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Grand Pharmaceutical Group Limited
遠大醫藥集團有限公司*
(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)
(Stock Code: 00512)

VOLUNTARY ANNOUNCEMENT

**THE PHASE II CLINICAL TRIAL APPLICATION IN CHINA OF THE GROUP'S
GLOBAL INNOVATIVE OPHTHALMIC DRUG GPN00136 HAS OBTAINED
IMPLIED APPROVAL FROM NMPA**

This announcement is made by the board of directors (the “**Board**”) of Grand Pharmaceutical Group Limited (the “**Company**”, together with its subsidiaries, the “**Group**”) on a voluntary basis.

The Board is pleased to announce that the Phase II clinical trial application of GPN00136 (BRM421), a small molecule peptide drug for the treatment of dry eye disease of the Group, has obtained implied approval from the National Medical Products Administration of the People’s Republic of China (“**NMPA**”) recently. It is another significant R&D progress of the Group in the field of ophthalmic disease treatment.

BRM421 is a global innovative small molecule peptide eye drops product. By speeding up the division and proliferation of limbal stem cells, it can stimulate the repair of ocular surface for curing the dry eye disease. The clinical study is a single-arm, open-labeled Phase II clinical study. It plans to enroll up to 40 patients with moderate to severe dry eye disease, aiming to evaluate the effectiveness and safety of BRM421 in the treatment of patients with moderate to severe dry eye disease. In addition, the overseas research of the product has entered into Phase III clinical stage, and the first patient enrollment was completed in February this year.

As one of the major ophthalmic drug R&D, production and sales integrated enterprises in China, the Group has nearly 30 ophthalmic products, mainly focusing on major indications such as dry eye, retinal hemorrhage, glaucoma, cataract, anti-inflammation and myopia, covering chemical preparations, Chinese drug preparations and eye health products, including prescription drugs, OTC drugs, medical devices, consumer goods and other major categories, creating a “public eye care ecosystem” by integrating “prevention + treatment + health care”. In terms of innovation and R&D, the Group has reserved a few world-wide innovative products for the treatment of “myopia”, “dry eye”, “pterygium” and “anti-inflammatory and analgesic after ophthalmology surgery”. Among them, the innovative product CBT-001 for the treatment

of pterygium and GPN00833, an anti-inflammatory and analgesic hormone nanosuspension eye drop, were approved to conduct Phase III clinical study in China in March and April this year, respectively. Moreover, the overseas Phase II clinical study and two Phase III clinical trials of GPN00833 have successfully reached the clinical endpoints. According to clinical results, the product has significant effectiveness in the treatment of postoperative anti-inflammatory and analgesic ophthalmology with favorable safety. The New Drug Application (NDA) of the product is planned to be submitted to the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA) in the first half of this year. In the future, the field will adhere to the development strategy of “leading by the blockbuster innovative drugs and devices, and based on the products of the public eye care ecosystem”, continuously strengthen the influence of the industry, and achieve new breakthroughs in the business field.

The Group always puts focus on the R&D of innovative products and advanced technologies. Adhering to a patient-centered and innovation-driven approach, the Group will continue to increase its investment in world-class innovative products and advanced technologies to meet unmet clinical needs and enrich its product pipeline and improve supply chain. The Group adopts the strategy of “global expansion and dual-cycle operation”, forming a new pattern of domestic and international cycles that synergize with each other. In this way, the Group can make full use of its industrial advantages and R&D capabilities, to accelerate the commercialization process for innovative products and provide patients with more advanced and diverse treatment options globally.

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By order of the Board
Grand Pharmaceutical Group Limited
Chairman
Dr. Tang Weikun

Hong Kong, 18 April 2023

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises four executive directors, namely, Dr. Tang Weikun, Dr. Shao Yan, Dr. Niu Zhanqi and Dr. Shi Lin, and three independent nonexecutive directors, namely, Ms. So Tosi Wan, Winnie, Dr. Pei Geng and Mr. Hu Yebi.

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