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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 and exemption from strict compliance with the Companies (Winding up and Miscellaneous Provisions) Ordinance:

WAIVER IN RESPECT OF MANAGEMENT PRESENCE IN HONG KONG

Pursuant to Rule 8.12 and Rule 19A.15 of the Listing Rules, an issuer must have a sufficient management presence in Hong Kong. This will normally mean that at least two of its executive directors must be ordinarily resident in Hong Kong. Given that (i) our Group’s management headquarters, senior management, business operations and assets are primarily based outside Hong Kong; (ii) our executive Director and members of the senior management team principally reside in the PRC; and (iii) the management and operations of the Company have been mainly under the supervision and guidance of our executive Director and senior management team, who are principally responsible for the overall management, corporate strategy planning, business development and control of the Group’s businesses and it is important for them to remain in close proximity to the Group’s operations located in the PRC, the Directors consider that the appointment of executive Directors who will be ordinarily resident in Hong Kong would not be beneficial to, or appropriate for, our Group and therefore would not be in the best interests of our Company or the Shareholders as a whole. For the above reasons, we do not have, and do not contemplate in the foreseeable future that we will have sufficient management presence in Hong Kong for the purpose of satisfying Rule 8.12 and Rule 19A.15 of the Listing Rules.

Accordingly, we have applied for, and the Stock Exchange [has granted], a waiver from strict compliance with Rule 8.12 and Rule 19A.15 of the Listing Rules. We will ensure that there is an effective channel of communication between the Stock Exchange and us by way of:

- (a) pursuant to Rule 3.05 of the Listing Rules, we have appointed and will continue to maintain two authorized representatives who shall act at all times as the principal channel of communication with the Stock Exchange. Each of our authorized representatives will be readily contactable by the Stock Exchange by telephone, facsimile and/or e-mail to deal promptly with enquiries from the Stock Exchange and will be able to meet with the Stock Exchange within a reasonable time frame on request. Both of our authorized representatives are authorized to communicate on our behalf with the Stock Exchange. Our Company will also inform the Stock Exchange promptly in respect of any change in our authorized representatives. We have appointed two authorized representatives, namely Dr. Wang Ye, the executive Director and general manager of our Company and Ms. Li Chiao Ling, our joint company secretary (“Ms. Li”). Ms. Li is situated and based in Hong Kong;
- (b) pursuant to Rule 3.20 of the Listing Rules, each Director will provide his/her contact information (including telephone number, mobile phone number, facsimile number (if available), email address, residential address and contact address (if different from the residential address)) to the Stock Exchange and to the authorized representatives. This will ensure that the Stock Exchange and the authorized representatives have means for contacting all Directors promptly at all times as and when required;
- (c) we will endeavor to ensure that each Director who is not ordinarily resident in Hong Kong possesses or can apply for valid travel documents to visit Hong Kong and can meet with the Stock Exchange within a reasonable period;
- (d) pursuant to Rule 3A.19 of the Listing Rules, we have retained the services of SDIC Securities Corporate Finance (Hong Kong) Limited as our Compliance Advisor, who will act as an additional channel of communication with the Hong Kong Stock Exchange from the [REDACTED] to the date when our Company complies with Rule 13.46 of the Listing Rules in respect of its financial results for the first full financial year immediately following the [REDACTED]. The Compliance Advisor will maintain constant contact with the authorized representatives, Directors and senior management of our Company through various means,

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including regular meetings and telephone discussions whenever necessary. Our authorized representatives, Directors and other members of the senior management of our Company will promptly provide such information and assistance as the Compliance Advisor may reasonably require in connection with the performance of the Compliance Advisor’s duties as set forth in Chapter 3A of the Listing Rules; and

- (e) meetings between the Stock Exchange and our Directors will be arranged through the authorized representatives or the Compliance Advisor, or directly with our Directors within a reasonable time frame. We will inform the Stock Exchange promptly in respect of any change in our authorized representatives and/or our Compliance Advisor.

WAIVER IN RESPECT OF APPOINTMENT OF JOINT COMPANY SECRETARIES

Pursuant to Rules 3.28 and 8.17 of the Listing Rules, we must appoint a company secretary who, by virtue of his/her academic or professional qualifications or relevant experience, is, in the opinion of the Stock Exchange, capable of discharging the functions of the company secretary. Note 1 to Rule 3.28 of the Listing Rules provides that the Stock Exchange considers the following academic or professional qualifications to be acceptable: (i) a member of The Hong Kong Chartered Governance Institute; (ii) a solicitor or barrister as defined in the Legal Practitioners Ordinance (Chapter 159 of the Laws of Hong Kong); and (iii) 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 further provides that the Stock Exchange considers the following factors in assessing the “relevant experience” of the individual: (i) length of employment with the issuer and other issuers and the roles he/she played; (ii) familiarity with the Listing Rules and other relevant laws and regulations including the SFO, the Companies Ordinance, the Companies (Winding Up and Miscellaneous Provisions) Ordinance and the Takeovers Code; (iii) relevant training taken and/or to be taken in addition to the minimum requirement under Rule 3.29 of the Listing Rules; and (iv) professional qualifications in other jurisdictions.

Pursuant to Chapter 3.10 under the Guide for New Listing Applicants, the Stock Exchange will consider a waiver application by an issuer 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: (i) whether the issuer has principal business activities primarily outside Hong Kong; (ii) whether the issuer was able to demonstrate the need to appoint a person who does not have the Acceptable Qualification nor Relevant Experience (both as defined under paragraph 11 of Chapter 3.10 under the Guide for New Listing Applicants) as a company secretary; and (iii) why the directors consider the individual to be suitable to act as the issuer’s company secretary. Further, pursuant to paragraph 13 of Chapter 3.10 under 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: (i) 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 (ii) the waiver can be revoked if there are material breaches of the Listing Rules by the issuer.

Our Company has appointed Ms. Liang Baoxia (“**Ms. Liang**”) as one of our joint company secretaries with effect from the [REDACTED]. Ms. Liang has extensive experience in board and corporate management matters but presently 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, we have appointed Ms. Li Chiao Ling, a fellow of both The Hong Kong Chartered Governance Institute and The Chartered Governance Institute in the United Kingdom, 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 Ms. Liang for an initial period of three years from the [REDACTED] to enable Ms. Liang 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 of their biographies, see “Directors and Senior Management — Joint Company Secretaries” in this Document.

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Given Ms. Li’s professional qualification and experience, she will be able to explain to both Ms. Liang and us the relevant requirements under the Listing Rules and other applicable Hong Kong laws and regulations. Ms. Li will also assist Ms. Liang in organizing Board meetings and Shareholders’ meetings of our Company as well as other matters of our Company which are incidental to the duties of a company secretary. Ms. Liang is expected to work closely with Ms. Li and will maintain regular contact with Ms. Li. In addition, Ms. Liang 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]. She will also be assisted by the Compliance Advisor and our legal advisors as to the Hong Kong laws on matters in relation to our ongoing compliance with the Listing Rules and the applicable laws and regulations.

Since Ms. Liang does not possess the formal qualifications required of a company secretary under Rule 3.28 of the Listing Rules, we have 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 Ms. Liang may be appointed as a joint company secretary of our Company. The waiver is valid for an initial period of three years from the [REDACTED] on the conditions that (a) Ms. Liang must be assisted by Ms. Li who possesses the qualifications and experience required under Rule 3.28 of the Listing Rules throughout the Waiver Period; and (b) the waiver will be revoked immediately if and when Ms. Li ceases to provide assistance to Ms. Liang as a joint company secretary or if there are material breaches of the Listing Rules by our Company.

Before the expiration of the initial three-year period, the qualifications of Ms. Liang will be re-evaluated to determine whether the requirements as stipulated in Rules 3.28 and 8.17 of the Listing Rules can be satisfied and whether the need for ongoing assistance will continue. Before the end of the three-year period, we will conduct a further evaluation of the qualification and experience of Ms. Liang to determine whether the requirements as stipulated in Rules 3.28 and 8.17 of the Listing Rules can be satisfied, and we will demonstrate to and seek the Stock Exchange’s confirmation that Ms. Liang, having had the benefit of Ms. Li’s assistance for three years, has acquired the relevant experience within the meaning of Note 2 to Rule 3.28 of the Listing Rules so that a further waiver would not be necessary. For more details of Ms. Liang and Ms. Li’s biographies, please refer to the section headed “Directors and Senior Management”.

**EXEMPTION FROM 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 PROVISIONS) ORDINANCE**

Section 342(1)(b) of the Companies (Winding Up and Miscellaneous Provisions) Ordinance requires all prospectuses to include matters specified in Part I of the Third Schedule to the Companies (Winding Up and Miscellaneous Provisions) Ordinance (the “**Third Schedule**”), and set out the reports specified in Part II of the Third Schedule.

Paragraph 27 of Part I of the Third Schedule requires a company to include in its prospectus 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 prospectus, including an explanation of the method used for the computation of such income or turnover and a reasonable breakdown between the more important trading activities.

Paragraph 31 of Part II of the Third Schedule further requires a company to include in its prospectus a report by the auditors of the company with respect to (i) the profits and losses of the company for each of the three financial years immediately preceding the issue of the prospectus and (ii) the assets and liabilities of the company of each of the three financial years immediately preceding the issue of the prospectus.

Section 342A(1) of the Companies (Winding Up and Miscellaneous Provisions) Ordinance provides that the SFC may issue, subject to such conditions (if any) as the SFC thinks fit, a certificate of exemption from the compliance with the relevant requirements under the Companies (Winding Up and Miscellaneous

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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 would otherwise be unnecessary or inappropriate.

Rule 4.04(1) of the Listing Rules requires that the consolidated results of the issuer and its subsidiaries in respect of each of the three financial years immediately preceding the issue of the listing document or such shorter period as may be acceptable to the Stock Exchange be included in the accountants’ report to the prospectus.

Our Company is a Biotech Company as defined under Chapter 18A of the Listing Rules and is seeking a [REDACTED] under Chapter 18A of the Listing Rules. Rule 18A.03(3) of the Listing Rules requires that a Biotech Company must have been in operation in its current line of business for at least two financial years prior to [REDACTED] under substantially the same management. Rule 18A.06 of the Listing Rules requires that a Biotech Company must comply with Rule 4.04 of the Listing Rules modified so that references to “three financial years” or “three years” in Rule 4.04 of the Listing Rules shall instead be references to “two financial years” or “two years,” as the case may be. Further, pursuant to Rule 8.06 of the Listing Rules, the latest financial period reported on by the reporting accountants for a new applicant must not have ended more than six months from the date of the [REDACTED] document.

In compliance with the abovementioned requirements under the Listing Rules, the Accountants’ Report set out in Appendix I to this Document is currently prepared to cover the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2025. As such, we have applied to the SFC for a certificate of exemption from strict compliance with section 342(1)(b) of the Companies (Winding Up and Miscellaneous Provisions) Ordinance in relation to the requirements of paragraph 27 of Part I and paragraph 31 of Part II of the Third Schedule regarding the inclusion of the Accountants’ Report covering the full three financial years immediately preceding the issue of this Document on the following grounds:

- (a) our Company is primarily engaged in R&D, application and commercialization of biotech products, and falls within the scope of Biotech Company as defined under Chapter 18A of the Listing Rules. Our Company will fulfill the additional conditions for [REDACTED] required under Chapter 18A of the Listing Rules;
- (b) the Accountants’ Report for the financial years ended December 31, 2024 and 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) given that our Company is only required to disclose its financial results for each of the financial years ended December 31, 2024 and 2025 under Chapter 18A of the Listing Rules, strict compliance with section 342(1)(b) of the Companies (Winding Up and Miscellaneous Provisions) Ordinance in relation to the requirements of paragraph 27 of Part I and paragraph 31 of Part II of the Third Schedule would be unnecessary and/or irrelevant in the circumstance of the Company;
- (d) notwithstanding that the financial results set out in the Document are only for the financial years ended December 31, 2024 and 2025 in accordance with Chapter 18A of the Listing Rules, 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; and
- (e) the Accountants’ Report covering the financial years ended December 31, 2024 and 2025 (as set out in Appendix I), together with other disclosures in the Document, have already provided adequate and reasonable up-to-date information in the circumstances for the potential

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[REDACTED] to make an informed assessment of the business, assets and liabilities, financial position, management and prospects and to form a view on the track record of our Company. Therefore, the exemption would not prejudice the interest of the [REDACTED] public.

The SFC [has granted] us a certificate of exemption under section 342A of the Companies (Winding Up and Miscellaneous Provisions) Ordinance exempting our Company from strict compliance with section 342(1)(b) in relation to paragraph 27 of Part I and paragraph 31 of Part II of the Third Schedule on the conditions that particulars of the exemption are set out in this Document and that this Document will be issued on or before [REDACTED].