

**TruSpine Technologies plc**  
**("TruSpine" or the "Company")**

**Final Results**

TruSpine Technologies plc, (AQSE: TSP) the medical device company focused on the development of its pioneering "screwless," spinal (vertebral) stabilisation systems, reports its full year results for the year ended 29 March 2023.

The Company continues to be in a pre-revenue development phase and remains loss making at this stage of its development. The loss before taxation for the year was £853k (2022: £941k) after administrative expenses of £846k (2022: £938k). The R&D tax credit was £199k (2022: £88k) bringing the loss after tax to £654k (2022: £853k). Development spend for the year was £363k (2022: £851k). Consolidated net assets at 29 March 2023 amounted to £2.773 million (2022: £2.642 million) including cash and cash equivalents of £24k (2022: £3k).

The independent audit report draws attention to note 2.4 in the financial statements, which indicates that that the group is reliant upon FDA approval subsequent sales and/or further financing to meet its working capital needs. There is no guarantee that these will be achieved. As stated in note 2.4, these events or conditions indicate that a material uncertainty exists that may cast significant doubt on the company's ability to continue as a going concern. The auditor's opinion is not modified in respect of this matter. The Independent Auditor's Report is set out in full below.

The Company continues to carefully manage its working capital position.

The Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 29 March 2023 will shortly be available on the Company's website. Copies of the Annual Report and Financial Statements will be posted to shareholders shortly.

This announcement contains inside information for the purposes of the UK Market Abuse Regulation and the Directors of the Company are responsible for the release of this announcement.

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**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S STATEMENT**

I am pleased to report that since my involvement with the Company shortly before the financial year end, we have made significant progress.

In May 2022 the Company raised £700,000 before costs through a Fundraise of 14,000,000 new Ordinary shares at a price of 5p per share comprising a Placing and a Subscription. On 27

February 2023 the Company received a funding loan bearing an interest rate of 12% per annum.

I was appointed on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2023 as Interim CEO to take control of the Company. At the time of my appointment, the Company had suffered a difficult year, during which its progress had been repeatedly stalled due to external operational reasons, uncovered following a review of the Company's operations.

I am pleased to report that since my appointment, adjustments to the business, management structure, and supply chain have provided the Company with better operational clarity and control. While there is still work to be done, the company is now in a position to progress with confidence and a clear vision for achieving success.

The lodging of the FDA 510(k) application in July 2023 for Cervi-LOK was a major milestone moment for the Company, and it is pleasing to finally have that process underway. In addition to ongoing plans, the Directors believe these efforts will contribute to the Company's stability and potential for monetization in the future if Cervi-LOK receives clearance from the FDA.

In April 2022 the Company entered into a master agreement with Spartan Medical Inc ("Spartan") to develop a strategic partnership and to provide funding, and an exclusive US Reseller Agreement to market and distribute the Cervi-LOK™ device to US Government healthcare facilities once the Cervi-LOK™ has completed FDA clearance.

During recent discussions with Spartan, the Company has been exploring a closer collaboration with Spartan taking a more active management role in assisting the Company to bring our products to market in the US once approved by the FDA and required processes are completed. This will hopefully accelerate the process with a particular emphasis on the launching of our first product Cervi-Lok given Spartan's wealth of experience and know how in the field.

We have also continued to strengthen our Intellectual Property position in the light of recent ownership misrepresentation and, in order to re-confirm our position, our new IP lawyers are aiming to cause publication of the transfer of the IP into the Company's name.

The Company has been able to source interim funding, and with the FDA submission finally lodged, we now have some interest from other investors. Further funding would assist the Company towards the commercialisation path for its Cervi-LOK product.

At the date of signing of the accounts, the Company is in advanced discussions with a third party lender in relation to potential funding.

Following the financial year end, it is important to mention the extraordinary general meeting held in May 2023 ("EGM") by a group of shareholders, proposing to remove certain directors, including myself, with replacements, shortly after my appointment to steer the Company in a new direction.

This event caused significant distraction and disrupted our efforts to refocus the Company during a crucial period. Despite this, the resolutions voted on EGM to replace the existing Directors were defeated and concluded positively, allowing for a return to normalcy and order within the Company.

The Company continues to be in a pre-revenue development phase and remains loss making at this stage of its development. The loss before taxation for the year was £853k (2022: £941k) after administrative expenses of £846k (2022: £938k). The R&D tax credit was £199k (2022: £88k) bringing the loss after tax to £654k (2022: £853k). Development spend for the year was £363k (2022: £851k). Consolidated net assets at 29 March 2023 amounted to £2.773 million (2022: £2.642 million) including cash and cash equivalents of £24k (2022: £3k).

The Global Spinal Implants and Surgery Devices Market size was estimated at USD 12.3 billion in 2022, and is projected to grow at a compound annual growth rate of 10.21% to reach USD 20.06 billion by 2027 (Source Research and Markets.com). The Company has a phased product development strategy and is planning, subject to FDA regulatory clearance (currently in process), to commence initial product marketing of Cervi-LOK in the USA.

The overall aim is to establish the Company's products as the "go-to solutions" for the spinal stabilisation and fusion market. In addition to the three-flagship products, the Company also has a pipeline of additional and complementary IP and product offerings at an early stage of development.

On behalf of the Board, I would also like to thank shareholders for their support, and TruSpine's staff and valued commercial partners for their hard work and professionalism during the year. I look forward to working with you in the future, and both I and the Board view the future with excitement.

**Laurence Strauss**  
Chief Executive

The Directors present their Strategic Report on the Group for the year ended 29 March 2023.

## **Review of the business and future developments**

TruSpine Technologies Plc was incorporated on 8 December 2014. On 7 May 2020, a resolution was passed approving a reduction of capital whereby the share premium account of the Company was cancelled by an amount of £2,250,000. The Company re-registered as a public limited company on 28 May 2020. On 20 August 2020 the Company was admitted to the Aquis Stock Exchange Growth Market with the issue of 3,700,442 new ordinary shares raising gross proceeds of circa £1.4m. Since then, the Company has raised a further £2,098,500 through the subscription of 47,485,000 new ordinary shares to date.

The Company has reduced its administrative costs by £92k in 2023 (£846k v (2022: £938k) and the loss after tax fell by nearly £200k from £853k to £654k following a R&D Tax credit of £199k. Development spend also fell by £488k as we neared our goal of making the 510(k) submission to the FDA and we had tighter control on our patent spend. Our Net Asset position increased from £2.64m in 2022 to £2.77m in 2023.

The Company is developing disruptive technologies for use in the spinal stabilisation market, commencing with the following three devices:

- Cervi-LOK - for the cervical and upper thoracic spine
- Faci-LOK - for the lumbar and lower thoracic spine, and
- GRASP Laminoplasty - a treatment for decompression of the spinal cord.

These devices represent a potentially significant development in spinal fixation, by providing stabilisation while not altering the bony spinal anatomy of patients through the use of screws, staples or other devices which currently dominate the spinal market.

The Company has completed all testing and validation and verification testing for its Cervi-LOK product. The final testing was completed by Element Materials Technology, implant packaging and sterilisation by Guardian Medical and Instrument packaging and sterilisation by Puracon.

The 510(k) application Cervi-LOK was submitted on 24 July 2023, the FDA's decision to provide clearance normally takes up to 90 days, following which the Company will be able to commence marketing and sales of Cervi-LOK in the US if Cervi-LOK receives FDA clearance. In April 2022, the Company entered into a distribution agreement with Spartan Medical Inc, and negotiations are ongoing with further distributors in the USA. The Company plans to commence further development work on its other two products starting with Faci-LOK followed by GRASP Laminoplasty and will subsequently seek clearance for both products.

The Company acquired the Patents relating to its technologies from Professor Frank Boehm, (the inventor of the Technologies) pursuant to the IP Sale Agreement. Details of the Patents are set out in paragraph 6 of Part I and details of the IP Sale Agreement are set out in paragraph 9.1 of Part IV in the Company's Admission Document. The Company protects the intellectual property in its Technologies and any future application thereof by submitting patent applications in each country in which it intends to operate. This is an active and ongoing process with new applications being filed to cover revised design, usage and application of the Technologies.

The Global Spinal Devices Market is currently estimated to be worth USD\$11.2 billion and is expected to grow at a compound annual growth rate of 3.1 per cent to 2026. North America is the single largest and most mature market accounting for around 54% (Source per cent of the total global revenues. (Source the Global Spinal Devices Market Report 2020)

It is important to note that the Products have not yet been used on live patients, as they are still subject to regulatory clearance and approvals by the relevant national medical regulators.

## **Group Strategy and Business Model**

Cervi-LOK and Faci-LOK are spine stabilisation devices used in the fusion of the cervical, thoracic and lumbar spine respectively. They differ from existing methods of vertebrae stabilisation as they are non-intrusive. Cervi-LOK and Faci-LOK clamp onto specific landmarks of the vertebrae bones rather than requiring fixation with screws.

The minimally invasive products represent a potentially significant development in spinal fixation, fusion and laminoplasty techniques, providing stabilisation without altering the bony spinal anatomy by requiring screws, staples or other such attachments which dominate the current technologies and irreversibly alter the anatomy of the spine. The Company's philosophy is one of "preserving nature's design", and as such, the devices have been designed to be safe, fast and easy to implant, as well as being minimally intrusive. The Company aims to be one of the first spinal companies to offer single use sterile packaged implants and instruments, which will position the Company favourably, especially in the ever expanding ambulatory surgical centres in the USA.

The Directors believe that the Company's technologies will fill a gap in the market due to its

relative health advantages (for example through not altering the patient's anatomy) as well as its overall lower cost per procedure (resulting from the reduced requirement for fluoroscopy, shorter surgery time and faster patient recovery time). The Company's technologies cause minimal tissue disruption allowing the normal spine anatomy to remain intact and therefore aids the spinal stabilisation and fusion process.

The Company has a phased product development strategy and following the submission of the 510(k) to the FDA and subject to regulatory clearance, it plans to commence initial product marketing of Cervi-LOK in 2024. The overall aim is to establish the Company's products as the "go-to solutions" for the spinal stabilisation and fusion market. In addition to the three flagship products, the Company also has a pipeline of additional and complementary IP and product offerings at an early stage of development.

The Company has a number of key commercial partners to develop, design and manufacture its products, and assist it through the regulatory process. Emergo Group ("Emergo"), a regulatory consultant and Medical Device Academy Inc for our FDA application are retained by the Company to provide it with regulatory advice. Greenlight Guru will be providing our document management services. Lincotek Medical LLC ("Lincotek") is retained by the Company to provide product development and manufacturing.

Initially the Company is seeking to obtain clearance for use of its products in the United States. For the products to be lawfully marketed and sold in the United States, they are required to have "clearance" from the FDA. The Company has initially sought FDA clearance for its Cervi-LOK product. The FDA is responsible for protecting the public health in the United States by (amongst other things) ensuring the safety, efficacy, and security of medical devices.

The Company's products are classified as "Class II" Medical Devices under the FDA's device classification system and therefore require FDA 510(k) clearance, which does not require clinical studies prior to clearing the devices for marketing and sales. The FDA 510(k) clearance process compares a product to a "predicate device", measuring safety, function and strength. Under the notion of "substantially equivalent", if a device performs in testing at least as well as the accepted predicate device, FDA 510(k) clearance will be granted.

Major company analysis in the spinal devices market currently identifies a high number of competitors, who are able to benefit from scale economies. However, these existing competitors' technologies still utilise invasive technologies like lateral mass and pedicle screws and therefore TruSpine should be well placed to compete within the spinal stabilisation market because, crucially, its products do not alter the bony anatomy of patients. TruSpine's partnership with Spartan Medical will also prove to be invaluable, with Spartan handling the logistics and distribution of our products to their existing customer base.

### **Promotion of the Company for the benefit of the members as a whole**

The Directors believe they have acted in the way most likely to promote the success of the Company for the benefit of its members as a whole, as required by s172 of the Companies Act 2006 as detailed below.

The requirements of s172 are for the Directors to:

- Consider the likely consequences of any decision in the long term
- Act fairly between the members of the Company,
- Maintain a reputation for high standards of business conduct,
- Consider the interests of the Company's employees,
- Foster the Company's relationships with suppliers, customers and others, and
- Consider the impact of the Company's operations on the community and the environment.

Our Board of Directors remain aware of their responsibilities both within and outside of the Group. Within the limitations of a Group with so few employees we endeavour to follow these principles and examples of the application of the s172 are summarised and demonstrated below.

The Company operates as a medical device company developing specific innovative products which is inherently speculative in nature and at times may be dependent upon fund-raising for its continued operation. The nature of the business is well understood by the Company's members, employees and suppliers, and the Directors are transparent about the cash position and funding requirements.

All strategic decisions are properly discussed and evaluated in terms of their impact on the company in both the short and long term. All major decisions are passed by the Board for approval. One example of an important decision made was in April 2022 when the Company entered into a master agreement with Spartan Medical Inc to develop a strategic partnership and to provide funding, and an exclusive US Reseller Agreement to market and distribute the Cervi-LOK™ device to US Government healthcare facilities once the Cervi-LOK™ has completed FDA clearance.

Important decisions had to be made in relation to building the right platform, particularly in relation to supply chain restructuring and choosing the right partners to enable us to prepare and lodge the FDA 510(k) application in July 2023.

The Company has invested considerable time in developing and fostering its relationships with its key suppliers and entering into a collaborative dialogue with potential distribution partners especially establishing appropriate systems and discovering what is required to build the right understanding of what is required to make the partnership a successful one.

As a medical device company in the spinal fusion market with operations based in the UK and USA, the Board takes seriously its ethical responsibilities to the communities and environment in which it works. As a pre-revenue business there is clearly limited potential at this stage for impact on either the environment or the community, however it is again worth noting that all elements of product production, distribution and sales will be carried out by qualified specialist organisations with the necessary regulatory accreditation and associated processes.

The interests of employees and consultants are a primary consideration for the Board and are planning to introduce an inclusive share-option programme allowing them to share in the future success of the company. Personal development opportunities are encouraged and supported.

## Results for the year

The Group's results for the year are included in the Chief Executive's Statement on page 4 and are set out in the primary statements.

## Key performance indicators

Key performance indicators for the Group as a measure of financial control are as follows:

	<b>Year ended 29 March 2023</b>	Year ended 29 March 2022 2020
	<b>£</b>	£
Total assets	<b>3,704,066</b>	3,382,344
	<b>3,020,865</b>	3,020,865
Net assets	<b>2,772,742</b>	2,642,274
Cash and cash equivalents	<b>24,276</b>	3,471
Trade and other payables	<b>(532,895)</b>	(441,479)
Capitalised Development spend	<b>(354,815)</b>	(716,769)
Loss before tax for the year	<b>(853,461)</b>	(940,806)
Earnings per share	<b>(0.57)p</b>	(0.87)p

## Principal risks and uncertainties

The Group is subject to various risks similar to all medical device companies operating in overseas locations relating to political, economic, legal, industry and financial conditions, not all of which are within its control. The Group identifies and monitors the key risks and uncertainties affecting the Group and runs its business in a way that minimises the impact of such risks where possible.

The following risks factors, which are not exhaustive, are particularly relevant to the Group's business activities:

### Risk Relating to Obtaining Regulatory Approvals

There can be no assurance that the Company will receive the regulatory approvals required in order to manufacture and sell its Products, including approval by the FDA in the US and the granting of Conformité Européenne (CE) mark in Europe, which affirms conformity with European health, safety and environmental protection standards. If the Products are not approved and cannot be commercialised, the Company will be unable to generate revenue from them, which would materially adversely affect its business, financial condition and the results of its operations. Moreover, any delay or setback in the regulatory approval process could have a material adverse effect on the Company's business and prospects. To mitigate this the Company employs two key commercial partners, Emergo and Lincotek to develop its Products and ensure that they achieve the regulatory approvals necessary for commercialisation.

### Acceptance of the Products in clinical settings

If the Company is unable to convince opinion leaders and health professionals of the benefits of its Products, there could be weak penetration of the market, which might have a material adverse effect on the Company, its business, financial situation, growth and prospects. The slow adoption of new methods and technologies could result in timeframes being longer than anticipated by the Company. However the Company has links with a network of professionals and experts operating in these fields who have advised and given positive feedback as to the suitability and acceptability of the products in development.

### No Live Patient Testing

Although Cervi-LOK has undergone significant laboratory-based testing, it has not been tested on live patients and there is no certainty that it will be as effective as envisaged, nor that it will receive regulatory clearance for use in humans. Despite this, the feedback from the FDA so far in relation to Cervi-LOK has not highlighted any material issues and the Directors expect that it will successfully achieve regulatory clearance.

### Research and development and product obsolescence

Rapidly changing markets, technology, emerging industry standards and frequent introduction of new products will characterise the Company's business. The introduction of new products embodying new technologies, including new manufacturing processes, and the emergence of new industry standards may render the Company's products, less competitive or less marketable.

The process of product development is complex and requires significant continuing costs, development efforts and third-party commitments. The Company's failure to develop new technologies and products and the obsolescence of existing technologies and products could adversely affect the business, financial condition and operating results of the Company.

The Company may be unable to anticipate changes in its potential customer requirements that could make its existing technology obsolete. Its success will depend, in part, on its ability to continue to enhance its existing technologies, develop new technology that addresses the increasing sophistication and varied needs of the market, and respond to technological advances and emerging industry standards and practices on a timely and cost-effective basis. The Company may not be successful in using its new technologies or exploiting its niche markets effectively or adapting its business to evolving customer or medical requirements or preferences or emerging industry standards.

### Dependence on key executives, personnel and consultants

The Company's future development and prospects are substantially dependent on the continuing services and performance of the Directors, the Consultants and the Medical Advisory Board.

The Directors cannot give assurances that they, the Consultants or the Medical Advisory Board will remain with the Company, although the Directors believe that the Company's culture and remuneration packages are attractive. If key members of the Company's management team depart, or are affected by illness, such as COVID-19, and the Company is not able to find effective replacements in a timely manner or at all, its business may be disrupted or damaged.

### No Current Revenues

The Products remain under development and no revenue has been generated from them as at the date of this Document. As such, there is no historical data on which to base the Company's estimated revenue and costs. Therefore, given the high degree of uncertainty in the economy currently and the dependency of the Company on development milestones being met and regulatory approval being obtained there cannot be certainty regarding the size of the market for the Products following their launch or whether the Company has the capacity to generate sufficient revenues to be profitable. To mitigate this the Company has engaged consultants who have extensive experience in the marketing and distribution of products in this sector. Distribution agreements are also a way in which to help secure future sales and mitigate the risk.

### Risk of IP infringement

There is no certainty that the Company can protect its proprietary information or intellectual property which is particularly important considering the Company has developed a number of Products that it regards as unique. There is also a risk that should an employee with knowledge of the Products cease to be employed by the Company they may seek to replicate the Products with a competitor. Although the Company intends to vehemently protect its intellectual property there can be no guarantee that such action will be effective (and will be expensive in any case), there is also a risk that the Company may be pursued by a third party for alleged intellectual property infringement. This risk has been mitigated by the Company engaging specialist patent attorneys to analyse our products and report on the likelihood of the Products infringing the intellectual property subsisting in existing technologies. A Freedom to Operate report produced by Schmeiser, Olsen & Watts has concluded that the likelihood of patent infringement in relation to the Patents is low.

## **RISKS RELATING TO THE INDUSTRY**

### Competition in the Market for Spinal Devices

There are a number of companies in the spinal device market offering products that would compete with the Company's Products. These larger, well-funded companies are currently gaining a competitive advantage in the spinal device market by reducing costs through economies of scale. The Company may not currently have the capacity to compete with these existing competitors because the smaller scale of their operation leads to a higher unit cost. Major competitors in the spinal device market include Zimmer Biomet, Medtronic, Johnson & Johnson, NuVasive, Life Spine and Globus Medical. However, TruSpine's devices are novel in their design in that they represent a potentially significant development in spinal fixation, by providing stabilisation while not altering the bony spinal anatomy of patients as compared with the use of screws, staples or other devices which currently dominate the spinal market.

## **RISKS RELATING TO FINANCIAL MATTERS**

### Currency and Foreign Exchange Risks

The Company's functional and presentational currency is sterling, and this is the currency of the Company's financial statements. However, a significant proportion of the Company's business is conducted in the United States in \$USD and therefore certain amounts will need to be translated into sterling. Due to changes in exchange rates between sterling and \$USD this could lead to changes in the Company's reported financial results from period to period. Among the factors that may affect currency values are trade balances, levels of short-term interest rates, difference in relative values of similar assets in different currencies, long term opportunities for investments and capital appreciation and political or regulatory developments.

### Financing Risks and Requirements for Further Funds

It is likely that the Company will be required to seek further equity financing. The Company's ability to raise further funds will depend on the success of its strategy and operations. The Company may not be successful in procuring the requisite funds on terms that are acceptable to it, or at all. If such funding is unavailable, the Company may be required to reduce the scope of its operations and investments or anticipated expansion, abandon its strategy, incur financial penalties or miss certain opportunities.

The Directors review the Company's funding requirements on a regular basis, and take such action as may be necessary to either curtail expenditures and / or raise additional funds from available sources including the issuance of debt or equity. Management has successfully raised money to date, but there is no guarantee that adequate funds will be available when needed in the future.

## **TRUSPINE TECHNOLOGIES PLC DIRECTORS' REPORT**

The Directors present their report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 29 March 2023.

### **General information**

The principal activity of TruSpine Technologies Plc (the 'Company') and its subsidiaries (together the 'Group') is the development of products for the spinal fusion market. The Group is incorporated and domiciled in the United Kingdom.

### **Future developments**

The Company continues to progress the development of the company's three pioneering Spinal Stabilization products and has completed the FDA submission for the first product to market, the Cervi-LOK in July 2023. The FDA clearance process normally takes up to 90 days, after which marketing and commercial sales are expected to commence in 2024. For further details please refer to the Chief Executive's Statement and Strategic Report.

### **Research and development**

The Company is developing disruptive technologies for use in the spinal stabilisation market, commencing with the following three devices:

- Cervi-LOK - for the cervical and upper thoracic spine
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For further details please refer to the Strategic Report.

The Group's capitalised development spend, including Patent costs, during the year was £363,072 (2022: £851,378)

### **Dividends**

The Directors do not propose a dividend in respect of the year ended 29 March 2023 (2022: Nil).

### **Directors and directors' interests**

The directors who have held office during the year and to the date of this report are as follows:

MC Armstrong - resigned 5 April 2023

IA Roberts - resigned 28 February 2023

L R Strauss - appointed 5 April 2023

N A C Lott

A M Schild - resigned 14 June 2023

T H D Evans

N K Patel

The interests (as defined in the Companies Act 2006) of the Directors holding office during the period in the share capital are shown below:

	<b>Ordinary shares of 0.01p 29 March 2023</b>	Ordinary shares of 0.01p 29 March 2022
M C Armstrong	<b>741,333</b>	333,333
I A Roberts*	<b>886,111</b>	886,111
N A C Lott	<b>1,950,000</b>	1,750,000
A M Schild	<b>4,246,667</b>	4,166,667
T H D Evans	<b>246,667</b>	166,667
N K Patel	<b>1,330,000</b>	171,667

\* Includes shares held by family members

### **Board of Directors:**

#### **Laurence Strauss, Chief Executive Officer**

Laurence started his career in 1986 working in the City and built a private client broking business working for, inter alia, Allied Provincial and Elders Finance. Laurence left the City in 1992, serving as a director of Longbrooke Electrical Ltd, an electrical contracting business and overseeing its expansion, following which he replicated the growth model in another business. More recently, Laurence has been advising private clients on equity investments and initial public offerings.

#### **Norman Lott, Chief Financial Officer**

Mr. Lott is an experienced CFO with significant public company experience, having held multiple roles with AIM companies quoted on the London Stock Exchange. He is a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales having qualified in 1980 and aside from his experience as a CFO, he has also held positions in business management including that of deputy CEO. He has also been involved in several international corporate transactions and has experience in the healthcare sector.

#### **Dr Timothy Evans, Non-executive Director**

Dr Evans qualified in 1979 from the Westminster Hospital Medical School, and runs a private, independent general practice in London. He specialises in women's health, and also has an interest in functional and musculoskeletal medicine. Dr Evans has a wealth of experience in his 40-year career, including setting up a specialist practice in the care of women and children, as well as a fully integrated practice in conventional, complementary and alternative healthcare. He has worked extensively in Africa and re-established primary health clinics in rural areas of Zimbabwe after ten years of civil war. In 2003, he was appointed to the position of Apothecary to HM the Queen and The Royal Households of London. In 2016 HM The Queen awarded him as a Lieutenant of the Royal Victorian Order (LVO) for his services.

#### **Mr Nikunj Patel, Non-executive Director**

Mr Patel has been a practising Consultant Neurosurgeon and Honorary Senior Clinical Lecturer at the Institute of Clinical Neurosciences (University of Bristol) since his appointment in 2005, where he has developed specialist interests and expertise in surgical treatments for spinal pain, cranial nerve hyperactive disorders and functional brain disorders. His surgical and research interests have focused on developing innovations and advancing less-invasive and stream-lined procedural solutions. He has been recognised for his neurosurgical research excellence with a Medical Research Council fellowship; awards from both the American and the European Associations of Neurological Surgeons; and a Hunterian Professorship from the Royal College of Surgeons of England.

### **Issues of shares, options and warrants**

During the year, 16,198,000 ordinary shares of 0.01p each were issued as detailed in Note 23

During the year, 16,200,000 warrants were granted as detailed in Note 23

### **Financial instruments**

An explanation of the Company's financial risk management objectives, policies and strategies is



set out in note 3.

### **Internal financial control**

The Board is responsible for establishing and maintaining the Group's system of internal financial control. Internal financial control systems are designed to meet the particular needs of the Group and the risk to which it is exposed, and by their nature can provide reasonable assurance but not absolute assurance against material misstatement or loss. The Directors are conscious of the need to keep effective internal financial control.

Due to the relatively small size of the Group's operations, the executive Directors are closely involved in the day-to-day running of the business and as such have less need for a detailed formal system of internal financial control. The Board has reviewed the effectiveness of the procedures presently in place and considers that they remain appropriate to the nature and scale of the operations of the Group.

### **Going concern**

The Financial Statements have been prepared on a going concern basis. In assessing whether the going concern assumption is appropriate, the Directors take into account all available information for the foreseeable future, in particular for a period of at least twelve months from the date of approval of the Financial Statements and perform scenario planning thereon. This information includes management prepared cash flows forecasts and available sources of funding.

The Company raised £1.4m at the time of the Company's admission to trading on AQSE Growth Market and an additional £620,500 in the year to March 2021. In the year to March 2022 the Company raised £728,000 by way of share subscriptions. In the year to March 2023, it has raised further funds of £700,000 in May 2022 by way of share subscriptions, the monies being used to further fund the Company's development programme and subsequent to the year end a further £50,000 has been raised. At the date of signing of the accounts, the Company is in advanced discussions with a third party lender in relation to potential funding.

Management have considered a variety of scenarios in reaching their going concern conclusion following their 510(k) -submission including consideration of the potential success of achieving FDA approval and their ability to raise money. Based on these scenarios and the Board's assessment that the Company will be able to raise additional funds, as and when required, to meet its working capital and development expenditure requirements prior to commercialisation, the Board of Directors have concluded that they have a reasonable expectation that the Group and Company have adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus, they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the Financial Statements.

### **Events after the balance sheet date**

Events after the reporting date have been disclosed in Note 28 to the Financial Statements.

### **Statement as to the disclosure of information to the auditors**

Each of the Directors at the date of approval of this Annual Report confirms that:

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

### **Auditors**

PKF Littlejohn LLP have expressed their willingness to continue in office as auditors.

A resolution proposing the re-appointment of the auditors PKF Littlejohn LLP will be put to shareholders at the Annual General Meeting.

This report was approved by the board of Directors on 28 September 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

L R Strauss

### **Corporate governance report**

The Directors are committed to maintaining high standards of corporate governance, and propose,

so far as is practicable given the Company's size and nature, to comply with the QCA Code. For further details please refer to the Company's website [truspine.org](http://truspine.org) for the disclosure of its compliance with the principals of the QCA code.

A statement of the Directors' responsibilities in respect of the financial statements is set out below giving a brief description of the role of the Board and its committees, including a statement regarding the Company's system of internal financial control

The Board has put in place the corporate governance procedures it believes are appropriate for the Company. The Board retains full and effective control over the Company. The Company holds regular Board meetings at which financial, operational and other reports are considered and, where appropriate voted on. Apart from the regular meetings, additional meetings are arranged when necessary to review strategy, planning, operational, financial performance, risk and capital expenditure and human resources and environmental management. The Board is also responsible for monitoring the activities of the executive management. To enable the Board to perform its duties, all Directors have full access to all relevant information and to the service of the Company Secretary. If necessary the Non-Executive Director may take independent professional advice at the Company's expense.

The Company has established an Audit Committee, a Remuneration Committee and an Aquis Rules Compliance Committee. Details of these committees are set out below:

### **Audit Committee**

The Audit Committee is comprised of Nikunj Patel who chairs the committee and Dr Tim Evans. The Audit Committee has primary responsibility for monitoring the quality of internal controls and ensuring that the financial performance of the Company is properly measured and reported. It receives reports from the executive management and auditors relating to the annual accounts. The Audit Committee meets not less than twice in each financial year and has unrestricted access to the Company's auditors.

### **Remuneration Committee**

The Remuneration Committee comprises Dr Tim Evans who chairs the committee and Nikunj Patel. The Remuneration Committee reviews the performance of the executive directors and employees and makes recommendations to the Board on matters relating to their remuneration and terms of employment. The Remuneration Committee considers and approves the granting of any Options pursuant to the Option Plans and the award of shares in lieu of bonuses pursuant to the Company's remuneration policy. The Remuneration Committee is expected to meet formally at least twice a year and otherwise as required.

### **Aquis Rules Compliance Committee**

The Aquis Rules Compliance Committee is responsible for ensuring that the Company has sufficient procedures, resources and controls to enable it to comply with the Aquis Rules. The Aquis Rules Compliance Committee comprises of at least two members and meets not less than four times a year. The members of the Aquis Rules Compliance Committee are Laurence Strauss (who chairs the committee) and Nikunj Patel.

### **Nominations Committee**

The Board has agreed that appointments to the Board will be made by the Board as a whole and so has not created a Nominations Committee.

### **Share Dealing**

The Company has adopted a share dealing code in relation to dealings in securities of the Company by the Directors and Persons Discharging Managerial Responsibility which is appropriate for a company whose shares are traded on the Aquis Stock Exchange Growth Market. This constitutes the Company's share dealing policy for the purpose of compliance with UK Legislation including the Market Abuse Regulation. It should be noted that the insider dealing legislation set out in the UK Criminal Justice Act 1993, as well as provisions relating to market abuse apply to the Company and dealings in Ordinary Shares.

### **Internal Controls**

The Company has implemented an anti-bribery and corruption policy and also implemented appropriate procedures to ensure that the Board, employees and consultants comply with the UK Bribery Act 2010. The Directors have established financial controls and reporting procedures, which are considered appropriate given the size of and structure of the Company.

### **Report of the Remuneration Committee**

The Remuneration Committee is currently chaired by Tim Evans and also includes Nikunj Patel.

Remuneration packages are determined with reference to market remuneration levels, individual performance and the financial position of the Company. All remuneration was short term in nature.

The remuneration of the individual Directors during the year ended 29 March 2023 was as follows:

<i>Directors</i>	Fees	Share based payment	Total	Fees	Share based payment	Total
	2023 £	2023 £	2023 £	2022 £	2022 £	2022 £
L R Strauss	<b>8,333</b>	-	<b>8,333</b>	-	-	-
I A Roberts	<b>91,667</b>	-	<b>91,667</b>	100,000	-	100,000
N A C Lott	<b>60,000</b>	-	<b>60,000</b>	60,000	-	60,000
M C Armstrong	<b>12,000</b>	-	<b>12,000</b>	58,600	-	58,600
A M Schild	<b>12,000</b>	-	<b>12,000</b>	8,000	-	8,000
T H D Evans	<b>12,000</b>	-	<b>12,000</b>	8,000	-	8,000
N K Patel	<b>12,000</b>	-	<b>12,000</b>	10,000	-	10,000
Total	<b>208,000</b>	-	<b>208,000</b>	244,600	-	244,600

No share options were granted to the directors during the year.

On behalf of the Remuneration Committee

### **T H D Evans**

Committee Chairman

### **STATEMENT OF DIRECTOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES**

The Directors are responsible for preparing the strategic report, the annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the Directors have elected to prepare the Group and Parent Company financial statements in accordance with UK adopted International Accounting Standards. Under Company law the Directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Group and Company and of the profit or loss of the Group for that period.

In preparing these financial statements, the Directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether they have been prepared in accordance with UK adopted International Accounting Standards, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The Directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Group's and the Company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Group and the Company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Group and the Company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Directors are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the TruSpine Technologies Plc website: [www.truspine.org](http://www.truspine.org). Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of the financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

### **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF TRUSPINE TECHNOLOGIES PLC**

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of TruSpine Technologies Plc (the 'parent company') and its subsidiaries (the 'group') for the year ended 29 March 2023 which comprise the Group Statement of Comprehensive Income, the Group and Company Statement of Financial Position, the Group and Company Statements of Changes in Equity, the Consolidated and Company

Statements of Cash Flows and notes to the financial statements, including significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and UK-adopted international accounting standards and as regards the parent company financial statements, as applied in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006.

In our opinion:

- The financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the group's and of the parent company's affairs as at 29 March 2023 and of the group's loss for the year then ended;
- the group financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with UK-adopted international accounting standards;
- the parent company financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with UK-adopted international accounting standards and as applied in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006; and
- the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

### **Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard as applied to listed entities, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

### **Material uncertainty related to going concern**

We draw attention to note 2.4 in the financial statements, which indicates that that the group is reliant upon FDA approval subsequent sales and/or further financing to meet its working capital needs. There is no guarantee that these will be achieved. As stated in note 2.4, these events or conditions indicate that a material uncertainty exists that may cast significant doubt on the company's ability to continue as a going concern. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the director's use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate. Our evaluation of the directors' assessment of the company's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting included:

- Obtaining cash flow forecasts, management accounts, and budgets from management for a period of at least 12 months from the date of signing the financial statements to give an indication of the expected financial returns in future months;
- Reviewing supporting documentation to assess the reasonableness of management's cash flow forecasts and comparing previous forecasts to actual results;
- Reviewing future plans for fund raises and the dependence of the group on these to continue as a going concern;
- Challenging management's assumptions for going concern assessment to supporting documents and alternative evidence;
- Reviewing meeting minutes for any references to financial difficulties; and
- Continued review of RNS releases and discussing subsequent events and future plans with management.

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

### **Our application of materiality**

<b>Headline materiality 2023</b>	<b>Performance materiality 2023</b>	<b>Headline materiality 2022</b>	<b>Performance materiality 2022</b>	<b>Basis for materiality (2023 and 2022)</b>	<b>Basis for performance materiality (2023 and 2022)</b>
<i>Group £140,000</i>	<i>Group £112,000</i>	<i>Group £132,000</i>	<i>Group £105,600</i>	<i>5% of net assets</i>	<i>80% of headline materiality</i>
<i>Parent</i>	<i>Parent</i>	<i>Parent</i>	<i>Parent</i>	<i>5% of net</i>	<i>Set at a level</i>

Company £139,000	Company £111,200	Company £131,000	Company £104,800	assets (Capped at a level below group materiality)	below group materiality
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The key driver in the business is the intangibles assets that relates to the development of the product lines and their patents and this will be the driver of future revenues. The intangible assets are the foundation and core of the business. We therefore have considered net assets to be the most significant determinant of the group's financial position and performance used by shareholders and the most appropriate benchmark of materiality. The going concern of the group is dependent on its ability to fund operations going forward, as well as on the valuation of its assets, which represent the underlying value of the group.

We applied the concept of materiality both in planning and performing our audit, and in evaluating the effect of misstatements.

We agreed with the audit committee that we would report to the committee all audit differences identified during the course of our audit in excess of £7,000 (2022: £6,600) for the group and £6,950 (2022: £6,550) for the parent company.

### Our approach to the audit

In designing our audit, we determined materiality and assessed the risk of material misstatement in the financial statements. In particular, we looked at areas requiring the directors to make subjective judgements, for example in respect of assessing the carrying value of intangible assets comprising of the development assets and patent; the accounting treatment with respect to the capitalisation of development cost and patent related costs and the consideration of future events that are inherently uncertain, such as FDA approval. We also addressed the risk of management override of internal controls, including evaluating whether there was evidence of bias by the directors that represented a risk of material misstatement due to fraud and the risk of inadequate disclosures of related parties in the financial statement. An audit was performed on the financial information of the group's only significant operating component TruSpine Technologies Plc ("Parent Company"), which for the year ended 29 March 2023, which was carried out by the group audit team located in the United Kingdom. Analytical procedures were performed on components that were not considered significant nor material to the users of these financial statements.

### Key audit matters

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgment, were of most significance in our audit of the financial statements of the current period and include the most significant assessed risks of material misstatement (whether or not due to fraud) we identified, including those which had the greatest effect on: the overall audit strategy, the allocation of resources in the audit; and directing the efforts of the engagement team. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters.

Key Audit Matter	How our scope addressed this matter
<b>Recognition and carrying value of development costs and ownership of the Intellectual Property ("IP") (Note 12)</b>	
<p><b>The carrying value of the group's Intellectual Property ('IP') at 29 March 2023 represents a significant total of the group's total assets. This relates to the development of the entities product lines and their relevant patents which will be the driver of future revenue and is the whole foundation and core of the business.</b></p> <p><b>IP should be recognised in accordance with IAS 38 and there is a risk of incorrect valuation, carrying value and recognition of development costs capitalised.</b></p>	<p>Our work in this area included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Updating our understanding of the group's policy of capitalising development costs and ensuring that the policy is in line with IAS 38;</li> <li>• Performing substantive testing on a sample of additions, vouching to supporting invoices and ensuring they have been appropriately capitalised;</li> <li>• Challenging management's assumptions on the valuation and criteria for capitalisation;</li> <li>• Reviewing costs that fall under research costs and not development and assessing the appropriate classification;</li> <li>• Obtaining evidence from management of their continued existence and reviewing for indicators of impairment;</li> <li>• Obtaining IP ownership documentation to gain assurance over the rights to the asset; and</li> <li>• Obtaining supporting documentation for applications submitted to the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), reviewing responses received</li> </ul>

**There is a risk that the assets may be impaired, resulting in incorrect valuation. In addition, there is a risk that the IP ownership does not actually lie with the company and thus the right to use the asset would not sit with the group. The assessment requires areas of management judgement and estimation uncertainty, and therefore has been assessed as a key audit matter.**

from management and advisors' correspondence on the application process to demonstrate appropriate valuation of intangible assets.

**Key Observations:**

As referred to elsewhere, FDA approval is not certain at the date of this report. If approval was not to be obtained, this could impact the carrying value of the Group's Intangible Assets.

**Other information**

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The directors are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

**Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006**

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the strategic report and the directors' report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the strategic report and the directors' report have been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

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

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the strategic report or the directors' report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

**Responsibilities of directors**

As explained more fully in the statement of directors' responsibilities, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the directors are responsible for assessing the company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

## **Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

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

- We obtained an understanding of the group and company and the sector in which it operates to identify laws and regulations that could reasonably be expected to have a direct effect on the financial statements. We obtained our understanding in this regard through discussion with management, industry research, application of cumulative audit knowledge and experience of the sector.
- We determined the principal laws and regulations relevant to the group and parent company in this regard to be those arising from Companies Act 2006, AQUIS Listing Rules, Bribery Act 2011, UK employment laws, UK tax legislation and QCA Code.
- We designed our audit procedures to ensure the audit team considered whether there were any indications of non-compliance by the company with those laws and regulations. These procedures included, but were not limited to:
  - o Enquires of management;
  - o Review of board minutes and RNS announcements; and
  - o Review of legal and professional fees incurred in the year.
- We also identified the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements due to fraud. We considered, in addition to the non-rebuttable presumption of a risk of fraud arising from management override of controls the carrying value of intangible assets. We addressed this by challenging the estimates made by management as referred to in the key audit matter section above.
- As in all of our audits, we addressed the risk of fraud arising from management override of controls by performing audit procedures which included, but were not limited to: the testing of journals; reviewing accounting estimates for evidence of bias; and evaluating the business rationale of any significant transactions that are unusual or outside the normal course of business. In this context we view the significant estimates as being the key assumptions underlying the value in use calculations in the assessment of the intangible assets impairment.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, there is a risk that we will not detect all irregularities, including those leading to a material misstatement in the financial statements or non-compliance with regulation. This risk increases the more that compliance with a law or regulation is removed from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, as we will be less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance. The risk is also greater regarding irregularities occurring due to fraud rather than error, as fraud involves intentional concealment, forgery, collusion, omission or misrepresentation.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: [www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities](http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities). This description forms part of our auditor's report.

## **Use of our report**

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone, other than the company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

**GROUP STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 29 MARCH 2023**

		Year ended 29 March 2023	Year ended 29 March 2022
	Note	£	£
Administrative expenses		(845,818)	(937,641)
Operating loss		(845,818)	(937,641)
Finance expense	9	(7,643)	(3,165)
<b>Loss before tax</b>		<b>(853,461)</b>	<b>(940,806)</b>
Tax credit	10	199,007	87,613
<b>Loss</b>		<b>(654,454)</b>	<b>(853,193)</b>
<b>Loss attributable to:</b>			
Owners of the parent		<b>(654,454)</b>	<b>(853,193)</b>
<b>Other comprehensive income:</b>			
<b>Items that will or may be reclassified to profit or loss:</b>			
Exchange translation differences on foreign operations		3,237	1,456
<b>Total comprehensive income</b>		<b>(651,217)</b>	<b>(851,737)</b>
<b>Total comprehensive income attributable to equity shareholders</b>		<b>(651,217)</b>	<b>(851,737)</b>
Earnings per share basic and diluted (pence)	11	<b>(0.57)p</b>	<b>(0.87)p</b>

All operations are continuing.

**GROUP STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION  
AS AT 29 MARCH 2023**

		Year ended 29 March 2023	Year ended 29 March 2022
	Note	£	£
<b>Non-current assets</b>			
Intangible assets	12	3,461,227	3,098,155
Tangible fixed assets	13	3,324	4,183
Right of use assets	14	-	120,538
		<b>3,464,551</b>	<b>3,222,876</b>
<b>Current assets</b>			
Trade and other receivables	16	215,239	73,523
Digital assets	17	-	82,474
Cash and cash equivalents	18	24,276	3,471
		<b>239,515</b>	<b>159,468</b>
<b>Total assets</b>		<b>3,704,066</b>	<b>3,382,344</b>
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
Trade and other payables	19	657,768	574,579
Borrowings	19	73,556	42,500
Lease liabilities	20	-	14,261



		<b>731,324</b>	<b>631,340</b>
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>			
Lease liabilities	20	-	108,730
Borrowings	21	200,000	-
		<b>200,000</b>	<b>108,730</b>
<b>Total liabilities</b>		<b>931,324</b>	<b>740,070</b>
<b>Net assets</b>		<b>2,772,742</b>	<b>2,642,274</b>
<b>Equity attributable to owners of the parent</b>			
Share capital	23	11,795	10,175
Share premium	23	4,535,069	3,782,215
Share based payment reserve	24	71,430	44,219
Other reserves	23	(205,000)	(205,000)
Translation reserve		(20,786)	(24,023)
Retained earnings		(1,619,766)	(965,312)
<b>Total equity attributable to owners of the parent</b>		<b>2,772,742</b>	<b>2,642,274</b>
<b>Total equity</b>		<b>2,772,742</b>	<b>2,642,274</b>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors and authorised for issue on 28 September 2023 and were signed on its behalf by

L R Strauss  
Director

The notes are an integral part of these Financial Statements.

#### GROUP STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 29 MARCH 2023

	Attributable to owners of the parent							Total £
	Share capital £	Share premium £	Share based Payment Reserve £	Other reserves £	Translation reserve £	Retained earnings £		
<b>Balance as at 29 March 2021</b>	<b>9,398</b>	<b>3,062,103</b>	<b>17,007</b>	<b>(205,000)</b>	<b>(25,479)</b>	<b>(112,119)</b>	<b>2,745,910</b>	
Loss for the year	-	-	-	-	-	(853,193)	(853,193)	
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	1,456	-	1,456	
<b>Total comprehensive income for the year</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,456</b>	<b>(853,193)</b>	<b>(851,737)</b>	
Issue of shares, net of issue costs	777	747,324	-	-	-	-	748,101	
Share based payment charge		(27,212)	27,212	-	-	-	-	
<b>Transactions with owners, recognised directly in equity</b>	<b>777</b>	<b>720,112</b>	<b>27,212</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>748,101</b>	
<b>Balance as at 29 March 2022</b>	<b>10,175</b>	<b>3,782,215</b>	<b>44,219</b>	<b>(205,000)</b>	<b>(24,023)</b>	<b>(965,312)</b>	<b>2,642,274</b>	
<b>Balance as at 29 March 2022</b>	<b>10,175</b>	<b>3,782,215</b>	<b>44,219</b>	<b>(205,000)</b>	<b>(24,023)</b>	<b>(965,312)</b>	<b>2,642,274</b>	
Loss for the year	-	-	-	-	-	(654,454)	(654,454)	
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	3,237	-	3,237	
<b>Total comprehensive income for the period</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,237</b>	<b>(654,454)</b>	<b>(651,217)</b>	
Issue of shares, net of								

issue costs	1,620	780,065	-	-	-	781,685
Share based payment charge	-	(27,211)	27,211	-	-	-
<b>Transactions with owners, recognised directly in equity</b>	<b>1,620</b>	<b>752,854</b>	<b>27,211</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>781,685</b>
<b>Balance as at 29 March 2023</b>	<b>11,795</b>	<b>4,535,069</b>	<b>71,430</b>	<b>(205,000)</b>	<b>(20,786)</b>	<b>(1,619,766)</b>
						<b>2,772,742</b>

Share Capital - Amount subscribed for share capital at nominal value.

Share Premium - Amount subscribed for share capital in excess of nominal value.

Retained earnings - The retained earnings reserve includes all current and prior periods retained profits and losses.

Other reserves comprise of 666,667 shares that were acquired from a third party in exchange for monies paid out by the Company on the third party's behalf during the year to 29 March 2019.

Share based payment reserve - amount arising on the issue of warrants and share options which are exercisable at the statement of financial position date.

Translation reserve - The translation reserves includes foreign exchange movements on translating the overseas subsidiaries records, denominated in USD, to the presentational currency, GBP.

The notes are an integral part of these Financial Statements.

#### **CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 29 MARCH 2023**

Note	Year ended 29 March 2023 £	Year ended 29 March 2022 £
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>		
Loss before tax	<b>(850,224)</b>	<b>(940,806)</b>
<i>Adjustments for:</i>		
Depreciation and amortisation	21,421	21,146
Increase in Fair Value of digital asset	-	(7,872)
Gain on derecognition of Right of use asset	1,831	-
(Decrease)/Increase in trade and other receivables	(141,716)	113,167
Increase in trade and other payables	83,189	337,102
Decrease in digital assets	82,474	130,256
<b>Cash used in operations</b>	<b>(803,025)</b>	<b>(347,007)</b>
Income tax credit	199,007	87,613
<b>Net cash flows from operating activities</b>	<b>(604,018)</b>	<b>(259,394)</b>
<b>Investing activities</b>		
Purchase of intangible assets	(363,072)	(1,027,378)
Purchase of tangible assets	(707)	(1,239)
<b>Net cash used in investing activities</b>	<b>(363,779)</b>	<b>(1,028,617)</b>
<b>Financing activities</b>		
Proceeds from Issue of shares, net of issue costs	781,685	763,845
Proceeds from loan finance	235,000	-
Repayments of loans	(3,944)	-
Lease payments	(24,139)	(17,339)

<b>Net cash generated from financing activities</b>		<b>988,602</b>	<b>746,506</b>
<b>Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents</b>		<b>20,805</b>	<b>(541,505)</b>
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period		3,471	543,520
Exchange rate differences on cash and cash equivalents		-	1,456
<b>Cash and cash equivalents and end of period</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>24,276</b>	<b>3,471</b>

The following non-cash transactions took place during the year:

- third party creditors amounting to £77,500 were settled in shares

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**COMPANY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION  
AS AT 29 MARCH 2023**

	<b>Note</b>	<b>Year ended 29 March 2023</b>	<b>Year ended 29 March 2022</b>
		<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Non-current assets</b>			
Intangible assets	12	3,327,066	3,001,630
Tangible assets	13	3,324	4,183
Right of use assets	14	-	120,538
		<b>3,330,390</b>	<b>3,126,351</b>
<b>Current assets</b>			
Trade and other receivables	16	580,881	379,065
Digital assets	17	-	82,474
Cash and cash equivalents	18	24,276	3,471
		<b>605,157</b>	<b>465,010</b>
<b>Total assets</b>		<b>3,935,547</b>	<b>3,591,361</b>
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
Trade and other payables	19	642,942	534,357
Borrowings	19	73,556	42,500
Lease liabilities	20	-	14,261
		<b>716,498</b>	<b>591,118</b>
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>			
Lease liabilities	20	-	<b>108,730</b>
Borrowings	21	<b>200,000</b>	-
		<b>200,000</b>	<b>108,730</b>
<b>Total liabilities</b>		<b>916,498</b>	<b>699,848</b>
<b>Net assets</b>		<b>3,019,049</b>	<b>2,891,513</b>
<b>Equity attributable to owners of the parent</b>			
Share capital	23	11,795	10,175
Share premium	23	4,535,069	3,782,215
Share based payment reserve	24	71,430	44,219
Other reserves	23	(205,000)	(205,000)
Translation reserve		(12,511)	(12,511)
Retained earnings		(1,381,734)	(727,585)
<b>Total equity attributable to owners of the parent</b>		<b>3,019,049</b>	<b>2,891,513</b>
<b>Total equity</b>		<b>3,019,049</b>	<b>2,891,513</b>

The Company has elected to take the exemption under section 408 of the Companies Act 2006 not to present the Parent Company Statement of Comprehensive Income.

The loss for the Parent Company for the year was £654,149 (2022: £852,512).

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors and authorised for issue on 28 September 2023 and were signed on its behalf by

L R Strauss

Director

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## COMPANY STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 29 MARCH 2023

Note	Share capital £	Share premium £	Share based payment reserve £	Other reserves £	Translation reserve £	Retained earnings £	Total £
<b>Balance as at 29 March 2021</b>	<b>9,398</b>	<b>3,062,103</b>	<b>17,007</b>	<b>(205,000)</b>	<b>(12,511)</b>	<b>124,927</b>	<b>2,995,924</b>
Loss for the year	-	-	-	-	-	(852,512)	(852,512)
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total comprehensive income for the year</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(852,512)</b>	<b>(852,512)</b>
Issue of shares, net of issue costs	<b>777</b>	<b>747,324</b>	-	-	-	-	748,101
Share based payment reserve	-	<b>(27,212)</b>	<b>27,212</b>	-	-	-	-
<b>Transactions with owners, recognised directly in equity</b>	<b>777</b>	<b>720,112</b>	<b>27,212</b>	-	-	-	<b>748,101</b>
<b>Balance as at 29 March 2022</b>	<b>10,175</b>	<b>3,782,215</b>	<b>44,219</b>	<b>(205,000)</b>	<b>(12,511)</b>	<b>(727,585)</b>	<b>2,891,513</b>
<b>Balance as at 29 March 2022</b>	<b>10,175</b>	<b>3,782,215</b>	<b>44,219</b>	<b>(205,000)</b>	<b>(12,511)</b>	<b>(727,585)</b>	<b>2,891,513</b>
Loss for the year	-	-	-	-	-	(654,149)	(654,149)
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total comprehensive income for the period</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(654,149)</b>	<b>(654,149)</b>
Issue of shares, net of issue costs	<b>1,620</b>	<b>780,065</b>	-	-	-	-	781,685
Share based payment reserve	-	<b>(27,211)</b>	<b>27,211</b>	-	-	-	-
<b>Transactions with owners, recognised directly in equity</b>	<b>1,620</b>	<b>752,854</b>	<b>27,211</b>	-	-	-	<b>781,685</b>
<b>Balance as at 29 March 2023</b>	<b>11,795</b>	<b>4,535,069</b>	<b>71,430</b>	<b>(205,000)</b>	<b>(12,511)</b>	<b>(1,381,734)</b>	<b>3,019,049</b>

Share Capital - Amount subscribed for share capital at nominal value.

Share Premium - Amount subscribed for share capital in excess of nominal value.

Retained earnings - The retained earnings reserve includes all current and prior periods retained profits and losses.

Other reserves comprise of 666,667 shares that were acquired from a third party in exchange for monies paid out by the Company on the third party's behalf during the year to 29 March 2019.

Share based payment reserve - amount arising on the issue of warrants and share options which are exercisable at the statement of financial position date.

Translation reserve - The translation reserves includes foreign exchange movements on translating

the overseas subsidiaries records, denominated in USD, to the presentational currency, GBP.

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**COMPANY STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 29 MARCH 2023**

	Year ended 29 March 2023	Year ended 29 March 2022
Note	£	£
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>		
Loss before tax	(853,156)	(940,125)
<i>Adjustments for:</i>		
Depreciation and amortisation	21,421	21,146
Increase in Fair Value of digital asset	-	(7,872)
Gain on derecognition of Right of use asset	1,831	
(Increase)/decrease in trade and other receivables	(201,816)	91,845
Increase in trade and other payables	108,585	296,900
Decrease in digital assets	82,474	130,256
<b>Cash used in operations</b>	<b>(840,661)</b>	<b>(407,850)</b>
Income taxes credit	199,007	87,613
<b>Net cash flows used in operating activities</b>	<b>(641,654)</b>	<b>(320,237)</b>
<b>Investing activities</b>		
Purchase of intangible assets	(325,436)	(965,079)
Purchase of tangible assets	(707)	(1,239)
<b>Net cash used in investing activities</b>	<b>(326,143)</b>	<b>(966,318)</b>
<b>Financing activities</b>		
Proceeds from Issue of shares, net of issue costs	781,685	763,845
Proceeds from loan finance	235,000	-
Repayments of loans	(3,944)	-
Lease payments	(24,139)	(17,339)
<b>Net cash generated from financing activities</b>	<b>988,602</b>	<b>746,506</b>
<b>Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents</b>		
	<b>20,805</b>	<b>(540,049)</b>
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	3,471	543,520
<b>Cash and cash equivalents and end of period</b>	<b>24,276</b>	<b>3,471</b>
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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 29 MARCH 2023**

**1. General Information**

The principal activity of TruSpine Technologies Plc (the 'Company') and its subsidiaries (together the 'Group') is the development of products for the spinal fusion market. The Company is a public

company, limited by shares, which is listed on the Aquis Stock Exchange and is incorporated and domiciled in England. The address of its registered office is located at Spectrum House AF33, Beehive Ring Road, Gatwick Airport, Gatwick, RH6 0LG, United Kingdom.

## 2. Accounting policies

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these Financial Statements are set out below ('Accounting Policies' or 'Policies'). These Policies have been consistently applied to all the periods presented, unless otherwise stated.

### 2.1. Basis of Preparation

The Consolidated Financial Statements of TruSpine Technologies Plc has been prepared in accordance with UK-adopted international accounting standards in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006. The Consolidated Financial Statements has also been prepared under the historical cost convention but is adjusted to fair value where appropriate.

The Financial Statements are presented in UK Pounds Sterling rounded to the nearest pound.

The preparation of Financial Statements in conformity with UK adopted International accounting standards requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the Group's Accounting Policies. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the Financial Statements are disclosed in Note 4.

### 2.2. Changes in accounting policies and disclosures

*(a) New and amended standards mandatory for the first time for the financial period under review*

The Group has adopted all recognition, measurement and disclosure requirements of IFRS, including any new and revised standards and interpretations of IFRS, in effect for annual periods commencing 30 March 2022. The adoption of these standards and amendments did not have a material impact on the financial result of the position of the Group.

*(b) New standards, amendments and interpretations in issue but not yet effective or not yet endorsed and not early adopted*

The standards and interpretations that are issued, but not yet effective, up to the date of issuance of the Financial Statements are listed below. The Group intends to adopt these standards, if applicable, when they become effective.

<b>Standard</b>	<b>Impact on initial application</b>	<b>Effective date</b>
IAS 1 (Amendments)	Presentation and Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-Current	1 January 2024
IAS 16 (Amendments)	Lease Liability in a sale and leaseback	1 January 2024
IAS 1 (Amendments)	Presentation of Financial Statements	1 January 2024

The Group is evaluating the impact of the new and amended standards above. The Directors believe that these new and amended standards are not expected to have a material impact on the Group's results or shareholders' funds.

### 2.3. Basis of consolidation

The Consolidated Financial Information consolidate the Financial Statements of the Company and of all of its subsidiary undertakings for all periods presented.

Subsidiaries are entities over which the Group has control. The Group controls an entity when the Group is exposed to, or has rights to, variable returns from its involvement with the entity and has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the entity. Subsidiaries are fully consolidated from the date on which control is transferred to the Group. They are deconsolidated from the date that control ceases.

Inter-company transactions, balances and unrealised gains on transactions between group companies are eliminated. Unrealised losses are also eliminated. Where necessary, adjustments are made to the financial information of subsidiaries to bring the accounting policies used into line with those used by other members of the Group. All intercompany transactions and balances between Group enterprises are eliminated on consolidation.

### 2.4. Going concern

The Financial Statements have been prepared on a going concern basis. In assessing whether the

going concern assumption is appropriate, the Directors take into account all available information for the foreseeable future, in particular for a period of at least twelve months from the date of approval of the Financial Statements and perform scenario planning thereon. This information includes management prepared cash flows forecasts and available sources of funding.

In prior years the Company raised £1.4m at the time of the Company's Listing and an additional £620,500 in the year to March 2021. In the year to March 2022 the Company raised £728,000 by share subscriptions and shares issued to settle liabilities. In the year to March 2023 it has raised further funds of £700,000 in May 2022 by way of share subscriptions, the monies being used to further fund the Company's development programme and subsequent to the year end a further £50,000 has been raised.

At the date of signing of the accounts, the Company is in advanced discussions with a third party lender in relation to potential funding.

Management have considered a variety of scenarios in reaching their going concern conclusion following their 510(k) submission including consideration of the success of achieving FDA approval and their ability to raise money.

Based on these scenarios and the Board's assessment that the Company will be able to raise additional funds, as and when required, to meet its working capital and development expenditure requirements prior to commercialisation, the Board of Directors have concluded that they have a reasonable expectation that the Group and Company have adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus, they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the Financial Statements however as a result of the requirement to raised funds, there is a material uncertainty to the groups going concern position.

## **2.5. Foreign currencies**

### *a) Functional and presentation currency*

Items included in the financial statements of each of the Group's entities are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates (the 'functional currency'). The functional currency of the Company is Pounds Sterling. The consolidated financial statements are presented in Pounds Sterling (£), rounded to the nearest pound, which is the Company's and Group's functional and presentation currency.

### *b) Transactions and balances*

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions or valuation where such items are re-measured. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation at year-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in the Income Statement. Foreign exchange gains and losses that relate to borrowings and cash and cash equivalents are presented in the income statement within 'finance income or costs'. All other foreign exchange gains and losses are presented in the income statement within 'Other net gains/(losses)'. Translation differences on non-monetary financial assets and liabilities such as equities held at fair value through profit or loss are recognised in profit or loss as part of the fair value gain or loss. Translation differences on non-monetary financial assets measured at fair value, such as equities classified as available for sale, are included in other comprehensive income.

## **2.6. Intangible assets**

Research costs are expensed as incurred. Development expenditures derive from costs incurred by third party contractors and management's view of time spent by individual consultants that are directly attributable to individual projects. These costs are recognised as intangible assets when the Group can demonstrate:

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

## **2.7. Segment reporting**

Operating segments are reported in a manner consistent with the internal reporting provided to the Board, who is considered to be the Chief Operating Decision Maker ('CODM'). The Board makes the strategic decisions and separates its activities by geographical location.

## **2.8. Impairment of Non-Financial Assets**

Intangible assets that have an indefinite useful life or are not ready to use are not subject to amortisation and are tested annually for impairment. At each year-end date, the Group reviews the carrying amounts of its intangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any). Where the asset does not generate cash flows that are independent from other assets, the Group estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs. Recoverable amount is the higher of fair value, less costs to sell, and value in use. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value, using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset for which the estimates of future cash flows have not been adjusted. If the recoverable amount of an asset (or cash-generating unit) is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset (cash-generating unit) is reduced to its recoverable amount. An impairment loss is recognised as an expense immediately.

## **2.9. Financial Assets**

### **Initial recognition**

A financial asset is recognised in the statement of financial position when it arises or when the Company becomes part of the contractual terms of the financial instrument.

### **Classification**

The Group and Parent Company classifies its financial assets at amortised cost.

The Group and Parent Company measures financial assets at amortised cost if both of the following conditions are met:

- the asset is held within a business model whose objective is to collect contractual cash flows; and
- the contractual terms of the financial asset generating cash flows at specified dates only pertain to capital and interest payments on the balance of the initial capital.

Financial assets which are measured at amortised cost, are measured using the Effective Interest Rate Method (EIR) and are subject to impairment. Gains and losses are recognised in profit or loss when the asset is derecognised, modified or impaired.

### **Derecognition**

A financial asset is derecognised when:

- the rights to receive cash flows from the asset have expired, or
- the Company has transferred its rights to receive cash flows from the asset or has undertaken the commitment to fully pay the cash flows received without significant delay to a third party under an arrangement and has either (a) transferred substantially all the risks and the assets of the asset or (b) has neither transferred nor held substantially all the risks and estimates of the asset but has transferred the control of the asset.

### **Impairment**

The Group and Parent Company recognise a provision for impairment for expected credit losses regarding all financial assets. Expected credit losses are based on the balance between all the payable contractual cash flows and all discounted cash flows that the Group and Parent Company expect to receive. Regarding trade receivables, the Group and Parent Company applies the IFRS 9 simplified approach in order to calculate expected credit losses. Therefore, at every reporting date, provision for losses regarding a financial instrument is measured at an amount equal to the expected credit losses over its lifetime without monitoring changes in credit risk. To measure expected credit losses, trade receivables and contract assets have been grouped based on shared risk characteristics.

## **2.10. Cash and cash equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash at bank and in hand, and are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

## **2.11. Digital assets**

Digital assets, including tokens and cryptocurrency, do not qualify for recognition as cash and cash equivalents or financial assets, and have an active market which provides pricing information on an ongoing basis.

On initial recognition, Digital Assets are held at cost. Any movements in the fair value at the end of the year are allocated to the profit and loss account.

Digital assets were disposed of during the year.

## **2.12. Share Capital**

Ordinary shares are classified as equity. Incremental costs directly attributable to the issue of new



shares or options are shown in equity as a deduction, net of tax, from the proceeds.

### **2.13. Share-based payments**

Equity-settled share-based payments are measured at fair value at the date of grant by reference to the fair value of the equity instruments granted using the Black-Scholes model. The fair value determined at the grant date is expensed on a straight-line basis over the vesting period, based on the estimate of shares that will eventually vest. A corresponding adjustment is made to equity.

When the terms and condition of equity settled share-based payments at the time they were granted are subsequently modified, the fair value of the share-based payment under the original terms and conditions and under the modified terms and conditions are both determined at the date of the modification. Any excess of the modified fair value over the original fair value is recognised over the remaining vesting period in addition to the grant date fair value of the original share-based payment. The share-based payment expense is not adjusted if the modified fair value is less than the original fair value.

### **2.14. Financial liabilities including trade and other payables and borrowings**

Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method include current borrowings and trade and other payables that are short term in nature. Financial liabilities are derecognised if the Group or Parent Company's obligations specified in the contract expire or are discharged or cancelled.

Amortised cost is calculated by taking into account any discount or premium on acquisition and fees or costs that are an integral part of the effective interest rate ("EIR"). The EIR amortisation is included as finance costs in profit or loss. Trade payables other payables are non-interest bearing and are stated at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Borrowings are recognised initially at fair value, net of transaction costs incurred. Borrowings are subsequently carried at amortised cost: any difference between the proceeds and the redemption value is recognised in the income statement over the period of the borrowings, using the effective interest method. Borrowings are classified as current liabilities unless the Group or Parent Company has an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least one year after the end of the reporting period.

### **2.15. Taxation**

The tax expense for the period comprises current tax. Tax is recognised in the income statement, except to the extent that it relates to items recognised directly in equity. In this case the tax is also recognised directly in other comprehensive income or directly in equity, respectively.

The current income tax charge is calculated on the basis of the tax laws enacted or substantively enacted at the end of the reporting period in the countries where the Company operates and generates taxable income. Management periodically evaluates positions taken in tax returns with respect to situations in which applicable tax regulation is subject to interpretation. It establishes provisions where appropriate on the basis of amounts expected to be paid to the tax authorities.

Deferred tax represents the tax expected to be payable or recoverable on the temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for taxation purposes. The Group has reoccurring tax losses which can be used to offset future profits. A deferred tax asset is recognised only to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which the asset can be utilised. No deferred tax asset has been recognised in the current year.

The Group receives small and medium sized enterprises research and development tax relief for their costs incurred in developing, implementing and testing the platform software. The R&D relief is calculated on the basis of the tax laws enacted at the end of the reporting period in the United Kingdom and is recognised in the period in which it is received.

### **2.16. Earnings per share**

Basic and diluted earnings per share is calculated by dividing:

- the profit attributable to owners of the company, excluding any costs of servicing equity other than ordinary shares;
- by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the financial year, adjusted for bonus elements in ordinary shares issued during the year and excluding treasury shares (note 23).

### **2.17. Leased assets**

At the commencement date of a lease, the Group recognises a lease liability at fair value, which is the present value of future lease payments made over lease term. The lease liability comprises fixed payments, less any lease incentives, less estimated restoration costs that would be payable upon exit of the lease. Short-

term leases and low value are expensed to the Statement of Comprehensive Income on a straight-line basis over the life of the lease. Short-term leases are leases with a term of 12 months or less. Low value leases are those with a total lease value of less than £5,000.

In calculating the present value, lease payments are discounted using the discount rate implicit in the lease, if available, alternatively, if that rate cannot be readily determined, the Group's incremental borrowing rate is used. Subsequently, the lease liability is increased to reflect the accretion of interest and reduced by payments made. In addition, the carrying amount of lease liabilities is remeasured if there is a modification to the lease.

The Group recognises right-of-use assets at the commencement date of the lease. Right-of-use assets are measured at cost, less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. The cost of right of-use assets includes the amount of lease liabilities recognised, initial direct costs incurred, and lease payments made at or before the commencement date less any lease incentives received. Right-of-use assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the shorter of the lease term and the estimated useful lives of the assets which are consistent with those shown in the Property, Plant and Equipment accounting policy.

### **3. Financial risk management**

#### **3.1. Financial risk factors**

The Group's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks. The Group's Board monitors and manages the financial risks relating to the operations of the Group. This note describes the Group's objectives, policies and processes for managing those risks and the methods used to measure them. Further quantitative information in respect of these risks is presented throughout this financial information.

#### **Financial instruments**

The financial instruments used by the Group, from which financial instrument risk arises, are trade and other receivables (see note 16), cash (see note 18) and trade and other payables (see note 19). All are held at amortised cost.

##### *General objectives, policies and processes*

The Directors have overall responsibility for the determination of the Company's risk management objectives and policies. Further details regarding these policies are set out below:

##### *Credit risk*

Credit risk arises from cash and cash equivalents as well as any outstanding receivables. Essentially it is the risk of financial loss to the Group and Parent Company if a counterparty to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligations and arises principally from the Group and Parent Company's receivables from third parties. Management does not expect any losses from non-performance of these receivables. To manage this risk, the Board periodically assesses the financial reliability of any counterparties the Group deal with.

The Group considers the credit risk on cash and cash equivalents to be limited because the counterparties are banks with high credit ratings assigned by international credit rating agencies.

The carrying amount of financial assets recorded in the financial statements represent the Group's maximum exposure to credit risk.

At Company level, there is the risk of impairment of inter-company receivables if the full amount is not deemed as recoverable from the relevant subsidiary company. These amounts are written down when their deemed recoverable amount is deemed less than the current carrying value

##### *Market risk - Foreign exchange risk*

The Group is exposed to market risk, primarily relating to foreign exchange from its US subsidiary operation and to US suppliers. The Group does not hedge against market risks as the exposure is not deemed sufficient to enter into forward contracts. The Group has not sensitised the figures for fluctuations in foreign exchange as the Directors are of the opinion that these fluctuations would not have a material impact on the Financial Information of the Group at the present time. The Directors will continue to assess the effect of movements in market risks on the Group's financial operations and initiate suitable risk management measures where necessary.

##### *Liquidity risk*

The Group's continued future operations depend on its ability to raise sufficient working capital through the issue of share capital and generate revenue.

#### 4. Critical accounting estimates and judgements

The preparation of the financial information in conformity with IFRS requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial information and the reported amount of expenses during the year. Actual results may vary from the estimates used to produce this financial information.

Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

##### Significant accounting judgements, estimates and assumptions

Management has considered the significant accounting judgements, estimates and assumptions and consider the following to be the critical estimate and judgement which would materially affects the Financial Statements.

##### *Capitalisation of Intangible Assets - Development Costs (note 12)*

The Directors make judgements in respect as to when development costs are capitalised. The judgements made give specific consideration of the requirements of IAS 38 "Intangible Assets" including judgements over the commerciality of the products and success in achieving regulatory approval.

##### *Valuation of intangible assets (note 12)*

The directors considered whether any impairments were required on the value of the development costs capitalised in intangible assets, in accordance with the accounting policy. Where applicable, the recoverable amounts of cash generating units have been determined based on value in use calculations using information from third parties and an internal evaluation of future income streams in conjunction with the development stage the Group has reached at any one stage. These calculations require the entity to estimate future cash flows expected to arise from the cash generating unit and apply a suitable discount rate, based on market conditions in order to calculate present value. They also include judgements about the products obtaining the necessary regulatory approvals in terms of assessing the quality and attributes of the products and their likelihood of success after undergoing the examination and testing processes required to obtain clearance. There is also a judgement as to their suitability and acceptability in terms of it being a novel yet safe product and that it can function in these terms when compared with a predicate comparable device in that it will and can perform at least as well as the accepted predicate device. The directors have concluded that no impairment charge is necessary.

#### 5. Segment information

Management has determined the operating segments based on reports reviewed by the Board of Directors that are used to make strategic decisions. During the periods presented the Group had interests in two key geographical segments, being the UK and the USA. The Group is concentrating on developing one product at a time and is currently focussing on its Cervi-LOK product. However, it has incurred development and patent costs on each of its products and these have been separated out in note 12 on Intangible assets.

##### Group

	UK £	USA £	Total £
<b>Year to 29 March 2023</b>			
Loss from operations per reportable segment	(804,160)	(305)	<b>(804,465)</b>
Depreciation	(1,566)	-	<b>(1,566)</b>
Finance cost	(7,642)	-	<b>(7,642)</b>
Income tax	199,007	-	<b>199,007</b>
Additions to non-current assets	325,437	37,635	<b>363,072</b>
Reportable segment assets	3,569,905	134,161	<b>3,704,066</b>
Reportable segment liabilities	(875,145)	(14,826)	<b>(889,971)</b>
<b>Year to 29 March 2022</b>			
Loss from operations per reportable segment	(936,360)	(681)	<b>(937,641)</b>
Depreciation	(1,354)	-	<b>(1,354)</b>
Finance cost	(3,165)	-	<b>(3,165)</b>

Income tax	87,613	-	<b>87,613</b>
Additions to non-current assets	789,079	62,299	<b>851,378</b>
Reportable segment assets	3,165,281	96,525	<b>3,261,806</b>
Reportable segment liabilities	(576,857)	(40,222)	<b>(617,079)</b>

## 6. Expenses by nature

Group	Year ended	Year ended
	29 March	29 March
	2023	2022
	£	£
Consultancy fees	188,552	277,286
Salaries	240,333	216,933
Professional and legal costs	200,035	151,550
Conference/Registration costs	-	1,870
Marketing & PR	46,955	77,275
Website costs	4,340	4,200
Office costs	31,043	38,783
Premises costs	47,159	48,351
Travel, entertainment and subsistence costs	11,398	49,760
Meeting expenses	274	1,738
Insurance	13,460	12,404
Other Administration expenses	62,269	65,363
Gain in fair value of digital asset at reporting date	-	(7,872)
	<b>845,818</b>	<b>937,641</b>

## 7. Auditor's Remuneration

*Services provided by the group's auditor and its associates*

During the year, the Group (including its overseas subsidiaries) obtained the following services from the Company's auditor and its associates:

	Year ended	Year ended
	29 March	29 March
	2023	2022
	£	£
Fees payable to the Company's auditor and its associates for the audit of the Parent Company and consolidated financial statements	35,000	30,750
	<b>35,000</b>	<b>30,750</b>

## 8. Employee benefits expenses

The number of employees were as follows:

### Number of Employees

Group and Company	Year ended	Year ended
	29 March	29 March
	2023	2022
Directors	2	2
Employees	1	1

All of the research and development was completed by external consultants, whose costs are shown in Note 6. Ian Roberts remuneration includes £Nil (2022: £41,667) consultancy fees. Other directors provided consultancy services to the Group, details of their remuneration are detailed below. All amounts are short term in nature:

Year ended	Year ended
29 March	29 March

<b>Group and Company</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Ian Roberts	100,000	100,000
Laurence Strauss	8,333	-
Norman Lott	60,000	60,000
Martin Armstrong	12,000	58,600
Annabel Schild	12,000	8,000
Dr Timothy Evans	12,000	8,000
Nick Patel	12,000	10,000
Employees Salaries	32,333	24,000
Employers NIC	18,815	10,816
	<b>267,481</b>	<b>279,416</b>

The average number of directors in the year to 29 March 2023 was 6 (2022: 6).

There were no pension benefits paid or payable to any of the directors in any of the periods under review.

## 9. Finance expense

<b>Group</b>	<b>Year ended 29 March 2023</b>	<b>Year ended 29 March 2022</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Other interest expense	3,628	486
Bank and finance charges	4,015	2,679
	<b>7,642</b>	<b>3,165</b>

## 10. Taxation

### Tax recognised in profit or loss

<b>Group</b>	<b>Year ended 29 March 2023</b>	<b>Year ended 29 March 2022</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Current tax credit	<b>199,007</b>	87,613
Deferred tax	-	-
<b>Net tax credit</b>	<b>199,007</b>	87,613

	<b>Year ended 29 March 2023</b>	<b>Year ended 29 March 2022</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Loss before tax	<b>(853,461)</b>	<b>(940,806)</b>
Standard rate of UK corporation tax	19%	19%
Loss on ordinary activities before tax multiplied by standard rate UK corporation tax	(162,158)	(178,753)
Tax adjustment	-	-
Unrelieved tax losses carried forward	162,158	178,753
UK research and development tax credit	199,007	87,613
<b>Tax credit</b>	<b>199,007</b>	<b>87,613</b>

At 29 March 2023, the Group are carrying forward estimated tax losses of £2.07m (2022: £1.92m) in respect of various activities over the years. The Company did not recognise a deferred income tax credit due to uncertainty concerning the timescale of its recoverability.

## 11. Earnings per share

Basic and diluted earnings per share is calculated by dividing the profit attributable to equity holders of the Company by the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the year, excluding ordinary shares purchased by the Company and held as treasury shares. Diluted EPS is not shown as the Group is loss making.

<b>Profit attributable to equity holders of the Company</b>	<b>Year ended 29 March</b>	<b>Year ended 29 March</b>
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	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
Loss attributable to equity holders of the Company	(654,454)	(853,193)
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue	115,516,050	98,491,414
Earnings per share basic and diluted (pence)	(0.57)	(0.87)

## 12. Intangible assets

Group	Software Development	Development costs	Development costs	Development costs	Patent rights	Total
	£	Cervi-LOK £	Faci-LOK £	GRASP £	£	£
<b>Cost</b>						
<b>As at 30 March 2021</b>	-	957,330	423,874	486,529	173,044	2,040,777
Additions	206,000	716,769	-	-	134,609	1,057,378
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>As at 29 March 2022</b>	<b>206,000</b>	<b>1,674,099</b>	<b>423,874</b>	<b>486,529</b>	<b>307,653</b>	<b>3,098,155</b>
Additions	-	354,815	-	-	8,256	363,071
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>As at 29 March 2023</b>	<b>206,000</b>	<b>2,028,914</b>	<b>423,874</b>	<b>486,529</b>	<b>315,909</b>	<b>3,461,226</b>
<b>Amortisation/Impairment</b>						
<b>As at 30 March 2022</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>As at 29 March 2023</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Net book value</b>						
<b>As at 29 March 2022</b>	<b>206,000</b>	<b>1,674,099</b>	<b>423,874</b>	<b>486,529</b>	<b>307,653</b>	<b>3,098,155</b>
<b>As at 29 March 2023</b>	<b>206,000</b>	<b>2,028,912</b>	<b>423,874</b>	<b>486,529</b>	<b>315,909</b>	<b>3,461,226</b>

Company	Software Development	Development costs	Development costs	Development costs	Patent rights	Total
	£	Cervi-LOK £	Faci-LOK £	GRASP £	£	£
<b>Cost</b>						
<b>As at 30 March 2021</b>	-	950,215	423,874	486,529	145,933	2,006,551
Additions	206,000	655,751	-	-	133,328	995,079
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>As at 29 March 2022</b>	<b>206,000</b>	<b>1,605,966</b>	<b>423,874</b>	<b>486,529</b>	<b>279,261</b>	<b>3,001,630</b>
Additions	-	319,023	-	-	6,414	325,437
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>As at 29 March 2023</b>	<b>206,000</b>	<b>1,924,989</b>	<b>423,874</b>	<b>486,529</b>	<b>285,675</b>	<b>3,327,067</b>
<b>Amortisation/Impairment</b>						
<b>As at 30 March 2022</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>As at 29 March 2023</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Net book value</b>						
<b>As at 29 March 2022</b>	<b>206,000</b>	<b>1,605,966</b>	<b>423,874</b>	<b>486,529</b>	<b>279,261</b>	<b>3,001,630</b>
<b>As at 29 March 2023</b>	<b>206,000</b>	<b>1,924,989</b>	<b>423,874</b>	<b>486,529</b>	<b>279,261</b>	<b>3,327,067</b>

The Group is currently actively developing, with a view to commercialising, three key medical products as follows:-

- Faci-LOK spinal system
- Cervi-LOK spinal system
- GRASP Laminoplasty system

Development costs comprise of costs incurred by third party contractors and management's view of time spent by individual consultants The Group and Parent Company capitalise development

costs and details of the accounting policy can be found in Note 2.7.

The intangible assets are reviewed for impairment annually and whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. The recoverable amount of intangible assets is determined based on a value in use calculation using cash flow forecasts derived from the most recent financial model information available, using a conservative discount rate of 20% based on the cost of capital. The resultant net present values calculated are well in excess of the carrying value of the intangible assets and as of 29 March 2023, no impairment is necessary.

The intangible assets have not been amortised in the periods covered in these statements as the assets are still in their development stage and not yet been put in to use/commercialised. The key estimate used by management is in respect of the timing of the commercialisation of the products and when the first revenues commence.

### 13. Tangible assets

<b>Group</b>	<b>Software development</b>	<b>Office equipment</b>	<b>Furniture and Fixtures</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Cost</b>				
<b>As at 30 March 2021</b>	<b>30,000</b>	<b>2,469</b>	<b>3,059</b>	<b>35,528</b>
Additions	-	-	1,239	<b>1,239</b>
Disposals	(30,000)	-	-	<b>(30,000)</b>
<b>As at 29 March 2022</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,469</b>	<b>4,298</b>	<b>6,767</b>
Additions	-	707	-	<b>707</b>
Disposals	-	-	-	-
<b>As at 29 March 2023</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,176</b>	<b>4,298</b>	<b>7,474</b>
<b>Accumulated depreciation</b>				
<b>As at 30 March 2021</b>	-	<b>618</b>	<b>612</b>	<b>1,230</b>
<b>Charge for the year</b>	-	<b>618</b>	<b>736</b>	<b>1,354</b>
<b>As at 29 March 2022</b>	-	<b>1,236</b>	<b>1,348</b>	<b>2,584</b>
<b>Charge for the year</b>	-	<b>707</b>	<b>859</b>	<b>1,566</b>
<b>As at 29 March 2023</b>	-	<b>1,943</b>	<b>2,207</b>	<b>4,150</b>
<b>Net book value</b>				
<b>As at 29 March 2022</b>	-	<b>1,233</b>	<b>2,950</b>	<b>4,183</b>
<b>As at 29 March 2023</b>	-	<b>1,233</b>	<b>2,091</b>	<b>3,324</b>

<b>Company</b>	<b>Software development</b>	<b>Office equipment</b>	<b>Furniture and Fixtures</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Cost</b>				
<b>As at 30 March 2021</b>	<b>30,000</b>	<b>2,469</b>	<b>3,059</b>	<b>35,528</b>
Additions	-	-	1,239	<b>1,239</b>
Disposals	(30,000)	-	-	<b>(30,000)</b>
<b>As at 29 March 2022</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,469</b>	<b>4,298</b>	<b>6,767</b>
Additions	-	707	-	<b>707</b>
Disposals	-	-	-	-
<b>As at 29 March 2023</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,176</b>	<b>4,298</b>	<b>7,474</b>
<b>Accumulated depreciation</b>				
<b>As at 30 March 2021</b>	-	<b>618</b>	<b>612</b>	<b>1,230</b>
<b>Charge for the year</b>	-	<b>618</b>	<b>736</b>	<b>1,354</b>
<b>As at 29 March 2022</b>	-	<b>1,236</b>	<b>1,348</b>	<b>2,584</b>
<b>Charge for the year</b>	-	<b>707</b>	<b>859</b>	<b>1,566</b>
<b>As at 29 March 2023</b>	-	<b>1,943</b>	<b>2,207</b>	<b>4,150</b>
<b>Net book value</b>				
<b>As at 29 March 2022</b>	-	<b>1,233</b>	<b>2,950</b>	<b>4,183</b>

As at 29 March 2023 - 1,233 2,091 3,324

#### 14. Right of use assets

##### Group and Company

	£
<b>Cost</b>	
As at 29 March 2022	<u>137,251</u>
Additions	-
Disposals	<u>(137,251)</u>
As at 29 March 2023	<u>-</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>	
As at 29 March 2022	<u>16,713</u>
Charge for the year	20,448
Disposal	<u>(37,161)</u>
As at 29 March 2023	<u>-</u>
<b>Net Book Value</b>	
As at 29 March 2023	<u>-</u>
As at 29 March 2022	<u>120,538</u>

The Right of Use asset is no longer valid as the Company gave up its office leases in the US.

#### 15. Investment in Subsidiaries

	Year ended 29 March 2023	Year ended 29 March 2022
	£	£
<b>Company</b>		
As at 30 March 2022	-	-
Additions	-	-
<b>Cost at 29 March 2023</b>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

The following are the principal subsidiaries of the Company:

Name of company	Principal Place of Business	Registered office address	Parent company	Class of shares	Share capital held	Nature of business
<b>TruSpine Technologies International Limited</b>	England & Wales	Spectrum House Af33 Beehive Ring Road, London Gatwick Airport, Gatwick, England, RH6 0LG	TruSpine Technologies Limited	Ordinary	100%	Medical Devices Company developing spinal fusion products
<b>TruSpine Technologies International Inc</b>	United States of America	90 State Street, Suite 700, Albany NY, 1220, USA	TruSpine Technologies Limited	Ordinary	100%	Medical Devices Company developing spinal fusion products

#### 16. Trade and other receivables

	Group Year ended 29 March 2023	Group Year ended 29 March 2022	Company Year ended 29 March 2023	Company Year ended 29 March 2022
	£	£	£	£
VAT receivable	10,143	5,256	10,143	5,256
Other receivables	205,096	68,267	205,096	68,267
Amount due from subsidiary company	-	-	365,642	305,542
	<u>215,239</u>	<u>73,523</u>	<u>580,881</u>	<u>379,065</u>

Other receivables relate to monies owed by third parties as follows:



Other receivables include monies owed to the Company by OPP Systems Ltd as detailed in note 25 on Related parties. None of these are past due.

## 17. Digital assets

Group and Company	<b>29 March 2023</b>	<b>29 March 2022</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Balance as at 29 March 2022	82,474	220,602
Crypto assets sold	(82,474)	(146,000)
Fair value through profit and loss	-	7,872
Balance as at 29 March 2023	<b>-</b>	<b>82,474</b>

At the year end the Company held Nil (2022: 108,206) USDT tokens representing a fair value of £Nil (2021: £82,474). USDT is a cryptocurrency with tokens issued by Tether Limited. USDT is a stable coin, a type of cryptocurrency which aims to keep cryptocurrency valuations stable and avoids the extreme volatility of other cryptocurrencies while keeping value within the crypto market.

## 18. Cash and cash equivalents

	Group and Company	
	<b>Year ended 29 March 2023</b>	<b>Year ended 29 March 2022</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Cash at bank and in hand	24,276	3,471
	<b>24,276</b>	<b>3,471</b>

The majority of the Group and Company's cash at bank is held with institutions with an BAA1 credit rating. No interest rate sensitivity has been applied on the grounds management consider the impact to be immaterial.

## 19. Trade and other payables

	<b>Group Year ended 29 March 2023</b>	<b>Group Year ended 29 March 2022</b>	<b>Company Year ended 29 March 2023</b>	<b>Company Year ended 29 March 2022</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Trade payables	379,248	392,749	364,422	352,527
Loans	73,556	42,500	73,556	42,500
Accruals	124,873	133,100	124,873	133,100
Other payables	153,647	48,730	153,647	48,730
	<b>731,324</b>	<b>617,079</b>	<b>716,498</b>	<b>576,857</b>

### Loan movements

	<b>Group Year ended 29 March 2023</b>	<b>Group Year ended 29 March 2022</b>	<b>Company Year ended 29 March 2023</b>	<b>Company Year ended 29 March 2022</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Opening balance	42,500	50,000	42,500	50,000
Borrowings during the period	35,000	-	35,000	-
Repayments of loans	(3,944)	(7,500)	(3,944)	(7,500)
	<b>73,556</b>	<b>42,500</b>	<b>73,556</b>	<b>42,500</b>

The company obtained a bounce bank loan through the government scheme from HSBC bank. Interest is charged on the loan at a rate of 2.5%. The loan is unsecured and is repayable in monthly instalments over a period of 5 years.

## 20. Lease liabilities

Group and Company	29 March 2023	29 March 2022
Brought forward	122,991	137,251
Payment of lease liabilities	(24,139)	(17,339)
Accretion of interest	3,069	3,079
Surrender of leases	(101,921)	-
Carried forward	-	<b>122,991</b>
<b>Maturity</b>		
Current	-	14,261
Non-current	-	108,730
	-	<b>122,991</b>

## 21. Long Term Loans

Group and Company	29 March 2023 £	29 March 2022 £
Brought forward	-	-
Borrowings during the period	200,000	-
Repayments of loans	-	-
Carried forward	<b>200,000</b>	-

On 27 February 2023 the Company received a funding loan bearing an interest rate of 12% per annum. On repayment of the Funding Loan, the Company will issue a warrant over 8,000,000 new ordinary shares in the Company with an exercise price of 2.5 pence per share, this warrant will expire on the second anniversary from the date of issue. The loan carries a fixed and floating charge over the Company's intellectual property to the lender.

## 22. Financial risk management

### Foreign Exchange

The Group operates internationally and is exposed to foreign exchange risk arising from commercial transactions, translation of assets and liabilities and net investments in foreign operations. Exposure to commercial transactions arises from purchases by operating companies in currencies other than the companies' functional currency. Currency exposures are reviewed regularly. The Group considers to have an immaterial exposure to foreign exchange risk due to the current limited balances held within the Group's overseas entities and as a result has not disclosed the impact of foreign exchange movements thereon as they do not consider them to be material.

### Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk refers to the risk that fluctuations in interest rates cause losses to the Company. The Group and Company have no exposure to interest rate risk except on cash and cash equivalent which carry variable interest rates

At 29 March 2023, the Group and Company has a GBP bank loan of £38,556 (2022: £42,500) at a rate of 2.5% per annum. Given the quantum of the balances the board do not consider that any reasonable considered changes to interest rates would materially impact the loan interest payable and as such have not been disclosed.

### Liquidity risk

The Group's continued future operations depend on its ability to raise sufficient working capital through the issue of share capital and generate revenue.

Liquidity risk refers to the risk that the Company has insufficient cash resources to meet working capital requirements. The Group and Company manages its liquidity requirements by using both short- and long-term cash flow projections and raises funds through debt or equity placings as required. Ultimate responsibility for liquidity risk management rests with the Board of Directors, which has built an appropriate liquidity risk management framework for the management of the Group's short-, medium- and long-term funding and liquidity management requirements.

The Group closely monitors and manages its liquidity risk. Cash forecasts are regularly produced, and sensitivities run for different scenarios. The profile of what the Group consider to be its key payable/debt profile is as follows:

Categorisation of Borrowings	Group 2023	Group 2022	Company 2023	Company 2022
	£	£	£	£
Less than six months - Loans and borrowings	-	-	-	-
Less than six months - Trade and other payables	<b>616,415</b>	574,579	<b>601,589</b>	534,357
Between six months and a year	<b>73,556</b>	42,500	<b>73,556</b>	42,500
Over one year	<b>200,000</b>	-	<b>200,000</b>	-

### Capital risk management

The Group's objectives when managing capital are to safeguard the Group's ability to continue as a going concern.

It is the aim of the Directors to manage the capital structure in order to reduce the overall cost of capital. The capital comprises the shareholders' equity and going forward it is also expected to include cash and cash equivalent, and borrowings.

The Group defines capital based on the total equity of the Company. The Group monitors its level of cash resources available against future planned operational activities and may issue new shares in order to raise further funds from time to time.

There are currently no restrictions on the capital of the Company.

### Financial instruments by category

Group	Financial assets at	Financial liabilities at	Financial assets at	Financial liabilities at
	amortised cost 29 March 2023	amortised cost 29 March 2023	amortised cost 29 March 2022	amortised cost 29 March 2022
	£	£	£	£
<b>Categorisation of Financial Assets and Liabilities</b>				
Other receivables	205,096	-	68,268	-
Cash and cash equivalents	24,276	-	3,471	-
Interest-bearing loans and borrowings	-	273,556	-	42,500
Trade and other payables	-	616,415	-	574,579
Lease liability	-	-	-	122,991

Company	Financial assets at	Financial liabilities at	Financial assets at	Financial liabilities at
	amortised cost 29 March 2023	amortised cost 29 March 2023	amortised cost 29 March 2022	amortised cost 29 March 2022
	£	£	£	£
<b>Categorisation of Financial Assets and Liabilities</b>				
Other receivables	205,096	-	68,267	-
Cash and cash equivalents	24,276	-	3,471	-
Amount due from subsidiary Company	365,642	-	305,542	-
Interest-bearing loans and borrowings	-	273,556	-	42,500
Trade and other payables	-	601,589	-	534,357
Lease liability	-	-	-	122,991

### 23. Equity and other reserves

Group	Group and Company					
	Number of shares	Share capital	Share premium	Share based payment reserve	Other reserves	Total
		£	£	£	£	£
<b>Issued and fully paid</b>						
<b>As at 29 March 2021</b>	93,983,967	9,398	3,062,103	17,007	(205,000)	2,883,508
<b>Movement during the year</b>	8,129,902	777	720,112	27,212	-	748,101
<b>As at 29 March 2022</b>	102,113,869	10,175	3,782,215	44,219	(205,000)	3,631,609
<b>Movement during the year</b>	16,198,000	1,620	752,854	27,211	-	781,685
<b>As at 29 March 2023</b>	118,311,869	11,795	4,535,069	71,430	(205,000)	4,413,294

During the year, 16,250,000 warrants were granted. The total number of outstanding warrants granted amount to 30,737,789 as at 29 March 2023.

In May 2022 the Company raised £700,000 before costs through a Fundraise of 14,000,000 new Ordinary shares at a price of 5p per share comprising a Placing and a Subscription. 10,800,000 New Ordinary Shares were issued by way of the Placing raising gross proceeds of £440,000 and 3,200,000 New Ordinary Shares issued through the Subscription raising gross proceeds of £160,000. An additional 1,550,000 shares were issued at a price of 5 pence per ordinary share to third party creditors of £77,500 in lieu of services rendered ("Settlement Shares"). Each Placing share, Subscription share and Settlement Share issued had a warrant attached (15,550,000 warrants) allowing the holder to subscribe for one additional share in the Company at an exercise price of 7.5 pence for a period of 3 years from 31 May 2022 the date of admission of the shares to trading on AQSE.

#### Fee Shares and Director Participation

Accrued director fees of £97,200 were settled through the issue of 648,000 new ordinary shares on 31 May 2022 at a price of 15 pence per share ("Fee Shares").

Norman Lott and Nikunj Patel (directors of the Company) participated in the Fundraise. Details of their participation are set out in the table below along with the revised shareholdings of the Directors following the issue of Fee shares.

Director	Current Shares	Fee Shares	Subscription shares	Resultant shareholding following Admission
Ian Roberts	861,111	-	-	861,111
Norman Lott	1,750,000	-	200,000	1,950,000
Martin Armstrong	333,333	408,000	-	741,333
Annabel Schild	4,166,667	80,000	-	4,246,667
Dr Tim Evans	166,667	80,000	-	246,667
Nikunj Patel	250,000	80,000	1,000,000	1,330,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,527,778</b>	<b>648,000</b>	<b>1,200,000</b>	<b>9,375,778</b>

The total number of New Ordinary Shares issued on 31 May 2022 were 16,198,000 giving a total number of ordinary shares in issue of 118,311,869 at the date of the signing of this statement.

As part of their fees Oberon and Peterhouse were granted warrants over 540,000 new ordinary shares exercisable at a price of 7.5 pence per share at any time until the third anniversary of Admission.

#### 24. Share based payments

On 20 August 2020 the Company granted 877,789 warrants to Cairn the Company's corporate adviser exercisable at a price of £0.36 for a period of up to five years. The warrants were granted in return for services carried out in relation to the listing of the Company on 20 August 2020 on the Aquis Stock Exchange Growth Market. As a result of this the fair value of the share options was determined at the date of the grant using the Black Scholes model, using the following inputs:

Share price at the date of amendment	36p
Strike price	36p
Volatility	50%
Expected life	1,825 days
Risk free rate	0.5%

The share-based payment charge for these warrants for the year to 29 March 2023 was £27,211, which has been taken to the share-based payment reserve and the resultant fair value of the warrants as at 29 March 2023 was determined to be £71,430 (2022: £44,219).

During the year the Company issued 16,250,000 (2022: 13,610,000) warrants attached to shares issued to investors who took part in the fundraising on 31 May 2022. As there were no services provided in respect of these warrants the Company did not incur a share-based payment expense.

Details on the warrants outstanding at the year end are as follows:

	No of warrants	Weighted average exercise price	Weighted average contracted life
At 29 March 2022	14,487,789	15p	3 years
Warrants issued - 31 May 2022	16,250,000	7.5p	3 years

**At 29 March 2023**

## 25. Commitments and contingencies

There are no further single matters pending that the Group expects to be material in relation to the Group's business, financial result or results of operations.

At the balance sheet date, the Group had outstanding commitments for future minimum lease payments, which fall due as follows:

	2023 £	2022 £
<b>Land and buildings</b>		
Within one year	1,271	2,721
Within 2-5 years	-	-
Total	<u>1,271</u>	<u>2,721</u>

Commitments represent rentals payable by the Company for its office properties on short term and low value leases.

## 26. Related parties

The following transactions were carried out with related parties:

### Directors' transactions

Ian Roberts provided consultancy services while he was a director amounting to £Nil (2022: £41,667) during the year as detailed in note 8. The non-executive directors provided consultancy services to the Company, details of their remuneration are covered in note 8.

Elizabeth Roberts, the wife of Ian Roberts, while he was a director provided consultancy services for office management amounting to £Nil (2022: £10,000) for the year.

### Loans to OPP systems Limited

OPP Systems Limited is a related party of the Group because Norman Lott was a director of the company for part of the year, he resigned on 21 December 2022.

Loan funds were extended to OPP Systems Limited by the Company. The amounts payable at each period end are as follows:

	Year ended 29 March 2023 £	Year ended 29 March 2022 £
<b>OPP Systems Limited</b>		
29 March 2022	55,000	55,000
Amount repaid	(28,000)	-
Amount written off	(25,000)	-
OPP Systems Limited	2,000	55,000

These amounts are repayable on demand, unsecured and interest is chargeable at a rate of 12%.

The loan was repaid on 12 May 2023.

### Transactions with Copian Capital Partners Limited

Copian Capital Partners Limited is a related party of the Group because Norman Lott was a director of the company, he resigned on 14 February 2023.

Copian Capital Partners Limited provide management services to the Company. Copian Capital Partners Limited made the following charges to the Company together with the balances owing as detailed below:

	Year ended 29 March 2023 £	Year ended 29 March 2022 £

Services charged by Copian Capital Partners Limited	53,439	48,000
Balance owed by Copian Capital Partners Limited to the Company	-	8,665
Balance owed by the Company to Copian Capital Partners Limited	156	7,356

## 27. Ultimate controlling parties

The Directors consider that there is no ultimate controlling party of the Company.

## 28. Events after the reporting date

On 24 July 2023 the Company's FDA 510(k) submission for Cervi-LOK was made to the FDA.

On 15 August 2023 the Company raised £50,000 before costs through a Subscription of 2,000,000 new Ordinary shares at a price of 2.5p per share. Following the issue of the 2,000,000 new ordinary shares the total number of ordinary shares in the Company at the date of the signing of this statement was 120,311,869.

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