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In preparation for the [REDACTED], we have sought the following waivers from strict compliance with the relevant provisions of the Listing Rules:

MANAGEMENT PRESENCE IN HONG KONG

Pursuant to Rule 8.12 of the Listing Rules, an issuer must have a sufficient management presence in Hong Kong. This normally means that at least two of the new applicant’s executive directors must be ordinarily resident in Hong Kong.

The Company’s headquarters, management, business operations and assets are primarily located in the PRC. The executive Directors are based in the PRC as the Board believes it would be more effective and efficient for its executive Directors to be based in a location where the Company’s significant operations are located. The executive Directors are not or will not be ordinarily resident in Hong Kong upon the proposed [REDACTED]. The Directors consider that relocation of the executive Directors to Hong Kong will be burdensome and costly for the Company, and it may not be in the best interests of the Company and the Shareholders as a whole to appoint additional executive Directors who are ordinarily resident in Hong Kong.

Accordingly, pursuant to Rule 8.12 of the Listing Rules, the Company has applied to the Stock Exchange for, and the Stock Exchange [has] granted the Company, a waiver from strict compliance with the requirements under Rule 8.12 of the Listing Rules, provided that the Company implements the following arrangements: (a) pursuant to Rule 3.05 of the Listing Rules, the Company has appointed and will continue to maintain two authorized representatives (the “**Authorized Representatives**”), namely Mr. Cao Fei and Ms. Ma Wing Yee. The Authorized Representatives are authorized to communicate on the Company’s behalf with the Stock Exchange. Each of the Authorized Representatives will be available to meet with the Stock Exchange in Hong Kong within a reasonable time frame upon the request of the Stock Exchange and will be readily contactable by telephone and email. As and when the Stock Exchange wishes to contact the Directors on any matters, each of the Authorized Representatives will have means to contact all of the Directors promptly at all times. The Company will also inform the Stock Exchange promptly in respect of any change in the Authorized Representatives; (b) the Company has provided the contact details of each Director (such as mobile phone numbers, office phone numbers and email addresses) to each of the Authorized Representatives and to the Stock Exchange. This will ensure that the Authorized Representatives and the Stock Exchange will have the means to contact any of the Directors (including the independent non-executive Directors) promptly as and when required, including means to communicate with the Directors when they are travelling; (c) the Company confirms and will ensure that all Directors who are not ordinarily resident in Hong Kong possess or can apply for valid travel documents to visit Hong Kong and will be able to meet with the Stock Exchange within a reasonable period of time when required; and (d) the Company has appointed Gram Capital Limited as its Compliance Adviser, pursuant to Rule 3A.19 of the Listing Rules. The Compliance Adviser will have access at all times to the Authorized Representatives, Directors and senior management of the Company, and will act as an additional channel of communication between the Stock Exchange and the Company for the period commencing on the [REDACTED] and ending on the date on which the Company complies with Rule 13.46 of the Listing Rules in respect of its financial results for the first full financial year commencing after the [REDACTED]. The Compliance Adviser will maintain constant contact with the Authorized Representatives, Directors and senior management of the Company through various means, including regular meetings and telephone discussions whenever necessary. The Authorized Representatives, Directors and other officers will provide promptly such information and assistance as the Compliance Adviser may reasonably require in connection with the performance of the Compliance Adviser’s duties as set forth in Chapter 3A of the Listing Rules.

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JOINT COMPANY SECRETARIES

Rule 8.17 of the Listing Rules provides that the issuer must appoint a company secretary who satisfies the requirements under Rule 3.28 of the Listing Rules. Rule 3.28 of the Listing Rules provides that the issuer must appoint as its company secretary an individual who, by virtue of his academic or professional qualifications or relevant experience, is, in the opinion of the Stock Exchange, capable of discharging the functions of company secretary. Note 1 to Rule 3.28 of the Listing Rules provides that the Stock Exchange considers that the following academic or professional qualifications to be acceptable: (a) a member of The Hong Kong Chartered Governance Institute; (b) a solicitor or barrister (as defined in the Legal Practitioners Ordinance (Chapter 159 of the Laws of Hong Kong)); and (c) a certified public accountant (as defined in the Professional Accountants Ordinance (Chapter 50 of the Laws of Hong Kong)). Note 2 to Rule 3.28 of the Listing Rules provides that in assessing “relevant experience”, the Stock Exchange will consider the individual’s: (a) length of employment with the issuer and other issuers and the roles he played; (b) familiarity with the Listing Rules and other relevant law and regulations including the Securities and Futures Ordinance, Companies Ordinance, Companies (Winding Up and Miscellaneous Provisions) Ordinance, and the Takeovers Code; (c) relevant training taken and/or to be taken in addition to the minimum requirement under Rule 3.29 of the Listing Rules; and (d) professional qualifications in other jurisdictions. Paragraph 13 of Chapter 3.10 of the Guide for New Listing Applicants provides that the Stock Exchange will consider waiver applications in relation to Rules 3.28 and 8.17 of the Listing Rules based on the specific facts and circumstances. Factors that will be considered by the Stock Exchange include: (a) whether the applicant has principal business activities primarily outside Hong Kong; (b) whether the applicant is able to demonstrate the need to appoint a person who does not have the Acceptable Qualification (as defined under paragraph 11 of Chapter 3.10 of the Guide for New Listing Applicants) nor Relevant Experience (as defined under paragraph 11 of Chapter 3.10 of the Guide for New Listing Applicants) as a company secretary; and (c) why the directors consider the proposed company secretary to be suitable to act as the applicant’s company secretary.

Further, pursuant to Chapter 3.10 of the Guide for New Listing Applicants, such waiver, if granted, will be for a fixed period of time (the “**Waiver Period**”) and on the following conditions: (a) the proposed company secretary must be assisted by a person who possesses the qualifications or experience as required under Rule 3.28 of the Listing Rules and is appointed as a joint company secretary throughout the Waiver Period; and (b) the waiver can be revoked if there are material breaches of the Listing Rules by the issuer.

The Group’s principal business operations are in the PRC. The Company considers that apart from being able to meet the professional qualification or the relevant experience requirements under the Listing Rules, its company secretary also needs to have (i) experience relevant to the Company’s operations; (ii) nexus to the Board; and (iii) close working relationship with the management of the Company, in order to perform the function of a company secretary and to take the necessary actions in the most effective and efficient manner. It is for the benefit of the Company to appoint a person who is familiar with the Company’s business and affairs as a company secretary.

The Company has appointed Dr. Huang Yi (黃屹) (“**Dr. Huang**”) as one of its joint company secretaries. The Company believes that Dr. Huang has extensive experience in business management and corporate governance matters, as well as a thorough understanding of the daily operations, internal administration and financial management of the Group accumulated since joining the Group in January 2021. However, Dr. Huang currently does not possess any of the qualifications under Rules 3.28 and 8.17 of the Listing Rules, and may not be able to solely fulfill the requirements of the Listing Rules. Therefore, the Company has appointed Ms. Ma Wing Yee (馬詠儀) (“**Ms. Ma**”), a Chartered Secretary, an associate member of both The Hong Kong Chartered Governance Institute and The Chartered Governance Institute in the United Kingdom, and an

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assistant manager of SWCS Corporate Services Group (Hong Kong) Limited, who fully meets the requirements stipulated under Rules 3.28 and 8.17 of the Listing Rules to act as the other joint company secretary and to provide assistance to Dr. Huang for an initial period of three years from the [REDACTED] to enable Dr. Huang to acquire the “relevant experience” under Note 2 to Rule 3.28 of the Listing Rules so as to fully comply with the requirements set forth under Rules 3.28 and 8.17 of the Listing Rules. For details on Dr. Huang’s and Ms. Ma’s qualifications and experience, see “Directors and Senior Management.”

Given Ms. Ma’s professional qualification and experience, she will be able to explain to both Dr. Huang and the Company the relevant requirements under the Listing Rules and other applicable Hong Kong laws and regulations. Ms. Ma will also assist Dr. Huang in organizing Board meetings and Shareholders’ meetings of the Company as well as other matters of the Company which are incidental to the duties of a company secretary. Ms. Ma is expected to work closely with Dr. Huang and will maintain regular contact with Dr. Huang, the Directors and the senior management of the Company. In addition, Dr. Huang will comply with the annual professional training requirement under Rule 3.29 of the Listing Rules to enhance his knowledge of the Listing Rules during the three-year period from the [REDACTED]. Dr. Huang will also be assisted by the Company’s compliance adviser and its legal advisers as to the Hong Kong laws on matters in relation to the Company’s ongoing compliance with the Listing Rules and the applicable laws and regulations.

Since Dr. Huang does not possess the formal qualifications required of a company secretary under Rule 3.28 of the Listing Rules, the Company has applied to the Stock Exchange for, and the Stock Exchange [has] granted, a waiver from strict compliance with the requirements under Rules 3.28 and 8.17 of the Listing Rules such that Dr. Huang may be appointed as a joint company secretary of the Company. The waiver is valid for an initial period of three years from the [REDACTED] on the conditions that (a) Dr. Huang must be assisted by Ms. Ma who possesses the qualifications and experience required under Rule 3.28 of the Listing Rules and is appointed as a joint company secretary throughout the Waiver Period; and (b) the waiver will be revoked immediately if and when Ms. Ma ceases to provide such assistance during the three-year period, and the Company undertakes to re-apply to the Stock Exchange for a waiver in the event that Ms. Ma ceases to meet the requirements under Rule 3.28 of the Listing Rules or otherwise ceases to serve as a joint company secretary of the Company, and this waiver is subject to revocation in the event of any material breaches of the Listing Rules by the Company.

Prior to the end of the three-year period, the Company will demonstrate and seek the confirmation from the Stock Exchange that Dr. Huang, having had the benefit of Ms. Ma during the three years, has attained the relevant experience and is capable of discharging the functions of our company secretary.

**EXEMPTION FROM STRICT COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 342(1)(B) OF THE
COMPANIES (WINDING UP AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ORDINANCE IN
RELATION TO PARAGRAPH 27 OF PART I AND PARAGRAPH 31 OF PART II OF THE
THIRD SCHEDULE TO THE COMPANIES (WINDING UP AND MISCELLANEOUS
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According to section 342(1)(b) of the Companies (Winding Up and Miscellaneous Provisions) Ordinance, the document shall include the matters specified in Part I of the Third Schedule thereto and the reports specified in Part II of the Third Schedule thereto. According to paragraph 27 of Part I of the Third Schedule to the Companies (Winding Up and Miscellaneous Provisions) Ordinance, the Company is required to include in the document a statement as to the gross trading income or sales turnover (as the case may be) of the Company during each of the three financial years immediately preceding the issue of the document as well as an explanation of the method used for the computation of such income or turnover and a reasonable breakdown of the more important

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trading activities. According to paragraph 31 of Part II of the Third Schedule to the Companies (Winding Up and Miscellaneous Provisions) Ordinance, the Company is required to include in the document a report prepared by the Company’s auditor with respect to the profits and losses and assets and liabilities of the Company for each of the three financial years immediately preceding the issue of the document. According to section 342A(1) of the Companies (Winding Up and Miscellaneous Provisions) Ordinance, the SFC may issue, subject to such conditions (if any) as the SFC thinks fit, a certificate of exemption from compliance with the relevant requirements under the Companies (Winding Up and Miscellaneous Provisions) Ordinance if, having regard to the circumstances, the SFC considers that the exemption will not prejudice the interest of the investing public and compliance with any or all of such requirements would be irrelevant or unduly burdensome, or is otherwise unnecessary or inappropriate. According to Rule 4.04(1) of the Listing Rules, the accountants’ report contained in the document must include, among others, the results of the company in respect of each of the three financial years immediately preceding the issue of the document or such shorter period as may be acceptable to the Stock Exchange. According to Rule 18A.06 of the Listing Rules, an eligible biotech company shall comply with Rule 4.04 of the Listing Rules modified so that references to “three financial years” or “three years” in that rule shall instead reference to “two financial years” or “two years,” as the case may be.

Accordingly, the Company has applied to the SFC for, and the SFC [has] granted, a certificate of exemption from strict compliance with the requirements under section 342(1) of the Companies (Winding Up and Miscellaneous Provisions) Ordinance in relation to paragraph 27 of Part I and paragraph 31 of Part II of the Third Schedule to the Companies (Winding Up and Miscellaneous Provisions) Ordinance regarding the inclusion of the accountants’ report covering the full three financial years immediately preceding the issue of this document, on the conditions that the particulars of the exemption are set forth in this document and this document will be issued on or before [REDACTED], on the following grounds: (a) the Company falls within the scope of biotech company as defined under Chapter 18A of the Listing Rules. The Company is seeking a [REDACTED] under Chapter 18A and will fulfill the additional conditions for [REDACTED] required under Chapter 18A of the Listing Rules; (b) the Accountants’ Report for each of the two financial years ended December 31, 2025 has been prepared and is set out in Appendix I to this document in accordance with Rule 18A.06 of the Listing Rules; (c) the Company is a pre-revenue biotech company and did not generate any revenue or incur any cost of revenue during the Track Record Period. The details of the Company’s major activities have been fully disclosed in “Business;” (d) notwithstanding that the financial results set out in this document are only for the two years ended December 31, 2025, other information required to be disclosed under the Listing Rules and the Companies (Winding Up and Miscellaneous Provisions) Ordinance has been adequately disclosed in this document pursuant to the relevant requirements; (e) given that Chapter 18A of the Listing Rules provides that the minimum track record period for biotech companies in terms of financial disclosure is two years, strict compliance with the requirements of section 342(1)(b) of the Companies (Winding Up and Miscellaneous Provisions) Ordinance and paragraph 27 of Part I and paragraph 31 of Part II of the Third Schedule to the Companies (Winding Up and Miscellaneous Provisions) Ordinance would be unduly burdensome for the Company as this would require additional work to be performed by the Company and its reporting accountants; and (f) the Directors are of the view that the Accountants’ Report covering the two years ended December 31, 2025 included in this document, together with other disclosure in this document, have already provided the potential [REDACTED] with adequate and reasonably up-to-date information in the circumstances to form a view on the track record of the Company, and the Directors confirm that all information which is necessary for the [REDACTED] public to make an informed assessment of the Group’s business, assets and liabilities, financial position, trading position, management and prospects has been included in this document. Therefore, the exemption would not prejudice the interest of the [REDACTED] public.