of value of such rights or entitlements. If necessary, the Option Holder's terms of employment shall be varied accordingly.

## **15. Adjustments**

### *15.1 General rule*

The number of Shares over which an Option is granted and the Option Price thereof shall be adjusted in such manner as the Directors shall reasonably determine following any capitalisation issue, rights issue, subdivision, consolidation or reduction of share capital of the Company or any other variation of share capital to the intent that (as nearly as may be) the total Option Price multiplied by the number of Shares that is payable in respect of an Option shall remain unchanged.

### *15.2 Reduction of Option Price to below nominal value*

Subject to Rule 15.3 below, an adjustment may be made under Rule 15.1 above which would have the effect of reducing the Option Price of unissued shares to less than the nominal value of a Share, but only if, and to the extent that, the Directors shall be authorised to capitalise from the reserves of the Company a sum equal to the amount by which the aggregate nominal value of the Shares in respect of which the Option is exercisable exceeds the aggregate adjusted Option Price, so that on exercise of any Option in respect of which the Option Price has been reduced, the Directors shall capitalise and apply such sum (if any) as is necessary to pay up the amount by which the aggregate nominal value of the Shares in respect of which the Option is exercised exceeds the aggregate Option Price for such Shares.

### *15.3 Option over issued and unissued Shares*

Where an Option subsists over both issued and unissued Shares, an adjustment permitted by Rule 15.2 above, may only be made if the reduction of the Option Price of both issued and unissued Shares can be made to the same extent.

### *15.4 Administrative steps*

The Directors shall notify Option Holders of any adjustment made under this Rule 15 as soon as reasonably practicable and may take such steps and the Company shall execute such documents as it considers necessary to give effect to such adjustment. Furthermore, and without limitation to the generality of the foregoing, the Directors may call in, cancel, endorse, issue or reissue any Option Agreement subsequent upon such adjustment.

## 16. General

### 16.1 Amendments

- (a) Subject to Rules 16.1(b) to 16.1(d), the Directors shall have the discretion to:
  - (i) amend or add to the Rules; and
  - (ii) impose additional conditions or requirements on the Options or on the terms on which Shares are acquired.
- (b) No amendments may be made to the Rules which would have the effect of causing EMI Options to cease to be EMI Options.
- (c) The Directors may at any time make such alterations (including additions) to the Rules as are necessary to secure that the Rules as applicable to EMI Options are in accordance with Schedule 5 and continue to be in accordance with Schedule 5.
- (d) No amendment or addition shall be made to the Rules which would abrogate or adversely affect the subsisting rights of Option Holders unless:
  - (i) where the rights are enjoyed by a single Option Holder and are not enjoyed by any other Option Holder or class of Option Holders, it is made with the written consent of that Option Holder; or
  - (ii) where the rights are enjoyed by all Option Holders or any class of Option Holders then:
    - (A) with the consent in writing of such number of Option Holders or class of Option Holders (as the case may be) as hold Options under the Scheme to acquire 75 per cent (75%) of the Shares which would be issued or transferred if all Options granted and subsisting under the Scheme were exercised; or
    - (B) by a resolution at a meeting of Option Holders or class of Option Holders passed by not less than 75 per cent (75%) of the Option Holders who attend and vote either in person or by proxy; and for the purpose of this Rule 16.1(d) the Option Holders or any class of Option Holders shall be treated as the holders of a separate class of share capital and the provisions of the Articles of Association of the Company relating to class meetings shall apply mutatis mutandis.

### 16.2 Termination

The Scheme shall terminate upon the tenth anniversary of the Adoption Date or at any earlier time by the passing of a resolution by the Directors. Termination shall be without prejudice to the subsisting rights of Option Holders.

16.3 *Conflict with Schedule 5*

If there is any conflict between the provisions of the Rules as they apply to EMI Options and Schedule 5, Schedule 5 shall take precedence in respect of EMI Options.

16.4 *Notices and documents*

- (a) Option Holders not otherwise entitled thereto may at the discretion of the Company be sent copies of notices and other documents sent by the Company to its ordinary shareholders generally.
- (b) Written notice of any amendment made in accordance with this Rule 16 shall be given to those Option Holders affected by such amendment.
- (c) Any notice or other document required to be given hereunder to any Option Holder shall be delivered to him by one of the following methods:
  - (i) by hand to his home address according to the records of the Company or such other address as may appear to the Directors to be appropriate. Such notices shall be deemed to have been given on the date of delivery;
  - (ii) by first class pre-paid post to him at his home address according to the records of the Company or such other address as may appear to the Directors to be appropriate. Such notices shall be deemed to have been given on the second business day following the date of posting;
  - (iii) by email to the Option Holder's work email address (or personal email address, if known to the Company). Such notices shall be deemed to have been given on the date the email is sent; or
  - (iv) by fax, to a fax number given to the Company by the Option Holder. Such notices shall be deemed to have been given on the date the email is sent.
- (d) Any notice or other document required to be given to the Directors shall be delivered to the Directors or sent by first class pre-paid post to the Directors at the Company's registered office or such other address as may be determined by the Directors to be appropriate. Such notices shall be deemed to have been given on the second business day following the date of posting.

16.5 *Disputes*

The decision of the Directors in any dispute or question relating to any Option shall be final and conclusive subject to the terms of this Scheme.

16.6 *Governing Law*

The Rules shall be governed by and construed in accordance with English law.

16.7 *Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999*

Except as expressly provided by the Company, a person who is not the Option Holder or a company who is not a member of the Group has no right under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 to rely upon or enforce any provisions of this Scheme, but this does not affect any right or remedy of a third party which exists or is available apart from that Act. The Option Holder may not declare himself a trustee of his rights under this Scheme for the benefit of any third parties.

16.8 *Data Protection*

The Company and the Employer Company (if different) from time to time will collect, hold and process the Option Holder's personal information for the purposes of the administration of this Option. The Company will not use such personal information for any purpose other than the administration of the Option, unless the Option Holder's consent to that use is obtained.

**17. Overseas Employees**

Notwithstanding any other provision of the Scheme the Directors may amend or add to the provisions of the Scheme and the terms of Option Agreements they consider necessary or desirable to take account of, or to mitigate, or to comply with relevant overseas taxation, securities or exchange control laws, provided that the terms of Options granted to such Employees are not more favourable overall than the terms of Awards granted to other Employees.

**18. Supplementary Provisions**

The Group shall not be liable to the Option Holder for any tax or additional tax or national insurance payable by the Option Holder upon the exercise of an Option or upon the subsequent disposal of any Shares acquired upon exercise of the Option being tax or national insurance payable because of a failure to qualify for relief under sections 529 to 532 of ITEPA in consequence of anything done by the Group.

SCHEDULE 1

OPTION AGREEMENT

**THIS DOCUMENT IS IMPORTANT AND SHOULD BE KEPT IN A SAFE PLACE**

**THIS OPTION AGREEMENT** is made the [•] day of [•] 20

BETWEEN

- (1) **VACCITECH LIMITED** (registered no 09973585) whose registered office is at Magdalen Centre, 1 Robert Robinson Avenue, The Oxford Science Park, Oxford, Oxfordshire OX4 4GA (the “**Company**”); and
- (2) [Name] of [Address] (the “**Option Holder**”)

**SUPPLEMENTAL** to the rules of the Vaccitech Limited EMI Share Option Scheme (the “**Scheme**”). Any words or expressions used in this option agreement and defined by the Scheme shall bear the same meaning in this agreement.

**INTRODUCTION:**

- (A) The Company intends to grant an Option to the Option Holder.
- (B) The Option is intended to be an [EMI option/unapproved option].
- (C) [The Option is granted under Schedule 5 ITEPA 2003.]

**AGREED TERMS**

**1 Grant**

The Company **GRANTS** an [EMI option/unapproved option] to the Option Holder and the Option Holder **AGREES** to be bound in all respects by the provisions of the Scheme and **ACCEPTS** the grant on the terms set out in their agreement.

**2 Terms of the Scheme**

- 2.1 Under the terms of the Scheme the Option Holder may acquire the number of ordinary shares (the “**Shares**”) in the Company stated in 7.1(a) at the Option price per Share set out in 7.1(b).
- 2.2 The Option is granted and exercisable subject to the terms and conditions set out in the Scheme and in this Option Agreement.

**3 Articles**

Any Shares allotted or transferred pursuant to the exercise of the Option are subject to the articles of association of the Company (as amended from time to time) and to any necessary consents of any governmental or other authorities under any enactments from time to time in force.

#### **4 Restrictions**

The Shares allotted or transferred pursuant to the exercise of the Option are subject to restrictions in the Articles of the Company and in the subscription and shareholders' agreement which are summarised at Appendix 2 to this Option Agreement.

#### **5 Non transferable**

The Option is personal to the Option Holder and is not transferable, assignable or chargeable.

#### **6 Exercise**

The Option shall not be exercisable on or after the 10th Anniversary of the Date of Grant.

#### **7 Grant**

7.1 The details of the grant are as follows; namely

- (a) Number of Shares subject to the Option [•].
- (b) Option Price per Share [•].
- (c) Date of Grant [•].
- (d) Vesting Commencement Date [•].

7.2 The Option Holder irrevocably agrees to reimburse the Relevant Company for any Employer's NICs arising on the exercise of an Option; or agrees to enter into an election with the Relevant Company to assume the liability for any Employer's NICs, payable on the exercise of the Option, including an election under paragraph 3B of Schedule 1 to the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992.

7.3 The exercise of the Option shall be conditional upon the Option Holder making good any Tax Liability in relation to the Option, or entering into arrangements acceptable to the Company in respect of such Tax Liability, in accordance with rule 10.4 of the Scheme.

7.4 The Option shall Vest in accordance with the Vesting Schedule at Appendix 1 to this Option Agreement.

#### **8 Working Time Declaration**

The Option Holder hereby declares, pursuant to the requirement set out in paragraph 44(5)(c) of Schedule 5, that he works for the Company or for a subsidiary of the Company for at least 25 hours a week or, if less, at least 75% of his working time, and therefore satisfies the Committed Time requirement in paragraph 26 of Schedule 5.

This option agreement has been executed as a deed and unconditionally delivered on the date first above written.

SIGNED as a DEED )  
by **VACCITECH LIMITED** )  
acting by a director )

Director

Signature of Witness:

Name of Witness:

Address:

Occupation:

**SIGNED as a DEED** )  
**by [Option Holder]** )

Signature of Witness:

Name of Witness:

Address:

Occupation:

**NOTE: The Company shall retain the original signed and dated option agreement and give a copy to the Option Holder within 7 days to satisfy paragraph 44(5A) of Schedule 5 or two copies of the option agreement shall be signed, one for the Company and one for the Option Holder.**



## APPENDIX 1

### **Vesting Schedule**

The Vesting Schedule is as follows that the Shares shall Vest in four equal annual instalments from the Vesting Commencement Date, so that the Option shall be fully Vested on the fourth anniversary of the Vesting Commencement Date. The number of Shares that Vest shall be rounded up to the nearest whole number of Shares.

## APPENDIX 2

### Restrictions Summary

The following is a summary of the restrictions on the Shares, so that the Option Holder has an understanding of the restrictions prevailing at the time of the grant of the Option.

#### Restrictions in Articles of Association

The references are to the articles of association of the Company adopted on 10 November 2017 (the “**Articles**”), which can be obtained from [Graham Griffiths], and any defined terms are defined in the Articles. For full details, the Option Holder should refer to the Articles.

#### Liquidation preference (Articles 5 and 6)

On a distribution of assets, distributions will only be made to holders of Ordinary Shares, pro rata to the number of Ordinary Shares held, of the surplus of assets (if any) after an amount per share held equal to the Preference Amount has been distributed to Series A Shareholders, and a total of £1.00 has been distributed to the holders of any Deferred Shares. On a Share Sale, the proceeds of sale are dealt with in a similar way.

#### Down round protection (Article 10)

The Series A shares have anti-dilution protection which is not available to the Ordinary Shares.

#### Pre-emption (Article 13)

The Ordinary Shares are subject to pre-emption rights, but these do not apply to Ordinary Shares acquired on the exercise of options.

#### Restrictions on transfers of Shares (Article 14)

A Transfer Notice will be deemed to be served in respect of all a Shareholder’s Shares if that Shareholder transfers or purports to transfer a Share other than in accordance with the Articles.

Transfers to the following may be refused by the Directors:

- Bankrupts, minors, persons of unsound mind;
- Employees who have not entered into a joint s.431 ITEPA election;
- More than four transferees

The Directors may refuse a transfer:

- of a Share which is not fully paid to a person of whom the Directors do not approve, or on which Share the Company has a Lien;
- which is not lodged at the registered office;
- which is not accompanied by a certificate or acceptable indemnity;

- in respect of more than one class of Shares; and
- In certain other circumstances provided by the articles.

The Directors may require the transferee to agree to be bound by the Shareholders' Agreement as a condition of transfer.

If a disposal of Shares is made in breach of the Articles, or interested parties fail to provide information to enable the Directors to determine whether this is the case, the relevant shares will cease to carry voting rights or entitlement to dividends or other distributions, and the holder may be required to transfer some or all of their Shares at a price required by the Directors.

#### Restrictions on Permitted Transfers (Article 15)

No transfer of Shares may be made to Trustees unless the Board is satisfied as to certain conditions.

The following must transfer their Shares to the Original Shareholder or a Permitted Transferee of the Original Shareholder, or give a Transfer Notice to the Company:

- Permitted Transferees by virtue of marriage or Civil Partnership who cease to be a spouse or Civil Partner of the Original Shareholder;
- The personal representatives of a deceased Permitted Transferee.

#### Pre-emption rights on transfer of Shares (Article 16)

A Seller must give other Shareholders the opportunity to purchase Sale Shares before they are offered to a proposed third party transferee. The purchase price will be the Fair Value, determined by an expert as per Article 17, if a value cannot be agreed. Only those Sale Shares not purchased under this pre-emption process may be sold to a third party, which must not be a competitor - and this sale must be bona fide and is subject to adequate information being provided to the Board to determine this.

#### Compulsory transfers (Article 18)

A Transfer Notice will be deemed to be given by:

- Persons entitled to a Share in consequence of a Shareholder's bankruptcy; and
- Personal representatives of a deceased Shareholder, following the first anniversary of that Shareholder's death.

#### Departing employees - Bad Leaver provision (Article 19)

All Employee Shares held by a Bad Leaver will convert into worthless Deferred Shares on their Effective Termination Date. There are provisions for Good Leavers, but these do not apply to Ordinary Shares acquired on the exercise of an option.

Mandatory Offer on a Change of Control (Article 20)

A Proposed Seller may only make a Proposed Transfer (to a Proposed Purchaser who would acquire a Controlling Interest in the Company) if the Proposed Purchaser makes an offer to the other Shareholders to acquire all of the Equity Shares at at least the Specified Price.

Co-Sale right (Article 21)

Any Selling Employee must give to each Equity Holder notice of a proposed sale which will give Equity Holders an opportunity to tag along on a proposed sale (subject to certain conditions).

Drag-along provisions (Article 22)

If the holders of at least 75% of the Equity Shares wish to transfer all their interest in Shares to a Proposed Purchaser, they have the option to compel the remaining shareholders to sell their shares to the Drag Purchaser, with the consideration being distributed pro rata in accordance with Articles 5 and 6.

**Restrictions in Subscription and Shareholders' Agreement**

The references are to the Subscription and Shareholders' Agreement between the Investors, the Founders, the Manager, the University, Oxford University Innovation Limited and the Company dated 10 November 2017, as varied by the Variation, Subscription and Adherence Agreement between the Investors, the Founders, the Manager, the University, OUI, the Company and SCC Venture VI Holdco, Ltd dated 10 January 2018 (the "**Subscription and Shareholders' Agreement**"), which can be obtained from Graham Griffiths, and any defined terms are defined in the Subscription and Shareholders' Agreement.

Restrictions on further issue and transfer

No transfer of Shares may take place without the transferee becoming bound by a Deed of Adherence, unless the Board (with Investor Majority Consent) approve otherwise.

## SCHEDULE 2

### NOTICE OF EXERCISE

TO: The Secretary, Vaccitech Limited

I/We, being the holder or the Personal Representative(s) of the holder,\* of an option granted over Vaccitech Limited shares (the “**Option**”):

- 1.1 hereby exercise the Option to acquire \_\_\_\_\_ ordinary shares in Vaccitech Limited (the “**Shares**”) at a price of £[•] per ordinary share, subject to the provisions contained in an Option Agreement dated [•] (the “**Agreement**”) made pursuant to the Vaccitech Limited EMI Share Option Scheme and made between Vaccitech Limited and [•];
- 1.2 enclose a cheque for the total price of the Shares (£\_\_\_\_\_) in favour of Vaccitech Limited (the “**Company**”) and crossed “a/c payee”, or such other documentation in respect of bridging finance or undertaking to procure payment as may be agreed by the Directors;
- 1.3 authorise and request you to enter my/our name(s) in the Company’s Register of Members as the holder(s) of the Shares, subject to the Company’s articles of association;
- 1.4 hereby covenant to pay the Company the amount of any Tax Liability\*\* which may arise as a consequence of or in connection with this exercise of the Option (and, for the purposes of this Notice of Exercise, the expression “Tax Liability” has the same meaning as it has in the Agreement;
- 1.5 in order to give effect to this covenant, I/we hereby authorise and appoint the Company as my/our attorney in my/our name(s) and on my/our behalf:
  - (a) to sell such number (but no more) of the Shares registered in my/our name(s) as will enable the Company (after payment of all necessary selling expenses and commissions) to recover and retain for itself from the sale proceeds an amount equal to such Tax Liability and then account to me/us for any cash balance remaining, provided that the Company may sell that number of shares at such price or prices as it shall, in its absolute discretion, consider fair and reasonable, and
  - (b) generally to sign any stock transfer form or other document or documents which may be required and to do any other thing which the Company shall consider necessary or expedient for carrying out the acts hereby authorised in the same manner and as fully in all respects as I/we could have done personally and I/we hereby undertake to ratify everything which the Company shall do or purport to do by virtue of this power of attorney; and
- 1.6 request you to send a share certificate in respect of the Shares not sold pursuant to the authority given above (and, if appropriate, a balance option certificate) to me/us at the address given below.

**SIGNED and DELIVERED as a DEED BY**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**In the presence of:**

Witness' Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

Witness' Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**\* Personal Representatives should enclose an Office Copy of the relevant Grant of Probate or Letters of Administration.**

**\*\* Persons exercising the option should consult with the Company as to whether any Tax Liability is anticipated, however the Company does not undertake to advise you on the tax consequences of exercising your Option. If you are unsure of the tax liabilities which may arise you should take appropriate professional advice before exercising your Option.**

SCHEDULE 3

S.431 ELECTION

**Joint Election under s.431 ITEPA 2003 for full or partial disapplication of Chapter 2  
Income Tax (Earnings and Pensions) Act 2003**

**Employment-related securities acquired on exercise of qualifying options exercised  
before the tenth anniversary of the date of grant.**

**One Part Election**

**BETWEEN** the Employee [•]

whose National Insurance Number is [•]

and

the Company (which is the Employee's employer) **Vaccitech Limited**

of Company Registration Number **09973585**

**Purpose of Election**

This joint election is made pursuant to section 431(1) Income Tax (Earnings and Pensions) Act 2003 (ITEPA) and applies where employment-related securities, which are restricted securities by reason of section 423 ITEPA, are acquired.

The effect of an election under section 431(1) is that, for the relevant Income Tax and NIC purposes, the employment-related securities and their market value will be treated as if they were not restricted securities and that sections 425 to 430 ITEPA do not apply.

**Should the value of the securities fall following the acquisition, it is possible that Income Tax/NIC that would have arisen because of any future chargeable event (in the absence of an election) would have been less than the Income Tax/NIC due by reason of this election. Should this be the case, there is no Income Tax/NIC relief available under Part 7 of ITEPA 2003; nor is it available if the securities acquired are subsequently transferred, forfeited or revert to the original owner.**

**Application**

This joint election is made not later than 14 days after the date of acquisition of the securities by the employee and applies to:

Number of securities \_\_\_\_\_

Description of securities Ordinary shares in the capital of Vaccitech Limited

Name of issuer of securities Vaccitech Limited

Acquired by the Employee on \_\_\_\_\_

**Extent of Application**

This election disappplies s.431(1) ITEPA: All restrictions attaching to the securities.

**Declaration**

This election will become irrevocable upon the later of its signing or the acquisition of employment-related securities to which this election applies.

In signing this joint election, we agree to be bound by its terms as stated above.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature (Employee)

/ /  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature (for and on behalf of the Company)

/ /  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Position in Company



CERTAIN CONFIDENTIAL PORTIONS OF THIS EXHIBIT HAVE BEEN OMITTED AND REPLACED WITH “[\*\*\*]”. SUCH IDENTIFIED INFORMATION HAS BEEN EXCLUDED FROM THIS EXHIBIT BECAUSE IT IS (I) NOT MATERIAL AND (II) THE REGISTRANT CUSTOMARILY AND ACTUALLY TREATS THAT INFORMATION AS PRIVATE OR CONFIDENTIAL.

**DATED** 4 March 2016

**(1) ISIS INNOVATION LIMITED**

**and**

**(2) VACCITECH LIMITED**

**LICENCE OF TECHNOLOGY  
(ISIS PROJECT Nos. [\*\*\*])**

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**BETWEEN:**

- (1) **ISIS INNOVATION LIMITED** (Company No. 2199542) whose registered office is at University Offices, Wellington Square, Oxford OX1 2JD, England ("Isis"); and
- (2) **VACCITECH LIMITED** (Company No. 9973585) whose registered office is at The Weston Library, Broad Street, Oxford, Oxfordshire, OX1 3BG (the "Licensee").

**BACKGROUND:**

- (A) The Licensed Technology is connected with Isis Projects [\*\*\*] 'Adenovirus long promoter', [\*\*\*] 'Universal influenza vaccine', [\*\*\*] 'Poxvirus expression system', [\*\*\*] 'Adenovirus vaccine vectors' ('ChAdOx1' & 'ChAdOx2') and Isis clinical data projects [\*\*\*] 'Phase I MVA NP+M1', [\*\*\*] 'MVA-NP+M1 Phase IIa challenge study', [\*\*\*] 'MVA-NP+M1 Phase I in adults over 50', [\*\*\*] 'MVA NP+M1 plus TIV Phase I', [\*\*\*] 'ChAdOx1-NP+M1 Phase I' & [\*\*\*] 'Phase I ChAdOx1 NP+M1 and MVA NP+M1 in heterologous prime-boost'.
- (B) The Licensee wishes to acquire a licence to the Licensed Technology in order to develop products in the area of influenza vaccines, cancer vaccines, varicella zoster vaccines and Middle East Respiratory Syndrome ("MERS") vaccines and Isis is willing to license the Licensed Technology to the Licensee, on the terms of this agreement.

**AGREEMENT:**

**1. Interpretation**

In this agreement (including its Schedules), any reference to a "clause" or "Schedule" is a reference to a clause of this agreement or a schedule to this agreement, as the case may be. Words and expressions used in this agreement have the meaning set out in Schedule 1.

**2. Grant of Licence**

2.1 In consideration of the payments required to be made under this agreement by the Licensee, Isis grants to the Licensee a licence in the Territory in respect of the Licensed Technology to develop, make, have made, use and have used and Market the Licensed Product subject to the terms and conditions of this agreement. Subject to clause 5, the Licence in respect of:

2.1.1 the Licensed Intellectual Property is :

- (a) in relation to Applications 1 and 2 (i) exclusive in the Field and (ii) non-exclusive in all other fields excluding veterinary applications (apart from MERS);
- (b) in relation to Application 3 exclusive in all fields excluding veterinary applications;
- (c) in relation to use of ChAdOx1 vector under Application 4 (i) exclusive in the Field and (ii) non-exclusive in all other fields excluding veterinary applications (apart from MERS) and the ChAdOx1 Excluded Fields provided that in the event that the Licensee fails to meet its diligence obligations under clause 10, as determined in accordance with this agreement, with regard to:
  - (i) vaccines for MERS, including but not limited to the initiation of manufacture of GMP grade vaccine for MERS by 31 December 2016, the licence in respect of vaccine for MERS only will automatically become non-exclusive in all fields excluding the ChAdOx1 Excluded Fields; and
  - (ii) vaccines for varicella zoster, including but not limited to the initiation of manufacture of GMP grade vaccine for varicella zoster by 1 September 2017 (or 1 March 2017 where grant funding has been raised for the Licensee to manufacture GMP grade vaccine for MERS), the licence in respect of vaccines for varicella zoster only will automatically become non-exclusive in all fields excluding the ChAdOx1 Excluded Fields and further, if by 1 September 2018, the Licensee has not initiated manufacture of GMP grade vaccine for varicella zoster that non-exclusive licence in respect of vaccines for varicella zoster will terminate;

- (d) in relation to use of the ChAdOx2 vector under Application 4 non-exclusive in all fields with the exclusion of all veterinary applications (apart from MERS) and the ChAdOx2 Excluded Fields.

2.1.2 the Clinical Data is exclusive in the Field; and

2.1.3 the Licensed Know-how is exclusive in the Field except in respect of Licensed Know-how relating to the ChAdOx2 Vector which is non-exclusive.

2.2 Except in respect of the ChAdOx2 Vector and in respect of the ChAdOx1 Vector with regard to vaccines for MERS and varicella zoster where the Licensee fails to meet its diligence obligations under clause 10, as determined in accordance with this agreement (including, without limitation, clause 2.1.1(c)), Isis will not grant a licence in the Field to any third parties with respect to the Licensed Know-how.

2.3 The Licensee may grant sub-licences with the prior written consent of Isis, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed, provided that:

- (a) the sub-licensee has obligations to the Licensee commensurate with those which the Licensee has to Isis under this agreement, except the financial terms hereof or where it is not legally possible to include such obligations in the sub-licence;
- (b) the nature of the proposed sub-licensee is not likely in Isis's reasonable opinion to have any detrimental impact on the reputation of either Isis or of the University;
- (c) the sub-licensee has sufficient financial resources to develop and Market the Licensed Product (it being acknowledged and agreed that if the sub-licensee is a publicly-listed company with a market capitalisation equal to or in excess of [\*\*\*] it will be considered to have sufficient financial resources to develop and Market the Licensed Product);
- (d) as soon as reasonably practicable following the grant of each sub-licence, the Licensee provides a certified copy of that sub-licence to Isis;
- (e) the sub-licensee enters into a Deed of Covenant with the Licensor in the form set out in Schedule 4;
- (f) Isis will be deemed to have consented to a sub-licence within [\*\*\*]of receipt of such written request by the Licensee to grant a sub-licence, provided it has not refused consent or requested reasonable further time or information to consider the request within such [\*\*\*] period; and
- (g) no sub-licence will carry any right to sub-sub-licence.

2.4 Notwithstanding clause 2.3, no prior written consent from Isis will be required for sub-licences if:

- (a) the sub-licensee or an Affiliate of the sub-licensee, at the time of entering into a new sub-licence, is already a licensee or a sub-licensee of the Licensee in respect of all or part of the Licensed Technology; or
- (b) the sub-licensee is a subsidiary or an Affiliate of the Licensee;

provided always that the sub-licence complies with provisions (a), (d) and (e) of clause 2.3.

2.5 A decision by Isis not to give prior written consent under clause 2.3(b) or (c) shall be accompanied by a written description of the reasons for such disapproval, and the parties shall promptly (within [\*\*\*) discuss the reasons Isis has given and the Licensee may challenge such reasons.

### **3. Materials and Clinical Data**

3.1 Subject to clause 2.1 and the remainder of this clause 3, as between Isis and the Licensee the Materials and Clinical Data will remain the legal property of Isis and as at the date of this agreement the Materials and Clinical Data are held by the University.

3.2 During the term of this agreement, the Licensee will have the right to access and use the Materials at the University, upon giving Isis [\*\*\*) written notice, in the quantities set out in Schedule 2 to develop, make, have made, use and have used and Market the Licensed Product in accordance with the Licence. Upon the Licensee's prior written instruction, Isis will, at the Licensee's cost, deliver the Materials in the quantities set out in Schedule 2 to such address as notified by the Licensee within [\*\*\*) of the Licensee's prior written instruction for the Licensee to use for the aforementioned purposes. Subject to the rights retained by the University to use the Materials for Non-Commercial Use, the Licensee's right to use the Materials will be exclusive in the Field save:

3.2.1 in respect of the ChAdOx2 Vector the rights will be non-exclusive and subject to the terms of the ATCC MTA;

3.2.2 in respect of the ChAdOx1 5T4 master seed bank and the MVA 5T4 non-GMP stock the rights will be subject to any access rights to which consortium members may be entitled under the terms of the FP7 Consortium and Funding Agreements; and Isis will not grant access to or allow a third party to use any of the Materials in the Field except in relation to the ChAdOx2 Vector.

3.3 With regard to clause 3.2.1 and the ATCC MTA, Isis will use all reasonable endeavours to promptly agree a licence with ATCC to ensure that Isis can supply to the Licensee the ChAdOx2 non-GMP stock (Isis ref: [\*\*\*) under the ATCC MTA for commercial use and in order to Market Licensed Products.

3.4 The Licensee will have the right to access, use and reproduce the Clinical Data in accordance with the Licence. The Licensee will give Isis at least [\*\*\*) notice to access the Clinical Data. Upon the Licensee's prior written instruction, Isis will, at the Licensee's cost, deliver copies of the Clinical Data to such address as notified by the Licensee within [\*\*\*) of the Licensee's prior written instruction for the Licensee to use to develop, make, have made, use and have used and Market the Licensed Product in accordance with the Licence.

### **4. Improvements**

4.1 The Licensed Technology covered by the Licence in clause 2 includes Inventor Improvements. Isis will communicate in writing to the Licensee within a reasonable time, and in any event [\*\*\*) of becoming aware of the same, all Inventor Improvements.

4.2 The Licensee acknowledges and agrees that all Intellectual Property Rights in Inventor Improvements belong to Isis.

4.3 The Licensee will communicate in writing to Isis within [\*\*\*) of intended publication all Licensee Improvements.

4.4 Isis acknowledges and agrees that all Intellectual Property Rights in the Licensee Improvements belong to the Licensee.

## 5. Rights re Non-Commercial Use

- 5.1 The Licensee grants Isis an irrevocable, perpetual, royalty-free licence to grant the University and those persons who at any time work or have worked on the Licensed Technology the licence set out in clause 5.2.
- 5.2 Isis has granted and, in respect of Licensee Improvements, will grant, to the University and those persons who at any time work or have worked on the Licensed Technology a non- transferable, irrevocable, perpetual, royalty-free licence to use and publish the Licensed Technology and the Licensee Improvements for Non-Commercial Use.
- 5.3 Where the University wishes to submit a publication including Licensee Improvements, Isis shall procure that the University will use all reasonable endeavours to submit such draft publication to the Licensee in writing not less than [\*\*\*] in advance of the submission for publication. The Licensee may make a written request to the University to delay submission for publication if, in the Licensee's reasonable opinion, such delay is necessary in order to seek patent or similar protection for the Licensee Improvements. A delay imposed on submission for publication as a result of a written request made by the Licensee shall not last longer than is necessary to seek required protection; and therefore shall not exceed [\*\*\*] from the date of receipt of the written request to delay submission for publication by the Licensee, although Isis will procure that the University will not unreasonably refuse a request from the Licensee for additional delay in the event that Intellectual Property Rights would otherwise be lost. Notification of the requirement for delay in submission for publication must be received by the University within [\*\*\*] after the receipt of the notice of intention to publish by the Licensee, failing which the University shall be free to assume that the Licensee has no objection to the proposed publication.
- 5.4 Isis reserves the right to grant Academic and Research licences to encourage basic research for Non-Commercial Use, whether conducted at an academic facility or subcontracted to a corporate facility, but not for the purposes of permitting commercialisation of the Licensed Technology licensed exclusively in the Field, or to authorise the development or marketing of products or services that are produced or supplied entirely or partially using the Licensed Technology.

## 6. Filing and Maintenance

- 6.1 The Licensee will pay Isis the Past Patent Costs representing the Licensee's sole contribution to the patent costs incurred by Isis prior to the parties entering into this agreement, within [\*\*\*] of receiving an invoice from Isis following execution of this agreement.
- 6.2 Isis will, in consultation with the Licensee and at the Licensee's cost, prosecute, use all reasonable endeavours to maintain, and renew the Applications throughout the duration of this agreement and in relation to Application 4 will use all reasonable endeavours to file and maintain any further patent application to the extent it is required in order to provide patent coverage for the ChAdOx2 Vector. Isis will give all reasonable consideration to the views of the Licensee and will not unreasonably refuse to prosecute, maintain or renew Applications provided always that the Licensee agrees to bear the costs of such action according to this Clause 6.2. The Licensee will reimburse Isis for all costs, filing fees, lawyers' and patent agents' fees, expenses and outgoings of whatever nature incurred by Isis in the prosecution, maintenance and renewal of the Applications (including those incurred in opposition proceedings before the European Patent Office or in ex parte re-examination or inter partes review proceedings in the United States Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO") or any similar proceedings before any patent office challenging the grant or validity of the Applications) within [\*\*\*] of receiving an invoice from Isis. Isis shall be entitled to make it a condition of any action of Isis under this clause 6.2 that the Licensee provides Isis with sufficient money in advance to cover the costs likely to be incurred in the action.
- 6.3 Where the Application is prosecuted in the USPTO and the Licensee is a small business concern as defined under the US Small Business Act (15USC632) Isis intends to pay reduced USPTO patent fees under US patent law 35 USC 41(h)(1). The Licensee will notify Isis as soon as reasonably possible if it or a sub-licensee ceases to be a small business concern as defined under the US Small Business Act (15USC632) or becomes aware of any other reason why it would not qualify for reduced USPTO patent fees under US patent law 35 USC 41(h)(1).

6.4 The Licensee shall inform Isis not less than [\*\*\*] in advance of the National Phase filing deadline (noted in Schedule 2) of the territories within the scope of the PCT that it wishes to be covered in the National Phase of the Applications. In the event that the Licensee does not give the required minimum of [\*\*\*] advance notice Isis shall then be entitled to proceed with filing the Applications at the Licensee's cost in whichever territories as it may in its sole discretion decide.

6.5 The Licensee shall be entitled to remove any one or more of the countries from the Territory at any time by giving not less than [\*\*\*] notice to Isis. If the Applications are proceeding under the PCT then such notice may not be given any earlier than the date for commencement of the National Phase filing. For the avoidance of doubt the Licensee shall remain liable for the costs mentioned in clause 6.2 that arise or are incurred by Isis during the said notice period in respect of the countries being removed.

6.6 In the event that Isis elects to discontinue the prosecution and/or maintenance of any of the Applications, the Licensee shall have the right but not the obligation to take over prosecution and maintenance of the Applications Isis has elected to discontinue.

## 7. **Infringement**

7.1 Each party will notify the other in writing of any misappropriation or infringement of any rights in the Licensed Technology of which the party becomes aware.

7.2 The Licensee has the first right (but is not obliged) to take Legal Action at its own cost in relation to any misappropriation or infringement of any rights included in the Licensed Technology in the Field. The Licensee must discuss any proposed Legal Action with Isis prior to the Legal Action being commenced, and take due account of the legitimate interests of Isis in the Legal Action it takes provided always that the Licensee may act without further consultation if rights in the Licensed Technology would otherwise be prejudiced or lost.

7.3 If the Licensee takes Legal Action under clause 7.2, the Licensee will:

- (a) except where any Legal Action arises directly as a result of a breach by Isis of the warranties in Clause 13.2, indemnify and hold Isis and the University harmless against all costs (including lawyers' and patent agents' fees and expenses), claims, demands and liabilities arising out of or consequent upon a Legal Action and will settle any invoice received from Isis in respect of such costs, claims, demands and liabilities within [\*\*\*] of receipt; and
- (b) treat any account of profits or damages (including, without limitation, punitive damages) awarded in or paid to the Licensee under any settlement of the Legal Action for any misappropriation or infringement of any rights included in the Licensed Technology as Net Sales for the purposes of clause 9, having first for these purposes deducted from the award or settlement an amount equal to any legal costs incurred by the Licensee in the Legal Action that are not covered by an award of legal costs; and
- (c) keep Isis regularly informed of the progress of the Legal Action, including, without limitation, any claims affecting the scope of the Licensed Technology.

7.4 Isis may take Legal Action at its own cost in relation to any misappropriation or infringement of any rights included in the Licensed Intellectual Property in the Field where:

- (a) the Licensee has notified Isis in writing that it does not intend to take any Legal Action in relation to any misappropriation or infringement of any rights included in the Licensed Technology in the Field;
- (b) if having received professional advice with regard to any Legal Action within [\*\*\*] of the notification under clause 7.1, and consulted with Isis, the Licensee does not take reasonable steps to act upon an agreed process for dealing with such misappropriation or infringement (which may include, for the avoidance of doubt, seeking a second opinion in respect of such professional advice) within any timescale agreed between Isis and the Licensee and in any event within [\*\*\*] of notification under clause 7.1. Isis may take such Legal Action at its own cost provided it shall not settle any action without first consulting with the Licensee and taking account of the reasonable observations and requests of the Licensee.

## 8. Confidentiality

- 8.1 Subject to clauses 8.2, 8.3 and 8.4, each party (being a receiving or disclosing party as the case may be) will keep confidential the Confidential Information of the other party and will not disclose or supply the Confidential Information to any third party or use it for any purpose, except in accordance with the terms and objectives of this agreement.
- 8.2 The Licensee may disclose to sub-licensees of the Licensed Technology such of the Confidential Information as is necessary for the exercise of any rights sub-licensed, provided that the Licensee shall ensure that such sub-licensees accept a continuing obligation of confidentiality on the same terms as this clause, and giving third party enforcement rights to Isis, before the Licensee makes any disclosure of the Confidential Information. The Licensee may also disclose the Licensed Technology to the extent reasonably required in connection with the conduct of its business including to potential investors, other business associates and professional advisors provided that such persons have agreed in writing to be bound by non-use and non-disclosure obligations that are no less strict than those set forth in this agreement or are subject to professional codes of conduct that prevent disclosure of client confidential information and the Licensee will take action in respect of any breach of such obligations.
- 8.3 Confidential Information may be exchanged freely between Isis and the University and communications between those two parties shall not be regarded as disclosures, dissemination or publication for the purpose of this agreement. Isis may also disclose the terms of this agreement and royalty reports and payments made by the Licensee to any third parties that have rights to a revenue share for providing funding in the development of the Licensed Technology provided that such persons have agreed in writing to be bound by non-use and non-disclosure obligations that are no less strict than those set forth in this agreement or are subject to professional codes of conduct that prevent disclosure of client confidential information and Isis will take action in respect of any breach of such obligations.
- 8.4 Clause 8.1 will not apply to any Confidential Information which:
- (a) is known to the receiving party before disclosure, and not subject to any obligation of confidentiality owed to the disclosing party;
  - (b) is or becomes publicly known without the fault of the receiving party;
  - (c) is obtained by the receiving party from a third party in circumstances where the receiving party has no reason to believe that it is subject to an obligation of confidentiality owed to the disclosing party;
  - (d) the receiving party can establish by reasonable proof was substantially and independently developed by officers or employees of the receiving party who had no knowledge of the disclosing party's Confidential Information; or
  - (e) is approved for release in writing by an authorised representative of the disclosing party.
- 8.5 Nothing in this agreement will prevent a party from disclosing Confidential Information where it is required to do so by law or regulation, stock exchange rules, or by order of a court or competent authority, provided that, in the case of a disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ("FOIA"), none of the exemptions in the FOIA applies to the relevant Confidential Information and provided always that, to the extent permitted by law or regulation, the receiving party will give such notice as is reasonably practicable in the circumstances to the disclosing party about the timing and content of such a disclosure.

8.6 If either party to this agreement receives a request under the FOIA to disclose any information that, under this agreement, is the other party's Confidential Information, it will notify and consult with the other party. The other party will respond within [\*\*\*] after receiving notice if that notice requests the other party to provide information to assist in determining whether or not an exemption under the FOIA applies to the information requested under the FOIA.

## 9. Royalties and Other Payments

9.1 Isis will invoice the Licensee for the Signing Fee shortly after signature of this agreement and the Licensee must settle the invoice within [\*\*\*] of receipt.

9.2 Subject to clause 9.3, the Licensee will pay to Isis a royalty equal to the applicable Royalty Rate on all Net Sales of Licensed Products for the duration of the agreement on the terms set out in clause 11.

9.3 Following expiration or revocation of the last Valid Claim covering a Licensed Product in a country in which the Licensed Product is Marketed and where there is being Marketed and sold by a third party in the normal course of business a product that, directly or indirectly, competes with the Licensed Product, the Step Down Rate (as defined below) shall apply on a country-by-country basis to the applicable Royalty Rate of such Licensed Products. For the purposes of this clause 9.3, the "Step Down Rate" shall be the percentage decrease of (a) [\*\*\*] compared against (b) [\*\*\*].

9.4 In the event that the royalties paid to Isis under clauses 9.2 or 9.6 do not amount to at least the Minimum Sum, the Licensee must make up the difference between the royalties paid under clauses 9.2 and 9.6 and the Minimum Sum in each Licence Year where a Minimum Sum applies.

9.5 The Licensee will pay to Isis a royalty equal to the Fee Income Royalty Rate on any sublicensing fees that the Licensee receives for sublicensing the Licensed Technology with a third party. For the purposes of this clause 9.5, Sublicensing fees shall include upfront fees, milestone payments and other consideration received by the Licensee from such third party but shall exclude:

- (a) milestones payable by a sub-licensee to the Licensee on a Milestone event (as detailed in Schedule 2) where a Milestone Triggering Event has been met; and
- (b) royalties paid to the Licensee by a sub-licensee based on net sales of Licensed Products; and
- (c) any sums received that are to be used to fund research and/or development.

9.6 Subject to clause 9.3, the Licensee will pay to Isis a royalty equal to the Sublicensing Royalty Rate on any royalties paid to the Licensee by a sub-licensee based on net sales of Licensed Products by a sub-licensee.

9.7 If the Licensee has to pay royalties to a third party (other than an Affiliate), for the right to make, have made, use or Market a Licensed Product, under a licence of Intellectual Property Rights without which the Licensed Technology cannot lawfully be exploited, then the Licensee will be entitled to deduct from all royalty payments due to Isis in respect of Net Sales of the Licensed Product under clause 9.2 an amount equal to [\*\*\*] of the royalties actually paid to that third party, up to a maximum amount of [\*\*\*] of the royalties due to Isis under clause 9.2.

9.8 Where a Licensed Product is sold as part of a combination product or co-packaged product, the Net Sales from the combination product or the co-packaged product, for the purposes of determining royalty payments, shall be determined by multiplying the Net Sales of the combination product or the co-packaged product, during the applicable royalty reporting period, by the fraction:

[\*\*\*]

Where A is the average sale price of the Licensed Product when sold separately in finished form, or if not sold separately, the market price of the Licensed Product if it were sold separately and B is the average sale price of the other product(s) included in the combination product or co-packaged product when sold separately in finished form, or if not sold separately, the aggregate market price of the other product(s) if it were sold separately in each case during the applicable royalty reporting period or, if sales of both the Licensed Product and the other product(s) did not occur in such period, then in the most recent royalty reporting period in which sales of both occurred. In the event that such average sale price cannot be determined for the Licensed Product and any other product(s) included in the combination product or co-packaged product, then the Net Sales for the purposes of determining royalty payments for a combination product or a co-packaged product shall be referred to an independent expert for determination.



- 9.9 Once a Milestone Triggering Event has occurred the Licensee will notify Isis as soon as possible after it or any sub-licensee achieves any Milestone, and, subject to receiving an invoice from Isis, pay to Isis the Milestone Fee, less any and all fees already paid or payable by the Licensee to Isis pursuant to Clause 9.5(a) in instances where a Milestone Triggering Event had not yet been met, in respect of each Milestone within [\*\*\*] of the date on which each Milestone is achieved by the Licensee or a sub-licensee. In respect of an Investment Event, an Acquisition Event, a Partnering Event or Multiple Partnering Event, Milestone Fees payable against any Milestone that occurs prior to any of the Milestone Triggering Events being met will accrue and become payable once any one of the Investment Event, Acquisition Event or Partnering Event or Multiple Partnering Event is met. However, in respect of a Multiple Partnering Event, Milestone Fees will only accrue and become payable in respect of the applicable Field to which the Multiple Partnering Event relates.
- 9.10 The Signing Fee and the Milestone Fee are non-refundable and will not be considered as an advance payment on royalties payable under clause 9.2. No part of the Minimum Sum will be refundable or applicable to succeeding Licence Years.
- 9.11 Licensed Products supplied for use in any clinical trial carried out by or on behalf of the Licensee or any of its sub-licensees shall not be deemed to be sales and shall not be included within any Net Sales calculation.
- 9.12 The Licensee or any of its sub-licensees may supply a commercially reasonable quantity of Licensed Products for promotional sampling provided that the number of Licensed Products supplied for promotional sampling shall not be greater than [\*\*\*] of the total number of units of each Licensed Product sold leased or licensed by the Licensee in any Quarter following the Licensee receiving Marketing Authorization for the Licensed Product in any territory. Except as set out in this clause, the Licensee must not accept any non-monetary consideration when Marketing the Licensed Products or when issuing sub-licences of the Licensed Technology without the prior written consent of Isis, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed. The Licensee may accept non-monetary consideration when Marketing the Licensed Products or when issuing sub-licences of the Licensed Technology provided either (a) [\*\*\*] of such non-monetary consideration is able to be converted into cash within [\*\*\*] of receipt from the Licensee to enable the Fee Income Royalty Rate to be paid to Isis in cash or (b) the Licensee covenants in writing to pay to Isis in cash, within [\*\*\*] of receipt of the non-monetary consideration, the Fee Income Royalty Rate due to Isis.
- 9.13 The Licensee will make all payments in pounds sterling or any currency replacing pounds sterling in its entirety.
- 9.14 For the purposes of calculating any amount payable by the Licensee to Isis in a currency other than pounds sterling (or replacement currency), the Licensee shall apply an exchange rate equivalent to:
- (a) the average of the applicable closing mid rates quoted by the Financial Times as published in London on the first Business Day of each month during the Quarter just closed; or
  - (b) for payments under clause 9.5 only, the first Business Day of the month in which the payment was received by the Licensee.
- 9.15 Where the Licensee has to withhold tax by law, the Licensee will deduct the tax, pay it to the relevant taxing authority, and supply Isis with a Certificate of Tax Deduction at the time of payment to Isis. Where such an issue arises, the Licensee will not be liable for any costs or penalties associated with late payment to Isis provided that the Licensee takes reasonable steps to ensure that any such matters are dealt with as expeditiously as reasonably possible.

9.16 In the event that full payment of any amount due from the Licensee to Isis under this agreement is not made by any of the dates stipulated, the Licensee shall be liable to pay interest on the amount unpaid at the rate of [\*\*\*] per annum over the base rate for the time being of Barclays Bank plc. Such interest shall accrue on a daily basis from the date when payment was due until the date of actual payment of the overdue amount, whether before or after judgment, and shall be compounded quarterly.

9.17 If the Licensed Product is of a description covered by the Medicines Access Policy, the Licensee shall adhere to the requirements of the Medicines Access Policy. In particular in the event the Licensed Products can be used to ease the burden of illness in the developing world, the Marketing of Licensed Products will be managed in a manner that enables availability and accessibility at reasonable cost to the people most in need in the developing world.

## **10. Commercially Reasonable Endeavours**

10.1 Subject to clause 10.3, the Licensee must use Commercially Reasonable Endeavours to develop, exploit and Market the Licensed Technology to maximize the financial return for both parties.

10.2 Subject to clause 10.3, the Licensee must use Commercially Reasonable Endeavours to develop, exploit and Market the Licensed Technology in accordance with the Development Plan as set out separately in respect of each Indication. The Licensee will:

10.2.1 within [\*\*\*] of the date of this agreement provide Isis with a detailed development plan covering the intended development of a Licensed Product for each Indication and that development plan will replace the summary development plan in Schedule 3 as the Development Plan. The Licensee will consult with Isis over the detailed development plan and will consider in good faith any comments that Isis may put forward. Following approval of the revised detailed development plan by Isis, the revised detailed development plan shall become the Development Plan; and

10.2.2 deliver to Isis at least [\*\*\*] prior to the commencement of each subsequent Licence Year a revised development plan for the intended development of a Licensed Product for each Indication together with any background supporting information necessary for Isis to evaluate the draft plan. The Licensee will consult with Isis over the draft plan and will consider in good faith any comments that Isis may put forward. Following approval of the revised development plan by Isis, the revised development plan shall become the Development Plan.

10.3 The Licensee may give written notice to Isis that it no longer intends to develop, exploit and Market a Licensed Product in an Indication and following that notice:

10.3.1 the Licensee will no longer have obligations to use Commercially Reasonable Endeavours to develop, exploit and Market a Licensed Product in that Indication; and

10.3.2 the Indication will be removed from the Field and, without prejudice to any and all of its existing rights under this agreement, the Licensee will no longer have any exclusive rights to use the Licensed Technology in relation to that Indication.

## **11. Royalty Reports and Audit**

11.1 The Licensee will provide Isis with a report at least once in every [\*\*\*] detailing the activities and achievements in its development of the Licensed Technology in order to facilitate its commercial exploitation, and in the development of potential Licensed Products.

- 11.2 The Licensee will provide Isis with a royalty report within [\*\*\*] after the close of each Quarter for each Licensed Product Marketed by the Licensee and its sub-licensees. Each Royalty Report will:
- (a) set out the Net Sales of each Licensed Product Marketed by the Licensee, including the total gross selling price of each Licensed Product Marketed by the Licensee and the quantity or total number of units of each Licensed Product Marketed by the Licensee;
  - (b) set out details of deductions made in the calculation of Net Sales from the invoiced price of each Licensed Product in the form in which it is Marketed by the Licensee;
  - (c) set out details of the quantity of Licensed Products used for promotional sampling by the Licensee or any sub licensees;
  - (d) provide a calculation of the royalties due from the Licensee to be paid at the Royalty Rate;
  - (e) set out details of payments received by the Licensee to which the Fee Income Royalty Rate applies and provide a calculation of the royalties due from the Licensee to be paid under the Fee Income Royalty Rate;
  - (f) provide a calculation of the royalties on sub-licensees' net sales received by the Licensee to which the Sub-Licensing Royalty Rate applies and provide a calculation of the royalties due from the Licensee to be paid at the Sub-licensing Royalty Rate including the quantity or total number of units of each Licensed Product Marketed by each sub-licensee;
  - (g) provide a statement showing whether or not royalties due exceed the Minimum Sum and, if so, by how much;
  - (h) set out details of Milestones achieved by the Licensee or any sub-licensees; and
  - (i) set out the steps taken during the Licence Year to promote and Market Licensed Products.

The Licensee must pay Isis the royalties due in respect of the Quarter just closed at the same time as the Licensee delivers the Royalty Report provided that, if requested, Isis will issue an invoice for the relevant payment prior to payment.

- 11.3 The Licensee will deliver to Isis a periodic report at the close of each Licence Year providing sufficient data (in outline form) to give a reasonable indication or estimate of the actual or expected market share of the Licensee and its sub-licensees and will notify Isis in the event that its market share does or is expected to breach the limits set out in the 2014 Commission Regulation 316/2014 Technology Transfer Block Exemption Regulation and Guidelines in Commission Communication 2014/C 89/03 and any successor regulation. This obligation is not intended to place a significant additional financial burden on the Licensee.
- 11.4 If a Licensed Product Marketed by the Licensee is re-Marketed by an Affiliate or an entity over which the Licensee exercises Control, the royalty on each such Licensed Product will be calculated on the highest of the prices at which it is Marketed or re-Marketed. For the avoidance of doubt, when a Licensed Product is sold to an arm's length distributor then Net Sales is calculated on the transfer price paid by the distributor to the Licensee.
- 11.5 The Licensee must keep complete and proper records and accurate accounts of all Licensed Products used and Marketed by the Licensee and any sub-licensee in each Licence Year for at least [\*\*\*]. Isis may, through an independent certified accountant appointed by Isis ("the Auditor"), audit all such accounts on at least [\*\*\*] written notice no more than once each Licence Year for the purpose of determining the accuracy of the Royalty Reports and payments. The Auditor shall be:
- 11.5.1 permitted by the Licensee to enter the Licensee's principal place of business upon reasonable notice to inspect such records and accounts;

- 11.5.2 entitled to take copies of or extracts from such records and accounts as are strictly necessary for the Auditor to properly conduct the audit;
- 11.5.3 given all other information by the Licensee as may be necessary or appropriate to enable the amount of royalties payable to be ascertained including the provision of relevant records; and
- 11.5.4 shall be allowed access to and permitted to conduct interviews of any sales, engineering or other staff of the Licensee in order to verify the accuracy of the records and accounts and the accuracy of any statements provided to Isis under clause 11.2.

If on any such audit a shortfall in payments of greater than [\*\*\*] is discovered by the Auditor in respect of the audit period, the Licensee shall pay Isis's audit costs.

- 11.6 The Licensee will ensure that equivalent obligations and access rights, as set out in clause 11.5, allowing Isis auditing rights to the sub-licensee are included in each sub licence agreement.

## 12. Duration and Termination

- 12.1 This agreement will take effect on the date of signature. Subject to the possibility of earlier termination under the following provisions of this clause 12, and subject to the possibility of an extension to the term by mutual agreement, this agreement shall continue in force:

- (a) until the expiry of the last Valid Claim anywhere in the world; and
- (b) in any event for twenty (20) years from the date of this agreement.

- 12.2 If either party commits a material breach of this agreement, and the breach is not remediable or (being remediable) is not remedied within the period allowed by notice given by the other party in writing calling on the party in breach to effect such remedy (such period being not less than [\*\*\*], the other party may terminate this agreement by written notice having immediate effect.

- 12.3 The Licensee may terminate this agreement for any reason at any time provided it gives Isis three (3) months' written notice to terminate expiring after the third anniversary of this agreement whereupon the Licensee shall bring all sub-licences to an end on the same date. Any such termination shall not absolve the Licensee of its obligation to accrue and pay royalties and other payments under the provisions of clause 9 in respect of the period prior to termination.

- 12.4 Isis may terminate this agreement:

- (a) immediately, if the Licensee has a petition presented for its winding-up (but excluding for this purpose any winding up petition presented against the Licensee in relation to any debt disputed by the Licensee), or passes a resolution for voluntary winding-up otherwise than for the purposes of a bona fide amalgamation or reconstruction, or compounds with its creditors, or has a receiver administrator or administrative receiver appointed of all or any part of its assets, or enters into any arrangements with creditors, or takes or suffers any similar action in consequence of debts;
- (b) on [\*\*\*] written notice if:
  - (i) the Licensee opposes or challenges the validity of any of the Applications or raises the claim that the Licensed Know-how is not necessary to develop and Market Licensed Products, provided always that nothing in this clause 12.4(b) will prevent the Licensee from seeking to determine whether a product of the Licensee is a Licensed Product for the purposes of this agreement; or

- (ii) the Licensee is in breach of clause 10.1 and the Licensee does not take any remedial action reasonably requested by Isis and notified to the Licensee by written notice pursuant to clause 12.2.

12.5 On termination or expiration of this agreement, for whatever reason, the Licensee:

- (a) must bring all sub-licences to an end on the same date;
- (b) shall pay to Isis all outstanding royalties and other sums due under this agreement;
- (c) shall provide Isis with details of the stocks of Licensed Products held at the point of termination;
- (d) must cease to use or exploit the Licensed Technology, provided that this restriction does not apply to Licensed Know-How or Confidential Information which has entered the public domain through no fault of the Licensee, and that the Licensee may continue to use the Licensed Technology in order to meet any specific existing binding commitments already made by the Licensee at the date of termination and requiring delivery of Licensed Products within the next [\*\*\*];
- (e) must, at the option of Isis and at the Licensee's cost, destroy all other Licensed Products or send all other Licensed Products to a location nominated by Isis to the Licensee in writing;
- (f) must cease to use the Materials and return to Isis any of the Materials in its possession or control; and
- (g) grants Isis an irrevocable, transferable, non-exclusive licence to develop, make, have made, use and Market the Licensee's Improvements and products that incorporate, embody or otherwise exploit the same. Isis shall pay a reasonable royalty for use of this licence unless the termination arises under clause 12.4, or is by Isis under clause 12.2, in which case it shall be royalty-free.

12.6 Termination of this agreement, whether for breach of this agreement or otherwise, shall not absolve the Licensee of its obligation to accrue and pay royalties under the provisions of clause 9 for the duration of any notice period and in respect of any dealings in Licensed Products permitted by clause 12.5.

12.7 Clauses 1, 5.2, 7.3, 12.5, 12.7, 12.8, 13, 14.4 and 14.14 will survive the termination or expiration of this agreement, for whatever reason, indefinitely.

12.8 Clauses 8 and 11.5 will survive the termination or expiration of this agreement, for whatever reason, for a period of [\*\*\*].

### 13. Liability

13.1 Subject to Clause 13.2 and to the fullest extent permissible by law, Isis does not make any warranties of any kind including, without limitation, warranties with respect to:

- (a) the quality of the Licensed Technology;
- (b) the suitability of the Licensed Technology for any particular use;
- (c) whether use of the Licensed Technology will infringe third-party rights; or
- (d) whether the Applications will be granted or the validity of any patent that issues in response to the Applications.

- 13.2 Isis warrants that as at the date of this agreement and subject to the terms of this agreement:
- (a) it has full corporate power and authority to enter into the licences and license the Licensed Technology;
  - (b) the University has assigned all of its right, title and interest in the Licensed Technology subject to the licence back to the University for Non-Commercial Use set out in clause 5;
  - (c) it has the exclusive right to obtain the Materials pursuant to a material sales agreement with the University and has the full contractual right, power and authority to provide the Materials to the Licensee with such rights to use the Materials as set out in clause 3 of this agreement subject to the rights retained by the University to use the Materials for Non-Commercial Use;
  - (d) it has not created any licence, charge or mortgage over the Licensed Technology (excluding the ChAdOx2 Vector) in the Field;
  - (e) so far as Isis is aware (not having made any specific enquiries) there is no actual or threatened infringement of the Licensed Technology by any third party; and
  - (f) so far as Isis is aware, the Clinical Data and Materials have been created, procured or obtained in compliance with all applicable laws and regulations relating thereto.
- 13.3 Except in relation to any claims, damages and liabilities arising directly from (i) a breach of this agreement by Isis, and/or (ii) the fraud, negligence or wilful misconduct of Isis or the University, the Licensee agrees to indemnify Isis and the University and hold Isis and the University harmless from and against any and all claims, damages and liabilities:
- (a) asserted by third parties (including claims for negligence) which arise from the use of the Licensed Technology or the Marketing of Licensed Products by the Licensee and/or its sub-licensees; and/or
  - (b) arising directly from any breach by the Licensee of this agreement provided however that this indemnity for breach by the Licensee is subject to clause 13.6.
- 13.4 Isis will use reasonable endeavours to defend any Indemnified Claim and to mitigate its losses, claims, liabilities, costs, charges and expenses or (at Isis's option) allow the Licensee to do so on its behalf (subject to the University retaining the right to be kept informed of progress in the action and to have reasonable input into its conduct). Isis will not (except as required by law) make any admission, compromise, settlement or discharge of any Indemnified Claim without the consent of the Licensee (which will not be unreasonably withheld or delayed).
- 13.5 The Licensee undertakes to make no claim against any employee, student, agent or appointee of Isis or of the University, being a claim which seeks to enforce against any of them an liability whatsoever in connection with this agreement or its subject-matter.
- 13.6 Subject to clause 13.8 and except in relation to the indemnities in clause 7.3 and 13.3(a), the liability of either party for any breach of this agreement in negligence or arising in any other way out of the subject-matter of this agreement, will not extend to incidental, indirect or consequential damages or loss of profits.
- 13.7 Subject to clause 13.8, the liability of Isis to the Licensee accruing in any Licence Year under or otherwise in connection with this agreement or its subject-matter, including without limitation liability for negligence, shall in no event exceed:
- (a) in respect of liability accruing in the first Licence Year, the amount of the Signing Fee paid to Isis; and
  - (b) in respect of liability accruing in any subsequent Licence Year, the total royalties paid in the previous Licence Year to Isis under clauses 9.2 and 9.6.

- 13.8 Nothing in this agreement shall limit or exclude any liability for fraud or fraudulent misrepresentation or death, or personal injury or any other liability which may not, by law, be excluded.
- 13.9 Notwithstanding any other clause in this agreement, Isis shall not be entitled to profit from any grant of a licence to any third party in respect of the Licensed Technology that breaches the exclusive rights granted to the Licensee under clause 2 of this agreement ("a Licence to the Exclusive Rights"). In the event that the Licensee (acting in good faith) believes that Isis has granted a Licence to the Exclusive Rights, then the Licensee shall provide written notice to Isis with full particulars and all evidence supporting the Licensee's basis for such belief. Within [\*\*\*] of receipt of written notice from the Licensee, Isis will notify the Licensee in writing whether it admits or disputes that it has granted a Licence to the Exclusive Rights. If Isis serves notice that it disputes that it has granted a Licence to the Exclusive Rights Isis and the Licensee shall enter into good faith negotiations in order to reach mutual agreement to resolve the dispute and if such mutual agreement is not reached within [\*\*\*] after Isis's receipt of the Licensee's written notice, then the parties will refer the dispute to an independent expert ("Independent Expert") for determination on the following basis:
- 13.9.1 the Independent Expert shall be agreed on by the parties, or, if agreement is not reached within [\*\*\*] of either party giving notice to the other that it wishes to refer a matter to an Independent Expert, the Independent Expert may be nominated by the President of the Law Society of England and Wales on the request of either party;
- 13.9.2 the Independent Expert shall be asked to determine:
- (a) whether Isis has granted a Licence to the Exclusive Rights; and
  - (b) any dispute between the parties over the amount of consideration paid to Isis under any Licence to the Exclusive Rights.
- 13.9.3 the Independent Expert shall act as an expert and not as an arbitrator;
- 13.9.4 the Independent Expert's decision shall be final and binding on the parties in the absence of fraud or manifest error; and
- 13.9.5 each party shall bear its own costs in relation to the reference to the Independent Expert. The Independent Expert's fees and any costs it properly incurs in arriving at its determination (including any fees and costs of any advisers appointed by the Independent Expert) shall be borne by the parties in equal shares or in such proportions as the Independent Expert may direct.

In the event that Isis has admitted or the Independent Expert has determined that Isis has granted a Licence to the Exclusive Rights then Isis will pay to the Licensee a sum equal to all consideration paid to Isis under the Licence to the Exclusive Rights (including consideration that is not in the form of cash payments where it is possible to put a cash value on such a payment). Isis will pay that sum to the Licensee as soon as possible and in any event no later than [\*\*\*] following the date of admission by Isis or the Independent Expert's determination and will continue to pay a sum equal to all further consideration received by Isis under any such Licence to the Exclusive Rights no later than [\*\*\*] after receipt. The parties agree that the payment of such sums to the Licensee represent the full amount of compensation to which the Licensee is entitled and the extent of Isis's liability to the Licensee for any grant by Isis of a Licence to the Exclusive Rights.

#### 14. General

- 14.1 **Registration** - The Licensee must register its interest in the Licensed Technology with any relevant authorities in the Territory as soon as legally possible. The Licensee must not, however, register an entire copy of this agreement in any part of the Territory or disclose its financial terms without the prior written consent of Isis (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed).
- 14.2 **Advertising** - The Licensee must not use the name of Isis, the University or the Inventors (except those Inventors who are, or have at any time been, shareholders of the Licensee) in any advertising, promotional or sales literature, without Isis's prior written approval (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed).

- 14.3 **Packaging** - The Licensee will ensure that the Licensed Products and the packaging associated with them are marked suitably with any relevant patent or patent application numbers to satisfy the laws of each of the countries in which the Licensed Products are sold or supplied and in which they are covered by the claims of any patent or patent application, to the intent that Isis shall not suffer any loss or any loss of damages in an infringement action.
- 14.4 **Thesis** - This agreement shall not prevent or hinder registered students of the University from submitting for degrees of the University theses based on the Licensed Technology; or from following the University's procedures for examinations and for admission to postgraduate degree status.
- 14.5 **Taxes** - Where the Licensee has to make a payment to Isis under this agreement which attracts value-added, sales, use, excise or other similar taxes or duties, the Licensee will be responsible for paying those taxes and duties.
- 14.6 **Notices** - All notices to be sent to Isis under this agreement must indicate the Isis Project N° and should be sent, by post and fax unless agreed otherwise in writing, until further notice to: The Managing Director, Isis Innovation Ltd, Buxton Court, 3 West Way, Oxford OX2 OSZ, Fax: +44 (0)1865 280831. All notices to be sent to the Licensee under this agreement should be sent, until further notice, to the Licensee's Contact and Address indicating the Isis Project N°.
- 14.7 **Force Majeure** - If performance by either party of any of its obligations under this agreement (not including an obligation to make payment) is prevented by circumstances beyond its reasonable control, that party will be excused from performance of that obligation for the duration of the relevant event.
- 14.8 **Assignment** - The Licensee may assign any of its rights or obligations under this agreement in whole or in part to an Affiliate but only for so long as it remains an Affiliate and Isis shall at the request of the Licensee execute a deed of novation to bring about that assignment. Except as provided in this clause, the Licensee may not assign any of its rights or obligations under this agreement without the prior written consent of Isis (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld, delayed or conditioned except solely on the grounds that primarily relate to avoiding any detrimental reputational impact on the University or the assignee having insufficient funds to fulfil the obligations of this agreement, it being acknowledged and agreed that if the assignee is a publicly-listed company with a market capitalisation equal to or in excess of [\*\*\*] it will be considered to have sufficient financial resources to develop and Market the Licensed Product). If Isis assigns its rights in the Licensed Technology to any person it shall do so expressly subject to the Licensee's rights under this agreement.
- 14.9 **Severability** - If any of the provisions of this agreement is or becomes invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the validity, legality or enforceability of the remaining provisions will not in any way be affected or impaired. The parties will, however, negotiate to agree the terms of a mutually satisfactory provision, achieving as nearly as possible the same commercial effect, to be substituted for the provision found to be void or unenforceable.
- 14.10 **No Partnership etc** - Nothing in this agreement creates, implies or evidences any partnership or joint venture between Isis and the Licensee or the relationship between them of principal and agent.
- 14.11 **Entire Agreement** - This agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties in relation to the Licence to the exclusion of all other terms and conditions (including any terms or conditions which the Licensee purports to apply under any purchase order, confirmation order, specification or other document). The Licensee has not relied on any other statements or representations in agreeing to enter this agreement and waives all claims for breach of any warranty and all claims for any misrepresentation (negligent or of any other kind, unless made by Isis fraudulently) in relation to any representation which is not specifically set out in this agreement. Specifically, but without limitation, this agreement does not impose or imply any obligation on Isis or the University to conduct development work. Any arrangements for such work must be the subject of a separate agreement between the University and the Licensee.



- 14.12 **Variation** - Any variation of this agreement must be in writing and signed by authorised signatories for both parties. For the avoidance of doubt, the parties to this agreement may rescind or vary this agreement without the consent of any party that has the benefit of clause 14.14.
- 14.13 **Waiver** - No failure or delay by either party in enforcing its rights under this agreement, or at law or in equity will prejudice or restrict those rights. No waiver of any right will operate as a waiver of any other or later right or breach. Except as stated to the contrary in this agreement, no right, power or remedy conferred on, or reserved to, either party is exclusive of any other right, power or remedy available to it, and each of those rights, powers, and remedies is cumulative.
- 14.14 **Rights of Third Parties** - The parties to this agreement intend that by virtue of the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 the University and the people referred to in clause 13.5 will be able to enforce the terms of this agreement intended by the parties to be for their benefit as if the University and the people referred to in clause 13.5 were party to this agreement.
- 14.15 **Governing Law** - This agreement is governed by English Law, and the parties submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the English Courts for the resolution of any dispute which may arise out of or in connection with this agreement except in relation to any action in relation to Intellectual Property Rights or Confidential Information which may be brought in any court of competent jurisdiction.

## Schedule 1

### DEFINITIONS

#### (Clause 1)

**Academic and Research Purposes** means research, teaching or other scholarly use which is undertaken for the purposes of education and research.

**Affiliate** means any company or legal entity in any country Controlling or Controlled by the Licensee (or any legal entity in a country Controlling or Controlled by the sub-licensee).

**Applications** means:

- (a) the patent applications set out as Applications 1, 2, 3 and 4 in Schedule 2;
- (b) any patents granted in response to those applications;
- (c) any corresponding foreign patents and applications which may be granted to Isis in the Territory based on and deriving priority from those applications; and
- (d) any addition, continuation, continuation-in-part, division, reissue, renewal or extension based on the applications.

**Acquisition Event** means the Licensee being acquired by a third party and the purchase price is greater than or equal to [\*\*\*].

**ATCC MTA** means the purchase order between the University and American Type Culture Collection (ATCC), a District of Columbia not-for-profit corporation, having its offices at 10801 University Boulevard, Manassas, Virginia 20110-2209, USA dated 24 February 2006 subject to the terms of ATCC's standard MTA dated 8 September 2003.

**Business Day** means a day, other than a Saturday or Sunday, on which clearing banks are permitted to open in London.

**ChAdOx1 Vector** means the DNA sequence of the AdY25 simian adenovirus with the E1 and E3 regions both deleted, and E4 Orf 4, 6, 6/7 replaced with the corresponding regions from AdHu5.

**ChAdOx2 Vector** means the DNA sequence of the C68 simian adenovirus with the following modifications so that the E1 region and the E3 region have both been deleted and the E4 region has been deleted and replaced with E4 Orf 1,2,3 from Y25 and E4 Orf 4, 6, 6/7 from AdHu5.

**Clinical Data** means the clinical data contained in the Isis clinical data projects set out in Schedule 2.

**Clinical Patient Care** means diagnosing, treating and/or managing the health of persons under the care of an individual having the right to use the Licensed Technology for Academic and Research Purposes in the event that such Licensed Technology is capable of application in a healthcare setting without further development.

**Commercially Reasonable Endeavours** means, in respect of each Indication to be developed in the Field separately, the effort a prudent and determined company of comparable size and sector to the Licensee would take to pursue the goal of developing and Marketing Licensed Products to maximize the financial return and in any event do no less than is required to fulfil the steps laid out in the Development Plan.

**Confidential Information** means in relation to each party any materials, trade secrets or other information disclosed by that party to the other, including, without limitation:

- (a) the Licensed Technology, to the extent that it is not disclosed by the Application when published; and

(b) this agreement.

**Control** means:

(a) ownership of more than fifty percent (50%) of the voting share capital of the relevant entity; or

(b) the ability to direct the casting of more than fifty percent (50%) of the votes exercisable at a general meeting of the relevant entity on all, or substantially all, matters.

**Development Plan** means the plan set out in Schedule 3 as revised in accordance with clause 10.2.

**Fee Income Royalty Rate** means the fee income royalty rate set out in Schedule 2.

**Field** means the field set out in Schedule 2.

**FP7 Consortium and Funding Agreements** means the Improving Prostate Cancer with Vectored Vaccines (IMPROVE) EU grant agreement signed by the University on 12 July 2013 and the IMPROVE Consortium Agreement dated 10 June 2013.

**Improvement** means any development of the Licensed Technology which would, if commercially practised, infringe and/or be covered by a claim subsisting or being prosecuted in the Application.

**Indemnified Claim** means any claim under which Isis and the University are entitled to be indemnified under clause 13.3.

**Indication** means each indication for which a vaccine is to be developed by the Licensee in the Field including influenza, cancer, varicella zoster and MERS.

**Initial Public Offering** means an initial public offering of the Licensee's shares on a stock exchange on any market where such shares are offered to private and/or institutional investors.

**Intellectual Property Rights** means patents, trade marks, copyrights, database rights, rights in designs, and all or any other intellectual or industrial property rights, whether or not registered or capable of registration.

**Inventor** means the inventor or inventors named in the Applications and identified in Schedule 2.

**Inventor Improvements** means any Improvements made prior to the second anniversary of the date of this agreement solely by the Inventor within the Field, and the Intellectual Property Rights pertaining to them, of which Isis has been made aware and is legally able to license but shall not include, for the avoidance of doubt, any Improvements and Intellectual Property Rights developed pursuant to any employment or consultancy arrangements with Licensee or its Affiliates.

**Investment Event** means the Licensee achieving a company valuation greater than or equal to [\*\*\*] determined by private fund raising or an Initial Public Offering.

**Legal Action** means commencing or defending any proceedings before a court or tribunal in any jurisdiction in relation to any rights included in the Licensed Technology including all claims and counterclaims for infringement and for declarations of non-infringement or invalidity.

**Licence** means the licence granted by Isis to the Licensee under clause 2.1.

**Licensed Intellectual Property Rights** means the Applications and (to the extent they constitute Intellectual Property Rights) the Inventor's Improvements.

**Licensed Know-how** means all confidential information relating to the Applications, the Materials and/or the Clinical Data that has been communicated to the Licensee by Isis in writing before the date of this agreement or is communicated in writing to the Licensee by Isis under this agreement and within [\*\*\*] after the date of this agreement including but not limited to the construction and design of viral vectors.

**Licensed Product** means any product, process, service or composition which is entirely or partially produced by means of or with the use of, or within the scope of, the Licensed Technology, or any of it.

**Licensed Technology** means the Licensed Intellectual Property Rights, the Clinical Data and the Licensed Know-How, and such (if any) other Intellectual Property Rights owned by or licensed to Isis as may be specifically identified in Schedule 2 (to the extent, in the case of licensed rights, that Isis is legally able to grant a sub-licence of the same).

**Licensee's Contact and Address** means the address for the Licensee set out in Schedule 2 of this agreement.

**Licensee Improvements** means any Improvements made prior to the second anniversary of the date of this agreement by the Licensee, and the Intellectual Property Rights pertaining to them, which shall include, for the avoidance of doubt, any Improvements and Intellectual Property Rights developed by an Inventor pursuant to an employment or consultancy arrangement with the Licensee.

**Licence Year** means each twelve (12) month period beginning on the date of this agreement and each anniversary of the date of this agreement.

**Market** means, in relation to a Licensed Product, offering to sell, lease, licence or otherwise commercially exploit the Licensed Product or the sale, lease, licence or other commercial exploitation of the Licensed Product.

**Materials** means the materials set out in Schedule 2.

**Medicines Access Policy** means the policy of the University to promote access to pharmaceutical and other products and services, the current version of which is available at [www.admin.ox.ac.uk/researchsupport/integrity/access](http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/researchsupport/integrity/access).

**Milestone** and **Milestone Fee** means the milestones, and the amounts payable on achievement of each of the milestones, set out in Schedule 2.

**Minimum Sum** means the minimum sum or sums set out in Schedule 2.

**Net Sales** means the gross amount invoiced for sales or other dispositions of Licensed Products by Licensee or its Affiliates in bona fide arms-length transactions with third parties, less the following deductions:

- (a) trade, and/or quality discounts, returns, allowances, in amounts customary in the trade and actually given;
- (b) import, export, excise, sales or use taxes, value added taxes and other taxes, tariffs or duties to the extent such items are included in the gross invoice price and actually paid;
- (c) freight, handling, transportation and insurance prepaid or allowed if separately identified in such invoice and actually paid; and
- (d) amounts allowed or credited or retroactive price reductions or rebates and actually given/paid.

Any refund of any of the foregoing amounts (including any reversal of bad debt allowances) previously deducted from Net Sales shall be appropriately credited upon receipt.

The Licensee may, at its option, allocate the above deductions from sales of Licensed Products based upon accruals estimated reasonably and consistent with the Licensee's standard business practices. If the Licensee elects to utilise such accruals, actual deductions will be calculated and, if applicable, a "true-up" made, on an annual basis.

A transfer of a Licensed Product from Licensee to an Affiliate shall not be deemed to be a sale hereunder provided that if a sale of a Licensed Product is to an Affiliate of the Licensee and such Affiliate is the end user of the Licensed Product, then the "amount invoiced" with respect to such sale shall, for the purposes of calculating "Net Sales", be the greater of (a) the actual amount invoiced and (b) the amount which the invoiced amount would have been had such sale of the Licensed Product been to a person at arm's length with the Licensee.

**Non-Commercial Use** means Academic and Research Purposes and the purposes of Clinical Patient Care. This includes the right for the University to license the Licensed Technology to any of its collaborators in connection with and solely for the University's Academic and Research Purposes; but it does not include the right to commercially exploit the Licensed Technology or grant any license to commercially exploit the Licensed Technology.

**Marketing Authorisation** means a marketing authorization granted by a regulatory authority such as the Food and Drug Administration or European Medicines Agency necessary to Market a Licensed Product in a given country

**Milestone Triggering Event** means any one of an Investment Event, an Acquisition Event, a Partnering Event, or a Multiple Partnering Event.

**Multiple Partnering Event** means in respect of each Field separately, the Licensee receiving income totalling [\*\*\*] or more from third party partnering arrangements relating to the Licensed Technology.

**Partnering Event** means the Licensee enters into a partnering arrangement with a third party and the company valuation at that time, as assessed by a third party valuation expert, is greater than or equal to [\*\*\*].

**Past Patent Costs** means the past patent costs set out in Schedule 2.

**Project** means the projects referred to in BACKGROUND.

**Quarter** means each period of three calendar months during a Licence Year with the first Quarter commencing on the first day of each Licence Year.

**Royalty Rate** means the royalty rate or rates set out in Schedule 2 on Net Sales of Licensed Products for, as applicable, influenza, cancer, varicella zoster and MERS.

**Royalty Report** means the report to be prepared by the Licensee under clause 11.2.

**Signing Fee** means the signing fee set out in Schedule 2.

**Sub-licensing Royalty Rate** means the sub-licensing royalty rate set out in Schedule 2.

**Territory** means the territory or territories set out in Schedule 2, excluding any territory or territories removed through the operation of clause 6.5.

**University** means the Chancellor, Masters and Scholars of the University of Oxford whose administrative offices are at the University Offices, Wellington Square, Oxford OX1 2JD.

**Valid Claim** means a granted or currently pending claim included in the Applications that has not expired nor been held permanently revoked, unpatentable, invalid or unenforceable by a court or tribunal of competent jurisdiction in a final and non-appealable judgment; nor been rendered unenforceable through disclaimer or otherwise abandoned.

**Schedule 2**

**Application 1:** [\*\*\*]  
**Application 2:** [\*\*\*]  
**Application 3:** [\*\*\*]  
**Application 4:** [\*\*\*]  
**Clinical Data:** [\*\*\*]  
**Materials:** [\*\*\*]

<b>Master Seedbank</b>	<b>Volume</b>
[***]	[***]
[***]	[***]
[***]	[***]
<b>Non-GMP stocks</b>	<b>Volume</b>
[***]	[***]
[***]	[***]
[***]	[***]
[***]	[***]
[***]	[***]

**Inventor:**  
Application 1: [\*\*\*]  
Application 2: [\*\*\*]  
Application 3: [\*\*\*]  
Application 4: [\*\*\*]

**Territory (clause 2.1):** Worldwide

**Field (clause 2.1):** Influenza vaccines for humans, cancer vaccines for humans including therapeutic and prophylactic applications, Varicella zoster vaccines for humans, MERS vaccines

**ChAdOx1 Excluded Fields (clause 2.1):** Malaria, tuberculosis, HIV, Neisseria meningitidis, human papilloma virus, hepatitis C virus, hepatitis B virus, Rift Valley Fever, dengue virus, Staphylococcus aureus, Ebola virus, Chagas disease, Chikungunya virus, pneumococcal disease, Marburg virus disease, Lassa fever, respiratory syncytial virus, Crimean-Congo haemorrhagic fever, severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS), Hendra virus, Nipah virus, West Nile virus, Venezuelan equine encephalitis virus, Hanta Virus.

**ChAdOx2 Excluded Fields (clause 2.1):** Therapeutic vaccines for Crohn's disease and vaccines against rabies virus.

**Past Patent Costs (clause 6.1):** [\*\*\*]

**Signing Fee (clause 9.1):** £100,000

**Royalty Rate (clause 9.2):** [\*\*\*]

**Minimum Sum (clause 9.4):**

Licence Year	Minimum Sum
5	[***]
6	[***]
7 and each year thereafter	[***]

**Fee Income Royalty Rate (clause 9.5):** [\*\*\*] where the sublicensing or partnering arrangement takes place during the first three Licence Years.

[\*\*\*] where the sublicensing or partnering arrangement takes place after the third Licence Year.

**Sub-Licensing Royalty Rate (clause 9.6):** [\*\*\*] where the Licensee enters into the sublicensing agreement during the first three Licence Years.

[\*\*\*] where the Licensee enters into the sublicensing agreement after the third Licence Year.

**Milestone and Milestone Fee (clause 9.9):**

**1) first Licensed Product for influenza:**

Milestone	Milestone Fee
Successful completion of Phase lib trial	[***]
Initiation of phase III clinical trial	[***]
Marketing Authorisation and pricing and reimbursement approval first major territory	[***]
Marketing Authorisation and pricing and reimbursement approval second major territory	[***]
First calendar year in which annual Net Sales of Licensed Product exceed [***]	[***]

**2) second Licensed Product for influenza:**

Milestone	Milestone Fee
Successful completion of Phase lib trial	[***]
Initiation of phase III clinical trial	[***]
Marketing Authorisation and pricing and reimbursement approval first major territory	[***]
Marketing Authorisation and pricing and reimbursement approval second major territory	[***]
First calendar year in which annual Net Sales of Licensed Product exceed [***]	[***]

**3) first Licensed Product for cancer:**

Milestone	Milestone Fee
Successful completion of Phase lib trial	[***]
Initiation of phase III clinical trial	[***]
Marketing Authorisation and pricing and reimbursement approval first major territory	[***]
Marketing Authorisation and pricing and reimbursement approval second major territory	[***]
First calendar year in which annual Net Sales of Licensed Product exceed [***]	[***]

4) **second Licensed Product for cancer:**

Milestone	Milestone Fee
Successful completion of Phase II trial	[***]
Initiation of phase III clinical trial	[***]
Marketing Authorisation and pricing and reimbursement approval first major territory	[***]
Marketing Authorisation and pricing and reimbursement approval second major territory	[***]
First calendar year in which annual Net Sales of Licensed Product exceed [***]	[***]

5) **first Licensed Product for varicella zoster:**

Milestone	Milestone Fee
Successful completion of Phase II trial	[***]
Initiation of phase III clinical trial	[***]
Marketing Authorisation and pricing and reimbursement approval first major territory	[***]
Marketing Authorisation and pricing and reimbursement approval second major territory	[***]
First calendar year in which annual Net Sales of Licensed Product exceed [***]	[***]

6) **first Licensed Product for MERS:**

Milestone	Milestone Fee
Successful completion of first efficacy trial in camels	[***]
Successful completion of Phase II trial	[***]
Initiation of phase III clinical trial	[***]
First Marketing Authorisation for camels	[***]
First Marketing Authorisation and pricing and reimbursement approval for humans	[***]
First calendar year in which annual Net Sales of Licensed Product exceed [***]	[***]

For the purposes of these Milestones:

"**Successful completion**" of trials means the trial meets its primary endpoints and that the results justify commercial and scientific progression to the next stage of trial.

"**Initiation**" of new trials means the first administration of the trial drug in the first study subject recruited in accordance with the approved study protocol.

**Licensee's Contact and Address (clause 14.6):**

<b>Contact</b>	Dr Andrew Mclean
<b>Address</b>	Oxford Sciences Innovation The Weston Library Broad Street Oxford OX1 3BG
<b>Email</b>	[***]



Schedule 3

Vaccitech Outline Clinical Development Plan

[\*\*\*]

Schedule 4

DEED OF COVENANT

Isis Innovation Limited  
University Offices,  
Wellington Square,  
Oxford OX1 2JD,  
England

Date: *[insert date]*

Dear Sirs,

**Sub-Licence between Vaccitech Limited ("Vaccitech") and *[insert details of Sub-Licensee]* dated *[insert date]* (the "Sub-Licence")**

As part consideration for the grant of a sub-licence from Vaccitech to use *[insert details of licensed technology]* (the "**Licensed Technology**"), the Sub-Licensee hereby covenant to Isis Innovation Limited (Isis) and Isis covenant with the Sub-Licensee that:

1. should the head licence between Vaccitech and Isis be terminated for whatever reason, Isis and the Sub-Licensee shall enter into a direct licence containing the same obligations and liabilities as set forth in the Sub-Licence and the Sub-Licensee will pay all due and payable under the Sub-Licence to Isis;
2. should the Sub-Licensee wish to further sub-licence the Licensed Technology where Isis has consented to the Sub-Licence including the right to do so, it shall procure that any sub-sub-licencee enters into a Deed of Covenant with Isis in a form substantially similar to this Deed of Covenant;
3. Isis shall have the right, during the term of the Sub-Licence, through an independent certified accountant appointed by Isis (the "**Auditor**"), to audit all accounts on at least [\*\*\*] written notice no more than once each calendar year for the purpose of determining the accuracy of the royalty reports and payments. The Auditor shall be:
  - a. permitted to enter the principal place of business of the Sub-Licensee upon reasonable notice to inspect such records and accounts;
  - b. entitled to take copies of or extracts from such records and accounts;
  - c. given all other information by the Sub-Licensee as may be necessary or appropriate to enable the amount of royalties payable to be ascertained including the provision of relevant records; and
  - d. shall be allowed access to and permitted to conduct interviews of any sales, engineering or other staff of the Sub-Licensee in order to verify the accuracy of the records and accounts and the accuracy of any royalty statements provided to Vaccitech.

If on any such audit a shortfall in payments of greater than five percent (5%) is discovered by the Auditor in respect of the audit period, the Sub-Licensee shall pay the audit costs of Isis.

**SIGNED AS A DEED** by  
*[Insert details of Sub-Licensee]* in the presence of:-

Signature of Witness:

Name of Witness:

Address:

**SIGNED AS A DEED** by  
**ISIS INNOVATION LIMITED** in the presence of:-

Signature of Witness:

Name of Witness:

Address:

AS WITNESS this agreement has been signed by the duly authorised representatives of the parties.

**SIGNED** for and on behalf of  
**ISIS INNOVATION LIMITED:**

**Name:** Linda Naylor

**Position:** Managing Director, Isis Innovation Ltd

**Signature:** /s/ Linda Naylor

**Date:**

**SIGNED** for and on behalf of  
**VACCITECH LIMITED**

**Name:** Andrew McLean

**Position:** Director

**Signature:** /s/ Andrew McLean

**Date:**

## Letter of Variation



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Bill Enright  
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14<sup>th</sup> January 2019

Dear Bill,

**OUI project numbers [\*\*\*]**

**Amendment to the Licence of Technology between Oxford University Innovation Limited (previously registered as Isis Innovation Limited) (“OUI”) and Vaccitech Limited (“the Licensee”) dated 4<sup>th</sup> March 2016 (“the Licence Agreement”).**

This letter (“Letter”) records an amendment to the Licence Agreement that OUI and the Licensee wish to extend the permitted field of use for the ChAdOx2 vector, make clarifications to the Field and to add the details of more recently filed patent applications to which the Licensee has rights under the Licence Agreement.

Defined terms used in this letter (unless stated to the contrary) have the same meaning as given to them in the Licence Agreement.

### **Amendment to the Licence Agreement**

Accordingly, it is agreed as follows:

1. Clause 2.1.1(d) shall be replaced in its entirety with the following:

- (d) In relation to the use of the ChAdOx2 vector under Application 5, exclusive in the fields of i) vaccines encoding peptide sequences derived from the 5T4 oncofetal antigen, ii) personalised cancer vaccines, iii) vaccines for human papillomavirus (HPV) associated diseases including cancer, iv) vaccines encoding peptide sequences derived from the melanoma-associated antigen (MAGE-3) and/or New York oesophageal squamous cell carcinoma 1 (NYESO-1) cancer-testis antigen and nonexclusive in all other fields with the exclusion of all veterinary applications (apart from MERS) and the ChAdOx2 Excluded Fields.

2. The definition of Field in Schedule 2 shall be replaced in its entirety with the following:

**Field (clause 2.1):** Influenza vaccines for humans, therapeutic and prophylactic cancer vaccines for humans including those associated with or resulting from viral infections, Varicella zoster vaccines for humans, MERS vaccines.

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3. The definition of ChAdOx1 Excluded Fields shall be amended such that it reads:

**ChAdOx1 Excluded Fields (clause 2.1):** Malaria, tuberculosis, HIV, Neisseria meningitidis, human papilloma virus infections other than those that cause or otherwise involve cancer, hepatitis C virus, hepatitis B virus, Rift Valley Fever, dengue virus, Staphylococcus aureus, Ebola virus, Chagas disease, Chikungunya virus, pneumococcal disease, Marburg virus disease, Lassa fever, respiratory syncytial virus, Crimean-Congo haemorrhagic fever, severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS), Hendra virus, Nipah virus, West Nile virus, Venezuelan equine encephalitis virus, Hanta Virus.

4. The definition of ChAdOx2 Excluded Fields shall be amended such that it reads:

**ChAdOx2 Excluded Fields (clause 2.1):** Therapeutic vaccines for Crohn's disease, vaccines against rabies virus, and vaccines containing antigenic sequences derived from *Mycobacterium avium subspecies paratuberculosis* (MAP) for use in humans and animals for the treatment and prevention of diseases associated with MAP infection including but not limited to Crohn's Disease, Psoriasis, Multiple Sclerosis, Parkinson's Disease, Alzheimer's Disease, Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis and Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis.

5. The definition of Application 4 in Schedule 2 shall be replaced in its entirety with the following:

**Application 4:** [\*\*\*].

6. The following new definition for Applications 5:

**Application 5:** [\*\*\*].

7. Our respective rights and liabilities under the Licence Agreement which have accrued up to the effective date of this Letter will remain unaffected other than as may be expressly stated in this letter.
8. This Letter is supplemental to the Licence Agreement except as specifically amended by this letter the Licence Agreement shall continue in full force and effect in accordance with its terms.
9. This letter is governed by English Law and the parties submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the English Courts for the resolution of dispute which may arise out of or in connection with this agreement except in relation to any action in relation to Intellectual Property Rights or Confidential Information which may be sought in any court of competent jurisdiction.
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Letter of Variation

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Please countersign and date a copy of this letter and return to me to Indicate agreement to the variations to the License Agreement as set out in this letter. If we have not yet signed the letter, we will do so and return a fully executed copy to you after receiving your signed copy.

Signed for and on behalf of Oxford University Innovation Limited

/s/ Paul Ashley

Position: Head of Technology Transfer

Dated: 23 January 2020

I, PRINT NAME: acting for and on behalf of

Vaccitech Limited hereby agree to the contents of this letter.

Signed: /s/ William Enright

Dated: 28 January 2020

Position: CEO

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**DATED**

**29 April 2020**

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(1) **Oxford University Innovation Limited**

- and -

(2) **Vaccitech Limited**

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**Amendment, Assignment and Revenue Share Agreement**

**Concerning SARS-CoV2**

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**THIS AGREEMENT is made the 29<sup>th</sup> day of April 2020**

**BETWEEN:-**

- (1) **Oxford University Innovation Limited**, a company incorporated under the laws of England and Wales under company registration number 02199542, whose registered office is at University Offices, Wellington Square, Oxford, OX1 2JD (“**OUI**”); and
- (2) **Vaccitech Limited**, a company incorporated under the laws of England and Wales under company registration number 09973585, whose registered office is at The Schrodinger Building 2nd Floor, Heatley Road, Oxford Science Park, Oxford, Oxfordshire, England, OX4 4GE (“**Vaccitech**”).

**BACKGROUND:**

- (A) OUI and Vaccitech entered into a Licence of Technology dated 4 March 2016, as amended by a letter variation dated 14 January 2019 (the “**Licence Agreement**”).
- (B) Under the Licence Agreement, OUI granted Vaccitech a licence to certain vaccine technology, which was exclusive in certain fields and non-exclusive in other fields. Vaccitech’s non-exclusive licence includes a licence under certain OUI patent rights to use the ChAdOx1 and ChAdOx2 vectors and the adenovirus long promoter’ in the field of SARS-CoV2.
- (C) In response to the global COVID-19 pandemic, Oxford University is currently conducting a Phase I clinical trial of a vaccine based on the ChAdOx1 vector.
- (D) The vaccine is the subject of the Patent Application (as defined below). Vaccitech and OUI jointly own the rights in the Patent Application.
- (E) In order to enable the vaccine to be quickly manufactured at scale and distributed to meet global demand, the resources and expertise of one or more global pharmaceutical companies will be required
- (F) In order to vest all intellectual property rights in the vaccine in OUI, the Parties have agreed to: (a) amend the Licence Agreement; and (b) assign all of Vaccitech’s rights in the Patent Application and the Other Vaccine IPRs to OUI, in each case in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement. In return, the Parties have agreed to provide Vaccitech with a share of revenue that OUI receives in connection with the commercialisation of the Vaccine in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement

**THE PARTIES AGREE AS FOLLOWS:**

**1. DEFINITIONS**

In this Agreement, the following words and expressions shall have the following meanings -

- 1.1 “**Adenovirus Long Promoter**” the promoter that is claimed in international patent application number [\*\*\*];
- 1.2 “**Affiliate\***” in relation to Vaccitech (the “subject”), any other entity that at the date of this Agreement (i) directly or indirectly controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with the subject. In the case of entities having stocks, shares or a similar ownership designation “control” and “controlled” means beneficial ownership of more than fifty percent of the voting stock, shares or similar ownership designation. In the case of any other entity, “control” and “controlled” shall exist through the ability to directly or indirectly control the management and/or business of the other entity. In this provision “entity” means any individual, firm, company, corporation or other corporate body or legal entity, or any joint venture, association or partnership (whether or not having a separate legal personality);



- 1.3 **“ChAdOx1 Vector”** the DNA sequence of the AdY25 simian adenovirus with the E1 and E3 regions both deleted, and E4 Orf 4, 6, 6/7 replaced with the corresponding regions from AdHu5, or any other vector that is claimed in international patent application number [\*\*\*];
- 1.4 **“ChAdOx2 Vector”** [\*\*\*], or any other vector that is claimed in international patent application number [\*\*\*];
- 1.5 **“Intellectual Property Rights”** patents, petty patents, utility models, any extensions of the exclusivity granted in connection with the foregoing, registered, designs, trademarks, service marks, applications for any of the foregoing (including continuations, continuations-in-part and divisional applications), the right to claim priority from, the right to apply for and be granted any of the foregoing, rights in inventions, trade names, business names, brand names, get-up, logos, domain names, URLs, copyrights, design rights, database rights, publication rights, performance rights, rights in know-how, trade secrets and confidential information and all other forms of intellectual property right which may exist anywhere in the world;
- 1.6 **“Other Vaccine IPRs”** all Intellectual Property Rights owned solely (or jointly with OUI) by Vaccitech or Vaccitech’s Affiliates:
- (a) that exist as at the date of this Agreement and that relate solely to the Vaccine and/or solely to manufacture of the Vaccine, (including those Intellectual Property Rights that were developed or generated by [\*\*\*] in the course of her work on the Vaccine, to the extent that the same relate solely to the Vaccine and/or solely to manufacture of the Vaccine);
  - (b) that arise after the date of this Agreement and that relate solely to the Vaccine or solely to manufacture of the Vaccine; or
  - (c) that relate solely to any variations, improvements, enhancements or modifications to the Vaccine;
- in each case, provided that such Intellectual Property Rights do not relate to any other product or the manufacture of any other product; and excluding the Patent Application and the inventions disclosed in the Patent Application;
- 1.7 **“Patent Application”** patent application number [\*\*\*]; and
- 1.8 **“Vaccine”** any ChAdOx1 Vector-based or ChAdOx2 Vector-based vaccine that is described and/or covered by a claim of the Patent Application document as filed on 13 March 2020.

2. **AMENDMENT OF LICENCE AGREEMENT**

2.1 The Licence Agreement shall be amended as follows with effect from the date of this Agreement

2.1.1 The definition of ChAdOx1 Excluded Fields shall be amended by adding “and SARS-CoV2” to the end of the definition, so that it reads:

**ChAdOx1 Excluded Fields (clause 2.1)**

Malaria, tuberculosis, HIV, Neisseria meningitidis, human papilloma virus infections other than those that cause or otherwise involve cancer, hepatitis C virus, hepatitis B virus, Rift Valley Fever, dengue virus, Staphylococcus aureus, Ebola virus, Chagas disease, Chikungunya virus, pneumococcal disease, Marburg virus disease, Lassa fever, respiratory syncytial virus, Crimean-Congo haemorrhagic fever, severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS), Hendra virus, Nipah virus, West Nile virus, Venezuelan equine encephalitis virus, Hanta Virus, and SARS-CoV2

2.1.2 The definition of ChAdOx2 Excluded Fields shall be amended by adding “vaccines against SARS-CoV2,” into the definition after the words “rabies virus,”, so that it reads:

**ChAdOx2 Excluded Fields (clause 2.1)**

Therapeutic vaccines for Crohn’s disease, vaccines against rabies virus, vaccines against SARS-CoV2, and vaccines containing antigenic sequences derived from *Mycobacterium avium subspecies paratuberculosis* (MAP) for use in humans and animals for the treatment and prevention of diseases associated with MAP infection including but- not limited to Crohn’s Disease, Psoriasis, Multiple Sclerosis, Parkinson’s Disease, Alzheimer’s Disease, Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis and Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis.

2.1.3 Clause 2.1.1(a) of the Licence Agreement shall be amended by adding the word “both” just after the word ‘excluding’ and also adding the words “and SARS-CoV2” to the end of the definition, so that it reads:

(a) in relation to Applications 1 and 2 (i) exclusive in the Field and (ii) non-exclusive in all other fields excluding both veterinary applications (apart from MERS) and SARS- CoV2;

2.2 For the avoidance of doubt, from the date of this Agreement, Vaccitech shall (i) no longer be entitled to use the ChAdOx1 Vector, the ChAdOx2 Vector or the Adenovirus Long Promoter in the SARS-CoV2 field, and (ii) cease (or procure the cessation, as the case may be) immediately of any work that may be ongoing using the ChAdOx1 Vector, the ChAdOx2 Vector and/or the Adenovirus Long Promoter in the SARS-CoV2 field; pursuant to the Licence Agreement (in any such case, whether by itself, its Affiliates or in conjunction with any third party)

**3. ASSIGNMENT**

- 3.1 Vaccitech and OUI, as joint owners, hereby irrevocably, unconditionally and absolutely assign to OUI as sole owner, all right, title and interest it may have in and to the Patent Application, and in and to any and all inventions disclosed in the Patent Application, including
- 3.1.1 the right to claim priority from the Patent Application and to prosecute and obtain the grant of a patent;
  - 3.1.2 the right to file divisional applications based on the Patent Application and to prosecute and obtain the grant of patent on each and any such divisional application;
  - 3.1.3 in respect of each and any invention disclosed in the Patent Application, the right to file applications, claim priority from such applications, and prosecute and obtain the grant of patent or similar protection in or in respect of any country or territory in the world;
  - 3.1.4 the absolute entitlement to any patents granted pursuant to the Patent Applications or any of the applications set out in Clause 3.1, 3.1.3; and
  - 3.1.5 the right to bring, make, oppose, defend, and appeal proceedings, claims or actions and obtain relief (and to retain any damages recovered) in respect of any infringement, or any other cause of action arising from ownership, of the Patent Application or any of the applications set out in Clause 3.1.3 or any patents granted on the foregoing, whether occurring before on or after the date of this Agreement.
- 3.2 Vaccitech hereby irrevocably, unconditionally and absolutely assigns into the sole name of OUI all its right, title and interest in and to the Other Vaccine IPRs that exist as at the date of this Agreement, with the right to sue for damages and other relief for past infringement of any of the Other Vaccine IPRs that exist as at the date of this Agreement. To the extent that it is not legally possible to assign Other Vaccine IPRs which have not yet been created, Vaccitech shall hold such Other Vaccine IPRs on trust for the sole benefit of OUI and, to the extent not restricted by law or any agreement with any third party, assign them to OUI as and when requested by OUI pursuant to Clause 4, provided that to the extent that any third party has any right or interest in the same upon their creation, such holding on trust and assignment shall be subject to such right or interest of such third party.

**4. FURTHER ASSURANCE**

At OUI's expense, Vaccitech shall, and shall procure its employees, its Affiliates, and the employees of its Affiliates shall, promptly execute such documents and perform such acts as may reasonably be required for the purpose of giving full effect to this Agreement and its subject matter. Without limiting the foregoing, this includes Vaccitech assisting OUI (at OUI's expense) in obtaining, defending and enforcing any rights arising out of or comprised within the Patent Application and/or the Other Vaccine IPRs, and assisting with any other proceedings which may be brought by or against OUI, against or by any third party relating to the rights assigned by this Agreement.

**5. WARRANTIES**

- 5.1 Each Party hereby warrants to the other that it has the full capacity and authority to enter into and perform this Agreement, and that doing so will not put it in breach of any contract or other arrangement with any third party.
- 5.2 Vaccitech hereby warrants to OUI as at the date of this Agreement that
- 5.2.1 it has the right to make the assignments set out in Clause 3, free from all third party rights (other than potential third party rights in Other Vaccine IPRs arising after the date of this Agreement);
  - 5.2.2 it has not assigned or licensed, or agreed to assign or license, any of its rights in the Patent Application or the Other Vaccine IPRs existing as at the date of this Agreement to any third party, or otherwise created any encumbrance over the same;
  - 5.2.3 [\*\*\*] was its employee at the time of her work on the Vaccine, carrying out her duties in the course of her employment with Vaccitech; and
  - 5.2.4 so far as it is aware, no third party has any right, title or interest in or to the Patent Application or the Other Vaccine IPRs existing as at the date of this Agreement.

**6. REVENUE SHARE**

6.1 In consideration for the amendments to the Licence Agreement set out in Clause 2 and the assignment in Clause 3, the Parties agree the revenue sharing arrangements set out in Schedule 1.

**7. GENERAL**

Interpretation

7.1 In this Agreement the headings are for convenience only and shall not affect the interpretation of this Agreement. Unless otherwise stated, all references to Clauses or Schedules are references to Clauses or schedules of this Agreement.

7.2 The Schedules attached to this Agreement shall form part of this Agreement.

7.3 References to Clauses and Schedules are to the clauses and schedules of this Agreement.

7.4 Any words following the terms “including”, “include”, “in particular”, “for example” or any similar expression shall be construed as illustrative and shall not limit the sense of the words, description, phrase or term preceding those terms Severability.

7.5 If any provision of this Agreement is declared by any judicial or other competent authority to be void, voidable, illegal or otherwise unenforceable then the remaining provisions of this Agreement shall continue in full force and effect The judicial or other competent authority making such determination shall have the power to limit, construe or reduce the duration, scope, activity and/or area of such provision, and/or delete specific words or phrases as necessary to render such provision enforceable.

Waiver

7.6 Failure or delay by a Party to exercise any right or remedy under this Agreement shall not be deemed to be a waiver of that right or remedy, or prevent that Party from exercising that or any other right or remedy on that occasion or on any other occasion.

Entire Agreement and Amendments

7.7 This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement and understanding of the Parties relating to the subject matter of this Agreement and supersedes all prior oral or written agreements, representations, understandings or arrangements between the Parties relating to the subject matter of this Agreement.

7.8 The Parties acknowledge that in entering into this Agreement they do not rely on any statement, representation (including any negligent misrepresentation but excluding any fraudulent misrepresentation), warranty, course of dealing, custom or understanding except for the warranties expressly set out in this Agreement.

7.9 No change shall be made to this Agreement except in writing signed by the duly authorised representatives of all Parties.

Confidentiality and Publicity

7.10 OUI and Vaccitech shall agree wording for a press release that refers to Vaccitech and its role in the development of the Vaccine, and OUI shall include such agreed wording in each press release that it issues in relation to the grant of any of its rights in the Vaccine to any third party and in any subsequent press release relating or referring to development of the Vaccine.

7.11 No Party shall disclose any information concerning this Agreement (including its existence, its provisions, or disputes relating to it) to any third party provided that a Party may disclose:-

7.11.1 any press releases agreed by the Parties and the information contained therein, and

7.11.2 information concerning this Agreement:

- (a) to its legal advisers, auditors and/or regulators,
- (b) to the extent required by law;
- (c) as necessary to enforce this Agreement; \*
- (d) in the case of OUI, to Oxford University;
- (e) in the case of OUI, to licensees and potential licensees of OUI's rights to the Vaccine, save that OUI shall not disclose any information in Schedule 1 to such licensees or potential licensees; and/or
- (f) in the case of OUI, as necessary or desirable for the purposes of registering its rights with applicable patent offices and other governmental authorities.

Third Party Rights

7.12 The Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 shall not apply in relation to this Agreement and nothing in this Agreement shall confer on any third party the right to enforce any provision of this Agreement.

Law and Jurisdiction

7.13 English law shall govern this Agreement including the formation, validity, interpretation, performance and any non-contractual causes of action arising out of or in connection with this Agreement.

7.14 The Parties submit irrevocably to the exclusive jurisdiction of the English courts in relation to any dispute arising out of or in connection with this Agreement.

Counterparts

7.15 This Agreement may be executed by exchange of signed counterparts (including those signed by way of electronic signature) as attachments to emails. Each counterpart that has been executed and delivered by a Party shall constitute an original of this Agreement, but all the counterparts shall together constitute the same agreement. If this Agreement is executed in counterparts, it shall not be effective unless and until each Party has executed and delivered a counterpart to the other Party.

Assignment

7.16 OUI may not assign or otherwise transfer any or its rights or obligations under this Agreement and may not assign its rights in respect of the Other Vaccine IPRs, the Patent Application or any inventions disclosed in the Patent Application, in each case without the prior written consent of Vaccitech, which may only be withheld where Vaccitech (acting reasonably) is not satisfied that its rights and entitlement under this Agreement is secured. Vaccitech may assign or transfer to any third party its rights to receive payments under this Agreement.

**Schedule 1**

**Revenue Sharing Arrangements**

In addition to the definitions set out elsewhere in this Agreement, in this Schedule the following words and expressions shall have the following meanings:-

- “Applicable Receipts”** means Net Receipts less OUI’s administrative fee of [\*\*\*]
- “Net Receipts”** means any and all payments and the value of all non-monetary consideration actually received by OUI with respect to any Relevant Vaccine IP under all Vaccine Licensing Agreements, excluding:
- (a) value added tax or other taxes paid to OUI; and
  - (b) any payments received by OUI for reimbursement of GUI’s actual costs or expenses in connection with the drafting, filing, prosecution and maintenance of the Patent Application;
- “Relevant Vaccine IP”** means:
- (a) the Patent Application or any other patent application claiming any invention described or claimed in the Patent Application;
  - (b) the Other Vaccine IPRs; and/or
  - (c) any right under the Licensed Technology (as defined in the Licence Agreement) to use the ChAdOx1 Vector, ChAdOx2 Vector and/or the Adenovirus Long Promoter in the SARS-COV2 field;
- “Reporting Period”** means each three (3) month period ending on the last day March, June, September and December; and
- “Vaccine Licensing Agreement”** means any agreement between OUI and a third party under which OUI grants such third party any rights under the Relevant Vaccine IP (including any option) to research, develop, make, have made, use, offer for sale, sell, have sold, import or export a Vaccine

1. OUI shall not grant to any third party any rights in respect of the Relevant Vaccine IP in consideration for any non-monetary consideration, without the prior written consent of Vaccitech, which consent shall be subject to the Parties reaching agreement as to the monetary value of such non-monetary consideration for the purposes of calculation and payment to Vaccitech of the royalty under this Agreement

**Payment Obligation**

2. OUI shall pay to Vaccitech twenty four per cent (24%) of all Applicable Receipts in each Reporting Period
3. Within [\*\*\*] after the end of each Reporting Period, OUI shall provide to Vaccitech a report setting out the Net Receipts received by OUI under all Vaccine Licensing Agreements upon which OUI is required to make payments to Vaccitech pursuant to paragraph 1 above (a “**Revenue Report**”).

4. Within [\*\*\*] after the date OUI issues a Revenue Report and, provided Vaccitech issues OUI with a valid invoice (if requested at the time of the delivery of the Revenue Report by OUI), OUI shall pay the applicable payments due under paragraph-1- above on the Net Receipts which are the subject of such Revenue Report.

**Payment Terms**

5. All sums due to Vaccitech under this Agreement shall be paid in British pounds sterling, or such other currency as may be agreed in writing by the Parties from time to time, to such bank account as specified by Vaccitech from time to time Where Net Receipts are received in a currency other than British pounds sterling OUI shall convert the same to British pounds sterling in accordance with its standard procedures and provide to Vaccitech details of the currency conversion used.
6. If any payment is not paid by the due date, Vaccitech may charge interest on any outstanding amount of such payment on a daily basis at a rate equivalent to [\*\*\*] per annum above the base rate of the Bank of England then in force in London.
7. OUI shall make all payments to Vaccitech under this Agreement without deduction or withholding for taxes except to the extent that any such deduction or withholding is required by law. Any tax required to be withheld on amounts payable under this Agreement will be paid by OUI to the appropriate governmental authority, and OUI will furnish Vaccitech with proof of payment of such tax.
8. Vaccitech may, upon written notice to OUI, appoint an independent accountant for the purpose of verifying the accuracy of the Revenue Report OUI shall make all relevant records available for inspection by such independent accountant during regular business hours upon reasonable advance notice from Vaccitech. Before beginning their audit, the independent accountant shall execute an undertaking to OUI to keep confidential all information reviewed during such audit provided that the conclusions of the audit and any payments owed may be disclosed to Vaccitech. If the audit reveals an underpayment by OUI, the underpaid amount along with any interest thereon shall be settled within [\*\*\*] of the issue of the final report. If the audit reveals an underpayment by OUI of more than [\*\*\*] in aggregate in respect of any period of 4 consecutive Reporting Periods, OUI shall pay the accountant's fees in respect of that audit.

**AGREED** by the Parties through their duly authorised representatives on the date written at the start of this Agreement-

For and on behalf of **Oxford University Innovation Limited:-**

Signed /s/ Matthew Perkins

Full Name Matthew Perkins

Title CEO

For and on behalf of **Vaccitech Limited:-**

Signed /s/ William Enright

Full Name William Enright

Title CEO



DATED 8 September 2017

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(1) OXFORD UNIVERSITY INNOVATION LIMITED

and

(2) VACCITECH LIMITED

LICENCE OF TECHNOLOGY  
(OUI PROJECT Nos. [\*\*\*])

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**BETWEEN:**

- (1) **OXFORD UNIVERSITY INNOVATION LIMITED** (Company No. 2199542) whose registered office is at University Offices, Wellington Square, Oxford OX1 2JD, England (“**OUI**”); and
- (2) **VACCITECH LIMITED** (Company No. 9973585) whose registered office is at King Charles House, Park End Street, Oxford, Oxfordshire, OX1 1JD (the “**Licensee**”).

**BACKGROUND:**

- (A) The Licensed Technology is connected with OUI Projects [\*\*\*] “Hepatitis B vaccine”, [\*\*\*] “Human Papilloma Virus vaccine”, [\*\*\*] “CD74 as Molecular Adjuvant”, [\*\*\*] “Adenovirus vaccine vector (‘ChAdOx1’)” and [\*\*\*] “ChAdOx2 - simian adenovirus vector”.
- (B) The Licensee wishes to acquire a licence to the Licensed Technology in order to develop products in the area of therapeutic vaccines and OUI is willing to license the Licensed Technology to the Licensee, on the terms of this agreement.

**AGREEMENT:**

**1. Interpretation**

In this agreement (including its Schedules), any reference to a “clause” or “Schedule” is a reference to a clause of this agreement or a schedule to this agreement, as the case may be. Words and expressions used in this agreement have the meaning set out in Schedule 1.

**2. Grant of Licence**

- 2.1 In consideration of the payments required to be made under this agreement by the Licensee, OUI grants to the Licensee a licence in the Territory in respect of the Licensed Technology to develop, make, have made, import, use and have used and Market the Licensed Product subject to the terms and conditions of this agreement. Subject to clause 4, the Licence in respect of:

2.1.1 the Licensed Intellectual Property is :

- (a) in relation to Applications 1 and 2 exclusive in all fields;
- (b) in relation to Application 3 non-exclusive in the field of Hepatitis B therapy;
- (c) in relation to Application 4 exclusive in the fields of Human Papilloma Virus associated diseases and Hepatitis B therapy;
- (d) in relation to Application 5 exclusive in the field of Hepatitis B therapy; and

2.1.2 the Licensed Know-how is non-exclusive in all fields.

- 2.2 As soon as is reasonably possible after the date of this agreement (and in any event within [\*\*\*] of the date of this agreement), OUI will, at OUI’s cost, supply the Licensee with the Documents. OUI shall, for a period of [\*\*\*] from the date of this agreement, continue to provide the Licensee with such documents and materials as embody the Licensed Know-How generated during that period.

- 2.3 The Licensee may grant sub-licences with the prior written consent of OUI, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed, provided that:

- (a) the sub-licensee has obligations to the Licensee commensurate with those which the Licensee has to OUI under this agreement, except the financial terms hereof or where it is not legally possible to include such obligations in the sub-licence;
- (b) the nature of the proposed sub-licensee is not likely in OUI's reasonable opinion to have any detrimental impact on the reputation of either OUI or of the University;
- (c) the sub-licensee has sufficient financial resources to develop and Market the Licensed Product (it being acknowledged and agreed that if the sub-licensee is a publicly-listed company with a market capitalisation equal to or in excess of [\*\*\*] it will be considered to have sufficient financial resources to develop and Market the Licensed Product);
- (d) as soon as reasonably practicable following the grant of each sub-licence, the Licensee provides a certified copy of that sub-licence to OUI, such copy to be Confidential Information of the Licensee which may be redacted to the extent any information in such sub-licence does not relate to the Licensed Technology, OUI and/or this agreement;
- (e) the sub-licensee enters into a Deed of Covenant with the Licensor in the form set out in Schedule 5;
- (f) OUI will be deemed to have consented to a sub-licence within [\*\*\*] of receipt of such written request by the Licensee to grant a sub-licence, provided it has not refused consent or requested reasonable further time or information to consider the request within such [\*\*\*] period; and
- (g) no sub-licence will carry any right to sub-sub-licence.

2.4 Notwithstanding clause 2.3, no prior written consent from OUI will be required for sublicences if:

- (a) the sub-licensee or an Affiliate of the sub-licensee, at the time of entering into a new sub-licence, is already a licensee or a sub-licensee of the Licensee in respect of all or part of the Licensed Technology; or
- (b) the sub-licensee is a subsidiary or an Affiliate of the Licensee;

provided always that the sub-licence complies with provisions (a), (d) and (e) of clause 2.3.

2.5 A decision by OUI not to give prior written consent under clause 2.3(b) or (c) shall be accompanied by a written description of the reasons for such disapproval, and the parties shall promptly (within [\*\*\*]) discuss the reasons OUI has given and the Licensee may challenge such reasons.

### 3. Improvements

3.1 The Licensed Technology covered by the Licence in clause 2 includes Inventor Improvements. OUI will communicate in writing to the Licensee within a reasonable time, and in any event within [\*\*\*] of becoming aware of the same, all Inventor Improvements.

3.2 The Licensee acknowledges and agrees that all Intellectual Property Rights in Inventor Improvements belong to OUI.

3.3 The Licensee will communicate in writing to OUI within [\*\*\*] of intended publication all Licensee Improvements.

3.4 OUI acknowledges and agrees that all Intellectual Property Rights in the Licensee Improvements belong to the Licensee.

#### **4. Rights re Non-Commercial Use**

- 4.1 The Licensee grants OUI an irrevocable, perpetual, royalty-free licence to grant the University and those persons who at any time work or have worked on the Licensed Technology the licence set out in clause 4.2.
- 4.2 OUI has granted and, in respect of Licensee Improvements, will grant, to the University and those persons who at any time work or have worked on the Licensed Technology a non- transferable, irrevocable, perpetual, royalty-free licence to use and publish the Licensed Technology and the Licensee Improvements for Non-Commercial Use.
- 4.3 Where the University wishes to submit a publication including Licensee Improvements, OUI shall procure that the University will use all reasonable endeavours to submit such draft publication to the Licensee in writing not less than [\*\*\*] in advance of the submission for publication. The Licensee may make a written request to the University to delay submission for publication if, in the Licensee's reasonable opinion, such delay is necessary in order to seek patent or similar protection for the Licensee Improvements. A delay imposed on submission for publication as a result of a written request made by the Licensee shall not last longer than is necessary to seek required protection; and therefore shall not exceed [\*\*\*] from the date of receipt of the written request to delay submission for publication by the Licensee, although OUI will procure that the University will not unreasonably refuse a request from the Licensee for additional delay in the event that Intellectual Property Rights would otherwise be lost. Notification of the requirement for delay in submission for publication must be received by the University within [\*\*\*] after the receipt of the notice of intention to publish by the Licensee, failing which the University shall be free to assume that the Licensee has no objection to the proposed publication.
- 4.4 OUI reserves the right to grant licences for Academic and Research Purposes to encourage basic research for Non-Commercial Use, whether conducted at an academic facility or subcontracted to a corporate facility, but not for the purposes of permitting commercialisation of the Licensed Technology licensed exclusively, or to authorise the development or marketing of products or services that are produced or supplied entirely or partially using the Licensed Technology.

#### **5. Filing and Maintenance**

- 5.1 The Licensee will pay OUI the Past Patent Costs representing the Licensee's sole contribution to the patent costs incurred by OUI prior to the parties entering into this agreement, within [\*\*\*] of receiving an invoice from OUI following execution of this agreement.
- 5.2 OUI will, in consultation with the Licensee and at the Licensee's cost, prosecute, use all reasonable endeavours to maintain, and renew the Applications throughout the duration of this agreement. OUI will give all reasonable consideration to the views of the Licensee and will not unreasonably refuse to prosecute, maintain or renew Applications provided always that the Licensee agrees to bear the costs of such action according to this Clause 5.2. The Licensee will reimburse OUI for all costs, filing fees, lawyers' and patent agents' fees, expenses and outgoings of whatever nature incurred by OUI in the prosecution, maintenance and renewal of the Applications (including those incurred in opposition proceedings before the European Patent Office or in ex parte re-examination or inter partes review proceedings in the United States Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO") or any similar proceedings before any patent office challenging the grant or validity of the Applications) within [\*\*\*] of receiving an invoice from OUI. OUI shall be entitled to make it a condition of any action of OUI under this clause 5.2 that the Licensee provides OUI with sufficient money in advance to cover the costs likely to be incurred in the action.
- 5.3 Where any of the Applications are prosecuted in the USPTO and the Licensee is a small business concern as defined under the US Small Business Act (15USC632) OUI intends to pay reduced USPTO patent fees under US patent law 35USC 41(h)(1). The Licensee will notify OUI as soon as reasonably possible if it or a sub-licensee ceases to be a small business concern as defined under the US Small Business Act (15USC632) or becomes aware of any other reason why it would not qualify for reduced USPTO patent fees under US patent law 35 USC 41(h)(1).

- 5.4 The Licensee shall inform OUI not less than [\*\*\*] in advance of the National Phase filing deadline (noted in Schedule 2) of the territories within the scope of the PCT that it wishes to be covered in the National Phase of the Applications. In the event that the Licensee does not give the required minimum of [\*\*\*] advance notice OUI shall then be entitled to proceed with filing the Applications at the Licensee's cost in whichever territories as it may in its sole discretion decide.
- 5.5 The Licensee shall be entitled to remove any one or more of the countries from the Territory at any time by giving not less than [\*\*\*] notice to OUI. If the Applications are proceeding under the PCT then such notice may not be given any earlier than the date for commencement of the National Phase filing. For the avoidance of doubt the Licensee shall remain liable for the costs mentioned in clause 5.2 that arise or are incurred by OUI during the said notice period in respect of the countries being removed.
- 5.6 In the event that OUI elects to discontinue the prosecution and/or maintenance of any of the Applications, the Licensee shall have the right but not the obligation to take over prosecution and maintenance of the Applications OUI has elected to discontinue.
- 6. Infringement**
- 6.1 Each party will notify the other in writing of any misappropriation or infringement of any rights in the Licensed Technology of which the party becomes aware.
- 6.2 The Licensee has the first right (but is not obliged) to take Legal Action at its own cost in relation to any misappropriation or infringement of any Licensed Technology that OUI has licensed exclusively to Licensee under this Agreement subject to any field restriction included in the rights granted in Clause 2.1. The Licensee must discuss any proposed Legal Action with OUI prior to the Legal Action being commenced, and take due account of the legitimate interests of OUI in the Legal Action it takes provided always that the Licensee may act without further consultation if rights in the Licensed Technology would otherwise be prejudiced or lost.
- 6.3 If the Licensee takes Legal Action under clause 6.2, the Licensee will:
- (a) except where any Legal Action arises directly as a result of a breach by OUI of the warranties in Clause 12.2, indemnify and hold OUI and the University harmless against all costs (including lawyers' and patent agents' fees and expenses), claims, demands and liabilities arising out of or consequent upon a Legal Action and will settle any invoice received from OUI in respect of such costs, claims, demands and liabilities within [\*\*\*] of receipt; and
  - (b) treat any account of profits or damages (including, without limitation, punitive damages) awarded in or paid to the Licensee under any settlement of the Legal Action for any misappropriation or infringement of any rights included in the Licensed Technology as Net Sales for the purposes of clause 8, having first for these purposes deducted from the award or settlement an amount equal to any legal costs incurred by the Licensee in the Legal Action that are not covered by an award of legal costs; and
  - (c) keep OUI regularly informed of the progress of the Legal Action, including, without limitation, any claims affecting the scope of the Licensed Technology.
- 6.4 OUI may take Legal Action at its own cost in relation to any misappropriation or infringement of any rights included in the Licensed Intellectual Property where:
- (a) the Licensee has notified OUI in writing that it does not intend to take any Legal Action in relation to any misappropriation or infringement of any rights included in the Licensed Technology under clause 6.2;

- (b) if having received professional advice with regard to any Legal Action within [\*\*\*] of the notification under clause 6.1, and consulted with OUI, the Licensee does not take reasonable steps to act upon an agreed process for dealing with such misappropriation or infringement (which may include, for the avoidance of doubt, seeking a second opinion in respect of such professional advice) within any timescale agreed between OUI and the Licensee and in any event within [\*\*\*] of notification under clause 6.1, OUI may take such Legal Action at its own cost provided it shall not settle any action without first consulting with the Licensee and taking account of the reasonable observations and requests of the Licensee.

## 7. Confidentiality

- 7.1 Subject to clauses 7.2, 7.3 and 7.4, each party (being a receiving or disclosing party as the case may be) will keep confidential the Confidential Information of the other party and will not disclose or supply the Confidential Information to any third party or use it for any purpose, except in accordance with the terms and objectives of this agreement.
- 7.2 The Licensee may disclose to sub-licensees of the Licensed Technology such of the Confidential Information as is necessary for the exercise of any rights sub-licensed, provided that the Licensee shall ensure that such sub-licensees accept a continuing obligation of confidentiality on the same terms as this clause, and giving third party enforcement rights to OUI, before the Licensee makes any disclosure of the Confidential Information. The Licensee may also disclose the Licensed Technology to the extent reasonably required in connection with the conduct of its business including to potential investors, other business associates and professional advisors provided that such persons have agreed in writing to be bound by non-use and non-disclosure obligations that are no less strict than those set forth in this agreement or are subject to professional codes of conduct that prevent disclosure of client confidential information and the Licensee will take action in respect of any breach of such obligations.
- 7.3 Confidential Information may be exchanged freely between OUI and the University and communications between those two parties shall not be regarded as disclosures, dissemination or publication for the purpose of this agreement. OUI may also disclose the terms of this agreement and royalty reports and payments made by the Licensee to any third parties that have rights to a revenue share for providing funding in the development of the Licensed Technology provided that such persons have agreed in writing to be bound by nonuse and non-disclosure obligations that are no less strict than those set forth in this agreement or are subject to professional codes of conduct that prevent disclosure of client confidential information and OUI will take action in respect of any breach of such obligations.
- 7.4 Clause 7.1 will not apply to any Confidential Information which:
  - (a) is known to the receiving party before disclosure, and not subject to any obligation of confidentiality owed to the disclosing party;
  - (b) is or becomes publicly known without the fault of the receiving party;
  - (c) is obtained by the receiving party from a third party in circumstances where the receiving party has no reason to believe that it is subject to an obligation of confidentiality owed to the disclosing party;
  - (d) the receiving party can establish by reasonable proof was substantially and independently developed by officers or employees of the receiving party who had no knowledge of the disclosing party's Confidential Information; or
  - (e) is approved for release in writing by an authorised representative of the disclosing party.
- 7.5 Nothing in this agreement will prevent a party from disclosing Confidential Information where it is required to do so by law or regulation, stock exchange rules, or by order of a court or competent authority, provided that, in the case of a disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ("FOIA"), none of the exemptions in the FOIA applies to the relevant Confidential Information and provided always that, to the extent permitted by law or regulation, the receiving party will give such notice as is reasonably practicable in the circumstances to the disclosing party about the timing and content of such a disclosure.

7.6 If either party to this agreement receives a request under the FOIA to disclose any information that, under this agreement, is the other party's Confidential Information, it will notify and consult with the other party. The other party will respond within [\*\*\*] after receiving notice if that notice requests the other party to provide information to assist in determining whether or not an exemption under the FOIA applies to the information requested under the FOIA.

## **8. Royalties and Other Payments**

8.1 OUI will invoice the Licensee for the Signing Fee shortly after signature of this agreement and the Licensee must settle the invoice within [\*\*\*] of receipt.

8.2 Subject to clause 8.3, the Licensee will pay to OUI a royalty equal to the applicable Royalty Rate on all Net Sales of Licensed Products for the duration of the agreement on the terms set out in clause 10.

8.3 Following expiration or revocation of the last Valid Claim covering a Licensed Product in a country in which the Licensed Product is Marketed and where there is being Marketed and sold by a third party in the normal course of business a product that, directly or indirectly, competes with the Licensed Product, the Step Down Rate (as defined below) shall apply on a country-by-country basis to the applicable Royalty Rate of such Licensed Products. For the purposes of this clause 8.3, the "Step Down Rate" shall be the percentage decrease of (a) [\*\*\*] compared against (b) [\*\*\*].

8.4 In the event that the royalties paid to OUI under clause 8.2 does not amount to at least the Minimum Sum, the Licensee must make up the difference between the royalties paid under clauses 8.2 and the Minimum Sum in each Licence Year where a Minimum Sum applies.

8.5 The Licensee will notify OUI as soon as possible after it or any sub-licensee achieves any Milestone, and pay to OUI the Milestone Fee in respect of each Milestone within [\*\*\*] of the date on which each Milestone is achieved by the Licensee or a sub-licensee.

8.6 The Licensee will pay to OUI a royalty equal to the Fee Income Royalty Rate on any sublicensing fees that the Licensee receives for sublicensing the Licensed Technology with a third party. For the purposes of this clause 8.6, Sublicensing fees shall include upfront fees, milestone payments and other consideration received by the Licensee from such third party but shall exclude:

- (a) royalties paid to the Licensee by a sub-licensee based on net sales of Licensed Products;
- (b) milestone payments paid to the Licensee by a sub-licensee on a Milestone event; and
- (c) any sums received that are to be used to fund research and/or development.

8.7 If the Licensee has to pay royalties to a third party (other than an Affiliate), for the right to make, have made, use or Market a Licensed Product, under a licence of Intellectual Property Rights without which the Licensed Technology cannot lawfully be exploited, then the Licensee will be entitled to deduct from all royalty payments due to OUI in respect of Net Sales of the Licensed Product under clause 8.2 an amount equal to [\*\*\*] of the royalties actually paid to that third party, up to a maximum amount of [\*\*\*] of the royalties due to OUI under clause 8.2.

8.8 Where a Licensed Product is sold as part of a combination product or co-packaged product, the Net Sales from the combination product or the co-packaged product, for the purposes of determining royalty payments, shall be determined by multiplying the Net Sales of the combination product or the co-packaged product, during the applicable royalty reporting period, by the fraction:

[\*\*\*]

Where A is the average sale price of the Licensed Product when sold separately in finished form, or if not sold separately, the market price of the Licensed Product if it were sold separately and B is the average sale price of the other product(s) included in the combination product or co-packaged product when sold separately in finished form, or if not sold separately, the aggregate market price of the other product(s) if it were sold separately in each case during the applicable royalty reporting period or, if sales of both the Licensed Product and the other product(s) did not occur in such period, then in the most recent royalty reporting period in which sales of both occurred. In the event that such average sale price cannot be determined for the Licensed Product and any other product(s) included in the combination product or co-packaged product, then the Net Sales for the purposes of determining royalty payments for a combination product or a co-packaged product shall be referred to an independent expert for determination.

- 8.9 The Signing Fee and the Milestone Fee are non-refundable and will not be considered as an advance payment on royalties payable under clause 8.2. No part of the Minimum Sum will be refundable or applicable to succeeding Licence Years.
- 8.10 Licensed Products supplied for use in any clinical trial carried out by or on behalf of the Licensee or any of its sub-licensees shall not be deemed to be sales and shall not be included within any Net Sales calculation.
- 8.11 The Licensee or any of its sub-licensees may supply a commercially reasonable quantity of Licensed Products for promotional sampling provided that after Licensee commences commercial supply of Licensed Product, the number of Licensed Products supplied for promotional sampling shall not be greater than [\*\*\*] of the total number of units of each Licensed Product sold leased or licensed by the Licensee in any Quarter following the Licensee receiving Marketing Authorization for the Licensed Product in any territory. Except as set out in this clause, the Licensee must not accept any non-monetary consideration when Marketing the Licensed Products or when issuing sub-licences of the Licensed Technology without the prior written consent of OUI, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed. The Licensee may accept non-monetary consideration when Marketing the Licensed Products or when issuing sub-licences of the Licensed Technology provided either (a) [\*\*\*] of such non-monetary consideration is able to be converted into cash within [\*\*\*] of receipt from the Licensee to enable the Fee Income Royalty Rate to be paid to OUI in cash or (b) the Licensee covenants in writing to pay to OUI in cash, within [\*\*\*] of receipt of the non-monetary consideration, the Fee Income Royalty Rate due to OUI.
- 8.12 The Licensee will make all payments in pounds sterling or any currency replacing pounds sterling in its entirety.
- 8.13 For the purposes of calculating any amount payable by the Licensee to OUI in a currency other than pounds sterling (or replacement currency), the Licensee shall apply an exchange rate equivalent to:
- (a) the average of the applicable closing mid rates quoted by the Financial Times as published in London on the first Business Day of each month during the Quarter just closed; or
  - (b) for payments under clause 8.6 only, the first Business Day of the month in which the payment was received by the Licensee.
- 8.14 Where the Licensee has to withhold tax by law, the Licensee will deduct the tax, pay it to the relevant taxing authority, and supply OUI with a Certificate of Tax Deduction at the time of payment to OUI. Where such an issue arises, the Licensee will not be liable for any costs or penalties associated with late payment to OUI provided that the Licensee takes reasonable steps to ensure that any such matters are dealt with as expeditiously as reasonably possible.
- 8.15 In the event that full payment of any amount due from the Licensee to OUI under this agreement is not made by any of the dates stipulated, the Licensee shall be liable to pay interest on the amount unpaid at the rate of [\*\*\*] per annum over the base rate for the time being of Barclays Bank plc. Such interest shall accrue on a daily basis from the date when payment was due until the date of actual payment of the overdue amount, whether before or after judgment, and shall be compounded quarterly.



8.16 If the Licensed Product is of a description covered by the Medicines Access Policy, the Licensee shall adhere to the requirements of the Medicines Access Policy. In particular in the event the Licensed Products can be used to ease the burden of illness in the developing world, the Marketing of Licensed Products will be managed in a manner that enables availability and accessibility at reasonable cost to the people most In need in the developing world.

## **9. Commercially Reasonable Endeavours**

9.1 Subject to clause 9.3, the Licensee must use Commercially Reasonable Endeavours to develop, exploit and Market the Licensed Technology to maximize the financial return for both parties.

9.2 Subject to clause 9.3, the Licensee must use Commercially Reasonable Endeavours to develop, exploit and Market the Licensed Technology in accordance with the Development Plan as set out separately In respect of each Indication.

9.3 The Licensee will deliver to OUI at least [\*\*\*] prior to the commencement of each subsequent Licence Year a revised development plan for the intended development of a Licensed Product for each Indication together with any background supporting information necessary for OUI to evaluate the draft plan. The Licensee will consult with OUI over the draft plan and will consider in good faith any comments that OUI may put forward. Following approval of the revised development plan by OUI, the revised development plan shall become the Development Plan.

9.4 The Licensee may give written notice to OUI that it no longer intends to develop, exploit and Market a Licensed Product in an Indication and following that notice:

9.4.1 the Licensee will no longer have obligations to use Commercially Reasonable Endeavours to develop, exploit and Market a Licensed Product in that Indication; and

9.4.2 without prejudice to any and all of its existing rights under this agreement, the Licensee will no longer have any rights to use the Licensed Technology in relation to that Indication.

## **10. Royalty Reports and Audit**

10.1 The Licensee will provide OUI with a report at least once in every [\*\*\*] detailing the activities and achievements in its development of the Licensed Technology in order to facilitate its commercial exploitation, and in the development of potential Licensed Products.

10.2 The Licensee will provide OUI with a royalty report within [\*\*\*] after the close of each Quarter for each Licensed Product Marketed by the Licensee and its sub-licensees. Each Royalty Report will:

(a) set out the Net Sales of each Licensed Product Marketed by the Licensee, and any sub-licensees including the total gross selling price of each Licensed Product Marketed by the Licensee and any sub-licensees and the quantity or total number of units of each Licensed Product Marketed by the Licensee and any sub-licensees;

(b) set out details of deductions made in the calculation of Net Sales from the invoiced price of each Licensed Product in the form in which it is Marketed by the Licensee or any sub-licensees;

(c) set out details of the quantity of Licensed Products used for promotional sampling by the Licensee or any sub-licensees;

(d) provide a calculation of the royalties due;

- (e) set out details of payments received by the Licensee to which the Fee Income Royalty Rate applies and provide a calculation of the royalties due from the Licensee to be paid under the Fee Income Royalty Rate;
- (f) provide a statement showing whether or not royalties due exceed the Minimum Sum and, if so, by how much;
- (g) set out details of Milestones achieved by the Licensee or any sub-licensees; and
- (h) set out the steps taken during the Licence Year to promote and Market Licensed Products.

The Licensee must pay OUI the royalties due in respect of the Quarter just closed at the same time as the Licensee delivers the Royalty Report provided that, if requested, OUI will issue an invoice for the relevant payment prior to payment.

10.3 The Licensee will deliver to OUI a periodic report at the close of each Licence Year providing sufficient data (in outline form) to give a reasonable indication or estimate of the actual or expected market share of the Licensee and its sub-licensees and will notify OUI in the event that its market share does or is expected to breach the limits set out in the 2014 Commission Regulation 316/2014 Technology Transfer Block Exemption Regulation and Guidelines in Commission Communication 2014/C 89/03 and any successor regulation. This obligation is not intended to place a significant additional financial burden on the Licensee.

10.4 If a Licensed Product Marketed by the Licensee is re-Marketed by an Affiliate or an entity over which the Licensee exercises Control, the royalty on each such Licensed Product will be calculated on the highest of the prices at which it is Marketed or re-Marketed. For the avoidance of doubt, when a Licensed Product is sold to an arm's length distributor then Net Sales is calculated on the transfer price paid by the distributor to the Licensee.

10.5 The Licensee must keep complete and proper records and accurate accounts of all Licensed Products used and Marketed by the Licensee and any sub-licensee in each Licence Year for at least [\*\*\*]. OUI may, through an independent certified accountant appointed by OUI ("the Auditor"), audit all such accounts on at least [\*\*\*] written notice no more than once each Licence Year for the purpose of determining the accuracy of the Royalty Reports and payments. The Auditor shall be:

- 10.5.1 permitted by the Licensee to enter the Licensee's principal place of business upon reasonable notice to inspect such records and accounts;
- 10.5.2 entitled to take copies of or extracts from such records and accounts as are strictly necessary for the Auditor to properly conduct the audit;
- 10.5.3 given all other information by the Licensee as may be necessary or appropriate to enable the amount of royalties payable to be ascertained including the provision of relevant records; and
- 10.5.4 shall be allowed access to and permitted to conduct interviews of any sales, engineering or other staff of the Licensee in order to verify the accuracy of the records and accounts and the accuracy of any statements provided to OUI under clause 10.2.

If on any such audit a shortfall in payments of greater than [\*\*\*] is discovered by the Auditor in respect of the audit period, the Licensee shall pay OUI's audit costs.

10.6 The Licensee will ensure that equivalent obligations and access rights, as set out in clause 10.5, allowing OUI auditing rights to the sub-licensee are included in each sub-licence agreement.

## 11. Duration and Termination

- 11.1 This agreement will take effect on the date of signature. Subject to the possibility of earlier termination under the following provisions of this clause 11, and subject to the possibility of an extension to the term by mutual agreement, this agreement shall continue in force:
- (a) until the expiry of the last Valid Claim anywhere in the world; and
  - (b) in any event for twenty (20) years from the date of this agreement.
- 11.2 If either party commits a material breach of this agreement, and the breach is not remediable or (being remediable) is not remedied within the period allowed by notice given by the other party in writing calling on the party in breach to effect such remedy (such period being not less than [\*\*\*]), the other party may terminate this agreement by written notice having immediate effect.
- 11.3 The Licensee may terminate this agreement for any reason at any time provided it gives OUI [\*\*\*] written notice to terminate expiring after the third anniversary of this agreement whereupon the Licensee shall bring all sub-licences to an end on the same date. Any such termination shall not absolve the Licensee of its obligation to accrue and pay royalties and other payments under the provisions of clause 8 in respect of the period prior to termination.
- 11.4 OUI may terminate this agreement:
- (a) immediately, if the Licensee has a petition presented for its winding-up (but excluding for this purpose any winding up petition presented against the Licensee in relation to any debt disputed by the Licensee), or passes a resolution for voluntary winding-up otherwise than for the purposes of a bona fide amalgamation or reconstruction, or compounds with its creditors, or has a receiver administrator or administrative receiver appointed of all or any part of its assets, or enters into any arrangements with creditors, or takes or suffers any similar action in consequence of debts;
  - (b) on [\*\*\*] written notice if:
    - (i) the Licensee opposes or challenges the validity of any of the Applications or raises the claim that the Licensed Know-how is not necessary to develop and Market Licensed Products, provided always that nothing in this clause 11.4(b) will prevent the Licensee from seeking to determine whether a product of the Licensee is a Licensed Product for the purposes of this agreement; or
    - (ii) the Licensee is in breach of clause 9.1 and the Licensee does not take any remedial action reasonably requested by OUI and notified to the Licensee by written notice pursuant to clause 11.2.
- 11.5 On termination or expiration of this agreement, for whatever reason, the Licensee:
- (a) must bring all sub-licences to an end on the same date;
  - (b) shall pay to OUI all outstanding royalties and other sums due under this agreement;
  - (c) shall provide OUI with details of the stocks of Licensed Products held at the point of termination;
  - (d) must cease to use or exploit the Licensed Technology, provided that this restriction does not apply to Licensed Know-How or Confidential Information which has entered the public domain through no fault of the Licensee, and that the Licensee may continue to use the Licensed Technology in order to meet any specific existing binding commitments already made by the Licensee at the date of termination and requiring delivery of Licensed Products within the next [\*\*\*];

- (e) must, at the option of OUI and at the Licensee's cost, destroy all other Licensed Products or send all other Licensed Products to a location nominated by OUI to the Licensee in writing;
  - (f) grants OUI an irrevocable, transferable, non-exclusive licence to develop, make, have made, use and Market the Licensee's Improvements and products that incorporate, embody or otherwise exploit the same. OUI shall pay a reasonable royalty for use of this licence unless the termination arises under clause 11.4, or is terminated by OUI under clause 11.2, in which case it shall be royalty-free.
- 11.6 Termination of this agreement, whether for breach of this agreement or otherwise, shall not absolve the Licensee of its obligation to accrue and pay royalties under the provisions of clause 8 for the duration of any notice period and in respect of any dealings in Licensed Products permitted by clause 11.5.
- 11.7 Clauses 1, 4.2, 6.3, 11.5, 11.7, 11.8, 12, 13.4 and 13.14 will survive the termination or expiration of this agreement, for whatever reason, [\*\*\*].
- 11.8 Clauses 7 and 10.5 will survive the termination or expiration of this agreement, for whatever reason, [\*\*\*].
- 12. Liability**
- 12.1 Subject to Clause 12.2 and to the fullest extent permissible by law, OUI does not make any warranties of any kind including, without limitation, warranties with respect to:
- (a) the quality of the Licensed Technology;
  - (b) the suitability of the Licensed Technology for any particular use;
  - (c) whether use of the Licensed Technology will infringe third-party rights; or
  - (d) whether the Applications will be granted or the validity of any patent that issues in response to the Applications.
- 12.2 OUI warrants to the Licensee that so far as OUI is aware (not having made any specific enquiries) as at the date of this agreement:
- 12.2.1 OUI has the necessary corporate power and authority to enter into this agreement and to grant the licences set out in this agreement to the Licensee;
  - 12.2.2 with the exception of the licence back to the University for Non-Commercial Use, the University has assigned all of its right, title and interest in the Licensed Technology to OUI;
  - 12.2.3 it has not created any charge or mortgage over the Licensed Technology;
  - 12.2.4 it has not created any licence over Application 1 or Application 2; and
  - 12.2.5 there is no actual or threatened infringement of the Licensed Technology by any third party.

- 12.3 Except in relation to any claims, damages and liabilities arising directly from (i) a breach of this agreement by OUI, and/or (ii) the fraud, negligence or wilful misconduct of OUI or the University, the Licensee agrees to indemnify OUI and the University and hold OUI and the University harmless from and against any and all claims, damages and liabilities:
- (a) asserted by third parties (including claims for negligence) which arise from the use of the Licensed Technology or the Marketing of Licensed Products by the Licensee and/or its sub-licensees; and/or
  - (b) arising directly from any breach by the Licensee of this agreement provided however that this indemnity for breach by the Licensee is subject to clause 12.6.
- 12.4 OUI will use reasonable endeavours to defend any Indemnified Claim and to mitigate its losses, claims, liabilities, costs, charges and expenses or (at OUI's option) allow the Licensee to do so on its behalf (subject to the University retaining the right to be kept informed of progress in the action and to have reasonable input into its conduct). OUI will not (except as required by law) make any admission, compromise, settlement or discharge of any Indemnified Claim without the consent of the Licensee (which will not be unreasonably withheld or delayed).
- 12.5 The Licensee undertakes to make no claim against any employee, student, agent or appointee of OUI or of the University, being a claim which seeks to enforce against any of them any liability whatsoever in connection with this agreement or its subject-matter.
- 12.6 Subject to clause 12.8 and except in relation to the indemnities in clause 6.3 and 12.3(a), the liability of either party for any breach of this agreement, in negligence or arising in any other way out of the subject-matter of this agreement, will not extend to incidental, indirect or consequential damages or loss of profits.
- 12.7 Subject to clause 12.8 the liability of OUI to the Licensee accruing in any Licence Year under or otherwise in connection with this agreement or its subject-matter, including without limitation liability for negligence, shall in no event exceed:
- (a) in respect of liability accruing in the first Licence Year, the amount of the Signing Fee paid to OUI; and
  - (b) in respect of liability accruing in any subsequent Licence Year, the total royalties paid in the previous Licence Year to OUI under clause 8.2.
- 12.8 Nothing in this agreement shall limit or exclude any liability for fraud or fraudulent misrepresentation or death, or personal injury or any other liability which may not, by law, be excluded.
- 12.9 Notwithstanding any other clause in this agreement, OUI shall not be entitled to profit from any grant of a licence to any third party in respect of the Licensed Technology that breaches the exclusive rights granted to the Licensee under clause 2.1.1(a) of this agreement ("a Licence to the Exclusive Rights"). In the event that the Licensee (acting in good faith) believes that OUI has granted a Licence to the Exclusive Rights, then the Licensee shall provide written notice to OUI with full particulars and all evidence supporting the Licensee's basis for such belief. Within [\*\*\*] of receipt of written notice from the Licensee, OUI will notify the Licensee in writing whether it admits or disputes that It has granted a Licence to the Exclusive Rights. If OUI serves notice that it disputes that it has granted a Licence to the Exclusive Rights OUI and the Licensee shall enter into good faith negotiations in order to reach mutual agreement to resolve the dispute and if such mutual agreement is not reached within [\*\*\*] after OUI's receipt of the Licensee's written notice, then the parties will refer the dispute to an independent expert ("Independent Expert") for determination on the following basis:
- 12.9.1 the Independent Expert shall be agreed on by the parties, or, if agreement is not reached within [\*\*\*] of either party giving notice to the other that it wishes to refer a matter to an Independent Expert, the Independent Expert may be nominated by the President of the Law Society of England and Wales on the request of either party;
  - 12.9.2 the Independent Expert shall be asked to determine:
    - 12.9.2.1 whether OUI has granted a Licence to the Exclusive Rights; and
    - 12.9.2.2 any dispute between the parties over the amount of consideration paid to OUI under any Licence to the Exclusive Rights;

- 12.9.3 the Independent Expert shall act as an expert and not as an arbitrator;
- 12.9.4 the Independent Expert's decision shall be final and binding on the parties in the absence of fraud or manifest error; and
- 12.9.5 each party shall bear its own costs in relation to the reference to the Independent Expert. The Independent Expert's fees and any costs it properly incurs in arriving at its determination (including any fees and costs of any advisers appointed by the Independent Expert) shall be borne by the parties in equal shares or in such proportions as the Independent Expert may direct.
- 12.10 In the event that OUI has admitted or the Independent Expert has determined that OUI has granted a Licence to the Exclusive Rights then OUI will pay to the Licensee a sum equal to all consideration paid to OUI under the Licence to the Exclusive Rights (including consideration that is not in the form of cash payments where it is possible to put a cash value on such a payment). OUI will pay that sum to the Licensee as soon as possible and in any event no later than [\*\*\*] following the date of admission by OUI or the Independent Expert's determination and will continue to pay a sum equal to all further consideration received by OUI under any such Licence to the Exclusive Rights no later than [\*\*\*] after receipt. The parties agree that the payment of such sums to the Licensee represent the full amount of compensation to which the Licensee is entitled and the extent of OUI's liability to the Licensee for any grant by OUI of a Licence to the Exclusive Rights.

### 13. General

- 13.1 **Registration** - The Licensee must register its interest in the Licensed Technology with any relevant authorities in the Territory as soon as legally possible. The Licensee must not, however, register an entire copy of this agreement in any part of the Territory or disclose its financial terms without the prior written consent of OUI (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed).
- 13.2 **Advertising** - The Licensee must not use the name of OUI, the University or the Inventors (except those Inventors who are, or have at any time been, shareholders of the Licensee) in any advertising, promotional or sales literature, without OUI's prior written approval (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed).
- 13.3 **Packaging** - The Licensee will ensure that the Licensed Products and the packaging associated with them are marked suitably with any relevant patent or patent application numbers to satisfy the laws of each of the countries in which the Licensed Products are sold or supplied and in which they are covered by the claims of any patent or patent application, to the intent that OUI shall not suffer any loss or any loss of damages in an infringement action.
- 13.4 **Thesis** - This agreement shall not prevent or hinder registered students of the University from submitting for degrees of the University theses based on the Licensed Technology; or from following the University's procedures for examinations and for admission to postgraduate degree status.
- 13.5 **Taxes** - Where the Licensee has to make a payment to OUI under this agreement which attracts value-added, sales, use, excise or other similar taxes or duties, the Licensee will be responsible for paying those taxes and duties.
- 13.6 **Notices** - All notices to be sent to OUI under this agreement must indicate the OUI Project N° and should be sent, by post and fax unless agreed otherwise in writing, until further notice to: The Chief Operating Officer, OUI Innovation Ltd, Buxton Court, 3 West Way, Oxford OX2 0SZ, Fax: +44 (0)1865 280831. All notices to be sent to the Licensee under this agreement should be sent, until further notice, to the Licensee's Contact and Address indicating the OUI Project No.

- 13.7 **Force Majeure** - If performance by either party of any of its obligations under this agreement (not including an obligation to make payment) is prevented by circumstances beyond its reasonable control, that party will be excused from performance of that obligation for the duration of the relevant event.
- 13.8 **Assignment** - The Licensee may assign any of its rights or obligations under this agreement in whole or in part to an Affiliate but only for so long as it remains an Affiliate and OUI shall at the request of the Licensee execute a deed of novation to bring about that assignment. Except as provided in this clause, the Licensee may not assign any of its rights or obligations under this agreement without the prior written consent of OUI (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld, delayed or conditioned except solely on the grounds that primarily relate to avoiding any detrimental reputational impact on the University or the assignee having insufficient funds to fulfil the obligations of this agreement, it being acknowledged and agreed that if the assignee is a publicly-listed company with a market capitalisation equal to or in excess of [\*\*\*] it will be considered to have sufficient financial resources to develop and Market the Licensed Product). If OUI assigns Its rights in the Licensed Technology to any person it shall do so expressly subject to the Licensee's rights under this agreement.
- 13.9 **Severability** - If any of the provisions of this agreement is or becomes invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the validity, legality or enforceability of the remaining provisions will not in any way be affected or impaired. The parties will, however, negotiate to agree the terms of a mutually satisfactory provision, achieving as nearly as possible the same commercial effect, to be substituted for the provision found to be void or unenforceable.
- 13.10 **No Partnership etc** - Nothing in this agreement creates, implies or evidences any partnership or joint venture between OUI and the Licensee or the relationship between them of principal and agent.
- 13.11 **Entire Agreement** - This agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties in relation to the Licence to the exclusion of all other terms and conditions (including any terms or conditions which the Licensee purports to apply under any purchase order, confirmation order, specification or other document). The Licensee has not relied on any other statements or representations in agreeing to enter this agreement and waives all claims for breach of any warranty and all claims for any misrepresentation (negligent or of any other kind, unless made by OUI fraudulently) in relation to any representation which is not specifically set out in this agreement. Specifically, but without limitation, this agreement does not impose or imply any obligation on OUI or the University to conduct development work. Any arrangements for such work must be the subject of a separate agreement between the University and the Licensee.
- 13.12 **Variation** - Any variation of this agreement must be in writing and signed by authorised signatories for both parties. For the avoidance of doubt, the parties to this agreement may rescind or vary this agreement without the consent of any party that has the benefit of clause 13.14.
- 13.13 **Waiver** - No failure or delay by either party in enforcing its rights under this agreement, or at law or in equity will prejudice or restrict those rights. No waiver of any right will operate as a waiver of any other or later right or breach. Except as stated to the contrary in this agreement, no right, power or remedy conferred on, or reserved to, either party is exclusive of any other right, power or remedy available to it, and each of those rights, powers, and remedies is cumulative.
- 13.14 **Rights of Third Parties** - The parties to this agreement intend that by virtue of the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 the University and the people referred to in clause 12.5 will be able to enforce the terms of this agreement intended by the parties to be for their benefit as if the University and the people referred to in clause 12.5 were party to this agreement.
- 13.15 **Governing Law** - This agreement is governed by English Law, and the parties submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the English Courts for the resolution of any dispute which may arise out of or in connection with this agreement except in relation to any action in relation to Intellectual Property Rights or Confidential Information which may be brought in any court of competent jurisdiction.

## Schedule 1

### DEFINITIONS

#### (Clause 1)

**Academic and Research Purposes** means research, teaching or other scholarly use which is undertaken for the purposes of education and research.

**Affiliate** means any company or legal entity in any country Controlling or Controlled by the Licensee (or any legal entity in a country Controlling or Controlled by the sub-licensee).

**AIN** means anal intraepithelial neoplasia.

**Applications** means:

- (a) the patent applications set out as Applications 1, 2, 3,4 and 5 in Schedule 2;
- (b) any patents granted in response to those applications;
- (c) any corresponding foreign patents and applications which may be granted to OUI in the Territory based on and deriving priority from those applications; and
- (d) any addition, continuation, continuation-in-part, division, reissue, renewal or extension based on the applications.

**Business Day** means a day, other than a Saturday or Sunday, on which clearing banks are permitted to open in London.

**CIN** means cervical intraepithelial neoplasia.

**Clinical Patient Care** means diagnosing, treating and/or managing the health of persons under the care of an individual having the right to use the Licensed Technology for Academic and Research Purposes in the event that such Licensed Technology is capable of application in a healthcare setting without further development.

**Commercially Reasonable Endeavours** means, in respect of each Indication to be developed separately, the effort a prudent and determined company of comparable size and sector to the Licensee would take to pursue the goal of developing and Marketing Licensed Products to maximize the financial return and in any event do no less than is required to fulfil the steps laid out in the Development Plan.

**Confidential Information** means in relation to each party any materials, trade secrets or other information disclosed by that party to the other, including, without limitation:

- (a) the Licensed Technology, to the extent that it is not disclosed by the Application when published; and
- (b) this agreement.

**Control** means:

- (a) ownership of more than fifty percent (50%) of the voting share capital of the relevant entity; or
- (b) the ability to direct the casting of more than fifty percent (50%) of the votes exercisable at a general meeting of the relevant entity on all, or substantially all, matters.

**Development Plan** means the plan set out in Schedule 3 as revised in accordance with clause 9.3.

**Documents** means the documents and materials set out in Schedule 4.

**Fee Income Royalty Rate** means the fee income royalty rate set out in Schedule 2.



**HBV** means hepatitis B virus.

**HPV** means human papilloma virus.

**Improvement** means any development of the Licensed Technology which would, if commercially practised, infringe and/or be covered by a claim subsisting or being prosecuted in an Application.

**Indication** means Hepatitis B Virus therapy and Human Papilloma Virus associated diseases.

**Indemnified Claim** means any claim under which OUI and the University are entitled to be indemnified under clause 12.3.

**Intellectual Property Rights** means patents, trade marks, copyrights, database rights, rights in designs, and all or any other intellectual or industrial property rights, whether or not registered or capable of registration.

**Inventor** means the inventor or inventors named in the Applications and identified in Schedule 2.

**Inventor Improvements** means any Improvements to Application 1 or Application 2 made prior to [\*\*\*] solely by the Inventor, and the Intellectual Property Rights pertaining to them, of which OUI has been made aware and is legally able to license but shall not include, for the avoidance of doubt, any Improvements and Intellectual Property Rights developed pursuant to any employment or consultancy arrangements with Licensee or its Affiliates.

**Legal Action** means commencing or defending any proceedings before a court or tribunal in any jurisdiction in relation to any rights included in the Licensed Technology including all claims and counterclaims for infringement and for declarations of non-infringement or invalidity.

**Licence** means the licence granted by OUI to the Licensee under clause 2.1.

**Licensed Intellectual Property Rights** means the Applications and (to the extent they constitute Intellectual Property Rights) the Inventor's Improvements.

**Licensed Know-how** means all confidential information relating to an Application that has been communicated to the Licensee by OUI in writing before the date of this agreement or is communicated in writing to the Licensee by OUI under this agreement and within [\*\*\*] after the date of this agreement and (to the extent they constitute confidential information) OUI's Improvements.

**Licensed Product** means any product, process, service or composition which is entirely or partially produced by means of or with the use of, or within the scope of, the Licensed Technology, or any of it.

**Licensed Technology** means the Licensed Intellectual Property Rights and the Licensed Know-How, and such (if any) other Intellectual Property Rights owned by or licensed to OUI as may be specifically identified in Schedule 2 (to the extent, in the case of licensed rights, that OUI is legally able to grant a sub-licence of the same).

**Licensee's Contact and Address** means the address for the Licensee set out in Schedule 2 of this agreement.

**Licensee Improvements** means any Improvements made prior to the second anniversary of the date of this agreement by the Licensee, and the Intellectual Property Rights pertaining to them, which shall include, for the avoidance of doubt, any Improvements and Intellectual Property Rights developed by an Inventor pursuant to research collaboration arrangement with the Licensee.

**Licence Year** means each [\*\*\*] period beginning on the date of this agreement and each anniversary of the date of this agreement.

**Market** means, in relation to a Licensed Product, offering to sell, lease, licence or otherwise commercially exploit the Licensed Product or the sale, lease, licence or other commercial exploitation of the Licensed Product.

**Medicines Access Policy** means the policy of the University to promote access to pharmaceutical and other products and services, the current version of which is available at [www.admin.ox.ac.uk/researchsupport/integrity/access](http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/researchsupport/integrity/access).

**Milestone and Milestone Fee** means the milestones, and the amounts payable on achievement of each of the milestones, set out in Schedule 2.

**Minimum Sum** means the minimum sum or sums set out in Schedule 2.

**Net Sales** means the gross selling price of the Licensed Product in the form in which it is Marketed by the Licensee or any sub-licensee, less:

- (a) trade, and/or quantity discounts, returns, allowances, in amounts customary in the trade and actually given; and
- (b) import, export, excise, sales or use taxes, value added taxes and other taxes, tariffs or duties to the extent such items are included in the gross invoice price and actually paid; and
- (c) freight, handling, transportation and insurance prepaid or allowed if separately identified in such invoice and actually paid; and
- (d) amounts allowed or credited or retroactive price reductions or rebates and actually given/paid.

Any refund of any of the foregoing amounts previously deducted from Net Sales shall be appropriately credited upon receipt.

The Licensee may, at its option, allocate the above deductions from sales of Licensed Products based upon accruals estimated reasonably and consistently with the Licensee's standard business practices. If the Licensee elects to utilise such accruals, actual deductions will be calculated and, if applicable, a "true-up" made, on an annual basis.

A transfer of a Licensed Product from Licensee to an Affiliate or from a sub-licensee to an Affiliate of a sub-licensee shall not be deemed to be a sale hereunder, provided that If a sale of a Licensed Product is to an Affiliate of the Licensee or of the sub-licensee and such Affiliate is the end user of the Licensed Product, then the "gross selling price" with respect to such sale shall, for the purposes of calculating "Net Sales" be the greater of (a) the actual amount invoiced and (b) the amount which the invoiced amount would have been had such sale of the Licensed Product been to a person at arm's length of the Licensee or sub-licensee.

**Non-Commercial Use** means Academic and Research Purposes and the purposes of Clinical Patient Care. This includes the right for the University to license the Licensed Technology to any of its collaborators in connection with and solely for the University's Academic and Research Purposes; but it does not include the right to commercially exploit the Licensed Technology or grant any license to commercially exploit the Licensed Technology.

**Marketing Authorisation** means a marketing authorization granted by a regulatory authority such as the Food and Drug Administration or European Medicines Agency necessary to Market a Licensed Product in a given country.

**Past Patent Costs** means the past patent costs set out in Schedule 2.

**Project** means the projects referred to in BACKGROUND.

**Quarter** means each period of three calendar months during a Licence Year with the first Quarter commencing on the first day of each Licence Year.

**Royalty Rate** means the royalty rate or rates set out in Schedule 2 on Net Sales of Licensed Products for, as applicable, Hepatitis B therapy and/or Human Papilloma Virus associated diseases.

**Royalty Report** means the report to be prepared by the Licensee under clause 10.2.

**Signing Fee** means the signing fee set out in Schedule 2.

**Territory** means the territory or territories set out in Schedule 2, excluding any territory or territories removed through the operation of clause 5.5.

**University** means the Chancellor, Masters and Scholars of the University of Oxford whose administrative offices are at the University Offices, Wellington Square, Oxford OX1 2JD.

**Valid Claim** means a granted or currently pending patent claim included in the Licensed Intellectual Property Rights that has not expired nor been held permanently revoked, unpatentable, invalid or unenforceable by a court or tribunal of competent jurisdiction in a final and non-appealable judgment; nor been rendered unenforceable through disclaimer or otherwise abandoned.

## Schedule 2

**Application 1:** UK Patent Application number [\*\*\*];

**Application 2:** UK Patent Application number [\*\*\*];

**Application 3:** European patent application number [\*\*\*]; and

**Application 4:** International patent application number [\*\*\*].

**Application 5:** International patent application number [\*\*\*]

**Inventor:** Application 1: [\*\*\*]  
Application 2: [\*\*\*]  
Application 3: [\*\*\*]  
Application 4: [\*\*\*]  
Application 5: [\*\*\*]

**Territory (clause 2.1):** Worldwide

**Past Patent Costs (clause 5.1):** [\*\*\*]

**Signing Fee (clause 8.1):** [\*\*\*]

**Royalty Rate (clause 8.2):**

[\*\*\*] Net Sales on Licensed Products for Hepatitis B therapy

[\*\*\*] Net Sales on any Licensed Products for CIN1/2+ (CIN1, CIN2 & CIN3), AIN & HPV pre-cancerous neoplasias

[\*\*\*] Net Sales on any Licensed Products for HPV-related cancers

**Minimum Sum (clause 8.4):**

Licence Year	Minimum Sum
4	[***]
5	[***]
6 and each year thereafter	[***]

**Fee Income Royalty Rate (clause 8.6):**

[\*\*\*] where the sublicensing or partnering arrangement takes place during the first three Licence Years

[\*\*\*] where the sublicensing or partnering arrangement takes place after the third Licence Year

**Milestone and Milestone Fee (clause):**

**Licensed Product for Hepatitis B therapy:**

Milestone	Milestone Fee
Successful completion of phase II trial	[***]
Initiation of phase III trial	[***]
Marketing authorisation & pricing & reimbursement approval in first major territory	[***]
Marketing authorisation & pricing & reimbursement approval in second major territory	[***]
First calendar year in which annual Net Sales of Licensed Product exceed [***]	[***]

**Licensed Product for Human Papilloma Virus associated diseases:**

<b>Milestone</b>	<b>Milestone Fee</b>
Successful completion of first phase II trial for CIN	[***]
Initiation of first phase III trial for CIN	[***]
Initiation of first phase III trial for cancer	[***]
First marketing authorisation & pricing & reimbursement approval for CIN	[***]
First marketing authorisation & pricing & reimbursement approval for cancer	[***]
First calendar year in which annual Net Sales of Licensed Product for any HPV associated diseases exceed [***]	[***]

For the purposes of these Milestones:

“Successful completion” of trials means the trial meets its primary endpoints and that the results justify commercial and scientific progression to the next stage of trial.

“Initiation” of new trials means the first administration of the trial drug in the first study subject recruited in accordance with the approved study protocol.

**Licensee’s Contact and Address (clause 13.6):**

<b>Contact</b>	Dr Tom Evans
<b>Address</b>	Oxford Sciences Innovation King Charles House, Park End Street, Oxford, OX11JD
<b>Email</b>	[***]

**Schedule 3**

**DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

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DEED OF COVENANT

Oxford University Innovation Limited  
University Offices,  
Wellington Square,  
Oxford OX1 2JD,  
England

Date: *[insert date]*

Dear Sirs,

**Sub-Licence between Vaccitech Limited (“Vaccitech”) and *[insert details of Sub-Licensee]* dated *[insert date]* (the “Sub-Licence”)**

As part consideration for the grant of a sub-licence from Vaccitech to use *[insert details of licensed technology]* (the “**Licensed Technology**”), the Sub-Licensee hereby covenant to Oxford University Innovation Limited (OUI) and OUI covenant with the Sub-Licensee that:

1. should the head licence between Vaccitech and OUI be terminated for whatever reason, OUI and the Sub-Licensee shall enter into a direct licence containing the same obligations and liabilities as set forth in the Sub-Licence and the Sub-Licensee will pay all due and payable under the Sub-Licence to OUI;
2. should the Sub-Licensee wish to further sub-licence the Licensed Technology where OUI has consented to the Sub-Licence including the right to do so, it shall procure that any sub-sub-licencee enters into a Deed of Covenant with OUI in a form substantially similar to this Deed of Covenant;
3. OUI shall have the right, during the term of the Sub-Licence, through an independent certified accountant appointed by OUI (the “**Auditor**”), to audit all accounts on at least *[\*\*\*]* written notice no more than once each calendar year for the purpose of determining the accuracy of the royalty reports and payments. The Auditor shall be:
  - a. permitted to enter the principal place of business of the Sub-Licensee upon reasonable notice to inspect such records and accounts;
  - b. entitled to take copies of or extracts from such records and accounts;
  - c. given all other information by the Sub-Licensee as may be necessary or appropriate to enable the amount of royalties payable to be ascertained including the provision of relevant records; and
  - d. shall be allowed access to and permitted to conduct interviews of any sales, engineering or other staff of the Sub-Licensee in order to verify the accuracy of the records and accounts and the accuracy of any royalty statements provided to Vaccitech.

If on any such audit a shortfall in payments of greater than *[\*\*\*]* is discovered by the Auditor in respect of the audit period, the Sub-Licensee shall pay the audit costs of OUI.

**SIGNED AS A DEED** by  
*[Insert details of Sub-Licensee]* in the presence of:-

Signature of Witness:

Name of Witness:  
Address:

**SIGNED AS A DEED** by  
**OXFORD UNIVERSITY INNOVATION LIMITED** in the presence of:-

Signature of Witness:

Name of Witness:  
Address:



**AS WITNESS** this agreement has been signed by the duly authorised representatives of the parties.

**SIGNED** for and on behalf of  
**OXFORD UNIVERSITY INNOVATION LIMITED:**

**Name:** DR. PAUL ASHLEY HEAD OF TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER  
LIFE SCIENCES

**Position:** OXFORD UNIVERSITY INNOVATION LTD

**Signature:** /s/ Paul Ashley

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**Date:** 9 August 2017

**SIGNED** for and on behalf of  
**VACCITECH LIMITED**

**Name:** Tom Evans, MD

**Position:** CEO

**Signature:** /s/ Tom Evans

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**Date:** 7 September 2017



EXECUTION VERSION

CERTAIN CONFIDENTIAL PORTIONS OF THIS EXHIBIT HAVE BEEN OMITTED AND REPLACED WITH "[\*\*\*]". SUCH IDENTIFIED INFORMATION HAS BEEN EXCLUDED FROM THIS EXHIBIT BECAUSE IT IS (I) NOT MATERIAL AND (II) THE REGISTRANT CUSTOMARILY AND ACTUALLY TREATS THAT INFORMATION AS PRIVATE OR CONFIDENTIAL.

**Master Collaboration  
Agreement**

Dated 4 September 2018

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<b>Recitals</b>	<b>A</b>	Vaccitech is an Oxford-based biopharmaceutical company which holds certain intellectual property rights relating to a platform technology, which it is developing for several therapeutic and prophylactic indications in humans and animals.
	<b>B</b>	CanSino is a Tianjin-based biotechnology company dedicated to the R&D manufacturing and commercialisation of vaccine products for human use.
	<b>C</b>	Vaccitech and CanSino may wish from time to time to undertake projects to collaborate on the research, development, manufacture and sale of certain products.
	<b>D</b>	Vaccitech and CanSino intend to each contribute expertise, intellectual property, know-how and resources with respect to any such projects subject to, and on, the terms and conditions of this Agreement.
	<b>E</b>	Vaccitech and CanSino intend that where CanSino is acting purely as a manufacturer for a product that is not being developed or commercialised as a project pursuant to this Agreement, this manufacturing will be arranged under a separate manufacturing agreement between the parties

# Master Collaboration Agreement

General terms

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## 1 Definitions and interpretation

### 1.1 Definitions

In this agreement, unless the contrary intention appears, the following words and phrases have the following meanings

**Affiliate** means in relation to a party, a subsidiary or holding company of that party, and any subsidiary of a holding company of that party.

**Background IPR** means any Intellectual Property Rights (other than New IPR) owned by, licensed to or otherwise controlled by a party:

- (a) before the start date of a Project Agreement, or
- (b) created after the start date of a Project Agreement solely by such party without any use of the other party's Background IPR, New IPR or other Confidential Information.

which is used in connection with a Project.

**Business Day** means a day on which banks are open for general banking business in England and China (not being a Saturday Sunday, or public holiday in that country or in the city in which the relevant party is located as set out in the Details).

**CanSino Territory** means China (including Taiwan, Hong Kong and Macao), Malaysia, Thailand Myanmar, Indonesia, Lao, Vietnam, and the Philippines.

**Confidential Information** means the existence and nature of this agreement, and all information (regardless of how the information is stored or delivered):

- (a) designated by a party, either orally or in writing, as confidential to that party or to a third party to whom that party owes an obligation of confidentiality;
- (b) disclosed or made available by a party which relates to that party's business, financial affairs, systems, products developments, trade secrets, know-how, Personnel, customers, clients and suppliers;
- (c) which given the circumstances of disclosure, would reasonably be regarded as confidential information of the party disclosing it or imparting a duty of confidence on the part of the recipient; and
- (d) derived or produced partly or wholly from information set out in paragraphs (a) to (c) above,

whether that information is

- (d) directly or indirectly disclosed or made available by or on behalf of a party to the other party, or
- (e) obtained or discovered by that other party in the course of performing their obligations under this agreement, before, on <x after the date of this agreement,



**Good Industry Practice** means in relation to any activity and under any circumstance, exercising the same skill, expertise and judgement and using facilities and resources of a similar or superior quality as would be expected from a person who is highly skilled and experienced in providing the services in question, seeking in good faith to comply with their regulatory and contractual obligations and seeking to avoid liability arising under any duty of care that might reasonably apply.

**Improvements** has the meaning set out in clause 14.3.

**Intellectual Property Rights** means any patents, trade marks, designs or applications for them, inventions, copyright, circuit layout rights, rights in and to trade or business names, trade secrets, know-how or confidential information, including any similar or analogous rights or forms of protection in any part of the world.

**Joint Steering Committee** and **JSC** have the meaning set out in clause 10.1 (Joint Steering Committee).

**Materials** means all compounds, fragments, proteins, viruses, DNA, RNA, biologic reagents, substances solutions and any other chemical or biological substance and any fragments, derivatives and progeny thereof, and any know-how associated with any such items

**New IPR** has the meaning set out in clause 14.4.

**Net Sales** means arm's length bona fide commercial Sales of Products and related services invoiced less the following deductions.

- (a) trade, and quality discounts returns, and allowances, in amounts customary in the trade and actually given;
- (b) import, export, excise, sales or use taxes, value added taxes and other taxes, tariffs or duties, to the extent these items are included in the gross invoice price and actually paid;
- (c) freight, handling, transportation and insurance costs prepaid or allowed if separately identified in an invoice and actually paid; and
- (d) amounts allowed or credited, or retroactive price reductions or rebates, and actually given or paid.

in the relevant country in which the Sale takes place. In relation to Sales which are not made in an arm's length, bona fide commercial manner, Net Sales shall be calculated by reference to the fair market price (if higher) of the relevant Product in the country in which the Sale takes place.

**OUI** means Oxford University Innovation Limited (formerly Isis Innovation Limited).

**OUI Licence of Technology** means the relevant Vaccitech Licence of Technology with OUI dated either 4 March 2016 or 8<sup>th</sup> September 2017.

**Personnel** means the employees, agents, officers, directors, auditors, advisors, authorised representatives or subcontractors of a party.

**Product** means a product developed pursuant to a Project Agreement using New IPR and potentially also incorporating Background IPR

**Project** means a project for the research, development manufacture and sale of Products as set out in a Project Agreement.

**Project Agreement** means the written agreement between Vaccitech and CanSino in substantially the same format as set out in Schedule 1 (Project Agreement).

**Project Committee** has the meaning set out in clause 7.3 (Project Committee).

**Regulatory Requirements** means in relation to any undertaking and any circumstance, all laws, statutes and statutory instruments regulations, by-laws, guidelines codes of practice and standards determined by any governmental or regulatory authority, or judgements of a competent court of law or applicable rules of stock exchange which apply or may apply to that undertaking or to that circumstance from time to time.

**Royalty Period** [\*\*\*]

**Sale** or **Sell** or **Sold** means, in relation to Products, to sell, distribute, license, supply commercially or otherwise dispose of or provide Products. Sales are deemed to have occurred at the earlier of the time when Products are delivered, title passes, or the recipient is invoiced or pays.

**Term** means 10 years from the date of this agreement.

**Territory** means in relation to a party either CanSino Territory or Vaccitech Territory, as relevant.

**Vaccitech Territory** means the rest of the world other than the CanSino Territory.

## 1.2 General interpretation

Headings are for convenience only and do not affect interpretation. Unless the contrary intention appears in this agreement:

- (a) labels used for definitions are for convenience only and do not affect interpretation;
- (b) the singular includes the plural and vice versa;
- (c) a reference to a document includes any agreement or other legally enforceable arrangement created by it (whether the document is in the form of an agreement, deed or otherwise);
- (d) a reference to a document also includes any variation, replacement or novation of it;
- (e) the meaning of general words is not limited by specific examples introduced by "including", "for example", "such as" or similar expressions;
- (f) a reference to "**person**" includes an individual, a body corporate, a partnership, a joint venture, an unincorporated association and an authority or any other entity or organisation;
- (g) a reference to a particular person includes the person's executors, administrators, successors, substitutes (including persons taking by novation) and assigns;
- (h) a reference to "**law**" includes common law, principles of equity and legislation (including regulations);
- (i) a reference to any legislation includes regulations under it and any consolidations, amendments, re-enactments or replacements of any of them;
- (j) a reference to "**regulations**" includes instruments of a legislative character under legislation (such as regulations, rules by-laws, ordinances and proclamations);

- (k) a reference to any thing (including an amount) is a reference to the whole and each part of it;
- (l) if a party must do something under this document on or by a given day and It is done after 5.00pm local time on that day, it is taken to be done on the next day; and
- (m) if the day on which a party must do something under this document is not a Business Day, the party must do it on the next Business Day unless the timing of the obligation is specified by Regulatory Requirements in which case the party must do it on the preceding Business Day.

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## 2 Commencement and term

### 2.1 Master Collaboration Agreement

- (a) Subject to clause 2.1(b) and clause 17 (Termination), this agreement commences on the date this agreement is signed by both parties and continues until the expiry of the Term.
- (b) At least [\*\*\*] before the expiry of the Term, either party may give written notice to the other party expressing the desire to extend the Term and the parties may agree to extend the Term as a written variation to this agreement signed by both parties.

### 2.2 Project Agreements

Subject to clause 17 (Termination), each Project Agreement commences on the start date set out in that Project Agreement and terminates upon the expiry of that Project Agreement.

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## 3 Projects

### 3.1 Project Agreements

From time to time during the Term, the parties may discuss the potential for collaboration relating to one or more programs. If the parties wish to undertake a Project, the parties shall use reasonable endeavours to complete and execute an agreement in the form of a Project Agreement. The parties shall use reasonable endeavours to agree and execute a Project Agreement for each proposed Project. Each Project Agreement incorporates the terms of this agreement by reference.

### 3.2 Conditions precedent

The obligations of the parties to undertake and complete each Project are conditional upon the satisfaction of the following conditions as soon as possible after the execution by the parties of a Project Agreement for that Project:

- (a) Vaccitech having obtained from OUI all consents required under the relevant OUI Licence of Technology for Vaccitech to undertake the Project with CanSino, and
- (b) CanSino entering into a Deed of Covenant with OUI in relation to the Project in substantially the same format as set out in Schedule 2 (Deed of Covenant).

(together, **Conditions**). Each party shall use reasonable endeavours to obtain and maintain the satisfaction of the Conditions. If the Conditions have not been satisfied within [\*\*\*] of the date of execution by the parties of a Project Agreement for that Project, the Project Agreement shall be terminated automatically and Vaccitech shall confirm the termination by notice in writing to CanSino.

### 3.3 Conflict

In the event of a conflict between the terms of

- (a) this agreement;
- (b) a Schedule to this agreement; and
- (c) a Project Agreement;

the terms of the document lower in the list prevail unless specified in a writing by both parties.

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## 4 Governance Framework

### 4.1 Party's commitments

Each party agrees and undertakes:

- (a) to cooperate with the other party to undertake each Project;
- (b) to the extent permitted by law, to promptly notify the other party;
  - (i) of any material legal, governance, policy, quality, regulatory or reputational issue arising in respect of this agreement or a Project Agreement (including any Product);
  - (ii) of any legal or regulatory issues (including any correspondence or interaction with a relevant regulator) that would have a material adverse impact on this agreement or a Project Agreement (including any Product);
- (c) not to delay unreasonably any action, approval, direction, determination or decision required of it under this agreement or a Project Agreement; and
- (d) to act reasonably and in good faith in the performance of its obligations and the exercise of its rights under this agreement or a Project Agreement.

### 4.2 No obligation

Despite any other provision in this agreement or a Project Agreement to the contrary, a party is not obliged to do or omit to do anything if it would, or might in its absolute opinion, constitute a breach of any law.

### 4.3 Relationship of parties

- (a) Nothing contained or implied in this agreement or a Project Agreement constitutes a party the partner, agent or legal representative of another party for any purpose or creates any partnership, agency or trust.
- (b) A party has no authority to bind the other party, or to act for, or to incur any obligation or assume any responsibility on behalf of, the other party.
- (c) Each party is responsible for its own obligations arising under this Agreement and any Project Agreement and is not liable for any other party's obligations.
- (d) Each party's liability under this agreement or a Project Agreement is several and not joint and several.

#### 4.4 No restriction on other business

Except as provided for under this agreement (including clause 5.6 (Exclusivity)) or in any Project Agreement, nothing contained or implied in this agreement or in any Project Agreement restricts in any way the freedom of a party to conduct as it sees fit any other business or activities (including any arrangements with any third party), which may be undertaken without any accountability to the other party.

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## 5 Performance of Projects

### 5.1 Performance of Projects

In respect of each Project, each party agrees that it shall:

- (a) use its reasonable endeavours to complete all activities designated to it for a Project in accordance with the relevant Project Agreement;
- (b) perform the Project in accordance with Good Industry Practice, in a good scientific manner, and in accordance with all Regulatory Requirements. If the parties cannot agree on the appropriate regulatory requirements and standards, they shall seek advice from the appropriate regulator;
- (c) perform the Project in accordance with all applicable ICH GxP standards, regulatory authorisations and approvals, and ethics approvals, and all generally accepted professional, clinical and research standards of care;
- (d) subject to the compliance with applicable laws, perform the Project in a manner as to enable the transfer between and submission of data and information to the regulatory jurisdictions of the United Kingdom, the European Union, China and the United States of America;
- (e) perform the Project in a manner which will not damage the name, business, reputation or goodwill of the other party;
- (f) at its own cost (except where expressly provided otherwise in this agreement or a Project Agreement), apply all time, attention, resources, trained personnel and skill as may be reasonably necessary for the due and proper performance of the Project. Without limitation to the foregoing, each party shall provide all laboratories, computers and other equipment and resources reasonably required to perform the Project;
- (g) hold and maintain all necessary licences, permits and consents necessary for it to perform the Project; and
- (h) ensure that any animals involved in any part of the Project shall be provided with humane care and treatment in accordance with generally accepted veterinary practice and research ethics.

## 5.2 Data sharing

Unless specified in a Project Agreement or otherwise agreed by the parties, and subject to compliance with applicable laws, each party shall disclose promptly to the other party all data (including pharmacovigilance and the reporting of any serious adverse events) produced by or on its behalf pursuant to a Project Agreement in a prompt and timely manner. Both parties may use that data for submissions for regulatory approval within their respective Territories. For the avoidance of doubt, if:

- (a) a party assigns or licenses its rights in relation to a Product to an unrelated third party in accordance with this agreement or the applicable Project Agreement and that third party is not acting on behalf of that party; or
- (b) a party undergoes a change of control,

the scope of obligations regarding data sharing under this clause 5.2 shall be limited to the sharing of only that data as is reasonably necessary for development and commercialisation of a Product which shall be negotiated and agreed by the parties at the time acting in good faith and shall be subject to the approval of:

- (c) in relation to the circumstances set out in paragraph (a), the unrelated third party, or
- (d) in relation to the circumstances set out in paragraph (b), the third party that acquires control of that party.

## 5.3 Risk to Product development

Either party shall have the right to terminate any Project activity that it is undertaking, directly or indirectly, in its Territory that it might reasonably deem to risk damage to the development of any Products or the safety of any person. If a party terminates any Project activity, it shall immediately give written notice to the other party of the termination and grounds therefore and if after receipt of that notice, the other party continues that activity in that other party's Territory:

- (a) the notifying Party is excluded from all liability for any claims related to the other Party's continued activity; and
- (b) the other Party indemnifies the notifying Party in respect of claims related to the other Party's continued activity.

The limitations set out in clauses 22.1 and 22.2 (Liability) do not apply to this clause 5.3.

## 5.4 Research misconduct

Each party will make and maintain arrangements for investigating and resolving allegations of research misconduct and inform the other party of any investigation undertaken or intended to be undertaken in connection with a Project. Each party shall provide reasonable assistance with any investigation conducted by the other party into any alleged research misconduct.

## 5.5 Outcomes

Although the parties shall carry out each Project in accordance with their respective obligations under this agreement and the relevant Project Agreement and using all reasonable endeavours to achieve the objectives of the relevant Project, the parties acknowledge and agree that neither party undertakes, represents or warrants that a Project will lead to any particular conclusion and nor does it guarantee a successful outcome to a Project.

## 5.6 Exclusivity

During the term of a Project Agreement and for three months following the expiry or earlier termination of that Project Agreement, a party shall not enter into discussions, collaboration or similar arrangement with any third party regarding matters or products which are materially the same as those set out in that Project Agreement or related to the Project which is the subject of that Project Agreement (**Arrangement**) unless the party reasonably believes that the Arrangement is unlikely to prejudice or detrimentally affect the relevant Project or Project Agreement.

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## 6 Materials

### 6.1 Materials

- (a) Subject to clause 6.1(b), each party shall provide to the other party all Materials specified in a Project Agreement and shall grant to the other party a non-exclusive, non-transferable, non-sub-licensable royalty-free licence to use the Materials solely for the purposes of the Project for the duration of the term of the Project Agreement for that Project.
- (b) The parties acknowledge that Materials are made available for investigational use only for the purposes of a Project. Unless specified in a Project Agreement or otherwise agreed by the parties, a party shall not without the prior written consent of the other party use the other party's Materials:
  - (i) for the production or sale of any products or for commercial purposes;
  - (ii) for testing or evaluation on or in human beings;
  - (iii) to fulfil commercial licensing or contracted research obligations for another organization; or
  - (iv) in any way which is inconsistent with or which is expressly prohibited in a Project Agreement.
- (c) Each party shall comply with any Regulator/ Requirements and any written instructions issued by the other party with respect to the storage, handling, transportation, use and disposal of the other party's Materials. The other party shall keep the Materials in a secure environment, protected against theft, damage, loss misuse and unauthorised access and in compliance with any security or storage requirements specified in the relevant Project Agreement.
- (d) Each party shall promptly provide to the other party complete copies of any and all communications with any regulatory or other governmental authority relating to the Materials provided to it by the other party.
- (e) Unless otherwise agreed by the parties, at the end of the term of the relevant Project Agreement, each party shall return to the other party, or at the other party's direction destroy, all remaining Materials of the other party and shall certify in writing that the same has been done.
- (f) Each party acknowledges that the other party's Materials are supplied on an "as is" basis. To the maximum extent permitted at law, all representations, undertakings, warranties, terms and conditions that might but for this clause 6.1(f) have been implied or incorporated into this agreement with respect to the Materials, whether by statute, common law or otherwise, are expressly excluded (including any implied terms that the Materials are of satisfactory quality or fit for purpose).

### 6.2 CanSino Material

- (a) Unless specified in a Project Agreement or otherwise agreed by the parties, CanSino shall have the exclusive and sub-licensable right and responsibility (subject to terms and conditions mutually acceptable to the parties) to manufacture and supply all Master Virus Seed (MVS) and Good Manufacturing Practice (**GMP**) adenoviral material necessary for the development and Sale of any Products (**CanSino Material**) by either party in any part of either party's Territory to non-GMP and/or GMP standards (as required for the specified use of the CanSino Material at the time).

- (b) If reasonably requested by Vaccitech, CanSino shall enter into appropriate agreements to supply the CanSino Material to third parties (including sublicensees of Vaccitech) on the same terms of supply that CanSino shall supply the CanSino Materials to Vaccitech as set out in clause 6.2(c)
- (c) CanSino shall supply any CanSino Material to be used by Vaccitech for the manufacture of Products to be Sold by Vaccitech (or its sublicensees) in the Vaccitech Territory at pricing of [\*\*\*] over Cost of Goods Sold (COGS) where COGS is equal to reasonable COGS for equivalent material to the CanSino Material manufactured by CanSino or its subcontractors for Sale by CanSino (or its sublicensees) in the CanSino Territory.

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## 7 Project Managers and Project Committees

### 7.1 Project Manager

Each party shall appoint one Project manager for each Project (**Project Manager**) to assume responsibility as set forth in clause 7.2 for that party's roles and obligations under the Project Agreement for that Project Each party:

- (a) shall notify the other party in writing of the identity of the Project Manager it has appointed;
- (b) may change its Project Manager from time to time, and shall notify the other party of that change in writing; and
- (c) shall ensure that any Project Manager is adequately qualified for the role and informed about this agreement and the applicable Project Agreement.

### 7.2 Function of Project Manager

In relation to each Project, each party's Project Manager for that Project shall

- (a) co-ordinate all of that party's development work and other activities on that Project including facilitating and reporting the performance of that work;
- (b) arrange and attend, at each party's own cost, Project meetings as described in clause 8 (Project meetings) and other meetings, at intervals and locations as agreed between the parties from time to time, to discuss developments and resolve any issues. The Project Managers shall use all reasonable endeavours to resolve issues arising under the relevant Project Agreement but shall refer all problems which are outside their ordinary authority to appropriate members of the parties' senior management to resolve, and
- (c) prepare and agree regular reports in English.

### 7.3 Project Committee

The parties shall establish a committee for the purposes of implementing each Project Agreement (**Project Committee**) which shall be composed of each party's Project Manager for that Project Each party shall ensure that its Project Manager has sufficient authority to make the decisions required of the Project Committee to implement the function set out in clause 7.4.

### 7.4 Function of Project Committee

Without limiting clause 4.1 (Party's commitments), the implementation of each Project Agreement will be under the direction of the Project Committee for that Project The Project Committee shall consider and decide all things reasonably required in relation to its Project including:



- (a) having general oversight of all activities performed under the Project Agreement including discussing the progress and status of the Project;
- (b) considering, preparing and finalising detailed development and action plans;
- (c) preparing and submitting comprehensive progress reports to the JSC under clause 9 (Project reports); and
- (d) determining any other matter required to be determined by the Project Committee under this agreement.

For the avoidance of doubt, the Project Committee shall have no authority to amend this agreement or any Project Agreement.

## 7.5 Project Committee Voting and decisions

- (a) Each party has one vote for each decision made by the Project Committee.
- (b) All decisions of the Project Committee require unanimous approval of both parties. If the matters cannot be approved by unanimous vote, it shall be dealt with in accordance with clause 25.2 (Dispute resolution process).
- (c) The Project Committee shall jointly record the details of all decisions made.
- (d) Each party agrees to give effect to decisions made by the Project Committee.

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## 8 Project meetings

### 8.1 Project meetings

The parties shall arrange (and attend at their own cost) meetings to discuss and review the progress and status of any Project, and consider proposals and agree actions in relation to that Project with a view to ensuring the due and proper completion of all Projects in accordance with the Project Agreement for that Project.

### 8.2 Project meeting requirements

- (a) **Attendees and frequency:** The Project Committee together with any other representatives of each party shall meet as per the Project Agreement, or as otherwise agreed by the Project Committee.
- (b) **Location:** Project meetings shall be held in a location as determined by the Project Committee, or by teleconference
- (c) **Technology:** A Project meeting may be held at two or more venues using any technology that gives the Project Committee and other duly authorised representatives of each party a reasonable opportunity to participate.
- (d) **Notice:** Unless otherwise agreed by the Project Committee, each Project Manager shall receive at least 5 Business Days' notice of each Project meeting. The notice shall include a draft agenda for comment, and shall be sent to other Project Manager by the coordinating Project Manager selected at the previous meeting
- (e) **Coordinating Project Manager:** Each Project meeting shall be led by a coordinating Project Manager appointed as agreed by the Project Committee.

- (f) **Papers:** Unless otherwise agreed by the Project Committee papers for each Project meeting shall be circulated by the coordinating Project Manager selected at the previous meeting at least 5 Business Days prior to a Project meeting
- (g) **Minutes:** The coordinating Project Manager shall arrange preparation of minutes and for a copy of the minutes of each Project meeting (Including decisions made) to be given to each Project Manager as soon as practicable, but no later than 5 Business Days after each Project meeting. The minutes are to be approved by both parties within 10 Business Days after receipt.

### 8.3 Decisions of the Project Committee outside of Project meetings

Each party agrees that the Project Committee may make decisions outside Project meetings in accordance with the following requirements:

- (a) **Email:** Project Committee decisions that are made outside of Project meetings may only be made via email correspondence;
- (b) **Correspondence:** Each Project Manager shall be copied on emails that seek a decision of the Project Committee, and
- (c) **Voting:** Clause 7.5 applies in respect of any decision out of session.
- (d) **Records:** The coordinating Project Manager selected at the previous meeting shall prepare and file a copy of the decisions and circulate to each Project Manager.

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## 9 Project reports

### 9.1 Progress reports

Each Project Committee shall:

- (a) prepare regular comprehensive written reports (in English) as determined by the JSC in relation to the progress of each Project and as otherwise set out in the relevant Project Agreement; and
- (b) submit its reports to the JSC on a pre-determined basis so they may be circulated to both parties as part of the papers poor to each JSC meeting.

### 9.2 Final and milestone completion reports

Within a reasonable time of completion of each Project (or any major phase of a Project as agreed by the Project Committee), the Project Committee shall:

- (a) prepare and agree a written report (in English) for that Project which sets out the work performed, and all Improvements and New IPR developed in sufficient detail to allow the parties to evaluate the commercial and scientific value of the results for that Project; and
- (b) submit that written report to the JSC.

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## 10 Joint Steering Committee

### 10.1 Establishment

The parties shall establish a committee for the purposes of implementing this agreement and the Project Agreements (**Joint Steering Committee** or **JSC**).

## 10.2 Function

Without limiting clause 4.1 (Party's commitments), the implementation of this agreement and all Project Agreements will be under the direction of the JSC. The JSC will consider and decide all things reasonably required in relation to this agreement and any Project Agreement including:

- (a) having general oversight of for all activities performed under this agreement or any Project Agreement;
- (b) establishing budgets and financial decision-making;
- (c) approving any Product, and its Project Agreement (and any changes to a Project Agreement), provided that the execution of the Project Agreement and any changes to a Project Agreement will be subject to each party's internal approval;
- (d) approving the strategy for communication about this agreement, a Product and any Project Agreement, including any public announcements and interactions with third parties, and
- (e) determining any other matter required to be determined by the JSC under this agreement.

## 10.3 Composition

Each party:

- (a) shall appoint 3 JSC representatives each to represent It on the JSC;
- (b) shall notify the other party in writing of the representative it has appointed;
- (c) shall, as far as practicable, seek to ensure longevity of each person's tenure as that party's JSC representative; and
- (d) may change its JSC representatives from time to time, and shall notify the other party of that change in writing.

## 10.4 Voting and decisions

- (a) Each party has one vote for each decision made by the JSC and each party shall direct its JSC representatives to exercise that vote together.
- (b) All decisions of the JSC require unanimous approval of both parties. If the matters cannot be approved by unanimous vote, it shall be dealt with in accordance with clause 25.2 (Dispute resolution process).
- (c) Each party agrees to give effect to decisions made by the JSC.

## 10.5 Chairperson

- (a) Each JSC meeting shall be led by a chairperson appointed in accordance with this clause 10.5 (**Chairperson**).
- (b) Unless otherwise agreed by the JSC
  - (i) each Chairperson shall be appointed on an annual basis;
  - (ii) each time a new Chairperson is required:

- (A) one of the parties may nominate one of their JSC representatives to be the Chairperson in accordance with clause 10.5(b)(iii) on a rotating basis; and
- (B) the parties shall agree on, and appoint, the Chairperson from those nominees; and
- (iii) a party may only have a JSC representative as Chairperson for a maximum of one period each 12 months (such that each party will nominate a Chairperson on a revolving basis).
- (c) For the avoidance of doubt, the Chairperson retains the right to vote (without a superior voting right) on all matters before the JSC in accordance with clause 10.4.
- (d) The Chairperson is responsible for coordinating and providing leadership for the activities involved under the agreement and the Project Agreements, including circulating the agenda and the papers for any JSC meeting in accordance with the requirements of clause 10.6.

#### 10.6 JSC meeting requirements

- (a) **Frequency:** The JSC shall meet every [\*\*\*], or as otherwise agreed by the JSC.
- (b) **Location:** JSC meetings shall be held in a location as determined by the JSC.
- (c) **Technology:** A JSC meeting may be held at 2 or more venues using any technology that gives the JSC representatives a reasonable opportunity to participate.
- (d) **Notice:** Unless otherwise agreed by the JSC, each JSC representative shall receive at least [\*\*\*]notice of each meeting of the JSC, from the Chairperson. The notice shall include an agenda, and shall be sent to all JSC representatives.
- (e) **Papers:** Unless otherwise agreed by the JSC, papers for each JSC meeting shall be circulated at least [\*\*\*] prior to a JSC meeting.
- (f) **Minutes:** The Chairperson shall arrange for a copy of the minutes of each JSC meeting to be given to each JSC representative and each party as soon as practicable, but no later than 10 Business Days after each JSC meeting. The minutes may be approved by each party's JSC representatives by giving notice to the other JSC representatives and are taken to be approved if no notice is given within 10 Business Days after receiving the minutes. If approved or taken to be approved by each party's JSC's representatives, the minutes shall be signed by the Chairperson of the relevant meeting and are then conclusive evidence of the proceedings and decisions of the JSC meeting to which they relate.

#### 10.7 Decisions of the JSC outside of JSC meetings

Each party agrees that the JSC may make decisions outside JSC meetings in accordance with the following requirements:

- (a) **Email:** JSC decisions that are made outside of JSC meetings may only be made via email correspondence;
- (b) **Correspondence:** Each JSC representative shall be copied on emails that seek a decision of the JSC; and
- (c) **Voting:** Clause 10.4 applies in respect of any decision out of session.
- (d) **Records:** The Chairperson shall prepare and file a copy of the decisions and circulate in accordance with clause 10.6(f).

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## **11 Personnel**

### **11.1 Personnel**

- (a) Where the parties agree that the Project shall be performed by certain key Personnel of either party, those Personnel shall be named in the Project Agreement for that Project and shall perform the Project unless agreed otherwise by the Project Committee for that Project.
- (b) Each party shall use only Personnel who have adequate training, and sufficient qualifications and experience to perform the Project. Each party shall ensure its Personnel comply with all the obligations imposed on that party under this agreement and the applicable Project Agreement.
- (c) A party's Personnel are not employees, representatives or agents of the other party. Each party will be entirely responsible for and pay all fees, wages, salaries withholding taxes, unemployment taxes, workers' compensation insurance premiums and other sums required by law to be paid in connection with its Personnel.

### **11.2 Subcontractors**

- (a) Unless otherwise specified in this agreement, the applicable Project Agreement or separately agreed by the parties in writing, a party shall not use subcontractors to perform any of its obligations under a Project Agreement without the prior written consent of the other party (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed). If a party has not responded to a notice from the other party requesting consent within [\*\*\*] of receipt of the notice, consent is deemed to have been given by the party.
- (b) Where a party uses subcontractors to perform any of its obligations under a Project Agreement, that party:
  - (i) shall ensure those subcontractors have agreed to:
    - (A) confidentiality obligations at least as restrictive as those set out in this agreement; and
    - (B) obligations regarding the rights to use any Intellectual Property Rights, and assignment of any Improvements and New IPR developed by those subcontractors (other than Background IPR of those subcontractors) consistent with and at least as restrictive as those set out in this agreement or the relevant Project Agreement; and
  - (ii) remains primarily liable to the other party for all acts of the subcontractors as if they were employees of the first party acting within the scope of their authority.

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## **12 Records and inspection**

### **12.1 Records**

Each party shall keep clear, full, accurate and up to date records together with any relevant supporting material of all:

- (a) details of Sales of Products, the deductions used to calculate the Net Sales value and any other information necessary to enable the other party to verify the calculation of royalties payable;
  - (b) its activities performed in connection with this agreement and all Project Agreements (**Activities**);
  - (c) materials including laboratory notebooks, worksheets, records reports and data obtained or generated in the course of undertaking its Activities;
  - (d) time, costs and expenses incurred in undertaking its Activities, and
  - (e) all Personnel, materials, products, parts and equipment used in connection with undertaking its Activities,
- (together, **Records**).

## 12.2 Record retention

Each party shall retain all Records during the term and for the longer of

- (a) the period of time required by any Regulatory Requirements; or
- (b) [\*\*\*] after the date of termination or expiry of the relevant Project Agreement; or
- (c) [\*\*\*] after the period during which sales continue and Royalties are payable to either party.

## 12.3 Inspection

- (a) Until the expiry of the retention period set out in clause 12.2, upon reasonable prior written notice from a party, the other party shall, during normal business hours and with minimum interference with the other party's business operation:
  - (i) make available its Records, and relevant Personnel;
  - (ii) allow reasonable access to its premises and procure access to the premises, records and relevant personnel of its subcontractors where relevant; and
  - (iii) provide all reasonable information and assistance,

to the notifying party and its Personnel (including an independent auditor selected by the first party), and any other relevant competent government or regulatory authority for the purposes of monitoring and carrying out an audit of that other party's compliance with this agreement and any Project Agreement including all activities and the calculation of any royalties and charges as may be reasonably appropriate having regard to the nature and progress of the relevant Project at any time or as may be required to comply with Regulatory Requirements (**Audit**) The first party may take copies of or extracts from that other party's Records for the purposes of carrying out the Audit. Before performing an Audit, any auditor shall agree to maintain the confidentiality at least as restrictive as those set out in this agreement of a party's Records and not disclose to third parties the contents of any Records.
- (b) In the event that an Audit reveals a discrepancy in the royalties or other amounts paid from those payable under this agreement or a Project Agreement, a party shall refund any overpayment and a party shall pay any underpayment immediately. Where an Audit undertaken by one party reveals an underpayment the other party which exceeds [\*\*\*] of the total royalties payable for the Royalty Period under audit, the other party shall pay for the cost of the Audit otherwise the first party shall pay for the cost of the Audit

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## **13 Access to premises**

### **13.1 Access to a Partner's premises**

- (a) Subject to clauses 13.2 and 13.3 and clause 18 (Confidentiality), a party may allow certain pre-approved and nominated Personnel of the other party access (during business hours, on reasonable notice) to designated areas within the first party's premises to the extent reasonably required to enable the other party to participate in a Project in accordance with the terms of this agreement and the applicable Project Agreement for that Project.
- (b) A party may at any time (acting reasonably) deny access to another party or remove its Personnel from the list of approved Personnel of that party (whether temporarily or permanently) where that party breaches any of the provisions of clauses 13.2 or 13.3 or clause 18 (Confidentiality).

### **13.2 Comply with a party's policies**

A party shall comply, and shall ensure that its Personnel comply, with all reasonable security, privacy, confidentiality, health and safety, and office conduct policies and procedures notified to that party and reasonable directions of the other party whilst on that other party's premises.

### **13.3 Minimal disruption**

A party shall ensure that its Personnel will cause no more than minimal disruption to the other party while accessing that other party's premises in accordance with this agreement and the applicable Project Agreement.

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## **14 Intellectual Property Rights**

### **14.1 Product Intellectual Property Rights**

Prior to commencing the implementation of a Project Agreement for a Product each party shall undertake searches to determine and confirm the status (significant or otherwise) of Intellectual Property Rights for that Product in strategic countries in that party's Territory. The JSC and the Project Committee for the relevant Project shall take into account the results of each party's searches and agree an appropriate Intellectual Property Rights strategy for the implementation of that Project.

### **14.2 Background IPR**

- (a) Each party shall give full disclosure to the other party of all Background IPR owned or licensed by it which is relevant to a Project.
- (b) All Background IPR is and shall remain the exclusive property of the party owning it (or, where applicable, the third party from whom its right to use the Background IPR has derived) and nothing in this agreement or any Project Agreement shall operate to transfer any Background IPR of one party to the other party.
- (c) Each party grants to the other party a royalty-free, non-exclusive licence to use the first party's Background IPR to the extent necessary to perform the Project in the other party's Territory together with a right to sub-license to any subcontractor performing services for and on behalf of the other party in accordance with clause 11.2 (Subcontractors).

### 14.3 Improvements

Except as agreed otherwise in a Project Agreement, any modifications, enhancements or improvements of a party's Background IPR and all associated Intellectual Property Rights (**Improvements**) will be owned by that party regardless of who created the Improvements but they will be treated as Background IPR for the purposes of the licence granted to the other party under clause 14.2(c). Each party assigns to the other party any rights, title and interest the first party may have in the Improvements so as to perfect the other party's ownership in the Improvements.

### 14.4 New IPR

Any new Intellectual Property Right created, generated, developed, derived conceived or first reduced to practice in the course of activities performed by a party in relation to a Project or otherwise under this agreement or a Project Agreement, which is not derived from either party's Background IPR or Improvements and all associated Intellectual Property Rights (**New IPR**), will be owned by the parties in shares to reflect the respective inventive contribution of each party to that New IPR as determined by the principles of United Kingdom patent law unless specified otherwise in the relevant Project Agreement. The parties may assign or license their rights to any New IPR to each other in relation to a Project as specified in the relevant Project Agreement or as otherwise agreed between the parties at any time.

### 14.5 Third party Intellectual Property Rights

If a party licenses any Intellectual Property Rights from a third party in relation to a Project, that party shall make reasonable efforts to ensure that the other party receives a licence from that third party for those Intellectual Property Rights upon equal terms for use in the other party's Territory.

### 14.6 Registration

- (a) Except where otherwise agreed by the parties or expressly provided otherwise in a Project Agreement, if any New IPR for a Product is.
- (i) wholly owned by one party, that party shall use all reasonable endeavours to carry out, at its own expense the drafting, filing and prosecution of all patent applications and the maintenance and extension, of all patent registrations comprised in the New IP in those parts of the world to the extent required to provide reasonable patent protection for that Product for the term of the relevant Project Agreement; and
  - (ii) jointly owned by the parties, Vaccitech shall use all reasonable endeavours to carry out the drafting, filing and prosecution of all patent applications and the maintenance and extension, of all patent registrations comprised in the New IP in those parts of the world to the extent required to provide reasonable patent protection for that Product for the term of this agreement in consultation with CanSino (**Joint Project Patents**) The parties shall share all costs in relation to these patent applications and registrations as agreed at the time or set out in the relevant Project Agreement.
- (b) Before abandoning any Joint Project Patents in any country or withholding payment of any fee necessary for procuring or keeping in force a Project Patent in any country upon the expiry of earlier termination of a Project Agreement relevant to that Joint Project Patent, Vaccitech shall give CanSino at least [\*\*\*] prior written notice of Vaccitech's intended course of action. Before the expiry of the notice period, CanSino may re-quest the assignment of Vaccitech's rights to the Joint Project Patent from Vaccitech to CanSino on terms to be agreed by the parties at the time.



## 14.7 Infringement

A party shall notify the other party in writing immediately, giving full particulars, if it becomes aware of any of the following:

- (a) any actual suspected or threatened infringement or any actual, suspected or threatened unauthorised disclosure, misappropriation or misuse of any New IPR by a third party;
- (b) any actual or threatened claim that any patent application or registered patent in relation to any New IPR or related Background IPR is invalid;
- (c) any actual or threatened opposition to any patent application or registered patent in relation to any New IPR or related Background IPR;
- (d) any claim made or threatened that any New IPR or related Background IPR infringes the rights of any third party;
- (e) any person applies for, or is granted, a patent by reason of which that person may be or has been, granted rights that conflict with any New IPR or related Background IPR;
- (f) any other form of attack, charge or claim to which the New IPR or related Background IPR may be subject; and
- (g) if the notifying party proposes to issue proceedings for the revocation of or opposition to any patent or patent application of any third party for the purpose of more effectively implementing the notifying party's rights of exploitation of any New IPR or related Background IPR, and

the parties shall discuss appropriate steps to take in the circumstances to properly protect the New IPR or related Background IPR including bringing legal proceedings. Neither these discussions nor any delay in an agreement between the parties regarding appropriate steps to take shall prevent either party taking whatever steps it believes appropriate to properly protect the New IPR and related Background IPR in its Territory.

## 14.8 Further efforts

Each party agrees to execute (and, to the extent necessary, procure that any of its Personnel involved in a Project execute) all documents and assignments and do (and, to the extent necessary, procure that any of its Personnel involved in a Project do) all things as may be reasonably necessary to perfect the other party's Intellectual Property Rights or to register the other party as owner of registrable rights in accordance with this agreement and the relevant Project Agreement.

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## 15 Exploitation

### 15.1 Background IPR

Each party grants to the other party a non-exclusive licence to use the first party's Background IPR to the extent necessary to commercialise and exploit New IPR and Products in the other party's Territory together with a right to sub-license (each sublicense to have no further right to sublicense) subject to the payment of milestone payments and royalties in accordance with the Project Agreement for those Products.

### 15.2 New IPR and Products

Each party grants to the other party an exclusive licence to use the first party's New IPR to the extent necessary to commercialise and exploit Products developed using that New IPR in the other party's Territory together with a right to sub-license (each sublicense to have no further right to sublicense) subject to the payment of milestone payments and royalties in accordance with the Project Agreement for those Products.

### 15.3 Pursue exploitation

Each party agrees to use commercially reasonable endeavours to exploit the New IPR licensed to it by the other party under a Project Agreement and maximise Net Sales of Products developed using that New IPR in the first party's Territory during the term of the Project Agreement including:

- (a) obtaining all necessary regulatory approvals in countries throughout its Territory for the exploitation of the Products;
- (b) using its best endeavours to sell and market the Products in all countries in the Territory;
- (c) seeking to maximise the royalties and milestone payments paid to the other party;
- (d) not engaging in any exploitation of the New IPR and Products in competition with the purpose contemplated by this agreement and the Project Agreement;
- (e) not engaging in any exploitation of the New IPR and Products other than in accordance with this agreement and the Project Agreement; and
- (f) comply with all Regulatory Requirements relating to the importation distribution, testing sale, supply or manufacture of the Products,

### 15.4 Regulatory authorities

- (a) The parties shall review and agree any regulatory documents and correspondence related to a Product prior to submission to a regulatory authority in any country. A party shall provide copies and where appropriate summary translations into English of all minutes of meetings with regulatory authorities and correspondence in relation to a Product to the other party
- (b) Each party shall provide to the other party any information and assistance reasonably requested by the other party for any regulatory filing or compliance activities relating to a Product in its Territory.

### 15.5 Patent markings

Each party shall include, and shall ensure that its sublicensees include, relevant patent or patent application numbers on all packaging and promotional material for any Products in compliance with the Regulatory Requirements of each country in that party's Territory where the Products are supplied, sold or distributed

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## 16 Financial obligations

### 16.1 Milestone payments

Each party shall pay to the other party any milestone payments in accordance with the Project Agreement for that Product.

### 16.2 Royalties

Each party shall pay to the other party ongoing royalties on Net Sales in its Territory in relation to each Product Sold at the rate set out in the Project Agreement for that Product.

### 16.3 Royalty reports

At the same time as payment of the royalties falls due under clause 16.2 each party shall supply a written report for the relevant Royalty Period to the other party showing:

- (a) identification by quantity and description of Products Sold or transferred by the first party or any sub-licensees of the first party;
- (b) the total royalties payable for that Royalty Period;
- (c) the deductions used to calculate the Net Sales value and any other information necessary to enable the other party to verify the calculation of royalties payable for that Royalty Period; and
- (d) details of payments and royalties received from sublicensees including the deductions used to calculate the Net Sales value and any other information necessary to enable the other party to verify the calculation of royalties payable by a party's sublicensee to that party for that Royalty Period.

### 16.4 Invoices

If a Project Agreement provides that a party shall pay the other party any amount, the other party shall deliver to the first party an invoice for payment of amounts payable in accordance with the Project Agreement Subject to clause 16.7, all amounts payable are stated exclusive of value added tax, or any other taxes or duties (if any) payable.

### 16.5 Payment

- (a) Within [\*\*\*] of the date of the end of each Royalty Period, each party shall pay the other party the royalties payable for that Royalty Period.
- (b) Within [\*\*\*] of the due date for any milestone payment as set out in the relevant Project Agreement, each party shall pay the other party that milestone payments.
- (c) Each party shall pay all other amounts properly due and undisputed in respect of any validly presented invoice within [\*\*\*] of the date of receipt by that party of the invoice for those amounts.
- (d) Within [\*\*\*] of the date of receipt by a party of an invoice from the other party, the first party shall notify the other party of any genuinely disputed amount and the reasons for the dispute. If no dispute is raised by the first party to the other party in relation to an invoice, the invoice is deemed to be undisputed.
- (e) A party shall pay all disputed amounts in respect of any invoice within [\*\*\*] of the dispute being resolved by the parties.
- (f) Subject to clause 16.7, each party shall pay all amounts properly due and undisputed under this agreement or a Project Agreement in full without any set-off, counterclaim or deduction.

### 16.6 Currency

All payments shall be made in pounds sterling. Where CanSino calculates the royalties in RMB, CanSino shall convert those royalties into pounds sterling [\*\*\*].

### 16.7 Taxes

If the royalties, milestone payments and any other amounts payable by a party under this agreement or a Project Agreement are subject to withholding tax, charge, deduction or other like withholding, that party may withhold monies and pay any tax upon its payments to the other party where that income tax is due and payable by the other party provided that the first party uses all reasonable efforts to obtain any available exemption from the payment of that income tax and gives the other party a tax certificate or similar official record for any payment of income tax.

## 16.8 Interest

Each party shall pay interest on any overdue payments from the date the payment is due until the day of payment (both dates inclusive) at [\*\*\*] per annum calculated on a daily basis from the due date until payment of the overdue amount payable is received by the other party in cleared funds. The parties agree that this constitutes a substantial remedy in terms of the Late Payments of Commercial Debts (Interest) Act 1998 (UK). Each party shall pay the interest together with the overdue amount.

## 16.9 Additional information

Where reasonably requested by a party, the other party shall supply additional information regarding any invoice or royalty report as necessary for the first party to confirm that the correct amounts have been paid by the other party under this agreement or any Project Agreement.

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## 17 Termination

### 17.1 Termination

This agreement or a Project Agreement may be terminated'

- (a) by mutual agreement of the parties;
- (b) by either party immediately by written notice to the other party if the other party commits a material breach of this agreement or a Project Agreement and either:
  - (i) the breach is not capable of being cured; or
  - (ii) the breach is capable of being cured and the other party fails to cure the breach within [\*\*\*] of being notified in writing of the breach by the party giving the notice;
- (c) by either party immediately by written notice to the other party if the other party commits persistent breaches of this agreement;
- (d) by either party immediately by written notice to the other party if the other party uses or permits a third party to use the first party's Background IPR or New IPR outside the scope of licences granted to it under this agreement or a Project Agreement without the first party's prior written consent, or otherwise infringes the first party's Background IPR or New IPR;

- (e) by either party immediately by written notice to the other party if the other party:
  - (i) fails to pay any amount due under this agreement on the due date for payment and remains in default not less than a further [\*\*\*] after being notified in writing that it is in default and to make such payment;
  - (ii) suspends, or threatens to suspend, payment of its debts (unless those debts are the subject of a genuine dispute) or is unable to pay its debts as they fall due or admits inability to pay its debts;
  - (iii) takes any step or action for or in connection with its entering administration, provisional liquidation or any composition or arrangement with its creditors (other than in relation to a solvent amalgamation or restructuring), being wound up (whether voluntarily or by order of the court, unless for the purpose of a solvent amalgamation or restructuring), having a receiver appointed to any of its assets or ceasing to carry on business or, if the step or action is taken in another jurisdiction, in connection with any analogous procedure in the relevant jurisdiction; or
  - (iv) suspends or ceases, or threatens to suspend or cease, carrying on all or a substantial part of its business; and
- (f) by either party in accordance with clause 27.2 (Force majeure).

### 17.2 Automatic termination

- (a) A Project Agreement shall terminate automatically if OUI does not consent or withdraws any consents granted under clause 3.2(a) relevant to that Project Agreement and Vaccitech, acting reasonably, does not contest such withdrawal of consent.
- (b) If:
  - (i) any Background IPR necessary for a Project is licensed from OUI to Vaccitech under the OUI Licence of Technology and the OUI Licence of Technology expires or is terminated earlier; and
  - (ii) using all reasonable endeavours, the parties cannot agree upon a modification to the Project (or relevant Product) in order to continue without using that Background IPR,
 that Project Agreement shall terminate automatically.

### 17.3 Consequences of termination

- (a) The expiry or termination of one Project Agreement does not terminate another Project Agreement or this agreement. The early termination of this agreement terminates all Project Agreements. Despite the expiry of the Term of this agreement, the agreement is deemed to continue and apply to any outstanding Project Agreement until the expiry or earlier termination of that Project Agreement, unless otherwise agreed by the parties.
- (b) Subject to clause 17.3(c) and unless otherwise agreed by the parties, on expiry or earlier termination of a Project Agreement, whether for breach or otherwise, each party shall:
  - (i) bring all relevant sub-licences from that party to third parties to an end on the same date;
  - (ii) pay all outstanding royalties, milestone payments and other sums due or that have become due to the other party under the Project Agreement;
  - (iii) provide the other party with details of the stocks of Products relevant to that Project Agreement held at the point of termination;
  - (iv) cease to use or exploit any jointly-owned New IPR, provided that this restriction does not apply to know-how or Confidential Information which has entered the public domain through no fault of that party, and that that party may continue to use the jointly-owned New IPR in order to meet any specific existing binding commitments already made by that party at the date of termination and requiring delivery of Products within the next [\*\*\*]; and
  - (v) subject to clause 17.3(b)(iv), destroy all other Products relevant to that Project Agreement and confirm in writing the destruction thereof if those Products use any jointly-owned New IPR, or any Intellectual Property Rights owned or licensed from the other party.

- (c) Except in the event of termination of a Project Agreement by CanSino for breach by Vaccitech, upon expiry or earlier termination of a Project Agreement, CanSino grants Vaccitech a non-exclusive, royalty-free, worldwide, perpetual, irrevocable licence to use any CanSino Background IPR, CanSino New IPR or jointly-owned New IPR used to develop, incorporated in, or referenced in any Product which is the subject of that Project Agreement to the extent necessary for Vaccitech to undertake research, development, manufacture, Sell or otherwise commercialise any Product which is the subject of that Project Agreement together with a right to sub-license to third parties for those purposes.
- (d) Expiry or termination of this agreement or a Project Agreement, whether for breach or otherwise shall not relieve a party of its obligation to accrue and pay royalties to the other party under the provisions of clause 16 (Financial obligations) for the duration of any notice period and in respect of any dealings in Products permitted by clause 17.3(b).
- (e) Despite clauses 17.1 and 17.2, any rights of the parties accrued prior to expiry or termination of this agreement, or prior to expiry or termination of a Project Agreement, and clauses 5.3 (Risk to Product development), 6.1(e) (Materials), 12 2 and 12.3 (Records and inspection), 14 (Intellectual Property Rights), 16 (Financial obligations), 17.3 (Consequences of termination), 18 (Confidentiality), 18.9 (Data Protection), 20 (Publication), 21 (Representations and warranties), 22 (Liability), 25 (Disputes), 26 (Notices and other communications) and 28 (General) survive expiry or termination of this agreement for any reason.

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## **18 Confidentiality**

### **18.1 Treatment of Confidential Information**

Each party acknowledges that the Confidential Information of the other party is valuable to the other party. Each party undertakes to keep the Confidential Information of the other party secret and to protect and preserve the confidential nature and secrecy of that Confidential Information.

### **18.2 Use of Confidential Information**

A party receiving Confidential Information (**Recipient**) may only use the Confidential Information of the party disclosing Confidential Information (**Discloser**) for the purposes of performing the Recipient's obligations or exercising the Recipient's rights under this agreement.

### **18.3 Disclosure of Confidential Information**

A Recipient may not disclose Confidential Information of the Discloser to any person except:

- (a) Personnel of the Recipient who require it for the purposes of this agreement;
- (b) with the prior written consent of the Discloser;
- (c) if the Recipient is required to do so by law or a stock exchange; or
- (d) if the Recipient is required to do so in connection with legal proceedings relating to this agreement.

#### 18.4 Disclosure by Recipient

A Recipient disclosing Confidential Information under clauses 13.3(a), 18.3(b) or 18.3(d) shall use all reasonable endeavours to ensure that persons receiving the Confidential Information from it do not disclose the information except in accordance with this agreement and the Recipient will be responsible for any act or omission of that person in relation to the Confidential Information as if it was the Recipient's own act or omission.

#### 18.5 Protecting Confidential Information

- (a) The Recipient shall take reasonable steps to protect the Confidential Information of the Discloser and keep it secure from any unauthorised use or disclosure.
- (b) The Recipient shall promptly notify the Discloser on becoming aware of any use or disclosure of its Confidential Information in breach of this agreement, and shall cooperate with the Discloser to investigate that breach and mitigate any adverse impact on the Discloser.

#### 18.6 Return or destruction of Confidential Information

Subject to clause 18.7, on the Discloser's request, the Recipient shall immediately destroy or deliver to the Discloser all documents or other materials containing or referring to the Discloser's Confidential Information which are:

- (a) in the Recipient's possession, power or control; or
- (b) in the possession, power or control of persons who have received Confidential Information from the Recipient under clauses 18.3(a) or 18.3(b).

#### 18.7 Exceptions

The obligation in clause 18.6 does not apply to Confidential Information of the Discloser that the Recipient requires in order to perform its obligations under this agreement or is otherwise entitled to retain to comply with Regulatory Requirements, including the rules of the relevant stock exchange.

#### 18.8 Publicity

- (a) Neither party may make any statement, press release or other announcement relating to this agreement a Project Agreement, a Product, or the other party (**Publicity**) without the other party's prior written consent as to form, timing and content.
- (b) If any Regulatory Requirements including the rules of the relevant stock exchange require a party to release any Publicity:
  - (i) that party shall submit to the other party a copy of the proposed Publicity as early as possible prior to its required release; and
  - (ii) the other party shall use all reasonable efforts to notify the first party of its consent to the proposed Publicity or any objections by the date required by the first party.

## 18.9 OUI

- (a) Neither party may use the name of OUI, the University, or any inventor of the Intellectual Property Rights licensed to Vaccitech under the OUI Licence of Technology, in any Publicity without the prior written consent of OUI. Each party acknowledges that OUI may enforce its rights under this clause 18.9(a) despite not being a party to this agreement.
- (b) If Vaccitech's Confidential Information contains any confidential information of OUI, the parties acknowledge that OUI may enforce this clause 18 despite not being a party to this agreement.
- (c) For the purposes of this clause 18.9, the "**University**" means the Chancellor, Masters and Scholars of the University of Oxford whose administrative offices are at the University Offices, Wellington Square, Oxford OX1 2JD, England.

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## 19 Data protection

### 19.1 Definitions

For the purposes of this clause 19, unless the contrary intention appears, the following words and phrases have the following meanings:

**Data Protection Legislation** means the General Data Protection Regulation ((EU) 2016/679) and any other directly applicable European Union regulation relating to privacy, any data protection legislation from time to time in force in the United Kingdom and China, and any other data protection or privacy legislation applicable in the relevant jurisdiction.

**Data controller, data subject, personal data, processing, and appropriate technical and organisational measures** have the meanings as set out in the Data Protection Legislation in force at the time.

**Permitted Recipients** means the parties, the Personnel of each party, sublicensees of a party, and any third parties engaged to perform obligations in connection with this agreement including regulatory authorities.

**Shared Personal Data** means any personal data to be shared between the parties under this agreement or a Project Agreement.

### 19.2 Shared Personal Data

This clause 19 sets out the framework for the sharing of personal data between the parties as data controllers. Each party acknowledges that one party (**Data Discloser**) will regularly disclose to the other party (**Data Recipient**) Shared Personal Data collected by the Data Discloser for the purposes of this agreement and any Project Agreement.

### 19.3 Compliance with Data Protection Legislation

- (a) Each party shall comply with all applicable requirements of the Data Protection Legislation in relation to the Shared Personal Data and any activities undertaken in relation to this agreement and any Project Agreement.
- (b) Any material breach of the Data Protection Legislation by one party in relation to the Shared Personal Data, or any activities undertaken by that party in relation to this agreement or any Project Agreement, shall be considered to be a material breach of this agreement and give grounds to the other party to terminate this agreement under clause 17.1(b) (Termination).



#### 19.4 Obligations

In relation to the Shared Personal Data and any activities undertaken in relation to this agreement and any Project Agreement, each party shall:

- (a) ensure that it has all necessary notices and consents in place to enable lawful transfer of the Shared Personal Data to the Permitted Recipients for the purposes of this agreement and any Project Agreement;
- (b) give full information to any data subject whose personal data may be processed under this agreement of the nature such processing. This includes giving notice that, on the termination of the relevant Project Agreement, personal data relating to them may be retained by or, as the case may be, transferred to one or more of the Permitted Recipients, their successors and assignees;
- (c) process the Shared Personal Data only for the purposes of this agreement and any Project Agreement;
- (d) not disclose or allow access to the Shared Personal Data to anyone other than the Permitted Recipients;
- (e) ensure that all Permitted Recipients are subject to written contractual obligations concerning the Shared Personal Data (including obligations of confidentiality) which are no less onerous than those imposed by this agreement;
- (f) ensure that it has in place appropriate technical and organisational measures to protect against unauthorised or unlawful processing of personal data and against accidental loss or destruction of, or damage to, personal data; and
- (g) unless absolutely necessary or required to comply with Regulatory Requirements, only disclose or share data relating to individuals in a de-identified or anonymised format.

#### 19.5 Mutual assistance

Each party shall assist the other in complying with all requirements of the Data Protection Legislation applicable to the other party's obligations under this agreement or any Project Agreement. In particular, each party shall:

- (a) consult with the other party about any notices given to data subjects in relation to the Shared Personal Data;
- (b) promptly notify the other party about the receipt of any data subject access request;
- (c) provide the other party with reasonable assistance in complying with any data subject access request;
- (d) not disclose or release any Shared Personal Data in response to a data subject access request without first consulting the other party wherever possible,
- (e) provide reasonable assistance the other party, at the cost of the other party, in responding to any request from a data subject and in ensuring compliance with its obligations under the Data Protection Legislation with respect to security, breach notifications, impact assessments and consultations with supervisory authorities or regulators;
- (f) notify the other party without undue delay on becoming aware of any breach by it of the Data Protection Legislation;
- (g) at the written direction of the Data Discloser, delete or return Shared Personal Data and copies thereof to the Data Discloser on expiry or earlier termination of the relevant Project Agreement unless required to retain the personal data by any Regulatory Requirements;

- (h) use compatible technology for the processing of Shared Personal Data to ensure that there is no lack of accuracy resulting from personal data transfers;
- (i) maintain complete and accurate records and information to demonstrate its compliance with this clause 19; and
- (j) provide the other party with contact details of at least one employee as point of contact and responsible manager for all issues arising out of the Data Protection Legislation, including the joint training of relevant staff, the procedures to be followed in the event of a data security breach, and the regular review of the parties' compliance with the Data Protection Legislation.

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## 20 Publication

- (a) Subject to clause 20(d), each party shall submit to the other party a copy of any proposed manuscript, abstract, paper, journal article, oral presentation or poster presentation relating to New IP, a Project or a Product (**Publication**) at least 30 days prior to its proposed publication or submission to any organisation for publication.
- (b) Subject to clause 20(d), within 30 days of receipt of a proposed Publication, the other party shall notify the first party if the other party objects to the Publication on the basis that it contains any of the other party's Confidential Information or if the other party wishes to defer publication for up to 120 days to enable it to seek patent protection for any New IP owned by it.
- (c) A party may proceed with the Publication if no objections are received from the other party within the 30 day period, or if the Publication is amended to remove any reference to the other party's Confidential Information or New IP.
- (d) If any Regulatory Requirements including the rules of the relevant stock exchange require a party to publish a Publication or submit a Publication to an organisation for publication:
  - (i) that party shall submit to the other party a copy of the proposed Publication as early as possible prior to its required publication or submission; and
  - (ii) the other party shall use all reasonable efforts to notify the first party of its consent to the Publication or any objections under clause 20(b) by the date required by the first party.
- (e) If a proposed Publication submitted by CanSino to Vaccitech for review includes any confidential information of OUI, CanSino acknowledges that Vaccitech is required to submit the proposed Publication to OUI for review and approval for release under the terms of the OUI Licence of Technology Each party acknowledges that OUI may enforce its rights under this clause 18 despite not being a party to this agreement.

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## 21 Representations and warranties

### 21.1 Representations and warranties

Each party represents and warrants to the other party that:

- (a) it has been incorporated or formed in accordance with the laws of its place of incorporation or formation, is validly existing under those laws and has power and authority to own its assets and carry on its business as it is now being conducted;
- (b) it has power to enter into this agreement and each Project Agreement, to comply with its obligations under them and exercise its rights under them;

- (c) subject to clause 3.2 (Conditions precedent), it is the owner or has the right to license its Background IPR in accordance with this agreement and each Project Agreement;
- (d) the entry by it into, its compliance with its obligations and the exercise of its rights under, this agreement and each Project Agreement do not and (to the best of its knowledge) will not infringe the rights of any third party (including Intellectual Property Rights) or conflict with any other obligation which it may have during the term of this agreement or any Project Agreement; and
- (e) use of its Background IPR in a Project will not, so far as it is aware, infringe the rights of any third party. It will use all reasonable endeavours (including, by conducting searches of all relevant public registers) to ensure that its use of the New IP shall not infringe the rights of any third party. No third party has threatened or, so far as it is aware, is currently threatening proceedings in respect of such infringement, and none of its Background IPR is the subject of any actual or, so far as it is aware, threatened challenge, opposition or revocation proceedings

The representations and warranties given under this clause 21.1 are continuing obligations for the duration of the Term and the term of each Project Agreement.

## **21.2 Exclusions**

To the extent permitted by law, each party excludes all implied terms, representations and warranties whether statutory or otherwise relating to the subject matter of this agreement or any Project Agreement other than as expressly set out in this agreement or any Project Agreement.

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## **22 Liability**

### **22.1 Indirect and consequential damages**

Subject to clause 22.3, a party shall not be liable to the other party in connection with this agreement or a Project Agreement for any indirect, incidental, special, punitive, or consequential damages, or for loss of use, loss of business information, loss of revenue, or interruption of business, whether in contract, tort, negligence, breach of statutory duty or otherwise whatsoever or howsoever arising out of or in connection with this agreement a Project Agreement or a Product.

### **22.2 Limitation of liability**

Subject to clause 22.3, the maximum aggregate liability (whether actual, contingent or prospective), including for any damage, loss, cost and expense (including legal costs and expenses of whatsoever nature or description) irrespective of when the acts, events or things giving rise to the liability occurred of a party (and any of its related bodies corporate) under or in relation to this agreement, a Project Agreement or a Product whether in contract, tort (including negligence), under law or otherwise will be limited to the amount of [\*\*\*].

### **22.3 Exclusions from limitation of liability**

Nothing in this agreement or a Project Agreement limits or excludes the liability of a party (and its related bodies corporate) for;

- (a) liability for fraud or criminal conduct;
- (b) liability which cannot be excluded or limited by law; or

- (c) liability for:
- (i) personal injury or death (including illness) of any person;
  - (ii) product liability;
  - (iii) infringement of any third party's Intellectual Property Rights, and
  - (iv) breach of its obligations under clauses 14 (Intellectual Property Rights), 18 (Confidentiality), 19 (Data protection) or 24 (Anti-bribery),

in each case caused by or arising out of or in any way in connection with any act or omission (including negligence) of a party, its Personnel or its related bodies corporate.

#### 22.4 Insurance

Each party shall maintain, at its own expense, appropriate insurance cover with reputable insurers including professional indemnity, clinical trials, workers compensation, errors and omissions, fidelity and public liability insurance for the Term and the term of any Project Agreement (whichever is the later) and for at least [\*\*\*] following in respect of its potential liability under this agreement and any Project Agreement however arising.

#### 22.5 Severability

The parties expressly agree that should any limitation or provision contained in this clause 22 be held invalid under any applicable law, it will to that extent be deemed omitted or amended.

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### 23 Indemnity

#### 23.1 Indemnity

Subject to clause 23.2, each party indemnifies the other against any and all losses, liabilities, claims, actions, damages, proceedings, demands, costs, charges and expenses (**Losses**) incurred by the other party resulting from or in connection with, directly or indirectly

- (a) infringement by the first party of any third party's Intellectual Property Rights; and
- (b) breach by the first party of its representations and warranties under clause 21 1 (Representations and warranties), and obligations including without limitation under clauses 14 (Intellectual Property Rights), 18 (Confidentiality), 19 (Data protection) or 24 (Anti-bribery), except to the extent that the Losses arose from any act, default or omission by the first party, including without limitation, any act, default or omission which is in breach of this agreement or a Project Agreement

#### 23.2 Terms of indemnification

- (a) If any claim is made by a third party against a party indemnified under clause 23 1 (**Indemnitee**), the Indemnitee shall be defended by the party that is obliged to indemnify the Indemnitee under clause 23.1 (**Indemnifying Party**) at the Indemnifying Party's sole expense by counsel selected by Indemnifying Party and reasonably acceptable to the Indemnitee provided that the Indemnitee may, at its own expense, also be represented by counsel of its own choosing. The Indemnifying Party shall have the sole right to control the defence of any such claim or action, subject to the terms of this clause 23.
- (b) The Indemnifying Party may settle any claim, demand, action or other proceeding or otherwise consent to an adverse judgment:
  - (i) with prior written notice to the Indemnitee but without the consent of the Indemnitee if the only Liability to the Indemnitee is the payment of money and the Indemnifying Party makes such payment; or
  - (ii) in all other cases, only with the prior written consent of the Indemnitee, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld delayed or conditioned.

- (c) The Indemnitee shall notify the Indemnifying Party promptly of any claim, demand, action or other proceeding for which it seeks indemnification hereunder. Indemnitee shall not settle or otherwise consent to an adverse judgment in any such claim, demand action or other proceeding or make any admission as to liability or fault without the express written permission of the Indemnifying Party, unless Indemnitee first releases the Indemnifying Party from its obligations under this clause 23.

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**24 Anti-bribery**

- (a) In relation to any activities undertaken in relation to this agreement, any Project Agreement or any Product each party shall:
- (i) comply with all Regulatory Requirements which apply to it or its activities and which relate to anti-bribery or anti-corruption (or both), including the Bribery Act 2010 (UK) and the anti-bribery laws and regulations applicable in China;
  - (ii) not do anything which would constitute an offence under sections 1, 2 or 6 of the Bribery Act 2010 (UK) if it had been carried out in the United Kingdom;
  - (iii) have policies and procedures (including adequate procedures as determined in accordance with section 7(2) of the Bribery Act 2010 (UK) and any guidance issued under section 9 of the Bribery Act 2010 (UK)) to ensure compliance with paragraphs (i) and (ii) above;
  - (iv) follow and enforce the policies and procedures referred to in paragraph (iii) above;
  - (v) promptly report to the other party any request or demand for any undue financial or other advantage of any kind received by it.
  - (vi) provide evidence of compliance with this clause 24 as the other party may reasonably request from time to time and
  - (vii) keep accurate and up to date records and books of account showing all payments made by it in connection with this agreement, any Project Agreement, and any Product which records and books of account shall be sufficient to allow the other party to verify compliance with this clause 24.
- (b) Each party shall ensure that its Personnel and any other person associated with it (as determined in accordance with section 8 of the Bribery Act 2010 (UK)) who is involved in a Project is involved in the Project only on the basis of a written contract which imposes on that person terms equivalent to those imposed on that party in this clause 24 and that party shall be liable to the other party for any breach of those terms by the first party's Personnel or any other person associated with it.

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**25 Disputes**

**25.1 Compliance with this clause**

The parties agree not to commence any legal proceedings in respect of any dispute arising under this agreement which cannot be resolved by informal discussion, until the procedure provided by this clause 25 has been used.

## 25.2 Dispute resolution process

The parties agree that any dispute arising under this agreement is dealt with as follows:

- (a) the party claiming that there is a dispute will send the other party a written notice stating that:
  - (i) it is a notice under this clause 25.2(a); and
  - (ii) specifying in reasonable detail
    - (A) the nature of the dispute; and
    - (B) the matters on which the parties are unable to agree at the date of the notice of the dispute;
- (b) the parties shall try to resolve the dispute through direct negotiation and shall use all reasonable endeavours acting in good faith to resolve the dispute by joint discussions in accordance with the following escalation procedure:
  - (i) if the dispute is not resolved within [\*\*\*] from the date of the notice in clause 25.2(a) (**Notice Date**) by persons whom they have given authority to resolve the dispute, the dispute shall be referred by either party for further resolution to the Joint Steering Committee which shall meet to resolve and settle the dispute;
  - (ii) if the dispute is not resolved within [\*\*\*] from the Notice Date by the Joint Steering Committee, the dispute shall be referred by the Joint Steering Committee to the senior executives of each party who shall meet to resolve and settle the dispute; and
  - (iii) if the dispute is not resolved within [\*\*\*] from the Notice Date or the senior executives of each party fail to meet to resolve and settle the dispute within [\*\*\*] of the Notice Date the dispute shall be submitted to arbitration under clause 25.3; and
- (c) the representatives of each party may participate in meetings to resolve a dispute, adjourn and otherwise regulate those meetings as they think fit and the parties may agree to conduct meetings in any format (in person, by telephone, by videoconference or otherwise) regardless of where a representative is located or how they communicate with each other.

## 25.3 Arbitration

Any dispute arising out of or in connection with this agreement or a Project Agreement, including any question regarding its existence, validity or termination, shall be referred to and finally resolved by arbitration under the London Court of International Arbitration's (LCIA) Arbitration's Rules, which Rules are deemed to be incorporated by reference into this clause. The number of arbitrators shall be one. The seat, or legal place, of arbitration shall be London. The language to be used in the arbitral proceedings shall be English.

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## 26 Notices and other communications

### 26.1 Form

Notices and other communications in connection with this document will be in writing. They will be sent to the address or email address referred to in the Details or elsewhere in this agreement and (except in the case of email) marked for the attention of the person referred to in the Details or elsewhere in this agreement. If the intended recipient has notified changed contact details, then communications will be sent to the changed contact details.

## 26.2 When effective

Communications take effect from the time they are received or taken to be received under clause 26.3 (whichever happens first) unless a later time is specified in the communication.

## 26.3 When taken to be received

Communications are taken to be received:

- (a) if sent by post, [\*\*\*] after posting (or [\*\*\*] after posting if sent from one country to another);
- (b) if sent by fax, at the time shown in the transmission report as the time that the whole fax was sent; or
- (c) If sent by email, when the sender receives an automated message confirming delivery, or [\*\*\*] after the time sent (as recorded on the device from which the sender sent the email) unless the sender receives an automated message that delivery failed, whichever happens first.

## 26.4 Receipt outside business hours

Despite anything else in this clause 26, if communications are received or taken to be received under clause 26.3 after 5.00pm on a Business Day or on a non-Business Day, they are taken to be received at 9.00am on the next Business Day.

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## 27 Force majeure

### 27.1 Force majeure event

Despite any other provision of this agreement, if a party is unable to perform or is delayed in performing an obligation under this agreement or a Project Agreement which is caused by or which arises or results from any cause outside the reasonable control of the affected party ("**Force Majeure Event**"):

- (a) the affected party shall provide written notice as soon as practicable to the other party of the Force Majeure Event with details regarding the effects of the Force Majeure Event on the affected party and anticipated duration of the delay in the performance of the obligation;
- (b) as soon as practicable following notification, the parties shall consult with each other in good faith and use all reasonable efforts to agree appropriate terms to mitigate the effects of the Force Majeure Event and facilitate continued performance of the agreement;
- (c) that obligation is suspended but only so far and for so long as the affected party is affected by the Force Majeure Event; and
- (d) the affected party will not be responsible for any loss or expense suffered or incurred by any other party as a result of, and to the extent that, the affected party is unable to perform or is delayed in performing its obligations because of the Force Majeure Event provided that the affected party shall have taken appropriate actions (if possible) to mitigate the effects of the Force Majeure Event.

### 27.2 Termination

If a Force Majeure Event occurs and its effect continues for a period of [\*\*\*], this agreement may be terminated at any time provided that the Force Majeure Event continues to apply or have effect, by a party giving written notice to the other party. The termination notice will take effect from the date specified in the termination notice (which date may not be earlier than the date on which the notice is given).

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**28 General****28.1 Entire agreement**

This agreement and each Project Agreement constitutes the entire agreement of the parties about its subject matter and supersedes all previous agreements, understandings and negotiations on that subject matter.

**28.2 Costs**

Each party agrees to pay its own costs in connection with the preparation, negotiation, execution and completion of this agreement, any Project Agreement, and any other documents referred to in any of those documents.

**28.3 Variation and waiver**

A provision of this agreement and any Project Agreement, or right, power or remedy created under them may not be varied or waived except in writing signed by the party to be bound.

**28.4 Severability**

If the whole or any part of a provision of this agreement or any Project Agreement is void, unenforceable or illegal in a jurisdiction it is severed for that jurisdiction. The remainder of the document has full force and effect and the validity or enforceability of that provision in any other jurisdiction is not affected. This clause has no effect if the severance alters the basic nature of the document or is contrary to public policy.

**28.5 Further steps**

Each party agrees to do anything (such as obtaining consents, signing and producing documents, producing receipts and getting documents completed and signed), which the other party asks and considers necessary to

- (a) bind the first party and any other person intended to be bound under this agreement or any Project Agreement; and
- (b) show whether the first party is complying with this agreement or any Project Agreement.

**28.6 Assignment**

- (a) Subject to clause 28.6(b), a party may not assign or otherwise deal with any of Its rights or obligations under this agreement or a Project Agreement without the other party's prior written consent which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed
- (b) A party may assign its rights or obligations under this agreement or a Project Agreement to an Affiliate of that party upon written notice to the other party. The assigning party shall pay for and prepare all required documentation and pay all reasonable costs incurred by the other party in relation to the assignment

**28.7 Discretion in exercising rights**

A party may exercise a right or remedy or give or refuse its consent in any way it considers appropriate (including by imposing conditions), unless this agreement or a Project Agreement expressly states otherwise



**28.8 Partial exercise of rights**

If a party does not exercise a right or remedy fully or at a given time, the party may still exercise it later.

**28.9 Approvals and consents**

By giving its approval or consent, a party does not make or give any warranty or representation as to any circumstance relating to the subject matter of the consent or approval.

**28.10 Remedies cumulative**

The rights and remedies provided in this agreement are in addition to other rights and remedies given by law independently of this agreement.

**28.11 Third party rights**

Except as expressly specified otherwise, no one other than a party to this agreement, their successors and permitted assignees, shall have any right to enforce any of the terms of this agreement or a Project Agreement.

**28.12 Counterparts**

This agreement and each Project Agreement may consist of a number of copies, each signed by one or more parties to it. If so, the signed copies are treated as making up a single document and the date on which the last counterpart is executed is the date of the document.

**28.13 Governing law and jurisdiction**

This agreement and each Project Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the law of England and Wales. The parties submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts in England.

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**Master Collaboration Agreement**

Schedule 1 Project Agreement

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Project Agreement

Dated \_\_\_\_\_

Vaccitech Limited ("**Vaccitech**")  
CanSino Biologics Inc. ("**CanSino**")

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## Project Agreement

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## Project Agreement

Details

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### Parties

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<b>Vaccitech</b>	Name	<b>Vaccitech Limited</b>
	Company number	09973585
	Formed in	England
	Address	Magdalen Centre Robert Robinson Avenue, The Oxford Science Park Oxford OX4 4GA England
	Telephone	[***]
	Email	[***]
	Attention	[***]

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<b>CanSino</b>	Name	<b>CanSino Biologics Inc.</b>
	Company number	91120116681888972M
	Formed in	China
	Address	185 South Avenue, TEDA West District, Tianjin 300457 China
	Telephone	[***]
	Email	[***]
	Attention	[***]

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**Start Date** [insert date]

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**Project** (insert Project title and scope)

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- Recitals**
- A** The parties entered into a Master Collaboration Agreement [date] (**Master Collaboration Agreement or MCA**) under which the parties agreed to undertake projects to collaborate on the research, development, manufacture and sale of certain products.
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- B** The parties have identified the Project as an opportunity they wish to develop together
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- C** Under clause 3 1 (Projects) of the Master Collaboration Agreement, this Project Agreement sets out the further details of obligations of the parties in relation to the Project.

## Project Agreement

### General terms

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#### 1 Definitions

- (a) All defined terms in the Master Collaboration Agreement have the same meaning in this Project Agreement unless stated otherwise or set out in the Details for this Project Agreement.
  - (b) Any additional terms or expressions starting with a capital letter used in this Project Agreement have the meaning given to them set out in this Project Agreement.
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#### 2 Structure

- (a) This Project Agreement incorporates the terms of the Master Collaboration Agreement by reference.
  - (b) In the event of a conflict between the terms of this Project Agreement and the Master Collaboration Agreement, the terms of this Project Agreement prevail unless specified otherwise.
  - (c) In the event of a conflict between the terms of this Project Agreement and any Schedule to this Project Agreement, the terms of this Project Agreement prevail unless specified otherwise in the Schedule.
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#### 3 Term

This Project Agreement shall commence on the Start Date of this Project Agreement and shall expire upon the later of the following dates:

- (a) the expiry or earlier invalidation of all registered patents of New IP developed under this Project Agreement; or
- (b) [\*\*\*] from the first commercial sale of any Products developed under this Project Agreement,

(Term) unless terminated earlier in accordance with the Master Collaboration Agreement. If no registered patents of New IP or Products are developed under this Project Agreement, this Project Agreement shall expire on [insert date/period].

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#### 4 Project performance

##### 4.1 Project phases, responsibilities and timing

The details of the Project phases including responsibilities of the parties and timing are set out in the matrix table in clause 2.1 of Schedule 1 (Project phases responsibilities and timing matrix).

##### 4.2 Additional obligations

The details of any additional obligations of each party in the performance of the Project are set out in clause 2.2 of Schedule 1 (Additional obligations) including:

- (a) any additional tasks to be performed by each party;
  - (b) any additional responsibilities of each party;
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- (c) facilities to be provided by each party;
- (d) equipment to be provided by each party;
- (e) location of performance of a party's obligations if other than where that party is located;
- (f) any additional costs; and
- (g) any other details specific to the Project.

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## 5 **Project Managers**

The Project Manager for each party is set out in clause 3 of Schedule 1 (Project Managers)

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## 6 **Project meetings**

The Project Committee shall meet [insert period]. The Project team shall meet every [insert period]. The Project Managers shall alternate responsibility for circulating and preparing an agenda in advance

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## 7 **Personnel**

The key Personnel for each party are set out in clause 4 of Schedule 1 (Personnel).

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## 8 **Intellectual Property Rights**

### 8.1 **Background IPR**

The parties shall contribute the key Background IPR specified in clause 5.1 of Schedule 1 (Background IPR)

### 8.2 **Anticipated New IPR**

The parties anticipate that the performance of the Project will provide the Project results and New IPR specified in clause 5.2 of Schedule 1 (Anticipated New IPR).

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## 9 **Product development and manufacture**

- (a) Subject to clause 9(b), the parties shall use all reasonable endeavours to enter into a separate written supply agreement (**Supply Agreement**) under which CanSino shall manufacture and supply all Products necessary for this Project and the exploitation of the Products by the parties in accordance with the Master Collaboration Agreement and this Project Agreement. If the parties cannot agree upon this Supply Agreement, they must comply with the dispute resolution process set out in clause 25 (Disputes) of the Master Collaboration Agreement.
- (b) For all Products manufactured by CanSino under a Supply Agreement for Vaccitech to Sell in the Vaccitech Territory, Vaccitech shall pay charges to CanSino calculated at the equivalent of the costs incurred by CanSino to manufacture those Products increased by [insert %].
- (c) The parties shall discuss and agree a clinical development plan for any Product before any clinical trial application for that Product.

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**10 Exploitation**

After completion of phase 1 clinical trials of a Product, the parties shall discuss:

- (a) if either party is considering further development towards exploiting or commercialising the Product; and
- (b) all associated development and business plans for that exploitation or commercialization.

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**11 Financial obligations**

The parties shall pay all milestone payments, royalties and other payments as set out in Schedule 2 (Financial obligations).

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**12 Termination****12.1 Termination for delay**

A party may terminate this Project Agreement by written notice to the other party if the other party unreasonably delays the performance of its obligations under this Project Agreement unless the parties have agreed otherwise in relation to the timing of the performance of those obligations. A party's unreasonably delay in the performance of its obligations under this Project Agreement is deemed to be a breach of this Project Agreement.

**12.2 Consequences of termination**

Clauses 12.2 (Consequences of termination) and \_\_\_\_ (General) survive expiry or termination of this agreement for any reason.

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**13 Additional terms and conditions**

The parties shall perform additional tasks and provide additional items for the performance of the Project as follows:

- (a) (insert); and
- (b) [insert]

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**14 General****14.1 Variation and waiver**

A provision of this Project Agreement, or right, power or remedy created under this Project Agreement, may not be varied or waived except in writing signed by the party to be bound.

**14.2 Assignment**

A party may not assign or otherwise deal with any of its rights or obligations under this Project Agreement without the other party's prior written consent.

**14.3 Counterparts**

This Project Agreement may consist of a number of copies, each signed by one or more parties to it. If so, the signed copies are treated as making up a single document and the date on which the last counterpart is executed is the date of the document.

**14.4 Governing law and jurisdiction**

This Project Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the law of England Wales. The parties submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts in England

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## Project Agreement

Schedule 1 Project details

### 1 Project summary

<b>Scope of Project:</b>	[insert]
<b>Target Product profile:</b>	[insert]
<b>Anticipated Project Outputs:</b>	[insert]
<b>Project Objectives:</b>	[insert]

### 2 Project performance

#### 2.1 Project phases, responsibilities and timing matrix

Project Phase	Funded and undertaken by:		Target Completion Date
	CanSino	Vaccitech	

#### 2.2 Additional obligations

[None] / (insert obligations)

*[Note: insert any additional obligations of each party to undertake tasks, supply equipment or other goods, provide facilities, pay particular costs, and any other specific obligations of a party not set out in the MCA or elsewhere in this Project Agreement. Each obligation must be specified in detail (eg amounts, timings, description of MVS, materials, services, goods and equipment).]*

### 3 Project Managers

<b>Project Manager (Vaccitech):</b>	[insert]
<b>Project Manager (CanSino):</b>	[insert]

### 4 Personnel

<b>Key Personnel (Vaccitech):</b>	[insert] Key subcontractors: [insert]
<b>Key Personnel (CanSino):</b>	[insert] Key subcontractors: [insert]

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**5 Intellectual Property Rights**

**5.1 Background IPR**

<b>Key Background IPR (Vaccitech):</b>	[insert]
<b>Key Background IPR (CanSino):</b>	[insert]

**5.2 Anticipated New IPR**

<b>Anticipated New IPR:</b>	[insert any additional anticipated key Project results and New IPR]
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**Project Agreement**

Schedule 2 Financial obligations

<b>Upfront payment:</b>	[insert amount] payable Dy CanSino upon execution of this Project Agreement	
<b>Annual payments:</b>	[insert amounts]	
<b>Milestone payments (payable by CanSino to Vaccitech):</b>	<b>Milestone</b>	<b>Payment Amount</b>
	[insert]	[insert]
	[insert]	[insert]
	[insert]	[insert]
<b>Royalties:</b>	Royalty rate payable by Vaccitech:	[insert %]
	Royalty rate payable by CanSino:	[insert %]
<b>Royalties Anti-Stacking Provisions:</b>	[None] / [If a party requires a licence (or freedom to operate (FTO)) from a third party in order for that party (or its sublicensees) to Sell Products in part of that party's Territory, the royalties payable by that party for Sales of those Products in that part of its Territory shall be calculated using the royalty rate set out in this Project Agreement reduced by [insert %].]	
<b>Sublicence and Transaction Income Sharing:</b>	<p>[None] / [If CanSino sublicenses or sells any of its rights under this Project Agreement to a third party (not including CanSino's affiliate companies), CanSino shall pay [insert %] of the total transaction value (including upfront payment and milestone payments, but less any payments of royalties on Net Sales to CanSino) is payable to Vaccitech</p> <p>For the avoidance of doubt:</p> <p>(a) clause 28.6 (Assignment) of the MCA applies to any sale or transfer of rights under this Project Agreement and</p> <p>(b) Net Sales made by any sublicensee of a party are considered to be Net Sales made by that party for the purposes of the payment of royalties under the MCA]</p>	
<b>Acknowledgments:</b>	[None] / [insert]	

**Project Agreement**

Signing page

**DATED:** \_\_\_\_\_

**SIGNED** by \_\_\_\_\_ as authorised representative for  
**VACCITECH LIMITED** in the presence of:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of witness

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of witness (block letters)

\_\_\_\_\_  
By executing this document the signatory warrants that the signatory is  
duly authorised to execute this document on behalf of VACCITECH  
LIMITED

**SIGNED** by \_\_\_\_\_ as authorised representative for **CANSINO**  
**BIOLOGICS INC**, in the presence of:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of witness

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of witness (block letters)

\_\_\_\_\_  
By executing this document the signatory warrants that the signatory is  
duly authorised to execute this document on behalf of CANSINO  
BIOLOGICS INC,

**Master Collaboration Agreement**

Schedule 2 Deed of Covenant

**DEED OF COVENANT**

Oxford University Innovation Limited  
University Offices,  
Wellington Square,  
Oxford OX1 2JD,  
England

Date [insert date]

Dear Sirs,

**Sub-Licence between Vaccitech Limited ("Vaccitech") and [insert details of Sub-Licensee] dated [insert date] (the "Sub-Licence")**

As part consideration for the grant of a sub-licence from Vaccitech to use [insert details of licensed technology] (the "**Licensed Technology**"), the Sub-Licensee hereby covenant to Oxford University Innovation Limited (OUI) and OUI covenant with the Sub-Licensee that:

1. should the head licence between Vaccitech and OUI be terminated for whatever reason, OUI and the Sub-Licensee shall enter into a direct licence containing the same obligations and liabilities as set forth in the Sub-Licence and the Sub-Licensee will pay all due and payable under the Sub-Licence to OUI;
2. should the Sub-Licensee wish to further sub-licence the Licensed Technology where OUI has consented to the Sub-Licence including the right to do so, it shall procure that any sub-sub-licencee enters into a Deed of Covenant with OUI in a form substantially similar to this Deed of Covenant;
3. OUI shall have the right, during the term of the Sub-Licence, through an independent certified accountant appointed by OUI (the "Auditor"), to audit all accounts on at least [\*\*\*] written notice no more than once each calendar year for the purpose of determining the accuracy of the royalty reports and payments The Auditor shall be:
  - a. permitted to enter the principal place of business of the Sub-Licensee upon reasonable notice to inspect such records and accounts.
  - b. entitled to take copies of or extracts from such records and accounts;
  - c. given all other information by the Sub-Licensee as may be necessary or appropriate to enable the amount of royalties payable to be ascertained including the provision of relevant records; and
  - d. shall be allowed access to and permitted to conduct interviews of any sales, engineering or other staff of the Sub-Licensee in order to verify the accuracy of the records and accounts and the accuracy of any royalty statements provided to Vaccitech.

If on any such audit a shortfall in payments of greater than [\*\*\*] is discovered by the Auditor in respect of the audit period, the Sub-Licensee shall pay the audit costs of OUI.

**SIGNED AS A DEED** by  
[Insert details of Sub-Licensee] in the presence of:-

Signature of Witness:

Name of Witness:

Address:

**SIGNED AS A DEED** by  
**OXFORD UNIVERSITY INNOVATION LIMITED** in the presence of-

Signature of Witness:

Name of Witness:

Address:



CERTAIN CONFIDENTIAL PORTIONS OF THIS EXHIBIT HAVE BEEN OMITTED AND REPLACED WITH “[\*\*\*]”. SUCH IDENTIFIED INFORMATION HAS BEEN EXCLUDED FROM THIS EXHIBIT BECAUSE IT IS (I) NOT MATERIAL AND (II) THE REGISTRANT CUSTOMARILY AND ACTUALLY TREATS THAT INFORMATION AS PRIVATE OR CONFIDENTIAL.

## LICENCE AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT is made on 27 September 2018 (“**Effective Date**”)

### BETWEEN

- (1) **VACCITECH LIMITED**, a company registered in England and Wales under number 09973585, the registered office of which is at Magdalen Centre 1 Robert Robinson Avenue, The Oxford Science Park, Oxford, Oxfordshire, OX4 4GA, United Kingdom (“**Vaccitech**”);
- (2) **THE CHANCELLOR, MASTERS AND SCHOLARS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD**, with offices at University of Oxford, University Offices, Wellington Square, Oxford, OX1 2JD (“**Oxford**”); and
- (3) **OXFORD UNIVERSITY INNOVATION LIMITED** (previously known as Isis Innovation Limited), a company registered in England and Wales under number 02199542, the registered office of which is at University Offices, Wellington Square, Oxford, OX1 2JD (“**OUI**”).

Each of Vaccitech, Oxford and OUI is referred to as a “**Party**” and together as the “**Parties**”; save that OUI shall only be a Party to this Agreement for the purposes of clause 3.

### INTRODUCTION

- (A) Vaccitech has a licence under the Licensed Technology pursuant to the Head Licence (both as defined below).
- (B) Pursuant to the Head Licence, Oxford has a licence for Non-Commercial Use (as defined in the Head Licence) under the Licensed Technology (as defined in the Head Licence) and Licensee Improvements (as defined in the Head Licence).
- (C) To the extent such rights are not already retained pursuant to the Head Licence, Oxford wishes to acquire a sub-licence under the Licensed Technology and Vaccitech is willing to grant such rights, all in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement.
- (D) OUI wishes to waive certain provisions of the Head Licence with respect to such sub-licence, in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement.

### AGREED TERMS

#### 1. Definitions and interpretation

1.1 In this Agreement, including the introduction:

- (a) “**Affiliate**” means any corporation or other business entity that directly or indirectly controls or is controlled by or is under common control with the relevant Party. For the purposes of this definition only, “**control**”, or “**controlled**” shall mean: (i) direct or indirect beneficial ownership of fifty percent (50%) or more of the voting interest in an entity; or (ii) possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management or policies of that entity (whether through ownership of securities or other ownership interests, by contract or otherwise);
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- (b) “**CEPI**” means Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations, a not-for-profit international association existing under Norwegian law;
- (c) “**CEPI Agreement**” means the framework agreement between Oxford, CEPI and Janssen Vaccines & Prevention B.V., entered into on or about the same date as the present Agreement;
- (d) “**CEPI Licence**” has the meaning given in Schedule 1 of this Agreement;
- (e) “**Control**” and with correlative meaning, “**Controlled by**” means the possession of the right (directly or indirectly, and by ownership, licence or otherwise) to grant a licence, sub-licence or other right as required in this Agreement, to or under any know how or intellectual property right, without violating the terms of any agreement or other arrangement with any third party;
- (f) “**Field**” means the diagnosis, prevention or treatment of Middle Eastern Respiratory Syndrome (“**MERS**”) in humans;
- (g) “**Head Licence**” means the licence agreement between OUI and Vaccitech dated 4 March 2016 set out, in redacted form, in Schedule 2;
- (h) “**Licensed Product**” means any product, process, service or composition for use in the Field which is entirely or partially produced by means of or with the use of, or within the scope of, the Licensed Technology, or any part of it;
- (i) “**Licensed Technology**” means the Licensed Technology (as defined in in the Head Licence) and all developments and improvements to the Licensed Technology that are Controlled by Vaccitech during the term of the Head Licence;
- (j) “**Public Sector Agency**” means a public government or government department or agency or a recognised not-for-profit organisation or entity, such as registered charities or registered faith-based organisations, including:
  - (A) government or department or agency thereof, including ministries of health;
  - (B) intergovernmental organisations such as the United Nations, its specialised agencies including the World Health Organisation and its programmes or funds such as the United Nations Children’s Fund;
  - (C) not-for-profit organisations or entities organised under the laws of a government or department or agency thereof, such as Medecins Sans Frontieres and faith-based organisations; and
  - (D) not -for-profit organisations or foundations that are funded by governments or other non-profit organisations such as the World Bank, UNITAID or the US Agency for International Development or the GAVI Alliance, but specifically excluding hospitals and clinics who wish to purchase the Licensed Product directly for their own use;

The term “Public Sector Agency” excludes any military organisations except for: (a) any military organisation operating in the area affected or likely to be affected by the Outbreak or Increased Outbreak Preparation Need (each as defined in Schedule 1) at the date the Affected Territory (as defined in Schedule 1) is declared; and (b) any military personnel providing healthcare or healthcare related services to the population affected by or at risk of the Outbreak or Increased Outbreak Preparation Need;

- (k) “**Representatives**” in relation to a Party, means the directors, officers, employees, consultants and advisers of that Party or its Affiliates, and with respect to Oxford means its sub-licensees under a sub-licence granted pursuant to clause 2.2; and

- (l) “**Sell**”, “**Sale**” and or “**Selling**” means sale to Public Sector Agencies on a “cost plus” basis (where “cost plus” means the cost of manufacturing and supply plus a reasonable margin of [\*\*\*] on such cost reflecting the limited volume of manufacture and episodic demand), and for the purposes of this definition, the pre-margin “cost” element shall be determined in accordance with the formula for calculating the production economics cost of goods set by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation but specifically excluding from such formula any funding provided to the manufacturer or supplier by any charitable or other public sources, including CEPI and its own funders.

1.2 In this Agreement:

- (a) the singular includes the plural and vice versa, any gender includes other genders, and a “**person**” includes a natural person, corporate or unincorporated body (whether or not having separate legal personality);
- (b) “**this Agreement**” includes this Agreement as amended or supplemented from time to time;
- (c) the headings to clauses and schedules are to be ignored in construing this Agreement; and
- (d) the schedules form part of this Agreement as if set out in full in this Agreement and a reference to “**this Agreement**” includes a reference to the schedules.

2. **Grant of rights**

2.1 Subject to the provisions of this Agreement, in addition to and to the extent such rights are not already retained under the Licensed Technology pursuant to the Head Licence, Vaccitech hereby grants to Oxford a perpetual, worldwide, fully-paid up non-exclusive licence, under the Licensed Technology in the Field of the same scope as the CEPI Licence, for the sole purpose of:

- (a) enabling Oxford to grant a sublicense to CEPI of the scope of the CEPI Licence, ; and
- (b) enabling Oxford to Develop the Licensed Product (including generation of investigational stockpiles but excluding any commercial use or Sale of the same). This license shall be sublicensable by Oxford solely to Oxford’s collaborators under the CEPI Agreement.

2.2 Notwithstanding clause 2.1, Oxford shall only grant CEPI a sub-licence of the rights granted under clause 2.1(a) if:

- (a) such sub-licence contains legally binding provisions that require that CEPI shall promptly communicate to Oxford in writing: (A) any safety information requested by a regulatory authority in respect of a Licensed Product; and (B) any clinical data relating to a Licensed Product of which it becomes aware and which has a material implication for the safety of the Licensed Product or which may otherwise materially affect the regulatory treatment or pathway of any product candidate utilising the Licensed Technology;
- (b) such sub-licence contains legally binding provisions that (A) require that CEPI and its sublicensees shall only sell the Licensed Product in accordance with the definition of Sell, (B) require CEPI to keep proper records and books of account showing the description and price of Licensed Products supplied or put into use by CEPI, the cost of manufacturing and supply of such Licensed Products and any margin obtained by CEPI on sales of such Licensed Products; and (C) permit Vaccitech by itself or through a third party (provided that such third party has entered into legally binding confidentiality obligations to CEPI), upon reasonable prior written notice to CEPI, during normal business hours and not more than once per calendar year, to audit such records and books of account of CEPI to verify CEPI’s compliance with clause 2.2(b)(A); and

- (c) such sub-licence shall automatically terminate upon termination of this Agreement and, provided that CEPI is not in breach of the terms of its sub-licence, Vaccitech shall, if requested by CEPI, grant CEPI, with effect from the date of termination of this Agreement, a sub-licence under the Licensed Technology in the Field solely of the scope of the CEPI Licence and on materially the same terms (including as to scope of rights under such intellectual property and financial terms) to those contained in such sub-licence, to the extent that Vaccitech is able to grant such a sub-licence.
  - (d) no sub-licence granted pursuant to this clause 2.2 shall relieve Oxford of its obligations to Vaccitech under this Agreement.
- 2.3 Oxford shall remain fully liable to Vaccitech in respect of any acts or omissions of CEPI, that would, if effected by Oxford, constitute a breach of this Agreement.

### **3. Head Licence**

3.1 OUI hereby acknowledges and agrees that, notwithstanding any other provision of the Head Licence:

- (a) clauses 2.3, 2.4, 2.5, 8.2, 9, 11, 12.3 (with respect to the termination of sublicenses), 12.5(a) and 13.3 of the Head Licence shall not apply with respect to the licence granted under clause 2.1 or to any sublicense granted pursuant to clause 2.2; and
- (b) Vaccitech shall be permitted to disclose the Licensed Technology to Oxford, and Oxford shall be permitted to disclose the Licensed Technology to its sub-licensees, subject to the provisions of this Agreement;
- (c) Vaccitech shall not be required to make any payment (whether in royalties, milestone payments or otherwise) to OUI in respect to any amounts received by Vaccitech from Oxford pursuant to this Agreement or in connection with the exercise by Oxford or its sub-licensees of rights granted pursuant to this Agreement; and
- (d) Vaccitech is released from and shall not be required to provide any indemnity to OUI or any other party in relation to the use of the Licensed Technology or the commercialisation of Licensed Products by Oxford or its sub-licensees.

3.2 OUI hereby acknowledges and agrees that Vaccitech has complied with the requirements of clause 2.1.1 (c)(i) of the Head Licence.

3.3 Nothing in this agreement shall affect the intellectual property management provisions as set out in the Head Licence.

3.4 Vaccitech hereby acknowledges and agrees that:

- (a) nothing in this Agreement shall limit the rights retained by OUI in respect of Non-commercial Use under the Head Licence;
- (b) the rights retained by OUI in respect of Non-Commercial Use under the Head License allows Oxford to carry out research activities (including in collaboration with other parties) up to and including the performance of Phase I/II clinical trials and related activities, and the generation of Licensed Product for research use (but excluding any commercial use or Sale of such Licensed Product)

### **4. Adverse event information**

4.1 Oxford shall promptly communicate to Vaccitech in writing: (i) any safety information requested by a regulatory authority in respect of a Licensed Product; and (ii) any clinical data relating to a Licensed Product of which it becomes aware which has a material implication for the safety of the Licensed Technology or which may otherwise materially affect the regulatory treatment or pathway of any product candidate utilising the Licensed Technology.

4.2 Vaccitech's sole right under this Agreement to all information provided to it in accordance with clause 4.1 shall be to utilise such information in its regulatory submissions and correspondence with regulatory authorities.

## 5. Confidentiality

5.1 "Confidential Information" shall mean all information of a confidential or proprietary nature disclosed by a Party or its Representatives to the other Party under or in connection with this Agreement, and any information (whether or not technical) disclosed under or in connection with this Agreement that would be regarded as confidential by a reasonable business person.

5.2 Each Party undertakes that it shall keep the other Party's Confidential Information confidential and shall not:

- (a) use such Confidential Information except for the purpose of exercising or performing its rights and obligations under this Agreement; or
- (b) disclose such Confidential Information in whole or in part to any third party, except as expressly permitted by this clause 5 (or in the case of Vaccitech, as expressly permitted under clause 4.2).

5.3 The provisions of this clause shall not apply to any Confidential Information that:

- (a) is or becomes generally available to the public (other than as a result of its disclosure by the receiving Party or its Representatives in breach of this clause);
- (b) was available to the receiving Party on a non-confidential basis before disclosure by the disclosing Party;
- (c) was, is or becomes available to the receiving Party on a non-confidential basis from a person who, to the receiving Party's knowledge, is not bound by a confidentiality agreement with the disclosing Party or otherwise prohibited from disclosing the information to the receiving Party; or
- (d) the Parties agree in writing is not confidential or may be disclosed.

5.4 A Party may disclose the other Party's Confidential Information:

- (a) to those of its Representatives who need to know such information for the purpose of exercising or performing its rights and obligations under this Agreement provided that it shall ensure that they comply with this clause 5; and
- (b) as may be required by law, a court of competent jurisdiction or any governmental or regulatory authority, provided that, to the extent it is legally permitted to do so, it gives the other Party as much notice of such disclosure as possible.

5.5 The provisions of this clause shall continue to apply after the expiry or earlier termination of this Agreement.

## 6. Warranties and liability

6.1 Each Party acknowledges that, in entering into this Agreement, it does not do so in reliance on any representation, warranty, or other provision except as expressly provided in this Agreement, and any conditions, warranties or other terms implied by statute or common law are excluded from this Agreement to the fullest extent permitted by law.

6.2 Except in relation to any claims, damages and liabilities arising directly from a breach of this Agreement by Vaccitech and/or the fraud, negligence or wilful misconduct of Vaccitech, Oxford agrees to indemnify Vaccitech from and against any and all claims (including claims for negligence) actions, damages and liabilities asserted by any third-party (each such claim a "Third Party Claim"), which arise from: (a) CEPI's or its Affiliates' or sublicensees', use of the Licensed Technology or Licensed Product (including without limitation any investigational stockpile of the Licensed Product); and (b) Oxford or its sublicensees' use of the Licensed Technology or Licensed Product pursuant to the rights granted in 2.1 (b) This indemnity will extend to activities carried out by any third parties on behalf of CEPI or CEPI's Affiliates or sublicensees, or pursuant to any downstream grant of rights or transfer of Licensed Technology or Licensed Product originating from CEPI or its Affiliates or sublicensees.

- 6.3 Vaccitech shall provide prompt written notice to Oxford of the assertion or commencement of any Third Party Claim in respect of which it seeks indemnification pursuant to clause 6.2. Oxford (or its appointee) shall have the right to assume the defence and/or settlement of the same and shall not be liable for any settlement made by Vaccitech without Oxford's consent, provided that Oxford (or its appointee) may not use any defence or agree to any settlement that would materially prejudice Vaccitech. Vaccitech shall:
- (a) notify Oxford as soon as possible after becoming aware of the relevant Third Party Claim (or the likelihood of such a claim arising);
  - (b) promptly provide all assistance and information (including access to documents and personnel) reasonably required by Oxford for the purposes of assessing and handling the Third Party Claim; and
  - (c) not make any admission of liability, conclude any agreement or make any compromise with any person in relation to such Third Party Claim without the prior written consent of Oxford.
- 6.4 Subject to clause 6.5, the liability of either Party for any breach of this Agreement, in negligence or arising in any other way out of the subject-matter of this Agreement, will not extend to incidental, indirect or consequential damages or loss of profits.
- 6.5 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, neither Party's liability under or in connection with this Agreement shall be excluded or reduced to the extent that it arises in respect of the following matters:
- (a) for death or personal injury caused by negligence;
  - (b) for fraud or fraudulent misrepresentation; or
  - (c) any other liability which may not lawfully be excluded or reduced.

## 7. **Term and termination**

- 7.1 This Agreement shall come into force on the Effective Date and, unless terminated earlier in accordance with clause 7.2, shall remain in force until the expiry or termination of the Head Licence.
- 7.2 Vaccitech may terminate this Agreement immediately by giving notice to Oxford if Oxford is in material breach of this Agreement and such breach has not been remedied within a period of [\*\*\*] from the receipt by Oxford of a notice specifying the breach and requiring its remedy.
- 7.3 On expiry or termination of this Agreement for any reason, all rights and licences granted pursuant to this Agreement shall cease.
- 7.4 The termination or expiry of this Agreement shall be without prejudice to any obligations, rights or liabilities of any of the Parties which have accrued before such termination or expiry.

**8. General**

- 8.1 *Amendment.* This Agreement may only be amended in writing signed by duly authorized representatives of Oxford, OUI and Vaccitech.
- 8.2 *Assignment.* Vaccitech shall not assign, transfer, novate, encumber or otherwise deal with the Licensed Technology if such assignment, transfer, novation, encumbrance or dealing would conflict with the rights granted to Oxford under this Agreement, save with Oxford's prior written consent.
- 8.3 *Waiver.* No failure or delay on the part of a Party to exercise any right or remedy under this Agreement shall be construed or operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right or remedy preclude the further exercise of such right or remedy.
- 8.4 *Invalid clauses.* If any provision or part of this Agreement is held to be invalid, amendments to this Agreement may be made by the addition or deletion of wording as appropriate to remove the invalid part or provision but otherwise retain the provision and the other provisions of this Agreement to the maximum extent permissible under applicable law.
- 8.5 *No agency.* Neither Party shall act or describe itself as the agent of the other, nor shall it make or represent that it has authority to make any commitments on the other's behalf.
- 8.6 *Notices.* Any notice to be given under this Agreement must be in writing, and be delivered to the other Party by hand or courier. Any notice shall be deemed to have been received on the day of delivery. Until changed by notice given in accordance with this clause, all notices should be addressed as follows:

**For Vaccitech:**

Name: Dr Thomas Evans  
Address:  
Vaccitech Limited, The Schrodinger  
Building, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Science Park,  
Heatley Road, Oxford OX4 4GE

**For Oxford:**

Name: The Director, Research Services  
Address:  
University Offices, Wellington Square, Oxford OX1 2JD

- 8.7 *Further action.* Each Party agrees to execute, acknowledge and deliver such further instruments, and do all reasonable further similar acts, as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the purposes and intent of this Agreement
- 8.8 *Entire Agreement.* This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties about the subject matter of this Agreement and (in relation to such subject matter) supersedes and extinguishes all earlier understandings and agreements between any of the parties and all earlier representations by any Party.
- 8.9 *Third parties.* A person who is not a Party has no right to enforce any term of this Agreement.
- 8.10 *Counterparts.* This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which is an original but all of which together will constitute one document. The Parties may execute this Agreement and any amendment thereto by exchanging signed electronic copies thereof (PDF) and the Parties agree that for the purposes of executing this Agreement copies of signatures will constitute valid signatures,
- 8.11 *Law and jurisdiction.* This Agreement (and any claim relating to it, its subject matter, its enforceability or its termination, including non-contractual claims) is governed by and construed in accordance with English law and the courts of England and Wales shall have non-exclusive jurisdiction to resolve any such claim.

This Agreement has been entered into on the Effective Date.

SIGNED by  
for and on behalf of **VACCITECH LIMITED**

) /s/ Tom Evans  
\_\_\_\_\_  
) Tom Evans  
Director

SIGNED by  
for and on behalf of **THE CHANCELLOR, MASTERS AND  
SCHOLARS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD**

)  
)  
) /s/ Dennis Murphy  
\_\_\_\_\_  
) 27 September 2018  
Authorised signatory

SIGNED by  
for and on behalf of **OXFORD UNIVERSITY INNOVATION  
LIMITED**

)  
) /s/ Matthew Perkins  
\_\_\_\_\_  
) Matthew Perkins  
Director

## SCHEDULE 1 - CEPI LICENCE

“**CEPI Licence**” means:

- (i) A non-exclusive, irrevocable (other than as set out in clause 2.2(c) of this Agreement), perpetual, worldwide, fully paid-up licence for the purpose of addressing Increased Outbreak Preparation Needs and/or Outbreaks under the Licensed Technology with the right to grant sub-licences to Develop, Manufacture and Market (where selling and commercial exploitation are limited to Selling) the Licensed Product in the Field for use in the Affected Territory or to treat Healthcare Workers.

For clarity, such license:

- a. shall include the right to Develop, Manufacture and Sell the Licensed Product in the Field anywhere in the world, provided that all end users of any Licensed Products are in the Affected Territory or are Healthcare Workers.
- b. shall exclude the right to sell or otherwise commercially exploit the Licensed Product other than in accordance with the definition for Sell; and
- c. shall exclude the right to apply for or obtain any Marketing Approval or any post marketing activities.

The licence shall only be sub-licensable to CEPI's Affiliates and/or to Public Sector Agencies and their appointees and designees for the purpose of accelerating epidemic preparedness for public health applications and for no other purpose.

- (ii) The right to Sell, replenish, export or import the investigational stockpile of the Licensed Product, or have any of the foregoing done for it, provided such use is for the purpose of addressing Increased Outbreak Preparation needs and/or Outbreaks and in strict accordance with CEPI's Mission.

In the interpretation of the “CEPI Licence” (and this Agreement) the following additional definitions apply:

“**Affected Territory**” means a geographic area: (i) where there is an Outbreak; (ii) for which there is an Increased Outbreak Preparation Need; or (iii) any other area CEPI and the parties to the CEPI Agreement agree in writing will be treated as an Affected Territory;

“**Approved Regulatory Authority**” means the EU European Medicines Agency, the US Food and Drug Administration, SwissMedic, Japanese PMDA, Australian Therapeutic Goods Agency, South Korean Ministry of Drug Safety, Health Canada or Singapore Health Sciences Authority and in each case any successor authority, including, if applicable, the UK Medicines & Healthcare products Regulatory Agency;

“**CEPI's Mission**” is defined with reference to the following activities:

- (i) fund, co-fund, co-ordinate and support the development of new vaccines with chosen partners to prevent and contain infectious disease epidemics;
- (ii) work with its partners and relevant agencies to ensure the vaccines developed are provided to all populations who need them on an equitable basis; and
- (iii) work with its partners and relevant agencies to ensure adequate stockpiles and manufacturing capacity of vaccines developed for epidemic situations;

“**Develop**” or “**Development**” means, with respect to the Licensed Product, those pre-clinical and clinical vaccine development activities that are necessary or useful to obtain Marketing Approval from at least one Approved Regulatory Authority and in applicable regulatory jurisdictions including stability testing, toxicology, formulation and process development, Manufacturing activities, statistical analysis, pre-clinical and clinical studies, regulatory filing submissions and approval, pharmacovigilance and post-marketing activities, but in all cases excluding the actual application for or obtaining of any Marketing Approval;



“**Healthcare Workers**” means any healthcare worker going to an Affected Territory under the direction of one or more Public Sector Agencies in order to help address a public healthcare issue regardless of the fact that they may, from time to time, be located outside of the geographic area of the Affected Territory or may not yet have arrived in the Affected Territory;

“**Increased Outbreak Preparation Need**” means, when having considered all reasonably accessible and relevant information including epidemiological data, travel and migration patterns and the likely availability of other products or product candidates in the Field and following consultation with the CEPI scientific advisory board and/or CEPI’s Board of Directors, CEPI determines that there is a heightened need for the Licensed Product, and that steps should be taken to prepare for such need;

“**Manufacturing**” or “**Manufacture**” means the production, subject to GMP, of Licensed Product or constituents thereof, including active ingredients, excipients, adjuvants, preservatives or other additives, for use in clinical trials or finished dosage form of the Licensed Product as well as the fill and finish or packaging;

“**Marketing Approval**” means a marketing authorisation granted by the European Commission in accordance with the procedure for the authorisation and supervision of medicinal products for human use set forth in Regulation (EC) No. 726/2004, or any Approved Regulatory Authority and any corresponding regulatory approval necessary to manufacture, use, sell or store a Licensed Product in any other country or jurisdiction, but not including pricing and reimbursement approvals;

“**Marketing**” or “**Market**” means, in relation to the Licensed Product, importing, exporting, marketing, selling, promoting, distributing or otherwise utilising or commercially exploiting the Licensed Product, but in all cases excluding applying for or obtaining any Marketing Approval.

“**Outbreak**” means where there has been a material increase in the number of cases of people infected in the Field in a particular locality, region or territory that has: (i) been declared a Public Health Emergency of International Concern by WHO; (ii) been declared a public health emergency on a national or regional scale by one or more national governments; or (iii) been declared a public health emergency by CEPI following consultation with the CEPI scientific advisory board and/or CEPI’s Board of Directors;

“**Public Sector Agency**” means a public government or a government department or agency or a recognised not-for-profit organisation or entity, such as registered charities or registered faith-based organisations, including:

- (a) government or department or agency thereof, including ministries of health;
- (b) intergovernmental organisations such as the United Nations, its specialised agencies including the World Health Organisation and its programmes or funds such as the United Nations Children’s Fund;
- (c) not-for-profit organisations or entities organised under the laws of a government or department or agency thereof, such as Medecins Sans Frontieres and faith-based organisations; and
- (d) not-for-profit organisations or foundations that are funded by governments or other not-for-profit organisations such as the World Bank, UNITAID or the US Agency for International Development or the GAVI Alliance, but specifically excluding hospitals and clinics who wish to purchase the Product directly for their own use.

The term “Public Sector Agency” excludes any military organisations except for: (a) any military organisation operating in the area affected or likely to be affected by the Outbreak or Increased Outbreak Preparation Need at the date the Affected Territory is declared; and (b) any military personnel providing healthcare or healthcare related services to the population affected by or at risk of the Outbreak or Increased Outbreak Preparation Need;

“**Sell**”, “**Sale**” and or “**Selling**” means sale to Public Sector Agencies on a “cost plus” basis (where “cost plus” means the cost of manufacturing and supply plus a reasonable margin of [\*\*\*] on such cost reflecting the limited volume of manufacture and episodic demand), and for the purposes of this definition, the pre-margin “cost” element shall be determined in accordance with the formula for calculating the production economics cost of goods set by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation but specifically excluding from such formula any funding provided to the manufacturer or supplier by any charitable or other public sources, including CEPI and its own funders.

**SCHEDULE 2 - THE HEAD LICENCE**

[Redacted copy of the Head Licence to be attached]

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**VACCITECH LIMITED**

and

**VACCITECH ONCOLOGY LIMITED**

**14 November 2018**

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**LICENCE AGREEMENT**

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Clause No. Page No.

THIS LICENCE AGREEMENT (the “**Agreement**”) is made on 14 November 2018 (the “**Effective Date**”)

### BETWEEN:

- (1) **VACCITECH LIMITED** incorporated and registered in England with company number 9973585 whose registered office is at The Schrodinger Building 2nd Floor, Heatley Road, Oxford Science Park, Oxford, Oxfordshire, England, OX4 4GE (the “**Licensor**”); and
- (2) **VACCITECH ONCOLOGY LIMITED** incorporated and registered in England with company number **11655405** whose registered office is at The Schrodinger Building 2nd Floor, Heatley Road, Oxford Science Park, Oxford, Oxfordshire, England, OX4 4GE (the “**Licensee**”).

### BACKGROUND

- (A) The Licensor has agreed to grant, and the Licensee has agreed to take, a licence of certain patent rights and know-how on the terms set out in this agreement.

### AGREED TERMS

#### 1. Definitions and Interpretation

1.1 In this agreement, the following words and expressions have the following meanings:

- (a) “**Business Day**” means a day other than a Saturday, Sunday or public holiday in England;
  - (b) “**Confidential Information**” means all information in whatever form (including in written, oral, visual or electronic form or on any magnetic or optical disk or memory and wherever located) relating to the research, development, data and/or results, pharmaceutical or biologic candidates and product information, inventions, works of authorship, processes, methodologies, the business, sales targets, sales statistics, market share statistics, prices, market research reports and surveys, and advertising and other promotional materials, future projects, business development or planning, commercial relationships and negotiations, customers, products, affairs and finances and employees of a Party or its Affiliates for the time being confidential to such Party and/or its Affiliates and trade secrets including, technology, technical data and Know-How relating to the business of such Party or its Affiliates or any of their suppliers, customers, agents, distributors, shareholders, management or business contacts, whether or not such information is marked or identified as confidential, including information relating to the terms of this agreement;
  - (c) “**Improvement**” means any improvement, enhancement or modification to the Licensed Technology;
  - (d) “**Intellectual Property Rights**” means patents (including rights of priority), copyright and related rights, trademarks, trade names and rights in domain names, rights in get-up, rights in goodwill or to sue for passing off, unfair competition rights, rights in designs, rights in computer software, database rights, topography rights, rights in confidential information, rights in Know-How and any other intellectual property rights, in each case whether registered or unregistered and including all applications (or rights to apply) for the same;
  - (e) “**OUI**” means Oxford University Innovation Limited;
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- (f) **“Know-How”** means any information or material, whether proprietary or not and whether patentable or not, which is not in the public domain including inventions, discoveries, data, formulae, processes, cell-lines and other biological materials, methodology, specifications, procedures for experiments and tests, procedures for manufacturing, results of experiments, research and development, laboratory records, clinical trial data, case reports, data analysis and summaries;
- (g) **“Licensed Know-How”** means the Know-How identified at schedule 2, and all other Know-How provided by the Licensor to the Licensee from time-to-time.
- (h) **“Licensed Materials”** means the Original Materials and any and all materials that Licensor provides to Licensee under or in connection with this agreement, and
- (i) all constructs, strains, portions, progeny or unmodified derivatives directly or indirectly obtained from or as a result of the use of the Original Materials;
  - (i) all improvements and modifications to any of the foregoing; and
  - (ii) all materials containing or incorporating any of the foregoing;
- (j) **“Licensed Patents”** means the patents and patent applications, short particulars of which are set out in schedule 1, and all:
  - (i) divisionals, continuations, and continuations-in-part that claim priority to any of the foregoing;
  - (ii) reissues, renewals, extensions, or additions to any of the foregoing; and
  - (iii) granted patents issuing from any of the foregoing;
- (k) **“Licensed Products”** means any product which:
  - (i) falls within the scope of any of the claims of any of the Licensed Patents; or
  - (ii) is made, developed or used in accordance with, embodies, incorporates or utilises, any of the Licensed Technology;
- (l) **“Licensed Technology”** means the technology embodied in the Licensed Patents, the Licensed Know-How and/or the Licensed Materials;
- (m) **“Original Materials”** means the materials described in schedule 3;
- (n) **“Representatives”** means, in relation to a party, its employees, officers, representatives and advisers; and
- (o) **“Territory”** means worldwide.

1.2 In this agreement:

- (a) references to parties and clauses are to the parties and clauses of this agreement;
- (b) references to persons include all forms of legal entity including an individual, company, body corporate, unincorporated association and partnership and any reference to any party who is an individual is also deemed to include their respective legal personal representative(s);
- (c) the words “include”, “including” and “in particular” are to be construed as being by way of illustration or emphasis only and are not to be construed so as to limit the generality of any words preceding them;

- (d) the words “other” and “otherwise” are not to be construed as being limited by any words preceding them;
- (e) headings are used for convenience only and do not affect its interpretation; and
- (f) a reference to the singular includes a reference to the plural and vice versa and a reference to any gender includes a reference to all other genders.

## 2. **Grant of Licence**

2.1 In consideration of the sum of £1 (receipt of which the Licensor expressly acknowledges) and the execution by the Licensee of the deed of covenant with OUI as provided in schedule 4, the Licensor hereby grants to the Licensee a non-exclusive licence (together with the right to grant sub-licences through multiple tiers of sub-licensees, except that Licensee shall not have the right to grant any sub-licences in respect of any of the Licensed Technology that is licensed to the Licensor by OUI without OUI’s prior written consent, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed) to use the Licensed Technology (and all Intellectual Property Rights therein) solely to the extent necessary or useful for the manufacture, use, sale or other commercialisation of Licensed Products in the Territory.

## 3. **Provision of further Know-How**

3.1 The Licensor shall make available to the Licensee such further Know-How relating to the manufacture of the Licensed Products as the Licensor is at liberty to disclose and, in the opinion of the Licensor, is reasonably necessary or useful for such manufacture.

3.2 The Know-How supplied by the Licensor pursuant to clause 3.1 shall be used by the Licensee only for the purpose of the manufacture of Licensed Products in the Territory and shall be subject to the provisions of clause 5 (Confidentiality).

3.3 The Know-How supplied by the Licensor under clause 3.1 shall, where it has been identified by describing and recording it when provided to the Licensee, be deemed to be part of the Licensed Technology.

3.4 Nothing in this agreement shall constitute any representation or warranty that any Know- How supplied to the Licensee pursuant to clause 3.1 is accurate, up to date, complete, or relevant to the manufacture of the Licensed Products.

## 4. **Improvements**

4.1 If the Licensor makes, devises, discovers, or otherwise acquires rights in, any Improvement, the Licensor shall, to the extent that it is not prohibited by law or by any obligation to any other person, promptly notify the Licensee in writing giving details of the Improvement, and shall, if the Licensee so requests, provide such further information as is reasonably required to be able to evaluate the Improvement effectively.

4.2 Information provided by the Licensor to the Licensee under clause 4.1 shall be subject to the provisions of clause 5 (Confidentiality) and all such Improvements shall be deemed to be part of the Licensed Technology.

## 5. **Confidentiality**

5.1 The provisions of this clause shall not apply to any Confidential Information that:

- (a) is or becomes generally available to the public (other than as a result of its disclosure by the Licensee or its Representatives in breach of this clause);

- (b) becomes available to the Licensee on a non-confidential basis from a person who, to the Licensee's knowledge, is not bound by a confidentiality agreement with the Licensor or otherwise prohibited from disclosing the information to the Licensee;
- (c) the parties agree in writing is not confidential or may be disclosed;
- (d) is developed by or for the Licensee independently of the Licensor's Confidential Information.

5.2 The Licensee shall keep the Licensor's Confidential Information confidential and shall not:

- (a) use such Confidential Information except for the purpose of exercising or performing its rights and obligations under or in connection with this agreement (**Permitted Purpose**); or
- (b) disclose such Confidential Information in whole or in part to any third party, except as expressly permitted by clause 5 (Confidentiality).

5.3 The Licensee may disclose the Licensor's Confidential Information to those of its Representatives who need to know such Confidential Information for the Permitted Purpose, provided that:

- (a) it informs such Representatives of the confidential nature of the Confidential Information before disclosure; and
- (b) it procures that its Representatives shall, in relation to any Confidential Information disclosed to them, comply with the obligations set out in this clause as if they were a party to this agreement, and at all times, it is liable for the failure of any Representatives to comply with the obligations set out in this clause.

5.4 The Licensee may disclose the Licensor's Confidential Information to the extent such Confidential Information is required to be disclosed by law, by any governmental or other regulatory authority or by a court or other authority of competent jurisdiction provided that, to the extent it is legally permitted to do so, it gives the Licensor as much notice of such disclosure as possible and, where notice of disclosure is not prohibited and is given in accordance with this clause 5.4, it takes into account the reasonable requests of the Licensor in relation to the content of such disclosure.

5.5 The Licensor reserves all rights in its Confidential Information. No rights or obligations in respect of such Confidential Information other than those expressly stated in this agreement are granted to the Licensee, or to be implied from this agreement.

5.6 On termination of this agreement, the Licensee shall:

- (a) destroy or return to the Licensor all documents and materials (including the Licensed Materials and any copies) containing, reflecting, incorporating or based on the Licensor's Confidential Information and/or Licensed Materials and make no further use of any such information or materials;
- (b) erase all the Licensor's Confidential Information from its computer and communications systems and devices used by it, including such systems and data storage services provided by third parties (to the extent technically and legally practicable); and
- (c) certify in writing to the Licensor that it has complied with the requirements of this clause, provided that it may retain documents and materials containing, reflecting, incorporating or based on the Licensor's Confidential Information to the extent required by law or any applicable governmental or regulatory authority.

5.7 The Licensee acknowledges that the Licensor must provide a copy of this Agreement to OUI and consents to such disclosure.

5.8 The provisions of this clause 5 (Confidentiality) shall continue to apply after the expiry or earlier termination of this agreement.

## 6. **Duration and termination**

6.1 This agreement shall commence on the Effective Date and, unless terminated earlier in accordance with clause 6.2, shall remain in force until the later of: a) expiry of all the Licensed Patents; and b) the Licensed Know-How ceasing to be secret and substantial.

6.2 Either Party may terminate this agreement at any time by written notice to the other Party ("**Other Party**"), such notice to take effect as specified in the notice:

- (a) if the Other Party is in material breach of a material provision of this agreement and, in the case of a breach capable of remedy within [\*\*\*], the breach is not remedied within [\*\*\*] of the Other Party receiving notice specifying the breach and requiring its remedy; or
- (b) if: (A) the Other Party becomes insolvent or unable to pay its debts as and when they become due; or (B) an order is made or a resolution is passed for the winding up of the Other Party (other than voluntarily for the purpose of solvent amalgamation or reconstruction); or (C) a liquidator, administrator, administrative receiver, receiver, or trustee is appointed in respect of the whole or any part of the Other Party's assets or business; or (D) the Other Party makes any composition with its creditors; or (E) the Other Party ceases to continue its business; or (F) as a result of debt and/or maladministration the Other Party takes or suffers any similar or analogous action in any jurisdiction.

6.3 The Licensee acknowledges that certain of the Licensed Technology is licensed to the Licensor by OUI and further acknowledges and agrees in the event that the Licensor's licence from OUI is terminated that the Licensor shall terminate this agreement in respect of any of the Licensed Technology that is licensed to the Licensor by OUI.

6.4 On termination of this agreement for any reason and subject to any express provisions set out elsewhere in this agreement:

- (a) all rights and licences granted pursuant to this agreement shall cease;
- (b) the Licensee shall cease all exploitation of the Licensed Technology, except insofar as any of the Licensed Know-How has become publicly available, unless this is or was as a consequence of the default of the Licensee;

6.5 Any provision of this agreement that expressly or by implication is intended to come into or continue in force on or after termination or expiry of this agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

6.6 Termination or expiry of this agreement shall not affect any rights, remedies, obligations or liabilities of the parties that have accrued up to the date of termination or expiry, including the right to claim damages in respect of any breach of the agreement which existed at or before the date of termination or expiry.

## 7. **Notices**

7.1 Any notice or written communication given under or in relation to this agreement shall be given in writing in English and shall be delivered by hand or sent by special delivery post in permanent form to the other Party at its address set out above or to such other address as it has previously notified to the sending Party in writing. Any such notice or written communication shall be deemed to have been served when actually received except that if that time is after 5.30 p.m. on a Business Day and before 9.00 a.m. on the next Business Day it shall be deemed to have been served at 9.00 a.m. on the second of such Business Days.



8. **Miscellaneous**

- 8.1 *Amendment.* This agreement may only be amended in writing signed by duly authorized representatives of the Licensee and the Licensor.
- 8.2 *Assignment.*
- (a) Subject to clause 8.2(b), neither party may assign, mortgage, charge, or otherwise transfer any rights or obligations under this agreement without the prior written consent of the other party.
  - (b) With written notice to the other party, either party may without consent assign and transfer all its rights and obligations under this agreement to any person to whom it transfers all or substantially all of its assets or business to which this agreement relates, provided that the assignee undertakes to the other party to be bound by and perform the obligations of the assigning party under this agreement.
- 8.3 *Waiver.* No failure or delay on the part of either party to exercise any right or remedy under this agreement shall be construed or operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right or remedy preclude the further exercise of such right or remedy.
- 8.4 *Invalid clauses.* If any provision or part of this agreement is held to be invalid, amendments to this agreement may be made by the addition or deletion of wording as appropriate to remove the invalid part or provision but otherwise retain the provision and the other provisions of this agreement to the maximum extent permissible under applicable law.
- 8.5 *No agency.* Neither party shall act or describe itself as the agent of the other, nor shall it make or represent that it has authority to make any commitments on the other's behalf.
- 8.6 *Further assurance.* Each party agrees to execute, acknowledge and deliver such further instruments, and do all reasonable further similar acts, as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the purposes and intent of this agreement.
- 8.7 *Entire agreement.* This agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties and supersedes and extinguishes all previous agreements, promises, assurances, warranties, representations and understandings between them, whether written or oral, relating to its subject matter. Each party agrees that it shall have no remedies in respect of any statement, representation, assurance or warranty (whether made innocently or negligently) that is not set out in this agreement. Each party agrees that it shall have no claim for innocent or negligent misrepresentation based on any statement in this agreement.
- 8.8 *Third parties.* No one other than a party to this agreement, their successors and permitted assignees, shall have any right to enforce any of its terms. Notwithstanding the foregoing, OUI may enforce the provisions of clause 2.1 of this Agreement as a third party beneficiary.
- 8.9 *Counterparts.* This agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which is an original but all of which together will constitute one document.

9. **Governing law and jurisdiction**

- 9.1 This agreement (and any dispute, claim or issue arising out of or in connection with it, its subject matter, its enforceability or its termination (including non-contractual claims)) is to be governed by and construed in accordance with English law.
- 9.2 Each of the parties hereby submits to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of the English Courts.

This agreement has been entered into on the date stated at the beginning of it.

**Signed by**  
for and on behalf of  
**VACCITECH LIMITED**

) Tom Evans  
) /s/ Tom Evans  
) \_\_\_\_\_

**Signed by**  
for and on behalf of  
**VACCITECH ONCOLOGY LIMITED**

)  
) Andrew McLean  
) /s/ Andrew McLean  
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SCHEDULE 1

Licensed Patents

**Application 1 - [\*\*\*] (ChAdOx1)**

<b>Application serial No.</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Patent/Publication No.</b>
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**Application 2 - [\*\*\*] (ChAdOx2)**

<b>Application serial No.</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Patent/Publication No.</b>
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**Application 3 - [\*\*\*] (Long promoter)**

<b>Application serial No.</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Patent/Publication No.</b>
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**Application 4 - [\*\*\*] (MVA expression system)**

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**SCHEDULE 2**

**Licensed Know-how**

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**SCHEDULE 3**

**Original Materials**

**SCHEDULE 4**

**DEED OF COVENANT**

Oxford University Innovation Limited  
University Offices,  
Wellington Square,  
Oxford OX1 2JD,  
England

Date: 6 December 2018

Dear Sirs,

**Sub-Licence between Vaccitech Limited (“Vaccitech”) and Vaccitech Oncology Limited dated 14 November 2018 (the “Sub-Licence”)**

As part consideration for the grant of a sub-licence from Vaccitech to use the Licensed Patents provided in Appendix 1, the Sub-Licensee hereby covenants to Oxford University Innovation Limited (OUI) and OUI covenants with the Sub-Licensee that:

1. should the head licence between Vaccitech and OUI be terminated for whatever reason, OUI and the Sub-Licensee shall enter into a direct licence containing the same obligations and liabilities as set forth in the Sub-Licence and the Sub-Licensee will pay all amounts due and payable under the Sub-Licence to OUI;
2. should the Sub-Licensee wish to further sub-licence the Licensed Technology where OUI has consented to the Sub-Licence including the right to do so, it shall procure that any sub-sub-licencee enters into a Deed of Covenant with OUI in a form substantially similar to this Deed of Covenant;
3. OUI shall have the right, during the term of the Sub-Licence, through an independent certified accountant appointed by OUI (the “**Auditor**”), to audit all accounts on at least [\*\*\*] written notice no more than once each calendar year for the purpose of determining the accuracy of the royalty reports and payments. The Auditor shall be:
  - a. permitted to enter the principal place of business of the Sub-Licensee upon reasonable notice to inspect such records and accounts;
  - b. entitled to take copies of or extracts from such records and accounts;
  - c. given all other information by the Sub-Licensee as may be necessary or appropriate to enable the amount of royalties payable to be ascertained including the provision of relevant records; and
  - d. shall be allowed access to and permitted to conduct interviews of any sales, engineering or other staff of the Sub-Licensee in order to verify the accuracy of the records and accounts and the accuracy of any royalty statements provided to Vaccitech.

If on any such audit a shortfall in payments of greater than [\*\*\*] is discovered by the Auditor in respect of the audit period, the Sub-Licensee shall pay the audit costs of OUI.

**SIGNED AS A DEED by** Andrew McLean /s/ Andrew McLean

**Vaccitech Oncology Limited in the presence of:-**

Signature of Witness: /s/ Graham Griffiths

Name of Witness: Graham Griffiths

Address:

**SIGNED AS A DEED by** /s/ Matthew Perkins

**OXFORD UNIVERSITY INNOVATION LIMITED in the presence of:-**

Signature of Witness: /s/ Steven Bayliss

Name of Witness: Steven Bayliss

Address:

Appendix 1

Licensed Patents

**Application 1 - [\*\*\*] (ChAdOx1)**

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**Application 2 - [\*\*\*] (ChAdOx2)**

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**Application 3 - [\*\*\*] (Long promoter)**

<b>Application serial No.</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Patent/Publication No.</b>
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**Application 4 - [\*\*\*] (MVA expression system)**

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**Cancer Research UK  
Clinical Development Partnerships**

**Clinical Trial and Option Agreement**

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**Vaccitech Oncology Limited  
and  
Cancer Research Technology Limited  
and  
Cancer Research UK**

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## Cover Sheet

## The Company, the Agent and the Clinical Trial

<b>Start Date</b>	16 December 2019	
<b>Company</b>	VACCITECH ONCOLOGY LIMITED (“VOLT”), a company registered in England and Wales under number <b>11655405</b> with registered office at The Schrodinger Building 2nd Floor, Heatley Road, Oxford Science Park, Oxford, Oxfordshire, England, OX4 4GE	
<b>Agent</b>	ChAdOx-MVA cancer vaccine to induce CD8+ T cells against MAGE-type antigens known as VTP-600 and comprising: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Chimpanzee Adenovirus Oxford 1 (ChAdOx1) encoding full length MAGE-A3 and NY-ESO-1 antigens as a fusion protein,</li> <li>· Modified Vaccinia Ankara (MVA) encoding full length MAGE-A3, and</li> <li>· MVA encoding full length NY-ESO-1.</li> </ul>	
<b>Summary of Proposed Protocol</b>	A first in human phase I/IIa trial to investigate the therapeutic effect of ChAdOxI and MVA vaccines against MAGE-A3 and NY-ESO-1 in combination with standard of care chemotherapy and anti-PD1 checkpoint inhibitor in stage 3 and 4 non-small cell lung carcinoma (NSCLC) patients. Patients with advanced NSCLC naïve to anti-PD1 therapy will be recruited to receive standard of care (SoC) therapy, consisting of a PD1 inhibitor and chemotherapy. After 2 cycles of SoC, patients will be randomised (non-blinded) with 40 to receive the prime/boost vaccine regimen and 40 to receive no vaccine. Patients in the vaccine arm who are still receiving SoC therapy may receive a second prime/boost.  Also, please see Schedule 4	
<b>Project Leaders</b>	Company Project Leader	[***]
	Charity Project Leader	[***]

## Know how, materials and other intellectual property

<b>Agent Know How</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· [***]</li> <li>· [***]</li> <li>· [***]</li> <li>· [***]</li> <li>· [***]</li> <li>· [***]</li> <li>· [***]</li> </ul>
<b>Agent Materials</b>	<p><b>GMP Agent Materials</b></p> <p>ChAdOxI :MAGE-A3-NY-ESO-1 fusion protein</p> <p>MVA:MAGE-A3</p> <p>MVA:NY-ESO-1</p>

<b>Agent Patents</b>	[***]			
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<b>Back-Ups</b>	There are no other agents in development by the Company directed to the same target molecule as the Agent at the Start Date			

Third Party IP	Description of IP licensed to Company related to the Agent	Details of Third Party Agreement title; parties; date of agreement
	[***]	Licence Agreements: 1. Head licence from [***] to Vaccitech Limited (“ <b>Vaccitech</b> ”) dated and effective [***]; and 2. Sub-licence from Vaccitech to [***] dated [***] and effective [***].
	[***]	Licence Agreement: 1. Licence from [***] dated and effective [***].
	HEK293 TetR Cell Line	1. Head licence from [***] to Vaccitech Limited dated [***] and effective [***], as amended and restated on [***]; and 2. Sub-licence from Vaccitech to [***] dated [***] and effective [***].

## Payments

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1	Licence Fee	[***]
2	Milestone Event	Milestone Payment
	<u>Clinical Milestone Events</u> [***]	[***]
	<u>Regulatory Milestone Events</u> [***]	[***]
	<u>Commercial Milestone Events</u> [***]	[***]
3	Pre Ph II Sub-Licence Revenue Share*	twenty percent (20%)
4	Post Ph II Sub-Licence Revenue Share *	[***]
5	Post Ph III Sub-Licence Revenue Share *	five percent (5%)
6	Royalty ** (on Net Sales of Licensed Products)	[***]

\* in the case VOLT is still a single-asset company at the time of a sale or merger, the Sub-Licence Revenue Share also applies to the revenue of a sale or merger. If VOLT at the time of the sale has more than one project, which is unrelated to the Agent and the Clinical Trial data, the share to CRT will be reduced by a reasonable amount, taking into account the number of other assets and their stage of development.

\*\* [\*\*\*].

Signature Page

Upon signature of this Cover Sheet by all Parties, an agreement will be formed with effect from the Start Date on the terms and conditions of this Cover Sheet and Cancer Research UK's Clinical Trial and Option Agreement Terms and Conditions (including Schedules 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 of those terms and conditions) (this "**Agreement**").

This Cover Sheet is signed below by a representative of each Party authorised to enter into this Agreement:

**SIGNED** and validly executed on behalf of

**Vaccitech Oncology Limited**

/s/ William Enright

Signature

William Enright

Name

CEO, Director

Position (authorised signatory)

**Cancer Research UK**

/s/ Nigel Blackburn

Signature

Nigel Blackburn

Name

Director

Position (authorised signatory)

**Cancer Research Technology Limited**

/s/ Tony Hickson

Signature

Tony Hickson

Name

Chief Business Officer

Position (authorised signatory)

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**Cancer Research UK  
Clinical Trial and Option Agreement  
Terms and Conditions**

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**Cancer Research UK  
Clinical Trial and Option Agreement  
Terms and Conditions**

**Between**

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- (1) **Vaccitech Oncology Limited**, a company registered in England and Wales under number 11655405 with registered office at The Schrodinger Building 2nd Floor, Heatley Road, Oxford Science Park, Oxford, Oxfordshire, England, OX4 4GE (the “**Company**”);
- (2) **Cancer Research UK**, a company registered under number 4325234, and charity registered under number 1089464, in England and Wales with registered office at 2 Redman Place, London, E20 1JQ, England (the “**Charity**”); and
- (3) **Cancer Research Technology Limited**, a company incorporated in England with number 1626049 with registered office at 2 Redman Place, London, E20 1JQ, England (“**CRT**”)

each a “**Party**” and, together, the “**Parties**”.

**Background**

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- (A) The Company is a biopharmaceutical development company. It has been licensed exclusively and non- exclusively and acquired certain materials and know how, and controls certain intellectual property rights, relating to the Agent.
- (B) The Charity’s charitable objects are to protect and promote the health of the public in particular by research into the nature, causes, diagnosis, prevention, treatment and cure of cancer. CRT is an oncology focused research and development company that is wholly-owned by the Charity.
- (C) The Charity runs a ‘Clinical Development Partnership’ (CDP) scheme under which companies may apply to have the Charity fund and sponsor a clinical trial to investigate the use of an agent as an oncology therapeutic.
- (D) The Parties believe the Agent may be useful in the treatment of cancer. The Company has successfully applied under the CDP scheme to have the Charity fund and sponsor a clinical trial of the Agent.
- (E) To support the Company’s efforts to develop and commercialise the Agent, the Company will have an option to take a licence to the results of the Charity’s clinical trial. If the Company does not exercise that option, the Company will, as applicable, assign or license to CRT its rights in and to the Agent and grant to CRT an exclusive and a non-exclusive licence under certain other related rights of the Company, so that CRT may develop and commercialise the Agent further, on a revenue sharing basis, for the benefit of cancer patients.
- (F) The Parties wish to collaborate with one another on the terms and conditions set out in this Agreement to enable those research, development and commercialisation activities to take place.

Note: Capitalised terms used in this Agreement have the meaning given to them in the Glossary, and the interpretation provisions in the Glossary apply, unless the context requires otherwise.

Agreed Terms

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## Part A: Performance of the Clinical Trial

### 1 Clinical Trial

- 1.1 The Charity will use reasonable endeavours to design, prepare, carry out and sponsor a clinical trial to investigate the clinical effect of the Agent (the “**Clinical Trial**”), and to do so in accordance with any applicable Clinical Trial Legislation provided that the Side Letters are executed within [\*\*\*] of the Start Date. The term, “**Clinical Trial**”, includes any pre-clinical studies the Charity performs in support of that clinical trial.
- 1.2 Scope and Protocol
- 1.2.1 The Charity will prepare and draft the protocol that will apply to clinical activities to be performed under this Agreement based on the summary set out in the Cover Sheet (the “**Protocol**”). The Charity will consult with the Company on the content and scope of the Protocol and amendments to it, and consider in good faith any comments the Company provides on drafts of the Protocol. Should the Charity decide at its sole discretion not to introduce any changes recommended by the Company, the Charity will provide an explanation for that decision to the Company as soon as practicable.
- 1.2.2 The Charity will provide the Company with a copy of the Protocol, and any amendments [\*\*\*].
- 1.2.3 If the Charity determines reasonably that the Protocol should be amended on an expedited basis for ethical, safety or data integrity reasons, it may amend the Protocol without consulting the Company but afterwards will notify the Company of the amendments made as soon as is practicable. Should the Charity make any such amendments without consulting the Company it will provide a comprehensive explanation for those amendments at the time it notifies the Company.
- 1.3 The Charity will prepare an operational plan detailing the intended actions and timelines for delivery and execution of the clinical activities to be performed under this Agreement (the “**Project Plan**”). The proposed Project Plan, which shall be consistent with the Summary of Proposed Protocol detailed on the Cover Sheet, shall be an initial Project Plan subject to change under the Charity’s obligations as a sponsor of a Clinical Trial. The Project Plan will be sent to the Joint Project Team (defined more fully at clause 2.2) for its review and approval in accordance with clause 2.2.9 within [\*\*\*\*] of the Start Date.
- 1.4 The Charity relies on a network of academic research institutes, hospitals and Third Party Service Providers to perform clinical trials, and may subcontract performance of all or part of the Clinical Trial on terms consistent with those set out in this Agreement.
- 1.5 In certain circumstances, the Parties may agree that the Company will carry out additional activities at its own cost to support the Clinical Trial. If that is the case, the Parties will record in writing a detailed description of those activities and resulting Materials and Know How to be provided to the Charity, together with any deadlines by which those activities are to be performed or Materials or Know How provided.



## 2 Information sharing

### 2.1 Project Leaders

- 2.1.1 The Project Leaders will be members of the joint project team (“**JPT**”) set up under clause 2.2 and will be the primary points of contact between the Parties for all matters related to the Clinical Trial.
- 2.1.2 The Project Leaders will share information reciprocally between the Parties including updates concerning among other things, progress of the Clinical Trial and issues arising from it, timing and content of publications, and the status of the Agent Patents. The Project Leaders are expected to meet with one another in person and/or by telephone or videoconference at least every [\*\*\*] during the Clinical Trial in accordance with the procedures of the JPT set out under clause 2.2 below.

### 2.2 Joint Project Team

- 2.2.1 With effect from the Start Date, a JPT will be formed within [\*\*\*] of signature to oversee and discuss the activities regarding the Clinical Trial. In particular, the JPT will discuss high level risks and agree mitigation strategies to avoid issues where possible. Should issues arise, the JPT will resolve those potential and actual issues and disputes relating to the performance of the Clinical Trial. The JPT will also discuss and agree on the form and content of safety data transfers under the Clinical Safety Information Exchange Template set out under Schedule 3, a strategy for the publication of Results (including, where appropriate, for the joint publication of Results) and review of Data Packages.
- 2.2.2 The JPT will comprise six (6) members (“**JPT Members**”) in total, including the Project Leaders of each Party, with three (3) appointees from each of the Charity and the Company. Each of the Charity and the Company will be entitled to remove any JPT Member appointed by it and to appoint any person to fill a vacancy arising from the removal or retirement of such JPT Member. The removing Party will give the other Party prior written notice of any proposed changes in the identity of any of their JPT Members.
- 2.2.3 The JPT will meet as soon as reasonably practicable following its establishment pursuant to clause 2.2.1 and thereafter will hold regular meetings at intervals of approximately eight (8) weeks throughout the Clinical Trial, in each case at dates and times to be mutually agreed. It is understood and agreed by the Parties that in order to ensure that the Clinical Trial is undertaken optimally that the JPT will need to operate on a highly proactive and responsive basis and consider and make decisions on an ad-hoc basis as required from time to time and as appropriate the Parties will use their reasonable endeavours to ensure that JPT Members can meet at short notice where necessary.
- 2.2.4 Each of the Charity and the Company may invite observers (including its employees and third parties) to meetings of a JPT. A Party inviting any such observer will ensure that the other Party is advised at least [\*\*\*] prior to the relevant meeting of the identity of the observer and that such observers are bound by obligations of confidentiality no less onerous than those imposed by this Agreement. Such observers will not be counted towards any assessment of quorum for the purpose of clause 2.2.6 and will not be entitled to participate in any decision making or voting.

- 2.2.5 Meetings of the JPT may be held (at the request of either the Charity or the Company) by teleconference or other electronic means. In the case of meetings at which JPT Members are physically present the venue for all meetings will, unless otherwise agreed by the Project Leaders, alternate between the hosting Party in Oxford or London. Each Party will bear all travel and subsistence costs incurred by their JPT Members in connection with their attendance at meetings of the JPT.
- 2.2.6 The quorum for meetings of each JPT will be at least one (1) JPT Member appointed by each of the Charity and the Company provided however that each meeting must be formally called and notified to all JPT Members together with an agenda that accurately identifies all items (including any other business “**AOB**”) to be discussed or decided at that meeting.
- 2.2.7 Decisions of the JPT will be made by unanimous agreement of the Members present (in person or via dial in). Should it prove impossible to obtain such agreement, it will be referred for resolution to the Director of the Centre for Drug Development for the Charity and a Director of the Company. For the avoidance of doubt, any decision relating to the safe conduct of the Clinical Trial will be solely the Charity’s.
- 2.2.8 The draft minutes of each meeting of the JPT will be prepared by the Project Leader of the host Party and be sent to each of the JPT Members for review and finalisation within [\*\*\*] after each meeting.
- 2.2.9 The Charity will use reasonable endeavours to take reasonable actions proposed by the Company through the JPT provided that (i) any such actions can be implemented without an increase in the Charity’s budget for the Clinical Trial and (ii) the Charity retains the final decision making authority over all matters necessary for the safe, proper and/or lawful conduct of the Clinical Trial or the health or safety of any Clinical Trial Subject, and subject to (i) and (ii) above the Charity shall not unreasonably refuse to complete any action agreed by the JPT or otherwise resolved according to the process provided in clause 2.2.7.
- 2.2.10 The JPT will not have authority to vary or amend the terms of this Agreement or to require any Party to incur any expenditure additional to that contemplated expressly by this Agreement.

### 2.3 Progress Reports

- 2.3.1 The Charity will prepare and provide to the Company a report relating to the progress of the Clinical Trial that includes updates on progress against planned timelines, changes in the Project Plan, notices of clinical site agreements signed, first Clinical Trial Subject enrolled, last Clinical Trial Subject enrolled and data base lock (“**Progress Reports**”) every [\*\*\*]. Progress Reports may contain, among other things, information on projected and actual recruitment, projected and achieved key dates in the Clinical Trial and the then current status of the Clinical Trial.
- 2.3.2 The Company acknowledges that the contents of Progress Reports may not be ‘clean’ or validated, and should not be relied upon, and that their contents are Confidential Information of CRT. Unless and until the Company exercises the Option and is granted the Licence, the Company may use the contents of Progress Reports for internal reporting purposes only, and may only disclose the contents of any Progress Report to any third party with CRT’s written consent or as permitted under clause 10.

- 2.4 Database lock. The Charity will clean and validate the Clinical Trial Results and lock the clinical research database relating to the Clinical Trial as soon as is practicable after the last course of treatment under the Clinical Trial is complete, and will notify the Company promptly after the database is locked.
- 2.5 IMPD and IB. The Charity will prepare the Investigational Medicinal Product Dossier (“**IMPD**”) and the Investigator’s Brochure (“**IB**”) in respect of the clinical aspects of the Clinical Trial, and submit the IMPD and IB to the relevant Regulatory Authority. If the Company is supplying GMP Agent Material then, at the Charity’s request, the Company will prepare and provide to the Charity a first draft of the IMPD within [\*\*\*] by the Charity. The Charity may amend any draft IMPD prepared by the Company before it is submitted to the relevant Regulatory Authority provided that where the Charity amends the section of the draft IMPD dealing with GMP Agent Material, the Company shall have the opportunity to review and comment on any such amendment and the Parties shall use reasonable endeavours to agree a mutually acceptable draft IMPD in good faith before it is submitted to the relevant Regulatory Authority. For clarity, it is understood by the Parties that the Charity shall have final approval for the draft IMPD before submission to the relevant Regulatory Authority.
- 2.6 Clinical study report. The Charity will prepare a clinical study report in respect of the Clinical Trial that meets the standards of ICH Topic E3 of the ICH Guidelines for Structure and Content of Clinical Study Reports dated July 1996.
- 2.7 Documents. The Charity will provide to the Company copies of the IMPD and IB within [\*\*\*] of their finalisation. The Charity will use reasonable endeavours to provide the Company with a copy of the clinical study report, and use reasonable efforts to provide it within [\*\*\*] after the Charity has notified the Company (and copied to the JPT) that the clinical research database relating to the Clinical Trial has been locked.
- 2.8 Form and content. The Charity will prepare the Progress Reports, IMPD, IB and clinical study report in accordance with, and in a form set by, the Charity’s then current practices.

### **3 Company support for the Clinical Trial**

- 3.1 Subject to the remainder of this clause 3, the Company will transfer the Agent Materials in sufficient quantities for the Charity to conduct the Clinical Trial and provide all Agent Know How in its possession at the Start Date to the Charity within [\*\*\*] after the Start Date or, if different, as required under any Technical Agreement that the Parties enter into.
- 3.2 Materials
- 3.2.1 If the Company is to perform development or manufacture activities to support the Clinical Trial, the Parties will discuss in good faith, and agree in writing, the arrangements and timetable for those activities and the delivery of any relevant Materials to the Charity.
- 3.2.2 If the Company is supplying GMP Agent Materials to the Charity, it will only do so from within the European Union (and/or the United Kingdom if/when the United Kingdom is no longer a member of the European Union) and will supply the GMP Agent Materials, at its own cost, to a site in the United Kingdom requested by the Charity. The Company will be responsible for importing GMP Agent Materials into the European Union and United Kingdom, and delivery to the requested site.
- 3.2.3 The Company warrants and represents that all GMP Agent Materials it supplies under this Agreement meet any specification agreed with the Charity, and have been manufactured, handled, stored, imported and shipped in accordance with GMP and all applicable laws.

3.3 Know How

- 3.3.1 The Company will ensure that all Know How disclosed by it under this Agreement (including in the Cover Sheet) is, to the best of its knowledge, true, accurate and complete.
- 3.3.2 The Company will promptly provide to the Charity any Agent Know How not available at the Start Date that comes to the Company's attention during the Clinical Trial if that Agent Know How is likely to impact on the safe, proper or lawful conduct of the Clinical Trial or on any Clinical Trial Subject. The Company will notify the Charity of any such Agent Know How immediately and provide the Charity with all such Agent Know How (under the procedure set out at Schedule 3), and any support or co-operation reasonably required or requested by the Charity to understand that Agent Know How and its implications, within any timelines reasonably requested by the Charity in the circumstances.
- 3.3.3 During the course of the Clinical Trial and until delivery of the clinical study report to the Company under clause 2.7, the Company will provide the Charity with a summary of the scope and purpose of any preclinical activities relating specifically to the Agent, or other Materials which are reasonably relevant to the Clinical Trial that are Covered by the Agent Patents and that the Company, or any third party to whom the Company has licensed Agent IP, wishes to carry out before those preclinical activities begin. The Company will provide to the Charity copies of the results of those preclinical studies as soon as is practicable after the Company receives them, and the results of those preclinical studies will be Agent Know How.

3.4 Other clinical activities. Under its CDP scheme, the Charity wishes to fund oncology research that would not otherwise take place. It also wishes to ensure that all information relevant to the safe and proper performance of the Clinical Trial is made available. In this connection:

- 3.4.1 the Company will notify the Charity of any clinical research that it wishes to carry out or to permit a third party to carry out, any time before the Company exercises the Option, in respect of the Agent that may be relevant to the safe and proper performance of the Clinical Trial;
- 3.4.2 if the Charity gives its approval, the Company and the Charity will promptly discuss, in good faith, whether safety data arising from that clinical research should be shared with the Charity;
- 3.4.3 if the Company and the Charity agree that safety data should be exchanged between them, they will agree and record in writing the processes and timeframes under which the safety data will be exchanged. The Company will not begin, or permit any third party to begin, clinical research described in this clause 3.4 until those safety data exchange arrangements have been agreed; and
- 3.4.4 the Company shall, during the term of this agreement, take reasonable steps to:
  - (a) obtain from its licensor, Vaccitech Limited (company number 0973585) ("**Vaccitech**"), prompt and regular updates regarding any SAEs, SUSARs, DSURs or USMs reported to Vaccitech during the course of clinical research conducted by or on behalf of Vaccitech in respect of Agent Patents 1-3; and
  - (b) promptly relay to the Charity any SAEs, SUSARs, DSURs or USMs disclosed to the Company pursuant to (a) above that, in the reasonable opinion of the Company, may be relevant to the safe and proper performance of the Clinical Trial.

#### 4 Responsibilities for the Clinical Trial

- 4.1 Sponsor. The Charity will be the sole sponsor of clinical aspects of the Clinical Trial, and it will be the Charity's responsibility to apply for Regulatory Authorisations relating to performance of the Clinical Trial. The Charity will ensure that all relevant aspects of the Clinical Trial are carried out in accordance with GCP, and subject to the other terms of this Agreement, it will use its reasonable efforts to ensure that timelines agreed with the Company are met and the Clinical Trial is completed in a timely manner.
- 4.2 Technical Agreement. At the Charity's request, the Company and the Charity will promptly negotiate in good faith, complete and enter into, a 'technical' or 'quality' agreement that allocates GMP responsibilities between the Parties ("**Technical Agreement**") before the Company supplies any GMP Agent Material to the Charity. The terms of any Technical Agreement will be consistent with any requirements and guidelines for technical agreements set out in the Clinical Trial Legislation. The Company and the Charity will comply with the terms of any Technical Agreement they enter into.
- 4.3 Guidance. The Company will provide the Charity or any Contributor with technical and scientific guidance, co-operation, data or information reasonably requested by the Charity to help the Charity to perform the Clinical Trial in a timely, safe and proper manner. The guidance to be provided by the Company may include, among other things, assistance with the preparation, drafting or submission of any application for Regulatory Authorisation (such as a clinical trial application) or communication with any Regulatory Authority in connection with the Clinical Trial.
- 4.4 Other than as expressly set out in this Agreement, each Party will bear the costs it incurs in performing its obligations under this Agreement.

#### **Part B: Rights to Results, IP and information**

#### 5 Rights to perform the Clinical Trial

With effect from the Start Date, the Company grants to the Charity a worldwide, royalty-free, fully paid-up, sub-licensable licence under the Agent IP solely for the purposes of fulfilling its obligations under this Agreement including designing, preparing for, sponsoring and carrying out the Clinical Trial. The Charity and Contributors may, among other things, develop, manufacture, use, import or dispose of IMP solely for the purpose of carrying out the Clinical Trial.

#### 6 The Results of the Clinical Trial

- 6.1 Know How Controlled by the Charity or CRT and generated in performing the Clinical Trial, and the IP therein, is referred to in this Agreement as the "**Results**". Results include, among other things, the contents of the IMPD, IB, Progress Reports, the clinical study report and other documentation including an electronic sponsor Trial Master File which is redacted to exclude Confidential Information for example, internal minutes and communications not relevant to the running of the Clinical Trial generated in respect of the Clinical Trial.

The Charity wishes to make outputs of the Clinical Trial with a general application available to others to help deliver cancer patient benefit. For this reason, this Agreement refers to two categories of Results:

"**Exclusive Results**", which are those Results that relate to, and only to, the Agent. Exclusive Results exclude any Result that may have a generic application or use in respect of any agent, biologic, drug, treatment or active ingredient other than the Agent (including those used in combination with the Agent in the course of the Clinical Trial), or that is or relates to any formulation, methodology or biomarker; and

“**Non-Exclusive Results**”, which are the Results that are not Exclusive Results.

6.2 The Charity hereby assigns its rights, title and interest in or to the Results to CRT. CRT hereby grants a non-exclusive, fully paid-up, sub-licensable licence to the Charity under the Results to perform the Clinical Trial and fulfil the Charity’s obligations under this Agreement.

6.3 Unless and until the Company exercises the Option and the Licence is granted, it will not use the Results other than as permitted in clause 10.

## 7 **The Company’s Option to the Results**

7.1 CRT hereby grants the Company an option (the “**Option**”) to take the following:

7.1.1 an exclusive licence under the Exclusive Results; and

7.1.2 a non-exclusive licence under the Non-Exclusive Results,

to research, develop, make, have made, import, use and sell Licensed Products in the Field in the Territory and apply for Regulatory Authorisations for Licensed Products in the Territory (the “**Licence**”), subject to the remainder of this Agreement including the Licence Terms set out in Schedule 1.

7.2 Unless and until the Option is exercised, the Licence will not be granted to the Company and the Licence Terms will not come into effect.

7.3 To exercise the Option, the Company must:

7.3.1 give written notice to CRT; and

7.3.2 pay the Licence Fee (cf: Box 1 of the Cover Sheet) to CRT,

in the [\*\*\*] after the date the Charity provides the clinical study report pursuant to clause 2.7 (the “**Option Period**”). The Option will be deemed exercised on the later of (i) the date the Company gives written notice it wishes to exercise the Option; and (ii) the date CRT receives the Licence Fee.

7.4 If the Company exercises the Option during the Option Period, then upon its exercise the Licence and the Licence Terms will come into full force and effect.

7.5 If the Company does not exercise the Option within the Option Period, with effect upon the expiry of the Option Period:

7.5.1 the Option will lapse;

7.5.2 the Company will have no right to use the Results under this Agreement; and

7.5.3 the Company assigns and/or licenses to CRT the rights as described in the Step-In Agreement. The Company will execute and provide to CRT an executed original of the Step-In Agreement within [\*\*\*] after expiry of the Option Period to evidence the assignment made and/or licence granted, and give effect to the other terms of the Step-In Agreement.

## 8 **Agent Patents**

8.1 Subject to the remainder of this clause 8, the Company will continue working with its licensor(s) of Third Party IP to prosecute and maintain the Agent Patents throughout the Term at its own cost.

8.2 If the Company intends to substantially narrow the scope of any Agent Patent that is not Third Party IP in any Major Market or it discovers that its licensor(s) of Third Party IP intend(s) to substantially narrow the scope of any Agent Patent which is Third Party IP in any Major Market, it will first consult with CRT and consider, in good faith, any comments provided by CRT.

- 8.3 Step-In. If the Company elects not to prosecute or maintain any Agent Patent that is not Third Party IP in any Major Market or it discovers that its licensors) of Third Party IP intend(s) to elect not to prosecute or maintain any Agent Patent which is Third Party IP in any Major Market, it will notify CRT in writing no less than [\*\*\*] before the expiry of any applicable time bars, or notify CRT promptly after it discovers its licensor(s) of such Third Party IP intend(s) to elect not to prosecute or maintain any Agent Patent in any Major Market if no less than [\*\*\*] written notification is not possible and consider, in good faith, any comments provided by CRT. At CRT's request in that notice period, the Company will:
- 8.3.1 assign to CRT the Agent Patents that are not Third Party IP in that Major Market and identified in that notice for consideration of one pound (£1);
  - 8.3.2 transfer promptly to CRT, or any person nominated by CRT, copies of all documents and Know How in the Company's Control that relate to the filing, prosecution, maintenance, enforcement and defence of those Agent Patents previously owned by the Company in that Major Market assigned to CRT according to clause 8.3.1; and
  - 8.3.3 in respect of Agent Patent 4 only, use commercially reasonable efforts to enable CRT (if it so wishes and where the Company and its licensor of Third Party IP do not wish to maintain the said patent itself) to take an assignment of Agent Patent 4 notified to CRT together with copies of all documents and Know How relating to the filing, prosecution, maintenance, enforcement and defence of such Agent Patent for consideration of one pound (£1) and CRT may prosecute, maintain, enforce and defend those Agent Patents assigned to it according to clause 8.3.1 and/or clause 8.3.3 at its discretion and with no further obligation to the Company.
- 8.4 The Company will provide to the Charity, at the Charity's expense, all cooperation and assistance reasonably required and requested in relation to such filing, prosecution, maintenance, enforcement and defence of those Agent Patents that were previously owned by the Company (or its licensor) in that Major Market and have been assigned to CRT according to clause 8.3.1 and/or clause 8.3.3.
- 8.5 The Company may not assign or encumber any Agent Patent which is not Third Party IP without CRT's prior written consent, such consent not be unreasonably withheld.

## **9 Rights to Agent IP**

The Company warrants and represents to the Charity and CRT that:

- 9.1 it is the legal and beneficial owner, of the Agent IP, other than Third Party IP, free of any third party rights or encumbrances;
- 9.2 it has not entered, and will not enter, into any arrangement with any third party that prevents it from fulfilling its obligations, or that encumbers the rights granted or assigned, under this Agreement or that it may be obliged to grant or assign under the Step-In Agreement; and
- 9.3 in respect of Third Party IP:
  - 9.3.1 the Third Party Agreements identified in the Cover Sheet are the only third party licences to the Company relating to the manufacture, possession and use of the Agent;

- 9.3.2 all Third Party Agreements are and, subject to the remainder of this clause 9.3, will remain in full force and effect during the Term of this Agreement, and the Company will comply with all of its obligations under the Third Party Agreements;
- 9.3.3 to the best of its knowledge and belief there are no outstanding breaches of any Third Party Agreement by any person party to them and there are no acts or circumstances that may give any person the right to terminate any Third Party Agreement;
- 9.3.4 it will notify the Charity in writing immediately upon becoming aware of any act or circumstance described in clause 9.3.3, and will not enter into, not amend or terminate any Third Party Agreement without the Charity's prior written consent.

## 10 Use of information

### Confidentiality

- 10.1 Subject to clause 10.3, each Party (the "**Receiving Party**") may disclose to its officers, employees, appointed experts, professional advisors or potential or actual Contributors who need to know any Confidential Information of another Party (the "**Disclosing Party**") disclosed to or obtained by it under this Agreement. The Receiving Party will inform those officers, employees, experts, advisors and potential or actual Contributors of the confidential nature of the information disclosed and bind them to obligations of confidence consistent with those imposed on the Receiving Party. Subject to the remainder of clause 10, the Receiving Party will keep confidential and not disclose to any other person any Confidential Information of the Disclosing Party disclosed to or obtained by it under this Agreement.
- 10.2 Clause 10.1 does not apply to Confidential Information to the extent that:
  - 10.2.1 it is or was already known to the Receiving Party at the time of disclosure, as shown by the Receiving Party's written records, without any obligation to keep it confidential;
  - 10.2.2 at the time of being disclosed or obtained by the Receiving Party or at any time afterwards, it is published or generally available to the public other than due to a breach of the Receiving Party's obligations under this Agreement; or
  - 10.2.3 it is required by a competent Court or Regulatory Authority or under applicable law (including securities law or rules of a securities exchange) to be disclosed by any Party or Contributor, so long as the Receiving Party:
    - (a) gives notice to the Disclosing Party of the disclosure as soon as reasonably practicable;
    - (b) gives the Disclosing Party a reasonable opportunity to limit the scope of the disclosure or obtain a protective order requiring Confidential Information to be held in confidence by the relevant Court or Regulatory Authority; and
    - (c) discloses only Confidential Information that it is legally required to disclose.
- 10.3 Permitted disclosures
  - 10.3.1 CRT and the Charity may disclose Confidential Information of the Company where necessary to exercise or enforce its rights or perform its obligations under this Agreement, including to potential or actual Contributors in connection with the Clinical Trial;
  - 10.3.2 the Charity and Contributors may publish Results in accordance with clause 11;



- 10.3.3 the Company may disclose Progress Reports to persons holding investments in the Company for the sole purpose of providing an update on the status of the Clinical Trial;
  - 10.3.4 the Charity may disclose Confidential Information of the Company to independent persons nominated by the Charity to monitor and review the work it funds or provide scientific advice, provided that such independent persons are made aware of the confidential nature of the information disclosed and are bound to obligations of confidence consistent with those imposed on the Receiving Party; and
  - 10.3.5 where the Option has been exercised, the Company may disclose Confidential Information of the Charity and CRT relating to the approval, marketing or sale of Licensed Products to potential and actual Sub-Licensees and, as necessary, to Regulatory Authorities in the Territory, provided that in the case of such disclosure to a potential Sub-Licensee: (a) the Company will notify CRT in writing of the identity of the potential Sub-Licensee and obtain CRT's prior approval of the disclosure of the Confidential Information to that potential Sub-Licensee (such approval (I) not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed, and (ii) to be deemed given if CRT has not responded substantively to the Company within [\*\*\*] after being so notified in writing); and (b) the Company will bind each proposed recipient in writing to confidentiality undertakings consistent with clause 10.1. in each case, under written confidentiality provisions equivalent to those set out in this clause 10.
- 10.4 Each Receiving Party acknowledges that a breach of this clause 10 may result in irreparable injury to the Disclosing Party that may not be adequately compensated by monetary damages.
- 10.5 The obligations under clauses 10.1 to 10.4 (inclusive) survive the expiry, or termination for any reason, of this Agreement until the tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) anniversary of the Start Date, or any shorter period described in clause 16.11.2 under an Existing CDA.

#### **Investor Information**

- 10.6 The Charity and CRT acknowledge that the Company may wish to seek additional investment in the Company through new share issues and share sales during the Term.
- 10.7 At the Company's request, the Parties will discuss in good faith and agree a bundle of anonymised Results according to the Data Protection Requirements that the Company may disclose to bona fide potential investors in the Company (with each such bundle being referred to in this Agreement as a "**Data Package**"). The Parties acknowledge that the aim of each Data Package is to provide an illustrative overview of the status of the Clinical Trial, and each will contain information including:
- 10.7.1 summaries of the Protocol and commercial terms of the Company's arrangements with CRT;
  - 10.7.2 details of then current recruitment numbers and the expected completion date of the Clinical Trial; and
  - 10.7.3 efficacy data where such data is available.
- 10.8 The Company acknowledges that the contents of each Data Package may not be 'cleaned' or validated, and should not be relied upon.
- 10.9 Before each disclosure of a Data Package, the Company will:

- 10.9.1 notify CRT in writing of the identity of the potential investor and obtain CRT's prior approval of the disclosure of the Data Package to that potential investor (such approval (i) not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed, and (ii) to be deemed given if CRT has not responded substantively to the Company within [\*\*\*] after being so notified in writing); and
- 10.9.2 bind each proposed recipient in writing to confidentiality undertakings consistent with clause 10.1 and obtain an acknowledgement from each proposed recipient identical to that in clause 10.8.

## **11 Publications**

- 11.1 The Charity and Contributors may publish the Results in academic or scientific publications or presentations by following the process set out in this clause 11.
- 11.2 The Charity will notify the Company and CRT if either a Contributor informs the Charity that they wish to publish Results or the Charity wishes to itself publish Results. If a Contributor or Charity wishes to publish the Results, the Charity will use reasonable endeavours to provide a copy of the proposed disclosure within [\*\*\*], but no shorter than [\*\*\*], before submission for publication, or as soon as possible if a Contributor informs the Charity on shorter notice and the Charity will inform the Company and CRT of the date on which the proposed disclosure is intended to be submitted for publication. However, where a copy of the proposed disclosure by a Contributor is provided by the Charity to the Company fewer than [\*\*\*] before the date on which the proposed disclosure is intended to be submitted for publication, the Charity will on the request of the Company ensure the delay of such submission for publication by [\*\*\*] to allow for proper review of the proposed disclosure and for the Parties to reach agreement on publishable content.
- 11.3 The Charity will comply with the following written requests made by the Company or CRT to the Charity at least [\*\*\*] before the intended submission date as informed according to clause 11.2:
  - 11.3.1 that its Confidential Information (other than the Results) be removed from the proposed publication or presentation;
  - 11.3.2 that CRT considers requesting that submission of the publication is delayed so that a Patent may be filed in respect of any Results disclosed; or
  - 11.3.3 that, in CRT's case, submission of the publication is delayed so that a Patent may be filed in respect of any Results disclosed.
- 11.4 The Charity will use reasonable endeavours to notify the Company of any material amendments other than changes requested under clause 11.3.1 that are made to the proposed disclosure after it is submitted for publication.
- 11.5 The Charity and CRT may publish on public clinical trial registers typically used by clinical trial sponsors (such as clinicaltrials.gov) information relating to the Clinical Trial customarily made available on those registers as required under local legislation. The Charity may also publish the following on its own websites: that a trial is being or will be conducted by the Charity's Clinical Development Partnerships initiative, the patient recruitment criteria and a brief description of the Clinical Trial, including the Company's name, the reference number and class of IMP, locations at which the trial will take place and biographical information about the lead investigator.

**Part C : Allocation of risk; Term; and General**

**12 Liability**

12.1 Subject to clause 12.2, each Party's maximum aggregate liability to any other Party for Losses arising from acts, omissions, claims and proceedings relating to this Agreement regardless of form of action (in contract or tort, including negligence, strict liability or otherwise) is [\*\*\*].

12.2 The limit on liability set out in clause 12.1 does not apply to:

12.2.1 any indemnity given by the Company under this Agreement;

12.2.2 the Company's obligation to reimburse costs and expenses under clause 15.2.2; or

12.2.3 any liability arising from the Company's obligations under any of the Licence Terms,

and nothing in this Agreement excludes or limits the liability of any Party for death or personal injury resulting from its negligence or the negligence of its employees while acting in the course of their employment or excludes or limits the liability of any Party for fraud.

12.3 Other than under any indemnity given under this Agreement (including under the Licence Terms), no Party will be liable to another for: (i) loss of revenue, profits, or anticipated savings or profits (in each case, other than costs and expenses described in clause 15.2.2, Milestone Payments, Sub-Licence Revenue and royalties payable under this Agreement); (ii) loss of business; (iii) loss of contracts; (iv) indirect loss; or (v) consequential loss, in each case, however arising, whether negligence, breach of contract or otherwise.

12.4 Other than those expressly given by the Company in this Agreement, each Party excludes all warranties, representations and conditions regarding the performance of its obligations under this Agreement (including those implied by law), in each case to the extent permitted by law.

**13 Indemnification**

13.1 Indemnity from the Charity. The Charity indemnifies the Company, and its officers, employees, sub-contractors and agents (the "**Company Indemnitees**") for all Losses arising from claims and proceedings (whether threatened or brought, and whether successful or otherwise) by or on behalf of Clinical Trial Subjects for personal injury or death arising out of the Clinical Trial, save to the extent that those Losses arise as a consequence of:

13.1.1 any wrongful act or omission or negligence of any Company Indemnitee;

13.1.2 a breach of this Agreement by the Company; or

13.1.3 a misrepresentation by the Company.

The Charity's maximum aggregate liability under the indemnity given in this clause, and otherwise under this Agreement, is limited to the amount set out in clause 12.1.

13.2 Indemnity from the Company. The Company indemnifies the Charity, CRT, the Contributors, and their respective officers, employees, sub-contractors and agents (the "**Charity Indemnitees**") for all Losses arising from all claims and proceedings (whether threatened or brought, and whether successful or not):

13.2.1 by or on behalf of Clinical Trial Subjects for personal injury or death arising out of any:

- (a) failure or delay to provide Agent Know-How or other information relating to the storage, use and safety of any Agent Material, the Agent or IMP in accordance with this Agreement; or
- (b) wrongful act, omission or negligence of the Company (or third party acting on its behalf) in importing, storing, shipping, supplying, manufacturing or using Material; or

13.2.2 that allege infringement of any third party's rights (including IP) in performing the Clinical Trial or by importation, storage, shipment, supply, manufacture or use of any of the Agent Materials or IMP for or in connection with the Clinical Trial; or

13.2.3 that relate to the disclosure of Data Packages to, or use of Data Packages by, any third party, save to the extent those Losses arise as a consequence of (i) any wrongful act or omission or negligence of any Charity Indemnitee; (ii) a breach of this Agreement by the Charity; or (iii) a misrepresentation by the Charity. Following the Licence Grant Date, the indemnity set out in section 7.3 of the Licence Terms will also apply in relation to activities carried out under the Licence Terms.

### 13.3 Claims made under an indemnity

13.3.1 Any Charity Indemnitee or Company Indemnitee wishing to claim under any indemnity given under this Agreement (the "**Indemnified Person**") will promptly notify the indemnifying Party after it receives notice of any claim or alleged claim or notice of the commencement of any action, administrative or legal proceeding, or investigation to which the indemnity may apply (a "**Claim**"). The indemnifying Party may elect to defend any Claim by giving written notice within [\*\*\*] of receiving notice of the Claim (the "**Election Period**").

13.3.2 If the indemnifying Party elects, within the Election Period, to defend the Claim:

- (a) the Indemnified Person may retain separate legal advisers, at its sole cost and expense;
- (b) the Indemnified Person will not admit liability in respect of, or settle, the Claim without the prior written consent of the indemnifying Party (who may not unreasonably withhold, condition or delay that consent); and
- (c) the indemnifying Party will not consent to the entry of any judgment or enter into any settlement of the Claim without the written consent of the Indemnified Person (who may not unreasonably withhold, condition or delay that consent).

13.3.3 If the indemnifying Party does not elect, within the Election Period, to defend the Claim, the Indemnified Person may assume the defence of the Claim, and the Indemnifying Party will be liable for the legal and other expenses consequently incurred in connection with that defence (subject, where the Charity is the indemnifying Party, to clause 12.1).

13.3.4 The Parties will co-operate in good faith in the conduct of the defence of any Claim and will provide any assistance reasonably required for the Claim to be defended properly, and the Party with conduct of the Claim will provide promptly to the other Parties copies of all correspondence and documents, and written summaries of oral communications, material to the Claim.

13.4 Insurance. The Company will have insurance coverage for its potential liabilities under this Agreement, and maintain such insurance throughout the Term. At the Charity's request, the Company will promptly provide written evidence of its insurance.

## **14 Term and termination**

14.1 This Agreement comes into force on the Start Date.

14.2 Expiry. If the Company:

14.2.1 exercises the Option within the Option Period, this Agreement will continue in force until it is terminated;

14.2.2 does not exercise the Option within the Option Period, this Agreement will expire when the Company provides to CRT an original executed Step-In Agreement under clause 7.5.

14.3 Termination. Without limiting any other right of a Party, this Agreement may be terminated on written notice to the other Parties:

14.3.1 by the Company if the Charity or CRT:

- (a) commits a material breach, and in the case of a material breach that is capable of remedy, that is not remedied within [\*\*\*] of notice being given of the breach;
- (b) is the subject of any Insolvency Event or gives notice under clause 16.1; or
- (c) undergoes a change of Control, and the new Controlling person is a Tobacco Party;

14.3.2 by the Charity:

- (a) if the Company commits a material breach, and in the case of a material breach that is capable of remedy by the Company, that is not remedied within [\*\*\*] of notice being given of the breach;
- (b) if the Company is the subject of any Insolvency Event or gives notice under clause 16.1;
- (c) if the Company undergoes a change of Control, and the new Controlling person is a Tobacco Party; or
- (d) at any time before the last cycle of treatment under the Clinical Trial has been completed;
- (e) if the Company or its licensors of Third Party IP under Third Party Agreements do not execute the Side Letters by 31 March 2020;

14.3.3 if the Company has exercised the Option within the Option Period, by CRT under section 8.2 of the Licence Terms.

## **15 Consequences of termination**

15.1 General

Upon expiry or termination of this Agreement for any reason:

15.1.1 the Receiving Party will cease to use Confidential Information of the Disclosing Party and, at the request of the Disclosing Party, will return or destroy the Disclosing Party's Confidential Information; provided that the Charity and CRT may hold and use Confidential Information of the Company to the extent necessary to perform and complete activities under clause 15.1.3 and to exercise any rights granted under the Step-In Agreement. If Confidential Information is destroyed, the Receiving Party will confirm the destruction in writing to the Disclosing Party;

- 15.1.2 the Charity, as sponsor of the clinical aspects of the Clinical Trial, and Contributors, may retain Confidential Information in accordance with ICH GCP (the *ICH Harmonised Tripartite Guideline for Good Clinical Practice*; CPMP/ICH/135/95) and as required by any applicable law;
- 15.1.3 if the Clinical Trial is not complete at the date of termination, the Charity may begin or continue to administer IMP to Clinical Trial Subjects as required by the Regulatory Authority, Ethics Committee or Clinical Trial Legislation for the duration of their proposed course of treatment. The Charity's use of IMP will continue to be subject to the terms of this Agreement. If the Company is supplying IMP for use in the Clinical Trial, the Company will continue to supply IMP in quantities sufficient to complete those courses of treatment. If the Company is not supplying IMP for use in the Clinical Trial, the Charity may manufacture IMP in quantities sufficient to complete those courses of treatment and, at the Charity's request, the Company will provide to the Charity and its designees any Know How that is necessary or desirable to manufacture, or have manufactured, a sufficient quantity of IMP and complete those courses of treatment; and
- 15.1.4 Clauses 15.2, 15.3 and 15.4 apply in the circumstances described in those clauses.

## 15.2 Option Not Exercised

Upon termination of this Agreement for any reason before the Company has exercised the Option then in addition to the provisions of clause 15.1 and, if applicable, clause 15.4:

- 15.2.1 the Option will not apply and will not, at any time, be exercisable. However, if this Agreement has been terminated by the Charity under clause 14.3.2(d) or 14.3.2(e), then the Charity and CRT will, upon a written request of the Company in the [\*\*\*] following termination, grant the Licence to the Company under the Licence Terms (subject to an appropriate reduction in the payments due to CRT under the Licence Terms, which will be agreed to reflect the stage of the Clinical Trial on the date of termination); and
- 15.2.2 where this Agreement is terminated by the Charity under any of clause 14.3.2(a) to 14.3.2(c) (inclusive) or 14.3.2(e) at any time before the Company has exercised the Option, the Company will reimburse the Charity for all actual paid, prepaid and committed costs (including personnel costs) and expenses incurred by the Charity and the Contributors in connection with the Clinical Trial.

## 15.3 Licence Granted

Upon termination of this Agreement for any reason after the Company has exercised the Option then in addition to the provisions of clause 15.1 and, if applicable, clause 15.4:

- 15.3.1 subject to all of the Licence Terms (including payment of royalties), the Company may, for a period of no more [\*\*\*] following termination:
- (a) manufacture Licensed Products to the extent necessary to satisfy orders for Licensed Products accepted before termination; and
  - (b) sell, use or otherwise dispose of any unsold stocks of the Licensed Products;
- 15.3.2 subject to clause 15.3.1, the Licence will terminate upon termination of this Agreement and the Company will, and will procure that all Sub-Licensees, cease to exploit Results in any way, directly or indirectly. If, within [\*\*\*] after the date of termination, CRT receives a written request from any Sub-Licensee to exercise its step-in rights under this clause 15.3.2, then, provided that Sub-Licensee is not in breach of its obligations under its agreement with the Company (under which the Sub-Licence was granted) at the time of such request, to the extent of its legal right to do so, CRT will enter into a direct agreement with that Sub-Licensee unless there are reasonable grounds for it to refuse to do so. CRT agrees that:

- (a) the direct agreement shall grant a licence under the same Results previously licensed to that Sub-Licensee by the Company under terms and conditions substantially similar to those under this Agreement, to the extent that such terms and conditions apply to the grant of the Sub-Licensee's pre-termination sub-licence agreement;
- (b) the direct agreement shall contain terms no less favourable and no more onerous for CRT than the applicable terms of this Agreement, such agreement to include the exclusivity or non-exclusivity (as the case may be) and field of use within the Field as were granted by the Company to the Sub-Licensee prior to the termination, but will not require CRT to grant to the Sub-Licensee rights to intellectual property other than the Results actually licensed by CRT to the Company except where the Sub-Licensee requires rights from CRT to Agent Patents as a result as a result of the Company having assigned those Agent Patents to CRT under the Step-In Agreement executed by the Company at the request of CRT in accordance with clause 15.4;
- (c) it will receive from such Sub-Licensee the payments due under this Agreement to be determined in the same manner as applied to the activities of that Sub-Licensee; provided that:
  - (i) CRT will not under any circumstance be obliged to perform any action, assume any liability or give any covenant, warranty or indemnity, that is personal to the Company or that CRT is not obliged to perform, assume or give under this Agreement;
  - (ii) the Company or the Sub-Licensee pays all the reasonable legal costs incurred by CRT in connection with any direct arrangement between CRT and the relevant Sub-Licensee, including without limitation all costs that arise in connection with the negotiation of any agreements with the Sub-Licensee; and
  - (iii) the Sub-Licensee indemnifies the Charity Indemnitees against any and all Losses arising from or in connection with any sub-licence agreement between the Company and that Sub-Licensee in respect of rights granted under this Agreement. Clause 13.3 of the Agreement will apply to claims made under the indemnity given in this clause 15.3.2.

At the request of the Company, CRT will acknowledge in writing to a Sub-Licensee, CRT's obligations under this clause 15.3.2. Any acknowledgement given by CRT is Confidential Information of CRT.

- 15.3.3 payment of royalties and all other sums then due to CRT under the Licence Terms will become immediately due and payable to CRT upon notice of termination; and
- 15.3.4 the Company will, within [\*\*\*] of notice of termination of this Agreement, provide CRT with a final written statement that details, in respect of the time elapsed since the last statement under section 6.1 of the Licence Terms, the matters set out in that section.

- 15.4 By the Charity or CRT for cause. If this Agreement is terminated by the Charity or CRT under clause 14.3.2(a) to 14.3.2(c) (inclusive) or by CRT under section 8.2 of the Licence Terms, at the Charity's request the Company will execute the Step-In Agreement, and provide to CRT an executed original of the Step-In Agreement, within [\*\*\*] of the date of termination. This clause applies in addition to the provisions of clause 15.1 and either clause 15.2 or 15.3.
- 15.5 The following provisions survive expiration or termination of this Agreement for any reason; clause 4 (responsibilities); 5 (rights) (but only for so long as and to the extent necessary to perform activities under clause 15.1.3; 8 (patents); 9 (rights); 10 (confidentiality), 11 (publication), 12 (liability, warranties); 13 (indemnity); 15 (consequences of termination), 16 (general) and the following sections of the Licence Terms: 2.2 (reserved rights), 6 (statements) and 7 (insurance, liability, indemnity). Termination of this Agreement for any reason does not affect any rights of the Parties accrued before termination.
- 15.6 Obligations to destroy or return Confidential Information exclude Confidential information maintained on routine computer system backup storage devices, so long as backup Confidential Information is not used, disclosed or recovered intentionally from storage devices, and continues to be Confidential Information.

## 16 General

- 16.1 Insolvency. Each Party will notify the other Parties immediately upon becoming aware that an Insolvency Event has or is likely to take place in relation to it.
- 16.2 Standing. The Company will keep the Charity generally informed of the progress of the Company's business and affairs on at least an annual basis and will promptly notify the Charity, with written details, of circumstances that will or may cause any actual or prospective material adverse change in the Company's financial position, prospects or business.
- 16.3 Relationship. Nothing in this Agreement gives or will give rise to any partnership or the relationship of principal and agent between any of the Parties. The Charity's and CRT's respective liability under this Agreement is several, and not joint or joint and several.
- 16.4 Public Announcements. Subject to the other terms of this Agreement, no Party may make any press or other public announcement concerning the execution or other aspect of this Agreement without the prior agreement of the other Parties (who may not unreasonably withhold, condition or delay their consent).
- 16.5 Payments
- 16.5.1 The Company will make all payments due to CRT or the Charity under this Agreement in cleared funds in pounds sterling to the bank accounts nominated by CRT or the Charity respectively.
- 16.5.2 The Company will bear all costs of transmission and currency conversion.
- 16.5.3 All payments under this Agreement are expressed exclusive of value added tax however arising. If CRT or the Charity is liable to pay value added tax in relation to any supply made or deemed to be made for tax purposes pursuant to this Agreement, the Company will pay that value added tax to CRT or the Charity at the same time as, and in addition to, the payment to which the tax relates or, if earlier, on receipt of a tax invoice from CRT or the Charity.
- 16.5.4 The Company will pay all amounts due under this Agreement in full without any deduction or withholding other than as required by law, and the Company will not assert any credit, set-off or counterclaim against CRT or the Charity to justify withholding payment of any amount due. Interest will accrue on the sum due and owing by the Company at an annual rate equal to an annual rate of [\*\*\*] over the then current base rate of Natwest Bank, calculated on a daily basis, until the full amount is paid. CRT's or the Charity's right to receive interest is without prejudice to their right to receive payment on the date due.



16.5.5 If the Company is required by law to make any tax deduction or withholding, the Company will give reasonable assistance to CRT or the Charity to claim exemption from or (if that is not possible) a credit for the deduction or withholding under any applicable double taxation or similar agreement from time to time in force. The Company will promptly give CRT or the Charity proper evidence as to the deduction or withholding and payment over of the tax deducted or withheld.

16.6 Data Protection

16.6.1 Each Party's attention is drawn to the Data Protection Act 2018, Directive 95/46/EC of the European Parliament, the General Data Protection Regulation (EU) 2016/679, and any national or European legislation or regulations implementing or made in pursuance of them (the "**Data Protection Requirements**").

16.6.2 Each Party will observe its obligations under the Data Protection Requirements that arise in the performance of this Agreement, and will process and use personal data fairly and lawfully.

16.6.3 At the Charity's request, the Company will enter into an agreement with the Charity in respect of the transfer of personal data (as defined in the Data Protection Act 2018) based on the standard contractual clauses governing data transfers recommended or approved by the UK's Information Commissioner's Office (or any successor) from time to time. Irrespective of any other provision of this Agreement, the Charity will have no obligation to transfer any personal data to the Company unless and until the Company enters into that data transfer agreement.

16.7 Force Majeure

16.7.1 If a Party is delayed in performing or fails to perform its obligations (other than payment obligations) under this Agreement because of strike, riot, civil commotion, fire, acts of God or other circumstances beyond its reasonable control ("**Force Majeure**"), it will give prompt notice of the cause of the Force Majeure and its effects on its obligations including the clinical trial timelines to the other Parties.

16.7.2 The Party giving notice of a Force Majeure will be excused from the performance of the relevant obligations for as long as it continues to be affected by the Force Majeure, and will perform its obligations as soon as the Force Majeure circumstances cease to affect its operations.

16.7.3 If the Force Majeure continues for a period of: (a) [\*\*\*] or more for obligations arising under clause 3 or 4.3 or any Technical Agreement; and (b) [\*\*\*] or more for obligations arising under all other provisions, the Parties will meet to discuss in good faith what actions to take or what modification should be made to this Agreement as a consequence of such Force Majeure in order to alleviate its consequences on the affected Party.

16.8 No Assignment. The Company may not assign, transfer, charge, encumber, sub-contract or otherwise deal with any of its rights (or obligations) under this Agreement.

16.9 Notices

16.9.1 Notices must be sent to the recipient Party's address set out on the front of this document, sent by a method described in clause 16.9.2 and be marked for the attention of the Executive Officer of the recipient Party (with a copy, in the case of Charity and the Company, to their respective Project Leaders), or to any other address notified to the other Parties under this Agreement.

- 16.9.2 Notices will be deemed served: (i) upon delivery, if given in person; (ii) [\*\*\*] after posting, if sent domestically by first class 'signed for' post; and (iii) [\*\*\*] after posting, if sent by 'signed for' airmail.
- 16.10 Amendments. No variation, modification, amendment, extension or release from any provision of this Agreement will be effective unless it is in writing and signed by all Parties.
- 16.11 Entire Agreement
- 16.11.1 This Agreement (together with any Technical Agreement entered into by the Company and the Charity) represents the entire understanding, and constitutes the whole agreement, in connection with its subject matter and supersedes all previous agreements, understandings or arrangements between the Parties in connection with its subject matter.
- 16.11.2 Upon signature of this Agreement, the Confidential Disclosure Agreement between the Parties dated 2 July 2019 (the "**Existing CDA**") will terminate automatically. This Agreement will prevail if there is any inconsistency between the terms of this Agreement and those of the Existing CDA, save that any confidentiality period imposed under the Existing CDA will apply to, and only to, Confidential Information disclosed before the Start Date under the Existing CDA if that confidentiality period is shorter than that imposed under clause 10.5.
- 16.11.3 If there is any inconsistency between the Cover Sheet, the terms and conditions of this Agreement and any Technical Agreement entered into by the Company and the Charity, the following order of priority will apply (with the first being given the greatest priority): (a) the Cover Sheet; (b) the terms and conditions of this Agreement; and (c) the Technical Agreement.
- 16.11.4 Nothing in this Agreement excludes a Party's liability to the other for fraudulent misrepresentation or fraudulent misstatement.
- 16.12 Waiver. A Party does not waive a right, power or remedy if it fails to exercise or delays in exercising that right, power or remedy. A single or partial exercise of a right, power or remedy does not prevent another or further exercise of that right, power or remedy. Any waiver must be in writing and signed by the Party giving the waiver.
- 16.13 Severability. A term or part of a term of this Agreement that is illegal or unenforceable may be severed from this Agreement, and the remaining terms or part of the terms of this Agreement will continue in force.
- 16.14 Law and Jurisdiction. This Agreement (and any non-contractual dispute or claim related to it or its subject matter) is governed by the laws of England and Wales. Each Party irrevocably and unconditionally submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of the English courts in respect of disputes arising out of or in connection with it (except in respect of disputes under clause 10, where jurisdiction is non-exclusive).
- 16.15 Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts. All executed counterparts constitute one document. The Parties may exchange executed originals of this Agreement by pdf, which will effect binding and valid delivery of this Agreement.
- 16.16 Third Parties. The third parties identified in clauses 5 (rights), 11 (publication), 12.1 (liability), 13.1 and 13.2 (indemnities) and section 7.3 of the Licence Terms, (the "**Third Party Beneficiaries**") have the benefit of those respective provisions. Other than the Third Party Beneficiaries, this Agreement does not create any rights enforceable by anyone other than the Parties. The Parties may amend, suspend, cancel or terminate this Agreement without consent of any third party, including the Third Party Beneficiaries.

16.17 Disputes

16.17.1 No Party may refer any dispute to an expert, or issue or bring any action in court or other tribunal (other than an interim injunction) in connection with this Agreement or the Clinical Trial unless the Parties have sought to resolve the dispute through their respective Executive Officers.

16.17.2 If the Parties are unable to resolve a dispute within [\*\*\*] of referring that dispute to the Executive Officers, a Party will have any of the disputes described below determined by an expert:

- (a) arising under section 6.4.2 of the Licence Terms in respect of a disputed certificate or in respect of Sub-Licence Revenue; and
- (b) arising under section 8.2 of the Licence Terms in respect of whether or not the Company is in breach of its obligations under the Licence Terms,

and may have other disputes settled by any remedy available to it in law or equity.

16.17.3 If a dispute is to be determined by an expert:

- (a) The Parties will try to agree, in good faith, a suitably qualified independent expert. If the Parties do not agree on the identity of the expert within [\*\*\*] of either Party seeking in writing to the other to appoint an expert, each Party will submit two (2) names to the President (or equivalent) for the time being of: (i) the Institute of Chartered Accountants of England and Wales where the dispute relates to section 6.4.2 of the Licence Terms or Sub-Licence Revenue; and (ii) the Association of the British Pharmaceutical Industry, where the dispute relates to section 8.2 of the Licence Terms; (or, in either case, any successor body), who will select an individual from those submitted;
- (b) the expert will act as an expert and not as an arbitrator, and will be so instructed;
- (c) each Party will make written submissions to the expert and to the other Parties within [\*\*\*] of the expert's appointment and each Party will have [\*\*\*] to respond to the other Parties' submissions;
- (d) the expert will be asked to make and deliver his or her determination within a further [\*\*\*] and the expert's opinion will be final and binding on the Parties; and
- (e) the costs of any expert will be borne in proportions determined as fair and reasonable, in the circumstances, by the expert or, if he or she does not make a determination, the Company will bear one half of the costs of the expert, and the Charity and CRT will bear the other half.

*[Schedules 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and the Glossary follow]*

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**1 Commencement**

These Licence Terms, and rights granted under them, are effective upon and only upon the Company's exercise of the Option under clause 7.3 of the Agreement (the "**Licence Grant Date**"). The Company wishes to take, and CRT wishes to grant to the Company, a licence under the Results upon, and subject to, the terms and conditions set out in these Licence Terms.

**2 The Licence**Grant

2.1 Effective upon the Licence Grant Date and not before, and in consideration of the Company's performance of its obligations under these Licence Terms, CRT grants the Licence to the Company. The Licence is granted subject to the other Licence Terms and provisions of the Agreement.

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2.2 In this section 2.2, "**Non-Commercial Research**" means non-commercial scientific or clinical research carried out by or for or under the direction of a person in accordance with their respective charitable or academic status, whether alone or in collaboration with one or more third party and whether sponsored or funded, in whole or in part, by any third party including any commercial entity.

CRT excludes from the exclusive grant made under the Licence the worldwide, perpetual and irrevocable right for Contributors, the Charity and scientists funded or employed by the Charity to:

2.2.1 use Exclusive Results for Non-Commercial Research; and

2.2.2 publish Exclusive Results (by following the process set out in clause 11 of the Agreement) and the results of Non-Commercial Research performed using Exclusive Results.

The Charity may also use, and permit its service providers to use, Exclusive Results to benchmark the performance of the Clinical Trial and other clinical trials against one another. Nothing in this section 2.2 grants any right under Agent Patents or Third Party IP, or right to use IMP, or right to use Company Confidential Information, in Non-Commercial Research.

Sub-Licensing

2.3 The Company may sub-license the rights granted under the Licence so long as:

2.3.1 each sub-licence:

- (a) is, subject to clause 15.3.2 of the Agreement, expressed to terminate, and terminates, automatically on termination of the Agreement or the Licence for any reason;
- (b) shall not permit further sub-licensing under the Licence without CRT's prior written consent (which CRT may not unreasonably withhold);
- (c) imposes like obligations on the Sub-Licensee as are imposed on the Company under the Agreement, including under sections 3 (performance), 6.1 (reporting) and 7 (insurance, liability, indemnity) of these Licence Terms and clauses 10 (confidentiality) and 13 (indemnity) of the Agreement. The Company must ensure that all terms of each sub-licence are consistent with the terms of the Agreement, and will procure all Sub-Licensees comply with the same; and

(d) is entered into on an arms-length terms reflecting the market value of the rights granted.

2.3.2 no sub-licence is granted to a Tobacco Party; and

2.3.3 each sub-licence is recorded in writing, and the Company provides CRT with a copy of each sub-licence within [\*\*\*] of entering into that sub-licence.

2.4 Sections 2.3.1(c) and 2.3.1(d) of these Licence Terms do not apply to any contract the Company or its Sub-Licensee enters into with any Third Party Service Provider:

2.4.1 under which research, development or manufacturing services are provided to the Company or Sub-Licensee; and

2.4.2 that does not grant any right to the Third Party Service Provider to either research, develop or manufacture its own products, or sell Licensed Products.

2.5 The grant of any sub-licence is without prejudice to the Company's obligations under these Licence Terms. Any act or omission of any such Sub-Licensee that would be a breach of these Licence Terms if performed by the Company will be a breach by the Company.

### 3 Performance

3.1 The Company will use Commercially Reasonable Efforts at all times to:

3.1.1 achieve Phase II Clinical Trial Commencement in respect of an Oncology Indication before the second (2nd) anniversary of the Licence Grant Date;

3.1.2 actively develop at least one (1) Licensed Product to treat at least one (1) Oncology Indication;

3.1.3 pursue Regulatory Authorisations for Licensed Products in each Major Market;

3.1.4 introduce each Licensed Product for use in Oncology Indications in each Major Market as soon as reasonably practical following the grant of any necessary Regulatory Authorisations, and pursue maximum market penetration throughout the Major Markets for that Licensed Product;

3.1.5 offer for sale and sell each Licensed Product in the United Kingdom as soon as practicable and, in any event, within [\*\*\*] after the first Regulatory Authorisation is granted for that Licensed Product anywhere in the Territory (including by the European Medicines Agency); and

3.1.6 procure that, from launch, each Licensed Product offered for sale in the United Kingdom is Available On The NHS throughout the United Kingdom.

3.2 The Company will actively consider, investigate and report to CRT on:

3.2.1 the use of EAMS to expedite patient access to Licensed Products for Oncology Indications; and

3.2.2 for each clinical trial of a Licensed Product in an indication that affects paediatric cancer patients, the possibility of including a PIP for that clinical trial;

and, in each case, use Commercially Reasonable Efforts to use EAMS to expedite patient access to Licensed Products, and include PIPs in relevant clinical trials of Licensed Products. The Company will provide written reasons to CRT if, following its investigation, it elects not to pursue an EAMS available to it or (where applicable) to submit a PIP, and will provide those reasons within [\*\*\*] of such decision being made.

#### 4 Planning and Reporting

4.1 The Company will provide CRT with a Development Plan within [\*\*\*] of the Licence Grant Date, and will comply with the then current Development Plan at all times. The Company will notify CRT in writing of amendments to the Development Plan within [\*\*\*] of the amendments being made.

4.2 The Company will provide CRT with written progress reports, each in a form and with the detail reasonably requested by CRT, which describes the activities performed by or on behalf of the Company:

4.2.1 under the then current Development Plan;

4.2.2 to develop each Licensed Product; and

4.2.3 where pending, to obtain Regulatory Authorisations and Price Approvals.

The Company will provide the first written progress report before the [\*\*\*] anniversary of the Licence Grant Date, and at least every [\*\*\*] afterwards, or at least every [\*\*\*] throughout any period in which section 4.4.2 of these Licence Terms applies.

4.3 The Company will notify CRT in writing of the occurrence of each Milestone Event within [\*\*\*] after its occurrence.

4.4 If, before the First Commercial Sale in the United Kingdom, the Company undergoes a change of Control, or begins (whether alone or with a third party) or acquires a Competing Programme, the Company will:

4.4.1 notify CRT in writing within [\*\*\*] of the change of Control or its commencement or acquisition of the Competing Programme; and

4.4.2 for [\*\*\*] after the change of Control or commencement or acquisition of the Competing Programme, provide a written progress report as required under section 4.2 at least every [\*\*\*].

#### 5 Consideration

5.1 The Company will pay the Licence Fee under clause 7.3 of the Agreement and make the payments set out in this section 5 in consideration for the rights granted under the Licence and the Charity's contribution to the development of Licensed Products through its funding and sponsorship of the Clinical Trial.

##### Milestone Payments

5.2 The Company will pay to CRT each amount stated to be a "**Milestone Payment**" in the Cover Sheet (cf: Box 2 of the Cover Sheet) within [\*\*\*] after the occurrence of the corresponding Milestone Event to which that Milestone Payment relates.

5.3 Upon the occurrence of each Milestone Event, any Milestone Event listed before or above it in Box 2 of the Cover Sheet that has not occurred will be deemed to have occurred.

5.4 A Milestone Event may be triggered by the actions of the Company or any Sub-Licensee or third party acting on behalf of the Company or any Sub-Licensee.

5.5 A Milestone Event may be triggered by the first Licensed Product or any subsequent Licensed Product (even where one or more preceding Milestone Events were triggered by a different Licensed Product), whichever is the first Licensed Product to trigger such Milestone Event and no further Milestone Payment will be due on any subsequent Licensed Product.

Sub-Licence Revenue

- 5.6 The Company will pay to CRT:
- 5.6.1 the percentage stated as the “**Pre Ph II Sub-Licence Revenue Share**” in the Cover Sheet (cf: Box 3 of the Cover Sheet) of all Sub-Licence Revenue receivable by the Company under any agreement or arrangement the Company enters into before the first Phase II Clinical Trial Commencement;
  - 5.6.2 the percentage stated as the “**Post Ph II Sub-Licence Revenue Share**” in the Cover Sheet (cf: Box 4 of the Cover Sheet) of all Sub-Licence Revenue receivable by the Company under any agreement or arrangement the Company enters into on or after the first Phase II Clinical Trial Commencement but before the first Phase III Clinical Commencement Trial; and
  - 5.6.3 the percentage stated as the “**Post Ph III Sub-Licence Revenue Share**” in the Cover Sheet (cf: Box 5 of the Cover Sheet) of all Sub-Licence Revenue receivable by the Company under any agreement or arrangement the Company enters into on or after the first Phase III Clinical Trial Commencement.
- 5.7 The Company will pay CRT’s share of Sub-Licence Revenue Quarterly, and within [\*\*\*] after the end of the Quarter that the consideration upon which Sub-Licence Revenue is based is due to be invoiced by the Company.

Royalties

- 5.8 The Company will pay royalties to CRT on a Licensed Product by Licensed Product, and country by country basis at the percentage rate of Net Sales stated in the Cover Sheet to be the “**Royalty**” (cf: Box 6 of the Cover Sheet) until the later of:
- 5.8.1 the expiry of any Data Exclusivity Period in respect of the data submitted for the NDA for that Licensed Product in that country;
  - 5.8.2 the expiry of [\*\*\*] from the First Commercial Sale of that Licensed Product; and
  - 5.8.3 the date when that Licensed Product ceases to be Covered by the last to expire Agent Patent in the country of sale or manufacture,
- following which the royalty will reduce for the relevant Licensed Product in the relevant country to [\*\*\*] of the royalty stated in the Cover Sheet (cf: Box 6 of the Cover Sheet).
- 5.9 The Company will pay to CRT royalties due under section 5.8 of these Licence Terms Quarterly, within [\*\*\*] after the end of each Quarter in which relevant Net Sales are invoiced by the Company or a Sub-Licensee.

Proviso

- 5.10 If any Milestone Event is triggered by any Sub-Licensee, the Company will pay to CRT the greater of:
- 5.10.1 the Milestone Payment under section 5.2 of these Licence Terms; and
  - 5.10.2 the share of Sub-Licence Revenue payable to CRT that is triggered by, and only by, that Milestone Event under section 5.6 of these Licence Terms (if any),

but not both. Sections 5.2 and 5.6 of these Licence terms are subject to this section 5.10. This section 5.10 has no effect on Sub-Licence Revenue triggered or payable in respect of any event that is not a Milestone Event.

#### General

- 5.11 Other than as expressly permitted in section 5.10 of these Licence Terms, payments made by the Company to CRT under these Licence Terms are non-creditable and non-refundable. Each payment due to CRT under these Licence Terms is fully-earned upon becoming payable.
- 5.12 If Licensed Products are sold, or Sub-Licence Revenue received, in a currency other than pounds, the rate of exchange to be used for converting that other currency into pounds is the relevant mid-spot rate for the currency quoted by the Financial Times on the last day of the Quarter to which they relate.

### **6 Statements and Audits**

- 6.1 Within [\*\*\*] after the end of each Quarter, the Company will send to CRT a written statement detailing in respect of that Quarter:
- 6.1.1 any Milestone Payments that became due to CRT;
  - 6.1.2 for each sub-licence, details of each item of Sub-Licence Revenue received by the Company during that Quarter and the Sub-Licence Revenue payable to CRT thereon;
  - 6.1.3 the quantity of each type of Licensed Product sold or otherwise disposed of by the Company or any Sub-Licensees in each country in the Territory;
  - 6.1.4 the Net Sales of each type of Licensed Product in each country of the Territory, and the aggregate Net Sales in respect of that Quarter for Licensed Product;
  - 6.1.5 the type and value of deductions made in calculating Net Sales (by Licensed Product type and country);
  - 6.1.6 the amount of the royalties due to CRT in respect of that Quarter; and
  - 6.1.7 any further information needed to calculate Sub-Licence Revenue and Net Sales of Licensed Products or royalties due to CRT (including any currency conversions and the rates used).

The Company will send to CRT a 'nil' report if no sums were payable in that Quarter.

- 6.2 The Company will provide information or documents requested by CRT necessary to verify amounts due under these Licence Terms. The Company may redact confidential information of its Sub-Licensees from that information or documents so long as the redaction does not impair CRT's ability to determine or assess the Company's performance of its obligations, and the sums due, under these Licence Terms.
- 6.3 The Company will:
- 6.3.1 keep and, irrespective of the termination of these Licence Terms, maintain (and procure that each Sub-Licensee keeps and maintains) for at least [\*\*\*], true and accurate accounts and records (including underlying documents supporting those accounts and records) in sufficient detail for all sums payable under these Licence Terms to be determined; and
  - 6.3.2 at CRT's reasonable request and, subject to section 6.4 of these Licence Terms, expense, permit or procure permission for a qualified accountant nominated by CRT to inspect and audit those accounts and records and, to the extent they relate to the calculation of those sums, take copies of them. CRT may exercise its rights under this section at any time while the Licence Terms are in effect and until the [\*\*\*] described in section 6.3.1 of these Licence Terms has expired, but may not perform more than one (1) audit per [\*\*\*]. At CRT's request, which it must give at least [\*\*\*] in advance, the Company will assemble in one location all relevant accounts and records of the Company and its Sub-Licensees.



6.4 If, following an inspection under section 6.3.2 of these Licence terms, CRT's nominated accountant certifies to CRT that payments in respect of any period are less than the amount properly payable in respect of that period under these Licence Terms, CRT will send a copy of the certificate to the Company. Within [\*\*\*] of its receipt of the certificate, the Company will either:

6.4.1 pay the shortfall to CRT and, if the shortfall is more than [\*\*\*] of the sum properly payable, the reasonable costs and expenses (including accountant fees) CRT incurred in making the inspection; or

6.4.2 notify CRT in writing that the Company disputes the certificate, in which case the dispute will be referred for resolution by an expert in accordance with clause 16.17.1 of the Agreement.

## 7 Insurance, liability and indemnity

7.1 Insurance. At its own cost, the Company will maintain comprehensive product liability insurance (including insurance to cover any clinical trials undertaken by it) and general commercial liability insurance with a reputable insurance company to adequately cover all its liabilities howsoever arising under this Agreement. At CRT's request, the Company will add CRT's interest on face of the policy or policies, and provide CRT with certification of the coverage and amount of insurance obtained and a summary of the coverage. The Company will maintain the insurance for at least [\*\*\*] after the last sale of a Licensed Product or, if the coverage is of the 'claims made' type, for [\*\*\*] after the last sale of a Licensed Product.

7.2 No Warranty. The Company acknowledges it has not relied on any warranty or other provision in exercising its Option or accepting the grant of the Licence, except as expressly provided in this Licence. Any conditions, warranties or other terms implied by statute or common law are excluded to the fullest extent permitted by law. Among other things, CRT gives no warranty, representation or undertaking:

7.2.1 as to the efficacy or usefulness or accuracy of any Result; or

7.2.2 that the exercise of rights granted under the Licence will not infringe the IP or other rights of any other person.

7.3 Indemnity. With effect from the Licence Grant Date, the Company hereby indemnifies the Charity Indemnitees from and against any and all Losses arising from or in connection with the exercise by the Company or any Sub-Licensee of any right granted under the Licence or these Licence Terms, or any act or omission of the Company or any Sub-Licensee in relation to any Licensed Product. Clause 13.3 of the Agreement will apply to claims made under the indemnity given in this section 7.3.

## 8 Term of the Licence, and its termination

8.1 These Licence Terms become effective on the Licence Grant Date and will remain in effect until terminated under section 8.2 of these Licence Terms or under clause 14.3 of the Agreement.

8.2 In addition to its termination rights Under clause 14 of the Agreement (including to terminate for material breach of any Licence Term), on written notice CRT may terminate the Agreement:

- 8.2.1 in its entirety if, at any time while the Licence Terms are in effect, the Company is not actively developing or commercialising at least one (1) Licensed Product;
- 8.2.2 on a Licensed Product-by-Licensed Product basis on written notice if the Company:
- (a) stops actively developing a Licensed Product that has been the subject of a Phase I Clinical Trial in one or more Oncology Indication, and termination will be effective for that Licensed Product only; or
  - (b) after obtaining Regulatory Authorisation for a Licensed Product in a Major Market, fails to begin within a time expected for a similar product at a similar stage or stops actively marketing and selling that Licensed Product in that Major Market, and termination will be effective only for that Licensed Product in that Major Market.

If the Company disputes whether or not CRT is entitled to terminate under this section 8.2, the Company and CRT will obtain an expert determination in accordance with clause 16.17 of the Agreement.

Schedule 2  
Step-In Agreement

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This Step-In Agreement is made on \_\_\_\_\_ 20[—] (the “**Step-In Date**”)

Between

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- (1) **Vaccitech Oncology Limited**, a company registered in England and Wales under number 11655405 with registered office at The Schrodinger Building 2nd Floor, Heatley Road, Oxford Science Park, Oxford, Oxfordshire, England, OX4 4GE (the “**Company**”); and
- (2) **Cancer Research Technology Limited**, a company incorporated in England with number 1626049 with registered office at 2 Redman Place, London, E20 1JQ, England (“**CRT**”).

Background

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- (A) CRT, the Company and the Charity entered into a Clinical Trial and Option Agreement on [—] (the “**CTOA**”) relating to the Agent.
- (B) Under the terms of the CTOA, the Company agreed to assign the Agent IP that is not Third Party IP (the “**Company Agent IP**”) and sub-license the Third Party IP to CRT in certain circumstances in return for a share of revenue generated by CRT from the commercial exploitation of the Agent IP.
- (C) Those circumstances have arisen and the Company wishes to assign the Company Agent IP, and sub-license the Third Party IP to CRT, and CRT wishes to accept that assignment and/or licence and sub-licence, on the terms and conditions set out below.

Note: Capitalised words used in this Step-In Agreement have the meaning given to them in this Step-In Agreement or, if not defined in this Step-In Agreement, in the Glossary to the CTOA. The interpretation provisions set out in the Glossary to the CTOA also apply to this Step-In Agreement.

Agreed Terms

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**1 Assignment, Licence and exploitation**

1.1 The Company hereby assigns to CRT with full title guarantee:

- 1.1.1 all its right, title and interest in and to the Company Agent IP and the full and exclusive benefit of it and all rights, privileges and advantages associated with such Company Agent IP;
- 1.1.2 the full right to apply for and obtain Patents or other similar forms of protection in respect of any part or parts of the subject-matter of the Company Agent IP, and the inventions disclosed in the Agent Patents that are Company Agent IP, throughout the world, including the right to claim priority from those Agent Patents; and
- 1.1.3 the right to bring proceedings for any previous or future infringement of the rights assigned.

1.2 The Company hereby grants to CRT:

- 1.2.1 a non-exclusive, irrevocable, worldwide, sub-licensable licence under all Third Party IP relating to and including Agent Patents 1-3 for a term continuing until none of the Agent Patents 1-3 remain valid and in force to research, develop, make, have made, import, use and sell Licensed Product;
- 1.2.2 a non-exclusive, irrevocable, worldwide, sub-licensable licence to use the HEK293 TetR Cell Line (the “Cell Line”) for an indefinite term to research, develop, make, have made, import, use and sell Licensed Product excluding any right to:
- (a) use the Cell Line for any other product or purpose;
  - (b) to modify the Cell Line in any way or create any derivatives thereof;
  - (c) transfer the Cell Line to any third party under this Step-In Agreement except where (i) it has notified the Company prior to any such transfer, (ii) which transfer is made for the purposes of research, developing, making, having made, importing, using or selling of the Licensed Product and (iii) where said third party is bound by the exclusions under this clause 1.2.2; and
- 1.2.3 an exclusive, irrevocable, worldwide, sub-licensable licence under all Third Party IP relating to and including Agent Patent 4 for a term continuing until Agent Patent 4 is no longer valid and in force to:
- (a) research, develop, make, have made, import, use and sell Licensed Product;
  - (b) subject to the consent the Company’s licensor of Third Party IP, apply for and obtain Patents or other similar forms of protection in respect of any part or parts of the subject-matter of, and the inventions disclosed in, Agent Patent 4 throughout the world, including the right to claim priority from Agent Patent 4;
  - (c) the right to bring proceedings for any previous or future infringement of the rights exclusively licensed under this clause 1.2.3; and
  - (d) to the extent that the Company has rights under the Third Party Agreement for Agent Patent 4 to Control Patent(s) that are Third Party IP, the Company will transfer to CRT any control of filing, prosecution, maintenance, enforcement and defence of any of those Patent(s) to CRT.

Provided that the right to grant sub-licences under clauses 1.2.1, 1.2.2 and 1.2.3, is subject to CRT procuring an indemnity from the sub-licensee for the Company and its licensors of Third Party IP and their officers and employees from and against Losses arising from, or in connection with, the exercise by CRT or its sub-licensees of any rights granted under this Step-In Agreement in relation to a Licensed Product on terms reasonably acceptable to the Company (such acceptance not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed) or on terms CRT in its reasonable discretion consider appropriate and in any event on terms no less favourable to the Company and its licensors of Third Party IP than any indemnity CRT obtains from any sub-licensee for itself.

- 1.3 Without prejudice to clause 1.1 and clause 1.2.3 above, the Company hereby grants CRT a non-exclusive, irrevocable, sub-licensable, worldwide licence under any and all Patents Controlled by the Company during the term of this Step-In Agreement that Cover the use of the Agent in combination with any other anti-cancer agent to research, develop, make, have made, import, use and sell Licensed Product.

- 1.4 CRT may protect (including by, among other things, filing, prosecuting and maintaining Patents), enforce and defend the Company Agent IP assigned to it under clause 1.1.1 above and the Agent Patent 4 exclusively licensed to it under clause 1.2.3 and their development and commercial exploitation at its sole discretion.
- 1.5 At CRT's request, the Company will negotiate with CRT, in good faith, reasonable commercial terms under which CRT would be granted a sub-licensable licence under any IP Controlled by the Company that is not already assigned or licensed under this Step-In Agreement and may be necessary for the development or commercial exploitation of Agent IP.
- 1.6 Notwithstanding the rights granted under this clause 1, with effect from the Step-In Date, CRT (and any sub-licensees) shall not be permitted to undertake any research or other activities involving use of the Licensed Product in human subjects until such time as CRT indemnifies (or procures that its sub-licensees indemnify) the Company and its licensors of Third Party IP and their officers and employees from and against Losses arising from, or in connection with, the exercise by CRT or its sub-licensees of any rights granted under this Step-In Agreement in relation to a Licensed Product on terms reasonably acceptable to the Company (such acceptance not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed). Provided that where CRT procures such indemnity from a sub-licensee, such indemnity shall be (i) on terms CRT in its reasonable discretion considers appropriate such that the Company shall not unreasonably withhold, delay or condition its acceptance of the terms of indemnification secured by CRT from any sub-licensee and access to the Agent; and (ii) in any event on terms no less favourable to the Company and its licensors of Third Party IP than any indemnity CRT obtains from any sub-licensee for itself.

## 2 Assistance and further assurance

### 2.1 Agent Know How

- 2.1.1 Within [\*\*\*] after the Step-In Date, the Company will disclose to CRT any Agent Know How that has not been disclosed to CRT or the Charity under the CTOA.
- 2.1.2 CRT and its sub-licensees may use Agent Know How under the terms of this Step-In Agreement.
- 2.1.3 The Company may not disclose the Agent Know How to any third party or use it in any internal research programme.

### 2.2 Agent Materials

- 2.2.1 The Company will notify CRT within [\*\*\*] after the Step-In Date of any remaining inventory or stocks of the Agent Materials or the IMP in the Company's possession and the Cell Line (the "**Surplus Material**"). At CRT's request within [\*\*\*] of that notice, the Company will make the Surplus Material available for collection by CRT, and co-operate with CRT to enable CRT to collect and transport (including, if relevant, import) the Surplus Material to CRT's premises. Ownership of and risk in the Surplus Material will transfer to CRT upon its collection by CRT except for the Cell Line, which remains the property of Oxford Genetics Limited and used by CRT under licence pursuant to clause 1.2.2(b). CRT will pay shipment and transportation costs incurred in transporting Surplus Material to its premises.
- 2.2.2 CRT and its sub-licensees may use the Surplus Material to research, develop, make, have made, import, use, offer for sale and sell Licensed Product, but not for any other purpose and provided that no rights are granted to CRT or its sub-licensees under this Step-In Agreement to modify the Cell Line or create any derivatives thereof.

2.3 The Company will:

- 2.3.1 to the extent that such documents are within its Control, or are reasonably available to the Company through databases, promptly provide to CRT, or its nominated patent agent, all documents relating to the filing, prosecution and maintenance of the Agent Patents;
- 2.3.2 execute, sign and do all instruments, applications, documents, acts and things reasonably required by CRT to enable CRT and its sub-licensees to enjoy the full benefit of the rights assigned under this Step-In Agreement;
- 2.3.3 provide any assistance reasonably required or requested by CRT to help CRT understand the Agent Know How and the Agent Materials, and their use, including to prepare any related regulatory application (including by providing information in the Company's Control related to the origin and development of the Agent, and any distributions of them to third parties);
- 2.3.4 provide any assistance reasonably required or requested by CRT with respect to any Materials required for the manufacture of GMP Agent Materials and/or transfer of such Materials to CRT and/or CRT's sub-licensees; and
- 2.3.5 disclose to CRT information that comes to the attention of the Company after the Step-In Date that is relevant to the manufacture, storage, handling or safety of the Agent.

**3 Revenue share and Reporting**

3.1 In this clause 3, "**Net Revenue**" means:

[\*\*\*].

3.2 In the following scenarios, CRT and the Company will share Net Revenue in the following proportions:

- 3.2.1 where the Company does not exercise the Option within the Option Period and with effect from the expiry of the Option Period, pursuant to clause 7.5 of the Agreement, CRT exercises its step- in rights under this Step-In Agreement before the Commencement of a Phase II trial:

CRT [\*\*\*];

the Company fifty-five percent (55%).

- 3.2.2 where the Company exercises its Option within the Option Period pursuant to clause 7.3 but CRT subsequently exercises step-in rights under this Step-In Agreement before the Commencement of a Phase II trial:

CRT [\*\*\*];

the Company [\*\*\*].

- 3.2.3 where the Company exercises its Option within the Option Period pursuant to clause 7.3 but CRT subsequently exercises step-in rights under this Step-In Agreement following the Commencement of a Phase II trial:

CRT [\*\*\*];

the Company [\*\*\*].

- 3.2.4 where the Company exercises its Option within the Option Period pursuant to clause 7.3 but CRT subsequently exercises step-in rights under this Step-In Agreement following the Commencement of a Phase III trial:
- CRT [\*\*\*];
- the Company eighty percent (80%).
- 3.3 If CRT receives Gross Revenue as consideration for a grant of rights that includes both Agent IP and IP that is not Agent IP, CRT will apportion in a fair and reasonable manner the consideration for Agent IP, on the one hand, and the IP that is not Agent IP, on the other.
- 3.4 If CRT receives non-monetary consideration, such as shares, from the commercial exploitation of Agent IP, that non-monetary consideration will not form Gross Revenue until CRT receives cash proceeds from its disposal or other monetary realisation. CRT may determine the timing of and price for that monetary realisation at its discretion, however it is understood and accepted by the Parties that should sublicensee be publicly-traded or there be an initial public offering of any sub-licensee on a regulated stock exchange, any non-monetary consideration received from such sublicensee as securities by CRT shall be payable (or transferable) to Company, and Company shall be entitled to sell its share of such non-monetary consideration without consent or permission of CRT. Dividends or similar monetary consideration received in respect of non-monetary consideration are Gross Revenue.
- 3.5 Within [\*\*\*] after the end of each year, the CRT will send to Company a written statement detailing in respect of that year:
- 3.5.1 All Gross Revenue received by CRT in that year
- 3.5.2 the type and value of deductions made in calculating Net Revenue;
- 3.5.3 the share of Net Revenue due to the Company in respect of that year; and
- 3.5.4 any further information needed to calculate Net Revenue or the share due to the Company (including any currency conversions and the rates used).
- 3.6 CRT will send to the Company a 'nil' report if no sums were payable as Net Revenue share in that year.
- 3.7 CRT will provide information or documents requested by the Company necessary to verify amounts due under this Step-In Agreement. CRT may redact confidential information of its Sub-Licensees from that information or documents so long as the redaction does not impair the Company's ability to determine or assess the sums due, under this Step-In Agreement.
- 3.8 CRT will:
- 3.8.1 keep and maintain (and procure that each Sub-Licensee keeps and maintains) for at least [\*\*\*], true and accurate accounts and records (including underlying documents supporting those accounts and records) in sufficient detail for all sums payable under this Step-In Agreement to be determined; and
- 3.8.2 at the Company's reasonable request and, subject to section 3.9 of this Step-In Agreement, expense, permit or procure permission for a qualified accountant nominated by the Company to inspect and audit those accounts and records and, to the extent they relate to the calculation of those sums, take copies of them. The Company may exercise its rights under this section at any time with reasonable notice, while this Step-In Agreement is in effect and until the [\*\*\*] described in section 3.8.1 of this Step-In Agreement has expired, but may not perform more than one (1) audit per [\*\*\*]. At the Company's request, which it must give at least [\*\*\*] in advance, CRT will assemble in one location all relevant accounts and records of CRT and its Sub-Licensees.

3.9 If, following an inspection under section 3.8.2 of this Step-In Agreement, the Company's nominated accountant certifies to the Company that payments in respect of any period are less than the amount properly payable in respect of that period under this Step-In Agreement, the Company will send a copy of the certificate to CRT. Within [\*\*\*] of its receipt of the certificate, CRT will either:

3.9.1 pay the shortfall to the Company and, if the shortfall is more than five per cent (5%) of the sum properly payable, the reasonable costs and expenses (including accountant fees) the Company incurred in making the inspection; or

3.9.2 notify the Company in writing that CRT disputes the certificate, in which case the dispute will be referred for resolution by an expert in accordance with clause 16.17.1 of the Agreement.

#### **4 Confidentiality**

4.1 During and after expiry of this Step-In Agreement, each party will keep confidential and not disclose to any person other than to its officers, employees, appointed experts or professional advisors whose province it is to know, any proprietary information of the other party obtained by it under this Step-In Agreement. Agent Know How or proprietary information of the Charity is confidential information of CRT. The Company will keep Agent Know How confidential under clause 2.1.3.

4.2 Clause 4.1 does not apply to other information that:

4.2.1 is or was known to the receiving party at the time of disclosure under this Step-In Agreement, as shown by the receiving party's written records, without any obligation to keep it confidential;

4.2.2 at the time disclosed to or obtained by the receiving party, is generally available to the public other than due to a breach of the receiving party's obligations under this Step-In Agreement;

4.2.3 is required by applicable law to be disclosed, so long as the receiving party gives the disclosing party notice of the proposed disclosure as soon as reasonably practicable; or

4.2.4 a party uses or discloses in exercising or enforcing its rights under this Step-In Agreement.

4.3 Each party will inform all personnel and third parties to whom it discloses confidential information of the other party of the provisions of this clause 4.

4.4 With effect from the Step-In Date, as between CRT and the Company only, clause 10 of the CTOA will cease to apply and this clause 4 will replace and supersede the obligations and rights of CRT and the Company, but not the Charity, under clause 10 of the CTOA.

#### **5 Warranties**

5.1 As at the date of the CTOA, and subject to clause 5.4, repeated at the date of execution of the Step-In Agreement, the Company warrants and represents to CRT that:



- 5.1.1 to the best of its knowledge and belief:
- (a) immediately before the assignment made under clause 1.1, the Company was the legal and beneficial owner of the assigned Company Agent IP free of any third party rights or encumbrances;
  - (b) the possession and use of the Agent by CRT or its sub-licensees will not infringe the IP or other rights of any third party (including inventor) that exist on the Step-In Date;
  - (c) all Surplus Material to be supplied under clause 2.2.1 has been manufactured, handled and stored at all times in accordance with GMP and in compliance with the applicable Clinical Trial Legislation and will be made available for collection from within the European Union; and
  - (d) it has not done or failed to do anything that may materially prejudice the further development of the Agent, or adversely affect any application that may be made to any Regulatory Authority concerned with the approval of Licensed Products and their sale;
- 5.1.2 all Third Party Agreements are and, subject to the remainder of this clause 5.1, will remain in full force and effect while the relevant Third Party IP to which Third Party Agreement relates remains valid, and the Company will comply with its obligations under the Third Party Agreements;
- 5.1.3 to the best of its knowledge and belief, there are no outstanding breaches of any Third Party Agreement by any person party to them and there are no acts or circumstances that may give any person the right to terminate any Third Party Agreement;
- 5.1.4 it will notify the Charity in writing immediately upon becoming aware of any act or circumstance described in clause 5.1.3, and will not enter into, amend, terminate or assign any Third Party Agreement without CRT's prior written consent;
- 5.1.5 it will not at any time during the term of this Step-In Agreement grant to any third party any right including a licence, which right will, or may, compete with the exclusive rights granted by the Company to CRT under Agent Patent 4 or permit the use of the same combination of MAGE and NYESO antigens as used in the Licensed Product;
- 5.1.6 it will procure that its parent company, Vaccitech Limited (company number 0973585) ("**Vaccitech**") shall not at any time during the term of this Step-In Agreement grant to any third party any right including a licence, which right will, or may, conflict with the exclusive rights granted by the Company to CRT under Agent Patent 4 or permit the use of the same combination of MAGE and NYESO antigens as used in the Licensed Product; and
- 5.1.7 it will not (and shall procure that Vaccitech shall not) enable a third party to research, develop, make, have made, import, use or sell the Licensed Product developed by CRT or its sub-licensees during the term of the Step-In Agreement.
- 5.2 The Company will give CRT as much notice as is practicable if any threat is made to terminate any Third Party Agreement or if any Third Party Agreement is terminated by any person other than the Company and, at CRT's request and direction, the Company will use its commercially reasonable efforts to enable CRT to take a licence of the Third Party IP licensed under that Third Party Agreement or an assignment of the relevant Third Party Agreement.
- 5.3 Nothing in this Step-In Agreement imposes, or will be deemed to impose, on CRT any liability in relation to the further development and commercial exploitation of the Agent or the Agent IP.
- 5.4 On or before the Step-In Date, the Company shall provide a notice to CRT of any disclosures which result in exceptions to the representations and warranties under clause 5.1 of this Agreement and in good faith work with CRT to mitigate the effect of any such exceptions. Subject to the contents of such notice, the representations and warranties of the Company contained in clause 5.1 of this Agreement will be true and correct at and as of the Step-In Date with the same effect as though made by the Company at and as of the Step-In Date.

**6 General**

- 6.1 This Step-In Agreement comes into force on the Step-In Date and will remain in force until CRT no longer has the potential to receive Gross Revenue. The surviving terms and conditions of the CTOA will, in accordance with its terms, continue in full force and effect.
- 6.2 This Step-In Agreement (and any non-contractual dispute or claim related to it or its subject matter) is governed by the laws of England and Wales. Each party irrevocably and unconditionally submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of the English courts (except disputes under clause 4, where jurisdiction is non-exclusive).

This Step-In Agreement is entered into by an authorised representative of each party on the Step-In Date:

**SIGNED** and validly executed on behalf of

**the Company**

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Signature

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Name

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Position (authorised signatory)

**Cancer Research Technology Limited**

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Signature

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Name

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Position (authorised signatory)

### Schedule 3

#### Clinical Safety Information Exchange Template

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For the purposes of this Clinical Safety Information Exchange Template only, “IMP” (investigational medicinal product) shall include any investigational medicinal product that contains the chimpanzee adenovirus (ChAdOx-1 and ChAdOx-2) or Modified Vaccinia Ankara (MVA) platform technology.

Either party may request reasonable changes to the safety exchange mechanism set out in this Schedule 3 to take into account any parallel study proposed by the Company and the Parties shall respond to any such request diligently, reasonably and in good faith.

For the purposes of this Clinical Safety Information Exchange Template, the Parties agree the following:

#### 1. DEFINITIONS

“**Adverse Event**” (or “**AE**”) is any untoward, undesired or unplanned medical occurrence in a patient administered an IMP, a comparator product or an approved drug.

An AE can be a sign, symptom, disease, and/or laboratory or physiological observation that may not be related to the IMP or comparator.

An AE includes but is not limited to those in the following list:

- a clinically significant worsening of a pre-existing condition. This includes conditions which may resolve completely and then become abnormal again;
- an AE occurring from an overdose of an IMP, whether accidental or intentional; and

AEs occurring from lack of efficacy of an IMP, for example, if the Investigator suspects that a drug batch is not efficacious or if the Investigator suspects that the IMP, for example, if the Investigator suspects that a drug batch is not efficacious or if the Investigator suspects that the IMP has contributed to disease progression. Other reportable events which must be treated as AEs include:

- pregnancy exposure to an IMP. Any pregnancy occurring in a patient or a patient’s partner during treatment with an IMP or occurring within [\*\*\*] of the last dose of study drug administration, must be reported within the same timelines as a Serious Adverse Event (as defined below), even if the patient has been withdrawn from the clinical trial. The outcome of the pregnancy should be reported, including live birth (full term or preterm birth), stillbirth, spontaneous abortion, and induced abortion;
- overdose (any dose above that specified in the protocol, not necessarily intentional), with or without an AE;
- inadvertent or accidental exposure to an IMP with or without an AE; including for example, spillage of the IMP that contaminates staff and
- any AE that could be related to the protocol procedures including those which could modify the conduct of the clinical trial.

“**Development International Birth Date**” (or “**DIBD**”) means the first date that clinical trial authorisation is given by a Regulatory Authority for an interventional clinical trial using the IMP anywhere in the world.

**“Development Safety Update Report”** (or **“DSUR”**) means a periodic safety report in relation to use of the IMP in the Clinical Trial which: (i) is written by the Charity in accordance with the Charity’s standard operating procedures or by the Company; (ii) meets the standards of the ICH Guidelines for Development Safety Update Reports as per ICH Topic E2F; and (iii) is required to be submitted annually to the Regulatory Authority in each ICH member state in which the clinical trial is conducted (and to the applicable Ethics Committee) within [\*\*\*] of the anniversary of the date of the DIBD.

**“Global Development Safety Update Report”** (or **“GDSUR”**) means a periodic safety report in relation to use of the IMP in two or more clinical trials which: (i) meets the standards of the ICH Guidelines for Development Safety Update Reports as per ICH Topic E2F; and (ii) is required to be submitted annually to the Regulatory Authority in each ICH member state in which the clinical trial is conducted (and to the applicable Ethics Committee) within [\*\*\*] of the anniversary of the date of the DIBD.

**“Investigator’s Brochure”** (or **“IB”**) means a compilation of the clinical and non-clinical data on the Investigational Medicinal Product or products which are relevant to the clinical trial of the product or products in human subjects.

**“Medically Important Event”** (or **“MIE”**) means any event that may jeopardise the patient’s safety or may require intervention to prevent one of the outcomes listed below. The Parties may identify certain additional events which must be treated as medically important by both Parties, and subject to expedited reporting.

**“Serious Adverse Event”** (or **“SAE”**) means any untoward medical occurrence or effect (an adverse event) that at any dose, regardless of causality or expectedness, results in:

- death;
- is life-threatening;
- requires in-patient hospitalisation or prolongs existing in-patient hospitalisation;
- results in persistent or significant incapacity or disability;
- is a congenital anomaly or birth defect; or
- is any other Medically Important Event (as defined above).

These characteristics/consequences have to be considered at the time of the event. For example, regarding a life-threatening event, this refers to an event in which the subject was at risk of death at the time of the event; it does not refer to an event which hypothetically might have caused death if it were more severe.

**“Suspected Unexpected Serious Adverse Reaction”** (or **“SUSAR”**) means all serious adverse events that are suspected to be related to an investigational medicinal product and that are unexpected. The expected adverse reactions are those previously observed and documented for the IMP. Their nature and intensity are listed in the reference safety information included in the investigator brochure.

**“Sponsor”** means an individual, company, institution or organisation which takes responsibility for the initiation, management and/or financing of a clinical trial.

**“Urgent Safety Measure”** (or **“USM”**) means a procedure which is not defined by the Protocol that can be put in place with immediate effect without needing to gain prior authorisation by the Ethics Committee (or Regulatory Authority where applicable), in order to protect clinical trial participants from any immediate hazard to their health and safety.

## 2. PROCEDURE

### 2.1 Reporting of SAEs

#### 2.1.1 Reporting of SAEs by the investigational sites to the Company (or any of its licensees or sub-licensees) or the Charity, as the case may be

The Company or the Charity (as appropriate) shall, if it (or any of its licensees or sub-licensees) is carrying out clinical trials on IMP, use its reasonable endeavours to:

- monitor, and ensure that it receives from the investigational site within twenty-four (24) hours of the investigator or any member of the study team becoming aware of the event) initial reports on SAEs from clinical trials of the IMP other than the Clinical Trial; and
- actively seek follow-up information from the investigational site on SAEs from clinical trials of the IMP other than the Clinical Trial until full details (including diagnosis if available, causality, outcome and cause of death if fatal) are reported.
- Ensure that all its regulatory obligations as Sponsor of the clinical trials are met.

The Charity shall use its reasonable endeavours to:

- monitor, and ensure that it receives from the investigational site within twenty-four (24) hours of the Investigator or any member of the study team becoming aware of the event) reports on SAEs from the Clinical Trial; and
- actively seek follow-up up information from the investigational site on SAEs from the Clinical Trial until full details (including diagnosis if available, causality, outcome, and cause of death if fatal) are reported.
- Ensure that all its regulatory obligations as Sponsor of the Clinical Trial are met.

#### 2.1.2 Reporting of SAEs to the other Party

Within [\*\*\*] of receipt by the Company or its licensees for fatal and life-threatening SUSARs (where day 0 is the day the Company became aware of the event) and within [\*\*\*] of receipt by the Company for all other SUSARs, the Company shall report to the Charity all initial and follow-up information on all SUSARs from clinical trials with the IMP for which the Company or its licensees is the sponsor.

The reports shall be in the form of a CIOMS form.

The Company shall send reports preferably as e-mail attachments to:

Pharmacovigilance Group  
Centre for Drug Development, Cancer Research UK  
E-mail: [\*\*\*]

Within [\*\*\*] of receipt by the Charity for fatal and life-threatening SUSARs (where day 0 is the day the Charity became aware of the event) and within [\*\*\*] of receipt by the Charity for all other SUSARs, the Charity shall report to the Company all initial and follow-up information on all SUSARs from clinical trials with the IMP for which the Charity is the Sponsor. Provided that the Charity will use reasonable endeavours to report such SAEs and SUSARs to the Company at least [\*\*\*] day before reporting them to MHRA.

The reports shall be in the form of a CIOMS form.

The Charity shall send reports as e-mail attachments to:

[\*\*\*]

### 2.1.3 Late Reports

If either Party fails to provide reports to the other Party within the timelines described above, they must provide to the other Party a legitimate reason for lateness and immediately provide evidence of corrective action taken.

### 2.1.4 Non-sponsored safety data

In the event that the Company (or designee) receives SAE information originating from the Charity Clinical Trial from other than the Charity itself, the Company is responsible for redirecting the information to the Charity within [\*\*\*] of receipt. The Company must not contact the Investigational site for information and should not be involved in the review of the safety data collection relating to the Charity Clinical Trial. The Company's view and opinions on the Charity Clinical Trial will not be taken into account during reviews and decision making.

In the event that the Charity receives SAE information originating from the Company sponsored trial from other than the Company itself, the Charity is responsible for redirecting the information to the Company (or designee) within [\*\*\*] of receipt. The Charity must not contact the Investigational site for information and should not be involved in the review of the safety data collection on the Company sponsored clinical trial. The Charity's view and opinions on the Company sponsored trial(s) will not be taken into account during reviews and decision making.

## 2.2 **Expedited Reporting to Regulatory Authorities and Ethics Committee(s)**

Each Party shall fulfil its local regulatory obligations in relation to the clinical trials it sponsors.

The Company or its licensees will report to the Eudra Vigilance Clinical Trials Module (EVCTM) all SUSARs originating from clinical trials with the IMP for which it is the Sponsor.

The Charity will, notwithstanding the provisions of section 2.1.2 above, report to the Regulatory Authorities all SUSARs originating from clinical trials with the IMP for which it is the Sponsor in accordance with GCP and Clinical Trial Legislation.

## 2.3 **Quarterly Exchange of Line Listings**

During the currency of the clinical trials, with a view to reconciling SAEs between the Parties, a line listing of all SAEs received during the previous quarter originating from clinical trials with the IMP for which the Party is the Sponsor shall be exchanged between the Parties on a quarterly basis.

Each line listing shall include sufficient information to identify the patient the event, the causality assessment and the outcome. The following information will be included at the minimum but not limited to, case reference ID, study ID, patient ID, (Number, age and gender) SAE (verbatim term and preferred term), date event(s) became serious, investigator causality to IMP, maximum grade using NCI CTCAE criteria or severity grading, stop date of the event and the outcome of event.

Each Party shall send line listings preferably as e-mail attachments to the contact details specified in 2.1.2.

#### **2.4 Other Trials of the Investigational Medicinal Product(s)**

The Company shall keep the Charity informed about clinical trials in which IMP is being used. The Company shall do this by i) providing to the Charity for each clinical trial a summary protocol; ii) a summary of all protocol amendments relating to safety on an ongoing basis; and iii) provide a [\*\*\*] summary of the status of each such clinical trial based on an agreed template as part of the Progress Report provided under clause 2.3.1 of the Clinical Trial and Option Agreement between the Parties. The Company will be open to questions on safety issues arising from these documents.

#### **2.5 Development Safety Update Report**

2.5.1 The Charity will be responsible for the preparation and submission of the DSUR for their own sponsored clinical trial(s).

2.5.2 In the event that there are other clinical trials of the IMP being conducted other than the Clinical Trial, the Charity shall be responsible for the preparation and submission of the GDSUR in accordance with its SOP and template.

The Development International Birth Date (DIBD) used by the Company is [—].

The Charity will be responsible for the preparation of the GDSUR and will be responsible for requesting data listings, reports and information required to fulfil the GDSUR obligations from the Company. The Charity shall provide the Company with a draft for review. The reviewing Party shall have [\*\*\*] to comment on the draft. The Charity shall give due consideration to any comments that the reviewing Company might make. The Charity will hold the overriding decisions on the wording. The Charity responsible for preparation of the GDSUR will provide the reviewing Company with a copy of the final report by regulatory [\*\*\*].

#### **2.6 Investigator's Brochure ("IB") and Investigational Medicinal Product Dossier ("IMPD")**

The Charity will produce the IB. The Party producing the IB will provide an update to the IB annually or more frequently as appropriate where new relevant information becomes available, or provide confirmation that an annual review of safety data has been carried out and no update is required.

The Party responsible for producing and updating the IB shall provide the other Party with a draft for review. The reviewing Party shall have [\*\*\*] to comment on the draft. The responsible Party shall give due consideration to any comments that the reviewing Party might make and must promptly provide the other Party with a copy of each version of the IB within [\*\*\*] of the IB version being finalised.

The Charity will produce the Investigational Medicinal Product Dossiers. The Company shall provide the Quality sections for these documents within agreed timelines to meet an agreed CTA submission date.

The Party responsible for producing and updating the IMPD shall provide the other Party with a draft for review. The reviewing Party shall have [\*\*\*] to comment on the draft. The responsible Party shall give due consideration to any comments that the reviewing Party might make and must promptly provide the other Party with a copy of each version of the IMPD within [\*\*\*] of the IMPD version being finalised.

#### **2.7 Safety Information from Other Sources**

Each Party shall promptly review all information concerning safety of the IMP(s) that is obtained or otherwise received from any source, foreign or domestic, including data derived from clinical trials, epidemiological studies, animal experiments, commercial marketing experience, reports as part of scientific literature and unpublished scientific papers.

Any such information that is deemed important, i.e. could result in changes to protocols, patient information sheets or IB, shall be communicated within [\*\*\*] from the date that it is deemed important to the other Party using the same means as for expedited SAE reports.

For safety data that has a regulatory impact such as urgent safety measures and dear investigator letters, these should be communicated within [\*\*\*] of being confirmed.

**2.8 Reconciliation**

2.8.1 During this Agreement, the Company shall diligently cooperate with the Charity in carrying out data reconciliations in accordance with the procedure set out in this clause 2.8.

2.8.1.1 the databases within the scope of this clause shall be those that hold any safety data relating to the Clinical Trial, other than those that the Parties agree should be excluded. As at the date of this Agreement, the databases listed in Table 1 below are deemed to be within scope.

**Table 1**

Name of Controlled Database (#1)	Name of Controlled Database (#2)
Medidata RAVE (clinical database) (Charity)	TARA (safety database) (Charity)

The Parties will cooperate to identify any databases that should be brought within scope. Each such database is referred to as a “Controlled Database”.

2.8.1.2 the data fields within each Controlled Database that shall be reconciled shall be those that the Charity may specify from time to time and as acting reasonably, the Company agrees. As at the date of this Agreement, the data fields listed in each column of the table in Table 1 are specified and agreed for the purposes of this clause 2.8.

2.8.1.3 the data specified in the table shall be sent by the Company to the Charity at such intervals and in such format as the Charity may from time to time acting reasonably specify, but in any event no less frequently than every three months.

2.8.1.4 the data shall be sent electronically to the following email address: [\*\*\*] and/or such other email address as the Charity may in writing specify for this purpose. The Charity shall promptly acknowledge receipt and if the Company does not receive the acknowledgement within 3 hours of sending the email, then it shall query the matter with the Charity at the following email address [\*\*\*] or telephone number: [\*\*\*] until the matter is resolved.

2.8.1.5 the Charity shall then carry out the reconciliation against the data it holds and inform the Company of any discrepancies as soon as practicable but in any event within [\*\*\*] of receipt of the relevant email from the Company. The Company shall respond to the Charity within [\*\*\*] either confirming the discrepancy or querying it. If confirmed, the Company shall make the necessary entries in its relevant Controlled Database. If not confirmed, then the Company shall cooperate with the Charity in resolving the discrepancy urgently and then making the necessary entries in its relevant Controlled Databases. In any event, if the Company fails to respond to the Charity within [\*\*\*] it shall promptly provide the Charity with its rationale for failing to do so.



2.8.1.6 the Company shall cooperate in developing and using templates that the Charity may suggest to use for reconciliation purposes.

2.8.2 The Parties shall cooperate in good faith in investigating and making improvements to the procedure above that either Party wishes to initiate from time to time.

2.8.3 The Charity shall in good faith and diligently cooperate with the Company in carrying out data reconciliations for any Parallel Study in accordance with a procedure to be confirmed by the Company and Charity in writing not less than [\*\*\*] prior to commencing the Parallel Study.

## **2.9 Regulatory Inspections**

Each Party promptly shall notify the other upon becoming aware of any impending inspection that concerns the Clinical Trial or the IMP and ensure that the other has reasonable notice to prepare for that inspection.

Each Party shall provide the other Party with such assistance as that Party may reasonably request to enable such Party to respond to and comply with such inspection. A Party shall inform the other Party promptly in writing of any critical inspection findings made by a Regulatory Authority that might impact the reliability, completeness or reporting of the safety data and other information that the Parties are obliged to exchange pursuant to this Schedule.

## **2.10 Developments and Enquiries**

Each Party shall advise the other Party as soon as possible, within [\*\*\*] at the latest, of any regulatory or other developments affecting the safety of the IMP, e.g., proposed recalls, labelling and other registration dossier change, any proposed changes to manufacturing, IMP quality complaints or quality issues.

Each Party shall advise the other Party as soon as possible, within [\*\*\*] at the latest, of any enquires from Regulatory Authorities and Ethics Committees concerning the safety of the IMP(s). The Parties shall collaborate fully, and in a timely manner, in providing a response to such enquiry.

## **2.11 Language**

The Parties agree to communicate with each other and prepare documents on the Investigational Medicinal Products in English.

**Schedule 4**  
**Clinical Trial Outline**

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**Schedule 5**

**Agreed Consents of Licences and Deeds of Covenant**

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## Glossary

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### Definitions

The words and phrases in this Agreement have the meaning set out below, unless the context requires otherwise. Words and phrases in this Agreement not defined below, but which are defined in the Clinical Trial Legislation have the meaning given to them in the Clinical Trial Legislation.

- “Affiliate”** means an entity that, whether now or in the future, Controls, is Controlled by or is under common Control with a Party, and “Control” means in respect of any corporate relationship, the possession (directly or indirectly) of fifty per cent (50%) or more of the voting stock or equity interest of an entity with the power to vote or control management decisions of that entity through the ownership of securities or by contract or otherwise. When used in respect of an entity, “Control” and “Controlled by” have a corresponding meaning;
- “Agent”** means the Material identified as the “Agent” on the Cover Sheet;
- “Agent IP”** means:
- a) the Agent Know How;
  - b) the Agent Materials; and
  - c) the Agent Patents;
- “Agent Know How”** means [\*\*\*];
- “Agent Materials”** means the Materials identified in the Cover Sheet as ‘Agent Materials’;
- “Agent Patents”** means:
- a) the Patents identified in the Cover Sheet as ‘Agent Patents’;
  - b) all Patents Controlled by the Company at any time during the Term that Cover the Agent; and
  - c) all Patents that derive priority from or share the same priority as the Patents identified in (a) or (b);
- “Agreement”** means this agreement, including the Cover Sheet, Schedules 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, and Glossary;
- “Available On The NHS”** means in relation to a Licensed Product:
- a) [\*\*\*]; or
  - b) [\*\*\*];
- “Box”** means the corresponding box in the Payments section of the Cover Sheet;
- “Charity Indemnitees”** has the meaning given in clause 13.2;
- “Claim”** has the meaning given in clause 13.3.1;

“ <b>Clinical Trial</b> ”	has the meaning given in clause 1.1;
“ <b>Clinical Trial Legislation</b> ”	means the European Community Directives 2001/20/EC, 2003/94/EC and 2005/28/EC, any national legislation that implements them or is otherwise applicable, and any relevant guidance to that legislation;
“ <b>Clinical Trial Subject</b> ”	means a subject, whether healthy volunteer or patient, in the Clinical Trial;
“ <b>Commencement</b> ”	means, in respect of a Clinical Trial, the first dosing of a human subject in that Clinical Trial;
“ <b>Commercially Reasonable Efforts</b> ”	means, in respect of the Company or a Sub-Licensee, the efforts and resources commonly used by a company of a similar size and with similar resources for a product at a similar stage in its life cycle, with the aim of developing that product in a diligent and timely manner, taking into account safety, efficacy and patent or other proprietary positions;
“ <b>Company</b> ”	means the entity identified in the Cover Sheet as the ‘ <b>Company</b> ’;
“ <b>Company Indemnitees</b> ”	has the meaning given in clause 13.1;
“ <b>Competing Programme</b> ”	means a research and development programme under which [***];
“ <b>Confidential Information</b> ”	means all information designated as confidential by any Party in writing together with all other information relating to the business, affairs, technology, products, developments, trade secrets, Know-How, personnel, customers, agents, distributors and suppliers of a Party or of a proprietary nature disclosed by the Disclosing Party, that is not in the public domain and is acquired by another Party under this Agreement. Results are the Confidential Information of the Charity and CRT;
“ <b>Contributors</b> ”	means third parties that perform activities under, in support of or for the Clinical Trial, and include, among others: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) the chief and principal investigators that manage or supervise the Clinical Trial and all other investigators;</li><li>b) experts (including members of the Charity’s expert committees or any other person not an employee of the Charity whom the Charity engages to advise the Charity on the Clinical Trial);</li><li>c) NHS Trusts; and</li><li>d) sub-contractors;</li></ul>
“ <b>Control</b> ”	means, with respect to any Material, Know How or IP, the possession (whether by ownership, licence or other right, other than pursuant to this Agreement) by a Party of the ability to grant to another Party access or a licence (or sub-licence) as provided herein under such item or right without violating .the terms of an agreement or other arrangement with any third party. When used in respect of Material, Know or IP, “ <b>Control</b> ”, “ <b>Controlling</b> ” and “ <b>Controlled by</b> ” have a corresponding meaning;

<b>“Cover”</b>	means, with respect to a Patent, that the making, having made, using, selling, offering for sale or importing of a material or practice of a claimed method would infringe a claim (or, if not yet issued, would infringe if the claim were to issue) of that Patent in the country in which the activity occurs, and <b>“Covered”</b> has a corresponding meaning;
<b>“Cover Sheet”</b>	means the cover sheet to this Agreement;
<b>“Charity Indemnitees”</b>	the Charity, CRT, the Contributors and their respective officers, employees, subcontractors and agents;
<b>“Data Exclusivity Period”</b>	means any period of clinical trial data or other regulatory exclusivity, or other periods under national implementations in the European Union of Article 10.1 of Directive 2001/EC/83 and all equivalents elsewhere in the Territory;
<b>“Data Package”</b>	has the meaning given in clause 10.7;
<b>“Data Protection Requirements”</b>	has the meaning given in clause 16.6;
<b>“Development Plan”</b>	means a development plan that describes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) the steps to be taken, in accordance with best practice in the pharmaceutical industry, to develop Licensed Products in the Field and the Territory;</li><li>b) the relevant timescales within which such steps will be taken; and</li><li>c) the estimated costs associated with each step;</li></ul>
<b>“Early Access to Medicines Schemes” (or “EAMS”)</b>	means schemes (whether statutory or not) offered by Regulatory Authorities directed towards making available, on an expedited basis, medicines that offer potential benefit to patients with no treatment options or a major therapeutic advantage over existing treatments. EAMs include Medicines and Healthcare Products Regulatory Agency’s “Promising Innovative Medicines” (or <b>“PIM”</b> ) designations and EMA’s proposed <b>“PRIME”</b> (Priority Medicines) scheme, and successor or similar schemes;
<b>“Start Date”</b>	means the date identified in the Cover Sheet as the <b>“Start Date”</b> ;
<b>“Election Period”</b>	has the meaning given in clause 13.3.1;
<b>“Exclusive Results”</b>	has the meaning given in clause 6.1;
<b>“Executive Officers”</b>	means: Chief Executive Officer of the Company, the Chief Executive Officer of CRT and the Director of the Charity’s Centre for Drug Development;
<b>“Field”</b>	means [***];
<b>“First Commercial Sale”</b>	[***];
<b>“Force Majeure”</b>	has the meaning given in clause 16.7.1;

<b>“GMP”</b>	means the principles of good manufacturing practice in respect of medicinal products for human use and investigational medicinal products for human use required by the laws of the European Union, including Clinical Trial Legislation, Eudralex Volume 4, ICHQ7a Good Manufacturing Practice Guidance and ‘EU Guidelines to Good Manufacturing Practice Medicinal Agents for Human and Veterinary Use, Annex 1 ‘Manufacture of Sterile Medicinal Products’ and Annex 2 ‘Manufacture of Biological active substances and Medicinal Products for Human Use’, Annex 13: Investigational Medicinal Agents’;
<b>“GMP Agent Materials</b>	means Materials identified in the Cover Sheet as <b>“GMP Agent Materials”</b> ;
<b>“IB”</b>	has the meaning given in clause 2.5;
<b>“IMP”</b>	means the preparation of the Agent that is the subject of the Clinical Trial and for the purposes of the Clinical Safety Information Exchange Template only, has the meaning given in Schedule 3;
<b>“IMPD”</b>	has the meaning given in clause 2.5;
<b>“Indemnified Person”</b>	has the meaning given in clause 13.3.1;
<b>“Indication”</b>	means [***];
<b>“Insolvency Event”</b>	means any of the following occurring in respect of a Party:  a) a voluntary arrangement is proposed or approved or administration order made;  b) a receiver or administrative receiver is appointed over any of that Party’s assets;  c) if circumstances arise that entitle the Court or a creditor to appoint a receiver, administrator or administrative receiver or make a winding-up order or similar;  d) undertakings or a winding-up resolution or petition is passed (otherwise than for the purpose of solvent reconstruction or amalgamation); or  e) equivalent action is taken against or by the applicable Party due to its insolvency or in consequence of debt;
<b>“IP”</b>	means all Patents, Know How, copyright, database rights, design rights, moral rights, rights in trade names, logos and trade and service marks, domain names, rights in Materials and all rights or forms of protection of a similar nature or having equivalent or similar effect to any of them which may subsist anywhere in the world, whether or not any of them are registered, including any application for registration of any of them;
<b>“JPT”</b>	has the meaning given in clause 2.1.1;
<b>“Know How”</b>	means [***];
<b>“Licence”</b>	has the meaning given in clause 7.1;
<b>“Licence Grant Date”</b>	has the meaning given in section 1 of the Licence Terms;
<b>“Licence Terms”</b>	means the terms and conditions set out in Schedule 1, which come into effect upon exercise of the Option;

<b>“Licensed Product”</b>	means any product: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) whose application for any Regulatory Authorisation includes any Result; or</li><li>b) that contains the [***]; or</li><li>c) is Covered by [***];</li></ul>
<b>“Losses”</b>	means losses, damages, costs and expenses (including legal costs and expenses);
<b>“Major Markets”</b>	means [***];
<b>“Materials”</b>	means any chemical or biological substance including any: organic or inorganic element or compound; gene; vector or construct including plasmids, phages, bacterial vectors, bacteriophages and viruses; host organism including bacteria, fungi, algae, protozoa and hybridomas; eukaryotic or prokaryotic cell line or expression system or any development strain or product of that cell line or expression systems; protein including any peptide or amino acid sequence, enzyme, antibody or protein conferring targeting properties and any fragment of a protein or a peptide enzyme or antibody; assay or reagent; any plasma or tissue; or any other genetic or biological material or micro-organism or any transgenic animal;
<b>“Milestone Event”</b>	means the milestones described in the Cover Sheet as <b>“Milestone Events”</b> ;
<b>“Milestone Payments”</b>	has the meaning given in section 5.2 of the Licence Terms;
<b>“NDA”</b>	means, in relation to any Licensed Product, a biologics license application, new drug application, supplementary new drug application, abbreviated new drug application or any of their equivalents filed with the United States Food and Drugs Administration (FDA) or any successor to it, a marketing authorisation application or its equivalent filed with the European Medicines Agency (EMA) or any successor to it, or a marketing authorisation application or a product licence application or equivalent filed with the relevant Regulatory Authority in any country or region in the Territory;
<b>“Net Sales”</b>	means, [***];
<b>“Non-Exclusive Results”</b>	has the meaning given in clause 6.1;
<b>“Oncology Indication”</b>	means [***];
<b>“Option”</b>	has the meaning given in clause 7.1;
<b>“Option Period”</b>	has the meaning given in clause 7.3;
<b>“Patent”</b>	means any patent application or granted patent or similar or equivalent form of protection anywhere in the world, including utility model and design patents and certificates of invention and all divisional, continuations, continuations-in-part, reissues, renewals, extensions, additions, supplementary protection certificates;



<b>“Phase 1 Clinical Trial”</b>	means a clinical trial in which a Licensed Product is administered to human subjects at multiple dose levels with the primary purpose of determining safety, metabolism, and pharmacokinetic and pharmacodynamic properties of the Licensed Product, and consistent with 21 CFR § 312.21(a) and any microdosing clinical trial conducted pursuant to the FDA’s 2006 Guidance on Exploratory Investigational New Drugs or any equivalent arrangements;
<b>“Phase II Clinical Trial”</b>	means [***];
<b>“Phase III Clinical Trial”</b>	means [***];
<b>“PIP”</b>	means [***].
<b>“pound” and “£”</b>	means British pound sterling;
<b>“Price Approval”</b>	means any approval or determination of pricing or pricing reimbursement in those countries in the Territory where Regulatory Authorities approve or determine pricing or pricing reimbursement for pharmaceutical products;
<b>“Progress Report”</b>	has the meaning given in clause 2.3.1;
<b>“Project Plan”</b>	has the meaning given in clause 1.3;
<b>“Project Leader”</b>	means the individual identified in the Cover Sheet by each Party as its <b>‘Project Leader’</b> , or any replacement notified to the other Parties;
<b>“Quarter”</b>	means any of the three-monthly periods beginning on the first day of any of January, April, July, and October in any year and <b>“Quarterly”</b> has a corresponding meaning;
<b>“Regulatory Authorisations”</b>	means all authorisations, approvals and clearances that may be required by a Regulatory Authority in any country or region in the Territory before Commencement of any Phase I Clinical Trial, Phase II Clinical Trial or Phase III Clinical Trial or commercial sale of the Licensed Product. Price Approvals are not Regulatory Authorisations;
<b>“Regulatory Authority”</b>	means any local or national agency, court, authority, department, inspectorate, minister, ministry official or public or statutory person with jurisdiction over this Agreement or the Parties or the development or marketing of medicinal products;
<b>“Results”</b>	has the meaning given in clause 6.1;
<b>“Side Letters”</b>	means the “Consent to Licences” and “Deed of Covenant” in the agreed form for each of the licensors of Third Party IP substantially in the form attached at Schedule 5;
<b>“Step-In Agreement”</b>	means an agreement in the form set out in Schedule 2;
<b>“Sub-Licence Revenue”</b>	means [***];
<b>“Sub-Licensee”</b>	means any person who is granted:  a) a sub-licence in accordance with section 2.3 of the Licence Terms and any further tiers of sub-licence granted under it (including Third Party Service Providers); or  b) a sub-licence by the Company under the Agent IP or to sell Licensed Products anywhere in the Territory;

<b>“Technical Agreement”</b>	has the meaning given in clause 4.2;
<b>“Term”</b>	means the term of this Agreement as determined under clause 14;
<b>“Territory”</b>	means worldwide;
<b>“Third Party Agreements”</b>	means all agreements or other arrangements under which the Company has been granted Third Party IP;
<b>“Third Party Beneficiary”</b>	has the meaning given in clause 16.16;
<b>“Third Party IP”</b>	means all Agent IP licensed to the Company by a third party, including the IP described in the Cover Sheet as <b>“Third Party IP”</b> ;
<b>“Third Party Service Provider”</b>	means a third party who provides research, development, distribution, sales or manufacturing services to the Company on an arms’ length basis in connection with the Company’s products, including contract research organisations, universities and hospitals. A Tobacco Party may not act as a Third Party Service Provider.
<b>“Tobacco Party”</b>	means any entity that:  a) develops, sells or manufactures tobacco products;  b) makes the majority of its profits from the importation, marketing, sale or disposal of tobacco products; or  c) is an Affiliate of an entity referred to in (a) or (b); and
<b>“UK Pricing Authority”</b>	means any supra-national, national or regional government department, authority, agency or entity (including a non-departmental public body or similar entity) with responsibility for evaluating the cost effectiveness of medicinal products in the United Kingdom (or one or more constituent countries thereof) or otherwise determining whether the NHS (or constituent parts thereof) should purchase medicinal products.

## Interpretation

Except where a contrary intention is expressed:

- The meaning of general words is not limited by specific examples introduced by “including”, “for example” or similar expressions.
- A reference to a statute or other law includes regulations and other instruments under it and amendments, re-enactments or replacements of any of them.
- A reference to a specific guideline, guidance document, set of principles or other document or publication includes such amended, updated or relevant replacement version from time to time in force.
- Each reference to a clause in this Agreement is to the corresponding provision in the Clinical Trial and Option Agreement Terms and Conditions, and each reference to a section in this Agreement is a reference to the corresponding provision in the Licence Terms in Schedule 1.
- Words denoting persons will include any individual, partnership, company, corporation, joint venture, trust, association, organisation or other entity, in each case whether or not having separate legal personality.
- References to the “best of its knowledge and belief” in clauses 3.3.1 and 9.3 of this Agreement and clause 5.1 of the Step-In Agreement include knowledge of the Company or its Affiliates after due and proper enquiry.
- The term “or” is to be interpreted, where appropriate, in the inclusive sense commonly associated with the term “and/or”.

## DEED OF INDEMNITY FOR LOST SHARE CERTIFICATE(S)

To: The Directors  
Vaccitech Limited (the "**Company**")  
The Schrodinger Building 2nd Floor  
Heatley Road  
Oxford Science Park  
Oxford, Oxfordshire  
England, OX4 4GE

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Dear Sirs

**Indemnity for Lost Share Certificate(s)**

1. I/We confirm that:
  - a. the original certificate(s) of title relating to the shares listed below (the "**Shares**") are not in my/our possession;
  - b. neither the Shares, nor the certificate(s) of title to them, have been transferred, charged, lent or deposited or dealt with in any manner that would affect my/our title to the Shares; and
  - c. I/we am/are the person[s] entitled to be on the register of the Company in respect of such Shares.
2. I/We request you to register the transfer of the Shares in accordance with the accompanying stock transfer form without the production of the original certificates for such Shares, and, subject to stamping (if any) of the relevant stock transfer form, to enter the name of the transferee in the register of members as the legal owner of the Shares.
3. I/We agree to indemnify the Company and its directors and officers (each of whom may enforce this indemnity pursuant to the Contract (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999) from and against all actions, proceedings, claims (including stamp duty, but for the avoidance of doubt, not stamp duty arising as a result of the acquisition of the Shares by Vaccitech Rx Limited (company number 13282620) on or around the date of this indemnity) and demands which may be brought against the Company and its directors and officers and all losses, charges, costs, damages, liabilities and expenses which the Company and its directors and officers may incur as a result of permitting any transfer of all or part of the Shares without the production of the original certificate(s).
4. I/We undertake to return the original certificate(s) to the Company for cancellation if I/we find them or they are otherwise delivered to me/us. This indemnity will continue in force even if the original certificate(s) are returned to you.

This indemnity applies although the number and date of the original certificate(s) are not known.

This indemnity and any disputes or claims arising out of or in connection with its subject matter or formation (including non-contractual disputes or claims) are governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of England. The courts of England shall have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any dispute or claim (including non-contractual disputes or claims) arising out of or in connection with this indemnity or its subject matter or formation.

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## EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

This Employment Agreement (“Agreement”) is made by and between Vaccitech Limited (which is anticipated to be reorganized into Vaccitech plc, “Parent”), Vaccitech USA, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the “U.S. Subsidiary”), and William Enright (the “Executive”) and is effective as of the closing of the Company’s first underwritten public offering of its equity securities pursuant to an effective registration statement under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “Effective Date”). Parent, the U.S. Subsidiary, and their respective subsidiaries and other affiliates are collectively referred to herein as the “Company,” and the duties of the Company set forth in this Agreement may be discharged by any entity within that definition. In the interest of clarity, any intercompany transfer shall not be deemed a termination of the employment relationship unless otherwise specified at the time of the transfer.

Except with respect to the Equity Documents (as defined below) and subject to Section 10, this Agreement supersedes in all respects all prior agreements between the parties regarding the subject matter herein, including without limitation (i) the Vaccitech Limited Terms and Conditions of Employment Agreement between the Executive and Parent dated August 20, 2019, provided that Sections 15, 16, 17, 18 and 19 of such agreement shall be preserved (the “Preserved Provisions”) and are supplemental to this Agreement and the Restrictive Covenants Agreement (as defined below), and (ii) any other offer letter, employment agreement or severance agreement between the Executive and any of the parties or their affiliated entities.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements herein contained and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties agree as follows:

1. Employment.

(a) Term. The Company shall employ the Executive and the Executive shall be employed by the Company pursuant to this Agreement commencing as of the Effective Date and continuing until such employment is terminated in accordance with the provisions hereof (the “Term”). The U.S. Subsidiary will maintain and distribute employment-related records. The Executive’s employment with the Company will be “at will,” meaning that the Executive’s employment may be terminated by the Company or the Executive at any time and for any reason subject to the terms of this Agreement.

(b) Position and Duties. The Executive shall serve as the Chief Executive Officer of the Company and shall have such powers and duties as may from time to time be prescribed by Parent’s Board of Directors (the “Board”). In addition, the Company shall cause the Executive to be nominated for election to the Board and to be recommended to the stockholders for election to the Board as long as the Executive remains the Chief Executive Officer of the Company (the “CEO”), provided that the Executive shall be deemed to have resigned from the Board and from any related positions upon ceasing to serve as CEO for any reason. The Executive shall devote the Executive’s full working time and efforts to the business and affairs of the Company. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Executive may serve on other boards of directors, with the approval of the Board, or engage in religious, charitable or other community activities as long as such services and activities do not interfere with the Executive’s performance of the Executive’s duties to the Company.

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2. Compensation and Related Matters.

(a) Base Salary. The Executive's initial base salary shall be paid at the rate of \$536,500 per year. The Executive's base salary shall be subject to periodic review, but no less than annually, by the Board or the Compensation Committee of the Board (the "Compensation Committee") provided that in no event shall the base salary be reduced while this Agreement is in effect. The base salary in effect at any given time is referred to herein as "Base Salary." The Base Salary shall be payable in a manner that is consistent with the Company's usual payroll practices for its U.S. executive officers.

(b) Incentive Compensation. The Executive shall be eligible to receive cash incentive compensation as determined by the Board or the Compensation Committee from time to time. The Executive's initial target annual incentive compensation shall be 55 percent of the Executive's Base Salary. The target annual incentive compensation in effect at any given time is referred to herein as "Target Bonus." The actual amount of the Executive's annual incentive compensation, if any, shall be determined in the sole discretion of the Board or the Compensation Committee. Except as otherwise provided herein or as may be provided by the Board or the Compensation Committee, the Executive must be employed by the Company on the date such incentive compensation is paid in order to earn or receive any annual incentive compensation.

(c) Expenses. The Executive shall be entitled to receive prompt reimbursement for all reasonable expenses incurred by the Executive during the Term in performing services hereunder, in accordance with the policies and procedures then in effect and established by the Company for its U.S. executive officers. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary or otherwise, except to the extent any expense or reimbursement described in the Agreement does not constitute a "deferral of compensation" within the meaning of Section 409A of the Code and the Treasury regulations and other guidance issued thereunder, any expense or reimbursement described in this Agreement shall meet the following requirements: (i) the amount of expenses eligible for reimbursement provided to the Executive in any other calendar year will not affect the amount of expenses eligible for reimbursement to the Executive in any other calendar year (ii) the reimbursements for expenses for which the Executive is entitled to be reimbursed shall be made on or before the last day of the calendar year following the calendar year in which the applicable expense is incurred; (iii) the right to payment or reimbursement or in-kind benefits hereunder may not be liquidated or exchanged for any other benefit; and (iv) the reimbursements shall be made pursuant to objectively determinable and nondiscretionary company policies and procedures regarding such reimbursement of expenses.

(d) Location. The Executive shall be permitted to work from his home office in Maryland; provided, however, that the Executive shall be required to regularly travel to Parent's offices in the United Kingdom and will also be required to travel nationally and internationally on business as is necessary from time to time.

(e) Other Benefits. The Executive shall be eligible to participate in or receive benefits under the Company's employee benefit plans in effect from time to time for its U.S. employees, subject to the terms of such plans. Subject to the Executive's insurability and subject to what is normal, appropriate and reasonable for a U.S. executive, the Company shall provide the Executive with renewable short-term and long-term disability plans that provide for (i) the annual payment of not less than 60% of the Executive's Base Salary for so long as any short-term and/or long-term disability of the Executive continues and (ii) a death in service benefit equal to three times the Executive's Base Salary, subject in each case (i) and (ii) to applicable caps and the other terms and conditions of the applicable plan or policy. The Executive shall be consulted on the selection of such policies, subject to their reasonable affordability for the Company. For the avoidance of doubt, the Company shall not be obligated to contribute to any U.K. pension on behalf of the Executive, nor shall the Executive be eligible for any other U.K.-specific employment benefits.

(f) Paid Time Off. The Executive shall initially be eligible to ratably accrue up to 25 days of vacation each calendar year, which may be used in accordance with the Company's applicable paid time off policy for its U.S. executive officers, as may be in effect from time to time.

(g) Equity. The equity awards held by the Executive shall continue to be governed by the terms and conditions of the Company's applicable equity incentive plan(s) and the applicable award agreement(s) (collectively, the "Equity Documents"); provided, however, and notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Equity Documents, in the event of a termination by the Company without Cause or by the Executive for Good Reason, in either event within the Change in Control Period (as such terms are defined below), all stock options and other stock-based awards held by the Executive that are subject solely to time-based vesting shall immediately accelerate and become fully vested and exercisable or nonforfeitable as of the Date of Termination (as defined below).

3. Termination. The Executive's employment hereunder may be terminated without any breach of this Agreement under the following circumstances:

(a) Death. The Executive's employment hereunder shall terminate upon death.

(b) Disability. The Company may terminate the Executive's employment if the Executive is disabled and unable to perform or expected to be unable to perform the essential functions of the Executive's then existing position or positions under this Agreement with or without reasonable accommodation for a period of 180 days (which need not be consecutive) in any twelve (12)-month period. If any question shall arise as to whether during any period the Executive is disabled so as to be unable to perform the essential functions of the Executive's then existing position or positions with or without reasonable accommodation, the Executive may, and at the request of the Company shall, submit to the Company a certification in reasonable detail by a physician selected by the Company to whom the Executive or the Executive's guardian has no reasonable objection as to whether the Executive is so disabled or how long such disability is expected to continue, and such certification shall for the purposes of this Agreement be conclusive of the issue. The Executive shall cooperate with any reasonable request of the physician in connection with such certification. If such question shall arise and the Executive shall fail to submit such certification, the Company's determination of such issue shall be binding on the Executive. Nothing in this Section 3(b) shall be construed to waive the Executive's rights, if any, under existing law including, without limitation, the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993, 29 U.S.C. §2601 *et seq.* and the Americans with Disabilities Act, 42 U.S.C. §12101 *et seq.*

(c) Termination by the Company for Cause. The Company may terminate the Executive's employment hereunder for Cause. For purposes of this Agreement, "Cause" shall mean any of the following:

(i) conduct by the Executive constituting a material act of misconduct in connection with the performance of the Executive's duties, including, without limitation, (A) continued and willful failure or refusal to perform material responsibilities that have been requested by the Board (other than refusal resulting from incapacity due to physical or mental illness), after being given written notice of such breach and a failure to cure within sixty (60) days of such notice; (B) dishonesty to the Board with respect to any material matter; or (C) misappropriation of funds or property of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates other than the occasional, customary and *de minimis* use of Company property for personal purposes;

(ii) the conviction of, or plea of guilty or *nolo contendere* of by the Executive of acts satisfying the elements of (A) any felony or (B) a misdemeanor involving moral turpitude, deceit, dishonesty or fraud;

(iii) any misconduct by the Executive, regardless of whether or not in the course of the Executive's employment, that would reasonably be expected to result in material injury or reputational harm to the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates if the Executive were to continue to be employed in the same position;

(iv) continued unsatisfactory performance or non-performance by the Executive of the Executive's duties hereunder (other than by reason of the Executive's physical or mental illness, incapacity or disability) which has continued for more than 30 days following written notice of such unsatisfactory performance or non-performance from the Board;

(v) a breach by the Executive of any of the provisions contained in Section 8 of this Agreement or the Restrictive Covenants Agreement (as defined below) after being given written notice of such breach and a failure to cure within thirty (30) days of such notice;

(vi) a material violation by the Executive of any of the Company's written employment policies after being given written notice of such breach and a failure to cure within thirty (30) days of such notice; or

(vii) the Executive's failure to cooperate with a bona fide internal investigation or an investigation by regulatory or law enforcement authorities, after being instructed by the Company to cooperate, or the willful destruction or failure to preserve documents or other materials known to be relevant to such investigation or the inducement of others to fail to cooperate or to produce documents or other materials in connection with such investigation.



(d) Termination by the Company without Cause. The Company may terminate the Executive's employment hereunder at any time without Cause. Any termination by the Company of the Executive's employment under this Agreement which does not constitute a termination for Cause under Section 3(c) and does not result from the death or disability of the Executive under Section 3(a) or (b) shall be deemed a termination without Cause.

(e) Termination by the Executive. The Executive may terminate employment hereunder at any time for any reason, including but not limited to, Good Reason. For purposes of this Agreement, "Good Reason" shall mean that the Executive has completed all steps of the Good Reason Process (hereinafter defined) following the occurrence of any of the following events without the Executive's consent (each, a "Good Reason Condition"):

- (i) a material diminution in the Executive's responsibilities, authority or duties;
- (ii) a material diminution in the Executive's Base Salary except for across-the-board salary reductions based on the Company's financial performance similarly affecting all or substantially all senior management employees of the Company;
- (iii) a material change in the geographic location at which the Executive primarily provides services to the Company, such that the Executive is required to relocate the Executive's principal residence as a result of such change; or
- (iv) a material breach of this Agreement by the Company.

The "Good Reason Process" consists of the following steps:

- (i) the Executive reasonably determines in good faith that a Good Reason Condition has occurred;
- (ii) the Executive notifies the Company in writing of the first occurrence of the Good Reason Condition within 90 days of the first occurrence of such condition;
- (iii) the Executive cooperates in good faith with the Company's efforts, for a period of not less than 30 days following such notice (the "Cure Period"), to remedy the Good Reason Condition;
- (iv) notwithstanding such efforts, the Good Reason Condition continues to exist at the end of the Cure Period; and
- (v) the Executive terminates employment within 120 days after the end of the Cure Period.

If the Company cures the Good Reason Condition during the Cure Period, Good Reason shall be deemed not to have occurred.

4. Matters related to Termination.

(a) Notice of Termination. Except for termination as specified in Section 3(a), any termination of the Executive's employment by the Company or any such termination by the Executive shall be communicated by written Notice of Termination to the other party hereto. For purposes of this Agreement, a "Notice of Termination" shall mean a notice which shall indicate the specific termination provision in this Agreement relied upon.

(b) Date of Termination. "Date of Termination" shall mean: (i) if the Executive's employment is terminated by death, the date of death; (ii) if the Executive's employment is terminated on account of disability under Section 3(b) or by the Company for Cause under Section 3(c), the date on which Notice of Termination is given; (iii) if the Executive's employment is terminated by the Company without Cause under Section 3(d), the date on which a Notice of Termination is given or the date otherwise specified by the Company in the Notice of Termination; (iv) if the Executive's employment is terminated by the Executive under Section 3(e) other than for Good Reason, 30 days after the date on which a Notice of Termination is given, and (v) if the Executive's employment is terminated by the Executive under Section 3(e) for Good Reason, the date on which a Notice of Termination is given after the end of the Cure Period. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event that the Executive gives a Notice of Termination to the Company, the Company may unilaterally accelerate the Date of Termination and such acceleration shall not result in a termination by the Company for purposes of this Agreement.

(c) Accrued Obligations. If the Executive's employment with the Company is terminated for any reason, the Company shall pay or provide to the Executive (or to the Executive's authorized representative or estate) (i) any Base Salary earned through the Date of Termination and, if applicable, any accrued but unused vacation through the Date of Termination; (ii) unpaid expense reimbursements (subject to, and in accordance with, Section 2(c) of this Agreement); and (iii) any vested benefits the Executive may have under any employee benefit plan of the Company through the Date of Termination, which vested benefits shall be paid and/or provided in accordance with the terms of such employee benefit plans (collectively, the "Accrued Obligations").

(d) Resignation of All Other Positions. To the extent applicable, the Executive shall be deemed to have resigned from all officer and board member positions that the Executive holds with the Company or any of its respective subsidiaries and affiliates upon the termination of the Executive's employment for any reason. The Executive shall execute any documents in reasonable form as may be requested to confirm or effectuate any such resignations.

5. Severance Pay and Benefits Upon Termination by the Company without Cause or by the Executive for Good Reason Outside the Change in Control Period. If the Executive's employment is terminated by the Company without Cause as provided in Section 3(d), or the Executive terminates employment for Good Reason as provided in Section 3(e), in each case outside of the Change in Control Period (as defined below), then, in addition to the Accrued Obligations, and subject to (i) the Executive signing a separation agreement and release in a form and manner satisfactory to the Company, which shall include, without limitation, a general release of claims against the Company and all related persons and entities, a reaffirmation of all of the Executive's Continuing Obligations (as defined below), and shall provide that if the Executive breaches any of the Continuing Obligations, all payments of the Severance Amount shall immediately cease (the "Separation Agreement"), (ii) the Separation Agreement becoming irrevocable, all within 60 days after the Date of Termination (or such shorter period as set forth in the Separation Agreement), which shall include a seven (7) day revocation period and (iii) if so requested by the Company, the Executive signing a U.K. settlement agreement:

(a) the Company shall pay the Executive an amount equal to twelve (12) months of the Executive's Base Salary (the "Severance Amount"); and

(b) subject to the Executive's copayment of premium amounts at the applicable active employees' rate and the Executive's proper election to receive benefits under the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985, as amended ("COBRA"), the Company shall pay to the group health plan provider or the COBRA provider a monthly payment equal to the monthly employer contribution that the Company would have made to provide health insurance to the Executive if the Executive had remained employed by the Company until the earliest of (A) the twelve (12) month anniversary of the Date of Termination; (B) the date that the Executive becomes eligible for group medical plan benefits under any other employer's group medical plan; or (C) the cessation of the Executive's health continuation rights under COBRA; provided, however, that if the Company determines that it cannot pay such amounts to the group health plan provider or the COBRA provider (if applicable) without potentially violating applicable law (including, without limitation, Section 2716 of the Public Health Service Act), then the Company shall convert such payments to payroll payments directly to the Executive for the time period specified above. Such payments to the Executive shall be subject to tax-related deductions and withholdings and paid on the Company's regular payroll dates; and

(c) if the Date of Termination occurs after the completion of a calendar year but prior to the payment of annual bonuses for such year, the Company shall pay the Executive the bonus amount that the Executive otherwise would have received if the Executive remained employed on the date of payment, as determined in the sole discretion of the Company (the "Prior Year Bonus"), payable to the Executive at the same time annual bonuses in respect of the prior year are generally paid to senior executives of the Company.

Except for the Prior Year Bonus (which shall be paid as described in Section 5(c)), the amounts payable under Section 5, to the extent taxable, shall be paid out in substantially equal installments in accordance with the Company's payroll practice over twelve (12) months commencing within 60 days after the Date of Termination; provided, however, that if the 60-day period begins in one calendar year and ends in a second calendar year, such payments, to the extent they qualify as "non-qualified deferred compensation" within the meaning of Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), shall begin to be paid in the second calendar year by the last day of such 60-day period; provided, further, that the initial payment shall include a catch-up payment to cover amounts retroactive to the day immediately following the Date of Termination. Each payment pursuant to this Agreement is intended to constitute a separate payment for purposes of Treasury Regulation Section 1.409A-2(b)(2).

6. Severance Pay and Benefits Upon Termination by the Company without Cause or by the Executive for Good Reason within the Change in Control Period. The provisions of this Section 6 shall apply in lieu of, and expressly supersede, the provisions of Section 5 if (i) the Executive's employment is terminated either (a) by the Company without Cause as provided in Section 3(d), or (b) by the Executive for Good Reason as provided in Section 3(e), and (ii) the Date of Termination is on or within twelve (12) months after the occurrence of the first event constituting a Change in Control of Parent (such period, the "Change in Control Period"). These provisions shall terminate and be of no further force or effect after the Change in Control Period.

(a) If the Executive's employment is terminated by the Company without Cause as provided in Section 3(d) or the Executive terminates employment for Good Reason as provided in Section 3(e) and in each case the Date of Termination occurs during the Change in Control Period, then, in addition to the Accrued Obligations, and subject to the signing of the Separation Agreement by the Executive and the Separation Agreement becoming fully effective, all within the time frame set forth in the Separation Agreement but in no event more than 60 days after the Date of Termination:

(i) the Company shall pay the Executive a lump sum in cash in an amount equal to 1.5 times the sum of (A) the Executive's then-current Base Salary (or the Executive's Base Salary in effect immediately prior to the Change in Control of Parent, if higher) plus (B) the Executive's Target Bonus for the then-current year (or the Executive's Target Bonus in effect immediately prior to the Change in Control of Parent, if higher); and

(ii) subject to the Executive's copayment of premium amounts at the applicable active employees' rate and the Executive's proper election to receive benefits under COBRA, the Company shall pay to the group health plan provider or the COBRA provider a monthly payment equal to the monthly employer contribution that the Company would have made to provide health insurance to the Executive if the Executive had remained employed by the Company until the earliest of (A) the eighteen (18) month anniversary of the Date of Termination; (B) the date that the Executive becomes eligible for group medical plan benefits under any other employer's group medical plan; or (C) the cessation of the Executive's health continuation rights under COBRA; provided, however, that if the Company determines that it cannot pay such amounts to the group health plan provider or the COBRA provider (if applicable) without potentially violating applicable law (including, without limitation, Section 2716 of the Public Health Service Act), then the Company shall convert such payments to payroll payments directly to the Executive for the time period specified above. Such payments to the Executive shall be subject to tax-related deductions and withholdings and paid on the Company's regular payroll dates.

The amounts payable under this Section 6(a), to the extent taxable, shall be paid or commence to be paid within 60 days after the Date of Termination; provided, however, that if the 60-day period begins in one calendar year and ends in a second calendar year, such payments to the extent they qualify as "non-qualified deferred compensation" within the meaning of Section 409A of the Code, shall be paid or commence to be paid in the second calendar year by the last day of such 60-day period.

(b) Additional Limitation.

(i) Anything in this Agreement to the contrary notwithstanding, in the event that the amount of any compensation, payment or distribution by the Company to or for the benefit of the Executive, whether paid or payable or distributed or distributable pursuant to the terms of this Agreement or otherwise, calculated in a manner consistent with Section 280G of the Code, and the applicable regulations thereunder (the "Aggregate Payments"), would be subject to the excise tax imposed by Section 4999 of the Code, then the Aggregate Payments shall be reduced (but not below zero) so that the sum of all of the Aggregate Payments shall be \$1.00 less than the amount at which the Executive becomes subject to the excise tax imposed by Section 4999 of the Code; provided that such reduction shall only occur if it would result in the Executive receiving a higher After Tax Amount (as defined below) than the Executive would receive if the Aggregate Payments were not subject to such reduction. In such event, the Aggregate Payments shall be reduced in the following order, in each case, in reverse chronological order beginning with the Aggregate Payments that are to be paid the furthest in time from consummation of the transaction that is subject to Section 280G of the Code: (1) cash payments not subject to Section 409A of the Code; (2) cash payments subject to Section 409A of the Code; (3) equity-based payments and acceleration; and (4) non-cash forms of benefits; provided that in the case of all the foregoing Aggregate Payments all amounts or payments that are not subject to calculation under Treas. Reg. §1.280G-1, Q&A-24(b) or (c) shall be reduced before any amounts that are subject to calculation under Treas. Reg. §1.280G-1, Q&A-24(b) or (c).

(ii) For purposes of this Section 6(b), the "After Tax Amount" means the amount of the Aggregate Payments less all federal, state, and local income, excise and employment taxes imposed on the Executive as a result of the Executive's receipt of the Aggregate Payments. For purposes of determining the After Tax Amount, the Executive shall be deemed to pay federal income taxes at the highest marginal rate of federal income taxation applicable to individuals for the calendar year in which the determination is to be made, and state and local income taxes at the highest marginal rates of individual taxation in each applicable state and locality, net of the maximum reduction in federal income taxes which could be obtained from deduction of such state and local taxes.

(iii) The determination as to whether a reduction in the Aggregate Payments shall be made pursuant to Section 6(b) (i) shall be made by a nationally recognized accounting firm selected by the Company (the "Accounting Firm"), which shall provide detailed supporting calculations both to the Company and the Executive within 15 business days of the Date of Termination, if applicable, or at such earlier time as is reasonably requested by the Company or the Executive. Any determination by the Accounting Firm shall be binding upon the Company and the Executive.

(c) Definitions. For purposes of this Agreement, the term “Change in Control of Parent” shall mean a “change in Control” under Sections 10.1 or 10.2 in Parent’s Share Award Plan 2021 (as the same may be amended from time to time), but only to the extent such Change in Control of Parent is also a “change in control event” within the meaning of Section 409A of the Code and the regulations promulgated thereunder

7. Section 409A.

(a) Anything in this Agreement to the contrary notwithstanding, if at the time of the Executive’s separation from service within the meaning of Section 409A of the Code, the Company determines that the Executive is a “specified employee” within the meaning of Section 409A(a)(2)(B)(i) of the Code, then to the extent any payment or benefit that the Executive becomes entitled to under this Agreement or otherwise on account of the Executive’s separation from service would be considered deferred compensation otherwise subject to the 20 percent additional tax imposed pursuant to Section 409A(a) of the Code as a result of the application of Section 409A(a)(2)(B)(i) of the Code, such payment shall not be payable and such benefit shall not be provided until the date that is the earlier of (A) six months and one day after the Executive’s separation from service, or (B) the Executive’s death. If any such delayed cash payment is otherwise payable on an installment basis, the first payment shall include a catch-up payment covering amounts that would otherwise have been paid during the six-month period but for the application of this provision, and the balance of the installments shall be payable in accordance with their original schedule.

(b) All in-kind benefits provided and expenses eligible for reimbursement under this Agreement shall be provided by the Company or incurred by the Executive during the time periods set forth in this Agreement. All reimbursements shall be paid as soon as administratively practicable, but in no event shall any reimbursement be paid after the last day of the taxable year following the taxable year in which the expense was incurred. The amount of in-kind benefits provided or reimbursable expenses incurred in one taxable year shall not affect the in-kind benefits to be provided or the expenses eligible for reimbursement in any other taxable year (except for any lifetime or other aggregate limitation applicable to medical expenses). Such right to reimbursement or in-kind benefits is not subject to liquidation or exchange for another benefit.

(c) To the extent that any payment or benefit described in this Agreement constitutes “non-qualified deferred compensation” under Section 409A of the Code, and to the extent that such payment or benefit is payable upon the Executive’s termination of employment, then such payments or benefits shall be payable only upon the Executive’s “separation from service.” The determination of whether and when a separation from service has occurred shall be made in accordance with the presumptions set forth in Treasury Regulation Section 1.409A-1(h).

(d) The parties intend that this Agreement will be administered in accordance with Section 409A of the Code. To the extent that any provision of this Agreement is ambiguous as to its compliance with Section 409A of the Code, the provision shall be read in such a manner so that all payments hereunder comply with Section 409A of the Code. Each payment pursuant to this Agreement or the Restrictive Covenants Agreement is intended to constitute a separate payment for purposes of Treasury Regulation Section 1.409A-2(b)(2). The parties agree that this Agreement may be amended, as reasonably requested by either party, and as may be necessary to fully comply with Section 409A of the Code and all related rules and regulations in order to preserve the payments and benefits provided hereunder without additional cost to either party.

(e) The Company makes no representation or warranty and shall have no liability to the Executive or any other person if any provisions of this Agreement are determined to constitute deferred compensation subject to Section 409A of the Code but do not satisfy an exemption from, or the conditions of, such Section.

8. Continuing Obligations.

(a) Restrictive Covenants Agreement. As a condition of employment, the Executive is required to enter into the Employee Confidentiality, Assignment, Nonsolicitation and Noncompetition Agreement, attached hereto as Exhibit A (the "Restrictive Covenants Agreement"). For purposes of this Agreement, the obligations in this Section 8 and those that arise in the Restrictive Covenants Agreement and any other agreement relating to confidentiality, assignment of inventions, or other restrictive covenants shall collectively be referred to as the "Continuing Obligations." For the avoidance of doubt, the Restrictive Covenants Agreement is supplemental to, and not in lieu of, and shall not limit or reduce any rights, restrictions or obligations under, any other agreement between the Executive and the Company relating to noncompetition, nonsolicitation, confidential information or any other similar restrictive covenant, including without limitation under the Preserved Provisions. In the event of any conflict between the Restrictive Covenants Agreement and any other such restrictive covenant, the most restrictive provision that is enforceable shall govern.

(b) Third-Party Agreements and Rights. The Executive hereby confirms that the Executive is not bound by the terms of any agreement with any previous employer or other party which restricts in any way the Executive's use or disclosure of information, other than confidentiality restrictions (if any), or the Executive's engagement in any business. The Executive represents to the Company that the Executive's execution of this Agreement, the Executive's employment with the Company and the performance of the Executive's proposed duties for the Company will not violate any obligations the Executive may have to any such previous employer or other party. In the Executive's work for the Company, the Executive will not disclose or make use of any information in violation of any agreements with or rights of any such previous employer or other party, and the Executive will not bring to the premises of the Company any copies or other tangible embodiments of non-public information belonging to or obtained from any such previous employment or other party.

(c) Litigation and Regulatory Cooperation. During and after the Executive's employment, the Executive shall cooperate fully with the Company in (i) the defense or prosecution of any claims or actions now in existence or which may be brought in the future against or on behalf of the Company which relate to events or occurrences that transpired while the Executive was employed by the Company, and (ii) the investigation, whether internal or external, of any matters about which the Company believes the Executive may have knowledge or information. The Executive's full cooperation in connection with such claims, actions or investigations shall include, but not be limited to, being available to meet with counsel to answer questions or to prepare for discovery or trial and to act as a witness on behalf of the Company at mutually convenient times. During and after the Executive's employment, the Executive also shall cooperate fully with the Company in connection with any investigation or review of any federal, state or local regulatory authority as any such investigation or review relates to events or occurrences that transpired while the Executive was employed by the Company. The Company shall reimburse the Executive for any reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection with the Executive's performance of obligations pursuant to this Section 8(c).

(d) Relief. The Executive agrees that it would be difficult to measure any damages caused to the Company which might result from any breach by the Executive of the Continuing Obligations, and that in any event money damages would be an inadequate remedy for any such breach. Accordingly, the Executive agrees that if the Executive breaches, or proposes to breach, any portion of the Continuing Obligations, the Company shall be entitled, in addition to all other remedies that it may have, to an injunction or other appropriate equitable relief to restrain any such breach without showing or proving any actual damage to the Company.

9. Consent to Jurisdiction. The parties hereby consent to the jurisdiction of the state and federal courts of the State of Delaware. Accordingly, with respect to any such court action, the Executive (a) submits to the exclusive personal jurisdiction of such courts; (b) consents to service of process; and (c) waives any other requirement (whether imposed by statute, rule of court, or otherwise) with respect to personal jurisdiction or service of process.

10. Integration. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior agreements between the parties concerning such subject matter, provided that the Equity Documents remain in full force and effect. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any prior obligations that the Executive had with respect to confidential information, invention assignment and other restrictive covenants, including without limitation the Preserved Provisions, shall remain in full force and effect and are supplemental to this Agreement and the Restrictive Covenants Agreement.

11. Withholding; Tax Effect. All payments made by the Company to the Executive under this Agreement shall be net of any tax or other amounts required to be withheld by the Company under applicable law. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to require the Company to make any payments to compensate the Executive for any adverse tax effect associated with any payments or benefits or for any deduction or withholding from any payment or benefit.

12. Directors' and Officers' Insurance. The Executive shall be entitled to be covered by a policy of directors' and officers' liability insurance on terms no less favorable than those in place from time to time for other members of the Board.



13. Assignment; Successors and Assigns. Neither the Executive nor the Company may make any assignment of this Agreement or any interest in it, by operation of law or otherwise, without the prior written consent of the other; provided, however, that the Company may assign its rights and obligations under this Agreement (including the Restrictive Covenants Agreement) without the Executive's consent to any affiliate or to any person or entity with whom the Company shall hereafter effect a reorganization or consolidation, into which the Company merges or to whom it transfers all or substantially all of its properties or assets; provided further that if the Executive remains employed or becomes employed by the Company, the purchaser or any of their affiliates in connection with any such transaction, then the Executive shall not be entitled to any payments, benefits or vesting pursuant to Sections 2(g), 5 or 6 of this Agreement solely as a result of such transaction. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the Executive and the Company, and each of the Executive's and the Company's respective successors, executors, administrators, heirs and permitted assigns. In the event of the Executive's death after the Executive's termination of employment but prior to the completion by the Company of all payments due to the Executive under this Agreement, the Company shall continue such payments to the Executive's beneficiary designated in writing to the Company prior to the Executive's death (or to the Executive's estate, if the Executive fails to make such designation).

14. Enforceability. If any portion or provision of this Agreement (including, without limitation, any portion or provision of any section of this Agreement) shall to any extent be declared illegal or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, then the remainder of this Agreement, or the application of such portion or provision in circumstances other than those as to which it is so declared illegal or unenforceable, shall not be affected thereby, and each portion and provision of this Agreement shall be valid and enforceable to the fullest extent permitted by law.

15. Survival. For the avoidance of doubt, this Agreement shall survive the termination of the Executive's employment to the extent necessary to effectuate the terms contained herein.

16. Waiver. No waiver of any provision hereof shall be effective unless made in writing and signed by the waiving party. The failure of any party to require the performance of any term or obligation of this Agreement, or the waiver by any party of any breach of this Agreement, shall not prevent any subsequent enforcement of such term or obligation or be deemed a waiver of any subsequent breach.

17. Notices. Any notices, requests, demands and other communications provided for by this Agreement shall be sufficient if in writing and delivered in person or sent by a nationally recognized overnight courier service or by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, to the Executive at the last address the Executive has filed in writing with the Company or, in the case of the Company, at its main offices, attention of the Board.

18. Amendment. This Agreement may be amended or modified only by a written instrument signed by the Executive and by a duly authorized representative of the Company.

19. Effect on Other Plans and Agreements. An election by the Executive to resign for Good Reason under the provisions of this Agreement shall not be deemed a voluntary termination of employment by the Executive for the purpose of interpreting the provisions of any of the Company's benefit plans, programs or policies. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to limit the rights of the Executive under the Company's benefit plans, programs or policies except as otherwise provided in Section 8 hereof, and except that the Executive shall have no rights to any severance benefits under any Company severance pay plan, offer letter or otherwise. In the event that the Executive is party to an agreement with the Company providing for payments or benefits under such plan or agreement and under this Agreement, the terms of this Agreement shall govern and the Executive may receive payment under this Agreement only and not both. Further, Section 5 and Section 6 of this Agreement are mutually exclusive and in no event shall the Executive be entitled to payments or benefits pursuant to both Section 5 and Section 6 of this Agreement.

20. Governing Law. This is a Delaware contract and shall be construed under and be governed in all respects by the laws of State of Delaware, without giving effect to the conflict of laws principles thereof. With respect to any disputes concerning federal law, such disputes shall be determined in accordance with the law as it would be interpreted and applied by the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit.

21. Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which when so executed and delivered shall be taken to be an original; but such counterparts shall together constitute one and the same document.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement effective on the Effective Date.

**PARENT**

VACCITECH LIMITED

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Its: \_\_\_\_\_

**U.S. SUBSIDIARY**

VACCITECH USA, INC.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Its: \_\_\_\_\_

**EXECUTIVE**

\_\_\_\_\_  
William Enright

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Exhibit A

**Restrictive Covenants Agreement**

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## EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

This Employment Agreement (“Agreement”) is made by and between Vaccitech Limited (which is anticipated to be reorganized into Vaccitech plc, “Parent”), Vaccitech USA, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the “U.S. Subsidiary”), and Thomas G. Evans, MD (the “Executive”) and is effective as of the closing of the Company’s first underwritten public offering of its equity securities pursuant to an effective registration statement under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “Effective Date”). Parent, the U.S. Subsidiary, and their respective subsidiaries and other affiliates are collectively referred to herein as the “Company,” and the duties of the Company set forth in this Agreement may be discharged by any entity within that definition. In the interest of clarity, any intercompany transfer shall not be deemed a termination of the employment relationship unless otherwise specified at the time of the transfer.

Except with respect to the Equity Documents (as defined below) and subject to Section 10, this Agreement supersedes in all respects all prior agreements between the parties regarding the subject matter herein, including without limitation (i) the 2017 Service Agreement between the Executive and Parent, provided that Sections 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18 of such agreement shall be preserved (the “Preserved Provisions”) and are supplemental to this Agreement and the Restrictive Covenants Agreement (as defined below), and (ii) any other offer letter, employment agreement or severance agreement between the Executive and any of the parties or their affiliated entities.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements herein contained and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties agree as follows:

1. Employment.

(a) Term. The Company shall employ the Executive and the Executive shall be employed by the Company pursuant to this Agreement commencing as of the Effective Date and continuing until such employment is terminated in accordance with the provisions hereof (the “Term”). The U.S. Subsidiary will maintain and distribute employment-related records. The Executive’s employment with the Company will be “at will,” meaning that the Executive’s employment may be terminated by the Company or the Executive at any time and for any reason subject to the terms of this Agreement.

(b) Position and Duties. The Executive shall serve as the Chief Scientific Officer of the Company and shall have such powers and duties as may from time to time be prescribed by the Chief Executive Officer (the “CEO”) or other duly authorized executive. The Executive shall devote the Executive’s full working time and efforts to the business and affairs of the Company. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Executive may serve on other boards of directors, with the approval of Parent’s Board of Directors (the “Board”), or engage in religious, charitable or other community activities as long as such services and activities do not interfere with the Executive’s performance of the Executive’s duties to the Company.

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2. Compensation and Related Matters.

(a) Base Salary. The Executive's initial base salary shall be paid at the rate of \$431,400 per year. The Executive's base salary shall be subject to periodic review by the Board or the Compensation Committee of the Board (the "Compensation Committee"). The base salary in effect at any given time is referred to herein as "Base Salary." The Base Salary shall be payable in a manner that is consistent with the Company's usual payroll practices for its U.S. executive officers.

(b) Incentive Compensation. The Executive shall be eligible to receive cash incentive compensation as determined by the Board or the Compensation Committee from time to time. The Executive's initial target annual incentive compensation shall be 50 percent of the Executive's Base Salary. The target annual incentive compensation in effect at any given time is referred to herein as "Target Bonus." The actual amount of the Executive's annual incentive compensation, if any, shall be determined in the sole discretion of the Board or the Compensation Committee. Except as otherwise provided herein or as may be provided by the Board or the Compensation Committee, the Executive must be employed by the Company on the date such incentive compensation is paid in order to earn or receive any annual incentive compensation.

(c) Expenses. The Executive shall be entitled to receive prompt reimbursement for all reasonable expenses incurred by the Executive during the Term in performing services hereunder, in accordance with the policies and procedures then in effect and established by the Company for its U.S. executive officers.

(d) Location. The Executive shall be permitted to work from his home office in Massachusetts; provided, however, that the Executive shall be required to regularly travel to Parent's offices in the United Kingdom and will also be required to travel nationally and internationally on business as is necessary from time to time.

(e) Other Benefits. The Executive shall be eligible to participate in or receive benefits under the Company's employee benefit plans in effect from time to time for its U.S. employees, subject to the terms of such plans. For the avoidance of doubt, the Company shall not be obligated to contribute to any U.K. pension on behalf of the Executive, nor shall the Executive be eligible for any other U.K.-specific employment benefits.

(f) Paid Time Off. The Executive shall initially be eligible to ratably accrue up to 25 days of vacation each calendar year, which may be used in accordance with the Company's applicable paid time off policy for its U.S. executive officers, as may be in effect from time to time.

(g) Equity. The equity awards held by the Executive shall continue to be governed by the terms and conditions of the Company's applicable equity incentive plan(s) and the applicable award agreement(s) (collectively, the "Equity Documents"); provided, however, and notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Equity Documents, in the event of a termination by the Company without Cause or by the Executive for Good Reason, in either event within the Change in Control Period (as such terms are defined below), all stock options and other stock-based awards held by the Executive that are subject solely to time-based vesting shall immediately accelerate and become fully vested and exercisable or nonforfeitable as of the Date of Termination (as defined below).

3. Termination. The Executive's employment hereunder may be terminated without any breach of this Agreement under the following circumstances:

(a) Death. The Executive's employment hereunder shall terminate upon death.

(b) Disability. The Company may terminate the Executive's employment if the Executive is disabled and unable to perform or expected to be unable to perform the essential functions of the Executive's then existing position or positions under this Agreement with or without reasonable accommodation for a period of 180 days (which need not be consecutive) in any twelve (12)-month period. If any question shall arise as to whether during any period the Executive is disabled so as to be unable to perform the essential functions of the Executive's then existing position or positions with or without reasonable accommodation, the Executive may, and at the request of the Company shall, submit to the Company a certification in reasonable detail by a physician selected by the Company to whom the Executive or the Executive's guardian has no reasonable objection as to whether the Executive is so disabled or how long such disability is expected to continue, and such certification shall for the purposes of this Agreement be conclusive of the issue. The Executive shall cooperate with any reasonable request of the physician in connection with such certification. If such question shall arise and the Executive shall fail to submit such certification, the Company's determination of such issue shall be binding on the Executive. Nothing in this Section 3(b) shall be construed to waive the Executive's rights, if any, under existing law including, without limitation, the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993, 29 U.S.C. §2601 *et seq.* and the Americans with Disabilities Act, 42 U.S.C. §12101 *et seq.*

(c) Termination by the Company for Cause. The Company may terminate the Executive's employment hereunder for Cause. For purposes of this Agreement, "Cause" shall mean any of the following:

(i) conduct by the Executive constituting a material act of misconduct in connection with the performance of the Executive's duties, including, without limitation, (A) willful failure or refusal to perform material responsibilities that have been requested by the Board or the CEO; (B) dishonesty to the Board or the CEO with respect to any material matter; or (C) misappropriation of funds or property of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates other than the occasional, customary and *de minimis* use of Company property for personal purposes;

(ii) the commission by the Executive of acts satisfying the elements of (A) any felony or (B) a misdemeanor involving moral turpitude, deceit, dishonesty or fraud;

(iii) any misconduct by the Executive, regardless of whether or not in the course of the Executive's employment, that would reasonably be expected to result in material injury or reputational harm to the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates if the Executive were to continue to be employed in the same position;

(iv) continued unsatisfactory performance or non-performance by the Executive of the Executive's duties hereunder (other than by reason of the Executive's physical or mental illness, incapacity or disability) which has continued for more than 30 days following written notice of such unsatisfactory performance or non-performance from the Board or the CEO;

(v) a breach by the Executive of any of the provisions contained in Section 8 of this Agreement or the Restrictive Covenants Agreement (as defined below);

(vi) a material violation by the Executive of any of the Company's written employment policies; or

(vii) the Executive's failure to cooperate with a bona fide internal investigation or an investigation by regulatory or law enforcement authorities, after being instructed by the Company to cooperate, or the willful destruction or failure to preserve documents or other materials known to be relevant to such investigation or the inducement of others to fail to cooperate or to produce documents or other materials in connection with such investigation.

(d) Termination by the Company without Cause. The Company may terminate the Executive's employment hereunder at any time without Cause. Any termination by the Company of the Executive's employment under this Agreement which does not constitute a termination for Cause under Section 3(c) and does not result from the death or disability of the Executive under Section 3(a) or (b) shall be deemed a termination without Cause.

(e) Termination by the Executive. The Executive may terminate employment hereunder at any time for any reason, including but not limited to, Good Reason. For purposes of this Agreement, "Good Reason" shall mean that the Executive has completed all steps of the Good Reason Process (hereinafter defined) following the occurrence of any of the following events without the Executive's consent (each, a "Good Reason Condition"):

(i) a material diminution in the Executive's responsibilities, authority or duties;

(ii) a material diminution in the Executive's Base Salary except for across-the-board salary reductions based on the Company's financial performance similarly affecting all or substantially all senior management employees of the Company;

(iii) a material change in the geographic location at which the Executive primarily provides services to the Company, such that the Executive is required to relocate the Executive's principal residence as a result of such change; or

(iv) a material breach of this Agreement by the Company.



The “Good Reason Process” consists of the following steps:

- (i) the Executive reasonably determines in good faith that a Good Reason Condition has occurred;
- (ii) the Executive notifies the Company in writing of the first occurrence of the Good Reason Condition within 60 days of the first occurrence of such condition;
- (iii) the Executive cooperates in good faith with the Company’s efforts, for a period of not less than 30 days following such notice (the “Cure Period”), to remedy the Good Reason Condition;
- (iv) notwithstanding such efforts, the Good Reason Condition continues to exist at the end of the Cure Period; and
- (v) the Executive terminates employment within 60 days after the end of the Cure Period.

If the Company cures the Good Reason Condition during the Cure Period, Good Reason shall be deemed not to have occurred.

4. Matters related to Termination.

(a) Notice of Termination. Except for termination as specified in Section 3(a), any termination of the Executive’s employment by the Company or any such termination by the Executive shall be communicated by written Notice of Termination to the other party hereto. For purposes of this Agreement, a “Notice of Termination” shall mean a notice which shall indicate the specific termination provision in this Agreement relied upon.

(b) Date of Termination. “Date of Termination” shall mean: (i) if the Executive’s employment is terminated by death, the date of death; (ii) if the Executive’s employment is terminated on account of disability under Section 3(b) or by the Company for Cause under Section 3(c), the date on which Notice of Termination is given; (iii) if the Executive’s employment is terminated by the Company without Cause under Section 3(d), the date on which a Notice of Termination is given or the date otherwise specified by the Company in the Notice of Termination; (iv) if the Executive’s employment is terminated by the Executive under Section 3(e) other than for Good Reason, 30 days after the date on which a Notice of Termination is given, and (v) if the Executive’s employment is terminated by the Executive under Section 3(e) for Good Reason, the date on which a Notice of Termination is given after the end of the Cure Period. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event that the Executive gives a Notice of Termination to the Company, the Company may unilaterally accelerate the Date of Termination and such acceleration shall not result in a termination by the Company for purposes of this Agreement.

(c) Accrued Obligations. If the Executive’s employment with the Company is terminated for any reason, the Company shall pay or provide to the Executive (or to the Executive’s authorized representative or estate) (i) any Base Salary earned through the Date of Termination and, if applicable, any accrued but unused vacation through the Date of Termination; (ii) unpaid expense reimbursements (subject to, and in accordance with, Section 2(c) of this Agreement); and (iii) any vested benefits the Executive may have under any employee benefit plan of the Company through the Date of Termination, which vested benefits shall be paid and/or provided in accordance with the terms of such employee benefit plans (collectively, the “Accrued Obligations”).

(d) Resignation of All Other Positions. To the extent applicable, the Executive shall be deemed to have resigned from all officer and board member positions that the Executive holds with the Company or any of its respective subsidiaries and affiliates upon the termination of the Executive's employment for any reason. The Executive shall execute any documents in reasonable form as may be requested to confirm or effectuate any such resignations.

5. Severance Pay and Benefits Upon Termination by the Company without Cause or by the Executive for Good Reason Outside the Change in Control Period. If the Executive's employment is terminated by the Company without Cause as provided in Section 3(d), or the Executive terminates employment for Good Reason as provided in Section 3(e), in each case outside of the Change in Control Period (as defined below), then, in addition to the Accrued Obligations, and subject to (i) the Executive signing a separation agreement and release in a form and manner satisfactory to the Company, which shall include, without limitation, a general release of claims against the Company and all related persons and entities, a reaffirmation of all of the Executive's Continuing Obligations (as defined below), and, in the Company's sole discretion, a one-year post-employment noncompetition agreement, and shall provide that if the Executive breaches any of the Continuing Obligations, all payments of the Severance Amount shall immediately cease (the "Separation Agreement"), (ii) the Separation Agreement becoming irrevocable, all within 60 days after the Date of Termination (or such shorter period as set forth in the Separation Agreement), which shall include a seven (7) business day revocation period and (iii) if so requested by the Company, the Executive signing a U.K. settlement agreement:

(a) the Company shall pay the Executive an amount equal to nine (9) months of the Executive's Base Salary (the "Severance Amount"); provided that in the event the Executive is entitled to any payments pursuant to the Restrictive Covenants Agreement, the Severance Amount received in any calendar year will be reduced by the amount the Executive is paid in the same such calendar year pursuant to the Restrictive Covenants Agreement (the "Restrictive Covenants Agreement Setoff"); and

(b) subject to the Executive's copayment of premium amounts at the applicable active employees' rate and the Executive's proper election to receive benefits under the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985, as amended ("COBRA"), the Company shall pay to the group health plan provider or the COBRA provider a monthly payment equal to the monthly employer contribution that the Company would have made to provide health insurance to the Executive if the Executive had remained employed by the Company until the earliest of (A) the nine (9) month anniversary of the Date of Termination; (B) the date that the Executive becomes eligible for group medical plan benefits under any other employer's group medical plan; or (C) the cessation of the Executive's health continuation rights under COBRA; provided, however, that if the Company determines that it cannot pay such amounts to the group health plan provider or the COBRA provider (if applicable) without potentially violating applicable law (including, without limitation, Section 2716 of the Public Health Service Act), then the Company shall convert such payments to payroll payments directly to the Executive for the time period specified above. Such payments to the Executive shall be subject to tax-related deductions and withholdings and paid on the Company's regular payroll dates.

The amounts payable under Section 5, to the extent taxable, shall be paid out in substantially equal installments in accordance with the Company's payroll practice over nine (9) months commencing within 60 days after the Date of Termination; provided, however, that if the 60-day period begins in one calendar year and ends in a second calendar year, such payments, to the extent they qualify as "non-qualified deferred compensation" within the meaning of Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), shall begin to be paid in the second calendar year by the last day of such 60-day period; provided, further, that the initial payment shall include a catch-up payment to cover amounts retroactive to the day immediately following the Date of Termination. Each payment pursuant to this Agreement is intended to constitute a separate payment for purposes of Treasury Regulation Section 1.409A-2(b)(2).

6. Severance Pay and Benefits Upon Termination by the Company without Cause or by the Executive for Good Reason within the Change in Control Period. The provisions of this Section 6 shall apply in lieu of, and expressly supersede, the provisions of Section 5 if (i) the Executive's employment is terminated either (a) by the Company without Cause as provided in Section 3(d), or (b) by the Executive for Good Reason as provided in Section 3(e), and (ii) the Date of Termination is on or within twelve (12) months after the occurrence of the first event constituting a Change in Control of Parent (such period, the "Change in Control Period"). These provisions shall terminate and be of no further force or effect after the Change in Control Period.

(a) If the Executive's employment is terminated by the Company without Cause as provided in Section 3(d) or the Executive terminates employment for Good Reason as provided in Section 3(e) and in each case the Date of Termination occurs during the Change in Control Period, then, in addition to the Accrued Obligations, and subject to the signing of the Separation Agreement by the Executive and the Separation Agreement becoming fully effective, all within the time frame set forth in the Separation Agreement but in no event more than 60 days after the Date of Termination:

(i) the Company shall pay the Executive a lump sum in cash in an amount equal to one (1) times the sum of (A) the Executive's then-current Base Salary (or the Executive's Base Salary in effect immediately prior to the Change in Control of Parent, if higher) plus (B) the Executive's Target Bonus for the then-current year (or the Executive's Target Bonus in effect immediately prior to the Change in Control of Parent, if higher) (the "Change in Control Payment"); provided that the Change in Control Payment shall be reduced by the amount of the Restrictive Covenants Agreement Setoff, if applicable; and

(ii) subject to the Executive's copayment of premium amounts at the applicable active employees' rate and the Executive's proper election to receive benefits under COBRA, the Company shall pay to the group health plan provider or the COBRA provider a monthly payment equal to the monthly employer contribution that the Company would have made to provide health insurance to the Executive if the Executive had remained employed by the Company until the earliest of (A) the twelve (12) month anniversary of the Date of Termination; (B) the date that the Executive becomes eligible for group medical plan benefits under any other employer's group medical plan; or (C) the cessation of the Executive's health continuation rights under COBRA; provided, however, that if the Company determines that it cannot pay such amounts to the group health plan provider or the COBRA provider (if applicable) without potentially violating applicable law (including, without limitation, Section 2716 of the Public Health Service Act), then the Company shall convert such payments to payroll payments directly to the Executive for the time period specified above. Such payments to the Executive shall be subject to tax-related deductions and withholdings and paid on the Company's regular payroll dates.

The amounts payable under this Section 6(a), to the extent taxable, shall be paid or commence to be paid within 60 days after the Date of Termination; provided, however, that if the 60-day period begins in one calendar year and ends in a second calendar year, such payments to the extent they qualify as “non-qualified deferred compensation” within the meaning of Section 409A of the Code, shall be paid or commence to be paid in the second calendar year by the last day of such 60-day period.

(b) Additional Limitation.

(i) Anything in this Agreement to the contrary notwithstanding, in the event that the amount of any compensation, payment or distribution by the Company to or for the benefit of the Executive, whether paid or payable or distributed or distributable pursuant to the terms of this Agreement or otherwise, calculated in a manner consistent with Section 280G of the Code, and the applicable regulations thereunder (the “Aggregate Payments”), would be subject to the excise tax imposed by Section 4999 of the Code, then the Aggregate Payments shall be reduced (but not below zero) so that the sum of all of the Aggregate Payments shall be \$1.00 less than the amount at which the Executive becomes subject to the excise tax imposed by Section 4999 of the Code; provided that such reduction shall only occur if it would result in the Executive receiving a higher After Tax Amount (as defined below) than the Executive would receive if the Aggregate Payments were not subject to such reduction. In such event, the Aggregate Payments shall be reduced in the following order, in each case, in reverse chronological order beginning with the Aggregate Payments that are to be paid the furthest in time from consummation of the transaction that is subject to Section 280G of the Code: (1) cash payments not subject to Section 409A of the Code; (2) cash payments subject to Section 409A of the Code; (3) equity-based payments and acceleration; and (4) non-cash forms of benefits; provided that in the case of all the foregoing Aggregate Payments all amounts or payments that are not subject to calculation under Treas. Reg. §1.280G-1, Q&A-24(b) or (c) shall be reduced before any amounts that are subject to calculation under Treas. Reg. §1.280G-1, Q&A-24(b) or (c).

(ii) For purposes of this Section 6(b), the “After Tax Amount” means the amount of the Aggregate Payments less all federal, state, and local income, excise and employment taxes imposed on the Executive as a result of the Executive’s receipt of the Aggregate Payments. For purposes of determining the After Tax Amount, the Executive shall be deemed to pay federal income taxes at the highest marginal rate of federal income taxation applicable to individuals for the calendar year in which the determination is to be made, and state and local income taxes at the highest marginal rates of individual taxation in each applicable state and locality, net of the maximum reduction in federal income taxes which could be obtained from deduction of such state and local taxes.

(iii) The determination as to whether a reduction in the Aggregate Payments shall be made pursuant to Section 6(b)(i) shall be made by a nationally recognized accounting firm selected by the Company (the “Accounting Firm”), which shall provide detailed supporting calculations both to the Company and the Executive within 15 business days of the Date of Termination, if applicable, or at such earlier time as is reasonably requested by the Company or the Executive. Any determination by the Accounting Firm shall be binding upon the Company and the Executive.

(c) Definitions. For purposes of this Agreement, the term “Change in Control of Parent” shall mean a “change in Control” under Sections 10.1 or 10.2 in Parent’s Share Award Plan 2021 (as the same may be amended from time to time), but only to the extent such Change in Control of Parent is also a “change in control event” within the meaning of Section 409A of the Code and the regulations promulgated thereunder.

7. Section 409A.

(a) Anything in this Agreement to the contrary notwithstanding, if at the time of the Executive’s separation from service within the meaning of Section 409A of the Code, the Company determines that the Executive is a “specified employee” within the meaning of Section 409A(a)(2)(B)(i) of the Code, then to the extent any payment or benefit that the Executive becomes entitled to under this Agreement or otherwise on account of the Executive’s separation from service would be considered deferred compensation otherwise subject to the 20 percent additional tax imposed pursuant to Section 409A(a) of the Code as a result of the application of Section 409A(a)(2)(B)(i) of the Code, such payment shall not be payable and such benefit shall not be provided until the date that is the earlier of (A) six months and one day after the Executive’s separation from service, or (B) the Executive’s death. If any such delayed cash payment is otherwise payable on an installment basis, the first payment shall include a catch-up payment covering amounts that would otherwise have been paid during the six-month period but for the application of this provision, and the balance of the installments shall be payable in accordance with their original schedule.

(b) All in-kind benefits provided and expenses eligible for reimbursement under this Agreement shall be provided by the Company or incurred by the Executive during the time periods set forth in this Agreement. All reimbursements shall be paid as soon as administratively practicable, but in no event shall any reimbursement be paid after the last day of the taxable year following the taxable year in which the expense was incurred. The amount of in-kind benefits provided or reimbursable expenses incurred in one taxable year shall not affect the in-kind benefits to be provided or the expenses eligible for reimbursement in any other taxable year (except for any lifetime or other aggregate limitation applicable to medical expenses). Such right to reimbursement or in-kind benefits is not subject to liquidation or exchange for another benefit.

(c) To the extent that any payment or benefit described in this Agreement constitutes “non-qualified deferred compensation” under Section 409A of the Code, and to the extent that such payment or benefit is payable upon the Executive’s termination of employment, then such payments or benefits shall be payable only upon the Executive’s “separation from service.” The determination of whether and when a separation from service has occurred shall be made in accordance with the presumptions set forth in Treasury Regulation Section 1.409A-1(h).

(d) The parties intend that this Agreement will be administered in accordance with Section 409A of the Code. To the extent that any provision of this Agreement is ambiguous as to its compliance with Section 409A of the Code, the provision shall be read in such a manner so that all payments hereunder comply with Section 409A of the Code. Each payment pursuant to this Agreement or the Restrictive Covenants Agreement is intended to constitute a separate payment for purposes of Treasury Regulation Section 1.409A-2(b)(2). The parties agree that this Agreement may be amended, as reasonably requested by either party, and as may be necessary to fully comply with Section 409A of the Code and all related rules and regulations in order to preserve the payments and benefits provided hereunder without additional cost to either party.

(e) The Company makes no representation or warranty and shall have no liability to the Executive or any other person if any provisions of this Agreement are determined to constitute deferred compensation subject to Section 409A of the Code but do not satisfy an exemption from, or the conditions of, such Section.

8. Continuing Obligations.

(a) Restrictive Covenants Agreement. As a condition of employment, the Executive is required to enter into the Employee Confidentiality, Assignment, Nonsolicitation and Noncompetition Agreement, attached hereto as Exhibit A (the “Restrictive Covenants Agreement”). For purposes of this Agreement, the obligations in this Section 8 and those that arise in the Restrictive Covenants Agreement and any other agreement relating to confidentiality, assignment of inventions, or other restrictive covenants shall collectively be referred to as the “Continuing Obligations.” For the avoidance of doubt, the Restrictive Covenants Agreement is supplemental to, and not in lieu of, and shall not limit or reduce any rights, restrictions or obligations under, any other agreement between the Executive and the Company relating to noncompetition, nonsolicitation, confidential information or any other similar restrictive covenant, including without limitation under the Preserved Provisions. In the event of any conflict between the Restrictive Covenants Agreement and any other such restrictive covenant, the most restrictive provision that is enforceable shall govern.

(b) Third-Party Agreements and Rights. The Executive hereby confirms that the Executive is not bound by the terms of any agreement with any previous employer or other party which restricts in any way the Executive’s use or disclosure of information, other than confidentiality restrictions (if any), or the Executive’s engagement in any business. The Executive represents to the Company that the Executive’s execution of this Agreement, the Executive’s employment with the Company and the performance of the Executive’s proposed duties for the Company will not violate any obligations the Executive may have to any such previous employer or other party. In the Executive’s work for the Company, the Executive will not disclose or make use of any information in violation of any agreements with or rights of any such previous employer or other party, and the Executive will not bring to the premises of the Company any copies or other tangible embodiments of non-public information belonging to or obtained from any such previous employment or other party.

(c) Litigation and Regulatory Cooperation. During and after the Executive's employment, the Executive shall cooperate fully with the Company in (i) the defense or prosecution of any claims or actions now in existence or which may be brought in the future against or on behalf of the Company which relate to events or occurrences that transpired while the Executive was employed by the Company, and (ii) the investigation, whether internal or external, of any matters about which the Company believes the Executive may have knowledge or information. The Executive's full cooperation in connection with such claims, actions or investigations shall include, but not be limited to, being available to meet with counsel to answer questions or to prepare for discovery or trial and to act as a witness on behalf of the Company at mutually convenient times. During and after the Executive's employment, the Executive also shall cooperate fully with the Company in connection with any investigation or review of any federal, state or local regulatory authority as any such investigation or review relates to events or occurrences that transpired while the Executive was employed by the Company. The Company shall reimburse the Executive for any reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection with the Executive's performance of obligations pursuant to this Section 8(c).

(d) Relief. The Executive agrees that it would be difficult to measure any damages caused to the Company which might result from any breach by the Executive of the Continuing Obligations, and that in any event money damages would be an inadequate remedy for any such breach. Accordingly, the Executive agrees that if the Executive breaches, or proposes to breach, any portion of the Continuing Obligations, the Company shall be entitled, in addition to all other remedies that it may have, to an injunction or other appropriate equitable relief to restrain any such breach without showing or proving any actual damage to the Company.

9. Consent to Jurisdiction. The parties hereby consent to the jurisdiction of the state and federal courts of the State of Delaware. Accordingly, with respect to any such court action, the Executive (a) submits to the exclusive personal jurisdiction of such courts; (b) consents to service of process; and (c) waives any other requirement (whether imposed by statute, rule of court, or otherwise) with respect to personal jurisdiction or service of process.

10. Integration. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior agreements between the parties concerning such subject matter, provided that the Equity Documents remain in full force and effect. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any prior obligations that the Executive had with respect to confidential information, invention assignment and other restrictive covenants, including without limitation the Preserved Provisions, shall remain in full force and effect and are supplemental to this Agreement and the Restrictive Covenants Agreement.

11. Withholding; Tax Effect. All payments made by the Company to the Executive under this Agreement shall be net of any tax or other amounts required to be withheld by the Company under applicable law. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to require the Company to make any payments to compensate the Executive for any adverse tax effect associated with any payments or benefits or for any deduction or withholding from any payment or benefit.

12. Directors' and Officers' Insurance. The Executive shall be entitled to be covered by a policy of directors' and officers' liability insurance on terms no less favorable than those in place from time to time for other officers.

13. Assignment; Successors and Assigns. Neither the Executive nor the Company may make any assignment of this Agreement or any interest in it, by operation of law or otherwise, without the prior written consent of the other; provided, however, that the Company may assign its rights and obligations under this Agreement (including the Restrictive Covenants Agreement) without the Executive's consent to any affiliate or to any person or entity with whom the Company shall hereafter effect a reorganization or consolidation, into which the Company merges or to whom it transfers all or substantially all of its properties or assets; provided further that if the Executive remains employed or becomes employed by the Company, the purchaser or any of their affiliates in connection with any such transaction, then the Executive shall not be entitled to any payments, benefits or vesting pursuant to Sections 2(g), 5 or 6 of this Agreement solely as a result of such transaction. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the Executive and the Company, and each of the Executive's and the Company's respective successors, executors, administrators, heirs and permitted assigns. In the event of the Executive's death after the Executive's termination of employment but prior to the completion by the Company of all payments due to the Executive under this Agreement, the Company shall continue such payments to the Executive's beneficiary designated in writing to the Company prior to the Executive's death (or to the Executive's estate, if the Executive fails to make such designation).

14. Enforceability. If any portion or provision of this Agreement (including, without limitation, any portion or provision of any section of this Agreement) shall to any extent be declared illegal or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, then the remainder of this Agreement, or the application of such portion or provision in circumstances other than those as to which it is so declared illegal or unenforceable, shall not be affected thereby, and each portion and provision of this Agreement shall be valid and enforceable to the fullest extent permitted by law.

15. Survival. For the avoidance of doubt, this Agreement shall survive the termination of the Executive's employment to the extent necessary to effectuate the terms contained herein.

16. Waiver. No waiver of any provision hereof shall be effective unless made in writing and signed by the waiving party. The failure of any party to require the performance of any term or obligation of this Agreement, or the waiver by any party of any breach of this Agreement, shall not prevent any subsequent enforcement of such term or obligation or be deemed a waiver of any subsequent breach.



17. Notices. Any notices, requests, demands and other communications provided for by this Agreement shall be sufficient if in writing and delivered in person or sent by a nationally recognized overnight courier service or by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, to the Executive at the last address the Executive has filed in writing with the Company or, in the case of the Company, at its main offices, attention of the Board.

18. Amendment. This Agreement may be amended or modified only by a written instrument signed by the Executive and by a duly authorized representative of the Company.

19. Effect on Other Plans and Agreements. An election by the Executive to resign for Good Reason under the provisions of this Agreement shall not be deemed a voluntary termination of employment by the Executive for the purpose of interpreting the provisions of any of the Company's benefit plans, programs or policies. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to limit the rights of the Executive under the Company's benefit plans, programs or policies except as otherwise provided in Section 8 hereof, and except that the Executive shall have no rights to any severance benefits under any Company severance pay plan, offer letter or otherwise. Except for the Restrictive Covenants Agreement, in the event that the Executive is party to an agreement with the Company providing for payments or benefits under such plan or agreement and under this Agreement, the terms of this Agreement shall govern and the Executive may receive payment under this Agreement only and not both. Further, Section 5 and Section 6 of this Agreement are mutually exclusive and in no event shall the Executive be entitled to payments or benefits pursuant to both Section 5 and Section 6 of this Agreement.

20. Governing Law. This is a Delaware contract and shall be construed under and be governed in all respects by the laws of State of Delaware, without giving effect to the conflict of laws principles thereof. With respect to any disputes concerning federal law, such disputes shall be determined in accordance with the law as it would be interpreted and applied by the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit.

21. Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which when so executed and delivered shall be taken to be an original; but such counterparts shall together constitute one and the same document.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement effective on the Effective Date.

**PARENT**

VACCITECH LIMITED

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Its: \_\_\_\_\_

**U.S. SUBSIDIARY**

VACCITECH USA, INC.

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Its: \_\_\_\_\_

**EXECUTIVE**

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Thomas G. Evans, MD

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Exhibit A

**Restrictive Covenants Agreement**

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## EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

This Employment Agreement (“Agreement”) is made by and between Vaccitech Limited (which is anticipated to be reorganized into Vaccitech plc, “Parent”), Vaccitech USA, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the “U.S. Subsidiary”), and Margaret Marshall, M.D. (the “Executive”) and is effective as of the closing of the Company’s first underwritten public offering of its equity securities pursuant to an effective registration statement under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “Effective Date”). Parent, the U.S. Subsidiary, and their respective subsidiaries and other affiliates are collectively referred to herein as the “Company,” and the duties of the Company set forth in this Agreement may be discharged by any entity within that definition. In the interest of clarity, any intercompany transfer shall not be deemed a termination of the employment relationship unless otherwise specified at the time of the transfer.

Except with respect to the Equity Documents and the Restrictive Covenants Agreement (each as defined below) and subject to Section 10, this Agreement supersedes in all respects all prior agreements between the parties regarding the subject matter herein, including without limitation (i) the Employment Agreement between you and the Company dated November 1, 2020 (the “Prior Agreement”), (ii) the Research Activities Agreement between Parent and the Executive dated as of July 7, 2020 and the Statement of Work incorporated therein, provided that Sections 4, 5, 6 and 7 of such agreement shall be preserved (the “Preserved Provisions”) and are supplemental to this Agreement and the Restrictive Covenants Agreement (as defined below); and (iii) any other offer letter, employment agreement or severance agreement between the Executive and any of the parties or their affiliated entities.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements herein contained and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties agree as follows:

1. Employment.

(a) Term. The Company shall employ the Executive and the Executive shall be employed by the Company pursuant to this Agreement commencing as of the Effective Date and continuing until such employment is terminated in accordance with the provisions hereof (the “Term”). The U.S. Subsidiary will maintain and distribute employment-related records. The Executive’s employment with the Company will be “at will,” meaning that the Executive’s employment may be terminated by the Company or the Executive at any time and for any reason subject to the terms of this Agreement.

(b) Position and Duties. The Executive shall serve as the Chief Medical Officer of the Company and shall have such powers and duties as may from time to time be prescribed by the Chief Executive Officer (the “CEO”) or other duly authorized executive. The Executive shall devote the Executive’s full working time and efforts to the business and affairs of the Company. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Executive may serve on other boards of directors, with the approval of Parent’s Board of Directors (the “Board”), or engage in religious, charitable or other community activities as long as such services and activities do not interfere with the Executive’s performance of the Executive’s duties to the Company.

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2. Compensation and Related Matters.

(a) Base Salary. The Executive's initial base salary shall be paid at the rate of \$436,100 per year. The Executive's base salary shall be subject to periodic review by the Board or the Compensation Committee of the Board (the "Compensation Committee"). The base salary in effect at any given time is referred to herein as "Base Salary." The Base Salary shall be payable in a manner that is consistent with the Company's usual payroll practices for its U.S. executive officers.

(b) Incentive Compensation. The Executive shall be eligible to receive cash incentive compensation as determined by the Board or the Compensation Committee from time to time. The Executive's initial target annual incentive compensation shall be 40 percent of the Executive's Base Salary. The target annual incentive compensation in effect at any given time is referred to herein as "Target Bonus." The actual amount of the Executive's annual incentive compensation, if any, shall be determined in the sole discretion of the Board or the Compensation Committee. Except as otherwise provided herein or as may be provided by the Board or the Compensation Committee, the Executive must be employed by the Company on the date such incentive compensation is paid in order to earn or receive any annual incentive compensation.

(c) Expenses. The Executive shall be entitled to receive prompt reimbursement for all reasonable expenses incurred by the Executive during the Term in performing services hereunder, in accordance with the policies and procedures then in effect and established by the Company for its U.S. executive officers.

(d) Location. The Executive shall be permitted to work from her home office in New Jersey; provided, however, that the Executive shall be required to regularly travel to Parent's offices in the United Kingdom and will also be required to travel nationally and internationally on business as is necessary from time to time.

(e) Other Benefits. The Executive shall be eligible to participate in or receive benefits under the Company's employee benefit plans in effect from time to time for its U.S. employees, subject to the terms of such plans. For the avoidance of doubt, the Company shall not be obligated to contribute to any U.K. pension on behalf of the Executive, nor shall the Executive be eligible for any other U.K.-specific employment benefits.

(f) Paid Time Off. The Executive shall initially be eligible to ratably accrue up to 25 days of vacation each calendar year, which may be used in accordance with the Company's applicable paid time off policy for its U.S. executive officers, as may be in effect from time to time.

(g) Equity. The equity awards held by the Executive shall continue to be governed by the terms and conditions of the Company's applicable equity incentive plan(s) and the applicable award agreement(s) (collectively, the "Equity Documents"); provided, however, and notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Equity Documents, in the event of a termination by the Company without Cause or by the Executive for Good Reason, in either event within the Change in Control Period (as such terms are defined below), all stock options and other stock-based awards held by the Executive that are subject solely to time-based vesting shall immediately accelerate and become fully vested and exercisable or nonforfeitable as of the Date of Termination (as defined below).

3. Termination. The Executive's employment hereunder may be terminated without any breach of this Agreement under the following circumstances:

(a) Death. The Executive's employment hereunder shall terminate upon death.

(b) Disability. The Company may terminate the Executive's employment if the Executive is disabled and unable to perform or expected to be unable to perform the essential functions of the Executive's then existing position or positions under this Agreement with or without reasonable accommodation for a period of 180 days (which need not be consecutive) in any twelve (12)-month period. If any question shall arise as to whether during any period the Executive is disabled so as to be unable to perform the essential functions of the Executive's then existing position or positions with or without reasonable accommodation, the Executive may, and at the request of the Company shall, submit to the Company a certification in reasonable detail by a physician selected by the Company to whom the Executive or the Executive's guardian has no reasonable objection as to whether the Executive is so disabled or how long such disability is expected to continue, and such certification shall for the purposes of this Agreement be conclusive of the issue. The Executive shall cooperate with any reasonable request of the physician in connection with such certification. If such question shall arise and the Executive shall fail to submit such certification, the Company's determination of such issue shall be binding on the Executive. Nothing in this Section 3(b) shall be construed to waive the Executive's rights, if any, under existing law including, without limitation, the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993, 29 U.S.C. §2601 *et seq.* and the Americans with Disabilities Act, 42 U.S.C. §12101 *et seq.*

(c) Termination by the Company for Cause. The Company may terminate the Executive's employment hereunder for Cause. For purposes of this Agreement, "Cause" shall mean any of the following:

(i) conduct by the Executive constituting a material act of misconduct in connection with the performance of the Executive's duties, including, without limitation, (A) willful failure or refusal to perform material responsibilities that have been requested by the Board or the CEO; (B) dishonesty to the Board or the CEO with respect to any material matter; or (C) misappropriation of funds or property of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates other than the occasional, customary and *de minimis* use of Company property for personal purposes;

(ii) the commission by the Executive of acts satisfying the elements of (A) any felony or (B) a misdemeanor involving moral turpitude, deceit, dishonesty or fraud;

(iii) any misconduct by the Executive, regardless of whether or not in the course of the Executive's employment, that would reasonably be expected to result in material injury or reputational harm to the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates if the Executive were to continue to be employed in the same position;

(iv) continued unsatisfactory performance or non-performance by the Executive of the Executive's duties hereunder (other than by reason of the Executive's physical or mental illness, incapacity or disability) which has continued for more than 30 days following written notice of such unsatisfactory performance or non-performance from the Board or the CEO;

(v) a breach by the Executive of any of the provisions contained in Section 8 of this Agreement or the Restrictive Covenants Agreement (as defined below);

(vi) a material violation by the Executive of any of the Company's written employment policies; or

(vii) the Executive's failure to cooperate with a bona fide internal investigation or an investigation by regulatory or law enforcement authorities, after being instructed by the Company to cooperate, or the willful destruction or failure to preserve documents or other materials known to be relevant to such investigation or the inducement of others to fail to cooperate or to produce documents or other materials in connection with such investigation.

(d) Termination by the Company without Cause. The Company may terminate the Executive's employment hereunder at any time without Cause. Any termination by the Company of the Executive's employment under this Agreement which does not constitute a termination for Cause under Section 3(c) and does not result from the death or disability of the Executive under Section 3(a) or (b) shall be deemed a termination without Cause.

(e) Termination by the Executive. The Executive may terminate employment hereunder at any time for any reason, including but not limited to, Good Reason. For purposes of this Agreement, "Good Reason" shall mean that the Executive has completed all steps of the Good Reason Process (hereinafter defined) following the occurrence of any of the following events without the Executive's consent (each, a "Good Reason Condition"):

(i) a material diminution in the Executive's responsibilities, authority or duties;

(ii) a material diminution in the Executive's Base Salary except for across-the-board salary reductions based on the Company's financial performance similarly affecting all or substantially all senior management employees of the Company;

(iii) a material change in the geographic location at which the Executive primarily provides services to the Company, such that the Executive is required to relocate the Executive's principal residence as a result of such change; or

(iv) a material breach of this Agreement by the Company.



The “Good Reason Process” consists of the following steps:

- (i) the Executive reasonably determines in good faith that a Good Reason Condition has occurred;
- (ii) the Executive notifies the Company in writing of the first occurrence of the Good Reason Condition within 60 days of the first occurrence of such condition;
- (iii) the Executive cooperates in good faith with the Company’s efforts, for a period of not less than 30 days following such notice (the “Cure Period”), to remedy the Good Reason Condition;
- (iv) notwithstanding such efforts, the Good Reason Condition continues to exist at the end of the Cure Period; and
- (v) the Executive terminates employment within 60 days after the end of the Cure Period.

If the Company cures the Good Reason Condition during the Cure Period, Good Reason shall be deemed not to have occurred.

4. Matters related to Termination.

(a) Notice of Termination. Except for termination as specified in Section 3(a), any termination of the Executive’s employment by the Company or any such termination by the Executive shall be communicated by written Notice of Termination to the other party hereto. For purposes of this Agreement, a “Notice of Termination” shall mean a notice which shall indicate the specific termination provision in this Agreement relied upon.

(b) Date of Termination. “Date of Termination” shall mean: (i) if the Executive’s employment is terminated by death, the date of death; (ii) if the Executive’s employment is terminated on account of disability under Section 3(b) or by the Company for Cause under Section 3(c), the date on which Notice of Termination is given; (iii) if the Executive’s employment is terminated by the Company without Cause under Section 3(d), the date on which a Notice of Termination is given or the date otherwise specified by the Company in the Notice of Termination; (iv) if the Executive’s employment is terminated by the Executive under Section 3(e) other than for Good Reason, 30 days after the date on which a Notice of Termination is given, and (v) if the Executive’s employment is terminated by the Executive under Section 3(e) for Good Reason, the date on which a Notice of Termination is given after the end of the Cure Period. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event that the Executive gives a Notice of Termination to the Company, the Company may unilaterally accelerate the Date of Termination and such acceleration shall not result in a termination by the Company for purposes of this Agreement.

(c) Accrued Obligations. If the Executive’s employment with the Company is terminated for any reason, the Company shall pay or provide to the Executive (or to the Executive’s authorized representative or estate) (i) any Base Salary earned through the Date of Termination and, if applicable, any accrued but unused vacation through the Date of Termination; (ii) unpaid expense reimbursements (subject to, and in accordance with, Section 2(c) of this Agreement); and (iii) any vested benefits the Executive may have under any employee benefit plan of the Company through the Date of Termination, which vested benefits shall be paid and/or provided in accordance with the terms of such employee benefit plans (collectively, the “Accrued Obligations”).

(d) Resignation of All Other Positions. To the extent applicable, the Executive shall be deemed to have resigned from all officer and board member positions that the Executive holds with the Company or any of its respective subsidiaries and affiliates upon the termination of the Executive's employment for any reason. The Executive shall execute any documents in reasonable form as may be requested to confirm or effectuate any such resignations.

5. Severance Pay and Benefits Upon Termination by the Company without Cause or by the Executive for Good Reason Outside the Change in Control Period. If the Executive's employment is terminated by the Company without Cause as provided in Section 3(d), or the Executive terminates employment for Good Reason as provided in Section 3(e), in each case outside of the Change in Control Period (as defined below), then, in addition to the Accrued Obligations, and subject to (i) the Executive signing a separation agreement and release in a form and manner satisfactory to the Company, which shall include, without limitation, a general release of claims against the Company and all related persons and entities and a reaffirmation of all of the Executive's Continuing Obligations (as defined below), and shall provide that if the Executive breaches any of the Continuing Obligations, all payments of the Severance Amount shall immediately cease (the "Separation Agreement"), (ii) the Separation Agreement becoming irrevocable, all within 60 days after the Date of Termination (or such shorter period as set forth in the Separation Agreement), which shall include a seven (7) day revocation period and (iii) if so requested by the Company, the Executive signing a U.K. settlement agreement:

(a) the Company shall pay the Executive an amount equal to nine (9) months of the Executive's Base Salary (the "Severance Amount"); and

(b) subject to the Executive's copayment of premium amounts at the applicable active employees' rate and the Executive's proper election to receive benefits under the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985, as amended ("COBRA"), the Company shall pay to the group health plan provider or the COBRA provider a monthly payment equal to the monthly employer contribution that the Company would have made to provide health insurance to the Executive if the Executive had remained employed by the Company until the earliest of (A) the nine (9) month anniversary of the Date of Termination; (B) the date that the Executive becomes eligible for group medical plan benefits under any other employer's group medical plan; or (C) the cessation of the Executive's health continuation rights under COBRA; provided, however, that if the Company determines that it cannot pay such amounts to the group health plan provider or the COBRA provider (if applicable) without potentially violating applicable law (including, without limitation, Section 2716 of the Public Health Service Act), then the Company shall convert such payments to payroll payments directly to the Executive for the time period specified above. Such payments to the Executive shall be subject to tax-related deductions and withholdings and paid on the Company's regular payroll dates.

The amounts payable under Section 5, to the extent taxable, shall be paid out in substantially equal installments in accordance with the Company's payroll practice over nine (9) months commencing within 60 days after the Date of Termination; provided, however, that if the 60-day period begins in one calendar year and ends in a second calendar year, such payments, to the extent they qualify as "non-qualified deferred compensation" within the meaning of Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), shall begin to be paid in the second calendar year by the last day of such 60-day period; provided, further, that the initial payment shall include a catch-up payment to cover amounts retroactive to the day immediately following the Date of Termination. Each payment pursuant to this Agreement is intended to constitute a separate payment for purposes of Treasury Regulation Section 1.409A-2(b)(2).

6. Severance Pay and Benefits Upon Termination by the Company without Cause or by the Executive for Good Reason within the Change in Control Period. The provisions of this Section 6 shall apply in lieu of, and expressly supersede, the provisions of Section 5 if (i) the Executive's employment is terminated either (a) by the Company without Cause as provided in Section 3(d), or (b) by the Executive for Good Reason as provided in Section 3(e), and (ii) the Date of Termination is on or within twelve (12) months after the occurrence of the first event constituting a Change in Control of Parent (such period, the "Change in Control Period"). These provisions shall terminate and be of no further force or effect after the Change in Control Period.

(a) If the Executive's employment is terminated by the Company without Cause as provided in Section 3(d) or the Executive terminates employment for Good Reason as provided in Section 3(e) and in each case the Date of Termination occurs during the Change in Control Period, then, in addition to the Accrued Obligations, and subject to the signing of the Separation Agreement by the Executive and the Separation Agreement becoming fully effective, all within the time frame set forth in the Separation Agreement but in no event more than 60 days after the Date of Termination:

(i) the Company shall pay the Executive a lump sum in cash in an amount equal to one (1) times the sum of (A) the Executive's then-current Base Salary (or the Executive's Base Salary in effect immediately prior to the Change in Control of Parent, if higher) plus (B) the Executive's Target Bonus for the then-current year (or the Executive's Target Bonus in effect immediately prior to the Change in Control of Parent, if higher); and

(ii) subject to the Executive's copayment of premium amounts at the applicable active employees' rate and the Executive's proper election to receive benefits under COBRA, the Company shall pay to the group health plan provider or the COBRA provider a monthly payment equal to the monthly employer contribution that the Company would have made to provide health insurance to the Executive if the Executive had remained employed by the Company until the earliest of (A) the twelve (12) month anniversary of the Date of Termination; (B) the date that the Executive becomes eligible for group medical plan benefits under any other employer's group medical plan; or (C) the cessation of the Executive's health continuation rights under COBRA; provided, however, that if the Company determines that it cannot pay such amounts to the group health plan provider or the COBRA provider (if applicable) without potentially violating applicable law (including, without limitation, Section 2716 of the Public Health Service Act), then the Company shall convert such payments to payroll payments directly to the Executive for the time period specified above. Such payments to the Executive shall be subject to tax-related deductions and withholdings and paid on the Company's regular payroll dates.

The amounts payable under this Section 6(a), to the extent taxable, shall be paid or commence to be paid within 60 days after the Date of Termination; provided, however, that if the 60-day period begins in one calendar year and ends in a second calendar year, such payments to the extent they qualify as “non-qualified deferred compensation” within the meaning of Section 409A of the Code, shall be paid or commence to be paid in the second calendar year by the last day of such 60-day period.

(b) Additional Limitation.

(i) Anything in this Agreement to the contrary notwithstanding, in the event that the amount of any compensation, payment or distribution by the Company to or for the benefit of the Executive, whether paid or payable or distributed or distributable pursuant to the terms of this Agreement or otherwise, calculated in a manner consistent with Section 280G of the Code, and the applicable regulations thereunder (the “Aggregate Payments”), would be subject to the excise tax imposed by Section 4999 of the Code, then the Aggregate Payments shall be reduced (but not below zero) so that the sum of all of the Aggregate Payments shall be \$1.00 less than the amount at which the Executive becomes subject to the excise tax imposed by Section 4999 of the Code; provided that such reduction shall only occur if it would result in the Executive receiving a higher After Tax Amount (as defined below) than the Executive would receive if the Aggregate Payments were not subject to such reduction. In such event, the Aggregate Payments shall be reduced in the following order, in each case, in reverse chronological order beginning with the Aggregate Payments that are to be paid the furthest in time from consummation of the transaction that is subject to Section 280G of the Code: (1) cash payments not subject to Section 409A of the Code; (2) cash payments subject to Section 409A of the Code; (3) equity-based payments and acceleration; and (4) non-cash forms of benefits; provided that in the case of all the foregoing Aggregate Payments all amounts or payments that are not subject to calculation under Treas. Reg. §1.280G-1, Q&A-24(b) or (c) shall be reduced before any amounts that are subject to calculation under Treas. Reg. §1.280G-1, Q&A-24(b) or (c).

(ii) For purposes of this Section 6(b), the “After Tax Amount” means the amount of the Aggregate Payments less all federal, state, and local income, excise and employment taxes imposed on the Executive as a result of the Executive’s receipt of the Aggregate Payments. For purposes of determining the After Tax Amount, the Executive shall be deemed to pay federal income taxes at the highest marginal rate of federal income taxation applicable to individuals for the calendar year in which the determination is to be made, and state and local income taxes at the highest marginal rates of individual taxation in each applicable state and locality, net of the maximum reduction in federal income taxes which could be obtained from deduction of such state and local taxes.

(iii) The determination as to whether a reduction in the Aggregate Payments shall be made pursuant to Section 6(b)(i) shall be made by a nationally recognized accounting firm selected by the Company (the "Accounting Firm"), which shall provide detailed supporting calculations both to the Company and the Executive within 15 business days of the Date of Termination, if applicable, or at such earlier time as is reasonably requested by the Company or the Executive. Any determination by the Accounting Firm shall be binding upon the Company and the Executive.

(c) **Definitions.** For purposes of this Agreement, the term "Change in Control of Parent" shall mean a "change in Control" under Sections 10.1 or 10.2 in Parent's Share Award Plan 2021 (as the same may be amended from time to time), but only to the extent such Change in Control of Parent is also a "change in control event" within the meaning of Section 409A of the Code and the regulations promulgated thereunder.

7. Section 409A.

(a) Anything in this Agreement to the contrary notwithstanding, if at the time of the Executive's separation from service within the meaning of Section 409A of the Code, the Company determines that the Executive is a "specified employee" within the meaning of Section 409A(a)(2)(B) (i) of the Code, then to the extent any payment or benefit that the Executive becomes entitled to under this Agreement or otherwise on account of the Executive's separation from service would be considered deferred compensation otherwise subject to the 20 percent additional tax imposed pursuant to Section 409A(a) of the Code as a result of the application of Section 409A(a)(2)(B)(i) of the Code, such payment shall not be payable and such benefit shall not be provided until the date that is the earlier of (A) six months and one day after the Executive's separation from service, or (B) the Executive's death. If any such delayed cash payment is otherwise payable on an installment basis, the first payment shall include a catch-up payment covering amounts that would otherwise have been paid during the six-month period but for the application of this provision, and the balance of the installments shall be payable in accordance with their original schedule.

(b) All in-kind benefits provided and expenses eligible for reimbursement under this Agreement shall be provided by the Company or incurred by the Executive during the time periods set forth in this Agreement. All reimbursements shall be paid as soon as administratively practicable, but in no event shall any reimbursement be paid after the last day of the taxable year following the taxable year in which the expense was incurred. The amount of in-kind benefits provided or reimbursable expenses incurred in one taxable year shall not affect the in-kind benefits to be provided or the expenses eligible for reimbursement in any other taxable year (except for any lifetime or other aggregate limitation applicable to medical expenses). Such right to reimbursement or in-kind benefits is not subject to liquidation or exchange for another benefit.

(c) To the extent that any payment or benefit described in this Agreement constitutes "non-qualified deferred compensation" under Section 409A of the Code, and to the extent that such payment or benefit is payable upon the Executive's termination of employment, then such payments or benefits shall be payable only upon the Executive's "separation from service." The determination of whether and when a separation from service has occurred shall be made in accordance with the presumptions set forth in Treasury Regulation Section 1.409A-1(h).

(d) The parties intend that this Agreement will be administered in accordance with Section 409A of the Code. To the extent that any provision of this Agreement is ambiguous as to its compliance with Section 409A of the Code, the provision shall be read in such a manner so that all payments hereunder comply with Section 409A of the Code. Each payment pursuant to this Agreement or the Restrictive Covenants Agreement is intended to constitute a separate payment for purposes of Treasury Regulation Section 1.409A-2(b)(2). The parties agree that this Agreement may be amended, as reasonably requested by either party, and as may be necessary to fully comply with Section 409A of the Code and all related rules and regulations in order to preserve the payments and benefits provided hereunder without additional cost to either party.

(e) The Company makes no representation or warranty and shall have no liability to the Executive or any other person if any provisions of this Agreement are determined to constitute deferred compensation subject to Section 409A of the Code but do not satisfy an exemption from, or the conditions of, such Section.

8. Continuing Obligations.

(a) Restrictive Covenants Agreement. The Executive's Employee Confidentiality, Assignment, Nonsolicitation and Noncompetition Agreement dated November 13, 2020 and attached hereto as Exhibit A (the "Restrictive Covenants Agreement"), remains in full force and effect and is incorporated by reference herein. For purposes of this Agreement, the obligations in this Section 8 and those that arise in the Restrictive Covenants Agreement and any other agreement relating to confidentiality, assignment of inventions, or other restrictive covenants shall collectively be referred to as the "Continuing Obligations." For the avoidance of doubt, the Restrictive Covenants Agreement is supplemental to, and not in lieu of, and shall not limit or reduce any rights, restrictions or obligations under, any other agreement between the Executive and the Company relating to noncompetition, nonsolicitation, confidential information or any other similar restrictive covenant, including without limitation under the Preserved Provisions. In the event of any conflict between the Restrictive Covenants Agreement and any other such restrictive covenant, the most restrictive provision that is enforceable shall govern.

(b) Third-Party Agreements and Rights. The Executive hereby confirms that the Executive is not bound by the terms of any agreement with any previous employer or other party which restricts in any way the Executive's use or disclosure of information, other than confidentiality restrictions (if any), or the Executive's engagement in any business. The Executive represents to the Company that the Executive's execution of this Agreement, the Executive's employment with the Company and the performance of the Executive's proposed duties for the Company will not violate any obligations the Executive may have to any such previous employer or other party. In the Executive's work for the Company, the Executive will not disclose or make use of any information in violation of any agreements with or rights of any such previous employer or other party, and the Executive will not bring to the premises of the Company any copies or other tangible embodiments of non-public information belonging to or obtained from any such previous employment or other party.

(c) Litigation and Regulatory Cooperation. During and after the Executive's employment, the Executive shall cooperate fully with the Company in (i) the defense or prosecution of any claims or actions now in existence or which may be brought in the future against or on behalf of the Company which relate to events or occurrences that transpired while the Executive was employed by the Company, and (ii) the investigation, whether internal or external, of any matters about which the Company believes the Executive may have knowledge or information. The Executive's full cooperation in connection with such claims, actions or investigations shall include, but not be limited to, being available to meet with counsel to answer questions or to prepare for discovery or trial and to act as a witness on behalf of the Company at mutually convenient times. During and after the Executive's employment, the Executive also shall cooperate fully with the Company in connection with any investigation or review of any federal, state or local regulatory authority as any such investigation or review relates to events or occurrences that transpired while the Executive was employed by the Company. The Company shall reimburse the Executive for any reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection with the Executive's performance of obligations pursuant to this Section 8(c).

(d) Relief. The Executive agrees that it would be difficult to measure any damages caused to the Company which might result from any breach by the Executive of the Continuing Obligations, and that in any event money damages would be an inadequate remedy for any such breach. Accordingly, the Executive agrees that if the Executive breaches, or proposes to breach, any portion of the Continuing Obligations, the Company shall be entitled, in addition to all other remedies that it may have, to an injunction or other appropriate equitable relief to restrain any such breach without showing or proving any actual damage to the Company.

9. Consent to Jurisdiction. The parties hereby consent to the jurisdiction of the state and federal courts of the State of Delaware. Accordingly, with respect to any such court action, the Executive (a) submits to the exclusive personal jurisdiction of such courts; (b) consents to service of process; and (c) waives any other requirement (whether imposed by statute, rule of court, or otherwise) with respect to personal jurisdiction or service of process.

10. Integration. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior agreements between the parties concerning such subject matter, including, without limitation, the Prior Agreement; provided that the Equity Documents and the Restrictive Covenants Agreement remain in full force and effect. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any prior obligations that the Executive had with respect to confidential information, invention assignment and other restrictive covenants, including without limitation the Preserved Provisions, shall remain in full force and effect and are supplemental to this Agreement and the Restrictive Covenants Agreement.

11. Withholding; Tax Effect. All payments made by the Company to the Executive under this Agreement shall be net of any tax or other amounts required to be withheld by the Company under applicable law. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to require the Company to make any payments to compensate the Executive for any adverse tax effect associated with any payments or benefits or for any deduction or withholding from any payment or benefit.

12. Directors' and Officers' Insurance. The Executive shall be entitled to be covered by a policy of directors' and officers' liability insurance on terms no less favorable than those in place from time to time for other officers.

13. Assignment; Successors and Assigns. Neither the Executive nor the Company may make any assignment of this Agreement or any interest in it, by operation of law or otherwise, without the prior written consent of the other; provided, however, that the Company may assign its rights and obligations under this Agreement (including the Restrictive Covenants Agreement) without the Executive's consent to any affiliate or to any person or entity with whom the Company shall hereafter effect a reorganization or consolidation, into which the Company merges or to whom it transfers all or substantially all of its properties or assets; provided further that if the Executive remains employed or becomes employed by the Company, the purchaser or any of their affiliates in connection with any such transaction, then the Executive shall not be entitled to any payments, benefits or vesting pursuant to Sections 2(g), 5 or 6 of this Agreement solely as a result of such transaction. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the Executive and the Company, and each of the Executive's and the Company's respective successors, executors, administrators, heirs and permitted assigns. In the event of the Executive's death after the Executive's termination of employment but prior to the completion by the Company of all payments due to the Executive under this Agreement, the Company shall continue such payments to the Executive's beneficiary designated in writing to the Company prior to the Executive's death (or to the Executive's estate, if the Executive fails to make such designation).

14. Enforceability. If any portion or provision of this Agreement (including, without limitation, any portion or provision of any section of this Agreement) shall to any extent be declared illegal or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, then the remainder of this Agreement, or the application of such portion or provision in circumstances other than those as to which it is so declared illegal or unenforceable, shall not be affected thereby, and each portion and provision of this Agreement shall be valid and enforceable to the fullest extent permitted by law.

15. Survival. For the avoidance of doubt, this Agreement shall survive the termination of the Executive's employment to the extent necessary to effectuate the terms contained herein.

16. Waiver. No waiver of any provision hereof shall be effective unless made in writing and signed by the waiving party. The failure of any party to require the performance of any term or obligation of this Agreement, or the waiver by any party of any breach of this Agreement, shall not prevent any subsequent enforcement of such term or obligation or be deemed a waiver of any subsequent breach.

17. Notices. Any notices, requests, demands and other communications provided for by this Agreement shall be sufficient if in writing and delivered in person or sent by a nationally recognized overnight courier service or by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, to the Executive at the last address the Executive has filed in writing with the Company or, in the case of the Company, at its main offices, attention of the Board.



18. Amendment. This Agreement may be amended or modified only by a written instrument signed by the Executive and by a duly authorized representative of the Company.

19. Effect on Other Plans and Agreements. An election by the Executive to resign for Good Reason under the provisions of this Agreement shall not be deemed a voluntary termination of employment by the Executive for the purpose of interpreting the provisions of any of the Company's benefit plans, programs or policies. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to limit the rights of the Executive under the Company's benefit plans, programs or policies except as otherwise provided in Section 8 hereof, and except that the Executive shall have no rights to any severance benefits under any Company severance pay plan, offer letter or otherwise. In the event that the Executive is party to an agreement with the Company providing for payments or benefits under such plan or agreement and under this Agreement, the terms of this Agreement shall govern and the Executive may receive payment under this Agreement only and not both. Further, Section 5 and Section 6 of this Agreement are mutually exclusive and in no event shall the Executive be entitled to payments or benefits pursuant to both Section 5 and Section 6 of this Agreement.

20. Governing Law. This is a Delaware contract and shall be construed under and be governed in all respects by the laws of State of Delaware, without giving effect to the conflict of laws principles thereof. With respect to any disputes concerning federal law, such disputes shall be determined in accordance with the law as it would be interpreted and applied by the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit.

21. Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which when so executed and delivered shall be taken to be an original; but such counterparts shall together constitute one and the same document.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement effective on the Effective Date.

**PARENT**

VACCITECH LIMITED

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Its: \_\_\_\_\_

**U.S. SUBSIDIARY**

VACCITECH USA, INC.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Its: \_\_\_\_\_

**EXECUTIVE**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Margaret Marshall, M.D.

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Exhibit A

**Restrictive Covenants Agreement**

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DATED March 27, 2019

OXFORD SCIENCES INNOVATION PLC

- and -

VACCITECH LIMITED

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**LAND REGISTRY PRESCRIBED CLAUSES**

<b>LR1. Date of lease</b>	
<b>LR2. Title Number(s)</b>	<p><b>LR2.1 Landlord's title number(s)</b></p> <p><i>Title number(s) out of which this lease is granted. Leave blank if not registered.</i></p> <p><b>LR2.2 Other title numbers</b></p> <p><i>Existing title number(s) against which entries of matters referred to in LR9, LR10, LR11 and LR13 are to be made.</i></p>
<p><b>LR3. Parties to this lease</b></p> <p><i>Give full names, addresses and company's registered number, if any, of each of the parties. For Scottish companies use a SC prefix and for limited liability partnerships use an OC prefix. For foreign companies give territory in which incorporated.</i></p>	<p><b>Landlord</b></p> <p><b>OXFORD SCIENCES INNOVATION PLC</b> company registration number 09093331 whose registered office is at King Charles House, Park End Street, Oxford, OX1 1JD (<b>Landlord</b>).</p> <p><b>Tenant</b></p> <p><b>VACCITECH LIMITED</b> company registration number 9973585 whose registered office is at The Schrödinger Building, Heatley Road, Oxford Science Park, Oxford OX4 4GE (<b>Tenant</b>)</p> <p><b>Other Parties</b></p> <p>None</p> <p><i>Specify capacity of each party, for example "management company", "guarantor", etc.</i></p>

<p><b>LR4. Property</b></p> <p><i>Insert a full description of the land being leased or</i></p> <p><i>Refer to the clause, schedule or paragraph of a schedule in this lease in which the land being leased is more fully described.</i></p> <p><i>Where there is a letting of part of a registered title, a plan must be attached to this lease and any floor levels must be specified.</i></p>	<p><b>In the case of a conflict between this clause and the remainder of this lease then, for the purposes of registration, this clause shall prevail.</b></p> <p>The land demised by this Lease is known as part Second Floor, The Schrödinger Building, The Oxford Science Park, Sandford-on- Thames, Oxford defined as the Demised Premises in clause 1.1.</p>
<p><b>LR5. Prescribed statements etc.</b></p> <p><i>If this lease includes a statement falling within LR5.1, insert under that sub-clause the relevant statement or refer to the clause, schedule or paragraph of a schedule in this lease which contains the statement.</i></p> <p><i>In LR5.2, omit or delete those Acts which do not apply to this Lease.</i></p>	<p><b>LR5.1 Statements prescribed under rules 179 (dispositions in favour of a charity), 180 (dispositions by a charity) or 196 (leases under the Leasehold Reform, Housing and Urban Development Act 1993) of the Land Registration Rules 2003.</b></p> <p>None</p> <p><b>LR5.2 This lease is made under, or by reference to, provisions of:</b></p> <p>None</p>
<p><b>LR6. Term for which the Property is leased</b></p> <p><i>Include only the appropriate statement (duly completed) from the three options.</i></p> <p><i>NOTE: The information you provide, or refer to, here will be used as part of the particulars to identify the lease under rule 6 of the Land Registration Rules 2003.</i></p>	<p>The term as specified in this lease at clause 2</p>
<p><b>LR7. Premium</b></p> <p><i>Specify the total premium, inclusive of any VAT where Payable</i></p>	<p>None</p>

<p><b>LR8. Prohibitions or restrictions on disposing this lease</b></p> <p><i>Include whichever of the two statements is appropriate.</i></p> <p><i>Do not set out here the wording of the provision.</i></p>	<p>This lease contains a provision that prohibits or restricts dispositions.</p>
<p><b>LR9. Rights of acquisition etc.</b></p> <p><i>Insert the relevant provisions in the sub-clauses or refer to the clause, schedule or paragraph of a schedule in this lease which contains the provisions.</i></p>	<p><b>LR9.1 Tenant’s contractual rights to renew this lease, to acquire the reversion or another lease of the Property, or to acquire an interest in other land</b></p> <p>None</p> <p><b>LR9.2 Tenant’s covenant to (or offer to) surrender this lease</b></p> <p>Clause 3.22</p> <p><b>LR9.3 Landlord’s contractual rights to acquire this lease</b></p> <p>None</p>
<p><b>LR10. Restrictive covenants given in this lease by the Landlord in respect of land other than the Property</b></p> <p><i>Insert the relevant provisions in the sub-clauses or refer to the clause, schedule or paragraph of a schedule in this lease which contains the provisions.</i></p>	<p>None</p>
<p><b>LR11. Easements</b></p> <p><i>Refer here only to the clause, schedule or paragraph of a schedule in this lease which sets out the easements.</i></p>	<p><b>LR11.1 Easements granted by this lease for the benefit of the Property</b></p> <p>See Schedule 1 Part 2</p> <p><b>LR11.2 Easements granted or reserved by this lease over the Property for the benefit of other property</b></p> <p>See Schedule 1 Part 3</p>



<p><b>LR12. Estate rentcharge burdening the Property</b></p> <p><i>Refer here only to the clause, schedule or paragraph of a schedule in this lease which sets out the rentcharge.</i></p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p><b>LR13. Application for standard form of restriction</b></p> <p><i>Set out the full text of the standard form of restriction and the title against which it is to be entered. If you wish to apply for more than one standard form of restriction use this clause to apply for each of them, tell us who is applying against which title and set out the full text of the restriction you are applying for.</i></p> <p><i>Standard forms of restrictions are set out in Schedule 4 to the Land Registration Rules 2003.</i></p>	<p>None</p>
<p><b>LR14. Declaration of trust where there is more than one person comprising the Tenant</b></p> <p><i>If the Tenant is one person, omit or delete all the alternative statements.</i></p> <p><i>If the Tenant is more than one person, complete this clause by omitting or deleting all inapplicable alternative statements.</i></p>	<p>Not applicable</p>

THIS LEASE is made on March 27, 2019

**BETWEEN:**

1. **OXFORD SCIENCES INNOVATION PLC** (company number 09093331) whose registered office is at King Charles House, Park End Street, Oxford, OX1 1JD (**Landlord**); and
2. **VACCITECH LIMITED** (company number 9973585) whose registered office is at The Schrödinger Building, Heatley Road, Oxford Science Park, Oxford OX4 4GE (**Tenant**).

NOW THIS DEED WITNESSETH as follows:

**1. DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATION**

1.1 Throughout this Lease including the Schedules the following words, and expressions have the following meanings:

“**Adjoining Property**” any adjoining or neighbouring property belonging to the Landlord from time to time.

“**Agreement for Lease**” the Agreement for Lease relating to the Demised Premises and other parts of the Building dated 6 April 2018 and made between The Oxford Science Park Limited (1) and Oxford Sciences Innovation plc (2).

“**Base Rate**” either the base rate of National Westminster Bank Plc for the time being in force (or such other Bank being a member of the Committee of London Clearing Banks as the Landlord may from time to time nominate) or if no such base rate can be ascertained then such alternative rate at the relevant time which the Landlord may reasonably specify in writing in substitution therefor.

“**Building**” the building known as The Schrödinger Building shown edged green on plan C annexed to the Superior Lease.

“**Building Services**” the services specified in Part II of Schedule 3 of the Superior Lease.

“**Car Park**” the car parking areas within the Plot.

“**Commercial Rent Arrears Recovery**” the procedure by which a landlord can recover rent arrears due under a commercial lease from a tenant pursuant to the Tribunals, Courts and Enforcement Act 2007.

“**Common Parts**” the footpaths, entrance ways, lift, lift shaft, staircases, courtyard, walkways and landscaped areas and other areas which are from time to time during the Term provided by the Landlord or the Superior Landlord for the common use and enjoyment of the occupants of the Building or the Second Floor.

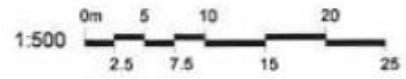
“**Conduits**” pipes, sewers, drains, soakaways, channels, culverts, gullies, watercourses, sumps, ducts, shafts, flues, wires, cables or any other conducting media whatsoever.

“**Demised Premises**” the land described in Part 1 of Schedule 1 hereto and each and every part thereof together with all additions alterations and improvements thereto (other than tenant’s fixtures and fittings) and all Landlord’s fixtures and fittings from time to time therein.

“**Environmental Performance**” all or any of the following:

- (a) the consumption of energy and associated generation of greenhouse gas emissions;
- (b) the consumption of water;
- (c) waste generation and management; and

PLAN D



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any other environmental impact arising from the use or operation of the Demised Premises or the Science Park.

“**EPC**” an energy performance certificate and recommendation report as defined in the Energy Performance of Buildings (England and Wales) Regulations 2012 as amended or updated from time to time.

“**Event of Insolvency**” in respect of a company any one or more of the following:

- (a) it shall be unable to pay its debts within the meaning of Section 123 of the Insolvency Act 1986;
- (b) a voluntary arrangement is made under Part I of the Insolvency Act 1986;
- (c) a receiver or manager (including an administrative receiver) or trustee or similar officer is appointed over all or any of its assets;
- (d) an administration order is made;
- (e) a provisional liquidator is appointed;
- (f) it goes into liquidation either voluntary or compulsory (other than a voluntary liquidation entered into solely for the purpose of amalgamation or reconstruction while solvent in respect of which a statutory declaration of solvency has been filed with the Registrar of Companies);

In respect of an individual any one or more of the following:

- (h) he shall appear to be unable to pay his debts or any of them or appear to have no reasonable prospect of being able to pay a debt within the meaning of Section 268 of the Insolvency Act 1986;
- (i) an application is made for an interim order or a proposal is made for a voluntary arrangement under Part VIII of the Insolvency Act 1986;
- (j) a petition is presented under Part IX of the Insolvency Act 1986;
- (k) he enters into any deed of arrangement or composition with his creditors;
- (l) a receiver is appointed under the Mental Health Act 1983.

“**Existing EPC**” a copy of the EPC for the Demised Premises reference number 0970-1974-0388-5630-9024.

“**Insured Risks**” loss or damage by fire, lightning, explosion (including that of boilers and heating apparatus), aircraft and other aerial devices (other than hostile aircraft or aerial devices) or articles dropped therefrom, earthquake, riot and civil commotion, malicious damage, storm or tempest, bursting or overflowing of water tanks, apparatus or pipes, flood, impact by road vehicles, subsidence, slip or heave, and against third party claims and of property owners liability and against the risks of breakdown and third party claims in respect of the lifts (if any) and of the plate glass (if any) against breakage through impact or otherwise and in addition such other insurance in respect of the Building as the Superior Landlord may from time to time reasonably require to be effected hereunder subject in all cases to any excesses exclusions or limitations as may be imposed by the insurers or underwriters and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing in the case of terrorism insofar as cover is available on reasonable terms in the London insurance market.

“**Landlord**” the party of the first part including the estate owner for the time being of the reversion immediately expectant upon the determination of the Term.

“**Landlord’s Surveyor**” any suitably qualified person or firm appointed by or acting for the Landlord (including an appropriately qualified employee of the Landlord) to perform the function of a surveyor for any purpose of this Lease.

“**Latent Defect**” a defect in the Demised Premises or the Building which appears within the twelve years from the Practical Completion Date (as defined in the Agreement for Lease) and which is due to a defect in design, materials, workmanship or supervision of contractors or site preparation works which existed but not was apparent on completion of the works to construct the Building.

“**this Lease**” this Lease any licence or consent granted pursuant hereto and any variation hereof and any deed or instrument supplemental hereto.

“**Lettable Area**” the accommodation on the Science Park available for letting.

“**Main Access Road**” the road shown coloured brown on plan A annexed to the Superior Lease.

“**Permitted User**” within Class B1 (a) - (c) of the Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) Order 1987.

“**Planning Acts**” the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990, the Planning (Hazardous Substances) Act 1990 the Planning (Consequential Provisions) Act 1990 and the Planning and Compensation Act 1991 and any other statutes for the time being in force of a similar nature.

“**Plot**” has the meaning ascribed by the Superior Lease.

“**Prescribed Rate**” the rate of interest which is from time to time three per centum per annum above the Base Rate.

“**Reinstatement Value**” the cost for the time being at the start of the year of insurance cover in question of reinstating and replacing the Building of which the Demised Premises form part plus a provision to cover the effect of inflation on building costs during the year of insurance and until the Demised Premises have been reinstated together with architects’ surveyors’ and other professional fees and incidental expenses and the costs of demolition and site clearance.

**“Rent Commencement Date”** 1 October 2018.

**“Science Park”** the land comprised in title numbers ON323918 and ON324755 shown for identification purposes only edged red on plan B annexed to the Superior Lease or such larger area as the Superior Landlord may designate from time to time Provided that designation of such larger area does not materially increase the amounts payable by the Tenant pursuant to clause 3.2 of this Lease.

**“Science Park Services”** the services specified in Part 1 of 3 of the Superior Lease.

**“Second Floor”** the premises demised by the Superior Lease.

**“Second Floor Services”** the services specified in Schedule 3.

**“Superior Landlord”** the landlord for the time being of the Superior Lease and any other party with title paramount.

**“Superior Lease”** the lease dated 13 April 2018 made between (1) The Oxford Science Park Limited (2) Oxford Sciences Innovation Plc.

**“Superior Rent”** the annual rent payable by the Landlord under clause 2 of the Superior Lease.

**“Tenant”** the party of the second part including its successors in title and in the case of an individual his personal representatives.

**“Term”** the term of years hereby created.

**“Term Commencement Date”** 1 May 2018

**“Value Added Tax”** value added tax under the Value Added Tax Act 1994 and any similar replacement tax and any similar additional tax.

**“1927 Act”** the Landlord and Tenant Act 1927.

**“1954 Act”** the Landlord and Tenant Act 1954.

**“1995 Act”** the Landlord and Tenant (Covenants) Act 1995.

1.2 Throughout this Lease:

1.2.1 words importing the singular number only shall include the plural number and vice versa;

1.2.2 where a party comprises more than one person covenants and obligations of that party are to be construed as having been made by such persons jointly and severally;

1.2.3 any reference to any statute shall include any re-enactment consolidation and/or renewal thereof for the time being in force and any references to any statute or statutes in general shall include any order instrument plan regulation permission and direction made or issued thereunder or deriving validity therefrom.

- 1.3 Any covenant on the part of the Tenant not to do any act or thing includes a covenant not to suffer or permit the doing of that act or thing.
- 1.4 Any rights excepted or reserved to the Landlord shall be construed as also being excepted or reserved to any mortgagee of the Landlord all persons authorised by the Landlord and the Superior Landlord and any covenant by the Tenant to permit entry by the Landlord for any purpose shall be construed as permitting entry by such persons.
- 1.5 Whenever the consent or approval of the Landlord is required under this Lease the giving of such consent or approval shall be conditional upon the prior consent or approval of the Superior Landlord from time to time and any mortgagee of the Landlord which consent or approval the Landlord shall use all reasonable endeavours to obtain except that nothing in this lease shall be construed as imposing on the Superior Landlord any obligation (or indicating that such an obligation is imposed on the Superior Landlord by the terms of the Superior Lease) not unreasonably to refuse such consent.
- 1.6 Whenever a matter or issue is referred to a third party for resolution or determination under this Lease and the same or substantially the same matter or issue is referred to a third party under the Superior Lease, the same third party shall be appointed to act in relation to this Lease wherever possible.
- 1.7 Any consent approval authorisation or notice required or given under this Lease shall only take effect if given in writing.
- 1.8 All Schedules to this Lease shall be deemed to form part of this Lease.
- 1.9 The headings in this Lease are inserted for convenience only and shall not affect its construction or interpretation and references to a clause Schedule or paragraph are (unless otherwise stated) to a clause in and a Schedule to this Lease and to a paragraph of the relevant Schedule.
- 1.10 Any reference to the “end of the Term” shall mean the expiration or earlier determination of the Term and any reference to “the last year of the Term” shall mean the twelve months ending on the expiration or earlier determination of the Term (in each case howsoever the Term may be determined).

## 2. DEMISE

In consideration of the rents and covenants on the part of the Tenant hereinafter reserved and contained the Landlord **HEREBY DEMISES** with full title guarantee to the Tenant the Demised Premises **TOGETHER** with the rights as mentioned in Part 2 of Schedule 1 **EXCEPTING AND RESERVING** as mentioned in Part 3 of Schedule 1 **TO HOLD** the same to the Tenant **SUBJECT** to all rights easements quasi-easements and privileges to which the Demised Premises are or may be subject and to the rights covenants and other matters contained or referred to in the documents details of which are set out in Part 4 of Schedule 1 for a term of years from and including the Term Commencement Date and expiring on 1 April 2028 **YIELDING AND PAYING** therefor during the Term and so in proportion for any less time than a year:



- 2.1 the yearly rent at the rate of a peppercorn (if demanded) for the period until the Rent Commencement Date and then from and including the Rent Commencement Date at the rate of £210,000 per annum (subject to review as provided for in Schedule 2) to be paid in advance (by Banker's Order if the Landlord so requires) by equal quarterly payments on the usual quarter days in every year the first of such payments in respect of the period from the Rent Commencement Date to the day immediately before the next quarter day (both dates inclusive) to be made on the Rent Commencement Date;
- 2.2 within 7 days of demand an amount equal to a fair proportion of the full cost of every premium payable including any tax which may be payable thereon and other payment properly paid by the Landlord from time to time during the Term pursuant to clause 2.2 of the Superior Lease;
- 2.3 the amounts payable to the Landlord pursuant to clause 3.2;
- 2.4 interest which may be payable pursuant to clause 3.3;
- 2.5 any Value Added Tax which may be payable pursuant to clause 3.5;
- 2.6 all other sums payable by the Tenant under this Lease.

### **3. TENANT'S COVENANTS**

The Tenant **HEREBY COVENANTS** with the Landlord throughout the Term as follows:

#### **3.1 Rent**

To pay the rents hereinbefore reserved at the times and in the manner aforesaid without any deduction whatsoever (whether by way of set-off, counterclaim or otherwise).

#### **3.2 Service Charge**

To pay to the Landlord by way of service charge without any deduction whatsoever a fair and reasonable proportion of:

3.2.1 the costs expenses and outgoings paid or incurred by the Landlord in supplying and providing the services in accordance with the provisions of Schedule 3 and

3.2.2 payable by way of Service Charge under the Superior Lease.

#### **3.3 Interest**

If the rents or any other sum of money payable to the Landlord by the Tenant under this Lease shall have become due but remain unpaid for fourteen days after the same became due or if the Landlord shall refuse to accept the tender of rents by reason of a breach of covenant on the part of the Tenant to pay on demand to the Landlord interest thereon at the Prescribed Rate from the date when the same became due and until they are paid to and accepted by the Landlord (as well after as before any judgment).

### 3.4 **Outgoings**

To bear pay and discharge all existing and future rates taxes duties charges assessments impositions and outgoings whatsoever (whether or not of a capital or non-recurring nature), which now are or may at any time hereafter during the Term be charged levied assessed or imposed upon the Demised Premises or upon the owner or occupier in respect thereof save any on receipts of rent (other than Value Added Tax) or on a disposal of the Landlord's interest in the Demised Premises.

### 3.5 **Value Added Tax**

3.5.1 Supplies made by the Landlord to the Tenant pursuant to this Lease are exclusive of Value Added Tax and if any such supplies are (or become) liable to Value Added Tax (whether or not as a result of an election by the Landlord) then notwithstanding anything contained in this Lease such Value Added Tax shall be payable by the Tenant in addition to the consideration payable for such supplies under the terms of this Lease.

3.5.2 Where under the terms of this Lease the Tenant is obliged to pay any sum which is not consideration for a supply to him but such sum is wholly or partly attributable (directly or indirectly) to a supply which is for the time being subject to Value Added Tax then notwithstanding anything contained in this Lease such sum payable by the Tenant shall be deemed for all purposes to be increased by the amount of such Value Added Tax save to the extent that the Landlord is able to obtain credit for such Value Added Tax as input tax.

3.5.3 The Landlord (or its managing agents) shall render a receipted tax invoice in respect of taxable supplies made pursuant to this Lease promptly upon receipt of payment for the same.

3.5.4 For the purposes of this clause 3.5 the expressions "supply" "taxable supply" "input tax" and "tax invoice" shall bear the same meanings as they do in the Value Added Tax Act 1994.

### 3.6 **Landlord's Costs**

To pay to the Landlord (and where appropriate, the Superior Landlord) on demand all reasonable and proper costs and expenses including solicitors' surveyors' and other professional fees) of and incidental to:

3.6.1 the preparation and service of any notice under Section 146 of the Law of Property Act 1925 and/or incurred in or in proper contemplation of proceedings under Section 146 and/or 147 of that Act notwithstanding in any such case that forfeiture may be avoided otherwise than by relief granted by the Court unless the Court otherwise directs;

- 3.6.2 the preparation and service of any notice relating to a schedule of dilapidations and of any such schedule itself by the Landlord and whether or not the same is served during or within three (3) months after the end of the Term but relating in all cases only to dilapidations which accrued prior to the end of the Term;
- 3.6.3 all applications by the Tenant for any consent or approval of the Landlord or the Landlord's Surveyor or the Superior Landlord required by this Lease or the Superior Lease including such fees and expenses actually incurred in cases where consent is refused or the application is withdrawn except when a court determines that consent was unreasonably withheld;
- 3.6.4 subject to clause 3.6.5 the recovery of rent or other monies due and payable hereunder or to the remedying of any breach of covenant on the part of the Tenant herein contained;
- 3.6.5 any action for the recovery of rent arrears under Commercial Rent Arrears Recovery;
- 3.6.6 making good any damage to any Adjoining Property caused by the Tenant or any employee or licensee of the Tenant;
- 3.6.7 carrying out works to the Demised Premises to improve the Environmental Performance where the Tenant in its absolute discretion has consented to the Landlord doing so.

3.7 **Repair**

To repair and keep the Demised Premises in good and substantial repair and condition and shall rebuild and renew as necessary (damage by any of the Insured Risks always excepted save where the payment of any of the insurance monies shall be withheld or refused by reason of any act or default of the Tenant any undertenant or their respective servants agents or licensees).

3.8 **Decoration and Maintenance**

As often as may be necessary to paint with at least two coats of paint of a colour which if different from the colour previously used shall first be approved by the Landlord (such approval not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed) and to varnish, paper, plaster or otherwise treat all the parts of the Demised Premises as are usually or ought to be varnished papered plastered or treated (as appropriate) and generally to carry out all such work with good quality materials of their several kinds available and in accordance with good standards of workmanship.

**3.9 Cleaning of Demised Premises etc.**

- 3.9.1 As often as shall be necessary to clean treat and/or wash in an appropriate manner to the reasonable satisfaction of the Landlord's Surveyor all glass and other surfaces and finishes of the Demised Premises which ought normally to be so cleaned treated and/or washed.
- 3.9.2 Not to store or stack any goods crates boxes or other things outside the Building save in areas designated for such purpose.
- 3.9.3 Not to obstruct or interfere with the free use of any roads or highways giving access to the Building whether by the parking of vehicles or the deposit of materials thereon.
- 3.9.4 To clean regularly and insofar as practicable preserve in good condition all carpets (if any) belonging to the Landlord and replace the same as often as may be necessary and in any event in the last year of the Term replace with carpet of no less a quality and of similar appearance.

**3.10 Entry to View**

To permit the Landlord during normal business hours with or without workmen and all necessary tools and appliances on prior appointment after giving not less than two days' prior notice (except in emergency) to the Tenant to enter and remain (for such reasonable period of time as may be necessary) upon the Demised Premises:

- 3.10.1 to view the state of repair and condition thereof and to take a schedule of the Landlord's fixtures and fittings and of any dilapidations;
- 3.10.2 (where such works are not reasonably practicable without entry onto the Demised Premises) for the purpose of rebuilding or executing repairs and alterations to any adjoining or neighbouring premises belonging to the Landlord and to clean empty repair or replace any of the Conduits belonging to the same;
- 3.10.3 to ascertain whether anything has been done which constitutes a breach or non-performance of any of the covenants contained in this Lease;
- 3.10.4 to exercise the rights excepted and reserved to the Landlord by this Lease;
- 3.10.5 to inspect and measure the Demised Premises for all purposes connected with the operation or implementation of the provisions of Schedule 2 or for any intended or pending step under the provisions of Part II of the Landlord and Tenant Act 1954;
- 3.10.6 to comply with its obligations under the Superior Leases;
- 3.10.7 for any other reasonable purpose properly connected with the interest of the Landlord in the Demised Premises subject to the person exercising such rights making good any damage caused to the Demised Premises thereby as soon as is reasonably practicable to the Tenant's reasonable satisfaction and complying with the Tenant's reasonable requirements relating to security, privacy, hygiene and safety which have been notified to the Landlord.

### 3.11 **Compliance with Notice**

To comply with any notice given by the Landlord requesting the Tenant to remedy any breach of the Tenant's covenants within two calendar months after the giving of such notice or sooner if requisite and if the Tenant fails to comply with any such notice it shall be lawful (but not obligatory) for the Landlord (without prejudice to the right of re-entry hereinafter contained) to enter and remain upon the Demised Premises with or without workmen and with all necessary tools and appliances to make good the Demised Premises at the cost of the Tenant which proper cost shall be repaid by the Tenant to the Landlord within 14 days of demand together with all solicitors' surveyors' and other professional fees and other expenses which may be incurred by the Landlord in connection therewith together with interest thereon at the Prescribed Rate from the date on which the said expenditure is demanded by the Landlord until the date of actual payment.

### 3.12 **Overloading of Demised Premises**

Not to suspend any heavy load from the ceilings or main structure of the Demised Premises or the Building nor to load or to use the floors of the Demised Premises or the structure or curtilage of the Building in any manner which will in any way impose a weight or strain in excess of that which the same are constructed to bear with due margin for safety.

### 3.13 **User Prohibited**

3.13.1 Not to bring into the Demised Premises or to place or store in the Demised Premises any article or thing which is or may become dangerous, offensive, combustible, inflammable, radioactive or explosive other than such normal substances as may be employed in non-hazardous quantities in connection with the Permitted User but where any such normal substances are or may become dangerous, offensive, combustible, inflammable, radioactive or explosive then the Tenant will comply with all the requirements of the insurers of the Building and all statutes in relation to their supply use storage and/or disposal.

3.13.2 Not to use the Demised Premises for any noisy offensive or dangerous trade manufacture business or occupation nor for any illegal or immoral purpose nor permit any person to reside or sleep upon the Demised Premises nor do on the Demised Premises any act matter or thing whatsoever which in the reasonable opinion of the Landlord or the Superior Landlord may be or tend to become a nuisance damage or disturbance to the prejudice of the Landlord the Superior Landlord or to the owners or occupiers of any adjoining or neighbouring property or any of them Provided That the foregoing shall not prevent the use of the Demised Premises permitted by and in accordance with this Lease.

3.13.3 Not to discharge anything into the Conduits which will or may be corrosive or harmful or which may cause any obstruction or deposit therein.

3.13.4 Not to use the Demised Premises for any public meeting exhibition or entertainment or as a club.

- 3.13.5 Not to hold any sale by auction thereon or to play or use thereon any musical instrument gramophone wireless loudspeaker or similar apparatus so as to be audible outside the Demised Premises.
- 3.13.6 Not to use the Demised Premises for the purpose of any betting transactions within the meaning of the Gambling Act 2005 or for gaming within the meaning of the Gambling Act 2005 with or between persons resorting to the Demised Premises.
- 3.13.7 Not to make any application for a betting office licence or a licence or registration under the Gambling Act 2005 in respect of the Demised Premises.
- 3.13.8 Not to overload any structural part of the Building.

3.14 **User**

- 3.14.1 Not to leave the Demised Premises continuously unoccupied for more than twenty- one days without notifying the Landlord and providing such caretaking or security arrangements as the Superior Landlord and/or its insurers shall require (in the case of the Landlord acting reasonably) in order to protect the Demised Premises from vandalism theft damage or unlawful occupation.
- 3.14.2 Not to use or permit the use of any part of the Demised Premises for any purpose other than the Permitted User.

3.15 **Alterations and Additions**

- 3.15.1 Not to make any alteration or addition to any part of the structure of the Building or the external elevations thereof nor to merge the Demised Premises with any adjoining premises and not to alter or change any of the architectural features (whether external or internal) of the Demised Premises.
- 3.15.2 Not without the consent of the Landlord nor otherwise than in accordance with plans approved by the Landlord (such consent and approval not to be unreasonably withheld) and under the supervision and to the reasonable satisfaction of the Landlord's Surveyor to make any other alteration or addition in or to the Demised Premises or any part thereof including in particular any Conduits electrical equipment and installations of any description Provided that:
  - (a) the Landlord may in its proper discretion seek such advice as the Landlord shall require from surveyors and other professional advisers in connection with any such application for consent;

- (b) the Landlord may as a condition of giving any such consent and approval require the Tenant to enter into such covenants with the Landlord as the Landlord may reasonably require in regard to the execution of any such works or otherwise;
  - (c) the Tenant shall if so requested by the Landlord on reasonable prior notice reinstate the Demised Premises at the end or sooner determination of the Term;
  - (d) the Tenant shall not make any addition or alteration to the Demised Premises which might weaken the structure of the Building;
  - (e) in the case of any works of a substantial nature if the Landlord shall so require prior to the commencement of such works the Tenant shall provide adequate security on terms reasonably required by the Landlord in the form of a deposit of money or the provision of a bond to ensure that any alterations which may from time to time be permitted by the Landlord shall be fully completed;
  - (f) the Landlord may in its absolute discretion refuse its consent to any alteration addition or amendment to the Demised Premises which may be visible from the exterior of the Building;
  - (g) the Landlord will not unreasonably withhold or delay consent to non- structural internal alterations;
  - (h) all proposals for any alterations or additions to the Demised Premises shall first be submitted by the Tenant to the Landlord accompanied by all relevant detailed plans, drawings, elevations, sections and specifications and such other information as may be reasonably required.
- 3.15.3 All alterations or additions to the electrical equipment and installations of the Demised Premises shall be carried out in accordance with the terms conditions and recommendations from time to time laid down by the Institution of Electrical Engineers and the regulations of the electricity supply authority.
- 3.15.4 Notwithstanding the foregoing not at any time to commence any development within the meaning of the Planning Acts in relation to the Demised Premises without the Landlord's prior consent which shall not be unreasonably withheld provided that it shall in any event be reasonable for the Landlord to withhold its consent unless the Landlord shall first be satisfied that the proposed development is properly authorised by law and that the Tenant will indemnify and keep the Landlord fully and effectually indemnified from and against any tax charge or levy for which the Landlord may become liable as a result of any such proposed development being carried out by the Tenant.
- 3.15.5 Not without the consent of the Landlord to change or make any application to change the name of the Building from The Schrodinger Building.
- 3.15.6 Not to install blinds at the Demised Premises other than blinds which are Shade Tech Beta Screen 70, colour BS702 charcoal/grey, without the Landlord's consent.

3.16 **Advertisements**

Not to affix or exhibit in or upon any part of the exterior of the Demised Premises any bill placard advertisement flashlight or other sign except such as shall previously have been approved (as to design, size and positioning) by the Landlord.

3.17 **Encroachments etc.**

Not in any way to stop up or darken any window or opening in the Demised Premises nor to stop up or obstruct any access of light enjoyed by the Demised Premises nor to permit any wayleave easement privilege or encroachment to be made or acquired over against or upon the Demised Premises and forthwith upon the Tenant becoming aware of any of the same or circumstances which may give rise to the same to give notice thereof to the Landlord and to permit the Landlord to enter and remain upon the Demised Premises for the purpose of ascertaining the nature of any such wayleave easement privilege or encroachment and at the joint cost of the Landlord and the Tenant to adopt such means as the Landlord may properly require for preventing any encroachment and the acquisition or continued enjoyment of any wayleave easement or privilege.

3.18 **Rights of Light**

Not to give to any third party any acknowledgement that the Tenant enjoys the access of light to any window or opening in the Demised Premises by the consent of such third party nor to pay to such third party any sum of money nor to enter into any agreement with such third party for the purpose of inducing or binding such third party to abstain from obstructing the access of light to any such window or opening and in the event of any third party doing or threatening to do anything which obstructs the access of light to any such window or opening to give immediate written notice thereof to the Landlord and to permit the Landlord to bring such proceedings as it may think fit in the name of the Tenant and at the joint cost of the Landlord and the Tenant against any such third party in respect thereof.

3.19 **Claims for Destruction of Light**

Not to bring any action or make any claim or demand on account of any diminution of light or air to the Demised Premises or any window or opening therein in consequence of the erection or alteration of any building on any land adjoining neighbouring or opposite to the Demised Premises for which the Landlord may give its consent pursuant to any power reserved by this Lease or in respect of any easement right or privilege granted or to be granted by the Landlord for the benefit of any building erected or to be erected on any land adjoining neighbouring or opposite to the Demised Premises and (if reasonably required) to concur with the Landlord at the Landlord's expense in any consent which the Landlord may give or any grant which the Landlord may make.



### 3.20 Insurance

- 3.20.1 Forthwith on becoming aware of the same to give written notice to the Landlord of any damage or destruction to the Demised Premises or any matter in respect of which a claim may be made under any policy of insurance effected hereunder.
- 3.20.2 If the Demised Premises or the Building shall be destroyed or damaged by any of the Insured Risks and the payment of any of the insurance monies under any insurance against the same shall be withheld or refused by reason solely or in part of any act or default of the Tenant or any undertenant or their respective servants agents or licensees then and in every such case the Tenant will forthwith pay to the Landlord the whole or (as the case may require) the withheld or refused portion of such insurance monies.
- 3.20.3 Not to do any act or thing whereby any insurance effected in respect of the Demised Premises, the Building or any adjoining or neighbouring property would or might be vitiated or prejudiced and not without the written consent of the Landlord to do or omit to do anything whereby an increased or additional premium in respect of any such insurance (which shall in any event be borne by the Tenant) may become payable.
- 3.20.4 If the Tenant shall become entitled to the benefit of any insurance on the Demised Premises then the Tenant shall hold all monies received by virtue of such insurance upon trust for the Landlord for making good the loss or damage in respect of which the same shall have been received.

### 3.21 Alienation Prohibited

- 3.21.1 Not to charge assign or transfer part only of the Demised Premises.
- 3.21.2 Not to part with possession or share the occupation of the Demised Premises or any part thereof other than by way of an assignment permitted under clause 3.22 provided that the Tenant may share the occupation of the Demised Premises with any company which is within the same group as the Tenant within the meaning of Section 42 of the 1954 Act so long as the Tenant previously gives prior written notice to the Landlord of the company occupying the Demised Premises, no tenancy is thereby created and such company vacates upon it ceasing to be a member of such group.
- 3.21.3 Not to hold or occupy the Demised Premises or any part thereof as trustee or agent or otherwise for the benefit of any other person.

### 3.22 Assignment Permitted

- 3.22.1 Not to assign or transfer the whole of the Demised Premises without the prior written consent of the Landlord such consent not to be unreasonably withheld subject to the terms contained in clauses 3.22.2 to 3.22.9 (inclusive),

- 3.22.2 Before any proposed assignment of the Demised Premises, to give the Landlord written notice of its intention to assign together with full and accurate particulars of the proposed assignee and the proposed terms and supplying reasonable evidence of the offer and simultaneously shall make a written offer to the Landlord to make an absolute surrender of this Lease with vacant possession and such offer shall remain open for acceptance within 14 days.
- 3.22.3 If the Landlord does not within 14 days after receiving written notice under clause 3.23 give the Tenant written acceptance of such offer and then complete a surrender of this Lease on the terms of this clause 3.22 then the Tenant shall (subject to the terms contained in clauses 3.22.5 to 3.22.9) be free to assign this Lease to the proposed assignee referred to in clause 3.22.2 on terms no less beneficial to the Tenant than the terms of such offer to the Landlord.
- 3.22.4 If the Landlord accepts the offer to surrender the following conditions of sale shall apply:
- (a) The estate and interest of the Tenant in the Demised Premises and the Tenant's and trade fixtures and fittings shall be sold subject to the edition of the Standard Conditions of Sale current at the date when the contract is concluded so far as they are applicable to and not inconsistent with or varied by this Lease;
  - (b) the surrender shall be completed on the first working day after the expiration of 4 weeks (or such other period as may be agreed) from the date of service by the Landlord of the written acceptance of the offer;
  - (c) the surrender shall be made with full title guarantee free from all mortgages and charges;
  - (d) the sale shall be on the footing that the Tenant knows of no overriding interest affecting the Tenant's estate and interest in the Demised Premises other than those disclosed in the offer and those apparent on inspection;
  - (e) completion of the surrender shall not prejudice the rights of either party in respect of any antecedent breach of covenant or default by the other.
- 3.22.5 The Landlord may withhold its consent to a proposed assignment or transfer if any one or more of the following circumstances (which are specified for the purpose of Section 19(1 A) of the 1927 Act) exist:
- (a) any sum properly due from the Tenant under this Lease remains unpaid;
  - (b) in the Landlord's reasonable opinion there is at the date of the application for consent to assign any material outstanding breach of any of the Tenant's covenants or other terms of this Lease;

- (c) the proposed assignee or transferee (or any guarantor required under clause (b)) has or will have immunity from suit or legal process in relation to any breach of any covenants or conditions contained in this Lease;
- (d) the proposed assignee or transferee (or any guarantor required under clause (b)) is a corporation registered in a jurisdiction in which there is no reciprocity of treatment for the enforcement of judgments obtained in England and Wales;
- (e) the proposed assignee or transferee is a company which is in the same group (within the meaning of Section 42 of the 1954 Act) as the Tenant;
- (f) that in the reasonable opinion of the Landlord the proposed assignee is not of sufficient financial standing to enable it to comply with the tenant's covenants under this Lease.

3.22.6 Clause 3.22.5 shall operate without prejudice to the right of the Landlord to refuse such consent on any other ground or grounds where such refusal would be reasonable.

3.22.7 The Landlord may impose any one or more of the following conditions (which are specified for the purpose of Section 19(1 A) of the 1927 Act):

- (a) a requirement that the assigning Tenant and in the event of a previous unauthorised assignment a former tenant (as defined in Section 16(6) of the 1995 Act) each separately execute as a deed and deliver to the Landlord prior to the assignment in question an authorised guarantee agreement in a form reasonably required by the Landlord;
- (b) a requirement that (to the extent permitted by law) any surety for the assigning tenant is made party to any authorised guarantee agreement entered into by the assigning tenant in order to guarantee the obligations of the assigning tenant contained in the authorised guarantee agreement;
- (c) if the Landlord reasonably so requires a requirement that third party guarantors reasonably acceptable to the Landlord are provided who execute in favour of the Landlord and deliver to the Landlord prior to the assignment in question a deed of covenant in the terms of the covenants for a surety in a form reasonably required by the Landlord;
- (d) if the Landlord reasonably so requires the assignee enters into a rent deposit deed in the form reasonably required by the Landlord with the Landlord prior to the assignment providing for a deposit of not less than three months' yearly rent (plus VAT) (calculated as at the date of the assignment but after the end of any rent free period) as security for the assignee's performance of the tenant's obligations in this lease.

3.22.8 Clause 3.22.7 shall operate without prejudice to the right of the Landlord to impose further conditions upon a grant of consent where such imposition would be reasonable.

3.22.9 The Tenant shall give notice to the Landlord in writing within fifteen working days of the Tenant becoming aware of the death of any individual who has covenanted with the Landlord as surety or of an Event of Insolvency arising in respect of a surety. If so required by the Landlord at the expense of the Tenant the Tenant shall within two (2) months of such event procure that some other individual or company acceptable to the Landlord acting reasonably shall covenant with the Landlord as surety in the terms of clause (c) in place of such individual or company.

**3.23 Underletting Prohibited**

3.23.1 Not to underlet the whole or any part of the Demised Premises.

**3.24 Disclosure of Information**

Upon making an application for any consent or approval which is required under this Lease the Tenant shall disclose to the Landlord such information as the Landlord may reasonably require.

**3.25 Registration**

3.25.1 Within twenty-one days after any assignment transfer underlease mortgage charge or other devolution of this Lease or any derivative interest to give notice thereof in duplicate to the Landlord's solicitor for registration together with a certified copy of the deed document or instrument effecting such assignment transfer underlease mortgage charge or other devolution and to pay or cause to be paid to the Landlord's Solicitors or as the Landlord may from time to time direct a fee of Fifty Pounds (£50.00) or such higher fee as the Landlord may reasonably require for the registration thereof together with any fee payable for registration of the same under the Superior Lease.

3.25.2 Where a deed of transfer or deed of assignment of the Demised Premises or an underlease is registerable at the Land Registry the Tenant shall procure the registration of such deed of transfer or deed of assignment or underlease as soon as reasonably practicable after the date of the same and within one month of completion of the registration give notice in writing to the Landlord.

**3.26 Schedule of Underlettings etc.**

If and when called upon by the Landlord so to do to supply to the Landlord from time to time a schedule containing full details (including for the avoidance of doubt particulars of rent and any review dates) of all subsisting underlettings and occupiers of the Demised Premises.

### 3.27 **Compliance with Statutes**

- 3.27.1 To comply with the provisions of all statutes now or hereafter to be passed which affect the Demised Premises or the Tenant's user thereof including the execution of all works required to be done or executed pursuant thereto whether by the owner and/or the landlord and/or the tenant thereof and to comply with any notices which may be served by any competent authority and not to do on the Demised Premises any act or thing whereby the Landlord may become liable to pay any penalty imposed by or to bear the whole or any part of any expenses incurred under any such statute.
- 3.27.2 To comply with all requirements from time to time of the appropriate authority in relation to fire precautions and means of escape from the Demised Premises in case of fire or other emergency insofar as such escape route is located within the Demised Premises and at the expense of the Tenant to keep the Demised Premises sufficiently supplied and equipped with fire-fighting and extinguishing apparatus and appliances of a type to be approved from time to time by the appropriate authority and by the Landlord's insurers and suitable in all respects to the type of user or business or trade carried on upon the Demised Premises.

### 3.28 **Planning Acts**

- 3.28.1 To obtain so often as occasion shall require all planning permissions licences consents and approvals as may be required under the Planning Acts for the carrying out by the Tenant of any development on the Demised Premises within the meaning of the Planning Acts or for the continuance thereof by the Tenant but so that the Tenant shall not make any application for planning permission or give any notice to any authority of an intention to commence or to carry out any development without the previous consent of the Landlord (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld) and so that the Tenant shall (if and insofar as it is lawful for the parties hereto to make such an arrangement) indemnify the Landlord against all charges payable in respect of any such application.
- 3.28.2 Forthwith after the grant of any planning permission or refusal of any application therefor made by the Tenant to give to the Landlord full particulars in writing thereof and supply a copy thereof for the retention of the Landlord and in the case of a refusal of such an application or a grant subject to conditions which the Landlord considers unreasonable forthwith if the Landlord reasonably so requires at the Landlord's expense to give notice of appeal thereof to the competent authority and to proceed diligently with such appeal and to keep the Landlord informed of the progress thereof.
- 3.28.3 Without prejudice to the provisions of any other covenant by the Tenant under this Lease not to implement any planning permission until a copy of the same has been submitted to the Landlord and acknowledged by it as satisfactory (such acknowledgement not to be unreasonably withheld) Provided That the Landlord may refuse so to express its satisfaction with any such planning permission on the ground that any provision or condition would in the reasonable opinion of the Landlord be or be likely to be (whether during the Term or following its determination) prejudicial to the Landlord's interest in the Demised Premises or the Building or any adjoining or neighbouring property belonging to the Landlord.

- 3.28.4 To comply with all conditions imposed by any planning permission implemented by the Tenant during the Term and if the Landlord reasonably so requires where a planning permission is granted subject to conditions to provide adequate security for the compliance with such conditions on terms reasonably required by the Landlord in the form of a deposit of money or the provision of a bond prior to the implementation by the Tenant of such planning permission.
- 3.28.5 Unless the Landlord shall otherwise direct to carry out before the end or sooner determination of the Term (howsoever the same may be determined) any works stipulated to be carried out to the Demised Premises by a date subsequent to such end or sooner determination as a condition of any planning permission which may have been granted to and been implemented by the Tenant or any person deriving title under the Tenant.
- 3.28.6 If called upon so to do to produce to the Landlord all plans documents and other evidence as the Landlord may reasonably require in order to satisfy itself that the provisions of this covenant have been complied with.
- 3.28.7 Not without the consent of the Landlord to enter into any agreement under the Planning Acts.
- 3.28.8 Not without the consent of the Landlord to serve any notice under Planning Acts requiring any authority to purchase the interest of the Tenant in the Demised Premises.

3.29 **Statutory Notices**

- 3.29.1 Within seven days of the receipt of any notice order permission refusal requisition or direction or proposal for the same made given or issued to the Tenant by any competent authority under or by virtue of any statutory powers or forthwith upon the happening of any occurrence which may be capable of materially adversely affecting the Landlord's interest in the Demised Premises the Tenant shall deliver full particulars thereof to the Landlord and if so required by the Landlord thereafter to produce a copy of the same to the Landlord and without delay to take all reasonable and necessary steps to comply with the same.
- 3.29.2 To make or join with the Landlord at the joint cost of the Landlord and the Tenant in making such objections or representations against or in respect of any such notice order permission refusal requisition or direction or proposal for the same as the Landlord shall deem expedient unless contrary to the Tenant's own business interests.

### 3.30 **Reletting Arrangements**

To permit the Landlord or its agents to fix and retain in a conspicuous position on the Demised Premises a notice-board during the last six months of the Term in respect of the reletting of the same and at any time during the Term in respect of the sale of the interest of the Landlord in the same (but not so as to restrict or interfere unreasonably with access to or the access of light and air to the Demised Premises) and not to take down or obscure the said notice-board and to permit all persons accompanied by the Landlord or its agents to view the Demised Premises during normal business hours after the giving of not less than twenty-four hours' prior notice subject to compliance with the Tenant's reasonable requirements relating to security privacy hygiene and safety where such requirements have been notified to the Landlord.

### 3.31 **Defects**

To notify the Landlord promptly upon becoming aware of any defect in the Demised Premises which might give rise to a duty imposed by common law or statute on the Landlord in favour of the Tenant or any other person.

### 3.32 **Indemnity**

3.32.1 To indemnify and keep indemnified the Landlord against all losses costs damage and expenses (including professional fees properly incurred by the Landlord) incurred or sustained by the Landlord as a consequence of any breach of the covenants by the Tenant set out herein or implied Provided That such indemnity shall extend to all costs and expenses properly incurred by the Landlord in connection with any steps which the Landlord may (at its absolute discretion but without being in any way obliged so to do) take to remedy any such breach and shall be without prejudice to any other rights or remedies of the Landlord in respect of any such breach.

3.32.2 To indemnify and keep indemnified the Landlord against liability in respect of any injury to or the death of any person or damage to any property movable or immovable or the infringement disturbance or destruction of any right easement or privilege or otherwise by reason of or arising directly or indirectly out of the repair or condition of the Demised Premises or any alteration thereto by the Tenant or any person deriving title under the Tenant or the Permitted User and against all actions proceedings costs expenses claims and demands of whatsoever nature in respect of any such liability or alleged liability.

### 3.33 **Yield Up**

At the end or sooner determination of the Term quietly to yield up to the Landlord the Demised Premises free from any third party rights of occupation and having removed the Tenant's chattels and effects.

3.34 **Regulations**

To observe duly and perform the stipulations and regulations set out in Schedule 4 and such reasonable and proper regulations and instructions as the Superior Landlord may from time to time make or give in connection with the management or administration of the Building and/or the Science Park.

3.35 **Covenants in Documents**

To observe and perform the agreements covenants and stipulations contained or referred to in the documents referred to in Part 4 of Schedule 1 and to indemnify the Landlord in relation to any breach thereto attributable to the Tenant so far as they concern any act matter or thing to be done on the Demised Premises.

3.36 **Superior Leases**

To perform and observe the covenants (other than the payment of rent) on the part of the tenant contained in the Superior Lease so far as they relate to the Demised Premises and not to do anything to put the Landlord in breach of the covenants on the part of the tenant contained in the Superior Lease so far as they relate to the Demised Premises.

3.37 **Second Floor Common Parts**

To light cleanse repair maintain and replace (as often as occasion shall reasonably require) on the furniture meeting rooms corridors or other structures facilities and amenities forming part of the Second Floor and intended for the common use or benefit of the occupiers of the Second Floor (the "Second Floor Common Parts").

3.38 **Regulations**

To observe and duly perform the Landlord's reasonable and proper regulations from time to time relating to the use of and to security over the Second Floor Common Parts.

**4. LANDLORD'S COVENANTS**

The Landlord **HEREBY COVENANTS** with the Tenant as follows:

4.1 **Quiet Enjoyment**

That the Tenant paying the rents hereby reserved and observing and performing the covenants conditions and stipulations herein contained and on the part of the Tenant to be observed and performed shall and may peaceably hold and enjoy the Demised Premises during the Term without any interruption by the Landlord or any person rightfully claiming under or in trust for the Landlord.



## 4.2 Insurance

4.2.1 Use all reasonable endeavours to procure that the Superior Landlord complies with its obligations relating to insurance in the Superior Lease provided that if the Superior Landlord has not fully reinstated the Demised Premises or the accesses thereto within a period of three years from the date of damage or destruction either the Landlord or the Tenant shall be entitled to terminate this Lease by giving notice to the other and on giving of such notice the Term shall cease and determine but without prejudice to the rights of either party hereto in respect of any antecedent breach of covenant.

## 4.3 Services

Subject as otherwise herein provided to perform the Second Floor Services and to use reasonable endeavours to procure that the Superior Landlord performs the Building Services and the Science Park Services in both cases as from time to time necessary under the principles of good estate management provided that:

4.3.1 the Landlord shall not be liable to the Tenant in respect of any interruption in any of the services which the Landlord does provide or supply by reason of any necessary inspection repair or maintenance of any plant or equipment or any damage thereto or by reason of mechanical or other defect or breakdown or inclement weather conditions or shortage of fuel materials water or labour or by reason of any circumstances whatever beyond the control of the Landlord provided that the Landlord shall procure that the services will be restored as soon as reasonably practicable;

4.3.2 the Tenant shall have no claim against the Landlord in respect of any defect or want of maintenance repair amendment renewal or cleansing unless the Landlord has had notice thereof and has failed to remedy the same within a reasonable period thereafter.

## 4.4 Superior Lease

To pay the rent reserved by the Superior Lease and to observe and perform the tenant's covenants in the Superior Lease (insofar as the Tenant is not liable for such observance and performance) under its covenants herein contained.

## 5. ENERGY PERFORMANCE CERTIFICATES

### 5.1 Tenant covenants

5.1.1 The Tenant shall permit the Landlord at reasonable times after reasonable notice (except in emergency) to enter the Demised Premises in order to take the measurements and carry out the calculations required for the production of an EPC in respect of the Demised Premises or any part of them, subject to the person exercising such rights making good any damage thereby caused to the Demised Premises.

- 5.1.2 On demand the Tenant shall supply the Landlord with the information required for the production of an EPC in respect of the Demised Premises, including without limitation information regarding energy consumption and equipment.
- 5.1.3 The Tenant shall not obtain an EPC in respect of the Demised Premises or any part of them without the prior written consent of the Landlord and if the Landlord grants such consent then:
- (a) the EPC shall be obtained by the Tenant from a reputable and appropriately qualified energy assessor at the Tenant's own cost; and
  - (b) the Tenant shall notify the Landlord in writing when an EPC has been obtained in respect of the Demised Premises or any part of them and its notice shall include a copy of the EPC and the reference number for the EPC.

**5.2 Landlord covenants**

- 5.2.1 On demand the Landlord shall supply the Tenant with the information required for the production of an EPC in respect of the Demised Premises, including without limitation information regarding energy consumption and equipment.
- 5.2.2 The Landlord shall notify the Tenant whenever an EPC has been obtained in respect of the Demised Premises and its notice shall include a copy of the EPC and the reference number for the EPC;
- 5.2.3 If and to the extent the Existing EPC is no longer valid (as the result of the Tenant's alterations or any default by the Tenant) to notify the Landlord and to obtain any EPC required to be provided from a reputable and appropriately qualified energy assessor.

**6. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS**

**PROVIDED ALWAYS AND IT IS HEREBY AGREED AND DECLARED** as follows

**6.1 Power of Re-entry**

- 6.1.1 If the rents hereby reserved or any part thereof shall at any time be in arrear and unpaid for twenty one days after the same shall have become due (whether legally demanded or not); or
- 6.1.2 If there shall be any breach of any of the covenants on the part of the Tenant contained in this Lease; or
- 6.1.3 An Event of Insolvency arises in relation to the Tenant or in relation to any surety who at any time guarantees the obligations of the Tenant under this Lease; or

6.1.4 If the Tenant suffers any distress or execution or any modern equivalent of these remedies to be levied on any goods including any action taken for the recovery of rent arrears from the Tenant under Commercial Rent Arrears Recovery for the time being on the Demised Premises which is not removed within fourteen days;

then and in any such case it shall be lawful for the Landlord at any time thereafter to re-enter the Demised Premises or any part thereof in the name of the whole and thereupon the Term shall absolutely cease and determine but without prejudice to any right of action of the Landlord in respect of any antecedent breach of any of the covenants by the Tenant herein contained.

## 6.2 **Cesser of Rent**

If the Building and/or the Demised Premises or any part thereof or the means of access thereto are destroyed or damaged by any of the Insured Risks so far as to render the Demised Premises or any part thereof or access to them unfit for occupation and use then and so often as it happens (if at the date thereof the payment of any of the insurance monies has not been withheld or refused by reason of any act or default of the Tenant any person deriving title under the Tenant or their respective servants agents or licensees) the rent reserved under clause 2.1 and clause 2.2 and the service charge or a fair and just proportion thereof according to the nature and extent of the damage shall be suspended for so long as the Demised Premises or the access to them or the destroyed or damaged part thereof remain unfit for occupation and use by reason of such destruction or damage or for three years whichever shall be the shorter and if any dispute arises between the Landlord and the Tenant in regard to the amount or the period of the suspension of the said rent or otherwise in relation thereto it shall be referred to arbitration under the provisions of the Arbitration Act 1996.

## 6.3 **No Implied Rights**

Nothing herein contained shall (except as otherwise expressly provided) by implication of law or otherwise operate or be deemed to confer upon the Tenant any easement right or privilege whatsoever.

## 6.4 **Development of Adjoining Property**

The Landlord shall have the right at any time to make any alterations to or to pull down rebuild redevelop or otherwise deal with or use any Adjoining Property as it may deem fit without obtaining any consent from or making any compensation to the Tenant and the Tenant will not object to any planning application made by or on behalf of the Landlord in respect of the development or redevelopment of any Adjoining Property provided that the Landlord shall not materially interfere with the rights granted to the Tenant.

## 6.5 **Restrictions affecting Adjoining Property**

Nothing herein contained or implied shall give the Tenant the benefit of or the right to enforce or to have enforced or to prevent the release or modification of any covenant agreement or condition entered into by any purchaser from or by any lessee or occupier of the Landlord in respect of property not comprised in this Lease or areas over which rights are granted by this Lease for the benefit of the Tenant.

**6.6 No Warranty as to Use**

Notwithstanding the provisions as to the Permitted User contained in this Lease the Landlord does not hereby or in any other way give or make nor has given or made at any other time any representation or warranty that the Permitted User is or will be or will remain a permitted use within the provisions of the Planning Acts and notwithstanding that the Permitted User is not a permitted use as aforesaid the Tenant shall remain fully bound and liable to the Landlord in respect of the obligations undertaken by the Tenant by virtue of this Lease without any compensation recompense or relief of any kind whatsoever.

**6.7 Exclusion of Representations**

The Tenant acknowledges that this Lease has not been entered in reliance wholly or partly upon any statement or representation made by or on behalf of the Landlord save insofar as any such statement or representation is expressly set out in this Lease or has been made in writing by the Landlord's solicitors to the Tenant's solicitors before the date of entry into this Lease.

**6.8 Disputes**

Any dispute arising as between the Tenant and the tenants or occupiers of any property adjoining neighbouring or opposite to the Demised Premises belonging to the Landlord as to any easement right or privilege in connection with the user of the Demised Premises and such property adjoining neighbouring or opposite to the Demised Premises or as to the party or other walls separating the Demised Premises from the adjoining property or as to the amount of any contribution towards the expenses of works to services used in common with any other property shall be decided by the Landlord's Surveyor whose decision shall be binding upon all parties to the dispute (save in the case of manifest error).

**6.9 Removal of Tenant's Property**

6.9.1 If at such time as the Tenant has vacated the Demised Premises at the end of the Term any property of the Tenant shall remain in or on the Demised Premises and the Tenant shall fail to remove the same within fourteen days after being requested in writing by the Landlord so to do then the Landlord may as the agent of the Tenant sell such property and shall then hold the proceeds of sale after deducting the costs and expenses of removal storage and sale properly incurred by it to the order of the Tenant.

6.9.2 The Tenant shall indemnify the Landlord against any liability incurred by it to any third party whose property shall have been sold by the Landlord in the mistaken belief held in good faith (which shall be presumed unless the contrary be proved) that such property belonged to the Tenant.

#### 6.10 Surrender of Easements

At any time during the Term the Tenant will at the request of the Landlord enter into a deed of variation of this Lease to give up or alter rights of access and easements granted hereunder which are not reasonably necessary for the use and/or enjoyment of the Demised Premises or which the Superior Landlord reasonably requires to be varied as part of the redevelopment of the whole or part of the Science Park so long as the alternative rights of access or other easements are no less convenient than those hereby granted and provided that the Superior Landlord indemnifies the Tenant in respect of any cost and expense reasonably incurred by the Tenant either relating to any such deed of variation or with regard to the cost of any works required to the Demised Premises or the Science Park which are the result of such request from the Superior Landlord and which are approved by the Superior Landlord (such approval not to be unreasonably withheld).

#### 6.11 Notices

The provisions of Section 196 of the Law of Property Act 1925 as amended by the Recorded Delivery Service Act 1962 shall apply to all notices required to be served hereunder provided that while the Tenant is a company incorporated in England and Wales all notices shall be served on its registered office for the time being.

#### 6.12 Jurisdiction

Each party irrevocably agrees that the courts of England and Wales shall have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any dispute or claim arising out of or in connection with this Lease or its subject matter or formation (including non-contractual disputes or claims).

#### 6.13 Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999

A person who is not a party to this Lease shall not have any rights under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 to enforce any term of this Lease. This does not affect any right or remedy of a third party which exists, or is available, apart from that Act.

#### 6.14 Break Clause

6.14.1 In this clause the following definitions apply:

**Landlord Break Date:** 24 March 2024.

**Break Notice:** written notice to terminate this Lease.

6.14.2 The Landlord may terminate this Lease by serving a Break Notice on the Tenant at least nine months before the Landlord Break Date.

6.14.3 The Tenant may terminate this Lease by serving a Break Notice on the Landlord at any time giving at least six months' notice of the intended date of termination ("Tenant Break Date").

- 6.14.4 The Break Notice shall be in writing and, for the purposes of this clause, writing does not include facsimile transmission or email.
- 6.14.5 Following service of a Break Notice pursuant to clause 6.14.2 this Lease shall terminate on the Landlord Break Date.
- 6.14.6 Following service of a Break Notice pursuant to clause 6.14.3 this Lease shall terminate on the date specified in such Break Notice provided that the Tenant yields up the Demised Premises free from third party rights of occupation.
- 6.14.7 Time shall be of the essence in respect of all time periods and limits in this clause.
- 6.14.8 Termination of this Lease pursuant to this clause shall be without prejudice to any right or remedy of either party in respect of any antecedent breach of the covenants or conditions on the part of the other in this Lease, including any covenants expressed to be complied with before the end of the Term.
- 6.14.9 If this Lease terminates in accordance with this clause 6.14 within 14 days after the relevant break date the Landlord shall refund to the Tenant the proportion of the rents and any Value Added Tax payable in respect of them paid in advance by the Tenant for the period from and excluding the relevant break date up to and excluding the next quarter day calculated on a daily basis.

6.15 **Uninsured risks**

- 6.15.1 In this Clause 6.15 (Uninsured Risks), an “**Uninsured Risk**” means any risk, or some aspect of any risk, which would be covered by the risks itemised in the definition of “Insured Risks” but which:
- (a) is excluded from being so by reason of withdrawal of cover by the insurer and which is not otherwise available to be insured in the London insurance market; or
  - (b) is withdrawn from cover by the Superior Landlord on the grounds that in the Superior Landlord’s reasonable opinion cover cannot be placed in the London insurance market at reasonable commercial rates or on reasonable commercial conditions.
- 6.15.2 An Insured Risk does not become an Uninsured Risk for the purposes of clause 6.15(a) by reason only of:
- (a) being excluded, or partially excluded, from cover due to standard exclusion provisions on the policy;
  - (b) rejection by the insurer of liability, or some part of it, due to vitiation by the Tenant; or
  - (c) infringement by the Landlord of policy conditions for the maintenance of cover.

- 6.15.3 The obligations of the Tenant to repair and to decorate, and to yield up in repair and decorated, the Demised Premises do not apply to damage or destruction caused by an Uninsured Risk.
- 6.15.4 The provisions of this clause 6.15 (Uninsured Risks) apply if the Building (whether or not directly affecting the Demised Premises) is damaged or destroyed by an Uninsured Risk so as to make the Demised Premises unfit for occupation, use or enjoyment.
- 6.15.5 If the damage or destruction referred to in clause 6.15.4 occurs, the Superior Landlord may within 12 months after the date of the damage or destruction elect to rebuild or reinstate the Demised Premises by giving notice to the Tenant to that effect and if the Superior Landlord so elects the Landlord shall use its reasonable endeavours to procure that the Superior Landlord rebuilds or reinstates the Building.
- 6.15.6 The Superior Landlord may at any time before it has made an election under clause 6.15.5 decide not to rebuild or reinstate the Building and if the Superior Landlord does so the Landlord may terminate this Lease by giving notice to the Tenant to that effect to expire immediately.
- 6.15.7 If the Superior Landlord has not made an election under clause 6.15.5 within 12 months after the date of damage or destruction of the Building, the Tenant may terminate this Lease by giving to the Landlord notice to that effect at any time thereafter to expire immediately unless the Superior Landlord has made such an election in the meantime.
- 6.15.8 During the period before the Superior Landlord makes an election under clause 6.15.5 or terminates this Lease under clause 6.15.6, the rent and service charge and insurance premiums reserved by this Lease, or a fair proportion of them according to the nature and extent of the damage or destruction sustained, are to be suspended and cease to be payable and in case of dispute the matter shall be referred to arbitration under the provisions of the Arbitration Act 1996.
- 6.15.9 If the Superior Landlord has not commenced rebuilding or reinstating the Building within twelve months after making the election under clause 6.15(e), the Tenant may terminate this Lease by giving to the Landlord notice to that effect at any time thereafter to expire immediately, unless the Superior Landlord has commenced rebuilding or reinstating the Building before the expiry of the notice.
- 6.15.10 If the Superior Landlord has not practically completed the works of rebuilding or reinstating the Building (as evidenced by the issue of the certificate or statement of practical completion under the building contract for the works) within the period of three years after making the election under Clause 6.15.5, then either the Landlord or the Tenant may terminate this Lease by giving to the other not less than six months' notice to that effect to expire at the end of that period, unless practical completion has taken place before the expiry of the notice.

6.15.11 On the expiry of any notice of termination given under this Clause 6.15 (*Uninsured Risks*), this Lease will terminate unless provided otherwise, but without affecting any liability arising from a breach of covenant or condition which has occurred before then.

**6.16 Retention of Insurance Proceeds**

On the termination of this Lease under clause 6.15 (*Uninsured Risks*) or if this Lease is terminated by the operation of the doctrine of frustration or otherwise, the Tenant is not to be entitled to any of the proceeds of insurance for its exclusive benefit.

**6.17 Landlord and Tenant Act 1954**

6.17.1 The Landlord and the Tenant confirm that.

- (a) On the 7 day of March 2018 the Landlord served on the Tenant the notice referred to in Section 35(A)(3) of the Landlord and Tenant Act 1954 (as amended) applying to the tenancy created by this lease before the Tenant entered into this lease or became contractually bound to do so;
- (b) The Tenant or a person duly authorised by the Tenant to do so made a simple declaration dated [1] day of [March] 2018 in accordance with the requirements of Section 38(A)(3)(b) of the Landlord and Tenant Act 1954 (as amended).

6.17.2 Where the Statutory Declaration was made by a person other than the Tenant the Tenant confirms that such person was duly authorised by the Tenant to make the Statutory Declaration on its behalf.

6.17.3 The Landlord and the Tenant agree that the provisions of Sections 24 to 28 of the Landlord and Tenant Act 1954 (as amended) are excluded in relation to the tenancy created by this Lease.

**6.18 Agreement for Lease**

There is no agreement for lease to which this Lease gives effect.

**7. NEW LEASE**

This Lease is a new tenancy for the purposes of the 1995 Act.

**IN WITNESS** whereof the parties to this Lease have executed and delivered this Lease as a deed the day and year first above written.



## SCHEDULE 1

### Part 1- Particulars of the Demised Premises

All those premises situate on the part of the Second Floor of the Building shown edged in red on plan D annexed to this Lease including:

- 1 the internal plaster or other finishes of all boundary and structural walls but excluding any integral part of the external wall cladding;
- 2 all non-structural walls situate wholly within the Demised Premises;
- 3 all internal windows and window frames including the glass in the windows;
- 4 all floor coverings the floor ducting and floor screed but excluding the concrete floor slabs;
- 5 the ceiling finishes including any suspended ceilings and the cavity above any suspended ceilings but excluding the concrete floor slabs;
- 6 the toilets and cloakrooms within the Demised Premises;
- 7 all plant, machinery and Conduits solely serving the Demised Premises and located therein; and
- 8 all improvements and additions made to the Demised Premises, but excluding:
  - 9 the exterior and main structure of the Building including foundations, roofs, load-bearing wall, load bearing columns;
  - 10 the airspace within any service risers that run through the Demised Premises; and
  - 11 any plant machinery and Conduits serving the Demised Premises in common with other parts of the Building.

### Part 2- Easements and Rights Granted

- 1 A right of way at all times for the Tenant and all others authorised by it (in common with the Superior Landlord and all others authorised by it or otherwise having the like right) to pass to and from the Science Park from and to the public highway with or without vehicles and for all proper purposes connected with the use and enjoyment of the Demised Premises over and along the Main Access Road Provided That so long as adequate access is maintained the Superior Landlord may obstruct parts of the Main Access Road where and for as long as is necessary for the purpose of carrying out repairs to the Main Access Road subject to the Superior Landlord using reasonable endeavours to keep such obstruction or interruption to a minimum insofar as it is reasonably practicable to do so.
- 2 A right of way at all times for the Tenant and all others authorised by it (in common with the Superior Landlord and all others authorised by it or otherwise having the like right) to pass to and from the Demised Premises and the Car Park with or without vehicles and for all proper purposes connected with the use and enjoyment of the Demised Premises over and along the common service roads and cycle paths and accessways and on foot only over the common footpaths from time to time within the Science Park Provided That so long as adequate access is maintained the Superior Landlord may temporarily obstruct parts of the common service roads and cycle paths and accessways and footpaths where and for as long as reasonably necessary for the purpose of carrying out repairs to the common service roads accessways and footpaths.

- 3 Subject as otherwise provided in this Lease full and free right of running of gas, electricity water soil drainage air smoke and other effluvia telecommunications services and data from and to the Demised Premises through the Conduits now or at any time during the Term running through under or over the remainder of the Building and/or Science Park and the land between the Science Park and the mains services and serving the Science Park or the Demised Premises.
- 4 The right for the Tenant and all persons authorised by it (in common with the Landlord and all other persons having the like right) to use the Common Parts for all proper purposes in connection with the use and enjoyment of the Demised Premises.
- 5 The right of support as now or hereafter enjoyed by the Demised Premises from any other parts of the Building.
- 6 The right for the Tenant and all persons authorised by it to park a maximum of 17 private motor vehicles in the car parking spaces within the Car Park nominated by the Superior Landlord from time to time.
- 7 The right for the Tenant and all persons authorised by it (in common with the Landlord and all other persons having the like right) to:
- 7.1 park private motor vehicles in the disabled car parking spaces in the Car Park subject to such vehicles correctly displaying a valid Blue Badge;
- 7.2 park private motor vehicles belonging to visitors to the Tenant in the visitor car parking spaces in the Car Park;
- 7.3 use the electric car charging spaces provided from time to time by the Landlord in the Car Park;
- 7.4 to use the cycle storage areas in the Car Park edged orange on plan C annexed to the Superior Lease for the parking of bicycles.
- 8 The right of access and egress for the Tenant and all persons authorised by it to the boilers and plant forming part of the Demised Premises and exclusively serving the Demised Premises which are located in another part of the Building (if any) on reasonable prior notice to the occupier of such other part of the Building (save in emergency when as much notice as practicable shall be given).

- 9 The right for the Tenant of the Demised Premises to have its name displayed on any tenants' directory board erected by the Superior Landlord at the Building to a maximum of one name.
- 10 A right for the Tenant and all others authorised by it (in common with the Landlord and all others authorised by it or otherwise having the like right) to use the atrium/reception area within the ground floor of the Building for all proper purposes connected with the Permitted User.

### **Part 3- Exceptions and Reservations**

The following rights to the Landlord and its tenants of the Science Park and every part thereof and all other persons at any time authorised by the Landlord or otherwise having the like right:

- 1 the right of running water soil gas electricity the flow of air and the passage of smoke or other effluvia from and to any other part or parts of the Science Park and the buildings which now are or may hereafter during the Term be erected thereon through the Conduits which now are or may hereafter at any time during the Term be in upon over or under the Demised Premises;
- 2 the right during the Term to build additional or relay any Conduits over through or under the Demised Premises in connection with any adjoining or neighbouring property now or hereafter during the Term belonging to the Landlord and whether or not forming part of the Science Park and to enter upon the Demised Premises for that purpose the persons exercising such rights doing as little damage as practicable to the Demised Premises and making good all damage to the Demised Premises caused thereby as soon as is reasonably practicable;
- 3 the right to make (and to retain) connections with any Conduits which now are or may hereafter during the Term upon in the Demised Premises and to enter upon the Demised Premises for that purpose (where such work cannot reasonably be carried out without access to the Demised Premises) the person or persons exercising such right doing as little damage as practicable to the Demised Premises and making good all damage done thereto as soon as is reasonably practicable;
- 4 the right at any time or times to divert (or substitute new Conduits for) any Conduits now or at any time during the Term serving the Demised Premises or any part thereof and the right to enter upon the Demised Premises for that purpose (where such work cannot reasonably be carried out without access to the Demised Premises) subject to the person exercising such right doing as little damage and causing as little inconvenience and as little interference with the Tenant's use and enjoyment of the Demised Premises as reasonably possible in the exercise of such right and making good any damage caused to the Demised Premises as soon as is reasonably practicable;
- 5 full right and liberty to enter upon the Demised Premises for the purposes specified in clause 3 of this Lease;

- 6 where the Tenant (in its absolute discretion) consents, the right to enter the Demised Premises to carry outworks to the Demised Premises to improve their Environmental Performance;
- 7 all rights of support and other easements and rights over the Demised Premises now or hereafter enjoyed by the remainder of the Building and any nearby premises or any other premises now or during the Term belonging to the Landlord or by any tenants of the Landlord on the Science Park;
- 8 the right to the unimpeded access of light and air over the Demised Premises to the windows and openings of nearby premises as existing and belonging to the Landlord at the date hereof;
- 9 the right at any time and for any purposes to erect a new building or to alter any building for the time being on any nearby premises or any other premises now or during the term belonging to the Landlord in any manner whatsoever and to use or let the same for any purpose or otherwise deal therewith and the right to grant consent to any person so erecting or altering notwithstanding that such erection or alteration may diminish the access of light and air enjoyed by the Demised Premises.

#### **Part 4 - Documents Affecting Title**

The covenants conditions restrictions and stipulations contained or referred to in official copies for title number ON324755 dated 20th December 2017 and timed at 16:54:48 and in official copies for title number ON323918 dated 20th December 2017 and timed at 16:54:48 in so far as these are capable of affecting the Demised Premises.

## SCHEDULE 2

### Provisions for the review of the principal rent

- 1 The yearly rent will increase in the same proportion as the yearly rent reserved by the Superior Lease on the Review Date under the Superior Lease.
- 2 The yearly rent may also be adjusted from time to time to reflect changes in the price paid by the Landlord for electricity, water and other services to the Second Floor.
- 3 The Landlord will notify the Tenant of any communication received by the Landlord from the Superior Landlord in relation to the review of the rent under the Superior Lease. The Landlord will allow the Tenant to comment on the rent review proposed for the Superior Lease and will pass on or incorporate any reasonable comments or representations made by the Tenant.
- 4 The Landlord will notify the Tenant of changes to the yearly rent in writing. If there is any dispute as to the level of the yearly rent, either the Landlord or the Tenant may at any time apply to the President to appoint a Surveyor to determine the yearly rent. The yearly rent will not be finally ascertained until it has been approved by the Superior Landlord.
- 5 **MANNER OF DETERMINATION**
  - 5.1 The Surveyor will act as an arbitrator in accordance with the Arbitration Act 1996 or (if the Landlord so elects by notice in writing) an expert.
  - 5.2 The Surveyor shall not start acting until his appointment has been approved by the Superior Landlord.
  - 5.3 The Surveyor shall be a partner or director in a practice of Chartered Surveyors and he shall have experience in valuing properties similar to the Demised Premises.
  - 5.4 If the Surveyor acts as an arbitrator, the decision of the Surveyor shall be final and binding on the parties.
  - 5.5 If the Surveyor acts as an expert, the Surveyor shall afford each of the parties an opportunity to make written representations and cross-representations to him.
  - 5.6 The costs of the reference shall be in the award of the Surveyor whose decision shall be final and binding on the Landlord and the Tenant and, failing such award, the costs shall be borne by the Landlord and the Tenant in equal shares.
  - 5.7 If one party upon publication of the award of the Surveyor shall pay all the Surveyor's fees and expenses, such party shall be entitled to recover on demand such proportion as the Surveyor shall award against the other party.

**6 APPOINTMENT OF SUBSTITUTE SURVEYOR**

If the Surveyor refuses to act or is incapable of acting or dies, either the Landlord or the Tenant may apply to the President for the appointment of a further Surveyor to act in the same capacity.

**7 ASCERTAINMENT AFTER REVIEW DATE**

If by a Review Date the yearly rent payable from that Review Date has not been ascertained the Tenant shall continue to pay the yearly rent at the rate payable immediately preceding that Review Date and within fourteen days after such ascertainment the Tenant shall pay to the Landlord:

- 7.1 the amount of the difference between the yearly rent so paid and the yearly rent ascertained for the period commencing on such Review Date and ending on the quarter day following such ascertainment; and
- 7.2 interest at the Base Rate prevailing on the date of ascertainment in respect of each instalment of the yearly rent due on or after such Review Date on the amount by which each instalment of the yearly rent so ascertained which would have been paid on such Review Date or a subsequent quarter day exceeds the amount so paid on account and such interest shall be payable for the period from the date upon which the relevant instalment was due up to the date of payment which sums shall be recoverable as arrears of rent.

**8 STATUTORY RESTRICTIONS**

If at any time there is by virtue of any statute a restriction upon the Landlord's right to review the yearly rent or upon the right of the Landlord to recover the yearly rent otherwise payable following a Review Date, then upon the ending, removal or modification of any such restriction the Landlord may at any time thereafter give to the Tenant notice requiring an additional rent review as at a date specified in the notice which date shall not be earlier than one month after the giving of the notice and shall for the purpose of this Schedule be a Review Date.

**9 EXECUTION OF MEMORANDUM**

- 9.1 Within one month of the amount of any increased yearly rent being ascertained in accordance with this Schedule the parties to the Lease will execute a memorandum recording the amount of the yearly rent and each party shall bear their own costs in this regard.
- 9.2 Failure to complete a memorandum of the increased yearly rent shall not prevent the yearly rent from being payable by the Tenant and recoverable by the Landlord in accordance with this Lease.

### SCHEDULE 3

#### Part 1 - Provisions relating to the Service Charge

- 1 Such proportion of the rents and other costs payable by the Landlord pursuant to the Superior Lease as is reasonably attributable to meeting rooms, corridors and other premises used or intended for use by the occupiers of the Second Floor.
- 2 Maintaining repairing operating and (as often as occasion shall reasonably require) replacing the boilers heating apparatus comfort cooling ventilation plant and all plant generators and other equipment from time to time serving the whole of the Second Floor.
- 3 Maintaining repairing testing and (as often as occasion shall reasonably require) replacing sprinklers and other fire-fighting equipment serving the Second Floor.
- 4 Providing and maintaining such security systems and employing such security personnel as the Landlord may consider necessary in respect of the Second Floor.
- 5 Effecting insurance against third party employers and public liability in respect of the Second Floor.
- 6 Effecting insurance in respect of lifts boilers and electrical or mechanical equipment and apparatus serving the Second Floor.
- 7 The wages (which shall include pensions national insurance contributions and other expenses properly incurred by the Landlord in connection with their employment) and business accommodation (including the rental value (as reasonably assessed by the Landlord) of accommodation provided) for such staff as shall be employed in connection with the matters mentioned in this part of this Schedule.
- 8 Professional fees reasonably incidental to any of the matters mentioned in this part of this Schedule and the reasonable costs to the Landlord of managing the Second Floor which if the Landlord manages them may include a reasonable management charge (not exceeding 10%) in respect of its services including the cost of computing and collecting the service charges and other payments payable hereunder (but not pursuing arrears) and the auditing of the annual certificate in respect of the service charge.
- 9 The provision maintenance or replacement of any plant equipment machinery vehicle chattel or thing used by the Landlord or such agents staff or servants for any of the above mentioned purposes which the Landlord may in its reasonable discretion from time to time consider desirable including the costs of renting or hiring such plant machinery or equipment.
- 10 All outgoings (including rates and the cost of public services) in connection with any Common Parts or the Demised Premises.

- 11 All bank and other charges in relation to the setting up and maintaining of any bank account by the Landlord or its managing agents in respect of the Building service charges and all interest properly incurred by the Landlord in relation thereto.
- 12 The supply of electricity and gas to the Demised Premises and the Common Parts.
- 13 The amount of any Value Added Tax or any other similar tax charge or duty payable in respect of the provision of services by the Landlord which is not recoverable by the Landlord.
- 14 Such other works and services as the Landlord shall reasonably consider ought to be carried out and provided for the benefit of the Second Floor or for the proper maintenance and servicing of the Second Floor or any part of them.

#### **Part 2 - Calculation of Tenant's Proportion**

- 1 The annual amount of the service charge payable by the Tenant for the Second Floor Services shall be a fair and reasonable proportion of the costs, expense and outgoings expended and incurred in supplying the Second Floor Services incurred by the Landlord in the year to which the same relates and the said service charge shall be apportioned on a day to day basis in respect of the first and last years of the Term Provided Always that if the Landlord shall hereafter so reasonably determine the Tenant's Proportion may be altered in such manner as the Landlord shall from time to time consider to be fair and equitable.
- 2 The Landlord shall at all times keep an account of all such costs expenses and outgoings as aforesaid expended or incurred in supplying the Second Floor Services during each year down to the thirty-first day of July (every reference to a year made in this Schedule shall unless the Landlord shall otherwise determine mean a reference to a year down to the thirty-first day of July) and such account with all necessary supporting receipts and other documentation shall be open to inspection by the Tenant at all reasonable times for a period of two months from the account being supplied to the Tenant and every entry in such account shall (in the absence of manifest error) be sufficient evidence of the expenditure recorded therein.
- 3 As soon as may be before or after the beginning of every year, the Landlord or its managing agents shall make a reasonable estimate of the anticipated amount of the said costs expenses and outgoings to be incurred in the ensuing year and shall notify the Tenant accordingly.
- 4 During each year in respect of which such estimate shall have been made, the Tenant shall pay to the Landlord on account of the Tenant's liability hereunder an amount equal to the Tenant's Proportions of such estimate and one twelfth thereof shall be paid in advance on the first day of each calendar month in respect of every calendar month of such year comprised in the Term Provided Always that if the Tenant shall not be notified of such estimate until after the commencement of any year the Tenant shall within seven days of the receipt of such notification pay to the Landlord such monthly payments as would otherwise have become payable by the Tenant in respect of the period from the commencement of the relevant year to the date of such notification had the Tenant been notified of such estimate prior to the commencement of the relevant year.



- 5 As soon as possible after the end of every year, the Landlord or its managing agents shall issue a certificate which shall be audited by an independent and duly qualified auditor certifying the total amount of the said costs expenses and outgoings for the preceding year and such certificate shall (in the absence of manifest error) be conclusive and binding upon the Tenant and the Landlord shall supply the Tenant with a summary of the said costs expenses and outgoings in addition to the certificate.
- 6 Within fourteen days after the delivery to the Tenant of a copy of the certificate as aforesaid such payment shall be made to the Tenant or the Tenant shall make such payment to the Landlord as shall be requisite for ensuring that the Tenant has paid the Tenant's Proportion of all the costs expenses and outgoings as aforesaid in respect of the preceding service charge year Provided Always that the provisions of this paragraph shall continue to apply notwithstanding the expiration or sooner determination of the Term but only in respect of the period down to such expiration or sooner determination as aforesaid.
- 7 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Schedule 3 or this Lease the Tenant shall not be liable to contribute towards the cost of any redevelopment of any part of the Science Park.
- 8 The Landlord shall not be entitled to recover from the Tenant by way of the Tenant's Proportion:
- 8.1 Costs attributable to other accommodation within the Science Park designated and intended for letting but which are currently vacant;
- 8.2 The initial provision of any items that are part of the original design and construction of the Building, its plant, fabric or equipment, together with the initial setting up that is part of the development of the Building as per the plans and specifications annexed to the Agreement for Lease;
- 8.3 The cost of remedying any Latent Defects in any part of the Building other than the Demised Premises.

## SCHEDULE 4

### Science Park Regulations and Stipulations

- 1** No rubbish or waste materials shall be burnt on the Science Park.
- 2** There shall be no open storage of materials or goods or refuse on the Science Park.
- 3** The Main Access Road and the common service roads accessways and footpaths from time to time upon the Science Park shall not at any time be obstructed and no motor or other vehicle shall be parked or left on any of the common service roads accessways or footpaths.
- 4** Compliance with all speed parking or other reasonable regulations and traffic directions which the Landlord may from time to time make (in the interests of the owners and occupiers of the Science Park or any part thereof or of road safety) in respect of the common roads footpaths and ways on the Science Park.
- 5** Facilities for the keeping of refuse in proper receptacles readily accessible for collection shall be provided by the Tenant within buildings on the Science Park or in an external compound for rubbish suitably screened and located.
- 6** Compliance with all reasonable security arrangements for the Science Park or any part thereof from time to time required by the Landlord.
- 7** No sign or advertisement shall be erected or affixed to the exterior of any building on the Science Park or within the curtilage of any building except such as shall be approved in writing by the Landlord and all signs erected shall conform with signs erected throughout the Science Park.
- 8** No explosive or inflammable oils petrol or substances shall be stored or used on the Demised Premises or any part thereof (other than fuel in the tanks of vehicles parked in any parking spaces or bays) without due compliance with the requirements of the insurers of the Demised Premises and all statutory requirements.
- 9** No aerials satellite dishes chimneys vents or flues shall be erected which shall be visible from any other part of the Science Park.
- 10** No electronic equipment shall be used or signals emitted which may interfere with any electronic equipment used on any other part of the Science Park.
- 11** Such further or other reasonable regulations or stipulations as the Landlord may from time to time deem reasonably necessary for the orderly safe or convenient management of the Science Park.

**EXECUTED as a DEED** by )  
**OXFORD SCIENCES** )  
**INNOVATION PLC** acting by:- )

Director /s/ Jim Wilkinson

in the presence of:- )

*Signature of Witness:* /s/ Kate O'Brien

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*Occupation:* Lawyer

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**VACCITECH LIMITED** )  
acting by:- )

Director /s/ Thomas G. Evans

in the presence of:- )

*Signature of Witness:* /s/ Pippa Rathbone

*Name of Witness:* Pippa Rathbone

*Address:* 4 Weavers Branch  
Thame, OX4 4GE

*Occupation:* Administrator

## SUBSIDIARIES

<u>Subsidiary</u>	<u>Jurisdiction of Incorporation</u>
Vaccitech Australia Pty Limited	Australia
Vaccitech Oncology Limited	England and Wales
Vaccitech (UK) Limited (formerly Vaccitech Limited)	England and Wales
Vaccitech USA Inc.	Delaware
Vaccitech Italia S.R.L.	Italy

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**Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm**

Vaccitech PLC  
Oxford, United Kingdom

We hereby consent to the use in the Prospectus constituting a part of this Registration Statement of our report dated March 22, 2021 relating to the consolidated financial statements of Vaccitech (UK) Limited (formerly Vaccitech Limited), which is contained in that Prospectus.

We also consent to the reference to us under the caption “Experts” in the Prospectus.

/s/ BDO LLP

BDO LLP  
London, United Kingdom

April 9, 2021

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