

VERONA PHARMA PLC
("Verona Pharma" or the "Company")

PRELIMINARY UNAUDITED RESULTS
for the twelve months ended 31 December 2009

Verona Pharma plc, the AIM-quoted drug discovery company dedicated to the research, discovery and development of new therapeutic drugs for the treatment of allergic rhinitis (hay fever) and other chronic respiratory and inflammatory diseases, is pleased to announce its unaudited preliminary results for the year ended 31 December 2009.

2009 OPERATIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

- 28 January - Approval from the regulatory authority in The Netherlands to commence its Phase I/IIa clinical trial of RPL554
- 20 May - First two stages of a three stage Phase I/IIa clinical trial of RPL554 successfully completed at the Center for Human Drug Research, The Netherlands
- 11 September - Final results of the Phase I/IIa trial, showed RPL554 has clear clinical benefits in patients with asthma and allergic rhinitis and a good safety profile
- 11 September - Dr. Patrick Humphrey, a leading drug researcher, appointed to the Board of Directors
- 8 December - Announced proposal to raise approximately £3.0 million, before expenses, at a price of 13 pence per share, via a placing arranged on the Company's behalf by Evolution Securities Limited
- 29 December - Completed first of two tranches of placing, raising £2.2 million before expenses

2009 FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- Loss after tax of £1.6 million or 0.74 pence per share, which includes a non-cash charge of £0.01 million for the cost of issuing share options
- Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December 2009 of £2.8 million

SUBSEQUENT EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

- 8 January 2010 - Completed the second tranche of placing, raising an additional £0.8 million before expenses for a total of £3.0 million
- Opened discussions with various potential licensees for RPL554
- Four new patents related to novel compounds discovered under the Company's NAIPs project have been filed
- Regulatory documents for the proposed clinical trial of the cough treatment, VRP700, have been prepared and will be submitted to the appropriate authorities as soon as possible
- The Company continues to look for additional opportunities to enhance its Intellectual Property portfolio

CHAIRMAN AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S JOINT STATEMENT

RPL554

Verona Pharma has made excellent progress during the last year. Our primary drug, RPL554, a treatment for inflammatory diseases of the respiratory tract, including asthma, allergic rhinitis (hay fever) and Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease ("COPD"), successfully completed its Phase I/IIa clinical proof of concept trial in November 2009, leading to the issue of the quality assured report by the Centre for Human Drug Research ("CHDR") on the 8 January 2010. The trial demonstrated that RPL554 produces clear clinical benefits in patients with asthma and allergic rhinitis and has a good safety profile. The official completed report from the CHDR is an important element in the data package for the Company's ongoing licensing efforts.

The Company is seeking the most compatible and appropriate licensing partner to develop RPL554. It is of fundamental importance that the ultimate licensing partner possess a high level of expertise in the respiratory area, a good inhalation device and leading formulation skills. While the licensing activities are underway, the Company continues to add strength and value to the RPL554 project by conducting a variety of further development studies. Successful licensing of RPL554 is expected to provide a source of funds that will provide a bright financial future for your Company.

RPL554 continues to be the major component in Verona's portfolio of projects and the area in which the majority of the Company's attention and support is dedicated.

VRP700

In order to progress Verona Pharma's cough project, VRP700, the Company has prepared regulatory documents that will be submitted to the EU regulatory agencies, including Italy, to obtain the necessary ethical and regulatory approvals for the up-coming clinical trial. If the outcome of this trial is successful, Verona will immediately initiate a sustained programme designed to further advance the clinical value of VRP700. The project will also enable studies in the cough project designed to identify a generation of compounds with a similar mechanism of action.

The mechanism of action of VRP700 is presumed to involve the suppression of cough initiating signals originating at cough sensory nerve endings located in the lungs. Cough is one of the most irritating, common medical complaints that can be extremely debilitating - especially in patients with respiratory problems such as asthma, COPD and lung cancer.

NAIPS

Verona Pharma's Novel Anti-Inflammatory Polysaccharides ("NAIPS") project has progressed to the point that the Company has filed four new composition of matter patents for products that have been discovered as a result of the collaboration with Glycomar Ltd. These novel products have been identified from a number of marine sources and have shown anti-inflammatory activity with clinical potential. This is a significant step forward for the project.

FINANCIALS

The Company successfully raised approximately £3.0 million (before expenses of £0.2 million) via a placing of 23,265,684 million New Ordinary shares at 13 pence per share at the end of 2009, providing the Company with a strong financial position.

Loss for the current year increased by 17% or £227,422 to £1,598,532 (2008: £1,371,110). Research and development expenditure for the year amounted to £944,903 (2008: £878,094). The main area of

expenditure has continued to be the RPL554 programme at £817,815 in 2009 (2008: £788,096). Administrative expenses for the year were £660,872 (2008: £603,519), the increase of £57,353 being primarily due to increase in corporate activities. Finance revenue decreased by £131,137 to £7,243 as a result of lower interest rates.

OUTLOOK

There have been significant changes over the past year within the pharmaceutical industry. Many large pharmaceutical companies are undergoing significant restructuring programs that are resulting in some profound changes in strategy. The Board believes that Verona Pharma is well positioned to take advantage of these changes, especially as a number of large pharmaceutical companies have indicated their intentions to scale down their own research and development operations while increasing outsourcing of such activities.

We would like to thank our staff, consultants, advisers and collaborators for all of their dedicated effort in the past year and for sharing our mission to research, discover and develop drugs of benefit to those millions of sufferers from asthma, allergic rhinitis and other respiratory diseases. We also wish to express the most sincere gratitude to our shareholders for their continuing support of our endeavours.

Professor Clive P. Page
Chairman

Professor Michael J. A. Walker
Chief Executive Officer

**GROUP STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2009**

	Notes	Year ended 31 December 2009 £	Year ended 31 December 2008 £
Revenue		-	-
Cost of sales		-	-
Gross profit		-	-
Research and development		(944,903)	(878,094)
Administration expenses	7	(660,872)	(603,519)
Operating loss		(1,605,775)	(1,481,613)
Finance revenue		7,243	138,380
Loss before taxation		(1,598,532)	(1,343,233)
Taxation	4	-	(27,877)
Loss and comprehensive loss for the period		(1,598,532)	(1,371,110)
Loss per ordinary share – basic and diluted	2	(0.74)p	(0.66)p

**GROUP STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2009**

	Notes	31 December 2009 £	31 December 2008 Restated £
ASSETS			
Non current assets			
Tangible assets		18,004	14,088
Intangible assets		70,570	71,996
Goodwill	9	1,469,112	1,469,112
		<u>1,557,686</u>	<u>1,555,196</u>
Current assets			
Trade and other receivables		381,259	67,632
Cash and cash equivalents	6	2,829,981	2,454,882
		<u>3,211,240</u>	<u>2,522,514</u>
Total assets		<u>4,768,926</u>	<u>4,077,710</u>
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES			
Capital and reserves attributable to equity holders			
Called up share capital		232,378	215,258
Option reserves		356,210	343,001
Share premium account		8,561,493	6,504,783
Retained losses		(4,668,057)	(3,069,525)
Total equity		<u>4,482,024</u>	<u>3,993,517</u>
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables		286,902	84,193
Total liabilities		<u>286,902</u>	<u>84,193</u>
Total equity and liabilities		<u>4,768,926</u>	<u>4,077,710</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board on 25 March 2010.

Prof. Clive Page
Chairman

**GROUP STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2009**

	Notes	Year ended 31 December 2009 £	Year ended 31 December 2008 £
Net cash outflow from operating activities		(1,620,382)	(1,322,442)
Cash outflow from taxation		-	(27,877)
Cash flow from investing activities			
Interest received		9,879	137,657
Purchase of tangible assets		(16,593)	(8,588)
Purchase of intangible assets		(8,070)	(13,441)
Net cash (outflow) / inflow from investing activities		(14,784)	115,628
Cash flow from financing activities			
Deferred financing cost		(54,365)	-
Net proceeds from issue of shares		2,064,630	2,437,510
Net cash inflow from financing activities		2,010,265	2,437,510
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		375,099	1,202,819
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		2,454,882	1,252,063
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	6	2,829,981	2,454,882

**GROUP STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2009**

	Share capital £	Share Premium Restated £	Option reserve Restated £	Retained earnings Restated £	Total £
Balance at 1 January 2008	146,775	4,135,756	405,313	(1,799,687)	2,888,157
Total comprehensive loss for the year	-	-	-	(1,371,110)	(1,371,110)
Issue of shares	68,483	2,465,850	-	-	2,534,333
Issue cost	-	(96,823)	-	-	(96,823)
Share based payment	-	-	38,960	-	38,960
Transfer of previously expensed share based payment charge upon exercise of options	-	101,272	(101,272)	-	-
As previously stated	215,258	6,606,055	343,001	(3,170,797)	3,993,517
Restatement	-	(101,272)	-	101,272	-
As restated					
Balance at 31 December 2008	215,258	6,504,783	343,001	(3,069,525)	3,993,517
Balance at 1 January 2009	215,258	6,504,783	343,001	(3,069,525)	3,993,517
Total comprehensive loss for the year	-	-	-	(1,598,532)	(1,598,532)
Issue of shares	17,120	2,188,680	-	-	2,205,800
Issue costs	-	(131,970)	-	-	(131,970)
Share based payment	-	-	13,209	-	13,209
Balance at 31 December 2009	232,378	8,561,493	356,210	(4,668,057)	4,482,024

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2009

1. Accounting policies

A summary of the principal accounting policies, all of which have been applied consistently throughout the year, is set out below.

1.1. Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared using the historical cost convention. In addition, the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (“IFRSs”).

1.2. Restatement of prior year’s results

On exercise of share options in the year to 31 December 2008 the previously recognised share based payment charge, of £101,272, was transferred between equity reserves from the Option Reserve to the Share Premium Reserve. The directors have reconsidered their policy of retaining the balance within equity and reclassified the balance from the Share Premium Reserve to the Retained Earnings Reserve.

1.3. Basis of consolidation

These group financial statements include the accounts of Verona Pharma plc (the “Company” or the “Parent”) and its wholly-owned subsidiary Rhinopharma Limited. The Parent and Rhinopharma Limited are collectively referred to as the “Group”. The purchase method of accounting is used to account for the acquisition of Rhinopharma Limited.

The cost of an acquisition is measured as the fair value of the assets given, equity instruments issued and liabilities incurred or assumed at the date of exchange, plus costs directly attributable to the acquisition. Identifiable assets acquired and liabilities and contingent liabilities assumed in a business combination are measured initially at their fair values at the acquisition date, irrespective of the extent of any minority interest. The excess of the cost of acquisition over the fair value of the Group’s share of the identifiable net assets acquired is recorded as goodwill. Goodwill arising on acquisitions is capitalised and subject to an impairment review, both annually and when there are indications that the carrying value may not be recoverable.

Inter-company transactions, balances and unrealised gains on transactions between group companies are eliminated.

Rhinopharma Limited adopts the same accounting policies as the Company.

1.4. Cash and cash equivalents

The Company considers all highly liquid investments, with a maturity of 90 days or less to be cash equivalents, carried at the lower of cost or market value.

1.5. Critical accounting judgements and estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with International Financial Reporting Standards requires the use of accounting estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of income and expenses during the reporting period. Although these estimates are based on management's best knowledge of current events and actions, actual results ultimately may differ from those estimates. IFRSs also require management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the Group's accounting policies.

The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements are as follows:

(a) Impairment of intangible assets

Determining whether an intangible asset is impaired requires an estimation of whether there are any indications that its carrying value is not recoverable.

At each reporting date, the Company reviews the carrying value of its tangible and intangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have been impaired. If such an indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs to sell and value in use, is compared to the asset's carrying value. Any excess of the asset's carrying value over its recoverable amount is expensed to the income statement.

(b) Valuation of goodwill

Management values goodwill after taking into account the results of research efforts and estimated future sales and costs. If the assumed factors vary from actual occurrence, this will impact on the amount of the asset which should be carried on the balance sheet.

(c) Share based payments

The Group records charges for share based payments. For option based share based payments management estimate certain factors used in the option pricing model, including volatility, exercise date of options and number of options likely to be exercised. If these estimates vary from actual occurrence, this will impact on the value of the equity carried in the reserves.

1.6. New standards and interpretations

The following new standards and amendments to standards are mandatory for the first time for the financial periods commencing on or after 1 January 2009:

IAS1 (revised) Presentation of financial statements includes the requirement to present a Statement of Changes in Equity as a primary statement and introduces the possibility of either a single Statement of Comprehensive Income (combining the Income Statement and a Statement of Comprehensive Income) or to retain the Income Statement with a supplementary Statement of Comprehensive Income. The Directors have chosen the first option. As this standard is concerned with presentation only it does not have any impact on the results or net assets of the Group.

IFRS8 Operating segments replaces IAS14 Segment reporting. IFRS8 requires operating segments to be identified on the basis of internal reports about components of the Group that are regularly reviewed by the chief operating decision maker, being the Board of Directors, to allocate resources to the segments and to assess their performance. It requires a 'management approach' under which segment information is presented on the same basis as that used for internal reporting purposes. The predecessor Standard (IAS 14 Segment Reporting) required the Group to identify two sets of segments (business and geographical), using a risks and rewards approach, with the Group's system of internal financial reporting to key management personnel serving only as the starting point for the identification of such segments. As a result, following the adoption of IFRS8, the identification of the Group's reportable segments has changed; details of the changes are disclosed in note 3.

New standards and interpretations not applied during the year

During the year, the IASB and IFRIC have issued new standards, amendments and interpretations with an effective date after the date of these financial statements. Of these, only the following are expected to be relevant to the Group:

IAS 27	Consolidated and separate financial statements	1 July 2009
IFRS 2	Share-based Payment — Amendments relating to group cash-settled share-based payment transactions	1 January 2010
IFRS 3	Business Combinations — Comprehensive revision on applying the acquisition method	1 July 2009
IFRS 8	Operating Segments — Amendments resulting from April 2009 Annual Improvements to IFRSs	1 January 2010
IAS 1	Presentation of Financial Statements — Amendments resulting from April 2009 Annual Improvements to IFRSs	1 January 2010
IAS 7	Statement of Cash Flows — Amendments resulting from April 2009 Annual Improvements to IFRSs	1 January 2010
IAS 38	Intangible Assets — Amendments resulting from April 2009 Annual Improvements to IFRSs	1 July 2009

The Directors do not anticipate that the adoption of these standards will have a material impact on the Group's financial statements in the period of initial application.

2. Earnings per share

Basic loss per share of (0.74p) (2008: loss of 0.66p) for the Group is calculated by dividing the loss for the period by the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue of 215,540,798 (2008: 209,100,584).

Diluted loss per share for the current period has not been presented since the Company's stock options are anti-dilutive.

3. Segmental information

The Group has adopted IFRS8 Operating Segments with effect from 1 January, 2009. Following a review of the Group's internal management information, the Group has determined that its operating segments be reported on a product pipeline basis as this best reflects the Group's activity cycle. Operating segments are reported in a manner consistent with the internal reporting provided to the chief operating decision-maker. The chief operating decision-maker has been identified as the Board of Directors.

The Group's product pipeline is dedicated to the research, discovery and development of new therapeutic drugs for the treatment of chronic respiratory diseases. At present there are three products: RPL554, NAIP and Cough. RPL554 is in the clinical phase, having successfully completed a Phase I and IIa trial, NAIPs and Cough are in the basic research phase.

Segment information by operating segment is as follows :

	Clinical 2009 £	Clinical 2008 £	Basic Research 2009 £	Basic Research 2008 £
Income statement information				
Research and development	(817,815)	(788,096)	(127,088)	(89,998)
Amortization of patent	(7,311)	(6,949)	(2,186)	(1,122)
Segment loss	<u>(825,126)</u>	<u>(795,045)</u>	<u>(129,274)</u>	<u>(91,120)</u>
Balance sheet information				
Patents	51,843	57,360	18,727	14,636
Goodwill	1,469,112	1,469,112	-	-
Segment assets	<u>1,520,955</u>	<u>1,526,472</u>	<u>18,727</u>	<u>14,636</u>

	2009 £	2008 £
Reconciliation of segment result		
Loss per reportable segment- Clinical	(825,126)	(795,045)
Loss per segment- Basic Research	(129,274)	(91,120)
Total loss for reportable segments	<u>(954,400)</u>	<u>(886,165)</u>
Amortisation of non-segment assets	(12,677)	(10,559)
Unallocated administration expense	(638,698)	(584,889)
Group operating loss	<u>(1,605,775)</u>	<u>(1,481,613)</u>
Reconciliation of segment assets		
Assets per reportable segment- Clinical	1,520,955	1,526,472
Assets per reportable segment- Basic Research	18,727	14,636
Total assets for reportable segments	<u>1,539,682</u>	<u>1,541,108</u>
Unallocated non-current assets	72,369	14,088
Unallocated current assets	3,156,875	2,522,514
Group total assets	<u>4,768,926</u>	<u>4,077,710</u>

Segment information by geographical segment for 2009 is as follows :

Geographical segment (Group)	United Kingdom	Canada	Total
	£	£	£
Research and development	(944,903)	-	(944,903)
Administration expenses	(651,759)	(9,113)	(660,872)
Finance revenue	7,243	-	7,243
Loss before taxation	(1,589,419)	(9,113)	(1,598,532)
Tangible assets	18,004	-	18,004
Intangible assets	70,570	-	70,570
Trade and other receivables	380,471	788	381,259
Cash and cash equivalents	2,826,869	3,112	2,829,981
Goodwill	1,469,112	-	1,469,112
Trade and other payables	(286,682)	(220)	(286,902)
Net assets	4,478,344	3,680	4,482,024

At the end of the financial year, the Group was still in early development stage and therefore had no turnover in the year.

	2009	2008
	£	£
4. Taxation		
Analysis of tax charge for the year		
Current tax:		
UK corporation tax at 28% (2008: 30%)	-	-
Foreign taxation	-	27,877
Current tax charge	-	27,877
Factors affecting the tax charge for the year		
Loss on ordinary activities before taxation	(1,598,532)	(1,343,233)
Multiplied by standard rate of corporation tax of 28.00% (30.00%)	(447,589)	(376,105)
Effects of:		
Non deductible expenses	3,779	10,909
Timing differences not recognised	(102)	(3,227)
Tax losses carried forward	443,912	396,300
Current tax charge	-	27,877

Factors that may affect future tax charges

At the balance sheet date, the Group has unused United Kingdom tax losses available for offset against suitable future profits in the United Kingdom. A deferred tax asset has not been recognised in respect of such losses due to uncertainty of future profit streams. The contingent deferred tax asset is estimated to be £1,400,000.

5. Subsidiary entities

The Company currently has one wholly owned subsidiary, Rhinopharma Limited. Rhinopharma Limited is incorporated under the laws of the Province of British Columbia, Canada. Rhinopharma Limited was a drug discovery and development company focused on developing proprietary drug to treat allergic rhinitis and other respiratory diseases prior to its acquisition by the Company on 18 September 2006.

6. Cash and cash equivalents	2009 £	2008 £
Group		
Cash at bank and in hand	2,829,981	223,784
Cash equivalents	-	2,231,098
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	2,829,981	2,454,882
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7. Cost of issuing share options

Included within administration expenses is a charge for issuing share options. The Company granted 1,200,000 (2008: 1,159,666) stock options during the current year with fair value estimated using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model of £112,600. The cost of issuing share options recognised during the current year is £13,209 (2008: £38,960) and the balance in unamortised share options issuing cost of £99,391 will be amortised over the period of 2010 to 2012.

Of the 1,200,000 stock options granted in the year, 200,000 stock options were granted to consultants (“consultants”) and 1,000,000 stock options were granted to an employee (“employee”). The consultants’ options are exercisable at 4 pence per option and the expiry date of these stock options is 8 January 2014. The employee’s options are exercisable at 17.5 pence per option and the expiry date of these stock options is 11 September 2014.

The following assumptions were used for the Black-Scholes valuation of stock options granted in the current year:

Year/Type	2009/Employee	2009/Consultants
Options granted	1,000,000	200,000
Risk-free interest rate	5.0%	4.75%
Expected life of options	5 years	5 years
Annualised volatility	75.02%	155.20%
Dividend rate	0.00%	0.00%

8. Related parties transactions

The Company was charged £41,562 (2008: £45,026) by Magic Bullets Enterprises Limited, a company controlled by Prof. Michael Walker. At the year end the Company does not have any outstanding debt owing (2008: £Nil) to the related party.

The Company was charged £27,000 (2008: £27,000) by Gryon Consulting Limited, a company of which Prof. Clive Page is a Director. At the year end the Company does not have any outstanding debt owing (2008: £Nil) to the related party.

	2009 £	2008 £
9. Goodwill		
Group		
Goodwill	1,469,112	1,469,112
Company		
Goodwill	1,453,570	1,453,570

Goodwill represents the excess of the purchase price over the fair value of the net assets acquired in connection with the acquisition of Rhinopharma Limited in September 2006. The Company has elected to test goodwill for impairment as of 31 December of each year. Based on the evaluation performed as of 31 December 2009 the Company concluded that no impairment was required.

10. Financial instruments

(a) Fair values

The carrying amounts of cash and cash equivalents, short-term investments, receivables, and accounts payable and accrued liabilities, approximate to fair value due to their short-term nature.

(b) Credit risk

Credit risk reflects the risk that the Group may be unable to recover contractual receivables. The Group is still in the development stage; therefore, no policies are required at this time to mitigate this risk.

(c) Currency risk

Foreign currency risk reflects the risk that the Group's net assets will be negatively impacted due to fluctuations in exchange rates. The Group has not entered into foreign exchange contracts to hedge against gains or losses from foreign exchange fluctuations. At 31 December 2009, cash and cash equivalents include Euro €61,819, and accounts payable and accrued liabilities include balances of CAD\$32,680, Euro €2,076, AUD\$8,704 and CNY\$2,500.

(d) Financial risk management

The Directors recognise that this is an area in which they may need to develop specific policies should the Group become exposed to further financial risks as the business develops.

(e) Management of capital

The Group considers capital to be its equity reserves. At the current stage of the Group's life cycle the Group's objective in managing its capital is to ensure funds raised meet the research and operating requirements until the next development stage of the Group's suite of projects.

The Group ensures it is meeting its objectives by reviewing its Key Performance Indicators (“KPIs”) to ensure its research activities are progressing in line with expectations, controlling costs and placing unused funds on deposit to conserve resources and increase returns on surplus cash held.

(f) Interest rate risk

At 31 December 2009, the Group had cash deposits of £2,829,981 (2008: £2,454,882). The Company’s exposure to interest rate risk, which is the risk that a financial instrument’s value will fluctuate as a result of changes in market interest rates on classes of financial assets and financial liabilities, was as follows:

Financial Asset	Floating interest rate 2009	Non-interest bearing 2009	Floating interest rate 2008	Non-interest bearing 2008
Cash deposits	2,829,981	-	2,454,882	-

11. Financial information

The financial information set out in this announcement does not constitute the Company’s statutory accounts for the years ended 31 December 2009 or 2008. The statutory accounts for the year ended 31 December 2009 will be finalised on the basis of the financial information presented by the Directors in this preliminary announcement and will be delivered to the Registrar of Companies.

12. Subsequent Event

Subsequent to 31 December, 2009, the Company completed second tranche of placing, raising £827,939 before expenses, by issuing 6,368,761 new ordinary shares at 13 pence per share.

13. Directors’ report and accounts

Copies of the full report and accounts will be posted to shareholders on or around 23 April 2010. A copy will be made available on the Company’s website (www.veronapharma.com) at the same time.

14. Annual General Meeting

The Company intends to convene an annual general meeting of shareholders on or around 4 June 2010 at 11.30 am at One America Square, Crosswall, London EC3N 2SG. A notice to convene the AGM will be dispatched to shareholders at the same time the full report and accounts are dispatched.

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