**Annual Report and Financial Statements** 

**31 December 2020** 

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# ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

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# ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2020

## OFFICERS AND PROFESSIONAL ADVISERS

## **DIRECTORS**

A W Dyer

(resigned 5 January 2021)

G D Mullis

J M McCarthy

(appointed 5 January 2021)

## **SECRETARY**

NRC Plummer (appointed 1 April 2021)

## **REGISTERED OFFICE**

Unit 1 Watchmoor Point Watchmoor Road Camberley GU15 3AD United Kingdom

# **BANKERS**

Barclays Bank PLC Town Gate House Church Street East Woking Surrey GU21 6AE

## **AUDITOR**

Constantin Statutory Auditor 25 Hosier Lane London EC1A 9LQ United Kingdom

## **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

The directors present their annual report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020.

The directors have taken the small companies exemption contained in s414B of the Companies Act 2006 from the requirement to prepare a strategic report.

The directors' report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies entitled to the small companies exemption. All applicable UK accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.

#### PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

The principal activity of the company is the development and production of immunodiagnostics for infectious diseases.

## **RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS**

As shown in the company's statement of comprehensive income on page 8, the company's revenue amounted to £1,029k (2019 - £3,098k), whilst the company incurred a loss before tax of £3,226k (2019 - £646k) for the year.

As shown in the company's statement of financial position on page 9, net liabilities amounted to £4,039k (2019 - £813k) of which £4,576k (2019 - £2,505k) related to group undertakings as set out in notes 13 and 14.

The directors do not recommend payment of a dividend (2019 - £nil).

## **FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS**

The company will continue to manufacture diagnostic reagents.

## RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

The company continued to develop a number of immunodiagnostics for infectious diseases during the year.

## FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES

The Company's activities expose it to a number of financial risks including cash flow risk, credit risk and liquidity risk. The use of financial derivatives is governed by the Company's policies approved by the board of directors, which provide written principles on the use of financial derivatives to manage these risks. The Company does not use derivative financial instruments for speculative purposes.

## Cash flow risk

The Company's activities expose it primarily to the financial risks of changes in foreign currency exchange rates and interest rates. The Company does not hedge against this exposure.

#### Credit risk

The Company's principal financial assets are bank balances and cash and trade and other receivables.

The Company's credit risk is primarily attributable to its trade and intercompany receivables. The amounts presented in the statement of financial position are net of allowances for doubtful receivables. An allowance for impairment is made where there is an identified loss event which, based on previous experience, is evidence of a reduction in the recoverability of the cash flows.

The credit risk on liquid funds is limited because the counterparties are banks with high credit-ratings assigned by international credit-rating agencies.

The Company has no significant concentration of credit risk, with exposure spread over a large number of counterparties and customers.

### Liquidity risk

In order to maintain liquidity to ensure that sufficient funds are available for ongoing operations and future developments, the Company uses intercompany finance.

## **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

## **GOING CONCERN**

The company is financed by Novacyt SA, its parent company (together with its subsidiaries "the Group").

The directors have, at the time of approving the financial statements, a reasonable expectation that the Group has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus, they adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

The going concern model covers the period up to and including July 2022. In making this assessment the Directors have considered the following elements:

- the working capital requirements of the business; and
- Letter of Comfort from Novacyt S.A. to the company.

In the event the current dispute, as documented in the Group accounts in note 50, is fully settled in favour of the counterparty, the forecast prepared by the company shows that it is able to cover its cash needs during the financial year 2021 and until July 2022 without the raising of any banking or other financing facility.

#### SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The building lease was terminated early in January 2021, utilising in full the dilapidations provision.

#### **DIRECTORS**

The directors who served during the year and to the date of this report were as follows:

G D Mullis

A W Dyer

(resigned 5 January 2021)

J M McCarthy

(appointed 5 januray 2021)

## DIRECTORS' OUALIFYING THIRD PARTY INDEMNITY PROVISIONS

The company has granted an indemnity to one or more of its directors against liability in respect of proceedings brought by third parties, subject to the conditions set out in the Companies Act 2006. Such qualifying third party indemnity provision remains in force as at the date of approving the directors' report.

## **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

#### DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES STATEMENT

The directors are responsible for preparing the Annual 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 United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law), including FRS 101 "Reduced Disclosure Framework". 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 and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- 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 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.

## **AUDITOR**

Each of the persons who is a director at the date of approval of this annual report confirms that:

- so far as the director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditor is unaware; and
- the director has taken all the steps that he ought to have taken as a director to make himself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditor is aware of that information.

This confirmation is given and should be interpreted in accordance with the provisions of s418 of the Companies Act 2006.

Constantin were appointed as auditor in the period and have expressed their willingness to continue in office as auditor. A resolution to reappoint them as auditor will be proposed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

Approved by the Board of Directors and signed on its behalf

J M McCarthy Director

Date: 6th July 2021

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF LAB 21 HEALTHCARE LIMITED

#### Report on the audit of the financial statements

#### **Opinion**

In our opinion the financial statements of Lab 21 Healthcare Limited (the 'company'):

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 December 2020 and of its loss for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice including Financial Reporting Standard 101 "Reduced Disclosure Framework"; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

We have audited the financial statements which comprise:

- the Statement of Comprehensive Income;
- the Statement of Financial Position;
- the Statement of Changes in Equity; and
- the Related Notes 1 to 20.

The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 101 "Reduced Disclosure Framework" (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

#### 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 auditor's 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 UK, including the Financial Reporting Council's (the 'FRC'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

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the directors with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

#### Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The directors are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. 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.

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 course of 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 this gives rise to material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. 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.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF LAB 21 HEALTHCARE LIMITED (continued)

## Responsibilities of directors

As explained more fully in the directors' responsibilities statement, 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.

#### Auditor's 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 auditor's 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 for the financial statements is located on the FRC's website at: <a href="www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities">www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities</a>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

#### Extent to which the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below.

We considered the nature of the company's industry and its control environment, and reviewed the company's documentation of their policies and procedures relating to fraud and compliance with laws and regulations. We also enquired of management about their own identification and assessment of the risks of irregularities.

We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks that the company operates in, and identified the key laws and regulations that:

- had a direct effect on the determination of material amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. These included UK Companies Act, tax legislation; and
- do not have a direct effect on the financial statements but compliance with which may be fundamental to the company's ability to operate or to avoid a material penalty. These included Medicines and Health products Regulatory Agency regulations and Health and Safety regulations.

We discussed among the audit engagement team including tax specialist regarding the opportunities and incentives that may exist within the organisation for fraud and how and where fraud might occur in the financial statements.

In common with all audits under ISAs (UK), we are also required to perform specific procedures to respond to the risk of management override. In addressing the risk of fraud through management override of controls, we tested the appropriateness of journal entries and other adjustments; assessed whether the judgements made in making accounting estimates are indicative of a potential bias; and evaluated the business rationale of any significant transactions that are unusual or outside the normal course of business.

In addition to the above, our procedures to respond to the risks identified included the following:

- reviewing financial statement disclosures by testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with provisions of relevant laws and regulations described as having a direct effect on the financial statements;
- performing analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships that may indicate risks of material misstatement due to fraud;
- enquiring of management and external legal counsel concerning actual and potential litigation and claims, and instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations; and
- reading minutes of meetings of those charged with governance.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF LAB 21 HEALTHCARE LIMITED (continued)

## Report on other legal and regulatory requirements

#### Opinions 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.

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 any material misstatements in the directors' report.

## Matters on which we are required to report by exception

Under the Companies Act 2006 we are required to report in respect of the following matters 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 take advantage of the small companies exemption in preparing the Directors' Report or from the requirement to prepare a Strategic Report.

We have nothing to report in respect of these matters.

#### Use of our report

This report is made solely to the company's members, 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 members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's 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 opinions we have formed.

Peter Smith (Senior Statutory Auditor) For and on behalf of Constantin

Statutory Auditor

25 Hosier Lane, London EC1A 9LQ, United Kingdom

Date: 6 JULY 2021

# STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME Year ended 31 December 2020

	Note	2020 £'000	2019 £'000
Continuing Operations			
REVENUE	3	1,029	3,098
Cost of sales		(1,638)	(2,042)
GROSS PROFIT		(609)	1,056
Administration expense Exceptional costs Other expense/income	5	(2,385) (113) (3)	(1,528) (118) 3
OPERATING LOSS		(3,110)	(587)
Finance cost Finance income	8 8	(131)	(69) 10
LOSS BEFORE TAX	4	(3,226)	(646)
Tax on loss	9	-	-
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE EXPENSE FOR THE YEAR ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE COMPANY		(3,226)	(646)

There were no items of other comprehensive income in either the current year or preceding year.

# **STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION** As at 31 December 2020

	Note	2020 £'000	2019 £'000
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Intangible assets	10	-	1,239
Property, plant and equipment	11	167	219 12
Other receivables	13		12
	,	<u>167</u>	1,470
CURRENT ASSETS			
Inventory	12	647	862
Trade and other receivables	13	1,122 347	957 150
Cash at bank and in hand			150
		2,116	1,969
TOTAL ASSETS		2,283	3,439
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and other payables	14	(6,083)	(3,979)
Obligations under leases	15	(36)	(34)
		(6,119)	(4,013)
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NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES .			
Obligations under leases	15	(137)	(173)
Provisions	17	(66)	(66)
TOTAL LIABILITIES		(6,322)	(4,252)
NET (LIABILITIES)		(4,039)	(813)
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EQUITY			
Called up share capital	18	-	-
Capital contribution		4,079	4,079
Retained earnings		(8,118)	(4,892)
EQUITY ATTRIBUTABLE TO OWNERS	•		
OF THE COMPANY		(4,039)	(813)

The financial statements of Lab 21 Healthcare Limited, registered number 02957012, were approved by the Board of Directors and authorised for issue on 6th July 2021.

Signed on behalf of the Board of Directors

J M McCarthy

Director

# **STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY** As at 31 December 2020

	Called up share capital co £'000	Capital ontribution £'000	Retained earnings £'000	Total £'000
Balance at 1 January 2019	<u>-</u>	4,079	(4,246)	(167)
Loss for the year	<u> </u>	-	(646)	(646)
Total comprehensive expense for the year	-	<u>-</u>	(646)	(646)
Balance at 31 December 2019	-	4,079	(4,892)	(813)
Loss for the year	<u> </u>		(3,226)	(3,226)
Total comprehensive expense for the year	-	-	(3,226)	(3,226)
Balance at 31 December 2020	-	4,079	(8,118)	(4,039)

Called up share capital is £6, see note 18.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year ended 31 December 2020

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The principal accounting policies are summarised below. They have all been applied consistently throughout the year and the preceding year.

## General information and basis of accounting

Lab 21 Healthcare Limited is a private company limited by shares, incorporated in the United Kingdom under the Companies Act 2006 and is registered in England and Wales. The address of the registered office is given on page 1.

The principal activity of the company and the nature of its operations are set out in the Directors' Report on page 2.

The company meets the definition of a qualifying entity under FRS 100 (Financial Reporting Standard 100) issued by the Financial Reporting Council. These financial statements were prepared in accordance with FRS 101 (Financial Reporting Standard 101) 'Reduced Disclosure Framework' as issued by the Financial Reporting Council.

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis. Historical cost is generally based on the fair value of the consideration given in exchange for the goods and services. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

As permitted by FRS 101, the company has taken advantage of the disclosure exemptions available under that standard in relation to business combinations, share-based payment, non-current assets held for sale, capital management, presentation of comparative information in respect of certain assets, presentation of a cash-flow statement, standards not yet effective, impairment of assets and related party transactions. Where required, equivalent disclosures are given in the group accounts of Novacyt SA. The group accounts of Novacyt SA can be obtained from the address given in note 20.

## Going concern

The company is financed by Novacyt SA, its parent company (together with its subsidiaries "the Group").

The directors have, at the time of approving the financial statements, a reasonable expectation that the Group has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus, they adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

The going concern model covers the period up to and including July 2022. In making this assessment the Directors have considered the following elements:

- the working capital requirements of the business; and
- Letter of Comfort from Novacyt S.A. to the company.

In the event the current dispute, as documented in the Group Accounts in note 50, is fully settled in favour of the counterparty, the forecast prepared by the company shows that it is able to cover its cash needs during the financial year 2021 and until June 2022 without the raising of any banking or other financing facility.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year ended 31 December 2020

## 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### Foreign currency

The financial statements are presented in pounds sterling, which is the currency of the primary economic environment in which the Company operates (its functional currency).

Transactions in currencies other than the functional currency are recorded at the rate of exchange at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the statement of financial position date are reported at the rates of exchange prevailing at that date. Non-monetary items that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are not retranslated.

Exchange differences are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they arise.

#### Revenue

The Company recognises revenue from the provision of immunodiagnostics for infectious diseases...

Revenue is measured based on the consideration to which the Company expects to be entitled in a contract with a customer and excludes amounts collected on behalf of third parties. The Company recognises revenue when it transfers control of a product or service to a customer.

#### **Product sales**

The company recognises the revenue attributable to product sales upon shipment of the product, when there are no specific vendor obligations remaining.

The amount, if any, by which the amount invoiced exceeds recorded revenue is shown within liabilities as deferred income. The amount, if any, by which recorded revenue is in excess of amounts invoiced is shown within receivables as accrued income.

#### **Pension costs**

For defined contribution schemes the amount charged to the statement of comprehensive income in respect of pension costs and other post-retirement benefits is the contributions payable in the year. Differences between contributions payable in the year and contributions actually paid are shown as either accruals or prepayments in the statement of financial position.

## **Exceptional items**

Exceptional items are those costs or incomes that, in the view of the Board of Directors, require separate disclosure by virtue of their size or incidence, and are charged/credited in arriving at operating profit in the historical financial information.

#### **Taxation**

Current tax is provided at amounts expected to be paid (or recovered) using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the statement of financial position date. The tax currently payable is based on taxable profit for the year. Taxable profit differs from net profit as reported in the statement of comprehensive income because it excludes items of income or expense that are taxable or deductible in other years and it further excludes items that are never taxable or deductible.

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

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at each statement of financial position date 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.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year ended 31 December 2020

## 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

## Taxation (continued)

Deferred tax is calculated at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the period when the liability is settled or the asset is realised based on tax laws and rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted at the statement of financial position date.

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

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when there is a legally enforceable right to set off current tax assets against current tax liabilities and when they relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority and the Company intends to settle its current tax assets and liabilities on a net basis.

#### Current tax and deferred tax for the year

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.

#### Intangible assets acquired separately

Intangible assets with finite useful lives that are acquired separately are carried at cost less accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment losses. Amortisation 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. The amortisation period for each class of intangible asset is as follows:

Computer software 33% straight line Customer/workforce & brand value 11% straight line

## Intangible assets - goodwill

Goodwill arising on the acquisition of businesses, representing any excess of the fair value of the consideration given over the fair value of the identifiable assets and liabilities acquired, is capitalised and has an indefinite economic life. Provision is made for any impairment.

## Internally-generated intangible assets - research and development expenditure

Expenditure on research activities is recognised as an expense in the period in which it is incurred.

An internally-generated intangible asset arising from the company's development (or from the development phase of an internal project) is recognised if, and only if, all of the following conditions have been demonstrated:

- the technical feasibility of completing the intangible assets so that it will be available for use or sale;
- the intention to complete the intangible asset and use or sell it;
- the ability to use or sell the intangible asset;
- how the intangible asset will generate probable future economic benefits;
- the availability of adequate technical, financial and other resources to complete the development and to use or sell the intangible assets; and
- the ability to measure reliably the expenditure attributable to the intangible asset during its development.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year ended 31 December 2020

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### Internally-generated intangible assets - research and development expenditure (continued)

The amount initially recognised for internally-generated intangible assets is the sum of the expenditure incurred from the date when the intangible asset first meets the recognition criteria listed above. Where no internally-generated intangible asset can be recognised, development expenditure is recognised in the profit and loss in the period in which it is incurred. Subsequent to initial recognition, internally-generated intangible assets are reported at cost less accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment losses, on the same basis as intangible assets that are acquired separately. There are none at present.

## Derecognition of intangible assets

An intangible asset is derecognised on disposal, or when no future economic benefits are expected from use or disposal. Gains or 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.

## Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and any recognised impairment loss

Depreciation is provided on all property, plant and equipment assets, other than freehold land, at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value, of each asset on a straight-line basis over its expected useful life, as follows:

Leasehold improvements and Right-of-Use assets
Research and development (R&D) equipment
Computer hardware

Period of lease
33% straight line
33% straight line

Useful lives and residual values are reviewed at the end of every reporting period.

#### Impairment of tangible and intangible assets

At each statement of financial position date, the Company reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible and intangible assets 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 to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any). Where the asset does not generate cash flows that are independent from other assets, the company estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs. An intangible asset with an indefinite useful life is tested for impairment at least annually and whenever there is an indication that the asset may be impaired.

#### Leases

Leases are accounted for under IFRS 16, which requires a lessee to recognise a right-of-use asset and a lease liability at lease commencement for all leases, except for short-term leases and leases of low value assets.

- The right-of-use asset is initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost 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 future lease payments discounted using the discount rate implicit in the lease (or if that rate cannot be readily determined, the lessee's incremental borrowing rate). Subsequently, the lease liability is adjusted for interest and lease payments, as well as the impact of lease modifications, amongst others.

When measuring lease liabilities, the company discounted the lease payments using the group's borrowing rate at 1 January 2019. The rate applied is 7.5%.

### Inventory

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is determined on a first in, first out basis. Net realisable value is based on estimated selling price. Provision is made for obsolete, slow-moving or defective inventory where appropriate.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year ended 31 December 2020

## 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### Financial assets

Trade and other receivables are classified as loans and receivables, these are initially recognised at fair value. Loans and receivables are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. Any change in their value through impairment or reversal of impairment is recognised in profit and loss.

The carrying amount of the financial asset is reduced by the impairment loss directly for all financial assets with the exception of trade receivables, where the carrying amount is reduced through the use of an expected credit loss allowance account. When a trade receivable is considered uncollectable, it is written off against the allowance account. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off are credited against the allowance account.

## Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and demand deposits, together with other short-term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible into known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

#### Financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are obligations to pay cash or other financial assets and are recognised when the Company becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial liabilities are recorded initially at fair value and subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method, with interest-related charges recognised as an expense in finance costs in the profit and loss.

A financial liability is derecognised only when the obligation is extinguished.

#### **Provisions**

Provisions are recognised when the Company has a present obligation (legal or constructive) as a result of a past event, it is probable that the Company 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 statement of financial position date, taking into account the risks and uncertainties surrounding the obligation. Where 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.

When some or all of the economic benefits required to settle a provision are expected to be recovered from a third party, a receivable is recognised as an asset if it is virtually certain that reimbursement will be received and the amount of the receivable can be measured reliably.

## Equity

Equity comprises the following:

- "Share capital" represents the nominal value of equity shares
- "Capital contribution" represents forgiveness of Intercompany debt
- "Retained earnings" represents retained profits or losses.

# 2. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY

In the application of the Company's accounting policies, which are described in note 1, the directors are required to make judgements (other than those involving estimations) that have a significant impact on the amounts recognised and to make 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.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year ended 31 December 2020

# 2. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY (continued)

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing 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.

## Critical judgements in applying the Company's accounting policies

Other than those involving estimations (which are dealt with separately below), the directors have made critical judgements in the process of applying the Company's accounting policies and that have the most significant effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements, as discussed below.

#### Critical judgements in applying the Company's accounting policies (continued)

#### Measurement of goodwill

Goodwill is tested for impairment on an annual basis. The recoverable amount of goodwill is determined mainly on the basis of forecasts of future cash flows.

The total amount of anticipated cash flows reflects management's best estimate of the future benefits and liabilities expected for the relevant cash-generating unit (CGU).

The assumptions used and the resulting estimates sometimes cover very long periods, taking into account the technological, commercial and contractual constraints associated with each CGU.

These estimates are mainly subject to assumptions in terms of volumes, selling prices and related production costs, and the exchange rates of the currencies in which sales and purchases are denominated. They are also subject to the discount rate used for each CGU.

The value of the goodwill is tested whenever there are indications of impairment and reviewed at each annual closing date or more frequently should this be justified by internal or external events.

#### Measurement and useful lives of intangible assets

Other intangible assets (except for goodwill) are considered to have a finite economic useful life. They are amortised over their estimated useful lives that are reviewed at each reporting date. In the event of impairment, an estimate of the asset's recoverable amount is made.

The value of the intangible assets is tested whenever there are indications of impairment and reviewed at each annual closing date or more frequently should this be justified by internal or external events.

#### Trademark

The value of this asset was determined by discounting the cash flows that could be generated by licensing the trademark, estimated as a percentage of revenue derived from information available on comparable assets.

This asset is amortised on a straight-line basis over a period of nine years, estimated as its useful life. It is also is tested for impairment. Its recoverable amount is determined on the basis of forecasts of future cash flows. The total amount of anticipated cash flows reflects management's best estimate of the future benefits and liabilities expected from the operation of the trademark.

The assumptions used and the resulting estimates are subject to discount rate, percentage of revenue and useful life assumptions.

## Customer relationships

The value of this asset was determined by discounting the additional margin generated by customers after remuneration of the contributing assets.

Customer relationships are amortised on a straight-line basis over a period of nine years, estimated as its useful life. It is also is tested for impairment. Its recoverable amount is determined on the basis of forecasts of future cash flows over an estimated period of time. The total amount of anticipated cash flows reflects management's best estimate of the future benefits and liabilities expected from customer relationships.

The assumptions used and the resulting estimates are subject to assumptions in respect of the discount rate, additional margin generated by customers after remuneration of contributing assets and useful lives.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year ended 31 December 2020

# 2. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY (continued)

## Key sources of estimation uncertainty

The directors do not consider that there are any key sources of estimation uncertainty at the statement of financial position date, that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of the assets and liabilities within the next financial year.

## 3. REVENUE

All of the company's revenue, in both the current year and the prior year, was derived from the Company's principal activity.

Furthermore, all revenue was derived from the provision of services and goods and was recognised at a point in time.

An analysis of the Company's turnover by geographical market is set out below.

		2020 £'000	2019 £'000
	Revenue:		
	Geographical market Africa	143	543
	Geographical market Europe	205	616
	Geographical market Asia-Pacific	430	1,065
	Geographical market America	131	395
	Geographical market Middle East	120	478
		1,029	3,098
4.	LOSS BEFORE TAX		
		2020	2019
		£'000	£,000
	Loss before tax is after charging (crediting):		
	Amortisation of other intangible fixed assets	129	152
	Depreciation of owned property, plant and equipment	52	71

Auditor's remuneration for the audit of the company's annual accounts, amounted to £23k (2019 - £24k). There were no non-audit fees in either the current year or preceding year.

## 5. EXCEPTIONAL COSTS

Impairemtn of intangible assets

Research and development

Net loss/(gain) on foreign currency translation

Cost of inventories recognised as an expense

	2020 £'000	2019 £'000
Bridport site closure Axminster site closure	106 7	- 101
Other	<u>-</u>	17
	113	118

(17)

28

1,431

1,110

1,305

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## 6. EMPLOYEE REMUNERATION

		2020 £'000	2019 £'000
	The aggregate staff costs were as follows:	472	600
	Wages and salaries Social security costs	473 67	698 69
	Other pension costs	17	36
	Other benefits	8	30
		565	833
		2020	2019
		No.	No.
	The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:		
	Administration	4	1
	Production	8	17
	Sales and marketing	3	5
	Research and development		1
		15	24
7.	DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION		
		2020 £'000	2019 £'000
	Emoluments	-	70
	Company contributions to money purchase schemes	<u> </u>	3
		<u>-</u>	73
		No	No
	Number of directors accruing retirement benefits under the money purchase pension scheme	-	1

During the year none of the directors or key management personnel received any emoluments from the company. During the prior year only one of the directors or key management personnel received any emoluments from the company.

The directors and key management personnel are remunerated through the parent company and details of their emoluments as directors of the group are shown in the accounts of that company.

No director received shares for qualifying services or exercised any share options in either the current or prior year.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year ended 31 December 2020

## 8. FINANCE COSTS AND FINANCE INCOME

	2020 £'000	2019 £'000
Interest payable and similar charges Intercompany interest	(116)	(52)
Lease interest	(15)	(17)
	(131)	(69)
Investment income Intercompany interest	15	10

#### 9. TAX ON LOSS

	2020 £'000	2019 £'000
Current taxation		
United Kingdom corporation tax at 19% (2019 - 19%)	-	

## Factors affecting the tax credit for the year

The tax assessed on the loss for the year differs from the blended standard rate of corporation tax in the UK. The differences are explained below:

	2020 £'000	2019 £'000
Loss before taxation	(3,226)	(646)
Loss at the blended standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19% (2019 - 19%)	(613)	(123)
Effect of: Depreciation in (deficit)/excess of capital allowances	(3)	(5) 45
Tax losses created Group relief R&D enhanced allowances	609 -	92 (7)
Other temporary differences	7	(2)
Total tax charge	<u> </u>	

Finance Act 2020, which was substantively enacted on 17 March 2020 and gained Royal Assent on 22 July 2020, repealed legislation introduced in Finance (No2) Act 2015 that was to reduce the rate of UK Corporation Tax from 19% to 17% effective from 1 April 2020. The closing deferred tax assets and liabilities have been calculated at 19% on the basis that this is the rate at which those assets and liabilities are expected to unwind.

An increase in the UK corporation tax rate was announced in the 2021 Budget which would increase the rate to 25% from 1 April 2023. Existing temporary differences on which deferred tax has been provided may therefore unwind in future periods subject to this increased rate. The rate change has been included in Finance Bill 2021 but as this had not been substantively enacted at the balance sheet date, its effects are not included in these financial statements.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year ended 31 December 2020

# 10. INTANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Customer & Brand £'000	Goodwill £'000	Computer software £'000	Total £'000
Cost or deemed cost			•	
At 1 January 2020 and 31 December 2020	1,386	2,521	28	3,935
Amortisation and Impairement				
At 1 January 2020	232	2,436	28	2,696
Charge for the year	129	-	-	129
Impairment	1,025	85		1,110
At 31 December 2020	1,386	2,521	28	3,935
Net book value			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
At 31 December 2020			-	
At 31 December 2019	1,154	85	-	1,239

# 11. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

	Right-of- use assets £'000	Leasehold improve- ments £'000	Computer & R&D equipment £'000	Total £'000
Cost				
At 1 January 2020	239	56	90	385
Disposals		-	(5)	(5)
At 31 December 2020	239	56	85	380
Accumulated depreciation				
At 1 January 2020	39	53	74	166
Charge for the year	39	3	10	52
Disposals		-	(5)	(5)
At 31 December 2020	78	56	79	213
Net book value				
At 31 December 2020	161	-	6	167
At 31 December 2019	200	3	16	219

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year ended 31 December 2020

## 12. INVENTORIES

		2020 £'000	2019 £'000
Raw materials		460	523
Work in progress	,	64	158
Finished goods	,	123	181
	•		960
		647	862

There is a provision against inventory of £463k (2019 - £nil). The cost of inventories recognised as an expense and included in "cost of sales" amounted to £1,305k (2019 - £1,431k).

## 13. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

	2020 £'000	2019 £'000
Current		
Trade receivables, gross	341	401
Provision for doubtful debts	(50)	(30)
Trade receivables	291	371
Amount due from group undertakings	774	521
VAT recoverable	41	16
Other receivables	11	24
Prepayments and accrued income	5	25
	1,122	957
Now annual		
Non-current		10
Other receivables	- 	12

Under a Management Services Agreement, the companies within the Novacyt group provide services, which are recharged across the group, plus the group operates a cash pooling function across all its companies. Interest on any group undertaking balances is charged at 3% above the Bank of England base rate. Any balance is payable on demand. No security is held.

The carrying value of trade receivables is considered a reasonable approximation of fair value. In 2020 the Company has applied the Expected Credit Loss (ECL) model under IFRS 9 Financial Instruments uing the simplified approach. The Company has reconised a provision for doubtful debts af 100% against all receivables over 90 days due.

In addition, some of the unimpaired trade receivables are past due as at the reporting date. The age of financial assets past due but not impaired is as follows:

	2020 £'000	2019 £'000
Not more than 3 months	90	134
More than 3 months but not more than 6 months	-	10
More than 6 months but not more than 1 year	-	6
More than 1 year	-	73
	90	223

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## 14. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

	2020 £'000	2019 £'000
Trade payables	45	485
Amount due to group undertakings	5,350	3,026
Other taxation and social security	376	72
Other payables	71	62
Accruals and deferred income	242	319
Bank loans and overdrafts	<u> </u>	15
·	6,083	3,979
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The carrying amount of trade and other payables is considered to approximate to fair value.

As at 31 December 2020 the Company's financial liabilities all have contractual maturities due within 12 months

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## 15. OBLIGATION UNDER LEASES

	2020 £'000	2019 £'000
Current Non-current	36 137	34 173
	173	207

## 16. DEFERRED TAX ASSETS

The amounts of deferred tax assets not provided are as follows:

	Not provided	
	2020	2019
	£'000	£'000
Decelerated capital allowances	(24)	(18)
Other short term timing differences	(12)	-
Tax losses	(1,046)	(937)
	(1,082)	(955)

The tax losses are recoverable against future trading profits from the same trades.

No deferred tax asset has been recognised in respect of these losses as there is insufficient reliable evidence that they will be utilised.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year ended 31 December 2020

#### 17. PROVISIONS

	Di apidation provision £'000
At 1 January 2020 Charged to profit and loss account	(66)
At 31 December 2020	(66)

This provision is in respect of reinstatement obligations relating to the leasehold property, which the company expects to pay within 12 months following the site closure during the year.

#### 18. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

	2020 £	2019 £
Called up, authorised, allotted and fully paid 6 ordinary shares of £1 each	6	6

## 19. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

## Remuneration of key mangement personnel

The directors (apart form the one shown under note 7) and key management personnel are remunerated through the parent company and details of their emoluments as directors of the group are shown in the accounts of that company.

## 20. ULTIMATE PARENT COMPANY

The company is a subsidiary undertaking of Novacyt UK Holdings Limited, whose registered office is Unit 1, Watchmoor Point, Watchmoor Road, Camberley, GU13 3AD, United Kingdom.

The largest and smallest group in which the results of the company are consolidated, for the year ended 31 December 2020, was that headed by Novacyt SA, a company incorporated in France. The consolidated accounts of Novacyt SA are available to the public and may be obtained from Immeuble le Nungesser, 13 Avenue Morane Saulnier, 78140, Velizy-Villacoublay, France.

The ultimate parent company and controlling party at the date of approval of these financial statements was Novacyt SA.