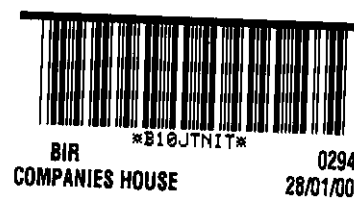


MEDICAL WORLD LIMITED
ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31ST DECEMBER 1998

Registered number: 2997316

STANLEY YULE
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS
Birmingham



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for the year ended 31st December 1998

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AUDITORS' REPORT

Auditors' report to the members of

Medical World Limited

We have audited the financial statements on pages 5 to 10 which have been prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities, under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page 7.

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, except that the scope of our work was limited as explained below.

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 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. However, the evidence available to us was limited because the company's opening balances have not been subject to audit and a year end stock count was not carried out, hence reliance has been placed on the stock figure and opening balances are not materially misstated. There were no other satisfactory audit procedures that we could adopt to confirm that the closing stock and opening balances are not materially misstated.

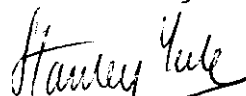
In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

Qualified opinion arising from limitation in audit scope

Except for any adjustments that might have been found to be necessary had we been able to obtain sufficient evidence concerning the closing stock value and the opening balances, in our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31st December 1998 and of its loss for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985

In respect alone of the limitation on our work relating to closing stock and the opening balances:

- we have not obtained all the information and explanations that we considered necessary for the purpose of our audit; and
- we were unable to determine whether proper accounting records had been maintained.



Stanley Yule

Registered Auditors

MEDICAL WORLD LIMITED
 ABBREVIATED BALANCE SHEET
 at 31st December 1998

	Note	1998 £	1997 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	2	9,507	11,138
Current assets			
Stocks		56,422	24,250
Debtors		59,895	85,092
Cash at bank and in hand		133	113
		<u>116,450</u>	<u>109,455</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		<u>(114,593)</u>	<u>(92,454)</u>
Net current assets		1,857	17,001
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>11,364</u>	<u>28,139</u>
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	4	2	2
Profit and loss account		<u>11,362</u>	<u>28,137</u>
Total shareholders' funds		<u>11,364</u>	<u>28,139</u>

These financial statements are prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

The abbreviated financial statements on pages 2 to 4 were approved by the board of directors on 23rd December 1999 and signed on its behalf by:

L J Turner
 Director



MEDICAL WORLD LIMITED

NOTES ON ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31st December 1998

1 Accounting policies

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost accounting rules.

The company has taken advantage of the exemption from preparing a cash flow statement as conferred by Financial Reporting Standard No. 1 (Revised 1996) on the grounds that it qualifies as a small company under the Companies Act 1985.

Turnover

Turnover represents the amount derived from the provision of goods and services falling within the company's activities after deduction of trade discounts and value added tax.

Depreciation

Depreciation of fixed assets is calculated to write off their cost or valuation less any residual value over their estimated useful lives as follows:

Plant and machinery	25% reducing balance
Motor vehicles	25% reducing balance
Fixtures and fittings	25% reducing balance

2 Fixed assets

	Tangible fixed assets £
Cost	
1st January 1998	20,204
Additions	1,539
31st December 1998	<u>21,743</u>
Depreciation	
1st January 1998	9,066
Charge for the year	3,169
31st December 1998	<u>12,235</u>
Net book amount	
31st December 1998	<u><u>9,507</u></u>
1st January 1998	<u><u>11,138</u></u>

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3 Creditors:

	1998 £	1997 £
Secured creditors		
Small company secured creditors	<u>19,938</u>	<u>12,775</u>

4 Called up share capital

	1998		1997	
	Number of shares	£	Number of shares	£
Authorised				
Ordinary shares of £1 each.	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>
Allotted called up and fully paid				
Ordinary shares of £1 each.	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>