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**China Pioneer Pharma Holdings Limited**

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# Corporate Information

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Mr. Xu Zhonghai

Mr. Wu Mijia

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# Financial Highlights

- Revenue of the Group increased by 22.5% to RMB1,790.3 million in 2016 from RMB1,460.9 million in 2015.
- Net profit of the Group increased by 38.3% to RMB238.6 million in 2016 from RMB172.5 million in 2015.
- Basic earnings per share of the Company was RMB0.18 in 2016, which represents a 38.5% increase compared to RMB0.13 in 2015.
- A final dividend of RMB10.3 cents per share was recommended by the Board (bringing the total dividend for the year ended 31 December 2016 to RMB17.4 cents per share) and is subject to the approval of the Shareholders at the AGM to be held on 28 April 2017.

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
<b>Operating results</b>					
Revenue	958,723	1,272,247	1,540,398	1,460,899	<b>1,790,275</b>
Gross profit	306,745	386,647	491,949	462,577	<b>593,417</b>
Profit before income tax	206,839	272,486	304,688	206,795	<b>282,350</b>
Profit for the year	185,717	235,754	260,951	172,501	<b>238,624</b>
Profit for the year, all attributable to the owners of the Company	186,369	238,372	261,718	174,302	<b>237,445</b>
<b>Profitability</b>					
Gross margin (%)	32.0%	30.4%	31.9%	31.7%	<b>33.1%</b>
Net profit margin (%)	19.4%	18.5%	16.9%	11.8%	<b>13.3%</b>
Total assets	928,553	1,996,915	2,554,851	1,822,024	<b>1,748,472</b>
Total equity	212,825	1,157,285	1,225,975	996,441	<b>1,110,551</b>
Total liabilities	715,728	839,630	1,328,876	825,583	<b>637,921</b>
Gearing ratio (%)	44.8%	21.5%	23.9%	15.7%	<b>4.4%</b>
Equity attributable to equity owners of the Company	212,057	1,157,628	1,127,360	998,090	<b>1,110,859</b>
Cash and cash equivalents	59,559	702,073	260,834	317,113	<b>309,640</b>

# Chairman's Statement

Dear shareholders,

On behalf of the board (the "Board") of directors (the "Directors") of China Pioneer Pharma Holdings Limited ("the Company" or "China Pioneer Pharma"), I would like to express my gratitude to all shareholders of the Company (the "Shareholders") for their continued interest and unwavering support. As the Chairman of the Board, I am also pleased to present the annual report of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively, the "Group") for the year ended 31 December 2016 (the "Reporting Period").

2016 was the first year of the "13th Five-Year Plan" and China's macro-economic growth further slowed down. The government responded by introducing systematic supply-side structural reforms. Meanwhile, China's health care reform continued to develop and expand in depth and breadth. Reform has been intensified in a number of areas including reform of public hospitals, improvements to the national medical insurance system to cover the entire population, development of private hospitals, ensuring a sound established drug supply system, categorisation of treatments and encouraging the use of local clinics and reformation of the basic healthcare institutions. There have been a number of policies related to the pharmaceutical industry announced, including policies with respect to "Registration and Approval Process Reform of Healthcare Products", "Uniform Evaluation of Generic Drugs" and the "Two-Invoices System and VAT Model", which covered aspects of the drug approval, quality and circulation process. Further, a wave of tender processes in various provinces have been launched, all of which have a significant impact on China's pharmaceutical industry. Operating in a distinctive and important segment of the pharmaceutical industry, the Group, leveraging its competitive strength, will endeavour to take opportunities to further develop its business amidst a changing and challenging market environment.

The Group's overall operating performance recovered in 2016. In 2015, factors outside of the Group's control, such as the suspension of tender processes on large-scale equipment in public hospitals, adversely affecting sales of the WaveLight Eagle laser surgical series, a delay in the renewal of Polimod's import license and impairment loss provisioning in overseas associates, caused tremendous pressures and challenges for the Group. Since 2016, these external factors have gradually disappeared and the Group's operating performance has returned to a more typical trajectory.

For the Reporting Period, the revenue of the Group increased by 22.5% to RMB1,790.3 million from RMB1,460.9 million in 2015; profit for the year increased by 38.3% to RMB238.6 million from RMB172.5 million in 2015. Basic earnings per share of the Company was RMB0.18. The Board recommends the payment of a final dividend of RMB0.103 per share for the year ended 31 December 2016.

### PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT

The Group's business includes comprehensive marketing, promotion and channel management services offered to small and medium-sized overseas pharmaceutical product and medical device suppliers, and co-promotion and channel management services offered to Alcon, the world's largest eye care products company.

2016 saw increasing cost controls in medical insurance and decreasing drug prices in tender processes due to government policies. Notwithstanding the pressure from such government policies, the pharmaceutical industry appears to have overall stabilised and returned to growth. The Group continues to adopt effective measures to manage the impact of pharmaceutical pricing policies and market changes on the Group's provision of comprehensive marketing, promotion and channel management for pharmaceutical products, and, as such, has reversed the disappointing performance of 2015 to achieve pleasing results in 2016. The Group has adopted a sensible bidding strategy by taking full advantage of the superior quality of the Group's products. This strategy has resulted in the Group securing reasonably priced mandates in a number of provinces where tender processes were held. Meanwhile, the Group has committed to increase marketing efforts and continued to improve and refine the marketing strategy for each of its products, so as to expand market coverage and enhance sales volume.

Following several years of development, the Group's business of providing comprehensive marketing, promotion and channel management services for medical devices has achieved sizeable scale. The Group's medical devices portfolio has expanded from the WaveLight Eagle laser surgical series to a wide range of products covering ophthalmic surgical equipment and consumables, intraocular lenses ("IOL"), odontology equipment and consumables and wound care products. In 2015, the Group's sales of the WaveLight Eagle laser surgical series decreased significantly due to the suspension of tender processes for large scale equipment in public hospitals. Since 2016, the Group has adjusted its development strategy for the medical device business by focusing on the development of other medical device consumables. The Group's sales of IOL, odontology equipment and consumables in this sector have grown steadily. In addition, NeutroPhase, a wound care product of the Group launched in 2015, has been selling in over half of the provinces in the country. The Group's continuous efforts in marketing and promotion activities have enhanced NeutroPhase's brand recognition in the wound care sector and the product has received positive feedback from doctors in respect of its clinical effectiveness. Meanwhile, the Group is actively exploring new areas of application, such as ophthalmology, to meet the demands of a greater number of the patient population.

The Group is the sole provider of channel management services for all of Alcon's ophthalmic pharmaceutical products in China, and also provides Alcon with co-promotion services. In 2015, Alcon adjusted its business strategy in China which caused sales of Alcon's ophthalmic pharmaceutical products to fluctuate. Since 2016, notwithstanding continued pricing pressure on Alcon's pharmaceutical products in certain provinces, following the adjustment of its business strategy leading to more targeted promotional activities and rigorous development of markets, sales of Alcon's pharmaceutical products have returned to normal. The Group will maintain its close ties with Alcon, as a long-term and stable partner, and will continue to improve the professionalism of its channel management services and further enhance the co-promotion service for Alcon's products, jointly approaching changes in the ophthalmic pharmaceutical product market in China.

In 2016, the Group actively sought potential products for its marketing, promotion and sales services from overseas small and medium sized pharmaceutical and medical device companies, to expand the Group's product portfolio. During the Reporting Period, the Group entered into a framework agreement with Inami & Co., Ltd. of Japan ("Inami"), pursuant to which the Group was granted the exclusive marketing, promotion and channel management rights with respect to Inami ophthalmic medical devices marketed under the "Inami" brand in China, consisting principally of synoptoscopes and certain ophthalmic surgical instruments. Otherwise, the Group further deepened its cooperation with its important long-term partner Polichem S.A. of Switzerland ("Polichem"). The Group entered into a supplemental agreement with Polichem in February 2016, pursuant to which the Group's rights to market, promote and sell Polimod were extended from eight provinces to nationwide with effect from 7 March 2016. As one of the Group's most important products, this territorial expansion has contributed to the Group's improved performance.

### MARKETING NETWORK DEVELOPMENT

With the introduction of more government policies relating to the pharmaceutical industry and constant change in the environment of the pharmaceutical market, having a well-developed and robust marketing network is fundamental for the Group's development. The Group's marketing and promotion model comprises of both in-house and third party marketing teams. The in-house team is primarily responsible for formulating marketing and promotion strategies, conducting selected marketing programmes, and appointing, training and supervising third-party marketing teams, who are responsible for most of the day-to-day marketing and promotional activities for the Group's products.

In 2016, the Group made further improvements to its marketing network revolving around its objectives of "professionalism" and "efficiency", to enhance operational efficiency and market responsiveness. Each business unit, in respect of the products for which each unit was responsible, continued to develop their in-house marketing teams through internal reorganisations as well as recruitment of new external talent and by strengthening in-house marketing teams' involvement in marketing activities, such as direct participation in academic product promotions. Concurrently, business units have periodically changed the third-party promotion partner structure and increased their efforts in improving the quality of third-party promotion partners, including providing further training and support to improve their understanding of the Group's products, and ensuring that accurate clinical solutions are provided to physicians. Amid the fast changing political and market conditions in the pharmaceutical sector, the Group adopts a reasonable approach to resource allocation in respect of its business units and has introduced detailed management and performance review processes in respect of marketing teams to improve operational efficiency, playing an important role in the stable development of the Group.

As of 31 December 2016, the Group had sold products through its nationwide marketing, promotion and channel management services networks to approximately 30,000 hospitals and other medical institutions and over 108,000 pharmacies across all provinces, municipalities and autonomous regions in China.

### DISPOSAL OF A SUBSIDIARY

In 2016, the Group completed an important disposal of the entire issued share capital of Pioneer Pharma (Singapore) Pte. Ltd. ("Pioneer Singapore"), a wholly owned subsidiary of the Group. As a result of this transaction, the Group also disposed of its interests in Covex S.A. ("Covex"), Q3 Medical Devices Limited ("Q3") and Pioneer Medident (SE Asia) Pte. Ltd. ("Pioneer Medident"). The Group acquired Covex in 2014, the purpose of the acquisition being to enable the Group to obtain a stable supply of high quality Vinpocetine API at a low cost. Since that acquisition, the Group's sales of Vinpocetine API have deteriorated due to the changing and competitive Chinese market and unfavorable tender outcomes of the Group's customers in respect of their Vinpocetine API finished products. Consequently, the results of Covex have been disappointing. In 2013, the Group obtained from the Q3 group the exclusive rights to market, promote and sell TsunaMed products in China and certain Southeast Asian markets. Since 2013 the Group, through Pioneer Singapore, completed several rounds of investment in Q3 to strengthen cooperation. However, due to delays in the research and development progress of the TsunaMed products, the prospects of commercialising these products in the near term are less clear. Given that the Group has ceased to purchase, or has not commenced purchases, of any products from either Covex or Q3 and given further the small scale of Pioneer Medident's operation, these operations account for only a small proportion of the Group's revenue and the investments in these companies are no longer consistent with the Group's strategy. In addition, as these companies have been loss-making, they have adversely affected the Group's financial performance and, were they to remain part of the Group, could create uncertainty as to the Group's future financial performance. The disposal is, therefore, consistent with the Group's long-term strategy and is expected to improve the Group's overall financial performance.

### DIVIDEND

The Board is pleased to recommend a final dividend payment of RMB0.103 per share for the year ended 31 December 2016 to Shareholders whose names are on the register of members on Monday, 8 May 2017. The register of members of the Company will be closed on Monday, 8 May 2017, after which no transfer of shares of the Company (the "Shares") will be registered. Payment of such final dividend is expected to be made to the Shareholders on Monday, 15 May 2017 subject to the Shareholders' approval at the annual general meeting of the Company (the "AGM") on Friday, 28 April 2017.

### OUTLOOK

Looking ahead, the pharmaceutical industry in China is entering a new era. Following the concept of a “Healthy China” being introduced as a nationwide strategic objective in the “13th Five-Year Plan”, and coupled with China’s aging population, the long-term potential and demand in the pharmaceutical industry remain positive and strong. While the transformation of the sector may create challenges in the short-term, these underlying structural adjustments will present the Group with many opportunities. The Group will reinforce its role in the value chain of the pharmaceutical sector in China, and focus on its two core development strategies, being “Products” and “Marketing”. By using its competitive advantages, the Group will further enhance its product portfolio, progress its marketing and promotion strategies, and seize the opportunities in the transforming pharmaceutical industry to realise the Group’s sustainable development.

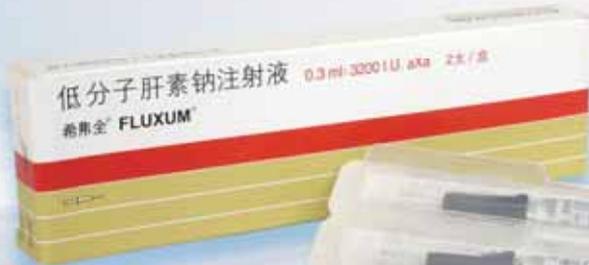
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*Chairman of the Board*

22 March 2017

# MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS





# Management Discussion and Analysis

## OPERATIONAL REVIEW

In 2016, reform of China's healthcare market reached a high-water mark and a new critical stage. A number of policies relating to the pharmaceutical industry have been announced, including policies in respect of the "Registration and Approval Process Reform of Healthcare Products", "Uniform Evaluation of Generic Drugs" and "Two-invoice System and VAT Model", which covered aspects of the drug approval, quality and circulation processes. Further, the launch of a wave of tender processes in various provinces have had a significant impact on China's pharmaceutical industry. However, the long term potential and demand in the pharmaceutical industry remain positive and strong. Along with the rising standard of regulatory compliance across the industry, notwithstanding the slowdown in the overall growth of the pharmaceutical industry, the underlying structural adjustments to the industry presented many opportunities for the Group.

As a number of external factors which negatively affected the Group's operating performance in 2015 disappeared, and given it operates in a distinct and important segment of the pharmaceutical industry, the Group, leveraging on its competitive advantage, developed its business even in the context of a changing and challenging environment. 2016 witnessed the recovery of the Group's overall operating performance. For the Reporting Period, the Group's revenue increased by 22.5% year-on-year to RMB1,790.3 million (2015: RMB1,460.9 million), gross profit increased by 28.3% year-on-year to RMB593.4 million (2015: RMB462.6 million) and net profit for the year increased by 38.3% year-on-year to RMB238.6 million (2015: RMB172.5 million).

2016 saw increasing cost controls in the medical insurance sector and decreasing drug prices in tender processes as a result of government policies. Notwithstanding these pressures, the pharmaceutical industry appears to have stabilised on the whole and its performance is now trending upwards. The Group has continued to adopt effective measures to proactively manage the impact of the aforementioned pricing policies and market changes and, as a result, achieved pleasing results in 2016, turning around 2015's disappointing performance. For the Reporting Period, the Group's revenue generated from pharmaceutical products sold via the provision of comprehensive marketing, promotion and channel management services increased by 36.4% compared to last year to RMB633.6 million, representing 35.4% of the Group's revenue for the Reporting Period. Gross profit increased by 42.1% compared to last year to RMB402.2 million, representing 67.8% of the Group's gross profit for the Reporting Period.

In 2015, the Group's sales of the WaveLight Eagle laser surgical series decreased significantly due to the suspension of tender processes for large scale equipment in public hospitals. Since 2016, the Group has adjusted its development strategy for the medical device business by focusing on the development of other medical device consumables, such as odontology equipment and consumables, as well as intraocular lenses ("IOL"). For the Reporting Period, the Group's revenue generated from medical devices sold via the provision of comprehensive marketing, promotion and channel management services increased by 4.1% compared to last year to RMB138.2 million, representing 7.7% of the Group's revenue for the Reporting Period. Gross profit increased by 14.2% compared to last year to RMB82.7 million, representing 13.9% of the Group's gross profit for the Reporting Period.

During the Reporting Period, the Group continued to maintain its close cooperation with Alcon via the provision of co-promotion and channel management services. The Group provides channel management and co-promotion services for all of Alcon's 24 ophthalmic pharmaceutical products sold in China. For the Reporting Period, the Group's revenue generated from products sold via the provision of co-promotion and channel management services increased by 17.9% compared to last year to RMB1,018.5 million, representing 56.9% of the Group's revenue for the Reporting Period. Gross profit increased by 1.2% compared to last year to RMB108.5 million, representing 18.3% of the Group's gross profit for the Reporting Period.

## 1. Product Development

The Group's current product portfolio includes a number of products manufactured by small and medium-sized overseas suppliers. These products address unmet medical needs or have superior clinical profiles, improved quality or formulations, or experience relatively limited competition in the Chinese market. As of 31 December 2016, the Group had a product portfolio of pharmaceutical products (substantially all of which were prescription products) covering ophthalmology, pain management, cardiovascular, respiratory, gastroenterology, immunology and other therapeutic areas, and medical devices covering several medical specialties, including ophthalmology, odontology and wound care products.

### 1.1 Products Sold via the Provision of Comprehensive Marketing, Promotion and Channel Management Services:

Category	Percentage of the Group's total revenue/ gross profit		Percentage of the Group's total revenue/ gross profit	
	2016 RMB'000	(%)	2015 RMB'000	(%)
Revenue:				
Pharmaceutical Products	<b>633,584</b>	<b>35.4</b>	464,472	31.8
Medical Devices	<b>138,196</b>	<b>7.7</b>	132,806	9.1
Gross Profit:				
Pharmaceutical Products	<b>402,244</b>	<b>67.8</b>	283,028	61.2
Medical Devices	<b>82,718</b>	<b>13.9</b>	72,430	15.6

During the Reporting Period, the Group adopted a sensible bidding strategy highlighting the Group's products' superior quality. This strategy resulted in the Group securing successive bids with reasonable pricing in a number of provinces where tender processes were held. Meanwhile, the Group continued to reinforce its marketing efforts with the aim of expanding market coverage and increasing sales volume. For the Reporting Period, the Group's revenue generated from pharmaceutical products sold via the provision of comprehensive marketing, promotion and channel management services increased by 36.4% compared to last year to RMB633.6 million, representing 35.4% of the Group's revenue for the Reporting Period. Gross profit increased by 42.1% compared to last year to RMB402.2 million, representing 67.8% of the Group's gross profit for the Reporting Period.

Sales of the Group's more mature products with a stable market base, such as Difene, Fluxum and Polimod, maintained rapid development during the Reporting Period. For the Reporting Period, the Group's revenue generated from the sales of Difene was RMB135.0 million, representing an increase of 20.2% compared to last year. As one of the Group's best-selling products, Difene has established a strong reputation and brand recognition in China after years of market positioning, brand building and marketing network expansion. As the sole dosage product amongst its competitors, Difene successively won bids with favourable pricing in those provinces where tender processes were held. Not only did the Group maintain its existing markets for Difene, it also managed to extend market coverage by filling identified gaps in coverage. Through increased marketing activities, such as education programmes for doctors and patients on the product, and expanding its application to different departments in hospitals, the Group worked to increase Difene sales at each target hospital. Furthermore, the Group increased its efforts to expand market coverage through further enhancing management of third-party promotion partners, accelerating its network penetration into more hospitals and small-sized medical institutions, and closing gaps identified in certain marketing areas. During the Reporting Period, the Group increased its market coverage of Difene by over 500 hospitals and small-sized medical institutions. In the context of the promotion of the policy on encouraging better utilisation of different medical institutions (分級診療政策), Difene has huge development potential in the primary medical market.

During the Reporting Period, the development of another best-selling product of the Group, Fluxum, reached a new level. The Group's revenue generated from the sales of Fluxum was RMB159.5 million, representing an increase of 29.8% compared to last year. Fluxum is the originator of parnaparin, and comes with a series of three dosages. The Group capitalised on the range of different dosages offered by Fluxum, and strategically responded to the new round of drug tender processes around the country. As a result, the Group maintained Fluxum's position in existing markets and also secured a stable pricing structure for the product. Since 2016, following a new round of tender processes, the Group grasped the opportunity resulted from the exit of a number of competitors to enter into certain new markets. During the Reporting Period, the Group continued to build on its network coverage for Fluxum by adding over 280 new hospitals on top of over 300 new hospitals added to the network in 2015. Furthermore, by working closely with third-party promotion partners, the Group's in-house marketing team enhanced its efforts and participation in respect of the clinical promotion of Fluxum, which ensured an increased market share for the product. Due to its leading market position in respect of similar products, as well as the increasing recognition of anticoagulants in hospitals, the Group believes Fluxum has a solid foundation for long-term growth.

Since 2016, sales of Polimod, one of the Group's other best-selling products, have developed rapidly. For the Reporting Period, the Group's revenue generated from the sales of Polimod (which resumed in April 2016) was RMB160.1 million, representing a 117.7% increase compared to last year. In the second half of 2015, the Group was unable to import and sell Polimod due to a delay in the renewal of its import licence. Following the approval of the new licence, the Group resumed importing and selling Polimod in April 2016. Moreover, at the beginning of 2016, the Group entered into a supplemental agreement with Polimod's supplier, Polichem, pursuant to which the Group's rights to market, promote and sell Polimod was extended from eight provinces to the whole territory of China. The Group carried out preliminary work to prepare the markets of the new regions where the Group is authorised to market and promote Polimod, allowing the product to rapidly enter those markets once the import licence was renewed. As the originator of pidotimod, Polimod has obvious advantages in quality and clinical efficacy compared with generic products and has established a strong reputation and brand recognition. By taking advantage of the broad application of Polimod in several departments in hospitals, and the high level of recognition of its clinical efficacy by doctors, the Group will accelerate its marketing efforts and tap into the large potential market in the expanded marketing territory, in order to increase the sales volume of Polimod, and to further increase its contribution to the Group's performance.

The Group has also continued to develop its other pharmaceutical products. For the Reporting Period, the Group's revenue generated from the sales of these products was RMB178.9 million, representing an increase of 14.9% compared to last year. Using the Group's existing resources in respect of cardiovascular products, the Group continued to optimize the market network for the Group's cardiovascular product, Neoton, the sole imported originator of creatine phosphate sodium for injection, in respect of which the Group obtained the exclusive rights to import, sell and co-promote at the end of 2014. The Group also increasingly used the international academic status of the product as a basis for promotional activities, so as to strengthen product recognition among doctors and patients with the ultimate aim of increasing the sales volume of the product. The Easyhaler series products are inhalation drugs used for the treatment of asthma and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease ("COPD") in the respiratory therapeutic market, which deliver more scientific and standardised treatment of asthma and COPD. The Group continues to enhance its academic promotion efforts, so as to shorten the time it takes doctors to change their approaches to treatment. As the only suppository product in the Nifuratel products segment, Macmiror Complex has generally won bids in provincial tender processes at a favourable price. The Group strengthened its promotion efforts in hospitals and departments covered in the network, so as to maintain its market share in the gynaecology therapeutic market. With the constant changes in the pharmaceutical market, the Group will actively pursue market development opportunities for these products, in order to increase their contribution to the Group's performance.

In 2014, the Group acquired a controlling equity stake in and restructured the debts of Covex, S.A. ("Covex"), a company incorporated in Spain, which enabled the Group to obtain a stable supply of high quality Vinpocetine API at a low cost. Since the acquisition, the Group's sales of Vinpocetine API have deteriorated due to the changing competitive landscape in the Chinese market. Certain customers' sales of Vinpocetine finished products have also been affected by tender results, resulting in a decrease in demand for Vinpocetine API. Further, the price competition of domestic generic drugs has impacted the sale of Vinpocetine API. Consequently, Covex's results have been disappointing. To eliminate the risk that the negative financial performance of Covex may continue to cast further uncertainty on the Group's overall financial performance, the Group disposed of its equity stake in Covex in December 2016.

The Group's business of providing comprehensive marketing, promotion and channel management services for medical devices has achieved sizeable scale after continuous development in recent years. The Group's medical devices portfolio has expanded from the WaveLight Eagle laser surgical series to a wide range of products covering ophthalmic surgical equipment and consumables, IOL, odontology equipment and consumables and wound care products. In 2015, the Group's sales of the WaveLight Eagle laser surgical series decreased significantly due to the suspension of tender processes on large scale equipment in public hospitals. Since 2016, the Group has adjusted its development strategy for the medical device business by focusing on the development of other medical device consumables. The Group's sales of IOL, odontology equipment and consumables in this business segment have developed steadily. During the Reporting Period, the Group's revenue generated from medical devices sold via the provision of comprehensive marketing, promotion and channel management services increased by 4.1% compared to last year to RMB138.2 million, representing 7.7% of the Group's revenue. Gross profit increased by 14.2% compared to last year to RMB82.7 million, representing 13.9% of the Group's gross profit.

NeutroPhase, a wound cleanser officially launched in 2015, featuring a highly sterilising effect, high levels of safety for cells and exclusive patent technology, is a consumable product in the Group's portfolio of medical devices. At present, the Group has sold the product in over half of China's provinces. During the Reporting Period, the absence of a charge code in hospitals remained an issue for NeutroPhase, which in turn adversely impacted sales of the product. Nevertheless, the Group has made efforts to rectify this issue in certain provinces and has seen progress. The Group will continue to monitor and resolve this issue promptly in other provinces. Meanwhile, the Group continued to carry out market development and increase investment in NeutroPhase markets and achieved obvious results. At the end of 2016, NeutroPhase had won bids in 31 cities, and covered over 120 hospitals and medical institutions (including almost over 60 Class III hospitals) in these cities. In addition, the Group presented its analysis of a large volume of data collected from clinical studies and a number of joint clinical studies with several renowned Class III hospitals in China at academic promotion activities organised by the Group targeted at key opinion leaders and doctors in the wound care area. The clinical effectiveness of NeutroPhase was recognised by a growing number of experts and doctors. The Group is dedicated to establishing the brand recognition of NeutroPhase in the wound care area, and to lay solid foundations for sales growth of the product. Furthermore, the Group's active exploration of new areas of application, such as in ophthalmology departments, will help to further meet the demands of a greater proportion of the patient population.

### 1.2 Products Sold via the Provision of Co-Promotion and Channel Management Services:

Category	2016 RMB'000	Percentage of the Group's total revenue/ gross profit (%)	2015 RMB'000	Percentage of the Group's total revenue/ gross profit (%)
Revenue:				
Alcon series ophthalmic pharmaceutical products	1,018,495	56.9	863,621	59.1
Gross Profit:				
Alcon series ophthalmic pharmaceutical products	108,455	18.3	107,119	23.2

The Group is the sole provider of channel management services for all of Alcon's ophthalmic pharmaceutical products in China, and also provides co-promotion services for Alcon.

In the second half of 2015, Alcon adjusted its business strategy in China which resulted in some fluctuations in the sales of Alcon's ophthalmic pharmaceutical products. Further, a reduction of bid prices in tender process in certain provinces also impacted the sales of Alcon's ophthalmic pharmaceutical products. Since 2016, notwithstanding the continued pricing pressure for Alcon's pharmaceutical products in certain provinces, following the adjustment of its business strategy leading to more targeted promotion activities and more rigorous market development, sales of Alcon's pharmaceutical products are back to normal. In addition, Alcon launched a new ophthalmic product in China to meet the demands of an increased proportion of the patient population. For the Reporting Period, the Group's revenue generated from the sales of Alcon series ophthalmic pharmaceutical products was RMB1,018.5 million, representing an increase of 17.9% as compared to last year, comprising 56.9% of the Group's revenue. Gross profit was RMB108.5 million, representing an increase of 1.2% as compared to last year and comprising 18.3% of the Group's gross profit. The Group will maintain its close ties with Alcon, as a long-term and stable partner, and will continue to improve the professionalism of its channel management services and further enhance the co-promotion service for Alcon's products, jointly approaching changes in the Chinese ophthalmic pharmaceutical product market.

### 1.3 Product Pipeline Development

The Group is actively seeking prospective product candidates for marketing, promotion and sales from overseas pharmaceutical and medical device companies. In addition to the existing products referred to above, product pipeline development is also at the core of the Group's strategy of expanding and optimizing its product portfolio. The Group's aim is to build up a product pipeline that will sustain the Group's long-term growth. When selecting prospective product candidates, the Group considers factors such as clinical features, the competitive environment, the registration and regulatory regime and the reputation of suppliers.

During the Reporting Period, the sales of the WaveLight Eagle laser surgical series, the Group's ophthalmic medical devices, essentially ceased due to a suspension of tender processes for large scale equipment in public hospitals. The Group is actively seeking appropriate products to expand the ophthalmic medical devices product portfolio. During the Reporting Period, the Group entered into a framework agreement with Inami & Co., Ltd. ("Inami") of Japan in January 2016, pursuant to which the Group was granted the exclusive marketing, promotion and channel management rights with respect to Inami ophthalmic medical devices marketed under the "Inami" brand in China. Inami is a Japanese manufacturer of surgical instruments, diagnostic instruments and clinical equipment. The company has more than 100 products which are sold in more than 50 countries and regions globally. Its main products include synoptoscopes, ophthalmic surgery microscopes, trial frames and lenses, slit lamps, phoroptors and certain ophthalmic surgical instruments. As a first step, the Group will market and sell Inami's synoptoscopes and certain of its ophthalmic surgical instruments which have been registered in China. Synoptoscopes are designed for diagnosis and treatment of binocular vision (strabismus and amblyopia). The ophthalmic surgical instruments are designed for ophthalmic diagnosis and surgical purposes.

Since 2016, China's policy in respect of registration of healthcare products has changed significantly and it is becoming more difficult to register new products. The Group appropriately adjusted its pipeline products strategy in accordance with the new policy and streamlined its product pipeline. After a comprehensive evaluation of several factors, such as registration costs and benefits and future market potential of the pipeline products, the Group has retained over 10 products in respect of which it will continue the process of registering or preparing registration applications with the China Food and Drug Administration ("CFDA"). The Group expects to leverage its current network of third-party promotion partners, distributors, key opinion leaders and marketing channels to launch these pipeline products promptly once approvals are obtained. Preparations for clinical trials have commenced for Mirtazapine (produced by Ehypharm of France, mainly used for the treatment of depressive episodes), which obtained clinical trial approval in the second half of 2015. In addition, the Group is now preparing supplementary documents for the CFDA for the Hernia repair patch (produced by Biocer of Germany, used for repairing various kind of hernia). The KINETIC Dynamic Anterior Cervical Plate System (produced by Lifespine of the United States, used for an anterior cervical spinal fixation) is now under review by the CFDA. The Group is now preparing supplementary documents for the CFDA for Intacs® Corneal Implants (produced by AJL of Spain, used for reduction or elimination of myopia and astigmatism in patients with keratoconus).

### 2. Marketing Network Development

With the introduction of more government policies relating to the healthcare industry and constant change in the pharmaceutical sector, having a well-developed and robust marketing network is fundamental for the Group's development. The Group's marketing and promotion model comprises both in-house and third party marketing teams. To maintain the efficiency and stability of the marketing network, each product business unit of the Group has established sales and product manager teams to manage and support their third-party promotion partners. The Group's marketing and promotional activities are carried out by the in-house team and third-party promotion partners. The in-house team is primarily responsible for formulating marketing and promotion strategies, conducting selected marketing programmes, and appointing, training and supervising third-party marketing teams, who are responsible for most of the day-to-day marketing and promotional activities for the Group's products.

In 2016, the Group made further improvements to its marketing network revolving around its objectives of "professionalism" and "efficiency", to enhance operational efficiency and market responsiveness. The Group's headquarters are responsible for formulating macro marketing and promotion policies and ensuring resources are allocated in an efficient manner, so that the Group as a whole could allocate resources and manage costs efficiently.

In terms of building a professional marketing team, the Group continued to develop its in-house marketing team through internal reorganisations as well as recruitment of new external talent, and strengthening in-house marketing teams' involvement in marketing activities such as direct participation in academic product promotions. Concurrently, business units have periodically changed the third-party promotion partner structure and increased their efforts in improving the quality of third-party promotion partners, including providing further training and support to improve their understanding of the Group's products, and ensuring that accurate clinical solutions are provided to physicians. In terms of managing the marketing team, the Group has introduced a detailed management and performance review process, to improve the team's efficiency, improve the network coverage by filling any gaps identified in the market and by realising market potentials. In addition, the Group aims to improve the communication channel and platform with its third-party promotion partners to enable efficient information and experience sharing, and to jointly tackle changes in government policies and in the market more broadly. During the Reporting Period, the Group's market coverage grew substantially as a result of the improvement of its marketing network. For instance, Difene's market coverage has increased by over 500 new hospitals and medical institutions, and Fluxum's market coverage has increased by over 280 new hospitals. As of 31 December 2016, the Group had sold products through its nationwide marketing, promotion and channel management services networks to approximately 30,000 hospitals and other medical institutions and over 108,000 pharmacies across all provinces, municipalities and autonomous regions in China.

### 3. Significant Investment

#### *Further Investment in NovaBay*

NovaBay Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (“NovaBay”) is a biopharmaceutical company incorporated in Delaware, United States developing products for the eye care market, and currently focuses primarily on commercializing the prescription of Avenova® for managing hygiene of eyelids and lashes in the United States. Its shares are traded on the New York Stock Exchange. The Group commenced its business relationship with NovaBay in 2012 and obtained the exclusive rights to market, promote and sell NovaBay’s NeutroPhase products in China and certain Southeast Asia markets in the same year.

The Group has completed several rounds of investment in NovaBay since 2013. As of 31 December 2015, the Group held a total of 408,153 ordinary shares of NovaBay, representing approximately 11.7% of its equity interest. In February, May and August 2016, NovaBay issued shares to various other investors including the Group. In February 2016, the Group entered into a securities purchase agreement with NovaBay, pursuant to which the Group purchased 696,590 ordinary shares of NovaBay for a total consideration of US\$1,330,000. In May 2016, the Group entered into a securities purchase agreement with NovaBay, pursuant to which the Group purchased 1,308,901 ordinary shares of NovaBay and 654,451 units of NovaBay warrants with an exercise price of US\$1.91 per unit and an expiry date of 4 May 2020 for a total consideration of US\$2,500,000. In August 2016, the Group further entered into a securities purchase agreement with NovaBay, pursuant to which the Group purchased 1,308,901 ordinary shares of NovaBay and 654,451 units of NovaBay warrants with an exercise price of US\$1.91 per unit and an expiry date of 1 August 2020 for a total consideration of US\$2,500,000. Following completion of these transactions, the Group held a total of 3,722,545 ordinary shares of NovaBay, representing approximately 33.1% of its equity interest. In September 2016, the Group exercised an aggregate of 1,490,202 units of warrants in NovaBay, after which the Group held a total of 5,212,747 ordinary shares of NovaBay, representing approximately 36.0% of its equity interest. The Group’s further investments allow the Group to enhance its business relationship with NovaBay and also helps to dilute the cost of the Group’s investment in NovaBay.

As of 31 December 2016, the Group held a total of 5,212,747 ordinary shares of NovaBay, representing approximately 34.1% of its equity interest, and does not hold any NovaBay warrants.

For the year ended 31 December 2015, the Group recognised an impairment loss on its investment in NovaBay of RMB41.3 million, primarily due to the significant decline in NovaBay’s quoted market price in late 2015. However, the closing price of NovaBay as quoted on the New York Stock Exchange as at 31 December 2015, 30 June 2016, and 31 December 2016 was US\$2.02, US\$2.50, and US\$3.30, respectively. Therefore, based on the recoverable amount as of 31 December 2016 comparing to its corresponding carrying value, the Group recorded a reversal of an impairment loss of approximately RMB41.3 million for its investment in NovaBay.

### DISPOSAL OF A SUBSIDIARY

On 17 October 2016, Pioneer Pharma (Hong Kong) Co., Limited (“Pioneer HK”), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, entered into a share purchase agreement, which was supplemented by a supplemental agreement thereto dated 2 December 2016 with Mr. Li Xinzhou (“Mr. Li”), the chairman of the Board, an executive Director and a controlling shareholder of the Company, pursuant to which Pioneer HK sold the entire issued share capital of Pioneer Singapore to Mr. Li at a cash consideration of approximately RMB158.4 million. The transaction was approved by the independent shareholders at the Company’s extraordinary general meeting held on 22 December 2016. As a result of this transaction, the Group disposed of all of its equity interest in Pioneer Singapore, Covex, Q3 and Pioneer Medident originally held by the Group (as all of the equity interest in NovaBay originally held by Pioneer Singapore has been transferred to Pioneer HK through an internal reorganization completed prior to the disposal, the Group still holds the equity interest in NovaBay). Following completion of the disposal, each of Pioneer Singapore, Covex and Pioneer Medident ceased to be a subsidiary of the Company and Q3 ceased to be an associate of the Company.

The Group acquired Covex in 2014, the purpose of the acquisition being to enable the Group to obtain a stable supply of high quality Vinpocetine API at a low cost. Since that acquisition, the Group’s sales of Vinpocetine API have deteriorated due to the changing and competitive Chinese market and unfavorable tender outcomes of the Group’s customers in respect of their Vinpocetine API finished products. Consequently, the results of Covex have been disappointing. In 2013, the Group obtained from the Q3 group the exclusive rights to market, promote and sell TsunaMed products in China and certain Southeast Asian markets. Since 2013, the Group completed several rounds of investment in Q3 through Pioneer Singapore to strengthen cooperation. However, due to delays in the research and development progress of the TsunaMed products, the prospects of commercializing these products in the near term are unclear. Given that the Group has ceased to purchase, or has not started to purchase any products from either Covex or Q3 and given further the small scale of Pioneer Medident, these operations account for only a small proportion of the Group’s revenue and the investments in these companies are no longer consistent with the Group’s strategy. In addition, as these companies are loss-making, they have adversely affected the Group’s financial performance and, were they to remain part of the Group, could create uncertainty as to the Group’s future financial performance. The disposal is, therefore, consistent with the Group’s long term strategy and is expected to improve the Group’s overall financial performance.

For further details, please refer to the announcements of the Company dated 17 October 2016, 2 December 2016 and 29 December 2016, as well as the circular of the Company dated 6 December 2016.

### FUTURE AND OUTLOOK

Looking ahead, the Chinese pharmaceutical industry is entering a new era. Following the concept of a “Healthy China” being introduced as a nationwide strategic objective in the “13th Five-Year Plan”, and coupled with China’s aging population, the long term potential and demand in the pharmaceutical industry remain positive and strong. While the transformation of the sector may create challenges in the short-term, these underlying structural adjustments will present the Group with many opportunities. The Group will reinforce its role in the value chain of the Chinese pharmaceutical sector, and focus on its two core development strategies, being “Products” and “Marketing”. Leveraging on its competitive advantages, the Group will further enhance its product portfolio, improve its marketing and promotion strategies, and pursue opportunities for the Group’s sustainable development.

### FINANCIAL REVIEW

#### Revenue

Revenue increased by 22.5% from RMB1,460.9 million in 2015 to RMB1,790.3 million in 2016. Revenue generated from pharmaceutical products sold via the provision of comprehensive marketing, promotion and channel management services increased by 36.4% from RMB464.5 million in 2015 to RMB633.6 million in 2016, primarily due to increased efforts on promotion and expansion on the coverage of these products through the marketing network, as well as the resumption of the import and sales of the product Polimod during the Reporting Period. Revenue generated from medical devices sold via the provision of comprehensive marketing, promotion and channel management services increased by 4.1% from RMB132.8 million in 2015 to RMB138.2 million in 2016, primarily due to increased efforts on promotion of medical device consumables. Revenue generated from products sold via the provision of co-promotion and channel management services increased by 17.9% from RMB863.6 million in 2015 to RMB1,018.5 million in 2016, primarily due to the return to the normal growth track of Alcon's ophthalmic pharmaceutical products through its business strategy adjustment in China's market as well as the Group's intensifying efforts on co-promotion services for Alcon's products.

#### Cost of sales

Cost of sales increased by 19.9% from RMB998.3 million in 2015 to RMB1,196.9 million in 2016, primarily due to an increase of sales. Cost of sales for pharmaceutical products sold via the provision of comprehensive marketing, promotion and channel management services increased by 27.5% from RMB181.4 million in 2015 to RMB231.3 million in 2016. Cost of sales for medical devices sold via the provision of comprehensive marketing, promotion and channel management services decreased by 8.1% from RMB60.4 million in 2015 to RMB55.5 million in 2016. Cost of sales for products sold via the provision of co-promotion and channel management services increased by 20.3% from RMB756.5 million in 2015 to RMB910.0 million in 2016.

#### Gross profit and gross profit margin

Gross profit increased by 28.3% from RMB462.6 million in 2015 to RMB593.4 million in 2016. The Group's average gross profit margin slightly increased from 31.7% in 2015 to 33.1% in 2016. The Group's gross profit margin for pharmaceutical products sold via the provision of comprehensive marketing, promotion and channel management services increased from 60.9% in 2015 to 63.5% in 2016, primarily due to an increase in the sales price of some products in certain regions and Polimod in new authorised regions. The Group's gross profit margin for medical devices sold via the provision of comprehensive marketing, promotion and channel management services increased from 54.5% in 2015 to 59.9% in 2016, primarily due to a higher proportion of revenue being derived from medical devices products which generate higher margins. The Group's gross profit margin for products sold via the provision of co-promotion and channel management services decreased from 12.4% in 2015 to 10.6% in 2016, primarily due to a decrease in the bid price of certain Alcon's ophthalmic pharmaceutical products.

### Other income

Other income decreased by 34.8% from RMB77.9 million in 2015 to RMB50.8 million in 2016, primarily due to a decrease in the amount of government grants and the interest income.

### Distribution and selling expenses

Distribution and selling expenses increased by 105.0% from RMB135.4 million in 2015 to RMB277.5 million in 2016, primarily due to an increase of marketing and promotion expense as a result of an increase in sales price of some products in certain regions, as well as an increase of marketing and promotion activities of new products and Polimod for expanding market shares in new authorised regions. Distribution and selling expenses as a percentage of revenue increased from 9.3% in 2015 to 15.5% in 2016.

### Administrative expenses

Administrative expenses increased by 9.9% from RMB66.7 million in 2015 to RMB73.4 million in 2016, primarily due to the increasing amortisation of the newly operating information system and the increasing expenses on employee training. Administrative expenses as percentage of revenue decreased from 4.6% in 2015 to 4.1% in 2016.

### Finance costs

Finance costs decreased by 72.3% from RMB20.0 million in 2015 to RMB5.5 million in 2016, primarily due to a decrease in bank loans which result in lower interest expense.

### Other gains and losses

The Group recorded other gains and losses at a net gain of RMB33.7 million in 2016, as compared to a net loss of RMB82.7 million in 2015. The net loss in 2015 is primarily due to the impairment loss on investments in NovaBay and on goodwill in Covex by the Group, and the increase in the foreign exchange loss for the borrowings denominated in foreign exchange due to the depreciation of Renminbi. During the current Reporting Period, there was a reversal of impairment loss on investment in NovaBay and a net foreign exchange gain that resulted in a net gain in other gains and losses.

### Income tax expense

Income tax expense increased by 27.5% from RMB34.3 million in 2015 to RMB43.7 million in 2016. The Group's effective income tax rate in 2016 and 2015 was 15.5% and 16.6%, respectively. Since the beginning of 2012, the Group has been conducting business primarily through Naqu Pioneer, which was subject to a reduced EIT rate of 9%. Income tax expense in 2016 included the recognition of RMB12.3 million of PRC withholding tax pursuant to the payment of an interim dividend of RMB95.0 million and proposed payment of a final dividend of RMB137.8 million.

### Profit for the year

As a result of the above factors, the Group's profit increased by 38.3% from RMB172.5 million in 2015 to RMB238.6 million in 2016. The Group's net profit margin increased from 11.8% in 2015 to 13.3% in 2016.

## Liquidity and Capital Resources

### Cash position

The Group has historically met its working capital and other capital requirements principally from its net cash inflow supplemented by bank borrowings. The Group's cash and cash equivalents slightly decreased from RMB317.1 million as of 31 December 2015 to RMB309.6 million as of 31 December 2016.

The following table is a condensed summary of combined statements of cash flows for the year ended 31 December 2016:

	For the year ended 31 December	
	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
Net cash from operating activities	342,039	304,690
Net cash (used in) from investing activities	(6,079)	420,938
Net cash used in financing activities	(346,908)	(671,574)
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents	(10,948)	54,054
Cash and cash equivalent at beginning of the year	317,113	260,834
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes	3,475	2,225
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the year	309,640	317,113

### Net cash from operating activities

In 2016, the Group's net cash from operating activities was RMB342.0 million compared to net cash from operating activities of RMB304.7 million in 2015. This was mainly due to accounts receivable collection efforts enhancement and the increase of operating profit.

### Net cash (used in) from investing activities

In 2016, the Group's net cash used in investing activities was RMB6.1 million compared to net cash from investing activities of RMB420.9 million in 2015. This was mainly due to further investments in associates.

### Net cash used in financing activities

In 2016, the Group's net cash used in financing activities was RMB346.9 million compared to net cash used in financing activities of RMB671.6 million in 2015. This was mainly due to repayment of bank loans.

## Bank borrowings and gearing ratio

The Group had total bank borrowings of RMB76.3 million as at 31 December 2016 compared to RMB285.9 million as at 31 December 2015. On 31 December 2016, the effective interest rate of the Group's bank borrowings ranged from 1.81% to 4.79%, and 47.4% of the Group's bank borrowings were denominated in Renminbi while 52.6% were denominated in US dollars. On 31 December 2016, bank borrowings of RMB36.2 million were secured under the pledge of the Group's bills receivables, trade receivables and bank deposits. On 31 December 2015, bank borrowings of RMB125.9 million were secured under the pledge of the Group's bills receivables, trade receivables and bank deposits. The Group's gearing ratio, calculated as bank borrowings divided by total assets, was 4.4% as at 31 December 2016 compared to 15.7% as at 31 December 2015.

## Net Current Assets

	As at 31 December	
	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Inventories	520,244	663,249
Finance lease receivables	29,299	21,720
Trade and other receivables	436,837	420,366
Amounts due from related parties	39,805	1,296
Tax recoverable	78	475
Prepaid lease payments	52	52
Derivative financial instrument	–	251
Pledged bank deposits	73,120	112,968
Bank balances and cash	309,640	317,113
	<b>1,409,075</b>	1,537,490
<b>Current Liabilities</b>		
Trade and other payables	481,925	471,690
Amounts due to related parties	2,827	–
Tax liabilities	28,598	14,778
Bank and other borrowings	76,251	285,935
Provision	1,886	1,870
Obligations under finance lease	3,186	1,943
	<b>594,673</b>	776,216
Net Current Assets	<b>814,402</b>	761,274

As of 31 December 2016, the Group had sufficient working capital and financial resources for its daily operations.

### Inventories

The Group's inventory balances decreased by 21.6% from RMB663.2 million as at 31 December 2015 to RMB520.2 million as at 31 December 2016, primarily due to the sales in the past stock preparation of the products whose registration certificates were due for renewal, as well as the higher efficiency of inventory turnover as a result of the Group's enhancement of inventory management.

### Trade and Other Receivables

The Group's trade and other receivables increased by 3.9% from RMB420.4 million as at 31 December 2015 to RMB436.8 million as at 31 December 2016. Trade receivables turnover days decreased from 89.4 days for the year ended 31 December 2015 to 69.8 days for the year ended 31 December 2016, primarily due to the Group's intensifying efforts in collecting accounts receivable.

### Trade and Other Payables

The Group's trade and other payables increased by 2.2% from RMB471.7 million as at 31 December 2015 to RMB481.9 million as at 31 December 2016. The Group's trade payables turnover days decreased from 149.5 days for the year ended 31 December 2015 to 128.5 days for the year ended 31 December 2016, primarily due to payment for the accounts payable of the past stock preparation during the Reporting Period.

### Capital Expenditure

The following table sets out our capital expenditure for the periods indicated:

	For the year ended 31 December	
	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
Purchases of property, plant and equipment	5,193	6,149
Purchases of intangible assets	2,775	1,600
Total	7,968	7,749

### Indebtedness

The table below summarizes the maturity profile of the Group's non-derivative financial liabilities as of the dates indicated, based on undiscounted contractual payments:

	Less than 1 year RMB'000	Between 1 and 2 years RMB'000	Total RMB'000
<b>As of 31 December 2016</b>			
Bank borrowings	76,251	–	76,251
Trade payables	416,839	75	416,914
<b>As of 31 December 2015</b>			
Bank borrowings	285,935	–	285,935
Trade payables	425,977	101	426,078

### Contingent Liabilities

The Group had no material contingent liabilities as of 31 December 2016.

### Market Risks

The Group is exposed to various types of market risks, including interest rate fluctuation risk, foreign exchange risk and credit risk in the normal course of business, such as the depreciation of Renminbi against US dollar in 2016, resulting in an increase in product purchasing costs denominated in US dollar.

### Dividend

For the year ended 31 December 2016, the aggregate amount of the interim dividend of 2016 and the final dividend of year ended 31 December 2015 was respectively RMB95.0 million and RMB47.5 million. The Board resolved to recommend the payment of a final dividend of RMB10.3 cents per share, subject to the approval of the shareholders of the Company (the “Shareholders”) at the forthcoming annual general meeting of the Company (the “AGM”) to be held on 28 April 2017. The final dividend is expected to be paid to the Shareholders on 15 May 2017. It will be paid in Hong Kong dollar, such amount is to be calculated by reference to the median exchange rate last published by the People’s Bank of China for the conversion of Renminbi to Hong Kong dollars as at 2 May 2017.

## EMPLOYEE AND REMUNERATION POLICY

As of 31 December 2016, the Group had a total of 345 employees. For the year ended 31 December 2016, the staff costs of the Group was RMB53.2 million as compared to RMB51.8 million for the year ended 31 December 2015.

The Group’s employee remuneration policy is determined by taking into account factors such as remuneration in respect of the local market, the overall remuneration standard in the industry, the inflation level, corporate operating efficiency and employee performance. The Group conducts performance appraisals once every year for its employees, the results of which are applied in annual salary reviews and promotional assessments. The Group’s employees are considered for annual bonuses according to certain performance criteria and appraisals results. Social insurance contributions are made by the Group for its PRC employees in accordance with the relevant PRC regulations.

The Group also provides continuous learning and training programs to its employees to enhance their skills and knowledge, so as to maintain their competitiveness and improve customer service. The Group did not experience any major difficulties in recruitment, nor did it experience any material loss in manpower or suffer from any material labor dispute during the Reporting Period.

In addition, the Company adopted a share award scheme (the “Share Award Scheme”) to recognise the contribution by certain employees including Directors and senior management of the Group, and to provide them with incentives in order to retain them for the continuing operation and development of the Group, and to attract suitable personnel for further development of the Group.

# Director and Senior Management

## EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

**LI Xinzhou (李新洲)**, aged 54, is our chairman and executive Director. Mr. Li is the founder of our Group and joined Pioneer Pharma Shareholding Company Limited (“Pioneer Pharma”), our initial corporate entity, in July 1996 as its general manager and chairman, responsible for managing the operations and planning and formulating our Group’s strategies. Mr. Li has over 20 years of experience in the pharmaceutical services industry. Under Mr. Li’s leadership, our Group has received numerous awards and recognitions. In addition, Mr. Li has been the Asia-Pacific advisor to the board of directors of NovaBay since October 2012. NovaBay is one of our suppliers and also a company in which the Company held an approximately 34.1% equity interest as of 31 December 2016. Mr. Li has provided his vision and strategic thinking in respect of the entry of NovaBay’s products into China and Southeast Asian markets as well as thoughts with respect to the collaboration between NovaBay and our Group. With effect from 10 April 2015, Mr. Li was appointed as a director of NovaBay. Mr. Li is a director of Pioneer Pharma (BVI) Co., Ltd. and Tian Tian Limited, each being a substantial shareholder of the Company.

Mr. Li also has over 23 years of experience in international trading and management. Prior to joining our Group, Mr. Li worked at the Hainan branch of Sumitomo Corporation. From August 1984 to August 1988, Mr. Li worked as an English translator in China Offshore Oil Nanhai West Corporation (中海油南海西部公司) and from July 1981 to August 1984, he worked as an English teacher at Jiangnan Oil Field Dongfanghong High School (江漢油田東方紅學校). Mr. Li has also held various positions in trade associations. He was the vice chairman of the Hainan General Chamber of Commerce (海南省總商會) and the standing vice president of Hainan Hubei Chamber of Commerce (海南省湖北商會). He has also served as a member of the Chinese People’s Political Consultative Conference Hainan Committee (海南省政協). Mr. Li graduated from Jiangnan Petroleum Normal School (江漢石油師範學校) with a diploma in English in July 1981. He also studied at the China Europe International Business School (中歐國際工商學院). Mr. Li is also the chairman of the Nomination Committee.

**ZHU Mengjun (朱夢軍)**, aged 46, is our executive Director and chief executive officer. Mr. Zhu joined our Group in March 1998 and served as Pioneer Pharma’s chief accountant and manager of the finance department between 1998 and 2002. Mr. Zhu was appointed as the chief financial officer of Pioneer Pharma in February 2002, the deputy general manager in January 2004 and a director of Pioneer Pharma in August 2006. Mr. Zhu was appointed as the chief financial officer of the Group in October 2013, and was redesignated to the position of the chief executive officer of the Group in December 2016. Mr. Zhu is also currently chairman of the board of directors of the Company’s subsidiary Shanghai Pioneer Ruici Medical Facilities Company Limited. Mr. Zhu has over 20 years of experience in accounting and corporate finance. Prior to joining our Group, Mr. Zhu worked at Shanghai Yangtze Non-ferrous Metals Co., Ltd. (上海長江有色金屬有限公司). Mr. Zhu obtained a master’s degree in professional accountancy from The Chinese University of Hong Kong in December 2007. Mr. Zhu also obtained the qualification of Intermediate Level Accountant in September 2002 and has been a member of the Chinese Institute of Certified Public Accountants (中國註冊會計師協會) since April 1998.

### NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

**WANG Yinping (王引平)**, aged 55, is a non-executive Director. Mr. Wang joined our Group in January 2015 as an executive Director and chief executive officer but in December 2016 he was redesignated to the position of non-executive Director and has resigned as chief executive officer. Mr. Wang is very experienced in corporate management. He joined Sinochem Import and Export Corporation (中國化工進出口總公司) (now known as China Sinochem Group Corporation (中國中化集團公司), "Sinochem Group") in 1987. Since then, he had assumed various senior positions within the Sinochem Group until 2014, when he resigned as the group's vice president. During the 27 years he spent with Sinochem Group, Mr. Wang held the following major positions: (i) from 1988 to 1992, vice general manager of Sinochem Group Hainan Company (中化集團海南公司); (ii) from 1993 to 1997, general manager of Sinochem Group Pudong Company (中化集團浦東公司); (iii) from 1997 to 1998, vice general manager of China Foreign Economy and Trade Trust Co., Ltd. (中國對外經濟貿易信託有限公司), a Sinochem Group company; (iv) from 1998 to 1999, general manager of the human resources department of Sinochem Group and vice president of the Sinochem Group; (v) from 2001 to 2004, general manager of Sinochem International Trade Co., Ltd. (中化國際貿易股份有限公司) (now known as Sinochem International Corporation (中化國際(控股)股份有限公司), a company listed on the Shanghai Stock Exchange with the stock code of 600500 and director of the Bank of Communications Co., Ltd. (交通銀行股份有限公司), a company listed on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") with the stock code of 3328 and on the Shanghai Stock Exchange with the stock code of 601328; (vi) in 2005, re-appointed as the vice president of Sinochem Group; and (vii) from 2010 to 2014, chairman of the board of China Foreign Economy and Trade Trust Co., Ltd. (中國對外經濟貿易信託有限公司), chairman of the board and general manager of Sinochem Lantian Co., Ltd. (中化藍天集團有限公司), and chairman of the board of Zhejiang Int'l Group Co., Ltd (浙江英特集團股份有限公司), a company listed on the Shenzhen Stock Exchange with the stock code of 000411. Mr. Wang was a director of Western Potash Corp., a company listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange with the stock code WPX from 16 September 2015 to 29 September 2016. On 31 December 2016, Mr. Wang was appointed as an independent non-executive director of Yida China Holdings Limited (德達中國控股有限公司), a company listed on the Stock Exchange with the stock code of 3639. Mr. Wang graduated from Renmin University of China (中國人民大學) with a bachelor's degree in law in 1985. He also received an MBA degree from China Europe International Business School (中歐國際工商學院) in 2004.

**WU Mijia (吳米佳)**, aged 43, is a non-executive Director. Mr. Wu joined our Company in October 2013. Mr. Wu has over 13 years of experience in finance and investment. He has been the managing director of Shanghai Ceton Investment Management (上海策通投資管理有限公司) since June 2008. Prior to that, Mr. Wu served as a director at UBS AG, Hong Kong Branch between May and August 2007 and a vice president at BNP Paribas, Hong Kong branch between September 2005 and December 2006. He was an assistant vice president at ABN AMRO Bank (China) Co., Ltd. where he worked between October 2002 and June 2005. Mr. Wu graduated from Guangdong University of Foreign Studies (廣東外語外貿大學) with a bachelor's degree in international business in June 1996. Mr. Wu obtained a master's degree in business administration from the Manchester Business School of the University of the Manchester in June 2001 and an executive master's degree in business administration from the Cheung Kong Graduate School of Business (長江商學院) in October 2012. Mr. Wu is a member of the Audit Committee and a member of the Remuneration Committee.

### INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

**XU Zhonghai (徐中海)**, aged 55, is an independent non-executive Director. Mr. Xu joined our Company in October 2013. Mr. Xu has been a professor in chemistry at Yueyang Vocational Technical College (岳陽職業技術學院) since March 1998. Prior to that, Mr. Xu worked in the Tibet Autonomous Region Health Department (西藏自治區衛生廳) until March 1998, responsible mainly for the management of professional medical staff and assessment of medical technical qualifications, and as a chief inspector at the Tibet Autonomous Region Health and Epidemic Prevention Station (西藏自治區衛生防疫站) starting in March 1989, responsible mainly for inspection of environmental sanitation and food hygiene. From July 1986 and March 1989, Mr. Xu worked as a teacher at Tibet Autonomous Region Nyingchi Area Middle School (西藏自治區林芝地區中學). Mr. Xu graduated from Hunan Normal University (湖南師範大學) with a bachelor's degree in chemistry in July 1986 and a master's degree in analytical chemistry in January 2008. Mr. Xu was awarded the title of professor by the Hunan Province Human Resources Department (湖南省人事廳) in November 2008. Mr. Xu is the chairman of the Remuneration Committee, a member of the Audit Committee and a member of the Nomination Committee.

**LAI Chanshu (賴展樞)**, aged 69, is an independent non-executive Director. Mr. Lai joined our Company in October 2013. Mr. Lai is experienced in the pharmaceutical industry. He worked as the general manager of the Taiwan market at Alcon Pharmaceuticals Ltd. (愛爾康藥品(股份)公司) between January 1975 and February 2002. Mr. Lai graduated from Taipei Medical University (台北醫學大學) with a bachelor's degree in pharmacy in June 1971. Mr. Lai has been a pharmacist registered with the Department of Health of the Republic of China (中華民國行政院衛生署) since April 1972. Mr. Lai is a member of the Remuneration Committee and a member of the Nomination Committee.

**WONG Chi Hung, Stanley (黃志雄)**, aged 54, is an independent non-executive Director. Mr. Wong joined our Company in October 2013. Mr. Wong has experience in auditing, accounting and financial advisory services. He was appointed as the director of KBS Fashion Group Limited (formerly known as Aquasition Corp.), a company listed on the NASDAQ exchange (stock quote: KBSF) since August 2014 and resigned on 15 March 2015. He has been an independent non-executive director of Great Wall Motor Company Limited (長城汽車股份有限公司), a company listed on the Stock Exchange (stock code: 2333) and the Shanghai Stock Exchange (stock code: 601633) since November 2010. On 1 July 2016, he was appointed as an executive director of Talents Alliance Ltd.. Mr. Wong has served as a chief financial officer of Hongri International Holdings Company Limited (紅日國際控股有限公司) since November 2009. He served as a chief executive officer of China Biologic Products, Inc. (中國生物製品有限公司) between March 2007 and May 2008 and a consultant of the same company between June 2008 and December 2008. Mr. Wong is a fellow member of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants and a fellow member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants. He holds a bachelor's degree in accounting from the University of Kent (肯特大學) and an EMBA from Peking University (北京大學). He is also a qualified independent director recognised by the Shanghai Stock Exchange. Mr. Wong is the chairman of the Audit Committee.

### SENIOR MANAGEMENT

**HUANG Wenfei (黃文斐)**, aged 47, is our general manager of the ophthalmology business unit. Ms. Huang joined our Group in 1998 and worked as a manager of our commerce department between 1998 and 2004 and a sales director in 2004. She was appointed as our deputy general manager in October 2004 and a director of Pioneer Pharma in April 2011, responsible for various aspects of our business, including human resources, administration, product registration, purchase, logistics, product quality, commerce and government affairs. In September 2014, Ms. Huang was promoted to general manager of our ophthalmology business unit, responsible for the promotion and sales of all ophthalmic medical device products of our Group. Ms. Huang has nearly 22 years of working experience in the pharmaceutical industry. Prior to joining our Group, she worked at Shanghai Xudong Haipu Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. (上海旭東海普藥業有限公司) and Shanghai Eighteenth Pharmaceutical (上海第十八製藥廠). Ms. Huang obtained an executive master's degree in business administration from Tongji University (同濟大學) in March 2009.

**YANG Xiuyan (楊秀顏)**, aged 54, is our general manager of the Polichem business unit. Ms. Yang joined our Group in December 1998 and worked as the manager for the Shandong and Northern China area between 1998 and 2012. She was appointed as our deputy general manager and sales director in January 2013 and was responsible for the sales and marketing activities of our Group, in particular in the Northern Yangtze River area. In September 2014, Ms. Yang was promoted to general manager of the AW (Alfa Wassermann) Business Unit, with responsibility for the promotion and sales of AW's products. In November 2015, Ms. Yang was appointed as the general manager of the Polichem Business Unit, and is responsible for the promotion and sales of Polichem's products. She has nearly 18 years working experience in the pharmaceutical industry. Prior to joining our Group, Ms. Yang worked at Boli People's Hospital of Heilongjiang Province (黑龍江省勃利人民醫院). Ms. Yang was awarded a bachelor's degree in clinical medicine by the Binzhou Medical University (濱州醫學院) in July 1986.

**WANG Tao (汪韜)**, aged 46, is our general manager of the Easyhaler & Neutrophase business unit. Mr. Wang joined our Group in September 2001 and worked as a product manager and marketing manager between September 2001 and December 2002. Mr. Wang was appointed as our marketing director in January 2003, responsible for formulating and implementing marketing plans and strategies, training and supporting sales teams in marketing activities, as well as preparing promotional tools. In September 2014, Mr. Wang was promoted to be the general manager of Easyhaler & Neutrophase Products Business Unit, and is responsible for the promotion and sales of Easyhaler series products and Neutrophase. Mr. Wang has over 17 years working experience in the pharmaceutical industry. Prior to joining our Group, Mr. Wang worked at Shanghai Hanyin Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. (上海漢殷藥業有限公司) between January 1999 and September 2001. Mr. Wang was awarded with a bachelor's degree in clinical medicine from Xinxiang Medical University (新鄉醫學院) in July 1993 and an executive master's degree in business administration from Antai College of Economics and Management of Shanghai Jiao Tong University (上海交通大學安泰管理學院) in December 2011.

**SHAO Jin (邵錦)**, aged 40, is our general manager of the Pain Management and Digestive Products Business Unit. Mr. Shao joined our Group in July 2004 and worked as a sales supervisor of the South China area and a manager of greater Southern China from 2004 to 2009. He was appointed as the OTC director in 2009. In September 2014, Mr. Shao was promoted to director of the Difene business unit, and in January 2016 he was promoted to be the general manager of the Pain Management and Digestive Products Business Unit where he is responsible for the promotion and sales of Difene and digestive products. Mr. Shao has over 15 years of experience in the pharmaceutical industry. Mr. Shao received an executive master's degree in business administration from Zhongnan University of Economics and Law (中南財經政法大學) in 2013.

**LAI Weijuan (賴維娟)**, aged 28, is our general manager of the Covex business unit. Ms. Lai joined the Group in 2012, and worked as the chief representative, responsible for market analysis and procurement of Vinpocetine API, and the overseas investments of our Group from 2012 to March 2014. Ms. Lai was appointed as the general manager of Covex in April 2014. In October 2014, Ms. Lai was promoted to be the director of the Covex Vinpocetine business unit. In January 2016, she was promoted to be the general manager of the Covex business unit, and is responsible for the operation of Covex and the promotion and sales of Vinpocetine API in China. Ms. Lai possesses extensive experience in international trade.

**CHEN Zhi (陳志)**, aged 38, is our general manager of the AW business unit. Mr. Chen joined our Group in February 2012 and worked as a senior product manager from 2012 to September 2014. He was appointed as a manager of the marketing department of the AW business unit in September 2014. In November 2015, Mr. Chen was promoted to be the director of the AW business unit. In January 2017, he was appointed as the general manager of the AW Business unit and is responsible for the promotion and sales of Alfa Wassermann's products. Mr. Chen has over 15 years of experience in the pharmaceutical industry. Prior to joining the Group, Mr. Chen worked at Yung Shin Pharmalnd (Kun Shan) Co., Ltd., Hong Kong Bright Future Pharmaceutical Laboratories Limited, Health Vision Enterprise, and Jilin Yinglian Biopharmaceutical Co., Ltd. Mr. Chen graduated from Shenyang Pharmaceutical University with a bachelor's degree in economics in medical enterprise management in 2001.

**XUE Yi (薛毅)**, aged 41, is our chief financial officer. Mr. Xue joined the Group in January 2002 and served as the manager of the audit department of Pioneer Pharma between January 2002 and January 2003, and was appointed as the manager of the finance department of Pioneer Pharma in February 2003. Mr. Xue was appointed as the Company's deputy financial officer in February 2015, responsible for assisting the chief financial officer with finance and accounting management, and was appointed as the chief financial officer in December 2016. Mr. Xue is also the executive director of the Company's wholly-owned subsidiary Naqu Area Pioneer Pharma Co., Ltd. Mr. Xue has over 19 years of experience in the accounting and auditing field. Prior to joining the Group, Mr. Xue worked at Sichuan Dazhou Foods Company (四川省達州市食品公司). Mr. Xue obtained a bachelor's degree in accounting from Southwestern University of Finance and Economics in June 1997, and obtained the qualification of Intermediate Level Accountant in August 2000.

**LIU Xuefeng (劉雪峰)**, aged 41, is our business development director. Mr. Liu joined our Group in September 2008 and was appointed as our business development director in April 2012, mainly responsible for sourcing new products and exploring business opportunities. Mr. Liu has over 12 years working experience in the pharmaceutical industry. Prior to joining our Group, Mr. Liu was a medical representative at AstraZeneca (Wuxi) Trading Co. Ltd. (阿斯利康(無錫)貿易有限公司) between January 2008 and August 2008, responsible for promoting medical and pharmaceutical products knowledge to customers. Mr. Liu worked as an assistant secretary-general and head of the international council at the Chinese Society of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (中國生物化學與分子生物學會) from July 2005. Between August 1999 and September 2002, he worked at Hangzhou Zhongmei Huadong Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. (杭州中美華東製藥有限公司). Mr. Liu was awarded a bachelor's degree in biopharmaceuticals from China Pharmaceutical University (中國醫科大學) in July 1999 and a master's degree in microbiology and biochemical pharmacy from the Shanghai Institute of Pharmaceutical Industry (上海醫藥工業研究院) in July 2005.

**WANG Rongrong (王榮榮)**, aged 38, is our general manager of the Alcon business unit and national director of the commerce department. Ms. Wang joined our Group in July 2004, and worked as a manager of the commerce department from September 2006 to August 2014. In September 2014, Ms. Wang was promoted to be our national director of the commerce department, mainly responsible for bidding, pricing, receivables management and channel management and other business related work. Ms. Wang was appointed as our general manager of the Alcon business unit in January 2016, mainly responsible for co-promotion and channel management of Alcon's products. Ms. Wang has more than 17 years of working experience in pharmaceutical industry. Prior to joining the Group, Ms. Wang worked in the Hainan Sanye Pharmaceutical Group (海南三葉醫藥集團). Ms. Wang received a bachelor's degree in biological engineering in June 2000, and a licensed pharmacist qualification certificate in 2005.

**QU Lei (瞿蕾)**, aged 37, is our director of Administration Affairs and Human Resources. Ms. Qu joined our Group in March 2010, and worked as a senior product manager from 2010 to September 2014. She was appointed as a manager of the marketing department of the Pain Management and Digestive Products business unit of the Group in September 2014, was appointed as a manager of the Managerial department and Human Resources department in September 2015, and was appointed as a director of the Administration Affairs and Human Resources of the Group in December 2016, responsible for work related to administrative affairs and human resources. Ms. Qu has over 15 years of experience in the pharmaceutical industry. Prior to joining the Group, Ms. Qu worked at the Shanghai Municipal Hospital of Traditional Chinese Medicine, Shanghai Medical Emergency Center, MSD (Hangzhou) Pharmaceutical Company Limited and Shanghai Boehringer Ingelheim Pharmaceutical Company Limited.

### COMPANY SECRETARY

**MIN Le (閔樂)**, aged 35, is our company secretary. Mr. Min joined our Group in July 2013 and serves as the secretary of the Board. Mr. Min is a PRC non-practising certified public accountant and has many years of experience in the financing and accounting field. Mr. Min worked as the chief accountant at Carrefour (China) Management & Consulting Service Co., Ltd. between October 2011 to June 2013, mainly responsible for preparing budgets and financial closing and designing, streamlining and improving financial and accounting process. Prior to that, he worked at Shanghai Zhonghua Certified Public Accountants (上海眾華滙銀會計師事務所) as a project manager between March 2006 and September 2011, mainly responsible for annual financial auditing and financial consulting. Mr. Min graduated from the East China University of Science and Technology (華東理工大學) with a bachelor's degree in environmental engineering in June 2003 and from the Tong Ji University (同濟大學) with a master's degree in environmental engineering in March 2006.

# Report of the Directors

The Board is pleased to present its report together with the audited consolidated financial statements of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2016.

## PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The principal activity of the Company is investment holding and the Group is principally engaged in the provision of comprehensive marketing, promotion and channel management services for imported pharmaceutical products and medical devices in China. The analysis of the revenue of the principal activities of the Group during the year ended 31 December 2016 is set out in note 5 to the consolidated financial statements.

## RESULTS

The results of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2016 are set out in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income on page 72 of this annual report.

## FINAL DIVIDENDS

The Board, during its meeting held on Wednesday, 22 March 2017 recommended the payment of a final dividend of RMB0.103 per share for the year ended 31 December 2016 (2015: RMB0.036) to the Shareholders whose names appear on the Company's register of members on Monday, 8 May 2017. The final dividend will be payable on Monday, 15 May 2017 and is subject to the approval of Shareholders at the forthcoming AGM to be held on Friday, 28 April 2017.

There are no arrangements under which a Shareholder has waived or agreed to waive any dividend.

## BUSINESS REVIEW AND BUSINESS OUTLOOK

The business review of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2016 and the business outlook of the Group are set out in the section headed "Management Discussion and Analysis" on pages 10 to 27 of this annual report.

## KEY FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

The financial key performance indicators of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2016 are set out in the section "Financial Highlights" of this annual report.

## CLOSURE OF THE REGISTER OF MEMBERS

The register of members of the Company will be closed from Tuesday, 18 April 2017 to Friday, 28 April 2017, both days inclusive, in order to determine the identity of the Shareholders who are entitled to attend the forthcoming AGM to be held on Friday, 28 April 2017. All transfers accompanied by the relevant share certificates and transfer forms must be lodged with the Company's branch share registrar in Hong Kong, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, at Shops 1712-1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong before 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, 13 April 2017.

The register of members of the Company will also be closed on Monday, 8 May 2017, in order to determine the entitlement of the Shareholders to the final dividend (if approved by the Shareholders). All transfers accompanied by the relevant share certificates and transfer forms must be lodged with the Company's branch share registrar in Hong Kong, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, at Shops 1712-1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong before 4:30 p.m. on Friday, 5 May 2017.

### FINANCIAL SUMMARY

A summary of the Group's results, assets, liabilities for the last five financial years are set out on page 4 of this annual report. This summary does not form part of the audited consolidated financial statements.

### USE OF NET PROCEEDS FROM LISTING

The Company raised total net proceeds (after deducting relevant offering expenses) of approximately HK\$1,307.8 million (the "IPO Proceeds") from the global offering and listing on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange of its shares in 2013. In order to enhance the effectiveness of the use of the IPO Proceeds, on 9 May 2016, the Directors resolved that the unused IPO Proceeds, amounting to HK\$213.9 million, be used as follows:

- HK\$147.3 million to fund purchases of imported pharmaceutical products and medical devices from overseas suppliers;
- HK\$5.9 million to enlarge the Group's product portfolio; and
- HK\$60.7 million for the Group's working capital and other general corporate purposes.

As of 31 December 2016, the unused IPO Proceeds of approximately HK\$80.8 million were deposited in licensed banks in Hong Kong. For details of the adjustments to use of IPO Proceeds, please refer to the announcement of the Company dated 9 May 2016.

### MAJOR CUSTOMERS AND SUPPLIERS

For the year ended 31 December 2016, the Group's products purchased from the largest supplier, accounted for 76.3% (2015: 80.9%) of total products purchased, and products purchased from the five largest suppliers accounted for 97.3% (2015: 94.8%) of the Group's total products purchased.

For the year ended 31 December 2016, the Group's sales to its largest customer accounted for 4.1% (2015: 4.5%) of the Group's revenue, and sales to the five largest customers accounted for 16.2% (2015: 15.7%) of the Group's total revenue.

None of the Directors or any of their close associates or any Shareholders (which, to the best knowledge of the Directors, own more than 5% of the number of issued shares of the Company) had any interest in the Group's five largest customers and suppliers.

### PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Details of movements in the property, plant and equipment of the Company and the Group during the year ended 31 December 2016 are set out in note 14 to the consolidated financial statements.

### SUBSIDIARIES

Details of the major subsidiaries of the Company as of 31 December 2016 are set out in note 34 to the consolidated financial statements.

## SHARE CAPITAL

Details of movements in the share capital of the Company during the year ended 31 December 2016 are set out in note 32 to the consolidated financial statements.

## RESERVES

Details of movements in the reserves of the Company and the Group during the year ended 31 December 2016 are set out on page 75 in the consolidated statement of changes in equity.

## DISTRIBUTABLE RESERVES

As at 31 December 2016, the Company's reserves available for distribution, calculated in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Law of the Cayman Islands and the Company's articles of association (the "Articles of Association"), amounted to approximately RMB285.4 million (as at 31 December 2015: RMB190.5 million).

## BANK LOANS AND OTHER BORROWINGS

Particulars of bank loans and other borrowings of the Company and the Group as at 31 December 2016 are set out in note 29 to the consolidated financial statements.

## EQUITY-LINKED AGREEMENTS

Save for the Share Award Scheme as set out in the section headed "Scheme Award Scheme" below, no equity-linked agreements were entered into by the Group, or existed during the year ended 31 December 2016.

## RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES RELATING TO THE GROUP'S BUSINESS

The Group's financial condition, results of operations, businesses and prospects may be affected by a number of risks and uncertainties including business risks, operational risks and financial management risks. The Group's key risk exposures are summarised as follows:

Business risks	(i)	Slowdown of China's economic growth resulting in the government promoting structural reforms on the supply side
	(ii)	Changes of government policy or the market in respect of healthcare products more broadly in China in 2016
Operational risks	(i)	Product liability, product recalls and complaints as a result of marketing, promoting and selling pharmaceutical products and medical devices in China
	(ii)	Reliance on key personnel – business and growth may be disrupted if the Group is not able to retain the key personnel.
Financial risks	(i)	Foreign exchange rate risk
	(ii)	Interest rate fluctuation risk
	(iii)	Credit risk

Details in respect of financial risk management are set out in note 38 to the consolidated financial statements.

There may be other risks and uncertainties in addition to those mentioned above which are not known to the Group or which may not be material now but could be material in the future.

### ENVIRONMENTAL POLICIES AND PERFORMANCE

The Group's business is mainly to promote, market and sell pharmaceutical products and medical devices, which in general does not have any material impact on the environment. The Group is committed to the long-term sustainability of the environment and communities in which it operates. Acting in an environmentally responsible manner, the Group endeavours to comply with laws and regulations regarding environmental protection and adopt effective measures to achieve efficient use of resources, energy saving and waste reduction. More details of the Group's environmental policies and performance are set out in the section headed "Environmental, Social and Governance Report" on pages 60 to 66 of this annual report.

### COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS AND REGULATIONS

Compliance procedures are in place to ensure adherence to applicable laws, rules and regulations and particularly those which have a significant impact on the Group. As a listed company in Hong Kong, the shares of the Company having been listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange on 5 November 2013 (the "Listing Date"), the Company continuously complies with the requirements under the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange (the "Listing Rules") including the disclosure requirements, corporate governance provisions and Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (the "Model Code") contained therein. Under the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Cap. 571) (the "SFO"), the Company is required to maintain a register of interests in shares and short positions and a register of directors' and chief executives' interests and short positions and is obliged to comply with disclosure requirements in respect of inside information. The Board will monitor the Group's policies and practices in respect of compliance with legal and regulatory requirements and such policies are regularly reviewed. Any changes in applicable laws, rules and regulations are brought to the attention of relevant employees and relevant operation units from time to time.

### RELATIONSHIPS WITH KEY STAKEHOLDERS

The Group's success also depends on the support of key stakeholders which comprise employees, customers, peer banks, service vendors, regulators and Shareholders. Employees are regarded as the most important and valuable assets of the Group. The Group maintains a good relationship with its employees and did not experience any major difficulties in recruitment, nor did it experience any material loss in manpower or suffer from any material labour dispute during the year ended 31 December 2016. The Group also understands the importance of maintaining a good relationship with its suppliers and customers to meet its short-term and long-term goals. It enjoys good relationships with suppliers and customers and strives to take an active part in the communities where they operate.

## DIRECTORS

The Directors during the year ended 31 December 2016 and up to the date of this annual report were:

### Executive Directors:

Mr. Li Xinzhou (*Chairman*)

Mr. Zhu Mengjun (*Chief Executive Officer*)

### Non-executive Directors:

Mr. Wang Yinping

Mr. Wu Mijia

### Independent Non-executive Directors:

Mr. Xu Zhonghai

Mr. Lai Chanshu

Mr. Wong Chi Hung, Stanley

In accordance with article 104(1) of the Articles of Association, Mr. Wu Mijia, Mr. Wang Yinping and Mr. Wong Chi Hung, Stanley will retire by rotation, and being eligible, have offered themselves for re-election as Directors at the forthcoming AGM.

Details of the Directors to be re-elected at the forthcoming AGM are set out in the circular to the Shareholders dated 23 March 2017.

With effect from 29 December 2016, Mr. Wang Yinping was reassigned from the position of executive Director to non-executive Director due to his other personal engagements.

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT

Biographical details of the Directors and senior management of the Group are set out on pages 28 to 33 of this annual report.

## CONFIRMATION OF INDEPENDENCE OF INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

The Company has received an annual confirmation of independence pursuant to Rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules from each of the independent non-executive Directors and the Company considers such Directors to be independent for the year ended 31 December 2016 and as of the date of this annual report.

### DIRECTORS' SERVICE CONTRACTS AND LETTERS OF APPOINTMENTS

Mr. Li Xinzhou, an executive Director, has automatically renewed his service agreement with the Company for a term of one year commencing from 16 October 2016, which may be terminated by not less than one month's notice in writing served by either party to the other. Mr. Zhu Mengjun, an executive Director, entered into a service agreement with the Company for a term of three years commencing from 29 December 2016, and this may be terminated by not less than one month's notice in writing served by either party to the other.

Mr. Wu Mijia, a non-executive Director, and each of the independent non-executive Directors have automatically renewed their letters of appointment with the Company for a term of one year commencing from 16 October 2016. Mr. Wang Yinping, a non-executive Director, entered into a service agreement with the Company for a term of three years commencing from 29 December 2016, and this may be terminated by not less than one month's notice in writing served by either party to the other.

None of the Directors has a service contract which is not determinable by the Group within one year without payment of compensation (other than statutory compensation).

### DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN TRANSACTIONS, ARRANGEMENTS OR CONTRACTS OF SIGNIFICANCE

Other than those transactions disclosed in note 28 to the consolidated financial statements and in the section headed "Connected transactions" below, no Director nor any entity connected with a Director is or was materially interested, either directly or indirectly, in any transaction, arrangement or contract which is of significance to the business of the Group or to which the Company or any of its subsidiaries, its parent company and the subsidiaries of its parent company was a party during or at the end of the Reporting Period.

### MANAGEMENT CONTRACTS

No contracts concerning the management and administration of the whole or any substantial part of the business of the Company were entered into or existed during the year ended 31 December 2016.

### EMPLOYEES AND EMOLUMENT POLICY

As of 31 December 2016, the Group had an aggregate of 345 full-time employees. The remuneration committee of the Company (the "Remuneration Committee") was set up for reviewing the Group's emolument policy and structure for all remuneration of the Directors and senior management of the Group, having regard to the Group's operating results, individual performance of the Directors and senior management and comparable market practices.

The Company has adopted the Share Award Scheme as incentive to eligible employees, details of the scheme are set out in the section headed "Share Award Scheme" below.

## RETIREMENT BENEFITS SCHEME

Details of the retirement benefits scheme of the Company are set out in note 36 to the consolidated financial statements.

## REMUNERATION OF DIRECTORS AND FIVE INDIVIDUALS WITH HIGHEST EMOLUMENTS

Details of the emoluments of the Directors and five highest paid individuals are set out in note 12 to the consolidated financial statements.

## CHANGES TO INFORMATION IN RESPECT OF DIRECTORS

Pursuant to Rule 13.51B of the Listing Rules, during the year ended 31 December 2016, changes in Directors' information are set out below:

Mr. Wong Chi Hung, Stanley, an independent non-executive Director, has been appointed as an executive director of Talents Alliance Ltd. on 1 July 2016.

Mr. Wang Yinping has resigned as the chief executive officer of the Company and has been reassigned from the position of executive Director to non-executive Director due to his other personal engagements with effect from 29 December 2016. Mr. Wang was appointed as a director of Western Potash Corp., a company listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange (stock quote: WPX) on 16 September 2015 and resigned on 29 September 2016. On 31 December 2016, Mr. Wang was appointed as an independent non-executive director of Yida China Holdings Limited (億達中國控股有限公司), a company listed on the Stock Exchange with the stock code of 3639.

Mr. Zhu Mengjun, an executive Director, has been reassigned from the position of chief financial officer to chief executive officer of the Company with effect from 29 December 2016.

Save as disclosed above, during the year ended 31 December 2016, there were no changes to information which is required to be disclosed and had been disclosed by Directors pursuant to paragraphs (a) to (e) and (g) of Rule 13.51(2) of the Listing Rules.

## DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITION IN SHARES, UNDERLYING SHARES AND DEBENTURES

As at 31 December 2016, the interests and short positions of the Directors and the chief executive of the Company in the Shares, underlying Shares and debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO) (i) which were required to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO (including interests and short positions which were taken or deemed to have under such provisions of the SFO), or (ii) which were required, pursuant to section 352 of the SFO, to be entered into the register maintained by the Company, or (iii) which were required to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the Model Code were as follows:

### (i) Interests in the shares of the Company

Name of Directors	Nature of Interest	Number of Shares	Approximate percentage of shareholding
Li Xinzhou	Founder of a discretionary trust <sup>(1)</sup>	921,824,000 (L)	69.14%
	Interest of spouse <sup>(2)</sup>	1,403,000 (L)	0.11%
	Beneficial owner	9,652,000 (L)	0.72%
Zhu Mengjun	Beneficial owner	2,969,000 (L) <sup>(3)</sup>	0.22%
Wang Jinping	Beneficial owner	1,300,000 (L) <sup>(4)</sup>	0.10%

*Remark:*

The letter "L" denotes the long position in Shares.

*Notes:*

1. Mr. Li Xinzhou is a founder of a discretionary trust and is deemed to be interested in 921,824,000 Shares held under the discretionary trust.
2. Such 1,403,000 Shares are held by Ms. Wu Qian, the spouse of Mr. Li Xinzhou. Accordingly, Mr. Li Xinzhou is deemed to be interested in such 1,403,000 Shares.
3. Mr. Zhu Mengjun is interested in 2,969,000 Shares, of which 1,100,000 Shares were awarded and granted to Mr. Zhu Mengjun under the Share Award Scheme on 9 October 2015.
4. Mr. Wang Jinping holds 1,300,000 Shares, all of which were awarded and granted to Mr. Wang Jinping under the Share Award Scheme on 9 October 2015.

Save as disclosed above, as at 31 December 2016, none of the Directors and the chief executive of the Company had or was deemed to have any interest or short position in the Shares, underlying Shares or debentures of the Company or its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO) (i) which were required to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange, or (ii) which were required to be recorded in the register to be kept by the Company under section 352 of the SFO, or (iii) which were required, pursuant to the Model Code, to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange.

## DIRECTORS' RIGHTS TO ACQUIRE SHARES OR DEBENTURES

Save as otherwise disclosed in this report, at no time during the year ended 31 December 2016 were rights to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of Shares in or debentures of the Company granted to any Director or their respective spouse or children under 18 years of age, nor were any such rights exercised by them; nor was the Company or any of its subsidiaries a party to any arrangement to enable the Directors, or their respective spouse or children under 18 years of age, to acquire such rights in any other body corporate.

## SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES AND UNDERLYING SHARES

As at 31 December 2016, to the best knowledge of the Directors, the following persons (not being a Director or chief executive of the Company) had interests or short positions in the Shares or underlying Shares which fall to be disclosed to the Company under the provisions of Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO as recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company pursuant to section 336 of the SFO:

Name of Substantial Shareholders	Capacity/Nature of interest	Number of Shares	Approximate percentage of shareholding
Wu Qian	Founder of a discretionary trust <sup>(1)</sup>	921,824,000 (L)	69.14%
	Interest of spouse <sup>(2)</sup>	9,652,000 (L)	0.72%
	Beneficial owner	1,403,000 (L)	0.11%
Tian Tian Limited <sup>(5)</sup>	Interest of controlled corporation <sup>(3)</sup>	921,824,000 (L)	69.14%
UBS Trustees (BVI) Limited	Trustee <sup>(4)</sup>	921,824,000 (L)	69.14%
Pioneer Pharma (BVI) Co., Ltd. <sup>(5)</sup>	Beneficial owner	921,824,000 (L)	69.14%

*Remark:*

The letter "L" denotes a long position in Shares.

*Notes:*

- Ms. Wu Qian is a founder of a discretionary trust and is deemed to be interested in 921,824,000 Shares held under the discretionary trust.
- Such 9,652,000 Shares are held by Mr. Li Xinzhou, the spouse of Ms. Wu Qian. Accordingly, Ms. Wu Qian is deemed to be interested in such 9,652,000 Shares.
- Tian Tian Limited through its controlled corporation, Pioneer Pharma (BVI) Co., Ltd., is deemed to be interested in 921,824,000 Shares held by Pioneer Pharma (BVI) Co., Ltd.
- UBS Trustees (BVI) Limited, as trustee of the discretionary trust, through its controlled corporations (being Tian Tian Limited and Pioneer Pharma (BVI) Co., Ltd.) is deemed to be interested in 921,824,000 Shares held by Pioneer Pharma (BVI) Co., Ltd.
- Mr. Li Xinzhou is a director of each of Pioneer Pharma (BVI) Co., Ltd. and Tian Tian Limited.

Save as disclosed above, as at 31 December 2016, the Directors were not aware of any persons (who were not directors or chief executive of the Company) who had an interest or short position in the Shares or underlying Shares of the Company which would fall to be disclosed under Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO, or which would be required, pursuant to section 336 of the SFO, to be entered in the register referred to therein.

### SHARE AWARD SCHEME

The Company adopted the Share Award Scheme to recognise the contribution by certain employees including Directors and senior management of the Group, and to provide them with incentives in order to retain them for the continuing operation and development of the Group, and to attract suitable personnel for further development of the Group. The Share Award Scheme has a term of 10 years commencing from 10 April 2015 on which the Share Award Scheme was adopted by the Board (the "Adoption Date"). The Share Award Scheme is administrated by the Board and the trustee of the Share Award Scheme. For details of the Share Award Scheme, please refer to the announcement of the Company dated 10 April 2015. On 9 October 2015, the Board had resolved to grant a total of 25,060,000 awarded shares to 150 selected employees with the award price of HK\$5.076 for each awarded share. For details of the grant of such awarded shares, please refer to the announcement of the Company dated 9 October 2015. No awarded share had been granted by the Company and no granted awarded share had been vested under the Share Award Scheme during the year ended 31 December 2016.

### CONTROLLING SHAREHOLDERS' INTERESTS IN TRANSACTION, ARRANGEMENT OR CONTRACTS OF SIGNIFICANCE

Save for the disposal of Pioneer Pharma (Singapore) Pte. Ltd. disclosed in the paragraph headed "Connected Transactions" below, no controlling shareholders or their subsidiaries had a material interest, either directly or indirectly, in any transaction, arrangement or contract of significance, whether for the provision of services or otherwise, to the business of the Group, to which the Company or any of its subsidiaries was a party during the year ended 31 December 2016.

### PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF LISTED SECURITIES

For the year ended 31 December 2016, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed securities other than the purchases of the shares by the trustee pursuant to the Share Award Scheme.

### PRE-EMPTIVE RIGHTS

There are no provisions for pre-emptive rights under the Articles of Association or the Companies Law, Chapter 22 (Law 3 of 1961, as consolidated and revised) of the Cayman Islands where the Company was incorporated, which would oblige the Company to offer new Shares on a pro rata basis to existing Shareholders.

### TAX RELIEF AND EXEMPTION

The Directors are not aware of any tax relief and exemption available to the Shareholders by reason of their holding the Company's securities.

### NON-COMPETITION UNDERTAKING

Each of Mr. Li Xinzhou, Ms. Wu Qian and Pioneer Pharma (BVI) Co., Ltd. (the "Controlling Shareholders") has executed a deed of non-competition through which they have irrevocably and unconditionally warranted and undertaken to the Company not to, whether directly or indirectly or as principal or agent, and whether on its/his/her own account or with each other or in conjunction with or on behalf of any person, firm or company or through any entities (except in or through any subsidiary of the Company) conduct any business in the PRC or overseas, that it is in competition with, or is likely to be in competition with, the business carried on by any member of the Group.

The Controlling Shareholders have confirmed in writing to the Company their compliance with the deed of non-competition for disclosure in this annual report for the year ended 31 December 2016. The independent non-executive Directors, after reviewing the deed of non-competition and considering whether the Controlling Shareholders have abided by the non-competition undertaking, confirmed that they had determined that the Controlling Shareholders have not been in breach of the non-competition undertaking for the year ended 31 December 2016.

### DIRECTORS' INTEREST IN COMPETING BUSINESS

Save as disclosed in this annual report, as at 31 December 2016, none of the Directors or their respective associates had engaged in or had any interest in any business which competes or may compete, either directly or indirectly, with the businesses of the Group.

### CONNECTED TRANSACTIONS

Pursuant to Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules, the following connected transaction is required to be disclosed in the annual report of the Company. Details of the significant related party transactions entered into by the Group for the year ended 31 December 2016 are disclosed in note 28 to the consolidated financial statements. Save as disclosed therein, no other transactions constituted a connected transaction or a continuing connected transaction of the Company pursuant to Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules. The Company has complied with the disclosure requirements under Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules as and where applicable and relevant.

On 17 October 2016, Pioneer Pharma (Hong Kong) Co., Limited (the "Seller"), a direct wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, entered into the share purchase agreement (the "Agreement") with Mr. Li Xinzhou, chairman of the Board, an executive Director and a controlling shareholder of the Company, pursuant to which the Seller has conditionally agreed to sell and Mr. Li Xinzhou has conditionally agreed to purchase the entire issued share capital of Pioneer Pharma (Singapore) Pte. Ltd. at a consideration of RMB158,358,539 (equivalent to approximately HK\$181,795,603), subject to the terms and conditions of the Agreement. On 2 December 2016, the Seller and Mr. Li Xinzhou entered into a supplemental agreement to supplement and amend certain terms of the Agreement.

Pursuant to Chapter 14 of the Listing Rules, as the highest percentage ratio (as defined in Rule 14.07 of the Listing Rules) in respect of the disposal exceeds 5% but is less than 25%, the disposal constitutes a discloseable transaction for the Company.

Mr. Li Xinzhou is the chairman of the Board, an executive Director and a controlling shareholder of the Company. Accordingly, Mr. Li Xinzhou is a connected person of the Company under Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules. As such, the disposal under the Agreement (including the financial assistance to be provided by the Seller to Mr. Li Xinzhou in connection with the staged payment arrangement under the Agreement) also constitutes a connected transaction of the Company. As the highest applicable percentage ratio calculated pursuant to Rule 14.07 of the Listing Rules exceeds 5%, the Agreement and the transactions contemplated thereunder are, in addition to the reporting and announcement requirements, subject to the independent Shareholders' approval requirement under Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules.

For further details, please refer to the announcements of the Company dated 17 October 2016, 2 December 2016 and 29 December 2016, and the circular of the Company dated 6 December 2016.

### CHARITABLE DONATIONS

For the year ended 31 December 2016, the Group made no charitable or other donations.

### SIGNIFICANT LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

For the year ended 31 December 2016, the Company was not engaged in any litigation or arbitration of material importance and no litigation or claim of material importance is known to the Directors to be pending or threatened against the Company.

### PERMITTED INDEMNITY PROVISION

For the year ended 31 December 2016, the Company has arranged appropriate liability insurance to indemnify the Directors for their liabilities arising out of corporate activities. The insurance coverage will be reviewed on an annual basis.

### POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

There is no material post balance sheet event undertaken by the Company or by the Group after 31 December 2016.

### DISCLOSURE UNDER RULES 13.20 TO 13.22 OF THE LISTING RULES

The Directors are not aware of any circumstances resulting in a disclosure obligation under Rules 13.20 to 13.22 of the Listing Rules.

### AUDIT COMMITTEE

The principal duties of the audit committee of the Company (the "Audit Committee") include the review and supervision of the Group's financial reporting system, the preparation of financial statements and review risk management and internal control systems and associated procedures. It also acts as an important link between the Board and the external auditor in matters within the scope of the group audit.

The annual results for the year ended 31 December 2016 of the Company have been reviewed by the Audit Committee.

### CODE OF CONDUCT REGARDING DIRECTORS' SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS

The Company has adopted a code of conduct regarding Directors' securities transactions on terms no less exacting than the required standard set out in the Model Code contained in the Listing Rules. Specific enquiry has been made to all the Directors and the Directors have confirmed that they had complied with such code of conduct for the year ended 31 December 2016.

## CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The Company is committed to maintaining the highest standard of corporate governance practices. Information on the corporate governance practices adopted by the Company is set out in the Corporate Governance Report on pages 47 to 59 of this annual report.

## SUFFICIENCY OF PUBLIC FLOAT

Based on information publicly available to the Company and to the knowledge of the Directors, at least 25% of the Company's total issued shares, the prescribed minimum percentage of public float approved by the Stock Exchange and permitted under the Listing Rules, are held by the public at all times as of the date of this annual report.

## AUDITOR

Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu has acted as auditor of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2016.

Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu shall retire in the forthcoming AGM and, being eligible, will offer itself for re-appointment. A resolution for the re-appointment of Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu as auditor of the Company will be proposed at the forthcoming AGM.

On behalf of the Board

**Mr. Li Xinzhou**

*Chairman*

Hong Kong, 22 March 2017

# Corporate Governance Report

The Board is pleased to present this corporate governance report in the annual report of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2016.

## CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES

The Group is committed to maintaining high standards of corporate governance to safeguard the interests of the Shareholders and to enhance corporate value and accountability. The Company has adopted the Corporate Governance Code (the “CG Code”) as set out in Appendix 14 of the Listing Rules as its own code of corporate governance. Save as disclosed in this annual report, the Company has complied with all applicable code provisions under the CG Code throughout the Reporting Period. The Company will continue to review and monitor its corporate governance practices to ensure compliance with the CG Code.

## THE BOARD

### Responsibilities

The Board is responsible for the overall leadership of the Group, oversees the Group’s strategic decisions and monitors business and performance. The Board has delegated the authority and responsibility for day-to-day management and operation of the Group to the senior management of the Group. To oversee particular aspects of the Company’s affairs, the Board has established three Board committees including the Audit Committee, the Remuneration Committee and the nomination committee (the “Nomination Committee”) (together, the “Board Committees”). The Board has delegated to the Board Committees responsibilities as set out in their respective terms of reference.

All Directors shall ensure that they carry out duties in good faith, in compliance with applicable laws and regulations, and in the interests of the Company and its Shareholders at all times.

The Company has arranged appropriate liability insurance to indemnify the Directors for their liabilities arising out of corporate activities. The insurance coverage will be reviewed on an annual basis.

### Board Composition

The Board currently comprises two executive Directors, namely Mr. Li Xinzhou (the Chairman of the Board) and Mr. Zhu Mengjun, two non-executive Directors, namely Mr. Wang Yinping and Mr. Wu Mijia and three independent non-executive Directors, namely Mr. Xu Zhonghai, Mr. Lai Chanshu and Mr. Wong Chi Hung, Stanley. The biographies of the Directors are set out under the section headed “Directors and Senior Management” of this annual report.

For the year ended 31 December 2016, the Board at all times met the requirements of the Rules 3.10(1) and 3.10(2) of the Listing Rules relating to the appointment of at least three independent non-executive Directors with at least one independent non-executive Director possessing appropriate professional qualifications or accounting or related financial management expertise.

Under Rule 3.10A of the Listing Rules, listed issuers are required to appoint independent non-executive Directors representing at least one-third of the Board. The Company has three independent non-executive Directors currently representing over one-third of the Board and therefore the Company has complied with Rule 3.10A of the Listing Rules.

Pursuant to code provision A.5.6 of the CG Code, listed issuers are required to adopt a board diversity policy. The Board has adopted such a board diversity policy which is summarised below:

The Company has implemented a Board Diversity Policy according to the CG Code contained in Appendix 14 of the Listing Rules. This Policy aims to set out the approach to achieve diversity in the Company's board of directors.

The Company sees increasing diversity at Board level as essential to supporting attainment of its strategic objectives and to achieve sustainable and balanced development. In designing the Board's composition, Board diversity has been considered from a number of perspectives, including but not limited to gender, age, cultural and educational background, ethnicity, professional experience, skills, knowledge and length of service. All Board appointments will be based on meritocracy, and candidates will be considered against objective criteria, having due regard to the diversity of the Board. The Board should have a balance of skills and experience and a diversity of perspectives appropriate to the requirements of the Company's business.

The Company recognizes and embraces the benefits of having a diverse Board to enhance the quality of its performance.

The Company has received written annual confirmation from each independent non-executive Director of his independence pursuant to the requirements of the Listing Rules. The Company considers all independent non-executive Directors to be independent in accordance with the independence guidelines as set out in the Listing Rules.

None of the Directors has any personal relationship (including financial, business, family or other material or relevant relationship), with any other Director and chief executive.

All Directors, including independent non-executive Directors, have brought a wide spectrum of valuable business experience, knowledge and professionalism to the Board for its efficient and effective functioning. Independent non-executive Directors are invited to serve on the Audit Committee, the Remuneration Committee and the Nomination Committee.

As regards the CG Code provision requiring directors to disclose the number and nature of offices held in public companies or organisations and other significant commitments as well as their identity and the time involved to the issuer, Directors have agreed to disclose their commitments to the Company in a timely manner.

### **Induction and Continuous Professional Development**

Each newly appointed Director receives a formal, comprehensive and tailored induction programme on the first occasion of his/her appointment to ensure appropriate understanding of the business and operation of the Company and full awareness of directors' responsibilities and obligations under the Listing Rules and relevant statutory requirement.

The Company arranges regular seminars to provide Directors with updates on the latest developments and changes in the Listing Rules and other relevant legal and regulatory requirements from time to time. The Directors are also provided with regular updates on the Company's performance, position and prospects to enable the Board as a whole and each Director to discharge their duties.

Directors are encouraged to participate in continuous professional development to develop and refresh their knowledge and skills. During 2016, all Directors participated in continuous professional development to develop and refresh their knowledge and skills in compliance with code provision A.6.5 of the CG Code. The Company's external lawyers facilitated Directors' training by providing presentations, briefings and materials for the Directors primarily relating to the roles, functions and duties of a listed company director. All Directors received this training. The external company secretarial services firm engaged by the Company from time to time update and provide written training material relating to the roles, functions and duties of a director. All the Directors studied such materials, and they are asked to submit a signed training record to the Company on an annual basis.

### Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Under the code provision A.2.1 of the CG Code, the roles of chairman and chief executive should be separate and performed by different individuals. The Chairman of the Board and the chief executive officer of the Company (the “Chief Executive Officer”) are currently two separate positions held by Mr. Li Xinzhou and Mr. Zhu Mengjun, respectively, with a clear distinction in responsibilities. The Chairman of the Board is responsible for providing strategic advice and guidance on the business development of the Group, while the Chief Executive Officer is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the Group.

### Appointment and Re-Election of Directors

Mr. Li Xinzhou, an executive Director, has automatically renewed his service agreement with the Company for a term of one year commencing from 16 October 2016, which may be terminated by not less than one month’s notice in writing served by either party to the other. Mr. Zhu Mengjun, an executive Director, entered into a service agreement with the Company for a term of three years commencing from 29 December 2016, and this may be terminated by not less than one month’s notice in writing served by either party to the other.

Mr. Wu Mijia, a non-executive Director, and each of the independent non-executive Directors have automatically renewed their letters of appointment with the Company for a term of one year commencing from 16 October 2016. Mr. Wang Jinping, a non-executive Director, entered into a service agreement with the Company for a term of three years commencing from 29 December 2016, and this may be terminated by not less than one month’s notice in writing served by either party to the other.

None of the Directors has a service contract which is not determinable by the Group within one year without payment of compensation (other than statutory compensation).

In accordance with the Articles of Association, all Directors are subject to retirement by rotation at least once every three years and any new Director appointed to fill a causal vacancy shall submit himself for election by Shareholders at the first general meeting of the Company after appointment and new Directors appointed as an addition to the Board shall submit himself for re-election by Shareholders at the next following annual general meeting of the Company after appointment.

The procedures and process of appointment, re-election and removal of directors are set out in the Articles of Association.

The Nomination Committee is responsible for reviewing the Board composition and monitoring the appointment, re-election and succession planning of Directors.

### Board Meetings

The Company adopts the practice of holding Board meetings regularly, at least four times a year, and at approximately quarterly intervals. Notice of not less than fourteen days is given for all regular board meetings to provide all Directors with an opportunity to attend and include matters in the agenda. For other Board and committee meetings, reasonable notice is generally given. The agenda and accompanying board papers are despatched to the Directors or committee members at least three days before the meetings to ensure that they have sufficient time to review the papers and be adequately prepared for the meetings. When Directors or committee members are unable to attend a meeting, they will be advised of the matters to be discussed and given an opportunity to make their views known to the Chairman prior to the meeting. Minutes of meetings are kept by the company secretary of the Company with copies circulated to all Directors for information and records.

Minutes of the Board meetings and committee meetings record in sufficient detail the matters considered by the Board and the committees and the decisions reached, including any concerns raised by the Directors. Draft minutes of each board meeting and committee meeting are sent to the Directors for comments within a reasonable time after the date on which the meeting is held. The minutes of Board meetings are opened for inspection by Directors.

For the year ended 31 December 2016, 6 board meetings and 2 general meetings (2016 AGM and 2016 EGM) were held and the attendance of the individual Directors at these meetings is set out in the table below:

Directors	Attended/Eligible to attend	
	Board Meeting	General Meeting
Mr. Li Xinzhou	5/6	1/2
Mr. Zhu Mengjun	6/6	2/2
Mr. Wang Yinping	6/6	2/2
Mr. Wu Mijia	6/6	0/2
Mr. Xu Zhonghai	6/6	0/2
Mr. Lai Chanshu	6/6	0/2
Mr. Wong Chi Hung, Stanley	6/6	0/2

During the year, the chairman of the Board held one meeting with the non-executive Directors (including the independent non-executive Directors) without the presence of the other executive Directors.

### Model Code for Securities Transactions

The Company has adopted the Model Code as set out in Appendix 10 to the Listing Rules as its own code of conduct regarding Directors' securities transactions. Specific enquiry has been made of all the Directors and each of the Directors has confirmed that he has complied with the Model Code for the year ended 31 December 2016.

### Delegation by the Board

The Board reserves the right to decide all major matters of the Company, including: approval and monitoring of all policy matters, overall strategies and budgets, internal control and risk management systems, material transactions (in particular those that may involve conflict of interests), financial information, appointment of Directors and other significant financial and operational matters. Directors have recourse to seek independent professional advice in performing their duties at the Company's expense and are encouraged to access and to consult with the Company's senior management independently.

The daily management, administration and operation of the Group are delegated to the senior management. The delegated functions and responsibilities are periodically reviewed by the Board. Approval has to be obtained from the Board prior to any significant transactions entered into by the management.

### Corporate Governance Function

The Board recognizes that corporate governance should be the collective responsibility of Directors and has delegated the following corporate governance duties to the Nomination Committee:

- a) to develop, review and implement the Company's policy and practices on corporate governance and make recommendations to the Board;
- b) to review and monitor the training and continuous professional development of Directors and senior management;
- c) to review and monitor the Company's policies and practices in respect of compliance with legal and regulatory requirements;
- d) to develop, review and monitor the code of conduct and compliance manual applicable to employees and directors;
- e) to review the Company's compliance with the CG Code and disclosure in the Corporate Governance Report; and
- f) to develop, review and monitor the implementation of the Shareholders' communication policy to ensure its effectiveness, and make recommendations to the Board where appropriate to enhance Shareholders' relationship with the Company.

For the year ended 31 December 2016, the Company has updated the compliance manuals on notifiable transactions and inside information in accordance with the Listing Rules as guidelines for its employees to report unpublished inside information to the Company in order to ensure consistent and timely disclosure and fulfilment of the Company's continuous disclosure obligations.

## BOARD COMMITTEES

### Nomination Committee

The Nomination Committee comprises three members, namely Mr. Li Xinzhou (executive Director), Mr. Xu Zhonghai (independent non-executive Director) and Mr. Lai Chanshu (independent non-executive Director), and as such, the majority of Nomination Committee members are independent non-executive Directors. Mr. Li Xinzhou serves as the chairman of the Nomination Committee.

The principal duties of the Nomination Committee include the following:

- To review the structure, size and composition of the Board and make recommendations regarding any proposed changes;
- To identify suitable candidates for appointment as Directors;
- To make recommendations to the Board on appointment or re-appointment of and succession planning for Directors; and
- To assess the independence of independent non-executive Directors.

The Nomination Committee will assess the candidate or incumbent on criteria such as integrity, experience, skill and ability to commit time and effort to carry out duties and responsibilities. The recommendations of the Nomination Committee will then be put to the Board for decision. Their written terms of reference are available on the websites of the Stock Exchange and the Company.

For the year ended 31 December 2016, 2 meetings of the Nomination Committee were held and the attendance record of the Nomination Committee members is set out in the table below:

Directors	Attended/ Eligible to attend
Mr. Li Xinzhou	1/2
Mr. Xu Zhonghai	2/2
Mr. Lai Chanshu	2/2

The Nomination Committee assessed the independence of independent non-executive Directors and considered the re-appointment of the retiring Directors during the year.

### Remuneration Committee

The Remuneration Committee comprises three members, namely Mr. Xu Zhonghai (independent non-executive Director), Mr. Lai Chanshu (independent non-executive Director) and Mr. Wu Mijia (non-executive Director), and as such, the majority of Remuneration Committee members are independent non-executive Directors. Mr. Xu Zhonghai serves as the chairman of the Remuneration Committee.

The primary duties of the Remuneration Committee include making recommendations to the Board on the Company's policy and structure for all the Directors' and senior management's remuneration; reviewing and approving the management's remuneration proposals with reference to the Board's corporate goals and objectives; and making recommendations to the Board on the specific remuneration packages of all executive Directors and senior management. The Remuneration Committee is also responsible for establishing transparent procedures for formulating such remuneration policies and structure to ensure that no Director or any of his associates will participate in deciding his own remuneration, which remuneration will be determined by reference to the performance of the individual and the Company as well as market practice and conditions. The Remuneration Committee's written terms of reference are available on the websites of the Stock Exchange and the Company.

For the year ended 31 December 2016, 2 meetings of the Remuneration Committee were held and the attendance record of the Remuneration Committee members is set out in the table below:

Directors	Attended/ Eligible to attend
Mr. Xu Zhonghai	2/2
Mr. Wu Mijia	2/2
Mr. Lai Chanshu	2/2

The Remuneration Committee discussed and reviewed the service agreements, appointment letters and remuneration policy for Directors and senior management of the Company, assessing performance of executive Directors and senior management and making recommendations to the Board on the remuneration packages of individual executive Directors and senior management during the year.

Details of the remuneration by band of the 11 members of the senior management of the Company, whose biographies are set out on pages 28 to 33 of this annual report, for the year ended 31 December 2016, are set out below:

Remuneration band (RMB'000)	Number of individual
Less than 500	7
500 to 1,000	4

### Audit Committee

The Audit Committee currently comprises three members, namely Mr. Wong Chi Hung, Stanley (independent non-executive Director), Mr. Wu Mijia (non-executive Director) and Mr. Xu Zhonghai (independent non-executive Director), and as such, the majority of Audit Committee members are independent non-executive Directors. Mr. Wong Chi Hung, Stanley serves as the chairman of the Audit Committee. The main duties of the Audit Committee include the following:

- To review the financial statements and reports and consider any significant or unusual items raised by the internal audit division or external auditor before submission to the Board;
- To review the relationship with the external auditor by reference to the work performed by the auditor, their fees and terms of engagement, and make recommendations to the Board on the appointment, re-appointment and removal of the external auditor; and
- To review the adequacy and effectiveness of the Company's financial reporting system, risk management and internal control systems and associated procedures, including the adequacy of the resources, staff qualifications and experience, training programmes and budget of the Company's accounting and financial reporting function.

For the year ended 31 December 2016, 2 meetings of the Audit Committee were held and the attendance record of the Audit Committee members is set out in the table below:

Directors	Attended/ Eligible to attend
Mr. Wong Chi Hung, Stanley	2/2
Mr. Wu Mijia	2/2
Mr. Xu Zhonghai	2/2

The Audit Committee reviewed the financial reporting system, compliance procedures, risk management and internal control systems (including the adequacy of resources, staff qualifications and experience, training programmes and budget of the Company's accounting and financial reporting function), and processes and the re-appointment of the external auditor during the year. The Board has not deviated from any recommendation given by the Audit Committee on the selection, appointment, resignation or dismissal of the external auditor.

The Audit Committee also reviewed the interim and final results of the Company and its subsidiaries for the interim period and the fiscal year as well as the audit report prepared by the external auditor relating to accounting issues and major findings in the course of audit. There are proper arrangements for employees, in confidence, to raise concerns about possible improprieties in financial reporting, risk management and internal control systems and other matters. The Audit Committee's written terms of reference are available on the websites of the Company and the Stock Exchange.

### **DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES FOR FINANCIAL REPORTING IN RESPECT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The Directors acknowledge their responsibility to prepare financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2016 which give a true and fair view of the affairs of the Company and the Group and of the Group's results and cash flows.

The management has provided to the Board such explanations and information as are necessary to enable the Board to carry out an informed assessment of the Company's financial statements, which are put to the Board for approval. The Company provides all members of the Board with monthly updates on the Company's performance, position and prospects.

The Directors were not aware of any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions which may cast significant doubt upon the Group's ability to continue as a going concern.

The statement by the auditor of the Company regarding their reporting responsibilities on the consolidated financial statements of the Company is set out in the Independent Auditor's Report on page 67 of this annual report.

### **INTERNAL CONTROL AND RISK MANAGEMENT**

The Board understands that it is the responsibility of the Board to assess and determine the nature and extent of risks that the Group is willing to accept in achieving its strategic objectives, and to ensure that the Group establishes and maintains an appropriate and effective risk management and internal control systems. The Board shall also supervise the design, implementation and monitoring of the risk management and internal control systems by the management, and the management shall provide the Board with confirmation of the effectiveness of the systems.

The Board is responsible for the risk management and internal control systems, and in March of each year conducts a review of the effectiveness of the internal control and risk management system during the previous year. The Board continues to review the effectiveness of the risk management and internal control systems through the Audit Committee, including monitoring procedures for finance, operations, compliance, risk identification and assessment, and implementation of risk response measures. The audit procedures include:

- (i) the internal audit department of the Group assessing the relevant systems;
- (ii) operational management ensuring the maintenance of an effective risk management and internal control systems; and
- (iii) external auditors discovering internal control problems when carrying out statutory audits.

The Audit Committee, with the support of the internal audit department of the Group, is responsible for reviewing the adequacy of resources, staff qualifications, experience, training and related training budgets for the accounting, financial reporting, financial analysis and internal audit functions. The Audit Committee has ensured the adequacy of the above areas during the annual review.

The Board's annual review considers:

- (a) the changes, since the last annual review, in the nature and extent of significant risks, and the Company's ability to respond to changes in its business and the external environment;
- (b) the scope and quality of management's ongoing monitoring of risks and of the internal control systems, and where applicable, the work of its internal audit function and other assurance providers;
- (c) the extent and frequency of communication of monitoring results to the Board;
- (d) significant control failings or weaknesses that have been identified during the period and the extent to which they have resulted in unforeseen outcomes or contingencies that have had, could have had, or may in the future have, a material impact on the Company's financial performance or condition; and
- (e) the effectiveness of the Company's processes for financial reporting and Listing Rule compliance.

The Group's procedures for identifying, assessing and managing significant risks consist of six parts: "Objectives understanding", "Event identification", "Risk assessment", "Risk response", "Risk monitoring" and "Risk reporting". Specifically, they include:

- (a) understanding the future development vision and development objectives of the Group in order to determine the relevant issues affecting the achievement of its objectives;
- (b) recognising the matters affecting the achievement of the Group's objectives, and identifying the major risk items related to the Group's business activities;
- (c) evaluating the main risk events according to the vulnerability of risk occurrence and the impacts on the Group's objectives after risk occurrence, and sequencing the risks so as to enable the Group to rationally allocate resources to respond to risks or improve response measures, to reduce the Company's overall risk level to an acceptable range;
- (d) formulating and implementing risk response programs;
- (e) identifying the risks that the Company may or will face in the course of its business activities, and issuing warning signals to the management of the Company in a timely manner so as to enable the management of the Company to regulate and control operations; and
- (f) after the risk assessment, the risk management working group of the Group (the "Risk Management Working Group") shall prepare a risk database and a risk assessment report. The risk assessment report shall be submitted to the Audit Committee by the Risk Management Working Group, and examined and approved by the Board.

Key features of the Group's risk management and internal control systems include:

- (a) setting core values and beliefs which form the basis of the Group's overall risk philosophy and appetite;
- (b) defining a management structure with clear lines of responsibility and authority limits which hold individuals accountable for their risk management and internal control responsibilities;
- (c) imposing an organisational structure which provides necessary information flow for risk analysis and management decision-making;
- (d) imposing budgetary and management accounting controls to efficiently allocate resources and providing timely financial and operational performance indicators to manage business activities and risks;
- (e) ensuring effective financial reporting controls to record complete, accurate and timely accounting and management information; and
- (f) assuring through the Audit Committee that appropriate risk management and internal control procedures are in place and functioning effectively.

The Board acknowledges that it is responsible for the risk management and internal control systems and reviewing their effectiveness to protect the interests of Shareholders and other stakeholders. These systems are designed to:

- (a) identify, assess, quantify, and respond to and manage all current and future significant risks so as to maintain them within the risk level acceptable to the management of the Group;
- (b) provide a continuous and effective monitoring and reporting mechanism for all significant risks;
- (c) provide reasonable assurance that the Group complies with relevant laws, regulations and rules; and
- (d) provide reasonable assurance for the implementation of significant measures taken to achieve the Group's objectives.

Such risk management and internal control systems are designed to mitigate or manage the Group's risks to a an acceptable level rather than eliminate the risk of failure to achieve business objectives. Accordingly, such systems can only provide reasonable and not absolute assurance against material misstatement or loss.

In order to resolve material internal control defects, the audit team adopts inspection, sampling, inquiry, stock taking, calculation, analytical review and other audit methods, to obtain adequate, relevant and reliable audit evidence in the implementation of audit. The audit team will promptly report to the general manager of the Company if its finds material internal control defects in audit processes. The person in charge of the internal audit office shall report to the general manager of the Company and the Audit Committee after reviewing a special audit report. The internal audit function shall conduct follow-up audits in respect of important matters according to the actual situation of the Company, and check and supervise any corrective measures taken by the audited entity and their effect on any problems discovered in the audit process.

With respect to procedures and internal controls for the handling and dissemination of inside information, the Group:

- (a) is aware of its obligations under the SFO and the Listing Rules and the overriding principle that inside information should be announced immediately after such information comes to our attention and/or it is the subject of a decision unless it falls within the SFO safe harbours;
- (b) conducts its affairs with close regard to the “Guidelines on Disclosure of Inside Information” and “Recent Economic Developments and the Disclosure Obligations of Listed Issuers” issued by the Securities and Futures Commission in June 2012 and the Stock Exchange in October 2008 respectively; and
- (c) has established and implemented procedures for responding to external enquiries about the Group’s affairs. Senior managers of the Group are identified and authorized to act as the Company’s spokespersons and respond to enquiries in designated areas.

The Company has established internal audit functions, including the Audit Committee (supervisory organisation) and the internal audit department (risk supervisor). The Audit Committee is responsible for monitoring the implementation of the Company’s risk management and reporting the results to the Board in a timely fashion. The Internal Audit Department, which is independent of the other participants in Enterprise Risk Management (ERM), is responsible for coordinating the operation of the ERM mechanism, independently reviewing the mechanism, and reporting to the Audit Committee.

The Board is of the view that the risk management and internal control systems of the Group during the Reporting Period are valid and sufficient, and the Group has complied with the relevant code provisions of the CG Code relating to risk management and internal controls.

### AUDITOR’S REMUNERATION

During the Reporting Period, the external auditor of the Group charged HK\$3.9 million for audit services and HK\$0.5 million for non-audit services. The audit services provided were the annual audit of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2016. The non-audit services consisted of tax compliance services, consulting service in relation to Risk management and financial consulting service in relation to disposal of a subsidiary.

## COMPANY SECRETARY

Mr. Min Le (“Mr. Min”), the company secretary of the Company, is responsible for advising the Board on corporate governance matters and ensuring that the Board policy and procedures, and applicable laws, rules and regulations are followed.

In order to uphold good corporate governance and ensure compliance with the Listing Rules and applicable Hong Kong laws, the Company also engaged Ms. Mok Ming Wai, a director and the head of listing service of KCS Hong Kong Limited (a company secretarial service provider), as its joint company secretary to assist Mr. Min to discharge his duties as company secretary of the Company. Ms. Mok Ming Wai resigned as the joint company secretary of the Company on 4 November 2016, and as such, Mr. Min is currently the sole company secretary of the Company. The primary corporate contact person at the Company is Mr. Min, the company secretary of the Company. For the year ended 31 December 2016, Mr. Min has undertaken not less than 15 hours of relevant professional training in compliance with Rule 3.29 of the Listing Rules.

## COMMUNICATION WITH SHAREHOLDERS AND INVESTOR RELATIONS

The Company considers that effective communication with Shareholders is essential for enhancing investor relations and understanding the Group’s business, performance and strategies. The Company also recognizes the importance of timely and non-selective disclosure of information, which will enable Shareholders and investors to make informed investment decisions.

The AGM provides an opportunity for Shareholders to communicate directly with the Directors. The Chairman of the Company and the chairmen of the Board Committees will attend the AGMs to answer Shareholders’ questions. The external auditor of the Company will also attend the AGMs to answer questions about the conduct of the audit, the preparation and content of the auditor’s report, the accounting policies and auditor independence.

The 2017 AGM will be held on Friday, 28 April 2017. The AGM notice has been sent to the Shareholders on 23 March 2017.

To promote effective communication, the Company adopts a shareholders’ communication policy which aims at establishing a two-way relationship and communication between the Company and its Shareholders and maintains a website at [www.pioneer-pharma.com](http://www.pioneer-pharma.com), where up-to-date information on the Company’s business operations and developments, financial information, corporate governance practices and other information are available for public access.

## SHAREHOLDERS' RIGHTS

To safeguard Shareholders' interests and rights, a separate resolution will be proposed for each issue at Shareholder meetings, including the election of individual Directors.

All resolutions put forward at Shareholder meetings will be voted on by poll pursuant to the Listing Rules and poll results will be posted on the websites of the Company and the Stock Exchange in a timely manner after each Shareholder meeting.

### Convening of extraordinary general meeting and putting forward proposals

Shareholders may put forward proposals for consideration at a general meeting according to the Companies Ordinance and the Articles of Association. As regards proposing a person for election as a Director, the procedures are available on the websites of the Company and the Stock Exchange.

### Enquiries to the Board

Shareholders who intend to put forward their enquiries about the Company to the Board could send their enquiries to the principal place of business for the Company in 36/F, Tower Two, Times Square, 1 Matheson Street, Causeway Bay, Hong Kong (email address: [ir@pioneer-pharma.com](mailto:ir@pioneer-pharma.com)).

## CHANGE IN CONSTITUTIONAL DOCUMENTS

There is no change in the memorandum and Articles of Association for the year ended 31 December 2016.

# Environmental, Social and Governance Report

In accordance with Appendix 27 – Environmental, Social and Governance Reporting Guide of the Listing Rules issued by the Stock Exchange, China Pioneer Pharma Holdings Limited (the “Company”, “We”, “Our” and “Us”) presents this Environmental, Social and Governance (“ESG”) Report for the year ended 31 December 2016 (“Reporting Period”).

This report serves the purposes of introducing the Company’s ESG policies, activities and performances of its principal business of selling pharmaceutical products and medical devices business in China.

To determine the materiality and identify material ESG issues, we have engaged and discussed with various management personnel and other internal key stakeholders. The summary of material ESG issues of the Company is listed below:

## SUMMARY OF MATERIAL ESG ISSUES FOR THE COMPANY

### A. Environmental

#### A1 Emissions

- Waste Management
- Greenhouse Gas Emissions

#### A2 Use of Resources

- Management of the Use of Resources
- Use of Water
- Use of Packaging Materials

#### A3 The Environment and Natural Resources

- Not applicable

### B. Social (Employment and Labour Practices, Operating Practices and Community)

#### B1 Employment

- Recruitment, Dismissal, Promotion, Working Hours and Rest Periods
- Compensation and Other Benefits
- Equal Opportunity, Diversity and Anti-discrimination

#### B2 Health and Safety

- Workplace Health and Safety

#### B3 Development and Training

- Training and Development for Employees

#### B4 Labour Standards

- Anti-child and Forced Labour

#### B5 Supply Chain Management

- Management of Environmental and Social Risks of Supply Chain

#### B6 Product Responsibility

- Products and Services Responsibility
- Customer Services
- Data Privacy

#### B7 Anti-corruption

- Anti-bribery, Corruption and Money Laundering

#### B8 Community Investment

- Community Programs, Employee Volunteering and Donations

### A) Environment

#### A1 Emissions

As a marketing, promotion and channel management service provider dedicated to imported pharmaceutical products and medical devices in China, the Company has no significant air emissions, water discharges or hazardous wastes generated from its business activities. Nonetheless, for the sake of the environment and society, the Company strives to promote green and sustainable development in its operations and complies with all relevant environment laws and regulations.

#### *Waste Management*

The Company aims at reducing the negative environmental impacts of waste and ensures the disposal of waste materials in an environmentally responsible manner. All waste handling practices shall comply with the relevant laws and shall have no harmful effect on the environment or human health.

We have applied the waste management principles of “reduce”, “reuse”, “recycle” and “replace” to reduce waste generation. Multiple measures have been adopted to promote reuse and recycling practices in daily operations, facilitate source separation and enable waste recycling. The green procurement practices and administrative approaches help to achieve an effective waste management programme and enhance general awareness of the importance of waste reduction.

In order to reduce paper waste, which is the most significant waste generated from operations, the Company does not encourage the use of disposables such as paper cups and utensils. Glass cups and metal utensils have been used for guest reception. In the offices, duplex printing is compulsory for internal administrative documents. The Company is proactively implementing electronic systems for administrative work so as to cut down on the use of paper records and correspondence. Memoranda and posters have been displayed in office spaces to deliver the message of paper reduction to all staff.

#### *Greenhouse Gas Emission*

The major sources of greenhouse gases generated by the Company are from the use of fossil fuels resulting in direct emission and use of electricity resulting in indirect emission. For our policy and measures on reducing related consumption, please refer to the following section A2 (Uses of Resources) for details.

### **A2 Use of Resources**

#### *Management of the Use of Resources*

The Company conserves resources for environmental and operating efficiency purposes. In order to pursue this commitment, we have implemented various initiatives throughout our operations such as deploying energy efficient devices, minimising use of paper, reducing water consumption and driving behavioural changes of employees. Through actively monitoring and managing the use of resources, we aim to reduce our operating costs and our carbon footprint.

The Company has deployed LED lighting systems in offices which are considered more energy efficient compared to traditional lighting systems. Staff are required to turn off lights and computers that are not in use. The office air-conditioning temperature must be set at 26°C or above. Furthermore, during the summer, slogans/memoranda/posters promoting energy saving are put up around office areas to promote staff's awareness. The Company offers training in energy saving and environmental protection to communicate relevant knowledge and latest market practices to staff.

#### *Use of Water*

In order to conserve water resources, the Company has installed water saving devices such as automated sensors in faucets and dual flush toilets in washrooms. In addition, posters promoting water saving are displayed in areas such as the pantry and washrooms to raise staff's awareness.

#### *Use of Packaging Materials*

Since the Company is principally engaged in sales of pharmaceutical products and medical devices, packaging materials are used to contain and protect its products. Despite the fact that the use of packaging materials is necessary, the Company has minimised the amount of packaging by adopting an environmentally friendly design.

### **A3 The Environment and Natural Resources**

#### *Other Negative Impact on the Environment and Natural Resources*

The Company's business is to market, promote and sell pharmaceutical products and medical devices, which in general does not have any material negative impact on the environment and natural resources. The Company is committed to the long-term sustainability of the environment and communities in which it operates. Acting in an environmentally responsible manner, the Company endeavours to comply with laws and regulations regarding environmental protection and to adopt effective measures to achieve efficient use of resources, energy saving and waste reduction. In 2016, there were no non-compliance cases in respect of environmental laws and regulations involving the Company.

## **B) Social (Employment and Labour Practices, Operating Practices and Community)**

### **B1 Employment**

#### *Recruitment, Dismissal, Promotion, Working Hours and Rest Periods*

The Company values employees as our most important asset and endeavours to maintain a strong and close relationship with our employees. To enhance work satisfaction and involvement of all grades and functions, the Company has formulated a set of Human Resources Policies to document all human resource related procedures, namely recruitment, dismissal, promotion, working hours, leave and other staff benefits. All these practices have been formulated and executed in compliance with local labour laws and regulations. In 2016, the Company was involved in no non-compliance cases in respect of human resources-related laws and regulations.

#### *Compensation and Other Benefits*

The level of compensation of the Company's employees is reviewed annually on a performance basis with reference to the local market, overall remuneration standard in the industry, the inflation level and the Company's sales performance. The Company considers paying annual bonuses to employees according to certain performance criteria and appraisal results. Social insurance contributions are made by the Company for its employees in mainland China in accordance with the relevant regulations.

The Company has also adopted a share award scheme to recognise the contribution by certain employees including directors and senior management of the Company, and to provide them with incentives in order to retain them for the development of the Company.

#### *Equal Opportunity, Diversity and Anti-discrimination*

The Company respects and values cultural and individual diversity and believes that diversity benefits the Company. Discrimination and the unfavourable treatment of anyone according to his or her personal characteristics (i.e. age, gender, nationality, disability, religion, pregnancy, etc.) are strictly prohibited. Opportunities for employment, training and career development are equally open to all qualified employees.

### **B2 Health and Safety**

#### *Workplace Health and Safety*

Consistent with the Company's human resources policy, workplace health and safety is the Company's top priority. We endeavour to provide a safe and hazard-free workplace for our employees, as well as all other people who are influenced by our workplaces, operations and activities.

The Company has adopted multiple measures, including suitable training, fire drill and hazard-proof equipment, in relation to occupational health and safety. All workplace practices and arrangements are in accordance with applicable laws and other related requirements. Necessary safety equipment and tools are provided to our employees at offices and warehouses.

In 2016, the Company was involved in no non-compliance cases in respect of workplace health and safety-related laws and regulations.

### **B3 Development and Training**

#### *Training and Development for Employees*

The Company's excellent talent pool has contributed to the success of its business. Therefore, we put much emphasis on continuous learning and training for our employees' development. We hold the 'Company Regulation and Moral Training' seminars for every new employee. We organise the 'Annual Working Performance Sharing Meeting' every year. We believe sufficient and adequate training can provide the necessary knowledge, skill sets and experiences for our employees to work competently. By providing in-house training programmes, seminars, workshops and conferences, regular sharing sessions, peer learning and on-the job coaching, we encourage and support our employees in professional training for their personal and career development. We believe that this is a mutually beneficial practice for achieving both personal and corporate goals as a whole.

### **B4 Labour Standards**

#### *Anti-child and Forced Labour*

The Company strictly prohibits the employment of child and forced labour. No abuse or physical punishment of any kind is allowed. The human resources staff perform background checks on every candidate before hiring to ensure compliance with these requirements. Furthermore, when engaging suppliers and contractors, the Company screens out those that are known to employ child or forced labour.

In 2016, the Company was involved in no non-compliance cases in respect of child and forced labour-related laws and regulations.

### **B5 Supply Chain Management**

#### *Management of Environmental and Social Risks of Supply Chain*

The Company has established a supply chain management policy. With its active participation in the pharmaceutical and medical industries, the Company has maintained a strong and close relationship with various world-renowned pharmaceutical and medical device brands. These suppliers are leaders in their respective fields and their products are accredited and of high quality.

Despite the above, the Company's quality control team monitors product quality by performing sample testing to ensure the safety of its products.

The Company has implemented a set of green procurement processes. We seek to continuously contribute to the quality of the environment through responsible purchasing and the use of environmentally preferable materials for packaging that have a reduced negative effect on our environment.

### **B6 Product Responsibility**

#### *Products and Services Responsibility*

The Company is committed promoting high quality pharmaceutical and medical device products to customers. We do not engage in unfair business activities of any kind.

The Company guarantees that its marketing, product and service delivering processes provide clear and open information which do not contain false or exaggerated descriptions. We have produced our advertisements according to the requirements of local regulations relevant to the pharmaceutical and medical device fields.

Meanwhile, we ensure our products and services comply with related local laws and international standards (especially relevant laws and regulations issued by the China Food and Drug Administration). Any acts that destroy customer confidence or infringe customer rights are strictly prohibited. In 2016, the Company was involved in no non-compliance cases in respect of product and services-related laws and regulations.

#### *Customer Services*

With a strong and competent sales team, the Company has established an extensive sales network in the mainland of China. Given the existence of such a sizeable network, the Company has formulated a comprehensive customer services policy to continuously provide excellent products and services to customers in all respects. A customer service department consisting of a pool of customer service officers has been set up to handle feedback and opinions from customers. Any customer complaints are investigated and followed up according to internal guidelines.

#### *Data Privacy*

The Company understands the importance of stakeholders' data privacy, irrespective of whether that data relates to customers or employees. We are committed to complying with the statutory requirements relating to data privacy protection to fulfil a high standard of data security and confidentiality.

The Company strictly adheres to the following data protection principles:

- Only personal data relevant and required to conduct our business will be collected
- Personal data will only be used for the purpose for which data is collected or for a directly related purpose unless consent for a new purpose is obtained
- No transfer or disclosure of personal data to any entity that is not part of the Group without consent unless it is required by law or it was previously notified
- Appropriate security systems and measures designed to prevent unauthorized access to personal data have been adopted.

### **B7 Anti-corruption**

#### *Anti-bribery, Corruption and Money Laundering*

The Company emphasizes integrity, honesty and fairness. We require all our employees to possess high ethical standards and demonstrate professional conduct. There is no tolerance for corruption, bribery, extortion, money-laundering and other fraudulent activities. We require all of our employees to strictly comply with all local laws and regulations when carrying out their duties.

The Company's Code of Conduct and Employee Handbook contain the guidelines and standards of ethical, personal and professional conduct. Regular declarations of potential conflicts is compulsory for certain staff depending on their job responsibilities. Whistle-blowing mechanisms have been established for employees to report suspicious misconduct to the top management directly to avoid embarrassment. Furthermore, the Company relies on a prudent risk management and internal control systems, which is reviewed for effectiveness on a regular basis to prevent financial crime.

In 2016, the Company was involved in no non-compliance cases in respect of bribery, extortion, fraud and money laundering-related laws and regulations.

### **B8 Community Investment**

#### *Community Programs, Employee Volunteering and Donation*

We are dedicated to providing products of a high quality and safety standard to the community. Our marketing and promotion team has developed a nationwide network with approximately 30,000 hospitals and medical institutions and over 108,000 pharmacies across China, enjoying a leading position in the pharmaceutical and medical devices industries.

The Company strives to take an active part in the communities in which it operates. In recent years, we have engaged in various community activities, including donations, rescue support and volunteering services. We also encourage our employees to actively participate in volunteer works. When selecting charities to support, we evaluate their vision and their background. Charities with an unclear financial position or operations are not considered so as to ensure community investment goes to the needy.

# Independent Auditor's Report

## TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF CHINA PIONEER PHARMA HOLDINGS LIMITED

中國先鋒醫藥控股有限公司

*(incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)*

### OPINION

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of China Pioneer Pharma Holdings Limited (the “Company”) and its subsidiaries (collectively referred to as “the Group”) set out on pages 72 to 158, which comprise the consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 December 2016, and the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, consolidated statement of changes in equity and consolidated statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the consolidated financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements give a true and fair view of the consolidated financial position of the Group as at 31 December 2016, and of its consolidated financial performance and its consolidated cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (“IFRSs”) and have been properly prepared in compliance with the disclosure requirements of Hong Kong Companies Ordinance.

### BASIS FOR OPINION

We conducted our audit in accordance with Hong Kong Standards on Auditing (“HKSA”) issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (“HKICPA”). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor’s Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Group in accordance with the HKICPA’s Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (“the Code”), and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

### KEY AUDIT MATTERS

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgment, were of most significance in our audit of the consolidated financial statements of the current period. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the consolidated financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters.

Key audit matter	How our audit addressed the key audit matter
<p><b><i>Disposal of subsidiaries</i></b></p> <p>We identified the disposal of subsidiaries as a key audit matter due to the significance of the transaction to the consolidated financial statements as a whole.</p> <p>As disclosed in the note 33(b) to the consolidated financial statements, during the year ended 31 December 2016, the Group has disposed of its entire interest in a wholly-owned subsidiary, which directly held two subsidiaries and an associate of the Group, to Mr. Li, the ultimate controlling party, at a consideration of approximately RMB158 million. The Group has recognised a gain on disposal of RMB2,794,000.</p> <p>We focused on the completion criteria of the transaction, accuracy of the calculation of the gain on disposal, whether the consolidated financial statements properly include the result and cash flows of the subsidiaries up to the effective date of disposal, recoverability of the consideration, and appropriateness of the accounting and disclosure of the disposal in the consolidated financial statements.</p>	<p>Our procedures in relation to the disposal of subsidiaries included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inquiring with the management and inspecting the disposal agreement to obtain an understanding of the disposal arrangement;</li> <li>• Checking whether the completion criteria of the transaction were met and assessing whether the disposal has been properly accounted for in accordance with the requirements of relevant IFRSs;</li> <li>• Checking the computation of the results and cash flows included in the consolidated financial statements and determining whether they appropriately represent the amounts of the subsidiaries up to the effective date of disposal;</li> <li>• Checking the computation of gain on disposal by comparing the consideration with the net assets disposed of, non-controlling interests and reserve release upon the disposal;</li> <li>• Evaluating the recoverability of the amount due from Mr. Li by comparing the actual payment against the payment terms and enquiring the management assessment of the recoverability of the amount due from Mr. Li and checking to the supporting documents; and</li> <li>• Evaluating the appropriateness of the disclosure in relation to the disposal in accordance with the requirements under IFRSs.</li> </ul>

Key audit matter	How our audit addressed the key audit matter
<p><b><i>Recoverability of finance lease receivables</i></b></p> <p>We identified the recoverability of finance lease receivables as a key audit matter due to the use of judgment and estimates in assessing the recoverability of finance lease receivables.</p> <p>As at 31 December 2016, the carrying amount of the Group's finance lease receivables was approximately RMB68 million. The impairment assessment requires management to make significant judgment regarding the identification of impaired finance lease receivables and the estimation of future cash inflows from it, any adjustment may have a material effect to the carrying amount of these balances.</p> <p>Details relating to the Group's finance lease receivables are set out in note 20 to the consolidated financial statements.</p>	<p>Our procedures in relation to the recoverability of finance lease receivables included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Evaluating the basis of the finance lease repayment schedule prepared by the management and checking its mathematical accuracy;</li> <li>• Evaluating the historical accuracy of the impairment estimated by management by comparing impairment loss recognized in the past to the actual settlement and actual loss incurred and tracing, on a sample basis, to the source documents; and</li> <li>• Testing, on a sample basis, the subsequent collection of the finance lease receivables.</li> </ul>
<p><b><i>Recoverability of trade receivables</i></b></p> <p>We identified the recoverability of trade receivables as a key audit matter due to the use of judgment and estimates in assessing the recoverability of trade receivables.</p> <p>In determining the allowance for trade receivables, the management considers the credit history including default in payments, settlement records and subsequent settlements and any changes in the creditability of its customers.</p> <p>As at 31 December 2016, the carrying amount of the Group's trade receivables was approximately RMB351 million (net of allowance for doubtful debts of approximately RMB19 million).</p> <p>Details relating to the Group's trade receivables are set out in note 23 to the consolidated financial statements.</p>	<p>Our procedures in relation to the recoverability of trade receivables included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Understanding the management's basis and assessment in relation to the recoverability of trade receivables;</li> <li>• Testing the accuracy of aging analysis of trade receivables, on a sample basis, to source documents and performing recalculation of the aging report;</li> <li>• Assessing the reasonableness of recoverability of trade receivables with reference to the credit history including default in payments, settlement records and subsequent settlements;</li> <li>• Testings on a sample basis, the subsequent settlements to source documents; and</li> <li>• Evaluating the historical accuracy of the allowance for doubtful debts estimated by management by comparing historical allowance made to the actual settlement and actual loss incurred and tracing, on a sample basis, to source documents.</li> </ul>

### OTHER INFORMATION

The directors of the Company are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, but does not include the consolidated financial statements and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the consolidated financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the consolidated financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the consolidated financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

### RESPONSIBILITIES OF DIRECTORS AND THOSE CHARGED WITH GOVERNANCE FOR THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation of the consolidated financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with IFRSs and the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance, and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the consolidated financial statements, the directors are responsible for assessing the Group's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the Group or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Group's financial reporting process.

### AUDITOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE AUDIT OF THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion solely to you, as a body, in accordance with our agreed terms of engagement, and for no other purpose. We do not assume responsibility towards or accept liability to any other person for the contents of this report. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with HKSA's will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these consolidated financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with HKSA's, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

## Independent Auditor's Report

- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Group's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the directors.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the consolidated financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Group to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the consolidated financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the consolidated financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the Group to express an opinion on the consolidated financial statements. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide those charged with governance with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

From the matters communicated with those charged with governance, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the consolidated financial statements of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

The engagement partner on the audit resulting in the independent auditor's report is Lee Po Chi.

### **Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu**

*Certified Public Accountants*

Hong Kong

22 March 2017

# Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income

For the year ended 31 December 2016

	Notes	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
Revenue	5	1,790,275	1,460,899
Cost of sales		(1,196,858)	(998,322)
Gross profit		593,417	462,577
Other income	6	50,753	77,877
Other gains and losses	7	33,745	(82,687)
Distribution and selling expenses		(277,488)	(135,378)
Administrative expenses		(73,370)	(66,745)
Finance costs	8	(5,523)	(19,954)
Share of loss of associates	18	(39,184)	(28,895)
Profit before taxation	9	282,350	206,795
Income tax expense	10	(43,726)	(34,294)
Profit for the year		238,624	172,501
Other comprehensive (expense) income:			
Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:			
– Exchange differences on translation of financial statements of foreign operations		(18,425)	(18,148)
– Share of exchange differences of associates		6,792	608
– Fair value gain on other investments		–	15,711
– Release of translation reserve upon disposal of subsidiaries	33(b)	30,263	–
Other comprehensive income (expense) for the year		18,630	(1,829)
Total comprehensive income for the year		257,254	170,672
Profit (loss) for the year attributable to:			
Owners of the Company		237,445	174,302
Non-controlling interests		1,179	(1,801)
		238,624	172,501
Total comprehensive income (expense) attributable to:			
Owners of the Company		256,191	172,953
Non-controlling interests		1,063	(2,281)
		257,254	170,672
Earnings per share		RMB yuan	RMB yuan
Basic and diluted	11	0.18	0.13

# Consolidated Statement of Financial Position

At 31 December 2016

	<i>Notes</i>	<b>2016</b> RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
<b>Non-current Assets</b>			
Property, plant and equipment	14	49,853	76,497
Prepaid lease payments	15	2,167	2,219
Intangible assets	17	15,883	61,207
Interest in associates	18	89,223	47,070
Other investments	19	20,000	20,000
Finance lease receivables	20	38,905	59,446
Loans and promissory note to associates	24	–	15,963
Deferred tax assets	21	5,947	2,132
Amount due from a related party	28	117,419	–
		<b>339,397</b>	284,534
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Inventories	22	520,244	663,249
Finance lease receivables	20	29,299	21,720
Trade and other receivables	23	436,837	420,366
Amounts due from related parties	28	39,805	1,296
Tax recoverable		78	475
Prepaid lease payments	15	52	52
Derivative financial instrument	25	–	251
Pledged bank deposits	26	73,120	112,968
Bank balances and cash	26	309,640	317,113
		<b>1,409,075</b>	1,537,490
<b>Current Liabilities</b>			
Trade and other payables	27	481,925	471,690
Amounts due to related parties	28	2,827	–
Tax liabilities		28,598	14,778
Bank borrowings	29	76,251	285,935
Provision	31	1,886	1,870
Obligations under finance lease	30	3,186	1,943
		<b>594,673</b>	776,216
<b>Net Current Assets</b>		<b>814,402</b>	761,274
<b>Total Assets less Current Liabilities</b>		<b>1,153,799</b>	1,045,808

## Consolidated Statement of Financial Position

At 31 December 2016

	<i>Notes</i>	<b>2016</b> RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
<b>Capital and Reserves</b>			
Share capital	32	<b>82,096</b>	82,096
Reserves		<b>1,028,763</b>	915,994
Equity attributable to owners of the Company		<b>1,110,859</b>	998,090
Non-controlling interests		<b>(308)</b>	(1,649)
<b>Total Equity</b>		<b>1,110,551</b>	996,441
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>			
Deferred tax liabilities	21	<b>7,250</b>	13,406
Long-term liabilities	27	<b>23,302</b>	20,074
Liabilities for Share Award Scheme	39	<b>1,464</b>	557
Obligation under finance leases	30	<b>11,232</b>	15,330
		<b>1,153,799</b>	1,045,808

The consolidated financial statements on pages 72 to 158 were approved and authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on 22 March 2017.

**Li Xinzhou**

DIRECTOR

**Zhu Mengjun**

DIRECTOR

# Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity

For the year ended 31 December 2016

	Attributable to the owners of the Company										
	Share capital RMB'000	Share premium RMB'000	Other reserve RMB'000 <i>(Note c)</i>	Translation reserve RMB'000	Statutory reserve RMB'000 <i>(Note a)</i>	Treasury share reserve RMB'000 <i>(Note b)</i>	Accumulated profits RMB'000	Investments revaluation reserve RMB'000	Total RMB'000	Non-controlling interests RMB'000	Total RMB'000
At 1 January 2015	82,096	956,993	(50,646)	(8,212)	12,389	-	168,961	(34,221)	1,127,360	98,615	1,225,975
Profit (loss) for the year	-	-	-	-	-	-	174,302	-	174,302	(1,801)	172,501
Other comprehensive (expense) income	-	-	-	(17,060)	-	-	-	15,711	(1,349)	(480)	(1,829)
Total comprehensive (expense) income for the year	-	-	-	(17,060)	-	-	174,302	15,711	172,953	(2,281)	170,672
Purchase of shares under share award scheme <i>(Note 39)</i>	-	-	-	-	-	(149,476)	-	-	(149,476)	-	(149,476)
Payments of dividends <i>(Note 13)</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	(187,781)	-	(187,781)	-	(187,781)
Take-over process of non-controlling interests in a subsidiary <i>(Note d)</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	35,034	-	35,034	(35,034)	-
Disposal of a subsidiary <i>(Note 33(a))</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(62,949)	(62,949)
At 31 December 2015	82,096	956,993	(50,646)	(25,272)	12,389	(149,476)	190,516	(18,510)	998,090	(1,649)	996,441
Profit for the year	-	-	-	-	-	-	237,445	-	237,445	1,179	238,624
Other comprehensive income (expense)	-	-	-	18,746	-	-	-	-	18,746	(116)	18,630
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	-	-	18,746	-	-	237,445	-	256,191	1,063	257,254
Appropriation to reserve	-	-	-	-	61	-	(61)	-	-	-	-
Purchase of shares under share award scheme <i>(Note 39)</i>	-	-	-	-	-	(922)	-	-	(922)	-	(922)
Payments of dividends <i>(Note 13)</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	(142,500)	-	(142,500)	-	(142,500)
Disposal of subsidiaries <i>(Note 33(b))</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	278	278
At 31 December 2016	82,096	956,993	(50,646)	(6,526)	12,450	(150,398)	285,400	(18,510)	1,110,859	(308)	1,110,551

## Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity

For the year ended 31 December 2016

### Notes:

- (a) According to the relevant rules and regulations in the People's Republic of China ("PRC"), each of the China Pioneer Pharma Holding Limited (the "Company")'s subsidiaries established in the PRC shall provide 10% of the annual profit after tax, based on the subsidiary's PRC statutory accounts, as a statutory reserve, until the balance reaches 50% of the respective subsidiary's registered capital.
- (b) For the year ended 31 December 2016 and 2015, the Company paid an amount of RMB922,000 and RMB149,476,000, respectively, to Bank of Communications Trustee Limited ("Trustee") to purchase the Company's existing shares of 3,295,000 and 35,818,000, respectively, in the market pursuant to the Share Award Scheme (the "Scheme") made on 10 April 2015 ("Adoption Date") by the board of directors of the Company. As of 31 December 2016 and 2015, all the shares were held by the Trustee. For details please refer to note 39.
- (c) Other reserve represents the share capital and capital reserve of Pioneer Pharma Shareholding Co., Ltd. ("Pioneer Pharma") amounted to approximately RMB90 million. Also, other reserve reflects the decrease in resource of the Company and its subsidiaries (the "Group") arising upon payment for acquisition of an associate by Pioneer Pharma amounting to RMB16.2 million during the year ended 31 December 2012 and includes the deemed distribution to shareholders and relevant adjustments arising from the group reorganisation for the preparation for the listing of the Company's share on the Stock Exchange during the year ended 31 December 2013.
- (d) During the year ended 31 December 2015, the shareholding of Covex, S.A. held by the Group has increased from 68.63% to 100%. The Group took over all the equity interests of non-controlling interests with nil consideration. During the take-over process, the Group conducted a capital reduction exercise in Covex, S.A. by using all share capital in Covex, S.A. to offset its accumulated losses. In order to resume the shareholding in Covex, S.A., the Group and the non-controlling shareholders should have to make further capital contribution to Covex, S.A.. The Group made the capital contribution by converting all of its loans to Covex, S.A. into the share capital, in which the non-controlling interests did not make any further capital contribution. After the completion of the take-over process, the Group owned 100% of equity interest of Covex, S.A.. All the share of net assets of Covex, S.A. held by non-controlling interests has been taken over by the Group. The non-controlling interest shareholders appealed to the court regarding their disagreement on the take-over action by the Group and the preliminary hearing was set for the day May 10, 2016. Prior to the hearing, the non-controlling interest shareholders requested the Court to take precaution measures by prohibiting the take-over process by the Group, which was rejected by the court in December 2015. Having considered the legal opinion obtained from lawyers, the directors of the Company considered that the possibility of the take-over process will be revoked nor the Group is liable to compensate the then non-controlling shareholders is remote.

# Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

For the year ended 31 December 2016

	<i>Note</i>	<b>2016</b> RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
<b>OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Profit before taxation		<b>282,350</b>	206,795
Adjustments for:			
Finance costs		<b>5,523</b>	19,954
Interest income on bank deposits		<b>(6,815)</b>	(25,008)
Interest income on trust investments		–	(4,675)
Interest income on loans and promissory note to associates		<b>(563)</b>	(262)
Interest income on amount due from a related party		<b>(165)</b>	–
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment		<b>6,879</b>	7,001
Amortisation of intangible assets		<b>6,301</b>	9,880
Release of prepaid lease payments		<b>52</b>	52
Gain on disposal of subsidiaries	7	<b>(2,794)</b>	–
Share of loss of associates		<b>39,184</b>	28,895
Loss on fair value changes of derivative financial instruments		<b>9,107</b>	4,837
Gain on dilution of interest in associates		<b>(5,899)</b>	(7,975)
Allowance for (reversal of allowance for) inventories		<b>2,334</b>	(679)
Impairment loss on trade and other receivables		<b>13,013</b>	5,277
Impairment on goodwill		–	14,696
Impairment loss on investment in associates		<b>6,378</b>	41,263
Reversal of impairment loss on investment in an associate		<b>(41,263)</b>	–
Impairment loss on finance lease receivables		<b>661</b>	6,871
Reversal of impairment loss previously recognised on trade and other receivables		–	(44)
Gain on initial recognition of other investments and warrants		<b>(8,856)</b>	(3,910)
Written off of interest receivable from an associate		<b>1,290</b>	–
Loss on disposal of an associate		<b>1,683</b>	–
Provision of sales return		<b>16</b>	731
Operating cash flows before movements in working capital		<b>308,416</b>	303,699
Decrease (increase) in inventories		<b>100,291</b>	(77,086)
(Increase) decrease in trade and other receivables		<b>(6,661)</b>	111,591
(Decrease) increase in trade and other payables		<b>(41,365)</b>	35,749
Increase in amount due from a related party		<b>(50)</b>	–
Increase (decrease) in amounts due to related parties		<b>62</b>	(1,034)
Decrease (increase) in finance lease receivables		<b>15,529</b>	(12,949)
Increase in liabilities for the Scheme		<b>907</b>	557
Cash generated from operations		<b>377,129</b>	360,527
Income taxes paid		<b>(29,567)</b>	(35,883)
Interest paid		<b>(5,523)</b>	(19,954)
<b>NET CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>		<b>342,039</b>	304,690

## Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

For the year ended 31 December 2016

	<i>Note</i>	<b>2016</b> RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
<b>INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Interest received on bank deposits		<b>6,815</b>	25,008
Interest income on trust investments		–	4,675
Interest received on loan to an associate		<b>204</b>	–
Loans and promissory note advance to associates		<b>(7,114)</b>	(15,963)
Repayment from associates		<b>23,077</b>	–
Purchase of other investments and warrants		–	(29,561)
Withdrawal of trust investments		–	75,000
Purchases of property, plant and equipment		<b>(5,193)</b>	(6,149)
Capital injection in associates		<b>(60,446)</b>	(10,044)
Purchases of intangible assets		<b>(2,775)</b>	(1,600)
Proceeds on disposal of property, plant and equipment		<b>1,114</b>	8
Placement of pledged bank deposits		<b>(167,654)</b>	(129,188)
Withdrawal of pledged bank deposits		<b>207,502</b>	534,594
Proceeds on disposal of other investments		–	181
Proceeds on disposal of an associate		<b>10</b>	–
Net cash outflow on disposal of subsidiaries	<i>33(b)</i>	<b>(1,619)</b>	(26,023)
<b>NET CASH (USED IN) FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>		<b>(6,079)</b>	420,938
<b>FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>			
New bank borrowing raised		<b>280,023</b>	768,910
Repayments of bank borrowings		<b>(483,509)</b>	(1,103,227)
Dividend paid		<b>(142,500)</b>	(187,781)
Payment for repurchase of ordinary shares	<i>39</i>	<b>(922)</b>	(149,476)
<b>NET CASH USED IN FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>		<b>(346,908)</b>	(671,574)
<b>NET (DECREASE) INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>		<b>(10,948)</b>	54,054
<b>CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR</b>		<b>317,113</b>	260,834
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes		<b>3,475</b>	2,225
<b>CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE END OF THE YEAR,</b> represented by bank balances and cash		<b>309,640</b>	317,113

# Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 December 2016

## 1. GENERAL

The Company is incorporated as an exempted company with limited liability in the Cayman Islands on 5 February 2013. The shares of the Company have been listed on the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (“the Stock Exchange”) since 5 November 2013. The registered office of the Company is at 190 Elgin Avenue, George Town, Grand Cayman KY1-9005, Cayman Islands and the principal place of business of the Company is at No. 15, Lane 88 Wuwei Road, Putuo District, Shanghai, the PRC. The Company’s immediate and ultimate holding company is Pioneer Pharma (BVI) Limited (“Pioneer BVI”) and Tian Tian Limited (“Tian Tian”), respectively. Both companies are incorporated in the British Virgin Islands (“BVI”) and are controlled by Mr. Li Xinzhou (“Mr. Li”) and Ms. Wu Qian (“Mrs. Li”), the spouse of Mr. Li (collectively referred to as “Controlling Shareholders”).

The Company is an investment holding company. The principal activities of the Group are the marketing, promotion and sale of pharmaceutical products and medical devices.

The consolidated financial statements are presented in Renminbi (“RMB”), which is the same as the functional currency of the Company.

## 2. APPLICATION OF NEW AND AMENDMENTS TO INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (“IFRSs”)

### Amendments to IFRSs that are mandatorily effective for the current year

The Group has applied the following amendments to IFRSs issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (“IASB”) for the first time in the current year:

Amendments to IFRS 11	Accounting for Acquisitions of Interests in Joint Operations
Amendments to IAS 1	Disclosure Initiative
Amendments to IAS 16 and IAS 38	Clarification of Acceptable Methods of Depreciation and Amortisation
Amendments to IAS 16 and IAS 41	Agriculture: Bearer Plants
Amendments to IFRS 10, IFRS 12 and IAS 28	Investment Entities: Applying the Consolidation Exception
Amendments to IFRSs	Annual Improvements to IFRSs 2012-2014 Cycle

The application of the amendments to IFRSs in the current year has had no material impact on the Group’s financial performance and positions for the current and prior years and/or on the disclosures set out in these consolidated financial statements.

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## 2. APPLICATION OF NEW AND AMENDMENTS TO INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (“IFRSs”) (Continued)

### New and amendments to IFRSs issued but not yet effective

The Group has not early applied the following new and amendments to IFRSs that have been issued but are not yet effective:

IFRS 9	Financial Instruments <sup>1</sup>
IFRS 15	Revenue from Contracts with Customers and the Related Amendments <sup>1</sup>
IFRS 16	Leases <sup>2</sup>
IFRIC 22	Foreign Currency Transactions and Advance Consideration <sup>1</sup>
Amendments to IFRS 2	Classification and Measurement of Share-based Payment Transactions <sup>1</sup>
Amendments to IFRS 4	Applying IFRS 9 Financial Instruments with IFRS 4 Insurance Contracts <sup>1</sup>
Amendments to IFRS 10 and IAS 28	Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture <sup>3</sup>
Amendments to IAS 7	Disclosure Initiative <sup>4</sup>
Amendments to IAS 12	Recognition of Deferred Tax Assets for Unrealised Losses <sup>4</sup>
Amendments to IAS 40	Transfers of Investment Property <sup>1</sup>
Amendments to IFRSs	Annual Improvements to IFRS Standards 2014-2016 Cycle <sup>5</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018

<sup>2</sup> Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019

<sup>3</sup> Effective for annual periods beginning on or after a date to be determined

<sup>4</sup> Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2017

<sup>5</sup> Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2017 or 1 January 2018, as appropriate

### IFRS 9 Financial Instruments

IFRS 9 introduces new requirements for the classification and measurement of financial assets, financial liabilities, general hedge accounting and impairment requirements for financial assets. Key requirements of IFRS 9 which are relevant to the Group is in relation to the impairment of financial assets, IFRS 9 requires an expected credit loss model, as opposed to an incurred credit loss model under IAS 39. The expected credit loss model requires an entity to account for expected credit losses and changes in those expected credit losses at each reporting date to reflect changes in credit risk since initial recognition. In other words, it is no longer necessary for a credit event to have occurred before credit losses are recognised.

Based on the Group’s financial instruments and risk management policies as at 31 December 2016, the application of IFRS 9 in the future may have impact on the classification and measurement of the Group’s financial assets. The expected credit loss model may result in early provision of credit losses which are not yet incurred in relation to the Group’s financial assets measured at amortised cost.

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## 2. APPLICATION OF NEW AND AMENDMENTS TO INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (“IFRSs”) (Continued)

### New and amendments to IFRSs issued but not yet effective (Continued)

#### **IFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers**

IFRS 15 was issued which establishes a single comprehensive model for entities to use in accounting for revenue arising from contracts with customers. IFRS 15 will supersede the current revenue recognition guidance including IAS 18 *Revenue*, IAS 11 *Construction Contracts* and the related interpretations when it becomes effective.

The core principle of IFRS 15 is that an entity should recognise revenue to depict the transfer of promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. Specifically, the Standard introduces a 5-step approach to revenue recognition:

Step 1: Identify the contract(s) with a customer

Step 2: Identify the performance obligations in the contract

Step 3: Determine the transaction price

Step 4: Allocate the transaction price to the performance obligations in the contract

Step 5: Recognise revenue when (or as) the entity satisfies a performance obligation

Under the IFRS 15, an entity recognises revenue when (or as) a performance obligation is satisfied, i.e. when ‘control’ of the goods or services underlying the particular performance obligation is transferred to the customer. Far more prescriptive guidance has been added in IFRS 15 to deal with specific scenarios. Furthermore, extensive disclosures are required by IFRS 15.

In 2016, the IASB issued Clarifications to IFRS 15 in relation to the identification of performance obligations, principal versus agent considerations, as well as licensing application guidance.

The directors of the Company anticipate that the application of IFRS 15 in the future may have an impact on the amounts reported and disclosures made in the Group’s consolidated financial statements. However, it is not practicable to provide a reasonable estimate of the effect of IFRS 15 until the Group performs a detailed review.

#### **IFRS 16 Leases**

IFRS 16 introduces a comprehensive model for the identification of lease arrangements and accounting treatments for both lessors and lessees. IFRS 16 will supersede IAS 17 *Leases* and the related interpretations when it becomes effective.

IFRS 16 distinguishes lease and service contracts on the basis of whether an identified asset is controlled by a customer. Distinctions of operating leases and finance leases are removed for lessee accounting, and is replaced by a model where a right-of-use asset and a corresponding liability have to be recognised for all leases by lessees, except for short-term leases and leases of low value assets.

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## 2. APPLICATION OF NEW AND AMENDMENTS TO INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (“IFRSs”) (Continued)

### New and amendments to IFRSs issued but not yet effective (Continued)

#### *IFRS 16 Leases (Continued)*

The right-of-use asset is initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost (subject to certain exceptions) less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses, adjusted for any remeasurement of the lease liability. The lease liability is initially measured at the present value of the lease payments that are not paid at that date. Subsequently, the lease liability is adjusted for interest and lease payments, as well as the impact of lease modifications, amongst others. For the classification of cash flows, the Group currently presents upfront prepaid lease payments as investing cash flows in relation to leasehold lands for owned use while other operating lease payments are presented as operating cash flows. Under the IFRS 16, lease payments in relation to lease liability will be allocated into a principal and an interest portion which will be presented as financing cash flows.

Under IAS 17, the Group has already recognised an asset and a related finance lease liability for finance lease arrangement and prepaid lease payments for leasehold lands where the Group is a lessee. The application of IFRS 16 may result in potential changes in classification of these assets depending on whether the Group presents right-of-use assets separately or within the same line item at which the corresponding underlying assets would be presented if they were owned.

In contrast to lessee accounting, IFRS 16 substantially carries forward the lessor accounting requirements in IAS 17, and continues to require a lessor to classify a lease either as an operating lease or a finance lease.

Furthermore, extensive disclosures are required by IFRS 16.

As at 31 December 2016, the Group has non-cancellable operating lease commitments of RMB87,000 as disclosed in note 35. A preliminary assessment indicates that these arrangements will meet the definition of a lease under IFRS 16, and hence the Group will recognise a right-of-use asset and a corresponding liability in respect of all these leases unless they qualify for low value or short-term leases upon the application of IFRS 16. In addition, the application of new requirements may result changes in measurement, presentation and disclosure as indicated above. However, it is not practicable to provide a reasonable estimate of the financial effect until the directors of the Company complete a detailed review.

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## 2. APPLICATION OF NEW AND AMENDMENTS TO INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (“IFRSs”) (Continued)

### **New and amendments to IFRSs issued but not yet effective (Continued)**

#### ***Amendments to IFRS 2 Classification and Measurement of Share-based Payment Transactions***

The amendments clarify the following:

1. In estimating the fair value of a cash-settled share-based payment, the accounting for the effects of vesting and non-vesting conditions should follow the same approach as for equity-settled share-based payments.
2. Where tax law or regulation requires an entity to withhold a specified number of equity instruments equal to the monetary value of the employee's tax obligation to meet the employee's tax liability which is then remitted to the tax authority, i.e. the share-based payment arrangement has a 'net settlement feature', such an arrangement should be classified as equity-settled in its entirety, provided that the share-based payment would have been classified as equity-settled had it not included the net settlement feature.
3. A modification of a share-based payment that changes the transaction from cash-settled to equity-settled should be accounted for as follows:
  - (i) the original liability is derecognised;
  - (ii) the equity-settled share-based payment is recognised at the modification date fair value of the equity instrument granted to the extent that services have been rendered up to the modification date; and
  - (iii) any difference between the carrying amount of the liability at the modification date and the amount recognised in equity should be recognised in profit or loss immediately.

The directors of the Company do not anticipate that the application of these amendments to IFRS 2 will have a material impact on the Group's consolidated financial statements.

#### ***Amendments to IAS 7 Disclosure Initiative***

The amendments require an entity to provide disclosures that enable users of financial statements to evaluate changes in liabilities arising from financing activities including both changes arising from cash flows and non-cash changes. Specially, the amendments require the following changes in liabilities arising from financing activities to be disclosed: (i) changes from financing cash flows; (ii) changes arising from obtaining or losing control of subsidiaries or other businesses; (iii) the effect of changes in foreign exchange rates; (iv) changes in fair values; and (v) other changes.

The amendments apply prospectively for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2017 with earlier application permitted. The application of the amendments will result in additional disclosures on the Group's financing activities, specifically reconciliation between the opening and closing balances in the consolidated statement of financial position for liabilities arising from financing activities will be provided on application.

Except as described above, the directors of the Company do not anticipate that the application of the new and amendments to IFRSs will have material impact on the Group's consolidated financial statements.

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### 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with IFRSs issued by IASB. In addition, the consolidated financial statements include applicable disclosures required by the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities of the Stock Exchange (“Listing Rules”) and by the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance (“CO”).

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis except for certain financial instruments that are measured at fair values at the end of each reporting period, as explained in the accounting policies set out below.

Historical cost is generally based on the fair value of the consideration given in exchange for goods and services.

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date, regardless of whether that price is directly observable or estimated using another valuation technique. In estimating the fair value of an asset or a liability, the Group takes into account the characteristics of the asset or liability if market participants would take those characteristics into account when pricing the asset or liability at the measurement date. Fair value for measurement and/or disclosure purposes in these consolidated financial statements is determined on such a basis, except for share-based payment transactions that are within the scope of IFRS 2 *Share-based payment*, leasing transactions that are within the scope of IAS 17 *Leases*, and measurements that have some similarities to fair value but are not fair value, such as net realisable value in IAS 2 *Inventories* or value in use in IAS 36 *Impairment of Assets*.

In addition, for financial reporting purpose, fair value measurements are categorised into Level 1, 2 or 3 based on the degree to which the inputs to the fair value measurements are observable and the significance of the inputs to the fair value measurement in its entirety, which are described as follows:

- Level 1 inputs are quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the entity can access at the measurement date;
- Level 2 inputs are inputs, other than quoted prices included within Level 1, that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly; and
- Level 3 inputs are unobservable inputs for the asset or liability.

The principal accounting policies are set out below.

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### 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements incorporate the financial statements of the Company and entities controlled by the Company and its subsidiaries. Control is achieved when the Company:

- has power over the investee;
- is exposed, or has rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the investee; and
- has the ability to use its power to affect its returns.

The Group reassesses whether or not it controls an investee if facts and circumstances indicate that there are changes to one or more of the three elements of control listed above.

Consolidation of a subsidiary begins when the Group obtains control over the subsidiary and ceases when the Group loses control of the subsidiary. Specifically, income and expenses of a subsidiary acquired or disposed of during the year are included in the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income from the date the Group gains control until the date when the Group ceases to control the subsidiary.

Profit or loss and each item of other comprehensive income are attributed to the owners of the Company and to the non-controlling interests. Total comprehensive income of subsidiaries is attributed to the owners of the Company and to the non-controlling interests even if this results in the non-controlling interests having a deficit balance.

When necessary, adjustments are made to the financial statements of subsidiaries to bring their accounting policies into line with the Group's accounting policies.

All intragroup assets and liabilities, equity, income, expenses and cash flows relating to transactions between members of the Group are eliminated in full on consolidation.

#### ***Changes in the Group's ownership interests in existing subsidiaries***

When the Group loses control of a subsidiary, a gain or loss is recognised in profit or loss and is calculated as the difference between (i) the aggregate of the fair value of the consideration received and the fair value of any retained interest and (ii) the carrying amount of the assets (including goodwill), and liabilities of the subsidiary attributable to the owners of the Company. All amounts previously recognised in other comprehensive income in relation to that subsidiary are accounted for as if the Group had directly disposed of the related assets or liabilities of the subsidiary (i.e. reclassified to profit or loss or transferred to another category of equity as specified/permitted by applicable IFRSs). The fair value of any investment retained in the former subsidiary at the date when control is lost is regarded as the fair value on initial recognition for subsequent accounting under IAS 39, when applicable, the cost on initial recognition of an investment in an associate or a joint venture.

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### 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### Business combinations

Acquisitions of businesses are accounted for using the acquisition method. The consideration transferred in a business combination is measured at fair value, which is calculated as the sum of the acquisition-date fair values of the assets transferred by the Group, liabilities incurred by the Group to the former owners of the acquiree and the equity interests issued by the Group in exchange for control of the acquiree. Acquisition-related costs are generally recognised in profit or loss as incurred.

At the acquisition date, the identifiable assets acquired and the liabilities assumed are recognised at their fair values, except that:

- deferred tax assets or liabilities, and assets or liabilities related to employee benefit arrangements are recognised and measured in accordance with IAS 12 *Income Taxes* and IAS 19 *Employee Benefits* respectively;
- liabilities or equity instruments related to share-based payment arrangements of the acquiree or share-based payment arrangements of the Group entered into to replace share-based payment arrangements of the acquiree are measured in accordance with IFRS 2 *Share-based Payment* at the acquisition date; and
- assets (or disposal groups) that are classified as held for sales in accordance with IFRS 5 *Non-current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations* are measured in accordance with that standard.

Goodwill is measured as the excess of the sum of the consideration transferred, the amount of any non-controlling interests in the acquiree, and the fair value of the acquirer's previously held equity interest in the acquiree (if any) over the net amount of the acquisition-date amounts of the identifiable assets acquired and the liabilities assumed as at acquisition date. If, after reassessment, the net amount of the identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed exceeds the sum of the consideration transferred, the amount of any non-controlling interests in the acquiree and the fair value of the acquirer's previously held interest in the acquiree (if any), the excess is recognised immediately in profit or loss as a bargain purchase gain.

Non-controlling interests that are present ownership interests and entitle their holders to a proportionate share of the relevant subsidiary's net assets in the event of liquidation may be initially measured either at fair value or at the non-controlling interests' proportionate share of the recognised amounts of the acquiree's identifiable net assets. The choice of measurement basis is made on a transaction-by-transaction basis. Other types of non-controlling interests are measured at fair value.

When the consideration transferred by the Group in a business combination includes assets or liabilities resulting from a contingent consideration arrangement, the contingent consideration is measured at its acquisition-date fair value and included as part of the consideration transferred in a business combination. Changes in the fair value of the contingent consideration that qualify as measurement period adjustments are adjusted retrospectively, with the corresponding adjustments made against goodwill. Measurement period adjustments are adjustments that arise from additional information obtained during the 'measurement period' (which cannot exceed one year from the acquisition date) about facts and circumstances that existed at the acquisition date.

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### 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### Business combinations (Continued)

The subsequent accounting for the contingent consideration that do not qualify as measurement period adjustments depends on how the contingent consideration is classified. Contingent consideration that is classified as equity is not remeasured at subsequent reporting dates and its subsequent settlement is accounted for within equity. Contingent consideration that is classified as an asset or a liability is remeasured to fair value at subsequent reporting dates, with the corresponding gain or loss being recognised in profit or loss.

When a business combination is achieved in stages, the Group's previously held equity interest in the acquiree is remeasured to its fair value at the acquisition date (i.e. the date when the Group obtains control), and the resulting gain or loss, if any, is recognised in profit or loss. Amounts arising from interests in the acquiree prior to the acquisition date that have previously been recognised in other comprehensive income are reclassified to profit or loss where such treatment would be appropriate if that interest were disposed of.

If the initial accounting for a business combination is incomplete by the end of the reporting period in which the combination occurs, the Group reports provisional amounts for the items for which the accounting is incomplete. Those provisional amounts are adjusted during the measurement period (see above), and additional assets or liabilities are recognised, to reflect new information obtained about facts and circumstances that existed at the acquisition date that, if known, would have affected the amounts recognised at that date.

#### Goodwill

Goodwill arising on an acquisition of a business is carried at cost as established at the date of acquisition of the business (see the accounting policy above) less accumulated impairment losses, if any.

For the purposes of impairment testing, goodwill is allocated to each of the Groups cash-generating units (or groups of cash-generating units) that is expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination, which represent the lowest level at which the goodwill is monitored for internal management purposes and not larger than an operating segment.

A cash-generating unit (or group of cash-generating units) to which goodwill has been allocated is tested for impairment annually or more frequently when there is an indication that the unit may be impaired. For goodwill arising on an acquisition in a reporting period, the cash-generating unit (or group of cash-generating units) to which goodwill has been allocated is tested for impairment before the end of that reporting period. If the recoverable amount is less than its carrying amount, the impairment loss is allocated first to reduce the carrying amount of any goodwill and then to the other assets on a pro rata basis based on the carrying amount of each asset in the unit (or group of cash-generating units).

On disposal of the relevant cash-generating unit, the attributable amount of goodwill is included in the determination of the profit or loss on disposal.

The Group's policy for goodwill arising on the acquisition of an associate is described below.

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### 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### **Merger accounting for business combination involving entities under common control**

The consolidated financial statements incorporate the financial statements items of the combining businesses in which the common control combination occurs as if they had been combined from the date when the combining entities or businesses first came under the control of the controlling party.

The net assets of the combining businesses are consolidated using the existing book values from the controlling party's perspective. No amount is recognised in respect of goodwill or bargain purchase gain at the time of common control combination.

The consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income includes the results of each of the combining businesses from the earliest date presented or since the date when the combining businesses first came under the common control, where this is a shorter period.

The comparative amounts in the consolidated financial statements are presented as if the businesses had been combined at the end of the previous reporting period or when they first came under common control, whichever is shorter.

#### **Investment in a subsidiary**

Investment in a subsidiary included in the Company's statement of financial position is stated at cost less any accumulated impairment losses, if any.

#### **Investment in associates**

An associate is an entity over which the Group has significant influence. Significant influence is the power to participate in the financial and operating policy decisions of the investee but is not control over those policies.

The results and assets and liabilities of associate are incorporated in these consolidated financial statements using the equity method of accounting. Under the equity method, an investment in an associate is initially recognised in the consolidated statement of financial position at cost and adjusted thereafter to recognise the Group's share of the profit or loss and other comprehensive income of the associate. When the Group's share of losses of an associate exceeds the Group's interest in that associate (which includes any long-term interests that, in substance, form part of the Group's net investment in the associate), the Group discontinues recognising its share of further losses. Additional losses are recognised only to the extent that the Group has incurred legal or constructive obligations or made payments on behalf of that associate.

An investment in an associate is accounted for using the equity method from the date on which the investee becomes an associate. On acquisition of the investment in an associate, any excess of the cost of investment over the Group's share of the net fair value of the identifiable assets and liabilities of the investee is recognised as goodwill, which is included within the carrying amount of the investment. Any excess of the Group's share of the net fair value of the identifiable assets and liabilities over the cost of the investment, after assessment, is recognised immediately in profit or loss in the period in which the investment is acquired.

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### 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### Investment in associates (Continued)

When the Group acquires additional interest in an investee such that it has become an associate after additional acquisition, the investment in the associate is initially recognised at cost, which is the sum of the fair value of the previously held interest at the date when significant influence is obtained and the consideration paid/payable for the additional interest. If the original investment has been classified previously as an available-for-sale financial asset at fair value under IAS 39, the revaluation gain or loss recognised in other comprehensive income is not reclassified from equity to profit or loss. No gain or loss should be recognised in profit or loss on the basis that there has been no realisation event (e.g. a disposal).

When the associate is acquired in stages, goodwill is calculated at the time at which the investment becomes an associate and the goodwill is calculated as the difference between the cost of the investment and the Group's share of the net fair value of the investee's identifiable assets and liabilities.

The requirements of IAS 39 are applied to determine whether it is necessary to recognise any impairment loss with respect to the Group's investment in an associate. When necessary, the entire carrying amount of the investment (including goodwill) is tested for impairment in accordance with IAS 36 *Impairment of Assets* as a single asset by comparing its recoverable amount (higher of value in use and fair value less costs of disposal) with its carrying amount. Any impairment loss recognised forms part of the carrying amount of the investment. Any reversal of that impairment loss is recognised in accordance with IAS 36 to the extent that the recoverable amount of the investment subsequently increases.

When the Group ceases to have significant influence over an associate, it is accounted for as a disposal of the entire interest in the investee with a resulting gain or loss being recognised in profit or loss. When the Group retains an interest in the former associate and the retained interest is a financial asset within the scope of IAS 39, the Group measures the retained interest at fair value at that date and the fair value is regarded as its fair value on initial recognition. The difference between the carrying amount of the associate and the fair value of any retained interest and any proceeds from disposing the relevant interest in the associate is included in the determination of the gain or loss on disposal of the associate. In addition, the Group accounts for all amounts previously recognised in other comprehensive income in relation to that associate on the same basis as would be required if that associate had directly disposed of the related assets or liabilities. Therefore, if a gain or loss previously recognised in other comprehensive income by that associate would be reclassified to profit or loss on the disposal of the related assets or liabilities, the Group reclassifies the gain or loss from equity to profit or loss (as a reclassification adjustment) when the equity method is discontinued.

When a group entity transacts with an associate of the Group, profits and losses resulting from the transactions with the associate are recognised in the Group's consolidated financial statements only to the extent of interests in the associate that are not related to the Group.

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### 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### Revenue recognition

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received. Revenue is reduced for estimated sales returns, rebates and other similar allowances.

Revenue is recognised when the amount of revenue can be reliably measured; when it is probable that future economic benefits will flow to the Group and when specific criteria lower been met for each of the Group's activities, as described below.

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised when the goods are delivered and titles have passed.

Service income is recognised when services are provided.

Interest income is accrued on a time basis, by reference to the principal outstanding and at the effective interest rate applicable, which is the rate that exactly discounts the estimated future cash receipts through the expected life of the financial asset to that asset's net carrying amount on initial recognition.

The Group's accounting policy for recognition of revenue from operating lease is described in the accounting policy below.

#### Leasing

Leases are classified as finance leases whenever the terms of the lease transfer substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership to the lessee. All other leases are classified as operating leases.

##### *The Group as Lessor*

Amounts due from lessees under finance leases are recognised as receivables at the amount of the Group's net investment in the leases. Finance lease income is allocated to accounting periods so as to reflect a constant periodic rate of return on the Group's net investment outstanding in respect of the leases.

Rental income from operating leases is recognised in profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the term of the relevant lease.

##### *The Group as Lessee*

Assets held under finance leases are recognised as assets of the Group at their fair value at the inception of the lease or, if lower, at the present value of the minimum lease payments. The corresponding liability to the lessor is included in the consolidated statement of financial position as a finance lease obligation.

Lease payments are apportioned between finance expenses and reduction of the lease obligation so as to achieve a constant rate of interest on the remaining balance of the liability. Finance expenses are recognised immediately in profit or loss, unless they are directly attributable to qualifying assets, in which case they are capitalised in accordance with the Group's general policy on borrowing costs (see the accounting policy below).

Operating leases payments, including the cost of acquiring land held under operating leases, are recognised as an expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

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### 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### Leasing (Continued)

##### *Leasehold land and building for own use*

When a lease includes both land and building elements, the Group assesses the classification of each element as a finance or an operating lease separately based on the assessment as to whether substantially all the risks and rewards incidental to ownership of each element have been transferred to the Group, unless it is clear that both elements are operating leases in which case the entire lease is classified as an operating lease. Specifically, the minimum lease payments (including any lump-sum upfront payments) are allocated between the land and the building elements in proportion to the relative fair values of the leasehold interests in the land element and building element of the lease at the inception of the lease.

To the extent the allocation of the lease payments can be made reliably, interest in leasehold land that is accounted for as an operating lease is presented as “prepaid lease payments” in the consolidated statement of financial position and is amortised over the lease term on a straight-line basis. When the lease payments cannot be allocated reliably between the land and building elements, the entire lease is generally classified as a finance lease.

#### Foreign currencies

In preparing the financial statements of each individual group entity, transactions in currencies other than the functional currency of that entity (foreign currencies) are recognised at the rates of exchanges prevailing on the dates of the transactions. At the end of the reporting period, monetary items denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rates prevailing at that date. Non-monetary items carried at fair value that are denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rate prevailing on the date when the fair value was determined. Non-monetary items that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are not retranslated.

Exchange differences arising on the settlement of monetary items, and on the retranslation of monetary items are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they arise except for exchange differences on monetary items receivable from or payable to a foreign operation for which settlement is neither planned nor likely to occur (therefore forming part of the net investment in the foreign operation), which are recognised initially in other comprehensive income and reclassified from equity to profit or loss on disposal or partial disposal of the Group's interests.

For the purposes of presenting the consolidated financial statements, the assets and liabilities of the Group's foreign operations are translated into the presentation currency of the Group (i.e. RMB) using exchange rate prevailing at the end of the reporting period. Income and expenses items are translated at the average exchange rates for the period, unless exchange rates fluctuate significantly during the period, in which case, the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of transactions are used. Exchange differences arising, if any, are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in equity under the heading of the translation reserve (attributable to non-controlling interests as appropriate).

On the disposal of a foreign operation (i.e. a disposal of the Group's entire interest in a foreign operation, or a disposal involving loss of control over a subsidiary that includes a foreign operation, or a partial disposal of an interest in a joint arrangement or an associate that includes a foreign operation of which the retained interest becomes a financial asset), all of the exchange differences accumulated in equity in respect of that operation attributable to the owners of the Company are reclassified to profit or loss.

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### 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### Foreign currencies (Continued)

Goodwill and fair value adjustments on identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed through acquisition of a foreign operation are treated as assets and liabilities of the foreign operation and translated at the rate of exchange prevailing at the end of each reporting period. Exchange differences arising are recognised in other comprehensive income.

#### Borrowing costs

Borrowing costs directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of qualifying assets, which are assets that necessarily take a substantial period of time to get ready for their intended use or sale, are added to the cost of those assets until such time as the assets are substantially ready for their intended use or sale.

Investment income earned on the temporary investment of specific borrowings pending their expenditure on qualifying assets is deducted from the borrowing costs eligible for capitalisation.

All other borrowing costs are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they are incurred.

#### Government grants

Government grants are not recognised until there is reasonable assurance that the Group will comply with the conditions attaching to them and that the grants will be received.

Government grants that are receivable as compensation for expenses or losses already incurred or for the purpose of giving immediate financial support to the Group with no future related costs are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they become receivable.

#### Retirement benefit costs

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit plans including state-managed retirement benefit schemes in the PRC, Singapore and Spain and the Mandatory Provident Fund Scheme in Hong Kong are recognised as an expense when employees have rendered service entitling them to the contributions.

#### Cash-settled share-based payment transactions

For cash-settled share-based payments, a liability is recognised for the goods or services acquired, measured initially at the fair value of the liability. At the end of each reporting period until the liability is settled, and at the date of settlement, the fair value of the liability is remeasured, with any changes in fair value recognised in profit or loss for the year.

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### 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### Taxation

Income tax expense represents the sum of the tax currently payable and deferred tax.

The tax currently payable is based on taxable profit for the year. Taxable profit differs from 'profit before taxation' as reported in the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income because of income or expense that are taxable or deductible in other years and items that are never taxable or deductible. The Group's liability for current tax is calculated using tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period.

Deferred tax is recognised on temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities in the consolidated financial statements and the corresponding tax bases used in the computation of taxable profit. Deferred tax liabilities are generally recognised for all taxable temporary differences. Deferred tax assets are generally recognised for all deductible temporary differences to the extent that it is probable that taxable profits will be available against which those deductible temporary differences can be utilised. Such deferred tax assets and liabilities are not recognised if the temporary difference arises from the initial recognition (other than in a business combination) of assets and liabilities in a transaction that affects neither the taxable profit nor the accounting profit. In addition, deferred tax liabilities are not recognised if the temporary difference arises from the initial recognition of goodwill.

Deferred tax liabilities are recognised for taxable temporary differences associated with investments in subsidiaries and associates, except where the Group is able to control the reversal of the temporary difference and it is probable that the temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future. Deferred tax assets arising from deductible temporary differences associated with such investments are only recognised to the extent that it is probable that there will be sufficient taxable profits against which to utilise the benefits of the temporary differences and they are expected to reverse in the foreseeable future.

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at the end of each reporting period and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profits will be available to allow all or part of the asset to be recovered.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the period in which the liability is settled or the asset is realised, based on tax rate (and tax laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period.

The measurement of deferred tax liabilities and assets reflects the tax consequences that would follow from the manner in which the Group expects, at the end of the reporting period, to recover or settle the carrying amount of its assets and liabilities.

Current and deferred tax are recognised in profit or loss, except when they relate to items that are recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity, in which case, the current and deferred tax are also recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity respectively. Where current tax or deferred tax arises from the initial accounting for a business combination, the tax effect is included in the accounting for the business combination.

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### 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### **Property, plant and equipment**

Property, plant and equipment including buildings held for use in the production or supply of goods and services, or for administrative purpose are stated in the consolidated statement of financial position at cost less subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses, if any.

Properties in the course of construction for production, supply or administrative purposes are carried at cost, less any recognised impairment loss. Costs include professional fees and, for qualifying assets, borrowing costs capitalised in accordance with the Group's accounting policy. Such properties are classified to the appropriate categories of property, plant and equipment when completed and ready for intended use. Depreciation of these assets, on the same basis as other property assets, commences when the assets are ready for their intended use.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost of assets less their residual values over their estimated useful lives, using the straight-line method. The estimated useful lives, residual values and depreciation method are reviewed at the end of each reporting period, with the effect of any changes in estimate accounted for on a prospective basis.

An item of property, plant and equipment is derecognised upon disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected to arise from the continued use of the asset. Any gain or loss arising on the disposal or retirement of an item of property, plant and equipment is determined as the difference between the sales proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset and is recognised in profit or loss.

#### **Intangible assets**

##### ***Intangible assets acquired separately***

Intangible assets with finite useful lives that are acquired separately are carried at costs less accumulated amortisation and any accumulated impairment losses. Amortisation for intangible assets with finite lives is recognised on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives. The estimated useful life and amortisation method are reviewed at the end of each reporting period, with the effect of any changes in estimate being accounted for on a prospective basis.

##### ***Intangible assets acquired in a business combination***

Intangible assets acquired in a business combination are recognised separately from goodwill and are initially recognised at their fair value at the acquisition date (which is regarded as their cost).

Subsequent to initial recognition, intangible assets acquired in a business combination with finite useful lives are reported at cost less accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment losses, on the same basis as intangible assets that are acquired separately.

An intangible asset is derecognised on disposal, or when no future economic benefits are expected from use or disposal. Gains and losses arising from derecognition of an intangible asset, measured as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset, are recognised in profit or loss when the asset is derecognised.

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### 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### **Impairment on tangible and intangible assets other than financial assets**

At the end of the reporting period, the Group reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible and intangible assets with finite useful lives to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any). When it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the Group estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs. Where a reasonable and consistent basis of allocation can be identified, corporate assets are also allocated to individual cash-generating units, or otherwise they are allocated to the smallest group of cash-generating units for which a reasonable and consistent allocation basis can be identified.

Intangible assets with indefinite useful lives and intangible assets not yet available for use are tested for impairment at least annually, and whether there is an indication that the asset may be impaired.

Recoverable amount is the higher of fair value less costs of disposal and value in use. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset for which the estimates of future cash flows have not been adjusted.

If the recoverable amount of an asset (or a cash-generating unit) is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset (or a cash-generating unit) is reduced to its recoverable amount. In allocating the impairment loss, the impairment loss is allocated first to reduce the carrying amount of any goodwill (if applicable) and then to the other assets on a pro-rata basis based on the carrying amount of each asset in the unit. The carrying amount of an asset is not reduced below the highest of its fair value less costs of disposal (if measurable), its value in use (if determinable) and zero. The amount of the impairment loss that would otherwise have been allocated to the asset is allocated pro rata to the other assets of the unit. An impairment loss is recognised immediately in profit or loss.

Where an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset (or cash-generating unit) is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, but so that the increased carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset (or a cash-generating unit) in prior years. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognised immediately in profit or loss.

#### **Inventories**

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Costs of inventories are determined on a weighted average method. Net realisable value represents the estimated selling price for inventories less all costs necessary to make the sale.

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### 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Group has a present obligation (legal or constructive) as a result of a past event, it is probable that the Group will be required to settle that obligation, and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

The amount recognised as a provision is the best estimate of the consideration required to settle the present obligation at the end of the reporting period, taking into account the risks and uncertainties surrounding the obligation. When a provision is measured using the cash flows estimated to settle the present obligation, its carrying amount is the present value of those cash flows (where the effect of the time value of money is material).

#### Financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when a group entity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and financial liabilities are initially measured at fair value. Transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition or issue of financial assets and financial liabilities (other than financial assets or financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss) are added to or deducted from the fair value of the financial assets or financial liabilities, as appropriate, on initial recognition. Transaction costs directly attributable to the acquisition of financial assets or financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are recognised immediately in profit or loss.

#### *Financial assets*

Financial assets are classified into the following specified categories: financial assets at fair value through profit or loss ("FVTPL"), Available-for-sale ("AFS") financial assets and loans and receivables. The classification depends on the nature and purpose of the financial assets and is determined at the time of initial recognition. All regular way purchases or sales of financial assets are recognised and derecognised on a trade date basis. Regular way purchases or sales are purchases or sales of financial assets that require delivery of assets within the time frame established by regulation or convention in the marketplace.

#### *Effective interest method*

The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a debt instrument and of allocating interest income over the relevant period. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash receipts (including all fees and points paid or received that form an integral part of the effective interest rate, transaction costs and other premiums or discounts) through the expected life of the debt instrument, or, where appropriate, a shorter period, to the net carrying amount on initial recognition.

Interest income is recognised on an effective interest basis for debt instruments other than those financial assets classified as at FVTPL.

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### 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### Financial instruments (Continued)

##### *Financial assets (Continued)*

##### *Financial assets at FVTPL*

Financial assets are classified as at FVTPL when the financial assets is either held for trading or it is designated as at FVTPL.

A financial asset is classified as held for trading if:

- it has been acquired principally for the purpose of selling in the near term; or
- on initial recognition it is a part of a portfolio of identified financial instruments that the Group manages together and has a recent actual pattern of short-term profit-taking; or
- it is a derivative that is not designated and effective as a hedging instrument.

A financial asset other than a financial asset held for trading may be designated as at FVTPL upon initial recognition if:

- such designation eliminates or significantly reduces a measurement or recognition inconsistency that would otherwise arise; or
- the financial asset forms part of a group of financial assets or financial liabilities or both, which is managed and its performance is evaluated on a fair value basis, in accordance with the Group's documented risk management or investment strategy, and information about the grouping is provided internally on that basis; or
- it forms part of a contract containing one or more embedded derivatives, and IAS 39 *Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement* permits the entire combined contract (asset or liability) to be designated as at FVTPL.

Financial assets at FVTPL are stated at fair value, with any gains or losses arising on remeasurement recognised in profit or loss. The net gain or loss recognised in profit or loss includes any dividend or interest earned on the financial assets and is included in the 'other gains and losses' line item. Fair value is determined in the manner described in note 38.

##### *AFS financial assets*

AFS financial assets are non-derivatives that are either designated as available-for-sale or are not classified as (a) loans and receivables, (b) held-to-maturity investments or (c) financial assets at FVTPL.

Equity securities held by the Group that are classified as AFS financial assets and are traded in an active market are measured at fair value at the end of each reporting period. Changes in the carrying amount of AFS monetary financial assets relating to interest income calculated using the effective interest method, are recognised in profit or loss. Dividends on AFS equity instruments are recognised in profit or loss when the Group's right to receive the dividends is established.

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### 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### Financial instruments (Continued)

##### *Financial assets (Continued)*

##### *AFS financial assets (Continued)*

Other changes in the carrying amount of AFS financial assets are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated under the heading of investments revaluation reserve. When the investment is disposed of or is determined to be impaired, the cumulative gain or loss previously accumulated in the investments revaluation reserve is reclassified to profit or loss (see the accounting policy in respect of impairment loss on financial assets below).

AFS equity investments that do not have a quoted market price in an active market and whose fair value cannot be reliably measured and derivatives that are linked to and must be settled by delivery of such unquoted equity investments are measured at cost less any identified impairment losses at the end of each reporting period (see the accounting policy in respect of impairment loss on financial assets below).

##### *Loans and receivables*

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. Subsequent to initial recognition, loans and receivables (including trade and other receivables, amount due from a related party, loans and promissory note to associates, pledged bank deposits, and bank balances and cash) are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment (see accounting policy on impairment loss on financial asset below).

Interest income is recognised by applying the effective interest rate, except for short-term receivables where the recognition of interest would be immaterial.

##### *Impairment of financial assets*

Financial assets, other than those at FVTPL, are assessed for indicators of impairment at the end of each reporting period. Financial assets are considered to be impaired when there is objective evidence that, as a result of one or more events that occurred after the initial recognition of the financial asset, the estimated future cash flows of the financial assets have been affected.

For an AFS equity investment, a significant or prolonged decline in the fair value of the security below its cost is considered to be objective evidence of impairment.

For all other financial assets, objective evidence of impairment could include:

- significant financial difficulty of the issuer or counterparty; or
- breach of contract, such as default or delinquency in interest or principal payments; or
- it becoming probable that the borrower will enter bankruptcy or financial re-organisation; or
- the disappearance of an active market for that financial asset because of financial difficulties.

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### 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### Financial instruments (Continued)

##### *Financial assets (Continued)*

##### *Impairment of financial assets (Continued)*

Objective evidence of impairment for a portfolio of receivables could include the Group's past experience of collecting payments, an increase in the number of delayed payments in the portfolio past the average credit period as mentioned in note 23, as well as observable changes in national or local economic conditions that correlate with default on receivables.

For financial assets carried at amortised cost, the amount of the impairment loss recognised is the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of the estimated future cash flows discounted at the financial asset's original effective interest rate.

For financial assets carried at cost, the amount of the impairment loss is measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of the estimated future cash flows discounted at the current market rate of return for a similar financial asset. Such impairment loss will not be reversed in subsequent periods (see the accounting policy below).

The carrying amount of the financial asset is reduced by the impairment loss directly for all financial assets with the exception of trade and other receivables, where the carrying amount is reduced through the use of an allowance account. Changes in the carrying amount of the allowance account are recognised in profit or loss. When trade and other receivables is considered uncollectible, it is written off against the allowance account. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off are credited to profit or loss.

When an AFS financial asset is considered to be impaired, cumulative gains or losses previously recognised in other comprehensive income are reclassified to profit or loss in the period.

For financial assets measured at amortised cost, if, in a subsequent period, the amount of impairment loss decreases and the decrease can be related objectively to an event occurring after the impairment was recognised, the previously recognised impairment loss is reversed through profit or loss to the extent that the carrying amount of the investment at the date the impairment is reversed does not exceed what the amortised cost would have been had the impairment not been recognised.

In respect of AFS equity investment, impairment losses previously recognised in profit or loss are not reversed through profit or loss. Any increase in fair value subsequent to an impairment loss is recognised directly in other comprehensive income and accumulated under the heading of investments revaluation reserve.

##### *Financial liabilities and equity instruments*

Debt and equity instruments issued by a group entity are classified as either financial liabilities or as equity in accordance with the substance of the contractual arrangements and the definitions of a financial liability and an equity instrument.

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### 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### Financial instruments (Continued)

##### *Financial liabilities and equity instruments (Continued)*

###### *Equity instruments*

An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of an entity after deducting all of its liabilities. Equity instruments issued by the Company and Pioneer Pharma are recognised at the proceeds received, net of direct issue costs.

###### *Effective interest method*

The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a financial liability and of allocating interest expense over the relevant period. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments (including all fees and points paid or received that form an integral part of the effective interest rate, transaction costs and other premiums or discounts) through the expected life of the financial liability, or, where appropriate, a shorter period, to the net carrying amount on initial recognition. Interest expense is recognised on an effective interest basis other than those financial liabilities classified as at FVTPL, of which the interest expense is included in net gains or losses.

###### *Financial liabilities at FVTPL*

Financial liabilities are classified as at FVTPL when the financial liabilities are either held for trading or it is designated as at FVTPL on initial recognition.

A financial liability is classified as held for trading if:

- it has been acquired principally for the purpose of repurchasing in the near term; or
- on initial recognition it is a part of a portfolio of identified financial instruments that the Group manages together and has a recent actual pattern of short-term profit-taking; or
- it is a derivative that is not designated and effective as a hedging instrument.

A financial liability other than a financial liability held for trading may be designated as at FVTPL upon initial recognition if:

- such designation eliminates or significantly reduces a measurement or recognition inconsistency that would otherwise arise; or
- the financial liability forms part of a group of financial assets or financial liabilities or both, which is managed and its performance is evaluated on a fair value basis, in accordance with the Group's documented risk management or investment strategy, and information about the grouping is provided internally on that basis; or
- it forms part of a contract containing one or more embedded derivatives, and IAS 39 *Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement* permits the entire combined contract (asset or liability) to be designated as at FVTPL.

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### 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### Financial instruments (Continued)

##### *Financial liabilities and equity instruments (Continued)*

##### *Financial liabilities at FVTPL (Continued)*

Financial liabilities at FVTPL are measured at fair value, with any gains or losses arising on remeasurement recognised in profit or loss. The net gain or loss recognised in profit or loss included any interest paid on the financial liabilities and is included in the 'other gains and losses' line item. Fair value is determined in the manner described in note 38.

##### *Financial liabilities at amortised cost*

Financial liabilities including trade and other payables, amounts due to related parties and bank borrowings are subsequently measured at amortised cost, using the effective interest method.

##### *Derivative financial instruments*

Derivatives are initially recognised at fair value at the date when derivative contracts are entered into and are subsequently remeasured to their fair value at the end of the reporting period. Derivatives are carried as assets when the fair value is positive and as liabilities when the fair value is negative. Any gains or losses arising from changes in fair value of derivatives are taken directly to profit or loss.

##### **Derecognition**

The Group derecognises a financial asset only when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire, or when it transfers the financial asset and substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the asset to another party. If the Group neither transfers nor retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership and continues to control the transferred asset, the Group recognises its retain interest in the asset and an associated liability for amounts it may have to pay. If the Group retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of a transferred financial asset, the Group continues to recognise the financial asset and also recognises a collateralised borrowing for the proceeds received.

On derecognition of a financial asset, the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the sum of the consideration received and receivable and the cumulative gain or loss that had been recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in equity is recognised in profit or loss.

The Group derecognises financial liabilities when, and only when, the Group's obligations are discharged, cancelled or have expired. The difference between the carrying amount of the financial liability derecognised and the consideration paid and payable is recognised in profit or loss.

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### 4. KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY

In the application of the Group's accounting policies, which are described in note 3, the directors of the Company are required to make judgments, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an on-going basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

The following are the key assumptions concerning the future, and other key sources of estimation uncertainty at the end of each reporting period, that has a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year.

#### Estimated impairment of other investments

As at 31 December 2016, an unlisted private equity securities (other investments) held by the Group that are classified as AFS financial assets measured at cost less impairment. The amount of the impairment loss is measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of the estimated future cash flows discounted at the current market rate of return for a similar financial asset. Where the actual future cash flows are less than expected, an impairment loss may arise.

As at 31 December 2016, the carrying amounts of Group's other investments are approximately RMB20,000,000 (2015: RMB20,000,000).

#### Estimated impairment of intangible assets

Determining whether intangible asset is impaired require an estimation of the recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of fair value less cost of disposal and value in use. The Group performed impairment assessment by estimating the value in use of the cash-generating unit in which the intangible assets are attributable to when impairment indicator exist. The value in use calculation requires the Group to estimate the future cash flows expected to arise from the cash-generating units and a suitable discount rate in order to calculate the present value. The discount rate represents the rate that reflects the current market assessment of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset for which the future cash flow estimates have not been adjusted. Where the actual future cash flows are less than expected or where there are events or changes in facts or circumstances which resulted in a revision of estimated cash flows, further material impairment loss or reversal of impairment loss may arise. The carrying amounts of other intangible assets at 31 December 2016 were approximately RMB15,883,000 (2015: RMB61,207,000). No impairment loss was recognised for intangible assets for both years.

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#### 4. KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY (Continued)

##### **Estimated impairment of property, plant and equipment**

Determining whether property, plant and equipment is impaired require an estimation of the recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of fair value less cost of disposal and value in use. The Group performed impairment assessment by estimating the value in use of the cash-generating unit in which the property, plant and equipment are attributable to when impairment indicator exists. The value in use calculation requires the Group to estimate the future cash flows expected to arise from the cash-generating units and a suitable discount rate in order to calculate the present value. The discount rate represents the rate that reflects the current market assessment of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset for which the future cash flow estimates have not been adjusted. Where the actual future cash flows are less than expected or where there are events or changes in facts or circumstances which resulted in a revision of estimated cash flows, further material impairment loss or reversal of impairment loss may arise. The carrying amounts of property, plant and equipment at 31 December 2016 were approximately RMB49,853,000 (2015: RMB76,497,000). No impairment loss was recognised for property, plant and equipment for both years.

##### **Estimated impairment of interest in associates**

When there is objective evidence of impairment loss, the Group takes into consideration the estimation of the recoverable amount of the associate which is the higher of value in use and fair value less costs of disposal. The Group has carried out impairment testing to determine whether the Group's interest in associates, specifically Q3 Medical Devices Limited ("Q3") and NovaBay Pharmaceuticals, Inc. ("NovaBay"), are impaired as indicated by negative financial performance and the decline in the quoted market price of the shares, if applicable. The fair value less costs of disposal is determined based on the quoted market price of the shares of the associate as the directors of the Company considers that the costs of disposal are insignificant. Where the fair value less costs of disposal is greater than the carrying value, a material reversal of impairment loss may arise. The value in use calculation requires the Group to estimate the future cash flows expected to arise from the associate and a suitable discount rate in order to calculate the present value. Where the actual future cash flows are less than expected, a material impairment loss may arise. During the year ended 31 December 2016, the interest in Q3 is disposed.

As at 31 December 2016, the carrying amount of interest in associates is approximately RMB89,223,000 (2015: RMB47,070,000), with nil accumulated impairment loss (2015: net of accumulated impairment loss of approximately RMB41,263,000). Details of the recoverable amount calculation are disclosed in note 18.

##### **Estimated impairment of trade receivables and finance lease receivables**

When there is objective evidence of impairment loss, the Group takes into consideration the estimation of future cash flows. The amount of the impairment loss is measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows (excluding future credit losses that have not been incurred) discounted at the financial asset's original effective interest rate (i.e. the effective interest rate computed at initial recognition). Where the actual future cash flows are less than expected, a material impairment loss may arise.

As at 31 December 2016, the carrying amounts of the Group's trade receivables are approximately RMB350,616,000 (2015: RMB308,004,000), net of allowance for doubtful debts of RMB19,409,000 (2015: RMB6,640,000).

As at 31 December 2016, the carrying amounts of the Group's finance lease receivables are approximately RMB68,204,000 (2015: RMB81,166,000), net of accumulated impairment loss of RMB7,532,000 (2015: RMB6,871,000).

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#### 4. KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY (Continued)

##### Allowances for inventories

The management of the Group reviews the ageing of the inventories at the end of the reporting period, and makes allowance for obsolete and slow-moving inventory items identified that are no longer saleable in the market. The management estimates the net realisable value for such items based primarily on the latest invoice prices and current market conditions. The Group carries out an inventory review on a product-by-product basis at the end of the reporting period and makes allowance for obsolete items. As at 31 December 2016, the carrying amounts of Group's inventories are RMB520,244,000 (2015: RMB663,249,000), net of allowance for inventories of RMB2,465,000 (2015: RMB131,000).

#### 5. REVENUE AND SEGMENT INFORMATION

Revenue represents revenue arising from sales of pharmaceutical products and medical devices in the PRC, South East Asia, Europe and Africa. An analysis of the Group's revenue is as follows:

	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
Sales of pharmaceutical products	1,652,079	1,328,093
Sales of medical devices	138,196	132,806
	<b>1,790,275</b>	<b>1,460,899</b>

The Group's chief operating decision maker during the years ended 31 December 2015 and 2016 was the executive directors, who reviews the gross profit of major type of products sold for the purposes of resource allocation and assessment of segment performance. The accounting policies of the operating segments are the same as the Group's accounting policies described in note 3. Segment profit represents the gross profit earned by each segment.

Specifically, the Group's reportable and operating segments under IFRS 8 are as follows:

- (a) Ophthalmic pharmaceutical products – the Group's ophthalmic pharmaceutical products are sold via the provision of channel management services and/or co-promotion services ("Products sold via the provision of co-promotion and channel management services"); and
- (b) All of the Group's pharmaceutical products and medical devices except for ophthalmic pharmaceutical products are sold via the provision of comprehensive marketing, promotion and channel management services ("Products sold via the provision of comprehensive marketing, promotion and channel management services").

No analysis of the Group's assets and liabilities by operating segments is disclosed as it is not regularly provided to the chief operating decision maker for review.

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**5. REVENUE AND SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued)****Segment revenues and results**

The following is an analysis of the Group's revenue and results by operating and reportable segment.

**For the year ended 31 December 2016**

	Products sold via the provision of comprehensive marketing, promotion and channel management services RMB'000	Products sold via the provision of co-promotion and channel management services RMB'000	Consolidated RMB'000
<b>Segment revenue</b>	<b>771,780</b>	<b>1,018,495</b>	<b>1,790,275</b>
Cost of sales	(286,818)	(910,040)	(1,196,858)
<b>Gross profit &amp; segment result</b>	<b>484,962</b>	<b>108,455</b>	<b>593,417</b>
Other income			50,753
Other gains and losses			33,745
Distribution and selling expenses			(277,488)
Administrative expenses			(73,370)
Finance costs			(5,523)
Share of loss of associates			(39,184)
<b>Profit before taxation</b>			<b>282,350</b>

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**5. REVENUE AND SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued)****Segment revenues and results (Continued)**

For the year ended 31 December 2015

	Products sold via the provision of comprehensive marketing, promotion and channel management services RMB'000	Products sold via the provision of co-promotion and channel management services RMB'000	Consolidated RMB'000
<b>Segment revenue</b>	597,278	863,621	1,460,899
Cost of sales	(241,820)	(756,502)	(998,322)
<b>Gross profit &amp; segment result</b>	355,458	107,119	462,577
Other income			77,877
Other gains and losses			(82,687)
Distribution and selling expenses			(135,378)
Administrative expenses			(66,745)
Finance costs			(19,954)
Share of loss of associates			(28,895)
<b>Profit before taxation</b>			<b>206,795</b>

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## 5. REVENUE AND SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued)

### Revenue from major products

The following is an analysis of the Group's revenue from its major products:

	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
Alcon	1,018,495	863,621
Difene	135,027	112,298
Fluxum	159,509	122,894
Polimod	160,136	73,555
Macmiror complex and Macmiror	35,459	37,865
Vinpocetine API	48,197	48,554
Neoton	69,767	45,265
Budesonide Easyhaler and Salbutamol Easyhaler	5,027	4,066
FLEET Phospho-Soda	18,952	14,947
Medical equipments and supplies	138,196	132,806
Others	1,510	5,028
	<b>1,790,275</b>	1,460,899

### Geographical information

The Group principally operates in the PRC (country of domicile of major operating subsidiaries). 99% (2015: Over 72%) of non-current assets excluding interest in associates and other investments of the Group are located in the PRC. Over 98% (2015: 98%) of the Group's revenue from external customers is attributed to the group entities' countries of domicile (i.e. the PRC).

### Information about major customers

No individual customer of the Group contributed 10% or more of the Group's revenue for both years.

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### 6. OTHER INCOME

	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
Government grants ( <i>Note</i> )	28,379	31,667
Interest on bank deposits	6,815	25,008
Interest on trust investments	–	4,675
Interest on loans and promissory note to associates	563	262
Interest on amount due from a related party	165	–
Interest income on finance leases	10,879	11,015
Service income	3,763	3,095
Others	189	2,155
	<b>50,753</b>	<b>77,877</b>

*Note:* It represented cash received from unconditional grants by the local government to encourage the business operations in the PRC. Government grants are recognised in profit or loss when received.

### 7. OTHER GAINS AND LOSSES

	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
Net foreign exchange gains (losses)	6,425	(21,672)
Reversal of impairment loss previously recognised on trade and other receivables	–	44
Impairment loss on trade and other receivables	(13,013)	(5,277)
Gain on disposal of subsidiaries ( <i>Note 33(b)</i> )	2,794	–
Loss on disposal of an associate	(1,683)	–
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	640	–
Gain on dilution on interest in associates ( <i>Note 18</i> )	5,899	7,975
Impairment loss on finance lease receivables	(661)	(6,871)
Loss on fair value change of derivative financial instruments	(9,107)	(4,837)
Gain on initial recognition of warrants and other investments ( <i>Note</i> )	8,856	3,910
Written off of interest receivable from the loans to an associate ( <i>Note 24</i> )	(1,290)	–
Impairment loss on goodwill	–	(14,696)
Impairment loss on investment in associates ( <i>Note 18</i> )	(6,378)	(41,263)
Reversal of impairment loss on investment in an associate ( <i>Note 18</i> )	41,263	–
	<b>33,745</b>	<b>(82,687)</b>

*Note:* During the year ended 31 December 2016, amount represents the difference between the fair value at acquisition date of warrants over the acquisition cost (2015: difference between the fair value at acquisition date of other investments and warrants over the total acquisition cost).

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### 8. FINANCE COSTS

	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
Interest on: Bank borrowings	5,523	19,954

### 9. PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION

	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
Profit before taxation has been arrived at after charging (crediting):		
Directors' remuneration ( <i>Note 12</i> )	4,079	3,953
Other staff's retirement benefits scheme contributions	10,236	8,739
Other staff costs	38,911	39,107
Total staff costs	53,226	51,799
Auditors' remuneration	3,454	2,878
Allowance for (reversal of allowance for) inventories, net	2,334	(679)
Release of prepaid lease payments	52	52
Depreciation for property, plant and equipment	6,879	7,001
Amortisation of intangible assets	6,301	9,880
Cost of inventories recognised as an expense	1,196,858	998,322
Minimum lease payment under operating lease in respect of premises	250	1,454

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## 10. INCOME TAX EXPENSE

	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
Current tax		
PRC Enterprise Income Tax ("EIT")	32,609	28,572
PRC withholding tax on dividends distributed by subsidiaries	7,500	10,000
	40,109	38,572
Under provision in prior year		
EIT	3,675	–
Deferred tax (Note 21)		
Current year	(58)	(4,278)
	43,726	34,294

The Company is tax exempted under the laws of the Cayman Islands.

Pioneer Medical (HK) Company Limited ("Pioneer Medical (HK)") and Pioneer HK are incorporated in Hong Kong and subject to Hong Kong Profits Tax at a rate of 16.5% on assessable profits in Hong Kong. No provision for Hong Kong Profits Tax for the year ended 31 December 2015 and 2016 is made for Pioneer HK as it is loss-making and has had no assessable profits since its incorporation. No provision for Hong Kong Profits Tax for the year ended 31 December 2015 and for the period from 1 January 2016 to the date of disposal on 12 September 2016 is made for Pioneer Medical (HK) as it is loss-making has had no assessable profits since its incorporation.

Pioneer Pharma (Singapore) Pte. Ltd. ("Pioneer Singapore") and Pioneer Medident (SE Asia) Pte. Ltd. ("Pioneer Medident") are subject to Singapore Profits Tax of a rate of 17%. No provision for Singapore Profits Tax was made for the year ended 31 December 2015 and for the period from 1 January 2016 to the date of disposal on 23 December 2016 as the amount involved is insignificant.

A subsidiary, Pioneer Dynamic Co., Ltd., was incorporated in Taiwan and subject to corporate income tax of 17%. No provision for Taiwan income tax was made for the year ended 31 December 2015 and 2016 as it is loss-making and had no assessable profits since its incorporation.

Under the Law of the People's Republic of China on Enterprise Income Tax (the "EIT Law") and Implementation Regulation of the EIT Law, the tax rate of the PRC subsidiaries is 25% except for those described below.

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**10. INCOME TAX EXPENSE (Continued)**

According to Circular Zangzhengfa 2011 No. 14, enterprises located in Tibet are subject to a reduced EIT rate of 15% for the period from 2011 to 2020. Moreover, according to Circular Zangzhengfa 2008 No. 62 and Zangzhengbanfa 2011 No. 52, enterprises that are located in Naqu Logistics Center and engaged in specific encouraged industries enjoy a 40% exemption of the EIT for a period from 8 to 10 years. As approved by the in-charge tax bureau, Naqu Area Pioneer Pharma Co., Ltd (“Naqu Pioneer”), which is located in Naqu, Tibet, is subject to a reduced EIT rate of 9% from 2010 to 2019.

Covex, S.A., a company incorporated in Spain, is subject to Spanish corporate income tax for small companies at a rate of 25%. No provision for Spanish income tax was made for the year ended 31 December 2015 and for the period from 1 January 2016 to the date of disposal on 23 December 2016 as Covex, S.A. had no assessable profits since the Group’s acquisition in July 2014.

The tax charge for the year can be reconciled to the profit before taxation per the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income as follows:

	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
Profit before taxation	<b>282,350</b>	206,795
Tax at the applicable income tax rate of 25%	<b>70,588</b>	51,699
Tax effect of expenses not deductible for tax purpose	<b>14,889</b>	19,645
Tax effect of income not taxable for tax purpose	<b>(13,303)</b>	(2)
Tax effect of tax losses not recognised	<b>2,003</b>	4,104
Tax effect of tax losses not recognised but subsequently used	–	(31)
Tax effect of concessionary tax rate	<b>(46,376)</b>	(47,621)
Under provision in prior year	<b>3,675</b>	–
PRC withholding tax on dividends distributed by subsidiaries	<b>7,500</b>	10,000
Deferred tax liabilities (utilisation of deferred tax liabilities) arising on undistributed profit of PRC subsidiaries	<b>4,750</b>	(3,500)
	<b>43,726</b>	34,294

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## 11. EARNINGS PER SHARE

The calculations of the basic and diluted earnings per share are based on the following data:

	2016	2015
Earnings:		
Earnings for the purpose of calculating basic earnings per share (profit for the year attributable to owners of the Company)	<b>RMB237,445,000</b>	RMB174,302,000
Numbers of shares:		
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purpose of calculating basic earnings per share	<b>1,295,326,836</b>	1,312,598,408

For the year ended 31 December 2016 and 2015, the weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purpose of calculating basic earnings per share for both years has taken into account the ordinary shares purchased by the Trustee from the market pursuant to the Share Award Scheme.

For the year ended 31 December 2016 and 2015, the diluted earnings per share is the same as basic earnings per share as there is no dilutive potential ordinary shares outstanding in both years.

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### 12. DIRECTORS' AND EMPLOYEES' EMOLUMENTS

Directors' and chief executive officer's remuneration for the year, disclosed pursuant to the applicable Listing Rules and CO, is as follows:

	For the year ended 31 December 2016								
	Executive directors (Notes a & b)	Executive director and chief executive officer (Notes a & b)	Non-executive directors		Executive director and chief executive officer (Notes a & b)	Independent non-executive directors (Note d)			Total 2016 RMB'000
	Li Xinzhou RMB'000	Zhu Mengjun RMB'000	Wu Mijia RMB'000 (Note c)	Wang Yinping RMB'000 (Notes a & b)	Wang Yinping RMB'000	Xu Zhonghai RMB'000	Lai Chanshu RMB'000	Wong Chihung RMB'000	
Fees	-	-	206	-	-	257	257	300	1,020
Other emoluments									
Salaries and other allowance	1,029	781	-	-	947	-	-	-	2,757
Retirement benefits scheme contributions	-	83	-	-	108	-	-	-	191
Share Award expense under the Scheme	-	51	-	-	60	-	-	-	111
	1,029	915	206	-	1,115	257	257	300	4,079

	For the year ended 31 December 2015								Total 2015 RMB'000
	Executive directors (Note a & b)		Non-executive director (Note c)	Independent non-executive directors (Note d)			Executive director and chief executive officer (Notes a & b)		
	Li Xinzhou RMB'000	Zhu Mengjun RMB'000	Wu Mijia RMB'000	Xu Zhonghai RMB'000	Lai Chanshu RMB'000	Wong Chihung RMB'000	Wang Yinping RMB'000		
Fees	-	-	193	242	242	282	-	959	
Other emoluments									
Salaries and other allowance	1,025	781	-	-	-	-	947	2,753	
Retirement benefits scheme contributions	-	63	-	-	-	-	78	141	
Share Award expense under the Scheme	-	46	-	-	-	-	54	100	
	1,025	890	193	242	242	282	1,079	3,953	

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### 12. DIRECTORS' AND EMPLOYEES' EMOLUMENTS (Continued)

Notes:

- (a) Mr. Li Xinzhou has resigned as chief executive officer of the Company on 1 January 2015 and retained as executive director for both years. Mr. Wang Jinping has been appointed as an executive director and the chief executive officer with effect from 1 January 2015 to 28 December 2016. Mr. Wang Yingping has been redesignated from the executive director to non-executive director, and has resigned as the chief executive officer on 28 December 2016. Mr. Zhu Mengjun has been redesignated from chief financial officer to chief executive officer with effect from 29 December 2016.
- (b) The executive directors' emoluments shown above were mainly for their services in connection with the management of the affairs of the Company and the Group.
- (c) The non-executive directors' emoluments shown above were mainly for their services as directors of the Company.
- (d) The independent non-executive director's emoluments shown above were mainly for their services as directors of the Company.

The five highest paid individuals include 3 (2015: 3) directors for the year ended 31 December 2016. The emoluments of the remaining 2 (2015: 2) highest paid individuals who are neither a director nor chief executive officer of the Company were as follows:

	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
Salary and other allowances	1,266	1,158
Retirement benefits scheme contributions	167	125
	<b>1,433</b>	1,283

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## 12. DIRECTORS' AND EMPLOYEES' EMOLUMENTS (Continued)

The number of the highest paid individual who are not the directors of the Company whose remuneration fell within the following bands is as follows:

	2016 No. of individuals	2015 No. of individuals
Nil to HK\$1,000,000	2	2

During both years, no emoluments were paid by the Group to the directors and five highest paid individuals, including directors and employees, as an inducement to join or upon joining the Group or as compensation for loss of office. No directors waived any emoluments for both years.

## 13. DIVIDENDS

	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
Dividends recognised as distribution during the year:		
2016 Interim – RMB7.1 cents per share (2015: RMB5.7 cents per share)	95,000	75,274
2015 Final – RMB3.6 cents per share (2014: RMB8.5 cents per share)	47,500	112,507
	<b>142,500</b>	187,781

Subsequent to the end of the reporting period, a final dividend in respect of the year ended 31 December 2016 of RMB10.3 cents (2015: RMB3.6 cents) per share, amounting to RMB137,750,000 (2015: RMB47,500,000) in aggregate, has been proposed by the directors of the Company and is subject to approval by the shareholders in the forthcoming annual general meeting.

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### 14. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

	Buildings RMB'000	Leasehold improvement RMB'000	Furniture and equipment RMB'000	Motor vehicles RMB'000	Construction in progress RMB'000	Total RMB'000
<b>THE GROUP</b>						
<b>COST</b>						
At 1 January 2015	58,550	6,709	40,128	2,401	2,815	110,603
Additions	-	9	4,502	156	1,482	6,149
Disposals	-	-	(150)	-	-	(150)
Transferred from construction in progress	-	4,297	-	-	(4,297)	-
Derecognised on disposal of a subsidiary	-	(4,421)	(19,821)	(788)	-	(25,030)
Effect of foreign currency exchange differences	(832)	(104)	(428)	-	-	(1,364)
At 31 December 2015	57,718	6,490	24,231	1,769	-	90,208
Additions	1,125	213	3,629	226	-	5,193
Disposals	-	-	(2,476)	-	-	(2,476)
Derecognised on disposal of subsidiaries (Note 33(b))	(17,431)	(2,272)	(9,917)	(110)	-	(29,730)
Effect of foreign currency exchange differences	886	111	456	-	-	1,453
At 31 December 2016	42,298	4,542	15,923	1,885	-	64,648
<b>ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION</b>						
At 1 January 2015	1,483	249	4,700	434	-	6,866
Provided for the year	1,990	1,248	3,391	372	-	7,001
Elimination on disposals	-	-	(142)	-	-	(142)
Effect of foreign currency exchange differences	(2)	(5)	(7)	-	-	(14)
At 31 December 2015	3,471	1,492	7,942	806	-	13,711
Provided for the year	2,030	1,166	3,223	460	-	6,879
Disposal of subsidiaries (Note 33(b))	(90)	(802)	(4,316)	(3)	-	(5,211)
Elimination on disposals	-	-	(712)	-	-	(712)
Effect of foreign currency exchange differences	3	14	111	-	-	128
At 31 December 2016	5,414	1,870	6,248	1,263	-	14,795
<b>CARRYING VALUES</b>						
At 31 December 2016	<b>36,884</b>	<b>2,672</b>	<b>9,675</b>	<b>622</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>49,853</b>
At 31 December 2015	54,247	4,998	16,289	963	-	76,497

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### 14. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (Continued)

The above items of property, plant and equipment, except for construction in progress, are depreciated over their estimated useful lives, using the straight-line method, at the following rates per annum:

Buildings	5%
Leasehold improvement	Over the lease term of no more than 5 years
Furniture and equipment	20%
Motor vehicles	20%

All the Group's buildings are located in the PRC with land use rights under medium-term leases.

### 15. PREPAID LEASE PAYMENTS

Analysed for reporting purposes as:

	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
Current asset	52	52
Non-current asset	2,167	2,219
	<b>2,219</b>	<b>2,271</b>

All the Group's prepaid lease payments represented prepaid land use rights are located in the PRC under medium-term lease.

### 16. GOODWILL AND IMPAIRMENT TEST ON GOODWILL

	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
At 1 January	–	42,265
Arising from disposal of a subsidiary (Note 33(a))	–	(27,569)
Impairment loss for the year	–	(14,696)
At 31 December	–	–

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**16. GOODWILL AND IMPAIRMENT TEST ON GOODWILL (Continued)****Impairment testing on goodwill**

For the purpose of impairment testing, goodwill has been allocated to the following cash-generating units:

	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
Covex, S.A.	–	14,696
Impairment loss for the year	–	(14,696)
	–	–

Subsequent to the disposal of Pioneer Singapore on 23 December 2016, Covex, S.A. ceased to be the subsidiary of the Group.

During the year ended 31 December 2015, management of the Group determined that there was an impairment of RMB14,696,000 of the above-mentioned cash-generating unit containing the goodwill.

The recoverable amounts of Covex, S.A. had been determined on the basis of value in use calculations. The value in use calculation use cash flow projections based on financial budgets approved by management covering a 5-year period. The rate used to discount the projected cash flow of Covex, S.A. was 14.53% per annum. Cash flow beyond the 5-year period was extrapolated based on past trends of pricing cycle of the Group's pharmaceutical products. Other key assumptions for value in use calculation included gross budgeted sales and gross margin, which were determined based on the units' past performance and management's expectations for the market development.

An impairment loss of RMB14,696,000 arose in the Covex, S.A. during the course of the 2015 year, resulting in the carrying amount of the cash-generating unit being written down to its recoverable amount. The impairment loss represented the difference between the recoverable amount and carrying amount of Covex, S.A.. The recoverable amount of the Covex, S.A. was determined based on the value in use calculation as mentioned above.

If the budgeted sales used in the value-in-use calculation for the Covex, S.A. had been 10% lower than management's estimates at 31 December 2015, the recoverable amount of the Covex, S.A. would be further reduced by approximately RMB11,337,000 and a further impairment would be recorded accordingly.

If the budgeted gross margin used in the value-in-use calculation for the Covex, S.A. had been 10% lower than management's estimates at 31 December 2015, the recoverable amount of the Covex, S.A. would be further reduced by approximately RMB26,612,000 and a further impairment would be recorded accordingly.

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### 17. INTANGIBLE ASSETS

	Licenses and patents RMB'000	Customer base RMB'000	Customer contracts RMB'000	Total RMB'000
THE GROUP				
COST				
At 1 January 2015	124,727	33,418	4,891	163,036
Additions	1,600	–	–	1,600
Disposal of a subsidiary (Note 33(a))	(67,607)	(13,359)	(4,891)	(85,857)
Disposals	(290)	–	–	(290)
Effect of foreign currency exchange difference	(1,749)	(1,028)	–	(2,777)
At 31 December 2015	56,681	19,031	–	75,712
Additions	2,775	–	–	2,775
Disposal of subsidiaries (Note 33(b))	(34,938)	(19,677)	–	(54,615)
Effect of foreign currency exchange difference	1,061	646	–	1,707
At 31 December 2016	25,579	–	–	25,579
ACCUMULATED AMORTISATION				
At 1 January 2015	3,606	1,003	–	4,609
Provided for the year	8,025	1,855	–	9,880
Effect of foreign currency exchange difference	20	(4)	–	16
At 31 December 2015	11,651	2,854	–	14,505
Provided for the year	4,325	1,976	–	6,301
Disposal of subsidiaries (Note 33(b))	(6,368)	(4,919)	–	(11,287)
Effect of foreign currency exchange difference	88	89	–	177
At 31 December 2016	9,696	–	–	9,696
CARRYING VALUES				
At 31 December 2016	<b>15,883</b>	–	–	<b>15,883</b>
At 31 December 2015	45,030	16,177	–	61,207

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## 17. INTANGIBLE ASSETS (Continued)

The above items intangible assets are amortised over their estimated useful lives, using the straight-line method, at the following rates per annum:

Licenses and patents	Over the contract period of no more than 20 years
Customer base	10%
Customer contracts	Over the contract period of no more than 5 years

## 18. INTEREST IN ASSOCIATES

Details of the Group's interest in associates are as follows:

	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
Cost of investments in associates	114,081	131,168
Share of post-acquisition losses and other comprehensive expense	(26,358)	(50,810)
Accumulated gain on dilution	1,500	7,975
Accumulated impairment loss on investment in an associate	–	(41,263)
	<b>89,223</b>	47,070

Name of associates	Form of entity	Classes of shares held	Principal activity	Placed incorporation and operation	Proportion of ownership interest (ordinary share) and voting power held by the Group	
					2016	2015
Q3 (Note a)	Incorporated	Ordinary shares	Manufacturing and trading of medical devices	Ireland/German	–	36.57%
YingSheng 3D Medical Imaging Centre ("YingSheng") (Note b)	Incorporated	Ordinary shares	Stomatological computed tomography services	PRC	–	35%
NovaBay (Note c)	Incorporated	Ordinary shares	Development and commercialisation of its non-antibiotic anti-infective products	United States	34.14%	11.71%

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### 18. INTEREST IN ASSOCIATES (Continued)

Notes:

- (a) During the period from 1 January 2016 to 23 December 2016, Q3 issued an aggregate of 42,970 ordinary shares to an investor. The Group converted an interest receivables of EUR50,000 (equivalent to RMB365,000) into 608 ordinary shares of Q3. A total net gain on dilution of approximately RMB5,899,000 was recognised in profit or loss.

As of 23 December 2016, Q3 ceased to be an associate of the Group subsequent to the disposal of Pioneer Singapore to Mr. Li (Note 33(b)).

- (b) On 20 July 2016, the Group entered into a sale and purchase agreement with an independent third party to dispose of all the ordinary shares held in YingSheng for a cash consideration of RMB10,000. A disposal loss of RMB1,683,000 was recognised in profit or loss.
- (c) During the year ended 31 December 2016, NovaBay issued shares to various other investors and the Group has subscribed 3,314,392 common shares together with 1,308,902 unit of warrants of NovaBay at a total consideration of US\$6,330,000 (equivalent to RMB41,558,000). Also, the Group has exercised all the 1,490,202 unit of warrants held and purchased 1,490,202 common shares at a total consideration of US\$2,828,000 (equivalent to RMB18,888,000). As a result, the Group's interest in NovaBay was increased from 11.71% to 34.14%.

Indicated by negative financial performance of NovaBay (2015: NovaBay and Q3) in the year ended 31 December 2016, the Group takes into consideration to perform annual impairment assessment for their carrying amounts in accordance with IAS 36 Impairment of Assets as single assets.

The Group takes into consideration the estimation of the recoverable amount of the associate which is the higher of value in use and fair value less costs of disposal. As the shares of NovaBay are listed on New York Stock Exchange in the United States, its fair value less costs of disposal can be determined based on the quoted market price of the shares as management of the Group considers that the cost of disposal are insignificant.

In assessing the value in use of NovaBay as at 31 December 2016 (2015: NovaBay and Q3), it has been determined based on the Company's share of the present value of the estimated future cash flows expected to be generated by NovaBay (2015: NovaBay and Q3). The value in use calculations use cash flow projections for the NovaBay (2015: NovaBay and Q3) based on financial budgets approved by management covering a 5-year period. They are based on a discount rate of 15.52% (2015: 15.40% and 15.39%, respectively). Other key assumptions for the value in use calculations relate to the estimation of cash inflow/outflows which include budgeted revenue and gross margins during the budget period. Budgeted revenue and gross margins have been determined based on past performance and management's expectations for the market development.

The recoverable amount of the investment in NovaBay as at 31 December 2016 has been determined based on the quoted market price. The recoverable amount of the investment is greater than the corresponding carrying value. Hence, the Company recognised a reversal of impairment loss of approximately RMB41,263,000 for the year ended 31 December 2016 (2015: impairment loss of approximately RMB41,263,000) in relation to the interest in associates.

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## 18. INTEREST IN ASSOCIATES (Continued)

The recoverable amount of the investment in Q3 has been determined based on the value in use calculations. As the recoverable amount of Q3 was higher than the corresponding carrying amount, nil impairment loss was recognised for the year ended 31 December 2015. As the recoverable amount of Q3 is lower than the corresponding carrying amount, an impairment loss of approximately RMB6,378,000 has been recognised for the period from 1 January 2016 to the date of disposal on 23 December 2016. Subsequent to the disposal of Pioneer Singapore on 23 December 2016, Q3 ceased to be an associate of the Group.

Summarised financial information in respect of each of the Group's material associates is set out below. The summarised financial information below represents amounts shown in the associate's financial statements prepared in accordance with IFRSs.

The associate is accounted for using the equity method in these consolidated financial statements.

### NovaBay

	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
Non-current assets	118,905	118,394
Current assets	100,533	29,383
Non-current liabilities	72,637	81,889
Current liabilities	29,748	30,073
	<b>1 January 2016 to 31 December 2016 RMB'000</b>	From date of acquisition on 10 April 2015 to 31 December 2015 RMB'000
Revenue	77,172	22,870
Loss for the year/period	93,118	93,557
Total comprehensive expense for the year/period	93,118	93,557

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**18. INTEREST IN ASSOCIATES (Continued)****NovaBay (Continued)**

Reconciliation of the above summarised financial information to the carrying amount of the interest in NovaBay recognised in the consolidated financial statement:

	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
Net assets of the associate	117,053	35,805
Proportion of the Group's ownership interest in NovaBay	39,962	4,193
Goodwill	49,261	42,421
Impairment	-	(41,263)
Carrying amount of the Group's interest in NovaBay	89,223	5,351
Fair value of NovaBay (Note)	119,506	5,351

Note: As at 31 December 2016, the fair value of the Group's interest in NovaBay, of which its shares are listed on the New York Stock Exchange, was US\$17,202,000 (equivalent to RMB119,506,000) (2015: US\$824,000 (equivalent to RMB5,351,000)) based on the quoted market price available on the New York Stock Exchange.

**19. OTHER INVESTMENTS**

The balance as of 31 December 2016 and 2015 represent the investment in 上海譽瀚股權投資基金合夥企業 (有限合夥) Shanghai Yuhan fund ("the Fund"), which is incorporated in the PRC. The Fund specialises in making equity investment in various targets within the pharmaceutical industry. As at 31 December 2016 and 31 December 2015, the Fund received contributions from shareholders of RMB250 million, among which the Company injected RMB20 million and accounted for 8% of the equity interest of the Fund. The Fund represents an investment in an unlisted private entity and accounted for as AFS investment. It is measured at cost less impairment at the end of the reporting period because the range of reasonable fair value estimates is so significant that the management of the Company are of the opinion that its fair value cannot be measured reliably.

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## 20. FINANCE LEASE RECEIVABLES

	Minimum lease payments		Present value of minimum lease payments	
	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
Finance lease receivables comprise:				
Within one year	50,431	43,720	29,299	21,720
In more than one year but not more than two years	31,301	30,384	23,326	18,146
In more than two years but not more than five years	29,606	57,139	23,111	44,078
More than five years	–	4,360	–	4,093
	<b>111,338</b>	135,603	<b>75,736</b>	88,037
Less: unearned finance income	<b>(35,602)</b>	(47,566)	<b>N/A</b>	N/A
Present value of minimum lease payment receivables	<b>75,736</b>	88,037	<b>75,736</b>	88,037
Impairment on finance lease receivable	<b>(7,532)</b>	(6,871)	<b>(7,532)</b>	(6,871)
	<b>68,204</b>	81,166	<b>68,204</b>	81,166
Analysed for reporting purposes as:				
Current assets			<b>29,299</b>	21,720
Non-current assets			<b>38,905</b>	59,446
			<b>68,204</b>	81,166

The Group's sales of medical devices usually involve immediate transfer of legal ownership and are to be settled by instalments over a period, which is usually 12 to 36 months. Such sales of medical devices are accounted for under IAS 18 Revenue.

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## 20. FINANCE LEASE RECEIVABLES (Continued)

In addition, the Group has also entered into sale contracts with its customers pursuant to which legal ownership is only transferred to the customers upon full payment of the contract sum (the "Contracts"). The mode of payment of contract sum under the Contracts depends on the utilisation of devices by the customer during the contract period, subject to annual minimum purchases during the term of the Contracts. As the feature of these contracts is such that substantially all the risks and rewards incidental to the ownership of the medical devices have been transferred to the customers upon inception of the contract, notwithstanding that the titles to the medical devices may only be transferred to the customers upon full payment of the contract sum which may occur at any time during the contract period, the sales of medical devices under such Contracts have been accounted for as finance lease under IAS 17 Leases and finance lease receivables have been recognised accordingly.

Effective interest rates per annum of the above finance lease receivables for the year are as follows:

	2016	2015
Effective interest rate	1% to 22%	1% to 22%

### Movement in provision for finance lease receivables

	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
1 January	6,871	–
Impairment loss recognised on receivables	661	6,871
31 December	7,532	6,871

As at 31 December 2016, an impairment loss on finance lease receivables of approximately RMB661,000 (2015: impairment loss of approximately RMB6,871,000) has been made in respect of debtors, as in the opinion of the directors of the Company, these amounts cannot be recovered due to default in payments.

Except the mentioned above, finance lease receivables which are neither past due nor impaired, the directors of the Company assessed that the balances are with good credit quality according to their past repayment history.

Security deposits of approximately RMB515,000 (2015: RMB870,000) have been received by the Group to secure the finance lease receivables. In addition, the finance lease receivables are secured over the leased assets mainly medical equipment as at 31 December 2016. The Group is not permitted to sell or repledge the collateral in the absence of default by the lessee.

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## 20. FINANCE LEASE RECEIVABLES (Continued)

Estimates of fair value of collateral are made during the credit approval process, determined using valuation techniques commonly used for the corresponding assets. These estimates of valuations are made at the inception of finance lease, and generally not updated except when the receivable is individually impaired. When a finance lease receivable is identified as impaired, the corresponding fair value of collateral of that loan is updated by reference to market value such as recent transaction price of the assets.

Security deposits received have been classified into non-current liabilities of RMB515,000 (2015: RMB870,000) based on the final lease instalment due date stipulated in the finance lease agreements.

## 21. DEFERRED TAX

	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
Deferred tax assets	5,947	2,132
Deferred tax liabilities	(7,250)	(13,406)
	<b>(1,303)</b>	<b>(11,274)</b>

The following are the major deferred tax assets (liabilities) recognised and movements thereon during the year ended 31 December 2016:

	Allowances RMB'000	Unrealised profit on inventories RMB'000	Provision for sale return RMB'000	Accrued expenses RMB'000	Undistributed profit of subsidiaries RMB'000	Fair value adjustments RMB'000	Total RMB'000
<b>THE GROUP</b>							
At 1 January 2015	1,430	457	424	1,186	(6,000)	(38,485)	(40,988)
Credit (charge) to profit or loss for the year	844	(244)	(256)	(498)	3,500	932	4,278
Disposal of a subsidiary	(1,211)	-	-	-	-	25,981	24,770
Effect of foreign currency exchange differences	-	-	-	-	-	666	666
At 31 December 2015	1,063	213	168	688	(2,500)	(10,906)	(11,274)
Credit (charge) to profit or loss for the year	1,299	880	1	1,635	(4,750)	993	58
Disposal of subsidiaries (Note 33(b))	-	-	-	-	-	10,287	10,287
Effect of foreign currency exchange differences	-	-	-	-	-	(374)	(374)
At 31 December 2016	<b>2,362</b>	<b>1,093</b>	<b>169</b>	<b>2,323</b>	<b>(7,250)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(1,303)</b>

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**21. DEFERRED TAX (Continued)**

The Group has unused tax losses of approximately RMB48,125,000 (2015: RMB199,004,000) as at 31 December 2016 respectively available for offsetting against future profits. No deferred tax asset has been recognised in respect of such tax losses due to the unpredictability of future profit streams. Pursuant to the relevant laws and regulations, the unrecognised tax losses at the end of the reporting period will expire in the following years:

	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
2017	1,556	2,420
2018	5,156	5,156
2019	25,280	25,280
2020	11,424	11,424
2021	4,709	–
No expiry	–	154,724
	<b>48,125</b>	199,004

Under the EIT Law of PRC, withholding tax is imposed on dividends declared in respect of profits earned by PRC subsidiaries from 1 January 2008 onwards. PRC withholding tax is applicable to dividends payable to investors that are “non-PRC tax resident enterprises”, which do not have an establishment or place of business in the PRC, or which have such establishment or place of business but the relevant income is not effectively connected with the establishment or place of business, to the extent such dividends have their sources within the PRC. Under such circumstances, dividends distributed from the PRC subsidiaries in respect of profits earned from 1 January 2008 onwards to non-PRC tax resident group entities shall be subject to the withholding income tax at 5%, if applicable. As at 31 December 2016, the aggregate amount of temporary differences associated with undistributed earnings of PRC subsidiaries amounted to RMB362,953,000 (2015: RMB248,212,000). Deferred taxation has not been provided for in the consolidated financial statements in respect of temporary differences attributable to accumulated profits of the PRC subsidiaries amounting to RMB217,953,000 (2015: RMB198,212,000) as the Group has set aside such fund for the business development in the PRC and is able to control the timing of the reversal of the temporary differences and it is probable that the temporary differences will not reverse in the foreseeable future. Deferred tax liabilities approximately RMB7,250,000 (2015: RMB2,500,000) was recognised as at 31 December 2016.

**22. INVENTORIES**

All inventories represented finished goods of pharmaceutical products and medical devices. As at 31 December 2016, inventories including goods in transit of approximately RMB183,140,000 (2015: RMB80,172,000).

During the year ended 31 December 2016, an allowance for inventories of approximately RMB2,334,000 (2015: reversal of allowance of approximately RMB679,000) has been recognised by the Group and included in cost of sales.

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**23. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES**

	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
<b>THE GROUP</b>		
Trade receivables	<b>370,025</b>	314,644
Less: Allowance for doubtful debts	<b>(19,409)</b>	(6,640)
	<b>350,616</b>	308,004
Bill receivables	<b>70,693</b>	83,895
	<b>421,309</b>	391,899
Other receivables, prepayments and deposits	<b>10,065</b>	20,716
Less: Allowance for doubtful debts	<b>(129)</b>	(129)
	<b>431,245</b>	412,486
Interest receivables	<b>2,135</b>	3,249
Advance payment to suppliers	<b>2,633</b>	3,276
Other tax recoverable	<b>824</b>	1,355
Total trade and other receivables	<b>436,837</b>	420,366

In relation to the sales of pharmaceutical products, the Group allows a credit period from 30 to 180 days to its trade customers.

For sales of medical devices, except for sales of medical devices under finance lease pursuant to which the legal ownership is transferred upon full payment of the contract sum as disclosed in note 20, the remaining sales of medical devices involved immediate transfer of legal ownership with contract sums to be settled by instalments over a general period of 12 to 36 months as stated in contracts are included in trade receivables. The following is an aged analysis of trade receivables net of allowance for doubtful debts presented based on invoice date at the year ended date, which approximated the respective revenue recognition dates:

	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
<b>THE GROUP</b>		
0 to 60 days	<b>250,654</b>	197,365
61 days to 180 days	<b>70,750</b>	77,349
181 days to 1 year	<b>21,085</b>	21,514
1 year to 2 years	<b>8,127</b>	11,776
	<b>350,616</b>	308,004

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**23. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES (Continued)**

The aged analysis of bills receivable presented based on the issue date at respective reporting dates:

	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
<b>THE GROUP</b>		
0 to 60 days	30,670	42,339
61 days to 180 days	31,642	34,172
181 days to 1 year	8,381	7,284
1 year to 2 years	–	100
	<b>70,693</b>	<b>83,895</b>

Before accepting any new customer, the Group assesses the potential customer's credit quality and defines credit limits by customer. Included in the Group's trade receivables balance are debtors with aggregate carrying amount of RMB79,482,000 (2015: RMB70,593,000), which are past due as at 31 December 2016. Based on the historical experience of the Group, those trade receivables that are past due but not impaired are generally recoverable due to the long term cooperation history. The Group does not hold any collateral over these balances.

Ageing of trade receivables which are past due but not impaired:

	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
<b>THE GROUP</b>		
61 days to 180 days	54,730	49,605
181 days to 1 year	19,236	11,358
1 year to 2 years	5,516	9,630
	<b>79,482</b>	<b>70,593</b>

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**23. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES (Continued)**

Movement in the allowance for doubtful debts:

	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
<b>THE GROUP</b>		
Balance at beginning of the year	6,769	1,753
Impairment losses recognised on receivables	13,013	5,277
Amounts written off during the year as uncollectible	(244)	(217)
Impairment losses reversed	–	(44)
Balance at end of the year	<b>19,538</b>	6,769

Included in the allowance for doubtful debts are individually impaired trade receivables with an aggregate balance of RMB19,538,000 (31 December 2015: RMB6,769,000) which have delayed payments with poor settlement record.

**24. LOANS AND PROMISSORY NOTE TO ASSOCIATES**

On 2 December 2015, Pioneer Singapore entered into a loan agreement with Q3, for the granting of an unsecured loan of EUR1,000,000 (equivalent to RMB7,099,000) by Pioneer Singapore to Q3 and to be repaid on or before 1 December 2017 ("Loan A"). On 22 December 2015, Pioneer Singapore also granted promissory note in the principal amount of US\$1,365,000 (equivalent to RMB8,864,000) to NovaBay and to be repaid on or before 22 December 2018. On 25 January 2016, Pioneer Singapore entered into another loan agreement with Q3, for the granting of an unsecured loan of EUR1,000,000 (equivalent to RMB7,114,000) by Pioneer Singapore to Q3 and to be repaid on or before 1 December 2017 ("Loan B"). Loan A, promissory note and Loan B were fully drawn down on 3 December 2015, 23 December 2015 and 26 January 2016 at interest rates of 10% per annum, 6% per annum and 10% per annum, respectively, on the principal outstanding.

During the year ended 31 December 2016, Q3 has fully settled the principal of Loan A and Loan B. The accrued interest receivable of approximately RMB1,290,000 from Q3 brought forward from the year ended 31 December 2015 had been written off to profit or loss in current year as it is considered irrecoverable. The remaining amount of interest receivable of approximately RMB365,000 has converted into 608 ordinary shares of Q3 by Pioneer Singapore.

During the year ended 31 December 2016, NovaBay has fully settled principal and interest of the promissory note to Pioneer Singapore.

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### 25. DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

#### Warrants

The Group entered into a securities purchase agreement with NovaBay on 6 March 2015, pursuant to which the Group purchased 2,590,000 common shares, 2,590,000 unit of warrants with expiry date on 5 June 2016 and 1,942,500 unit of warrants with expiry date on 5 September 2020 for a total consideration of US\$1,554,000 (equivalent to RMB9,561,000).

The first warrant ("Warrant A") which is exercisable beginning on the date six months after the date of issuance on 6 March 2015, entitles the holder to purchase one share of common stock of NovaBay at a price of US\$0.60 per share, and includes a provision for forced conversion if the common stock trades at or above US\$1.10 for 10 out of 20 consecutive trading days. This warrant will expire, unless exercised, 15 months following the date of issuance.

The second warrant ("Warrant B") entitles the holder to purchase seventy-five percent (75%) of one share of common stock of NovaBay at a price of US\$0.65 per share, and is exercisable beginning on the date six months after the date of issuance on 6 March 2015. This warrant will expire, unless exercised, on 5 September 2020.

In December 2015, NovaBay changed the exercise price of Warrant A and Warrant B to US\$0.2 per share, with a change of expired date of Warrant A and Warrant B to 60 months following the date of issuance, unless exercised. Other conditions of Warrant A and Warrant B remain unchanged.

Pursuant to the reverse stock split effective in December 2015, each twenty-five (25) shares of outstanding common stock was combined into one (1) new share, with no change in authorised shares or par value per share. Proportional adjustments was made to the exercise prices of NovaBay's outstanding warrants. The reverse stock split did not affect any stockholder's ownership percentage of the NovaBay's common stock, except to the limited extent that the reverse stock split would result in any stockholder owning a fractional share. As a result, Warrant A and Warrant B entitled the holder to purchase one share of common stock at a price of US\$5.00 per share.

In February 2016, based on mutually agreement, NovaBay changed the exercise price of Warrant A and Warrant B to US\$1.81 per share. Other conditions of Warrant A and Warrant B remain unchanged.

The Group entered into a securities purchase agreement with NovaBay on 5 May 2016, pursuant to which the Group purchased 1,308,901 common shares and 654,451 unit of warrants ("Warrant C") with expiry date on 4 May 2020 and for a total consideration of US\$2,500,000 (equivalent to RMB16,236,000).

Warrant C entitles the holder to purchase fifty percent (50%) of one share of common stock of NovaBay at a price of US\$1.91 per share, and includes a provision for forced conversion if the common stock trades at or above US\$4 for 5 consecutive trading days. Warrant C is exercisable beginning on the date of issuance on 5 May 2016. This warrant will expire, unless exercised, on 4 May 2020. Warrant C is accounted for financial assets at fair value through profit or loss.

The Group entered into a securities purchase agreement with NovaBay on 2 August 2016, pursuant to which the Group purchased 1,308,901 common shares and 654,451 unit of warrants ("Warrant D") with expiry date on 1 August 2020 and for a total consideration of US\$2,500,000 (equivalent to RMB16,649,000).

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## 25. DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

### Warrants (Continued)

Warrant D entitles the holder to purchase fifty percent (50%) of one share of common stock of NovaBay at a price of US\$1.91 per share, and includes a provision for forced conversion if the common stock trades at or above US\$4 for 5 consecutive trading days. Warrant D is exercisable beginning on the date of issuance on 2 August 2016. This warrant will expire, unless exercised, on 1 August 2020. Warrant D is accounted for financial assets at fair value through profit or loss.

The Binomial Lattice valuation model has been used to estimate the total fair value of the warrants on date of issuance (2015: at the reporting period) and the aggregate fair value of the warrants are estimated at approximately RMB8,856,000 (2015: RMB251,000), by a firm of independent qualified valuer not connected to the Group.

	As at 31 December 2015		As at	As at
	Warrant A	Warrant B	5 May 2016 Warrant C	2 August 2016 Warrant D
Exercise price	US\$5.00	US\$5.00	US\$1.91	US\$1.91
Stock price	US\$2.02	US\$2.02	US\$2.40	US\$2.32
Expected volatility	66.10%	55.59%	57.09%	57.59%
Expected life	5.0 years	5.0 years	4.0 years	4.0 years
Risk free rate	0.38%	1.76%	1.13%	1.00%
Expected dividend yield	0%	0%	0%	0%
Financial assets at fair value in US\$	922	37,770	689,223	657,611
Financial assets at fair value in RMB	5,673	245,462	4,476,021	4,379,491

The Group has exercised all the Warrant A, B, C and D at 21 August 2016. The Group paid a total consideration of US\$2,828,000 (equivalent to RMB18,888,000) and purchased 1,490,202 common shares of NovaBay.

## 26. PLEDGED BANK DEPOSITS AND BANK BALANCES AND CASH

### Pledged bank deposits

The Group's pledged bank deposits represent deposits pledged to banks to secure short-term banking facilities granted to the Group and issue of letter of credit, which are therefore classified as current assets. The deposits are to be released upon the settlement of relevant bank borrowings.

During the year ended 31 December 2016, the Group entered into several contracts of structured deposits with a bank for a term of one year. The principal of RMB50,000,000 (2015: RMB100,708,000) was guaranteed by the relevant bank and with a guaranteed minimal interest yield ranging between 2.70% to 3.40% (2015: 2.9% to 3.10%) per annum. These deposits contain non-closely related embedded derivatives and are subject to fixed return determined by reference to the performance foreign exchange rate of US\$ against HKD (2015: performance of 3-month LIBOR on US\$ deposit.) The directors of the Company considered the fair values of non-closely related embedded derivatives are insignificant as at 31 December 2016. As at 31 December 2016, the structured deposits have not been redeemed and were pledged to a bank as security for short term bank borrowings denominated in HKD granted to a group entity.

Other pledged bank deposits carry fixed interest rate from 0.35% to 0.50% (2015: at 0.35%) per annum as at 31 December 2016.

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## 26. PLEDGED BANK DEPOSITS AND BANK BALANCES AND CASH (Continued)

### Bank balances and cash

The Group's bank balances carry interest at market rates that range from 0.35% to 0.50% (2015: from 0.35% to 0.50%) per annum as at 31 December 2016.

## 27. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES AND LONG TERM LIABILITIES

	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
<b>THE GROUP</b>		
Trade payables	416,914	426,078
Payroll and welfare payables	6,718	6,424
Advance from customers	12,798	4,045
Other tax payables	2,154	1,457
Marketing service fee payables	25,812	4,404
Interest payables	711	1,726
Deposits received from distributors	13,865	7,094
Accrued purchase	23,302	20,074
Other payables and accrued charges	2,953	20,462
	<b>505,227</b>	491,764
Less: Amounts due after one year shown under long-term liabilities (Note)	<b>(23,302)</b>	(20,074)
	<b>481,925</b>	471,690

*Note:* The amount represents the accounts for the cost of medical devices which are sold under the finance lease contracts and is not payable within one year.

The Group typically receives credit periods on its purchases of goods from 30 days to 180 days.

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**27. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES AND LONG TERM LIABILITIES (Continued)**

The following is an aged analysis of trade payables presented based on the delivery date at the end of the reporting dates:

	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
<b>THE GROUP</b>		
0 to 90 days	<b>415,591</b>	425,561
91 to 180 days	<b>13</b>	–
181 to 365 days	<b>1,235</b>	416
Over 365 days	<b>75</b>	101
	<b>416,914</b>	426,078

**28. RELATED PARTIES DISCLOSURES**

(a) The name of related companies of the Group and their relationships with the Group are as follows:

Name of related companies	Relationships with the Group
(1) 海南三風友製藥有限公司 Hainan San Feng You Limited ("Hainan San Feng You")	Company controlled and beneficially owned by close family member of Mr. Li
(2) 洋浦新洲投資有限公司 Yangpu Xinzhou Investment Company Limited ("Xinzhou Investment")	Company controlled and beneficially owned by Mr. Li
(3) 洋浦安邦投資有限公司 Yangpu Anbang Investment Company Limited ("Anbang Investment")	Company controlled and beneficially owned by Mr. Li
(4) 先鋒醫藥股份有限公司 Pioneer Pharma	Company controlled and beneficially owned by Mr. Li
(5) 深圳影勝醫療技術有限公司 YingSheng	Associate of the Group and disposed at 20 July 2016

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### 28. RELATED PARTIES DISCLOSURES (Continued)

#### (a) (Continued)

Name of related companies	Relationships with the Group
(6) Q3	Associate of the Group and disposed to Mr. Li at 23 December 2016 Associate of the Company controlled and beneficially owned by Mr. Li from 23 December 2016
(7) NovaBay	Associate of the Group from 10 April 2015
(8) 瀋陽富山清泉飲料銷售有限公司 Shenyang FuShanQingQuan Beverage Trading Limited* ("Fushan") (Note)	Company controlled and beneficially owned by non-controlling shareholder of Shenyang Zhiying
(9) 瀋陽華創投資有限公司 Shenyang HuaChuang Investment Limited* ("Huachuang") (Note)	Company controlled and beneficially owned by non-controlling shareholder of Shenyang Zhiying
(10) 瀋陽和旺實業有限公司 Shenyang HeWang Company Limited* ("Hewang") (Note)	Company controlled and beneficially owned by non-controlling shareholder of Shenyang Zhiying
(11) 瀋陽華興投資有限公司 Shenyang HuaXing Investment Limited* ("Huaxing") (Note)	Company controlled and beneficially owned by non-controlling shareholder of Shenyang Zhiying
(12) 瀋陽華仕達投資有限公司 Shenyang HuaShiDa Investment Limited* ("Huashida") (Note)	Company controlled and beneficially owned by non-controlling shareholder of Shenyang Zhiying
(13) Pioneer Singapore	Company controlled and beneficially owned by Mr. Li from 23 December 2016
(14) Covex, S.A.	Company controlled and beneficially owned by Mr. Li from 23 December 2016
(15) Pioneer Medident	Company controlled and beneficially owned by Mr. Li from 23 December 2016

\* The English name is for identification purpose only.

Note: These parties are no longer the related parties of the Group upon the disposal of Shenyang Zhiying on 13 March 2015.

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## 28. RELATED PARTIES DISCLOSURES (Continued)

- (b) The name of related parties of the Group who are individual and their relationships with the Group are as follows:

Name of related parties	Relationships with the Group
(1) Mr. Zhou Jianhua ("Mr. Zhou") ( <i>Note</i> )	Non-controlling shareholder of Shenyang Zhiying
(2) Mr. Shen Quan ("Mr. Shen") ( <i>Note</i> )	Non-controlling shareholder of Shenyang Zhiying

*Note:* These parties are no longer the related parties of the Group upon the disposal of Shenyang Zhiying on 13 March 2015.

- (c) Except as disclosed elsewhere in the consolidated financial statements, the Group had the following material transactions with its related parties during the reporting period:

	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
Purchase of finished goods from Hainan San Feng You	–	1,935
Interest on loans to Q3	362	256
Interest on promissory note to NovaBay	201	6
Purchase of finished goods from Pioneer Singapore	8,781	–

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### 28. RELATED PARTIES DISCLOSURES (Continued)

(d) Balances with related parties at end of reporting period are as follows:

	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
<b>Name of the related parties</b>		
<i>Amount due from associates – current</i>		
Q3 (Note a)	–	1,290
NovaBay (Note a)	–	6
	–	1,296
<i>Amount due from related parties</i>		
Mr. Li – current (Note b) (Note 33(b))	39,755	–
Pioneer Medident – current (Note c) (Note 33(b))	50	–
Mr. Li – non-current (Note b) (Note 33(b))	117,419	–
	157,224	–
<i>Loans and promissory note to associates – non current</i>		
Q3 (Note 24)	–	7,099
NovaBay (Note 24)	–	8,864
	–	15,963
<i>Amount due to related parties – current</i>		
Mr. Li (Note a)	62	–
Covex, S.A. (Note c)	2,765	–
	2,827	–

Notes:

- (a) Amounts are non-trade nature, unsecured and repayable on demand.
- (b) The amounts carry a fixed interest of 4.75% per annum which is due according to the payment schedule. The amounts are secured by the share charge of Pioneer Singapore for the payment obligation of Mr. Li. Mr. Li has undertaken to Pioneer HK and the Company that he will apply not less than 20% of any dividend payments in respect of the shares that he and Pioneer BVI may receive from the Company during the 5-year payment schedule to settle the amount due to Pioneer HK.
- (c) Amounts are trade nature, unsecured, interest-free and repayable on demand.

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**28. RELATED PARTIES DISCLOSURES (Continued)****(e) Compensation of key management personnel**

The remuneration of key management personnel during the year was as follows:

	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
Short-term employee benefits	6,589	6,885
Retirement benefits scheme contribution	530	426
	<b>7,119</b>	<b>7,311</b>

The Group determines remuneration of key management personnel by reference to the performance of individuals and market trend.

**29. BANK BORROWINGS**

	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
<b>THE GROUP</b>		
Carrying amount of bank loans repayable within one year and shown under current portion	<b>76,251</b>	285,935
Analysed as:		
Secured	<b>36,167</b>	125,935
Unsecured	<b>40,084</b>	160,000
	<b>76,251</b>	285,935

As at 31 December 2016, the Group entered into various borrowings with the banks, mainly to finance its business operations. Such borrowings had been secured by the pledge of the Group's assets and the carrying amounts of the respective assets are as follows:

	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
Pledge of assets		
Bills receivables	–	7,629
Trade receivables	<b>363,051</b>	304,629
Pledged bank deposits for bank borrowings	<b>50,000</b>	100,708
Pledged bank deposits for letter of credits	<b>23,120</b>	12,260
	<b>436,171</b>	425,226

The ranges of effective interest rates on the Group's fixed-rate borrowings are 1.81% to 4.79% (2015: 1.01% to 4.97%).

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**30. OBLIGATION UNDER FINANCE LEASES**

During the year ended 31 December 2016, the Group lease certain of its medical devices from suppliers. Pursuant to the agreement, the legal ownership of the medical devices will automatically be transferred to the Group upon completion of the consumables purchase commitment within the lease term of 5 years. Interest rates underlying all obligation under finance leases are fixed at respective contract dates at 6% per annum. No arrangements have been entered into for contingent rental payments.

	Minimum lease payments		Present value of minimum lease payments	
	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
Amount payable under finance lease:				
Within one year	<b>4,329</b>	2,727	<b>3,186</b>	1,943
In more than one year but not more than two years	<b>5,910</b>	4,627	<b>4,991</b>	3,545
In more than two years but not more than five years	<b>6,637</b>	13,101	<b>6,241</b>	11,785
	<b>16,876</b>	20,455	<b>14,418</b>	17,273
Less: future finance charges	<b>(2,458)</b>	(3,182)	<b>N/A</b>	N/A
Present value of lease obligations	<b>14,418</b>	17,273	<b>14,418</b>	17,273
Analysed for reporting purposes as:				
Current liabilities			<b>3,186</b>	1,943
Non-current liabilities			<b>11,232</b>	15,330

The Group's obligations under finance leases are secured by the lessors' title to the leased assets.

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**31. PROVISION**

	Provision for sales return RMB'000
<b>THE GROUP</b>	
COST	
At 1 January 2015	4,715
Additions	3,083
Reversal	(2,352)
Utilisations	(3,576)
At 31 December 2015 and 1 January 2016	1,870
Additions	491
Utilisations	(475)
At 31 December 2016	<b>1,886</b>

The Group provides for sales returns based on its previous experience and the expiry dates of the products sold.

**32. SHARE CAPITAL**

	Number of shares	US\$	Equivalent to RMB'000
Ordinary share of US\$0.01 each			
Authorised:			
On 1 January 2015, 31 December 2015 and 31 December 2016	<b>3,000,000,000</b>	<b>30,000,000</b>	<b>82,096</b>
Issued and fully paid:			
At 1 January 2015, 31 December 2015 and 31 December 2016	<b>1,333,334,000</b>	<b>13,333,340</b>	<b>82,096</b>

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### 33. DISPOSAL OF SUBSIDIARIES

- (a) Subsequent to the completion of the acquisition of Shenyang Zhiying on 30 December 2014, the Group was unable to reach consensus with Huachuang on the future strategic direction of Shenyang Zhiying. On 13 March 2015, the Group entered into a share transfer agreement with Dianbai County Fuhong Investments Co., Ltd. to dispose of its entire 51% interest in Shenyang Zhiying at the same consideration as stipulated under the share acquisition agreement dated 19 November 2014.

	RMB'000
Net assets disposed of excluding intangible assets and goodwill	42,610
Intangible assets ( <i>Note 17</i> )	85,857
Attributable goodwill ( <i>Note 16</i> )	27,569
Contingent consideration arrangement	(83,087)
Non-controlling interests	(62,949)
Total consideration satisfied by cash	<u>10,000</u>
Net cash outflow arising on disposal:	
Total cash consideration received	10,000
Bank balances and cash disposed of	(36,023)
At 31 December 2015	<u>(26,023)</u>

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**33. DISPOSAL OF SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)**

- (b) On 17 October 2016 and 2 December 2016, the Group entered into a share purchase agreement and a supplemental agreement thereto, respectively, with Mr. Li to dispose of its entire interest in Pioneer Singapore at a cash consideration of RMB158,358,539. As at the date of disposal, Pioneer Singapore held the entire issued share capital of Covex, S.A., approximately 33.1% of the issued share capital of Q3 and 60% of the issued share capital in Pioneer Medident (collectively as “Disposal Group”). The disposal was completed on 23 December 2016, upon which the Group ceased to have control over Pioneer Singapore, Covex, S.A. and Pioneer Medident and the significant influence on Q3.

The results of the Disposal Group for the period ended on date of disposal were as follows:

	From 1 January 2016 to 23 December 2016 RMB'000
Revenue	37,143
Cost of sales	(32,493)
Gross profit	4,650
Other income	8,544
Other gains and losses	574
Distribution and selling expenses	(1,838)
Administrative expenses	(13,980)
Finance costs	(1,981)
Share of loss of associates	(39,154)
Loss before taxation	(43,185)
Income tax expense	993
Loss for the period	<u>(42,192)</u>

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### 33. DISPOSAL OF SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

#### (b) (Continued)

	At 23 December 2016 RMB'000
<b>The net assets at the date of disposal were as follows:</b>	
Property, plant and equipment ( <i>Note 14</i> )	24,519
Intangible assets ( <i>Note 17</i> )	43,328
Interest in an associate	25,357
Inventories	38,785
Trade and other receivables	9,919
Amount due from related parties	2,765
Bank balances and cash	2,969
Trade and other payables	(5,946)
Amount due to a related party	(50)
Bank borrowings	(6,335)
Deferred tax liabilities ( <i>Note 21</i> )	(10,287)
Net assets disposed of	<u>125,024</u>
<b>Gain on disposal of subsidiaries:</b>	
Consideration	158,359
Net assets disposed of	(125,024)
Non-controlling interests	(278)
Release of translation reserves upon disposal of subsidiaries	(30,263)
Gain on disposal	2,794
<b>Consideration satisfied by:</b>	
Cash	1,350
Amount due from a related party	157,009
	<u>158,359</u>
<b>Net cash outflow arising on disposal:</b>	
Total cash consideration received	1,350
Bank balances and cash disposed of	(2,969)
	<u>(1,619)</u>

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**34. PARTICULARS OF SUBSIDIARIES OF THE COMPANY**

At the end of each reporting period, the Company has direct and indirect equity interests in the following subsidiaries:

Name of subsidiaries	Place of incorporation/ establishment	Date of incorporation/ establishment	Issued and fully paid share/ registered capital	Equity interest attributable to the Group		Principal activities
				2016 %	2015 %	
<b>Directly held</b>						
Pioneer HK 先鋒醫藥(香港)有限公司	Hong Kong	19 February 2013	US\$5,000,000	100	100	Investment holding
<b>Indirectly held</b>						
Pioneer Medical (HK) <sup>3</sup> 先鋒醫療器材(香港)有限公司	Hong Kong	27 June 2012	HKD1,000,000	-	60	Sales of medical devices in Hong Kong
Pioneer Medident <sup>5</sup>	Singapore	27 August 2012	SGD120,000	-	60	Sales of medical devices in Southeast Asia
Xiantao Medical* <sup>1</sup> 仙桃先鋒醫療服務有限公司	PRC	22 March 2013	US\$1,000,000	100	100	Sales of pharmaceutical products and medical devices
Xiantao Pioneer* <sup>2</sup> 仙桃市先鋒醫藥有限公司	PRC	31 July 2009	RMB10,000,000	100	100	Sales of pharmaceutical products
Pioneer Ruici* <sup>2</sup> 上海先鋒瑞瓷醫療器械有限公司	PRC	2 September 2011	RMB6,000,000	70	70	Sales of dental devices
Pioneer Singapore <sup>3</sup> 先鋒醫藥(新加坡)私人有限公司 <sup>#</sup>	Singapore	16 February 2011	SGD1	-	100	Sales of medical devices
Naqu Pioneer* <sup>2</sup> 那曲地區先鋒醫藥有限公司	PRC	21 January 2010	RMB8,000,000	100	100	Sales of imported in-licensed prescription products

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### 34. PARTICULARS OF SUBSIDIARIES OF THE COMPANY (Continued)

Name of subsidiaries	Place of incorporation/ establishment	Date of incorporation/ establishment	Issued and fully paid share/ registered capital	Equity interest attributable to the Group		Principal activities
				2016 %	2015 %	
Haikou Pioneer Pharma Leasing Company Limited <sup>1</sup> 海口先鋒醫藥租賃有限公司	PRC	18 December 2013	RMB150,000,000	100	100	Sales of medical devices and ancillary tools and accessories leasing
Pioneer Dynamic Co., Ltd* 先鋒泰醫藥股份有限公司	Taiwan	10 October 2013	TWD10,000,000	52	52	Sales of medical devices
Covex, S.A. <sup>3</sup>	Spain	20 May 1977	EUR14,500,000	–	100	Manufacturing of chemical and pharmaceutical products

\* The English name is for identification purpose only.

# The Chinese name is for identification purpose only.

#### Notes:

1. Established in the PRC in the form of wholly foreign-owned enterprise.
2. Established in the PRC in the form of domestic companies with limited liabilities.
3. The subsidiaries were disposed during the year ended 31 December 2016 with details set out in note 33(b).

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**35. OPERATING LEASES****As lessee**

As at 31 December 2016, the Group had commitments to make the following future minimum lease payments in respect of premises rented under non-cancellable operating leases which fall due as follows:

	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
<b>THE GROUP</b>		
Within one year	87	497
In the second to fifth years inclusive	–	87
	<b>87</b>	<b>584</b>

Operating lease payments represent rentals payable by the Group for certain of its properties. The leases terms are negotiated within 3 years and rentals are fixed for the terms.

**As lessor**

Equipment rental income earned for the year ended 31 December 2016 was RMB1,126,000 (2015: RMB1,374,000). All leases have fixed terms of 3 years.

As at 31 December 2016, the Group had contracted with tenants for the following future minimum lease payments:

	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
<b>THE GROUP</b>		
Within one year	456	1,708
In the second to fifth years inclusive	–	629
	<b>456</b>	<b>2,337</b>

**36. RETIREMENT BENEFITS SCHEME**

The Group's PRC subsidiaries, Singapore subsidiaries and Spain subsidiaries are required to make contributions to the state-managed retirement schemes operated by respective local governments based on certain percentage of the monthly salaries of their current employees to fund the benefits. The employees are entitled to retirement pension calculated with reference to their basic salaries on retirement and their length of service in accordance with the relevant government regulations. The only obligation of these subsidiaries with respect to the state-managed schemes is to make the specified contributions.

The Group's employees employed in Hong Kong are required to join the Mandatory Provident Fund Scheme (the "MPF Scheme"). The Group's contributions to the MPF Scheme are made in accordance with the statutory limits prescribed by the Mandatory Provident Fund Ordinance of Hong Kong.

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### 36. RETIREMENT BENEFITS SCHEME (Continued)

The total cost charged to profit or loss of approximately RMB10,427,000 (2015: RMB8,880,000) for the year ended 31 December 2016, represents contributions paid to the retirement benefits scheme by the Group.

As at 31 December 2015 and 2016, there was not outstanding contributions to the schemes.

### 37. CAPITAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The Group manages its capital to ensure that entities in the Group will be able to continue as a going concern while maximising the return to shareholders through the optimisation of the debt and equity balance. The Group's overall strategy remains unchanged from prior year.

The capital structure of the Group consists net debt, which includes bank borrowings as disclosed in note 29, net of cash and cash equivalents and equity attributable to owners of the Company, comprising issued share capital, reserves and retained earnings.

The directors of the Company review the capital structure on a continuous basis. As part of this review, the directors of the Company consider the cost of capital and the risks associated with each class of capital. Based on recommendations of the directors, the Group will balance its overall capital structure through payment of dividends, issue of new shares as well as issue of new debts or redemption of existing debts.

### 38. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

#### (a) Categories of financial instruments

	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
<b>THE GROUP</b>		
Financial assets:		
Fair value through profit or loss		
Designated as at FVTPL	–	251
AFS assets	<b>20,000</b>	20,000
Finance lease receivables	<b>68,204</b>	81,166
Loans and receivables (including cash and cash equivalents)	<b>963,769</b>	827,091
Financial liabilities:		
Obligation under finance lease	<b>14,418</b>	17,273
Amortised cost	<b>564,017</b>	764,845

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**38. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)****(b) Financial risk management objectives and policies**

The Group's major financial instruments include other investments, trade and other receivables, loans and promissory note to associates, finance lease receivables, derivative financial instruments, pledged bank deposits, bank balances and cash, trade and other payables, bank borrowings, obligation under finance leases, and amounts due from/to related parties. Details of the financial instruments are disclosed in respective notes.

The risks associated with these financial instruments include market risk (currency risk and interest rate risk), credit risk and liquidity risk. The policies on how to mitigate these risks are set out below. The management manages and monitors these exposures to ensure appropriate measures are implemented in a timely and effective manner.

**Market risk***(i) Currency risk*

The Group's exposure to foreign currency risk is arising mainly from:

- Certain bank balances denominated in foreign currencies;
- Certain foreign currency purchases and certain trade payables are denominated in foreign currencies; and
- Certain borrowings denominated in foreign currencies.

At the end of the reporting date, the carrying amounts of monetary assets and monetary liabilities denominated in currencies other than the respective group entities' functional currencies are as follow:

	Assets		Liabilities	
	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
<b>THE GROUP</b>				
United States Dollars ("US\$")	<b>6,378</b>	55,583	<b>68,837</b>	130,895
Euro ("EUR")	<b>291</b>	4,906	<b>21,561</b>	10,910
Singapore Dollars ("SGD")	–	140	–	488
Hong Kong Dollars ("HKD")	<b>14,485</b>	25,672	<b>75,536</b>	40
Taiwan Dollars ("TWD")	–	407	–	80
	<b>21,154</b>	86,708	<b>165,934</b>	142,413

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**38. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)****(b) Financial risk management objectives and policies (Continued)****Market risk (Continued)***(i) Currency risk (Continued)*

## Sensitivity analysis

The sensitivity analysis includes outstanding foreign currency denominated monetary items and inter-company balances denominated in foreign currencies and adjusts their translation at the year ended for a 5% change in foreign currency rates. 5% is the sensitivity rate used which represents management's assessment of the reasonably possible change in foreign exchange rates.

The group is mainly exposed to US\$, HKD and EUR. The following table details the Group's sensitivity to a 5% (2015: 5%) increase and decrease in US\$, HKD and EUR against RMB. 5% (2015: 5%) is the sensitivity rate used when reporting foreign currency risk internally to key management personnel and represents management's assessment of the reasonably possible change in foreign exchange rates. The sensitivity analysis includes only outstanding foreign currency denominated monetary items and adjusts their translation at the end of the reporting period for a 5% (2015: 5%) change in foreign currency rates. The sensitivity analysis includes those financial assets and financial liabilities where the denomination of the loan is in a currency other than RMB. A positive number below indicates an increase in post-tax profit where US\$, HKD and EUR weakening 5% (2015: 5%) against the functional currency. For a 5% (2015: 5%) strengthen of US\$, HKD and EUR against the functional currency, there would be an equal and opposite impact on the profit and the balances below would be negative.

	US\$ impact		HKD impact		EUR impact	
	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
Profit (loss) for the year	2,342	2,824	2,289	(961)	798	225

Additionally, as at 31 December 2016, intercompany receivables denominated in RMB which is not the functional currency of the respective group entities are approximately RMB21,628,000 (2015: RMB8,901,000). If RMB weakens or strengthens by 5% against the functional currency of the respective group entity, profit for the year would decrease/increase by approximately RMB811,000 (2015: RMB334,000) for the year ended 31 December 2016.

*(ii) Interest rate risk*

The Group is exposed to fair value interest rate risk in relation to its fixed-rate bank borrowings (see note 29 for details of these borrowings). The Group is also exposed to cash flow interest rate risk in relation to variable-rate bank balances.

The Group's cash flow interest rate risk is mainly concentrated on the fluctuation of London Interbank Offered Rate ("LIBOR") arising from the pledged bank deposits.

No sensitivity is presented for variable rate pledged bank deposits and bank balances as the directors of the Company considered that the relevant interest rate fluctuation is minimal.

No variable bank borrowings outstanding as at 31 December 2016 and 31 December 2015.

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### 38. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

#### (b) Financial risk management objectives and policies (Continued)

##### *Credit risk*

As at 31 December 2016, the Group's maximum exposure to credit risk which will cause a financial loss to the Group due to failure to discharge an obligation by the counterparties represents the carrying amount of the respective recognised financial assets as stated in the consolidated statement of financial position.

In order to minimise the credit risk, the management has delegated a team responsible for determination of credit limits, credit approvals and other monitoring procedures to ensure that follow-up action is taken to recover overdue debts. In addition, the Group reviews the recoverable amount of each individual trade debt at the end of the reporting period to ensure that adequate impairment losses are made for irrecoverable amounts. In this regard, the directors of the Company consider that the Group's credit risk is significantly reduced.

Credit risk on finance lease receivables is traced by management by comparing the customer's actual payment and the payment schedule at the inception of finance lease. The management would also consider the recoverable amount of the collateral assets if impairment indicator on receivable is noted.

Credit risk on pledged bank deposits and bank balances cash is limited because the counterparties are banks with good reputation and good credit rating.

In 2015, the Group has concentration of credit risk on loans and promissory note to associates. As at 31 December 2015, the carrying amounts of the Group's loans and promissory note to associates was RMB15,963,000.

In 2016, the Group has concentration of credit risk on amount due from a related party, Mr. Li. As at 31 December 2016, the carrying amounts of the Group's amount due from Mr. Li is RMB157,174,000. The Group has compared the actual payment with the 5-year payment schedule to monitor the settlement from the related party. The amount due from Mr. Li is secured by the share charge of Pioneer Singapore for the payment obligation to minimise the credit risk.

The Group has concentration of credit risk by individual customer as 9% (2015: 5%) of the total trade receivables as at 31 December 2016 were due from the Group's largest customer respectively whereas 22% (2015: 24%) of the total trade receivables as at 31 December 2016 were due from the Group's five largest customers respectively.

The Group has concentration of credit risk by geographical location as majority of the customers are located in PRC as at 31 December 2016.

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**38. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)****(b) Financial risk management objectives and policies (Continued)****Liquidity risk**

In the management of the liquidity risk, the Group monitors and maintains a level of cash and cash equivalents deemed adequate by the management to finance the Group's operations and mitigate the effects of fluctuations in cash flows.

Ultimate responsibility for liquidity risk management rests with the board of directors, which has built an appropriate liquidity risk management framework for the management of the Group's funding and liquidity management requirements.

The following table details the Group's remaining contractual maturity for its financial liabilities. The tables have been drawn up based on the undiscounted cash flows of financial liabilities based on the earliest date on which the Group can be required to pay. The maturity dates for non-derivative financial liabilities are based on the agreed maturity dates.

The liquidity analysis for the Group's derivative financial instruments are prepared based on the management expectation on the timing of the cash flows of derivatives with reference to contractual terms.

The tables include both interest and principal cash flows. To the extent that interest flows are floating rate, the undiscounted amount is derived from the interest rate existing at the end of each reporting period.

**Liquidity tables****THE GROUP**

	Weighted average interest rate %	On demand or less than three months RMB'000	Three months to one year RMB'000	More than one year RMB'000	Total undiscounted cash flows RMB'000	Carrying amount RMB'000
<b>At 31 December 2016</b>						
Non-derivative financial liabilities						
Trade and other payables	-	461,637	-	23,302	484,939	484,939
Amounts due to related parties	-	2,827	-	-	2,827	2,827
Obligation under finance leases	6.00	1,082	3,247	12,547	16,876	14,418
Bank borrowings – fixed rate	2.23	40,309	36,471	-	76,780	76,251
		505,855	39,718	35,849	581,422	578,435

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**38. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)****(b) Financial risk management objectives and policies (Continued)***Liquidity tables (Continued)***THE GROUP (Continued)**

	Weighted average interest rate %	On demand or less than three months RMB'000	Three months to one year RMB'000	More than one year RMB'000	Total undiscounted cash flows RMB'000	Carrying amount RMB'000
<b>At 31 December 2015</b>						
Non-derivative financial liabilities						
Trade and other payables	-	458,836	-	20,074	478,910	478,910
Obligation under finance leases	6.00	682	2,045	17,728	20,455	17,273
Bank borrowings – fixed rate	3.24	91,631	197,185	-	288,816	285,935
		551,149	199,230	37,802	788,181	782,118

**(c) Fair value measurements**

This note provides information about how the Group determines fair values of various financial assets and financial liabilities.

***Fair value of the Group's financial assets and financial liabilities that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis***

Some of the Group's financial assets and financial liabilities are measured at fair value at the end of each reporting period. The following table gives information about how the fair values of these financial assets and financial liabilities are determined (in particular, the valuation technique(s) and inputs used).

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**38. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)****(c) Fair value measurements (Continued)**

*Fair value of the Group's financial assets and financial liabilities that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis (Continued)*

Financial assets/ financial (liabilities)	Fair value as at		Fair value hierarchy	Valuation technique(s) and key input(s)	Significant unobservable inputs	Relationship of unobservable inputs to fair value
	31.12.2016	31.12.2015				
1) Warrants	N/A	Assets – RMB251,000	Level 3	Binomial Lattice valuation model. The fair value is estimated based on stock price, strike price, historical volatility, time to expiration and risk-free interest rate.	Historical Volatility	The higher the historical volatility, the higher the fair value.

There were no transfers between Level 1 and 2 for the Group during the year.

As at 31 December 2016, the directors of the Company consider that the carrying amount of financial assets and liabilities carried at amortised cost in the consolidated financial statements approximate their fair values.

***Fair value measurements and valuation processes***

In estimating the fair value of an asset or a liability, the Group uses market-observable data to the extent it is available. Where Level 1 Inputs are not available, the Group engages third party qualified valuers to perform the valuation. The Chief Financial Officer works closely with the qualified external valuers to establish the appropriate valuation techniques and inputs to the model.

Information about the valuation techniques and inputs used in determining the fair value of various assets and liabilities are disclosed above.

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**38. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)****(c) Fair value measurements (Continued)*****Fair value measurements and valuation processes (Continued)***

Reconciliation from the beginning balance to the ending balance of Level 3 fair value measurements of financial assets:

	Trust investment RMB'000	Contingent consideration RMB'000	Warrants RMB'000	Total RMB'000
At 1 January 2015	75,000	83,087	–	158,087
Addition	–	–	1,115	1,115
Total losses in profit or loss (Included in “Other gains and losses”) (Note)	–	–	(927)	(927)
Settlement	(75,000)	–	–	(75,000)
Disposal (Note 33(a))	–	(83,087)	–	(83,087)
Exchange adjustments	–	–	63	63
At 31 December 2015	–	–	251	251
Total losses in profit or loss (Included in “Other gains and losses”) (Note)	–	–	(251)	(251)
At 31 December 2016	–	–	–	–

Note: The losses in profit or loss represented the initial recognition gains of RMB8,856,000 (2015: RMB3,910,000) and loss on fair value change of RMB9,107,000 (2015: RMB4,837,000) related to the warrants held at the acquisition date or exercise date (2015: at the acquisition date or the end of the reporting period).

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### 39. SHARE AWARD SCHEME

The Company adopted the Scheme on the Adoption Date with a duration of 10 years commencing from the Adoption Date. The objective of the Scheme is to recognise the contribution by certain employees including directors and senior management of the Group (the “Selected Participants”), and to provide them with incentives in order to retain them for the continuing operation and development of the Group, and to attract suitable personnel for further development of the Group.

The Company has set up a trust (the “Trust”) for the purpose of facilitating the purchase, holding and sale of shares in the Group for the benefit of the employees of the Group. All the shares repurchased by the Group through the Trust in the Stock Exchange are recorded as treasury stock in the reserve and are for the Scheme only.

The Company will grant the shares under the treasury stock to the Selected Participants (the “Awarded Shares”), in which the Selected Participants will benefit by the appreciation of the shares over its award price on the grant date. The Awarded Shares will be vested in full in three years with one third to be vested on each of the first, the second and the third anniversary of the date of grant respectively.

In accordance with the terms and conditions of the Scheme, the Selected Participant is entitled to receive cash only (and not the Awarded Shares) upon vesting of the Awarded Shares, and should the Selected Participant elects to accept such vesting, the amount the Selected Participant would receive would be equal to the number of the vested Award Shares multiply by the gain (being any positive amount resulting from the average sale proceeds less the award price) (the “Gain”) and less any relevant personal income tax, if any.

Upon the vesting of the Awarded Shares, the Trustee shall effect the sale of such Awarded Shares at the prevailing market price and transfer the amount representing the Gain in relation to the vested Awarded Shares to the relevant Selected Participant. The proceeds (other than the Gain in relation to the vested Awarded Shares) shall be transferred to the Company or otherwise to be held in any way as determined by the Company (or the board) in its sole and absolute discretion.

For the avoidance of doubt, the Trustee will not be obligated to transfer any money to the Selected Participant if the amount resulting from the average sale proceeds less the award price is a negative amount.

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### 39. SHARE AWARD SCHEME (Continued)

During the year ended 31 December 2016 and 2015, the Company repurchased its own ordinary shares through the Trust as follows:

Month of repurchase	Number of ordinary shares	Price per share		Aggregate consideration paid HKD'000
		Highest HKD	Lowest HKD	
March 2016	1,239,000	1.95	1.95	2,421
May 2016	423,000	1.75	1.74	738
June 2016	1,633,000	1.75	1.70	2,830
April 2015	7,150,000	5.93	5.83	42,096
May 2015	9,206,000	5.88	5.14	50,391
June 2015	13,395,000	5.50	4.52	66,360
July 2015	3,940,000	4.58	3.35	14,733
August 2015	2,127,000	3.62	3.60	7,685

On 9 October 2015, the Group has grant a total of 25,060,000 Awarded Shares to 150 employees with an award price of HKD5.076, which represents the average purchase cost per share in relation to all the shares that the Trustee purchased on the market between 22 April 2015 to 28 August 2015 pursuant to the Scheme.

The Awarded Shares represent approximately 18.8% of the scheme limit under the Scheme.

As at 31 December 2016 and 2015, all the Awarded Shares are remain at the Trust.

As at 31 December 2016, the Group has recorded liabilities of RMB1,464,000 (equivalent to HKD1,637,000) (31 December 2015: RMB557,000 (equivalent to HKD665,000)). The fair value of the cash-settled share based payment is determined using the Black-Scholes pricing model based on the assumptions. The Group recorded total expenses of RMB907,000 (equivalent to HKD972,000) (2015: RMB557,000 (equivalent to HKD665,000)) during the year in respect of the cash-settled share based payment.

### 40. NON-CASH TRANSACTIONS

During 2015, the Group obtained representation on the board of directors which is the governing body of NovaBay and as a result, the directors of the Company considered that the Group can exercise significant influence over NovaBay. Therefore, reclassified the Group's interest in NovaBay with the carrying amount of approximately RMB53,635,000 from "Other Investments" to "Interest in Associates" on 10 April 2015.

During 2016, the Group converted an interest receivables of EUR50,000 (equivalent to RMB365,000) into 608 ordinary shares of Q3. Therefore, reclassified the Group's amount due from Q3 with carrying amount of approximately RMB365,000 from "Amount due from related parties" to "Interest in Associates" on 15 November 2016.

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**41. SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION****(a) Statement of financial position of the Company**

	2016 RMB'000	2015 RMB'000
<b>Non-current Assets</b>		
Investment in a subsidiary	765,146	825,424
Other investments	319	319
	<b>765,465</b>	825,743
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Other receivables	–	1,174
Amount due from a subsidiary	8,278	–
Bank balances and cash	12,040	75,296
	<b>20,318</b>	76,470
<b>Current Liabilities</b>		
Other payables	137	5
Amounts due to a subsidiary	–	8,511
Amount due to a related party	62	–
	<b>199</b>	8,516
<b>Net Current Assets</b>	<b>120,119</b>	67,954
<b>Total Assets less Current liabilities</b>	<b>785,584</b>	893,697
<b>Capital and Reserves</b>		
Share capital	82,096	82,096
Reserves	703,488	811,601
<b>Total Equity</b>	<b>785,584</b>	893,697

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**41. SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION (Continued)****(b) Movement in reserves**

	Share Capital RMB'000	Share premium RMB'000	Accumulated profits RMB'000	Investment valuation reserve RMB'000	Treasury share reserve RMB'000	Total RMB'000
At 1 January 2015	82,096	956,993	8,480	(1,404)	-	1,046,165
Profit for the year	-	-	186,822	-	-	186,822
Other comprehensive expense	-	-	-	(2,033)	-	(2,033)
Total comprehensive income (expense)	-	-	186,822	(2,033)	-	184,789
Payments of dividends	-	-	(187,781)	-	-	(187,781)
Purchase of shares under share award scheme	-	-	-	-	(149,476)	(149,476)
At 31 December 2015 and 1 January 2016	82,096	956,993	7,521	(3,437)	(149,476)	893,697
Profit for the year	-	-	35,309	-	-	35,309
Total comprehensive income	-	-	35,309	-	-	35,309
Payments of dividends	-	-	(142,500)	-	-	(142,500)
Purchase of shares under share award scheme	-	-	-	-	(922)	(922)
At 31 December 2016	<b>82,096</b>	<b>956,993</b>	<b>(99,670)</b>	<b>(3,437)</b>	<b>(150,398)</b>	<b>785,584</b>