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# Genscript Biotech Corporation 金斯瑞生物科技股份有限公司 \*

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)
(Stock code: 1548)

## **GRANT OF RESTRICTED SHARES**

The board (the "Board") of directors (the "Directors") of Genscript Biotech Corporation (the "Company") announces on 18 January 2023 that the Company has resolved to make grants of restricted shares under the restricted share award scheme adopted on 22 March 2019 (the "RSA Scheme 2019") and the restricted share award scheme adopted on 23 August 2021 (as amended on 26 May 2022) (the "RSA Scheme 2021"), respectively.

### THE GRANT OF RESTRICTED SHARES PURSUANT TO THE RSA SCHEME 2019

Reference is made to the announcement of the Company dated 22 March 2019 (the "Announcement 1") in relation to the adoption of the RSA Scheme 2019, a summary of the principal terms of which was set out in the Announcement 1. Unless otherwise defined herein, capitalized terms used in this section shall have the same meanings as defined in the Announcement 1.

The Board is pleased to announce that on 18 January 2023, selected grantees (the "RSA Grantees A") were granted 74,645 Restricted Shares (the "RSA Shares A"), subject to acceptance of the RSA Grantees A, pursuant to the RSA Scheme 2019 (the "RSA Grant A"). Details of the RSA Grant A are set out as follows:

Number of RSA 74,645 Restricted Shares, representing approximately

Shares A: 0.0035% of the issued share capital of the Company as

at the date of this announcement

RSA Grantees A: As disclosed below, the RSA Grantees A are either a

Director, chief executive and/or substantial shareholder (as defined in the Listing Rules) of the Company or associate (as defined in the Listing Rules) of any of them

Date of Grant: 18 January 2023

Consideration of the Restricted Shares granted: Nil

Market price of the Shares:

The closing price per Share on the Stock Exchange on the date of grant of the Restricted Shares is HK\$27.900 per Share

Performance targets and clawback mechanism: There is no performance target nor clawback mechanism attached to the RSA Shares A

The purpose of the RSA Scheme 2019 is to (i) provide the Selected Participants with the opportunity to acquire proprietary interests in the Company; (ii) encourage the Selected Participants to work towards enhancing the value of the Company and its Shares or the benefit of the Company and its Shareholders as a whole; and (iii) provide the Company with a flexible means of either retaining, incentivizing, rewarding, remunerating, compensating and/or providing benefits to the Selected Participants

Having considered that (i) the RSA Grantees A are Directors of the Group who will contribute directly to business performance, overall sustainable development and/or good corporate governance of the Group, and (ii) the RSA Shares A are subject to certain vesting conditions and terms of the RSA Scheme 2019, which already covers situations where the Restricted Shares will lapse in the event that a grantee cease to be Directors or employees of the Group, the remuneration committee of the Company and the Board believe that without additional performance target and clawback mechanism, the grant of the Restricted Shares could align the interests of the grantees with that of the Company and the Shareholders, provide incentive to the grantees to devote to the future continuous competitiveness, results of operation and growth of the Company, and reinforce their commitment to long term services of the Company, which is in line with the purpose of the RSA Scheme 2019

Vesting Period of the RSA Shares A:

The RSA Shares A will be vested in three batches and that the last batch of the RSA Shares A will be vested on 17 December 2025

Financial The Group has not provided any financial assistance to assistance: any of the RSA Grantees A to facilitate the purchase of Shares under the RSA Scheme 2019

The RSA Shares A were granted to the following RSA Grantees A who are either the Director, chief executive and/or the substantial shareholder (as defined in the Listing Rules) of the Company, or an associate (as defined in the Listing Rules) of any of them:

			Approximate % of the issued share capital of
Name of RSA Grantees A Pan Yuexin	Position in the Company Non-executive Director	Number of RSA Shares A Granted 14,929	the Company as at the date of this announcement 0.0007%
Wang Jiafen	Non-executive Director	14,929	0.0007%
Guo Hongxin	Independent non- executive Director	14,929	0.0007%
Dai Zumian	Independent non- executive Director	14,929	0.0007%
Pan Jiuan	Independent non- executive Director	14,929	0.0007%

The grant of RSA Shares A to each of the RSA Grantees A has been approved by the independent non-executive Directors and the remuneration committee of the Company (excluding the independent non-executive Directors who are the RSA Grantees A) in accordance with the RSA Scheme 2019.

The RSA Shares A have been acquired by the Trustee through on-market transactions. The RSA Shares A are currently held on trust for the RSA Grantees A until the end of the vesting period of the RSA Shares A and be transferred to the RSA Grantees A upon satisfaction of the relevant vesting conditions as specified by the Board at the time of making the RSA Grant A. As no new Shares will be issued by the Company as a result of the RSA Grant A, the RSA Grant A will not result in any dilution effect on the shareholdings of existing Shareholders of the Company.

#### THE GRANT OF RESTRICTED SHARES PURSUANT TO THE RSA SCHEME 2021

Reference is made to the announcement of the Company dated 24 August 2021 (the "Announcement 2") in relation to the adoption of the RSA Scheme 2021, a summary of the principal terms of which was set out in the Announcement 2. Unless otherwise defined herein, capitalized terms used in this section shall have the same meanings as defined in

the Announcement 2.

The Board is pleased to announce that on 18 January 2023, selected grantees (the "RSA" Grantees B") were granted 2,825,061 Restricted Shares (the "RSA Shares B"), subject to acceptance of the RSA Grantees B, pursuant to the RSA Scheme 2021 (the "RSA Grant **B**"). Details of the RSA Grant B are set out as follows:

Number of RSA

2,825,061 Restricted Shares, representing approximately 0.1335% of the issued share capital of the

Company as at the date of this announcement

**RSA** Grantees B:

Employees of the Company

Date of Grant:

Shares B:

18 January 2023

Consideration of

the Restricted Shares granted: Nil

Market price of the

Shares:

The closing price per Share on the Stock Exchange on the date of grant of the Restricted Shares is HK\$27.900

per Share

Performance targets:

The vesting of RSA Shares B is conditional upon the achievement of certain performance targets, including without limitation, (i) the RSA Grantees B having met their respective key performance criteria, and/or (ii) the Company's annual revenue growth rate having been achieved. The Board is entitled to waive certain vesting conditions at its own discretion under specified circumstances as specified at the time of making the

grant

Clawback mechanism: No clawback mechanism is attached to the Restricted

Shares.

The purpose of the RSA Scheme 2021 is to (i) provide the Selected Participants with the opportunity to acquire proprietary interests in the Company; (ii) encourage the Selected Participants to work towards enhancing the value of the Company and its Shares or the benefit of the Company and its Shareholders as a whole; and (iii) provide the Company with a flexible means of either incentivizing, rewarding, remunerating, compensating and/or providing benefits to the Selected

## Participants.

Having considered that (i) the RSA Grantees B are employees of the Group who will contribute directly to the overall business performance and sustainable development of the Group, and (ii) the RSA Shares B are subject to certain vesting conditions and terms of the RSA Scheme 2021, which already covers situations where the Restricted Shares will lapse in the event that a grantee cease to be employees of the Group, the remuneration committee of the Company and the Board believe that without additional clawback mechanism, the grant of the Restricted Shares could align the interests of the grantees with that of the Company and the Shareholders, provide incentive to the grantees to devote to the future continuous competitiveness, results of operation and growth of the Company, and reinforce their commitment to long term services of the Company, which is in line with the purpose of the RSA Scheme 2021

Vesting Period of the RSA Shares B:

The RSA Shares B will be vested in one to three batches and that the last batch of the RSA Shares B will be vested on 17 December 2025

Financial assistance:

The Group has not provided any financial assistance to any of the RSA Grantees B to facilitate the purchase of Shares under the RSA Scheme 2021

To the best knowledge of the Directors, none of the RSA Grantees B is a Director, chief executive or substantial shareholder (as defined in the Listing Rules) of the Company or associate (as defined in the Listing Rules) of any of them.

The Company will issue and allot 2,825,061 RSA Shares B to the Trustee or the nominee account of the Company (of which the beneficial owner will be the relevant RSU Grantees B) under the general mandate granted or to be granted by the Shareholders of the Company on 27 May 2022 or at the forthcoming annual general meeting of the Company and in accordance with the terms of the RSA Scheme 2021. The new Shares so issued will be held on trust for certain RSA Grantees B until the end of each vesting period which may differ among the RSA Grantees B and be transferred to the respective RSA Grantees B upon satisfaction of the relevant vesting conditions as may be specified by the Board at the time of making the RSA Grant B.

The new Shares to be issued and allotted by the Company to the Trustee or the nominee account represent approximately 0.1335% of the Company's issued share capital as at the

date of this announcement and approximately 0.1333% of the Company's enlarged issued share capital after the issue and allotment. To the best knowledge of the Directors, the Trustee and its ultimate beneficial owners and all of the RSA Grantees B are third parties independent of the Company and are not connected persons of the Company, and none of them is a Director, chief executive or substantial shareholder (as defined under the Listing Rules) of the Company or associate (as defined under the Listing Rules) or any of them as at the time of granting the RSA Shares B.

The new Shares, when issued and fully paid, will rank pari passu among themselves and with the other Shares in issue, with the right to receive all dividends and other distributions declared, made or paid on or after the date of issue and allotment. Pursuant to the RSA Scheme 2021, the Trustee shall not exercise the voting rights in respect of any Shares held by it under trust. Application will be made by the Company to the Listing Committee of the Stock Exchange for the grant of approval for the listing of, and permission to deal in, the 2,825,061 new Shares to be issued and allotted.

After the grant of RSA Grant A and RSA Grant B, 164,767,581 underlying Shares will be available for future grants under the RSA Scheme 2019 and the RSA Scheme 2021.

By order of the Board

Genscript Biotech Corporation

Meng Jiange

Chairman and Executive Director

Hong Kong, 18 January 2023

As at the date of this announcement, the executive Directors are Dr. Zhang Fangliang, Mr. Meng Jiange, Ms. Wang Ye and Dr. Zhu Li; the non-executive Directors are Dr. Wang Luquan, Mr. Pan Yuexin and Ms. Wang Jiafen; and the independent non-executive Directors are Mr. Guo Hongxin, Mr. Dai Zumian, Mr. Pan Jiuan and Dr. Wang Xuehai.

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