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COMPANIES FORM No. 88(2)(Rev 1988)

Return of allotments of shares

88(2)

Pursuant to section 88(2) of the Companies Act 1985 (the Act)

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in black type, or
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To the Registrar of Companies (address overleaf)
(see note 1)

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This form replaces forms
PUC2, PUC3 and 88(2)

Company number

2723534

1. Name of company

*Insert full name
of company

* AstraZeneca PLC

2. This section must be completed for all allotments

+ Distinguish
between
ordinary,
preference, etc.

Description of shares +	Ordinary		
A Number allotted	27,202,608		
B Nominal value of each	£ \$0.25	£	£
C Total amount (if any) paid or due and payable on each share (including premium if any)	£ \$0.25	£	£

Date(s) on which the shares were allotted

(a) On 30 April 1999] s, or

(b) From 1999 to 1999 s

The names and addresses of the allottees and the number of shares allotted to each should be
given overleaf

§ Complete
(a) or (b) as
appropriate

3. If the allotment is wholly or partly other than for cash the following information must be given (see notes 2 & 3)

D Extent to which each share is to be treated as paid up. Please use percentage.	100 %		
E Consideration for which the shares were allotted See note 1 attached.			

Notes

1. This form should be delivered to the Registrar of Companies within one month of the (first) date of allotment.
2. If the allotment is wholly or partly other than for cash, the company must deliver to the Registrar a return containing the information at D & E. The company may deliver this information by completing D & E and the delivery of information must be accompanied by the duly stamped contract required by section 88(2)(b) of the Act or by the duly stamped prescribed particulars required by section 88(3) (Form No 88(3)).
3. Details of bonus issues should be included only in section 2.

Presentor's name, address,
telephone number and reference
(if any):

Freshfields
65 Fleet Street
London EC4Y 1HS
DX 23 London
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4. Names and addresses of the allottees

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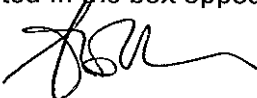
Names and Addresses	Number of shares allotted		
	Ordinary	Preference	Other
Scandinaviska Enskilda Banken AB (publ) Publika Emissioner, R. A7 106 40 Stockholm Sweden	24,353,031		
EquiServe Limited Partnership Corporate Reorganisation PO Box 8216 Boston, MA 02266-8216	2,849,577		
Total	27,202,608		

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Where the space given on this form is inadequate, continuation sheets should be used and the number of sheets attached should be indicated in the box opposite:

± Insert Director,
Secretary,
Administrator,
Administrative
Receiver, or
Receiver
(Scotland) as
appropriate

Signed



Designation±

SECRETARY

Date 11/5/99

Companies registered in England and Wales
or Wales should deliver this form to:-

Companies registered in Scotland
should deliver this form to:-

The Registrar of Companies
Companies House
Crown Way
Maindy
Cardiff
CF4 3UZ

The Registrar of Companies
Companies Registration Office
102 George Street
Edinburgh
EH2 3DJ

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**Notes to Forms 88(2) and 88(3) return of allotments for
AstraZeneca PLC**

**Notes in relation to form 88(3) for shares allotted to holders of
AstraZeneca shares issued to Astra AB shareholders**

- (1) Each share in AstraZeneca PLC was allotted fully paid up in consideration of the transfer of shares in Astra AB, on the basis of 0.5045 AstraZeneca PLC shares for each Astra A or Astra B share.

As merger relief under section 131 of the Companies Act 1985 applied to the Merger, no premium on the shares allotted was transferred to the share premium account.

The value of each share allotted has been calculated by reference to the closing mid-market price of AstraZeneca's ordinary shares listed on the London Stock Exchange on 29 April 1999 (the last day of trading on the London Stock Exchange prior to the date of allotment).

The merger was effected under Swedish law, pursuant to which all outstanding Astra A and Astra B shares were transferred to AstraZeneca PLC. 27,202,608 AstraZeneca PLC shares were issued fully paid as consideration for such transfer.

- (2) The closing mid-market quotation of AstraZeneca PLC's ordinary shares according to the Daily Official List of the London Stock Exchange on 29 April 1999 was £24.10.