In preparation for the [**REDACTED**], our Company has sought and [has been granted] the following waivers from strict compliance with the relevant provisions of the Listing Rules and the following exemption from compliance with the Companies (Winding Up and Miscellaneous Provisions) Ordinance.

#### WAIVER IN RELATION TO MANAGEMENT PRESENCE IN HONG KONG

Pursuant to Rule 8.12 of the Listing Rules, we must have a sufficient management presence in Hong Kong. This normally means that at least two of our executive Directors must be ordinarily resident in Hong Kong.

Our management, business operations and assets are primarily located outside Hong Kong. The principal management headquarters of our Group are primarily based in China. Our Company considers that our Group's management is best able to attend to its functions by being based in China. None of our executive Directors is or will be ordinarily resident in Hong Kong after the [**REDACTED**] of our Company. Our Directors consider that relocation of our executive Directors to Hong Kong will be burdensome and costly for our Company, and it may not be in the best interests of our Company and our Shareholders as a whole to appoint additional executive Directors who are ordinarily resident in Hong Kong. As such, we do not have, and for the foreseeable future will not have, sufficient management presence in Hong Kong for the purpose of satisfying the requirements under Rule 8.12 of the Listing Rules.

Accordingly, we have applied to the Stock Exchange for, and the Stock Exchange has [granted] us, a waiver from strict compliance with the requirements under Rule 8.12 of the Listing Rules, provided that our Company implements the following arrangements:

- (1) We have appointed two authorized representatives pursuant to Rule 3.05 of the Listing Rules, who will act as our principal channel of communication with the Stock Exchange. The two authorized representatives appointed are Dr. Gong and Ms. Li Ching Yi (李菁怡) ("Ms. Li"). Ms. Li is situated and based in Hong Kong. Each of our 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, facsimile and email;
- (2) As and when the Stock Exchange wishes to contact our Directors on any matters, each of our authorized representatives has the means to contact all of our Directors (including the independent non-executive Directors) promptly at all times;
- (3) Although our executive Directors are not ordinary residents in Hong Kong, each of our Directors possesses or can apply for valid travel documents to visit Hong Kong and is able to meet with the Stock Exchange within a reasonable period of time, when required;

- (4) We have appointed China Securities (International) Corporate Finance Company Limited as our compliance adviser, pursuant to Rule 3A.19 of the Listing Rules, who will have access at all times to our authorized representatives, Directors and senior management, and will act as an additional channel of communication between the Stock Exchange and us; and
- (5) We have provided the Stock Exchange with the contact details of each Director (including their respective mobile phone number, office phone number and e-mail address).

Our Company will inform the Stock Exchange as soon as practicable in respect of any change in the authorized representatives, the Directors and/or the compliance adviser in accordance with the Listing Rules.

#### WAIVER IN RESPECT OF JOINT COMPANY SECRETARIES

Pursuant to Rules 3.28 and 8.17 of the Listing Rules, the company secretary of an issuer must be an individual who, by virtue of his or her academic or professional qualifications or relevant experience, is, in the opinion of the Stock Exchange, capable of discharging the functions of company secretary.

Our Company had appointed Ms. Xia Fang (夏芳) ("Ms. Xia") and Ms. Li as our joint company secretaries. Ms. Li is an associate member of The Chartered Governance Institute (formerly known as The Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators) in the United Kingdom and The Hong Kong Institute of Chartered Secretaries, and therefore meets the qualification requirements under Note 1 to Rule 3.28 of the Listing Rules and is in compliance with Rule 8.17 of the Listing Rules.

Ms. Xia has been our board secretary since September 1, 2020. She has extensive experience in administrative management but presently does not possess any of the qualifications under Rules 3.28 and 8.17 of the Listing Rules. While Ms. Xia may not be able to solely fulfill the requirements of the Listing Rules, our Company believes that it would be in the best interests of our Company and the corporate governance of our Company to appoint Ms. Xia as our joint company secretary due to her thorough understanding of the internal administration and business operations of our Group.

Accordingly, while Ms. Xia 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. Xia may be appointed as a joint company secretary of our Company. Pursuant to the Guidance Letter HKEX-GL108-20, the waiver will be for a fixed period of time ("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 ("**Oualified Person**") 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. The waiver is valid for an initial period of three years from the [**REDACTED**], and is granted on the condition that Ms. Li, as a joint company secretary of our Company, will work closely with, and provide assistance to, Ms. Xia in the discharge of her duties as a joint company secretary and in gaining the relevant company secretary experience as required under Rule 3.28 of the Listing Rules and to become familiar with the requirements of the Listing Rules and other applicable Hong Kong laws and regulations. Given Ms. Li's professional qualifications and experience, she will be able to explain to both Ms. Xia and our Company the relevant requirements under the Listing Rules. Ms. Li will also assist Ms. Xia 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. She is expected to work closely with Ms. Xia, and will maintain regular contact with Ms. Xia, the Directors and the senior management of our Company. The waiver will be revoked immediately if Ms. Li ceases to provide assistance to Ms. Xia as a joint company secretary for the three-year period after the [REDACTED] or where there are material breaches of the Listing Rules by our Company. In addition, Ms. Xia will comply with the annual professional training requirement under Rule 3.29 of the Listing Rules and will enhance her knowledge of the Listing Rules during the three-year period from the [REDACTED].

In the course of preparation of the [REDACTED], Ms. Xia attended a training session on the respective obligations of the Directors and senior management and our Company under the relevant Hong Kong laws and the Listing Rules provided by our Company's Hong Kong legal adviser, and has been provided with the relevant training materials. Our Company will further ensure that Ms. Xia has access to the relevant training and support that would enhance her understanding of the Listing Rules and the duties of a company secretary of an issuer listed on the Stock Exchange, and to receive updates on the latest changes to the applicable Hong Kong laws, regulations and the Listing Rules. Furthermore, both Ms. Xia and Ms. Li will seek and have access to advice from our Company's Hong Kong legal and other professional advisers as and when required. Our Company has appointed China Securities (International) Corporate Finance Company Limited as the Compliance Adviser upon our [REDACTED] pursuant to Rule 3A.19 of the Listing Rules, which will act as our Company's additional channel of communication with the Stock Exchange, and provide professional guidance and advice to our Company and its joint company secretaries as to compliance with the Listing Rules and all other applicable laws and regulations. Prior to the end of the three-year period, the qualifications and experience of Ms. Xia and the need for ongoing assistance of Ms. Li will be further evaluated by our Company. We will liaise with the Stock Exchange to enable it to assess whether Ms. Xia, having benefited from the assistance of Ms. Li for the preceding three years, will have acquired the skills necessary to carry out the duties of company secretary and the "relevant experience" within the meaning of Note 2 to Rule 3.28 of the Listing Rules so that a further waiver will not be necessary.

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#### WAIVERS FROM STRICT COMPLIANCE WITH THE LISTING RULES AND EXEMPTIONS FROM COMPLIANCE WITH THE COMPANIES (WINDING UP AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ORDINANCE

Please refer to the section headed "Directors and Senior Management" in this document for further information regarding the qualifications of Ms. Xia and Ms. Li.

# WAIVER IN RELATION TO 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, and set out the reports specified in Part II of the Third Schedule to the Companies (Winding Up and Miscellaneous Provisions) Ordinance.

Paragraph 27 of Part I of the Third Schedule to the Companies (Winding Up and Miscellaneous Provisions) Ordinance 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 to the Companies (Winding Up and Miscellaneous Provisions) Ordinance further requires the 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 and (ii) the assets and liabilities of the company for 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 Provisions) Ordinance if, having regard to the circumstances, the SFC considers that the exemption will not prejudice the interests 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.

Our Company is a bio-pharmaceutical company with research and development capabilities. Our Company is a Biotech Company as defined under Chapter 18A of the Listing Rules and is seeking a [**REDACTED**] under Chapter 18A. Rule 18A.03(3) of the Listing Rules require that an eligible 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 an eligible 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 shall instead reference 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 listing document.

In compliance with the abovementioned requirements under the Listing Rules, the accountants' report of our Company set out in Appendix I to this document is prepared to cover the two financial years ended December 31, 2020 and 2021 and the five months ended May 31, 2022.

As such, the Joint Sponsors 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 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 following grounds:

- (a) our Company is primarily engaged in the research and development, 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 fulfil the additional conditions for [REDACTED] applicable to a Chapter 18A company;
- (b) the Accountants' Report for each of the two financial years ended December 31, 2020 and 2021 and the five months ended May 31, 2022 has been prepared and is set out in Appendix I to this document in accordance with Rule 18A.06 of the Listing Rules;
- (c) notwithstanding that the financial results set out in this document are only for the two financial years ended December 31, 2020 and 2021 and the five months ended May 31, 2022 in accordance with Chapter 18A of the Listing Rules, other information required to be disclosed under the Listing Rules and requirements under the Companies (Winding Up and Miscellaneous Provisions) Ordinance has been adequately disclosed in this document pursuant to the relevant requirements;
- (d) given that our Company is only required to disclose its financial results for the two financial years ended December 31, 2020 and 2021 and the five months ended May 31, 2022 in accordance with Chapter 18A of the Listing Rules and preparation of the financial results and audited financial report for the year ended December 31, 2019 would require additional work to be performed by our Company and the Reporting Accountants, 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 to the Companies (Winding Up and Miscellaneous Provisions) Ordinance would be unduly burdensome for our Company; and

(e) the Accountants' Report covering the two financial years ended December 31, 2020 and 2021 and the five months ended May 31, 2022, together with other disclosure in this document, has already provided the potential investors with adequate and reasonable up-to-date information in the circumstances to form a view on the track record of our Company, and that all information which is necessary for the investing public to make an informed assessment of the business, assets and liabilities, financial position, management and prospects has been included in this document. Therefore, the exemption would not prejudice the interest of the investing public.

The SFC has [granted] 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 to the Companies (Winding Up and Miscellaneous Provisions) Ordinance on the condition that (i) particulars of the exemption are set out in this document; (ii) this document will be issued on or before [**REDACTED**].