Grifols UK Limited (previously Alpha Therapeutic UK Limited)

Directors' report and financial statements

31 December 1998 Registered number 1456099



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Directors' report

The directors present their annual report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 1998.

Principal activities

The principal activity of the company continues to be the marketing of plasma derivatives.

Business review

The results for the year were very good, mainly because the company has been able to benefit from the opportunities arising as a result of new variant CJD issues. In particular, the sales volumes of Factor VIII and Factor IX concentrates have increased substantially.

On 2 November 1998, a recall notice was received from one of the company's suppliers, relating to certain products which had been manufactured between 11 December 1997 and 25 June 1998. Adjustment has been made for all affected product which was notified to the company.

Change of name

On 15 April 1998 the company changed its name from Alpha Therapeutic UK Limited to Grifols UK Limited.

Research and development

All research and development for the products sold by the company are performed by group manufacturing companies.

Year 2000

Year 2000 compliance issues have been actively considered by the company and plans are in place to implement the action which is necessary. The costs are being evaluated as part of a group wide systems upgrade.

Proposed dividend

The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend.

Directors and directors' interests

The directors who held office during the year were as follows:

	Ordinary shares of £1 each		
	1998	1997	
H E Matveld (Chairman) - resigned April 1998	-	-	
V Grifols Roura (Chairman) - appointed May 1998	-	-	
B Barber (Company Secretary)	-	-	
I Marshall	-	-	
G Rich - resigned April 1998	-	-	

Directors' report (continued)

Political and charitable contributions

The company made no political contributions or donations during the year.

Auditors

In accordance with Section 384 of the Companies Act 1985, a resolution for the re-appointment of KPMG as auditors of the company is to be proposed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting. KPMG were appointed auditors during the year.

By order of the board

B Barber | Secretary and Director

Howlett Way Thetford Norfolk IP24 1HZ

Date:

Statement of directors' responsibilities

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- 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 proper accounting records which 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 1985. They have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the company and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.



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Report of the auditors to the members of Grifols UK Limited (previously Alpha Therapeutic UK Limited)

We have audited the financial statements on pages 5 to 20.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 3 the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of financial statements. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those statements and to report our opinion to you.

Basis of opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the directors in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 December 1998 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

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KPMG Chartered Accountants Registered Auditors 3 February 1999

Profit and loss account

for the year ended 31 December 1998

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		£000	31 December 1997 £000
Turnover	2, 3	20,291	15,948
Cost of sales		(15,918)	(11,825)
Gross profit		4,373	4,123
Distribution costs	3	(1,115)	(1,248)
Administrative expenses	3	(1,614)	(2,080)
Operating profit	3, 4	1,644	795
Other interest receivable and similar income	6	300	78
Amounts written off investments		-	(18)
Interest payable and similar charges	7	(17)	(9)
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	2-5	1,927	846
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	8	(624)	(350)
Retained profit for the year/period		1,303	496
		=====	

Balance sheet

at 31 December 1998

	Note	1998 £000	£000	1997 £000	£000
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	9		362		492
Investments	10		-		10
			362		502
Current assets			502		302
Stocks	11	2,836		1,287	
Debtors	12	5,119		3,796	
Cash at bank and in hand		1,500		3,381	
		9,455		8,464	
Creditors: amounts falling due within		, .		-,	
one year	13	(2,379)		(2,831)	
Net current assets			7,076		5,633
Net assets			7,438		6,135
			======		
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	14		3		3
Share premium account	15		3,070		3,070
Profit and loss account	15		4,365		3,062
			7,438		6,135

These financial statements were approved by the board of directors on

and were signed on its behalf by:

B Barber Director

Director

Cash flow statement

for the year ended 31 December 1998

for the year ended 31 December 1998			
	Note	1998	13 months ended 31 December 1997
		£000	£000
Reconciliation of operating profit to net cash fl	ow		
from operating activities			
Operating profit		1,644	795
Depreciation charges		84	116
Amortisation of fixed assets		_	301
Adjustment on termination of lease contract		-	83
Provision for loss on investment		-	18
Loss/(profit) on sale of fixed assets		59	(49)
(Increase)/decrease in stocks		(1,549)	1,803
Decrease/(increase) in debtors		1,427	(1,408)
(Decrease) in creditors		(721)	(83)
Net cash inflow from operating activities		944	1,576
Cash flow statement			
Cash flow from operating activities		944	1,576
Returns on investments and servicing of finance	19	283	69
Taxation		(342)	(86)
Capital expenditure and financial investment	19	(2,753)	(1,130)
Cash (outflow)/inflow before management of liquid resources			
and financing		(1,868)	429
Financing	19	(13)	3,037
(Decrease)/increase in cash in the period		(1,881)	3,466
			
Reconciliation of net cash flow			
to movement in net debt	20		
(Decrease)/increase in cash in the period		(1,881)	3,466

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Statement of total recognised gains and losses for the year ended 31 December 1998 1998 1997 £000 £000 Profit for the financial year 1,303 496 Total recognised gains and losses relating to the financial year 1,303 496 Note of historical cost profits and losses for the year ended 31 December 1998 1998 1997 £000 £000 Reported profit on ordinary activities before taxation 1,927 846 Difference between a historical cost depreciation charge and the actual depreciation charge calculated on the revalued amount 5 Historical cost profit on ordinary activities before taxation 1,931 851 1,307 501 Historical cost profit for the year retained after taxation Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds for the year ended 31 December 1998 1998 1997 £000 £000 Profit for the financial year 1303 496 New share capital subscribed (net of issue costs) 3,072 Net addition to shareholders' funds 1.303 3,568 Opening shareholders' funds 6,135 2,567

Closing shareholders' funds

Notes

(forming part of the financial statements)

1 Accounting policies

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the company's financial statements.

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards, and under the historical cost accounting rules, modified to include the revaluation of land and buildings.

Fixed assets and depreciation

Depreciation is provided to write off the cost or valuation less the estimated residual value of tangible fixed assets by equal instalments over their estimated useful economic lives as follows:

Freehold buildings - 5% per annum on valuation

Leasehold buildings - life of lease

Warehouse plant and equipment - 20% per annum on cost

Warehouse office equipment - 33% per annum on cost

Fixtures and fittings - 20% per annum on cost

Motor vehicles - 25% per annum on cost

No depreciation is provided on freehold land.

Foreign currencies

Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded using the rate of exchange ruling at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated using the rate of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date and the gains or losses on translation are included in the profit and loss account.

Accounting policies (continued)

Leases

Assets acquired under finance leases are capitalised and the outstanding future lease obligations are shown in creditors. Operating lease rentals are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Post-retirement benefits

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company in an independently administered fund. The amount charged against profits represents the contributions payable to the scheme in respect of the accounting period.

Research and development expenditure

Expenditure on research and development is written off against profits in the year in which it is incurred.

Stacks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Taxation

The charge for taxation is based on the profit for the year and takes into account taxation deferred because of timing differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes. Provision is made for deferred tax only to the extent that it is probable that an actual liability will crystallise.

Advance corporation tax recoverable by deduction from future corporation tax is carried forward within deferred taxation or as ACT recoverable within debtors as appropriate.

Turnover

Turnover represents the amounts (excluding value added tax) derived from the provision of goods and services to customers.

Cash

Cash, for the purpose of the cash flow statement, comprises cash in hand and deposits repayable on demand, less overdrafts payable on demand.

2 Analysis of turnover

		1998 Turnover £000	1997 Tumover £000
	United Kingdom	18,795	14,429
	Europe	1,437	1,452
	North America	51	65
	Middle East	8	-
	Japan	-	2
		20,291	15,948
		===	
3	Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		
		1998	1997
		£000	£000
	Profit on ordinary activities before taxation is stated		
	after charging		
	Auditors' remuneration:		
	Audit	13	13
	Other services - fees paid to the auditor	5	9
	Depreciation and other amounts written off tangible fixed assets:		2.0
	Owned Leased	84	210
	Hire of leasehold building- rentals payable under operating lease	-	41 38
	Hire of other assets - operating leases	98	38 19
	Book (profit) on termination of lease contract	70	(49)
	(Profit) on sale of fixed assets	(5)	(+2)
	Provision for loss in value of investment	(3)	18
	Net foreign exchange differences charged	12	76
	Exceptional amortisation of tangible fixed assets	64	165
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4 Remuneration of directors

1998	1997
£000	£000
Directors' emoluments 202	481

The aggregate of emoluments and amounts receivable under long term incentive schemes of the highest paid director was £202,121 (1997: £229,206).

5 Staff numbers and costs

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The average number of persons employed by the company (including director) during the year, analysed by category, was as follows:

		of employees
	1998	1997
Distribution		
Administration and research	17	16
	14	15
	31	31
		
The aggregate payroll costs of these persons were as follows:		
	1998	1997
	000£	£000
Wages and salaries	1,013	1,332
Social security costs	102	139
Other pension costs	139	169
	1,254	1,640
	 -	
Other interest receivable and similar income		
	1998	1997
	£000	£000
Receivable from group undertakings	300	78

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7 Interest payable and similar charges

	1000	
	1998	19 9 7
	£000	£000
On bank loans and overdrafts	•	(4)
Net exchange losses	(12)	`_'
Finance charges payable in respect of finance leases and hire purchase contracts	(5)	(5)
	(17)	(9)
	====	
Of the above amount £Nil (1997: £Nil) was payable to group undertakings.		
Taxation		
	1998	1997
	£000	£000
UK corporation tax at 31% (1997: 31.6%)	624	350

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Notes (continued)

9 Tangible fixed assets

	Leasehold Property	Freehold land and buildings	Fixtures, fittings, plant and equipment	Motor vehicles	Software	Total
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Cost or valuation						
At beginning of year	51	314	654	25	209	1,253
Additions	-	-	35	17	1(28)	24
Disposals	(51)	-	(12)	(25)	(132)	(220)
At end of year		314	677	17	49	1,057
Depreciation						
At beginning of year	51	35	560	23	92	761
Charge for year	-	10	54	4	16	84
On disposals	(51)		(8)	(23)	(68)	(150)
At end of year		45	606	4	40	695
Net book value At 31 December 1998		269	71	13	9	362
At 31 December 1997	-	279	94	2	117	492
Freehold land and buildi	ngs were revalu	ed on an open	market basis on	31 March 199	94.	
	_	•				
Particulars relating to rev	valued assets are	given below:			1998	1997
					£000	£000
Land and buildings						
At 1994 open market value	e and subsequent	additions			314	314
Aggregate depreciation the	ereon				45	35
Net book value					269	279
TP 4					246	242
Historical cost of revalued		oat			342	342 (201)
Aggregate depreciation ba	seu on historical c	:021			(207)	(201)

Historical cost net book value

¹ This represents reimbursement of expenditure in previous year.

Tangible fixed assets (continued)

Other tangible fixed assets, including additions subsequent to the revaluation of land and buildings, are included at cost.

10 Investments

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		Alpha Therapeutic Benelux £000
Shares		2000
Cost		
At beginning of year		27
Disposals		(27)
At end of year		-
Provisions		
At beginning of year		17
Disposals		(17)
At end of year		
Alice II I		
Net book value At 31 December 1998		-
At 31 December 1997		10
		
Stocks		
	1998	1997
	000£	£000
Finished goods and goods for resale	2,836	1,287
		

12 Debtors

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	1998	1997
	£000	£000
Trade debtors	1,301	2.663
Amounts owed by group undertakings	3,710	960
Other debtors	6	13
Prepayments and accrued income	102	160
		
	5,119	3,796
		=====

Debtors include loans to group companies £3,710,683 (1997: £960,241) which are likely to be due after more than one year.

13 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	1998	19
	£000	£0
Trade creditors	565	
Obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts (see note 17)	_	
Corporation tax	618	:
Amounts owed to group undertakings	842	2,
Social security and other taxes	39	
Other creditors	-	
Accruals and deferred income	315	
	2,379	2,
Called up share capital		
Called up share capital	1009	
Called up share capital	1998	
	1998 £000	1 £
Authorised	£000	
Called up share capital Authorised Equity: Ordinary shares of £1 each		
Authorised	£000	
Authorised	£000	

15 Share premium and reserves

	Share premium	Profit and loss
	account	account
	000£	£000
At beginning of year	3,070	3,062
Retained profit for the year	-	1,303
		
At end of year	3,070	4,365
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16 Contingent liabilities

No contingent liabilities existed at 31 December 1998 (1997: Nil).

17 Commitments

(a) Capital commitments at the end of the financial year for which no provision has been made, are as follows:

	1998 £000	199 7 £00 0
Contracted	-	•

(b) Annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases are as follows:

	1998		1997	
	Land and buildings	Other	Land and buildings	Other
	£000	£000	£000	£000
Operating leases which expire:				
Within one year	-	76	-	12
In the second to fifth years inclusive	-	26	-	31
Over five years	~	-	-	3
	-	102	-	46

(c) Annual commitments under non-cancellable finance leases are as follows:

		
Finance leases which expire within one year	-	13
	£000	£000
	1998	1997

18 Pension scheme

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The pension cost charge for the period represents contributions payable by the company to the fund and amounted to £138,511 (1997: £168,922).

There were no outstanding or prepaid contributions at either the beginning or end of the financial year.

19 Analysis of eash flows

	1998 £000	1998 £000	1997 £000	1997 £000
Returns on investment and servicing of finance				
Interest received	300		78	
Interest paid	(17)		(9)	
		283	 _	69
				=====
Capital expenditure and financial investment				
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	(24)		(170)	
Sale of plant and machinery	21		-	
Loans to group undertakings	(2,750)		(960)	
				
		(2,753)		(1,130)
				
Financing				
Issue of ordinary share capital	-		3,072	
Capital element of finance lease	(13)		(35)	
		(13)		3,037
				=
Analysis of net debt				
•				
	At	beginning of	Cash flow	At end of year
		year £000	£000	£000

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	At beginning of	Cash flow	At end of year
	year £000	£000	000£
Cash in hand, at bank	3,381	(1,881)	1,500
		=====	

21 Related party disclosures

The company is controlled by Grupo Grifols SA. The ultimate controlling party is Yoshitomi Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd, incorporated in Japan.

Under Financial Reporting Standard 8, the company is exempt from the requirement to disclose related party transactions with the Yoshitomi Pharmaceutical Industries group and its associated undertakings on the grounds that more than 90% of the voting rights are controlled within the group.

22 Ultimate parent company and parent undertaking of larger group of which the company is a member

The company is a subsidiary undertaking of Grupo Grifols SA incorporated in Spain.

The largest group in which the results of the company are consolidated is that headed by Yoshitomi Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd, incorporated in Japan. The smallest group in which they are consolidated is that headed by Grupo Grifols SA. The consolidated accounts of these groups are available to the public and may be obtained from:

Grupo Grifols SA Poligono Levante, Can Guasch 2 08150 Parets del Valles Barcelona Spain

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