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FORM 40-F

REGISTRATION STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 12 OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
 ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13(A) OR 15(D) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2019

Commission File Number 001-36421

AURINIA PHARMACEUTICALS INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Alberta, Canada
(Province or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

2834
(Primary standard industrial
classification code number,
if applicable)

Not Applicable
(I.R.S. employer identification
number, if applicable)

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Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

<u>Title of each class:</u>	<u>Trading Symbol(s):</u>	<u>Name of each exchange on which registered:</u>
Common Shares, no par value	AUPH	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC
Common Shares, no par value	AUP	Toronto Stock Exchange

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None

Securities for which there is a reporting obligation pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Act: None

For annual reports, indicate by check mark the information filed with this form:

Annual Information Form **Audited Annual Financial Statements**

Indicate the number of outstanding shares of the issuer's classes of capital or common stock as of the close of the period covered by the annual report:

111,798,275 Common Shares (as at December 31, 2019).

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the Registrant was required to file such reports) and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically every Interactive Data File required to be submitted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (s.232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the Registrant was required to submit such files).

Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. Emerging growth company

Yes No

If an emerging growth company that prepares its financial statements in accordance with U.S. GAAP, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards† provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Yes No

† The term "new or revised financial accounting standard" refers to any update issued by the Financial Accounting Standards Board to its Accounting Standards Codification after April 5, 2012.

PRINCIPAL DOCUMENTS

The following documents are filed as part of this Annual Report on Form 40-F:

A. Annual Information Form

For the Registrant's Annual Information Form for the year ended December 31, 2019, see Exhibit 99.1 of this Annual Report on Form 40-F.

B. Audited Annual Financial Statements

For the Registrant's Audited Consolidated Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2019, including the report of its Independent Auditor with respect thereto, see Exhibit 99.2 of this Annual Report on Form 40-F.

C. Management's Discussion and Analysis

For the Registrant's Management's Discussion and Analysis of the operating and financial results for the year ended December 31, 2019, see Exhibit 99.3 of this Annual Report on Form 40-F.

CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

A. Certifications

The required disclosure is included in Exhibits 99.5 and 99.6 of this Annual Report on Form 40-F.

B. Disclosure Controls and Procedures

As of the end of the Registrant's year ended December 31, 2019, an internal evaluation was conducted under the supervision of and with the participation of the Registrant's management, including the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of the Registrant's "disclosure controls and procedures" as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) under Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"). Based on that evaluation, the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer concluded that the design and operation of the Registrant's disclosure controls and procedures were effective in ensuring that the information required to be disclosed in the reports that the Registrant files with or submits to the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") is recorded, processed, summarized and reported, within the required time periods.

It should be noted that while the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer believe that the Registrant's disclosure controls and procedures provide a reasonable level of assurance that they are effective, they do not expect that the Registrant's disclosure controls and procedures will prevent all errors and fraud. A control system, no matter how well conceived or operated, can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance that the objectives of the control system are met.

C. Management's Annual Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

The Registrant's management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting. Internal control over financial reporting is a process designed by, or under the supervision of, the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer and effected by the Registrant's Board of Directors, management and other personnel to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board.

Management assessed the effectiveness of the registrant's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2019, based on the criteria set forth in *Internal Control – Integrated Framework (2013)* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission.

Based on this assessment, management concluded that, as of December 31, 2019, the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting was effective. In addition, management determined that there were no material weaknesses in the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2019.

D. Attestation Report of the Registered Public Accounting firm

This annual report on Form 40-F does not include an attestation report of the Registrant's independent registered public accounting firm due to an exemption established by the JOBS Act for "emerging growth companies".

E. Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

During the year ended December 31, 2019, there were no changes in the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

AUDIT COMMITTEE FINANCIAL EXPERT

The Registrant's Board of Directors has determined that Ms. Jill Leversage and Mr. Joseph P. Hagan are "audit committee financial experts" (as that term is defined in paragraph 8(b) of General Instruction B to Form 40-F) serving on its audit committee and are "independent" (as defined by the New York Stock Exchange corporate governance rules applicable to foreign private issuers). For a description of Ms. Leversage and Mr. Hagan's relevant experience in financial matters, see the biographical description for Ms. Jill Leversage and Mr. Joseph P. Hagan under "Directors and Officers" in the Registrant's Annual Information Form for the year ended December 31, 2019, which is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Annual Report on Form 40-F.

The SEC has indicated that the designation of Ms. Jill Leversage and Mr. Joseph P. Hagan as audit committee financial experts does not make them an "expert" for any purpose, impose any duties, obligations or liability on them that are greater than those imposed on members of the audit committee and board of directors who do not carry this designation or affect the duties, obligations or liability of any other member of the audit committee.

CODE OF ETHICS

The Registrant has adopted a "code of ethics" (as that term is defined in paragraph 9(b) of General Instruction B to Form 40-F) ("Code of Ethics"), which is applicable to the directors, officers, employees and consultants of the Registrant and its affiliates (including, its principal executive officer, principal financial officer, principal accounting officer or controller, and persons performing similar functions). The Code of Ethics entitled "Code of Ethics and Conduct" is available on the Registrant's website at www.auriniapharma.com.

In the past fiscal year, the Registrant has not granted any waiver, including an implicit waiver, from any provision of its Code of Ethics.

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTANT FEES AND SERVICES

The required disclosure is included under the heading "External Auditor Services Fees" on Schedule 1 – Audit Committee Information in the Registrant's Annual Information Form for the year ended December 31, 2019, filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Annual Report on Form 40-F, and is incorporated herein by reference.

OFF-BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENTS

The Registrant does not have any "off-balance sheet arrangements" (as that term is defined in paragraph 11(ii) of General Instruction B to Form 40-F) that have or are reasonably likely to have a current or future effect on its financial condition, changes in financial condition, revenues or expenses, results of operations, liquidity, capital expenditures or capital resources that is material to investors. For a discussion of the Registrant's other off-balance sheet arrangements, see page 16 of the Registrant's Management's Discussion and Analysis for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2019, attached as Exhibit 99.3.

TABULAR DISCLOSURE OF CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS

The required disclosure is included under the heading "Contractual Obligations" in the Registrant's Management's Discussion and Analysis of the operating and financial results for the year ended December 31, 2019, filed as Exhibit 99.3 to this Annual Report on Form 40-F, and is incorporated herein by reference.

CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGMENTS

See note 4 "Critical Accounting Estimates and Judgments" to the Audited Consolidated Financial Statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2019, filed as Exhibit 99.2 to this Annual Report on Form 40-F.

IDENTIFICATION OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Registrant has a separately designated standing audit committee established in accordance with Section 3(a)(58)(A) of the Exchange Act. The Registrant's Audit Committee members consist of Ms. Jill Leversage, Mr. Joseph P. Hagan and, Dr. George M. Milne, Jr. See "Directors and Executive Officers" and "Audit Committee Information" in the Registrant's Annual Information Form for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2019, which is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Annual Report on Form 40-F.

DIFFERENCES IN NASDAQ AND CANADIAN CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REQUIREMENTS

The Registrant is a foreign private issuer and its common shares are listed on the Nasdaq Stock Market ("Nasdaq").

Nasdaq Rule 5615(a)(3) permits a foreign private issuer to follow its home country practice in lieu of the requirements of the Rule 5600 Series, the requirement to distribute annual and interim reports set forth in Rule 5250(d), and the Direct Registration Program requirement set forth in Rules 5210(c) and 5255; provided, however, that such a company shall comply with the Notification of Material Noncompliance requirement (Rule 5625), the Voting Rights requirement (Rule 5640), have an audit committee that satisfies Rule 5605(c)(3), and ensure that such audit committee's members meet the independence requirement in Rule 5605(c)(2)(A)(ii).

The Registrant does not follow Rule 5620(c) (shareholder quorum) but instead follows its home country practice, as described below.

Shareholder Meeting Quorum Requirements: The Nasdaq minimum quorum requirement under Rule 5620(c) for a shareholder meeting is 33-1/3% of the outstanding shares of common stock. In addition, a registrant listed on Nasdaq is required to state its quorum requirement in its by-laws. The Registrant's quorum requirement is set forth in its by-laws. A quorum for a meeting of shareholders of the Registrant is shareholders or proxyholders holding ten percent of the issued and outstanding shares entitled to be voted at the meeting.

In addition, the Registrant does not follow Rule 5635, which establishes shareholder approval requirements prior to the issuance of securities, including share options, in certain circumstances. In lieu of following Rule 5635, the Registrant follows the rules of the Toronto Stock Exchange.

The foregoing is consistent with the laws, customs and practices in Canada.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Certain statements in this Annual Report on Form 40-F are forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 21E of the Exchange Act and Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. Please see "Forward Looking Information" in the Annual Information Form of the Registrant for the year ended December 31, 2019, filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Annual Report on Form 40-F for a discussion of risks, uncertainties, and assumptions that could cause actual results to vary from those forward-looking statements.

UNDERTAKING

The Registrant undertakes to make available, in person or by telephone, representatives to respond to inquiries made by the Commission staff, and to furnish promptly, when requested to do so by the Commission staff, information relating to the securities in relation to which the obligation to file an annual report on Form 40-F arises or transactions in said securities.

CONSENT TO SERVICE OF PROCESS

The Registrant has previously filed a Form F-X in connection with the class of securities in relation to which the obligation to file this report arises.

Any change to the name or address of the Registrant's agent for service shall be communicated promptly to the Commission by amendment to Form F-X referencing the file number of the Registrant.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Exchange Act, the Registrant certifies that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form 40-F and has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereto duly authorized.

Date: March 5, 2020

Aurinia Pharmaceuticals Inc.

By: /s/ Dennis Bourgeault
Name: Dennis Bourgeault
Title: Chief Financial Officer

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<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Document</u>
99.1	Annual Information Form of the Registrant for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2019.
99.2	Audited Consolidated Financial Statements of the Registrant for the year ended December 31, 2019 together with the Auditors' Report thereon.
99.3	Management's Discussion and Analysis of the operating and financial results of the Registrant for the year ended December 31, 2019.
99.4	Consent of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm
99.5	Certifications of Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer) and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer) pursuant to Section 302 of the <i>Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002</i> .
99.6	Certifications of Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer) and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer) under Section 906 of the <i>Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002</i> .
101.INS	XBRL Instance Document.
101.SCH	XBRL Schema Linkbase Document.
101.CAL	XBRL Calculation Linkbase Document.
101.DEF	XBRL Definition Linkbase Document.
101.LAB	XBRL Extension Label Linkbase Document.
101.PRE	XBRL Presentation Linkbase Document.

Annual Information Form



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BASIS OF PRESENTATION

Unless otherwise stated, the information in this AIF is as of March 4, 2020.

In this AIF, unless stated otherwise or the context requires, all references to “\$ or “US\$” are to the lawful currency of the United States and all references to “CDN\$” are to the lawful currency of Canada.

On March 4, 2020 the exchange rate for conversion of US dollars into Canadian dollars was US\$1.00 = CDN\$1.3392 based upon the Bank of Canada closing rate.

Market data and certain industry forecasts used in this AIF were obtained from market research, publicly available information and industry publications. We believe that these sources are generally reliable, but the accuracy and completeness of this information is not guaranteed. We have not independently verified such information, and we do not make any representation as to the accuracy of such information.

In this AIF, unless the context otherwise requires, references to “we”, “us”, “our” or similar terms, as well as references to “Aurinia” or the “Company”, refer to Aurinia Pharmaceuticals Inc., together with our subsidiaries.

This AIF describes the Company and its operations, its prospects, risks and other factors that affect its business.

Capitalized terms that are not otherwise defined in this AIF have the meanings attributed thereto in Schedule 3 to this AIF.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

A statement is forward-looking when it uses what we know and expect today to make a statement about the future. Forward-looking statements may include words such as “anticipate”, “believe”, “intend”, “expect”, “goal”, “may”, “outlook”, “plan”, “seek”, “project”, “should”, “strive”, “target”, “could”, “continue”, “potential” and “estimated”, or the negative of such terms or comparable terminology. You should not place undue reliance on the forward-looking statements, particularly those concerning anticipated events relating to the development, clinical trials, regulatory approval, and marketing of our products and the timing or magnitude of those events, as they are inherently risky and uncertain.

Securities laws encourage companies to disclose forward-looking information so that investors can get a better understanding of our future prospects and make informed investment decisions. These statements made in this AIF may include, without limitation:

- our belief that both the AURORA clinical trial and the AURA clinical trial had positive results;
- our belief that the totality of data from both the AURORA and AURA clinical trials can potentially serve as the basis for a NDA submission with the FDA;
- our belief that confirmatory data generated from the AURORA clinical trial and the AURA clinical trial should support regulatory submissions in the United States, Europe and Japan;
- our belief in the duration of patent exclusivity for voclosporin and that the patents owned by us are valid;
- our belief in receiving extensions to patent life based on certain events or classifications;
- our expectation that, upon regulatory approval, patent protection for voclosporin will be extended in the United States and certain other major markets, including Europe and Japan, until at least October 2027;
- our expectation to receive “new chemical entity” exclusivity for voclosporin in certain countries, which provides this type of exclusivity for five years in the United States and up to ten years in Europe;
- our expectation to not receive any royalty revenue pursuant to the 3SBio license in the foreseeable future;
- our plans and expectations and the timing of commencement, enrollment, completion and release of results of clinical trials;
- our intention to demonstrate that voclosporin possesses pharmacologic properties with the potential to demonstrate best-in-class differentiation with first-in-class status for the treatment of LN outside of Japan;
- our belief of the key potential benefits of voclosporin in the treatment of LN and other podocytopathies;
- our belief that voclosporin has the potential to improve near and long-term outcomes in LN when added to MMF;
- our belief that voclosporin has the potential to address critical needs for LN by controlling active disease rapidly, lowering the overall steroid burden, and doing so with a convenient oral twice-daily treatment regimen;
- our belief that it may be possible for the AUDREY™ clinical trial to act as one of the two pivotal clinical studies that would support approval by the FDS of VOS for the treatment of DES;
- our belief that the voclosporin modification of a single amino acid of the cyclosporine molecule may result in a more predictable pharmacokinetic and pharmacodynamics relationship, an increase in potency, an altered metabolic profile, and easier dosing without the need for therapeutic drug monitoring;
- our plans to file an MAA with the EMA by the end of the first quarter of 2021;
- our target launch date for voclosporin as a treatment for LN in the United States, if approved, in early 2021;
- our belief in voclosporin being potentially a best-in-class CNI with benefits over existing commercially available CNIs;
- our belief that CNIs are a mainstay of treatment for DES;
- our belief that voclosporin has further potential to be effectively used across a range of therapeutic autoimmune areas including DES and FSGS;
- the timing for completion of enrollment and for data availability for our Phase 2 clinical study for voclosporin in FSGS patients;
- the anticipated commercial potential of voclosporin for the treatment of LN, DES and FSGS;
- our plan to expand the voclosporin renal franchise to include FSGS;

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- our belief that the expansion of the renal franchise could create value for shareholders;
- our belief that voclosporin, in combination with MMF, has the potential to significantly improve renal response rates in LN versus current standard of care;
- our anticipation of interim data readouts for the Phase 2 proof-of-concept study in FSGS in the second half of 2020;
- our belief that we will have a positive pre-NDA meeting with the FDA for LN, which we anticipate will occur in the first quarter of 2020;
- our current plan to complete the NDA, including the clinical module, in the second quarter of 2020;
- our expectation that top-line results from the AUDREY™ clinical trial will become available during the second half of 2020;
- our plans to generate future revenues from products licensed to pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies;
- statements concerning the potential market for voclosporin;
- our belief that VOS has the potential to compete in the multi-billion-dollar human prescription dry eye market;
- our belief that additional patents may be granted worldwide based on our filings under the Patent Cooperation Treaty;
- our belief that patents corresponding to United States Patent No. 10,286,036 issued to Aurinia covering dosing protocol, with corresponding FDA granted label, for voclosporin in LN, could be granted with similar claims in all major global pharmaceutical markets;
- our strategy to become a global biopharmaceutical company;
- our expectation that pricing for voclosporin will be lower in Europe and Japan than in the United States driven by the specific country's pricing and reimbursement processes;
- our intention to submit for market approval in the United States and Europe based on the data from AURORA and AURA clinical trials;
- our plan to evaluate voclosporin in pediatric patients after a potential FDA approval of an indication for adults with LN;
- and
- our belief that the annualized pricing for voclosporin for LN could range between US\$45,000 and US\$90,000.

Such statements reflect our current views with respect to future events and are subject to risks and uncertainties and are necessarily based on a number of estimates and assumptions that, while considered reasonable by management, as at the date of such statements, are inherently subject to significant business, economic, competitive, political, regulatory, legal, scientific and social uncertainties and contingencies, many of which, with respect to future events, are subject to change. The factors and assumptions used by management to develop such forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to:

- the assumption that we will be able to obtain approval from regulatory agencies on executable development programs with parameters that are satisfactory to us;
- the assumption that recruitment to clinical trials will occur as projected;
- the assumption that we will successfully complete our clinical programs on a timely basis and meet regulatory requirements for approval of marketing authorization applications and new drug approvals, as well as favourable product labeling;
- the assumption that the planned studies will achieve positive results;
- the assumptions regarding the costs and expenses associated with our clinical trials;
- the assumption that regulatory requirements and commitments will be maintained;
- the assumption that we will be able to meet GMP standards and manufacture and secure a sufficient supply of voclosporin on a timely basis to successfully complete the development and commercialization of voclosporin;
- the assumptions on the market value for the LN program;
- the assumption that our patent portfolio is sufficient and valid;
- the assumption that we will be able to extend our patents to the fullest extent allowed by law, on terms most beneficial to us;
- the assumptions about future market activity;
- the assumption that there is a potential commercial value for other indications for voclosporin;
- the assumption that market data and reports reviewed by us are accurate;
- the assumption that another company will not create a substantial competitive product for Aurinia's LN business without violating Aurinia's intellectual property rights;
- the assumption that our current good relationships with our suppliers, service providers and other third parties will be maintained;
- and/or
- the assumption that we will be able to attract and retain a sufficient amount of skilled staff.

It is important to know that:

- actual results could be materially different from what we expect if known or unknown risks affect our business, or if our estimates or assumptions turn out to be inaccurate. As a result, we cannot guarantee that any forward-looking statement will materialize and, accordingly, you are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements; and
- forward-looking statements do not take into account the effect that transactions or non-recurring or other special items announced or occurring after the statements are made may have on our business. For example, they do not include the effect of mergers, acquisitions, other business combinations or transactions, dispositions, sales of assets, asset write-downs or other charges announced or occurring after the forward-looking statements are made. The financial impact of such transactions and non-recurring and other special items can be complex and necessarily depend on the facts particular to each of them. Accordingly, the expected impact cannot be meaningfully described in the abstract or presented in the same manner as known risks affecting our business.

The factors discussed below and other considerations discussed in the "Risk Factors" section of this AIF could cause our actual results to differ significantly from those contained in any forward-looking statements.

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Such forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties, and other factors that may cause our actual results, performance, or achievements to differ materially from any assumptions, further results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Important factors that could cause such differences include, among other things, the following:

- difficulties we may experience in completing the development and commercialization of voclosporin;
- the need for additional capital in the future to continue to fund our development programs and commercialization activities, and the effect of capital market conditions and other factors on capital availability;
- competition;
- difficulties, delays, or failures we may experience in the conduct of and reporting of results of our clinical trials for voclosporin;
- difficulties in meeting GMP standards and the manufacturing and securing of a sufficient supply of voclosporin on a timely basis to successfully complete the development and commercialization of voclosporin;
- difficulties, delays or failures in obtaining necessary regulatory approvals;
- difficulties in gaining alignment among the key regulatory jurisdictions, EMA, FDA and PMDA, which may require further clinical activities;
- not being able to extend our patent portfolio for voclosporin;
- our patent portfolio not covering all of our proposed or contemplated uses of voclosporin;
- the uncertainty that the FDA will approve the use of voclosporin for LN and that the label for such use will follow the dosing protocol pursuant to US Patent No. 10,286,036 granted on May 4, 2019;
- the market for the LN business (or any other indication for voclosporin) may not be as we have estimated;
- insufficient acceptance of and demand for voclosporin;
- difficulties obtaining adequate reimbursements from third party payors;
- difficulties obtaining formulary acceptance;
- competitors may arise with similar products;
- product liability, patent infringement and other civil litigation;
- injunctions, court orders, regulatory and other enforcement actions;
- we may have to pay unanticipated expenses, and/or estimated costs for clinical trials or operations may be underestimated, resulting in our having to make additional expenditures to achieve our current goals;
- difficulties, restrictions, delays, or failures in obtaining appropriate reimbursement from payors for voclosporin; and
- difficulties we may experience in identifying and successfully securing appropriate vendors to support the development and commercialization of our product.

Although we believe that the expectations reflected in the forward-looking statements are reasonable, we cannot guarantee future results, levels of activity, performance or achievements. These forward-looking statements are made as of the date hereof.

For additional information on risks and uncertainties in respect of the Company and its business, please see the "Risk Factors" section of this AIF. Although we believe that the expectations reflected in such forward-looking statements and information are reasonable, undue reliance should not be placed on forward-looking statements or information because we can give no assurance that such expectations will prove to be correct.

OVERVIEW

Corporate structure

Aurinia is a late clinical stage biopharmaceutical company focused on developing and commercializing therapies to treat targeted patient populations that are suffering from serious diseases with a high unmet medical need. We are currently developing voclosporin, an investigational drug, for the potential treatment of LN, DES and FSGS.

On December 4, 2019 we released positive AURORA Phase 3 trial results for LN. As a result we are currently compiling an NDA for LN to be submitted to the FDA by the end of the second quarter of 2020. In addition, an MAA is planned to be filed with the EMA by the end of the first quarter of 2021.

Our head office is located at #1203-4464 Markham Street, Victoria, British Columbia, Canada and our registered office located at #201, 17873 -106A Avenue, Edmonton, Alberta Canada.

Aurinia Pharmaceuticals Inc. is organized under the *Business Corporations Act* (Alberta). Our Common Shares are currently listed and traded on the Nasdaq under the symbol "AUPH" and on the TSX under the symbol "AUP".

We have two wholly-owned subsidiaries: Aurinia Pharma U.S., Inc., (Delaware incorporated) and Aurinia Pharma Limited (United Kingdom incorporated).

Our By-Law No. 2 was amended at a shareholder's meeting held on August 15, 2013 to include provisions requiring advance notice for any nominations of directors by shareholders, which are described further in our most recent information circular.

BUSINESS OF THE COMPANY

We are currently developing voclosporin, an investigational drug, for the potential treatment of LN, DES and FSGS. Voclosporin is novel and potentially best-in-class CNI with clinical data in over 2,600 patients across various indications. It has been studied in kidney rejection following transplantation, psoriasis and in various forms of uveitis (an ophthalmic disease).

Voclosporin is an immunosuppressant, with a synergistic and dual mechanism of action that has the potential to improve near and long-term outcomes in LN when added to MMF although not approved for such, the current standard of care for LN. By inhibiting calcineurin, voclosporin reduces cytokine activation and blocks interleukin IL-2 expression and T-cell mediated immune responses. Voclosporin also potentially stabilizes disease modifying podocytes, which protects against proteinuria. Voclosporin is made by a modification of a single amino acid of the cyclosporine molecule. This modification may result in a more predictable pharmacokinetic and pharmacodynamic relationship, an increase in potency, an altered metabolic profile, and easier dosing without the need for therapeutic drug monitoring. Clinical doses of voclosporin studied to date range from 13 - 70 mg administered twice a day ("BID"). The mechanism of action of voclosporin has been validated with certain first generation CNIs for the prevention of rejection in patients undergoing solid organ transplants and in several autoimmune indications, including dermatitis, keratoconjunctivitis sicca, psoriasis, rheumatoid arthritis, and for LN in Japan. We believe that voclosporin possesses pharmacologic properties with the potential to demonstrate best-in-class differentiation with first-in-class regulatory approval status for the treatment of LN outside of Japan.

The topical formulation of voclosporin, VOS, is an aqueous, preservative free nanomicellar solution intended for use in the treatment of DES. On October 30, 2019 we announced the initiation of patient enrollment into our Phase 2/3 AUDREY™ clinical trial evaluating VOS for the potential treatment of DES. A detailed discussion of our DES program is provided in the "Clinical and Corporate Developments in 2019" section of this AIF. A Phase 2a study was previously completed with results released in January 2019. Previously, a Phase 1 study with healthy volunteers and patients with DES was also completed as were studies in rabbit and dog models.

Legacy CNIs have demonstrated efficacy for a number of conditions, including transplant, DES and other autoimmune diseases; however, side effects exist which can limit their long-term use and tolerability. Some clinical complications of legacy CNIs include hypertension, hyperlipidemia, diabetes, and both acute and chronic nephrotoxicity.

Based on published data, we believe the key potential benefits of voclosporin in the treatment of LN versus marketed CNIs are:

- increased potency compared to cyclosporine A, allowing lower dosing requirements and potentially fewer off target effects;
- limited inter and intra patient variability, allowing for easier dosing without the need for therapeutic drug monitoring;
- less cholesterolemia and triglyceridemia than cyclosporine A; and
- limited incidence of glucose intolerance and diabetes at therapeutic doses compared to tacrolimus.

Our target launch date for voclosporin as a treatment for LN in the United States, if approved, is early 2021.

STRATEGY

Our business strategy is to optimize the clinical and commercial value of voclosporin and become a global biopharma company with a focused renal and autoimmune franchise. This includes the expansion of a potential renal franchise with additional renal indications and the exploitation of voclosporin in novel formulations for treatment of autoimmune related disorders.

We have strategically developed a plan to expand our voclosporin renal franchise to include FSGS. Additionally, we are also furthering development of VOS for the treatment of DES. The advancement of these new indications, in addition to LN, represents an expansion of our pipeline and commercial opportunities.

The key tactics to achieve our corporate strategy include:

- filing an NDA with the FDA for marketing approval for use of voclosporin in LN by the end of the second quarter of 2020;
- conducting pre-commercial activities including build out of the organization to efficiently launch voclosporin for LN upon potential approval by the FDA;
- conducting a Phase 2/3 AUDREY™ clinical trial of VOS for the treatment of DES with results expected in the second half of 2020; and
- conducting a Phase 2 proof of concept study for the additional renal indication of FSGS.

LN

LN is an inflammation of the kidney caused by systemic lupus erythematosus ("SLE") and represents a serious progression of SLE. SLE is a chronic, complex and often disabling disorder. The disease is highly heterogeneous, affecting a wide range of organs and tissue systems. Unlike SLE, LN has straightforward disease outcomes (measuring proteinuria) where an early response correlates with long-term outcomes. In patients with LN, renal damage results in proteinuria and/or hematuria and a decrease in renal function as evidenced by reduced estimated glomerular filtration rate ("eGFR"), and increased serum creatinine levels. eGFR is assessed through the Chronic Kidney Disease Epidemiology Collaboration equation. In 2004, a study indicated rapid control and reduction of proteinuria in LN patients measured at six months showed a reduction in the need for dialysis at 10 years. LN can be debilitating and costly and if poorly controlled, can lead to permanent and irreversible tissue damage within the kidney. Recent literature suggests severe LN progresses to end-stage renal disease ("ESRD") within 15 years of diagnosis in 10%-30% of patients, thus making LN a serious and potentially life-threatening condition. SLE patients with renal damage have a 14-fold increased risk

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of premature death, while SLE patients with ESRD have a greater than 60-fold increased risk of premature death. In 2009, mean annual cost for patients (both direct and indirect) with SLE (with no nephritis) have been estimated to exceed \$20,000 per year per patient, while the mean annual cost for patients (both direct and indirect) with LN who progress to intermittent ESRD have been estimated to exceed \$60,000 per year per patient.

DES

DES is characterized by irritation and inflammation that occurs when the eye's tear film is compromised by reduced tear production, imbalanced tear composition, or excessive tear evaporation. The impact of DES ranges from subtle, yet constant eye irritation to significant inflammation and scarring of the eye's surface. Discomfort and pain resulting from DES can reduce quality of life and cause difficulty reading, driving, using computers and performing daily activities. DES is a chronic disease. There are currently three FDA approved prescription therapies for the treatment of dry eye, two of which are CNIs; however, there is opportunity for potential improvement in the effectiveness of therapies by enhancing tolerability, onset of action and alleviating the need for repetitive dosing. A 2017 publication estimated there were approximately 16 million diagnosed patients with DES in the United States.

FSGS

FSGS is a rare disease that attacks the kidney's filtering units (glomeruli) causing serious scarring which leads to permanent kidney damage and even renal failure. FSGS is one of the leading causes of Nephrotic Syndrome ("NS") and is identified by biopsy and proteinuria. NS is a collection of signs and symptoms that indicate kidney damage, including large amounts of protein in urine; low levels of albumin and higher than normal fat and cholesterol levels in the blood, and edema. Similar to LN, early clinical response (measured by reduction of proteinuria) is thought to be critical to long-term kidney health in patients with FSGS.

FSGS is likely the most common primary glomerulopathy leading to ESRD. The incidence of FSGS and ESRD due to FSGS are increasing although precise estimates of incidence and prevalence are difficult to determine. According to NephCure Kidney International, more than 5,400 patients are diagnosed with FSGS every year; however, this is considered an underestimate because a limited number of biopsies are performed. The number of FSGS cases are rising more than any other cause of NS and the incidence of FSGS is increasing through disease awareness and improved diagnosis. FSGS occurs more frequently in adults than in children and is most prevalent in adults 45 years or older. FSGS is most common in people of African American and Asian descent. It has been shown that the control of proteinuria is important for long term dialysis-free survival of these patients. Currently, there are no approved therapies for FSGS in the United States or the European Union.

LN STANDARD OF CARE

While at Aspreva, certain members of Aurinia's management team executed the ALMS study which established CellCept® as the current standard of care for treating LN. The ALMS study was published in 2009 in the Journal of the American Society of Nephrology and in 2011 in the New England Journal of Medicine.

The American College of Rheumatology recommends that intravenous cyclophosphamide or MMF/CellCept® be used as first-line immunosuppressive therapy for LN. Despite their use, the ALMS study showed that the vast majority of patients failed to achieve CR, and almost half failed to have a renal response at 24 weeks for both of these therapeutics. Based upon the results of the ALMS study, we believe that a better solution is needed to improve renal response rates for LN.

Despite CellCept® being the current standard of care for the treatment of LN, it remains far from adequate with fewer than 20% of patients on therapy actually achieving disease remission after six months of therapy and it is not approved as safe or effective for LN by the FDA. Data from 2008 suggests that an LN patient who does not achieve rapid disease remission upon treatment is more likely to experience renal failure or require dialysis at 10 years. Therefore, it is critically important to achieve disease remission as quickly and as effectively as possible.

Based on available data from both the AURA and AURORA clinical trials, we believe that voclosporin has the potential to address critical needs for LN by controlling active disease rapidly, lowering the overall steroid burden, and doing so with a convenient oral twice-daily treatment regimen. Currently, there are no approved therapies for LN in the United States or the European Union.

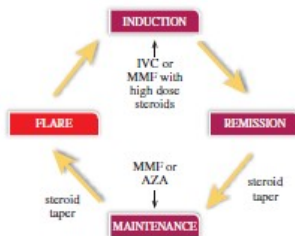
MARKET POTENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

We have conducted market research including claims database reviews (where available) and physician based research. Our physician research included approximately 900 rheumatologists and nephrologists across the United States, Europe and Japan to better define the potential market size, estimated pricing and treatment paradigms in those jurisdictions. In an updated review of the Symphony Integrated Dataverse (IDV®) claims database from 2017 using ICD-10 SLE diagnosis codes there were 421,790 individuals in that database. The National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases estimates that up to 50% of adults with SLE are diagnosed with kidney disease at some point in their journey with lupus. Using the latest claims database research, we estimate the number of SLE patients diagnosed with kidney involvement to be no more than 150,000 in the United States and 150,000 to 215,000 for Europe and Japan combined.

Similar to other autoimmune disorders, LN is a flaring and remitting disease. The destructive disease cycle people with LN go through is depicted below. The disease cycles from being in remission to being in flare, achieving PR and being back in remission. Treatment objectives between LN and other autoimmune diseases are remarkably similar. In other autoimmune conditions such as Multiple Sclerosis, Crohn's, Rheumatoid Arthritis and SLE, physicians' goals are to induce/maintain a remission of disease, decrease frequency of hospital or ambulatory care visits and limit long term disability. In LN specifically, physicians are trying to avoid further kidney damage, dialysis, renal transplantation, and death.

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According to a physician survey, the frequency of LN flares amongst treated patients was approximately every 14 months across the United States and Europe. The ability to get patients into remission quickly correlates with better long-term kidney outcomes as noted above.



The population of people with LN will be in different cycles of their disease at any one time. Physicians currently use existing LN standard of care including immunosuppressants and high dose steroids to treat people with LN throughout the disease cycles including induction and maintenance phases. By studying voclosporin on top of an existing standard of care we are not seeking to displace current accepted treatment patterns. We feel that being additive to an existing standard of care in addition to the product being administered orally versus via infusion or injection can support a more rapid market adoption if approved.

Current annualized pricing (based on wholesale acquisition costs published by AnalySource® Reprinted with permission by First Databank, Inc. for the treatments of other more prevalent autoimmune conditions such as Crohn's, Rheumatoid Arthritis and SLE ranges from US\$45,000 to US\$90,000 in the United States. Of course, pricing is highly variable and dependent on a wide variety of factors, including the cost of manufacturing the product, the value perceived by physicians, regulatory concerns, payor policies, and political landscape, along with other market factors that may exist at the time the product is ready to be marketed. Wholesale acquisition cost is the manufacturer's published catalog or list price for a drug product to wholesalers and may not reflect actual prices paid after any rebates/ discounts. We have conducted preliminary pricing research that studied a similar pricing range with payors and physicians and believe that pricing in this range may be achievable for voclosporin in the United States. Pricing for other autoimmune conditions are lower in Europe and Japan than they are in the United States driven by the specific country's pricing and reimbursement processes. We expect that will be the case for voclosporin.

VOCLOSPORIN BACKGROUND

Voclosporin mechanism of action

Voclosporin reversibly inhibits immunocompetent lymphocytes, particularly T-Lymphocytes in the G0 and G1 phase of the cell-cycle, and also reversibly inhibits the production and release of lymphokines. Through a number of processes voclosporin inhibits and prevents the activation of various transcription factors necessary for the induction of cytokine genes during T-cell activation. It is believed that the inhibition of activation of T-cells will have a positive modulatory effect in the treatment of LN. In addition to these immunologic impacts recent data suggests that CNIs have another subtle but important impact on the structural integrity of the podocytes. This data suggests that inhibition of calcineurin in patients with autoimmune kidney diseases helps stabilize the cellular actin-cytoskeleton of the podocytes thus having a structural impact on the podocyte and the subsequent leakage of protein into the urine, which is a key marker of patients suffering from LN.

Scientific Rationale for Treatment of LN with voclosporin

While SLE is a highly heterogeneous autoimmune disease (often with multiple organ and immune system involvement), LN has straightforward disease outcomes. T-cell mediated immune response is an important feature of the pathogenesis of LN while the podocyte injury that occurs in conjunction with the ongoing immune insult in the kidney is an important factor in the clinical presentation of the disease. An early response in LN correlates with long-term outcomes and is clearly measured by proteinuria.

The use of voclosporin in combination with the current standard of care for the treatment of LN provides a novel approach to treating this disease (similar to the standard approach in preventing kidney transplant rejection). Voclosporin has shown to have potent effects on T-cell activation leading to its immunomodulatory effects. Additionally, recent evidence suggests that inhibition of calcineurin has direct physical impacts on the podocytes within the kidney. Inhibition of calcineurin within the podocytes can prevent the dephosphorylation of synaptopodin which in turn inhibits the degradation of the actin cytoskeleton within the podocyte. This process is expected to have a direct impact on the levels of protein in the urine which is a key marker of LN disease activity.

Voclosporin Development History

More than 2,600 patients have been dosed with voclosporin in clinical trials including studies where voclosporin was compared to placebo or active control. The safety and tolerability profile of the drug therefore is well characterized. Phase 2 or later clinical studies that have been completed include studies in the following indications:

Psoriasis: Two Phase 3 clinical studies in patients with moderate to severe psoriasis have been completed. The primary efficacy endpoint in both studies was a reduction in Psoriasis Area and Severity Index, which is a common measure of psoriasis disease severity. The first study

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treatment with voclosporin resulted in statistically significantly greater success rates than treatment with placebo by the twelfth week. In a second study comparing voclosporin against cyclosporine, the drug was not shown to be statistically non-inferior to cyclosporine in terms of efficacy; however, voclosporin proved superior in terms of limiting elevations in hyperlipidemia. Due to the evolving psoriasis market dynamics and the changing standard of care for the treatment of this disease, we have decided not to pursue further Phase 3 development.

Renal Transplantation: A Phase 2b clinical trial in de novo renal transplant recipients was completed. Study ISA05-01, the PROMISE Study was a six-month study with a six-month extension comparing voclosporin directly against tacrolimus on a background of MMF and corticosteroids. Voclosporin was shown to be equivalent in efficacy, but superior to tacrolimus with respect to the incidence of new onset diabetes after transplantation. In 2010, tacrolimus lost its exclusivity in most world markets and as a result, the competitive pricing environment for voclosporin for this indication has come into question. Additionally, the more expensive development timelines for this indication has made it a less attractive business proposition as compared to the LN indication, even when considering the fact that a special protocol assessment has been agreed to by the FDA for this indication.

Uveitis: Multiple studies in various forms of non-infectious uveitis were completed by Lux, one of our former licensees, indicating mixed efficacy. In all but one of the studies, completed by the licensee, an impact on disease activity was shown in the voclosporin group. However, achievement of the primary end-points in multiple studies could not be shown. Uveitis is a notoriously difficult disease to study due to the heterogeneity of the patient population and the lack of validated clinical end-points. However, in all of the uveitis studies completed, the safety results were consistent, and the drug was well tolerated. We successfully terminated our licensing agreement with Lux on February 27, 2014. In conjunction with this termination we have retained a portfolio of additional patents that Lux had been prosecuting that are focused on delivering effective concentrations of voclosporin to various ocular tissues.

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

Pre-NDA meeting with FDA

Aurinia held a positive and successful Pre-NDA meeting with the FDA Division of Pulmonary, Allergy and Rheumatology Products on February 25, 2020. The Company presented information about the safety and efficacy data to be included in the filing, reviewed the format and content of the planned application and shared the rolling review plans for filing the various modules of the NDA. No obstacles were raised by FDA that would prevent submission of the NDA by the end of the second quarter of 2020 as planned.

Appointment of new Chief Commercial Officer

On February 25, 2020, we announced the hiring of Max Colao in the newly created role of Chief Commercial Officer. Mr. Colao has nearly 30 years of commercial operations experience. Prior to leading U.S. commercial operations at Alexion Pharmaceuticals Inc. and launching multiple rare disease therapies, Mr. Colao spent nearly 20 years at Amgen Inc., holding roles of increasing responsibility on various marketing and sales teams, most notably leading U.S. launches, commercialization, and pricing strategy in the areas of rheumatology, dermatology, and autoimmune disorders for Enbrel®, Prolia®, and Nplate®. Most recently, he was Chief Commercial Officer and Head of Business Development at Abeona Therapeutics Inc., where he led the company's commercialization and business development efforts of autologous cell therapy and AAV9-based gene therapy for rare diseases. Mr. Colao received his B.S. in applied mathematics and economics from the University of California, Los Angeles and his MBA from the University of Southern California.

THREE YEAR HISTORY

CLINICAL AND CORPORATE DEVELOPMENTS IN 2019

December 12, 2019 Public Offering

On December 12, 2019, we completed the December 2019 Offering. The Common Shares were sold at a public offering price of \$15.00 per share. The gross proceeds from the December 2019 Offering were \$191.7 million before deducting the 6% underwriting commission and other offering expenses which totaled \$11.82 million. Jefferies LLC and SVB Leerink LLC acted as joint book-running managers for the December 2019 Offering. H.C. Wainwright & Co. LLC, Oppenheimer & Co. Inc. and Bloom Burton Securities Inc. acted as co-managers for the December 2019 Offering.

We intend to use the net proceeds of the December 2019 Offering for pre-commercialization and launch activities, working capital and general corporate purposes.

Safety and Efficacy Results from Phase 3 AURORA Clinical Trial

On December 4, 2019, we announced positive efficacy and safety results from our pivotal AURORA Phase 3 trial of voclosporin, in combination with MMF and low-dose corticosteroids, in the treatment of LN. This global study, in which 357 patients with active LN were enrolled, met its primary endpoint of achieving renal response at 52 weeks, demonstrating renal response rates of 40.8% for voclosporin vs. 22.5% for the control (OR 2.65; $p < 0.001$). Additionally, all pre-specified hierarchical secondary endpoints achieved statistical significance in favor of voclosporin, which included renal response at 24 weeks, partial renal response at 24 and 52 weeks, time to achieve urinary protein-to-creatinine ratio ("UPCR")

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≤ 0.5, and time to 50% reduction in UPCR. The robustness of the data was also supported by all pre-specified subgroup analyses (age, sex, race, biopsy class, region, and prior MMF use) favoring voclosporin.

	Measure	Result	Odds Ratio [95% CI]	p-value
Primary Endpoint	Renal Response at 52 weeks	Voclosporin 40.8% Control 22.5%	2.65 [1.64, 4.27]	p < 0.001
Secondary Endpoints	Renal Response at 24 weeks	Voclosporin 32.4% Control 19.7%	2.23 [1.34, 3.72]	p = 0.002
	Partial Renal Response at 24 weeks	Voclosporin 70.4% Control 50.0%	2.43 [1.56, 3.79]	p < 0.001
	Partial Renal Response at 52 weeks	Voclosporin 69.8% Control 51.7%	2.26 [1.45, 3.51]	p < 0.001
	Time to UPCR ≤ 0.5	Voclosporin faster than Control	2.02 [1.51, 2.70] Hazard Ratio	p < 0.001
	Time to 50% reduction in UPCR	Voclosporin faster than Control	2.05 [1.62, 2.60] Hazard Ratio	p < 0.001

Voclosporin was generally well tolerated with no unexpected safety signals. Serious adverse events (“SAE”) were reported in 20.8% of voclosporin patients vs. 21.3% in the control arm. Infection was the most commonly reported SAE with 10.1% of voclosporin patients versus 11.2% of patients in the control arm. Overall mortality in the trial was low, with six deaths observed; one in the voclosporin arm and five in the control group. None of the deaths were determined to be treatment related. Additionally, the voclosporin arm showed no significant decrease at week 52 in eGFR or increase in blood pressure, lipids or glucose, which are common adverse events associated with legacy CNIs. Voclosporin was granted fast track designation by the FDA in 2016.

We believe the totality of data from both the AURORA and AURA clinical trials can potentially serve as the basis for an NDA submission with the FDA. Under voclosporin’s fast-track designation we intend to utilize a rolling NDA submission process. The rolling NDA submission process will commence with the filing of the non-clinical module by the end of the first quarter of 2020 to be followed by the chemistry, manufacturing and controls module as soon as practicable thereafter.

We expect to complete the NDA, including the clinical module, and submit it to FDA by the end of the second quarter of 2020.

The AURORA clinical trial was a global double-blind, placebo-controlled study (designed with target enrollment of 324 patients) to evaluate whether voclosporin added to background therapy of MMF can increase overall renal response rates in the presence of low dose steroids.

Patients were randomized 1:1 to either of: (i) 23.7 mg voclosporin BID and MMF, or (ii) MMF and placebo, with both arms receiving a rapid oral corticosteroid taper. As in the AURA clinical trial, the study population in AURORA is comprised of patients with biopsy proven active LN who will be evaluated on the primary efficacy endpoint of complete remission, or renal response, at 52 weeks, a composite which includes:

- urine protein-creatinine ratio of ≤0.5mg/mg;
- normal, stable renal function (≥60 mL/min/1.73m² or no confirmed decrease from baseline in eGFR of >20%);
- presence of sustained, low dose steroids (≤10mg prednisone from week 44-52); and
- no administration of rescue medications.

Patients completing the AURORA trial had the option to roll over into a 104-week blinded extension study (the "AURORA 2 extension study"). The data from the AURORA 2 extension study will allow us to assess the long-term benefit/risk of voclosporin in LN patients, however, this study is not a requirement for potential regulatory approval for voclosporin. Data from the AURORA 2 extension study assessing long-term outcomes in LN patients should be valuable in a post-marketing setting and for future interactions with various regulatory authorities.

We also plan to begin the process of evaluating voclosporin in pediatric patients after completion of the study report for AURORA.

Drug-Drug Interaction Study

On November 7, 2019 we announced the completion of a FDA-requested clinical DDI study in patients with lupus that investigated the potential effect of voclosporin on blood levels of MPA the active metabolite of MMF, in patients with lupus. We believe that MMF, also known as CellCept® is considered by treating physicians to be part of the current standard of care for LN in the United States.

This DDI study aimed to measure and potentially quantify, the impact voclosporin may have on MPA blood levels when given concomitantly with MMF in patients with lupus. The study results indicate that the co-administration of voclosporin with MMF had no clinically significant impact on MPA blood concentrations. In past studies, it was reported that the legacy CNIs inhibit the multidrug-resistance-associated protein 2 (MRP-2) transporter in the biliary tract thereby preventing the excretion of MPAG into the bile leading to the enterohepatic recirculation of MPA. This adverse impact of cyclosporine on MPA pharmacokinetics has resulted in a 30 - 50% reduction in MPA exposure when used in combination.

Initiation of Phase 2/3 AUDREY™ Clinical Trial

On October 31, 2019 we announced the initiation of patient enrollment into the AUDREY™ clinical trial evaluating VOS for the potential treatment of DES.

This study will include certain critical regulatory requirements that the FDA has traditionally required for DES product approval, these requirements include both dose-optimization requirements along with a comparison versus the nanomicellar vehicle.

The AUDREY™ clinical trial is a United States based randomized, double-masked, vehicle-controlled, dose ranging study to evaluate the efficacy and safety of VOS in subjects with DES and will enroll approximately 480 subjects. The study will consist of four arms and encompass a 1:1:1:1 randomization schedule to either 0.2% VOS, 0.1% VOS, 0.05% VOS or vehicle. Subjects will be dosed BID for 12 weeks.

The primary outcome measure for the trial is the proportion of subjects with ≥ 10 mm improvement in STT at 4 weeks.

Secondary outcome measures will include STT (an objective measure of tear production) at other time points, including at 12 weeks, FCS (an objective measure of structural damage to the cornea) at multiple time points, change in eye dryness, burning/stinging, itching, photophobia, eye pain and foreign body sensation at multiple time points, and additional safety endpoints.

Top-line results from the AUDREY™ clinical trial are anticipated during the second half of 2020.

We believe that it may be possible for the AUDREY™ clinical trial to act as one of the two pivotal clinical studies that would support approval by the FDA of VOS for the treatment of DES.

Animal safety toxicology studies were previously completed in rabbit and dog models, and additional longer-term animal safety toxicology studies are also currently being conducted.

Phase 2a DES Study Results

On January 22, 2019 we released results for our exploratory Phase 2a head-to-head study evaluating the efficacy, safety and tolerability of VOS (voclosporin 0.2%) versus cyclosporine ophthalmic emulsion 0.05% (Restasis®) for the treatment of DES. The study was initiated in July of 2018 and full enrollment was achieved in the fourth quarter of 2018. We believe CNIs are a mainstay of treatment for DES. The goal of this program is to develop a best-in-class treatment option.

In this exploratory Phase 2a study:

- VOS showed statistical superiority to cyclosporine ophthalmic emulsion 0.05% on FDA-accepted objective signs of DES. This statistical superiority was seen in as quickly as in two weeks.
- 42.9% of VOS subjects vs 18.4% of cyclosporine ophthalmic emulsion 0.05% subjects ($p=.0055$) demonstrated ≥ 10 mm improvement in STT at Week 4.
- Primary endpoint of drop discomfort at 1-minute on Day 1 was not met. However, no statistical difference between VOS and Restasis® was shown, as both exhibited low drop discomfort scores. Both drugs were well-tolerated. Of note, voclosporin was given at four times the dose as cyclosporine with no additional drop discomfort as measured by the drop discomfort scores at one and five minutes after application.

On the key pre-specified secondary endpoints of STT and FCS which are FDA-accepted efficacy endpoints, VOS showed rapid and statistically significant improvements over cyclosporine ophthalmic emulsion 0.05% at Week 4 (STT: $p=.0051$; FCS: $p=.0003$).

This 100-patient, double-masked, head-to-head study was designed to evaluate the efficacy, safety and tolerability of VOS versus cyclosporine ophthalmic emulsion 0.05% in subjects with DES. Both arms of the study received either VOS or cyclosporine ophthalmic emulsion 0.05% (1:1) BID, in both eyes, for 28 days. Key pre-specified secondary endpoints, which are FDA-accepted endpoints, include STT, FCS, and assessments of dry eye symptoms. Improvements in STT and FCS are considered by regulators to be two of the most clinically meaningful measures of efficacy in this disease.

With the results seen in our Phase 2a exploratory study in terms of efficacy, we believe that VOS has a differentiated product profile with a long patent life that has the potential to compete favorably in the billion dollar human prescription dry eye market.

4-Week Pre-Specified Efficacy Endpoints (Signs)*	VOS	Restasis®	<i>p-value vs. Restasis®</i>
Schirmer Tear Test (STT) <i>(mm LS mean increase from baseline)</i>	8.6	3.3	.0051
% of subjects showing ≥ 10mm improvement in STT <i>(basis of FDA approval for other CNIs and an improvement is considered to be clinically significant)</i>	42.9%	18.4%	.0055
Fluorescein Corneal Staining (FCS) <i>(reduction in staining is clinically significant)</i>	-2.2	-0.2	.0003

*worst eye

Both treatment arms also demonstrated substantial and statistically significant improvements on the symptom assessment in dry eye score from baseline to Week 4.

No SAEs were reported in the study, and there were no unexpected safety signals. All adverse events were mild to moderate and the majority of patients had no adverse events.

FSGS

As with other proteinuric kidney diseases, loss of podocyte function is a key feature of disease progression in FSGS. The disease has straightforward metrics where an early clinical response, determined by reduction in proteinuria, correlates with favorable long-term outcomes. Based on our clinical data in LN which demonstrated that voclosporin decreased proteinuria and the beneficial effects of CNIs on podocytes, we believe voclosporin has the potential to benefit patients with FSGS. In addition, voclosporin has a favorable metabolic profile and consistent predictable dose response potentially eliminating the need for therapeutic drug monitoring which are substantial advantages over legacy CNIs which are used off label primarily as second line immunotherapy in FSGS. Our Phase 2 proof-of-concept study in FSGS, which was designed as an open-label study of approximately 20 treatment-naive United States patients, was initiated in June 2018. The target population is newly diagnosed and steroid naive patients in a rare disease.

Enrollment in this study, primarily due to the target population patients available, has been slower than originally anticipated. Two activities have been implemented to enhance enrollment into the study. We have opened up additional sites outside of the United States and amended the protocol to permit entry of subjects who have received limited corticosteroid exposure in the past. Enrollment is ongoing and we anticipate interim data readouts in the second half of 2020.

SEPTEMBER 2019 ATM

On September 13, 2019 we entered into an open market sale agreement with Jefferies LLC pursuant to which Aurinia would be able to, from time to time, sell, through ATM offerings, Common Shares that would have an aggregate offering price of up to US\$40 million.

We sold 2.35 million Common Shares and received gross proceeds of US\$15 million at a weighted average price of US\$6.40 pursuant this agreement. We incurred share issue costs of US\$640,000 which included a 3% commission fee to Jefferies.LLC. Sales in the September 2019 ATM offering were only conducted in the United States through Nasdaq at market prices. On December 9, 2019, we terminated the September 13, 2019 open market sale agreement with Jefferies LLC related to this ATM offering.

Patent and Notice of Allowance

On February 25, 2019, we announced that we had received a Notice of Allowance from the USPTO for claims directed at our novel voclosporin dosing protocol for LN.

The allowed claims broadly cover the novel voclosporin *individualized flat-dosed pharmacodynamic treatment protocol* adhered to and required in both our Phase 3 AURORA clinical trial and our Phase 2 AURA clinical trial. Notably, the allowed claims cover a method of modifying the dose of voclosporin in patients with LN based on patient specific pharmacodynamic parameters.

This Notice of Allowance concluded a substantive examination of the patent application at the USPTO. After administrative processes were completed and fees were paid, on May 14, 2019 Aurinia was granted US Patent No. 10,286,036 with a term extending to December 2037. If the FDA approves the use of voclosporin for LN and the label for such use follows the dosing protocol, the issuance of this patent will expand the scope of intellectual property protection for voclosporin, which already includes manufacturing, formulation, synthesis and composition of matter patents.

We have also filed for protection of this subject matter under the PCT and have the option of applying for similar protection in the member countries thereof. This may lead to the granting of corresponding claims in the treaty countries which include all the major global pharmaceutical markets.

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As we have been focused on LN and with the potential extended expansion of our intellectual property until 2037, expanding our scope to include other proteinuric renal diseases is synergistic with our current strategy and long-term vision.

Changes to our Board of Directors and Appointment of New Officers

Subsequent to our year end, on February 25, 2020, we announced the hiring of Max Colao in the newly created role of Chief Commercial Officer. Mr. Colao has nearly 30 years of commercial operations experience. Prior to leading U.S. commercial operations at Alexion Pharmaceuticals Inc. and launching multiple rare disease therapies, Mr. Colao spent nearly 20 years at Amgen Inc., holding roles of increasing responsibility on various marketing and sales teams, most notably leading U.S. launches, commercialization, and pricing strategy in the areas of rheumatology, dermatology, and autoimmune disorders for Enbrel®, Prolia®, and Nplate®. Most recently, he was Chief Commercial Officer and Head of Business Development at Abeona Therapeutics Inc., where he led the company's commercialization and business development efforts of autologous cell therapy and AAV9-based gene therapy for rare diseases. Mr. Colao received his B.S. in applied mathematics and economics from the University of California, Los Angeles and his MBA from the University of Southern California.

On November 13, 2019 we announced the appointment of Ms. Jill Leversage to our Board of Directors and the resignation of Dr. Hyuek Joon Lee from our Board of Directors.

Ms. Leversage brings more than 25 years of financial and corporate governance expertise. She began her finance career at Burns Fry Ltd., and has held senior level positions at RBC Capital Markets, and TD Securities. Ms. Leversage has served on a number of public and not-for-profit corporate boards including MAG Silver Corp, RE Royalty Ltd., Insurance Corporation of BC, Capital Markets Authority Implementation Organization (CMAIO), and the Vancouver Airport Authority. Ms. Leversage is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Professional Accountants of British Columbia and also a Chartered Business Valuator (Ret.) of the Canadian Institute of Chartered Business Valuators.

On July 18, 2019, we announced the appointments of Mr. Max Donley, MBA as Executive Vice President of Internal Operations and Strategy and Glenn Schulman, PharmD, MPH as Senior Vice President of Corporate Communications and Investor Relations.

Mr. Donley most recently led Human Resources, Information Technology and Facilities at Senseonics Holdings, Inc. Prior to that, Mr. Donley was Executive Vice President of Global Human Resources, Information Technology, and Corporate Strategy at Sucampo Pharmaceuticals until its acquisition in February 2018. Prior to that, Mr. Donley served as Executive Vice President, Human Resources and Corporate Affairs at MedImmune, Inc., where he provided business-integrated leadership and delivered professional tools, programs and services to optimize MedImmune, Inc's human capital investments worldwide.

Dr. Schulman is a healthcare professional with nearly 20 years of advising biotech and life science companies. Prior to joining Aurinia, Dr. Schulman led Corporate Communications and Investor Relations at Achillion Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (Nasdaq: ACHN). Prior to Achillion, Dr. Schulman held positions of increasing responsibility at CuraGen Corp. where he was responsible for all aspects of corporate and medical communications, and investor and public relations.

On June 26, 2019, Mr. R. Hector MacKay-Dunn, J.D., Q.C. was elected to the Board at the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders. Mr. MacKay-Dunn has over 30 years of practice experience providing legal advice to high growth public and private companies, many of which achieving valuations exceeding CAS1 billion over a broad range of industry sectors including life sciences, health, and technology, advising on corporate domestic and cross-border public and private securities offerings, mergers and acquisitions and international partnering and licensing transactions; and advising boards of directors and independent board committees on corporate governance matters. Mr. MacKay-Dunn is recognized by Lexpert, as being among the Top 100 Canada/US Cross-Border Corporate Lawyers in Canada, has consistently been named among The Leading 500 Lawyers in Canada, and is recognized as among Canada's leading lawyers in mergers & acquisitions, technology and biotechnology.

On April 29, 2019, Aurinia appointed Peter Greenleaf as Chief Executive Officer and as a Director on the Aurinia Board of Directors. We also announced the elevation of George M. Milne, Jr., PhD, to Chairman of the Board. Dr. Richard M. Glickman, who previously announced his plans to retire on November 6, 2018, stepped down from his role as Chairman and CEO concurrent with Mr. Greenleaf's appointment on April 29, 2019, and will remain an advisor to Aurinia for a period of 12 months.

With more than twenty years of experience leading pharmaceutical and biotech firms, Mr. Greenleaf most recently served as the CEO of Cerecor Inc., a leading U.S. pediatric orphan and rare disease pharmaceutical company. Prior to that, Mr. Greenleaf was the Chairman and CEO of Sucampo Pharmaceuticals which he led through the successful sale to Mallinckrodt Pharmaceuticals, PLC for \$1.2B. Previously, Mr. Greenleaf served as the CEO and Board member of Histogenics Corporation, a regenerative medicine company. Prior to that he was the President of MedImmune, Inc, the global biologics arm of AstraZeneca, and President of MedImmune Ventures, a wholly owned venture capital fund within the AstraZeneca Group, where he led investment in emerging biopharmaceutical, medical device, and diagnostic companies.

On April 30, 2019, we announced the appointment of Dr. Daniel Billen to the Aurinia Board. Dr. Billen has more than four decades of experience leading the commercialization of pharmaceutical and biotech products in North America and Europe. Prior to his retirement, Dr. Billen served as Vice President and General Manager, Inflammation and Nephrology at Amgen, from 2011 until 2018. Prior to that, Dr. Billen was General Manager, Amgen Canada, from 1991 until 2011. Dr. Billen previously served in roles of escalating responsibility at Janssen from 1979 until 1991. Dr. Billen received his Ph.D. in Chemistry from the University of Louvain, Belgium.

CLINICAL AND CORPORATE DEVELOPMENTS IN 2018

AURORA clinical trial

We achieved a significant milestone on September 25, 2018 with the completion of enrollment for our AURORA Phase 3 clinical trial. The target enrollment of 324 patients was surpassed due to high patient demand with 358 LN patients randomized in sites across 27 countries. AURORA was a 56-week trial (52-week primary endpoint and a four-week follow-up period). We announced top-line data for this trial in December 2019.

We believe the totality of data from both the AURORA and AURA clinical trials will serve as the basis for a NDA submission with the FDA. Under voclosporin's fast-track designation we intend to utilize a rolling NDA process which will allow us to begin the submission process following a positive pre-NDA meeting with the FDA, which we anticipate will occur in the first quarter of 2020. To that end we are actively preparing the non-clinical and Chemistry, Manufacturing and Controls modules required for the NDA submission. Our current plan is to complete the NDA submission, including the clinical module, in the second quarter of 2020 and therefore we do not expect any delay in our originally planned regulatory timelines.

The AURORA clinical trial was a global double-blind, placebo-controlled study, (designed with target enrollment of 324 patients) to evaluate whether voclosporin added to background therapy of CellCept®/MMF can increase overall renal response rates in the presence of low dose steroids.

Patients were randomized 1:1 to either of: (i) 23.7 mg voclosporin BID and MMF, or (ii) MMF and placebo, with both arms receiving a rapid oral corticosteroid taper. As in the AURA clinical trial, the study population in AURORA was comprised of patients with biopsy proven active LN who will be evaluated on the primary efficacy endpoint of CR, or renal response, at 52 weeks, a composite which includes:

- UPCR of ≤ 0.5 mg/mg;
- normal, stable renal function (≥ 60 mL/min/1.73m² or no confirmed decrease from baseline in eGFR of $>20\%$);
- presence of sustained, low dose steroids (≤ 10 mg prednisone from week 44-52) and;
- no administration of rescue medications.

Patients completing the AURORA trial had the option to roll over into a 104-week blinded extension trial (the "AURORA 2 extension trial"). During the second quarter ended June 30, 2018, the first patients commenced rolling over into the AURORA 2 extension trial. The data from the AURORA 2 extension trial will allow us to assess the long-term benefit/risk of voclosporin in LN patients, however, this study is not a requirement for potential regulatory approval for voclosporin. Data from the AURORA 2 extension trial assessing long-term outcomes in LN patients should be valuable in a post-marketing setting and for future interactions with various regulatory authorities.

In order to enhance and complete the clinical dossier, we commenced a confirmatory drug-drug interaction study between voclosporin and MMF in the second half of 2018. Legacy CNIs, CsA, impact MMF concentrations, and our goal with this short study was to confirm the insignificant impact of voclosporin upon MMF concentrations that were previously seen in a renal transplant study. We conducted the drug-drug interaction study with SLE patients and completed the study in November 2019. In this study, patients were monitored for a period of two weeks. We believe the results of this study will add to our knowledge of voclosporin in a MMT approach.

We also plan to evaluate voclosporin in pediatric patients after a potential FDA approval of an indication for adults with LN.

New Voclosporin Indication - FSGS

Similar to LN, integrity of the podocyte is a key feature of disease progression in FSGS. The disease has straightforward disease outcomes where an early clinical response correlates with long-term outcomes, measured by proteinuria. Based on our clinical data in LN which demonstrated that voclosporin decreased proteinuria, we believe voclosporin has the potential to benefit patients with FSGS. Our clinical data in LN demonstrated that voclosporin decreased proteinuria. Furthermore, voclosporin appears to demonstrate a more predictable pharmacology and an improved lipid and metabolic profile over legacy calcineurin inhibitors, which have shown efficacy in treating autoimmune disorders similar to those we are targeting.

We submitted our IND to the FDA in the first quarter of 2018. We received agreement from the FDA with regards to the guidance we provided on this study and the IND is now active. Our Phase 2 proof-of-concept study in FSGS which is an open-label study of approximately 20 treatment-naive patients was initiated in June 2018.

November 2018 ATM

On November 30, 2018 we entered into an open market sale agreement with Jefferies LLC pursuant to which Aurinia would be able to, from time to time, sell, through ATM offerings, Common Shares that would have an aggregate offering price of up to US\$30 million.

During the first quarter of 2019 we sold 4.61 million Common Shares and received gross proceeds of US\$30 million at a weighted average price of US\$6.51 pursuant to this agreement. We incurred share issue costs of US\$1.17 million including a 3% commission of US\$900,000 to Jefferies LLC.

Corporate Developments

On February 21, 2018 we appointed Michael Hayden, CM, OBC, MB, ChB, PhD, FRCP (C), FRSC to our Board. Dr. Hayden was most recently the President of Global R&D and CSO at Teva Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd. Dr. Hayden is the co-founder of three biotechnology companies,

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including Aspreva, and currently sits on several boards. Dr. Hayden is a celebrated researcher, having focused his research primarily on genetic diseases.

On February 7, 2018 we appointed Joseph P. "Jay" Hagan to our Board. Mr. Hagan is currently the President and CEO of Regulus Therapeutics, having previously held the positions of COO, Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer.

We announced on November 8, 2018 that Richard M. Glickman, Aurinia's Chairman and CEO, intends to retire from his position once a suitable replacement is identified and appointed. The Board retained an executive search firm and initiated a search for his successor which ultimately resulting in the appointment of Mr. Greenleaf as Chief Executive Officer in 2019.

CLINICAL AND CORPORATE DEVELOPMENTS IN 2017

Initiation of AURORA clinical trial

We achieved a significant milestone in the second quarter of 2017 with the initiation of our single, AURORA clinical trial with patients randomized on active treatment.

AURA-LV 48-Week Results

On April 20, 2017, we presented in-depth 48-week results from our global AURA clinical trial in LN during the late-breaking session at National Kidney Foundation 2017 Spring Clinical Meetings in Orlando, Florida. These were updated results from the top-line remission rate results announced on March 1, 2017 and are summarized in the table below. In addition to the trial meeting its CR and PR endpoints at 48 weeks, all pre-specified secondary endpoints that had been analyzed to April 20, 2017 were also met at 48 weeks. These pre-specified endpoints included: time to CR and PR (speed of remission); reduction in SLEDAI score; and reduction in UPCR over the 48-week treatment period.

Each arm of the trial included the current standard of care of MMF as background therapy and a rapid steroid taper to 5mg/day by week 8 and 2.5mg/day by week 16. Both doses of voclosporin at 48 weeks demonstrated continued improvement over the control group across multiple dimensions. Notably, the voclosporin groups demonstrated statistically significantly improved speed and rates of CR and PR. Of the patients that achieved CR at 24 weeks, in the low-dose voclosporin group, 100% remained in CR at 48 weeks, which demonstrates durability of clinical response. Proteinuria levels and reduction in SLEDAI scores, which include non-renal measures of lupus activity, also continued to significantly separate over time versus the control group.

The 24 and 48-week efficacy results are summarized below:

Endpoint	Treatment	24 weeks	P-value*	48 weeks	P-value*
Complete Remission (CR)	23.7mg VCS BID	33%	<i>p</i> =.045	49%	<i>p</i> <.001
	39.5mg VCS BID	27%	<i>p</i> =.204	40%	<i>p</i> =.026
	Control Arm	19%	NA	24%	NA
Partial Remission (PR)	23.7mg VCS BID	70%	<i>p</i> =.007	68%	<i>p</i> =.007
	39.5mg VCS BID	66%	<i>p</i> =.024	72%	<i>p</i> =.002
	Control Arm	49%	NA	48%	NA
Time to CR (TTCR) [median]	23.7mg VCS BID	19.7 weeks	<i>p</i> <.001	19.7 weeks	<i>p</i> <.001
	39.5mg VCS BID	23.4 weeks	<i>p</i> =.001	23.4 weeks	<i>p</i> <.001
	Control Arm	NA	NA	NA	NA
Time to PR (TTPR) [median]	23.7mg VCS BID	4.1 weeks	<i>p</i> =.002	4.3 weeks	<i>p</i> =.005
	39.5mg VCS BID	4.4 weeks	<i>p</i> =.003	4.4 weeks	<i>p</i> =.002
	Control Arm	6.6 weeks	NA	6.6 weeks	NA
SLEDAI Reduction (non-renal lupus)	23.7mg VCS BID	-6.3	<i>p</i> =.003	-7.9	<i>p</i> <.001
	39.5mg VCS BID	-7.1	<i>p</i> =.003	-8.3	<i>p</i> <.001
	Control Arm	-4.5	NA	-5.3	NA
Reduction in UPCR	23.7mg VCS BID	-3.769 mg/mg	<i>p</i> <.001	-3.998 mg/mg	<i>p</i> <.001
	39.5mg VCS BID	-2.792 mg/mg	<i>p</i> =.006	-2.993 mg/mg	<i>p</i> =.008
	Control Arm	-2.216 mg/mg	NA	-2.384 mg/mg	NA

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The results of the AURA clinical trial at 48 weeks demonstrate the highest CR rate of any global LN study of which we are aware, although we note that the criteria to measure remission differs among various studies. The below chart compares the results of the AURA clinical trial vs. the other global LN studies of which we are aware.

Name of Global Study	Number of weeks	Criteria to Measure Remission and Response Rate	Results								
Efficacy and Safety of Ocrelizumab in Active Proliferative LN	48 weeks	UP:CR(gm/gm) < .5 SCr ≤ 25% increase from baseline Steroid taper (not enforced)	Control = 34.7% LD OCR = 42.7% (NS) HD OCR = 32.5% (NS)								
Mycophenolate Mofetil <i>versus</i> Cyclophosphamide for Induction Treatment of LN	24 weeks	UP:CR(gm/gm) ≤ .5 Normal eGFR Normal Urinalysis Steroid taper (not enforced)	MMF = 8.6% (NS) IVC = 8.1% (NS)								
Efficacy and Safety of Abatacept in LN	52 weeks	UP:CR(gm/gm) ≤ .26 eGFR within 10% of screening/baseline Normal Urinalysis Criteria to be met on 2 successive visits No mandated steroid taper	Control = 8.0% LD ABT = 11.1% (NS) HD ABT = 9.1% (NS)								
AURA-LV: Aurinia Urine Protein Reduction in Active LN Study	24 and 48 weeks	UP:CR(gm/gm) ≤ .5 No decrease in eGFR ≥ 20% No use of rescue medications Forced steroid taper	<table border="0"> <tr> <td><u>24 weeks</u></td> <td><u>48 weeks</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Control = 19.3%</td> <td>Control = 23.9%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>LD Voc=32.6% (p=.045)</td> <td>LD Voc = 49.4% (p<.001)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>HD Voc = 27.3% (NS)</td> <td>HD Voc = 39.8% (p=.026)</td> </tr> </table>	<u>24 weeks</u>	<u>48 weeks</u>	Control = 19.3%	Control = 23.9%	LD Voc=32.6% (p=.045)	LD Voc = 49.4% (p<.001)	HD Voc = 27.3% (NS)	HD Voc = 39.8% (p=.026)
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No new safety signals were observed with the use of voclosporin in LN patients, and voclosporin was well-tolerated over a 48-week period. The overall safety profile is consistent with the expectations for the class of drug, the patient population and concomitant therapies. Thirteen (13) deaths were reported during the AURA clinical trial, a pattern which is consistent with other global active LN studies. Eleven (11) of the thirteen (13) deaths occurred at sites with compromised access to standard of care, and patients who died had a statistically different clinical baseline picture, demonstrating a more severe form of LN, potential comorbid conditions, and poor nutrition. Furthermore, in the voclosporin arms, the renal function as measured by corrected eGFR was stable and not significantly different from the control arm after 48 weeks of treatment. Mean blood pressure was also similar between all treatment groups.

A summary of TEAEs, study withdrawals and drug discontinuations are below, which are consistent with other clinical trials evaluating immunosuppressive therapies.

	Control N=88 n (%)	VCS 23.7 mg BID N=89 n (%)	VCS 39.5mg BID N=88 n (%)
TEAEs, Drug Discontinuation & Study Withdrawals			
Any TEAE	78 (88.6)	82 (92.1)	85 (96.6)
Any Serious TEAE	17 (19.3)	25 (28.1)	22 (25.0)
Any TEAE with Outcome of Death ¹	4 (4.5)	10 (11.2)	2 (2.3)
Any Treatment-Related TEAE	15 (17.0)	45 (50.6)	55 (62.5)
Any Serious Treatment-Related TEAE	1 (1.1)	4 (4.5)	7 (8.0)
Any AE leading to study drug discontinuation	9 (10.2)	16 (18.0)	14 (15.9)
Any AE leading to study drug discontinuation (excluding deaths)	8 (9.1)	11 (12.4)	13 (14.8)
Study Withdrawals	18 (20)	16 (18.0)	8 (9.1)

1. Data includes three placebo-randomized subjects that died post-study completion.

On June 4, 2017 and June 14, 2017, we presented additional data from the AURA trial in LN during ERA-EDTA 2017 and EULAR 2017.

As previously reported, treatment with low dose voclosporin showed statistically improved efficacy over the control arm at 24 and 48 weeks. The data presented at ERA-EDTA demonstrated this improved efficacy was attained while maintaining stable serum magnesium, potassium and blood pressure levels. Well-known side effects with other calcineurin inhibitors at their effective dose include hypomagnesemia and hyperkalemia, which are associated with renal impairment and require monitoring or intervention.

The data presented at EULAR 2017 demonstrated that over the course of the 48-week trial, patients on voclosporin stayed in remission approximately twice the amount of time as those in the control group.

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The analysis of additional data after April 20, 2017 identified that two non-key secondary endpoints: urine sediment, which describes analysis of active urinary sediment at each visit; and comparison of C3 and C4 levels between study arms, did not demonstrate statistical significance between arms. The urine sediment endpoint was not statistically different as there was too few data to demonstrate a difference. C3 and C4 levels are non-specific markers of general lupus disease activity. Rises in C3 and C4 were seen in all arms indicating disease improvement though no significant difference was observed between treatment arms.

To summarize, in addition to the trial meeting its CR and PR endpoints at 48 weeks, all key pre-specified secondary endpoints were also met at 48 weeks.

AURORA to serve as basis for regulatory submissions in major markets-US, Europe, and Japan

On April 6, 2017, we announced the outcome of discussions with both the EMA and the PMDA in Japan regarding the development of voclosporin for the treatment of active LN. Pursuant to these discussions, we believe that the confirmatory data generated from the AURORA clinical trial and the AURA clinical trial should support regulatory submissions in the US, Europe and Japan.

48-week data from open-label AURION clinical trial

On March 27, 2017, we presented the 48-week results from the open-label AURION clinical trial at the 12th International Congress on Systemic Lupus Erythematosus and the 7th Asian Congress on Autoimmunity jointly in Melbourne, Australia.

The trial successfully achieved its primary objective by demonstrating that early biomarker response in active LN patients can be a significant predictor of renal response at 24 and 48 weeks. In the per protocol analysis at 48 weeks, 71% of subjects (n=5/7) on treatment remain in CR as measured by a UPCR of ≤ 0.5 mg/mg, eGFR within 20% of baseline and concomitant steroid dose of <5 mg/day. A 25% reduction in UPCR at week eight was found to be highly predictive of achieving renal response at 24 and 48 weeks. Conversely, if C3 and C4 do not normalize by week 8, then a renal response at week 24 and 48 is highly unlikely. Anti-dsDNA was not found to be a useful biomarker in predicting long-term response in LN patients.

No new safety signals were observed with the use of voclosporin in LN patients; voclosporin was well-tolerated, and the safety profile was consistent with other immunomodulators. A total of three subjects were discontinued prior to 48 weeks due to lupus related complications or investigator discretion.

Results from AURION demonstrated that an early UPCR reduction of 25% is the best predictor of renal response at 24 and 48 weeks. In addition, the use of C3 or C4 improves the precision of predicting if a patient will achieve a clinical response. This exploratory study is supportive of the successful AURA clinical trial.

Each arm of the trial included the current standard of care of MMF as background therapy and a forced steroid taper to 5mg/day by week 8 and 2.5mg/day by week 16.

Results from Japanese Phase 1 Ethno-bridging Study for Voclosporin

On February 14, 2017, we announced the results of a supportive Phase 1 safety PK-PD study in healthy Japanese patients which supports further development of voclosporin in this patient population. Based on evaluations comparing the Japanese ethno-bridging data vs. previous pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics studies in non-Japanese patients, voclosporin demonstrated no statistically significant differences in exposure with respect to Area Under the Curve measurements. Furthermore, the pharmacodynamics parameters in Japanese patients were generally consistent with previously evaluated pharmacokinetics parameters in non-Japanese volunteers. There were no unusual or unexpected safety signals in the study.

March 20, 2017 Offering

On March 20, 2017, we completed an underwritten public offering of 25.64 million Common Shares, which included 3.35 million Common Shares issued pursuant to the full exercise of the underwriters' over-allotment option to purchase additional Common Shares (the "March Offering"). The Common Shares were sold at a public offering price of US\$6.75 per share. The gross proceeds from the March Offering were US\$173.10 million before deducting the 6% underwriting commission and other offering expenses which totaled US\$10.78 million. Leerink Partners LLC and Cantor Fitzgerald & Co. acted as joint book-running managers for the March Offering.

Changes to Board and Management

On February 6, 2017, we appointed Dr. Richard M. Glickman LLD (Hon), our founder and Chairman of the Board, as our Chairman and CEO. The Board accepted the resignation of Charles Rowland as CEO and an executive member of the Board.

On May 9, 2017, we appointed George M. Milne Jr., PhD to the Board. Prior to his retirement, Dr. Milne served as Executive Vice President of Global Research and Development and President of Worldwide Strategic and Operations Management at Pfizer. Dr. Milne serves on multiple corporate boards including Charles River Laboratories where he is the lead director and Amylyx Pharmaceuticals and is a Venture Partner at Radius Ventures. On May 8, 2017, Dr. Gregory Ayers resigned from the Board.

On April 17, 2017, we hired Simrat Randhawa MD, MBA, as Head of Medical Affairs. Simrat brings over 20 years of experience to Aurinia across clinical practice, medical affairs and business development. For the past 10 years, he has held a number of senior leadership roles in commercial and medical affairs within large and small pharmaceutical companies. During this time, Simrat served as the medical lead for Novartis'

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Multiple Sclerosis (MS) franchise, where he played an integral role in establishing Gilenya® as the first oral therapy for the treatment of Relapsing MS. Prior to Aurinia, he was the global medical affairs lead at BioMarin Pharmaceuticals for MPS, Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy and Hemophilia

On July 3, 2017, we hired Erik Eglite, DPM, JD, MBA as Senior Vice President, General Counsel & Chief Corporate Compliance Officer. Prior to joining Aurinia, Erik was Vice President, Chief Compliance Officer and Corporate Counsel for Marathon Pharmaceuticals and Vice President, Chief Compliance Officer and Corporate Counsel for Lundbeck Pharmaceuticals. Prior to that, he was Vice President, Chief Compliance Officer and Corporate Counsel for Ovation Pharmaceuticals and Global Chief Compliance Officer, Corporate Counsel for Aspreva Pharmaceuticals. Erik has been involved with the clinical development, launch and commercialization of 12 drugs and drug programs. He is also a licensed podiatric physician and surgeon.

Termination of Paladin Agreements

Effective December 28, 2017, we terminated the License Agreement dated June 18, 2009 between Paladin and the Company (as amended). Concurrent with the termination of the License Agreement, under the terms of the R&D Agreement dated June 18, 2009, between Paladin and the Company (as amended), the R&D Agreement also terminated effective December 28, 2017.

REGULATORY

Aurinia intends to submit for marketing approval in the United States and Europe based on the data from AURORA and AURA clinical trials. The marketing approval in Japan will require formal consultation with the PMDA to determine if the data for the AURORA and AURA clinical trials will be sufficient.

REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS

The development, manufacturing and marketing of voclosporin is subject to regulations relating to the demonstration of safety and efficacy of the products as established by the government (or regulatory) authorities in those jurisdictions where this product is to be marketed. We would require regulatory approval in the United States, Europe and Japan where activities would be conducted by us or on our behalf. Depending upon the circumstances surrounding the clinical evaluation of the product candidate, the Company itself may undertake clinical trials, contract clinical trial activities to contract research organizations, or rely upon corporate partners for such development. We believe this approach will allow us to make cost effective developmental decisions in a timely fashion. We cannot predict or give any assurances as to whether regulatory approvals will be received or how long the process of seeking regulatory approvals will take.

Although only the jurisdictions of the United States, Europe and Japan are discussed in this section, we may also seek regulatory approval in other jurisdictions in the future and may initiate other clinical studies if and where appropriate.

United States

In the United States, all drugs are regulated under the Code of Federal Regulations and are enforced by the FDA. The regulations require that non-clinical and clinical studies be conducted to demonstrate the safety and effectiveness of products before marketing, and that the manufacturing be conducted according to certain GMP standards provided by the FDA.

Subsequent to the initial proof-of-concept and preliminary safety studies, the application submitted to the FDA prior to conducting human clinical trials of new drugs is referred to as an IND application. This application contains information related to the safety, efficacy and quality of the drug, and the FDA has 30 days in which to notify us if the application is unsatisfactory. If the application is deemed satisfactory, then we may proceed with the clinical trials. Before a clinical trial can commence at each participating clinical trial site, the site's IRB/IEC must approve the clinical protocol and other related documents. The FDA or an IRB/IEC may place a hold on a clinical trial at any time.

After completing all required non-clinical and clinical trials, and prior to selling a novel drug in the United States, we must also comply with NDA procedures required by the FDA. The NDA procedure includes the submission of a package to demonstrate safety and efficacy of the novel drug and describe the manufacturing processes and controls. FDA approval of the submission, including agreement on labelling, is required prior to commercial sale or commercial distribution of the product in the United States. Pre- and/or post-approval inspections of manufacturing and testing facilities are necessary. The FDA may also conduct inspections of the clinical trial sites and the non-clinical laboratories conducting pivotal efficacy and safety studies to ensure compliance with good clinical practice and good laboratory practice requirements. The FDA has the authority to impose certain post-approval requirements, such as post-market surveillance clinical trials. In addition, FDA approval can be withdrawn for failure to comply with any post-marketing requirements or for other reasons, such as the discovery of significant adverse effects.

Europe

In Europe, the evaluation of new products is coordinated by the EMA. The regulations are similar to those in the United States and require that non-clinical and clinical studies be conducted to demonstrate the safety and effectiveness of products before marketing, and that the manufacturing be conducted according to good manufacturing practice.

Subsequent to the initial proof-of-concept and preliminary safety studies, and prior to conducting human clinical trials, a CTA must be submitted to the competent authority in the country where the clinical trial will be conducted. This application contains similar information to United States IND. In Europe, the clinical trials are regulated by the European Clinical Trial Directive (2001/20/EC). As in the United States, before

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a clinical trial can commence at each participating clinical trial site, the site's IRB/IEC must approve the clinical protocol and other related documents.

A major difference in Europe, when compared to the United States, is with the approval process. In Europe, there are different procedures that can be used to gain marketing authorization in the EU. The first procedure is referred to as the centralized procedure and requires that a single application be submitted to the EMA and, if approved, allows marketing in all countries of the EU. The centralized procedure is mandatory for certain types of medicines and optional for others. The second procedure is referred to as national authorization and has two options; the first is referred to as the mutual recognition procedure and requires that approval is gained from one member state, after which a request is made to the other member states to mutually recognize the approval, whilst the second is referred to as the decentralised procedure which requires a member state to act as the reference member state through a simultaneous application made to other member states.

Japan

Japan has a unique set of processes for the regulation of drugs. The PMDA is the main Regulatory Agency that oversees the review and approval of the drugs as per the regulatory prerequisites in Japan.

Japan's regulatory system requires the IND Application documents to be prepared in the Common Technical Document (CTD) format. Subsequent to the application submission, PMDA evaluates the application with respect to the pre-clinical data, and protocols for clinical studies etc. It takes approximately 30 days for initial IND and 14 days for subsequent IND filings. Once queries have been answered by the applicant, PMDA completes its review and the IND application will be transferred to IRB for the review. IRB takes one to four weeks of time for the completion of the review. Once IRB provides a favorable response, IND application will be approved after which, clinical trials can be initiated on human subjects in Japan.

Once the applicant files the J-NDA, PMDA reviews the application and schedules a face-to-face meeting with the applicant during which queries from PMDA are discussed. Meanwhile, GMP investigation of manufacturing site will be carried out. After the face-to-face meeting, the PMDA reviewer prepares a Review Report. If there are any major issues, PMDA organizes the Expert Discussion, which involves a discussion between the PMDA reviewer and external expert on the proposed major issue(s). Subsequent to the discussions with the external expert, PMDA reviewer will prepare a summary of the main issues and discuss with the applicant in another face-to-face review meeting (can be held 2 times).

Following this review meeting, PMDA may again hold another Expert Discussion (if necessary) and prepares the Review Report for final approval within the Japanese government. The standard time for approval of a J-NDA is approximately 12 months.

BUSINESS MATTERS

DRUG DEVELOPMENT PROCESS

Clinical trials involve the administration of an investigational pharmaceutical product to individuals under the supervision of qualified medical investigators. Clinical studies are conducted in accordance with protocols that detail the objectives of a study, the parameters to be used to monitor safety, and the efficacy criteria to be evaluated. Each protocol is submitted to the appropriate regulatory body and to a relevant IRB/IEC prior to the commencement of each clinical trial. Clinical studies are typically conducted in three sequential phases which may overlap in time-frame.

In summary, the following steps must be completed prior to obtaining approval for marketing in the United States and Europe:

1. **Nonclinical Animal Studies** - These studies evaluate the safety and potential efficacy of a therapeutic product and form part of the application which must be reviewed by the appropriate regulatory authority prior to initiation of human clinical trials.
2. **Phase 1 Clinical Trials** - These trials test the product in a small number of healthy volunteers to determine toxicity (safety), maximum dose tolerance, and pharmacokinetic properties.
3. **Phase 2 Clinical Trials** - These trials are conducted in the intended patient population and include a larger number of subjects than in Phase 1. The primary goal is to determine the safety of a product in a larger number of patients and ultimately in the intended patient population. These trials may also provide early information on the potential effectiveness of a product.
4. **Phase 3 Clinical Trials** - These trials are conducted in an expanded patient population at multiple sites to determine longer-term clinical safety and efficacy of the product. It is from the data generated in these trials that the benefit/risk relationship of a product is established, and the final drug labelling claims are defined.

In the course of conducting clinical trials for a drug candidate, a company may conduct more than one trial of a particular phase in order to evaluate the drug against a variety of indications or in different patient populations. In such a case, industry practice is to differentiate these trials by way of designations such as "Phase 2a" or "Phase 2b".

A key factor influencing the rate of progression of clinical trials is the rate at which patients can be recruited to participate in the research program. Patient recruitment is largely dependent upon the incidence and severity of the disease and the alternative treatments available.

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Even after marketing approval for a drug has been obtained, further trials may be required (referred to as Phase 4 trials). Post-market trials may provide additional data on safety and efficacy necessary to gain approval for the use of the product as a treatment for clinical indications other than those for which the product was initially tested. These trials may also be used for marketing purposes.

MANUFACTURING, ENCAPSULATING AND PACKAGING OF VOCLOSPORIN

Drug supply costs are comprised of third party charges for manufacturing, encapsulating and packaging of voclosporin.

Voclosporin, requires a specialized manufacturing process. Lonza is currently our sole manufacturer of voclosporin and has manufactured the API for our clinical trials since 2004. Pricing for clinical supply is determined through negotiations between Lonza and the Company and is based on the size of specific API production runs and the cost of the raw materials used in the API manufacturing process. As at the date of this AIF, we have not experienced any difficulty in obtaining the raw materials required with respect to the manufacturing of voclosporin.

Lonza Manufacturing Collaboration Agreement

In November 2016, we entered into a long-term manufacturing collaboration and services agreement with Lonza for the manufacture of our API. This agreement follows a successful multi-year clinical manufacturing relationship where the Company and Lonza have been refining the process and analytical methods to produce clinical and commercial supplies of voclosporin. Under the terms of the agreement, Lonza has agreed to produce cGMP-grade voclosporin drug substance for use in our clinical trials and for future commercial use. The agreement also provides an option to have Lonza exclusively supply API for up to 20 years. Lonza is the sole supplier for manufacture of our API.

Encapsulating and Packaging of Voclosporin

We have contracted Catalent to encapsulate and package voclosporin for our LN and FSGS clinical studies. Catalent is currently the sole supplier for the encapsulating and the packaging our voclosporin clinical drug supply. Pricing for these services is determined by negotiations between Catalent and the Company and is based on the specific production run size.

It is our intention that Catalent will provide services with respect to encapsulating voclosporin required for our future commercial supply needs.

We have contracted PCI to package our commercial drug supply.

VOS

We have contracted Unither to manufacture VOS for our DES clinical studies. Sharp Clinical packages VOS for our clinical DES studies. Pricing for these services is determined by negotiations between Unither and Sharp Clinical, respectively, and the Company and is based on the specific production run size.

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

Patents and other proprietary rights are essential to our business. Our policy has been to file patent applications to protect technology, inventions and improvements to our inventions that are considered important to the development of our business.

We have an extensive granted patent portfolio covering voclosporin, including granted United States patents, for composition of matter, methods of use, formulations and synthesis. The corresponding Canadian, South African and Israeli patents are owned by Paladin. We anticipate that upon regulatory approval, patent protection for voclosporin will be extended in the United States (Patent Term Extension) and certain other major markets, including Europe and Japan, until at least October 2027 under the Hatch-Waxman Act in the United States and comparable patent extension laws in other countries (including the Supplementary Protection Certificate program in Europe). Opportunities may also be available to add an additional six months of exclusivity related to pediatric studies which are currently in the planning process. In addition to patent rights, we also expect to receive “new chemical entity” exclusivity for voclosporin in certain countries, which provides this type of exclusivity for five years in the United States and up to ten years in Europe.

Further, on May 14, 2019 Aurinia was granted U.S. Patent No. 10,286,036 with a term extending to December 2037, with claims directed at our voclosporin dosing protocol for LN. The allowed claims broadly cover the novel voclosporin individualized flat-dosed pharmacodynamic treatment protocol adhered to and required in both the previously reported Phase 2 AURA-LV trial and our Phase 3 confirmatory AURORA clinical trial. Notably, the allowed claims cover a method of modifying the dose of voclosporin in patients with LN based on patient specific pharmacodynamic parameters. If the FDA approves the use of voclosporin for LN and the label for such use follows the dosing protocol claimed in U.S. Patent No. 10,286,036, this patent will expand the scope of intellectual property protection for voclosporin, which already includes manufacturing, formulation, synthesis and composition of matter patents. We have also filed for protection of this subject matter under the Patent Cooperation Treaty and have the option of applying for similar protection in the member countries thereof. This may lead to the granting of similar claims in major global pharmaceutical markets.

We have licensed the development and distribution rights to voclosporin for China, Hong Kong and Taiwan to 3SBio. This license is royalty bearing and we will also supply finished product to 3SBio on a cost-plus basis. We do not expect to receive any royalty revenue pursuant to this license in the foreseeable future.

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We have patent protection for VOS as we own three granted United States patents and 14 patents in other jurisdictions related to ophthalmic formulations of calcineurin inhibitors or mTOR inhibitors, including voclosporin. We also have one granted United States patent and 10 patents in other jurisdictions related to topical drug delivery system for ophthalmic use. These patents expire between 2028 and 2031.

COMPETITIVE ENVIRONMENT

The pharmaceutical and biotechnology industries are characterized by rapidly evolving technology and intense competition. Many companies, including major pharmaceutical as well as specialized biotechnology companies, are engaged in activities focused on medical conditions that are the same as, or similar to, those targeted by us. Many of these companies have substantially greater financial and other resources, larger research and development staff, and more extensive marketing and manufacturing organization than we do. Many of these companies have significant experience in pre-clinical testing, human clinical trials, product manufacturing, marketing and distribution, and other regulatory approval procedures. In addition, colleges, universities, government agencies, and other public and private research organizations conduct research and may market commercial products on their own or through collaborative agreements. These institutions are becoming more active in seeking patent protection and licensing arrangements to collect royalties for use of technology that they have developed. These institutions also compete with us in recruiting and retaining highly qualified scientific personnel.

EMPLOYEES

	As at December 31, 2019	As at December 31, 2018	As at December 31, 2017
Total Number of Employees	62	39	33

As at December 31, 2019 we employed 62 employees, 52 of whom held advanced degrees in science and business, including six with a Ph.D. degree, three with a MD, and 16 with a Masters degree.

Of our total 62 employees as at December 31, 2019, 28 employees were engaged in, or directly support, clinical trial and research and development activities; and 34 employees were engaged in corporate, administration and business development activities.

Our employees are not governed by a collective agreement. We have not experienced a work stoppage and believe our employee relations are satisfactory given the current economic conditions.

FACILITIES

The Company entered into an agreement, effective June 1, 2014, to sublease 5,540 square feet of office and storage space at its head office location in Victoria, British Columbia for a term of five years. On December 6, 2018 the Company signed a commitment letter and entered into a new sublease on January 28, 2019 to rent 9,406 square feet of office and storage space at the existing location effective June 1, 2019. The new sublease is for a term of three years, however, the Company has the ability to cancel upon 12 months' notice. The estimated base rent plus operating costs on a monthly basis for the period from January 1, 2020 to May 31, 2020 is approximately US\$21,000 per month increasing to approximately US\$22,000 per month for the period of June 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020. On December 6, 2019, the head lessee provided notice to the landlord the intent to terminate the lease effective December 31, 2020. As a result the Company's sublease with the head lessee will also terminate effective December 31, 2020.

The Company entered into an agreement on November 14, 2014 to lease 1,247 square feet of office space for a term of two years commencing on January 1, 2015 for the Edmonton, Alberta registered office where the Company's finance group is located. The lease was subsequently renewed until December 31, 2019 at a cost of approximately US\$1,400 per month on the same terms as the original lease. On October 1, 2019 the Company entered into an agreement with the same landlord to lease larger premises at #201, 17873 - 106A Avenue, Edmonton, Alberta, consisting of 2,248 square feet of office space, for a term commencing October 1, 2019 to September 30, 2020 at a cost of approximately US\$2,200 per month, surrendering the remaining term of the renewal lease previously entered into.

RISK FACTORS

Investing in our securities involves a high degree of risk. You should carefully consider the following risks in addition to the other information included in this AIF, our historical consolidated financial statements and related notes, before you decide to purchase our Common Shares. The risks and uncertainties described below are those that we currently believe may materially affect the Company and are set out in no particular order. Additional risks and uncertainties that we are unaware of or that we currently deem immaterial may also become important factors that materially and adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations. If any of the following events were to actually occur, our business, operating results or financial condition could be adversely affected in a material manner.

RISKS RELATING TO AURINIA'S BUSINESS

Clinical Trial Progress and Results - Heavy Dependence on Voclosporin

We have invested a significant portion of our time and financial resources in the development of voclosporin. We anticipate that our ability to generate revenues and meet expectations will depend primarily on the successful development, regulatory approval and commercialization of voclosporin.

The successful development and commercialization of voclosporin will depend on several factors, including the following:

- successful and timely completion of our clinical programs in LN and DES, including the AURORA 2 extension study and AUDREY™ clinical trial which is anticipated to be completed in the second half of 2020;
- receipt of marketing approvals from the FDA and other regulatory authorities with a commercially viable label;
- securing and maintaining sufficient expertise and resources to help in the continuing development and eventual commercialization of voclosporin;
- maintaining suitable manufacturing and supply arrangements to ensure commercial quantities of the product through validated processes;
- acceptance and adoption of the product by the medical community and third-party payers;
- and
- our ability to raise future financial resources when required. Future additional sources of capital could include payments from equity financings, debt financings, potential new licensing partners, and/or the monetization of our intangible assets.

It is possible that we may decide to discontinue the development of voclosporin at any time for commercial, scientific, or regulatory reasons. If voclosporin is developed, but not marketed, we will have invested significant resources and our future operating results and financial conditions would be significantly adversely affected. If we are not successful in commercializing voclosporin, or significantly delayed in doing so, our business will be materially harmed, and we may need to curtail or cease operations.

We may not be able to obtain required regulatory approvals for our product candidate and there is no assurance of successful development.

We have not completed the development of any therapeutic products and in particular, voclosporin, and therefore there can be no assurance that any product will be successfully developed. Voclosporin has not received regulatory approval for our commercial use and sale for any indication, in any jurisdiction. We cannot market a pharmaceutical product in any jurisdiction until it has completed thorough pre-clinical testing and clinical trials in addition to that jurisdiction's extensive regulatory approval process. In general, significant research and development and clinical studies are required to demonstrate the safety and effectiveness of our product before submission of any regulatory applications. We may never obtain the required regulatory approvals for our product in any indication. Product candidates require significant additional research and development efforts, including clinical trials, prior to regulatory approval and potential commercialization, however, there can be no assurance that the results of all required clinical trials will demonstrate that these product candidates are safe and effective or, even if the results of all required clinical trials do demonstrate that these product candidates are safe and effective, or even if the results of the clinical trials are considered successful by us, that the regulatory authorities will not require us to conduct additional clinical trials before they will consider approving product candidates for commercial use. The FDA and other regulators have substantial discretion in the approval process.

Approval or consent by regulatory authorities to commence a clinical trial does not indicate that the device, drug, or treatment being studied can or will be approved. Of the large number of drugs in development, only a small percentage result in the submission of an application to the FDA and even fewer are approved for commercialization. The process of obtaining required approvals (such as, but not limited to, the approval of the FDA, the EMA, PMDA and Health Canada) is complex, expensive, time intensive, entails significant uncertainty and there can be no assurance that future products will be successfully developed, proven safe and effective in clinical trials or receive applicable regulatory approvals. Potential investors should be aware of the risks, problems, delays, expenses and difficulties which may be encountered by us in view of the extensive regulatory environment which controls our business. The regulatory review process typically varies in time, may take years to complete and approval is not guaranteed. Any approval might also contain significant limitations which may affect our ability to successfully develop its product candidate. Also, any regulatory approval once obtained, may be withdrawn. If regulatory approval is obtained in one jurisdiction, that does not necessarily mean that we will receive regulatory approval in all jurisdictions in which we may seek approval, or any regulatory approval obtained may not be as broad as what was obtained in other jurisdictions. However, the failure to obtain approval for our product candidate in one or more jurisdictions may negatively impact our ability to obtain approval in a different jurisdiction. If our development efforts for our product candidate are not successful or regulatory approval is not obtained in a timely fashion, on acceptable terms or at all, it will have a material adverse effect on the business, financial condition, and results of operations.

The results of our completed pre-clinical studies and clinical trials may not be indicative of future clinical trial results. A commitment of substantial resources to conduct time-consuming research, pre-clinical studies, and clinical trials will be required if we are to complete the development of our product.

There can be no assurance that unacceptable toxicities or adverse side effects will not occur at any time in the course of pre-clinical studies or human clinical trials or, if any products are successfully developed and approved for marketing, during commercial use of our product. The appearance of any such unacceptable toxicities or adverse side effects could interrupt, limit, delay, or abort the development of our product or, if previously approved, necessitate its withdrawal from the market. Furthermore, there can be no assurance that disease resistance or other unforeseen factors will not limit the effectiveness of our product. Any products resulting from our programs are not expected to be successfully developed or made commercially available in the near term and may not be successfully developed or made commercially available at all. Should our product prove to have insufficient benefit and/or have an unsafe profile, its development will likely be discontinued.

Our future performance will be impacted by a number of important factors, including, in the short-term, our ability to continue to generate cash flow from financings, and in the longer term, our ability to generate royalty or other revenues from licensed technology and bring new products to the market. Our future success will require efficacy and safety of our product and regulatory approval for the product. Future success of commercialization of any product is also dependent on our ability to obtain patents, enforce such patents, avoid patent infringement, and obtain patent extensions where applicable.

Government Regulation

The production and marketing of our product and our ongoing research and development activities are subject to regulation by numerous federal, provincial, state and local governmental authorities in the United States and any other countries where we may test or market our product. These laws require the approval of manufacturing facilities, including adhering to “good manufacturing” and/or “good laboratory” practices during production and storage, the controlled research and testing of products, governmental review and approval of submissions requiring manufacturing, pre-clinical and clinical data to establish the safety and efficacy of the product for each use sought in order to obtain marketing approval, and the control of marketing activities, including advertising and labeling. Failure to adhere to these requirements could invalidate our data.

If we secure regulatory approval, we would continue to be subject to extensive ongoing regulatory requirements. Manufacturing of approved drug products must comply with extensive regulations governing GMP. Manufacturers and their facilities are subject to continual review and periodic inspections. As we may be dependent on third parties for manufacturing, we will have limited ability to ensure that any entity manufacturing products on our behalf is doing so in compliance with applicable GMP requirements. Failure or delay by any manufacturer of our product to comply with GMP regulations or to satisfy regulatory inspections could have a material adverse effect on us, including potentially preventing us from being able to supply products for clinical trials or commercial sales. In addition, manufacturers may need to obtain approval from regulatory authorities for product, manufacturing, or labeling changes, which requires time and money to obtain and can cause delays in product availability. We are also required to comply with good distribution practices such as maintenance of storage and shipping conditions, as well as security of products, in order to ensure product quality determined by GMP is maintained throughout the distribution network. In addition, we are subject to regulations governing the import and export of our products.

Sales and marketing of pharmaceutical products are subject to extensive federal and provincial or state laws governing on-label and off-label advertising, scientific/educational grants, gifts, consulting and pricing and are also subject to consumer protection and unfair competition laws. Compliance with extensive regulatory and enforcement requirements requires training and monitoring of the sales force and other field personnel, which could impose a substantial cost on us. To the extent our product is marketed by collaborators, our ability to ensure their compliance with applicable regulations would be limited. In addition, we are subject to regulations governing the design, testing, control, manufacturing, distribution, labeling, quality assurance, packaging, storage, shipping, import and export of our product candidate.

There can be no assurance that we will be able to achieve or maintain regulatory compliance with respect to all or any part of our current or future products or that we will be able to timely and profitably produce our product while complying with applicable regulatory requirements. If we fail to maintain compliance, regulatory authorities may not allow the continuation of the drug development programs or require us to make substantial changes to the drug. Any such actions could have a material adverse effect on the business, financial condition, and results of operations.

Even if we obtain FDA approval of any of our product candidates, we may never obtain approval or commercialize our products outside of the United States, which would limit our ability to realize their full market potential.

In order to market any products outside the United States, we must establish and comply with numerous and varying regulatory requirements of other countries regarding safety and efficacy. Clinical trials conducted in one country may not be accepted by regulatory authorities in other countries, and regulatory approval in one country does not mean that regulatory approval will be obtained in any other country. Approval procedures vary among countries and may require additional preclinical studies or clinical trials or additional administrative review periods, which could result in significant delays, difficulties and costs for us. In addition, our failure to obtain regulatory approval in any country may delay or have negative effects on the process for regulatory approval in other countries. We do not have any product candidates approved for sale in any jurisdiction, including international markets, and we do not have experience in obtaining regulatory approval in international markets. If we fail to comply with regulatory requirements in international markets or to obtain and maintain required approvals, our target market will be reduced and our ability to realize the full market potential of our products will be harmed.

Our product candidates may have undesirable side effects which may delay or prevent further clinical development or marketing approval, or, if approval is received, require them to be taken off the market, require them to include safety warnings or otherwise limit their sales.

Although all of our product candidates have undergone or will undergo safety testing, not all adverse effects of drugs can be predicted or anticipated. Unforeseen side effects from any of our product candidates could arise either during clinical development or, if approved by regulatory authorities, after the approved product has been marketed. All of our product candidates are still in clinical or preclinical development. Ongoing or future trials of our product candidates may not support the conclusion that one or more of these product candidates have acceptable safety profiles. The results of future clinical or preclinical trials may show that our product candidates cause undesirable or unacceptable side effects, which could interrupt, delay or halt clinical trials, and result in delay of, or failure to obtain, marketing approval from the FDA and other regulatory authorities, or result in marketing approval from the FDA and other regulatory authorities with restrictive label warnings or potential product liability claims. If any of our product candidates receives marketing approval and we or others later identify undesirable or unacceptable side effects caused by such products:

- regulatory authorities may require us to take our approved product off the market;
- regulatory authorities may require the addition of labeling statements, specific warnings, a contraindication or field alerts to physicians and pharmacies;
- we may be required to change the way the product is administered, impose other risk-management measures, conduct additional clinical trials or change the labeling of the product;
- we may be subject to limitations on how we may promote the product;
- sales of the product may decrease significantly;

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- we may be subject to litigation or product liability claims;
and
- our reputation may
suffer.

Any of these events could prevent us, our collaborators or our potential future partners from achieving or maintaining market acceptance of the affected product or could substantially increase commercialization costs and expenses, which in turn could delay or prevent us from generating significant revenue from the sale of our products.

We will have significant additional future capital needs in 2020 and beyond and there may be uncertainties as to our ability to raise additional funding in the future to meet these needs.

We will require significant additional capital resources to expand our business, in particular the further development of our product candidate, voclosporin, whether for LN or any other indication. Advancing our product candidate, marketing for our product, or acquisition and development of any new products or product candidates will require considerable resources and additional access to capital markets. In addition, our future cash requirements may vary materially from those now expected. For example, our future capital requirements may increase if:

- we experience unexpected or increased costs relating to preparing, filing, prosecuting, maintaining, defending and enforcing patent claims, or other lawsuits, brought by either us or our competition;
- we experience scientific progress sooner than expected in our discovery, research and development projects, if we expand the magnitude and scope of these activities, or if we modify our focus as a result of our discoveries;
- we are required to perform additional pre-clinical studies and clinical trials;
or
- we elect to develop, acquire or license new technologies, products or
businesses.

We could potentially seek additional funding through corporate collaborations and licensing arrangements or through public or private equity or debt financing. However, if capital market conditions in general, or with respect to life sciences companies such as ours, are unfavorable, our ability to obtain significant additional funding on acceptable terms, if at all, will be negatively affected. Additional financing that we may pursue may involve the sale of Common Shares which could result in significant dilution to our shareholders. If sufficient capital is not available, we may be required to delay our research and development projects, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, prospects or results of operations.

Patents and Proprietary Technology

Patents and other proprietary rights are essential to our business. Our policy has been to file patent applications to protect technology, inventions, and improvements to our inventions that are considered important to the development of our business.

Our success will depend in part on our ability to obtain patents, defend patents, maintain trade secret protection and operate without infringing on the proprietary rights of others. Interpretation and evaluation of pharmaceutical patent claims present complex and often novel legal and factual questions. Accordingly, there is some question as to the extent to which biopharmaceutical discoveries and related products and processes can be effectively protected by patents. As a result, there can be no assurance that:

- patent applications will result in the issuance of
patents;
- additional proprietary products developed will be
patentable;
- patents issued will provide adequate protection or any competitive
advantages;
- patents issued will not be successfully challenged by third
parties;
- our products do not infringe the patents or intellectual property of others;
or
- that we will be able to obtain any extensions of the patent
term.

A number of pharmaceutical, biotechnology and medical device companies and research and academic institutions have developed technologies, filed patent applications or received patents on various technologies that may be related to our business. Some of these technologies, applications or patents may conflict with or adversely affect our technologies or intellectual property rights. Any conflicts with the intellectual property of others could limit the scope of the patents, if any, that we may be able to obtain or result in the denial of patent applications altogether.

Further, there may be uncertainty as to whether we may be able to successfully defend any challenge to our patent portfolio. Moreover, we may have to participate in interference proceedings in the various jurisdictions around the world. An unfavorable outcome in an interference or opposition proceeding or a conflict with the intellectual property of others could preclude us or our collaborators or licensees from making, using or selling products using the technology, or require us to obtain license rights from third parties. It is not known whether any prevailing party would offer a license on commercially acceptable terms, if at all. Further, any such license could require the expenditure of substantial time and resources and could harm our business. If such licenses are not available, we could encounter delays or prohibition of the development or introduction of our product.

On May 14, 2019 Aurinia was granted U.S. Patent No. 10,286,036 with a term extending to December 2037, with claims directed at our voclosporin dosing protocol for LN. The allowed claims broadly cover the novel voclosporin individualized flat-dosed pharmacodynamic treatment protocol adhered to and required in both the previously reported Phase 2 AURA-LV trial and our Phase 3 confirmatory AURORA clinical trial. Notably, the allowed claims cover a method of modifying the dose of voclosporin in patients with LN based on patient specific pharmacodynamic parameters. For this patent to be useful, it will require that the FDA approve the use of voclosporin for LN and that the label for such use will follow the dosing protocol under the Notice of Allowance claims.

Clinical trials for our product candidate are expensive and time-consuming, and their outcome is uncertain.

Before we can obtain regulatory approval for the commercial sale of any product candidate currently under development, we are required to complete extensive clinical trials to demonstrate its safety and efficacy. Clinical trials are very expensive and difficult to design and implement. The clinical trial process is also time-consuming. If we find a collaboration partner for the development of voclosporin (whether for LN, DES or any other indication), the clinical trials are expected to continue for several years, although costs associated with voclosporin may well be shared with our collaboration partner. The timing of the commencement, continuation and completion of clinical trials may be subject to significant delays relating to various causes, including:

- our inability to find collaboration partners, if needed;
- our inability to manufacture or obtain sufficient quantities of materials for use in clinical trials;
- delays in obtaining regulatory approvals to commence a study, or government intervention to suspend or terminate a study;
- delays, suspension, or termination of the clinical trials imposed by the IRB/IEC responsible for overseeing the study to protect research subjects at a particular study site;
- delays in identifying and reaching agreement on acceptable terms with prospective clinical trial sites;
- slower than expected rates of patient recruitment and enrollment;
- uncertain dosing issues;
- inability or unwillingness of medical investigators to follow our clinical protocols;
- variability in the number and types of subjects available for each study and resulting difficulties in identifying and enrolling subjects who meet trial eligibility criteria;
- scheduling conflicts with participating clinicians and clinical institutions;
- difficulty in maintaining contact with subjects after treatment, which results in incomplete data;
- unforeseen safety issues or side effects;
- lack of efficacy during the clinical trials;
- our reliance on clinical research organizations to conduct clinical trials, which may not conduct those trials with good clinical or laboratory practices; or
- other regulatory delays.

The results of pre-clinical studies and initial clinical trials are not necessarily predictive of future results, and our current product candidate may not have favourable results in later trials or in the commercial setting.

Success in pre-clinical or animal studies and early clinical trials neither ensure that later large-scale efficacy trials will be successful, nor does it predict final results. Pre-clinical tests and Phase 1 and Phase 2 clinical trials are primarily designed to test safety, to study pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics and to understand the side effects of product candidates at various doses and schedules. Favourable results in early trials may not be repeated in later trials.

A number of companies in the life sciences industry have suffered significant setbacks in advanced clinical trials, even after positive results in earlier trials. Clinical results are frequently susceptible to varying interpretations that may delay, limit or prevent regulatory approvals. Negative or inconclusive results or adverse medical events during a clinical trial could cause a clinical trial to be delayed, repeated or terminated. In addition, failure to construct appropriate clinical trial protocols could result in the test or control group experiencing a disproportionate number of AEs and could cause a clinical trial to be repeated or terminated. Pre-clinical data and the clinical results we have obtained for voclosporin (for LN or any other indication) may not predict results from studies in larger numbers of subjects drawn from more diverse populations or in a commercial setting, and also may not predict the ability of our product to achieve its intended goals, or to do so safely.

Initial studies or clinical trials may not establish an adequate safety or efficacy profile for our product candidates to justify proceeding to advanced clinical trials or an application for regulatory approval.

Some of the clinical trials we conduct may be open-label in study design and may be conducted at a limited number of clinical sites on a limited number of patients. An “open-label” clinical trial is one where both the patient and investigator know whether the patient is receiving the investigational product candidate or either an existing approved drug or placebo. Most typically, open-label clinical trials test only the investigational product candidate and sometimes may do so at different dose levels. Open-label clinical trials are subject to various limitations that may exaggerate any therapeutic effect as patients in open-label clinical trials are aware when they are receiving treatment. Open-label clinical trials may be subject to a “patient bias” where patients perceive their symptoms to have improved merely due to their awareness of receiving an experimental treatment. Moreover, patients selected for early clinical studies often include the most severe sufferers and their symptoms may have been bound to improve notwithstanding the new treatment. In addition, open-label clinical trials may be subject to an “investigator bias” where those assessing and reviewing the physiological outcomes of the clinical trials are aware of which patients have received treatment and may interpret the information of the treated group more favorably given this knowledge. Given that our ongoing Phase 2 clinical trial in FSGS includes an open-label dosing design, the results from this clinical trial may not be predictive of future clinical trial results with this or other product candidates for which we conduct an open-label clinical trial when studied in a controlled environment with a placebo or active control.

Our industry is subject to health and safety risks.

While we take substantial precautions such as laboratory and clinical testing, toxicology studies, quality control and assurance testing and controlled production methods, the health and safety risks associated with producing a product for human ingestion cannot be eliminated. Products produced by us may be found to be, or to contain substances that are harmful to the health of our patients and customers and which, in extreme cases, may cause serious health conditions or death. This sort of finding may expose us to substantial risk of litigation and liability.

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Further, we would be forced to discontinue production of our product, which would harm our profitability. We maintain product liability insurance coverage; however, there is no guarantee that our current coverage will be sufficient or that we can secure insurance coverage in the future at commercially viable rates or with the appropriate limits.

Even if approved, our product may not achieve or maintain expected levels of market acceptance among physicians, patients, the medical community, and third-party payors, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations and could cause the market value of our Securities to decline.

Even if we are able to obtain regulatory approvals for our product, the commercial success of the product is dependent upon achieving and maintaining market acceptance, among physicians, patients and the medical community. New product candidates that appear promising in development may fail to reach the market or may have only limited or no commercial success. Levels of market acceptance for our product could be impacted by several factors, many of which are not within our control, including but not limited to:

- limitations or warnings contained in the approved labeling for a product candidate;
- changes in the standard of care for the targeted indications for any of our product candidates;
- limitations in the approved clinical indications for our product candidates;
- demonstrated clinical safety and efficacy compared to other products;
- lack of significant adverse side effects;
- sales, marketing and distribution support;
- availability and extent of reimbursement from managed care plans and other third-party payors;
- timing of market introduction and perceived effectiveness of competitive products;
- the degree of cost-effectiveness of our product candidates;
- availability of alternative therapies at similar or lower cost, including generic and over-the-counter products;
- the extent to which the product candidate is approved for inclusion on formularies of hospitals and managed care organizations;
- whether the product is designed under physician treatment guidelines as a first-line therapy or as a second or third-line therapy for particular diseases;
- adverse publicity about our product candidate or favorable publicity about competitive products;
- convenience and ease of administration of our product; and
- potential product liability claims.

If any of our product candidates are approved, but do not achieve an adequate level of acceptance by physicians, patients and the medical community, we may not generate sufficient revenue from these products, and we may not become or remain profitable. Efforts to educate the medical community and third-party payors on the benefits of our product candidates may require significant resources and may never be successful.

In addition, by the time any products are ready to be commercialized, what we believe to be the market for these products may have changed. Our estimates of the number of patients who have received or might have been candidates to use a specific product may not accurately reflect the true market or market prices for such products or the extent to which such products, if successfully developed, will actually be used by patients. Our failure to successfully introduce and market our products would have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, and results of operations.

We are dependent upon key personnel to achieve our business objectives.

Our ability to retain key personnel and attract other qualified individuals is critical to our success. As a technology-driven company, intellectual input from key management and personnel is critical to achieve our business objectives. The loss of the services of key individuals might significantly delay or prevent achievement of our business objectives. In addition, because of a relative scarcity of individuals with experience and the high degree of education and scientific achievement required for our business, competition among life sciences companies for qualified employees is intense and, as a result, we may not be able to attract and retain such individuals on acceptable terms, or at all. In addition, because we do not maintain “key person” life insurance on any of our officers, employees, or consultants, any delay in replacing such persons, or an inability to replace them with persons of similar expertise, would have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, and results of operations.

We also have relationships with scientific collaborators at academic and other institutions, some of whom conduct research at our request or assist us in formulating our research and development strategies. These scientific collaborators are not our employees and may have commitments to, or consulting or advisory contracts with, other entities that may limit their availability to us. In addition, even though our collaborators are required to sign confidentiality agreements prior to working with us, they may have arrangements with other companies to assist such other companies in developing technologies that may prove competitive to us.

Incentive provisions for our key executives include the granting of stock options that vest over time, designed to encourage such individuals to stay with us. However, a low share price, whether as a result of disappointing progress in our development programs or as a result of market conditions generally, could render such agreements of little value to our key executives. In such event, our key executives could be susceptible to being hired away by our competitors who could offer a better compensation package. If we are unable to attract and retain key personnel, our business, financial conditions and results of operations may be adversely affected.

Product Development Goals and Time Frames

We set goals for, and make public statements regarding, timing of the accomplishment of objectives material to our success, such as the commencement and completion of clinical trials, anticipated regulatory approval dates, and time of product launch. The actual timing of these

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events can vary dramatically due to factors such as delays or failures in clinical trials, the uncertainties inherent in the regulatory approval process, and delays in achieving product development, manufacturing, or marketing milestones necessary to commercialize our product. There can be no assurance that our clinical trials will be completed, that regulatory submissions will be made or receive regulatory approvals as planned, or that we will be able to adhere to the current schedule for the validation of manufacturing and launch of our product. If we fail to achieve one or more of these milestones as planned, the price of the Common Shares could decline.

We are exposed to risks relating to the write-down of intangible assets, which comprises a significant portion of our total assets.

A significant amount of our total assets relate to our intellectual property. As of December 31, 2019, the carrying value of our intangible assets was approximately US\$11.2 million. In accordance with IFRS, we are required to review the carrying value of its intangible assets for impairment periodically or when certain triggers occur. Such impairment will result in a write-down of the intangible asset and the write-down is charged to income during the period in which the impairment occurs. The write-down of any intangible assets could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, and results of operations.

If we were to lose our foreign private issuer status under U.S. federal securities laws, we would likely incur additional expenses associated with compliance with the U.S. securities laws applicable to U.S. domestic issuers.

As a foreign private issuer, as defined in Rule 3b-4 under the *Exchange Act*, we are exempt from certain of the provisions of the U.S. federal securities laws. For example, the U.S. proxy rules and the Section 16 reporting and “short swing” profit rules do not apply to foreign private issuers. However, if we were to lose our status as a foreign private issuer, these regulations would immediately apply and we would also be required to commence reporting on forms required of U.S. companies, such as Forms 10-K, 10-Q and 8-K, rather than the forms currently available to us, such as Forms 40-F and 6-K. Compliance with these additional disclosure and timing requirements under these securities laws would likely result in increased expenses and would require our management to devote substantial time and resources to comply with new regulatory requirements. Further, to the extent that we were to offer or sell our Securities outside of the United States, we would have to comply with the more restrictive Regulation S requirements that apply to U.S. companies, and we would no longer be able to utilize the multijurisdictional disclosure system forms for registered offerings by Canadian companies in the United States, which could limit our ability to access the capital markets in the future.

Legislative actions, potential new accounting pronouncements, and higher insurance costs are likely to impact our future financial position or results of operations.

Future changes in financial accounting standards may cause adverse, unexpected revenue fluctuations and affect our financial position or results of operations. New pronouncements and varying interpretations of pronouncements have occurred with greater frequency and are expected to occur in the future. Compliance with changing regulations of corporate governance and public disclosure may result in additional expenses. All of these uncertainties are leading generally toward increasing insurance costs, which may adversely affect our business, results of operations and our ability to purchase any such insurance, at acceptable rates or at all, in the future.

We rely on third parties for the supply and manufacture of voclosporin, which can be unpredictable in terms of quality, cost, timing and availability. If we encounter any such difficulties, our ability to supply our product candidates for clinical trials or, if approved, for commercial sale could be delayed or halted entirely.

Our drug, voclosporin, requires a specialized manufacturing process. Lonza is currently the sole source manufacturer of voclosporin.

We have contracted Catalent to encapsulate and package voclosporin for our AURORA clinical trial program. Catalent is currently the sole supplier for encapsulating and packaging our clinical drug supply.

It is our intention that Catalent will provide services with respect to encapsulating the voclosporin required for future clinical and commercial supply needs, while the provider of packaging services for commercial supply is yet to be determined.

We have contracted Unither to manufacture VOS for our DES clinical studies, and we have contracted Sharp Clinical to package VOS for our clinical DES studies.

The FDA and other regulatory authorities require that drugs be manufactured in accordance with the current GMP regulations, as established from time to time. Accordingly, in the event we receive marketing approvals for voclosporin, it may need to rely on a limited number of third parties to manufacture and formulate voclosporin. We may not be able to arrange for our product to be manufactured on reasonable terms or in sufficient quantities.

Manufacturers of pharmaceutical products often encounter difficulties in production, especially in scaling up initial production. These problems include difficulties with production costs and yields, stability, quality control and assurance, and shortages of qualified personnel, as well as compliance with strictly enforced federal, provincial and foreign regulations. We rely on a limited number of third parties to manufacture and supply raw materials for our product. The third parties we choose to manufacture and supply raw materials for our product are not under our control and may not perform as agreed or may terminate their agreements with us, and we may not be able to find other third parties to manufacture and supply raw materials on commercially reasonable terms, or at all. If either of these events were to occur, our operating results and financial condition would be adversely affected.

In addition, drug and chemical manufacturers are subject to various regulatory inspections, including those conducted by the FDA, to ensure strict compliance with GMP and other government regulations. While we are obligated to audit the performance of our third-party contractors, we do not have complete control over their compliance. We could be adversely impacted if our third-party manufacturers do not comply with

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these standards and regulations. For non-compliance, the regulatory authority may levy penalties and sanctions, including fines, injunctions, civil penalties, failure of the government to grant review of submissions or market approval of drugs, or cause delays, suspension or withdrawal of approvals, product seizures or recalls, operating restrictions, facility closures and criminal prosecutions. Any of this will have a material adverse impact on our business, financial condition, and results of operations.

The process of manufacturing our product candidates is extremely susceptible to product loss due to a variety of factors, including but not limited to contamination, equipment failure or improper installation or operation of equipment, vendor or operator error, contamination and inconsistency in yields, variability in product characteristics, and difficulties in scaling the production process. Even minor deviations from manufacturing processes could result in reduced production yields, product defects and other supply disruptions. If microbial, viral or other contaminations are discovered in our product candidates or in the manufacturing facilities in which our product candidates are made, such manufacturing facilities may need to be closed for an extended period of time to investigate and remedy the contamination. Any adverse developments affecting manufacturing operations for our product candidates, if any are approved, may result in shipment delays, inventory shortages, lot failures, product withdrawals or recalls, or other interruptions in the supply of our products. We may also have to take inventory write-offs and incur other charges and expenses for products that fail to meet specifications, undertake costly remediation efforts or seek more costly manufacturing alternatives.

Anticipated revenues may be derived from Licensing Activities.

We anticipate that our revenues in the future may be derived from products licensed to pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies. Accordingly, these revenues will depend, in large part, upon the success of these companies, and our operating results may fluctuate substantially due to reductions and delays in their research, development and marketing expenditures. These reductions and delays may result from factors that are not within our control, including:

- changes in economic conditions;
- changes in the regulatory environment, including governmental pricing controls affecting health care and health care providers;
- pricing pressures; and
- other factors affecting research and development spending.

Lack of Operating Profits

We have incurred losses and anticipate that our losses will increase as we continue the development of voclosporin and clinical trials and seek regulatory approval for the sale of our therapeutic product. There can be no assurance that we will have earnings or positive cash flow in the future.

As at December 31, 2019, we had an accumulated deficit of US\$539.8 million. The net operating losses over the near-term and the next several years are expected to continue as a result of initiating new clinical trials and activities necessary to support regulatory approval and commercialization of our product. There can be no assurance that we will be able to generate sufficient product revenue to become profitable at all or on a sustained basis. We expect to have quarter-to-quarter fluctuations in expenses, some of which could be significant, due to research, development, and clinical trial activities, as well as regulatory and commercialization activities.

Negative Cash Flow

We had negative operating cash flow for the financial year ended December 31, 2019. We anticipate that we will continue to have negative cash flow as we continue our development of voclosporin. To the extent that we have negative operating cash flow in future periods, we will likely need to allocate a portion of our cash reserves to fund such negative cash flow. We may also be required to raise additional funds through the issuance of equity or debt securities. There can be no assurance that we will be able to generate a positive cash flow from our operations, that additional capital or other types of financing will be available when needed or that these financings will be on terms favourable or acceptable to us.

We may not realize the anticipated benefits of acquisitions or product licenses and integration of these acquisitions and any products acquired or licensed may disrupt our business and management.

As part of our business strategy, we may acquire additional companies, products or technologies principally related to, or complementary to, our current operations. At any given time, we may be evaluating new acquisitions of companies, products or technologies or may be exploring new licensing opportunities, and may have entered into confidentiality agreements, non-binding letters of intent or may be in the process of conducting due diligence with respect to such opportunities. Any such acquisitions will be accompanied by certain risks including, but not limited to:

- exposure to unknown liabilities of acquired companies and the unknown issues with any associated technologies or research;
- higher than anticipated acquisition costs and expenses;
- the difficulty and expense of integrating operations, systems, and personnel of acquired companies;
- disruption of our ongoing business;
- inability to retain key customers, distributors, vendors and other business partners of the acquired company;
- diversion of management's time and attention; and
- possible dilution to shareholders.

We may not be able to successfully overcome these risks and other problems associated with acquisitions and this may adversely affect our business, financial condition or results of operations.

Our business depends heavily on the use of information technologies.

Several key areas of our business depend on the use of information technologies, including production, manufacturing and logistics, as well as clinical and regulatory matters. Despite our best efforts to prevent such behavior, third parties may nonetheless attempt to hack into our systems and obtain data relating to our pre-clinical studies, clinical trials, patients using our product or our proprietary information on voclosporin. If we fail to maintain or protect our information systems and data integrity effectively, we could have problems in determining product cost estimates and establishing appropriate pricing, have difficulty preventing, detecting, and controlling fraud, have disputes with physicians, and other health care professionals, have regulatory sanctions or penalties imposed, have increases in operating expenses, incur expenses or lose revenues as a result of a data privacy breach, or suffer other adverse consequences. While we have invested in the protection of data and information technology, there can be no assurance that our efforts or those of our third-party collaborators, if any, or manufacturers, to implement adequate security and quality measures for data processing would be sufficient to protect against data deterioration or loss in the event of a system malfunction, or to prevent data from being stolen or corrupted in the event of a security breach. Any such loss or breach could have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results and financial condition.

Competition and Technological Change

The industry in which we operate is highly competitive and we have numerous domestic and foreign competitors, including major pharmaceutical and chemical companies, specialized biotechnology companies, universities, academic institutions, government agencies, public and private research organizations and large, fully-integrated pharmaceutical companies which have extensive resources and experience in research and development, process development, clinical evaluation, manufacturing, regulatory affairs, distribution and marketing. Many of our potential competitors possess substantially greater research and development skills, financial, technical and marketing expertise and human resources than we do, and may be better equipped to develop, manufacture and market products. There is a risk that new products and technologies may be developed which may be more effective or commercially viable than the product being developed or marketed by us, thus making our product non-competitive or obsolete. There may also be market resistance to the acceptance of our new product in any indication and a risk that the product, even though clinically effective, is not economically viable in the commercial production stage.

Reliance on Partners

Our strategy and success for the research, development, and commercialization of voclosporin in China is dependent upon the activities of third parties with rights to voclosporin in those jurisdictions. The amount and timing of resources such third parties will devote to these activities may not be within our control. There can be no assurance that those third parties will perform as expected.

The license, research and development agreements with the third parties referenced above include indemnification and obligation provisions that are customary in the industry. These guarantees generally require us to compensate the other party for certain damages and costs incurred as a result of third party claims or damages arising from these transactions. These provisions may survive termination of the underlying agreement. The nature of the potential obligations prevents us from making a reasonable estimate of the maximum potential amount we could be required to pay.

Reliance on Other Third Parties

We depend on third parties for the sourcing of components or for the product itself. Furthermore, as with other pharmaceutical companies, we rely on medical institutions for testing and clinically validating our prospective product. We do not anticipate any difficulties in obtaining required components or products or any difficulties in the validation and clinical testing of our product but there is no guarantee that they will be obtained.

We currently rely on CROs for the conduct of our clinical trials. These CROs operate in accordance with good clinical management practices mandated by the regulatory authorities and are subject to regular audits by regulatory authorities and by us.

We also have arrangements for the encapsulation, packaging and labeling of voclosporin through third party suppliers. Contract manufacturers must operate in compliance with regulatory requirements. Failure to do so could result in, among other things, the disruption of product supplies.

We currently have limited marketing, sales or distribution and distribution infrastructure. If we are unable to adequately develop sales, marketing and distribution capabilities on our own through collaborations, we will not be successfully in commercializing voclosporin, if approved, or any of our other product candidates.

We currently have no marketing, sales and distribution infrastructure and we have limited sales and marketing experience within our organization. If voclosporin or any of our other product candidates are approved, we intend to establish a sales and marketing organization with technical expertise and supporting distribution capabilities to commercialize our product candidates in the United States and potentially, to outsource this function to a third party outside of the United States. Both of these options would be expensive and time consuming, and would require a significant allocation of resources, including the time and attention of our management. In addition, we would need to devote resources to the development and maintenance of policies to ensure compliance with various health care laws related to sales and marketing of pharmaceutical products. These costs may be incurred in advance of any approval of our product candidates. In addition, we may not be able to engage a sales force in the United States that is sufficient in size or has adequate expertise in the medical markets that we intend to target. Any failure or delay in the development of our internal sales, marketing and distribution capabilities would adversely impact the commercialization of our products. There can be no assurance that we will be able to establish sales, marketing and distribution capabilities or make arrangements through collaborations, licensees, or others to perform such activities, or that such efforts would be successful. If we contract with third parties for the sales and marketing of our product, our revenue will be dependent on the efforts of these third parties, whose efforts may not be successful. If

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we fail to establish successful marketing and sales capabilities or to make arrangements with third parties, the business, financial condition and results of operations will be materially adversely affected.

Health Care Reimbursement

In both domestic and foreign markets, sales of our product, if any, will be dependent in part on the availability of reimbursement from third party payors, such as government and private commercial insurance plans. Third party payors are increasingly challenging the prices charged for medical products and services. There can be no assurance that our product will be considered cost effective by these third-party payors, that reimbursement will be available or if available that the payor's reimbursement policies will not adversely affect our ability to sell our product on a profitable basis.

Unauthorized Disclosure of Confidential Information

There may be an unauthorized disclosure of the significant amount of confidential information under our control. We maintain and manage confidential information relating to our technology, research and development, production, marketing and business operations and those of our collaborators, in various forms. Although we have implemented controls to protect the confidentiality of such information, there can be no assurance that such controls will be effective. Unauthorized disclosures of such information could subject us to complaints or lawsuits for damages, in Canada or other jurisdictions, or could otherwise have a negative impact on our business, financial condition, results of operations, reputation and credibility.

Use of Hazardous Materials

Drug manufacturing processes involve the controlled use of hazardous materials. We and our third-party manufacturing contractors are subject to regulations governing the use, manufacture, storage, handling and disposal of such materials and certain waste products. Although we believe that our third-party manufacturers have the required safety procedures for handling and disposing of such materials and comply with the standards prescribed by such laws and regulations, the risk of accidental contamination or injury from these materials cannot be completely eliminated. In the event of such an accident, we could be held liable for any damages that result and such liability could exceed our resources.

Liability and Insurance

The testing, marketing and sale of human pharmaceutical products involves unavoidable risks. If we succeed in developing new pharmaceutical products, the sale of such products may expose us to potential liability resulting from the use of such products. Such liability might result from claims made directly by consumers or by regulatory agencies, pharmaceutical companies or others. The obligation to pay any product liability claim in excess of whatever insurance we are able to acquire, or the recall of any of our products, could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and future prospects.

We entered into indemnification agreements with our officers and directors. The maximum potential amount of future payments required under these indemnification agreements is unlimited. However, we currently maintain director and officer liability insurance coverage of US\$35 million to reduce our exposure.

Actual or anticipated changes to the laws and regulations governing the health care system may have a negative impact on cost and access to health insurance coverage and reimbursement of healthcare items and services.

The United States and several foreign jurisdictions are considering, or have already enacted, a number of legislative and regulatory proposals to change the healthcare system in ways that could affect our ability to sell any of our future approved products profitably. Among policy makers and payors in the United States and elsewhere, there is significant interest in promoting changes in healthcare systems with the stated goals of containing healthcare costs, improving quality and/or expanding access to healthcare. In the United States, the pharmaceutical industry has been a particular focus of these efforts and has been significantly affected by major legislative initiatives, including the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (the "ACA"), which became law in 2010. While it is difficult to assess the impact of the ACA in isolation, either in general or on our business specifically, it is widely thought that the ACA increases downward pressure on pharmaceutical reimbursement, which could negatively affect market acceptance of, and the price we may charge for, any products we develop that receive regulatory approval. Further, the United States and foreign governments regularly consider reform measures that affect healthcare coverage and costs. Such reforms may include changes to the coverage and reimbursement of healthcare services and products. In particular, there have been recent judicial and Congressional challenges to the ACA, which could have an impact on coverage and reimbursement for healthcare services covered by plans authorized by the ACA, and we expect there will be additional challenges and amendments to the ACA in the future.

In September 2017, members of the United States Congress introduced legislation with the announced intention to repeal major provisions of the ACA. Although it is unclear whether such legislation will ultimately become law, executive or legislative branch attempts to repeal, reform or to repeal and replace the ACA will likely continue. In addition, various other healthcare reform proposals have also emerged at the federal and state level. In addition, recent changes to United States tax laws could negatively impact the ACA. We cannot predict what healthcare initiatives, if any, will be implemented at the federal or state level, however, government and other regulatory oversight and future regulatory and government interference with the healthcare systems could adversely impact our business and results of operations.

We expect to experience pricing pressures in connection with the sale of any products that we develop, due to the trend toward managed healthcare, the increasing influence of health maintenance organizations and additional legislative proposals.

Financial instruments and Risks

We are exposed to credit risks and market risks related to changes in interest rates and foreign currency exchange, each of which could affect the value of our current assets and liabilities. We invest our cash reserves in U.S. dollar denominated, fixed rate, highly liquid and highly rated financial instruments such as treasury notes, banker acceptances, bank bonds, and term deposits. We do not believe that the results of operations or cash flows would be affected to any significant degree by a sudden change in market interest rates relative to our investment portfolio, due to the short-term nature of the investments and our current ability to hold these investments to maturity.

We are exposed to financial risk related to the fluctuation of foreign currency exchange rates which could have a material effect on our future operating results or cash flows. Foreign currency risk is the risk that variations in exchange rates between the United States dollar and foreign currencies, primarily with the Canadian dollar, will affect our operating and financial results. We hold our cash reserves in US dollars and the majority of our expenses, including clinical trial costs are also denominated in US dollars, which mitigates the risk of material foreign exchange fluctuations.

RISKS RELATED TO OUR SECURITIES

There is no assurance of a sufficient liquid trading market for our Common Shares in the future.

Our shareholders may be unable to sell significant quantities of Common Shares into the public trading markets without a significant reduction in the price of their Common Shares, or at all. There can be no assurance that there will be sufficient liquidity of our Common Shares on the trading market, and that we will continue to be listed on the TSX or the Nasdaq or achieve listing on any other public listing exchange.

Raising additional capital may cause dilution to our shareholders, restrict our operations or require us to relinquish rights to our technologies or drug candidate.

In order to meet our future financing needs, we may issue a significant amount of additional Common Shares, Warrants, subscription receipts, debt securities, Units, or other equity or debt securities. The precise terms of any future financing will be determined by us and potential investors and such future financings may significantly dilute our shareholders' percentage ownership. Additionally, if we raise additional funds through collaborations, strategic alliances or marketing, distribution or licensing arrangements with third parties, we may have to relinquish valuable rights to our technologies, future revenue streams, research programs or drug candidate or grant licenses on terms that may not be favourable to us and/or that may reduce the value of the Common Shares.

Volatility of Share Price

The market prices for the securities of biotechnology companies, including ours, have historically been volatile. The market has from time to time experienced significant price and volume fluctuations that are unrelated to the operating performance of any particular company.

The trading price of the Common Shares could continue to be subject to wide fluctuations in price in response to various factors, many of which are beyond our control, including the results and adequacy of our pre-clinical studies and clinical trials, as well as those of our collaborators, or our competitors; other evidence of the safety or effectiveness of our products or those of our competitors; announcements of technological innovations or new products by us or our competitors; governmental regulatory actions; developments with collaborators; developments (including litigation) concerning our patent or other proprietary rights of competitors; concern as to the safety of our products; period-to-period fluctuations in operating results; changes in estimates of our performance by securities analysts; market conditions for biotechnology stocks in general; and other factors not within our control could have a significant adverse impact on the market price of the Common Shares, regardless of our operating performance. In the past, following periods of volatility in the market price of a company's securities, securities class action litigation has often been instituted. A class action suit against us could result in substantial costs, potential liabilities and the diversion of management's attention and resources.

There is no guarantee that an active trading market for the Common Shares will be maintained on either the TSX or Nasdaq. Investors may not be able to sell their Common Shares quickly or at the latest market price if the trading in the Common Shares is not active.

We expect to issue Common Shares in the future. Future issuances of Common Shares, or the perception that such issuances are likely to occur, could affect the prevailing trading prices of the Common Shares. In addition, the existence of Warrants or debt securities with conversion features may encourage short selling by market participants.

Sales of Common Shares could cause a decline in the market price of the Common Shares. One of our major shareholders (ILJIN and its affiliates) owns an aggregate of approximately 12.70% of our outstanding Common Shares as at March 4, 2020. Any sales of Common Shares by these shareholders or other existing shareholders or holders of options may have an adverse effect on our ability to raise capital and may adversely affect the market price of the Common Shares.

Future issuances of equity securities by us or sales by our existing shareholders may cause the price of the Common Shares to fall.

The market price of the Common Shares could decline as a result of issuances of Securities or sales by our existing shareholders in the market, or the perception that these sales could occur. Sales of Common Shares by shareholders might also make it more difficult for us to sell Common Shares at a time and price that we deem appropriate. With an additional sale or issuance of Common Shares, investors will suffer dilution of their voting power and may experience dilution in earnings per share.

We may have broad discretion in the use of the net proceeds of an offering of the Securities and may not use them to effectively manage our business.

We may need to exercise broad discretion over the use of the net proceeds from a future offering of Common Shares. Because of the number and variability of factors that will determine our use of such proceeds, our ultimate use might vary substantially from our planned use. Investors may not agree with how we allocate or spend the proceeds from an offering of Common Shares. We may pursue acquisitions, collaborations or clinical trials that do not result in an increase in the market value of the Common Shares and may increase our losses.

We do not intend to pay dividends in the foreseeable future.

We have never declared or paid any dividends on the Common Shares. We intend, for the foreseeable future, to retain our future earnings, if any, to finance our commercial activities and further research and the expansion of our business. As a result, the return on an investment in Common Shares will likely depend upon any future appreciation in value, if any, and on a shareholder's ability to sell Common Shares. The payment of future dividends, if any, will be reviewed periodically by our Board and will depend upon, among other things, conditions then existing including earnings, financial conditions, cash on hand, financial requirements to fund our commercial activities, development and growth, and other factors that our Board may consider appropriate in the circumstances.

We may be a PFIC for U.S. tax purposes, which may result in adverse tax consequences for U.S. investors.

If we are characterized as a PFIC, there may be adverse tax consequences for U.S. investors. Generally, if for any taxable year 75% or more of our gross income is passive income, or at least 50% of the average quarterly value of our assets are held for the production of, or produce, passive income, we would be characterized as a PFIC for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Based on the nature of our income and the value and composition of our assets, we do not believe we were a PFIC during 2019. While we also do not believe we will be a PFIC for the current taxable year, because PFIC status is determined on an annual basis and generally cannot be determined until the end of the taxable year, there can be no assurance that we will not be a PFIC for the current or future taxable years. If we are characterized as a PFIC, our shareholders who are U.S. holders may suffer adverse tax consequences, including the treatment of gains realized on the sale of our ordinary shares as ordinary income, rather than as capital gain, the loss of the preferential rate applicable to dividends received on our ordinary shares by individuals who are U.S. holders, and the addition of interest charges to the tax on such gains and certain distributions. A U.S. shareholder of a PFIC generally may mitigate these adverse U.S. federal income tax consequences by making a "qualified electing fund" election, or, to a lesser extent, a "mark to market" election.

You may be unable to enforce actions against us, or certain of our directors and officers under U.S. federal securities laws.

As a corporation organized under the laws of Alberta, Canada, it may be difficult to bring actions under U.S. federal securities law against us. Most of our directors and officers reside principally in Canada or outside of the United States. Because all or a substantial portion of our assets and the assets of these persons are located outside of the United States, it may not be possible for investors to effect service of process within the United States upon us or those persons. Furthermore, it may not be possible for investors to enforce against us or those persons in the United States, judgments obtained in U.S. courts based upon the civil liability provisions of the U.S. federal securities laws or other laws of the United States. There is doubt as to the enforceability, in original actions in Canadian courts, of liabilities based upon U.S. federal securities laws and as to the enforceability in Canadian courts of judgments of U.S. courts obtained in actions based upon the civil liability provisions of the U.S. federal securities laws. Therefore, it may not be possible to enforce those actions against us or certain of our directors and officers.

Adverse capital market conditions could affect our liquidity.

Adverse capital market conditions could affect our ability to meet our liquidity needs, as well as our access to capital and cost of capital. We need additional funding to continue development of our internal pipeline and collaborations in the future. Our results of operations, financial condition, cash flows and capital position could be materially affected by disruptions in the capital markets.

DIVIDEND POLICY

We have not paid dividends on our outstanding Common Shares in the past and have no established dividend policy for our Common Shares. We plan to use future earnings, if any, to finance further research and development and the expansion of our business and do not anticipate paying out dividends on our Common Shares in the foreseeable future. The payment of future dividends, if any, will be reviewed periodically by our Board and will depend upon, among other things, conditions then existing including earnings, financial conditions, cash on hand, financial requirements to fund our commercial activities, development and growth, and other factors that our Board may consider appropriate in the circumstances.

CAPITAL STRUCTURE

The Company's authorized share capital consists of an unlimited number of Common Shares, all without nominal or par value.

The holders of Common Shares are entitled to receive notice of and attend all meetings of shareholders, with each Common Share held entitling the holder to vote on any resolution to be passed at such shareholder meetings. The holders of Common Shares are entitled to dividends if, as and when declared by the Board. The Common Shares are entitled upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up of Aurinia, to receive the remaining assets of Aurinia available for distribution to shareholders. There are no pre-emptive, redemption, purchase or conversion rights attached to our Common Shares.

As at March 4, 2020, we had 112.30 million Common Shares issued and outstanding.

In addition, as of March 4, 2020 there were 9.19 million Common Shares issuable upon the exercise of outstanding stock options and 6.45 million Common Shares reserved for future grant or issuance under our stock option plan.

We also have 1.69 million Warrants (exercisable into Common Shares) outstanding as at March 4, 2020.

For additional information on stock options and Warrants, please see notes 13 and 14 to our annual consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2019 which can be retrieved under the Company's profile on either of the SEDAR or EDGAR websites.

TRADING PRICE AND VOLUME OF AURINIA SHARES

Our Common Shares are listed and posted for trading on the Nasdaq under the symbol "AUPH", and on the TSX under the symbol "AUP".

The following table sets forth, for the 12-month period ended December 31, 2019, the reported high and low prices (in United States dollars) and the volume of shares traded for each month on Nasdaq.

Nasdaq

<u>Month</u>	<u>Price Range (US\$)</u>		<u>Total Volume</u>
	<u>High</u>	<u>Low</u>	
January 2019	7.85	6.00	24,307,164
February 2019	7.38	6.00	16,120,300
March 2019	7.15	6.17	16,107,200
April 2019	6.90	6.12	12,716,600
May 2019	6.81	6.00	10,054,700
June 2019	6.65	6.02	9,282,500
July, 2019	6.67	6.05	7,675,300
August 2019	6.46	5.37	10,267,400
September 2019	6.63	5.27	16,499,300
October 2019	5.42	3.25	33,557,600
November 2019	7.98	4.88	35,035,800
December 2019	21.93	7.32	145,482,400

The following table sets forth, for the 12-month period ended December 31, 2019, the reported high and low prices (in Canadian dollars) and the volume of shares traded for each month on the TSX.

TSX

Month	Price Range (CDNS)		Total Volume
	High	Low	
January 2019	10.47	7.98	2,508,675
February 2019	9.76	7.93	1,481,145
March 2019	8.48	8.23	1,176,854
April 2019	9.20	8.25	1,081,402
May 2019	9.18	8.09	1,031,490
June 2019	8.92	8.00	878,542
July, 2019	8.60	7.95	479,313
August 2019	8.52	7.16	548,533
September 2019	8.82	6.98	818,845
October 2019	7.19	4.70	1,469,100
November 2019	10.67	6.43	2,124,268
December 2019	28.59	9.75	7,220,964

ESCROWED SECURITIES

There are no securities of the Company subject to escrow.

PRIOR SALES

The following table summarizes the distribution of securities other than Common Shares that were issued during the most recently completed financial year, identifying the type of security, the price per security, the number of securities issued, expiry date and the date on which the securities were issued.

STOCK OPTIONS

Date	Type of Security	Price per Security (CDNS)	Number of Securities	Expiry Date
January 2019	Stock Options	8.04	1,365,000	January 29, 2029
March 2019	Stock Options	8.62	10,000	March 29, 2029
April 2019	Stock Options	8.97	30,000	April 2, 2029
April 2019	Stock Options	8.48	5,000	April 24, 2029
April 2019	Stock Options	8.45	1,670,000	April 29, 2029
July 2019	Stock Options	8.39	165,000	July 3, 2029
August 2019	Stock Options	7.85	455,000	August 19, 2029
September 2019	Stock Options	7.56	15,000	September 4, 2029
September 2019	Stock Options	7.47	10,000	September 25, 2029
October 2019	Stock Options	6.79	5,000	October 2, 2029
October 2019	Stock Options	6.43	10,000	October 22, 2029
October 2019	Stock Options	6.19	300,000	October 28, 2029
November 2019	Stock Options	7.59	50,000	November 19, 2029
December 2019	Stock Options	23.99	15,000	December 13, 2029
December 2019	Stock Options	24.59	15,000	December 17, 2029
Total:			4,120,000	

DIRECTORS AND EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

Our directors are elected by the shareholders at each annual meeting and hold office until the next annual meeting, at which time they may be re-elected or replaced, unless they resign earlier. The executive officers are appointed by the Board and hold office pursuant to individual contractual obligations.

As at March 4, 2020, the names and municipalities of residence of our directors and executive officers and their principal occupations within the five preceding years are set forth below:

Name, province or state, and country of residence	Position with the Company	Director/Officer since	Principal Occupation for Five Preceding Years
Peter Greenleaf <i>Bethesda, Maryland</i> <i>United States</i>	Director and CEO	April 2019	CEO of Aurinia since April 2019; CEO of Cerecor, Inc. from March 2018 to April 2019; CEO of Sucampo Pharmaceuticals, Inc. from March 2014 to February 2018.
Dennis Bourgeault <i>Edmonton, Alberta</i> <i>Canada</i>	CFO	May 1998	CFO of Aurinia since May 1998.
Michael R. Martin <i>Victoria, British Columbia</i> <i>Canada</i>	COO	September, 2013	COO of Aurinia since September 2013.
Neil Solomons <i>Victoria, British Columbia</i> <i>Canada</i>	CMO	September 2013	CMO of Aurinia since September 2013.
Robert Huizinga <i>North Saanich, British Columbia</i> <i>Canada</i>	Executive Vice President, Corporate Development	August 2011	Executive Vice President, Corporate Development of Aurinia since May 2017; Vice President, Clinical Affairs of Aurinia from August 2011 to May 2017.
Erik Eglite <i>Lake Forest, Illinois</i> <i>United States</i>	Senior Vice President, General Counsel & Chief Corporate Compliance Officer	July 2017	Senior Vice President, General Counsel & Chief Corporate Compliance Officer of Aurinia since July 2017; Vice President, Chief Compliance Officer and Corporate Counsel for Marathon Pharmaceuticals and Vice President, Chief Compliance Officer and Corporate Counsel for Lundbeck Pharmaceuticals. Prior to that, Vice President, Chief Compliance Officer and Corporate Counsel for Ovation Pharmaceuticals and Global Chief Compliance Officer, Corporate Counsel for Aspreva Pharmaceuticals.
M. Maxwell ("Max") Donley <i>Arlington, Virginia</i> <i>United States</i>	Executive Vice President, Internal Operations & Strategy	July 2019	Executive Vice President, Internal Operations & Strategy of Aurinia since July 2019; previously Human Resources, Information Technology and Facilities at Senseonics; prior to that Executive Vice President of Global Human Resources, Information Technology and Corporate Strategy at Suampo Pharmaceuticals until February 2018; prior to that Executive Vice President, Human Resources and Corporate Affairs at MedImmune.
Max Colao <i>Fairfield, Connecticut</i> <i>United States</i>	Chief Commercial Officer	March 2020	Chief Commercial Officer of Aurinia since February 2020, previously Chief Commercial Officer and Head of Business Development, Abeona, a pharmaceutical company, from 2018 to 2020; prior to that, Senior Vice President of US Commercial Operations (2017 to 2018) and Vice President of US Metabolic Disorders Business Unit (2014 – 2017), Alexion, a pharmaceutical company.
George M. Milne, Jr. <i>Boca Grande, Florida</i> <i>United States</i>	Director, Chairman of the Board	May 2017	Corporate director.
David R.W. Jayne <i>Cambridge</i> <i>United Kingdom</i>	Director	May 2015	Certified nephrologist, Director of the Vasculitis and Lupus Clinic and Reader at The University of Cambridge, UK.

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Joseph P. ("Jay") Hagan <i>La Jolla, California United States</i>	Director, Chair of the Compensation Committee	February 2018	President and CEO of Regulus Therapeutics Inc., a clinical stage biopharmaceutical company, since May 2017; CFO of Regulus from January 2016 to May 2017; prior thereto held various positions at Orexigen Therapeutics, Inc. and Amgen.
Michael Hayden <i>Vancouver, British Columbia Canada</i>	Director, Chair of the Standing Research Committee	February 2018	Corporate director; previously President of Global R&D and CSO at Teva Pharmaceutical Industries Limited, a pharmaceutical company.
Daniel G. Billen <i>Mississauga, Ontario Canada</i>	Director	June 2019	Various positions at Amgen Inc., a biopharmaceutical company, most recently VP of Global Commercial Initiatives.
R. Hector MacKay-Dunn <i>Vancouver, British Columbia Canada</i>	Director, Chair of the Governance & Nomination Committee	June 2019	Barrister and Solicitor and Senior Partner of Farris, Vaughan, Wills & Murphy, a law firm.
Jill Leversage <i>Vancouver, British Columbia Canada</i>	Director, Chair of the Audit Committee	November 2019	Chartered Professional Accountant and Chartered Business Valuator (ret.)

Directors and executive officers of the Company, as of March 4, 2020, beneficially own, directly or indirectly, 646,395 Common Shares in the aggregate, representing 0.58% of the outstanding Common Shares of the Company.

EXECUTIVE OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

The following are brief biographies of our executive officers and directors.

Peter Greenleaf, MBA, CEO

Mr. Peter Greenleaf currently serves as the Chief Executive Officer and member of the Board since April 29, 2019. Prior to this, Mr. Greenleaf served as the Chief Executive Officer of Cerecor, Inc. (Nasdaq: CERC). Mr. Greenleaf remains on the board of directors of Cerecor, Inc., where he has served as a member of the board of directors since May 2017. From March 2014 to February 2018, Mr. Greenleaf served as CEO and Chairman of Sucampo Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (Nasdaq: SCMP), a company that focused on the development and commercialization of medicines to meet major unmet medical needs of patients worldwide until it was sold in February 2018 to U.K. pharmaceutical giant Mallinckrodt PLC. Mr. Greenleaf also served as Chief Executive Officer and a member of the board of directors of Histogenics Corporation, a regenerative medicine company. From 2006 to 2013, Mr. Greenleaf was employed by MedImmune LLC, the global biologics arm of AstraZeneca, where he most recently served as President. From January 2010 to June 2013, Mr. Greenleaf also served as President of MedImmune Ventures, a wholly owned venture capital fund within the AstraZeneca Group. Prior to serving as President of MedImmune, Mr. Greenleaf was Senior Vice President, Commercial Operations of MedImmune, responsible for its commercial, corporate development and strategy functions. Mr. Greenleaf has also held senior commercial roles at Centocor, Inc. (now Janssen Biotechnology, Johnson & Johnson) from 1998 to 2006, and at Boehringer Mannheim (now Roche Holdings) from 1996 to 1998. Mr. Greenleaf currently chairs the Maryland Venture Fund Authority. He is also currently a member of the board of directors of Antares Pharmaceuticals, Inc (Nasdaq: ATRS), EyeGate Pharmaceuticals, Inc (Nasdaq: EYEG), and Chairman of the board of directors of BioDelivery Sciences International, Inc (Nasdaq: BDSI). Mr. Greenleaf earned an MBA degree from St. Joseph's University and a BS degree from Western Connecticut State University.

Dennis Bourgeault, CPA-CA, CFO

Dennis Bourgeault has been the CFO of the Company since 1998 and is responsible for the financial and administrative operations of the Company. During his tenure, he contributed significantly to one of the largest Canadian biotechnology PIPE transactions, totaling US\$52 million US dollars and was involved in the multi-million-dollar Roche licensing agreement of voclosporin in 2002. In addition, he played a crucial role in executing the merger of Isotechnika and then privately held Aurinia Pharmaceuticals in September 2013. For six years prior to joining Isotechnika, he was the controller for a private industrial distribution company and a Senior Manager in public accounting at KPMG. Mr. Bourgeault obtained his Chartered Accountant designation in 1984.

Michael R. Martin, COO

Michael Martin is currently COO of Aurinia Pharmaceuticals Inc. In this role he oversees all Business Development, Licensing and Partner Management activities along with overall management of the Company's intellectual property portfolio. Additionally, Michael is responsible for the executive leadership of Aurinia's ocular program. Michael was formerly CEO, director and co-founder of the privately held Aurinia Pharmaceuticals Inc., which merged in 2013 with the former Isotechnika Pharma Inc. Michael is a biotech/pharmaceutical executive with over 20 years of industry experience. Michael joined Aurinia from Vifor Pharma where he held the position of Director, Global Business Development & Licensing. Prior to Vifor, Michael was a key member of the business development team that saw Aspreva sold to Galenica for US\$915M. Upon joining Aspreva in 2004, Michael initiated the strategic launch planning process for CellCept® in "less-common" autoimmune diseases. These included such indications as pemphigus vulgaris, myasthenia gravis, and lupus nephritis. Prior to this, Michael held a variety of progressively

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senior commercial positions at Schering-Plough (now Merck). Most recently, he was responsible for the Rheumatology business unit for Remicade® in France. In this role, he had full profit and loss responsibilities and had direct responsibility for the sales team, the marketing team and the infusion access team. In addition, while at Schering-Plough, Michael was the brand manager responsible for the Canadian launch of Remicade (infliximab), which ultimately became the most successful product launch in Canadian history and the largest selling biologic ever. Michael started his career in the industry in the sales organization of Schering-Plough where he received multiple awards and recognition while rapidly progressing towards the prior mentioned roles.

Neil Solomons, MD, CMO

Dr. Neil Solomons co-founded privately-held Aurinia Pharmaceuticals in 2012. He is an experienced pharmaceutical physician with over 20 years of clinical development and medical affairs experience in both large pharma and biotech. He is a recognized expert in rare-disease drug development and is widely published in this field. Neil joined Aurinia from Vifor Pharma, formerly Aspreva Pharmaceuticals (Nasdaq:ASPV) where he held the position of Vice President, Research and Development, being the lead clinician in the development of CellCept® in rare diseases. Neil led the CellCept® Clinical Development teams of over 50 people that saw the completion, reporting, and publication of studies in pemphigus vulgaris and myasthenia gravis (both industry firsts), and the successful landmark lupus nephritis study called ALMS. He was responsible for all clinical development activities from Phases 1 to 3, as well as participating in the formulation of R&D strategy, portfolio management, and due diligence efforts. Prior to Vifor & Aspreva, Neil held a variety of positions at Roche in both Global Clinical Development and Medical Affairs in transplantation, virology, and auto-immune diseases. While at Roche, Dr. Solomons led a diverse team in the development and implementation of post-marketing studies for its transplantation (CellCept® and Zenapax®) and virology (Cytovene®) franchises. Neil qualified in medicine in 1991 receiving his MB BS (MD) at Guys Hospital Medical School, London. He subsequently worked as a physician in London UK, completing specialist training in anesthesia and intensive care. His research interests included sepsis and chronic pain.

Robert B. Huizinga, PhD RN, CNeph(C), Executive Vice President, Corporate Development

Robert Huizinga has more than 25 years of clinical research experience. He has managed the global clinical development of voclosporin since 2002 when he was with Isotechnika Pharma Inc. prior to its merger with Aurinia in 2013. Before joining Isotechnika, Rob was an Investigator in nephrology and transplantation clinical trials where he was involved in more than 60 clinical trials from Phase 1 through Phase 4 and the successful development of numerous compounds including CellCept®, Neoral®, Prograf®, Aranesp® and Simulect®. He has acted as a consultant to nephrology and transplantation pharmaceutical companies, has lectured extensively and is recognized as an expert in immunosuppression drug development. Rob has numerous articles published in leading medical journals, including the Lancet, Kidney International and the American Journal of Transplantation. He is a member of many professional societies related to nephrology, transplantation, and nursing, has served on many nephrology and transplantation committees and is the founder of RenalPro, a moderated forum for renal professionals. Rob has a PhD (Organizational Leadership) from Regent University, is a Registered Nurse in British Columbia, holds his certification in Nephrology, a M.Sc. in Medicine (Epidemiology) from the University of Alberta, and a member of Sigma Theta Tau (Honor Society of Nursing).

Erik Eglite, DPM, JD, MBA, Senior Vice President, General Counsel & Chief Corporate Compliance Officer

Prior to joining Aurinia, Erik was Vice President, Chief Compliance Officer and Corporate Counsel for Marathon Pharmaceuticals and Vice President, Chief Compliance Officer and Corporate Counsel for Lundbeck Pharmaceuticals. Prior to that, he was Vice President, Chief Compliance Officer and Corporate Counsel for Ovation Pharmaceuticals and Global Chief Compliance Officer, Corporate Counsel for Aspreva Pharmaceuticals. Erik has been involved with the clinical development, launch and commercialization of 15 drugs and drug programs. He is a nationally recognized and frequent speaker on pharmaceutical law. Before entering the pharmaceutical industry, Erik worked as Assistant General Counsel for the Department of Human Services and as a medical malpractice, product liability defense litigation and intellectual property, patent attorney for Query & Harrow in Chicago, Illinois. He is a licensed podiatric physician and surgeon and is registered to practice before the USPTO, the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit and the United States Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals. Erik has a M.B.A. from the University of Notre Dame. He also holds a B.S. in Biology, a B.A. in History, M.Sc. Cand. in Chemistry, and a J.D. from Loyola University of Chicago. He graduated from Des Moines University Iowa Medical School with a Doctorate in Podiatric Medicine and Surgery, after which he completed his residency training at Michigan Health Medical Center Hospital. He also completed his medical/surgical externships at the University of Chicago, Department of Surgery, Division of Vascular Surgery and Northwestern University Columbus Cabrini Hospital, Department of Orthopedic/Podiatric Surgery. He has a graduate certificate in Pharmaceutical & Medical Device Law from Seton Hall School of Law, an Executive Certificate in Corporate Governance from Northwestern University Kellogg School of Management and an Executive Certificate in Business Administration from the University of Notre Dame. Currently, he is completing his M.S. in Regulatory Compliance at Northwestern University.

M. Maxwell ("Max") Donley, MBA, Executive Vice President, Internal Operations and Strategy

Mr. Donley most recently led Human Resources, Information Technology and Facilities at Senseonics. Prior to that, Mr. Donley was Executive Vice President of Global Human Resources, Information Technology, and Corporate Strategy at Sucampo Pharmaceuticals until its acquisition in February 2018. Prior to that, Mr. Donley served as Executive Vice President, Human Resources and Corporate Affairs at MedImmune, where he provided business-integrated leadership and delivered professional tools, programs and services to optimize MedImmune's human capital investments worldwide. Mr. Donley received his BA from University of Michigan and his MBA from the George Mason University.

Max Colao, Chief Commercial Officer

Mr. Colao has nearly 30 years of commercial operations experience. Prior to leading U.S. commercial operations at Alexion Pharmaceuticals Inc. and launching multiple rare disease therapies, Mr. Colao spent nearly 20 years at Amgen Inc., holding roles of increasing responsibility on various marketing and sales teams, most notably leading U.S. launches, commercialization, and pricing strategy in the areas of rheumatology,

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dermatology, and autoimmune disorders for Enbrel®, Prolia®, and Nplate®. Most recently, he was Chief Commercial Officer and Head of Business Development at Abeona Therapeutics Inc., where he led the company's commercialization and business development efforts of autologous cell therapy and AAV9-based gene therapy for rare diseases. Mr. Colao received his B.S. in applied mathematics and economics from the University of California, Los Angeles and his MBA from the University of Southern California.

George M. Milne, Jr., PhD, Director, Chairman of the Board

Dr. Milne has over 30 years of experience in pharmaceutical research and product development. Dr. Milne currently serves on the boards of Amylyx Pharmaceuticals, Inc. and Charles River Laboratories, Inc. where he is the lead director. He has retired from Pfizer where he served as Executive Vice President of Global Research and Development and President, Worldwide Strategic and Operations Management. He joined Pfizer in 1970 and held a variety of positions conducting both chemistry and pharmacology research. Dr. Milne became director of the department of immunology and infectious diseases at Pfizer in 1981, was its executive director from 1984 to 1985, and was vice president of research and development from 1985 to 1988. He was appointed senior vice president in 1988. In 1993 he was appointed President of Pfizer Central Research and a senior vice president of Pfizer Inc. with global responsibility for human and veterinary medicine research and development. Dr. Milne has served on multiple corporate boards including Mettler-Toledo, Inc. (a manufacturer of laboratory instruments), MedImmune, Athertsys, Biostorage Technologies, Aspreva and Conor Medsystems. Dr. Milne received his B.Sc. in Chemistry from Yale University and his Ph.D. in Organic Chemistry from MIT.

David R.W. Jayne, MD, FRCP, FRCPE, FmedSci, Director

Dr. David Jayne is Professor of Clinical Autoimmunity in the Department of Medicine at the University of Cambridge, UK. Dr. Jayne received his MB BChir in Surgery and Medicine from Cambridge University, Cambridge, England. He received postgraduate training at several London hospitals and Harvard University. He is a fellow of the Royal Colleges of Physicians of London and Edinburgh, and the Academy of Medical Science. He is a certified nephrologist and an Honorary Consultant Physician at Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge UK. Dr. Jayne is a medical advisor to UK, U.S. and EU regulatory bodies, patient groups and professional organizations. He has published more than 400 peer-reviewed journal articles, book chapters and reviews. He was elected the first President of the European Vasculitis Society in 2011 and is a member of the ERA-EDTA immunopathology working group and he co-chairs the EULAR/ERA-EDTA task force on lupus nephritis. Dr. Jayne's research includes investigator-initiated international trials and the introduction of newer therapies in vasculitis and SLE with collaborators on five continents.

Joseph P. Hagan, MBA, Director, Chair of the Compensation Committee

Mr. Hagan is President and CEO of Regulus Therapeutics. Mr. Hagan joined Regulus in January 2016 as COO, Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer and was appointed to President and CEO in May 2017. Mr. Hagan's career includes roles as the Executive Vice President, CFO and Chief Business Officer of Orexigen Therapeutics, Inc., Managing Director of Amgen Ventures and head of corporate development for Amgen Inc. Mr. Hagan has led numerous strategic and financing transactions including the acquisitions of Immunex and Tularik and the spinout of Novantrone and Relyspa, as well as many other business development efforts totaling over US\$15 billion in value. Before joining Amgen, Mr. Hagan spent five years in the bioengineering labs at Genzyme and Advanced Tissue Sciences. Mr. Hagan currently serves on the board of directors of Zosano Pharma, a publicly traded biotechnology company. He received an M.B.A. from Northeastern University and a B.S. in Physiology and Neuroscience from the University of California, San Diego.

Michael Hayden, CM, OBC, MB, ChB, PhD, FRCP(C), FRSC, Director, Chair of the Standing Research Committee

Dr. Michael Hayden was recently named one of the 50 Canadians born in the 20th century who have changed the world. He is the co-founder of five biotechnology companies: Prilenia Therapeutics, 89Bio, NeuroVir Therapeutics Inc., Xenon Pharmaceuticals Inc., and Aspreva Pharmaceuticals Corp. Dr. Hayden sits on different boards including Xenon Pharmaceuticals and Ionis Pharmaceuticals. Author of over 860 peer-reviewed publications and invited submissions, Dr. Hayden has focused his research primarily on genetic diseases, including genetics of diabetes, lipoprotein disorders, Huntington disease, predictive and personalized medicine. Dr. Hayden was inducted into the Canadian Medical Hall of Fame in 2017. He was named one of PharmaVoice's "100 of the Most Inspiring People" (2015); awarded an Honorary Doctor of Science by the University of Gottingen (2014); the Luminary award by the Personalized Medicine World Conference (2014); and the Diamond Jubilee Medal (2012), on behalf of HRH Queen Elisabeth II, in recognition of his significant contributions and achievements. Dr. Hayden has also been awarded the Order of Canada (2011), and the Order of British Columbia (2010). He was named Canada's Health Researcher of the Year by CIHR (NIH of Canada) in 2008, and he received the Prix Galien in 2007, which recognizes the outstanding contribution of a researcher to Canadian pharmaceutical research.

Daniel G. Billen, PhD, Director

Dr. Daniel Billen has over 40 years of experience in commercialization of pharmaceutical and biotech products both in Europe and North America. He started with Janssen Pharmaceutica in their Belgian headquarters in cardiovascular global marketing in 1979. Dr. Billen became head of marketing and sales for Janssen Pharmaceutica's newly formed affiliate in Canada in 1983 launching multiple products into the Canadian market. In 1991, Dr. Billen moved over to Amgen Inc. to lead its Canadian operations as their first General Manager. He moved to Amgen's headquarters in California in 2011 where he led the US Commercial Operations Business Unit and later the combined Nephrology and Inflammation business unit as their VP/GM. In 2017, Dr. Billen took on the role of VP of Global Commercial initiatives with focus on the evolving US payer landscape. Dr. Billen received his PhD in chemistry from the University of Louvain in Belgium.

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R. Hector MacKay-Dunn, J.D., Q.C., Director, Chair of the Governance & Nomination Committee

Mr. MacKay-Dunn has over 30 years of practice experience providing legal advice to high growth public and private companies, many of which achieving valuations exceeding CDN\$1billion over a broad range of industry sectors including life sciences, health, and technology, advising on corporate domestic and cross-border public and private securities offerings, mergers and acquisitions and international partnering and licensing transactions; and advising boards of directors and independent board committees on corporate governance matters. Mr. MacKay-Dunn is recognized by Lexpert, as being among the Top 100 Canada/US Cross-Border Corporate Lawyers in Canada, has consistently been named among The Leading 500 Lawyers in Canada, and is recognized among Canada's leading lawyers in mergers & acquisitions, technology and biotechnology. Mr. MacKay-Dunn received the Queen's Counsel designation upon recommendation by the Attorney General of British Columbia for exceptional merit and contribution to the legal profession, the "AV Preeminent 5.0 out of 5" legal ability rating from Martindale-Hubbell, and is regularly recognized as a leading lawyer nationally by Chambers Canada within the Life Sciences category. Mr. MacKay-Dunn has served as board member or officer with Aspreva Pharmaceuticals Corporation, Arbutus Biophara Corp., XBiotech Inc., MedGenesis Therapeutix Inc., and QLT Inc., is a board member of the BC (British Columbia) Tech Association, previously board chair of the Innovation Council of British Columbia, and board member of LifeSciences British Columbia and Genome British Columbia.

Jill Leversage, Director, Chair of the Audit Committee

Ms. Jill Leversage was appointed as an independent director in November 2019. Ms. Leversage began her finance career at Burns Fry Ltd., and has held senior level positions at RBC Capital Markets, and TD Securities. Ms. Leversage has served on a number of public and not-for-profit corporate boards including MAG Silver Corp, RE Royalty Ltd., Insurance Corporate of BC, CMAIO, and the Vancouver Airport Authority. Ms. Leversage is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Professional Accountants of British Columbia and also a Chartered Business Valuator (ret.) of the Canadian Institute of Chartered Business Valuators.

COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD

We have four standing committees: the Audit Committee, the Governance and Nomination Committee, the Compensation Committee, and Standing Research Committee. Current members of these committees are identified in the following table:

Committee	Members
Audit Committee ⁽¹⁾	Jill Leversage (Chair) Joseph P. Hagan George M. Milne, Jr.
Governance and Nomination Committee	R. Hector MacKay-Dunn (Chair) George M. Milne, Jr. David Jayne
Compensation Committee	Joseph P. Hagan (Chair) Michael Hayden R. Hector MacKay-Dunn
Standing Research Committee	Michael Hayden (Chair) David Jayne Daniel Billen

(1) Detailed information on the Audit Committee is attached as Schedule 1.

CEASE TRADE ORDERS, BANKRUPTCIES, PENALTIES OR SANCTIONS

No director or executive officer of the Company is, or has been within 10 years before the date of this AIF, a director, chief executive officer or chief financial officer of any company, including Aurinia, that:

- (a) was subject to a cease trade order, an order similar to a cease trade order or an order that denied the relevant company access to any exemption under securities legislation, that was issued while the proposed director was acting in the capacity as a director, chief executive officer or chief financial officer; or
- (b) was subject to a cease trade order, an order similar to a cease trade order or an order that denied the relevant company access to any exemption under securities legislation, that was issued after the director or executive officer ceased to be a director, chief executive officer or chief financial officer and which resulted from an event that occurred while he was acting in the capacity of a director, chief executive officer or chief financial officer.

No director or executive officer of the Company, or shareholder holding a sufficient number of securities of the Company to affect materially the control of the Company:

- (a) is, or has been within 10 years before the date of this AIF, a director, chief executive officer or chief financial officer of any company, including Aurinia, that while that person was acting in that capacity, or within a year of that person ceasing to act in that capacity, became bankrupt, made a proposal under any legislation relating to bankruptcy or insolvency, or was subject

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to or instituted any proceedings, arrangement or compromise with creditors, or had a receiver, receiver manager or trustee appointed to hold its assets; or

- (b) has, within 10 years before the date of this AIF, become bankrupt, made a proposal under any legislation relating to bankruptcy or insolvency, or become subject to or instituted any proceedings, arrangement or compromise with creditors, or had a receiver, receiver manager or trustee appointed to hold the assets of the director, chief executive officer or chief financial officer.

No director or executive officer of the Company, or shareholder holding a sufficient number of securities of the Company to affect materially the control of the Company, has been subject to:

- (a) any penalties or sanctions imposed by a court relating to securities legislation or by a securities regulatory authority or has entered into a settlement agreement with a securities regulatory authority;
- (b) any other penalties or sanctions imposed by a court or regulatory body that would likely be considered important to a reasonable investor in making an investment decision.

LEGAL PROCEEDINGS AND REGULATORY ACTIONS

As of March 4, 2020, we are not aware of any legal proceedings against us that would involve a claim for damages that exceed ten per cent of our current assets.

No penalties or sanctions have been imposed against us by a court relating to securities legislation or any securities regulatory authority during the financial year ended December 31, 2019, nor have we entered into any settlement agreements with a court relating to securities legislation or with a securities regulatory authority during such financial year. No other penalties or sanctions have been imposed by a court or regulatory body against us which would likely be considered important to a reasonable investor in making an investment decision respecting the Company.

INTEREST OF MANAGEMENT AND OTHERS IN MATERIAL TRANSACTIONS

None of our directors or executive officers, persons or companies that beneficially own, control, or direct more than 10% of our voting securities, or an associate or affiliate of any of such directors, executive officers, persons or companies, had a material interest, directly or indirectly, in the transactions conducted by the Company within the three most recently completed financial years or during the current financial year that has materially affected or is reasonably expected to materially affect the Company.

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

To our knowledge, and other than as disclosed herein, there is no known existing or potential material conflicts of interest among the Company, its directors and officers, or a subsidiary of the Company or other members of management as a result of their outside business interests, except that certain of its directors may serve as directors of other companies and therefore it is possible that a conflict may arise between their duties to the Company and their duties as a director of such other companies. See *"Risk Factors - The Company is dependent upon its key personnel to achieve its business objectives"*.

TRANSFER AGENT AND REGISTRAR

Our co-transfer agents and co-registrars are Computershare Investor Services Inc. located at its principal offices in Calgary, Alberta and Toronto, Ontario and Computershare Trust Company, N.A. located at its principal offices in Golden, Colorado.

MATERIAL CONTRACTS

We currently have the following material contracts:

1. Under the terms of an agreement dated February 14, 2014 between the Company and Dr. Robert Foster, whereby Dr. Robert Foster's employment as CSO was terminated by the Company, it was confirmed that effective March 8, 2012, Dr. Foster was entitled to receive 2% of royalty licensing revenue for royalties received on the sale of voclosporin by licensees and/or 0.3% of net sales of voclosporin sold directly by the Company, to be paid quarterly as that revenue is received by the Company. Should the Company sell substantially all of the assets of voclosporin to a third party or transfer those assets to another party in a merger in a manner such that this payment obligation is no longer operative, then Dr. Foster will be entitled to receive 0.3% of the value attributable to voclosporin in the transaction.

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2. The manufacturing collaboration and services agreement, dated November 22, 2016 between Lonza and the Company as described under the heading “Manufacturing, Encapsulating and Packaging of Voclosporin - Lonza Manufacturing Collaboration Agreement”.

INTERESTS OF EXPERTS

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, the Company’s auditor, issued an auditor’s report dated March 4, 2020 in respect of our Consolidated Financial Statements, which comprise the Consolidated Statements of Financial Position as at December 31, 2019 and December 31, 2018, and the Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Loss, Consolidated Statements of Changes in Shareholders’ Equity and Cash Flows for the years ended December 31, 2019 and December 31, 2018, and the related notes. PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP has advised us that they are independent with respect to the Company within the meaning of the Rules of Professional Conduct of the Chartered Professional Accountants of Alberta and the rules of the SEC.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Additional information with respect to the Company, including directors' and officers' remuneration and indebtedness, principal holders of our Common Shares and securities authorized for issuance under equity compensation plans will be contained in the most recently filed management information circular of the Company. Additional financial information is also available in our comparative audited consolidated financial statements, together with the auditor's report thereon, and the related Management Discussion and Analysis for its most recently completed fiscal year ended December 31, 2019.

Additional information regarding the Company is available on the SEDAR website located at www.sedar.com, on EDGAR at www.sec.gov/edgar, or on the Company's corporate website located at www.auriniapharma.com, or upon request addressed to Michael Martin, COO, at 1203, 4464 Markham Street, Victoria, British Columbia V8Z 7X8.

SCHEDULE 1 - AUDIT COMMITTEE INFORMATION

1. The Audit Committee's Charter

Our Audit Committee Charter is available in the governance section of our website at www.auriniapharma.com and is attached as Schedule 2 to this AIF.

2. Composition and Relevant Education and Experience

The Audit Committee is comprised of three independent directors: Jill Leversage (Chair), Joseph P. Hagan and George M. Milne, Jr. A description of the education and experience of each Audit Committee member that is relevant to the performance of his responsibilities as an Audit Committee member may be found above under the heading "Directors and Executive Officers".

Under the SEC rules implementing the *Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002*, Canadian issuers filing reports in the United States must disclose whether their audit committees have at least one audit committee financial expert. The Board has determined that Jill Leversage qualifies as an audit committee financial expert under such rules. In addition, all members of the Audit Committee are considered financially literate under applicable Canadian and U.S. laws.

3. Pre-approval Policies and Procedures

The Audit Committee is authorized by the Board to review the performance of our external auditor and approve in advance the provision of services other than auditing and to consider the independence of the external auditor, including reviewing the range of services provided in the context of all consulting services bought by us. Such advance approval authority may be delegated by the Audit Committee to the Chair of the Audit Committee who is "independent" and "unrelated".

All fees for audit and audit related services performed by the external auditor for the year ended December 31, 2019 were pre-approved by the Audit Committee. All fees for non-audit related services performed by the external auditor for the year ended December 31, 2019 were pre-approved by the Audit Committee and/or Audit Chair as delegated by the Audit Committee.

4. External Auditor Service Fees (By Category)

The aggregate fees recorded for professional services rendered by the external auditor, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, for the Company and its subsidiaries for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively are as follows:

<u>Fiscal year ended</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>% of Total Fees</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>% of Total Fees</u>
Audit fees (for audit of the Company's annual financial statements and services provided in connection with statutory and regulatory filings) ⁽¹⁾	\$ 153,146	30.8%	\$ 95,124	31.5%
Audit related fees, including review of the Company's quarterly financial statements ⁽²⁾	\$ 199,426	40.1%	\$ 96,472	31.9%
Tax fees (tax compliance, tax advice and planning) ⁽³⁾	\$ 144,612	29.1%	\$ 110,496	36.6%
All other fees	\$ —	—%	\$ —	—%
Total fees	\$ 497,184	100.0%	\$ 302,092	100.0%

The 2018 fees have been reclassified to conform with the 2019 presentation.

- (1) These fees include professional services provided by the external auditor for the statutory audits of the annual financial statements.
- (2) These fees relate to performing review engagement services on the Company's quarterly financial statements and other audit related services including professional services for assistance in filing the prospectus supplement related to the December 2019 public offering and the September 2019 ATM prospectus supplement, and various other audit related advisory services. These fees for 2018 include professional services for assistance in filing the new base shelf prospectus, prospectus supplement related to the re-sale of common shares, the November 2018 ATM prospectus supplement, and various other advisory services.
- (3) These fees include professional services for transfer pricing, tax compliance, tax advice, tax planning and various taxation matters.

SCHEDULE 2 - AUDIT COMMITTEE CHARTER

AURINIA PHARMACEUTICALS INC.

AUDIT COMMITTEE CHARTER

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors of Aurinia Pharmaceuticals Inc. (the “*Company*”) shall be to assist the Board of Directors of the Company (the “*Board*”) in its oversight of (i) the quality and integrity of the financial statements of the Company, (ii) the Company’s compliance with legal and regulatory requirements, (iii) the accounting and financial management processes of the Company, and the effectiveness of the Company’s internal controls over financial reporting, (iv) the quality and integrity of the annual audit of the Company’s financial statements, including the independence and qualifications of the Company’s independent auditor.

MEMBERSHIP

1. Composition

The Committee shall consist of no fewer than three (3) members. None of the members of the Committee shall be an officer or employee of the Company or any of its subsidiaries, and each member of the Committee shall be an independent director (in accordance with the definition of “independent director” and “independent” established from time to time under the requirements or guidelines for audit committee service under applicable securities laws (“*Securities Laws*”) and the rules of any stock exchange (“*Exchange Rules*”) on which the Company’s shares are listed for trading).

2. Appointment and Replacement of Committee Members

Any member of the Committee may be removed or replaced at any time by the Board and shall automatically cease to be a member of the Committee upon ceasing to be a director. The Board may fill vacancies on the Committee by election from among its members. The Board shall fill any vacancy if the membership of the Committee is less than three directors. If and whenever a vacancy shall exist on the Committee, the remaining members may exercise all its power so long as a quorum remains in office. Subject to the foregoing, the members of the Committee shall be elected by the Board annually and each member of the Committee shall hold office as such until the next annual meeting of shareholders after his or her election or until his or her successor shall be duly elected and qualified.

3. Financial literacy

All members of the Committee should be “financially literate” (as that term may be defined from time to time under the requirements or guidelines for audit committee service under applicable Securities Laws and the Exchange Rules) or must become financially literate within a reasonable period of time after his or her appointment to the Committee.

In addition, at least one member must have past employment experience in finance or accounting, requisite professional certification in accounting or any other comparable experience or background which results in the individual’s financial sophistication. Unless otherwise determined by the Board, at least one member of the Audit Committee shall be an “audit committee financial expert”.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES

The principal responsibilities and duties of the Committee in serving the purposes outlined above in this charter are set forth below. These duties are set forth as a guide with the understanding that the Committee will carry them out in a manner that is appropriate given the Company’s needs and circumstances. The Committee may supplement them as appropriate and may establish policies and procedures from time to time that it deems necessary or advisable in fulfilling its responsibilities.

A. INDEPENDENT AUDITOR

1. *Appointment and Oversight of Independent Auditor.* The Committee recommends to the Board for nomination the independent auditor to examine the Company’s accounts, controls and financial statements. The Committee has sole responsibility for the compensation, retention, oversight and, if necessary, termination of any independent auditor (including resolution of disagreements between the Company’s management and the independent auditor regarding financial reporting) for the purpose of preparing or issuing an audit report or performing other audit, review or attest services for the Company, and the independent auditor and will report directly to the Committee.

2. *Auditor Independence and Qualifications*

(a) The Committee is responsible for assessing the independent auditor’s qualifications, performance and independence annually, and for taking, or recommending that the full Board take, appropriate action to oversee the independence of the independent auditor.

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In connection therewith, the Committee will:

- (i) make sure it reviews, on an annual basis, all relationships between the independent auditor and the Company, including those described in the formal written statement that the Committee obtains annually from the independent auditor under applicable requirements of the Canadian generally accepted auditing standards (CAS) and the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (the “*PCAOB*”) related to the independent auditor’s communications with the Committee concerning independence; and
 - (ii) actively engage in a dialogue with the independent auditor with respect to any disclosed relationships or services that may impact the objectivity and independence of the independent auditor.
- (b) The Committee will obtain and review, at least annually, a report from the independent auditor describing:
- (i) the independent auditor’s internal quality-control procedures; and
 - (ii) any material issues raised by the most recent internal quality-control review, peer review Canadian Public Accountability Board (CPAB) or PCAOB review of the independent auditor, or by any governmental or professional authority in any inquiry or investigation, within the preceding five years, regarding any independent audit carried out by the independent auditor, and any steps taken to address any such issues.
- (c) The Committee is responsible for reviewing and evaluating the lead audit partner of the independent auditor and overseeing the rotation of the lead audit partner as required by applicable law. In making its evaluation, the Committee should take into account the opinions of management and the independent auditor.
- (d) The Committee will set policies for the Company’s hiring of employees or former employees of the present and former independent auditor.

3. *Approval of Audit and Non-Audit Services*

- (a) The Committee will review the independent auditor’s audit planning, scope and staffing.
- (b) The Committee must pre-approve all audit and non-audit related services provided to the Company by the independent auditor. The Committee may establish pre-approval policies and procedures, as permitted by the Exchange Rules, Securities Laws and applicable law, for the engagement of the independent auditor to render services to the Company, including, without limitation, policies that would allow the delegation of pre-approval authority to one or more members of the Committee, provided that any pre-approval decision is reported to the Committee at its next scheduled meeting.

4. *Interaction with Independent Auditor*

- (a) The Committee will, to the extent warranted, discuss with the independent auditor the reports referenced in section 2(b) and any other matters required to be reviewed under applicable legal and regulatory requirements.
- (b) The Committee will periodically consult with the independent auditor, out of the presence of the Company’s management, about the Company’s internal controls, the fullness and accuracy of the Company’s financial statements, the responsibilities, budget and staffing of the Company’s finance function, and any other matters that the Committee or independent auditor believes should be discussed privately out of the presence of management.

B. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND DISCLOSURES

1. *Annual Financial Statements and Disclosures*

- (a) Before public disclosure, the Committee will meet to review and discuss with the independent auditor and the Company’s management the Company’s audited consolidated financial statements and the notes and Managements’ Discussion and Analysis relating to such consolidated financial statements, the annual report, the annual information form, the financial information of the Company contained in any prospectus or information circular or other disclosure documents or regulatory filings of the Company, the recommendations for approval of each of the foregoing from each of the President and Chief Executive Officer, and Chief Financial Officer of the Company and based on such recommendations provide, where applicable, its own recommendations to the Board for their approval and release of each of the foregoing to the public.
- (b) The Committee will discuss with the independent auditor and the Company’s management any items appropriate or required to be discussed in accordance with applicable auditing and CPAB standards in connection with the preparation of the Company’s annual financial statements, including any problems or difficulties encountered during the course of the audit, including any restrictions on the scope of work or access to required information, and any significant disagreements with management and management’s response to such difficulties.

2. **Quarterly Financial Statements and Disclosures**

(a) The Committee will meet to review and discuss with the independent auditor and the Company's management the Company's interim consolidated financial statements and the notes and Managements' Discussion and Analysis relating to such consolidated financial statements before public disclosure, and either, in the discretion of the Audit Committee, (A) approve and release each of the foregoing to the public, or (B) provide, where applicable, its own recommendation to the Board for their approval and release of each of the foregoing to the public.

(b) The Committee will discuss with the independent auditor and the Company's management any items appropriate or required to be discussed in accordance with applicable auditing and CPAB standards in connection with the preparation of the Company's quarterly financial statements.

3. **Earnings Announcements and Guidance.** The Committee will discuss generally with the Company's management and the independent auditor, as appropriate, the type of information to be disclosed and type of presentation to be made regarding the Company's earnings press releases.

4. **Ongoing Reviews.** In connection with the foregoing, the Committee will review the Company's financial reporting and accounting standards and principles and financial statement presentations, significant changes in the selection of such standards or principles or in their application and the key accounting decisions affecting the Company's financial statements, including alternatives to, and the rationale for, the decisions made. As part of this review, the Committee will discuss with the Company's management and the independent auditor the reasonableness of judgments and estimates used in the preparation of financial statements, and alternative accounting treatments, principles or practices that were considered or may be preferred by the independent auditor, the Committee or the Company's management.

C. **CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES**

1. **Review of Processes, Systems, Controls and Procedures.** The Committee will periodically review and meet separately with the independent auditor, or other personnel primarily responsible for the internal control, and the Company's management to discuss their periodic reviews of the integrity, adequacy and effectiveness of the Company's accounting and financial reporting processes, systems of internal control (including any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in their design or operation), and disclosure controls and procedures (and management's reports thereon), as well as any special audit steps adopted in light of material control deficiencies. The Committee shall receive and review the required applicable annual or quarterly CEO and CFO certification reports prior to these documents being filed as required by the regulators.

2. **Legal Matters**

(a) The Committee will periodically review with the Company's management and the Company's legal counsel, the nature and status of significant legal matters.

(b) The Committee will review and monitor any significant pending or threatened litigation that could have a material impact on the Company's financial statements.

3. **Risk Assessment and Risk Management.** The Committee is responsible for overseeing the management of risks associated with the Company's financial reporting, accounting and auditing matters, reviewing as required the Company's processes around the management and monitoring of such risks, including but not limited to, review and assessment of the company investment policy and performance

and review and assessment of the company's insurance policies. The Committee will discuss with the Company's management the Company's major financial, accounting and reporting risk exposures and the steps management has taken to monitor and control such exposures, including the Company's risk assessment and risk management policies and guidelines.

4. **Whistleblower Procedures.** The Committee is responsible for establishing and overseeing procedures for the receipt, retention and treatment of complaints received by the Company regarding accounting, internal accounting controls or auditing matters, the prompt internal reporting of violations of the Code of Business Conduct and Ethics and for the confidential, anonymous submission by Company employees of concerns regarding questionable accounting or auditing matters.

D. **OTHER DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

1. **Code of Conduct.** The Committee will periodically review and recommend to the Board any changes to the Code of Conduct applicable to the Company, including all of its directors, officers and employees. The Committee will also consider waivers of the Code of Conduct requested for executive officers and directors and retain sole authority to grant any waivers for executive officers and directors (other than where the potential waiver involves a member of the Committee, in which event such waiver shall be subject to the review of the Board). The Committee will also periodically review and recommend to the Board any changes to the Company's Insider Trading Policy and Anti-Bribery Policy, which are referenced in the Company's Code of Conduct.

2. **Related Party Transactions.** The Committee will review and, where appropriate, approve any transaction between the Company and any related party (other than transactions that are subject to review by the Board as a whole or any other committee of the Board), as defined

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by applicable law, Securities Laws and the Exchange Rules, and will periodically review the business interests and activities of members of the Board and management.

3. **Review of Composition and Performance.** The Committee will evaluate the Committee's composition and performance on an annual basis and submit a report to the Board.
4. **Review of this Charter.** The Committee will review and reassess the adequacy of this charter annually and recommend to the Board any changes the Committee determines are appropriate.
5. **Other Actions.** The Committee will perform any other activities required by applicable law, rules or regulations, including Securities Laws and the Exchange Rules, and take such other actions and perform and carry out any other responsibilities and duties delegated to it by the Board or as the Committee deems necessary or appropriate consistent with its purpose.

E. STUDIES AND ADVISERS

In discharging its responsibilities, the Committee may conduct, direct, supervise or authorize studies of, or investigations into, any matter that the Committee deems appropriate, with full and unrestricted access to all books, records, documents, facilities and personnel of the Company. The Committee has the sole authority to retain and terminate independent legal counsel and other consultants, accountants, experts and advisers of its choice to assist the Committee in connection with its functions, including any studies or investigations. The Committee will have the sole authority to approve the fees and other retention terms of such advisers. The Company will also provide for appropriate funding, as determined by the Committee, for:

- payment of compensation to the independent auditor and any legal and other consultants, accountants, experts and advisers retained by the Committee; and
- ordinary administrative expenses of the Committee that are necessary and appropriate in carrying out its functions.

F. MEETINGS AND ACTIONS

Meetings of the Committee shall be held at least once each quarter or more frequently, as determined to be appropriate by the Committee. The Board may appoint a member of the Committee to serve as the chairperson of the Committee (the "**Chair**"); if the Board does not appoint a Chair, the Committee members may designate a Chair by their majority vote. The Chair, in consultation with the other members of the Committee, will set the dates, time, places and agenda for Committee meetings. The Chair or any other member of the Committee may call meetings of the Committee by notice and the Committee may act by unanimous written consent in lieu of a meeting in accordance with the Company's Bylaws. A quorum of the Committee for the transaction of business will be a majority of its members. Meetings may be held in person or via telephone or video conference. The Committee also may act by unanimous written consent in lieu of a meeting in accordance with the Company's Bylaws. Subject to the requirements of this charter, applicable law, Securities Laws and the Commission Rules, the Committee and the Chair may invite any director, executive or employee of the Company, or such other person, as it deems appropriate in order to carry out its responsibilities, to attend and participate (in a non-voting capacity) in all or a portion of any Committee meeting. The Committee may meet in executive session at its discretion and may exclude from all or a portion of its meetings any person it deems appropriate in order to carry out its responsibilities. The Chair will designate a secretary for each meeting, who need not be a member of the Committee. The Company shall provide the Committee such staff support as it may require.

G. MINUTES AND REPORTS

The Committee will maintain written minutes of its meetings and copies of its actions by written consent, and will cause such minutes and copies of written consents to be filed with the minutes of the meetings of the Board. The Committee will report regularly to the Board with respect to its activities, including on significant matters related to the Committee's responsibilities and the Committee's deliberations and actions. The minutes of the Committee and actions by the unanimous written consent of the Committee members will be made available to the other members of the Board.

H. DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

The Committee may from time to time, as it deems appropriate and to the extent permitted under applicable law, Securities Laws and the Commission Rules, the Company's articles of incorporation and Bylaws, form and delegate authority to subcommittees.

I. COMPENSATION

Members of the Committee will receive such fees, if any, for their service as Committee members as may be determined by the Board, which may include additional compensation for the Chair. Such fees may include retainers or per meeting fees and will be paid in such form of consideration as is determined by the Board in accordance with applicable law, Securities Laws and the Commission Rules.

J. **PUBLICATION**

The Company shall make this charter freely available to stockholders on request and shall publish it on the Company's web site.

K. **OVERSIGHT
FUNCTION**

This charter sets forth the authority and responsibility of the Committee in fulfilling the purposes described herein.

While the Committee has the responsibilities and powers set forth in this Charter, it is not the duty of the Committee to plan or conduct audits or to determine that the Company's consolidated financial statements are complete and accurate or are in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") and applicable rules and regulations. These are the responsibilities of Management and the Company's external auditors. The Committee, its Chair and any Committee members identified as having accounting or related financial expertise are members of the Board, appointed to the Committee to provide broad oversight of the financial, risk and control related activities of the Company, and are specifically not accountable or responsible for the day-to-day operation or performance of such activities. Although the designation of a Committee member as having accounting or related financial expertise for disclosure purposes or otherwise is based on that individual's education and experience which that individual will bring to bear in carrying out his or her duties on the Committee, such designation does not impose on such person any duties, obligations or liability that are greater than the duties, obligations and liability imposed on such person as a member of the Committee and Board in the absence of such designation. Rather, the role of a Committee member who is identified as having accounting or related financial expertise, like the role of all Committee members, is to oversee the process, not to certify or guarantee the internal or external audit of the Company's financial information or public disclosure.

In addition, the Company's management is responsible for managing its risk function and for reporting on its processes and assessments with respect to the Company's management of risk. Each member of the Committee shall be entitled to rely on (a) the integrity of those persons and organizations within and outside of the Company from which it receives information, (b) the accuracy of the financial and other information provided to the Committee by such persons or organizations absent actual knowledge to the contrary (which shall be promptly reported to the Board) and (c) representations made by management as to any audit and non-audit services provided by the independent auditor.

The Board has formed the Committee to assist the Board in directing the Company's affairs and this charter has been adopted in furtherance of this purpose. While this charter should be interpreted in the context of all applicable laws, regulations and listing requirements, as well as in the context of the Company's articles of incorporation and Bylaws, it is not intended to establish by its own force any legally binding obligations.

SCHEDULE 3 - GLOSSARY OF TERMS AND DEFINITIONS

In this annual information form, the following capitalized words and terms shall have the following meanings:

"**AEs**" means adverse events;

"**AIF**" means the Annual Information Form of the Company dated March 4, 2020 for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2019;

"**ALMS**" means the Aspreva Lupus Management Study;

"**Anti-dsDNA**" means double-stranded DNA;

"**API**" means active pharmaceutical ingredient;

"**Aspreva**" means Aspreva Pharmaceuticals Inc.;

"**ATM**" means an At-the-Market Facility or offering;

"**AUDREY™ clinical trial**" is a Phase 2/3 United States based randomized, double-masked, vehicle-controlled, dose ranging study to evaluate the efficacy and safety of VOS in subjects with DES;

"**AURA-LV (AURA)**" means a Phase 2b clinical trial. The protocol is titled "*A Randomized, Controlled Double-blind Study Comparing the Efficacy and Safety of Voclosporin (23.7 mg BID, or 39.5 mg BID) with Placebo in Achieving remission in Patients with Active Lupus Nephritis*";

"**Aurinia**" means Aurinia Pharmaceuticals Inc.;

"**AURION**" means an open label exploratory study. The protocol is titled "*An Exploratory study assessing the Short term Predictors of Remission of Voclosporin 23.7 mg BID in combination with standard of care in Patients with Active Lupus Nephritis*";

"**AURORA**" means a single double-blind, randomized, placebo controlled Phase 3 clinical trial for voclosporin in the treatment of LN;

"**AURORA 2 extension trial**" means a 104-week blinded extension trial;

"**BID**" means administered twice a day;

"**Board**" means the board of directors of the Company;

"**calcineurin**" means a specific enzyme (phosphatase enzyme) that can have its activity inhibited by immunosuppressive (anti-organ rejection) drugs, including, for example, cyclosporine;

"**Catalent**" means Catalent Pharma Solutions;

"**CellCept®**" means the brand name of MMF;

"**CEO**" means Chief Executive Officer;

"**CFO**" means Chief Financial Officer;

"**CMO**" means Chief Medical Officer;

"**CNI**" means calcineurin inhibitors, the cornerstone of therapy for the prevention of organ transplant rejection;

"**Company**" means Aurinia Pharmaceuticals Inc. and (unless the context specifies or implies otherwise) its subsidiaries;

"**Common Shares**" means common shares in the authorized share capital of the Company;

"**COO**" means Chief Operating Officer;

"**CR**" means complete remission;

"**CRO**" means Contract Research Organization;

"**CsA**" means cyclosporine A;

"**CSO**" means Chief Scientific Officer;

"**CTA**" means clinical trial application;

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"**cyclosporine**" means a drug that suppresses the immune system and is used to prevent rejection following organ transplantation;

"**December 2019 Offering**" means the underwritten public offering of 12.78 million Common Shares, which included 1.67 million Common Shares issued pursuant to the full exercise of the underwriters' over-allotment option to purchase additional Common Shares completed on December 12, 2019;

"**DDI**" means Drug-Drug Interaction;

"**DES**" means Dry Eye Syndrome;

"**EDGAR**" means the Electronic Data Gathering, Analysis and Retrieval System;

"**eGFR**" means estimated glomerular filtration rate;

"**EMA**" means the European Medicines Agency;

"**ERA-EDTA**" means the 54th European Renal Association-European Dialysis and Transplant Association Congress;

"**ESRD**" means end-stage renal disease;

"**EU**" means European Union;

"**EULAR 2017**" means the European Annual Congress of Rheumatology;

"**Exchange Rules**" means the rules of any stock exchange on which the Company's shares are listed for trading;

"**FCS**" means fluorescein corneal staining;

"**FDA**" means the Food and Drug Administration of the United States Government;

"**FSGS**" means focal segmental glomerulosclerosis;

"**GMP**" means good manufacturing practices;

"**IEC**" means Independent Ethics Committee;

"**IFRS**" means International Financial Reporting Standards;

"**ILJIN**" means ILJIN SNT Co., Ltd.;

"**IND**" means investigational new drug;

"**IRB**" means Institutional Review Board;

"**ITT**" means intent to treat;

"**LN**" means Lupus Nephritis;

"**Lonza**" means Lonza Ltd. a Swiss-based contract drug manufacturer;

"**Lux**" means Lux BioSciences, Inc.;

"**MAA**" means marketing authorisation application;

"**March Offering**" means the underwritten public offering of 25.64 million Common Shares, which included 3.35 million Common Shares issued pursuant to the full exercise of the underwriters' over-allotment option to purchase additional Common Shares completed on March 20, 2017;

"**MMF**" means mycophenolate mofetil;

"**MPA**" means mycophenolic acid, the active metabolite of MMF;

"**MPAG**" means mycophenolic acid glucuronide;

"**Nasdaq**" means the Nasdaq Global Market Exchange;

"**NCE**" means new chemical entity;

"**NDA**" means New Drug Application made to a regulatory agency;

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"**Notice of Allowance**" means the notice of allowance received from the USPTO for claims directed at our novel voclosporin dosing protocol for LN (U.S. patent application 15/835,219, entitled "PROTOCOL FOR TREATMENT OF LUPUS NEPHRITIS");

"**NS**" means Nephrotic Syndrome;

"**Paladin**" means Paladin Labs Inc.;

"**PCI**" means Packaging Coordinator, LLC.;

"**PCT**" means the Patent Cooperation Treaty, an international patent law treaty. It provides a unified procedure for filing patent applications to protect inventions in each of its contracting states;

"**Pharmacokinetics**" means the processes of drug absorption, distribution, metabolism and excretion in a living system (e.g., in humans);

"**PFIC**" means a passive foreign investment company;

"**PK-PD**" means pharmacokinetic and pharmacodynamics analysis;

"**PMDA**" means the Pharmaceutical and Medical Devices Agency. The PMDA is the main Regulatory Agency that oversees the review and approval of drugs as per the regulatory prerequisites in Japan;

"**PR**" means partial remission;

"**SAE**" means serious adverse events;

"**SEC**" means the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission;

"**SEDAR**" means the System for Electronic Document Analysis and Retrieval;

"**September 2019 ATM**" means the September 13, 2019 at the market offering of Common Shares having an aggregate offer price of up to US\$40.0 million;

"**Sharp Clinical**" means Sharp Clinical Services Inc.;

"**SLE**" means systemic lupus erythematosus;

"**SLEDAI**" means Systemic Lupus Erythematosus Disease Activity Index;

"**STT**" means schirmer tear test;

"**TSX**" means the Toronto Stock Exchange;

"**Unither**" means Laboratoire Unither;

"**UPCR**" means Urinary/protein creatinine ratio;

"**USPTO**" means United States Patent and Trademark Office;

"**Vifor**" means Vifor (International) AG;

"**VOS**" means voclosporin ophthalmic solution; and

"**Warrants**" means warrants to purchase Common Shares in the capital of the Company, with each whole warrant being exercisable to purchase one common share.

Consolidated Financial Statements



Year Ended December 31, 2019

MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR FINANCIAL REPORTING

The accompanying audited consolidated financial statements of Aurinia Pharmaceuticals Inc. (the Company) are the responsibility of management.

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board and reflect, where appropriate, management's best estimates and judgments based on currently available information. Management has prepared the financial information presented elsewhere in the Management's Discussion and Analysis and has ensured it is consistent with the consolidated financial statements.

The Company maintains systems of internal accounting and administrative controls. These systems are designed to provide reasonable assurance that the financial information is relevant, reliable and accurate and that the Company's assets are appropriately accounted for and adequately safeguarded.

The Board of Directors (the Board) exercises its responsibility over the consolidated financial statements and over financial reporting and internal controls principally through the Company's Audit Committee. The Board appoints the Audit Committee and its members are outside and unrelated directors. The Audit Committee meets periodically with management to discuss internal controls over the financial reporting process and financial reporting issues and to satisfy itself that each party is properly discharging its responsibilities. The Audit Committee reviews the annual consolidated financial statements with both management and the independent auditors and reports its findings to the Board before such statements are approved by the Board. The Audit Committee also considers, for review by the Board and approval by the shareholders, the engagement or reappointment of the external auditors.

The consolidated financial statements have been audited by PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, the Company's independent auditors, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB) on behalf of the shareholders. Their report outlines the scope of their audit and gives their opinion on the consolidated financial statements. PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP has full and free access to the Audit Committee.

(Signed) "Peter Greenleaf"

Chief Executive Officer

(Signed) "Dennis Bourgeault"

Chief Financial Officer

Victoria, British Columbia

March 4, 2020



Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Shareholders and Board of Directors of Aurinia Pharmaceuticals Inc.

Opinion on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying consolidated statements of financial position of Aurinia Pharmaceuticals Inc. and its subsidiaries (together, the Company) as of December 31, 2019 and 2018, and the related consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive loss, changes in shareholders' equity and cash flows for the years then ended, including the related notes (collectively referred to as the consolidated financial statements). In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as of December 31, 2019 and 2018, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board.

Basis for Opinion

These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's consolidated financial statements based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB) and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits of these consolidated financial statements in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. The Company is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. As part of our audits we are required to obtain an understanding of internal control over financial reporting but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion.

Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

“/s/PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP”

Chartered Professional Accountants

Edmonton, Canada
March 4, 2020

We have served as the Company's auditor since at least 1997. We have not been able to determine the specific year we began serving as auditor of the Company.

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Aurinia Pharmaceuticals Inc.
Consolidated Statements of Financial Position
As at December 31, 2019

(expressed in thousands of US dollars)

	2019	2018
	\$	\$
Assets		
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	306,019	117,967
Short term investments (note 5)	—	7,889
Accounts receivable and accrued interest receivable	368	217
Prepaid expenses and deposits	8,750	6,775
	<u>315,137</u>	<u>132,848</u>
Clinical trial contract deposits	209	358
Property and equipment (note 6)	93	41
Acquired intellectual property and other intangible assets (note 7)	11,244	12,616
	<u>326,683</u>	<u>145,863</u>
Liabilities		
Current liabilities		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities (note 8)	11,177	7,071
Deferred revenue (note 10)	118	118
Contingent consideration (note 11)	—	72
	<u>11,295</u>	<u>7,261</u>
Deferred revenue (note 10)	206	324
Contingent consideration (note 11)	5,113	3,956
Royalty obligation (note 12)	7,200	—
Derivative warrant liabilities (note 13)	29,353	21,747
	<u>53,167</u>	<u>33,288</u>
Shareholders' Equity		
Common shares (note 14)	790,472	504,650
Contributed surplus	23,655	24,690
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(805)	(805)
Deficit	(539,806)	(415,960)
	<u>273,516</u>	<u>112,575</u>
	<u>326,683</u>	<u>145,863</u>
Commitments and contingencies (note 22)		
Subsequent events (note 25)		

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

Approved by the Board of Directors

(signed) Joseph P. Hagan
Director

(signed) George M. Milne
Director

Aurinia Pharmaceuticals Inc.
Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Loss
For the years ended December 31, 2019 and December 31, 2018

(expressed in thousands of US dollars, except per share data)

	2019 \$	2018 \$
Revenue (note 10)		
Licensing revenue	318	118
Contract revenue	—	345
	<u>318</u>	<u>463</u>
Expenses		
Research and development (note 15)	52,866	41,382
Corporate, administration and business development (note 15)	22,154	13,674
Amortization of acquired intellectual property and other intangible assets (note 7)	1,389	1,545
Amortization of property and equipment (note 6)	159	20
Other expenses (note 16)	8,991	169
	<u>85,559</u>	<u>56,790</u>
Loss before interest income, finance costs, change in estimated fair value of derivative warrant liabilities and income taxes	(85,241)	(56,327)
Interest income	2,702	2,234
Finance costs (note 16)	(39)	—
Loss before change in estimated fair value of derivative warrant liabilities and income taxes	(82,578)	(54,093)
Change in estimated fair value of derivative warrant liabilities (note 13)	(41,124)	(9,954)
Loss before income taxes	(123,702)	(64,047)
Income tax expense (note 17)	144	73
Net loss and comprehensive loss for the year	<u>(123,846)</u>	<u>(64,120)</u>
Net loss per common share (note 18) (expressed in \$ per share)		
Basic and diluted loss per common share	<u>(1.33)</u>	<u>(0.76)</u>

Certain lines in the statement of operations and comprehensive loss has been disaggregated and re-labeled as described in note 16.

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

Aurinia Pharmaceuticals Inc.
Consolidated Statements of Changes in Shareholders' Equity
For the years ended December 31, 2019 and December 31, 2018

(expressed in thousands of US dollars)

	Common shares \$	Warrants \$	Contributed surplus \$	Deficit \$	Accumulated other comprehensive loss \$	Shareholders' equity \$
Balance – January 1, 2019	504,650	—	24,690	(415,960)	(805)	112,575
Issue of common shares	236,747	—	—	—	—	236,747
Share issue costs	(13,629)	—	—	—	—	(13,629)
Exercise of derivative warrants	40,507	—	—	—	—	40,507
Exercise of stock options	22,197	—	(8,449)	—	—	13,748
Stock-based compensation	—	—	7,414	—	—	7,414
Net loss and comprehensive loss for the year	—	—	—	(123,846)	—	(123,846)
Balance - December 31, 2019	790,472	—	23,655	(539,806)	(805)	273,516
Balance – January 1, 2018	499,200	906	18,360	(351,840)	(805)	165,821
Exercise of warrants	3,977	(906)	—	—	—	3,071
Exercise of stock options	1,473	—	(530)	—	—	943
Stock-based compensation	—	—	6,860	—	—	6,860
Net loss and comprehensive loss for the year	—	—	—	(64,120)	—	(64,120)
Balance - December 31, 2018	504,650	—	24,690	(415,960)	(805)	112,575

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

Aurinia Pharmaceuticals Inc.
Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows
For the years ended December 31, 2019 and December 31, 2018

(expressed in thousands of US dollars)

	2019 \$	2018 \$
Cash flow provided by (used in)		
Operating activities		
Net loss for the year	(123,846)	(64,120)
Adjustments for		
Amortization of deferred revenue	(118)	(118)
Amortization of property and equipment	159	20
Amortization of acquired intellectual property and other intangible assets	1,389	1,545
Change in value and amortization of short term investments discount (note 20)	5	13
Revaluation of contingent consideration	1,185	236
Unrealized foreign exchange on lease liability	18	—
Interest expense	39	—
Gain on derecognition of right-of-use asset	(54)	—
Royalty obligation expense	7,200	—
Change in estimated fair value of derivative warrant liabilities	41,124	9,954
Stock-based compensation	7,414	6,860
	(65,485)	(45,610)
Contingent consideration milestones paid	(100)	—
Net change in other operating assets and liabilities (note 20)	2,129	(6,000)
Net cash used in operating activities	(63,456)	(51,610)
Investing activities (note 20)		
Proceeds on maturity of short term investments	7,884	36,093
Purchase of short term investments	—	(36,084)
Purchase of equipment	(87)	(30)
Capitalized patent costs	(17)	(45)
Net cash generated from (used in) investing activities	7,780	(66)
Financing activities (note 20)		
Net proceeds from commons shares issued pursuant to Public Offering	179,918	—
Net proceeds from commons shares issued pursuant to ATM facilities	43,200	—
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	13,748	943
Proceeds from exercise of derivative warrants	6,989	—
Principal elements of lease payments	(127)	—
Proceeds from exercise of warrants	—	3,071
Net cash generated from financing activities	243,728	4,014
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents during the year	188,052	(47,662)
Cash and cash equivalents – Beginning of year	117,967	165,629
Cash and cash equivalents – End of year	306,019	117,967

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1 Corporate information

Aurinia Pharmaceuticals Inc. or the Company is a late clinical stage biopharmaceutical company, focused on developing and commercializing therapies to treat targeted patient populations that are suffering from serious diseases with a high unmet medical need. The Company is currently developing voclosporin, an investigational drug, for the treatment of lupus nephritis (LN), focal segmental glomerulosclerosis (FSGS), and Dry Eye Syndrome (DES).

Aurinia's head office is located at #1203-4464 Markham Street, Victoria, British Columbia, and its registered office is located at #201, 17873-106 A Avenue, Edmonton, Alberta.

Aurinia Pharmaceuticals Inc. is incorporated pursuant to the Business Corporations Act (Alberta). The Company's common shares are currently listed and traded on the Nasdaq Global Market (Nasdaq) under the symbol AUPH and on the Toronto Stock Exchange (TSX) under the symbol AUP.

These consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its wholly owned subsidiaries, Aurinia Pharma U.S., Inc. (Delaware incorporated) and Aurinia Pharma Limited (UK incorporated).

2 Basis of preparation

Statement of compliance

The consolidated financial statements of the Company have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB).

The consolidated financial statements were authorized for issue by the Board of Directors on March 4, 2020.

Basis of measurement

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared on a going concern and historical cost basis, other than certain financial instruments recognized at fair value.

Functional and presentation currency

These consolidated financial statements are presented in United States (US) dollars, which is the Company's functional currency.

Summary of significant accounting policies and changes in accounting policies

Consolidation

These consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its wholly owned subsidiaries. Subsidiaries are all entities over which the Company has the power to govern the financial and operating policies. The Company has a 100% voting interest in all of its subsidiaries.

Intercompany transactions, balances and unrealized gains on transactions between companies are eliminated.

Translation of foreign currencies

Each asset and liability, revenue or expense arising from a foreign currency transaction is recorded at average rates of exchange during the period. The monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into US dollars at rates of exchange in effect at the end of the period. Foreign exchange gains and losses arising on translation or settlement of a foreign currency denominated monetary item are included in the consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive loss.

All references to CAS are to the lawful currency of Canada.

Revenue recognition

The Company has agreements in specific regions with strategic partners. These agreements may include one-time payments (upfront payments), payments in the form of cost reimbursements, milestone payments, royalties and license fees.

Once the Company determines that a contract exists and the contract is with a customer, it identifies the performance obligations within the contract. A performance obligation is a promise to provide a distinct good or service or a series of distinct goods or services and is the unit of account for recognizing revenue.

Next the Company determines the transaction price. The transaction price reflects the amount of consideration to which the Company expects to be entitled in exchange for the goods or services transferred. Management takes into account consideration that is variable

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and only includes variable consideration to the extent that it is highly probable that a significant reversal in the amount of cumulative revenue recognized will not occur when the uncertainty associated with the variable consideration is subsequently resolved.

The transaction price is then allocated to the various performance obligations based on the relative standalone selling prices of the goods or services being provided.

Revenue is recognized when or as performance obligations are satisfied by transferring control of a promised good or service to a partner at a point in time or over time.

Where the period between the transfer of goods or services to the customer and payment exceeds one year the transaction prices are adjusted for the time value of money.

Revenues for each unit of accounting are recorded as described below:

- Licensing revenues

License revenues represent non-refundable payments received at the time of signature of license agreements. The licensing agreement can represent a right to access, that transfers over time or a right to use, that transfers at a point in time.

The promise is to provide a right to access when the contract requires, or the customer reasonably expects, that the Company will undertake activities that significantly affect the intellectual property to which the customer has rights, when the rights granted by the license directly expose the customer to any positive or negative effects of the Company's activities that may significantly affect the intellectual property and those activities do not result in the transfer of a good or service to the customer as those significant activities occur. If these criteria are met, the Company recognizes the revenue on a systematic basis over the period which the related services and activities are rendered and all obligations are performed.

If these criteria are not met, it is a right to use a license, and the revenue is recognized when the license is granted to the customer at a point in time.

- Contract revenue

Contract revenue includes any other contracts service or sale agreements entered into outside of licensing arrangements. These contracts include non-refundable payments received in milestones or royalty payments which are recognized according to the milestone payments and royalty payments following.

- Milestone payments

Milestone payments can be part of both licensing arrangements and other service or sale contracts. These are generally based on developmental or regulatory events, are forms of variable consideration and are only included in the transaction price and recognized as revenue when it is highly probable that a significant reversal will not occur when the uncertainty associated with the milestone is subsequently resolved.

- Royalty payments

Royalty payments can be part of both licensing arrangements and other service or sale contracts. Royalty payments are recognized only when the later of the subsequent sale occurs and the performance obligation to which some or all of the royalty has been allocated has been satisfied or partially satisfied.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents consist of cash on hand, deposits held with banks and other short term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less. Cash equivalents are readily converted into known amounts of cash, and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

Property and equipment

Property and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated amortization and accumulated impairment losses. Cost includes expenditures that are directly attributable to the acquisition of the asset. The carrying amount of a replaced asset is derecognized when replaced. Repair and maintenance costs are charged to the consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive loss during the period in which they are incurred.

The major categories of property and equipment are amortized on a straight-line basis as follows:

Computer equipment and software	3 years
Office equipment and furniture	5 years
Leasehold improvements	term of the lease

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Acquired intellectual property and other intangible assets

External patent costs specifically associated with the preparation, filing and obtaining of patents are capitalized and amortized straight-line over the shorter of the estimated useful life and the patent life, commencing in the year of the grant of the patent. Other intellectual property expenditures are recorded as research and development expenses on the consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive loss as incurred.

Separately acquired intellectual property is shown at historical cost. The initial recognition of a reacquired right is recognized as an intangible asset measured on the basis of the remaining contractual term of the related contract. If the terms of the contract giving rise to a reacquired right are favourable or unfavourable relative to the terms of current market transactions for the same or similar items, the difference is recognized as a gain or loss in the consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive loss upon initial recognition. Purchased intellectual property and reacquired rights are capitalized and amortized on a straight-line basis in the consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive loss over periods ranging from 10 to 20 years.

Impairment of non-financial assets

Property and equipment and acquired intellectual property and other intangible assets with a finite useful life are tested for impairment when events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognized for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount. The Company evaluates impairment losses for potential reversals when events or circumstances warrant such consideration.

Share capital

Common shares are classified as equity. Transaction costs directly attributable to the issue of common shares are recognized as a deduction from equity, net of any tax effects. Transaction costs might be incurred in anticipation of an issuance of equity instruments and across reporting periods. As such the costs are deferred on the balance sheet until the equity instrument is recognized. Deferred costs are subsequently reclassified as a deduction from equity when the equity instruments are recognized. If the equity instruments are not subsequently issued, the transaction costs are recognized as an expense.

Proceeds from the issue of common share purchase warrants (warrants) treated as equity are recorded as a separate component of equity. Costs incurred on the issue of warrants are netted against proceeds. Warrants issued with common shares are measured at fair value at the date of issue using the Black-Scholes pricing model, which incorporates certain input assumptions including the warrant price, risk-free interest rate, expected warrant life and expected share price volatility. The fair value is included as a component of equity and is transferred from warrants to common shares on exercise.

Provisions

A provision is recognized when the Company has a present legal or constructive obligation that can be estimated reliably, and it is probable an outflow of economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation. Provisions are measured at the present value of the expenditures expected to be required to settle the obligation using a pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the obligation.

Royalty obligation

Pursuant to IAS 19 Employee Benefits, the Company recognizes future royalty benefits provided by employee retention arrangements, as a royalty obligation, which is recognized when the Company determines that it may be liable to make future payments. The Company has therefore recorded a royalty obligation liability for estimated future employee benefits relating to applicable historical employment arrangements that are not expected to be settled within 12 months after the year end.

Initially, these obligations are measured at the present value of expected future payments to be made in respect of services provided by employees up to the end of the reporting periods. Subsequent remeasurements as a result of performance obligations met by the Company or changes in assumptions are recognized in net loss.

Research and development

Under IAS 38, research expenses are recognized in profit or loss when incurred.

Internally generated development expenses are recognized as an intangible asset if, and only if, all the following six criteria can be demonstrated: (a) the technical feasibility of completing the development project; (b) the Company's intention to complete the project; (c) the Company's ability to use the project; (d) the probability that the project will generate future economic benefits; (e) the availability of adequate technical, financial and other resources to complete the project; and (f) the ability to measure the development expenditure reliably.

Due to the risks and uncertainties relating to regulatory approval and to the research and development process, the six criteria for capitalization are usually considered not to have been met until the product has marketing approval from the regulatory authorities. Consequently, internally generated development expenses arising before market approval has been obtained, mainly the cost of clinical

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trials, are generally expensed as incurred with *Research and development expenses*. No development costs have been capitalized to date.

Inventory purchased ahead of regulatory approvals is fully provisioned, and the charge is included in research and development in the consolidated statement of operations as its ultimate use cannot be assured. If this inventory can be subsequently sold, the provision is released. During the year the Company purchased \$6,620,000 of compound to be used in commercial inventory. As regulatory approval has not been achieved this inventory has been fully provided for.

Stock-based compensation

The Company records stock-based compensation related to employee stock options granted using the estimated fair value of the options at the date of grant. The estimated fair value is expensed as employee benefits over the period in which employees unconditionally become entitled to the award. The amount recognized as an expense is adjusted to reflect the number of awards for which the related service conditions are expected to be met, such that the amount ultimately recognized as an expense is based on the number of awards that do meet the related services at the vesting date. The corresponding charge is to contributed surplus which is converted to share capital upon exercise. Any consideration received by the Company in connection with the exercise of stock options is credited to share capital.

Leases

From January 1, 2019 the Company accounted for leases in accordance with IFRS 16. At inception of a contract, the Company assesses whether a contract is, or contains, a lease. A contract contains a lease if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration. The Company assesses whether:

- the contract involves the use of an explicitly or implicitly identified asset;
- the Company has the right to obtain substantially all of the economic benefits from the use of the asset throughout the contract term;
- the Company has the right to direct the use of the asset.

The Company recognizes a right-of-use asset and a lease liability at the commencement date of the lease, the date the underlying asset is available for use. Right-of-use assets are measured at cost, less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses, and adjusted for any re-measurement of lease liabilities. The cost of right-of-use assets includes the initial amount of lease liabilities recognized, initial direct costs incurred, restoration costs, and lease payments made at or before the commencement date less any lease incentive received, if any.

Unless the Company is reasonably certain to obtain ownership of the leased asset at the end of the lease term, the right-of-use assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the shorter of the estimated useful life and the lease term. Right-of-use assets are subject to impairment.

At the commencement date of the lease, the Company recognizes lease liabilities measured at the present value of lease payments to be made over the lease term, discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease or, if that rate cannot be readily determined, the Company's incremental borrowing rate. The lease payments include fixed payments, variable lease payments that depend on an index or a rate, amounts expected to be paid under residual value guarantees and the exercise price of a purchase option reasonably certain to be exercised by the Company.

After the commencement date, the amount of lease liabilities is increased to reflect the accretion of interest and reduced for the lease payments made. In addition, the carrying amount of lease liabilities is remeasured if there is a modification, a change in the lease term, a change in the fixed lease payments or a change in the assessment to purchase the underlying asset.

The Company presents right-of-use assets in the property and equipment line and lease liabilities in the lease liability line on the consolidated statement of financial position.

Short term leases and leases of low value assets

The Company has elected to use the practical expedient permitted by the standard and not to recognize right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for leases that have a lease term of 12 months or less and do not contain a purchase option or for leases related to low value assets. Lease payments on short term leases and leases of low value assets are recognized as an expense in the consolidated statement of operations and comprehensive loss.

For periods prior to January 1, 2019 the Company recognized operating lease payments in the consolidated statement of operations and comprehensive loss on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease.

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Income tax

Income tax comprises current and deferred tax. Income tax is recognized in the consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive loss except to the extent that it relates to items recognized directly in shareholders' equity, in which case the income tax is also recognized directly in shareholders' equity.

Current tax is the expected tax payable on the taxable income for the period, using tax rates enacted at the end of the reporting period, and any adjustments to tax payable in respect of previous years.

In general, deferred tax is recognized in respect of temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in the consolidated financial statements. Deferred income tax is determined on a non-discounted basis using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted at the consolidated statements of financial position dates and are expected to apply when the deferred tax asset or liability is settled. Deferred tax assets are recognized to the extent that it is probable the assets can be recovered.

Earnings (loss) per share

Basic earnings (loss) per share (EPS) is calculated by dividing the net income (loss) for the period attributable to equity owners of the Company by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period.

Diluted EPS is calculated by adjusting the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for dilutive instruments. The number of shares included with respect to options, warrants and similar instruments is computed using the treasury stock method. The Company's potentially dilutive common shares comprise stock options and warrants.

Financial instruments

Financial assets and liabilities are recognized when the Company becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Financial assets are derecognized when the rights to receive cash flows from the assets have expired or have been transferred and the Company has transferred substantially all risks and rewards of ownership. Financial liabilities are derecognized when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged, cancelled or expires.

A derivative is a financial instrument whose value changes in response to a specified variable, requires little or no net investment and is settled at a future date.

Financial assets and liabilities are classified into three categories: amortized cost, fair value through profit or loss ("FVPL") and fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI). The classification of financial assets is determined by their context in the Company's business model and by characteristics of the financial assets contractual cash flows.

Financial assets and financial liabilities are measured at fair value on initial recognition, which is typically the transaction price unless a financial instrument contains a significant financing component. Subsequent measurement is dependent on the financial instrument's classification. At initial recognition, the Company classifies its financial instruments in the following categories:

- i) Amortized cost: Cash and cash equivalents, short term investments, accounts receivable and accrued interest receivable and accounts payable and accrued liabilities are measured at amortized cost. The contractual cash flows received from the financial assets are solely payments of principal and interest and are held within a business model whose objective is to collect the contractual cash flows. The financial assets and financial liabilities are subsequently measured at amortized cost using the effective interest method.
- ii) FVPL: The contingent consideration provided to ILJIN SNT Co., Ltd. (ILJIN) (see note 11) and the derivatives warrant liabilities (see note 13) are measured initially at FVPL and are subsequently measured at fair value with changes in fair value immediately charged to the consolidated statements of operations.
- iii) FVOCI: Financial assets measured at FVOCI are subsequently measured at fair value with changes in fair value being recognized in OCI net of tax. Transaction costs related to the purchase of financial assets are measured at FVOCI. Interest impairment and foreign exchange gains or losses are recognized in the statement of operations while all other gains or losses are recognized in OCI. The Company has not classified any equity instruments at FVOCI.

Impairment of financial assets

The Company uses a forward-looking expected credit loss model (ECL) for financial assets measured at amortized cost or FVOCI, except for investments in equity instruments, and to contract assets. Loss allowances are measured on either of the following bases: i.

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12-month ECLs which are ECLs that result from possible default events within 12 months after the reporting date; and ii. lifetime ECLs which were ECLs that result from all possible default events over the expected life of financial instruments.

For receivables, the Company applies the simplified, forward-looking approach whereby a lifetime expected loss allowance for all trade receivables is to be recognized from initial recognition of the receivables. Impairment losses on financial assets carried at amortized cost or FVOCI are reversed in subsequent years if the amount of the loss decreases and the decrease can be related objectively to an event occurring after the impairment was recognized. For debt instruments carried at amortized cost, the Company uses a ECL model which depends on whether there has been a significant increase in the credit risk.

3 New Accounting Standards Adopted in the Year

The Company has adopted IFRS 16 Leases (IFRS 16) with the date of initial application of January 1, 2019 using the modified retrospective approach. In accordance with the transitional provisions in IFRS 16 comparative figures have not been restated, rather the reclassifications and adjustments arising from the adoption of this standard are recognized in the opening statement of financial position on January 1, 2019. The impact of adoption of IFRS 16 is disclosed in note 9.

4 Critical accounting estimates and judgments

The preparation of consolidated financial statements in accordance with IFRS often requires management to make estimates about, and apply assumptions or subjective judgment to, future events and other matters that affect the reported amounts of the Company's assets, liabilities, revenues, expenses and related disclosures. Assumptions, estimates and judgments are based on historical experience, expectations, current trends and other factors that management believes to be relevant at the time at which the Company's consolidated financial statements are prepared. Management reviews, on a regular basis, the Company's accounting policies, assumptions, estimates and judgments in order to ensure the consolidated financial statements are presented fairly and in accordance with IFRS.

Critical accounting estimates and judgments are those that have a significant risk of causing material adjustment and are often applied to matters or outcomes that are inherently uncertain and subject to change. As such, management cautions that future events often vary from forecasts and expectations and that estimates routinely require adjustment.

Management considers the following areas to be those where critical accounting policies affect the significant judgments and estimates used in the preparation of the Company's consolidated financial statements.

Critical estimates in applying the Company's accounting policies

- Contingent consideration

Contingent consideration is a financial liability recorded at fair value. The amount of contingent consideration to be paid is based on the occurrence of future events, such as the achievement of certain development, regulatory and sales milestones. Accordingly, the estimate of fair value contains uncertainties as it involves judgment about the likelihood and timing of achieving these milestones as well as the discount rate used. Changes in fair value of the contingent consideration obligation result from changes to the assumptions used to estimate the probability of success for each milestone, the anticipated timing of achieving the milestones and the discount period and rate to be applied. A change in any of these assumptions could produce a different fair value, which could have a material impact on the results from operations. The impact of changes in key assumptions is described in note 11.

- Royalty obligation

As the royalty obligation is a calculation of future payments the Company is required to use judgment to determine the most appropriate model to use to measure the obligation and is required to use significant judgment and estimates in determining the inputs into the model. There are multiple unobservable inputs. The determination of these cash flows is subject to significant estimates and assumptions including:

- Net pricing - this includes estimates of the gross pricing of the product, gross to net discount and annual price escalations of the product
- Number of patients being treated - this includes various inputs to derive the number of patients receiving treatment including the number of patients receiving treatment, market penetration, time to peak market penetration, and the timing of generics entering the market
- Probability of success and occurrence - this is the probability of the future cash outflows occurring
- Discount rate - the rate selected to measure the risks inherent in the future cash flows

Management developed the model and inputs in conjunction with their internal scientific team and utilized third party scientific studies, information provided by third party consultants engaged by the Company and research papers as sources to develop their inputs. They also utilized the market capitalization of the Company as one input into the model. Management believes

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the liability is based on reasonable assumptions, however these assumptions may be incomplete or inaccurate and unanticipated events and circumstances may occur. Reasonable possible changes in the assumptions have a material impact on the estimated value of the obligation. There are numerous significant inputs into the model all of which individually or in combination result in a material change to the obligation.

The key assumptions used by management include the estimated probability of market approval of 86%, and the discount rate of 12%. If the probability of success were to increase to 95% this would increase the obligation by \$737,000 and if it were to decrease to 77% this would decrease the obligation by \$737,000. If the discount rate were to increase to 14%, this would decrease the obligation by \$860,000, and if it were to decrease to 10%, this would increase the obligation by \$1,022,000. An increase or decrease in the estimated gross pricing by 10% would result in a \$700,000 change in the obligation. An increase or decrease in the estimated number of patients being treated by 10% would result in a \$700,000 change in the obligation. A change in the obligation value would also impact the related expense.

- Derivative Warrant
Liabilities

Warrants issued pursuant to equity offerings that are potentially exercisable in cash or on a cashless basis resulting in a variable number of shares being issued are considered derivative liabilities and therefore measured at fair value.

The Company uses the Black-Scholes pricing model to estimate fair value at each exercise and period end date. The key assumptions used in the model are the expected future volatility in the price of the Company's shares and the expected life of the warrants. The impact of changes in key assumptions is described in note 13.

- Fair value of stock
options

Determining the fair value of stock options on the grant date, requires judgment related to the choice of a pricing model, the estimation of stock price volatility and the expected term of the underlying instruments. Any changes in the estimates or inputs utilized to determine fair value could result in a significant impact on the Company's reported operating results, liabilities or other components of shareholders' equity. The key assumption used by management is the term of the underlying instrument.

Critical judgments in applying the Company's accounting policies

- Revenue
recognition

Management's assessments related to the recognition of revenues for arrangements containing multiple elements are based on estimates and assumptions. Judgment is necessary to identify separate performance obligations and to allocate related consideration to each separate performance obligation. Where deferral of license fees is deemed appropriate, subsequent revenue recognition is often determined based on certain assumptions and estimates, the Company's continuing involvement in the arrangement, the benefits expected to be derived by the customer and expected patent lives. The estimate of variable consideration requires significant judgment and an assessment of their potential reversal. Management also uses judgment in assessing if a license is a right to use or a right to access intellectual property. Factors that are considered include whether the customer reasonably expects (arising from the entity's customary business practices) that the entity will undertake activities that will significantly affect the intellectual property, the rights granted by the license directly expose the customer to any positive or negative effects of the entity's activities and whether those activities transfer a separate good or service to the customer. To the extent that any of the key assumptions or estimates change, future operating results could be affected.

- Impairment of intangible
assets

The Company follows the guidance of IAS 36 to determine when impairment indicators exist for its intangible assets. When impairment indicators exist, the Company is required to make a formal estimate of the recoverable amount of its intangible assets. This determination requires significant judgment. In making this judgment, management evaluates external and internal factors, such as significant adverse changes in the technological, market, economic or legal environment in which the Company operates as well as the results of its ongoing development programs. Management also considers the carrying amount of the Company's net assets in relation to its market capitalization as a key indicator. In making a judgment as to whether impairment indicators exist as at December 31, 2019, management concluded there were none.

- Royalty obligation

The Company follows the guidance of IAS 19 in assessing the recognition of a royalty obligation. The recognition of a royalty obligation and the determination of the amount to record is based on estimates and assumptions. Judgment is

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necessary to determine these estimates and assumptions which include determining the likelihood of future material payments becoming probable and the the best methods by which to quantify these payments.

During the year the Company successfully completed the phase 3 trial for lupus nephritis and as result is in the process of preparing an NDA submission for regulatory approval with the FDA. As a result of this milestone being achieved, management has determined that future royalties are more probable to be payable in the future than in previous years, and therefore has recorded a royalty obligation.

Management determined that an income approach using an internal risk -adjusted net present value analysis was the best estimate to measure the obligation. This approach was further supported by a valuation model utilizing a market capitalization approach.

- Derivative warrant liabilities

Management has determined that derivative warrant liabilities are classified as long term as these derivative warrant liabilities will ultimately be settled for common shares and therefore the classification is not relevant.

- Capitalization of research and development expense

Internal development expenditure is capitalized if it meets the recognition criteria of IAS 38 Intangible Assets. This is considered a key judgment. Where regulatory and other uncertainties are such that the criteria are not met, the expenditures is recognized in net loss and this is almost invariably the case prior to approval of the drug by the relevant regulatory authority.

Judgment is applied in determining the starting point for capitalizing internal development costs. However, a strong indication that the criteria in IAS 38 to capitalize these costs arises when a product obtains final approval by a regulatory authority. It is the clearest point at which the technical feasibility of completing the asset is proven and is the most difficult criterion to demonstrate. Filing for obtaining regulatory approval is also sometimes considered as the point at which all relevant criteria including technical feasibility are considered met. During 2019 the Company successfully completed the phase 3 trial for lupus nephritis. At December 31, 2019 the Company had not made an application for regulatory approval or received regulatory approval in any market. Therefore, in management's judgment the criteria to capitalize development costs had not been met. Additional information is included in note 15.

- Deferred tax asset

The company recognizes deferred tax assets only to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits, feasible tax planning strategies and deferred tax liabilities will be available against which the tax losses can be utilized. Estimation of the level of future taxable profits is therefore required in order to determine the appropriate carrying value of the deferred tax asset. Given the company's past losses, plans to continue research and development in other indications and uncertainty of its ability to generate future taxable profit, management does not believe that it is more probable than not that the company can realize its deferred tax assets and therefore, it has not recognized any amount in the consolidated statements of financial position. Additional information is included in note 17.

5 Short term investments

There were no short term investments held by the Company at December 31, 2019.

The Company's classification of short term investments at December 31, 2018 is as noted below:

	Amortized Cost	Fair Value
	2018	2018
	\$	\$
Canadian Government Bond	3,912	3,902
Bank of Nova Scotia Treasury Note	3,977	3,955
	7,889	7,857

The average duration of the interest-bearing securities held at December 31, 2018 was 1.69 years and the average yield to maturity was 1.64%.

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6 Property and equipment

	Computer equipment and software \$	Office equipment and furniture \$	Leasehold improvements \$	Right-of-use Asset \$	Total \$
Year ended December 31, 2019					
As at January 1, 2019	39	2	—	—	41
Additions	87	—	—	425	512
Amortization	(33)	(2)	—	(124)	(159)
Derecognition of right-of-use asset	—	—	—	(301)	(301)
Net book value	<u>93</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>93</u>
As at December 31, 2019					
Cost	175	41	34	425	675
Accumulated amortization	(82)	(41)	(34)	(124)	(281)
Derecognition of right-of-use asset	—	—	—	(301)	(301)
Net book value	<u>93</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>93</u>
Year ended December 31, 2018					
As at January 1, 2018	28	3	—	—	31
Additions	30	—	—	—	30
Amortization	(19)	(1)	—	—	(20)
Net book value	<u>39</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>41</u>
As at December 31, 2018					
Cost	94	41	34	—	169
Accumulated amortization	(55)	(39)	(34)	—	(128)
Net book value	<u>39</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>41</u>

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7 Acquired intellectual property and other intangible assets

	Patents \$	Acquired intellectual property and reacquired rights \$	Total \$
Year ended December 31, 2019			
Opening net book value	558	12,058	12,616
Additions	17	—	17
Amortization for the year	(104)	(1,285)	(1,389)
Closing net book value	<u>471</u>	<u>10,773</u>	<u>11,244</u>
As at December 31, 2019			
Cost	1,568	19,075	20,643
Accumulated amortization	(1,097)	(8,302)	(9,399)
Net book value	<u>471</u>	<u>10,773</u>	<u>11,244</u>
Year ended December 31, 2018			
Opening net book value	773	13,343	14,116
Additions	45	—	45
Amortization for the year	(260)	(1,285)	(1,545)
Closing net book value	<u>558</u>	<u>12,058</u>	<u>12,616</u>
As at December 31, 2018			
Cost	1,551	19,075	20,626
Accumulated amortization	(993)	(7,017)	(8,010)
Net book value	<u>558</u>	<u>12,058</u>	<u>12,616</u>

The remaining amortization period of the acquired intellectual property and other intangible assets calculated using the weighted average of the remaining useful life is 8.59 years.

8 Accounts payable and accrued liabilities

	2019 \$	2018 \$
Trade payables	4,153	2,951
Other accrued liabilities	3,281	1,849
Employee accruals	3,743	2,271
	<u>11,177</u>	<u>7,071</u>

9 Leases

The Company adopted IFRS 16 using the modified retrospective method with the date of initial application of January 1, 2019. Under this method, the standard is applied retrospectively with the cumulative effect of initially applying the standard recognized at the date of initial application. The Company also elected to use the practical expedients permitted by the standard for lease contracts that, at the commencement date, have a lease term of 12 months or less and do not contain a purchase option and lease contracts for which the underlying asset is of low value. The Company has also elected not to reassess whether a contract is, or contains a lease at the date of initial application.

On adoption the Company was required to analyze all current commitments and determine which agreements were within the scope of IFRS 16 Leases. The Company determined that its three facility agreements, previously classified as operating leases under the principles of IAS 17 Leases, were within the scope of the new standard.

For the lease of our head office facility in Victoria, British Columbia the Company recognized a right-of-use asset and a corresponding lease liability as at January 15, 2019 at which time a modification to an existing, and almost expired, lease agreement was signed. The modification extended the lease term an additional 36 months rendering the practical expedient not applicable to the Victoria facility lease. The right-of-use asset was recognized based on the amount equal to the lease liability, adjusted for any related prepaid and accrued lease payments previously recognized. The lease liability was measured at the present value of the remaining lease payments and was discounted using the Company's estimated incremental borrowing rate as at January 15, 2019, over the term of the lease. On December 6, 2019, the head lessee provided notice to the landlord the intent to terminate the lease effective December 31, 2020. As a result the Company's sublease with the head lessee will also terminate effective December 31, 2020. Therefore the current sublease at

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December 31, 2019 has a remaining term of 12 months and as a result of this modification this lease is now treated as a short term lease, requiring a derecognition of the right-of-use asset and lease liability effective December 6, 2019.

For the two other facility leases identified, the Company was able to apply a practical expedient permitted by the standard, which allowed the Company to account for operating leases with a remaining lease term of 12 months or less as at January 1, 2019 as short term leases. For the year ended December 31, 2019, the Company incurred short-term lease expense of \$67,000 and variable lease expense of \$79,000.

A reconciliation of the operating lease commitments disclosed applying IAS 17 in the December 31, 2018 annual audited financial statements and the least liability recognized at the date of initial application of IFRS 16 is as follows:

	\$
Operating lease commitments disclosed at December 31, 2018	800
Less: adjustment resulting from lease modification made in January 2019	(497)
Less: operating costs not included in measurement of lease liability	(287)
Less: short-term leases recognized on a straight-line basis as expense	(16)
Lease liability recognized as at January 1, 2019	—

On January 15, 2019 the Company recognized a \$425,000 right-of-use asset and a \$425,000 lease liability. When measuring the lease liability, the Company discounted lease payments using its incremental borrowing rate at January 15, 2019. The incremental borrowing rate applied to the lease liability on January 15, 2019 was 10%.

The change in accounting policy resulted in the following adjustments to the statement of financial position and statement of operations and comprehensive loss:

	\$
January 15, 2019 - Recognition of lease liability	425
Lease liability payments	(127)
Interest expense	39
Foreign exchange impact on lease liability	18
Derecognition of lease liability	(355)
December 31, 2019 - Lease liability	—
January 15, 2019 - Recognition right-of-use asset	425
Right-of-use asset amortization	(124)
Derecognition of right-of-use-asset	(355)
Gain on derecognition of right-of-use asset	54
December 31, 2019 - Right-of-use asset	—

10 Licensing revenue, contract revenue and deferred revenue

Licensing Revenue

The Company recorded licensing revenue of \$118,000 (2018 - \$118,000) related to the upfront license payment of \$1,500,000 received in 2010 pursuant to the 3SBio Inc. license agreement. Under the agreement, the primary substantive obligations of the Company are to grant the license and transfer intellectual knowledge to 3SBio. Under the agreement, the Company is also required to maintain the patent portfolio in China, Taiwan and Hong Kong, and to provide further support and cooperation to 3SBio over the life of the agreement, which coincides with the life of the patents. Any additional assistance which may be provided to 3SBio will be performed on a full cost recovery basis. The deferred licensing fee revenue is recognized on a straight-line basis as the Company satisfies the performance obligations over the life of the patents and the benefit to the customer transfers ratably throughout the patent live, which expires in 2022. As at December 31, 2019, \$324,000 (2018 - \$442,000) of deferred revenue remains relating to this payment. The Company will provide commercial supply to 3SBio on a cost-plus basis and will receive ongoing royalties based on sales of voclosporin by 3SBio.

On April 17, 2017, the Company entered into an agreement with Merck Animal Health (“MAH”) whereby the Company granted them worldwide rights to develop and commercialize its patented nanomicellar voclosporin ophthalmic solution (“VOS”) for the treatment of Dry Eye Syndrome in dogs. The Company received a milestone payment of \$200,000 in 2019. This agreement provided MAH with a right to use intellectual property. MAH was able to direct the use of and obtain substantially all of the benefits from the license at the time that control of the rights were transferred and therefore, this \$200,000 milestone payment was recognized as revenue in the

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year ended December 31, 2019. The Company is eligible to receive further payments based on certain development and sales milestones and receive royalties based on global product sales.

Contract Revenue

In 2018 the Company earned a contract milestone of \$345,000 (CA\$450,000) pursuant to a purchase and sale agreement dated February 14, 2014 between Ciclofilin Pharmaceuticals Corp. (now Hepion Pharmaceuticals, Inc.) and Aurinia Pharmaceuticals Inc. under which the Company sold the Non-Immunosuppressive Cyclosporine Analogue Molecules (NICAMs) early stage research and development asset to Ciclofilin. The Company is eligible to receive further payments based on certain development and sales milestones and to receive royalties based on global product sales. The Company has no obligations under this agreement.

11 Contingent consideration

The outstanding fair value of contingent consideration payable to ILJIN an affiliated shareholder and related party, is the result of an Arrangement Agreement (the Agreement) completed on September 20, 2013 between the Company, Aurinia Pharma Corp. and ILJIN. Pursuant to the Agreement, payments of up to \$10,000,000 may be paid dependent on the achievement of pre-defined clinical and marketing milestones.

During the year, a pre-defined milestone was achieved and as a result the Company paid \$100,000 to ILJIN. This milestone combined with previous milestone payments of \$2,150,000 in 2017 has reduced the original contingent consideration from \$10,000,000 to \$7,750,000 at December 31, 2019. During 2018 no payments were made to ILJIN.

At December 31, 2019, if all of the remaining milestones are met, the timing of these payments is estimated to occur as follows:

	\$
2021	6,000
2022	625
2024	1,125
	<u>7,750</u>

The fair value estimates at December 31, 2019 were based on a discount rate of 10% (2018 - 10%) and a presumed payment range between 50% and 86% (2018 - 50% and 74%). The increase in presumed payment range from 74% to 86% was attributable to the Phase 3 lupus nephritis clinical trial results. The fair value of this contingent consideration as at December 31, 2019 was estimated to be \$5,113,000 (December 31, 2018 - \$4,028,000) and was determined by estimating the probability and timing of achieving the milestones and applying the income approach.

The increase in contingent consideration of \$1,085,000 for the year ended December 31, 2019 was comprised of an increase in fair value of \$1,185,000 less the cash payment of \$100,000, compared to an increase in contingent consideration of \$236,000 for the year ended December 31, 2018. The increase at December 31, 2019 was primarily due to the change in presumed payment range.

This is a Level 3 recurring fair value measurement. If the probability for success were to increase by a factor of 10% for each milestone, this would increase the net present value (NPV) of the obligation by approximately \$637,000 as at December 31, 2019. If the probability for success were to decrease by a factor of 10% for each milestone, this would decrease the NPV of the obligation by approximately \$637,000 as at December 31, 2019. If the discount rate were to increase to 12%, this would decrease the NPV of the obligation by approximately \$167,000. If the discount rate were to decrease to 8%, this would increase the NPV of the obligation by approximately \$177,000.

12 Royalty obligation

The royalty obligation is the result of a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Company dated March 8, 2012 whereby certain executive officers at that time were provided with future potential retention benefits for remaining with the Company as follows:

(a) Pursuant to a resolution of the Board of Directors of the Company on March 8, 2012 and a termination agreement and general release dated February 14, 2014, the Company will be required to pay a royalty, equivalent to 2% of royalties received on the sale of voclosporin by licensees and/or 0.3% of net sales of voclosporin sold directly by the Company to the Chief Executive Officer at the time of the resolution. Should the Company sell substantially all of the assets of voclosporin to a third party or transfer those assets to another party in a merger in a manner such that this payment obligation is no longer operative, then the Company would be required to pay 0.3% of the value attributable to voclosporin in the transaction.

(b) In addition, pursuant to a resolution of the Board of Directors of the Company on March 8, 2012, and employment agreements, two current executive officers are eligible to receive 0.1675% of royalty licensing revenue for royalties received on the sale of voclosporin

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by licensees and/or 0.025% of net sales of voclosporin sold directly by the Company. Should the Company sell substantially all of the assets of voclosporin to a third party or transfer those assets to another party in a merger, the executives will be entitled to receive 0.025% of the value attributable to voclosporin in the transaction, and the entitlement to further royalty or sales payments shall end. Effective October 1, 2019 pursuant to the employment agreements all service conditions have been met. The royalty obligation will terminate upon death.

The Board of Director resolution, dated March 8, 2012, created an employee benefit obligation contingent on the occurrence of uncertain future events. The probability that the specified events will occur affects the measurement of the obligation.

As a result of the completion of the Phase 3 lupus nephritis trial, and the results obtained from the trial in the fourth quarter of 2019 the Company re-assessed the probability of royalty obligation payments being required in the future, and has recorded the royalty obligation of \$7,200,000 at December 31, 2019. Until one of the triggering events described in sections 12(a) or 12(b) occur, no royalty payments are required to be paid. Any royalty on sales or licensing are not expected in the next twelve months and therefore the royalty obligation has been classified as long term.

13 Derivative warrant liabilities

In accordance with IFRS, a contract to issue a variable number of shares fails to meet the definition of equity and must instead be classified as a derivative liability and measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognized in the consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive loss at each period-end. The derivative liabilities will ultimately be converted into the Company's equity (common shares) when the warrants are exercised, or will be extinguished on the expiry of the outstanding warrants, and will not result in the outlay of any cash by the Company. Immediately prior to exercise, the warrants are remeasured at their estimated fair value. Upon exercise, the intrinsic value is transferred to share capital (the intrinsic value is the share price at the date the warrant is exercised less the exercise price of the warrant). Any remaining fair value is recorded through the statement of operations and comprehensive loss as part of the change in estimated fair value of derivative warrant liabilities.

	December 28, 2016 Warrants		February 14, 2014 Warrants		Total	
	# of warrants (in thousands)	\$	# of warrants (in thousands)	\$	# of warrants (in thousands)	\$
Balance at January 1, 2019	3,523	15,475	1,738	6,272	5,261	21,747
Conversion to equity (common shares) upon exercise of warrants	(1,832)	(27,598)	(1,738)	(5,920)	(3,570)	(33,518)
Revaluation of derivative warrant liability upon exercise of warrants	—	(182)	—	363	—	181
Revaluation of derivative warrant liability	—	41,658	—	(715)	—	40,943
Balance at December 31, 2019	<u>1,691</u>	<u>29,353</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>1,691</u>	<u>29,353</u>
Balance at January 1, 2018	3,523	8,948	1,738	2,845	5,261	11,793
Revaluation of derivative warrant liability	—	6,527	—	3,427	—	9,954
Balance at December 31, 2018	<u>3,523</u>	<u>15,475</u>	<u>1,738</u>	<u>6,272</u>	<u>5,261</u>	<u>21,747</u>

Derivative warrant liability related to December 28, 2016 Bought Deal public offering

On December 28, 2016, the Company completed a \$28,750,000 Bought Deal public offering (the Offering). Under the terms of the Offering, the Company issued 12,778,000 units at a subscription price per Unit of \$2.25, each Unit consisting of one common share and one-half (0.50) of a common share purchase warrant (a Warrant), exercisable for a period of five years from the date of issuance at an exercise price of \$3.00. The holders of the Warrants issued pursuant to this offering may elect, if the Company does not have an effective registration statement registering or the prospectus contained therein is not available for the issuance of the Warrant Shares to the holder, in lieu of exercising the Warrants for cash, a cashless exercise option to receive common shares equal to the fair value of the Warrants. The fair value is determined by multiplying the number of Warrants to be exercised by the weighted average market price less the exercise price with the difference divided by the weighted average market price. If a Warrant holder exercises this option, there will be variability in the number of shares issued per Warrant.

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At initial recognition on December 28, 2016, the Company recorded a derivative warrant liability of \$7,223,000 based on the estimated fair value of the Warrants with allocated share issuance costs of \$655,000 recognized as other expense.

In 2019, certain holders exercised the Warrants for \$3.00 per share for a gross proceeds of \$5,496,000. These Warrants had an estimated fair value of \$27,780,000 on the dates of exercise, determined using the Black-Scholes warrant pricing model. Of this amount \$27,598,000 was transferred from derivative warrant liabilities to equity (common shares) and \$182,000 was recorded through the statement of operations and comprehensive loss as a part of the change in estimated fair value of derivative warrant liabilities.

The Company uses the Black-Scholes pricing model to estimate fair value. The Company considers expected volatility of its common shares in estimating its future stock price volatility. The risk-free interest rate for the life of the Warrants was based on the yield available on government benchmark bonds with an approximate equivalent remaining term at the time of issue. The life of warrant is based on the contractual term.

As at December 31, 2019, the Company revalued the remaining derivative warrants at an estimated fair value of \$29,353,000 (December 31, 2018 – \$15,475,000). The Company recorded an increase in the estimated fair value of the derivative warrant liability of \$41,476,000 for the year ended December 31, 2019 (2018 - \$6,527,000).

The following assumptions were used to estimate the fair value of the derivative warrant liability on December 31, 2019 and December 31, 2018.

	2019	2018
Annualized volatility	43 %	55 %
Risk-free interest rate	1.57 %	2.45 %
Life of warrants in years	1.99	2.99
Dividend rate	0.0 %	0.0 %
Market price	20.26	6.82
Fair value per Warrant	17.35	4.39

These derivative warrant liabilities are Level 3 recurring fair value measurements. The key Level 3 inputs used by management to estimate the fair value are the market price and the expected volatility. If the market price were to increase by a factor of 10%, this would increase the estimated fair value of the obligation by approximately \$3,433,000 as at December 31, 2019. If the market price were to decrease by a factor of 10%, this would decrease the estimated fair value of the obligation by approximately \$3,433,000.

Derivative warrant liability related to February 14, 2014 private placement offering

On February 14, 2014, the Company completed a \$52,000,000 private placement. Under the terms of the Offering, the Company issued 18,919,404 units at a subscription price per Unit of \$2.7485, each Unit consisting of one common share and one-quarter (0.25) of a common share purchase warrant (a Warrant), exercisable for a period of five years from the date of issuance at an exercise price of \$3.2204. The holders of the Warrants issued pursuant to the February 14, 2014 private placement may elect, in lieu of exercising the Warrants for cash, a cashless exercise option to receive common shares equal to the fair value of the Warrants based on the number of Warrants to be exercised multiplied by a five-day weighted average market price less the exercise price with the difference divided by the weighted average market price. If a Warrant holder exercises this option, there will be variability in the number of shares issued per Warrant.

In 2019, the remaining 1,738,000 derivative warrants outstanding at December 31, 2018 related to the February 14, 2014 private placement offering, were exercised. Certain holders of these Warrants elected the cashless exercise option and the Company issued 687,000 common shares on the cashless exercise of 1,274,000 Warrants. The remaining 464,000 warrants were exercised for cash, at a price of \$3.2204 per common share and the Company received cash proceeds of \$1,493,000 upon the issuance of 464,000 common shares. Pursuant to the exercise of these warrants, the Company transferred \$5,920,000 from derivative warrant liabilities to equity (common shares) and recorded a net adjustment of \$363,000 through the Statement of Operations and Comprehensive Loss. There were no warrant exercises in 2018. As a result of the 2019 exercises, the derivative warrant liability of \$6,272,000 at December 31, 2018 related to the February 14, 2014 private placement offering has been extinguished upon the exercise of the aforementioned warrants.

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The Company used the Black-Scholes pricing model to estimate fair value. The following assumptions were used to eliminate the fair value of the derivative warrant liability on December 31, 2018.

	2018
Annualized volatility	45%
Risk-free interest rate	2.56%
Life of warrants in years	0.12
Dividend rate	0.0%
Market price	6.82
Fair value per Warrant	3.61

There were no warrants outstanding as December 31, 2019 and therefore no fair value calculation was completed.

14 Share capital

a) Common shares

Authorized

Unlimited common shares without par value

Issued

	Common shares	
	Number (in thousands)	\$
Balance as at January 1, 2019	85,500	504,650
Issued pursuant to Public Offering	12,782	179,918
Issued pursuant to At The Market (ATM) Facilities	6,953	43,200
Issued pursuant to exercise of derivative liability warrants (note 13)	2,983	40,507
Issued pursuant to exercise of stock options	3,580	22,197
Balance as at December 31, 2019	<u>111,798</u>	<u>790,472</u>
Balance as at January 1, 2018	84,052	499,200
Issued pursuant to exercise of warrants	1,172	3,977
Issued pursuant to exercise of stock options	276	1,473
Balance as at December 31, 2018	<u>85,500</u>	<u>504,650</u>

December 12, 2019 public offering

On December 12, 2019 the Company completed a public offering of 12,782,439 common shares at a price of \$15.00 per share. Gross proceeds from this Offering were \$191,737,000 and the share issue costs totaled \$11,819,000 which included a 6% underwriting commission of \$11,504,000 and professional fees of \$315,000.

September 13, 2019 ATM Facility

On September 13, 2019 the Company entered into an Open Market Sale Agreement (the "Sale Agreement") with Jefferies LLC ("Jefferies") pursuant to which the Company may from time to time sell, through at-the-market ("ATM") offerings, common shares that would have an aggregate offering price of up to US\$40,000,000. Aurinia filed a prospectus supplement with securities regulatory authorities in Canada in the provinces of British Columbia, Alberta and Ontario, and with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission, which supplements Aurinia's short form base shelf prospectus dated March 29, 2018, and Aurinia's shelf registration statement on Form F-10 dated March 26, 2018, declared effective on March 29, 2018. Sales from the ATM offering were only conducted in the United States through Nasdaq at market prices.

Pursuant to this agreement the Company issued 2,345,250 common shares at a weighted average price of \$6.40 resulting in gross proceeds of \$15,010,000. The Company incurred share issue costs of \$640,000 including a 3% commission of \$450,000 paid to the agent and professional fees of \$190,000 directly related to the ATM. On December 9, 2019, the Company terminated the September 13, 2019 Sale Agreement with Jefferies LLC related to the 2019 ATM.

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November 30, 2018 ATM facility

On November 30, 2018 the Company entered into an Open Market Sale Agreement (the “Sale Agreement”) with Jefferies LLC (“Jefferies”) pursuant to which the Company sold, through at-the-market (“ATM”) offerings, common shares that would have an aggregate offering price of up to US\$30,000,000. Aurinia filed a prospectus supplement with securities regulatory authorities in Canada in the provinces of British Columbia, Alberta and Ontario, and with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission, which supplements Aurinia’s short form base shelf prospectus dated March 26, 2018, and Aurinia’s shelf registration statement on Form F-10 dated March 26, 2018, declared effective on March 29, 2018. Sales from the ATM offering were only conducted in the United States through Nasdaq at market prices.

Pursuant to this agreement the ATM Facility was fully utilized resulting in gross proceeds of \$30,000,000 upon the issuance of 4,608,000 common shares at a weighted average price of \$6.51. The Company incurred share issue costs of \$1,170,000 including a 3% commission of \$900,000 paid to the agent and professional and filing fees of \$270,000 directly related to the ATM.

b) Warrants

	Warrants	
	Number (in thousands)	\$
Balance as at January 1, 2018	1,172	906
Warrants exercised	(1,172)	(906)
Balance as at December 31, 2018	—	—

c) Stock options and compensation expense

A summary of the stock options outstanding as at December 31, 2019 and 2018 and changes during the years ended on those dates is presented below:

	2019		2018	
	Number	Weighted average exercise price in CAS	Number	Weighted average exercise price in CAS
Outstanding – Beginning of year	7,591	5.51	4,864	4.80
Granted pursuant to Stock Option Plan	2,520	8.14	3,003	6.54
Granted pursuant to Section 613(c) of TSX manual	1,600	8.45	—	—
Exercised	(3,580)	5.09	(276)	4.40
Forfeited	(309)	6.88	—	—
Outstanding – End of year	7,822	7.04	7,591	5.51
Options exercisable – End of year	3,417	6.10	4,510	5.03

The maximum number of Common Shares issuable under the Stock Option Plan is equal to 12.5% of the issued and outstanding Common Shares at the time the Common Shares are reserved for issuance. As at December 31, 2019, there were 111,798,000 Common Shares of the Company issued and outstanding, resulting in a maximum of 13,975,000 options available for issuance under the Stock Option Plan. An aggregate total of 6,172,000 options are presently outstanding in the Stock Option Plan, representing 5.5% of the issued and outstanding Common Shares of the Company.

In addition, on April 29, 2019, the Company granted 1,600,000 inducement stock options to the new Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 613(c) of the TSX Company Manual at a price of \$6.28 (CA\$8.45). The first 25% of these options vest on the one year anniversary of the grant, and the remaining 75% vest in equal amounts over 36 months following the one year anniversary date and are exercisable for a term of ten years. These options are recorded outside of the Company’s stock option plan.

Previously, on May 2, 2016, the Company granted 200,000 inducement stock options to a new employee pursuant to Section 613(c) of the TSX Company Manual at a price of \$2.92 (CA\$3.66). These options vest in equal amounts over 36 months and are exercisable for a term of five years, this employee has exercised 150,000 of these options to December 31, 2019. These options are recorded outside of the Company’s stock option plan, and there are 50,000 options remaining as at December 31, 2019.

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The Stock Option Plan requires the exercise price of each option to be determined by the Board of Directors and not to be less than the closing market price of the Company's stock on the day immediately prior to the date of grant. Any options which expire may be re-granted. The Board of Directors approves the vesting criteria and periods at its discretion. The options issued under the plan are accounted for as equity-settled share-based payments.

A summary of the stock options granted pursuant to the Stock Option Plan for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018 is presented below:

Year ended December 31, 2019

Grant date	Grant price ⁽⁶⁾		Number (in thousands)
	US\$	CAS	
January 29, 2019 - Directors ⁽¹⁾	6.06	8.04	210
January 29, 2019 - Officers ⁽⁴⁾	6.06	8.04	875
January 29, 2019 - Employees ⁽²⁾	6.06	8.04	260
January 29, 2019 - Employees ⁽³⁾	6.06	8.04	20
March 29, 2019 - Employees ⁽³⁾	6.42	8.62	10
April 2, 2019 - Employees ⁽³⁾	6.72	8.97	30
April 24, 2019 - Employees ⁽³⁾	6.29	8.48	5
April 29, 2019 - Chief Executive Officer ⁽⁵⁾	6.28	8.45	1,600
April 29, 2019 - Directors ⁽¹⁾	6.28	8.45	60
April 29, 2019 - Employees ⁽³⁾	6.28	8.45	10
July 3, 2019 - Directors ⁽¹⁾	6.42	8.39	140
July 3, 2019 - Employees ⁽³⁾	6.42	8.39	25
August 19, 2019 - Employees ⁽³⁾	5.90	7.85	455
September 4, 2019 - Employees ⁽³⁾	5.70	7.56	15
September 26, 2019 - Employees ⁽³⁾	5.63	7.47	10
October 2, 2019 - Employee ⁽³⁾	5.11	6.79	5
October 22, 2019 - Employee ⁽³⁾	4.91	6.43	10
October 28, 2019 - Employees ⁽³⁾	4.74	6.19	300
November 19, 2019 - Director ⁽¹⁾	5.73	7.59	50
December 13, 2019 - Employees ⁽³⁾	18.20	23.99	15
December 17, 2019 - Employee ⁽³⁾	18.69	24.59	15
			4,120

Year ended December 31, 2018

Grant date	Grant price ⁽⁶⁾		Number (in thousands)
	US\$	CAS	
February 1, 2018 - Employees ⁽²⁾	5.30	6.52	503
February 1, 2018 - Officers ⁽²⁾	5.30	6.52	1,675
February 5, 2018 - Chief Executive Officer ⁽²⁾	5.19	6.42	400
February 5, 2018 - Directors ⁽¹⁾	5.19	6.42	150
February 9, 2018 - Director ⁽¹⁾	5.09	6.40	50
February 22, 2018 - Director ⁽¹⁾	5.46	6.92	50
March 21, 2018 - Officer ⁽³⁾	5.40	7.06	150
October 17, 2018 - New Employees ⁽³⁾	5.93	7.70	25
			3,003

1. These options vest in equal amounts over 12 months and are exercisable for a term of ten years
2. These options vest in equal amounts over 36 months and are exercisable for a term of ten years.
3. These options vest 12/36 on the 12-month anniversary date and thereafter 1/36 per month over the next 24 months and are exercisable for a term of ten years.
4. These options vest in equal amounts over 24 months and are exercisable for a term of ten years.
5. These options vest 25% on the 12-month anniversary date and thereafter 75% vest 1/36 per month over the next 36 months and are exercisable for a term of ten years.

(expressed in US dollars, tabular amounts in thousands)

6. Stock options are granted at a Canadian Dollar (CAS) exercise price, and converted to US Dollars (US\$) based on the exchange rate when these stock options are granted.

Dr. Glickman and the Company entered into a transition agreement whereby upon his retirement as Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of the Company Dr. Glickman would continue to provide substantive services as an adviser to the Company for a period of 12 months commencing May 6, 2019. Management applied judgment, at that time, in assessing if the services to be provided were substantive. Unvested stock options at May 6, 2019 were modified such that they vest in equal installments over the next 12 months, subject to Dr. Glickman remaining an adviser to the Company at each of the vesting dates.

The transition agreement resulted in 100,000 stock options that would have been forfeited at May 6, 2020 vesting on an accelerated timeline. Therefore, the Company considered that the amount expensed for such awards to date should be reversed. The Company recognized these 100,000 stock options as a new grant based on the fair value at the date of the transition agreement which will be expensed as they vest over the transition period. The Company also revised the allocation over the remaining vesting period to reflect the graded nature of the vesting over the transition period.

Application of the fair value method resulted in charges to stock-based compensation expense of \$7,414,000 for the year ended December 31, 2019 (2018 – \$6,860,000) with corresponding credits to contributed surplus. For the year ended December 31, 2019, stock compensation expense has been allocated to research and development expense in the amount of \$2,693,000 (2018 – \$2,697,000) and corporate, administration and business development expense in the amount of \$4,721,000 (2018 – \$4,163,000).

If the stock price volatility was higher by a factor of 10% on the option grant dates in 2019, this would have increased annual stock compensation expense by approximately \$371,000. If the stock price volatility was lower by a factor of 10% on the grant date, this would have decreased annual stock compensation expense by approximately \$381,000.

The Company used the Black-Scholes option pricing model to estimate the fair value of the options granted in 2019 and 2018.

The Company considers historical volatility of its common shares in estimating its future stock price volatility. The risk-free interest rate for the expected life of the options was based on the yield available on government benchmark bonds with an approximate equivalent remaining term at the time of the grant. The expected life is based upon the contractual term, taking into account expected employee exercise and expected post-vesting employment termination behavior.

The following weighted average assumptions were used to estimate the fair value of the options granted during the year ended December 31:

	2019	2018
Annualized volatility	52%	55%
Risk-free interest rate	1.61%	2.04%
Expected life of options in years	4 years	4 years
Estimated forfeiture rate	15.6%	22.4%
Dividend rate	0.0%	0.0%
Exercise price	\$ 6.14	\$ 5.29
Market price on date of grant	\$ 6.14	\$ 5.29
Fair value per common share option	\$ 2.56	\$ 2.89

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The following table summarizes information on stock options outstanding as at December 31, 2019:

Range of exercise prices CAS	Options outstanding		Options exercisable	
	Number outstanding (in thousands)	Weighted average remaining contractual life (years)	Number outstanding (in thousands)	
3.50 - 3.96	268	1.91	267	
4.21 - 4.73	1,107	4.82	1,020	
6.19 - 6.92	2,325	7.85	1,143	
7.06 - 7.85	715	9.27	95	
8.04 - 8.97	3,301	9.07	842	
9.45 - 9.45	76	7.32	50	
23.99 - 24.59	30	9.96	—	
	<u>7,822</u>	<u>7.86</u>	<u>3,417</u>	

15 Nature of expenses

	2019 \$	2018 \$
Research and development		
Contract research organizations (CROs) and other third party clinical trial expenses	29,100	27,923
Drug supply and distribution	13,355	4,893
Salaries, incentive pay and employee benefits	5,906	4,260
Stock compensation expense	2,693	2,697
Travel, insurance, patent annuity fees, legal fees and other	1,812	1,609
	<u>52,866</u>	<u>41,382</u>
	2019 \$	2018 \$
Corporate, administration and business development		
Salaries, incentive pay, director fees and employee benefits	7,376	4,600
Stock compensation expense	4,721	4,163
Professional and consulting fees	5,502	2,307
Rent, insurance, information technology and other public company operating costs	2,356	1,704
Travel, tradeshows and sponsorships	2,199	900
	<u>22,154</u>	<u>13,674</u>

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16 Other expenses and finance costs

	2019	2018
	\$	\$
Other expenses		
Royalty obligation expense (note 12)	7,200	—
Revaluation adjustment on contingent consideration (note 11)	1,185	236
Proxy contest costs	720	—
Foreign exchange gain	(60)	(67)
Derecognition right-of-use asset	(54)	—
	<u>8,991</u>	<u>169</u>
Finance costs		
Interest expense	39	—
	<u>39</u>	<u>—</u>

Proxy contest costs were related to a dissident shareholder's challenge of the Company's 2019 annual general meeting proxy.

Previously, interest income and finance costs were labeled on the statement of operations and comprehensive loss as other expenses. In 2019 they have been disaggregated and re-labeled as interest income and finance costs.

17 Income taxes

As at December 31, 2019, the Company has available Canadian non-capital losses in the amount of \$230,872,000 (2018 – \$163,144,000) and scientific research and experimental development expenditures (SRED) in the amount of \$5,537,000 (2018– \$3,732,000) to reduce Canadian taxable income in future years. The Company has unclaimed investment tax credits of \$2,315,000 (2018 – \$1,926,000) available to reduce future Canadian income taxes otherwise payable.

The SRED expenditures do not expire. The losses and credits will expire as follows:

	Non-capital losses carried forward	Federal investment tax credits
	\$	\$
2029	3,294	30
2030	2,341	50
2031	1,786	280
2032	7,425	184
2033	5,325	75
2034	13,032	131
2035	18,749	203
2036	21,140	206
2037	42,230	353
2038	47,735	414
2039	67,815	389

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As at December 31, 2019 and December 31, 2018, temporary differences for which no deferred tax asset was recognized were as follows:

	2019 \$	2018 \$
Deferred tax assets (liabilities)		
Loss carry-forwards	56,533	44,264
Share issue costs	4,734	2,433
Deferred revenue, contingent consideration and royalty obligation	1,330	1,207
Property and equipment	(14)	—
Intangible assets	1,128	1,248
SRED	1,354	991
Other	268	231
	<u>65,333</u>	<u>50,374</u>
Potential tax assets not recognized	(65,333)	(50,374)
Net deferred tax assets	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>

Given the Company's past losses, management does not believe that it is more probable than not that the Company can realize its deferred tax assets and therefore it has not recognized any amount in the consolidated statements of financial position.

The difference between the expected income tax recovery based on a 25.4% (2018 – 27.0%) Canadian statutory tax rate and the actual income tax expense recorded is summarized as follows:

	2019 \$	2018 \$
Expected recovery at the statutory rate	(31,471)	(17,312)
Non-taxable revaluation of warrant liabilities	10,450	2,688
Non-deductible expenses including stock compensation	2,178	2,157
Effect of change in future tax rate	2,955	—
Difference between statutory and deferred tax rate	721	—
Unrecognized deductible temporary differences	15,167	12,467
Income taxes related to foreign subsidiaries	144	73
Total income tax expense	<u>144</u>	<u>73</u>

18 Net loss per common share

Basic and diluted net loss per common share is computed by dividing net loss by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the year. In determining diluted net loss per common share, the weighted average number of common shares outstanding is adjusted for stock options and warrants eligible for exercise where the average market price of common shares for the year ended December 31, 2019 exceeds the exercise price. Common shares that could potentially dilute basic net loss per common share in the future that could be issued from the exercise of stock options and warrants were not included in the computation of the diluted loss per common share for the year ended December 31, 2019 because to do so would be anti-dilutive.

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The numerator and denominator used in the calculation of historical basic and diluted net loss amounts per common share are as follows:

	2019 \$	2018 \$
Net loss for the year	(123,846)	(64,120)
	Number	Number
Weighted average common shares outstanding	93,024	84,782
	\$	\$
Net loss per common share (expressed in \$ per share)	(1.33)	(0.76)

The outstanding number and type of securities that would potentially dilute basic loss per common share in the future and which were not included in the computation of diluted loss per share, because to do so would have reduced the loss per common share (anti-dilutive) for the years presented, are as follows:

	2019	2018
Stock options	7,822	7,591
Warrants (derivative liabilities)	1,691	5,261
	9,513	12,852

19 Segment disclosures

The Company's operations comprise a single reporting segment engaged in the research, development and commercialization of therapeutic drugs. As the operations comprise a single reporting segment, amounts disclosed in the consolidated financial statements represent those of the single reporting unit. In addition, all of the Company's long-lived assets are located in Canada.

The following geographic information reflects revenue based on customer location.

	2019 \$	2018 \$
Revenue		
United States	200	345
China	118	118
	318	463

20 Supplementary cash flow information

Net change in other operating assets and liabilities

	2019 \$	2018 \$
Accounts receivable and accrued interest receivable	(151)	(108)
Prepaid expenses and deposits	(1,975)	(5,094)
Clinical trial contract deposits	149	90
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	4,106	(888)
	2,129	(6,000)
Interest received	2,619	2,148

(expressed in US dollars, tabular amounts in thousands)

Cash flows from financing and investing activities:

	Short term investments	Derivative warrants December 28, 2016	Derivative warrants February 14, 2014	Common shares	Warrants	Contributed surplus
Balance at January 1, 2019	7,889	(15,475)	(6,272)	(504,650)	—	(24,690)
Cash flow - Proceeds from short term investments	(7,884)	—	—	—	—	—
Cash flow - Net proceeds from commons shares issued pursuant to Public Offering	—	—	—	(179,918)	—	—
Cash flow - Net proceeds from commons shares issued pursuant to ATM facilities	—	—	—	(43,200)	—	—
Cash flow - Proceeds from exercise of derivative warrants	—	—	—	(6,989)	—	—
Cash flow - Proceeds from exercise of options	—	—	—	(13,748)	—	—
Cash flow - Contingent consideration payments made	—	—	—	—	—	—
Non-cash changes - Recognition of royalty obligation	—	—	—	—	—	—
Non-cash changes - Conversion to common shares	—	27,598	5,920	(41,967)	—	8,449
Non-cash changes - Fair value adjustments	—	(41,476)	352	—	—	—
Non-cash changes - Stock based compensation	—	—	—	—	—	(7,414)
Non-cash changes - Other	(5)	—	—	—	—	—
Balance at December 31, 2019	<u>—</u>	<u>(29,353)</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>(790,472)</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>(23,655)</u>
Balance at January 1, 2018	7,833	(8,948)	(2,845)	(499,200)	(906)	(18,360)
Cash flow - Purchases	36,084	—	—	—	—	—
Cash flow - Proceeds from short term investment	(36,093)	—	—	—	—	—
Cash flow - Proceeds from exercise warrants	—	—	—	(3,071)	—	—
Cash flow - Proceeds from exercise options	—	—	—	(943)	—	—
Non-cash changes - Conversion to Common Shares	—	—	—	(1,436)	906	530
Non-cash changes - Fair value adjustments	—	(6,527)	(3,427)	—	—	—
Non-cash changes - Stock Based Compensation	—	—	—	—	—	(6,860)
Non-cash changes - Opening adjustment on change in accounting policy	78	—	—	—	—	—
Non-cash changes - Other	(13)	—	—	—	—	—
Balance at December 31, 2018	<u>7,889</u>	<u>(15,475)</u>	<u>(6,272)</u>	<u>(504,650)</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>(24,690)</u>

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21 Related parties

Compensation of key management

Compensation awarded to key management, defined as Directors and executive officers, was composed of the following:

	2019 \$	2018 \$
Salaries and short-term employee benefits	2,575	2,042
Bonuses accrued or paid	1,667	879
Director fees and services	592	446
Stock-based compensation	4,717	4,971
	9,551	8,338

Not included in the above numbers is a royalty obligation accrual of \$1,029,000 for two executive officers of the Company which has been recorded in other expenses. The details of this royalty obligation are discussed more fully in note 12 of the audited financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2019.

Other

Stephen P. Robertson, a partner at Borden Ladner Gervais (BLG) acts as the Company's corporate secretary. The Company incurred legal fees in the normal course of business to BLG of \$473,000 for the year ended December 31, 2019 (\$135,000 for the year ended December 31, 2018). We have no ongoing contractual or other commitments as a result of engaging Mr. Robertson to act as our corporate secretary. Mr. Robertson receives no additional compensation for acting as the corporate secretary beyond his standard hourly billing rate.

The outstanding contingent consideration payable to ILJIN, is the result of an Arrangement Agreement (the Arrangement Agreement) completed on September 20, 2013 between the Company, Aurinia Pharma Corp. and ILJIN. The contingent consideration payable to ILJIN is more fully discussed in note 11 of the audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2019. As a result of the resignation of Dr. Joon Lee, an employee of ILJIN, in the fourth quarter of 2019, ILJIN is not considered a related party at December 31, 2019.

22 Commitments and contingencies

The Company has entered into contractual obligations for services and materials required for its clinical trial program, drug manufacturing and other operational activities.

The Company entered into an agreement, effective June 1, 2014, to sublease 5,540 square feet of office and storage space at its head office location in Victoria, British Columbia for a term of five years. On December 6, 2018 the Company signed a commitment letter and entered into a new sublease on January 28, 2019 to rent 9,406 square feet of office and storage space at the existing location effective June 1, 2019. The new sublease is for a term of three years, however, the Company has the ability to cancel upon 12 months' notice. The estimated base rent plus operating costs on a monthly basis for the period from January 1, 2020 to May 31, 2020 is approximately US\$21,000 per month increasing to approximately US\$22,000 per month for the period of June 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020. On December 6, 2019, the head lessee provided notice to the landlord the intent to terminate the lease effective December 31, 2020. As a result the Company's sublease with the head lessee will also terminate effective December 31, 2020.

The Company entered into an agreement on November 14, 2014 to lease 1,247 square feet of office space for a term of two years commencing on January 1, 2015 for the Edmonton, Alberta registered office where the Company's finance group is located. The lease was subsequently renewed until December 31, 2019 at a cost of approximately US\$1,400 per month on the same terms as the original lease. On October 1, 2019 the Company entered into an agreement with the same landlord to lease larger premises at #201, 17873 - 106A Avenue, Edmonton, Alberta, consisting of 2,248 square feet of office space, for a term commencing October 1, 2019 to September 30, 2020 at a cost of approximately US\$2,200 per month, surrendering the remaining term of the renewal lease previously entered into.

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Future minimum short term, or low value lease payments for its premises and the minimum amount to exit the Company's contractual commitments are as follows:

	Short term and low value leases \$	Purchase obligations \$
2020	283	8,196
2021	—	60
2022	—	—
	283	8,256

Contingencies

- i) The Company may, from time to time, be subject to claims and legal proceedings brought against it in the normal course of business. Such matters are subject to many uncertainties. Management believes the ultimate resolution of such contingencies will not have a material adverse effect on the consolidated financial position of the Company.
- ii) The Company entered into indemnification agreements with its officers and directors. The maximum potential amount of future payments required under these indemnification agreements is unlimited. However, the Company does maintain liability insurance to limit the exposure of the Company.
- iii) The Company has an obligation with a third party pursuant to a technology transfer agreement whereby the Company will be required to pay a \$500,000 milestone payment upon approval by the FDA of a new drug application for voclosporin ophthalmic Solution (VOS). VOS is being used in the dry eye syndrome indication. Upon commercialization a 2% royalty on net sales of VOS will also be payable. Alternatively if the Company licenses VOS, 10% of any licensing fees will be owed to the third party. The Company also has the right at any time and at its sole discretion to make a single payment of \$5.0 million to the third party which will extinguish all obligations to the third party. Currently the future payments made pursuant to this agreement are indeterminable. Such matters are subject to many uncertainties and therefore no amounts have been accrued related to the agreement.
- iv) The Company has entered into license and research and development agreements with third parties that include indemnification and obligation provisions that are customary in the industry. These guarantees generally require the Company to compensate the other party for certain damages and costs incurred as a result of third party claims or damages arising from these transactions. These provisions may survive termination of the underlying agreement. The nature of the obligations prevents the Company from making a reasonable estimate of the maximum potential amount it could be required to pay. Historically, the Company has not made any payments under such agreements and no amount has been accrued in the accompanying consolidated financial statements.

23 Capital management

The Company's objective in managing capital, consisting of shareholders' equity, with cash, cash equivalents and short term investments being its primary components, is to ensure sufficient liquidity to fund research and development activities, corporate, administration and business development expenses and working capital requirements. The capital management objective of the Company remains the same as that in the previous period.

Over the past two years, the Company has raised capital via a public offering, the exercise of warrants and stock options and draw-downs under our two ATM facilities as its primary sources of liquidity, as discussed in note 14 - Share capital.

As the Company's policy is to retain cash to keep funds available to finance the activities required to advance the Company's product development it does not currently pay dividends. The Company is not subject to any capital requirements imposed by any regulators or by any other external source.

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24 Financial instruments and fair values

As explained in note 2, financial assets and liabilities have been classified into categories that determine their basis of measurement and for items measured at fair value, whether changes in fair value are recognized in the consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive loss. Those categories are fair value through profit or loss; FVOCI; and, assets and liabilities at amortized cost.

In establishing fair value, the Company used a fair value hierarchy based on levels defined below:

- Level 1 – defined as observable inputs such as quoted prices in active markets.
- Level 2 – defined as inputs other than quoted prices in active markets that are either directly or indirectly observable.
- Level 3 – defined as inputs that are based on little or no observable market data, therefore requiring entities to develop their own assumptions.

The Company has determined the carrying values of its short term financial assets and financial liabilities, including cash and cash equivalents, short term investments, accounts receivable, accrued receivables and accounts payable and accrued liabilities approximate their fair value because of the relatively short period to maturity of the instruments. Information on the fair value of contingent consideration is included in note 11, and information on the fair value of derivative warrant liability is included in note 13.

Financial risk factors

The Company's activities can expose it to a variety of financial risks: market risk (including currency risk, interest rate risk and other price risk), credit risk and liquidity risk. Risk management is carried out by management under policies approved by the Board of Directors. Management identifies and evaluates the financial risks. The Company's overall risk management program seeks to minimize adverse effects on the Company's financial performance.

- Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk the Company will not be able to meet its financial obligations as they fall due. The Company manages its liquidity risk through the management of its capital structure and financial leverage, as discussed in note 23. It also manages liquidity risk by continuously monitoring actual and projected cash flows. The Board of Directors reviews and approves the Company's budget, as well as any material transactions out of the ordinary course of business. The Company in 2019 invested its cash equivalents in US denominated term deposits with 30 to 90-day maturities, and short term investments consisting of bonds and treasury notes issued by banks with maturities not exceeding two years to ensure the Company's liquidity needs are met.

All of the Company's financial liabilities are due within one year except for the lease liability described in note 9, the contingent consideration, as described in note 11, the royalty obligation as described in note 12 and the derivative warrant liabilities, as described in note 13.

- Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates.

Financial assets and financial liabilities with variable interest rates expose the Company to cash flow interest rate risk. The Company's cash and cash equivalents are comprised of highly liquid investments that earn interest at market rates and the short term investments are comprised of low risk bank bonds with a maturity of two years or less. Accounts receivable and accounts payable and accrued liabilities bear no interest.

The Company manages its interest rate risk by maximizing the interest income earned on excess funds while maintaining the liquidity necessary to conduct operations on a day-to-day basis. The Company's exposure to interest rate risk as at December 31, 2019 was considered minimal as its financial resources are held as cash and cash equivalents.

- Foreign currency risk

The Company is exposed to financial risk related to the fluctuation of foreign currency exchange rates. Foreign currency risk is the risk variations in exchange rates between the US dollars and foreign currencies, primarily with the Canadian dollar, will affect the Company's operating and financial results.

(expressed in US dollars, tabular amounts in thousands)

The following table presents the Company's exposure to the Canadian dollar:

	2019	2018
	\$	\$
Cash and cash equivalents	12,711	364
Accounts receivable and accrued interest receivable	33	24
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(2,332)	(1,677)
Net exposure	<u>10,412</u>	<u>(1,289)</u>
	Reporting date rate	
	2019	2018
	\$	\$
CAS – US\$	<u>0.770</u>	<u>0.733</u>

Based on the Company's foreign currency exposure noted above, varying the foreign exchange rates to reflect a ten percent strengthening of the CAS would have increased the net loss by \$1,041,000 assuming all other variables remained constant. An assumed 10% weakening of the CAS would have had an equal but opposite effect to the amounts shown above, on the basis all other variables remain constant.

Credit risk

Financial instruments that potentially subject the Company to significant concentrations of credit risk consist principally of cash, cash equivalents and short term investments which were held at three major Canadian banks. The Company regularly monitors the credit risk exposure and takes steps to mitigate the likelihood of these exposures resulting in expected loss.

25 Subsequent events

Subsequent to December 31, 2019, the Company issued 499,000 common shares upon the exercise of 499,000 stock options for proceeds of \$1,974,000. The Company also granted 1,867,000 stock options to new employees at a weighted average exercise price of \$18.66 (CA \$24.64).

Management's Discussion and Analysis



Year Ended December 31, 2019

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

In this Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations ("MD&A"), unless the context otherwise requires, references to "we", "us", "our" or similar terms, as well as references to "Aurinia" or the "Company", refer to Aurinia Pharmaceuticals Inc., together with our subsidiaries.

The following MD&A provides information on the activities of Aurinia on a consolidated basis and should be read in conjunction with our audited consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes for the year ended December 31, 2019 and our annual MD&A and audited financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2018. All amounts are expressed in United States (US) dollars unless otherwise stated. Dollar amounts in tabular columns are expressed in thousands of US dollars. This document is current in all material respects as of March 4, 2020.

The financial information contained in this MD&A and in our audited consolidated financial statements has been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board. The audited consolidated financial statements and MD&A have been reviewed and approved by our Audit Committee. This MD&A has been prepared with reference to National Instrument 51-102 "Continuous Disclosure Obligations" of the Canadian Securities Administrators. Under the U.S./Canada Multijurisdictional Disclosure System, Aurinia is permitted to prepare this MD&A in accordance with the disclosure requirements of Canada, which are different from those in the United States.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

A statement is forward-looking when it uses what we know and expect today to make a statement about the future. Forward-looking statements may include words such as "anticipate", "believe", "intend", "expect", "goal", "may", "outlook", "plan", "seek", "project", "should", "strive", "target", "could", "continue", "potential" and "estimated", or the negative of such terms or comparable terminology. You should not place undue reliance on the forward-looking statements, particularly those concerning anticipated events relating to the development, clinical trials, regulatory approval, and marketing of our products and the timing or magnitude of those events, as they are inherently risky and uncertain.

Securities laws encourage companies to disclose forward-looking information so that investors can get a better understanding of our future prospects and make informed investment decisions. These statements, made in this MD&A, may include, without limitation:

- our belief that both the Phase 2b lupus nephritis ("LN") AURA- LV ("AURA") clinical trial and the single double-blind, randomized, placebo controlled Phase 3 clinical trial for voclosporin in the treatment of LN ("AURORA") had positive results;
- our belief that we have sufficient cash resources to adequately fund operations;
- our belief that the totality of data from both the AURORA and AURA clinical trials can potentially serve as the basis for a New Drug Application (an "NDA") with the Food and Drug Administration of the United States Government (the "FDA");
- our belief that confirmatory data generated from the single AURORA clinical trial and the AURA clinical trial should support regulatory submissions in the United States, Europe and Japan and the timing of such, including the NDA submission in the United States;
- our belief that granted formulation patents regarding the delivery of voclosporin to the ocular surface for conditions such as Dry Eye Syndrome ("DES") have the potential to be of therapeutic value;
- our belief in the duration of patent exclusivity for voclosporin and that the patents owned by us are valid;
- our belief in receiving extensions to patent life based on certain events or classifications;
- our plans and expectations and the timing of commencement, enrollment, completion and release of results of clinical trials;
- our intention to demonstrate belief that voclosporin possesses pharmacologic properties with the potential to demonstrate best-in-class differentiation with first-in-class status for the treatment of LN outside of Japan;
- our belief of the key potential benefits of voclosporin in the treatment of LN and other podocytopathies;
- our belief that voclosporin has the potential to improve near and long-term outcomes in LN when added to mycophenolate Mofetil ("MMF");
- our expectation to receive "new chemical entity" exclusivity for voclosporin in certain countries, which provides this type of exclusivity for five years in the United States and up to ten years in Europe;
- our belief that it may be possible for the AUDREY™ clinical trial to act as one of the two pivotal clinical studies that would support approval by the FDA of voclosporin ophthalmic solution ("VOS") for the treatment of DES;
- our belief that the voclosporin modification of a single amino acid of the cyclosporine molecule may result in a more predictable pharmacokinetic and pharmacodynamics relationship, an increase in potency, an altered metabolic profile, and easier dosing without the need for therapeutic drug monitoring;
- our target launch date for voclosporin as a treatment for LN in the United States, if approved, in early 2021;
- our belief in voclosporin being potentially a best-in-class calcineurin inhibitor ("CNI") with robust intellectual property exclusivity and the benefits over existing commercially available CNIs;
- our belief that CNIs are a mainstay of treatment for DES;
- our belief that voclosporin has further potential to be effectively used across a range of therapeutic autoimmune areas including focal segmental glomerulosclerosis ("FSGS"), and keratoconjunctivitis sicca or DES;
- the timing for completion of enrollment and for data availability for our Phase 2 clinical study for voclosporin in FSGS patients;

- the anticipated commercial potential of voclosporin for the treatment of LN, DES and FSGS;
- our plan to expand voclosporin renal franchise with additional renal indications and the exploitation of voclosporin in novel formulations for treatment of autoimmune related disorders including FSGS;
- our belief that the expansion of the renal franchise could create value for shareholders;
- our belief that voclosporin, in combination with MMF, has the potential to significantly improve renal response rates in LN versus current standard of care;
- our anticipation of interim data readouts for the Phase 2 proof-of-concept study in FSGS in the second half of 2020;
- our belief that we had a positive pre-NDA meeting with the FDA for LN, in February of 2020;
- our belief that our net proceeds from financings, together with our existing cash and cash equivalents will enable us to fund our operating expenses and capital expenditure requirements through 2021;
- our planned use of the proceeds from the December 2019 Offering (as defined below);
- our current plan to complete the NDA, including the clinical module, in the second quarter of 2020;
- our plan to file a marketing authorization application with the European Medicines Agency ("EMA") by the first quarter of 2021;
- our expectation that top-line results from the AUDREY™ clinical trial will become available during the second half of 2020;
- statements concerning the potential market for voclosporin;
- our belief that VOS has the potential to compete in the multi-billion-dollar human prescription dry eye market;
- our belief that additional patents may be granted worldwide based on our filings under the Patent Cooperation Treaty ("PCT");
- our belief that patents corresponding to United States Patent No. 10,286,036 issued to Aurinia covering dosing protocol, with corresponding FDA granted label, for voclosporin in LN, could be granted with similar claims in all major global pharmaceutical markets;
- our strategy to become a global biopharmaceutical company; and
- our plan to evaluate voclosporin in pediatric patients after a potential FDA approval of an indication for adults with LN.

Such statements reflect our current views with respect to future events and are subject to risks and uncertainties and are necessarily based on a number of estimates and assumptions that, while considered reasonable by management, as at the date of such statements, are inherently subject to significant business, economic, competitive, political, regulatory, legal, scientific and social uncertainties and contingencies, many of which, with respect to future events, are subject to change. The factors and assumptions used by management to develop such forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to:

- the assumption that we will be able to obtain approval from regulatory agencies on executable development programs with parameters that are satisfactory to us;
- the assumption that recruitment to clinical trials will occur as projected;
- the assumption that we will successfully complete our clinical programs on a timely basis and meet regulatory requirements for approval of marketing authorization applications and new drug approvals, as well as favourable product labeling;
- the assumption that the planned studies will achieve positive results;
- the assumptions regarding the costs and expenses associated with our clinical trials;
- the assumption that regulatory requirements and commitments will be maintained;
- the assumption that we will be able to meet Good Manufacturing Practice ("GMP") standards and manufacture and secure a sufficient supply of voclosporin on a timely basis to successfully complete the development and commercialization of voclosporin;
- the assumptions on the market value for the LN program;
- the assumption that our patent portfolio is sufficient and valid;
- the assumption that we will be able to extend our patents to the fullest extent allowed by law, on terms most beneficial to us;
- the assumptions about future market activity;
- the assumption that there is a potential commercial value for other indications for voclosporin;
- the assumption that market data and reports reviewed by us are accurate;
- the assumptions on the burn rate of Aurinia's cash for operations;
- the assumption that our current good relationships with our suppliers, service providers and other third parties will be maintained;
- the assumption that we will be able to attract and retain a sufficient amount of skilled staff; and/or
- the assumptions relating to the capital required to fund operations through 2021.

It is important to know that:

- actual results could be materially different from what we expect if known or unknown risks affect our business, or if our estimates or assumptions turn out to be inaccurate. As a result, we cannot guarantee that any forward-looking statement will materialize and, accordingly, you are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements; and
- forward-looking statements do not take into account the effect that transactions or non-recurring or other special items announced or occurring after the statements are made may have on our business. For example, they do not include the effect of mergers, acquisitions, other business combinations or transactions, dispositions, sales of assets, asset write-downs or other charges announced or occurring after the forward-looking statements are made. The financial impact of such transactions and non-recurring and other special items can be complex and necessarily depend on the facts particular to each of them. Accordingly, the expected impact cannot be meaningfully described in the abstract or presented in the same manner as known risks affecting our business.

The factors discussed below and other considerations discussed in the "Risks and Uncertainties" section of this MD&A could cause our actual results to differ significantly from those contained in any forward-looking statements.

Such forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties, and other factors that may cause our actual results, performance, or achievements to differ materially from any assumptions, further results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Important factors that could cause such differences include, among other things, the following:

- difficulties we may experience in completing the development and commercialization of voclosporin;
- the need for additional capital in the future to continue to fund our development programs and commercialization activities, and the effect of capital market conditions and other factors on capital availability;
- competition;
- difficulties, delays, or failures we may experience in the conduct of and reporting of results of our clinical trials for voclosporin;
- difficulties in meeting GMP standards and the manufacturing and securing of a sufficient supply of voclosporin on a timely basis to successfully complete the development and commercialization of voclosporin;
- difficulties, delays or failures in obtaining necessary regulatory approvals;
- difficulties in gaining alignment among the key regulatory jurisdictions, FDA, EMA and Pharmaceutical and Medical Devices Agency, which may require further clinical activities;
- not being able to extend our patent portfolio for voclosporin;
- our patent portfolio not covering all of our proposed or contemplated uses of voclosporin;
- the uncertainty that the FDA will approve the use of voclosporin for LN and that the label for such use will follow the dosing protocol pursuant to US Patent No. 10,286,036 granted on May 4, 2019;
- the market for the LN business (or any other indication for voclosporin) may not be as we have estimated;
- insufficient acceptance of and demand for voclosporin;
- difficulties obtaining adequate reimbursements from third party payors;
- difficulties obtaining formulary acceptance;
- competitors may arise with similar products;
- product liability, patent infringement and other civil litigation;
- injunctions, court orders, regulatory and other enforcement actions;
- we may have to pay unanticipated expenses, and/or estimated costs for clinical trials or operations may be underestimated, resulting in our having to make additional expenditures to achieve our current goals;
- difficulties, restrictions, delays, or failures in obtaining appropriate reimbursement from payors for voclosporin; and
- difficulties we may experience in identifying and successfully securing appropriate vendors to support the development and commercialization of our product.

Although we believe that the expectations reflected in the forward-looking statements are reasonable, we cannot guarantee future results, levels of activity, performance or achievements. These forward-looking statements are made as of the date hereof and we disclaim any intention and have no obligation or responsibility, except as required by law, to update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

For additional information on risks and uncertainties in respect of the Company and its business, please see the "Risks and Uncertainties" section of this MD&A. Although we believe that the expectations reflected in such forward-looking statements and information are reasonable, undue reliance should not be placed on forward-looking statements or information because we can give no assurance that such expectations will prove to be correct.

Additional information related to Aurinia, including its most recent Annual Information Form ("AIF"), is available by accessing the Canadian Securities Administrators' System for Electronic Document Analysis and Retrieval ("SEDAR") website at www.sedar.com or the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission's ("SEC") Electronic Document Gathering and Retrieval System ("EDGAR") website at www.sec.gov/edgar.

OVERVIEW

THE COMPANY

Aurinia is a late clinical stage biopharmaceutical company focused on developing and commercializing therapies to treat targeted patient populations that are suffering from serious diseases with a high unmet medical need. We are currently developing voclosporin, an investigational drug, for the potential treatment of LN, DES and FSGS.

On December 4, 2019 we released positive AURORA Phase 3 trial results for LN. As a result, we are currently compiling an NDA for LN to be submitted to the FDA by the end of the second quarter of 2020. In addition, a marketing authorization application ("MAA") is planned to be filed with the EMA by the end of the first quarter of 2021.

Aurinia Pharmaceuticals Inc. is organized under the *Business Corporations Act* (Alberta). Our common shares (the "**Common Shares**") are currently listed and traded on the Nasdaq Global Market ("Nasdaq") under the symbol "AUPH" and on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol "AUP".

We have two wholly-owned subsidiaries: Aurinia Pharma U.S., Inc., (Delaware incorporated) and Aurinia Pharma Limited (United Kingdom incorporated).

Our head office is located at #1203-4464 Markham Street, Victoria, British Columbia, Canada and our registered office is located at #201, 17873 -106A Avenue, Edmonton, Alberta Canada.

BUSINESS OF THE COMPANY

We are currently developing voclosporin, an investigational drug, for the potential treatment of LN, DES and FSGS. Voclosporin is novel and potentially best-in-class CNI with clinical data in over 2,600 patients across various indications. It has been studied in kidney rejection following transplantation, psoriasis and in various forms of uveitis (an ophthalmic disease).

Voclosporin is an immunosuppressant, with a synergistic and dual mechanism of action that has the potential to improve near and long-term outcomes in LN when added to MMF although not approved for such, the current standard of care for LN. By inhibiting calcineurin, voclosporin reduces cytokine activation and blocks interleukin IL-2 expression and T-cell mediated immune responses. Voclosporin also potentially stabilizes disease modifying podocytes, which protects against proteinuria. Voclosporin is made by a modification of a single amino acid of the cyclosporine molecule. This modification may result in a more predictable pharmacokinetic and pharmacodynamic relationship, an increase in potency, an altered metabolic profile, and easier dosing without the need for therapeutic drug monitoring. Clinical doses of voclosporin studied to date range from 13 - 70 mg administered twice a day ("BID"). The mechanism of action of voclosporin has been validated with certain first generation CNIs for the prevention of rejection in patients undergoing solid organ transplants and in several autoimmune indications, including dermatitis, keratoconjunctivitis sicca, psoriasis, rheumatoid arthritis, and for LN in Japan. We believe that voclosporin possesses pharmacologic properties with the potential to demonstrate best-in-class differentiation with first-in-class regulatory approval status for the treatment of LN outside of Japan.

The topical formulation of voclosporin, VOS, is an aqueous, preservative free nanomicellar solution intended for use in the treatment of DES. On October 31, 2019 we announced the initiation of patient enrollment into our Phase 2/3 AUDREY™ clinical trial evaluating VOS for the potential treatment of DES. A detailed discussion of our DES program is provided in the "Clinical and Corporate Developments in 2019" section of this MD&A. A Phase 2a study was previously completed with results released in January 2019. Prior to that, a Phase 1 study with healthy volunteers and patients with DES was also completed as were studies in rabbit and dog models.

Legacy CNIs have demonstrated efficacy for a number of conditions, including transplant, DES and other autoimmune diseases; however, side effects exist which can limit their long-term use and tolerability. Some clinical complications of legacy CNIs include hypertension, hyperlipidemia, diabetes, and both acute and chronic nephrotoxicity.

Based on published data, we believe the key potential benefits of voclosporin in the treatment of LN versus marketed CNIs are:

- increased potency compared to cyclosporine A, allowing lower dosing requirements and potentially fewer off target effects;
- limited inter and intra patient variability, allowing for easier dosing without the need for therapeutic drug monitoring;
- less cholesterolemia and triglyceridemia than cyclosporine A;
- and
- limited incidence of glucose intolerance and diabetes at therapeutic doses compared to tacrolimus.

Our target launch date for voclosporin as a treatment for LN in the United States, if approved, is early 2021.

LN

LN is an inflammation of the kidney caused by systemic lupus erythematosus ("SLE") and represents a serious progression of SLE. SLE is a chronic, complex and often disabling disorder. The disease is highly heterogeneous, affecting a wide range of organs and tissue systems. Unlike SLE, LN has straightforward disease outcomes (measuring proteinuria) where an early response correlates with long-term outcomes. In patients with LN, renal damage results in proteinuria and/or hematuria and a decrease in renal function as evidenced by reduced estimated glomerular filtration rate ("eGFR"), and increased serum creatinine levels. eGFR is assessed through the Chronic Kidney Disease Epidemiology Collaboration equation. In 2004, a study indicated rapid control and reduction of proteinuria in LN patients measured at six months showed a reduction in the need for dialysis at 10 years. LN can be debilitating and costly and if poorly controlled, can lead to permanent and irreversible tissue damage within the kidney. Recent literature suggests severe LN progresses to end-stage renal disease ("ESRD") within 15 years of diagnosis in 10%-30% of patients, thus making LN a serious and potentially life-threatening condition. SLE patients with renal damage have a 14-fold increased risk of premature death, while SLE patients with ESRD have a greater than 60-fold increased risk of premature death. In 2009, mean annual cost for patients (both direct and indirect) with SLE (with no nephritis) have been estimated to exceed \$20,000 per year per patient, while the mean annual cost for patients (both direct and indirect) with LN who progress to intermittent ESRD have been estimated to exceed \$60,000 per year per patient.

DES

DES is characterized by irritation and inflammation that occurs when the eye's tear film is compromised by reduced tear production, imbalanced tear composition, or excessive tear evaporation. The impact of DES ranges from subtle, yet constant eye irritation to significant inflammation and scarring of the eye's surface. Discomfort and pain resulting from DES can reduce quality of life and cause difficulty reading, driving, using computers and performing daily activities. DES is a chronic disease. There are currently three FDA approved prescription therapies for the treatment of DES, two of which are CNIs; however, there is opportunity for potential improvement in the effectiveness of therapies by enhancing tolerability, onset of action and alleviating the need for repetitive dosing. A 2017 publication estimated there were approximately 16 million diagnosed patients with DES in the United States.

FSGS

FSGS is a rare disease that attacks the kidney's filtering units (glomeruli) causing serious scarring which leads to permanent kidney damage and even renal failure. FSGS is one of the leading causes of Nephrotic Syndrome ("NS") and is identified by biopsy and proteinuria. NS is a collection of signs and symptoms that indicate kidney damage, including large amounts of protein in urine; low levels of albumin and higher than normal fat and cholesterol levels in the blood, and edema. Similar to LN, early clinical response (measured by reduction of proteinuria) is thought to be critical to long-term kidney health in patients with FSGS.

FSGS is likely the most common primary glomerulopathy leading to ESRD. The incidence of FSGS and ESRD due to FSGS are increasing although precise estimates of incidence and prevalence are difficult to determine. According to NephCure Kidney International, more than 5,400 patients are diagnosed with FSGS every year; however, this is considered an underestimate because a limited number of biopsies are performed. The number of FSGS cases are rising more than any other cause of NS and the incidence of FSGS is increasing through disease awareness and improved diagnosis. FSGS occurs more frequently in adults than in children and is most prevalent in adults 45 years or older. FSGS is most common in people of African American and Asian descent. It has been shown that the control of proteinuria is important for long term dialysis-free survival of these patients. Currently, there are no approved therapies for FSGS in the United States or the European Union.

STRATEGY

Our business strategy is to optimize the clinical and commercial value of voclosporin and become a global biopharma company with a focused renal and autoimmune franchise. This includes the expansion of a potential renal franchise with additional renal indications and the exploitation of voclosporin in novel formulations for treatment of autoimmune related disorders.

We have strategically developed a plan to expand our voclosporin renal franchise to include FSGS. Additionally, we are also furthering development of VOS for the treatment of DES. The advancement of these new indications, in addition to LN, represents an expansion of our pipeline and commercial opportunities.

The key tactics to achieve our corporate strategy include:

- filing an NDA with the FDA for marketing approval for use of voclosporin in LN by the end of the second quarter of 2020;
- conducting pre-commercial activities including build out of the organization to efficiently launch voclosporin for LN upon potential approval by the FDA;
- conducting a Phase 2/3 AUDREY™ clinical trial of VOS for the treatment of DES with results expected in the second half of 2020;
- and
- conducting a Phase 2 proof of concept study for the additional renal indication of FSGS.

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

Pre-NDA meeting with FDA

Aurinia held a positive and successful Pre-NDA meeting with the FDA Division of Pulmonary, Allergy and Rheumatology Products on February 25, 2020. The Company presented information about the safety and efficacy data to be included in the filing, reviewed the format and content of the planned application and shared the rolling review plans for filing the various modules of the NDA. No obstacles were raised by FDA that would prevent submission of the NDA by the end of the second quarter of 2020 as planned.

Appointment of new Chief Commercial Officer

On February 25, 2020, we announced the hiring of Max Colao in the newly created role of Chief Commercial Officer. Mr. Colao has nearly 30 years of commercial operations experience. Prior to leading U.S. commercial operations at Alexion Pharmaceuticals Inc. and launching multiple rare disease therapies, Mr. Colao spent nearly 20 years at Amgen Inc., holding roles of increasing responsibility on various marketing and sales teams, most notably leading U.S. launches, commercialization, and pricing strategy in the areas of rheumatology, dermatology, and autoimmune disorders for Enbrel®, Prolia®, and Nplate®. Most recently, he was Chief Commercial Officer and Head of Business Development at Abeona Therapeutics Inc., where he led the company's commercialization and business development efforts of autologous cell therapy and AAV9-based gene therapy for rare diseases. Mr. Colao received his B.S. in applied mathematics and economics from the University of California, Los Angeles and his MBA from the University of Southern California.

CLINICAL AND CORPORATE DEVELOPMENTS IN 2019

December 12, 2019 Public Offering

On December 12, 2019, we completed an underwritten public offering of 12.78 million Common Shares, which included 1.67 million Common Shares issued pursuant to the full exercise of the underwriters' overallotment option to purchase additional Common Shares (the "December 2019 Offering"). The Common Shares were sold at a public offering price of \$15.00 per share. The gross proceeds from the December 2019

Offering were \$191.7 million before deducting the 6% underwriting commission and other offering expenses which totaled \$11.82 million. Jefferies LLC and SVB Leerink LLC acted as joint book-running managers for the December 2019 Offering. H.C. Wainwright & Co. LLC, Oppenheimer & Co. Inc. and Bloom Burton Securities Inc. acted as co-managers for the December 2019 Offering.

We intend to use the net proceeds of the December 2019 Offering for pre-commercialization and launch activities, working capital and general corporate purposes.

Safety and Efficacy Results from Phase 3 AURORA Clinical Trial

On December 4, 2019, we announced positive efficacy and safety results from our pivotal AURORA Phase 3 trial of voclosporin, in combination with MMF and low-dose corticosteroids, in the treatment of LN. This global study, in which 357 patients with active LN were enrolled, met its primary endpoint of achieving renal response at 52 weeks, demonstrating renal response rates of 40.8% for voclosporin vs. 22.5% for the control (OR 2.65; $p < 0.001$). Additionally, all pre-specified hierarchical secondary endpoints achieved statistical significance in favor of voclosporin, which included renal response at 24 weeks, partial renal response at 24 and 52 weeks, time to achieve urinary protein-to-creatinine ratio ("UPCR") ≤ 0.5 , and time to 50% reduction in UPCR. The robustness of the data was also supported by all pre-specified subgroup analyses (age, sex, race, biopsy class, region, and prior MMF use) favoring voclosporin.

	Measure	Result	Odds Ratio [95% CI]	p-value
Primary Endpoint	Renal Response at 52 weeks	Voclosporin 40.8% Control 22.5%	2.65 [1.64, 4.27]	$p < 0.001$
Secondary Endpoints	Renal Response at 24 weeks	Voclosporin 32.4% Control 19.7%	2.23 [1.34, 3.72]	$p = 0.002$
	Partial Renal Response at 24 weeks	Voclosporin 70.4% Control 50.0%	2.43 [1.56, 3.79]	$p < 0.001$
	Partial Renal Response at 52 weeks	Voclosporin 69.8% Control 51.7%	2.26 [1.45, 3.51]	$p < 0.001$
	Time to UPCR ≤ 0.5	Voclosporin faster than Control	2.02 [1.51, 2.70] Hazard Ratio	$p < 0.001$
	Time to 50% reduction in UPCR	Voclosporin faster than Control	2.05 [1.62, 2.60] Hazard Ratio	$p < 0.001$

Voclosporin was generally well tolerated with no unexpected safety signals. Serious adverse events ("SAE") were reported in 20.8% of voclosporin patients vs. 21.3% in the control arm. Infection was the most commonly reported SAE with 10.1% of voclosporin patients versus 11.2% of patients in the control arm. Overall mortality in the trial was low, with six deaths observed; one in the voclosporin arm and five in the control arm. None of the deaths were determined by the investigators to be treatment related. Additionally, the voclosporin arm showed no significant decrease at week 52 in eGFR or increase in blood pressure, lipids or glucose, which are common adverse events associated with legacy CNIs. Voclosporin was granted fast track designation by the FDA in 2016.

We believe the totality of data from both the AURORA and AURA clinical trials can potentially serve as the basis for an NDA submission with the FDA. Under voclosporin's fast-track designation we intend to utilize a rolling NDA submission process. The rolling NDA submission process will commence with the filing of the non-clinical module by the end of the first quarter of 2020 to be followed by the chemistry, manufacturing and controls module as soon as practicable thereafter.

We expect to complete the NDA, including the clinical module, and submit it to FDA by the end of the second quarter of 2020.

The AURORA clinical trial was a global double-blind, placebo-controlled study (designed with target enrollment of 324 patients) to evaluate whether voclosporin added to background therapy of MMF can increase overall renal response rates in the presence of low dose steroids.

Patients were randomized 1:1 to either of: (i) 23.7 mg voclosporin BID and MMF, or (ii) MMF and placebo, with both arms receiving a rapid oral corticosteroid taper. As in the AURA clinical trial, the study population in AURORA is comprised of patients with biopsy proven active LN who will be evaluated on the primary efficacy endpoint of complete remission, or renal response, at 52 weeks, a composite which includes:

- urine protein-creatinine ratio of ≤ 0.5 mg/mg;
- normal, stable renal function (≥ 60 mL/min/1.73m² or no confirmed decrease from baseline in eGFR of $>20\%$);
- presence of sustained, low dose steroids (≤ 10 mg prednisone from week 44-52); and
- no administration of rescue medications.

Patients completing the AURORA trial had the option to roll over into a 104-week blinded extension study (the "AURORA 2 extension study"). The data from the AURORA 2 extension study will allow us to assess the long-term benefit/risk of voclosporin in LN patients, however, this study is not a requirement for potential FDA approval for voclosporin. Data from the AURORA 2 extension study assessing long-term outcomes in LN patients should be valuable in a post-marketing setting and for future interactions with various regulatory authorities.

We also plan to begin the process of evaluating voclosporin in pediatric patients after completion of the study report for AURORA.

Drug-Drug Interaction Study ("DDI")

On November 7, 2019 we announced the completion of a FDA-requested clinical DDI study in patients with lupus that investigated the potential effect of voclosporin on blood levels of mycophenolate acid ("MPA") the active metabolite of MMF, in patients with lupus. We believe that MMF, also known as CellCept® is considered by treating physicians to be part of the current standard of care for LN in the United States.

This DDI study aimed to measure and potentially quantify, the impact voclosporin may have on MPA blood levels when given concomitantly with MMF in patients with lupus. The study results indicate that the co-administration of voclosporin with MMF had no clinically significant impact on MPA blood concentrations. In past studies, it was reported that the legacy CNIs inhibit the multidrug-resistance-associated protein 2 (MRP-2) transporter in the biliary tract thereby preventing the excretion of mycophenolic acid glucuronide (MPAG) into the bile leading to the enterohepatic recirculation of MPA. This adverse impact of cyclosporine on MPA pharmacokinetics has resulted in a 30 - 50% reduction in MPA exposure when used in combination.

Initiation of Phase 2/3 AUDREY™ Clinical Trial

On October 31, 2019 we announced the initiation of patient enrollment into the AUDREY™ clinical trial evaluating VOS for the potential treatment of DES.

This study will include certain critical regulatory requirements that the FDA has traditionally accepted for DES product approval. These requirements include both dose-optimization requirements along with a comparison versus the nanomicellar vehicle.

The AUDREY™ clinical trial is a United States based randomized, double-masked, vehicle-controlled, dose ranging study to evaluate the efficacy and safety of VOS in subjects with DES and will enroll approximately 480 subjects. The study will consist of four arms and encompass a 1:1:1:1 randomization schedule to either 0.2% VOS, 0.1% VOS, 0.05% VOS or vehicle. Subjects will be dosed BID for 12 weeks.

The primary outcome measure for the trial is the proportion of subjects with ≥ 10 mm improvement in Schirmer Tear Test ("STT ") (an objective measure of tear production) at 4 weeks.

Secondary outcome measures will include STT at other time points, including at 12 weeks, Fluorescein Corneal Staining ("FCS") (an objective measure of structural damage to the cornea) at multiple time points, change in eye dryness, burning/stinging, itching, photophobia, eye pain and foreign body sensation at multiple time points, and additional safety endpoints.

Top-line results from the AUDREY™ clinical trial are anticipated during the second half of 2020.

We believe that it may be possible for the AUDREY™ clinical trial to act as one of the two pivotal clinical studies that would support approval by the FDA of VOS for the treatment of DES.

Animal safety toxicology studies were previously completed in rabbit and dog models, and additional longer-term animal safety toxicology studies are also currently being conducted.

Phase 2a DES Study results

On January 22, 2019 we released results for our exploratory Phase 2a head-to-head study evaluating the efficacy, safety and tolerability of VOS (voclosporin 0.2%) versus cyclosporine ophthalmic emulsion 0.05% (Restasis®) for the treatment of DES. The study was initiated in July of 2018 and full enrollment was achieved in the fourth quarter of 2018. We believe CNIs are a mainstay of treatment for DES. The goal of this program is to develop a best-in-class treatment option.

In this exploratory Phase 2a study:

- VOS showed statistical superiority to cyclosporine ophthalmic emulsion 0.05% on FDA-accepted objective signs of DES. This statistical superiority was seen in as quickly as in two weeks.
- 42.9% of VOS subjects vs 18.4% of cyclosporine ophthalmic emulsion 0.05% subjects ($p=.0055$) demonstrated ≥ 10 mm improvement in STT at Week 4.
- Primary endpoint of drop discomfort at 1-minute on Day 1 was not met. However, no statistical difference between VOS and Restasis® was shown, as both exhibited low drop discomfort scores. Both drugs were well-tolerated. Of note, voclosporin was given at four times the dose as cyclosporine with no additional drop discomfort as measured by the drop discomfort scores at one and five minutes after application.

On the key pre-specified secondary endpoints of STT and FCS, which are FDA-accepted efficacy endpoints, VOS showed rapid and statistically significant improvements over cyclosporine ophthalmic emulsion 0.05% at week 4 (STT: $p=.0051$; FCS: $p=.0003$).

This 100-patient, double-masked, head-to-head study was designed to evaluate the efficacy, safety and tolerability of VOS versus cyclosporine ophthalmic emulsion 0.05% in subjects with DES. Both arms of the study received either VOS or cyclosporine ophthalmic emulsion 0.05% (1:1) BID, in both eyes, for 28 days. Key pre-specified secondary endpoints, which are FDA-accepted endpoints, include STT, FCS, and assessments of dry eye symptoms. Improvements in STT and FCS are considered by regulators to be two of the most clinically meaningful measures of efficacy in this disease.

With the results seen in our Phase 2a exploratory study in terms of efficacy, we believe that VOS has a differentiated product profile with a long patent life that has the potential to compete favorably in the billion dollar human prescription dry eye market.

4-Week Pre-Specified Efficacy Endpoints (Signs)*	VOS	Restasis®	<i>p-value vs. Restasis®</i>
Schirmer Tear Test (STT) <i>(mm LS mean increase from baseline)</i>	8.6	3.3	.0051
% of subjects showing ≥ 10mm improvement in STT <i>(basis of FDA approval for other CNIs and an improvement is considered to be clinically significant)</i>	42.9%	18.4%	.0055
Fluorescein Corneal Staining (FCS) <i>(reduction in staining is clinically significant)</i>	-2.2	-0.2	.0003

*worst eye

Both treatment arms also demonstrated substantial and statistically significant improvements on the symptom assessment in dry eye score from baseline to week 4.

No SAE's were reported in the study, and there were no unexpected safety signals. All adverse events were mild to moderate and the majority of patients had no adverse events.

FSGS

As with other proteinuric kidney diseases, loss of podocyte function is a key feature of disease progression in FSGS. The disease has straightforward metrics where an early clinical response, determined by reduction in proteinuria, correlates with favorable long-term outcomes. Based on our clinical data in LN which demonstrated that voclosporin decreased proteinuria and the beneficial effects of CNIs on podocytes, we believe voclosporin has the potential to benefit patients with FSGS. In addition, voclosporin has a favorable metabolic profile and consistent predictable dose response potentially eliminating the need for therapeutic drug monitoring which are substantial advantages over legacy CNIs which are used off label primarily as second line immunotherapy in FSGS. Our Phase 2 proof-of-concept study in FSGS, which was designed as an open-label study of approximately 20 treatment-naive United States patients, was initiated in June 2018. The target population is newly diagnosed and steroid naive patients in a rare disease.

Enrollment in this study, primarily due to the target population patients available, has been slower than anticipated. Two activities have been implemented to enhance enrollment into the study. We have opened up additional sites outside of the United States and amended the protocol to permit entry of subjects who have received limited corticosteroid exposure in the past. Enrollment is ongoing and we anticipate interim data readouts in the second half of 2020.

September 2019 ATM

On September 13, 2019 we entered into an open market sale agreement with Jefferies LLC pursuant to which Aurinia would be able to, from time to time, sell, through at-the-market ("ATM") offerings, Common Shares that would have an aggregate offering price of up to US\$40 million (the "2019 ATM").

We sold 2.35 million Common Shares and received gross proceeds of US\$15.01 million at a weighted average price of US\$6.40 pursuant this agreement. We incurred share issue costs of US\$640,000 which included a 3% commission fee to Jefferies LLC. Sales in the ATM offering were only conducted in the United States through Nasdaq at market prices. On December 9, 2019, we terminated the September 13, 2019 open market sale agreement with Jefferies LLC related to the 2019 ATM.

Patent and Notice of Allowance

On February 25, 2019, we announced that we had received a notice of allowance (the "Notice of Allowance") from the US Patent and Trademark Office (the "USPTO") for claims directed at our novel voclosporin dosing protocol for LN (US patent application 15/835,219, entitled "*PROTOCOL FOR TREATMENT OF LUPUS NEPHRITIS*").

The allowed claims broadly cover the novel voclosporin *individualized flat-dosed pharmacodynamic treatment protocol* adhered to and required in both our Phase 3 AURORA clinical trial and our AURA Phase 2 clinical trial. Notably, the allowed claims cover a method of modifying the dose of voclosporin in patients with LN based on patient specific pharmacodynamic parameters.

This Notice of Allowance concluded a substantive examination of the patent application at the USPTO. After administrative processes were completed and fees were paid, on May 14, 2019 Aurinia was granted US Patent No. 10,286,036 with a term extending to December 2037. If the FDA approves the use of voclosporin for LN and the label for such use follows the dosing protocol, the issuance of this patent will expand the scope of intellectual property protection for voclosporin, which already includes manufacturing, formulation, synthesis and composition of matter patents.

We have also filed for protection of this subject matter under the PCT and have the option of applying for similar protection in the member countries thereof. This may lead to the granting of corresponding claims in the treaty countries which include all the major global pharmaceutical markets.

As we have been focused on LN and with the potential extended expansion of our intellectual property until 2037, expanding our scope to include other proteinuric renal diseases is synergistic with our current strategy and long-term vision.

Changes to our Board of Directors and Appointment of New Officers

On November 13, 2019 we announced the appointment of Ms. Jill Leversage to our Board of Directors and the resignation of Dr. Hyuek Joon Lee from our Board of Directors.

Ms. Leversage brings more than 25 years of financial and corporate governance expertise. She began her finance career at Burns Fry Ltd., and has held senior level positions at RBC Capital Markets, and TD Securities. Ms. Leversage has served on a number of public and not-for-profit corporate boards including MAG Silver Corp, RE Royalty Ltd., Insurance Corporate of BC, CMAIO, and the Vancouver Airport Authority. Ms. Leversage is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Professional Accountants of British Columbia and also a Chartered Business Valuator (ret.) of the Canadian Institute of Chartered Business Valuators.

On July 18, 2019, we announced the appointments of Mr. Max Donley, MBA as Executive Vice President of Internal Operations and Strategy and Glenn Schulman, PharmD, MPH as Senior Vice President of Corporate Communications and Investor Relations.

Mr. Donley most recently led Human Resources, Information Technology and Facilities at Senseonics. Prior to that, Mr. Donley was Executive Vice President of Global Human Resources, Information Technology, and Corporate Strategy at Sucampo Pharmaceuticals until its acquisition in February 2018. Prior to that, Mr. Donley served as Executive Vice President, Human Resources and Corporate Affairs at MedImmune, where he provided business-integrated leadership and delivered professional tools, programs and services to optimize MedImmune's human capital investments worldwide.

Dr. Glenn Schulman is a healthcare professional with nearly 20 years of advising biotech and life science companies. Prior to joining Aurinia, Dr. Schulman led Corporate Communications and Investor Relations at Achillion Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (Nasdaq: ACHN). Prior to Achillion, Dr. Schulman held positions of increasing responsibility at CuraGen Corp. where he was responsible for all aspects of corporate and medical communications, investor and public relations.

On June 26, 2019, Mr. R. Hector MacKay-Dunn, J.D., Q.C. was elected to the Board at the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders. Mr. MacKay-Dunn has over 30 years of practice experience providing legal advice to high growth public and private companies, many of which achieving valuations exceeding CA\$1 billion over a broad range of industry sectors including life sciences, health, and technology, advising on corporate domestic and cross-border public and private securities offerings, mergers and acquisitions and international partnering and licensing transactions, and boards of directors and independent board committees on corporate governance matters. Mr. MacKay-Dunn is recognized by Lexpert, as being among the Top 100 Canada/US Cross-Border Corporate Lawyers in Canada, has consistently been named among The Leading 500 Lawyers in Canada, and is recognized among Canada's leading lawyers in mergers & acquisitions, technology and biotechnology.

On April 29, 2019, Aurinia appointed Peter Greenleaf as Chief Executive Officer and as a Director on the Aurinia Board of Directors (the "Board"). We also announced the elevation of George M. Milne, Jr., PhD, to Chairman of the Board. Dr. Richard M. Glickman, who previously announced his plans to retire on November 6, 2018, stepped down from his role as Chairman and CEO concurrent with Mr. Greenleaf's appointment on April 29, 2019, and will remain an advisor to Aurinia for a period of 12 months.

With more than twenty years of experience leading pharmaceutical and biotech firms, Mr. Greenleaf most recently served as the CEO of Cerecor, a leading U.S. pediatric orphan and rare disease pharmaceutical company. Prior to that, Mr. Greenleaf was the Chairman and CEO of Sucampo Pharmaceuticals which he led through the successful sale to Mallinckrodt Pharmaceuticals, PLC for \$1.2B. Previously, Mr. Greenleaf served as the CEO and Board member of Histogenics, a regenerative medicine company. Prior to that he was the President of MedImmune, Inc, the global biologics arm of AstraZeneca, and President of MedImmune Ventures, a wholly owned venture capital fund within the AstraZeneca Group, where he led investment in emerging biopharmaceutical, medical device, and diagnostic companies.

On April 30, 2019, we announced the appointment of Dr. Daniel Billen to the Aurinia Board. Dr. Billen has more than four decades of experience leading the commercialization of pharmaceutical and biotech products in North America and Europe. Prior to his retirement, Dr. Billen served as Vice President and General Manager, Inflammation and Nephrology at Amgen, from 2011 until 2018. Prior to that, Dr. Billen was General Manager, Amgen Canada, from 1991 until 2011. Dr. Billen previously served in roles of escalating responsibility at Janssen from 1979 until 1991. Dr. Billen received his Ph.D. in Chemistry from the University of Louvain, Belgium.

November 2018 ATM

On November 30, 2018 we entered into an open market sale agreement with Jefferies LLC pursuant to which Aurinia would be able to, from time to time, sell, through ATM offerings, Common Shares that would have an aggregate offering price of up to US\$30 million. Aurinia filed a prospectus supplement with securities regulatory authorities in Canada in the provinces of British Columbia, Alberta and Ontario, and with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission, which supplemented Aurinia's short form base shelf prospectus dated March 26, 2018, and Aurinia's shelf registration statement on Form F-10 dated March 26, 2018, declared effective on March 29, 2018 (the "2018 ATM").

During the first quarter of 2019 we sold 4.61 million Common Shares and received gross proceeds of \$30 million at a weighted average price of \$6.51 pursuant to the 2018 ATM. We incurred share issue costs of US\$1.17 million including a 3% commission of \$900,000 to Jefferies LLC.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

For the year ended December 31, 2019, we reported a consolidated net loss of \$123.85 million or a \$1.33 loss per Common Share, as compared to a consolidated net loss of \$64.12 million or a \$0.76 loss per Common Share for the year ended December 31, 2018.

We recorded an increase in the estimated fair value of derivative warrant liabilities of \$41.12 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 compared to \$9.95 million for the previous year. These increases, which are non-cash in nature, increased the consolidated net loss for each of the years respectively. These revaluations fluctuate based primarily on the market price of our Common Shares. The significant increase of \$41.12 million in 2019 primarily reflected the significant increase in our share price following the release of our AURORA clinical trial results and the completion of the December 2019 Offering.

Derivative warrant liabilities are more fully discussed in the "Critical estimates in applying the Company's accounting policies" section of this MD&A and note 4 to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2019.

After adjusting for the non-cash impact of the revaluation of the warrant liabilities, the net loss before the change in estimated fair value of derivative warrant liabilities and income taxes for the year ended December 31, 2019 was \$82.58 million compared to \$54.09 million for the year ended December 31, 2018.

The higher net loss before the increase in estimated fair value of derivative warrant liabilities and income tax expense in 2019 reflected higher activity levels across the organization and other expenses of \$9.00 million as discussed in the "Other expenses" section below.

Licensing revenue, contract revenue and deferred revenue

Licensing Revenue

We recorded licensing revenue of \$118,000 (2018 - \$118,000) related to the upfront license payment of \$1.5 million received in 2010 pursuant to a licensing agreement (the "3SBio Inc. Agreement") with 3Bio Inc ("3SBio"). Under the 3SBio Agreement, the primary substantive obligations of the Company are to grant the license and transfer intellectual knowledge to 3SBio. Under the 3SBio Agreement, we are also required to maintain the patent portfolio in China, Taiwan and Hong Kong, and to provide further support and cooperation to 3SBio over the life of the 3SBio Agreement, which coincides with the life of the patents. Any additional assistance which may be provided to 3SBio will be performed on a full cost recovery basis. The deferred licensing fee revenue is recognized on a straight-line basis we satisfy the performance obligations over the life of the patents and the benefit to the customer transfers ratably throughout the patent life, which expires in 2022. As at December 31, 2019, \$324,000 (2018 - \$442,000) of deferred revenue remains relating to this payment. We will provide commercial supply to 3SBio on a cost-plus basis and will receive ongoing royalties based on sales of voclosporin by 3SBio. We do not expect to receive any royalty revenue pursuant to the 3SBio agreement for the foreseeable future.

On April 17, 2017, we entered into an agreement (the "MAH Agreement") with Merck Animal Health ("MAH") whereby the Company granted MAH worldwide rights to develop and commercialize its patented nanomicellar VOS for the treatment of DES in dogs. Under the terms of the MAH agreement, we received a milestone payment of \$200,000 in 2019. The MAH agreement provided MAH with a right to use intellectual property. MAH was able to direct the use of and obtain substantially all of the benefits from the license at the time that control of the rights was transferred and therefore, the milestone of \$200,000 was recognized as revenue in the year ended December 31, 2019. We are eligible to receive further payments based on certain development and sales milestones and receive royalties based on global product sales.

Contract Revenue

In 2018, we earned a contract revenue from a milestone payment of \$345,000 (CAD\$450,000) pursuant to a purchase and sale agreement dated February 14, 2014 between Ciclofilin Pharmaceuticals Corp. (now Hepion Pharmaceuticals, Inc.) and Aurinia Pharmaceuticals Inc. under which the Company sold the Non-Immunosuppressive Cyclosporine Analogue Molecules (NICAMs) early stage research and development asset to Ciclofilin. We are eligible to receive further payments based on certain development and sales milestones and to receive royalties based on global product sales. No milestones were earned in 2019. We have no ongoing obligations under this agreement.

Research and Development expenses

Research and development ("R&D") expenses increased to \$52.87 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 compared to \$41.38 million for the year ended December 31, 2018. The primary driver for this increase was an increase in drug manufacturing and supply costs of \$8.47 million.

Other R&D expenses by type of expense:

Contract Research Organizations ("CROs") and other third party clinical trial expenses were \$29.10 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 compared to \$27.92 million for the year ended December 31, 2018. Higher costs were incurred for the AURORA 2 extension study, completion of the DDI study, preparation costs associated with the planned NDA submission for LN, and initiation costs for the Phase 2/3 DES clinical study, offset by lower AURORA clinical trial costs.

We incurred drug manufacturing and supply costs of \$13.36 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 compared to \$4.89 million for the year ended December 31, 2018. The increase in these expenses primarily reflected the cost of manufacturing voclosporin for future commercial and investigational use in the amount of \$6.62 million and for the manufacturing of VOS for our AUDREY™ clinical trial. Under IFRS accounting standards, drug manufacturing costs for commercial purposes which otherwise could be recorded as inventory if the drug was approved by a regulatory body is currently required to be accounted for as an R&D expense.

Salaries, annual incentive pay accruals and employee benefits (excluding non-cash stock compensation expense noted below) increased to \$5.91 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 compared to \$4.26 million for the year ended December 31, 2018. The increase reflected the hiring of 10 additional R&D employees in 2019, higher incentive pay accruals recorded in 2019 as a result of positive AURORA trial results and operational progress achieved in 2019 and annual salary increases.

Included in the R&D expenses was non-cash stock compensation expense of \$2.69 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 compared to \$2.70 million for the year ended December 31, 2018 for stock options granted to R&D personnel.

Other expenses, which included items such as travel, clinical trial insurance, patent annuity and legal fees, phone and publications were \$1.81 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 compared to \$1.61 million for the year ended December 31, 2018.

Corporate, administration and business development expenses

Corporate, administration and business development expenses increased to \$22.15 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 compared to \$13.67 million for 2018.

Salaries, director fees, payroll accruals and employee benefits (excluding stock compensation expense noted below) were \$7.38 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 compared to \$4.60 million in 2018. The increases primarily reflected the hiring of 12 new employees in 2019, a higher incentive pay accrual recorded in 2019 as a result of the positive AURORA trial results and the operational progress achieved in 2019, a signing bonus paid to the new Chief Executive Officer and annual salary increases.

Corporate, administration and business development expenses included non-cash stock-based compensation expense of \$4.72 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 compared to \$4.16 million for 2018. See the section on stock-based compensation expense below for further details.

Professional and consulting fees were \$5.50 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 compared to \$2.30 million for the year ended December 31, 2018. The increase reflected a significant increase in activity levels across the organization and included higher fees in 2019 for activities such as strategic review, recruiting, legal, audit, market research and other pre-commercial activities undertaken during the year.

Rent, insurance, information technology, communications and other public company operating costs increased to \$2.35 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 compared to \$1.70 million for the year ended December 31, 2018. The increase reflected overall higher activity levels, higher staff numbers, and higher director and officer insurance costs commensurate with the company completing a Phase 3 clinical trial.

Travel, tradeshows, sponsorships and patient advocacy expenses increased to \$2.20 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 compared to \$900,000 for the year ended December 31, 2018. The increase reflected a significant increase in activities related to tradeshows, conferences, sponsorships, patient advocacy and travel in 2019 compared to those in 2018.

Other expenses

Other expenses were \$8.99 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 compared to \$169,000 for the year ended December 31, 2018. Other expense included:

Royalty Obligation

The royalty obligation is the result of a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Company dated March 8, 2012 whereby certain executive officers at that time were provided with future potential retention benefits for remaining with the Company as follows:

(a) Pursuant to a resolution of the Board of Directors of the Company on March 8, 2012 and a termination agreement and general release dated February 14, 2014, the Company will be required to pay a royalty, equivalent to 2% of royalties received on the sale of voclosporin by licensees and/or 0.3% of net sales of voclosporin sold directly by the Company to the Chief Executive Officer at the time of the resolution. Should the Company sell substantially all of the assets of voclosporin to a third party or transfer those assets to another party in a merger in a manner such that this payment obligation is no longer operative, then the Company would be required to pay 0.3% of the value attributable to voclosporin in the transaction.

(b) In addition, pursuant to a resolution of the Board of Directors of the Company on March 8, 2012, and employment agreements, two current executive officers are eligible to receive 0.1675% of royalty licensing revenue for royalties received on the sale of voclosporin by licensees and/or 0.025% of net sales of voclosporin sold directly by the Company. Should the Company sell substantially all of the assets of voclosporin to a third party or transfer those assets to another party in a merger, the executives will be entitled to receive 0.025% of the value attributable to voclosporin in the transaction, and the entitlement to further royalty or sales payments shall end. Effective October 1, 2019 pursuant to the employment agreements all service conditions have been met. The executive commitment will be terminated upon death.

The Board of Director resolution, dated March 8, 2012, created an employee benefit obligation contingent on the occurrence of uncertain future events. The probability that the specified events will occur affects the measurement of the obligation.

As a result of the completion of the Phase 3 lupus nephritis trial, and the results obtained from the trial in the fourth quarter of 2019 we re-assessed the probability of royalty obligation payments being required in the future, and have recorded the royalty obligation of \$7.20 million at December 31, 2019. Until one of the triggering events described in sections (a) or (b) occur, no royalty payments are required to be paid. Any royalty on sales or licensing are not expected in the next twelve months and therefore the royalty obligation has been classified as long term.

Revaluation adjustment on contingent consideration

The increase in contingent consideration of \$1.09 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 was comprised of an increase in fair value of \$1.19 million less the cash payment of \$100,000, compared to an increase in contingent consideration of \$236,000 for the year ended December 31, 2018. The increase at December 31, 2019 was primarily due to the change in presumed payment range. The increase in presumed payment range from 74% to 86% was attributable to the Phase 3 lupus nephritis clinical trial results.

Proxy contest costs

We incurred costs of \$720,000 for the year ended December 31, 2019 compared to \$Nil for the year ended December 31, 2018. These costs were associated with the successful defense of a proxy contest in connection with our annual general meeting held on June 26, 2019. There was no similar type of expense in 2018. These costs included legal and consulting fees and additional printing, mailing and meeting costs.

Interest income

We recorded interest income of \$2.70 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 compared to \$2.23 million for the year ended December 31, 2018. The increase in 2019 was primarily the result of higher average interest rates achieved in 2019 compared to 2018 and larger amounts invested in 2019 as a result of the financings completed in 2019.

Stock-based compensation expense

For stock option plan information and outstanding stock option details refer to note 14(c) of the audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2019.

We granted 4.12 million stock options for the year ended December 31, 2019 at a weighted average exercise price of \$6.14 compared to 3.00 million stock options at a weighted average exercise price of \$5.29 for the year ended December 31, 2018.

Application of the fair value method resulted in charges to stock-based compensation expense of \$7.41 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 (2018 – \$6.86 million) with corresponding credits to contributed surplus. For the year ended December 31, 2019, stock compensation expense has been allocated to R&D expense in the amount of \$2.69 million (2018 – \$2.70 million) and corporate, administration and business development expense in the amount of \$4.72 million (2018 – \$4.16 million).

The increase in stock option expense recorded as a corporate, administration and business development expense primarily reflected the granting of 2.51 million stock options in 2019 to new employees including 1.6 million stock options to the new Chief Executive Officer, partially offset by the reversal of stock option expense previously recorded related to stock options forfeited in 2019 upon the resignation of our previous Vice President of Public Affairs.

In 2019, Dr. Richard Glickman and Aurinia entered into a transition agreement whereby upon his retirement as Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Aurinia, Dr. Glickman would continue to provide substantive services as an adviser to the Company for a period of 12 months commencing May 6, 2019. Unvested stock options at May 6, 2019 were modified such that they will vest in equal installments over the next 12 months, subject to Dr. Glickman remaining an adviser to the Company at each of the vesting dates. The transition agreement resulted in 100,000 stock options that would have been forfeited at May 6, 2020 vesting on an accelerated timeline. Therefore, we determined that the amount expensed for such awards to date should be reversed. We recognized these 100,000 stock options as a new grant based on the fair value at the date of the transition agreement which will be expensed as they vest over the transition period. We also revised the allocation over the remaining vesting period to reflect the graded nature of the vesting over the transition period.

Amortization of acquired intellectual property and other intangible assets

Amortization of acquired intellectual property and other intangible assets decreased slightly to \$1.39 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 compared to \$1.55 million recorded in 2018.

Change in estimated fair value of derivative warrant liabilities

Derivative warrant liability related to December 28, 2016 bought deal public offering

On December 28, 2016, we completed a \$28.75 million bought deal public offering (the "December 2016 Offering"). Under the terms of the December 2016 Offering, we issued 12.78 million units at a subscription price per unit of \$2.25, each unit consisting of one Common Share and one-half (0.50) of a Common Share purchase warrant (a "2016 Warrant"), exercisable for a period of five years from the date of issuance at an exercise price of \$3.00 resulting in the issuance of 6.39 million 2016 Warrants. The holders of the 2016 Warrants issued pursuant to the December 2016 Offering may elect, if we do not have an effective registration statement registering the Common Shares underlying the Warrants, or the prospectus contained therein is not available for the issuance of the Common Shares underlying the 2016 Warrants to the holder, in lieu of exercising the 2016 Warrants for cash, a cashless exercise option to receive Common Shares equal to the fair value of the 2016 Warrants. This calculation is based on the number of 2016 Warrants to be exercised multiplied by the weighted average market price less the exercise price with the difference divided by the weighted average market price. If a 2016 Warrant holder exercises this option, there will be variability in the number of shares issued per 2016 Warrant. There can be no certainty that we will have an effective registration statement in place over the entire life of the 2016 Warrants and therefore, under IFRS we are required to record these 2016 Warrants as derivative warrant liabilities.

In the fourth quarter of 2019, 1.83 million of the 2016 Warrants were exercised for cash, at a price of \$3.00, and we received cash proceeds of \$5.50 million upon the issuance of 1.83 million Common Shares. Pursuant to the exercise of the 2016 Warrants, we transferred \$27.60 million from derivative warrant liability to equity (Common Shares).

The Company recorded an increase in the estimated fair value of the derivative warrant liability of \$41.48 million through the statement of operations and comprehensive loss for the year ended December 31, 2019 which represented a combination of the fair value adjustment at the date of exercise for the warrants exercised during the year and a fair value revaluation for the remaining warrants outstanding at December 31, 2019.

At December 31, 2019, there were 1.69 million of the 2016 Warrants outstanding at an exercise price of \$3.00.

Derivative warrant liability related to February 14, 2014 private placement offering

On February 14, 2014, we completed a \$52 million private placement (the "2014 Private Placement"). Under the terms of the 2014 Private Placement, we issued 18.92 million units at a subscription price per unit of \$2.7485, each unit consisting of one Common Share and one-quarter (0.25) of a Common Share purchase warrant (a "2014 Warrant"), exercisable for a period of five years from the date of issuance at an exercise price of \$3.2204. The holders of the 2014 Warrants issued pursuant to the 2014 Private Placement could elect, in lieu of exercising the 2014 Warrants for cash, a cashless exercise option to receive Common Shares equal to the fair value of the 2014 Warrants based on the number of 2014 Warrants to be exercised multiplied by a five-day weighted average market price less the exercise price with the difference divided by the weighted average market price.

In the first quarter ended March 31, 2019, the 1.74 million remaining 2014 Warrants outstanding at December 31, 2018 were exercised. Certain holders of the 2014 Warrants elected the cashless exercise option and we issued 687,000 Common Shares on the cashless exercise of 1.27 million 2014 Warrants. The remaining 464,000 warrants were exercised for cash, at a price of \$3.2204, and as a result we received cash proceeds of \$1.49 million upon the issuance of 464,000 Common Shares. Pursuant to the exercise of the 2014 Warrants, we transferred \$5.92 million from derivative warrant liability to equity (Common Shares) and recorded an adjustment of \$363,000 through the statement of operations and comprehensive loss related to the change in estimated fair value of derivative warrant liabilities in the first quarter ended March 31, 2019. As a result, the derivative warrant liability of \$6.27 million at December 31, 2018 related to the 2014 Private Placement was extinguished in 2019.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

At December 31, 2019, we had cash and cash equivalents on hand of \$306.02 million compared to cash, cash equivalents and short term investments of \$125.86 million at December 31, 2018.

The increase in cash and cash equivalents primarily reflected the completion of the December 2019 Offering for net proceeds of \$179.92 million as described in the Corporate and Clinical Developments section of this MD&A.

We are a development stage company and are devoting the majority of our operational efforts and financial resources towards the clinical development and potential commercialization of our late stage drug, voclosporin. For the year ended December 31, 2019, we reported a loss of \$123.85 million (December 31, 2018 - \$64.12 million) and a cash outflow from operating activities of \$63.46 million (December 31, 2018 - \$51.61 million). As at December 31, 2019 we had an accumulated deficit of \$539.81 million (December 31, 2018 - \$415.96 million).

We believe that our cash position is sufficient to fund our current plans which include conducting our planned R&D programs, completing the NDA submission with the FDA, funding pre-commercial and launch activities, manufacturing and packaging of commercial drug supply required for launch, and funding our supporting corporate and working capital needs through 2021.

Sources and Uses of Cash:

	Year ended December 31, 2019 (in thousands)	Year ended December 31, 2018 (in thousands)	Increase (Decrease) (in thousands)
	\$	\$	\$
Cash used in operating activities	(63,456)	(51,610)	(11,846)
Cash generated from (used in) investing activities	7,780	(66)	7,846
Cash generated from financing activities	243,728	4,014	239,714
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	188,052	(47,662)	235,714

Net cash used in operating activities in fiscal 2019 was \$63.46 million, an increase of \$11.85 million, from cash used in operating activities of \$51.61 million in 2018. Cash used in operating activities in 2019 and 2018 was composed of net loss, add-backs or adjustments not involving cash, such as stock-based compensation, royalty obligation, and change in estimated fair value of derivative warrant liabilities and net change in other operating assets and liabilities including prepaid expenses and deposits and accounts payable and accrued liabilities. Prepaid expenses and deposits increased to \$8.75 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 from \$6.78 million for the year ended December 31, 2018. Prepaid expenses, deposits and other included a deposit for the manufacture of active pharmaceutical ingredient ("API") in the amount of \$5.32 million compared to \$3.29 million for the year ended December 31, 2018.

Cash generated from investing activities for the year ended December 31, 2019 was \$7.78 million compared to cash used in investing activities of \$66,000 for the year ended December 31, 2018. The change in these amounts primarily related to movements within our short term investment portfolio which was comprised of bonds and treasury notes.

Cash generated from financing activities for the year ended December 31, 2019 was \$243.73 million compared to cash generated by financing activities of \$4.01 million for the year ended December 31, 2018. Cash generated from financing activities for the year ended December 31, 2019 included net proceeds of \$179.92 million from the December 2019 Offering and \$43.20 million from the 2019 ATM and 2018 ATM. We also received \$6.99 million from the exercise of derivative warrants and \$13.75 million from the exercise of stock options for the year ended December 31, 2019 compared to proceeds of \$3.07 million for warrants and \$943,000 for stock options in 2018.

Use of Financing Proceeds

March 2017 Offering

On March 20, 2017, we completed an underwritten public offering of 25.64 million Common Shares, which included 3.35 million Common Shares issued pursuant to the full exercise of the underwriters' over-allotment option to purchase additional Common Shares, for net proceeds of \$162.32 million, which are to be used for R&D activities and for working capital and corporate purposes.

November 2018 ATM

In our fiscal year ended December 31, 2019, we received net proceeds of \$28.83 Million from the 2018 ATM. The net proceeds are to be used for working capital and corporate purposes.

September 2019 ATM

In our fiscal year ended December 31, 2019, we received net proceeds of \$14.37 million from the 2019 ATM. The net proceeds are to be used for working capital and corporate purposes.

December 2019 Offering

On December 12, 2019, we completed an underwritten public offering of 12.78 million Common Shares, which included 1.67 million Common Shares issued pursuant to the full exercise of the underwriters' over-allotment option to purchase additional Common Shares, for net proceeds of \$179.92 million, which are to be used for pre-commercialization and launch activities, working capital and general corporate purposes.

A summary of the anticipated and actual use of net proceeds used to date from the above financings is set out in the table below.

Allocation of net proceeds	Total net proceeds from financings (in thousands)	Net proceeds used to date (in thousands)
	\$	\$
March 20, 2017 Offering:		
R&D activities	123,400	97,218
Working capital and corporate purposes	38,924	23,602
Subtotal:	162,324	120,820
November 30, 2018 ATM facility		
	28,830	—
September 13, 2019 ATM facility		
	14,371	—
December 12, 2019 Public Offering:		
Pre-commercial and launch activities, working capital and corporate purposes	179,918	—
Total:	385,443	120,820

To December 31, 2019, there have been no material variances from how we disclosed we were going to use the proceeds from the above noted offerings and thus, no material impact on its ability to achieve our business objectives and milestones.

CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS

We have the following contractual obligations as at December 31, 2019:

	Total (in thousands)	Less than one year (in thousands)	One to three years (in thousands)	Four to five years (in thousands)	More than five years (in thousands)
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Operating lease obligations ⁽¹⁾	283	283	—	—	—
Purchase obligations ⁽²⁾	8,256	8,196	60	—	—
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	11,177	11,177	—	—	—
Contingent consideration to ILJIN ⁽³⁾	5,113	—	4,752	361	—
Total	24,829	19,656	4,812	361	—

(1) Operating lease obligations are comprised of the future minimum lease payments for our premises.

(2) We have entered into contractual obligations for services and materials required for our ongoing clinical trials and other R&D projects, our drug supply, and our pre-commercial activities. The purchase obligations presented represent the minimum amount to exit our contractual commitments.

(3) Contingent consideration to ILJIN is described in note 11 to the consolidated audited financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2019.

We entered into an agreement, effective June 1, 2014, to sublease 5,540 square feet of office and storage space at our head office location in Victoria, British Columbia for a term of five years. On December 6, 2018 we signed a commitment letter and entered into a new sublease on January 28, 2019 to rent 9,406 square feet of office and storage space at the existing location effective June 1, 2019. The new sublease is for a term of three years, however, we have the ability to cancel upon 12 months' notice. The estimated base rent plus operating costs on a monthly basis for the period from January 1, 2020 to May 31, 2020 is approximately US\$21,000 per month increasing to approximately US\$22,000 per month for the period of June 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020. On December 6, 2019, the head lessee provided notice to the landlord the intent to terminate the lease effective December 31, 2020. As a result our sublease with the head lessee will also terminate effective December 31, 2020. We are exploring our leasing options for our Victoria head office, which may include entering into a new lease at the current premises.

We entered into an agreement on November 14, 2014 to lease 1,247 square feet of office space for a term of two years commencing on January 1, 2015 for the Edmonton, Alberta registered office where the Company's finance group is located. The lease was subsequently renewed until December 31, 2019 at a cost of approximately US\$1,400 per month on the same terms as the original lease. On October 1, 2019 we entered into an agreement with the same landlord to lease larger premises at #201, 17873 - 106A Avenue, Edmonton, Alberta, consisting of 2,248 square feet of office space, for a term commencing October 1, 2019 to September 30, 2020 at a cost of approximately US\$2,200 per month, surrendering the remaining term of the renewal lease previously entered into.

As at December 31, 2019 we are party to agreements with CROs and a central laboratory and other third party service providers providing services to us for our clinical trials and studies and other research and development activities and for drug supply. Corresponding anticipated expenses over the next twelve months, are estimated to be in the range of \$27-\$32 million.

RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Related parties

Compensation of Key Management

Compensation awarded to key management (defined as Directors and Executive Officers) was composed of the following:

	(in thousands)	
	2019	2018
	\$	\$
Salaries, short-term employee benefits	2,575	2,042
Bonuses accrued or paid	1,667	879
Director fees and services	592	446
Stock-based compensation	4,717	4,971
	<u>9,551</u>	<u>8,338</u>

We also recorded a royalty obligation expense of \$1.03 million in 2019 (\$Nil in 2018) for two executive officers, which is not included in the above numbers, as discussed in the "Other expenses" section of this MD&A.

Other

Stephen P. Robertson, a partner at Borden Ladner Gervais ("BLG") acts as our Corporate Secretary. We incurred legal fees in the normal course of business to BLG of \$473,000 for the year ended December 31, 2019 compared to \$135,000 for the year ended December 31, 2018. The amount charged by BLG is based on standard hourly billing rates for the individuals working on our account. We have no ongoing contractual or other commitments as a result of engaging Mr. Robertson to act as our Corporate Secretary. Mr. Robertson receives no additional compensation for acting as the Corporate Secretary beyond his standard hourly billing rate.

The outstanding contingent consideration payable to ILJIN, is the result of an arrangement agreement completed on September 20, 2013 between the Company, Aurinia Pharma Corp. and ILJIN. The contingent consideration payable to ILJIN is more fully discussed in note 11 of the consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2019. As a result of the resignation of Hyuek Joon Lee (an employee of ILJIN) from the Board in the fourth quarter of 2019, ILJIN is no longer considered a related party as ILJIN no longer has representation on the Board.

OFF-BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENTS

There are no material undisclosed off-balance sheet arrangements that have or are reasonably likely to have, a material current or future effect on our results of operations or financial condition.

CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGMENTS

The preparation of consolidated financial statements in accordance with IFRS often requires management to make estimates about, and apply assumptions or subjective judgment to, future events and other matters that affect the reported amounts of our assets, liabilities, revenues, expenses and related disclosures. Assumptions, estimates and judgments are based on historical experience, expectations, current trends and other factors that management believes to be irrelevant at the time at which our consolidated financial statements are prepared. Management reviews, on a regular basis, our accounting policies, assumptions, estimates and judgments in order to ensure the consolidated financial statements are presented fairly and in accordance with IFRS.

Critical accounting estimates and judgments are those that have a significant risk of causing material adjustment and are often applied to matters or outcomes that are inherently uncertain and subject to change. As such, management cautions that future events often vary from forecasts and expectations and that estimates routinely require adjustment.

Management considers the following areas to be those where critical accounting policies affect the significant judgments and estimates used in the preparation of our consolidated financial statements.

Critical estimates in applying Aurinia's accounting policies

- **Contingent consideration**

Contingent consideration is a financial liability recorded at fair value. The amount of contingent consideration to be paid is based on the occurrence of future events, such as the achievement of certain development, regulatory and sales milestones. Accordingly, the estimate of fair value contains uncertainties as it involves judgment about the likelihood and timing of achieving these milestones as well as the discount rate used. Changes in fair value of the contingent consideration obligation result from changes to the assumptions used to estimate the probability of success for each milestone, the anticipated timing of achieving the milestones and the discount

period and rate to be applied. A change in any of these assumptions could produce a different fair value, which could have a material impact on the results from operations.

The fair value estimates at December 31, 2019 were based on a discount rate of 10% (2018 - 10%) and a presumed payment range between 50% and 86 % (2018 - 50% and 74%). The fair value of this contingent consideration as at December 31, 2019 was estimated to be \$5.11 million (December 31, 2018 - \$4.03 million) and was determined by estimating the probability and timing of achieving the milestones and applying the income approach.

The change in the revaluation amounts in 2019 resulted primarily from the change in the probability factor from 74% to 86% for the milestones related to LN as a result of the positive results from the AURORA trial.

This is a Level 3 recurring fair value measurement. If the probability for success were to increase by a factor of 10% for each milestone, this would increase the net present value ("NPV") of the obligation by approximately \$637,000 as at December 31, 2019. If the probability for success were to decrease by a factor of 10% for each milestone, this would decrease the NPV of the obligation by approximately \$637,000 as at December 31, 2019. If the discount rate were to increase to 12%, this would decrease the NPV of the obligation by approximately \$167,000. If the discount rate were to decrease to 8%, this would increase the NPV of the obligation by approximately \$177,000.

- **Royalty obligation**

As the royalty obligation is a calculation of future payments the Company is required to use judgment to determine the most appropriate model to use to measure the obligation and is required to use significant judgment and estimates in determining the inputs into the model. There are multiple unobservable inputs. The determination of these cash flows is subject to significant estimates and assumptions including:

- Net pricing - this includes estimates of the gross pricing of the product, gross to net discount and annual price escalations of the product
- Number of patients being treated - this includes various inputs to derive the number of patients receiving treatment including the number of patients receiving treatment, market penetration, time to peak market penetration, and the timing of generics entering the market
- Probability of success and occurrence - this is the probability of the future cash outflows occurring
- Discount rate - the rate selected to measure the risks inherent in the future cash flows

Management developed the model and inputs in conjunction with their internal scientific team and utilized third party scientific studies, information provided by third party consultants engaged by the Company and research papers as sources to develop their inputs. They also utilized the market capitalization of the Company as one input into the model. Management believes the liability is based on reasonable assumptions, however these assumptions may be incomplete or inaccurate and unanticipated events and circumstances may occur. Reasonable possible changes in the assumptions have a material impact on the estimated value of the obligation. There are numerous significant inputs into the model all of which individually or in combination result in a material change to the obligation.

The key assumptions used by management include the estimated probability of market approval of 86%, and the discount rate of 12%. If the probability of success were to increase to 95% this would increase the obligation by \$737,000 and if it were to decrease to 77% this would decrease the obligation by \$737,000. If the discount rate were to increase to 14%, this would decrease the obligation by \$860,000, and if it were to decrease to 10%, this would increase the obligation by \$1,022,000. An increase or decrease in the estimated gross pricing by 10% would result in a \$700,000 change in the obligation. An increase or decrease in the estimated number of patients being treated by 10% would result in a \$700,000 change in the obligation. A change in the obligation value would also impact the related expense.

- **Derivative warrant liabilities**

Warrants issued pursuant to equity offerings that are potentially exercisable in cash or on a cashless basis resulting in a variable number of shares being issued are considered derivative liabilities and therefore measured at fair value.

We use the Black-Scholes pricing model to estimate fair value at each exercise and period end date. The key assumptions used in the model are the expected future volatility in the price of our shares and the expected life of the warrants. The impact of changes in key assumptions are noted below.

These derivative warrant liabilities are Level 3 recurring fair value measurements.

The key Level 3 inputs used by management to estimate the fair value are the market price and the expected volatility. If the market price were to increase by a factor of 10%, this would increase the estimated fair value of the obligation by approximately \$3.43 million as at December 31, 2019. If the market price were to decrease by a factor of 10%, this would decrease the estimated fair value of the obligation by approximately \$3.43 million.

- **Fair value of stock options**

Determining the fair value of stock options on the grant date requires judgment related to the choice of a pricing model, the estimation of stock price volatility and the expected term of the underlying instruments. Any changes in the estimates or inputs utilized to determine

fair value could result in a significant impact on our reported operating results, liabilities or other components of shareholders' equity. The key assumptions used by management is the stock price volatility.

If the stock price volatility was higher by a factor of 10% on the option grant dates in 2019, this would have increased annual stock compensation expense by approximately \$371,000. If the stock price volatility was lower by a factor of 10% on the grant date, this would have decreased annual stock compensation expense by approximately \$381,000.

We used the Black-Scholes option pricing model to estimate the fair value of the options granted in 2019 and 2018.

We consider historical volatility of our Common Shares in estimating its future stock price volatility. The risk-free interest rate for the expected life of the options was based on the yield available on government benchmark bonds with an approximate equivalent remaining term at the time of the grant. The expected life is based upon the contractual term, taking into account expected employee exercise and expected post-vesting employment termination behavior.

Critical judgments in applying Aurinia's accounting policies

- Revenue recognition

Our assessments related to the recognition of revenues for arrangements containing multiple elements are based on estimates and assumptions. Judgment is necessary to identify separate performance obligations and to allocate related consideration to each separate performance obligation. Where deferral of license fees is deemed appropriate, subsequent revenue recognition is often determined based on certain assumptions and estimates, our continuing involvement in the arrangement, the benefits expected to be derived by the customer and expected patent lives. The estimate of variable consideration requires significant judgment and an assessment of their potential reversal. We also use judgement in assessing if a license is a right to use or a right to access intellectual property. Factors that are considered include whether the customer reasonably expects (arising from the entity's customary business practices) that the entity will undertake activities that will significantly affect the intellectual property, the rights granted by the license directly expose the customer to any positive or negative effects of the entity's activities and whether those activities transfer a separate good or service to the customer. To the extent that any of the key assumptions or estimates change, future operating results could be affected.

- Royalty obligation

The Company follows the guidance of IAS 19 in assessing the recognition of a royalty obligation. The recognition of a royalty obligation and the determination of the amount to record is based on estimates and assumptions. Judgment is necessary to determine these estimates and assumptions which include determining the likelihood of future material payments becoming probable and the the best methods by which to quantify these payments.

During the year the Company successfully completed the phase 3 trial for lupus nephritis and as result is in the process of preparing an NDA submission for regulatory approval with the FDA. As a result of this milestone being achieved, management has determined that future royalties are more probable to be payable in the future than in previous years, and therefore has recorded a royalty obligation.

Management determined that an income approach using an internal risk-adjusted net present value analysis was the best estimate to measure the obligation. This approach was further supported by a valuation model utilizing a market capitalization approach.

- Impairment of intangible assets

We follow the guidance of IAS 36 to determine when impairment indicators exist for intangible assets. When impairment indicators exist, we are required to make a formal estimate of the recoverable amount of its intangible assets. This determination requires significant judgment. In making this judgment, management evaluates external and internal factors, such as significant adverse changes in the technological, market, economic or legal environment in which we operate as well as the results of our ongoing development programs. Management also considers the carrying amount of our net assets in relation to our market capitalization as a key indicator. In making a judgment as to whether impairment indicators exist as at December 31, 2019, management concluded there were none.

- Derivative warrant liabilities

Management has determined that derivative warrant liabilities are classified as long term as these derivative warrant liabilities will ultimately be settled for Common Shares and therefore the classification is not relevant.

- Capitalization of research and development expense

Internal development expenditure is capitalized if it meets the recognition criteria of IAS 38 Intangible Assets. This is considered a key judgment. Where regulatory and other uncertainties are such that the criteria are not met, the expenditures is recognized in net loss and this is almost invariably the case prior to approval of the drug by the relevant regulatory authority.

Judgment is applied in determining the starting point for capitalizing internal development costs. However, a strong indication that the criteria in IAS 38 to capitalize these costs arises when a product obtains final approval by a regulatory authority. It is the clearest point at which the technical feasibility of completing the asset is proven and is the most difficult criterion to demonstrate. Filing for obtaining regulatory approval is also sometimes considered as the point at which all relevant criteria including technical feasibility are considered met. During 2019 the Company successfully completed the phase 3 trial for lupus nephritis. At December 31, 2019 the

Company had not made an application for regulatory approval or received regulatory approval in any market. Therefore, in management's judgment the criteria to capitalize development costs had not been met.

- Deferred tax asset

The company recognizes deferred tax assets only to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits, feasible tax planning strategies and deferred tax liabilities will be available against which the tax losses can be utilized. Estimation of the level of future taxable profits is therefore required in order to determine the appropriate carrying value of the deferred tax asset. Given the company's past losses, plans to continue research and development in other indications and uncertainty of its ability to generate future taxable profit, management does not believe that it is more probable than not that the company can realize its deferred tax assets and therefore, it has not recognized any amount in the consolidated statements of financial position.

RECENT CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING STANDARDS

New Accounting Standard Adopted in 2019

IFRS 16 - Leases

We adopted IFRS 16 Leases ("IFRS 16") with the date of initial application of January 1, 2019 using the modified retrospective. In accordance with the transitional provisions in IFRS 16 comparative figures have not been restated, rather the reclassifications and adjustments arising from the adoption of this standard are recognized in the opening Statement of Financial Position on January 1, 2019. The impact of adoption of IFRS 16 is disclosed in note 9 to the audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2019.

The following policies are applicable from January 1, 2019. In the comparative period, leases were accounted for in accordance with the accounting policy for leases disclosed in our December 31, 2018 annual audited consolidated financial statements.

Policy applicable from January 1, 2019:

At inception of a contract, we assess whether a contract is, or contains, a lease. A contract contains a lease if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration.

We assess whether:

- the contract involves the use of an explicitly or implicitly identified asset;
- the Company has the right to obtain substantially all of the economic benefits from the use of the asset throughout the contract term;
- the Company has the right to direct the use of the asset.

We recognize a right-of-use asset and a lease liability at the commencement date of the lease, the date the underlying asset is available for use. Right-of-use assets are measured at cost, less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses, and adjusted for any remeasurement of lease liabilities. The cost of right-of-use assets includes the initial amount of lease liabilities recognized, initial direct costs incurred, restoration costs and lease payments made at or before the commencement date less any lease incentive received, if any.

Unless we are reasonably certain to obtain ownership of the leased asset at the end of the lease term, the right-of-use assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the shorter of the estimated useful life and the lease term. Right-of-use assets are subject to impairment.

At the commencement date of the lease, we recognize lease liabilities measured at the present value of lease payments to be made over the lease term, discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease or, if that rate cannot be readily determined, our incremental borrowing rate. The lease payments include fixed payments, variable lease payments that depend on an index or a rate, amounts expected to be paid under residual value guarantees and the exercise price of a purchase option reasonably certain to be exercised by us.

After the commencement date, the amount of lease liabilities is increased to reflect the accretion of interest and reduced for the lease payments made. In addition, the carrying amount of lease liabilities is remeasured if there is a modification, a change in the lease term, a change in the fixed lease payments or a change in the assessment to purchase the underlying asset.

We present right-of-use assets in the property and equipment line and lease liabilities in the lease liability line on the consolidated statement of financial position.

Short term leases and leases of low value assets

We have elected to use the practical expedient permitted by the standard and not to recognize right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for leases that have a lease term of 12 months or less and do not contain a purchase option or for leases related to low value assets. Lease payments on short term leases and leases of low value assets are recognized as an expense in the consolidated statement of operations and comprehensive loss.

For periods prior to January 1, 2019 the Company recognized operating lease payments in the consolidated statement of operations and comprehensive loss on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease.

RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

We have invested a significant portion of our time and financial resources in the development of voclosporin. We anticipate that our ability to generate revenues and meet expectations will depend primarily on the successful development, regulatory approval and commercialization of voclosporin.

The successful development and commercialization of voclosporin will depend on several factors, including the following:

- receipt of marketing approvals from the FDA and other regulatory authorities with a commercially viable label;
- securing and maintaining sufficient expertise and resources to help in the continuing development and eventual commercialization of voclosporin;
- maintaining suitable manufacturing and supply arrangements to ensure commercial quantities of the product through validated processes; and
- acceptance and adoption of the product by the medical community and third-party payers.

A more detailed list of the risks and uncertainties affecting us can be found under the heading "*Risk Factors*" in our annual information form which is filed on SEDAR and EDGAR.

Capital management

Our objective in managing capital, consisting of shareholders' equity, with cash, cash equivalents and short term investments being its primary components, is to ensure sufficient liquidity to fund R&D activities, corporate, administration and business development expenses and working capital requirements. This objective has remained the same from that of the previous year.

Over the past two years, we have raised capital via a public offering, the exercise of warrants and stock options and draw-downs under our ATM facilities, as our primary sources of liquidity, as discussed in note 14 - Share Capital to the audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2019.

As our policy is to retain cash to keep funds available to finance the activities required to advance our product development, we do not currently pay dividends.

We are not subject to any capital requirements imposed by any regulators or by any other external source.

Financial instruments and Risks

We are exposed to credit risks and market risks related to changes in interest rates and foreign currency exchange, each of which could affect the value of our current assets and liabilities.

We have invested our cash reserves in U.S. dollar denominated, fixed rate, highly liquid and highly rated financial instruments such as treasury notes, banker acceptances, bank bonds, and term deposits. We do not believe that the results of operations or cash flows would be affected to any significant degree by a sudden change in market interest rates relative to our investment portfolio, as our financial resources were held in cash or cash equivalents at December 31, 2019.

Financial risk factors

Our activities can expose us to a variety of financial risks: market risk (including currency risk and interest rate risk), credit risk and liquidity risk. Risk management is carried out by management under policies approved by the Board of Directors. Management identifies and evaluates the financial risks. Our overall risk management program seeks to minimize adverse effects on our financial performance.

Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk we will not be able to meet our financial obligations as they fall due. We manage our liquidity risk through the management of our capital structure and financial leverage, as discussed above in "Capital Management". We also manage liquidity risk by continuously monitoring actual and projected cash flows. The Board reviews and approves our budget, as well as any material transactions out of the ordinary course of business. We invest our cash equivalents in U.S. denominated term deposits with 30 to 90-day maturities, and U.S. denominated short term investments consisting of bonds and treasury notes issued by banks and/or United States or Canadian governments with maturities not exceeding two years to ensure our liquidity needs are met.

All of our financial liabilities are due within one year except for the contingent consideration, as described in note 11 to the audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2019, the royalty obligation, as described in note 12 to the audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2019 and the derivative warrant liability, as described in note 13 to the audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2019.

Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates.

Financial assets and financial liabilities with variable interest rates expose us to cash flow interest rate risk. Our cash and cash equivalents are comprised of highly liquid investments that earn interest at market rates and the short term investments held during the year were comprised of bank or government bonds with a maturity of two years or less. Accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued liabilities bear no interest.

We manage our interest rate risk by maintaining the liquidity necessary to conduct operations on a day-to-day basis. Our exposure to interest rate risk as at December 31, 2019 was considered minimal as our financial resources were held as cash and cash equivalents.

Credit risk

Financial instruments that potentially subject us to significant concentrations of credit risk consist principally of cash, cash equivalents and short term investments which were held at three major Canadian banks. We regularly monitor the credit risk exposure and take steps to mitigate the likelihood of these exposures resulting in expected loss.

Foreign currency risk

We are exposed to financial risk related to the fluctuation of foreign currency exchange rates. Foreign currency risk is the risk variations in exchange rates between the US dollars and foreign currencies, primarily with the Canadian dollar, will affect our operating and financial results.

The following table presents our exposure to the Canadian dollar:

	December 31, 2019 \$	(in thousands) December 31, 2018 \$
Cash and cash equivalents	12,711	364
Accounts receivable	33	24
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(2,332)	(1,677)
Net exposure	<u>10,412</u>	<u>(1,289)</u>
		<u>Reporting date rate</u>
	<u>December 31, 2019</u> \$	<u>December 31, 2018</u> \$
CAS – US\$	<u>0.770</u>	<u>0.733</u>

Based on our foreign currency exposure noted above, varying the foreign exchange rates to reflect a ten percent strengthening of the CAS\$ would have increased the net loss by \$1.04 million assuming all other variables remained constant. An assumed 10% weakening of the CAS\$ would have had an equal but opposite effect to the amounts shown above, on the basis all other variables remain constant.

Intellectual Property Rights

Patents and other proprietary rights are essential to our business. Our policy has been to file patent applications to protect technology, inventions and improvements to our inventions that are considered important to the development of our business.

We have an extensive granted patent portfolio covering voclosporin, including granted United States patents, for composition of matter, methods of use, formulations and synthesis. The corresponding Canadian, South African and Israeli patents are owned by Paladin Labs Inc. We anticipate that upon regulatory approval, patent protection for voclosporin will be extended in the United States (Patent Term Extension) and certain other major markets, including Europe and Japan, until at least October 2027 under the Hatch-Waxman Act in the United States and comparable patent extension laws in other countries (including the Supplementary Protection Certificate program in Europe). Opportunities may also be available to add an additional six months of exclusivity related to pediatric studies which are currently in the planning process. In addition to patent rights, we also expect to receive “new chemical entity” exclusivity for voclosporin in certain countries, which provides this type of exclusivity for five years in the United States and up to ten years in Europe.

Further, on May 14, 2019 Aurinia was granted U.S. Patent No. 10,286,036 with a term extending to December 2037, with claims directed at our voclosporin dosing protocol for LN. The allowed claims broadly cover the novel voclosporin individualized flat-dosed pharmacodynamic treatment protocol adhered to and required in both the previously reported Phase 2 AURA-LV trial and our Phase 3 confirmatory AURORA clinical trial. Notably, the allowed claims cover a method of modifying the dose of voclosporin in patients with LN based on patient specific pharmacodynamic parameters. If the FDA approves the use of voclosporin for LN and the label for such use follows the dosing protocol claimed in U.S. Patent No. 10,286,036, this patent will expand the scope of intellectual property protection for voclosporin, which already includes manufacturing, formulation, synthesis and composition of matter patents. We have also filed for protection of this subject matter under the PCT

and have the option of applying for similar protection in the member countries thereof. This may lead to the granting of similar claims in major global pharmaceutical markets.

We have licensed the development and distribution rights to voclosporin for China, Hong Kong and Taiwan to 3SBio. This license is royalty bearing and we will also supply finished product to 3SBio on a cost-plus basis. We do not expect to receive any royalty revenue pursuant to this license in the foreseeable future.

We have patent protection for VOS as we own three granted United States patents and 14 patents in other jurisdictions related to ophthalmic formulations of calcineurin inhibitors or mTOR inhibitors, including voclosporin. We also have one granted United States patent and 10 patents in other jurisdictions related to topical drug delivery system for ophthalmic use. These patents expire between 2028 and 2031.

CONTINGENCIES

We may, from time to time, be subject to claims and legal proceedings brought against us in the normal course of business. Such matters are subject to many uncertainties. Management believes that the ultimate resolution of such contingencies will not have a material adverse effect on our consolidated financial position.

We have entered into indemnification agreements with our officers and directors. The maximum potential amount of future payments required under these indemnification agreements is unlimited. However, we do maintain liability insurance to limit our exposure.

The Company has an obligation with a third party pursuant to a technology transfer agreement whereby the Company will be required to pay a \$500,000 milestone payment upon approval by the FDA of a new drug application for VOS. Upon commercialization, a 2% royalty on net sales of VOS will also be payable. Alternatively, if the Company licenses VOS, 10% of any licensing fees will be payable to the third party. The Company also has the right at any time and at its sole discretion to make a single payment of \$5.0 million to the third party which will extinguish all obligations to the third party. Currently the future payments made pursuant to this agreement are indeterminable. Such matters are subject to many uncertainties, and therefore no amounts have been accrued related to the agreement.

We have entered into license and research and development agreements with third parties that include indemnification and obligation provisions that are customary in the industry. These guarantees generally require us to compensate the other party for certain damages and costs incurred as a result of third party claims or damages arising from these transactions. These provisions may survive termination of the underlying agreement. The nature of the obligations prevents us from making a reasonable estimate of the maximum potential amount we could be required to pay. Historically, we have not made any payments under such agreements and no amount has been accrued in the accompanying audited consolidated financial statements.

INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING

Management's Annual Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

Management, including the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting ("ICFR"), and has designed such ICFR to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with IFRS.

We do not expect that our internal controls and procedures over financial reporting will prevent all error and all fraud. A control system provides only reasonable, not absolute, assurance that the objectives of the control system are met. Because of the inherent limitation in all control systems, no evaluation of controls can provide absolute assurance that all control issues and instances of fraud, if any, within the Company have been detected. These inherent limitations include the realities that judgements in decision-making can be faulty, and that breakdowns can occur because of simple error or mistake. Additionally, controls can be circumvented by the individual acts of some persons by collusion of two or more people or by management override of the control. The design of any system of controls also is based in part upon certain assumptions about the likelihood of future events and there can be no assurance that any design will succeed in achieving our stated goals under all potential future conditions. Because of the inherent limitations in a cost-effective control system, misstatements due to error fraud may occur and not be detected. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

Management evaluated the effectiveness of our ICFR as of December 31, 2019 based on the framework set forth in Internal Control-Integrated Framework (2013) issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission. Based on this evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that our ICFR was effective as of December 31, 2019.

DISCLOSURE CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Disclosure controls and procedures ("DC&P") as defined in National Instrument 52-109 *Certification of Disclosure in Issuers' Annual and Interim Filings*, are designed to provide reasonable assurance that all material information required to be publicly disclosed in our annual filings, interim filings and other reports filed or submitted by us under securities legislation is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified under securities legislation and include controls and procedures designed to ensure that information required to be so

disclosed is accumulated and communicated to management including the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions.

In designing and evaluating our DC&P, management recognizes that any controls and procedures, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable assurance of achieving the desired control objectives, and, therefore, management is required to apply its judgment in evaluating and implementing possible controls and procedures. The Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer, after evaluating the effectiveness of our DC&P as at December 31, 2019 have concluded that the DC&P were adequate and effective to provide reasonable assurance that material information we are required to disclose on a continuous basis in interim and annual filings and other reports and news releases is recorded, processed, summarized and reported or disclosed on a timely basis as necessary.

UPDATED SHARE INFORMATION

As at March 4, 2020, the following class of shares and equity securities potentially convertible into Common Shares were outstanding:

	(in thousands)
Common shares	112,297
Convertible equity securities	
Derivative liability warrants	1,691
Stock options	9,190

Subsequent to the year-end we granted 1.87 million stock options at a weighted average price of \$18.66 (CA \$24.64) to our officers, directors and employees. We issued 499,000 Common Shares for proceeds of \$1.97 million upon the exercise of 499,000 stock options.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Selected Annual Information (expressed in thousands of dollars, except per share data)

	2019	2018	2017
	\$	\$	\$
Statement of Operations			
Revenues	318	463	418
Expenses	(85,559)	(56,790)	(47,988)
Interest income	2,702	2,234	702
Finance Costs	(39)	—	—
Change in estimated fair value of derivative warrant liabilities	(41,124)	(9,954)	(23,924)
Income tax expense	(144)	(73)	—
Net loss for the year	(123,846)	(64,120)	(70,792)
Net loss per share	(1.33)	(0.76)	(0.92)
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	93,024	84,782	76,918
Statement of Financial Position			
Working capital	303,842	125,587	167,102
Total assets	326,683	145,863	189,847
Total non-current liabilities	41,872	26,027	15,954
Shareholder's equity	273,516	112,575	165,743
Common shares outstanding	111,798	85,500	84,052

Quarterly Information (expressed in thousands except per share data)

Set forth below is unaudited consolidated financial data for each of the last eight quarters:

2019	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Annual
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Revenues	30	29	230	29	318
Expenses					
Research and Development	10,631	11,152	17,791	13,292	52,866
Corporate, administration and business development	3,901	4,946	6,061	7,246	22,154
Amortization of tangible and intangible assets	383	385	389	391	1,548
Other expenses	55	833	140	7,963	8,991
Total expenses	14,970	17,316	24,381	28,892	85,559
Loss before interest income, finance costs, change in estimated fair value of derivative warrant liabilities and income taxes	(14,940)	(17,287)	(24,151)	(28,863)	(85,241)
Interest income	800	787	636	479	2,702
Finance costs	(11)	(10)	(9)	(9)	(39)
Net loss before change in estimated fair value of derivative warrant liabilities and income taxes	(14,151)	(16,510)	(23,524)	(28,393)	(82,578)
Change in estimated fair value of derivative warrant liabilities	1,725	625	4,512	(47,986)	(41,124)
Income tax expense	(13)	(16)	(25)	(90)	(144)
Net loss for the period	(12,439)	(15,901)	(19,037)	(76,469)	(123,846)
Per common share (\$)					
Net loss per common share – basic and diluted	(0.14)	(0.17)	(0.21)	(0.78)	(1.33)
Common Shares outstanding	91,646	91,793	94,285	111,798	111,798
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	90,146	91,768	92,169	97,936	93,024
2018	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Annual
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Revenues	30	29	375	29	463
Expenses					
Research and Development	8,887	10,504	11,152	10,839	41,382
Corporate, administration and business development	3,791	3,462	2,923	3,498	13,674
Amortization of tangible and intangible assets	399	403	408	355	1,565
Other expense (income)	(200)	(566)	(563)	(736)	(2,065)
Total expenses	12,877	13,803	13,920	13,956	54,556
Net loss before change in estimated fair value of derivative warrant liabilities and income taxes	(12,847)	(13,774)	(13,545)	(13,927)	(54,093)
Change in estimated fair value of derivative warrant liabilities	(2,631)	(1,933)	(4,797)	(593)	(9,954)
Income tax expense	—	—	—	(73)	(73)
Net loss for the period	(15,478)	(15,707)	(18,342)	(14,593)	(64,120)
Per common share (\$)					
Net loss per common share – basic and diluted	(0.18)	(0.19)	(0.21)	(0.17)	(0.76)
Common Shares outstanding	84,052	85,321	85,323	85,500	85,500
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	84,052	84,350	85,321	85,384	84,782

For 2018 interest income and finance costs were labeled on the statement of operations and comprehensive loss as other expenses. In 2019 they have been disaggregated and re-labeled as interest income and finance costs.

Summary of Quarterly Results

The primary factors affecting the magnitude of our losses in the various quarters are noted below and include the timing of R&D costs associated with the clinical development program, timing and amount of stock compensation expense, and fluctuations in the non-cash change in estimated fair value of derivative warrant liabilities.

The increase in the R&D expense for the three months ended September 30, 2019 primarily reflected the cost of manufacturing active drug substance batches which will be used for future commercial use upon marketing approval.

Corporate, administration and business development expenses included non-cash stock-based compensation expense of \$1.34 million for the three months ended December 31, 2019, non-cash stock-based compensation expense of \$1.43 million for the three months ended September 30, 2019 compared to \$1.21 million for the three months ended June 30, 2019, \$742,000 for the three months ended March 31, 2019, \$686,000 for the three months ended December 31, 2018, \$887,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2018, \$1.26 million for the three months ended June 30, 2018 and \$1.33 million for the three months ended March 31, 2018.

Other expenses for the three months ended December 31, 2019 included royalty obligation expense of \$7.20 million as discussed in the "Results of operations-other expenses" section of this MD&A and a \$978,000 revaluation adjustment on contingent consideration.

Other expense for the three months ended June 30, 2019 included \$720,000 of costs associated with the successful defense of a proxy contest for our June 26, 2019 annual general meeting.

We record non-cash adjustments each quarter resulting from the fair value revaluation of the derivative warrant liabilities. These revaluations fluctuate based primarily on the market price of our Common Shares. An increase in the market price of our Common Shares results in a loss on revaluation while a decrease results in a gain on revaluation.

The change in the estimated fair value of the derivative warrant liabilities for the three months ended December 31, 2019 of \$47.99 million reflected an increase in our share price to \$20.26 per Common Share at December 31, 2019 and an increased share price when 1.83 million warrants were exercised in December, 2019, compared to \$5.34 per Common Share at September 30, 2019. The change in the estimated fair value of the derivative warrant liabilities for the three months ended September 30, 2019 of \$4.51 million reflected a decrease in our share price to \$5.34 per Common Share at September 30, 2019 compared to \$6.58 per Common Share at June 30, 2019 and a reduction in the annualized volatility to 33% at September 30, 2019 from 40% at June 30, 2019. The change in the estimated fair value of the derivative warrant liabilities for the three months ended June 30, 2019 of \$625,000 reflected a decrease in the annualized volatility from 53% at March 31, 2019 to 40% at June 30, 2019, offset to a lesser degree by an increase in our share price to \$6.58 per share at June 30, 2019 compared to \$6.50 at March 31, 2019. The change in the estimated fair value of the derivative warrant liabilities for the three months ended March 31, 2019 of \$1.73 million reflected a decrease in our share price to \$6.50 per Common Share at March 31, 2019 compared to \$6.82 per share at December 31, 2018.

Fourth Quarter Analysis (See *Quarterly Information* above for the fourth quarter comparative information detail).

We recorded a consolidated net loss of \$76.47 million or \$0.78 per Common Share for the fourth quarter ended December 31, 2019, compared to a consolidated net loss of \$14.59 million or \$0.17 per Common Share for the fourth quarter ended December 31, 2018.

The increase of \$61.88 million in the consolidated net loss was primarily attributable to the following items:

- The change in estimated fair value of derivative warrant liabilities was \$47.99 million compared to an increase of \$593,000 in the estimated fair value of derivative warrant liabilities for the fourth quarter of 2018. This change reflected a significant increase in our share price to \$20.26 at December 31, 2019 compared to \$6.82 at December 31, 2018.
- Other expenses reflected a non cash royalty obligation accrual of \$7.20 million for potential future royalties as discussed in the "Results of operations-Other expenses" section of this MD&A and a revaluation adjustment on contingent consideration of \$978,000.
- An increase in Corporate, administration and business development expenses of \$3.75 million reflects the ramp up of pre-commercial and launch plan activities and the associated build out of the corporate organization.



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Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

We hereby consent to the incorporation by reference in this Annual Report on Form 40-F for the year ended December 31, 2019 of Aurinia Pharmaceuticals Inc. of our report dated March 4, 2020, relating to the consolidated financial statements, which appears in this Annual Report.

We also consent to the incorporation by reference in the Registration Statements on Form F-10/A (No. 333-222413), Form S-8 (No. 333-233765), Form S-8 (No. 333-225538) and Form S-8 (No. 333-216447) of Aurinia Pharmaceuticals Inc. of our report dated March 4, 2020 referred to above. We also consent to reference to us under the heading "Interests of Experts," which appears in the Annual Information Form included in the Exhibit incorporated by reference in this Annual Report on Form 40-F, which is incorporated by reference in such Registration Statements.

"/s/PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP"

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**CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-14 OR 15d-14 OF
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO
SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

I, Peter Greenleaf, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this annual report of Aurinia Pharmaceuticals Inc. on Form 40-F;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the issuer as of, and for, the period presented in this report;
4. The issuer's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the issuer and have:
 - a. Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the issuer, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - b. Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - c. Evaluated the effectiveness of the issuer's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - d. Disclosed in this report any change in the issuer's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the period covered by the annual report that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the issuer's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The issuer's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the issuer's auditors and the audit committee of the issuer's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a. All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the issuer's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b. Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the issuer's internal control over financial reporting.

Dated: March 5, 2020

AURINIA PHARMACEUTICALS INC.

/s/ Peter Greenleaf

Name: Peter Greenleaf
Title: Chief Executive Officer

**CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-14 OR 15d-14 OF
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO
SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

I, Dennis Bourgeault, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this annual report of Aurinia Pharmaceuticals Inc. on Form 40-F;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the issuer as of, and for, the period presented in this report;
4. The issuer's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the issuer and have:
 - a. Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the issuer, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - b. Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - c. Evaluated the effectiveness of the issuer's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - d. Disclosed in this report any change in the issuer's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the period covered by the annual report that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the issuer's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The issuer's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the issuer's auditors and the audit committee of the issuer's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a. All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the issuer's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b. Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the issuer's internal control over financial reporting.

Dated: March 5, 2020

AURINIA PHARMACEUTICALS INC.

/s/ Dennis Bourgeault

Name: Dennis Bourgeault
Title: Chief Financial Officer

**CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350,
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

In connection with the Annual Report of Aurinia Pharmaceuticals Inc. (the "Company") on Form 40-F for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2019, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Peter Greenleaf, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that to the best of my knowledge:

1. The Report fully complies with the requirements of section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934;
and
2. The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Dated: March 5, 2020

AURINIA PHARMACEUTICALS INC.

/s/ Peter Greenleaf

Name: Peter Greenleaf

Title: Chief Executive Officer

**CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350,
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

In connection with the Annual Report of Aurinia Pharmaceuticals Inc. (the "Company") on Form 40-F for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2019, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Dennis Bourgeault, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that to the best of my knowledge:

1. The Report fully complies with the requirements of section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934;
and
2. The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Dated: March 5, 2020

AURINIA PHARMACEUTICALS INC.

/s/ Dennis Bourgeault

Name: Dennis Bourgeault

Title: Chief Financial Officer