Registered number: 05282304

# STRIDES ARCOLAB INTERNATIONAL LIMITED

DIRECTORS' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2018

# **COMPANY INFORMATION**

**Directors** 

Mr. S Kanchan (resigned 27 March 2018)

Mr. V Kumar Mr. M K Pillai

Mr. K T Parthasarathy (appointed 27 March 2018) Mr R Visvanathan (appointed 24 May 2018)

Company secretary

Alka Shaunak (resigned 2 April 2018)

Registered number

05282304

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Independent auditors

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# DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2018

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2018.

# Principal activity

The principal activity of the company is the holding of investments.

## **Directors**

The directors who served during the year were:

Mr. S Kanchan (resigned 27 March 2018)

Mr. V Kumar

Mr. M K Pillai

Mr. K T Parthasarathy (appointed 27 March 2018)

# Directors' responsibilities statement

The directors are responsible for preparing the Directors' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland'. Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and of the profit or loss of the Company for that period.

In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies for the Company's financial statements and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

# Disclosure of information to auditors

Each of the persons who are directors at the time when this Directors' Report is approved has confirmed that:

- so far as the director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditors are unaware, and
- the director has taken all the steps that ought to have been taken as a director in order to be aware of any
  relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's auditors are aware of that information.

# DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2018

# **Auditors**

The auditors, MHA MacIntyre Hudson, will be proposed for reappointment in accordance with section 485 of the Companies Act 2006.

# Small companies note

In preparing this report, the directors have taken advantage of the small companies exemptions provided by section 415A of the Companies Act 2006.

This report was approved by the board and signed on its behalf.

Mr. V Kumar Director

Date: 13/7/18

# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF STRIDES ARCOLAB INTERNATIONAL LIMITED

# Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Strides Arcolab International Limited (the 'Company') for the year ended 31 March 2018, which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet and the related notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs as at 31 March 2018 and of its loss for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

## Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the United Kingdom, including the Financial Reporting Council's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

# Conclusions relating to going concern

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the ISAs (UK) require us to report to you where:

- the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- the directors have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the Company's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

## Other information

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Annual Report, other than the financial statements and our Auditors' Report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material

# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF STRIDES ARCOLAB INTERNATIONAL LIMITED (CONTINUED)

misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. 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.

# Opinion on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the Directors' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Directors' Report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

# Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the Company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Directors' Report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- the directors were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies regime and take advantage of the small companies' exemptions in preparing the Directors' Report and from the requirement to prepare a Strategic Report.

# Responsibilities of directors

As explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement on page 1, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the directors are responsible for assessing the Company'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 Company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF STRIDES ARCOLAB INTERNATIONAL LIMITED (CONTINUED)

# Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an Auditors' Report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) 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 financial statements.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our Auditors' Report.

# Use of our report

This report is made solely to the Company's shareholders, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Company's shareholders those matters we are required to state to them in an Auditors' Report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Company and the Company's shareholders, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Rakesh Shaunak FCA (Senior Statutory Auditor)

for and on behalf of MHA MacIntyre Hudson

Chartered Accountants Registered Auditor

New Bridge Street House 30-34 New Bridge Street London

EC4V 6BJ Date: 20/08/19

# STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2018

	Note	2018 \$	2017 \$
Administrative expenses		(2,206,555)	1,181,687
Operating (loss)/profit		(2,206,555)	1,181,687
Income from other fixed asset investments Amounts written off investments Interest receivable and similar income		- (11,319,902) -	36,256 16,497 215
(Loss)/profit before tax		(13,526,457)	1,234,655
(Loss)/profit for the financial year		(13,526,457)	1,234,655

There were no recognised gains and losses for 2018 or 2017 other than those included in the statement of comprehensive income.

The notes on pages 8 to 14 form part of these financial statements.

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# BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2018

	Note		2018		2017 \$
Fixed assets					
Intangible assets	4		4,765,502		5,027,887
Investments	5		52,132,318		63,457,394
			56,897,820		68,485,281
Current assets					
Debtors: amounts falling due within one year	6	6,750,236		7,268,217	
Cash at bank and in hand	7	111,056		82,643	
		6,861,292		7,350,860	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	8	(38,077,672)		(36,628,244)	
Net current liabilities			(31,216,380)		(29,277,384)
Total assets less current liabilities			25,681,440		39,207,897
Net assets			25,681,440		39,207,897
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	9		31,456,349		31,456,349
Share premium account	10		11,833,581		11,833,581
Foreign exchange reserve	10		(606,712)		(606,712)
Profit and loss account	10		(17,001,778)		(3,475,321)
			25,681,440		39,207,897

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime and in accordance with the provisions of FRS 102 Section 1A - small entities.

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the board and were signed on its behalf by:

Mr. V Kumar Director

Date: 13/7/18

The notes on pages 8 to 14 form part of these financial statements.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2018

## 1. General information

Strides Arcolab International Limited is a private company limited by shares incorporated in England within the United Kingdom. The address of the registered office is Unit 4 Metro Centre, Tolpits Lane, Watford, Hertfordshire, WD18 9SS.

## 2. Accounting policies

## 2.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention unless otherwise specified within these accounting policies and in accordance with Section 1A of Financial Reporting Standard 102, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland and the Companies Act 2006.

The level of rounding is to the nearest £1.

The following principal accounting policies have been applied:

# 2.2 Associates and joint ventures

Associates and Joint Ventures are held at cost less impairment.

## 2.3 Going concern

The Company incurred a loss of USD 13.5m and, as at the year end date its current liabilities exceeded its current assets by USD 31.2m The Company has its investments in subsidiaries operating in UK and USA markets and the management believes that there is a huge potential for these subsidiaries to be able to help the Company realise its assets and discharge its liabilities.

The management, therefore, consider it appropriate to continue to prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis.

## 2.4 Intangible assets

Intangible assets are initially recognised at cost. After recognition, under the cost model, intangible assets are measured at cost less any accumulated amortisation and any accumulated impairment losses.

All intangible assets are considered to have a finite useful life. If a reliable estimate of the useful life cannot be made, the useful life shall not exceed ten years.

## 2.5 Valuation of investments

Investments in subsidiaries are measured at cost less accumulated impairment.

Investments in unlisted Company shares, whose market value can be reliably determined, are remeasured to market value at each balance sheet date. Gains and losses on remeasurement are recognised in the Profit and Loss Account for the period. Where market value cannot be reliably determined, such investments are stated at historic cost less impairment.

Investments in listed company shares are remeasured to market value at each Balance Sheet date. Gains and losses on remeasurement are recognised in profit or loss for the period.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2018

# 2. Accounting policies (continued)

#### 2.6 Debtors

Short term debtors are measured at transaction price, less any impairment. Loans receivable are measured initially at fair value, net of transaction costs, and are measured subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment.

# 2.7 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash is represented by cash in hand and deposits with financial institutions repayable without penalty on notice of not more than 24 hours. Cash equivalents are highly liquid investments that mature in no more than three months from the date of acquisition and that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash with insignificant risk of change in value.

#### 2.8 Financial instruments

The Company only enters into basic financial instrument transactions that result in the recognition of financial assets and liabilities like trade and other debtors and creditors, loans from banks and other third parties, loans to related parties and investments in non-puttable ordinary shares.

Debt instruments (other than those wholly repayable or receivable within one year), including loans and other accounts receivable and payable, are initially measured at present value of the future cash flows and subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Debt instruments that are payable or receivable within one year, typically trade debtors and creditors, are measured, initially and subsequently, at the undiscounted amount of the cash or other consideration expected to be paid or received. However, if the arrangements of a short-term instrument constitute a financing transaction, like the payment of a trade debt deferred beyond normal business terms or financed at a rate of interest that is not a market rate or in the case of an out-right short-term loan not at market rate, the financial asset or liability is measured, initially, at the present value of the future cash flow discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument and subsequently at amortised cost.

Investments in non-convertible preference shares and in non-puttable ordinary and preference shares are measured:

- at fair value with changes recognised in the Profit and Loss Account if the shares are publicly traded or their fair value can otherwise be measured reliably;
- at cost less impairment for all other investments.

Financial assets that are measured at cost and amortised cost are assessed at the end of each reporting period for objective evidence of impairment. If objective evidence of impairment is found, an impairment loss is recognised in the Profit and Loss Account.

For financial assets measured at amortised cost, the impairment loss is measured as the difference between an asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated cash flows discounted at the asset's original effective interest rate. If a financial asset has a variable interest rate, the discount rate for measuring any impairment loss is the current effective interest rate determined under the contract.

For financial assets measured at cost less impairment, the impairment loss is measured as the difference between an asset's carrying amount and best estimate of the recoverable amount, which is an approximation of the amount that the Company would receive for the asset if it were to be sold at the balance sheet date.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2018

## 2. Accounting policies (continued)

## 2.8 Financial instruments (continued)

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount reported in the Balance Sheet when there is an enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

#### 2.9 Creditors

Short term creditors are measured at the transaction price. Other financial liabilities, including bank loans, are measured initially at fair value, net of transaction costs, and are measured subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

# 2.10 Foreign currency translation

# Functional and presentation currency

The Company's functional and presentational currency is USD.

## Transactions and balances

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the spot exchange rates at the dates of the transactions.

At each period end foreign currency monetary items are translated using the closing rate. Non-monetary items measured at historical cost are translated using the exchange rate at the date of the transaction and non-monetary items measured at fair value are measured using the exchange rate when fair value was determined.

Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of transactions and from the translation at period-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in the Profit and Loss Account except when deferred in other comprehensive income as qualifying cash flow hedges.

Foreign exchange gains and losses that relate to borrowings and cash and cash equivalents are presented in the Profit and Loss Account within 'finance income or costs'. All other foreign exchange gains and losses are presented in the Profit and Loss Account within 'other operating income'.

#### 2.11 Interest income

Interest income is recognised in the Profit and Loss Account using the effective interest method.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2018

# 2. Accounting policies (continued)

## 2.12 Provisions for liabilities

Provisions are made where an event has taken place that gives the Company a legal or constructive obligation that probably requires settlement by a transfer of economic benefit, and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

Provisions are charged as an expense to the Profit and Loss Account in the year that the Company becomes aware of the obligation, and are measured at the best estimate at the Balance Sheet date of the expenditure required to settle the obligation, taking into account relevant risks and uncertainties.

When payments are eventually made, they are charged to the provision carried in the Balance Sheet.

# 3. Employees

The Company has no employees other than the directors, who did not receive any remuneration (2017 - \$NIL).

## 4. Intangible assets

	Licences \$
Cost	
At 1 April 2017	5,125,549
At 31 March 2018	5,125,549
Amortisation	
At 1 April 2017	97,662
Charge for the year	262,385
At 31 March 2018	360,047
Net book value	
At 31 March 2018	4,765,502
At 31 March 2017	5,027,887

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2018

# 5. Fixed asset investments

	Investments in subsidiary companies \$	Investments in associates \$	Total
Cost or valuation			÷,
At 1 April 2017	60,007,394	3,450,000	63,457,394
Disposals	(5,174)	• .	(5,174)
At 31 March 2018	60,002,220	3,450,000	63,452,220
Impairment			
Revaluations	11,319,902		11,319,902
At 31 March 2018	11,319,902		11,319,902
Net book value			
At 31 March 2018	48,682,318	3,450,000	52,132,318
At 31 March 2017	60,007,394	3,450,000	63,457,394

# Direct subsidiary undertakings

The following were subsidiary undertakings of the Company:

Name	Country of incorporation	Class of shares	Holding	Principal activity
Strides Pharma Inc.	USA	Ordinary	100 %	Trading in pharmaceutical products
Strides Pharma Global (UK) Ltd	UK	Ordinary	100 %	Investment holding
Shasun Pharma Solutions Inc.	USA	Ordinary	100 %	Trading in pharmaceutical products
Stabilis Pharma Inc.	USA	Ordinary	100 %	Trading in pharmaceutical products

Strides Pharma Global (UK) Ltd is owned 90% directly and a further 10% indirectly.

# Indirect Subsidiary undertakings

The following were subsidiary undertakings of the Company:

Name	Country of incorporation	Class of shares	Holding	Principal activity
Strides Pharma UK Limited	UK	Ordinary	100% %	Distribution of pharmaceutical products
Beltapharm S.p.A.	Italy	Ordinary	97.94 %	Manufacturing of pharmaceutical products

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2018

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	Associates					
	Name	Country of incorporation	on Class of shares	Holding Prince	cipal activity	
	Aponia Laboratories Inc	USA	Ordinary	24% Trad	ing in pharmace	utical products
6.	Debtors					
					2018 \$	2017 \$
	Amounts owed by group Other debtors	undertakings			6,737,474 12,762	7,261,148 7,069
					6,750,236	7,268,217
7.	Cash and cash equival	lents				
					2018 \$	2017 \$
	Cash at bank and in han	nd			111,056	82,643
					111,056	82,643
8.	Creditors: Amounts fal	lling due with	in one year			
					2018 \$	2017 \$
	Amounts owed to group				38,023,719	36,616,108
	Accruals and deferred in	ncome			53,953	12,136
					38,077,672	36,628,244

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2018

## 9. Share capital

2018

2017

Allotted, called up and fully paid

21,188,445 (2017 - 21,188,445) Ordinary Shares shares of £1 each

31,456,349

31,456,349

#### 10. Reserves

## Share premium account

The share premium has arisen on conversion of preference shares to ordinary equity.

# Foreign exchange reserve

The foreign exchange reserve arises on the translation of the opening net assets and reserves, with exchange differences arising on translation accumulated in equity. The presentational currency of the accounts was changed from Sterling to USD in a previous year.

#### Profit and loss account

The profit and loss account represents cumulative profits and losses net of dividends and other adjustments.

# 11. Related party transactions

As the company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Strides Shasun Limited, the company has taken advantage of the exemption in FRS102 para 33.1A and has therefore not disclosed transactions or balances with other wholly-owned subsidiaries which form part of the group headed by Strides Shasun Limited.

At the year end a balance was owed to the company by Beltapharm S.p.A., a subsidiary company, of \$205,859 (2017 - \$205,859).

## 12. Controlling party

The company is 100% owned by Strides Shasun Limited, an entity registered in India, which is also the ultimate parent undertaking.

The company is exempt from producing consolidated accounts as the parent, Strides Shasun Limited, produces consolidated accounts for the group.

# DETAILED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2018

2018	2017 \$
•	-
(2,206,555)	1,181,686
(2,206,555)	1,181,686
	215
(11,319,902)	52,754
(13,526,457)	1,234,655
	(2,206,555) (2,206,555) - (11,319,902)

# SCHEDULE TO THE DETAILED ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2018

	2018	2017
Administration expenses	\$	\$
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General office expenses	20,423	
Legal and professional	745,921	523,950
Auditors' remuneration	16,743	11,586
Bank charges	7,293	5,817
Bad debts	•	485,317
Difference on foreign exchange	1,153,791	(2,293,464)
Amortisation - intangible fixed assets	262,384	85,108
	2,206,555	(1,181,686)
	2018 \$	2017 \$
Interest receivable		
Other interest receivable	-	215
		215
	2018 \$	2017 \$
Investment income		
Dividends received - unlisted investments	-	36,257
Impairment charge in subsidiaries	(11,319,902)	_
Profit/(loss) on disposal of unlisted investments	•	16,497
	(11,319,902)	52,754