

THE ROYAL SOCIETY OF MEDICINE PRESS LIMITED

REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

30 SEPTEMBER 2008

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GENERAL INFORMATION

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2008

DIRECTORS

Mr I A J Balmer – appointed 22 April 2008
Dr PJ Brown B. Pharm PhD FRPharmS
Dr K Citron MD FRCP – appointed 30 October 2007
Dr A Goldberg
Dame Deirdre Hine DBE FFPHM FRCP - resigned 28 October 2008
Dr F Moss
Mr P E H Richardson MA
Prof A C Roberts OBE TD JP DL MPhil PhD DSc LLD - resigned 30 October 2007
Mr M Sandall FCA
Dr J Scadding MD FRCP
Mr J Skuse BDS FDS – appointed 30 October 2007
Mr R Stileman

BANKERS

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SOLICITORS

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AUDITORS

Horwath Clark Whitehill LLP
St Bride's House
10 Salisbury Square
London EC4Y 8EH

COMPANY NUMBER: 1572720

REGISTERED IN ENGLAND AND WALES

THE ROYAL SOCIETY OF MEDICINE PRESS LIMITED

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2008

The directors are pleased to submit their report together with the audited accounts for the year ended 30 September 2008. This report is prepared in accordance with the special provisions of part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The principal activities of the company are the publication of medically related books, journals and multimedia materials.

FINANCIAL RESULTS

The company's results show a trading profit of £73,483 (2007: £106,878). A Gift Aid payment of £129,648 (2007: £182,714) was made in the year.

DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

The directors are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the Accounts in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

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

- selected suitable accounting policies and then applied them consistently;
- made judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- stated whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the accounts; and
- prepared the accounts on the going concern basis.

The directors are responsible for maintaining 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 accounts comply with the Companies Act 1985. 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. The directors are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of accounts may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Insofar as each of the directors of the company at the date of approval of this report is aware there is no relevant audit information (information needed by the company's auditor in connection with preparing the audit report) of which the company's auditor is unaware. Each director has taken all of the steps that he or she should have taken as a director in order to make himself or herself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information.

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REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2008 - continued

REVIEW OF THE BUSINESS

The trading profit for the year was £73,483 as compared to a profit of £106,878 for the previous year with turnover increasing from £1,979,692 to £2,008,586.

The directors are optimistic that trading prospects for the coming year will be broadly in line with past experience.

EMPLOYEES

The management and operation of the company is undertaken by staff from Royal Society of Medicine Support Services Limited which recharges the costs of these employees to the company.

DIRECTORS

None of the directors had an interest in the share capital of the company at any time during the year. The directors who served during the year are listed on page 1.

AUDITORS

Horwath Clark Whitehill LLP have expressed their willingness to continue in office as auditors.

Approved by the Board on 14 January 2009 and signed on its behalf by:



M Sandall FCA

SECRETARY

14 January 2009

THE ROYAL SOCIETY OF MEDICINE PRESS LIMITED

REPORT OF THE AUDITORS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2008

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

to the Shareholder of The Royal Society of Medicine Press Limited

We have audited the accounts of The Royal Society of Medicine Press Limited for the year ended 30 September 2008 which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet and the related notes. These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out therein and the requirements of the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2007).

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Section 235 of the Companies Act 1985. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members 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 members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinion we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities, the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Our responsibility is to audit the accounts in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland).

We report to you our opinion as to whether the accounts give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985. We also report to you whether in our opinion the information given in the Report of the Directors is consistent with the financial statements.

In addition we report to you if, in our opinion, the company has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information specified by law regarding directors' remuneration and other transactions is not disclosed.

We read the Report of the Directors and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements in it.

Basis of audit opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the accounts. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgments made by the directors in the preparation of the accounts, 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 accounts 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 accounts.

Opinion

In our opinion:

- the financial statements give a true and fair view, in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, of the state of the company's affairs as at 30 September 2008 and of its result for the year then ended;
- the accounts have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985; and
- the information provided in Report of the Directors is consistent with the accounts.



Horwath Clark Whitehill LLP

Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors
14 January 2009

10 Salisbury Square

London
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PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT
for the year ended 30 September 2008

	NOTE	2008	2007
		£	£
Turnover	2	2,008,586	1,979,692
Production Costs		<u>(802,320)</u>	<u>(786,185)</u>
Gross Profit		1,206,266	1,193,507
Administration Costs		<u>(1,151,366)</u>	<u>(1,102,294)</u>
Trading Profit		54,900	91,213
Other non-trading income		18,583	15,665
Profit before Gift Aid and Taxation		<u>73,483</u>	<u>106,878</u>
Payment under Gift Aid		<u>(129,648)</u>	<u>(182,714)</u>
Net Loss after Gift Aid	3	<u>(56,165)</u>	<u>(75,836)</u>

The Profit and Loss Account contains all gains and losses recognised in the current and preceding year.

The above results derive from continuing operations

The notes on pages 7 to 10 form part of these accounts.

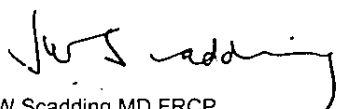
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**Balance Sheet
as at 30 September 2008**

		2008		2007	
		£	£	£	£
	NOTES				
FIXED ASSETS	7		39,400		-
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stock	8	312,756		249,048	
Debtors	9	<u>511,610</u>		<u>525,852</u>	
		824,366		774,900	
CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	10	<u>(799,141)</u>		<u>(654,110)</u>	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			<u>25,225</u>		<u>120,790</u>
NET ASSETS			<u>64,625</u>		<u>120,790</u>
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Called Up Share Capital	12		200,000		200,000
Profit and Loss Account	11		<u>(135,375)</u>		<u>(79,210)</u>
TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS			<u>64,625</u>		<u>120,790</u>

These accounts are prepared in accordance with special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2007).

Approved by the Board and authorised for issue on 14 January 2009 and signed on its behalf by:



Dr JW Scadding MD FRCP
DIRECTOR



P E H Richardson MA

DIRECTOR

The notes on pages 7 to 10 form part of these accounts.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS for the year ended 30 September 2008

1. Accounting Policies

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2007) and the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

- a) **Basis of Accounting**
The accounts are prepared under the historical cost convention.
- b) **Income from journal subscriptions**
Journal subscriptions relate to a calendar year; income for the final quarter to December is deferred and reported under creditors in the balance sheet.
- c) **Tangible Fixed Assets and depreciation**
The tangible fixed assets represent computer systems and software, These will be written off over four years on a straight-line basis.
- d) **Stock and Work in Progress**
Stock and Work in Progress are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value.
- e) **Pension Costs**
The company operates via the Royal Society of Medicine a defined contribution pension scheme. The pension costs shown in Note 5 represent contributions payable to the scheme in relation to employees recharged to The Royal Society of Medicine Press Limited.
- f) **Translation of Foreign Currencies**
Income and expenditure items in foreign currency are converted to sterling at the date of the transactions. Assets and liabilities are converted at the rate ruling at the year end.
- g) **Cash flow statement**
Under an exemption in FRS 1 a cash flow statement has not been produced as a consolidated cash flow statement is prepared by the parent undertaking.
- h) **Gift Aid payment**
Taxable profits are paid over to The Royal Society of Medicine as Gift Aid. Gift Aid is accounted for as it is paid over.

2. Turnover

In the opinion of the directors the company's turnover is all related to publications and journal subscriptions. An analysis of this turnover by geographical area is given below:

	2008 £	2007 £
United Kingdom	1,179,863	1,150,969
United States and Canada	337,911	337,911
Europe and other overseas markets	490,812	490,812
	<u>2,008,586</u>	<u>1,979,692</u>

3. Net profit is stated after charging

	2008 £	2007 £
Auditors' remuneration	6,675	6,375
Depreciation	<u>2,956</u>	<u>-</u>

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS continued for the year ended 30 September 2008

4. Directors' Remuneration

None of the directors receive remuneration from the company for services as directors. Certain directors are employees of the Royal Society of Medicine Support Services Ltd and receive remuneration as employees of that company. Their remuneration is included in staff costs below.

5. Staff Costs

All employees are employed by the Royal Society of Medicine Support Services Ltd and their costs are recharged to the company. The following analysis includes the recharged amounts.

	2008 £	2007 £
Wages and salaries	484,618	487,211
Social security costs	51,675	51,175
Pension contributions / Life cover	43,033	38,002
Other	37,693	26,798
	<u>617,019</u>	<u>603,186</u>

The average number of persons employed on the company's business each week during the year ended 30 September 2008 was 17 (2007: 17).

6. Taxation

(a) Analysis of the tax charge and factors affecting the tax charge for the period

There is no tax charge for the year (2007: nil) because the company has paid over all accumulated profit to the Royal Society of Medicine under Gift Aid.

There are no material factors affecting the tax charge.

(b) Factors that may affect future tax charges

The company will continue to pay over all its taxable profits as Gift Aid to the Royal Society of Medicine. As a result it does not expect to have any taxation liabilities in the future.

No provision has been made for deferred taxation as there are no material deferred tax liabilities or assets.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS continued
for the year ended 30 September 2008

7. Tangible Fixed Asset	2008 £	2007 £
Cost at 1 October 2007	-	-
Additions	42,356	-
At 30 September 2008	<u>42,356</u>	<u>-</u>
Depreciation		
At 1 October 2007	-	-
Charge for the year	2,956	-
At 30 September 2008	<u>2,956</u>	<u>-</u>
Net Book Value as at 30 September 2008	<u>39,400</u>	<u>-</u>
8. Stock and Work in Progress	2008 £	2007 £
Raw materials	3,387	3,387
Work in progress	34,464	15,946
Goods for resale	274,905	229,715
	<u>312,756</u>	<u>249,048</u>
9. Debtors	2008 £	2007 £
Trade debtors	450,683	340,161
Prepayments & accrued income Royal Society of Medicine	60,927	185,691
	<u>511,610</u>	<u>525,852</u>
10. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2008 £	2007 £
Bank overdraft	17,108	4,506
Trade creditors	323,131	279,761
Deferred income	203,646	217,293
Other creditors	115,120	125,516
Royal Society of Medicine	132,267	20,214
Accrued expenses	7,869	6,820
	<u>799,141</u>	<u>654,110</u>
Reconciliation of deferred income relating to current calendar year journal subscriptions:		
Brought forward balance	217,293	177,584
Add : Received in year	695,653	660,676
	912,946	838,260
Less : Reported as current year income	(741,083)	(680,240)
Carried forward balance	171,863	158,020
Add : Journal income received re next calendar year	31,783	59,273
Total Journal deferred income	<u>203,646</u>	<u>217,293</u>

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - continued
for the year ended 30 September 2008

11. Profit and Loss Account	2008 £	2007 £
At 1 October	<u>(79,210)</u>	<u>(3,374)</u>
Profit for the year	73,483	106,878
Payment of Gift Aid	(129,648)	(182,714)
Net Profit/(Loss) after Gift Aid	<u>(56,165)</u>	<u>(75,836)</u>
At 30th September	<u><u>(135,375)</u></u>	<u><u>(79,210)</u></u>

Subsequent to the year end the company is entitled to a refund of overpaid Gift Aid of £115k.

12. Share Capital		
Authorised ordinary shares of £1 each	<u>200,000</u>	<u>200,000</u>
Issued, allotted and fully paid	<u>200,000</u>	<u>200,000</u>

13. Ultimate Parent Undertaking

The ultimate parent undertaking is The Royal Society of Medicine, a charity established under a Royal Charter. A copy of the group financial statements can be obtained from the Director of Finance, The Royal Society of Medicine, 1 Wimpole Street, London, W1G 0AE.

The company has taken advantage of the exemption available to 90% subsidiary undertakings by Financial Reporting Standard No.8 regarding disclosure of related party transactions within the same group.