

2023/ 2024 Environmental, Social and Governance Report

Embracing our role in promoting sustainability

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"At Jacobson, we are committed to embarking on a transformative journey towards a greener and brighter future. We are dedicated to nourishing the well-being of our planet and making a positive impact on environmental sustainability."

### **CHAIRMAN'S SUSTAINABILITY STATEMENT**

As we forge ahead into FY2024, Jacobson remains steadfast in upholding a paradigm that harmonises business strategy with sustainable development. Building upon the solid foundation laid in previous years, we continue to implement our sustainability strategy, "5 to Thrive". This strategic roadmap comprises five pillars: Corporate Governance Duty, Product Responsibility, Societal Engagement, Environmental Stewardship, and Commitment to Employees. A key aspect of our strategy is to ensure that ESC principles are integrated into the daily operations of our business. We are delighted to see the dedicated efforts of our team bearing fruit as our ESC initiatives are rolled out in a stepwise manner.

Jacobson's commitment to being a responsible corporate citizen has been recognised through a number of awards, including the Good MPF Employer Award, the Partner Employer Award, and the ESG Pledge Scheme Certificate of Appreciation, which acknowledge our efforts in promoting sustainable practices. We have also carefully reviewed the United Nations ("UN") Sustainable Development Goals ("SDGs") and identified the areas where we can make the greatest contributions. For each SDG, we have established key actions to enhance our approach to addressing global challenges.

In our ongoing commitment to environmental protection, Jacobson achieved notable milestones in FY2024. We completed a feasibility study on water usage, identifying key challenges that require further investigation. Additionally, we provided training sessions to our employees on energy and resource-saving, as well as waste reduction. Furthermore, a waste baseline study has been completed, and the monitoring system is currently under review. The key objective is to reduce greenhouse gas emissions ("GHG"), waste, electricity, fuel, and water to ensure a sustainable future.

The Chairperson of our ESG Committee, Professor Simon Lam, has guided the committee members in developing action plans for

our ESG Working Group to implement in FY2024. One proposed initiative is to install solar panels on the rooftops of our production facilities to generate green energy. Furthermore, we have engaged in an energy audit service offered by CLP Power Hong Kong Limited (CLP). This audit will comprehensively evaluate our power consumption and building infrastructure, aiming to enhance energy efficiency across our operations.

In the social domain, we have empowered relevant stakeholders within our organisation to develop engagement activities that strengthen our rapport with our employees. Currently, we are collaborating with social enterprises on grassroots projects to diversify our employee engagement initiatives.

At the community level, we have allocated resources to support healthcare-focused organisations such as the Children's Cancer Foundation.

As a major player in the pharmaceutical industry in Hong Kong, we aspire to become a role model in embracing sustainability. We extend our sincere appreciation to our dedicated colleagues, whose unwavering efforts have contributed to Jacobson's credibility and success. Jacobson remains steadfast in our commitment to building a legacy centered on positively impacting the environment and society and creating sustainable value in the communities where we operate.

Sum Kwong Yip, Derek
Chairman and CEO
JACOBSON PHARMA CORPORATION LIMITED

### FY2024 ESG PERFORMANCE HIGHLIGHTS



### **Product Responsibility**

- The total complaints related to



### Corporate **Governance Duty**

- 0 data breaches
- the Group or our employees relating to corruption,



- training were completed
- 0 case of work-related fatalities in the past three



### Societal Engagement

- HK\$278,100 towards various charitable initiatives
- HK\$60,000 scholarships and a fellowship are being offered to exceptional CUHK Pharmacy students

### **Key Initiatives**







Employee Engagement Activities: Participated in the 2024 Standard Chartered Hong Kor Marathon and community support events, e.g. AVEDA Walk N Fun, "Deliver Moon Goodies Bag"

## Environmental Stewardship





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### **ABOUT THIS ESG REPORT**

Jacobson Pharma Corporation Limited (stock code: 2633), hereinafter referred to as the "Company" or together with its subsidiaries, the "Group", is delighted to present its third independent ESG report (the "ESG Report"). This ESG Report describes our commitments, vision, progress and overall performance in our sustainability journey. All information is prepared and published based on existing policies, practices, official documents or reports in an impartial and accurate manner. This ESG Report has been endorsed and approved by the Board.

### **ESG REPORTING SCOPE AND PERIOD**

The scope of this ESG Report mainly covers the Group's 9 PIC/S GMP-accredited production facilities in Hong Kong, as well as warehouses, laboratories and offices. The Group's revenue was approximately HK\$1,467,798,000 in this financial year. The reporting scope was determined based on the financial materiality of operating segments to the Group, and the significance of our impact on the environment and society. Unless otherwise specified, this ESG Report covers the period from 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024. On 1 August 2023, the Board declared a special dividend that was satisfied by way of distribution in specie of JBM Healthcare Shares held by the Group to the equity shareholders of the Company. Upon completion of the distribution in specie, the Group no longer engages in branded healthcare operation. Accordingly, these operations were classified as discontinued operations. Therefore, the reporting scope for this Reporting Period will not include JBM Healthcare and its subsidiaries.

#### **ESG REPORTING FRAMEWORK AND STANDARDS**

This ESG Report is prepared in accordance with the "Mandatory Disclosure Requirements" and "Comply or Explain" provisions set out in the ESG Reporting Guide (the "Reporting Guide") under Appendix C2 to the Listing Rules of the Stock Exchange. The reporting principles are adhered to in the preparation of this ESG Report.

### **MATERIALITY**

This ESG Report is structured based on the materiality of the Group's environmental and social topics, which was determined following a stakeholder engagement activity and materiality assessment process. The Board and management have reviewed and validated the materiality of the identified ESG topics.

### **BALANCE**

This ESG Report provides an unbiased representation of the Group's ESG performance. Both achievements and areas of improvement are disclosed.

### **QUANTITATIVE**

Quantitative information, KPIs and supplementary statements are disclosed in this ESG Report. Further information on the standards, methodologies, assumptions and calculation tools used are disclosed in relevant sections in this ESG Report.

### **CONSISTENCY**

Consistent calculation methodologies are used to enable a meaningful comparison of ESG data. Any changes to the methodologies, tools, KPIs used or any other relevant factors affecting a meaningful comparison are disclosed in relevant sections in this ESG Report.

#### FEEDBACK ON OUR SUSTAINABILITY COMMITMENTS

The Group highly appreciates and welcomes any feedback on this ESG Report in order to continuously improve its approach to sustainability. Please share your feedback with us at esg@jacobsonpharma.com.

### ABOUT JACOBSON'S SUSTAINABILITY JOURNEY

#### **OUR ETHICAL BUSINESS MILESTONES**

Jacobson is a leading pharmaceutical company in Hong Kong that is engaged in the research, development, production, sale and distribution of essential medicines and specialty drugs. Jacobson's roots can be traced back to the 1960s, when it was first founded as a pharmaceutical trading house. Since then, Jacobson has grown significantly due to its unwavering commitment to serving the needs of medical professionals and consumers in Hong Kong. Nowadays, the Group has transformed into a pharmaceutical leader that manages its own production, warehousing, logistics, regulatory, quality control and assurance, sales and marketing, as well as research and development operations. The Company's shares were listed on the Main Board on 21 September 2016.

### **OUR GUIDING PRINCIPLES ON RESPONSIBILITY**

### VISION

At Jacobson, we aspire to be an eminent player in pharmaceutical and healthcare solutions in Greater China and Asia, providing essential medicines, specialty drugs and healthcare solutions for medical professionals and the public.

### **MISSION**

Our mission is to enhance people's lives by delivering health as a trusted partner. We strive to create sustainable values in healthcare by offering quality and accessible medicines as well as healthcare solutions to meet current and future customer needs. We are committed to bettering the future of healthcare through community care and technological advancement.

### **OUR PORTFOLIO OF QUALITY PRODUCTS**

Committed to uncompromised quality in products and services, Jacobson is an eminent supplier of essential medicines and specialty drugs, covering therapeutic categories such as cardiovascular, central nervous system, gastrointestinal, antidiabetic, respiratory, anti-infective, dermatological and anti-allergy. With its balanced and diversified product portfolio, the Group serves both the public and private sectors by its extensive market penetration covering substantially all of the public hospitals and clinics, private hospitals and registered pharmacies, private doctors and retail outlets in Hong Kong.

The Group operates a host of 9 licensed production facilities for pharmaceutical products in Hong Kong, The Group has invested significantly in its commercial infrastructure and manages its own production, warehousing, logistics, regulatory, quality control and assurance, and sales and marketing operation. Our SAP powered warehousing complex is located at the hub of Hong Kong, which facilitates a high degree of supply chain efficiency and flexibility in providing logistic solutions to our customers.

### **PRODUCT OFFERINGS**

### **ESSENTIAL MEDICINES**

Jacobson's is an eminent provider of essential medicines in Hong Kong. The Group's comprehensive product portfolio covers therapeutic categories such as cardiovascular, central nervous system, gastrointestinal, antidiabetic, respiratory, anti-infective, dermatological and anti-allergy.

Through a broad portfolio, the Group cements its position as a one-stop solution provider for healthcare professionals in both public and private sectors, including public and private hospitals, private clinics, medical franchises, registered pharmacies and drugstore chains.

### **SPECIALTY DRUGS**

With the established strength in essential medicine offerings and in-licensing capacity, Jacobson is well poised to expand its portfolio and diversify into complex and specialty drugs, such as biosimilars, oncology medications, and orphan drugs, which have witnessed a robust growth trend driven by the advancement of healthcare.

The Group has also invested in projects to leverage its expertise in the specialty drug market and collaborates with world-renowned research institutes to further expand the indications of selected products.



### **AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS**

Jacobson is committed to accelerating progress in achieving its goals and objectives in the ESG domain. We are proud to showcase our awards and recognitions received during the Reporting Period, which highlights our spirit in driving long-term value and shaping a sustainable future.

Award Name	Recipient Business Unit	Awarding Organisation
ESG Pledge Scheme Certificate of Appreciation 2023	Jacobson Pharma Corporation Limited	The Chinese Manufacturers' Association of Hong Kong
Good MPF Employer Award 2022-2023 (積金好僱主)	Jacobson Group Management Limited	Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Authority
Caring Company Scheme 2023/24 (商界展關懷)	Jacobson Pharma Corporation Limited	The Hong Kong Council of Social Service
Partner Employer Award 2023 Certificate of Appreciation for the Additional Employment of Full-time or Part-time Employees (增聘全職或兼職僱員嘉許狀)	Europharm Laboratoires Company Limited	The Hong Kong General Chamber of Small and Medium Business
Partner Employer Award 2023 Outstanding Enterprise Award (卓越企業嘉許狀)	Europharm Laboratoires Company Limited	The Hong Kong General Chamber of Small and Medium Business
Partner Employer Award 2023 Certificate of Employment Retention for Existing Employees (保留現有僱員就業嘉許狀)	Europharm Laboratoires Company Limited	The Hong Kong General Chamber of Small and Medium Business
BOCHK Corporate Low-Carbon Environmental Leadership Awards 2022	Europharm Laboratoires Company Limited	Federation of Hong Kong Industries







## LONG-TERM ESG STRATEGIC VISION



### LONG-TERM ESG STRATEGIC VISION

As we continue to embark on a path to sustainable development, we acknowledge that there is untapped potential to contribute to the betterment of the environment and society, and we will deliver this in a wholehearted manner. By adopting a robust ESG governance system, following our sustainability strategy and engaging with stakeholders, we strive to play our role in the global sustainable development agenda.

### **ESG GOVERNANCE**

Forming a strong governance structure is crucial to ensuring that sustainability is well understood and effectively applied throughout our operations. The Board has set up an ESG Committee with well-defined duties and responsibilities to oversee the Group's execution of ESG-related matters. The Board and the ESG Committee plans and manages sustainability at the strategic level, whilst the ESG Working Group leads the execution and monitoring of policies and practices at the operational level.

MANAGEMENT LEVEL	MANAGEMENT STRUCTURE	MEMBERS
	Board	Directors of the Company
Strategic Level	ESG Committee & Executive Committee	<ul> <li>ESG Committee Chairman:</li> <li>Professor Lam Sing Kwong, Simon (independent non-executive director)</li> <li>ESG Committee Members:</li> <li>Mr. Yim Chun Leung (executive director)</li> <li>Mr. Yu Chun Kau (company secretary)</li> </ul>
Operational Level	ESG Working Group	Management personnel from different departments
Execution Level	Group Functions and Business Units	All employees

### RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- Set up ESG overall visions, approaches, strategies or initiatives
- Review the overall ESG performance of the Company on a regular basis
- Assess whether the ESG performance follows the Company's visions, approaches, strategies or initiatives
- Monitor the risk evaluation process on sustainability and ESG-related issues
- Oversee the execution and effectiveness of anticipation and mitigation plans regarding the ESG risks
- Review regularly the ESG issues that are material to stakeholders
- Review and validate the results of materiality assessment
- Set goals and targets on ESG performance with reference to the Group's most material issues to its business and stakeholders
- Set and monitor short, medium and long term goals regarding ESG performance and sustainable development

### **RESPONSIBILITIES OF ESG COMMITTEE**

- Monitor the formulation of the annual ESG report
- Review and discuss the content and quality of ESG reports to ensure that they meet the requirements from the Board
- Inform the Board of the Group's development in ESG performance, visions and strategies through Board meetings, dedicated reports or other communication channels
- Inform the Board of the Group's compliance status and ESG-related market and international trends and development of ESG-related issues through Board meetings, dedicated reports or other communication channels
- Present to the Board the results and findings from stakeholder engagement management
- Conduct at least one meeting per year

#### RESPONSIBILITIES OF ESG WORKING GROUP

- Implement policies and practices at different business units
- Monitor the effectiveness of procedures and suggest improvements
- Record and analyse ESG data, as well as report on the Group's ESG performance
- Conduct at least two meetings per year

### **ESG RISK MANAGEMENT**

Understanding the Group's ESG risks is fundamental to its long-term success. Thus, we have a risk governance structure in place to facilitate effective ESG risk management. Through this system, we are able to regularly monitor and review our risk management framework, internal control systems and risk management policy to ultimately build a resilient corporate culture.

### **RISK GOVERNANCE AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

The Board and the Audit Committee assume the overall responsibility for evaluating and determining the nature and extent of the Group's risks, as well as ensuring that the Group establishes and maintains appropriate and effective risk management and internal controls systems.

First Line of Defense	Risk Owner (Risk Ownership)	As the first line of defense, risk owners are responsible for identifying, assessing and monitoring risks associated with each business operation.
Second Line of Defense	Risk Management Committee (Risk Control)	The Risk Management Committee acts as the second line of defense. It comprises both financial and operational executives of the Group and is responsible for overseeing the Group's overall risk management framework, as well as advising the Audit Committee and the Board on the Group's risk-related matters. The body is also tasked with carrying out necessary control activities and presenting regular reports to the Audit Committee.
Third Line of Defense	Internal Audit (Risk Assurance)	As the third line of defense, the Internal Audit performs internal audit work on an annual basis and ensures that the first and second lines of defense are effective. It provides independent assurance to the Audit Committee and the Board on the adequacy and effectiveness of internal controls for the Group.

During the Reporting Period, we have identified the following ESG risks to have a potentially significant impact on the Group's operations and formulated corresponding risk mitigation measures.

MATERIAL ESG RISKS	RISKS DESCRIPTION	MITIGATION MEASURES
Regulatory Risk	Changes in regulations and compliance requirements can directly affect the Group's ability to manufacture, market, and distribute its products. Non-compliance with regulatory standards can lead to penalties, fines, and even legal actions. It can also result in delays in product approvals or withdrawals from the market, leading to revenue loss.	Each production facility of the Group is equipped with a designated Authorised Person and a quality control and quality assurance team. This ensures stringent adherence to regulations and guarantees the production of high-quality products.
Reputational Risk	Negative publicity or public perception can harm the Group's brand image and customer trust, leading to decreased sales, loss of market share, and potential boycotts. Reputational risks can also affect relationships with key stakeholders, including investors, employees, customers, and regulatory authorities. This can result in difficulties in attracting investment, recruiting top talent, or securing favourable business partnerships.	The Group has implemented proactive reputation management strategies, including transparent communication, stakeholder engagement, and timely response to concerns. We are focus on building a strong brand identity centered on ethical practices, sustainability, and social responsibility.
Quality Control Risk	Quality control risks can arise from manufacturing errors, contamination issues, inadequate testing procedures, or non-compliance with quality standards. These risks can lead to product recalls, supply chain disruptions, and damage to the Group's reputation. Poor quality control practices can also result in adverse events for patients, leading to legal liabilities and regulatory scrutiny. Additionally, quality control risks can impact the Group's ability to meet market demand, resulting in potential revenue losses and loss of market share.	The Group has arranged product liability insurance to minimise the impact in case of any proven product defects caused by its negligence. In addition, the Group has designated a production and quality assurance team at each production facility to monitor product quality and ensure that products comply with respective specifications.

### **SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGY**

Developing a well-defined sustainability strategy allows us to accelerate progress in becoming a purpose-driven business that inherently contributes to the sustainable development of our planet. At Jacobson, we integrate our expertise and resources to induce positive change in the economy, environment and society.

To this end, we follow the "5 to Thrive" strategy, which is based on a long-term ESG strategic vision and principle of Jacobson 'upholding a profound obligation to shape a better society'. This strategy is constructed of five pillars that are most relevant to Jacobson's business operations, namely "Corporate Governance Duty", "Product Responsibility", "Societal Engagement", "Environmental Stewardship" and "Commitment to Employees". Within each pillar, strategic priorities have been laid out that shape our approach to driving sustainable value and act as an overarching model for stakeholders to put into practice. The ESG Committee reviews the sustainability strategy, which was slightly modified during the Reporting Period, to ensure that upcoming ESG trends, challenges and opportunities are ingrained into the foundation of our framework.

### LONG-TERM ESG VISION OF JACOBSON

"We uphold a profound obligation to shape a better society."



#### ALIGNMENT WITH THE UNITED NATIONS SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

The Group recognises that contributing to the global sustainable development agenda is essential for transforming our world towards sustainability.

Thus, our sustainability strategy is aligned with the UN SDGs to reinforce our commitment to tackling pressing global issues and achieving harmony. Upon completion of a mapping exercise, the Group identified five goals that are most relevant to its business operations and took action to drive contribution. Moving forward, we aim to integrate specific targets of the SDGs to strengthen our progress in this regard.

### **IMPLICATIONS AND ACTIONS** At Jacobson, the health and well-being of society is at the heart of our operations. Thus, we are driven to improve the wellness of employees and local communities by promoting healthcare-related initiatives. • Provide annual health checks to employees at production facilities · Transform patented drugs that are expiring into generic drugs to strengthen access to essential · Collaborate with charities that focus on enhancing healthcare and donate healthcare-related products to organisations that support the elderly and underprivileged in particular The Group is committed to pursuing economic growth and providing employment opportunities that are productive yet safe. Our measures provide organisations and individuals that can shape the **DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH** healthcare landscape with pathways to showcase their abilities. Provide local and overseas university students with scholarships and internship opportunities • Engage in the in-licensing of innovative medicines to support academic institutions and peers to achieve sustained growth · Create a Risk Assessment Register to mitigate the risks associated with our production activities in order to maintain workplace safety Upholding responsible production and consumption practices is of great importance to Jacobson. To reduce our impact on the environment and natural resources, we implement a set of sustainable measures that reduce usage and increase efficiency. • Procure FSC or PEFC-certified paper for office paper usage across the Group AND PRODUCTION · Dispose of all hazardous waste responsibly according to the legislation of local regulatory · Implement a water recycling system to facilitate the reuse of water for cleaning and flushing purposes Climate change is an increasingly pressing issue that requires a multi-faceted approach to adapt to or mitigate the associated risks. To this end, we have adopted strategies to address climate change and its impact to ultimately build resilience of our operations. · Explore renewable energy sources and plan to install solar panels at appropriate production • Phase out fossil fuel-based company vehicles with hybrid or electric vehicles · Develop energy-saving initiatives across production facilities in collaboration with external partners Building a robust corporate governance system that promotes peace, justice and inclusivity enables Jacobson to create an ethical corporate culture. Our efforts to prevent discrimination and PEACE, JUSTICE corruption in the workplace are applied at all levels across our operations. · Formulate a company policy on equal opportunities to enforce a zero-tolerance approach to all forms of harassment and discrimination · Encourage staff to report cases of bribery and corruption by submitting specific documents and

from FY2024

the whistleblowing system

· Provide annual training on anti-corruption and data privacy matters to employees commencing

### STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

Engaging with our stakeholders to build connections and understand their priorities influences the Group to operate in a mindful and responsible manner. During the Reporting Period, we have established a range of engagement channels to communicate with our stakeholders.

STAKEHOLDERS	EXPECTATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS	RESPONDING CHANNELS
Government and Regulators	<ul> <li>Compliance with policies, laws and regulation</li> <li>Support local economic growth</li> <li>Drive local employment</li> <li>Ensure production safety</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Compliance and non-compliance reports</li> <li>Meetings and correspondences</li> <li>Site visits</li> </ul>
Investors and Shareholders	<ul> <li>Cash flow</li> <li>Returns</li> <li>Compliant operation</li> <li>Research and development pipeline</li> <li>Company's competitiveness among peers</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Annual and interim reports</li> <li>Annual general meetings</li> <li>Circulars</li> <li>Meetings and correspondences</li> <li>Press releases and announcements</li> </ul>
Business Partners	<ul> <li>Operate with integrity</li> <li>Equal Rivalry</li> <li>Performance of contracts</li> <li>Mutual benefit and win-win result</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Business communications</li> <li>Exchanges and discussions</li> <li>Engagement and cooperation</li> <li>Assessment surveys</li> </ul>
Customers	<ul> <li>Customer service</li> <li>Logistic efficiency</li> <li>Offered price</li> <li>Product quality</li> <li>Supply stability and stock level</li> <li>Performance of contracts</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>eCommerce platforms</li> <li>Meetings and correspondences</li> <li>Customer service center and hotlines</li> <li>Personal contact</li> <li>Social media</li> </ul>
Environment	<ul> <li>Energy saving and emission reduction</li> <li>Ecosystem protection</li> <li>Rational use of water</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Communicate with the locals</li> <li>Reporting</li> <li>Investigations and inspections</li> </ul>
Industry	Establishment of industry standards     Drive industry development	<ul><li>Participate in industry forums</li><li>Visits and inspections</li></ul>
Employees	<ul> <li>Protection of rights</li> <li>Occupational health and safety</li> <li>Remunerations and benefits</li> <li>Career development</li> <li>Humanity cares</li> <li>Working hours</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Business meetings</li> <li>Briefings</li> <li>Performance appraisal meetings</li> <li>Employee mailbox</li> <li>Training and workshop</li> <li>Employee activity</li> </ul>
Community and the Public	<ul> <li>Improve community environment</li> <li>Participation in charity</li> <li>Information transparency</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Company website</li><li>Announcements</li></ul>

#### **MATERIAL ESG TOPICS**

To understand its stakeholders' needs and expectations, the Group carries out an annual stakeholder engagement activity. The results derived from the exercise are evaluated through a materiality assessment to identify the impacts of the Group's operating activities, assess the significance of impacts, and determine the material topics of the Group.

In FY2024, the Group commissioned an independent sustainability consultancy to conduct a comprehensive materiality assessment. For this process, a 3-step approach was adopted:



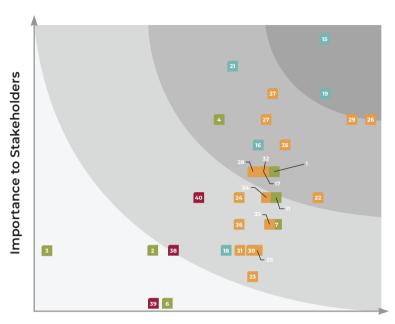
40 material ESG topics were identified by referencing the following sources: the SASB Standards, the Global Reporting Initiative ("GRI") Standards, the SDGs, previous ESG reports from Jacobson and industry benchmarking. The criteria for the selection of material ESG topics were based on the extent of the topic's influence on the assessments and decisions of stakeholders, and the extent of the topic's significance on the Group's business.



A survey was distributed to internal and external stakeholders, in which they were asked to rate the relative importance of the identified ESG topics. The stakeholders engaged were the Board, management, general staff, suppliers, contractors, consumers and clients.



The Group's management confirmed and validated the list of material topics for disclosure. The results were then plotted in a materiality matrix. The Board has reviewed the identified material topics and results to ensure relevance and materiality to Jacobson.

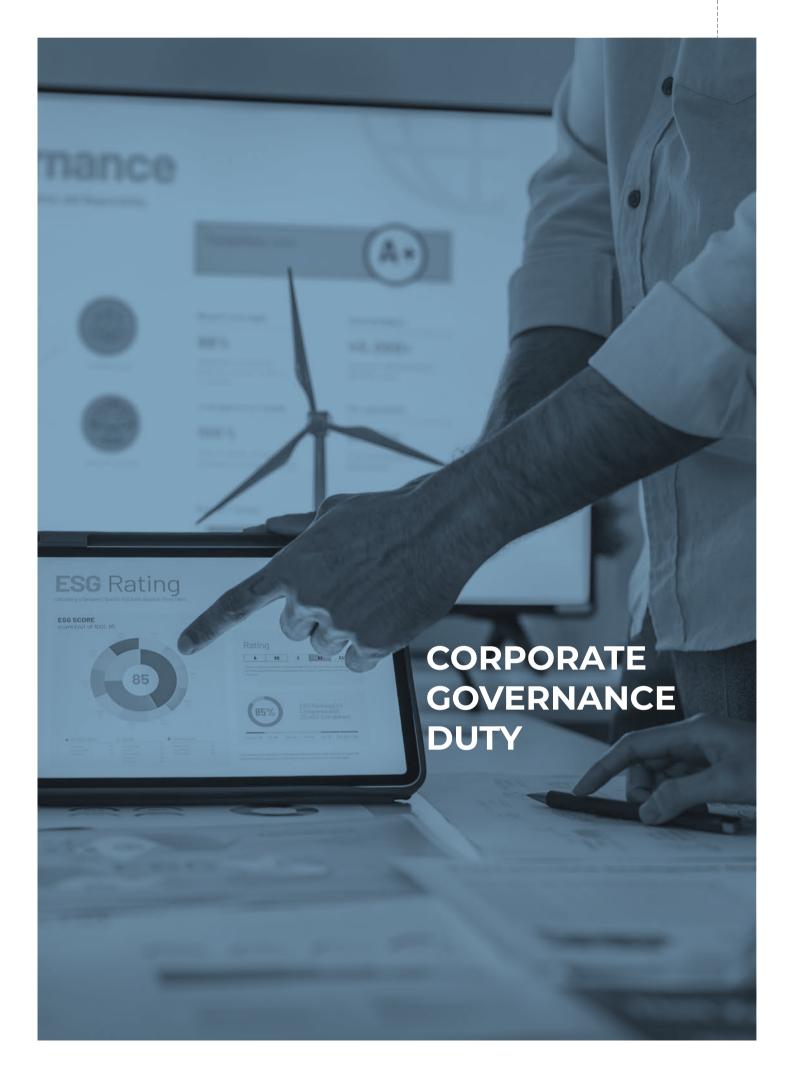


Importance to the Sustainable Development at Jacobson



The materiality matrix and table above illustrate the results of the materiality assessment in FY2024. The matrix reflects the prioritisation of the ESG topics based on their significance to the business and stakeholders. The table displays the 40 identified ESG topics, which were grouped into one of the five pillars of our sustainability strategy, and the top 15 material topics are displayed in bold. The Board has reviewed the significant impacts and results to ensure relevance and materiality to Jacobson. The following table lists the major ESG topics determined based on the assessment result and their corresponding sections in this ESG Report.

ASPECTS	ESG TOPICS	CORRESPONDING CHAPTER
ENVIRONMENT	Environmental Compliance     Wastewater Management	Environmental Compliance Water and Wastewater Management
LABOUR PRACTICES	<ul> <li>15 Employment Compliance</li> <li>16 Remuneration and Benefits</li> <li>17 Working Hours and Rest Periods</li> <li>19 Occupational Health and Safety</li> <li>21 Prevention of Child Labour and Forced Labour</li> </ul>	Employee Benefits and Engagement  Occupational Health and Safety Child and Forced Labour
OPERATION PRACTICES	22 Operational Compliance 26 Product Quality Management 27 Customer Accessibility to Medicine 28 Customer Affordability to Medicine 29 Customer Health and Safety 32 Intellectual Property Protection 35 Customer Privacy Protection 37 Business Ethics	Regulatory Compliance Product Quality  Public Access to Healthcare  Consumer Safety Protection of Intellectual Property  Business Ethics and Anti-corruption



### CORPORATE GOVERNANCE DUTY



As pharmaceutical manufacturers have a duty to serve the public and a pivotal role in protection public health, Jacobson is committed to building a robust corporate governance system in order to continuously provide efficacious products. Creating an ethical corporate culture that is based on a set of well-established moral principles influences our business ethics and dedication to stamping out corruption, reinforces our regulatory compliance, and strengthens the protection of IP rights. For future details regarding compliance with relevant laws and regulations, please refer to the "Laws and Regulations" section of this ESG Report.

### **BUSINESS ETHICS AND ANTI-CORRUPTION**

Our business is built on a foundation of sound business ethics to ensure that the highest standards of integrity are enforced and upheld throughout operations. To drive our moral compass, we have procedures in place that rigorously safeguard personal data and embraces equal opportunities whilst eliminating discrimination, as well as preventing any forms of corruption. This system ensures that our business activities, in particular procurement and sales functions, always operate with a responsibility-driven purpose to prioritise and essentially safeguard the health and well-being of patients. In addition, we will organise annual training on data privacy and anti-corruption topics to strengthen employees' understanding of key developments.

### **DATA PRIVACY**

Our principles on integrity are thoroughly applied when protecting the personal data of all parties. To this end, we have rigorously complied with the Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance (Cap. 486 of the Laws of Hong Kong) and developed guidelines in the IT Acceptable Use Policy and Code of Conduct within our Employee Handbook to properly safeguard private and confidential information of the Group, personnel and customers. Personal information collection statements are included in our Job Application Form and Employment Contract, which clearly state procedures relating to the collection, usage and/or storage of such data. Enhanced security measures are established, in which authorised personnel are required to monitor and detect any suspicious activities. Employees are strictly prohibited from disclosing sensitive data without prior authorisation and are subject to disciplinary action, including termination of employment for any data breaches. During the Reporting Period, the Group did not record any data breaches.

### **EQUALITY, DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION**

The Group acknowledges the benefits of attracting talented individuals from diverse backgrounds and embracing an inclusive workforce to promote equality in the workplace. All recruitment, promotion and transfer or job rotation decisions are made solely based on objective criteria that include experience, capabilities and performance. In addition, our Policy on Equal Opportunities underpins our approach to fostering an impartial work environment and zero-tolerance on any form of unwarranted sexual harassment or discriminatory behaviour on characteristics including gender marital status, pregnancy, family status, disability and race. Training on enhancing equality, diversity and inclusion in the workplace is further provided to the Board and employees. We have formulated a Retirement Policy, which states that employees who have reached retirement age can seek an extension of their employment contract and are eligible for the long service payment. Our practices rigorously adhere to the Hong Kong Bill of Rights Ordinance (Cap. 383 of the Laws of Hong Kong) and Disability Discrimination Ordinance (Cap. 487 of the Laws of Hong Kong), amongst others, to uphold the fundamental rights of our employees.

### **ANTI-CORRUPTION**

To enable the continuous provision of authentic products for citizens, we adopt a zero-tolerance approach to bribery and corruption. Provisions that employees are obligated to follow have been set out in the Prevention on Bribery Policy and the Code of Conduct within our Employee Handbook. The policy states that staff members are strictly prohibited from soliciting, accepting or offering any bribe or advantage relating to a private, public or government entity when undertaking their responsibilities or when representing our Group. If a staff is offered gifts or souvenirs that could constitute impropriety, or is engaged in a conflict of interest, the staff member should seek further guidance by completing the "Report on Gifts/Advantages Received" form and "Declaration of Conflict of Interest" form respectively. They should also report the situation to the chief financial officer of the Company.

Our whistleblowing system can be found in the Code of Conduct within our Employee Handbook, which encourages employees to report any suspected cases of corruption to the Human Resources ("HR") Department. As stated, the identity of the whistle-blower will be protected to avoid any potential retaliation, and an internal investigation will be conducted on the matter. If staff members are found to have engaged in fraudulent activities, they will be subject

to disciplinary action that includes but is not limited to termination of employment. The case may also be reported to regulatory authorities. During the Reporting Period, we were not aware of any legal cases brought against the Group or our employees relating to corruption, bribery, extortion, fraud and money laundering. Through our stringent measures, we have also ensured compliance with the Prevention of Bribery Ordinance (Cap. 201 of the Laws of Hong Kong) and the Code of Practice of the Hong Kong Association of the Pharmaceutical Industry (HKAPI).

The Group pays great attention to keeping abreast of the latest developments in anti-corruption matters. During the Reporting Period, we arranged a self-study training course for employees, including management personnel and general staff, using resources provided by the Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC) of Hong Kong. 60% of the invited employees successfully completed the training programme. Consequently, our employees have increased their awareness of identifying and combating corruptive behaviour in the workplace.

### **REGULATORY COMPLIANCE**

Operating in compliance with laws and regulations and responding to societal expectations is a key priority for the Group. To this end, we have formulated monitoring measures to verify that our policies and practices continuously adhere to relevant legislation and the requirements of the markets that we operate in.

The Group rigorously operates according to the provisions under the Pharmacy and Poisons Ordinance (Cap. 138 of the Laws of Hong Kong). It has obtained the necessary licences, permits and approvals, including the "Licence for Manufacturer" granted by the Pharmacy and Poisons Board of Hong Kong ("PPBHK") and the "Drug Manufacturing Certificate" issued by the National Medical Products Administration (NMPA) of Mainland China. In addition, professional licences have been issued by Hong Kong's Department of Health ("DH") for Authorised Persons, Production Managers and Quality Control Managers of the Group.

As a responsible pharmaceutical manufacturer, the Group's production facilities have achieved GMP certification, which demonstrates that products are consistently produced and controlled according to defined quality standards. By acquiring licences for all production facilities in Hong Kong, the Group conforms to the international standards set by PIC/S GMP, which are updated every year and rigorously followed by the Group.

At production facilities, SOPs are formulated and regularly updated to maintain full compliance with industry standards. At least one Authorised Person is stationed at the sites to implement the latest regulatory requirements of PIC/S GMP and licensing conditions of the DH. In addition, the distribution of products is subject to control and is classified into certain categories to safeguard the health and safety of patients.

### PROTECTION OF INTELLECTUAL **PROPERTY**

To stimulate product development and innovation, Jacobson has a fundamental responsibility to protect and respect the IP of all parties. To protect the best interests of partners, we require them to sign a Non-Disclosure Agreement and observe the stipulations within to confirm that sensitive and confidential information of the Group is not divulged to third parties. Prior to any product launches, we consult with a patent attorney to avoid any potential rights infringements. Patents are also declared for all of our submitted tenders to public hospitals.





### PRODUCT RESPONSIBILITY



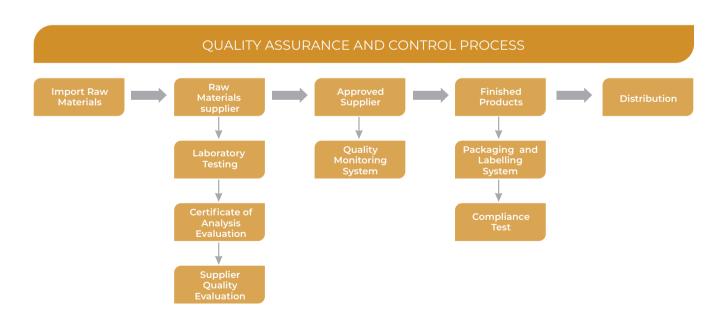
As a long-standing pharmaceutical manufacturer, the Group has a profound responsibility and steadfast commitment to consistently provide high-quality products that are safe for consumption. To verify that our products can fulfil the needs and demands of society, we implement high standards of quality and safety throughout operational processes, which must be adhered to by employees and suppliers, whilst engaging in research and development activities to promote product innovation.

### **PRODUCT OUALITY**

Producing high-quality and effective medicines whilst minimising product quality risks to protect public health and the safety of consumers is of vital importance to Jacobson. In order to develop these stringent processes, we maintain a robust quality assurance system and adopt comprehensive measures for all production facilities. Our approach to upholding product responsibility enables us to go beyond compliance with relevant laws and regulations, including but not limited to the Antibiotics Ordinance (Cap. 137 of the Laws of Hong Kong), Pharmacy and Poisons Ordinance (Cap. 138 of the Laws of Hong Kong) and Undesirable Medical Advertisements Ordinance (Cap. 231 of the Laws of Hong Kong).

Jacobson's products are registered with the DH, which confirms that they are safe for patient consumption, and it takes all reasonable steps to ensure that drug specifications conform to the product registration specifications. Our Quality Manual fully complies with PIC/S GMP and lays out the GMP-compliant elements that devise our comprehensive Pharmaceutical Quality System. This system ensures that our products are always manufactured at the highest standards of quality and safety. An annual audit of the Group's production facilities is conducted by the DH based on PIC/S GMP standards, which further safeguards the quality and efficacy of products.

Jacobson has formulated stringent procedures to control the production process. Chemical dosing is applied to ensure manufactured products match their stated specifications whilst any deviations and non-conforming products will be recorded and evaluated to enable appropriate action. All systems, equipment and calibration instruments are maintained and calibrated on an annual basis. In addition, Jacobson's centralised warehouse, Pharmason, is accredited with Good Distribution Practice, which protects the integrity and quality of products.



### **RAW MATERIALS QUALITY INSPECTION**

The Group's raw materials used for drug production processes are predominantly Active Pharmaceutical Ingredients ("APIs"), excipients and packaging materials. The Quality Control ("QC") Department performs our rigorous inspection procedures on new and existing manufacturers for batches of APIs, excipients and packaging materials. All raw materials must be approved before usage. Each batch subsequently undergoes a comprehensive set of laboratory tests, in which samples are extracted to determine if the raw materials match the specifications of the supplier's provided Certificate of Analysis (COA). If there are inconsistencies with the specifications, the QC Department will re-inspect the raw materials, which will be returned to the manufacturer should they be confirmed to be substandard.

All raw material suppliers are subject to supplier quality evaluation and must pass the assessment process to gain approval. Approved suppliers will continue to be scrutinised under our quality monitoring system. For further details of our supply chain practices, please refer to the "Supply Chain Management" subsection below within this section of this ESG Report.

### FINISHED PRODUCTS QUALITY VALIDATION

Our automated packaging and labelling systems verify that finished products are properly packaged according to their specifications, and contain accurate inserts and indication labels. Units with impurities are removed from the production lines whilst the acceptable units are sealed in their respective packaging forms. The QC Department then checks and validates that the packaging and labelling fulfil their respective specifications and standards enforced by the DH.

Prior to distribution, each batch of products is subject to a full compliance test according to the registered product specifications. To this end, we perform an annual product quality review, in which the raw data and testing results of finished products are inputted into our review system. This procedure allows us to identify trends or inconsistencies in our products and improve our processes to optimise quality and safety. Finished products are stored at optimal temperature and humidity levels to preserve the efficacy of our products.

### **QUALITY ASSURANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

As part of our commitment to quality assurance, we have created a series of product recall SOPs that specify the steps to be taken in the event of a product recall. The Quality Assurance ("QA") Department is in charge of coordinating the product recall process, whilst the Authorised Person is responsible for overseeing the execution. These SOPs are required to be reviewed on an annual basis by pharmacists and/or designated QA staff, who are responsible for aligning our procedures with corresponding guidelines issued by the DH.



Where quality defects are found in products, employees must report the situation to the QA Department. In the unlikely event of a product recall, the DH will be promptly notified. The product recall process will then be initiated by informing affected consumers and coordinating methods to return the defective products. Returned products will then be stored in a designated area at our warehouses and either destroyed, reconditioned or returned to manufacturers. Due to our stringent quality assurance system, during the Reporting Period, no products under Jacobson were recalled due to safety and health reasons.

#### **CONSUMER SAFETY**

The Group has formulated a pharmacovigilance (PV) system, which relates to the monitoring of the safety and reducing the risks of medicines. A corresponding SOP has been created to reinforce our provision of high-quality and safe pharmaceutical products, as well as facilitate the proper handling of potential adverse drug events. We also strictly abide by the PPBHK's "Guidance for Pharmaceutical Industry – Adverse Drug Reaction Reporting Requirements", which lists the procedures for reporting drug reactions.

### **CUSTOMER SATISFACTION AND ENGAGEMENT**

The Group aims to achieve high levels of customer satisfaction and develop strong relationships by engaging with its customers. To this end, we have established dedicated teams to communicate information on products and policies, amongst others, to customers as well as promptly address any problems. Upon receipt of any product-related complaints, the QA Manager will categorise it into a quality or health and safety issue based on the nature of the case. Procedures, including initiating an investigation or recall, will then be executed. Corrective action will also be carried out to refine internal processes and prevent similar future instances. During the Reporting Period, the Group received 5 complaints relating to its products, which were addressed though product replacements.

#### SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT

To minimise product quality risks and consistently fulfil our high standards of quality and safety, we strive to build a robust mechanism to ensure that raw materials suppliers are able to meet our expectations and to prudently manage relationships with suppliers in order to achieve a harmonious supply chain. Our supply chain practices are in strict compliance with the Dangerous Drugs Ordinance (Cap. 134 of the Laws of Hong Kong), Control of Chemicals Ordinance (Cap. 145 of the Laws of Hong Kong), Dangerous Goods Ordinance (Cap. 295 of the Laws of Hong Kong) amongst others.

#### SUPPLIER ENGAGEMENT AND EVALUATION

Our extensive supplier evaluation assessment procedures are focused on our all suppliers, which include direct providers of APIs, excipients and packaging materials. To engage with suppliers, they must meet our defined standards of quality, safety, verifiability, reliability and price. Necessary credentials that include GMP certification awarded by a local regulatory authority (compulsory for API providers) or ISO certification must be presented to demonstrate their eligibility. We also request manufacturers to complete a "Supplier Application Form" and a "Manufacturer Quality Assurance Questionnaire" to evaluate aspects including but not limited to regulatory profile, operational licences and certifications, quality management and quality control procedures, supplier management, training mechanisms and environmental monitoring system. New and existing manufacturers that pass the assessment and/or re-assessment process detailed in our Material Assessment Report will obtain subsequent approval from the OA Department and will be added to the approved supplier list, which is maintained by QA staff. If suppliers are identified to have quality concerns or received regulatory warnings, we would conduct further tests on their raw materials. Suppliers would be delisted from the approved supplier list should they fail to meet our standards.

We regularly source raw materials from suppliers who are located within close proximity to our facilities to reduce our carbon footprint from upstream logistics operations. Paper certified by the FSC or PEFC is procured and used for office paper. Moving forward, we aim to formulate further measures to manage ESG supply chain risks and collaborate with sustainable partners. For further details of initiatives to minimise our carbon footprint, please refer to the "Carbon Footprint and Ecological Protection" subsection under the "Environmental Stewardship" section of this ESG Report. During the Reporting Period, the Group engaged with 430 raw materials suppliers.

#### **CONTRACTOR APPRAISAL AND SELECTION**

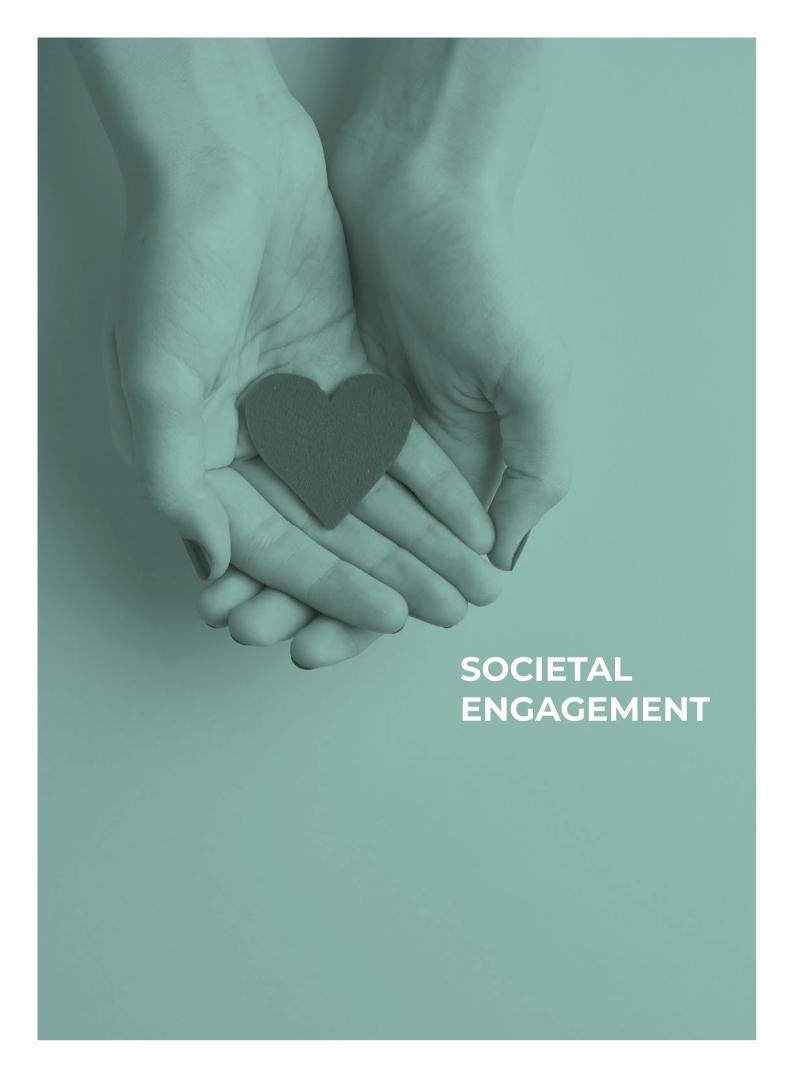
Our contractors are mainly contract manufacturers and laboratories. To determine their eligibility, we perform competency assessment and risk assessment procedures. Contractors must be a manufacturer or laboratory that has received appropriate accreditation, such as from the Hong Kong Laboratory Accreditation Scheme (HOKLAS), and/or possess certifications including GMP, ISO 17025: General requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories, or relevant credentials authorised by third-parties. We may also perform an audit at the contractor's facility to assess aspects including qualifications, environmental conditions, health and safety mechanisms, training records and quality management systems, amongst others. For contractors that are deemed suitable, we will engage with them to ensure that our expectations on ESG-related matters are aligned with them at all times

### RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

We aim to develop premium generics based on our established product development know-how and deep market insight. Focusing on specialised formulations and having acquired specific manufacturing skills and know-how for certain difficult-to-make products, such as controlled-release formulations, sterile products, suppositories and enemas, we possess a host of drug registrations with unique formulae allowing us to command a competitive position in certain selected segments of market.

To facilitate the development of new products that cater to society's needs and boost the efficacy of existing products, Jacobson has established an in-house research laboratory. During the product development stage, stability tests are performed to determine the quality of products when they are exposed to environmental factors that include but are not limited to temperature and humidity. Products that meet our benchmarks will be deemed high-quality and safe for consumption, which will then be registered and marketed. For drug patents that are about to expire, we will transform the product into a generic drug by revising the formula and then produce the drug at our production facilities to improve the availability of medicines.

At Jacobson, we value partnership and collaboration. Our current R&D team cooperates closely with a panel of formulation scientists and research institutions both locally and abroad. Our connections with research institutions and university hospitals also enhance our competence in both formulation and clinical pursuits. We also engage with academic institutes globally to support them in commercialising their innovative ideas into products that can enhance the well-being of society.



### **SOCIETAL ENGAGEMENT**



The Group is devoted to fulfilling its civic duty as a responsible pharmaceutical manufacturer by investing in local community initiatives and advancing access to healthcare. We are passionate about instilling confidence and empowering individuals to achieve their potential and/or prioritise their well-being.

In FY2022, we partnered with a professional local social impact organisation to facilitate our efforts in driving positive yet sustainable social change and track progress in our strategic focus areas through the Theory of Change model. To ensure that our actions are continuously aligned with our aspirations, we have reviewed and revised our Theory of Change road map regularly. For further details of the methodology, please refer to "Appendix A: Theory of Change" of this ESG Report.

PILLARS	OUTPUTS (SHORT-TERM)	IMPACT (LONG-TERM)
Generic Drugs	<ol> <li>1. 100% of private and public hospitals in Hong Kong are using Jacobson's generic drugs</li> <li>2. 6 pharmacy students supported through scholarships</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Jacobson produces safe and effective drugs made in Hong Kong</li> <li>Patients have accessible and affordable drugs at their local districts</li> <li>More local talents in the pharmaceutical industry</li> <li>Increase in production stability</li> </ol>
Community	<ol> <li>Adopt a policy on equal opportunity</li> <li>Partner with at least 3 social enterprises</li> <li>Conduct at least 1 equal opportunity training/initiative for employees</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Increased trust and support from local communities</li> <li>Long-term growth and innovation in the social enterprise sector</li> <li>Enhancement of diversity and inclusiveness within the Company and its supply chain partners</li> </ol>

With the effective implementation of the activities listed below, Jacobson will strive to enable the general public to access generic drugs, build good relationships with the public through proactive engagement and health promotion, as well as create an inclusive workplace to maintain a stable workforce.

#### COMMUNITY INVESTMENT AND DEVELOPMENT

Through our commitment to nurturing pharmaceutical professionals and empowering the underprivileged, the Group is dedicated to fostering meaningful connections with local communities and advancing alongside society. In line with this mission, we are proud to announce that during the Reporting Period, we have allocated a sum of HK\$278,100 (compared to HK\$423,000 in FY2023) towards various charitable initiatives. These contributions have been strategically directed towards supporting societal development and promoting environmental protection. By actively engaging in philanthropic endeavors, we strive to make a positive impact and create a sustainable future for all

#### **CULTIVATING PHARMACEUTICAL TALENTS**

As part of our dedication to fostering excellence in pharmaceutical research and career development, the Group actively cultivates talented individuals and assists them in realising their ambitions.

One of the ways we do this is by offering generous scholarships to support their educational journey. We are thrilled to share that Jacobson has reaffirmed its commitment to supporting the academic pursuits of students at the School of Pharmacy of The Chinese University of Hong Kong ("CUHK") ("CUHK Pharmacy") for the upcoming academic year of 2023-2024. The sponsorship includes the following scholarships:

Jacobson **Admission** Scholarship

Jacobson is offering five scholarships, each valued at HK\$10,000, to deserving CUHK Pharmacy students who have displayed remarkable academic achievements and potential.

Jacobson Undergraduate **Fellowship** 

Jacobson is providing a single Undergraduate Fellowship worth HK\$10,000. This prestigious fellowship aims to recognise an exceptional undergraduate student who has demonstrated exemplary dedication and commitment to the field of pharmacy.

Furthermore, the Group actively supports both local and international university students by providing internship opportunities that may lead to potential job offers. Through these initiatives, we aim to establish a network of talented future leaders who can contribute to the ever-evolving healthcare landscape. By offering practical application of knowledge and expanding horizons within the pharmaceutical industry, we empower students to gain valuable experience, sharpen their skills, and pave the way for a successful career in the field.





### **Enhancing Industry Insight: Company Field Trips for Student Empowerment**

On 16 June 2023, a group of Master of Global Management students from the University of Hong Kong ("HKU") Business School embarked on a company field trip to Jacobson's manufacturing facility, located in Tai Po InnoPark. As part of their immersive educational experience, the students had the unique opportunity to explore a state-of-the-art manufacturing facility and gain firsthand insights into the intricacies of the industry.

During the visit, the students actively engaged in an informative Q&A session with industry experts, where they had the chance to pose thought-provoking questions and receive comprehensive answers. This interactive session not only deepened their understanding of the manufacturing processes but also provided valuable insights into the real-world challenges and opportunities within the industry.

Through our commitment to cultivating talents and providing opportunities, we strive to create a vibrant and dynamic healthcare ecosystem that thrives on the contributions of exceptional individuals.

#### CHAMPIONING FOR THE RIGHTS OF UNDERPRIVILEGED GROUPS

To assist disadvantaged individuals with specific needs and promote their health and well-being, the Group regularly donates and sponsors products to charitable organisations, primarily aiming to support the elderly in local communities. For this campaign, we have donated 80 bottles of Wood Lok Medicated Oil to our elderly neighbors through the St. Anthony Church.

In the spirit of giving, we collaborated with the Children's Cancer Foundation ("CCF") during the Chinese New Year celebrations in 2024. We donated goody bags to low-income families. These goody bags were carefully put together, containing small toys, stationery, and other items to bring joy to children diagnosed with cancer and their families. We aimed to show our care and support during this challenging time. In January 2024, CCF's dedicated social workers went the extra mile by personally delivering these goody bags to 14 families, benefiting a total of 45 individuals. Each goody bag also included candies, Wellcome Supermarket gift vouchers, and other thoughtful items. Additionally, we are proud to announce that we made a generous donation of HK\$50,000 to the CCF. This contribution further exemplifies our commitment to supporting those in need and making a positive impact on the lives of children diagnosed with cancer and their families.

The Hong Kong Federation of Handicapped Youth ("HKFHY") is an organisation close to our hearts, and we are committed to supporting their initiatives. In a recent collaboration, we contributed HK\$3,000 to the HKFHY, enabling them to provide assistance to individuals with disabilities. Furthermore, we donated 100 pieces of cookies, adding a touch of sweetness to their activities. Through this partnership, we aim to empower and improve the lives of young people with disabilities.





Furthermore, we believe in the importance of community engagement and supporting meaningful causes. In alignment with this belief, we participated in the AVEDA Walk N Fun event organised by A Drop of Life. We were delighted to contribute to this meaningful cause, and we mobilised a dedicated team of 51 volunteers from the Group. Furthermore, we actively participated in "DeliverMoon Goodies Bag Distribution" in September 2023. By joining forces, we aimed to make a positive impact on the lives of those in need.









Together, we can create a brighter and more inclusive future for all.

### **PUBLIC ACCESS TO HEALTHCARE**

To address the healthcare needs and demands of society, the Group has implemented numerous measures to expand the accessibility and affordability of healthcare. To this end, we submit tenders for generic medicines whilst converting patented drugs that are about to expire into generic drugs. Through in-licensing and distribution agreements, we eliminate barriers to effective medical treatment for local citizens.





# ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP



### **ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP**



### **ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE**

Adherence to environmental laws and regulations is an obligation that we pay great attention to. Hence, the Group maintained full compliance with all relevant environmental legislation, including but not limited to the Hazardous Chemicals Control Ordinance (Cap. 595 of the Laws of Hong Kong), We are a registered chemical waste producer under the Environmental Protection Department of Hong Kong ("EPD"), and all chemical waste is properly packed, labelled and stored according to their guidelines prior to collection. For each disposal of chemical waste classified as dangerous drugs, a "Notification under Section 17 for 'Part A' Chemical Wastes" must be submitted to the EPD. Disposal instructions will be returned by them that must be followed and handed to a licensed waste collector endorsed by the EPD. In addition, our procedures to manage emissions and wastewater discharge are executed according to the relevant regulations of the EPD.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT AND TARGETS**

Preserving the environment and natural resources from irreparable damage is a key concern for Jacobson. Thus, we strive to effectively handle the pressing issue of climate change, and mitigate our carbon footprint to protect ecosystems and enable sustainable development. To minimise its environmental impact, the Group has measures in place to efficiently consume energy, packaging materials and water whilst reducing harmful wastewater, emissions and waste. Through this multi-faceted approach, the Group maintains compliance with environmental laws and regulations.



In FY2023, we have initiated the formulation of the Environmental Policy to strengthen our dedication to protecting the environment. Environmental targets to reinforce this commitment were disclosed in FY2022, and progress on these targets was monitored. We also deposited HK\$10,000,000 into Chong Hing Bank as green deposit which was used to finance and/or refinance the eligible Green Projects. Waste reduction targets were not set as the Group rigorously complies with environmental regulations, which affects its abilities in this regard.

	TARGET	FY2024 PROGRESS
GHG	<ul> <li>By FY2023, organise an environmental initiative that reduces or offsets greenhouse gas emissions.</li> <li>By FY2025, identify and join an industry association/coalition/partnership group to promote carbon reduction in the industry.</li> <li>By FY2026, replace at least 20% of existing company vehicles with hybrid or electric vehicles.</li> </ul>	Achieved – participated in the Green Power Hike and a tree planting event, in which staff, including the Chairman and frontline employees, were engaged with.  In progress – identified potential associations to join and reviewed their suitability to our operations.  In progress – explored sourcing options from different markets and will continue to monitor stock availability and search for alternative providers of hybrid or electric vehicles.
WASTE	<ul> <li>By FY2023, set up a waste monitoring system for non-hazardous waste to facilitate data collection.</li> <li>By FY2023, set up a recycling policy and system for non-hazardous waste to facilitate recycling at offices and facilities.</li> <li>By FY2023, provide at least 1-hour waste reduction training for employees.</li> </ul>	Achieved – waste baseline study completed, the monitoring system is under review.  Achieved – Group-level policy completed, waste disposal practices reviewed and consolidated across manufacturing business units, and support ensured for successful implementation. Pilot project initiated for office paper recycling.  Achieved – provided a 1-hour training session on waste reduction to employees.
ELECTRICITY	<ul> <li>By FY2023, provide at least 1-hour energy and resource-saving training for employees.</li> <li>By FY2026, reduce electricity usage intensity by revenue (kWh/HK\$'million) of at least 20% of all facilities by 3%, compared to a FY2020 baseline.</li> </ul>	Achieved – provided a 1-hour training session on energy and resource-saving to employees.  In progress – will join the Peak Demand  Management Programme of CLP Power to accelerate progress.
FUEL	By FY2026, replace at least 20% of existing company vehicles with hybrid or electric vehicles.	In progress – explored sourcing options from different markets and will continue to monitor stock availability and search for alternative providers of hybrid or electric vehicles.
WATER	<ul> <li>By FY2023, study the feasibility of setting up separate systems at each production facility to record water usage for production and non-production purposes.</li> <li>By FY2023, provide at least 1-hour energy and resource-saving training for employees.</li> <li>By FY2024, establish a monitoring and control system to determine the quality of wastewater discharged at production facilities.</li> </ul>	Achieved – A feasibility study for water usage has been completed, and significant challenges have been identified based on the study results, requiring further investigation.  Achieved – provided a 1-hour training session on energy and resource-saving to employees.  In progress – will formulate an action plan pending the findings of the feasibility study for water usage.

### **CLIMATE CHANGE VULNERABILITY**

Climate change is a complex phenomenon with increasingly devastating impacts on livelihoods. At Jacobson, we acknowledge the urgency of creating a robust climate change strategy that is aligned with the Paris Agreement as well as Hong Kong and China's goals to achieve carbon neutrality by 2050 and 2060 respectively to accelerate action on environmental protection. To strengthen our oversight of climate-related risks and opportunities, we commissioned an independent sustainability consultancy to perform a climate-related risk and opportunities analysis with reference to the recommendations of the Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures (TCFD), so as to identify climate change-related risks and opportunities that may have a significant impact on the Group's operation, as well as the corresponding financial impacts.

#### **GOVERNANCE**

The Board and ESG Committee provide leadership, guidance and supervision on the all climate-related matters at the strategic level, whilst the ESG Working Group leads the execution and monitoring of policies and practices at the operational level. The management responsibilities of these parties, the detailed governance structure of the Group is shown in "ESG GOVERNANCE" of this ESG Report.

#### Strategy

Climate - related Risks

Climate-related Risks	Impact Period	Aspect	Impacts	Risk Mitigation Measures and Progress
Physical Risks				
Increased severity of extreme weather events	Long-term	Acute	Increased Operating Costs to implement the more sustainable practices and processes on extreme weather events management.  Increased capital costs/ Reduction in capital availability due to increased repairment cost resulting from damage to facilities and buildings.  Increased insurance premiums/Reduced availability of insurance on assets due to the increasing frequency and severity of extreme weather events.	Enforcement of Preventive Measures in response to the increased severity and frequency of extreme weather events due to climate change.     Enhance storage facilities for organic goods (e.g. temperature-sensitive raw materials, medicine or vaccine).     Regular inspection of equipment and other physical assets to ensure proper maintenance and resilience.     Maintain comprehensive insurance coverage for properties and other assets which are prone to damage by extreme weather or other physical impacts caused by climate change.

Climate-related Risks	Impact Period	Aspect	Impacts	Risk Mitigation Measures and Progress
Transition Risks				
Enhanced emissions-reporting obligations	Medium-term	Policy and Legal	Increased operating costs to comply with increasingly stringent requirements.	Collaborate with sustainability professionals to maintain compliance with emissions reporting requirements. Evaluating potential participation in the Hong Kong Green Organisation Certification (HKGOC).
				Conduct ESG-related training for     Directors regularly to keep abreast of the     latest environmental regulatory updates.     Participated in a talk on reforestation.
Increased pricing of GHG emissions	Long-term	Policy and Legal	Increased operating costs to comply with higher compliance costs and implement the more sustainable practices and processes.  Capital investment/ expenditures in technology development.  Increased capital costs/Reduction in capital availability for purchasing equipment and building new facilities.	Actively participating in environmental protection activities to reduce carbon footprint.     Participated in tree planting activities to drive environmental protection.      Comprehensively verify the data of GHG emissions and adopting cleaner technologies to promote sustainable practices.     Review and assess the deployment of solar technology in the production facilities.
Substitution of existing products and services with lower emissions options	Medium- to long-term	Technology	Increased operating costs to adopt more sustainable operating practices.	Retrofit existing facilities with energy-efficient systems.     Explored renewable energy sources that can be implemented at production facilities.
			Capital investment/ expenditures in technology development.	Implement optimal energy control programmes to conserve energy.     Expect to join the Peak Demand Management programme of CLP Power.
			Increased capital costs/ Reduction in capital availability for lower emissions options.	<ul> <li>Adopt a mobile ordering system to reduce paper usage.</li> <li>Mobile ordering system is in the final stage of development.</li> </ul>

Climate-related Risks	Impact Period	Aspect	Impacts	Risk Mitigation Measures and Progress
Costs to transition to lower emissions technology	Long-term	Technology	Increased expenditure to convert to greener infrastructure and employ new technology.	<ul> <li>Invest in hybrid or electric vehicles for company vehicles.</li> <li>Explored sourcing options from different markets and will continue to monitor stock availability.</li> <li>Build new production facilities with energy conservation features.</li> <li>Considering collaboration with an academic institute to apply energy-saving initiatives during the building design stage.</li> </ul>

#### Climate-related Opportunities

Countries or regions worldwide have successively set goals of carbon peaking and carbon neutrality, and developed regulatory measures related to GHG emissions, such as carbon pricing and carbon tariffs. In response to such measures, downstream customers will turn to low-carbon products and services to reduce emissions along the value chain. Additionally, as consumers become increasingly aware of sustainability, they are showing a greater interest in green and low-carbon offerings. The development and production of more environmentally friendly medicines may bring more consumers for the Group.

Increasing R&D and investment in clean technology and green consumption, on the one hand, can reduce GHG emissions from our operations, improve energy efficiency and thereby lower operational and compliance costs. On the other hand, it helps us enhance our brand reputation, attract clients and consumers, and capture and expand in the green and low-carbon market, thus improving our financial performance with higher revenue.

#### Risk Management

Identification and Assessment of Climate-related Risks and Opportunities

The Board reviews and evaluates the results of the analysis through the ESG Committee's and independent sustainability consultancy's feedback to identify a preliminary list of climate-related risks and opportunities. There are total nine physical (acute and chronic) risks and nine transition risks (policy and legal, technology, market and reputation) which would have an impact on our operations.

### Climate-related Physical Risks

We ranked the each identified acute physical risk that relates to extreme weather events based on assessment criteria of frequency and severity. To evaluate frequency, we analysed relevant statistics published by the Hong Kong Observatory, whilst our severity assessment was based on applying forecasting methods to quantitatively predict the potential impact on our financials, operations, and health and safety. An overall risk level was calculated using a heat map of the frequency and severity of climate-related physical risk.

For ranking the chronic physical risk of rising sea levels, the Group employed the Coastal Risk Screening Tool prediction model devised by Climate Central to analyse the number and percentage of the Group's production facilities and offices that are vulnerable to the threat of coastal flooding by 2050 based on their location. An overall risk level was determined based on the percentage of production facilities and offices affected under different hypothetical scenario. The hypothetical scenario including annual flooding, moderate reductions in pollution levels, exclusion of areas isolated by higher land, and a median rise in sea level were incorporated into this assessment.

#### Climate-related Transition Risks

For each identified transition risk to a low-carbon economy, four aspects were evaluated to determine the significance. To evaluate the three aspects of jurisdiction, timeframe and sector, we carried out desk research to identify measures enacted by relevant governments. A prediction model was sued to forecast the Group's approximate CAPEX and OPEX, which is the final aspect. A risk heat map focusing on the four aspects was created to determine an overall risk level.

Through our approach, five climate-related risks were concluded to be high risk to the Group. Mitigation measures to address these challenges have been implemented and were monitored to enhance our management of these climate-related issues. Short, medium, and long-term climate-related risk are defined as within three years, three to ten years, and over ten years respectively.

In order to actively respond to the identified risks of climate change and effectively prevent the adverse effects and risks of climate change, the Group has formulated strategies to adapt to and mitigate climate change based on material issues.

#### Adaptation

The Group is committed to improving the monitoring and early warning of climate change at the place of operation, identifying the vulnerability of key infrastructure to climate change, and improving its adaptability and resilience to climate change.

### Continuous monitoring of meteorological information

We improved the communication channels with relevant departments to ensure that each operating site understands local meteorological information in a timely manner and brace up for extreme weather in advance.

## Regular inspection

We regularly inspected the drainage system, electrical instruments and other facilities of the operation site, and carried out troubleshooting and reinforcement for outdoor facilities.

## Development of emergency plans in response to climate changes

We set up a climate change emergency response team to assist each operating site to implement emergency plans in a timely and orderly manner under extreme weather conditions to minimise the damage of extreme weather to the Group.

#### Metrics and Targets

To reduce the GHG emissions, the Group is committed to reducing its carbon footprint, which is mainly derived from energy usage to support its manufacturing and logistics operations as well as maintain the safety of products. We acknowledge that these operations will generate a large of GHG and may be detrimental to the environment. Therefore, we have set GHG target listed below:

- · By FY2023, organise an environmental initiative that reduces or offsets greenhouse gas emissions.
- · By FY2025, identify and join an industry association/coalition/partnership group to promote carbon reduction in the industry.
- · By FY2026, replace at least 20% of existing company vehicles with hybrid or electric vehicles.

To minimise our impact, we have designated staff at production facilities in charge of switching off lights and air conditioners where possible. Shuttle buses are provided to employees to reduce pollution from commuting. In relation to our procurement activities, FSC or PEFC-certified paper and office appliances with energy-saving labels are purchased whilst raw materials are mainly sourced from suppliers close to production facilities.

During the Reporting Period, we organised several activities to reduce harmful emissions. The EPD was invited to organise a 1.5-hour training seminar on resource-saving and waste reduction was arranged, with 143 employees in attendance, gaining valuable knowledge. The Group also completed a review and consolidation of the current waste disposal practices of each manufacturing business unit, as well as the arrangement of recycle bins (三色桶) to identify the necessary support.

To kick-start our transition to clean energy, we have conducted research on renewable energy and plan to install solar panels at appropriate production facilities. Moving forward, we will further apply a bottom-up approach, in which employees will be empowered to take individual and collective action on reducing carbon footprint to ultimately influence behavioural change across the Group.

GHG emissions emitted by the Group originate from the combustion of fuels from manufacturing equipment and vehicles (scope 1), the consumption of electricity and gas (scope 2), and paper waste disposed of at landfills, electricity used for fresh water and sewage processing, and business travel (scope 3). For details of our initiatives to minimise GHG emissions, please refer to the "Energy Consumption", "Water and wastewater management", "Hazardous and Non-Hazardous Waste Management" subsections within this section of this ESG Report.

In order to better understand the Group's GHG emissions, we commissioned an independent sustainability consultancy to evaluate our performance. The quantification methodologies used to reference both local and international guidelines, including the "Guidelines to Account for and Report on Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Removals for Buildings (Commercial, Residential or Institutional Purposes) in Hong Kong" published by the EPD and the Electrical and Mechanical Services Department of Hong Kong (EMSD), and the "Greenhouse Gas Protocol" produced by the World Resources Institute and World Business Council for Sustainable Development. The GHG emission factors are derived from the respective utility companies in Hong Kong or the regional power grid in Mainland China. As natural gas and steam are consumed at the Group's production facility in Mainland China, emission factors are obtained from government departments of the PRC or credible sources. During the Reporting Period, the Group's total GHG emissions intensity decreased by approximately 61.90%.

GHG Emissions	Unit	FY2024	FY2023	% Change
Scope 1: Direct GHG Emissions <sup>1</sup>	tCO <sub>2</sub> -e	8,415.30	39,452.96	-78.67%
Scope 2: Energy Indirect Emissions <sup>2</sup>	tCO <sub>2</sub> -e	11,136.26	23,612.70	-52.84%
Scope 3: Other Indirect Emission <sup>3</sup>	tCO <sub>2</sub> -e	249.02	153.38	62.36%
Total GHG Emissions (Scope 1-3)	tCO <sub>2</sub> -e	19,800.59	63,219.04	-68.68%
Total GHG Emissions Intensity by Revenue	tCO <sub>2</sub> -e/HK\$'million	13.49	35.41	-82.87%

#### Notes:

- 1. Scope I emissions data in FY2024 comprises the emissions generated from the combustion of fuels in stationary and mobile sources.
- 2. Scope 2 emissions data in FY2024 includes purchased electricity. The emission factors used for calculating greenhouse gas emission of purchased electricity in FY2024 are based on the "2023 Sustainability Report" provided by The HongKong Electric Company, Limited and China Light & Power Company, Limited.
- 3. Scope 3 emissions data in FY2023 and FY2024 includes paper waste disposed at landfills and business travel, whilst FY2024 additionally includes electricity used for fresh water and sewage processing. For Scope 3, FY2024 includes methane gas generation at the landfill due to the disposal of paper waste (129.10 tCO<sub>2</sub>-e) and electricity used for fresh water and sewage processing (106.56 tCO<sub>3</sub>-e), resulting in an increase in Scope 3 emissions.

#### **ENERGY CONSUMPTION**

We concentrate on reducing energy consumption to decrease the burning of fossil fuels and corresponding emissions. Electricity, towngas and fuel used for manufacturing, cleanroom maintenance and/or 23 (FY2023: 29) company vehicles represent our main sources of energy consumption.

Energy-saving features are incorporated into the construction design of new facilities, whilst existing buildings are retrofitted with energy-efficient technologies where possible. The temperature and humidity levels of cleanrooms are strictly controlled according to GMP and DH standards, and it is the most energy-intensive operation at production facilities. An energy control programme that is integrated with our building automation system is in place, which monitors real-time conditions of areas and adjusts room temperature, humidity and airflow to optimise energy usage. Our Engineering Department has installed monitoring devices at certain production facilities and tracks the performance of implemented energy-saving systems. To further develop knowledge of best practices and practise responsible energy management, Jacobson collaborates with external organisations and academic institutes on sustainable initiatives.

To manage towngas usage, our Engineering Department carries out daily patrols to ensure that gas combustion equipment is well maintained, and it also keeps consumption records. Employees are also reminded to practise fuel-efficient driving techniques when using company vehicles, which we are in the process of replacing with hybrid or electric vehicles.

By evaluating our consumption patterns and making comparisons, we are able to identify trends and determine areas for improvement.

Francisco Language Consumption 1	Unit	EV2027	EV2027	% Change
Energy Consumption <sup>1</sup>	Unit	FY2024	FY2023	% Change
Direct Energy Consumption	MWh	5,855.15	NA	NA
Direct Energy Consumption – Combustion of fuels in stationary sources	MWh	4,729.42	NA	NA
Direct Energy Consumption – Combustion of fuels in mobile sources	MWh	1,125.73	NA	NA
Indirect Energy Consumption	MWh	27,838.95	NA	NA
Indirect Energy Consumption – Purchased Electricity	MWh	27,838.95	33,136.09	-15.99%
Total Energy Consumption	MWh	33,694.11	239,356.02	-85.92%
Energy Consumption Intensity by Revenue	MWh/HK\$'million	22.96	134.05	-82.87%

#### Note:

<sup>1.</sup> To ensure consistency in measurement units and enhance data comparability, the FY2023 data has been converted to WMh.

#### PACKAGING MATERIALS CONSUMPTION

The Group is mindful of its packaging materials consumption, which mainly comprises inserts, labels, boxes and outer cartons. Although our packaging materials are generally not recycled due to restrictions imposed by regulatory authorities, we nevertheless aim to minimise waste during production by procuring packaging materials based on sales forecasts and purchasing them in bulk. We have carefully considered our procurement practices and allocated staff at each production facility to monitor the type and quantity of packaging materials used, expiry dates and batch numbers printed on the packaging boxes to optimise usage.

To facilitate tracking and management efforts, during the Reporting Period, we created a road map for recording each packaging material by weight, which the glass and metal packaging materials have already been weighed in FY2024. We have disclosed the glass and metal in KG in FY2024, for other packaging materials such as plastics and paper, the Group are in the process of standardising to by weight.

Packaging Materials	Unit	FY2024	FY2023
Total Packaging Materials Usage	Pieces	112,681,700.74	275,894,795.00
Total Packaging Materials Usage	kg	973,101.43 <sup>1</sup>	546,834.00 <sup>1</sup>
Packaging Materials Usage Intensity by Revenue	Pieces/HK\$'million	76,769.22	154,512.79
Packaging Materials Usage Intensity by Revenue	kg/HK\$'million	662.97	306.25

### WATER AND WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT

Practising responsible water and wastewater management is of great importance to Jacobson. Water is a critical component of our operations and is used for the production of medicines, general cleaning and specialised sanitisation processes, whilst wastewater discharge is strictly observed and controlled.

#### WATER MANAGEMENT

To embrace sustainable water practices, we place water conservation posters in washrooms and in certain areas across the Group's facilities. A water purification system that maintains the quality and efficiency of water used for drug production processes has been set up. One of our production facilities has additionally been equipped with a water recycling system to facilitate the reuse of water for cleaning and flushing purposes. Water used for cooling towers is monitored to improve overall efficiency.

### **Water Conservation Project**

The water recycling system at our subsidiary, Europharm Laboratoires Company Limited, optimises water usage by facilitating the reuse of water for cleaning and flushing purposes to ultimately enhance water efficiency. Through this system, we are able to effectively minimise wastage and reduce water pollution in the surrounding environment.

Since 2018, we have participated annually in the BOCHK Corporate Low-Carbon Environmental Leadership Awards, organised by the Federation of Hong Kong Industries and sponsored by Bank of China (Hong Kong) Limited, to showcase our environmental accomplishments.



#### Note:

1. In FY2024, the total packaging materials (kg) include plastic packaging materials, metal packaging materials and glass packaging materials. In FY2023, the total packaging materials (kg) include plastic packaging materials and metal packaging materials.

During the Reporting Period, we carried out a feasibility study to enhance our practices in relation to recording water usage for production and non-production purposes. Further details of this initiative are expected to be disclosed in FY2025. During the Reporting Period, the Group's water usage decreased by approximately 10.13%. The Group additionally did not encounter any problems with sourcing water that was fit for purpose.

Water <sup>1</sup>	Unit	FY2024	FY2023	% Change
Water Usage	m³	168,763.58	187,783.75	-10.13%
Water Usage Intensity by Revenue	m³/HK\$'million	114.98	105.17	9.33%

#### WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT

The Group exercises due care by monitoring the wastewater discharge system to ensure the proper and safe treatment of wastewater. Through this process, the temperature of generated wastewater is strictly controlled, in which samples are taken by regulatory authorities annually to maintain its concentration levels. At production facilities in Hong Kong, wastewater is properly discharged into the sewage network operated by the Drainage Services Department of Hong Kong (DSD). Whereas, in Mainland China, we operate wastewater treatment facilities to dispose of discharge and reduce pollutants responsibly.

#### **EMISSIONS AND WASTE MANAGEMENT**

As a steward of the environment, the Group strives to minimise the generation of emissions and waste from its operational processes whilst embracing responsible measures to manage its environmental impact.

#### AIR EMISSIONS MANAGEMENT

Our air emissions mainly consist of nitrogen oxide (NOx), sulphur oxides (SOx) and particulate matter (PM), which are derived from machinery used in drug manufacturing and vehicles used for goods distribution. Pre filters, medium filters and HEPA filters have been equipped with the HVAC systems at production and laboratory facilities, which maintains specific temperature, relative humidity and cleanliness level to improve indoor air quality and reduce particulate emissions. In addition, all fossil fuel-based vehicles will be replaced with hybrid or electric vehicles in the near future.

Air Emissions	Unit	FY2024	FY2023	% Change
Nitrogen Oxide Emissions	kg	1,193.23	4,353.01	-72.59%
Sulphur Oxide Emissions	kg	2.03	16.53	-87.72%
Particulate Matter Emissions	kg	81.35	139.06	-41.50%

#### HAZARDOUS AND NON-HAZARDOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT

The Group's waste generation primarily stems from production processes that include non-conforming products, expired raw materials, damaged goods, microbiological waste after testing, chemical waste from quality control testing and packaging waste, amongst others.

For hazardous waste, we have formulated a Goods Destruction Policy for production facilities, which describes our handling and recording procedures and is reviewed by QA staff. It states that for the disposal of different types of hazardous waste, relevant personnel are instructed to complete and attach a specified label on the items and fill in a "Drug Waste Destruction Record Form". The QA Head or pharmacist will then review and approve the form, whilst QA staff or pharmacists will submit relevant documents, including our "Disposal of Pharmaceutical Waste" form, to the EPD for waste disposal arrangement. The waste is collected in a suitable container and stored at the designated drug disposal area, ready for collection and further processing by waste contractors. Special arrangements are made for chemical waste, which is handled under strict conditions and must be declared to the EPD and disposed of by licensed chemical waste collectors. If the chemical waste is classified as dangerous drugs, it will be processed under the supervision of DH personnel and is treated by licensed chemical waste collectors

Non-contaminated labware and wastepaper form our non-hazardous waste generated at production facilities and offices. To reduce paper usage, Jacobson has adopted a mobile ordering system and a SAP system, which streamlines electronic payments. Digital communication methods are used where possible to promote paperless operations further. Printers are set to duplex printing, and employees are encouraged to reuse and recycle paper. At offices, the Group embraces the principles of the '4Rs' - reduce, reuse, recycle and replace to manifest responsible waste management. Moving forward, we aim to improve our paper recycling efforts to facilitate proper waste disposal.

During the Reporting Period, we successfully implemented a recycling policy and waste management policy, which have streamlined our waste disposal procedures. We have also conducted a waste baseline study to gain insights into our non-hazardous waste and are currently in discussions regarding the development of a monitoring system to track its progress.

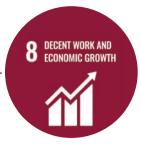
Waste	Unit	FY2024	FY2023	% Change
Hazardous Waste Disposal	kg	53,043.68	91,380.40	-41.95%
Hazardous Waste – Liquid Chemical Waste	kg	10,641.18	NA	NA
Hazardous Waste – Solid Chemical Waste	kg	42,402.50	NA	NA
Hazardous Waste Disposal Intensity by Revenue	kg/HK\$'million	36.14	51.18	-29.39%
Non-hazardous Waste Disposal <sup>1</sup>	kg	591,515.06	NA	NA
Waste Disposal – Recycled	kg	20,679.86	NA	NA
Waste Disposal – Landfill	kg	570,835.20	NA	NA
Non-hazardous Waste Disposal Intensity by Revenue	kg/HK\$'million	402.99	NA	NA

#### Note:

Due to the optimisation of our data collection system, starting from FY2024, we have begun disclosing data on non-hazardous waste. The types of non-hazardous waste include general waste (i.e., common office garbage), plastic, paper, food waste, glass, and metals.



### **COMMITMENT TO EMPLOYEES**



At Jacobson, people are at the core of our business and are integral to our success. Thus, we have an unwavering commitment to enhancing employees' growth, satisfaction and loyalty to bring out their best. We use our utmost efforts to develop our talented workforce's capabilities by providing training opportunities, uphold their human rights and labour rights, and build strong relationships through engagement initiatives whilst prioritising their health and well-being in the workplace.

#### **DEVELOPMENT AND TRAINING**

Nurturing and training our workforce allows us to unlock their potential whilst helping to strengthen the supply and consistency of products. We introduce new staff members to the Company history, background, structure and philosophy, employee benefits, regulations, and practices through orientation training. Practical on-the-job training, which is based on the approved "Training Curriculum", is also organised as part of the onboarding process to instil confidence and encourage progression.

Employees are provided with comprehensive training based on the nature of their work and workplace. Annual training on SOPs and periodic training on the principles of GMP is routinely scheduled to equip staff with the necessary knowledge to perform tasks safely and effectively, in which a test will need to be completed and passed. Moreover, training on numerous aspects is periodically arranged to enhance the skills of frontline employees and protect their safety. Pharmacists are given strong support throughout their career, including training on the production process, mentorships and career path planning to nurture them in becoming proficient Authorised Persons. They may also be tasked with supervisory duties to further develop their competencies.

We support our employees with professional growth through the Company Sponsorship for External Studies/Training Policy, which is also mentioned in our Employee Handbook. Under this policy, we aim to enrich their career development and provide sponsorship opportunities for employees partaking in external training programmes, which can be either company nominated training or staff initiated training. Employees will be granted study leave if the training is conducted during working hours. For staff initiated training, course fees are reimbursed upon completion of the course and passing any examinations. During the Reporting Period, 18,136 (FY2023: 33,829.67) hours of employee training were completed on topics including but not limited to GMP document writing, waste disposal procedures, code of practice, packaging process and user complaint management.

#### **CHILD AND FORCED LABOUR**

The Group is devoted to advocating equal employment rights and upholding ethical labour standards to prevent occurrences of child and forced labour in the workplace. During the recruitment process, the identity and documentation of applicants are checked and verified to ensure their age and background adhere to local laws and regulations. In the event that dishonest or fraudulent information has been provided, recruitment or employment with the Group will be immediately terminated without compensation. Any overtime work performed by employees is compensated via time off or pay to ensure fair remuneration. During the Reporting Period, the Group did not record any cases concerning labour disputes and maintained compliance with the Minimum Wage Ordinance (Cap. 608 of the Laws of Hong Kong).

#### **EMPLOYEE BENEFITS AND ENGAGEMENT**

To show appreciation to our talented workforce, we strive to offer a range of incentives and carry out engagement activities to ultimately increase their overall welfare. Our employment-related policies and procedures are listed in our Employee Handbook and Employment Contract, which fully comply with the Employment Ordinance (Cap. 57 of the Laws of Hong Kong), Labour Law and Labour Contract Law of the PRC.

Employees are offered a competitive remuneration package and are entitled to numerous leave benefits, including statutory holidays, annual leave, sick leave, maternity leave, paternity leave, jury/witness duty leave, marriage leave, and compassionate leave. A discretionary Chinese New Year bonus is given to employees subject to the performance of the Company and individual employees. In addition, we provide employees with the Group medical insurance, employees' compensation insurance and the business travel insurance. The Transportation and Travel Expenses Reimbursement Policy allows staff members who work overtime beyond a certain period of time to be reimbursed for any travel expenses incurred on the trip back home. Free shuttle bus services are operated between several locations, which employees in Tai Po InnoPark are entitled to use. A lunch subsidy scheme is also in place for employees who work at this site.

We have set up an annual performance appraisal system as part of our commitment to engaging with employees. The Department Head will complete an appraisal form by engaging in discussion with the staff member and evaluating his/her performance. An overall performance rating is calculated that correlates to a salary increase. The annual salary review proposal is reviewed by the HR Department and is subject to the Chairman's final approval. To retain our top talents, we may offer alternative career paths, conduct special salary reviews and provide additional benefits depending on the circumstances.

To inspire staff members to showcase their creative talents that capture the rich cultural heritage of our communities, we have organised annual staff photography contests since 2012. The winners' artworks are featured in the annual corporate calendar, which is distributed to all employees, and they are incentivised with cash prizes. During the Reporting Period, the Group partnered with HSBC to provide exclusive cash rebates and MPF-related benefits to our employees. In addition, to improve employee satisfaction and create a united workforce, we will empower individual business units to organise employee engagement activities and host Group-level events.

### Employee Work-Life Balance: Fostering Success on and off the Court

The recent triumph of the Jacobson basketball team at the Federation of Medical Societies of Hong Kong ("FMSHK") Federation Sports Day 2024 championship highlights our organisation's commitment to employee work-life balance. This victory underscores the significance we place on fostering a harmonious equilibrium between work and personal life for our employees. The exceptional teamwork and winning spirit demonstrated by our basketball team reflect the dedication and skill of our employees embody both on and off the court.

Jacobson recognises that maintaining a healthy work-life balance is essential for individual success and overall team cohesion. We actively support our staff members' participation in extracurricular activities, understanding that a fulfilled personal life enhances productivity and job satisfaction. The remarkable achievements of the Jacobson basketball team in various championships, including the recent FMSHK Federation Sports Day, serve as a testament to our commitment to nurturing a culture that encourages





As we move forward, Jacobson remains steadfast in our dedication to promoting work-life balance, ensuring that our employees can thrive both professionally and personally. We will continue to create a supportive environment that values the well-being of our team members, fostering a culture where they can reach their full potential. By upholding the importance of work-life balance, we aim to empower our employees to lead fulfilling lives both inside and outside the workplace.

#### **OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY**

Adopting a safety-driven culture to safeguard our employees' occupational health and safety ("**OHS**") is indispensable to our operations. By providing a safe and low-risk work environment, we strictly follow all health and safety regulations, including but not limited to the Employees' Compensation Ordinance (Cap. 282 of the Laws of Hong Kong).

The Group implements a robust Occupational Health & Safety Management System ("OHSMS"), which integrates health and safety protocols. The system defines the organisational structure, responsibility of personnel and management-level procedures to ensure health and safety are rigorously applied throughout our operations. In addition, it is constructed of three key elements, which are the Occupational Health & Safety Policy Manual, OHS management procedures and SOPs. The Occupational Health & Safety Policy shapes our OHS direction, states our primary objectives and lays out the responsibilities of personnel. This policy is reviewed and revised every two years to maintain its validity and effectiveness.

An annual safety audit or review and follow-up inspections on the OHSMS are conducted by external auditors and the Labour Department of Hong Kong respectively to strengthen its overall performance. We will subsequently review the findings from the inspections and execute improvement initiatives (if any) to maintain high safety standards. In addition, the Safety Committee comprising management personnel has been established, which meets every three months, to oversee the implementation of OHS, discuss important safety matters and formulate any actions for improvement.

To promote a shared responsibility of protecting health and safety, we share information on all injuries or accidents at production facilities amongst the Group's business units. Procedures to safeguard employee well-being are detailed in our Employee Handbook. Fire drills are held annually whilst machinery and equipment are inspected for safety hazards. Annual health checks are provided for production frontline employees at production facilities, and noise and manual handling assessments are conducted periodically to prevent avoidable health issues. In the event of a workplace injury, the employee should receive appropriate medical treatment, and the incident must be immediately reported to a supervisor for further action. The Group recorded 0 (FY2023: nil) case of work-related fatalities in the past three years, which includes the Reporting Period, and 421 (FY2023: 839) lost days due to work-related injuries.

All new staff members are required to participate and pass induction training on OHS, whilst employees are provided with annual refresher safety training. During the Reporting Period, training on topics including fire escape procedures, site clearance inspection, cleaning tools usage and safe laboratory practices, amongst others, were provided to employees to enhance their safety knowledge.

A comprehensive Risk Assessment Register has been produced, which is updated either on an annual basis or to incorporate new activities associated with production, evaluating the identified hazards that may occur during the manufacturing process of different products. A risk rating is assigned to determine the existing risk level, calculated according to the likelihood and severity. Control measures are formulated to reduce the existing risk level to an acceptable level, including providing PPE, displaying warning notices and installing covers or guards. Team Leaders are responsible for implementing the defined control measures, whereas the Production Officer shall monitor the effectiveness of these actions.

Occupational Health and Safety Policy Manual

OHS Management Procedures

OHS Management Procedures

System

OHS Management Procedure for Safety and Checklist

### LAWS AND REGULATIONS

During the Reporting Period, we fully complied with all relevant laws and regulations that have a significant impact on the Group and were not aware of any non-compliance. Relevant monitoring measures have been established to reinforce and maintain our compliance. The legislation of applicable jurisdictions that the Group adheres to is listed below.

#### SOCIAL:

- Code of Practice of the Hong Kong Association of the Pharmaceutical Industry (HKAPI)
- Pharmaceutical Inspection Co-operation Scheme (PIC/S) Good Manufacturing Practice (GMP)
- Sale of Goods Ordinance (Cap. 26 of the Laws of Hong Kong)
- Boilers and Pressure Vessels Ordinance (Cap. 56 of the Laws of Hong Kong)
- Employment Ordinance (Cap. 57 of the Laws of Hong Kong)
- Employment of Children Regulations (Cap. 57B of the Laws of Hong Kong)
- Factories and Industrial Undertakings Ordinance (Cap. 59 of the Laws of Hong Kong)
- Import and Export Ordinance (Cap. 60 of the Laws of Hong Kona)
- Public Health and Municipal Services Ordinance (Cap. 132 of the Laws of Hong Kong)
- Dangerous Drugs Ordinance (Cap. 134 of the Laws of Hong
- Antibiotics Ordinance (Cap. 137 of the Laws of Hong Kong)
- Pharmacy and Poisons Ordinance (Cap. 138 of the Laws of
- Control of Chemicals Ordinance (Cap. 145 of the Laws of
- Prevention of Bribery Ordinance (Cap. 201 of the Laws of Hong Kong)
- Undesirable Medical Advertisements Ordinance (Cap. 231 of the Laws of Hong Kong)
- Employees' Compensation Ordinance (Cap. 282 of the Laws of Hong Kong)
- Dangerous Goods Ordinance (Cap. 295 of the Laws of Hong
- Radiation Ordinance (Cap. 303 of the Laws of Hong Kong)
- Trade Descriptions Ordinance (Cap. 362 of the Laws of Hong Kong)
- Hong Kong Bill of Rights Ordinance (Cap. 383 of the Laws of Hona Kona)
- Consumer Goods Safety Ordinance (Cap. 456 of the Laws of
- Supply of Services (Implied Terms) Ordinance (Cap. 457 of the Laws of Hong Kong)
- Sex Discrimination Ordinance (Cap. 480 of the Laws of Hong
- Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Ordinance (Cap. 485 of the Laws of Hong Kong)
- Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance (Cap. 486 of the Laws of Hong Kong)
- Disability Discrimination Ordinance (Cap. 487 of the Laws of Hona Kona)
- Occupational Safety and Health Ordinance (Cap. 509 of the Laws of Hong Kong)
- Family Status Discrimination Ordinance (Cap. 527 of the Laws of Hong Kong)
- Copyright Ordinance (Cap. 528 of the Laws of Hong Kong)
- Chinese Medicine Ordinance (Cap. 549 of the Laws of Hong
- Trade Marks Ordinance (Cap. 559 of the Laws of Hong Kong)
- Fire Safety (Buildings) Ordinance (Cap. 572 of the Laws of Hong Kong)

- Race Discrimination Ordinance (Cap. 602 of the Laws of Hona Kona)
- Minimum Wage Ordinance (Cap. 608 of the Laws of Hong Kong)
- Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-Terrorist Financing Ordinance (Cap. 615 of the Laws of Hong Kong)
- Competition Ordinance (Cap. 619 of the Laws of Hong Kong)
- Companies Ordinance (Cap. 622 of the Laws of Hong Kong)

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL:**

- Air Pollution Control Ordinance (Cap. 311 of the Laws of Hong Kona)
- Waste Disposal Ordinance (Cap. 354 of the Laws of Hong Kona)
- Waste Disposal (Chemical Waste) (General) Regulation (Cap. 354C of the Laws of Hong Kong)
- Water Pollution Control Ordinance (Cap. 358 of the Laws of Hong Kong)
- Noise Control Ordinance (Cap. 400 of the Laws of Hong Kona)
- Protection of Endangered Species of Animals and Plants Ordinance (Cap. 586 of the Laws of Hong Kong)
- Hazardous Chemicals Control Ordinance (Cap. 595 of the Laws of Hong Kong)
- Product Eco-responsibility Ordinance (Cap. 603 of the Laws of Hong Kong)
- Motor Vehicle Idling (Fixed Penalty) Ordinance (Cap. 611 of the Laws of Hong Kong)

#### MAINLAND CHINA

#### SOCIAL:

- Good Manufacturing Practice for Drugs (2010 Revision) (Ministry of Health Decree No. 79) regulated by the National Medical Products Administration
- Labour Law of the People's Republic of China
- Labour Contract Law of the People's Republic of China
- Criminal Law of the People's Republic of China
- Drug Administration Law of the People's Republic of China
- Anti-Unfair Competition Law of the People's Republic of China
- Patent Law of the People's Republic of China
- Trademark Law of the People's Republic of China
- General Principles of the Civil Law of the People's Republic of
- Product Quality Law of the People's Republic of China
- Law of the People's Republic of China on Protection of Consumer Rights and Interests
- Tort Law of the People's Republic of China
- Production Safety Law of the People's Republic of China

#### ENVIRONMENTAL:

- Environmental Protection Law of the People's Republic of
- Law of the People's Republic of China on The Prevention and Control of Atmospheric Pollution
- Water Pollution Prevention and Control Law of the People's Republic of China
- Law on the Prevention and Control of Environmental Pollution by Solid Waste

### **KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS TABLE**

KPIs	UNIT	FY2024 <sup>1</sup>	FY2023
ENVIRONMENTAL			
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GHG Emissions Intensity by Revenue	tCO <sub>2</sub> -e/HK\$'million	13.49	35.41
ENERGY CONSUMPTION12	-		
Direct Energy Consumption	MWh	5,855.15	NA
Direct Energy Consumption – Combustion of fuels in	MWh	4,729.42	NA
stationary sources			
Direct Energy Consumption – Combustion of fuels in	MWh	1,125.73	NA
mobile sources			
Indirect Energy Consumption	MWh	27,838.95	NA
Indirect Energy Consumption – Purchased Electricity	MWh	27,838.95	33,136.09
Total Energy Consumption	MWh	33,694.11	239,356.02
Energy Consumption Intensity by Revenue	MWh/HK\$'million	22.96	NA
WATER <sup>1</sup>			
Water Usage	m³	168,763.58	187,783.75
Water Usage Intensity by Revenue	m³/HK\$'million	114.98	105.17
WASTE <sup>1</sup>			
Hazardous Waste Disposal	kg	53,043.68	91,380.40
Hazardous Waste – Liquid Chemical Waste	kg	10,641.18	NA
Hazardous Waste – Solid Chemical Waste	kg	42,402.50	NA
Hazardous Waste Disposal Intensity by Revenue	kg/HK\$'million	36.14	51.18
Non-hazardous Waste Disposal <sup>1</sup>	kg	591,515.06	NA
Waste Disposal – Recycled	kg	20,679.86	NA
Waste Disposal – Landfill	kg	570,835.20	NA
Non-hazardous Waste Disposal Intensity by Revenue	kg/HK\$'million	402.99	NA
PACKAGING MATERIALS <sup>1</sup>			
Paper Usage	Pieces	64,260,194.74	127,321,118.00
Plastic Usage <sup>4</sup>	Pieces	48,421,506.00	133,961,844.00
Plastic Usage <sup>5</sup>	kg	402,741.45	378,847.00
Metal Usage <sup>6</sup>	kg	160,344.93	167,987.00
Glass Usage <sup>7</sup>	kg or Pieces	410,015.047	9,520,902.007
Total Packaging Materials Usage	Pieces	112,681,700.74	275,894,795.00
Total Packaging Materials Usage	kg	973,101.438	546,834.00 <sup>8</sup>
Packaging Materials Usage Intensity by Revenue	Pieces/HK\$'million	76,769.22	154,512.79
Packaging Materials Usage Intensity by Revenue	kg/HK\$'million	662.97	306.25

Due to the segregation of the JBM Healthcare Group from the Group as a result of the distribution in specie of JBM Healthcare Shares on 24 August 2023, the FY2024 data includes Jacobson only.

To ensure consistency in measurement units and enhance data comparability, the FY2023 data has been converted to WMh.

Due to the optimisation of the data collection system, the non-hazardous waste in FY2024 includes common office garbage, food waste, and paper. In FY2023, the non-hazardous waste only includes paper. In FY2024, plastic packaging materials (pieces) include bottles and tubes.

In FY2024, plastic packaging materials (kg) include blister PVC/PVDC.

Due to the optimisation of the data collection system, metal packaging materials in FY2024 are uniformly measured in kilograms (kg). In FY2023, metal packaging materials in FY2024 are uniformly measured in kilograms (kg). In FY2023, metal packaging materials in FY2024 are uniformly measured in kilograms (kg). In FY2023, metal packaging materials in FY2024 are uniformly measured in kilograms (kg). In FY2023, metal packaging materials in FY2024 are uniformly measured in kilograms (kg). In FY2023, metal packaging materials in FY2024 are uniformly measured in kilograms (kg). In FY2023, metal packaging materials in FY2024 are uniformly measured in kilograms (kg). In FY2023, metal packaging materials in FY2024 are uniformly measured in kilograms (kg). In FY2023, metal packaging materials in FY2024 are uniformly measured in kilograms (kg). In FY2023, metal packaging materials in FY2024 are uniformly measured in kilograms (kg). In FY2024 are unif

materials were measured in both pieces and kg, with a consumption of 50,090,931 pieces.

In FY2024, glass packaging materials were measured in kg. In FY2023, glass packaging materials were measured in pieces.

In FY2024, the total packaging materials (kg) include plastic packaging materials, metal packaging materials and glass packaging materials. In FY2023, the total packaging materials (kg) include plastic packaging materials and metal packaging materials.

KPIs	UNIT	FY2024 <sup>1</sup>	FY2023
SOCIAL			
Total Workforce	Person(s) (%)	1,723 (100%)	1,822 (100%)
WORKFORCE BY EMPLOYMENT TYPE <sup>1</sup>			
Full-time	Person(s) (%)	1,475 (85.61%)	1,640 (90.01%)
Part-time	Person(s) (%)	248 (14.39%)	182 (9.99%)
WORKFORCE BY GENDER <sup>1</sup>			
Male	Person(s) (%)	705 (40.92%)	777 (42.65%)
Female	Person(s) (%)	1,018 (59.08%)	1,045 (57.35%)
WORKFORCE BY EMPLOYMENT CATEGORY <sup>1</sup>			
Executive Management	Person(s) (%)	19 (1.10%)	16 (0.88%)
Senior Management	Person(s) (%)	36 (2.09%)	40 (2.19%)
Middle Management	Person(s) (%)	106 (6.15%)	127 (6.97%)
General Staff	Person(s) (%)	1,562 (90.66%)	1,639 (89.96%)
WORKFORCE BY AGE GROUP <sup>1</sup>			
<30 Years Old	Person(s) (%)	221 (12.83%)	245 (13.45%)
30-40 Years Old	Person(s) (%)	302 (17.53%)	320 (17.56%)
41-50 Years Old	Person(s) (%)	420 (24.38%)	436 (23.93%)
>50 Years Old	Person(s) (%)	780 (45.27%)	821 (45.06%)
WORKFORCE BY GEOGRAPHICAL REGION <sup>1</sup>			
Hong Kong	Person(s) (%)	1,585 (91.99%)	1,665 (91.38%)
Mainland China	Person(s) (%)	133 (7.72%)	151 (8.29%)
Macau	Person(s) (%)	5 (0.29%)	5 (0.27%)
Taiwan	Person(s) (%)	0 (0%)	1 (0.06%)
TURNOVER RATE <sup>1</sup>			
Total Turnover Rate	%	33.34%	35.30%
TURNOVER RATE BY GENDER <sup>1</sup>			
Male	%	26.05%	28.19%
Female	%	38.58%	40.51%
TURNOVER RATE BY AGE GROUP <sup>1</sup>			
<30 Years Old	%	51.07%	77.01%
30-40 Years Old	%	29.26%	32.81%
41-50 Years Old	%	26.87%	30.36%
>50 Years Old	%	33.23%	25.49%
TURNOVER RATE BY GEOGRAPHICAL REGION <sup>1</sup>			
Hong Kong	%	35.69%	37.35%
Mainland China	%	6.34%	12.46%
Macau	%	40.00%	20.00%
Taiwan	%	100%	66.67%

KPIs	UNIT	FY2024 <sup>1</sup>	FY2023
EMPLOYEES TRAINED			
Total Employees Trained	%	54.27%	36.94%
EMPLOYEES TRAINED BY GENDER <sup>1</sup>			
Male	%	60.00%	41.44%
Female	%	50.29%	33.59%
EMPLOYEES TRAINED BY EMPLOYMENT CATEGOR	Y <sup>1</sup>		
Executive Management	%	52.63%	12.50%
Senior Management	%	55.56%	47.22%
Middle Management	%	75.47%	33.80%
General Staff	%	52.82%	4.80%
AVERAGE NUMBER OF TRAINING HOURS PER EMP	PLOYEE <sup>1</sup>		
Average Training Hours	Hours/employee	10.53	18.57
AVERAGE TRAINING HOURS PER EMPLOYEE BY GE	ENDER <sup>1</sup>		
Male	Hours/employee	12.27	20.89
Female	Hours/employee	9.32	16.84
AVERAGE TRAINING HOURS PER EMPLOYEE BY EN	MPLOYMENT CATEGORY		
Executive Management	Hours/employee	20.68	0.00
Senior Management	Hours/employee	42.50	11.94
Middle Management	Hours/employee	58.87	21.90
General Staff	Hours/employee	6.38	18.65
NUMBER OF WORK-RELATED FATALITIES AND INJ	IURIES <sup>1</sup>		
Work-related Fatalities	Person(s)	0	0
Work-related Injury Rate	Per 1,000 Employees	14.29	17.56
Lost Days due to Work-related Injury	No. of Days	421.00	839.00
NUMBER OF SUPPLIERS <sup>1</sup>			
Total Number of Suppliers	No.	537	528
NUMBER OF SUPPLIERS BY GEOGRAPHICAL REGIO	ON <sup>1</sup>		
East Asia	No.	283	279
South Asia	No.	107	104
Southeast Asia	No.	16	16
Oceania	No.	3	3
Europe	No.	99	97
North America	No.	28	28
Africa	No.	1	1
COMMUNITY INVESTMENT <sup>1</sup>			
Monetary Contributions	HK\$	278,100	423,000

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ASPECTS, GENERAL DISCLOSURES AND KPIS	DESCRIPTION	RELEVANT SECTION/SUBSECTION OR EXPLANATION				
MANDATORY DISCL	MANDATORY DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS					
GOVERNANCE STRU	ICTURE					
	A statement from the board containing the following elements:  (i) a disclosure of the board's oversight of ESG issues;  (ii) the board's ESG management approach and strategy, including the process used to evaluate, prioritise and manage material ESG-related issues (including risks to the issuer's businesses); and  (iii) how the board reviews progress made against ESG-related goals and targets, explaining how they relate to the issuer's businesses.	Long-term ESG Strategic Vision – ESG Governance (p.10), Sustainability Strategy (p.13), Stakeholder Engagement (p.16), Material ESG Topics (p.17)				
REPORTING PRINCI	PLES					
	A description of, or an explanation on, the application of the following Reporting Principles in the preparation of the ESG report:	About This ESG Report – ESG Reporting Framework and Standards (p.5)				
	Materiality: The ESG report should disclose: (i) the process to identify and the criteria for selecting material ESG factors; (ii) if a stakeholder engagement is conducted, a description of significant stakeholders identified, and the process and results of the issuer's stakeholder engagement.	Long-term ESG Strategic Vision  – Stakeholder Engagement (p.16), Material ESG Topics (p.17)  Key Performance Indicators Table (p.50)				
	Quantitative: Information on the standards, methodologies, assumptions and/or calculation tools used, and source of conversion factors used, for the reporting of emissions/energy consumption (where applicable) should be discussed.					
	Consistency: The issuer should disclose in the ESG report any changes to the methods or KPIs used, or any other relevant factors affecting a meaningful comparison.					
REPORTING BOUND	REPORTING BOUNDARY					
	A narrative explaining the reporting boundaries of the ESG report and describing the process used to identify which entities or operations are included in the ESG report. If there is a change in the scope, the issuer should explain the difference and reason for the change.	About This ESG Report – ESG Reporting Scope and Period (p.5)				

ASPECTS, GENERAL DISCLOSURES AND KPIS	DESCRIPTION	RELEVANT SECTION/SUBSECTION OR EXPLANATION
"COMPLY OR EXPLA	NIN" PROVISIONS"	
A. ENVIRONMENTAL		
ASPECT A1: EMISSIC	NS	
General Disclosure	Information on:  (a) the policies; and  (b) compliance with relevant laws and regulations that have a significant impact on the issuer  relating to air and greenhouse gas emissions, discharges into water and land, and generation of hazardous and non-hazardous waste.	Environmental Stewardship – Environmental Compliance (p.34), Climate Change Vulnerability (p.36), Water and Wastewater Management (p.42), Emission and Waste Management (p.43)  Laws and Regulations (p.49)
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ASPECTS, GENERAL DISCLOSURES AND KPIS	DESCRIPTION	RELEVANT SECTION/SUBSECTION OR EXPLANATION					
"COMPLY OR EXPLAIN" PROVISIONS							
A. ENVIRONMENTAL	A. ENVIRONMENTAL						
ASPECT A2: USE OF	RESOURCES						
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B. SOCIAL					
EMPLOYMENT AND	LABOUR PRACTICES				
ASPECT B1: EMPLOY	MENT				
General Disclosure	Information on:  (a) the policies; and  (b) compliance with relevant laws and regulations that have a significant impact on the issuer  relating to compensation and dismissal, recruitment and promotion, working hours, rest periods, equal opportunity, diversity, anti-discrimination, and other benefits and welfare.	Corporate Governance Duty – Business Ethics and Anti-Corruption (p.21)  Commitment to Employees – Employee Benefits and Engagement (p.47)  Laws and Regulations (p.49)			
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KPI B2.1	Number and rate of work-related fatalities occurred in each of the past three years including the reporting year.	Commitment to Employees – Occupational Health and Safety (p.48)  Key Performance Indicators Table (p.50)			
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General Disclosure	Policies on improving employees' knowledge and skills for discharging duties at work. Description of training activities.	Commitment to Employees – Development and Training (p.46)			
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ASPECTS, GENERAL DISCLOSURES AND KPIS	DESCRIPTION	RELEVANT SECTION/SUBSECTION OR EXPLANATION	
B. SOCIAL			
ASPECT B4: LABOU	R STANDARDS		
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	significant impact on the issuer relating to preventing child and forced labour.	Laws and Regulations (p.49)	
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OPERATING PRACTI	CES		
ASPECT B5: SUPPLY	CHAIN MANAGEMENT		
General Disclosure	Policies on managing environmental and social risks of the supply chain.	Product Responsibility – Product Quality (p.24), Supply Chain Management (p.26)	
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KPI B5.3	Description of practices used to identify environmental and social risks along the supply chain, and how they are implemented and monitored.	Product Responsibility – Product Quality (p.24), Supply Chain Management (p.26)	
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ASPECTS, GENERAL DISCLOSURES AND KPIS	DESCRIPTION	RELEVANT SECTION/SUBSECTION OR EXPLANATION				
B. SOCIAL						
ASPECT B6: PRODU	CT RESPONSIBILITY					
General Disclosure	Information on: (a) the policies; and (b) compliance with relevant laws and regulations that have a significant impact on the issuer	Corporate Governance Duty – Business Ethics and Anti-corruption (p.21), Regulatory Compliance (p.22), Protection of Intellectual Property (p.22)				
	relating to health and safety, advertising, labelling and privacy matters relating to products and services provided and methods of redress.	Product Responsibility – Product Quality (p.24), Research and Development (p.26)  Laws and Regulations (p.49)				
KPI B6.1	Percentage of total products sold or shipped subject to recalls for safety and health reasons.	Product Responsibility – Product Quality (p.24)				
KPI B6.2	Number of products and service-related complaints received and how they are dealt with.	Product Responsibility – Product Quality (p.24)				
KPI B6.3	Description of practices relating to observing and protecting intellectual property rights.	Corporate Governance Duty – Protection of Intellectual Property (p.22)				
KPI B6.4	Description of quality assurance process and recall procedures.	Product Responsibility – Product Quality (p.24)				
KPI B6.5	Description of consumer data protection and privacy policies, and how they are implemented and monitored.	Corporate Governance Duty – Business Ethics and Anti-corruption (p.21)				
ASPECT B7: ANTI-CO	DRRUPTION					
General Disclosure	Information on:  (a) the policies; and  (b) compliance with relevant laws and regulations that have a significant impact on the issuer	Corporate Governance Duty – Business Ethics and Anti-corruption (p.21) Laws and Regulations (p.49)				
	relating to bribery, extortion, fraud and money laundering.					
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COMMUNITY						
ASPECT B8: COMMU	NITY INVESTMENT					
General Disclosure	Policies on community engagement to understand the needs of the communities where the issuer operates and to ensure its activities take into consideration the communities' interests.  Societal Engagement – Community engagement –					
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# **APPENDIX A: THEORY OF CHANGE**

PILLARS	wнo	INPUTS	ACTIVITIES	OUTPUTS Short term (FY2023/24)	OUTCOMES Medium term	IMPACT Long term	GOALS
Generic Drugs	Public hospitals Public district clinics Private hospitals Private clinics Community pharmacies Chain stores General public Pharmacy students	Sales team, materials, R&D, IT system, logistics, raw materials, ESG consultation	Research,     development,     production, sales     and distribution of     essential medicines     Scholarship at HKU     and CUHK School     of Medicine     Support staff     to operate     the facilities     throughout     COVID-19	100% of private and public hospitals in Hong Kong are using Jacobson's generic drugs     2. 6 pharmacy students supported through scholarships	Improved quality of life of patients by supporting communities with low-cost generic & specialty drugs     Increased community pharmacies' portfolio of specialty and generic drugs     Increased access to generic drugs from underprivileged groups, like elderly and ethnic minority groups     Increased access to pharmaceutical education     Lowered health risks of the staff team	Jacobson produces safe and effective drugs made in Hong Kong     Patients have accessible and affordable drugs at their local districts     More local talents in the pharmaceutical industry     Increase in production stability	1. Improve the public's affordability of healthcare through the provision of quality generic drugs to different sectors of the healthcare industry, especially for the public sector  2. Beneficiaries' increased awareness in managing their health issues through proper prescriptions and holistic healthcare  3. Supplying Hong Kong with quality young talents  4. Maintain stable operations and supplies of quality generic drugs locally in Hong Kong and Asia

PILLARS	WHO	INPUTS	ACTIVITIES	OUTPUTS Short term (FY2023/24)	OUTCOMES Medium term	IMPACT Long term	GOALS
Community	Internal staff General public Social enterprises	Office administration, mass communication and factory management teams	Community investment     Recruitment of social enterprises for company functions	1. Adopt a policy on equal opportunity 2. Partner with at least 3 social enterprises 3. Conduct at least 1 equal opportunity training/initiative for employees	Ia. Enhanced     employee     satisfaction and     retention      Ib. Maintain good     morale and a     caring working     culture      Ic. Improved diversity     and inclusion     within the     Company's supply     chain      Improved financial     sustainability and     social impact for     social enterprises      Front-line staff     and management     staff have a higher     sense of diversity     and inclusion	Increased trust and support from local communities     Long-term growth and innovation in the social enterprise sector     Enhancement of diversity and inclusiveness within the Company and its supply chain partners	1. More engaged and motivated workforce due to the Company's support for community initiatives and social enterprises 2. Enhanced reputation as a company that supports social enterprise and fosters innovation in the health sector, eventually increasing customer loyalty and positive brand perception 3. Adopt a diversity and inclusion culture into the Company from management to frontline staff, to sustain the workforce and create an inclusive workplace

# **APPENDIX B: GLOSSARY**

In this ESG Report, unless otherwise specified, the following glossary applies:

"E to Thrivo"	the gustainability or ESC strategy of the Company
"5 to Thrive"	the sustainability or ESG strategy of the Company
"Audit Committee"	the audit committee of the Company
"Board"	the board of directors of the Company
"CAPEX"	capital expenditure
"Chairman" or "CEO"	Mr. Sum Kwong Yip, Derek
"China", "Mainland China" or "the PRC"	the People's Republic of China excluding, for the purpose of this ESG Report, Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan
"Climate Central"	an independent group of scientists and communicators who research and report the facts about the changing climate and how it affects people's lives
"CLP Power"	China Light and Power Company, Limited
"COVID-19"	Coronavirus disease 2019
"ESG"	environmental, social and governance
"ESG Committee"	the environmental, social and governance committee of the Company
"ESG Working Group"	the environmental, social and governance working group reporting to the ESG Committee
"FSC"	Forest Stewardship Council
"FY2022"	the year ended 31 March 2022
"FY2023"	the year ended 31 March 2023
"FY2024" or "Reporting Period"	the year ended 31 March 2024
"FY2025"	the year ending 31 March 2025
"FY2026"	the year ending 31 March 2026
"GMP"	Good Manufacturing Practice
"HEPA"	high-efficiency particulate air
"Hong Kong"	the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the PRC
"Hong Kong Observatory"	a government department of Hong Kong responsible for monitoring and forecasting weather
"HSBC"	The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited
"HVAC"	heating, ventilation and air conditioning
"IP"	Intellectual Property
"ISO"	the International Organization for Standardization
"Jacobson", "our Group", "the Group", "we", "us" or "our"	the Company and its subsidiaries and, in respect of the period before we became the holding company of our present subsidiaries, the businesses operated by such subsidiaries or their predecessors (as the case may be)
"JBM Healthcare"	JBM (Healthcare) Limited, an exempted company incorporated in the Cayman Is lands with limited liability on 7 January 2020, the issued shares of which are listed on the Main Board on 5 February 2021 (stock code: 2161)

"JBM Healthcare Group"	JBM Healthcare and its subsidiaries
"JBM Healthcare Share(s)"	ordinary share(s) in the share capital of JBM Healthcare with nominal value of HK $\$$ 0.01 each
"KPI(s)"	key performance indicator(s)
"Listing Rules"	the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange, as amended or supplemented from time to time
"Macau"	the Macau Special Administrative Region of the PRC
"Main Board"	Main Board of the Stock Exchange
"MPF"	Mandatory Provident Fund
"OPEX"	operational expenditure
"PEFC"	Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification
"Pharmason"	Pharmason Company Limited
"PIC/S"	Pharmaceutical Inspection Convention and Pharmaceutical Inspection Co-operation Scheme
"PIC/S GMP"	Good Manufacturing Practice in accordance with the PIC/S GMP Guide issued by PIC/S
"PPE"	personal protective equipment
"R&D"	research and development
"Risk Management Committee"	a working committee reporting to the Audit Committee on the Group's risk-related matters
"SAP"	System Analysis Program Development
"SOP(s)"	standard operating procedure(s)
"Stock Exchange"	The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited

### **VERIFICATION STATEMENT**



### SCOPE AND OBJECTIVE OF VERIFICATION

Hong Kong Quality Assurance Agency ("HKQAA") has been engaged by Jacobson Pharma Corporation Limited (Stock Code: 2633) "Jacobson Pharma" to undertake an independent verification of its Environmental, Social and Governance Report 2024 ("the Report"). The Report stated the economic, environmental and social performance of Jacobson Pharma in the period of 1st April 2023 to 31st March 2024 for its main operations in Mainland China and Hong Kong. The objective of this verification is to provide a reasonable assurance on the reliability of the report content in accordance with the Appendix C2 "Environmental, Social and Governance Reporting Guide ("ESG Guide")" of the Main Board Listing Rules of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

#### LEVEL OF ASSURANCE AND METHODOLOGY

The process applied in this verification was based on the International Standard on Assurance Engagements 3000 (Revised), Assurance Engagements Other Than Audits or Reviews of Historical Financial Information issued by the International Auditing and Assurance Standards Board. Our evidence gathering process was designed to obtain a reasonable level of assurance as set out in the standard for the purpose of devising the verification conclusion. The extent of this verification process covered the criteria set in the ESG Guide.

The verification process included verifying information relevant to reporting and management procedures, including stakeholder engagement methods and result, and materiality assessment processes. In addition, system and process for collecting, collating and reporting sustainability performance data were verified. Raw data and supporting evidence of the selected representative samples were also thoroughly examined during the verification process.

#### INDEPENDENCE

Jacobson Pharma Corporation Limited is responsible for the collection and presentation of the information presented. HKQAA does not involve in calculating, compiling, or in the development of the Report. Our verification activities are independent from Jacobson Pharma. There was no relationship between HKQAA and Jacobson Pharma that would affect the independence of HKQAA for the verification service.

#### CONCLUSION

Based on the verification results, HKQAA has obtained reasonable assurance and is in the opinion that:

- The Report has been prepared in accordance with the ESG Guide;
- The Report illustrates the sustainability performance of Jacobson Pharma in a balanced, clear and timely manner; and
- The data and information disclosed in the Report is reliable.

Nothing has come to HKQAA attention that the selected sustainability performance information and data contained in the Report has not been prepared and presented fairly and honestly, in material aspects, in accordance with the verification criteria. In conclusion, the Report reflects truthfully the sustainability commitments, policies and performance of Jacobson Pharma, and discloses transparently their sustainability performance that is commensurate with their sustainability context and materiality.

Signed on behalf of Hong Kong Quality Assurance Agency

Chief Operating Officer July 2024